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Happy Mother's Day

In America, the second Sunday in May is the day we set aside to honor Mother. One of the most intricate and important duties one can accept is to steer, protect and nurture another's life.

Mothers hardly ever get the credit they deserve in their day-in-day-out dedication to the generations of young people now and forever. They, our Mothers, influence the future of the entire earth; they have for years past and will continue, far into the future.

Thank you to all of the Mothers everywhere for a life's tireless commitment, not always recognized for its true worth.

NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC ART WINNERS

"The Looking Glass,"
a photo by Niles West
student Tia Mitchell

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Resurrection
COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

Haley Beierwaltes '15, Melissa Anderson '14 and Catherine Mazur '14 (left to right), all from St. John Brebeuf Parish, are three of the seven students from Resurrection College Prep who were honored with the Archdiocese of Chicago Youth Leadership Award.

RES STUDENTS AWARDED ARCHDIOCESE YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

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CITY OF CHICAGO ANNOUNCES SPRING FOOD TRUCK RALLY

They're back! 10 Food Trucks to converge on Daley Plaza Monday, May 5

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) is once again rounding up food trucks for a spring Food Truck Rally on Monday, May 5 at Daley Plaza (Washington and Dearborn) presented by the City of Chicago, Goose Island Beer Company and Illinois Lottery. Ten food trucks will participate in the event, which runs 11 a.m. until 7 p.m.

The City of Chicago Food Truck Rally will provide both lunchtime and after work dining options as well as a designated area for beer and wine to be purchased and enjoyed, plus musical entertainment.

Participating food trucks include: **The Cheesie's Truck • Chicago Lunchbox • The Fat Shallot • Gino's Steaks Truck • Giordano's • Harold's Chicken • Ms. Tittle's Cupcakes • The Slide Ride • Starfruit Café • Tamale Spaceship**

Food trucks will also be a part of upcoming DCASE festivals including the Chicago Blues Festival (June 13-15), Chicago Gospel Music Festival (June 27-29), Taste of Chicago (July 9-13) and others events throughout the summer and fall. The City of Chicago Food Truck Rally is presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, Goose Island Beer Company and the Illinois Lottery. For information on this and all programs presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, visit our website at cityofchicago.org/dcse and join us on Facebook and Twitter @ChicagoDCASE (#ChiFoodTrucks).



COMEDIAN TIM WALKOE

"Famous comedian, Tim Walkoe, a lifelong resident of Edgebrook, will be appearing at Zanies in Chicago from May 6th thru May 11th after finishing a recent appearance at Zanies in Rosemont. His website is www.timwalkoe.com and you can like him on Facebook."

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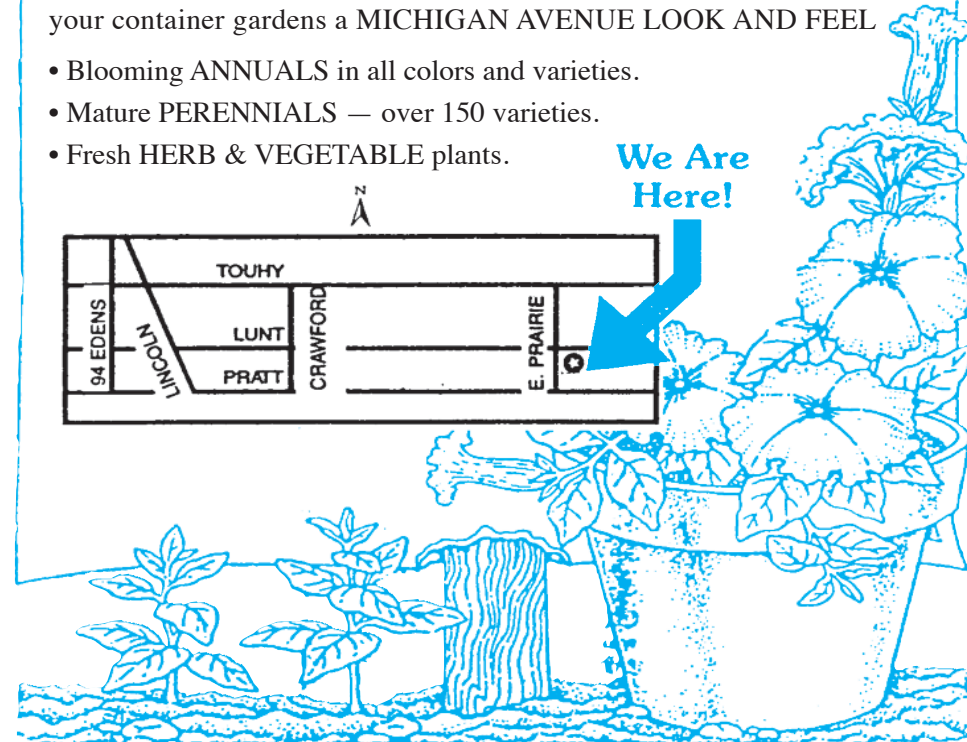
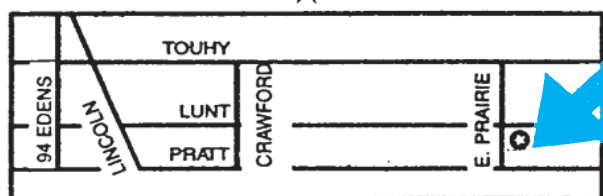
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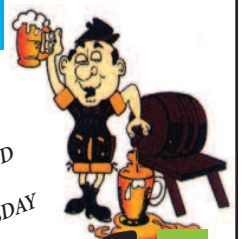


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Presence Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers April Health Programs

Presence Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center, 5645 W. Addison St., Chicago, will offer the following health events in May.

The Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, May 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. This free support group aims to provide mutual support and education. For more information, call 773-794-8329.

A free Healthy Aging Program will be held Friday, May 9, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. This program for individuals aged 55 and older consists of social time, health topics and guest lectures. Juanita Galindo, R.N., will discuss radiation modalities. Registration is not required.

A free lecture titled Understanding Medicare and Medicare Supplements will be given Thursday, May 29, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Blue Cross/Blue Shield staff will provide an overview of original Medicare and how Medicare supplemental insurance plans work with Medicare parts A and B. They also will include updates for 2014, eligibility and enrollment periods. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration is required by calling 877-737-4636.

The Arthritis Support Group will meet Thursday, May 29, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center. These free sessions aim to provide mutual support and education. Registration is not required.

Free blood pressure screenings will be offered Friday, May 30, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., in the hospital's main lobby. A health care professional will perform screenings and answer questions about blood pressure readings. Registration is not required.

Free parking is available in the hospital's parking facility on Addison Street.

Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood

The Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood meets every 2nd & 4th Thursday (with some exceptions) at the Hilltop Restaurant, NW corner of California & Foster Avenues, Chicago. Plenty of FREE PARKING is available in the lot west of the restaurant, on the north side. To confirm the meeting dates please call Maria Bappert at 773-728-8127. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SAVE THE DATE! All Kiwanis Club members, their families and friends are cordially invited to attend a special event hosted by Division One and the Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood. Here are the details: Luncheon Meeting at the Barba Yianni Grecian Taverna, 4761 N. Lincoln Avenue, Chicago on Thursday, May 22, beginning at Noon. We will enjoy delicious Greek specialties served family style, which includes coffee and baklava for dessert, all for a nominal \$25.00 per person in advance or \$30.00 at the door. Cash bar is available at reasonable prices. FREE PARKING is available in the mb Financial Bank on the north side of Lawrence Avenue. Turn west on Giddings Street, off of Western Avenue and south of McDonald's Restaurant.

Thursday, May 8 – Regular Club Meeting followed by a Board Meeting.

Sunday, May 11 – Mother's Day – God bless all our Moms!

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Foster/Harlem Community News

The Foster Harlem Property Owners Association's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday May 15, 7:00pm at St. Monica's Beyenka Hall, 5101 N Mont Clare. The Association will host:

Jac Charlier, Fair Allocation in Runways Coalition (FAiR) will discuss what is being done about the increase of loud planes overhead day and night and what you can do to help solve the problem.

Oscar Torres, City of Chicago, Office of Emergency Management & Communication (OEMC) will present on this very important City Department and how it relates to you.

Norbert Cioromski, Capernicus Center will update us on future events and programs at this historic Northwest Side theatre.

EZRA-HABONIM, THE NILES TOWNSHIP JEWISH CONGREGATION SISTERHOOD PRESENTS SPECIAL SHABBAT SERVICE

The Sisterhood of Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 W. Dempster, Skokie, will lead a special "Sisterhood Shabbat"

Saturday, May 10, starting at 9:30 a.m. Sisterhood members will read from the Torah, recite the Sabbath prayers and deliver a special sermon. The services will be followed by a lunch sponsored by the Sisterhood.

The program is open to all. For more information, please call the office of the synagogue at 847-675-4141.

FREEDOM FORWARD: 25 years after the fall of the Berlin Wall Exhibit by Kai Wiedenhöfer

Opening Reception Thursday May 15, 2014 6:00 pm- 9:00 pm

Gallery hours: Monday through Saturday 11 am to 3pm and by appointment

DANK Haus German American Cultural Center presents "Freedom Forward: 25 years after the fall of the Berlin Wall," an exhibition of artist Kai Wiedenhöfer's panoramic photographs.

Kai Wiedenhöfer photographed the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. He was deeply moved by the historic event, calling it the most positive political experience of his life. It left him optimistic about the future. He thought he had seen the end of walls like the one that divided his city for 28 years. This idea proved to be wrong, walls have made a big comeback.

From 2006 to 2012, Wiedenhöfer documented the construction of the barrier between Israel and the West Bank with large format panoramic cameras. The work was published in the book CONFRONTIER by Steidl in 2013. When he visited Northern Ireland in 2008, he thought the so-called "peace lines" dividing Catholic and Protestant neighborhoods might start to come down. Instead new walls were constructed and old ones were reinforced. Over the last seven years, Wiedenhöfer has also been to the fence along the U.S.-Mexico border, the demilitarized zone separating North and South Korea, and a wall in Baghdad built by the U.S. Army. In all, he made 21 trips to eight different walls.

Through his work he aims to illuminate the psychology of borders, to raise questions and probe our experiences. He intends to reveal us as participants, sometimes unwitting, but participants nonetheless. And while barriers are a protection, they are also a cage. His is an appeal to talk more and try to understand the people on the other side.

Kai Wiedenhöfer: "Walls are no solution for today's major political problems, and I think the Berlin Wall is the best proof of that." These days it's hard for him to imagine a world without walls. But he wants to remind people what Berlin demonstrators chanted in 1989: "Die Mauer muss weg – the wall has to go."

The Art and Heritage Initiative aims to keep significant historic events alive through the arts. Recently, when we asked a group of inner city youth in Chicago how many had heard about the Berlin Wall none raised a hand. This year the world celebrates the demolition of that prison wall erected by a totalitarian state to keep its people inside, the event that marked the end of the Cold War.

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Eurovision Song Contest 2014 Viewing Party DANK Haus hosts international pop party

Every year more than 125 million people tune in from around the globe to watch the longest-running television show in the world.

Since 1956, member countries of the European Broadcasting Union have sent their candidates to compete for the best performance. The best known winner of this competition is ABBA's Waterloo and it launched not only their career, but also the careers of other artists like Celine Dion, France Gall, Olivia Newton-John and Germany's own Nicole ("Ein bißchen Frieden").

DANK Haus is opening its doors for a viewing party and we will stream the contest live from Copenhagen. Come and cheer for Germany, who won the contest in 1982 and 2010 (Lena with "Satellite"). We are hoping that Elaiza will bring the title back with "Is It Right".

It might be kitschy, it might be wacky, it might be tragic, but it is always a lot of fun!

EVENT DETAILS

Saturday May 10 2014 @ 2:00pm (doors open at 1:30pm)

DANK Haus, 4740 North Western Avenue, Chicago IL 60625.

This event is Free and Open to the Public

MB Financial Bank at Western & Gunnison is generously donating parking for this event. DANK Haus is located ½ block from the Western Brown Line stop.

Evanston Public Library Announces Spring Book Sale: May 2-4

The Evanston Public Library will hold its Spring Book Sale from Friday, May 2 to Sunday, May 4. Buyers can expect to: browse through a collection of vintage books from the recently closed Bookman's Alley; discover an astonishing array of children's books ready for the discerning buyer and gift-giver; find the usual array of top condition fiction and non-fiction at low, low prices. Did we say low? (Even lower than low.) The Evanston Public Library Book Sale has been named "The Best Used Book Sale" by the Chicago Reader.

All proceeds from the sale, which takes place in the third floor Book Sale Room, benefit the Evanston Public Library. Last year, Evanston Public Library Book Sales raised \$60,000 for the Library.

Book Sale Hours:

Friday, May 2 and Saturday, May 3: 10am to 5:30pm. (There will be an Early Bird Preview on Friday from 10am to Noon, \$5 admittance fee. At all other times the Book Sale is free.)

Sunday, May 4: 12pm to 5:30 pm, all books half-price.

The Evanston Public Library is located at 1703 Orrington Avenue. Parking is available in the Library's underground parking garage, as well as in the nearby surface lot, metered street parking, and City Parking Garage at Church St. and Chicago Ave.

D219 STUDENTS ARE NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC ART WINNERS (From Page 1)

Two Niles Township High School District 219 students have earned national recognition in the 2014 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. They have been identified by panels of creative professionals as some of the most talented young artists in the nation. This year, over 255,000 works of art and writing were submitted. Only the top 1% were recognized at the national level. Alethea Busch from Niles North received a Gold medal for her photo "Advertizement". Tia Mitchell from Niles West won a Silver medal for her photo, "The Looking Glass." The students have been invited to attend a ceremony at Carnegie Hall in New York City in June.

NILES WEST MUSIC PARENTS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS THE 34TH ANNUAL PASTA & POPS DINNER AND CONCERT

The 34th annual Pasta & Pops dinner and concert will be held on Saturday, May 10 at Niles West High School, 5701 W. Oakton, Skokie. This event features performances by the Niles West High School orchestras, choirs and bands. Pasta & Pops is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the Niles West Music Parents Association and all proceeds help to support music education at Niles West by funding projects and scholarships. The silent auction begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by a dinner buffet catered by Graziano's at 6 p.m., and musical performances beginning at 6:15 p.m. Tickets are \$16 per person and include dinner and the legendary sweets table with desserts donated by the student performers and their families.

Don't miss this popular event—it is sure to sell out!

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A Message From The Editor

Thank you to all of our readers and advertisers for following and contributing to the Our Village News through the many years we have been in print and on-line.

Our Country, State, City and County working together is vital to the success of our Communities. However, it is the Neighborhoods in which we individually live and work that are the foundation at the base of any successful efforts toward growth.

The Our Village News has always been pointed to those Neighborhoods and the activities and services that exist within them. We plan to continue in that same direction and to enhance our coverage even more. In order to do that, we need your help by sharing information with us about matters you feel are important to share with one another. We want to hear your thoughts, your concerns, your stories about people you admire and who contribute in special ways, your ideas for helping your Neighborhoods work more closely together and amongst the Communities that surround yours in order to make life even more full than it is now.

We want to be of value and perform the services we can provide in the best way we are able. The Our Village is your paper – we are the merely the vehicle through which we can assist you, the local residents and businesses, in coming together. Please allow us to do just that.

We are available any time to accept your calls at 773/633-4059. If e-mails or posted letters are more to your liking, then please send to contact@ourvillagechicago.com or P.O. Box 31391, Chicago, IL 60631. We look forward to hearing from you, soon and often.

*Remember: Bad things can only happen when good people do nothing.
Get involved and stay informed.*

University Guild of Northwestern University

May 5th - The University Guild will be entertained by the Northwestern Music Theater Department at its Annual Luncheon at the Guild Lounge, located at 601 University Place, 2nd Floor of Scott Hall, University Campus. We will be entertaining and congratulating our scholarship winners. The Northwestern Music Theater Department will join us with a beautiful performance.

RES STUDENTS AWARDED ARCHDIOCESE YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

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Seven Resurrection College Prep High School students received the Vicariate II Youth Leadership Award from the Archdiocese of Chicago, on Sunday, March 2nd at the Annual Vicariate II Youth Leadership Awards Banquet. The award was presented by Reverend Ronald Kalas to Resurrection students for the ministry of Prayer and Worship to Melissa Anderson '14 (60714, St. John Brebeuf Parish), Alani Vargas '14 (St. Gertrude Parish) and Ana Wiatr '16 (60630, St. Cornelius Parish); for the ministry of Catechesis and Evangelization to Haley Beierwaltes '15 (60714, St. John Brebeuf Parish) and Izabela Giglione '16 (60656, St. Monica Parish); and for the ministry of Community Service and Social Justice to Catherine Mazur '14 (60647, John Brebeuf Parish) and Katherine Oshinski '16 (60630, St. Cornelius Parish).

The award was established to celebrate, acknowledge, and affirm the outstanding youth leaders in Catholic parishes, high schools and neighborhoods. Through youth, campus, music, and parish ministry programs teens have had a chance to experience varied opportunities to develop leadership skills as peer ministers, mentors, members of planning teams, leaders of prayer, and advocates in the outreach to those in need.

Walk MS to Take Place May 4 at 11 Illinois Locations Annual Walk Raises Money for Research and Support of People Affected by Multiple Sclerosis

Walk MS, the largest annual fundraiser of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Greater Illinois Chapter, is less than two weeks away. The event takes place on May 4 at 11 locations statewide, including Bloomington, Chicago Lakefront, McHenry County (Lake in the Hills), North Shore (Glenview), Northwest Suburbs (Palatine), Rockford, St. Charles, South Suburbs (Orland Park), Southwest Suburbs (Lockport), Springfield and West Suburbs (Naperville). Walk MS brings people together across the country to celebrate the progress and powerful connections made in the movement to end MS.

"Walk MS is truly an amazing event," said Deb Ibarra, who participates in the Southwest Suburbs Walk. "As a person newly diagnosed with MS, it really was the best experience. We got to meet people at all different stages and the support from the volunteers who came up, asked about my story, provided hugs and words of encouragement was just incredible."

Event participants have the option of walking 1-6 miles (depending on the site) on one of the fully accessible routes. Registration and start times vary based on location, with registrations ranging from 7:30 a.m.-noon and start times from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

"For many people living with MS, this is one of the best and most important days of the year," said John Blazek, Greater Illinois Chapter President. "Whether it's through participating at one of our Walk sites, volunteering, fundraising or recruiting a friend or family member to be part of the movement, the amazing turnout of thousands of supporters for this signature event helps bring us that much closer to our ultimate goal of a world free of MS."

Last year, more than 20,000 people participated in Walk MS throughout Illinois, raising over \$2.7 million to fund MS research, programs and services, making it one of the largest MS fundraisers in the nation.

Multiple sclerosis is an unpredictable, often disabling disease that interrupts the flow of information in the central nervous system, which includes the brain, spinal cord, and optic nerve. The Greater Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society mobilizes people and resources to drive research for a cure and to address the challenges of more than 20,000 individuals in Illinois and 2.3 million worldwide affected by MS.

To find out more or to register or make a donation, contact Samantha Edidin at 312.423.1156 or at samantha.edidin@nmss.org, or visit walkMSillinois.org.



MAYOR EMANUEL ANNOUNCES ONE MILLION DIVVY TRIPS

Bike Share System Celebrates One Million Individual Trips Taken Divvy Week Offers \$5 24-Hour Passes and Membership Incentives

Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced today that in just nine months of operations, Chicagoans and visitors have taken more than one million individual trips on Divvy, Chicago's bike share system, passing the milestone on Tuesday.

"Divvy has been a great success, and for the millionth time, these bikes have provided a fun, convenient and active way to explore Chicago," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "This spring and summer, we expect even more people to start using bike sharing as a transit option for getting around the city."

To celebrate the warm weather and bicycling, Mayor Rahm Emanuel has designated April 21-27, 2014 to be "Divvy Week." This week, Chicago is celebrating its newest transit system with special promotions and activities designed to encourage residents and visitors to give Divvy a try or to become annual members.

Divvy Week is the perfect time to try Divvy Bikes for the first time as daily passes, regularly \$7, will be available for just \$5. Riders can use a credit or debit card to activate a 24-hour pass at any Divvy kiosk. Divvy Ambassadors will be standing at popular Divvy stations during the week handing out Divvy stickers and answering questions about the system.

Chicagoans who become annual members during Divvy Week will receive a Chipotle gift card good for a free burrito, burrito bowl, order of tacos or a salad. Divvy members will also receive 50 percent off frozen yogurt from any Forever Yogurt location in Chicago by simply flashing their Divvy key at checkout.

Follow the Divvy Week festivities on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to make sure you don't miss any of the surprises Divvy has in store. Snap a selfie from your adventures around the city on your Divvy Bike and upload them using the hashtag #DIVVYWEEK.

SPRING FINE ARTS EVENTS AT RESURRECTION COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL

The Fine Arts Department at Resurrection College Prep High School Spring performance season was kicked off on Monday, April 14 with the Resurrection Chamber Concert's Spring Concert. The Fine Arts Department will be hosting additional events showcase the four disciplines in the fine arts offered at the school: art, dance, drama and music. All performances will be held at Resurrection College Prep High School, 7500 West Talcott and tickets will be available at the door.

The Resurrection Orchestris dance ensemble will present the Spring Dance Show on Friday, May 2 at 7 pm in the Little Theatre. The Resurrection/Notre Dame Concert Band & Jazz Band will present a Spring Band Concert on Sunday, May 4 at 3 pm in the Little Theatre. The Resurrection Music Department will present the Spring Choral Concert on Thursday, May 8 at 7 pm in the Little Theatre. The Resurrection Art Department will present the Annual Art Exhibit on Friday, May 9 at 6 pm at Resurrection. And, the Resurrection Drama Department will present the Spring Drama Showcase on Friday, May 9 at 7 pm in the Little Theatre.

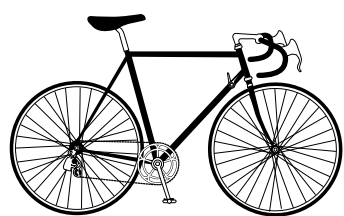
Resurrection College Prep High School, located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago, is the largest all-girls Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women on the north side of Chicago. Since its founding in 1922, Resurrection has graduated over 13,500 alumnae. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or visit www.reshs.org.

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Northtown Garden Society

The Northtown Garden Society (NGS) is holding a Fund-raising Plant Sale on Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at the Warren Park Field House lawn, 6601 N. Western Avenue, Chicago. We will be featuring donated perennials, shrubs, houseplants and decorative planters. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the educational and community service programs of NGS.

For more information about NGS, please visit our web site, www.northtown-gardensociety.org.

Queen of All Saints School Class of 1979 Reunion

In 1979, Jane Byrne from Sauganash was elected Mayor of Chicago and Pope John Paul II not only visited Chicago, but also The White Eagle in Niles. Now, Queen of All Saints School "Class of 79" is having a 35th reunion on May 3 at 7:00 p.m. There's a cash bar and it's \$20 for appetizers and please bring pictures! The reunion's at The Curragh in Edison Park and contact Leanne Printz or Leanne Alvizu with any questions.

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Nick and Gerard Urhausen are of the newest generation of this well-known family that have been the providers of garden plants and flowers to the Chicagoland area since 1922.

When Gerard & Nick's grandfather and his brother started their life's work decades ago, the Lincolnwood property they continue to occupy was pure prairie land with no trees and only a scattering of houses - most of them summer residences. What is now Lincolnwood was all "Country." Vegetables were the mainstay of the greenhouse back then, with all the members of the Urhausen clan chipping in to help during this seasonally busy business. In fact, even today, this is still a total commitment by the entire family. "It seems like you can never work hard enough," Nick and Gerard comment. "Even in the off-season we're making ready for the next year. Because we grow everything ourselves, we offer more colors and varieties including hard to find blooms like zinnias and cosmos. We are really growers more than we are your typical plant and flower providers. As a result of that we are not merchants or marketeers. Our experience and training is as greenhouse growers."

For years now, people from far and wide have been making the "outing or excursion" as it was in the early days, to only a quick trip on any of the major roadways today to feast on the "conservatory" atmosphere of Urhausen's Greenhouse, where they can stroll among the living world of beauty the Urhausens provide. And then to be able to take some of that beauty home with them and enjoy their choices for months afterwards is the ultimate treat.

Gerard and Nick add, "We appreciate all of our customers and the support they have given us through the years and always try to make their experience with us an enjoyable one. Our patrons love to be able to shop in a place where their future plants are actually growing."

We at Our Village thank the Urhausen family for all the service and beauty they have shared with us through these many years and are pleased to announce they will be doing an article for us on a regular basis in which they will continue to share their expertise with us.

Urhausen Greenhouses is located at 6973 N. East Prairie Road in Lincolnwood. Their phone number 847-675-1573. www.urhausengreenhouses.com

NORWOOD CROSSING RESIDENTS COMBINE SPRING ART SHOW OPENING WITH "AROUND THE WORLD—OUR WAY" MUSIC REVUE

The public is invited to view the creative artwork of Norwood Crossing residents during their 7th Annual Spring Art Show opening in conjunction with a performance of "Around the World—Our Way" Music Revue. The dual events will take place on May 17, with the musical performance, starting at 3:00 p.m. in Norwood Crossing's Norwegian Heritage Room, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago. The Music Revue will include a cast of nearly 30 Norwood Crossing residents, performing songs from different countries in this fourth annual show that is produced and coordinated by the Expressive Arts department. Bagpipes, African drums and a ukulele will be supported by a mixed chorus. The choreographed performance enhanced by weekly rehearsals will make for an enjoyable afternoon. Visitors to Norwood Crossing on May 17 will have the opportunity to combine a show with an art tour, and then meet the artists. The artwork will be displayed in the hallways and lobbies of Norwood Crossing through June 30. The artwork is an outgrowth of weekly Expressive Art group sessions under the guidance of art therapists, Michelle Ettlinger and Emily MacArthur. Also part of the Life Enrichment department, directed by Katharine Houpt, is dance/movement therapist Lucrecia "Cricket" Duncan, who choreographed the program, and music therapist Elaine Handschu, who directed the music. Refreshments will be available. For more information, call (773) 577-5326 or email info@norwoodcrossing.org.

New Management Has Big Plans For Skokie Theatre

The Skokie Theatre is under new management this spring, as suburban-based MadKap Productions takes over as managers and operators of the historic venue at the corner of Lincoln Ave and Oakton. Gorilla Tango, who bought the building two years ago, have closed their operations in Skokie and operate exclusively in their other space in Bucktown.

The former movie theatre near the corner of Lincoln and Oakton was transformed into a 140-seat performing arts center several years ago with a raised stage, modern sound and lighting systems, and comfortable seating. MadKap founders Wendy Kaplan and Wayne Mell are thrilled to be the new residents. "It is gorgeous," said Kaplan about the space. "It's perfect for bringing in a variety of events to reflect the diverse tastes and cultures of this area."

And true to their word, they hit the ground running. The theatre has already been host to a variety of events including plays, concerts, film screenings, and even a private benefit. American Idol finalist Casey Abrams played to a packed house in March, immediately followed by Wireless Soul, the popular Chicago-based teen band the next evening. Assyrian film director Sargon Saadi premiered his film "Gishru: The Documentary" in the space with the Lincolnwood Chamber Orchestra and R&B star Donovan Cody following close behind. In the afternoons between it all, theatre historian Charles Troy brings his unique multi-media presentations and shares behind the scenes stories of favorite Broadway musicals.

"Nothing is as exciting as live entertainment," said Mell, "and we're turning this theatre into the area's premiere destination for performing and visual arts." To that end, MadKap just opened the stage version of Mitch Albom's acclaimed memoir "Tuesdays With Morrie", which will be followed by Chicago actress Roslyn Alexander in her one-woman show "The Passions of Emma Goldman", presented by ShPieL Performing Identity. Acclaimed singer Hilary Ann Feldman just launched the theatre's Cabaret Thursday series, which will showcase some of Chicago's most popular performers including Scott Gryder, Deborah Darr, Laura Freeman, and Kat Victoria. Jazz singer Jennifer Hall will launch a jazz series in late May, and Vicki Quade, the co-creator of "Late Night Catechism," will be launching a comedy series in June with her new show "Movie Bingo: Good, Bad, or Condemned!?" There is also family programming on weekend afternoons, such as magician Sean Masterson, and two different resident Children's Theatre companies that offer opportunities for students: Broadway, Our Way! and the Curtain Call Children's Theatre. The latter will be showcasing their students in "Beauty and the Beast, Jr." in May.

Although MadKap Productions was only formed three years ago, founders Kaplan and Mell have over 75 years of combined theatrical experience between them. Kaplan began her career as a teen-ager when she trained to be a productions manager on Broadway. She produced plays in New York and Indianapolis before moving to the Chicago area to raise her son. Mell was a Talented Student Scholarship awardee at Northern Illinois University, and has been directing in numerous North Shore theatres since the early 80's. MadKap Productions is currently a resident company of the Greenhouse Theatre Center in Chicago, where they produced original works by playwrights such as Emmy-winner Mark Saltzman and former Seinfeld writer Marc Jaffe. "We were first interested in the space as a studio for us to create our own plays," said Mell. "Now our plans include bringing all of the performing arts to downtown Skokie; music, dance, comedy and family programming. We're looking forward to being part of the revitalization efforts in downtown Skokie."

To keep informed on upcoming events, visit the Skokie Theatre website at SkokieTheatre.org or call 847-677-7761. For daily updates, like Skokie Theatre on Facebook.

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Estate Planning: It's Not Just About the Documents



Chester M. Przybylo

An estate plan passes your assets to whom you want and in the manner you want after your death. However, some of your assets may not be controlled by your Will or Living Trust. This article discusses the various problems that can result when a thorough review of assets and ownership titles doesn't happen and how working with an experienced estate planning attorney can ensure that you avoid any planning pitfalls.

What is an estate plan? An estate plan is a plan that passes your assets to whom you want and in the manner you want after your death. However, an estate plan is more than just documents. For example, some of your assets may not even be controlled by your Will or Trust.

Let's look at a case study. Mike had a Will which left everything to his wife, Sally. It also provided that if Sally did not survive him, it would have set up continuing Trusts for his kids. Mike owned the following assets:

- Family farm worth \$2 million, owned in joint tenancy with his sister, Mary
- Retirement plan with \$2 million, opened when he was still single
- House, worth \$500,000, owned jointly with his wife, Sally
- \$5,000 in a checking account

Is this a good plan? Unfortunately, no, it is not. Sally may not get anything! How can this be? Well, first, the family farm, which was owned jointly with Mary, went to Mary, the surviving joint tenant, by operation of law at Mike's death. The retirement plan went in accordance with the beneficiary designation Mike had put in place before he even met Sally. Since he never changed the beneficiary designation, the beneficiary is still Susan, who was his fiancée at the time he opened the retirement plan. Sally will get the house. However, Mike and Sally refinanced the house when real estate values were high, so the mortgage actually exceeds his equity in the house. Sally gets only the checking account.

What did Mike do wrong? Mike failed to seek the advice of an experienced estate planning attorney. An experienced attorney who focuses in estate planning would have seen the problems with this plan and would have advised a better plan. For example, a better plan would have included changing the beneficiary designation on the retirement plan and changing the ownership of the family farm from joint tenancy to tenancy in common. Joint tenancy property passes to the surviving joint tenant, notwithstanding a Will, while tenancy in common property does not. Property governed by a beneficiary designation passes to the beneficiary pursuant to the most recent beneficiary designation, notwithstanding a Will.

Remember, your assets can pass by ways other than a Will:

- By contract or other arrangement, such as Trusts, Partnerships, and Buy-Sell Agreements
- By operation of law, such as joint tenancy or tenancy by the entirety
- By beneficiary designation, such as life insurance, 401(k)s, and IRAs

An experienced attorney who focuses in estate planning can help you devise a plan so that nothing falls through the cracks. That way, you will have the security of knowing that the assets you've built up will be there for your family when they need them most.

-Chester M. Przybylo has been elected to the Board of Governors of the prestigious American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys and has been engaged in the practice of law for the last 40 years. To register for an upcoming seminar, call the 24 hour reservation hotline at 1-800-638-7878 or register online at www.PlanOurEstate.com.

Lincolnwood SD74 Spring Events

Lincolnwood School District 74 has many exciting activities scheduled in the next few weeks. Following is a calendar of some upcoming special events.

May 6 – Art Show Opens at Village Hall - Selected artwork from the art classes of Lincolnwood School District 74 will be featured in an art show at the Lincolnwood Village Hall from May 2 through May 28, 2014. This show, entitled "Beyond the Basics", will include artwork from kindergarten through eighth grade. Community members are invited to attend a reception to honor all the young artists. The reception will be held in the main lobby of the Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue on May 6 at 5:00 pm.

May 7 – 3rd grade parent orientation, 7:00 p.m., Rutledge Hall

May 9 – Pre-K Spring Sing, 6:00 p.m., Todd Hall

May 10 – State Science Fair, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., University of Illinois

May 12 – Wellness Day, Todd Hall - Students at Todd Hall will hear guest speakers discuss and demonstrate the importance of healthy eating, proper and fun exercise and how to maintain healthy relationships.

May 13 – PTA Meeting, 3:45 p.m., Rutledge Hall

May 15 – 5th grade concerts, 7:00 p.m., Rutledge Hall

May 16, 17 and 18 – Lincoln Hall will be presenting The Little Mermaid Jr. Tickets can be purchased by downloading the ticket form from the SD74 website. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the door. The whole community is invited! Bring friends and family.

May 21 – 4th grade Author Visit with Barb Rosenstock, award-winning local author. Barb will be at Rutledge Hall from 9:00 – 2:30 visiting with 4th grade students and talking about her non-fiction books. Barb's latest book, "The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art" has been heralded as one of the best artist biographies around.

LINCOLNWOOD LIBRARY HOSTS "GREEN" HOME REMODELING SEMINAR

The Lincolnwood Public Library will host an informational seminar entitled, "Sensible Solutions For Green Home Design" on Thursday, May 8th, 7:00 pm, at the library located at 4000 West Pratt Avenue in Lincolnwood. Advance registration is required. Call (847) 677-5277 or visit the library's web site at: www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org to register online. The seminar is free and open to the public.

The seminar's presenter, David Wytmar, AIA is LEED-certified, a licensed architect and a partner in Groundwork, Ltd., an architectural and engineering firm located in Buffalo Grove. Wytmar will provide information and advice for choosing environmentally friendly and sustainable improvements for the home. The ins and outs of residential remodeling using sustainable materials will be discussed in detail and illustrated with drawings, photos and layman's language. Attendees will leave the seminar with new knowledge of how to transform an older home into a modern, energy-efficient "Green" home. Wytmar will also explain the recent Illinois Energy Conservation Code that became law last year. This is important for any homeowner planning to build a new home or remodel an existing home.

David Wytmar, AIA was interviewed on WTTW-TV's "Chicago Tonight" program, WGN-AM radio and the statewide Illinois Radio Network about the Illinois Energy Conservation Code. He is considered an expert on the topic.

To arrange an interview with architect David Wytmar, AIA, please call David Lewis at (847) 966-1515 or contact by email at: lci@lcinews.com

Must Do Springtime Boat Buying Tips From BoatUS

With the number one boat buying season of the year kicked off, springtime boat buyers are on the prowl. The nation's largest recreational boating advocacy and services group, Boat Owner Association of The United States (BoatUS), has some must do tips before you sign on the dotted line.

The Internet is your friend and foe: Of course it's always good to research a boat you're considering online, first. While the Internet is not always 100% accurate, you may learn about serious problems other owners have had. Check owners group chat boards or online boating, fishing or cruising discussion groups for the kind of boat you're looking at. BoatUS has the only national consumer complaint database for boats as well, searchable by members. Also be aware of Internet scams if you're buying online. Any whiff of something odd and you should proceed with caution.

Always get a professional marine survey: Surveys will uncover potential problem spots and can help with price negotiations. On a boat with expensive engines or generators, a separate engine survey could save huge headaches later. Make any purchase contingent on the survey. For a list of accredited surveyors, visit BoatUS.com/surveyors.

Take the boat on a sea trial: You wouldn't buy a car without taking it for a drive, and you should treat buying a boat the same way. It doesn't matter whether it's 16- or 60-feet.

Give yourself some reasonable protections: Make sure that any deposit is 100% refundable if any contingencies such as a survey, financing or insurance are not met. Get it in writing. If there is a warranty or promise to fix something as part of the sale, get it in writing. Did we say get it in writing?

"Who am I talkin' to?": Before getting too serious about a boat, verify that the owner (or brokerage/consignor) has the title and registration on hand. Any liens will have to be paid before transferring title.

BoatUS has additional resources at BoatUS.com/guide including a free buying guide and boat evaluation checklist.

Evanston Green Ball Commemorates Ecology Center's 40th Birthday Green Ball

All Evanston community members are invited to attend the third annual Evanston Green Ball on Friday, May 30 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave., Evanston.

Through Friday, May 2, "early bird" tickets will be available for a reduced price of \$65. Following that date, tickets will be sold at their regular price of \$75. "Friend of the Ecology Center" tickets are also available for \$100; all purchasers will be listed in the event's program. Tickets include food, drinks and live entertainment; wine will be sold separately. To purchase your tickets, visit evanstonenvironment.org/greenball.html or call 311 (847-448-4311 outside Evanston) for more information.

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CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY CELEBRATES DIVERSITY WITH ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH IN MAY

Join the Chicago Public Library in "Celebrating Diversity" with its annual observance of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Throughout the month of May, the Library features a variety of programs highlighting the culture, traditions, history and contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

The Library's opening program for Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., at the Edgewater Branch, 6000 N. Broadway Ave. The celebration features song and dance performances by the Cambodian Association of Illinois, Chinese American Service League, GirlForward and Little Ol' Korea.

Here are some highlights from the 2014 Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration:

- **POV (Point of View) Film Screenings**
- **Cambodian Dance with Thep Nimit Dance Company**
- **Japanese and Korean Language Classes with Multilingual Chicago**
- **First Voice Narrative: Life in Japanese American Internment Camps**
- **Art of Chinese Calligraphy with Virginia Lai**

A complete listing of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month programs is available at chicagopubliclibrary.org.

Since 1873, the Chicago Public Library (CPL) has encouraged lifelong learning by welcoming all people and offering equal access to information, entertainment and knowledge through innovative services and programs, as well as cutting-edge technology. Through its 80 locations, the Library provides free access to a rich collection of materials, both physical and digital, and presents the highest quality author discussions, exhibits and programs for children, teens and adults. CPL recently received the Social Innovator Award from Chicago Innovation Awards; is a finalist for a National Medal for Library Services from the Institute for Museum and Library Services and was ranked number one in the U.S. and third in the world by an international study of major urban libraries conducted by the Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf in Germany. For more information, visit chicagopubliclibrary.org or call the Chicago Public Library at (312) 747-4050.

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Thursday, May 1, 2014 @6:30 pm

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In Celebration of Asian American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month (MAY)

MUSIC OF CAMBODIA

Date: Sat., May 10, 2014 Time: 1:00 PM

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The Adoption Process from A to Z

Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Join us for a unique opportunity to learn about the fundamentals of the adoption process. Explore the world of adoption through a workshop presented by Sally Wildman, a Chicago and Northbrook attorney with more than fifteen years of experience in this field. Learn about the different types of adoption available (i.e. agency, private, related, foreign and foster parent) and the many steps required, including home study, foster parent licensing, and immigration. Ms. Wildman's aim is to help you understand how to make your adoption secure. Resources on choosing adoption agencies, attorneys, adoption organizations and related professionals will be discussed. Registration is not required.

Diabetes and Foot Health

Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Diabetes is a chronic disease which affects nearly 25.8 million Americans and that number is growing. The disease carries a whole host of health problems and complications leading to morbidity and debilitation. Dr. Pratibha Patel, podiatrist at Edgebrook Foot and Ankle Clinic, will discuss diabetes and its effects on foot health. She will discuss common complications relating to the feet caused by diabetes and share tips on how to prevent them. Registration is not required.

TWO COMICS AT EZRA-HABONIM, NILES TOWNSHIP SYNAGOGUE FOR NIGHT OF FUN!

Two well-known Chicago comics, Caryn Bark and Dobie Maxwell, will highlight "A Fun Evening of Comedy," Saturday, May 10, 8:15 p.m. at Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 W. Dempster, Skokie.

Caryn Bark is a comedienne and humorist. As a regular on Catch a Rising Star, The Improv, and Marie Osmond's Radio Show, she has found time to be the creator/performer of the critically acclaimed one woman show "Diary of a Skokie Girl," which has played to sold-out audiences nationwide. In addition to appearing on Lifetime Channel's Girls' Night Out, she has worked with Joel Grey, HBO Productions and Comedy Central.

Her current production is "Funny Old Broads." Dobie Maxwell is one of the top touring comedians in North America and has worked with Jay Leno, Jerry Seinfeld, Robin Williams, Tim Allen, Drew Carey, and many other noteworthy comedians. He has taught over 2000 students at the world famous Zanies Comedy Club. He is a comedian, comedy instructor, comedy writer, actor, non-fiction book author, and radio personality (WGN, WLUP, and WLIP, among others). Tickets are \$20 each before May 9; \$25 at the door. For further information or for reservations, please contact the office of Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation at 847-675-4141.

Village Cooking Corner

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CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY'S VPA SERIES FEATURES PIANO RECITALS, ART EXHIBITIONS AND HANDS-ON ART WORKSHOP IN MAY

In May, the Chicago Public Library, in cooperation with the Emilio del Rosario Foundation, hosts two piano recitals featuring a pair of accomplished teenage musicians. Also, the Library features a new exhibit displaying rare and curious items in an interesting manner. Supplementing this exhibit is a hands-on preservation workshop lead by the artist. These programs are presented as part of the Library's ongoing Visual and Performing Arts series. Unless otherwise noted, all events take place at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State St. For more information, visit chicagopubliclibrary.org.

MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY @ HWLC

Piano Recital featuring Alexander Jin

Friday, May 16 at 12:15 p.m.

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In cooperation with the Emilio del Rosario Foundation, join us for a piano recital by 14-year old Alexander Jin. Alexander was inspired by his grandfather, who was a composer, and has been very interested in music from an early age.

Piano Recital featuring Michael Lee

Friday, May 23 at 12:15 p.m.

Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, HWLC

In cooperation with the Emilio del Rosario Foundation, join us for a piano recital by 14-year old Michael Lee. Michael will perform pieces by Beethoven, Liszt, Chopin and other classic composers.

ART EXHIBITIONS ON THE 8TH FLOOR @HWLC

Sergeant Vaucanson's Raree-Show: New and Old Collage, Assembled by the Hand of Automata and curated by Steven Szegedi

April 18 - May 30, 2014

8th Floor North Exhibit Cases

Marvel at collage works inspired by the historic tradition of the "raree-" or "rarity-show", in which curiosities are assembled in a box and viewed through a peephole. Forged in the irons of Russian Constructivism, Japanese Ukiyo-e, and Italian Futurism, this exhibit features artwork impossible before the Industrial Revolution. The exhibit is presented by artist Steven Szegedi, a special collections librarian and archivist at Dominican University. Szegedi will give a Paper and Photo Preservation Basics Workshop on Saturday, May 24 at 2:00 pm.

Everyday Beauty - Urban Life Through the Lens of Rajeshta Julatum

April 18 - May 30, 2014

8th Floor North Flat Cases

In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, the Visual and Performing Arts department presents the photographs of Rajeshta Julatem. Taken with an iPhone native camera, these photographs document the beautiful lines, unique patterns, colors, architectural details, and interesting perspective seen in the urban environment. Rajeshta Julatum (@TonoAriki) is a self-taught photographer based in Toronto, Canada.

PRESERVATION WORKSHOP @ HWLC

Paper and Photo Preservation Basics Workshop

Saturday, May 24 at 2 p.m.

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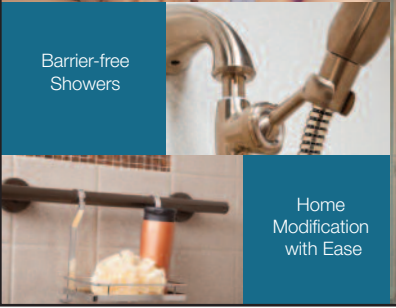


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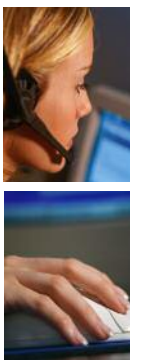
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