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### Gold Coast Neighbors "A Day in May"

Come out and enjoy The Gold Coast Neighbor Association's spring fundraiser, "A Day in May." There will be featured cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, live entertainment, and both live & silent auctions. Tickets cost \$100 for GCNA members and \$125 for non-members and can be purchased [on-line](#) or at the door.

**Wednesday, May 14**  
**Germania Place**  
**108 W. Germania Pl.**  
**6:00 pm -9:00 pm**

**Cravings on Clark  
Restaurant Crawl**  
**Tuesday, May 20**

Experience a world of culinary delights from participating restaurants located on Clark Street between Armitage &

Dear Friends,

Thank you to those who have signed the Sprinkler Mandate petition in support of House Bill 4609. This bill will ensure that any potential changes to state fire sprinkler laws are created with more transparency, adequate public input, and open discussion in the General Assembly. Due in part to your advocacy on this issue, the bill has been granted a final action deadline extension to May 31, 2014.

If you have not done so already, please sign on to the [Lakefront Coalition for Responsible Fire Sprinkler Policy Petition](#) and **please continue to urge your entire building to sign. We have 6,000 signatures - and we want to get to 10,000.**

Please [email](#) or call me if you would like me to attend a meeting at your condominium association to explain this threatened mandate - and to talk about other ward issues.

### 2014 City Stickers Now on Sale Ward Sale on May 31

The new Chicago City Sticker will be available for purchase at the City Clerk's office beginning today, Monday, May 12th. Starting on the 15th, you can also purchase the city sticker at participating currency exchanges.

**All stickers expire June 30, 2014.**

On **Saturday May 31st**, we will host the City Clerk for the annual 43rd Ward City Sticker Day at our ward office, 2523 N. Halsted. This is an easy way to renew your sticker and pick up residential day passes, so stop by for some coffee and donuts, and purchase your city stickers right in your ward!

To purchase your city sticker you **MUST** bring your [vehicle registration](#), [photo ID](#), and your [renewal form](#). If your

Diversey, and on Diversey Parkway between Orchard & Lakeview.

After checking in at Cravings Headquarters (2342 N. Clark Street) on Tuesday, May 20; guests will embark on their tasting tour between 6:00-9:00 pm. With "Passports" in hand, they will sample tasting-size portions of signature dishes from 20 participating restaurants.

Advance Passports are only \$30 at [VisitClarkStreet.com](http://VisitClarkStreet.com), or \$35 on the day of the event at 2342 N. Clark Street.

### **New Event! Lincoln Central's Bike, Walk, Talk Spring Zing!**

Bring your bike, your kids, and your dog to the corner of Lincoln and Dickens this Saturday, May 17th.

Join architectural walks, dog walking group and the Kidical Mass Family Bike Ride.

Bike Mechanics will work on your bike for FREE throughout the Event.

The full schedule will be posted on our [website](#) soon.

**Saturday, May 17th  
10:00am - 1:30pm  
Corner of  
Lincoln/Dickens Ave**



43rd Ward Office  
2523 N. Halsted  
[www.ward43.org](http://www.ward43.org)

photo ID does NOT show your current address you must bring proof of residence (your lease, mortgage, or a current utility bill - hard copy only). If you do not have a renewal form, you MUST bring your state vehicle registration, vehicle title, or insurance card that contains your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

The new Year-Round Sticker Sales system will be implemented this year. **From now on, your sticker expiration will be set for 6 months after your license plate expires.** That will result in a few changes for this year only:

- Residents can opt to buy a short term sticker (less than 12 months) or a long term sticker (more than 13 months). The price is pro-rated per month.
- Daily residential parking permits will be valid from June 30, 2013 to December 31, 2015.
- The discounted senior rate applies to ONE passenger vehicle per senior citizen, and a State ID will only be accepted only if the senior is present.
- Truck Permits will continue to be June to June

For a detailed explanation of Year-Round Sticker Sales please click [here](#).

**43rd Ward City Sticker Day  
Saturday May 31, 2014  
9:00 am-2:00 pm  
43rd Ward Office  
2523 N. Halsted**

### **Ventra Final Transition**

The full transition to Ventra is here. All Chicago Cards and Chicago Card Plus cards can no longer be reloaded and will stop working on June 1, 2014, even if the card has value. If you do not have a Ventra Card, you can get one from a machine or retailer, register it online, and transfer your balance online.

Click [here](#) to get more information from Ventra's frequently asked questions page.

Sincerely,

Office Hours:  
Monday  
9 a.m.-7p.m.  
Tuesday-Thursday  
9 a.m.-6p.m.  
Friday  
9 a.m.-12p.m. & 2p.m.-6p.m.

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