



# Mayfair Messenger

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## Monthly meeting on June 13 – Triangle Park, and a new brew pub?

Our next meeting will to be at **7:30pm** on June 13 at the Irish American Heritage Center, **4626 N Knox Ave.** We will continue Triangle Park planning and hope to hear about an exciting new brew pub proposal. This will be our last meeting before our July & August break, so be sure to come.



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## Letter from the President

Ron Duplack

Spring is here, at least the calendar says so. Prior to our last meeting, I had the pleasure of joining several MCA and Mayfair Park Advisory Council members for a chilly Cubs game, at the invitation of MPAC officers Jon Litwin and Matt Stevens. Despite the weather, a good time was had by all (and, the Cubs won). MPAC has established an excellent working relationship with the Cubs, resulting in, among other things, funding for the new baseball diamonds at Mayfair Park. They continue to pursue opportunities to enhance the community through improvements for Mayfair Park and Triangle Park. Kudos!

Mary Ann Levar attended our last meeting and provided a summary of Congressman Mike Quigley’s current agenda. A general discussion followed, touching on Triangle Park sidewalk replacements, vacant and “garage sale” storefronts on Lawrence, and recent website and newsletter enhancements. We also received an update on the drummers at Wilson and Cicero and neighbors’ efforts to address the noise and safety hazard presented by their “performance” and solicitation of drivers stopped at the light.

We join the community in welcoming Samantha Nugent as the new 39th Ward Alderman, as well as our new Mayor, Lori Lightfoot. Alderman Nugent notified us of a new prospective brew pub looking to join our ranks along Montrose Avenue. We are reaching out to the owners, and hope that they, and you, will attend our next meeting. In the meantime, stay warm and dry!

### 2019 MCA Meetings

Membership meetings are generally held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave. No meetings are held in January, July, or August. These are the rest of the dates scheduled for 2019, with proposed discussion topics.

<b>June 13</b> Triangle Park	<b>October 10</b> Elections	<b>December 12</b> Holiday Party
<b>September 12</b> Traffic & Parking	<b>November 14</b> Annual Party Planning	

Our Board generally meets during the intervening months.

## Beautification

Gabby Lambesis

### Lawrence Avenue Community Garden Bump Outs



We are close to officially welcoming Summer. It has been a busy time in the garden the last few weeks cleaning, pruning and planting. And speaking of planting, our wonderful garden volunteers started planting their annuals in our community garden bump outs. Hold your own garden walk and check out these gorgeous gardens on Lawrence Avenue!

The Mayfair Beautification Committee would like to thank the following businesses that sponsored the garden bump outs: [Laborers International Union – Local #6](#), [Clark Street Sports](#), [Garcia Mufflers Corporation](#), [Halogen Supply Company, Inc.](#), [Hala In Restaurant](#), [We Wash Car Care Center](#), Brian J. Grienberger from [www.bjgproperties.com](#), and [Dispatch Taxi Affiliation](#). Thank you to for your continued support!

Finally, special thanks to our awesome garden volunteers for their contribution and time in maintaining our garden bump outs: Lillie Asbury, KarenLynn Augustyn, Gavin and Margie Chase, Wally and Bea Eliassen, Kristin Mazanonski and St. Edward Cub Scout Pack 3904, Tom Keating, Kathy Payne, and Pam and Ray Sanders. Your endless support, work and commitment always make our community a beautiful place to live.

For more info on volunteering, please contact Gabby Lambesis at [gabsterlamb@gmail.com](mailto:gabsterlamb@gmail.com), or call 773-593-3093.

### Garden Walks in Chicago 2019

Summer in Chicago is a great time to see the many neighborhood garden walks happening in the city. It is a nice stroll behind the garden gates of some of Chicago's loveliest gardens. There is a variety of garden styles from intimate cottage-styles, romantic, formal French and English gardens to ones that are secluded and all beautiful. Below are a few garden walks happening this summer around the city in chronological order. Check Google or your local listing for more information, times, and exact locations.

- [Old Town Garden Walk](#) – Saturday, June 8 and Sunday, June 9 (in conjunction with Old Town Art Fair)
- [Pullman Annual Garden Walk](#) – Saturday, June 22
- [North Center Garden Walk](#) – Sunday, June 23
- [Evanston Garden Walk](#) – Sunday, June 23
- [Bowmanville Garden Walk](#) – Saturday, July 13
- [Bucktown Tree and Garden Walk](#) – Saturday, July 13 and Sunday, July 14
- [Gardens of West Edgewater Glen Garden Walk](#) – Sunday, July 14
- [Sheffield Music Festival and Garden Walk](#) – Friday, July 19 to Sunday, July 21
- [Dearborn Garden Walk](#) – Sunday, July 21
- [Graceland West Garden Walk](#) – Sunday, August 4
- [Lurie Garden](#) – open all year
- [Chicago Botanical Garden](#) – open all year

## Business Buzz

Jean-Marie Minton

Welcome to the “Business Buzz”, where we highlight businesses located in and around our Mayfair neighborhood. In every issue we’ll profile one or two businesses that support the neighborhood, and that we hope you will support in turn. If you have a favorite business that you think we should learn more about, please let us know.

To refresh your memory, or if you didn’t already know, the Mayfair neighborhood is bounded on the east and west by Pulaski and Cicero Avenues and on the north and south by Montrose and Lawrence Avenues.

### Triangle Park Contributors

We’ll continue this column where we left off in the last issue of the Messenger, highlighting the businesses that contributed to our efforts to secure the lot for Triangle Park, the newest green space in Mayfair.

Located where Kasson and Wilson Avenue intersect, this city plot probably would have been developed for housing if it hadn’t been for lots of people working to keep it a green space. Of course a project like this takes money, and local businesses were asked to donate funds, and the following businesses were kind enough to do so. Look for more names next month, because the list is long, and we don’t have enough space to include them all in this issue!

### KATTARA Construction Co.



4614 W Lawrence Ave  
<http://kattaraconstruction.com>

### Luxury Auto Selection



4580 N Elston Ave  
<http://www.luxuryautoselection.com>

### Mayfair Animal Clinic



4314 N Elston Ave  
<http://www.mayfairanimalclinic.com>

### Mayfair Marathon



4721 N Elston Ave  
<https://www.yelp.com/biz/mayfair-marathon-chicago>

### Marie's Pizza & Liquors



4127 W Lawrence Ave  
<https://mariespizzachicago.com>

### Potbelly



4185 W Irving Park Rd  
<https://www.potbelly.com/stores/23239>

**Thanks so much to these businesses for their investment in the community we all live in! More to come in the next issue ...**

## 17<sup>th</sup> District CAPS Office

### Shred-a-Thon, June 19



The 17<sup>th</sup> district CAPS office will be hosting a **free** paper shredding event on **Wednesday, June 19** from **10am-1pm** at 4651 N Pulaski Rd, in the parking lot across from the 17<sup>th</sup> District Police Station.

Bring any documents that you no longer need or want, but that might contain personal or private information.

Examples include:

- Bank statements
- Outdated medical records
- Pay stubs
- Old bills, receipts, credit card offers, etc.

There are some items that should be sorted out and *not* shredded, and these include things like:

- Glossy magazine paper
- Metal clips
- Plastic bags

Please limit to 4 boxes or bags of paper.

This event is sponsored by [Midway Moving and Storage](#). For more information, please call the 17<sup>th</sup> District CAPS Office at 312-742-4588.

### Senior Citizen Community Meeting

The next date for this monthly meeting is **Wednesday, June 19** from **11am-12pm**, and is held at the 17<sup>th</sup> District Police Station Community Room at 4650 N Pulaski Rd. Meetings include a guest speaker and CAPS officers, and feature activities and information on topics of interest to older adults.

For more information, contact Officer Maryjane Parks at 312-742-4588, ext. 114.

More community events hosted by the 17<sup>th</sup> District Police Department can be found at <https://home.chicagopolice.org/office-of-community-policing/community-event-calendars/district-17>.

### CAPS Meetings (Beat 1722)

CAPS meetings for Beat 1722 are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for **June 19**, **July 17**, and **August 21**. Meetings are held at the 17<sup>th</sup> District Police Station Community Room located on **4650 N Pulaski Road** at **7:00pm**.

Dates are subject to change, so please contact the CAPS office to confirm a date at 312-742-4588, or email [caps.017district@chicagopolice.org](mailto:caps.017district@chicagopolice.org).

## Arts in the Mayfair Area

Tracy Kellner

Check out these upcoming events in our surrounding community!

### Arts Events Around Town

Jefferson Park Sunday Market

<http://copernicuscenter.org/jefferson-park-sunday-market-winter>

Great events at the Mayfair Library

[https://chipublib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/local\\_start=2019-04-01%20TO%202019-06-01&fq=branch\\_location\\_id:\(49\)](https://chipublib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/local_start=2019-04-01%20TO%202019-06-01&fq=branch_location_id:(49))

Workshops at Bespoke Vintage

<https://www.bespoke-vintage.com/workshops>

Find more Arts-related events around the city

[https://www.artfaircalendar.com/art\\_fair/chicago-art-fairs.html](https://www.artfaircalendar.com/art_fair/chicago-art-fairs.html)

### Get outside!

Chicago Park District

[https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/events?title=&field\\_event\\_age\\_range\\_target\\_id=All&field\\_event\\_start\\_date\\_value=2019-02-01&field\\_event\\_end\\_date\\_value\\_1=2019-04-30&page=1](https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/events?title=&field_event_age_range_target_id=All&field_event_start_date_value=2019-02-01&field_event_end_date_value_1=2019-04-30&page=1)

Independence Day Bike Parade, Saturday June 29

<https://www.facebook.com/events/independence-day-bike-parade/354675435259853>

Lincoln Square Summer Concert Series – Thursdays, June through August

<http://www.lincolnsquare.org/summer-concert-series>

Lincoln Square Farmers Markets (Tuesday Mornings and Thursday Nights) – Tuesdays and Thursdays, June - October

<http://www.lincolnsquare.org/farmers-market>

Square Roots Festival – July 12, 13, 14

<https://squareroots.org>

Apple Fest

<http://www.lincolnsquare.org/apple-fest>

Manor Bash is a free, family-friendly event will feature 3 bands plus games and activities for all ages - Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 1 PM – 9 PM

[https://m.facebook.com/events/1145816045602504?accontext=%7B%22ref%22%3A%223%22%2C%22action\\_history%22%3A%22null%22%7D&aref=3](https://m.facebook.com/events/1145816045602504?accontext=%7B%22ref%22%3A%223%22%2C%22action_history%22%3A%22null%22%7D&aref=3)

### Gardening Season is coming! Mark your calendars for these events, green thumb not required

Native Plant Sale Calendar & Map

<https://www.chicagobungalow.org/single-post/2019/03/19/Where-to-Buy-Native-Plants-Around-Chicago-2019>

Chicago Lighthouse 33rd Annual Garden Walk, Wednesday June 26

<https://chicagolighthouse.org/event/houseandgarden>

Dearborn 61st Annual Garden Walk, Sunday July 21

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dearborn-garden-walk-61st-annual-walk-tickets-58663512144>

Evanston Environmental Association, Sunday June 23

<https://evanstonenvironment.org/gardenwalk>

Old Town Garden Walk, Saturday June 8 & Sunday June 9

<http://www.oldtownartfair.org/garden-walk>

Ravenswood Manor Garden Walk, Sunday August 11

<https://www.facebook.com/events/408062642636203>

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To receive the *Mayfair Messenger* via e-mail, please send an e-mail to [mayfair-civic-newsletter@googlegroups.com](mailto:mayfair-civic-newsletter@googlegroups.com).

Thanks for helping us stretch your membership dues!

## A note from membership

To keep your membership current for the following year, renewals will be billed in January and July. If you joined the association between May and October, your renewal will be billed in July. If you joined between November and April, you'll be billed in January.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation!

## A note from the editor

Please submit articles of interest or announcements of upcoming public and community events to [mayfair-civic-newsletter@googlegroups.com](mailto:mayfair-civic-newsletter@googlegroups.com) (the editor reserves the right to edit submissions for space and content; items may not appear if they're past the publishing date).

## Mayfair Civic Association Affiliations

Mayfair Civic Association is proudly affiliated with the following area organizations, working together for the good of the neighborhood!

- Mayfair Park Advisory Council (<https://www.mayfairpac.org/>)
- North River Commission (<https://northrivercommission.org/>)
- Northwest Arts Connection (<http://northwestartsconnection.org>)

## Visit Us Online

If you would like to be notified when new issues of this newsletter are published, request to join our email list at <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/mayfair-civic>. If you are a paid member of the Mayfair Civic Association, you will be added to this list automatically.

Also, we have a website! It's a bit out-of-date (we're working on that), but it's there. Check it out at <http://www.mayfaircivic.org>.

## Credits

This newsletter and its contents have been planned, composed, and edited by members of the Mayfair Civic Association, including **Tracy Kellner**, **Ryan Kinderman**, and **Jean-Marie Minton**.

Special thanks to Ron Duplack, MCA president, Chris Lambesis for website updates, and Carol Kroskey, the previous newsletter editor, who set the bar for quality.

**If you're already a member, please pass this on to a neighbor.**

Mayfair Civic Association Membership Application

\$10 per household; \$6 for senior citizens

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City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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