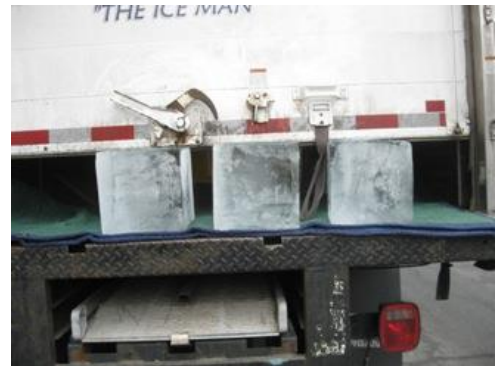


History on the Rocks: Gadsby's Historic Ice Well

Ice Chips

In preparing the ice well on Wednesday, bringing the ice down very carefully on Friday, and telling its story to hundreds today, there are a few fun tidbits to pass along so far.

- On Wednesday as I paused to appreciate this simple, but impressive architectural feature - and watch one of the City's General Services help fix our lighting - I heard him speak clear as day, yet he was on the opposite side of the well. I then remembered back to my recent U.S. Capitol tour and I realized we have our own "U.S. Capitol Whispering Gallery". It was a very cool moment - literally and figuratively.
- Thanks to our team from [USAICE](#) Baltimore & Manassas for rigging up a great system to get twenty-one 300 pound blocks down into the well. It was impressive.
- The temperature when we started on Friday was 47 (and of course the hottest day on record). By the time we checked Saturday night before the annual George Washington Birthnight Ball, it was down to 44.
- You can really make ice cream in a ziploc bag.



Blocks of Ice



Ice Team