

District 5 Newsletter

Quarterly

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Getting to know Racine with your Alderman

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November 22- Neighborhood Awareness
(Preventing Crime in Our Neighborhoods)

Tour:

November 30 - Chicago Ridge Processing
Facility (Recycling Center)

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Featured District 5 Event

November 20- Kiwanis Holiday Lights-Zoo

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November 12- Dancing with Our Stars
November 12- Racine's Holiday Parade



Greetings!

One of the many high points of this last six months (since being elected) has been the opportunities I have had in building relationships with you. With these relationships I see a partnership that will produce and strengthen the bonds essential to the vitality of this district, and local government.

The confirmation on the importance of these bonds came in the great feedback from last quarter's newsletter and tours. I appreciate it, and will continue to make this a regular line of communication. To increase that connection, I am not only continuing our quarterly newsletters, but also making available on District 5's website a calendar of tours, gatherings, and my board and committee meeting schedule. From that you are always welcome to attend any or all meetings, or understand when I will not be available to answer calls.

Regarding calls, please note I have had to pick up another phone line to cost efficiently handle the volume of calls I have been receiving. The new number is 262-939-8679.

I will now close by repeating what I wrote in the last newsletter:

"During this two year term as you hold me diligently to my responsibilities, I will be respectfully holding you to yours. I am relying on your input and dedication to your concerns to work together with me finding solutions. I believe in accountability and responsibility and believe **we all** have a role in seeing the outcomes we desire."

Again, I am honored that you chose me to represent you.

Sincerely,

Melissa Kaprelian-Becker



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Please join me!

GATHERING

Neighborhood Awareness
(Preventing Crime in Our Neighborhoods)

Where: Cesar Chavez Community Center
2221 Douglas Avenue

Date: Tuesday, November 22

Time: 6:30pm

I have organized a Neighborhood Awareness night due to numerous calls and emails I have received concerning the increase in burglaries and crime in our area. Along with our district I have invited the three districts (4, 7, and 15) that surround us, also Neighborhood Watch, and our Police Department.

Presented that night will be crime statistics for our district and neighboring districts. We will then learn ways we can become more involved and proactive against these crimes.

Attend and:

- Get crime statistics in your area
- Learn ways we can become more involved and proactive against these crimes
- Set up a Neighborhood Watch on your block
- Share with other blocks your active crime preventive measures that work for you and your block.
- Address concerns with your Alderman, and the Police Department regarding crimes you have witnessed.

Question please contact me:

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TOUR

Where: Chicago Ridge Processing Facility (Recycling Center)

Date: Wednesday, November 30

Time: Leaving Racine at 8:00am
Returning roughly 2:30pm

The past tour of Racine's Bulky Waste Site (Recycling Shed) has sparked further interest.

Here in Racine we gather your recycling and send it off to a Processing Facility in Chicago Ridge Illinois.

I am heading down there to see what happens with our recycling matter, and watch the magic that takes place. I will look to get answers to the questions of "What really can be recycled?", and "How clean does your recyclables really need to be?", and "Why is it so important to recycle?"

You are welcome to join me!!

I can arrange car pools if interest is high.

Racine's Recycling Shed at the Bulky Waste Site –
Picture taken on our Tour



**CALL or
EMAIL
if
Interested**

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Featured Events

Dancing With Our Stars

Saturday, November 12th

5:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

Festival Hall, Downtown Racine

LOCAL CELEBRITIES COMPETE ON THE DANCE FLOOR TO RALLY SUPPORT FOR GRIEVING CHILDREN

Racine's 2nd Annual Dancing With Our Stars Gala

Deputy Police Chief, Art Howell is leaving behind his handcuffs for the evening in exchange for a new pair of dancing shoes. He'll be joined by 5th District Alderwoman Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, JJ McAuliffe of McAuliffe's Pub, Jessica Lynott, Rose Coulthart, Chantil Ruud, and Danny Johnson of Danny's Meats and Catering. With critiques and judging provided by Mayor John Dickert, V.P. of Marketing for United Way Tracy Nielsen, RAMAC President Mike Kobyłka, and Dan Reisdorf of Milaeger's.

Dancing With Our Stars is a night of food (catered by Danny's Meats and Catering), fun, fancy footwork, and fabulous auction items and raffle prizes. Proceeds raised from the event will benefit MargaretAnn's Place, a community organization providing programs and services to children whose mom, dad, brother, or sister has died.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.margaretannsplace.org.

OR by calling Me, **Melissa Kaprelian- Becker 262-939-8679**

Or Margaret Ann's Lindsey A. Thomas at 262.620.6334

I could really use your Support that night (and wink, wink...YOUR VOTE!)

Downtown Holiday Parade

Saturday, November 12th 2011

5:30 p.m

"A Storybook Holiday", Downtown Racine's 2011 Holiday Parade will step off from the corner of Main and State streets at 5:30 p.m. led by this year's Parade Grand Marshal Booker the Owl. Booker is the mascot of Racine Reads: Dream Big! The parade will also feature marching bands, lighted floats, costumed characters, Santa Claus and other holiday-themed entries.

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