

Edgewater Glen Association 2021 Spring Newsletter

Spring Plant Swap – Saturday May 15th

Edgewater Glen's Spring Plant Swap will be held Saturday May 15th from 10 am to noon in the backyard at 1420 W. Glenlake, weather permitting. The rain delay alternative date is May 16th (same time, same place).

Spring is a great time to thin & share hostas, ferns, and any other plants or gardening paraphernalia that you'd like to find a home for.

Even if you don't have anything to share, come and meet your gardening neighbors. We usually have leftovers that need a home. For more info contact Kim Kaulas at kaulas@rcn.com or 773-368-3949.

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47th Annual EGA Garden Walk-Sunday July 11th – noon to 5pm

The Garden Walk is back! Please plan to mask up when visiting the gardens. This year we are featuring the gardens of west Edgewater Glen. *Put your garden in the Garden Walk using the online form at www.edgeglen.com/gw/ OR filling out and dropping off this slip at 1353 W. Norwood, attention Kim Kaulas.*

I live on 1400-1500 block of Norwood, Glenlake, Hood or Granville and wish to open my garden for the EGA Garden Walk

Name:	Phone:
Address:	Email:

Both Front & Back Yards Front Only Back Only Poison Free

Special features of my garden are:

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Edgewater Yard Sale Postponed Until September

The Annual Edgewater Yard Sale has been postponed until September. There are other organizations involved, so we appreciate your patience – we want it back too! Once a date is finalized, we'll publish it on our website, social media, and email list. FYI, you must be registered and paid in advance to participate. Registration is \$10.00 per dwelling unit. If you live in a condo or apartment unit, the cost is \$10.00 per each household participating.

Protecting and Growing Trees is Our Priority

Part of EGA's mission is to organize to confront the problems of urban life. Addressing the threats to Chicago's urban tree canopy is a key priority for the EGA. The environmental and social benefits are numerous including reducing air pollution, preventing soil erosion, sustaining wildlife, and of course they are just beautiful and fun to look at. Recent events, from the ash bore beetle, the storms of 2020, and reckless behavior by ComEd have destroyed and permanently damaged trees in our area. EGA has a multi-pronged approach to address these issues.

- We conduct regular tree surveys and coordinate with the Alderman's office for city funded parkway tree plantings.
- We strongly support our friends in the Edgewater Environmental Coalition's partnership with the Openlands. <http://www.sustainedgewater.org/tree-request.html>
- We formally endorse the Openlands efforts to compel the city to create an Urban Forestry Advisory Board, and we have asked the Alderman for his backing. You can learn more and sign the petition here. <https://www.openlands.org/ufab/>

If you need a parkway tree, please reach out to egachicago@gmail.com, and we can help provide you with information.

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Join or Renew Membership in the Edgewater Glen Association:

Dues are \$10.00 per year for individuals and families. For businesses and institutions, dues are \$25.00.

Checks can be made out and mailed to: Edgewater Glen Association, 1535 W Hood Ave, Chicago, IL 60660 | Or you can renew at www.edgeglen.com.

Name:	Phone:
Address:	Email:
Date:	Comments:

I am also interested in joining the Board of Directors (see the *Join the Board* section for details)



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Adopt-a-Parkway Corner Grant Program

EGA would like to continue our efforts to encourage extra beautification of our parkway corners by offering matching grants of up to \$100 of material expenses for pre-approved parkway corners. If you live near a parkway corner that could look better and are able to commit to long-term care and maintenance, we'd like to help you by reimbursing the first \$100 of expenses for materials for pre-approved locations.

For pre-approval contact Kim Kaulas at kaulas@rcn.com or 773-368-3949.

About the EGA

The mission of the Edgewater Glen Association is to create a viable urban community, united by geography and vested interests, committed to the betterment of the area and its people, organized to confront the problems of urban life and carry out activities that nurture a community spirit. Learn more at our website www.edgeglen.com.

Attend an EGA Meeting

EGA Board Meetings are open to the public and typically the first Monday of each month. You can find the full schedule on www.edgeglen.com under the 'Events > Calendar section'.

EGA Email Sign-Up

Sign-up for timely emails about neighborhood events by going to www.edgeglen.com and selecting 'Get Email Updates' in the navigation bar.

Follow EGA on Facebook

You can get the latest information on EGA Events and Activities via our Facebook page. Search for "Edgewater Glen Association" in Facebook's search bar and then click follow.

Join the Conversation on the "EGA Neighbors" Facebook Group

Our Facebook Group is called "EGA Neighbors". This group is intended to be a space for neighbors to communicate about what is going on in and around our neighborhood and build positive connections between neighbors on all our blocks. If you would like to join in the discussions over there, search for "EGA Neighbors" in Facebook's search bar, and then request to join the group.

Join the EGA Board! Seriously!

The EGA is seeking engaged residents to join the EGA Board for the 2021-2022 year. The time commitment is minimal. The Board typically meeting the second Monday of every month. To be eligible to run you must be an Edgewater Glen Resident and paid EGA member prior to the election at the Edgewater Glen Garden Walk. To run for the Board either check the box on the membership form OR fill out the online form on the homepage of the EGA website or email egachicago@gmail.com with your name, address, and briefly tell us about yourself. Please apply by June 20th.

Block Parties

Typically, we ask that block captains let us know when block parties are scheduled by emailing egachicago@gmail.com and we post them to our website, so neighbors can plan for parking, deliveries, parties, etc. However, at this time, the city isn't providing permits, and they aren't saying if/when they will. We request that no Block Parties (formal or informal) be scheduled on Sunday July 11th – the Garden Walk is a high-traffic events & we'd like to keep our streets open that day.

Public Safety

Public Meetings for the 2433 District Police Beat are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month via Zoom. For more information and general public safety concerns you can reach out the Alan Oviedo at the Alderman's office alan@48thward.org. For timely notices about public safety issues, sign up for 48th Ward emails at www.48thward.org.

Bookmark our public safety page at <https://edgeglen.com/public-safety/> to have this information on hand.

2020-2021 Board Members

President: John Dale, Vice President: Marjorie Fritz-Birch, Secretary: Jason Eliason, Treasurer: Chris Slivon
Board: Steve Bishop, Kim Kaulas, Tim Later, Steve Meiss, Andrea Raila

