

**Next BCO Membership Meeting  
Tuesday, September 20th  
Holstein Park  
7PM**



# BUCKTOWN NEWS

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## *What's Happening*

### **Bucktown Arts Fest sees its 20<sup>th</sup> Year!!!**

The 20th Annual Bucktown Arts Fest® will take place Saturday and Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in Senior Citizen's Park at the corner of Oakley and Lyndale Avenues in Chicago (2300 West/2300 North) from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day.

Nearly 200 artists from across the country will display their selected works. Music, dance, theatre and poetry performances will also occur throughout these full two days. Activities for children will be available at a special Kids' Tent. Admission is always free to this unique event.

This year, in addition to raising funds for art-related programs in Holstein Park, the Bucktown Arts Fest® hopes to make significant progress in their effort to raise money for a sculpture to be installed at the Holstein Park playground once its planned renovation and redesign is complete.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's festival. For more information, including a schedule of events, please visit [bucktownartsfest.com](http://bucktownartsfest.com).

### **Around the Coyote...not your ordinary Artist Festival.**

**September 9th, 10th, 11th, 2005** as thousands of art collectors, dealers, and visitors will converge on the Bucktown and Wicker Park neighborhoods of Chicago in one of the city's most unique celebrations of the arts.

Each year, hundreds of painters, photographers, sculptors, actors, performers, dancers, poets, and filmmakers participate in this unique opportunity to exhibit and sell their work to visitors from all over the United States.

Studios and local businesses are transformed into galleries, open store fronts teem with artists and viewers, and scheduled and impromptu performances add an interesting flavor to the festival.

*See **Art News** in this issue for guided tours and other information.*

## President's Corner

By Eva Bergant

What a wonderful summer and fall we've had in Chicago and Bucktown! The holiday season is now upon us.

We hope that you will be able to join us, your friends and neighbors at the Annual Bucktown Holiday Party which will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at Meritage, 2118 N Damen. If you are interested in helping out at the event, or with the silent auction please contact the party committee chairperson, TLynne Seyfarth, at 312-543-3248. The committee is working on sponsorships and donations. More information can be found in this newsletter. It promises to be one of the best events in the neighborhood. Tickets will be available on the website [www.bucktown.org](http://www.bucktown.org) and from committee members.

Elections for the 2006 Board will be held at the next general meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The slate of candidates was presented, and approved

at the October general meeting. It is listed elsewhere in this newsletter.

Bucktown local schools will be presenting education options and registration requirements at the November 15<sup>th</sup> general meeting. The meeting will be at 7pm in the first floor Game Room at Holstein Park, 2200 N Oakley.

The BCO wants to extend our sincerest thanks to everyone who has been involved in the neighborhood and the to outgoing board members. We have had some interesting speakers at the meetings and hope that next year will provide more opportunities to influence the changes in the neighborhood.

Eva Bergant  
BCO President

The mission of the BCO is to promote the general welfare of Bucktown neighborhood residents. The primary purposes of the BCO are as follows:

- 1) To complement governmental and other public efforts by supporting educational, social, recreational, environmental, and cultural enrichment activities that serve the needs and interests of community children, youth, families, and seniors;
- 2) To promote a spirit of cooperation, goodwill and neighborliness, ease neighborhood tensions, and encourage people to openly communicate and take action for positive change in the community;
- 3) To collect and distribute information about topics of interest to the community and provide a public forum for residents and business owners to express their opinions;
- 4) To ensure the quality and availability of public and private community services and enhance the safety for those who live and work in Bucktown; and

- 5) To work with public officials, private citizens, and other neighborhood agencies to protect and preserve the historical diversity of the neighborhood, including housing stock, people, cultural capacity, and other characteristics of the community that make it unique.

*Don't forget that BCO General meetings happen the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month. You can take a look at our website to see what upcoming topics are. If you have a topic you would like to see us address, please contact a board member with your request. We are always looking for suggestions, concerns, and feedback!*

## Welcome to New and Renewing BCO Members

Jodi & Scott Ablin  
 Caroline & Brad Benson  
 Rod & Ruby Bergl  
 Chris Brown  
 Barry Bruner  
 Eric Carpenter  
 Greg & Firouzeh Ciaciura  
 Timothy Czarnecki  
 Suzie Desai & Roger Liew  
 Frank Gauss  
 Sara Hays & John Mitchell

Marilyn Heckmeyer &  
 Gerald Landy  
 Courtney & Tobin Hopkins  
 Mia Jiganti & Tim Mullin  
 Brian Joenk Family  
 David & Leslie Koo  
 Jessica & Mark  
 Kwiathowski  
 Paul & Sarah McHugh  
 Gale & Gordon Meyer  
 Derek & Jennifer Peterson

Frank Rinfret  
 Jim Rundt &  
 Margaret Robling  
 Beth & Ryan Satterfield  
 Stephen Thomas  
 Lynn & Felix Tristani  
 Martin Welfeld &  
 Theresa Miller  
 Ann Yachwack &  
 Peter Beatrice

## A Special Thanks to Our New and Renewing Business Members

Miko's Italian Ice	1846 N. Damen	Chicago	60622	773-645-9664
Urban Domain	1714 N. Damen	Chicago	60647	773-661-0900
St. Hedwig	2226 N. Hoyne	Chicago	60647	773-486-1660
Interstate Bank	15533 S. Cicero Ave	Oak Forest	60452	708-687-6000 x 266
Lincoln Tavern	1858 W. Wabansia Ave	Chicago	60622	773-342-7778
Northpoint Café & Grill	2234 W. North Avenue	Chicago	60647	773-3951111

Pine Grove Management	P.O. Box 40874	Providence	02940	
Rising Realty	1286 N. Milwaukee Ave	Chicago	60622	773-255-6162
Lottie's Pub	1925 W. Cortland	Chicago	60622	773-489-0738
Kaiser Gutheim Partnership Inc.	1734 W. Cortland	Chicago	60622	773-342-4695
Zephyr Dance Company	1627 N. Oakley	Chicago	60647	773-278-0614
New Century Bank	363 W. Ontario	Chicago	60610	312-944-5400
North Damen Group, Inc. DBA Feast	1616 N. Damen	Chicago	60622	
Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce	1601 N. Milwaukee Ave. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl	Chicago	60647	773-384-2672
Northwestern Memorial Physicians Group	1913 W. North Ave	Chicago	60622	312-926-3627
Lipe Property Company	1850 N. Milwaukee Ave	Chicago	60647	773-489-9600
Sam Marts, Architects & Planners	2016 N. Concord Place	Chicago	60647	773-862-0123
Floyd's Pub	1944 N. Oakley	Chicago	60647	773-276-6060

**\*\*If you would like to become a community or business member, please contact Scott Trotter at [ScottT@bucktown.org](mailto:ScottT@bucktown.org), or send in the membership form located in this newsletter!!**

## Business in Bucktown

### BARK Chicago, Inc.

BARK Chicago is West Bucktown's newest business addition for the dog community. They offer dog boarding, dog daycare, dog grooming, dog training and dog walking. Pooches spend their day romping around the 6000 Sq. Ft. OUTDOOR play yard. The play yard is stocked with doggie fountains, cots, ramps, PlaySchool houses and tons of toys! Not to mention other doggie friends! "Since we're a LOT smaller facility than other dog businesses around town, we give that one-on-one attention that larger/corporate daycares can't give," says owner Jennifer Schilling. BARK also features special services, such as the "Play & Bathe Doggie SPA day." This doggie spa day includes aromatherapy and "DOGA," or stretching to help relax your pooch!!

Space is limited so reservations are required in advance! Summer is here & the doggie pools are open! Check'em out!

**BARK Chicago is located at 2450 N. Western Ave. 773-486-BARK Hours are Mon-Fri 7a-7p, Sat 830-5pm & Sun By Appointment/Boarding Client Pickups**

### Sidewalk Sales

**Sidewalk Sales** will be held along Damen Ave. from North to Webster the weekend of **August 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>**. Great Deals are everywhere!!! This is the same weekend as the Arts Fest! So stay around the neighborhood and shop at your favorite boutiques, see some great art at Bucktown ArtsFest, and grab lunch at the terrific neighborhood restaurants (or at the festiva)!...What a weekend!

### New Area Newspaper

A new community newspaper is coming to the West Town neighborhood. The **Chicago Journal**, a mainstay of the South Loop/West Loop/Near West Side neighborhoods, is starting a second weekly newspaper serving Bucktown/Wicker Park/Ukrainian Village and West Town. Look for the first issue on September 15, and every Thursday morning thereafter. (In the meantime, you can check out our website at [www.chicagojournal.com](http://www.chicagojournal.com)). The paper is free.

Last year, the Chicago Journal received the First Place/General Excellence award for large weeklies from the Illinois Press Association. Chicago Journal is owned by Wednesday Journal Inc., a 25-year-old company based in Oak Park that also publishes Chicago Parent magazine, the Wednesday Journal (Oak Park), Forest Park Review, Brookfield/Riverside Landmark and Austin Weekly News.

**Also, Look for the NEW Bucktown Library to open this fall!  
Stay tuned for more info as the BCO receives it!**

**\*\*If you are a new business in the neighborhood and would like to be featured in our newsletter, please contact [StaciaG@bucktown.org](mailto:StaciaG@bucktown.org)**

## **BCO Sponsored Events**

### **Neighborhood Barbecue**

The BCO sponsored a neighborhood barbecue/block party on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. And although rain and untimely weather forced us to cancel the live entertainment and the planned childrens activities, we were still able to host a number of neighbors and friends to a fun evening. We thank the residents on the 1900 block of Cortland for their letting us use their street!! Please stay tuned for upcoming events as we hope to plan more "get togethers."

### **Arts Fest Booth**

Look for us at the Bucktown ArtsFest on the August 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. We are selling some great Bucktown baseball caps designed by local artist, Christine Olson. *And*, with the purchase of a hat comes a discounted BCO membership!! We are looking forward to a great weekend. If you are interested in volunteering at our booth, please contact [ChristineO@bucktown.org](mailto:ChristineO@bucktown.org). We welcome any and all help with this event!

### **Holiday Party**

And finally, we are in the beginning planning stages of our annual Holiday Party. Last year's was a huge success and a lot of fun. We are thankful to have so much community support for this event, and anticipate an equally successful event this year. Should you want to help with this event or have any ideas to contribute, please contact our VP of Fundraising, Tlynne Seyfarth at [TlynneS@bucktown.org](mailto:TlynneS@bucktown.org). We wouldn't be able to pull these kind of events off without the help of great neighbors, so we look forward to your involvement!!!

## Bucktown Art News

### Around the Coyote Educational Programming

Fall 2005 is an exciting time for Around the Coyote Educational programming. ATC is renewing their partnerships with Chase Community School and A.N. Pritzker School with unique after-school arts programming. They are also working with the Wicker Park Garden Club and CPD to combine visual art and horticulture in their Park Kids Grow Class. Look for evening art classes in painting and drawing for adults at Wicker Park this fall.

Please look for an upcoming schedule of Saturday morning classes for kids at our gallery space, located at 1935 W. North Avenue, featuring jewelry making, comic book art, kid's Halloween art, and dance. For adults, the offerings include Wednesday evening courses such as beginning painting, Afro-Caribbean dance, jewelry making, career counseling for artists, and guitar lessons. Please visit our website, [www.aroundthecoyote.org](http://www.aroundthecoyote.org), in the coming weeks for updated scheduling and registration information.

We are always looking for artists and volunteers to assist with our course offerings. If interested, please email [education@aroundthecoyote.org](mailto:education@aroundthecoyote.org).

### New Bucktown Gallery

The Johnsonese Gallery is a fine arts gallery that features the work of emerging artists in a wide range of media. Because they specialize in emerging artists, they are able to offer museum-quality, original works of art at affordable prices. We focus on art with a progressive voice – art that has something to say about improving society. The exhibition schedule includes curated- solo, group, and thematic shows. The gallery also provides art selection services to businesses and design professionals. The current installment is entitled "Cartography 101."

"Cartography 101" features art inspired by maps from 16 artists from across the US. Some pieces are overtly political as you may expect, but other artists use maps as a starting point for the unexpected. This is not your father's geography class.

**Gary Nolan** builds three dimensional maps on vintage TV sets, and then assembles them into an installation. With the TVs on, it becomes a constantly evolving sculpture. Human hair is the medium for **Tamara Kostianovsky's** map of the US. **Betsy Packard** sculpted a girl's dress that was manufactured in Africa into the continent itself. It can be viewed as simply beautiful, or as a statement of how the first world looks upon the third world. Scot Wittman carves maps into giant-scale, innocently-evil cherubs. Books are used by **Aileen Bassis** to create visual maps of immigrants' life-stories. 1950s tourist maps are the inspiration for **Pip Brant's** 'real' tourist maps of Florida and Alaska that feature hurricanes and oil wells respectively. Images are available on the gallery website. Additional images are available upon request. The show will hang from August 24<sup>th</sup>-September 24<sup>th</sup>.

The opening reception for Cartography 101 will be Saturday August 27th from 6 to 8 pm.  
Johnsonese Gallery, 2149 W. Armitage. 773-252-8750. [www.Johnsonese.com](http://www.Johnsonese.com)  
Tuesday-Saturday 11-6

## Around the Coyote Festival Tours

**Guided Art Tours: All tours will be offered Sunday, September 11**

\* **12:00 Wicker Park Garden Club tour of Festival** led by Doug Wood, \$10, limit 20

This tour highlights artwork in the festival with a botanical theme including representational and abstract interpretations.

\* **1:00 Collectors tour of Festival** led by Bridget McDonough and Amy Brandolino, \$10, limit 20

The Around the Coyote 2005 Fall Festival is the best way to start or develop your emerging art collection. Art collectors and Around the Coyote Board Members, Bridget McDonough of Light Opera Works and Amy Brandolino of the Smart Museum, offer a tour of the festival meant to demystify the art buying experience. Tips on how to start and maintain an art collection are given. Bridget and Amy will highlight some of their favorite festival artists, introduce you to those artists, and answer any questions you may have.

\* **3:00 Wicker Park Garden Club tour of Festival** led by Doug Wood, \$10, limit 20

This tour highlights artwork in the festival with a botanical theme including representational and abstract interpretations.

Please consult the ATC website for detailed information on the Theater, Dance, Poetry, and A/V programs going on that weekend.

[www.aroundthecoyote.org](http://www.aroundthecoyote.org)

### Park News

#### ***WEDNESDAYS in August***

Don't forget the Park District Craftmobile comes around every Wednesday to Senior Citizens Park for a FREE ARTS & CRAFTS class. Children 4 years and over are invited to come play.

#### ***SUNDAYS until October***

Stop by the FARMER'S MARKET in nearby Wicker Park every Sunday from now through October 27 for fresh fruits and produce. The market is at the south end of the park, Damen & Schiller.

#### **At Holstein Park**

THURSDAY August 18 6 PM

Our 12 softball league players might want to mark this date. Either you are in THE SOFTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME or you can watch it.

THURSDAY August 25 7-10 PM

The Bucktown Arts Fest holds its annual KICK-OFF PARTY at 7 PM in the Acme Gallery at 1741 N. Western. All participating artists have contributed a piece that will be sold in both a silent and live auction. This is a great chance to get your favorite artist's work at bargain prices. Admission is \$35 at the door or \$25 in advance. Call 312-409-8305 for more info.

SATURDAY August 27 (thru Sunday)

THE BUCKTOWN ARTS FEST is here. The neighborhood festival that put us on the map - voted one of the top 25 arts fests in the nation - is back for it's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

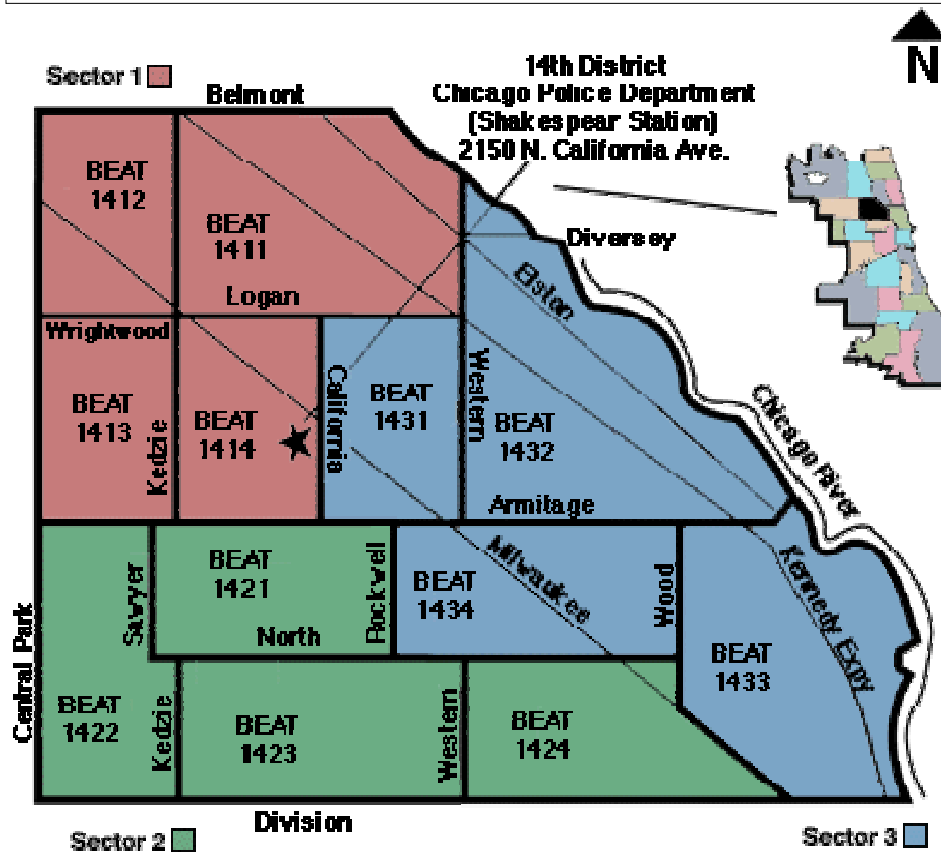
There are more artists and craftsmen taking booths (170+) and more activities (drama, poetry and a music stage) and more people expected (no one counts, but lots of people show up) than ever.

The FRIENDS OF HOLSTEIN PARK will have a BOOTH to sign up members (\$20), sell really cool Holstein Park T-shirts (\$15) and get more people on for the Holstein Happenings email list. (free).

If you have two hours to spare on either Saturday or Sunday, your help "manning the booth" will be much appreciated. Please call Lucy Jacobs (773-227-1676) or email [lucydomino@aol.com](mailto:lucydomino@aol.com).

\*\*If there are any questions or concerns about a park in your neighborhood, or you have any suggestions on how to improve our parks, please contact Debra Winke on our board at [DebraW@buc](mailto:DebraW@buc)

## Attend Your Neighborhood CAPS Meeting



14<sup>th</sup> District: 312-744-8290

Beat 1424  
 North, Western, Division, Milwaukee, Wood  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of Every Month  
 7pm Wicker Park Fieldhouse

Beat 1431  
 Western, Logan, Milwaukee, California  
 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month  
 Location alternates every other month  
 (call 312-744-8290 for location)



Please fill out the following information to become a member of the BCO:

Name:

Business Name:

Email:

Address:

City:  State:  Zip:

Home Phone:  Work Phone:

Occupation (optional):

**I would like to get involved with the following BCO committees**

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning / Zoning | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing / Public Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks             | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising       | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Relations/Safety   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership        | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Relations           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                  |

**Membership Type:**  New  Renewal  Business  
(please check one):

**Please Choose Appropriate Membership fee**  
(please check one):  \$20.00 / Year for Family or Individual  
 \$10.00 / Year for Seniors (Family or Individual)  
 \$50.00 / Year for Business

Please mail this form with your check or money order, payable to:  
Bucktown Community Organization  
1658 North Milwaukee Suite #520  
Chicago, Illinois 60647

The BCO also accepts Visa and MasterCard for your convenience for an additional 4% handling fee. Please sign and mail this form to the address above.

Name as it appears on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Enclosed Amount)



If you have any questions concerning your membership please call us at 312-409-4003 or email us at: [bco@bucktown.org](mailto:bco@bucktown.org)

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### Want to get more involved with the BCO?

Call the hotline at 312-409-4003, visit our website at [www.bucktown.org](http://www.bucktown.org)  
or contact any of the board members

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