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## EDGEWATER GLEN ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

### GARDEN WALK IN THE WORKS

Traditionally, approximately fifty Edgewater Glen neighbors have graciously opened their gardens for viewing on the Annual Garden Walk. Folks from the neighborhood as well as from many parts of the City and suburbs have come to view the gardens. **Sunday, July 14 is the date, from noon to 4:00 p.m.** Front yards, back yards, perennial gardens, annual gardens, fruit, vegetable, and water gardens will be on view. See the amazing variety of ways the average city lots have been transformed into islands of beauty and at the same time, see how a variety of decks and patios have been added onto the homes to further enhance their properties. This is, also, a wonderful opportunity to meet the neighbors. All Edgewater Glen residents are invited to participate in the 2002 Garden Walk. Please complete and send in the application on the back of this newsletter.

### EDGEWATER GLEN PLANT SWAP

Once again the Edgewater Glen Spring Plant Swap will be hosted by good neighbor Sue Green at 1420 W. Glenlake on **Saturday, May 25, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. 'til noon.**

Bring any of your 'extras' that need to be divided or thinned out like hostas, ferns, iris, black-eyed susans, Lily of the valley, etc. Swap plant treasures and garden talk with your neighbors. Local landscaper, Kim Kaulas will be on hand to share gardening info. Even if you don't have anything to share, please come! There are always lots of leftovers that need a home.

### **Hope to see you there!**

### EGA BOARD MEETS WITH DEVELOPER

On Wednesday, April 10, the Board of EGA met with Michael Lee of Lee Street Management and his architect from Ricchio and Ricchio Architects, developers of a "luxury" condo development at Granville and Lakewood. After viewing the architect's plans, which included 23 units, three street level garage openings on Lakewood, three curb cuts on Lakewood as well as three garage door openings on the alley.

After walking the property, the EGA Board decided unanimously that the curb cuts and garage openings on Lakewood were unacceptable both aesthetically and in terms of pedestrian safety. A letter was sent to Alderman Smith's office stating the objections.

### AUTO REPAIR SHOPS IN EG

Following numerous complaints at the February EGA meeting with Ald. Mary Ann Smith about the auto repair shops on Norwood and Broadway and on Broadway between Glenlake and Norwood, Ald. Smith sent her aide, Lynne Peirce to investigate. In one instance a stolen auto was found on the premise and the owner was remanded to police custody and at the other, a violation of a city ordinance regarding repairing autos on the sidewalk was observed. The owner was warned that three violations of city ordinances would result in the loss of his license to operate his business. Auto shops should not be parking client autos on the residential streets, nor work on the autos in the alley or on the city sidewalks. EG neighbors are asked to report to **Lynne Pierce at Ald. Smith's office (784-5277)**, any violations of city ordinances by the auto repair shops in Edgewater Glen.

### RAVEN THEATER OPENING

160 seat main theater and a 60 seat studio will open this spring at Clark and Granville. First production will be **MARVIN'S ROOM**. Watch for opening announcements.

**New EGA e-mail address:  
ega1@rcnchicago.com**



**UNSIGHTLY AD BENCHES REAPPEARING**

A few years ago, EGA worked with Ald. Smith's office to remove the many benches appearing on the street corners bearing gaudy advertising. A special ordinance was passed so that some areas, Edgewater Glen among them, would be "Ad bench free zones". Once again these "Ad benches" seem to be reappearing. Residents are asked to call Ald. O'Connor's office at 769-1140 or Ald. Smith's office at 784-5277 to report the location of these unattractive benches.

**BIKE AROUND THE 48TH WARD**

The First Annual 48th Ward Bike ride, sponsored by the Chicagoland Bicycle Federation, in cooperation with the office of Alderman Mary Ann Smith will be held on June 1. Riders will meet at the Ardmore entrance to the lakefront bicycle path and then proceed on a route around the ward. The ride will start at 1 PM and proceed at a leisurely pace around the ward. All levels of riders are urged to participate and take advantage of an opportunity to ride the newly marked bike lanes.

Information for the next newsletter will be welcome at Rita Thomson's, 1218 W. Hood, 465-7055 or Betty Morita's, 1229 W. Hood, 764-2475

**MAYOR DALEY'S CLEAN & GREEN PROGRAM**

**SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2002** is the date of the 14th annual Clean & Green program. Block clubs, schools, and community improvement agencies are asked to volunteer. Brooms, rakes and trash bags will be loaned to community agencies to sweep up accumulated litter and trash. Free paint for covering over graffiti and supplies to repaint arterial street light poles will be available. **To register, please call 311.** If EGA neighbors don't wish to participate in a collective effort, they can use their own supplies and clear the litter in their front and back yards, in the gutters, the parkways and the alleys behind their homes. Let's maintain Edgewater Glen CLEAN & GREEN!

**ECC IS NOW A NEIGHBOR**

The Edgewater Community Council has purchased a two story building at 6044 N. Broadway (next to Kim's Hardware) and is in the process of renovating the facility. Moving day is expected to be May 1. ECC will occupy the second floor and Care For Real, the outreach program of ECC will occupy the first floor. Many members have donated funds,

supplies and furnishings to facilitate the move. The needs are still many. Please contact Claire Tobin at (773)334-5609 if you have funds, furnishings, supplies or time to donate.

**EGA ON THE WEB**

The Edgewater Community Council web site will soon have an EGA link. Volunteers are currently working to hook up all the Edgewater block clubs with the site. At present maps and boundaries of the block clubs can be seen at [www.edgewatercc.org](http://www.edgewatercc.org) Check it out!

**EDGEWATER LIBRARY**

**Read and Sing Babies!**

**Saturday, 4/22 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, 4/29- 11:00 a.m.**

**Homework Help**

**Mon.-Tues. 4/22-4/30**

**3 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

**Teacher in the Library**

**Mon-Tues. 4/22-4/30**

**3 p.m. to 6 p.m.**

**EDGEWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOUSE TOUR**

**Sunday, May 5, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Starting at: Sovereign Apts.**

**1040 W. Granville**

**call: 907-1872 for more info.**

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[ega1@rcnchicago.com](mailto:ega1@rcnchicago.com)**

**EDGEWATER GLEN GARDEN WALK**

**SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2002**

**Noon to 4:00 p.m..**

I wish to participate in the EGA Garden Walk:

name \_\_\_\_\_ address \_\_\_\_\_ phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Back yard only  Front yard only  both front and back yard

Special features of my garden are: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to or call: Betty Barclay-1310 W. Hood - 465-2226 or Jeff Wegerson-1240 W. Hood -722-5000