



BLOCK PARTY SUCCESS!

What a day! Huge thanks to everyone who came, contributed, cooked, hauled, staffed, and supported—this celebration was truly a team effort. Check out the detailed recap on page 2.



NEXT MEETING

Thurs Oct 9th, 2025 | 7pm
Topics include: 2026 budget proposal, activities update, and homeowner open forum.



ACTIVITIES

After the great response to the Easter Egg Hunt, garage sale, and block party, we're excited to keep things rolling!

Pumkin contest—check the [Activities page](#) on our site to learn or get involved.



BACK TO SCHOOL

Wishing all our neighborhood students and families a smooth, joyful return! As the school year begins, please be extra mindful of children walking, biking, waiting at bus stops, and boarding buses.

Let's all do our part by obeying school bus signals and driving with care—especially during morning and afternoon pickup times.

Here's to a safe and successful school year ahead!



BOARD VACANCY

We have an open Treasurer seat on the HOA Board. If you're interested—or want to nominate someone—please visit the Board Page to complete the Candidate Form by September 30th.

A special virtual meeting will be TBD. Homeowners are welcome to attend and vote.





WALKUP ROCKED THE BLOCK!

NEIGHBORS UNITED, FUN IGNITED!

Our first-ever HOA block party was a huge success, with over 125 neighbors joining in for an afternoon of fun, connection, and community spirit. From fire truck tours to potluck treats, games, and creative activity stations, there was something for everyone to enjoy.

Even a surprise summer storm couldn't slow us down—everyone pitched in to shelter quickly, then picked up right where we left off. The shade, music, and friendly vibes kept things cool despite the heat, and we loved seeing neighbors meet, mingle, and make memories.

Thanks to all who volunteered, contributed, and came out. With such a great turnout and so many smiles, we're already excited for next summer's party—bigger and better!



OTHER NEWS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT LEAD



We're excited to share that long time resident Tracy R. has volunteered to serve as our Community Engagement Lead!

Tracy will be leading the charge in organizing events and activities that bring neighbors together and build connection across Walkup. Tracy has lived in Walkup for over 20 years with her husband Tom and their two sons. She's known for her warmth, creativity, and genuine care for others – and now she's channeling that energy into helping us create fun, meaningful ways to gather and celebrate as a community.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events and opportunities to get involved - checking the [Activities Page](#) on our site in a great way to stay in the loop.

We're lucky to have Tracy guiding this effort!

WALKUP SIGN HOLIDAY LIGHTS



We're lighting up the Walkup monument this season to bring some festive cheer to our entryway! If you have extra lights to donate (simple and classy, please – no inflatables), or if you'd like to join the decorating crew, we'd love your help. Reach out to walkuphoa@gmail.com to get involved.

CRYSTAL LAKE NEWS

Curbside Electronics Collection

(LRS) will be conducting curbside electronics collection during the week of September 8 - 12 . Residents may set out a max of 5 electronic items, including a limit of one TV or one computer monitor. The electronics will be collected on residents' regularly scheduled collection day

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 16, 7pm

Planning & Zoning Commission mtg

Wednesday, September 17, 7pm



Walkup Pumpkin Contest

October 31st

***Get ready to scoop, paint, hot glue and show off your gourd-geous creativity!
Our Pumpkin Contest invites neighbors of all ages to join in the fall fun.
This is your chance to turn an ordinary pumpkin into a masterpiece.***

How it Works:

- **Display:** Create your pumpkin and display somewhere visible in the front yard
- **Categories:** Funniest, Spookiest, Most Creative
- **Voting:** Board Member will select the winning pumpkins. Winners will have a prize delivered right to their doorstep on Halloween night!
- **Bonus:** Winners will be featured in our community website and newsletter

Let's light up Walkup with laughter, lanterns, and a little friendly competition!