

** Alderman **
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Chicago's 43rd Ward



One Step Closer to Fiscal Responsibility

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Office Closed on 11/11

In observance of Veterans Day, the 43rd Ward Office will be closed on Monday, November 11th.

Classics in the Parks: The Gift Theatre

This FREE recreation of Orson Welles' radio production of H.G. Wells' War of the Worlds will feature live music and Foley artists. It coincides with the 75th anniversary of the original broadcast, infamous for convincing people that Martians were invading. Call 773-685-3316 or click [here](#) for more information.

**Thursday - Saturday,
November 7th - 9th,
7:30pm - 9:00pm
Lincoln Park Cultural
Center**

Dear Friends,

In my [last newsletter](#) I wrote to you about the City Council Office of Financial Analysis, which I believe is integral to City Council making responsible fiscal decisions. I wanted to share with you the progress we have made in the last week:

- Last Friday, the Sun-Times ran an editorial entitled "[No more parking deals](#)" championing the proposed office: *"Ideally, this office will help them do their financial homework in a smarter way and give them objective information (much of it comes from the mayor's office now). This isn't about cover. The goal is to arm aldermen with quality, independent information."*
- This past Monday, I appeared on [Chicago Tonight](#) with 32nd Ward Alderman Waguespack and had the opportunity to explain in greater detail the purpose of the office and why I believe it will be an enormous asset to the City Council decision-making process.
- The [ordinance](#) to create a City Council Office of Financial Analysis will go before the Budget Committee this Friday, November 8th.

I am confident that my fellow aldermen will see the merit in the ordinance and vote in favor of moving it forward to a general City Council vote.

Wrightwood Neighbors Association Local CPS Schools Forum

Join the Wrightwood Neighbors Association at their annual Local CPS Schools Forum. Meet the principals of select local schools, learn about the admissions process and get answers to your questions. RSVP to drdan@lakeshorewellness.com Click [here](#) for more information.

**2045 N. Lincoln Park
West**

**Upcoming Beat
Meetings:**

**1821/1822/1823/1824
Tuesday, November 12
7:00pm - 8:00pm
St. Paul's Church
1301 N. LaSalle Drive**

**1811/1812/1813/1814
Thursday, November 14
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Old Town Triangle
Center
1765 N North Park Ave.**

For more information call
the 18th District CAPS at
312-742-5778.

Sharp Mamas Event

Join Sharp Mamas for an evening of networking and socializing at their November event with guest speaker Liz O'Donnell, author of the book *Mogul, Mom, & Maid: The Balancing Act of the Modern Woman*. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

**Thursday, November 21
6:30pm - 8:30pm
Enerspace
1046 W. Kinzie St, #300**

**Lincoln Park High
School on Clark Street**

We are excited to announce that our talented LPHS art students will be showcasing their artwork in pop-up galleries in vacant storefronts along Clark Street and Diversey Avenue.

**Monday, November 11th
New Life Church
1110 W Lill St.
5:30pm: Pizza and Drinks
6:00pm: School Presentations
6:45pm: Q&A**

Remembering Charlie Trotter

This past Tuesday our community lost one of its icons, famed Chef Charlie Trotter. Since 1987 until last July 2012, *Charlie Trotter's* was a dining destination for food aficionados from all over the world. Known for his innovative approach to food and his commitment to locally-sourced ingredients, Chef Trotter redefined the American dining experience.



Rochelle and Charlie Trotter at the naming of the *Charlie Trotter Way* on Armitage

While Chef Trotter garnered top accolades for his cooking, among them, the prestigious James Beard Foundation award including 'Outstanding Restaurant' in 2000 and 'Outstanding Chef' in 1999, his commitment to philanthropy was just as strong.

In 1999, Chef Trotter founded the Charlie Trotter Culinary Education Foundation. For over a decade, he hosted three dinners each week for high school students. In addition, he underwrote the annual fundraising dinners for the

Art on Clark will run from November 2013 to June 2014. Click [here](#) for more information.



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9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Tuesday-Thursday
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foundation, which raised millions to award scholarships for individuals seeking careers in the culinary arts.

Chef Trotter received awards at the White House for his work with his Culinary Foundation and was named a 'hero' by Colin Powell's charity, America's Promise. In 2005, he was honored with the Humanitarian of the Year Award by the International Association of Culinary Professionals for his lifetime service to his community.

In July 2012 when I was notified that Chef Trotter would be closing his acclaimed restaurant, I had an honorary plaque, *the Honorary Charlie Trotter Way*, installed at the corner of Armitage and Dayton, the site of the former *Charlie Trotter's*.

Chef Trotter's contributions to the culinary and philanthropic worlds will live on in the memories of his friends and family, and in the meals prepared by the countless chefs he trained. His neighbors also remember his generosity contributing chefs and meals to the Dayton Street block party. His contributions to the Lincoln Park community will be honored right here in our neighborhood by the street corner that bears his name.

Sincerely,

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