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# Neighborhood & Community Groups Supporting TRAC

Bowmanville Neighborhood Assn.

Brighton Park Neighborhood Council

Bucktown Community Organization

East Lakeview Neighbors

Edgewater Community Council

Friends of Holstein Park

**Greater Rockwell Organization** 

Hamlin Park Neighborhood Assn.

Horner Park West Neighborhood Assn.

**Hawthorne Neighbors** 

Jef ferson Park Neighborhood Assn.

Lake V iew Citizens' Council

Lakewood Balmoral Residents Council

Lincoln Central

North Logan Block Club

Northcenter Chamber of Commerce

Northcenter/Lincoln Square Neighborhood Assn.

Old Irving Park Association

Portage Park Neighborhood Assn.

South Lakeview Neighbors

Southport Neighbors

Triangle Neighbors

U.N.I.T.E. Civic

Ukrainian Village Preservation Society

West DePaul Neighborhood Assn.

West Walker Association

Wicker Park Committee

Wrightwood Neighbors

# **SAVE THE DATE!!!! THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2006**

THE PROPERTY TAX REVOLT OF 2006 HAS BEEN SCHEDULED! JOIN TRAC AND COMMUNITIES FROM ALL OVER THE CITY ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2006 AT THE BOAT HOUSE, IN HUMBOLDT PARK AT 6:30. PARKING RIGHT IN FRONT OF ALONG THE STREET JUST TO THE SOUTH! THE BOAT HOUSE IS LOCATED BETWEEN NORTH AVENUE AND DIVISION ON HUMBOLDT DR – 1500 N. HUMBOLDT DR. FILL YOUR CAR WITH FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS! HELP US MAKE SOME NOISE! BRING A SIGN! DETAILS WILL FOLLOW...SAVE THE DATE! SEPTEMBER14, 2006 AT 6:30 PM.

## SUMMER UP-DATE AND ROLLING (PROPERTY TAX) REVOLT OF 06

It has been a just over a month since a very successful venting took place during an Appeal Workshop hosted by Assessor Houlihan in Lakeview. The auditorium was packed with vocal taxpayers. Our TRAC membership was there in full force. Volunteers sold over 300 of our window signs for the Rolling (property tax) Revolt of 06 and passed out hundreds of cards directing people to call the Mayor (312-744-3300), Governor (312-814-2121), and Madigan (773-581-8000) – "stop taxing us out of our homes!" The elected officials that were there got an earful and then some.

TRAC continues to reach out to more communities; many of them are seeing large increases for the first time. So far the following townships have received their reassessment notices: Rogers Park, Lakeview, Lake and now Jefferson Township.

The increases are coming at a time when we are all struggling with our own budgets as gas prices and heat and electric bills continue to skyrocket.

TRAC is asking everyone to send us a copy of his or her reassessment notices so that we can continue the Rolling Revolt. We intend to keep the issue of rising assessments out there until the last notice is sent out. We need your help. Go to our web site and follow the directions that we have posted and fax or mail a copy of your assessment notices to TRAC at (fax) 1-773-472-2507 (mail) TRAC, 867 West Buckingham, Chicago, IL 60657. TRAC has an extensive list of media contacts that are receiving these notices on a bi-weekly basis along with the "four tops" of government – the Governor, the Mayor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House.

### PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS FOR THE CITY

Here is your chance to tell the Mayor how you really feel about property taxes! TRAC is encouraging everyone to get some "face time" with Mayor Daley by attending one of these meetings. Tell him that we need him out front on getting the 7% Expanded Homeowners Exemption bill PASSED in the Veto session this coming November. Tell Mayor Daley that he needs to pressure Speaker Mike Madigan to pass this bill!

Registration for all hearings opens at 6:00PM – Testimony begins at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, August 22nd, Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities/Dept of Aging 2102 W. Ogden Avenue

Wednesday, August 23rd, Falconer School 3020 N. Lamon

Thursday, August 24th, South Shore Cultural Center 7059 S. South Shore Dr.

#### WE CAN WALK AND CHEW GUM AT THE SAME TIME

TRAC is encouraging all of you to help us get the 7% passed in the "veto session" beginning November 14, 2006. Look for Calls-to-Action around that time – but you can make calls now and let the powers that be know that you want this "relief" passed during this session. It is never too early to