



Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Ward • - City of Hickory Hills

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Neighbors and Third Ward Residents:

Folks, this is the twenty-third (23<sup>rd</sup>) issue of the “Third Ward Newsletter.” In it we shall try to update you on past, current and future city activities and events. We encourage you to read about them, let us know your thoughts, and participate in those of interest to you.

– Tom and Brian

## RESIDENT RESPONSE SURVEY

### WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK OF THE IDEA OF ...

**ALLOWING YOU THE OPTION OF SWITCHING / CONVERTING  
YOUR BIG, REGULAR GARBAGE CONTAINERS INTO RECYCLING  
CONTAINERS AND VICE VERSA ... CONVERTING YOUR SMALLER,  
RECYCLING CONTAINERS INTO REGULAR GARBAGE CONTAINERS.**

#### **HERE IS THE BACKGROUND:**

Some residents have told us that they would like to switch garbage containers ... so that the large ones, currently designated for regular garbage ... could be converted into recycling containers ... and the smaller ones, now designated for recycling materials ... could be converted into one for regular garbage.

These residents have told us that they often have more recyclable materials than will fit into the smaller (green top) recycling containers ... and ... on the other side, they rarely come even close to filling up their (blue top) regular garbage containers.

Since, as a city, we want to encourage recycling and the city does get a share of recycling revenue (held in a separate account used to offset some of the annual increases in the costs of solid waste disposal), if we could encourage more recycling by making these “Regular Vs. Recyclable” conversions possible, the city might both contribute to the environment and increase recycling fund revenue.

#### **WHY WE NEED YOUR THOUGHTS ABOUT THIS “OPTIONAL” CONVERSION IDEA:**

**NOTE: THIS PROPOSED CONVERSION / SWAPPING / SWITCHING PROGRAM WOULD NOT BE MANDATORY.**

The idea of allowing city residents the “conversion” option (described above) will require City Council action to formally authorize such an optional conversion program and plan for it accordingly... both in terms of logistics and possibly funding. **But before we do that, we need to have some idea of how many residents would choose this option if it were available to them ... AT NO COST TO THEM.**

**WE NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY THIRD WARD RESIDENTS WOULD CHOOSE  
THIS CONVERSION OPTION IF IT WAS OFFERED (AT NO COST TO THEM)  
PLEASE LET US KNOW BY CONTACTING US ... SEE REVERSE SIDE ...**



# GARBAGE AND RECYCLING CONTAINER SURVEY FORM

As indicated on the front page of this newsletter, we are trying to gather information about ward residents' current and desired combinations of refuse (regular garbage) and recycling containers.

**NOTE: PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SURVEY ONLY IF YOU WOULD LIKE A DIFFERENT COMBINATION OF CONTAINERS THAT THE COMBINATION YOU HAVE NOW. IF YOU ARE HAPPY WITH YOUR CURRENT COMBINATION, YOU NEED NOT COMPLETE THE SURVEY.**

Please help us by checking the boxes below to indicate what you know have and what would be your preferred combination. Again, we make no promise that any changes will be done. Right now, we are just trying to determine if changes are desired and how many would like such changes. Thank you.

## CURRENT COMBINATION OF GARBAGE AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS

We now we have the following combination:

- ☐ A LARGE (BLUE TOP) REFUSE (REGULAR GARBAGE) CONTAINER
- ☐ A SMALLER (GREEN TOP) *RECYCLING* CONTAINER
- ☐ A SMALLER (BLUE TOP) REFUSE (REGULAR GARBAGE) CONTAINER
- ☐ A LARGE (GREEN TOP) *RECYCLING* CONTAINER

## DESIRED COMBINATION OF GARBAGE AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS

If possible, at no cost to us, we would like to have the following combination:

- ☐ A LARGE (BLUE TOP) REFUSE (REGULAR GARBAGE) CONTAINER
- ☐ A SMALLER (GREEN TOP) *RECYCLING* CONTAINER
- ☐ A SMALLER (BLUE TOP) REFUSE (REGULAR GARBAGE) CONTAINER
- ☐ A LARGE (GREEN TOP) *RECYCLING* CONTAINER

### OPTIONAL:

(Please PRINT)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

### **REPLY INSTRUCTIONS**

Please return this survey to us by:

1. Mailing it back to us at:  
Tom McAvoy - 9130 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street - Hickory Hills, IL 60457  
OR
2. Dropping it off in the NON-U.S. MAIL DROP BOX at Tom's house (9130 W. 89<sup>th</sup> St. – just below the regular mailbox near the front door.) Be careful of that fire plug close to the driveway!  
OR
3. Dropping it off at City Hall (8652 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St) Daytime at the Clerk's Office or ANYTIME by placing it in the drive up "DROP BOX" in the City Hall parking lot (near the Northwest Corner of City Hall.)  
OR
4. E-Mail us your answers and/or comments ... [madmc51@aol.com](mailto:madmc51@aol.com)

# VOTER REGISTRATION FACT SHEET

## QUALIFICATIONS



In order to register **to vote**, a person must be:

- 1) a citizen of the United States **on the day he/she registers to vote**; and
- 2) 18 years old on or before the date of the next election (March 18, 2014).

## HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE

### 1) REGISTER TO VOTE IN-PERSON AT HICKORY HILLS CITY HALL

**LOCATION:** Hickory Hills City Hall, Clerk's Office - 1st Floor  
8652 West 95th Street (Across from Fairplay Food Store on 95<sup>th</sup> St.)

**HOURS:** Monday through Friday: 9:00AM to 5:00PM

**NOTE:** ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH THURSDAYS OF EVERY MONTH:  
THE CLERK'S OFFICE IS OPEN UNTIL 8:00PM

**BRING ID:** A person wishing to register to vote in-person must bring two (2) pieces of identification and present them to the voter registrar. Both IDs must contain the voter's name. One must contain the current address from which the person is registering to vote.

### 2) REGISTER TO VOTE BY MAIL

Persons may also register to vote by mail by completing an ILLINOIS VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORM and returning it by mail to the Cook County Clerk's Office.

There are two ways to easily obtain an ILLINOIS VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORM:

- **DOWNLOAD AND PRINT THE FORM FROM THE COOK COUNTY CLERK'S WEBSITE:**

**GO TO:** [www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections](http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections). Click on "Register to Vote" in the drop down box at the LEFT. When the "Register to Vote" screen appears, scroll down and click on the line that reads "Where and how to register." When that screen appears, scroll down to the section titled "Mail-in application form." Click on English (or any other language listed) and the ILLINOIS VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION form will appear. Print out as many copies of that form as you need.

- **CALL COOK COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE (312) 603 – 0906 AND REQUEST THAT ONE (OR MORE) MAIL VOTER REGISTRATION FORM(S) BE MAILED TO YOU**

Once you have completed the voter registration form, mail it to:

Cook County Clerk  
Voter Registration  
Room 500  
69 West Washington St.  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

**KEEP AN EYE ON OUR NEW, IMPROVED CITY WEBSITE:** [www.hickoryhillsil.org](http://www.hickoryhillsil.org)

We urge you to periodically visit the CITY OF HICKORY HILLS' NEW WEBSITE. Earlier this month, a new, easier way to navigate with a more flexible format was introduced on the site. This new format will allow for the posting of more and more timely information about city government and local events. We may occasionally post various updates for Third Ward residents between issues of the Third Ward Newsletter.

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# COMMUNITY EVENTS

# CALENDAR

For more information on any of the below listed events, call the City Clerk's Office 708-598-4800.

## October

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

## November

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

## December

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
30	31					1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

**SAT. OCTOBER 26: 8AM-11AM LIONS CLUB "5K WALK AND RUN FOR FUN"** The Hickory Hills Lions Club is proud to sponsor its third annual "Roar and Run for Fun" 5K Run/Walk. [5K is a little over three miles for folks like me (old Tom) who aren't that good at metrics.] Runs starts and ends at City Hall, 8652 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St. Last year's event was a great success with over 140 participants. It was all made possible with the support of the City of Hickory Hills, the Roberts Park Firefighters, and many volunteers.. **If you would like to be a sponsor, participate, or volunteer for this great community event ... please contact Vince Uzzardo at 708-430-2210, or email at [hickoryhillslions@gmail.com](mailto:hickoryhillslions@gmail.com) or visit [www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/HickoryHills/index.php](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/HickoryHills/index.php)**

**SAT. OCTOBER 26: 9AM-1PM KIWANIS CLUB "TOP IT YOURSELF" PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Community Center, 7800 W. 89<sup>th</sup> Pl. Pancakes, sausage, coffee, milk, orange juice. Add your own choice of toppings, including, butter, maple, blueberry or strawberry syrup, fresh fruits, chocolate chips, whipped cream and various nuts.

**SAT. OCTOBER 26: 1PM-3PM CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY:** City Hall, 8652 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St. Hay rides, clown, balloon sculptures and face painting. Costume contest.

**SUN. NOVEMBER 3: 8AM-2PM HICKORY HILLS BLOOD DRIVE:** Community Center, 7800 W. 89<sup>th</sup> Pl. Blood donors and volunteers needed. To make an appointment or volunteer call the City Clerk's Office 708-598-4800.



**VETERANS, THEIR FAMILIES AND ALL WHO APPRECIATE THEIR SERVICE  
JOIN US**

**SAT. NOVEMBER 9:**

**11AM VETERAN'S DAY OBSERVANCE & WREATH LAYING CEREMONY:**

Veteran's Memorial in the park just West of City Hall, 8652 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St.



**TUE. NOVEMBER 12: 3:30PM-7PM COMMUNITY HOLIDAY DINNER:** Community Center, 7800 W. 89<sup>th</sup> Pl. 3:30p to 7:00p or until food runs out. Free to residents only. Come to greet, meet and eat with your neighbors.

**SUN. NOVEMBER 17: 12PM-5PM ST. PATRICIA'S SUPER BINGO & PULL TABS**

**MON. NOVEMBER 25: LAST DAY FOR YARD WASTE PICK UP-THIRD WARD. (NOTE:** Monday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> for all 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward residents except those on Steeple Hill Drive, Finley Drive and Miroballi Drive --- whose last day will be Wednesday, November 27.)

**TUE. NOVEMBER 26: 6:30 PM. HICKORY HILLS CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY:** The parking lot / park just West of City Hall, 8652 W. 95<sup>th</sup> St. Stag High School choir will perform holiday music and there will be snacks. Bring a weather-proof, non-breakable ornament for the tree and dress warmly.

**SAT. DECEMBER 14: 12:45PM-3PM CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Krueger Park Recreation Center, 91<sup>st</sup> and 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Santa, entertainment and fun galore.

**TUE. DECEMBER 17: 6:30PM-9PM CHRISTMAS HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST:** Community Affairs Commission members will be driving down every residential street to find homes in each Ward to be designated as decorating contest winners. Have any holiday lights / displays lit by 6:30PM for judges.

## HICKORY HILLS SERTOMA CLUB CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> UNTIL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>  
(OR UNTIL ALL TREES ARE SOLD)**

**SABRE ROOM PARKING LOT - 8900 WEST 95<sup>TH</sup>**

Sertoma is abbreviated for "**SERVICE TO MANKIND**". Sertoma Club members are men and women who feel that God, life, or their fellow man has been good to them and they feel an obligation to help others in return. While their focus is upon helping the hearing impaired, the club also sponsors local student scholarships, and other local charitable efforts and groups ... all of which serve the Hickory Hills area. The club's annual tree sale is their major fundraiser. If you buy your tree from them you'll get a good tree and support the club's programs which benefit our community.