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# Sun Time's Bill Zwecker Honored at 39th Annual Giants Awards Dinner



Chicago Sun Times Entertainment columnist Bill Zwecker (second from right) was honored Monday night at the 39th Annual Ed Kelly Sports Program Giants Awards Dinner. Zwecker received the Irv Kupcinet Media Award, named for former Sun Times columnist Irv Kupcinet. (left to right) Ed Kelly, former Cub pitcher Milt Pappas, Zwecker and Bernie DiMeo of DiMeo Partners. More than 600 people attended the event at the White Eagle Banquet Hall in Niles.

#### JOIN US AT THE 33<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL TASTE OF CHICAGO JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> THRU JULY 14<sup>TH</sup> GRANT PARK/MILLENIUM PARK IN DOWNTOWN CHICAGO

The **33rd Annual Taste of Chicago** takes over Grant Park, July 10-14. Maps and complete restaurant listings, including Pop-Ups and Food Trucks (NEW!) are available online at tasteofchicago.us.

There are still concert seating tickets available at the Petrillo Music Shell for Robin Thicke on July 11 and Neon Trees on July 14. Lawn seating in Butler Field is free.

# Skokie Art Guild's 52nd Annual Art Fair

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# GRANT PARK MUSIC FESTIVAL 79th SEASON CONTINUES IN CHICAGO'S MILLENNIUM PARK

Summer in Chicago continues with the acclaimed Grant Park Music Festival at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park. The season runs through August 17, 2013 with Artistic Director and Principal Conductor Carlos Kalmar and Chorus Director Christopher Bell leading the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus for ten weeks of beloved classics, masterworks of today and tomorrow, and anniversary celebrations.

All concerts are free and most will take place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. (Please note: Concerts on July 10, 12 and 13 begin at 8 p.m).

Memberships to the Grant Park Music Festival 79th Season are still available. Most membership levels include specific reserved seats or general seating in a reserved section of the Pavilion for all Grant Park Music Festival concerts. Memberships with seating benefits begin at \$150.

For more information about the Grant Park Music Festival including membership and group seating, visit gpmf.org or call 312.742.7638. For additional information, visit the Grant Park Music Festival Facebook page or follow the Festival on Twitter @gpmf.

### **Night Out in the Parks**

Who is presenting Night Out in the Parks?

Mayor Rahm Emanuel and the Chicago Park District

What is Night Out in the Parks?

An initiative that will bring more than 750 cultural activities to neighborhood parks this summer, making them safe havens and hubs of activity.

How many parks are participating?

More than 230 parks

What will I see?

World-class programs and activities as Movies in the Parks, theater, dance, music, circus arts, and more by professional artists. Several parks are also hosting block parties.

#### Is there a cost?

With the exception of Theater on the Lake, most activities are admission free.

#### What is the goal of the initiative?

The Chicago Park District is creating opportunities to stir interest in parks, engage communities with participation and create life-long park users.

#### Who are our partners?

Many programs are presented as part of an ongoing collaboration between the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) and the Chicago Park District. Arts programming in neighborhoods across the city advances the goals of the Chicago Cultural Plan. For more information, visit chicagocultural plan.org.

Many programs are also presented in partnership with local arts presenters. Where do I get more information?

Visit nightoutintheparks.com or call 312-742-PLAY.





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#### Presence Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers July Health Programs

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

Cholesterol screenings will be held Thursday, July 11, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. This screening requires a 12-hour fast and tests for total cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL, and LDL levels. Test results will be mailed. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.INFO (4636). There is a \$15 fee, payable at the screening.

A free Healthy Aging Program will be held Friday, July 12, 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. Rolf Lundmark, Boston Scientific, will talk about pacemakers. Registration is not required.

Free blood pressure screenings will be offered Monday, July 15, 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.

A free health fair will be held Saturday, July 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Screenings will be given for stroke/heart risk assessment, osteoporosis, blood pressure and body mass index. Clinical staff and physicians will be available to answer questions. Talk to the experts about diabetes, dry mouth, children's allergies, medications, nutrition, weight loss surgery, and bioidentical hormone replacement. Get information on CountyCare, a new Medicaid program for uninsured adults in Cook County. Refreshments will be served, and there will be activities for children. The first 100 attendees will receive a giveaway. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.INFO (4636).

Free skin screenings will be offered Monday, July 22, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday, July 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dermatologist Taraneh Firoozi, M.D., will perform a total body screening or checking specific sites of concern. Patient gowns will be available. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.INFO (4636).

The Arthritis Support Group will meet Thursday, July 25, 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.

A free blood drive will be conducted Tuesday, July 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The hospital and Heartland Blood Center will host this opportunity to donate the gift of life. The blood donation process includes registration, a brief medical screening, blood collection, and refreshments. Walk-ins are welcome and appointments are encouraged by calling Sharon O'Malley, R.N., 773.794.8486.

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

### Norwood Park Seniors Club

at 5801 N Natoma Chicago meet the second and fourth Thursday of the month. We play pinochle and bingo, have parties on special occasions. Meetings start at 10:30 with coffee and a sweet roll. Call Joan at 773-774-7075.

#### Get Your Irish on at the 28th Irish American Heritage Festival

Irish Fest is July 12, 13 and 14, 2013 and showcases the finest in local and international Irish and American music, dance and family activities. It features more than 100 performers for 3 days on 5 stages.

The festival directly supports and is held on the grounds of the Irish American Heritage Center, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and strengthening Irish culture in Chicago.

In addition to the great music lineup, the weekend is packed with the regular festival favorites: Irish and American food and drink, shopping, step dancers, cultural exhibits, children's activities, a raffle with a trip to Ireland, the Mashed Potato Eating Contest, Sham-ROCK Stars singing contest for kids and the Hooley Hook-Up for singles on Friday night.

The Folk Tent returns with hands-on activity with demonstrations of Irish instruments, dances and sing-alongs. Irish and American food is available throughout the weekend, and dozens of vendors and artisans will be selling Irish clothing, music and jewelry.

Cultural offerings include language lessons, art and museum exhibits. Our Tea Room returns as a respite for folks looking to cool off with live harp and piano music, a proper cup of tea and sandwiches and an air-conditioned Shamrock American Room.

Back for 2013: The Fine Spirits Tasting Tent with whiskey, beer and mead tastings, visits from Irish Wolfhound dogs, the Men in Kilts Contest and the Irish Soda Bread Contest.

New for 2013: The Craft Beer Tasting Tent on Friday and the Freckle Contest. Irish Fest is July 12, 13 and 14, 2013.

Hours are 6pm to midnight on July 12, noon to midnight on July 13 and noon to 11pm on July 14.

Tickets are \$7 for seniors, \$8 in advance for adults (until the end of business on July 10) and \$15 at the door. Children 12 and under are free.

For more information and to purchase tickets, call 773-282-7035, ext 10 or visit www.irish-american.org.

The Irish American Heritage Center, which occupies an 86,000 square foot building on the City's northwest side, near Wilson Avenue and the Edens Expressway, at 4626 North Knox, fosters the practice, study and celebration of Irish, Celtic, and Irish-American cultural traditions. For more information, call 773-282-7035, or visit www.irish-american.org.

#### St Paul Lutheran 's Vacation Bible School

Join us this summer for VBS. Our theme this year is "Go Tell it on the Mountain"

There will be bible stories, crafts, games and snacks. It will be held July 15-19, 2013 from 9am to 12pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church - 5650 N Canfield Chicago, IL 60631. Students Pre-K3 through grade 5 can register at www.stpaulcanfield.org or fill out the registration form in the church office. Registration Is \$10 per family. For more information, contact us at 708-867-5044 or at DCEShults@gmail.com

#### **Be Careful During Summer Heat**

Summer is here, and with this season comes the heat. The Skokie Health Department recommends the following during periods of forecasted heat even when a heat advisory has not been issued:

- Use a buddy system to check in on family, neighbors, and friends;
- Plan activities for the coolest times of the day (early morning and late afternoon);
  - Drink plenty of fluids;
  - Wear light colored, loose fitting clothing outdoors;
  - NEVER leave children or pets in a parked car; and
- Protect your pets. Make sure your pet always has cool, clean water and a shaded area to rest if left outside

The following public locals are available for cooling in Skokie:

- Illinois Department of Human Services at 8020 St. Louis, Skokie, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Skokie Public Library at 5215 Oakton St. Skokie, 847/673-7774. Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, 12 to 6 p.m.
- Skokie Park District, The Skatium at 9300 Weber Park Place (at the rear of the building), Skokie, 847/674-1500 ext. 2900. Sunday through Thursday, 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and at Oakton Park Community Center, 4701 Oakton Street Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. 8 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m. 6 p.m., and Sunday 9 a.m. 5 p.m.

For more information contact the Skokie Health Department at 847/933-8252, or visit www.skokie.org.

#### **BUDLONG WOODS LIBRARY**

5630 N Lincoln Ave, Chicago, IL 60659

#### Is It the Right Time to Retire?

Join financial educator Karen Chan to learn how to assess your overall financial picture & gather needed information to make an informed decision about your retirement planning. Presented by Money Smart Partner, Karen Chan Financial Education & Consulting LLC.

Wednesday, July 17 at 6:00 p.m.

All Money Smart programs are free and open to the public. Registration is not required. The Chicago Public Library does not endorse, promote or guarantee the products and/or services of the presenters. Products and/or services are not sold at these presentations. For more information about Money Smart programs, please call (312) 747-8184.

#### **Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association**

The Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association, JPNA, will have at its monthly meeting, Wed., July 31,2013,

Commander James O'Donnell of the 16th District Police Station. He will give those attending an overview of the duties and responsibility of the police in this area as well as an update on activities in this area. Following there will be a question and answer period. Meetings are free, open to the public with light refreshments at the Congregational Church of Jefferson Park, 5120 W. Giddings, at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 773 282 3879 or go to jpna@jpna.net.

#### **SKOKIE ART GUILD**

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Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood St., Skokie, IL 60076 www.skokieartguild.org Members: \$12.00 / Non-Members: \$20.00



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#### Milwaukee Avenue Roadway Improvement Project To Reroute Southbound Traffic Between Kilpatrick and Addison

Northbound Lanes Remain Open Through Construction Until December

The Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) will continue its work on improving Milwaukee Avenue in the half-mile segment between Kilpatrick Avenue to Addison Street, which will temporarily reroute the southbound traffic lanes from July 8th to December 1st.

The \$6.5 million worth of construction work will include:

- new roadway pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter
- a new sewer system to provide more capacity to help alleviate flooding
- new light poles
- new water main
- a pedestrian median refuge island for better access to Metra Grayland Station
- new trees, benches, and trash cans
- cleaning, painting, and improved clearances beneath the Metra and Union Pacific railroad viaducts
- traffic signal improvements

Weather permitting, heavy construction will begin on Monday, July 8th and continue until December 1st, when work will shut down for the winter. Construction will resume in Spring 2014 and will be completed next year.

Due to all the major work being done within the Metra and Union Pacific railroad viaducts, the southbound Milwaukee Avenue traffic will be rerouted outside of the construction area.

Starting on Monday, July 8th, southbound lanes on Milwaukee will be closed between Kilpatrick and Addison. Northbound lanes will remain open throughout construction.

Southbound traffic will be detoured at Irving Park Road towards Cicero Avenue and then to the east along Addison Street. During construction, access to driveways will be coordinated.

#### Celebrate Norwood Park's 139th Birthday on Saturday, July 27

Visitors can celebrate the incorporation of Chicago's Norwood Park neighborhood with a Civil War re-enactment and other activities.

The Norwood Park Historical Society will celebrate with a 139th birthday party for Chicago's Norwood Park neighborhood on Saturday, July 27, 2013, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Norwood Park Historical Society will celebrate the 139th anniversary of the incorporation of the Village of Norwood Park with a day events for everyone. All events will be held at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago. Admission is free; donations are welcome. Refreshments will be available.

As our nation continues to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, the Norwood Park Historical Society is pleased to welcome a large group of re-enactors who will portray members of the 10th Illinois Volunteer Infantry. This interactive living history event will include men who will set up camp, march, perform a firing demonstration, hold a presentation of arms, and conduct other drills. These re-enactors will be wearing and using authentic items from the Civil War. They welcome questions and participation in their activities at Camp Norwood Park.

The society's exhibits will be open noon to 4 p.m., and attendees may take a guided tour of the entire house, Chicago's oldest home. The current special exhibit includes a history of wedding dresses from each decade of the 20th century.

The Norwood Park Historical Society, a not-for-profit organization, owns and is headquartered in the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, the oldest surviving house in Chicago (1833). The Society works with the community to preserve its rich history and architectural integrity and to make the dreams and experiences of our predecessors come to life. Visits are available on Saturdays, from noon to 4 p.m., or by appointment.

#### 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.

Due to a conflict which has arisen, Mr. Patrick Daley Thompson from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will not be able to be the guest speaker on Thursday, July 25. at the meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood. However, the office of Edward F. McElroy has been able to line up Ms. Katherine A. O'Dell, Senior Associate with the Law Offices of Amari & Locallo, who will give an informative presentation about Real Estate Tax Matters. The meeting will take place at Noon at the Hilltop Restaurant, 2800 W. Foster (N.W. corner of Foster & California Avenues), in the private dining room.

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#### "ORGANIZED CRIME IN CHICAGO: BEYOND THE MAFIA" WILL BE THE TIMELY TALK AT NORWOOD CROSSING ON JULY 17

Chicago's mix of crime, corruption and politics goes back more than a century and spawned the concept today that is known as organized crime. Discussing the evolution of "Organized Crime in Chicago: Beyond the Mafia" and what many Chicagoans know as the Chicago Outfit is Norwood Park resident Robert M. Lombardo during this Timely Talk, at 2:00 p.m., on July 17, at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

In his presentation, Lombardo will trace the roots of corruption and other illicit activity in Chicago and Cook County, Illinois. He will tie organized crime to machine politics and explain that Chicago's criminal underworld could not exist without the complicity of those who controlled municipal, county and state gov-

Lombardo is an associate professor of criminal justice at Loyola University and a retired Chicago Police Department officer. He is the author of The Black Hand: Terror by Letter in Chicago and Organized Crime in Chicago: Beyond the Mafia. He also has appeared as a panelist on WTTW-TV's Chicago Tonight, and on C-Span2 from Printer's Row Lit Fest.

A question and answer session, raffle and light refreshments will follow the talk. For more information or to RSVP, please call (773) 577-5323 or email info@norwoodcrossing.org.

#### **Chicago Public Library Creates Innovation** Lab at Harold Washington Library Center

The Chicago Public Library is opening the CPL Innovation Lab at the Harold Washington Library Center. Already used by a variety of industries from retail to banking to universities, innovation labs offer organizations a place to test new ideas for services, programs and products. The third floor space at the Chicago Public Library will allow CPL to quickly experiment with new ideas and approaches in order to be more customer focused and able to adapt to the community's changing needs.

The first innovation experiment in the space is the Maker Lab, part of the growing movement of hands-on, collaborative learning environments in which people come together to share knowledge and resources to design, create and build items. CPL is the first large urban library to experiment with a maker space. Made possible with a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to the Chicago Public Library Foundation, the Maker Lab will be open to the public on July 8 through December 31, 2013. While a number of maker spaces exist in Chicago, but this will be the first free maker space open to the public.

Created in partnership with the Museum of Science and Industry, the Library's Maker Lab offers the public an introduction to technology and equipment which are enabling new forms of personal manufacturing and business opportunities. After the six month run, the Library will evaluate the project to determine the fit with the Library's mission and the ability to bring the project, or elements of it, to a wider audience in the neighborhood branches.

The Lab will offer access to a variety of software such as Trimble Sketchup, Inkscape, Meshlab, Makercam and equipment including three 3D Printers, two laser cutters, as well as a milling machine and vinyl cutter.

In addition to Open Lab hours during which patrons can work with staff members to master new software and create personal projects, a variety of programs and workshops will be offered throughout the seven day schedule of the Maker Lab. Family workshops will be offered every Sunday afternoon to foster invention, creation and exploration of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math), the focus of this year's Summer Learning Challenge.

#### Visit Chicago Brauhaus During the **Summer Concert Series in Lincoln Square**

The annual Summer Concert Series, Lincoln Square's favorite free summer event, has begun! The series will occur every Thursday evening from

6:30pm - 9:00pm in Kempf Plaza (across from Chicago Brauhaus) through August 29th.

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# **Local Arts and Entertainment**

# **Chicago Jazz Festival Presents Neighborhood Nights**

Enjoy previews of the Chicago Jazz Festival with the return of Neighborhood Nights, a series of performances featuring free jazz music throughout the city. It all kicks off on July 19 and 20 with the Annual Chicago Latin Jazz Festival in the Humboldt Park Boathouse (1359 N. Sacramento). Make plans to join us at the **35th Annual Chicago Jazz Festival**, August 29-September 1 in Millennium Park.

#### Swing Into July At Chicago Summer Dance

Chicago SummerDance kicked off in Grant Park's Spirit of Music Garden on June 27. In July, join us each Thursday-Sunday for dance lessons at 6pm and live music at 7:30pm. On Sundays, dance lessons start at 4pm with live music at 5pm.

# **Enjoy Free Family Entertainment All Month Juicebox** is a chance to expose kids to cutting-edge performances, allowing them to

**Juicebox** is a chance to expose kids to cutting-edge performances, allowing them to learn and develop a lifelong connection to the performing arts. Plus, parents can enjoy a unique outing with their children as well as a wonderful performance to boot. Kids can sit on the floor, walk around, meet the artists and sometimes even play with the instruments and puppets. All performances throughout the summer are every other Saturday at 11am at Austin Town Hall Park located at 5610 W. Lake Street.

July performances include jazz ensemble, **The David Boykin Expanse**, on Saturday, July 6. With this lineup, Boykin has recently added the infusion of his own hip hop style rhyming into the music without sacrificing the core elements of jazz. On Saturday, July 20, the diverse group Magic Carpet will entertain and delight kids and parents alike.

#### **Family Fun Festival in Millennium Park**

The popular Family Fun Festival has returned to its home in Millennium Park. Every day at 10am-3pm, the Family Fun Tent on the Park's Chase Promenade North will be filled with FREE family performances and hands-on activities. The Family Fun Festival at Millennium Park is sponsored by Target and presented by Millennium Park, Inc.

# Village Cooking Corner

#### CALAMARIA FRIED IN OLIVE OIL AND SEASONED WITH LEMON

Enough olive oil for frying the calamaria Salt and Pepper to taste

Lemon wedges arranged on a platter surrounding the calamaria All Purpose flour for dredging the calamaria

Small calamaria (squid) cleaned, left whole and patted dry with paper towels This is a simple recipe but delicious! Greeks love calamaria (squid) and it is found all over Greece and on the menus of popular Greek cuisine restaurants in America. Frying calamaria is the most popular Greek way of serving calamaria and certainly my favorite although there are many ways to present this delectable seafood.

Some supermarkets carry squid already cleaned fresh or frozen. I usually buy cleaned and frozen calamaria at either Whole Foods or from Vital Choice via the internet, which is some of the best calamaria I have tasted.

Roll the calamaria in flour and shake so that all excess flour is removed. Heat oil in a frying pan. Add the calamaria and fry until they have a golden color on both sides. Place on a platter with paper towels to absorb the oil from the calamaria. Season with salt and pepper and arrange on a platter and surround with lemon wedges. This dish can be served as an entree or as a first course to a Greek meal. This is one of many entrees that will be served at the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church Chicago's Greek Fest which will take place on August 16, 17, 18. I know you will love it!

From the Kitchens of Anastasia E. Weaver

#### St. Demetrios Church 64th Annual Greek Fest Seeks Crafters for our AGORA (Marketplace)

in our air-conditioned Miller Center. Booth set up with three eight-foot long tables plus two chairs. \$250.00 for all three nights. The deadline for reservation of space is **July 1, 2013.** 

Fest Dates: Friday thru Sunday **August 16, 17, 18** 5:00 - 11:00 p.m.

2727 West Winona - Chicago

We have large crowds that visit our Festival to eat, enjoy the company of family and friends and to dance under the stars along with entertainment, which we provide. Many activities for adults and kids.

For More Information Call (773)561-5992

### **"A Theater Review"**

"A Cole Porter SongBook"

Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre At the No Exit Café 6970 N. Glenwood Ave. Chicago, Illinois Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

"Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre" is housed at the "No Exit Café" in Rogers Park. It is a small non-equity theatre under the direction of Fred Anzevino.

Opening their season is "A Cole Porter SongBook" that features a cast of four talented singers, dancers and actors. The two outstanding females for this revue are Jill Sesso and a bright newcomer Sierra Naomi. The males are William Lucas, who gave a first-rate singing performance in "Aspects of Love," and Christopher Logan, who dances up a storm.

The show is not a book musical but a cluster of songs and dances from other Porter book musicals with which you will be familiar.

The show is performed in two acts by the three musicians and four talented performers in a fast two hours You'll remember the many songs that include "Don't Fence Me In," "I Get a Kick Out of You," "You're the Top," etc. "A Cole Porter SongBook runs through July  $21^{\rm st}$ . When you hear these musi-

"A Cole Porter SongBook runs through July 21st. When you hear these musical numbers performed remember many were performed not only in shows but by such artists as Whiting, Page, Clooney, Sinatra, Martin and the list goes on. For show days – times – and reservations, call 800-595-4849. Tickets range from \$29 to \$59 and you can have a three-course meal. **-Four Stars-**

#### **Evanston's Ethnic Arts Festival Set for July 20 - 21**

Experience the sounds, tastes, colors and aromas of other cultures and distant continents at the 28th Annual Evanston Ethnic Arts Festival. The event is a two-day trip "around the world" at Dawes Park in Evanston. Festival-goers will celebrate the diversity of our planet from noon to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 20 and Sunday, July 21. Dawes Park is located at Sheridan Road at Church Street.

The Evanston Ethnic Arts Festival transforms Dawes Park, a shady, serene lakefront park, into a colorful, exciting global village. The lagoon and fountains will be surrounded by the flags of over 100 nations while 125 artist vendors representing the heritage and traditions from countries around the world will showcase their wares.

Many of the best ethnic entertainers from the metropolitan Chicago area and beyond will perform on two stages. Groups scheduled to perform on the Central Stage on Saturday are: Guitarra Azul (sounds of North Africa and the Mediterranean), Magic Carpet (music of the Middle East, India and African), Isle of Klezbos (fun-loving powerhouse all-gal Klezmer), and Matuto (Appalachia-gone-Afro-Brazilian).

Groups scheduled to perform on Sunday on the Central Stage are: The Barefoot Hawaiian (dance and music from Hawaii, Tahiti and Polynesia), Bollywood Groove (Indian Bollywood and Bhangra), Las BomPleneras (all-female Puerto Rican Bomba and Plena), Ras Kwame Bediako (reggae) and Occidental Brothers Dance Band (international-classic and West African dance music).

Family Stage entertainment will include performances by Irish Music School of Chicago, Mexican Folkloric Dance Company, Indonesian Performing Arts Chicago, Kuumba Lynx Performance Ensemble (Hip-Hop), the Phillippine American Cultural Foundation, Chicago DanzTheatre, S.O.U.L. Creations, Kalapriya (classical Indian dance) and Il Kwa Nori (traditional Korean percussion).

Art activities for children include origami, face painting, papel picado, Morocan clay drums, maraca-making, tie-dye, Mehndi, and Lithuanian folk motifs. Ethnic cuisine ranges from Jamaican jerk chicken to tilapia tacos and gyros, tamales and crab rangoons to gelato and smoothies. Vegetarian options will be available.

Complete entertainment schedules and a map of artist booths will be available at the fest and posted in advance at www.cityofevanston.org/ethnic. Free parking is available at the Northwestern University lot, three blocks north of Dawes Park. Free shuttle buses will transport festival-goers between the parking lot and Dawes Park. For more information, please call 311 (847-448-4311 outside of Evanston) or 847-448-8260.



# CHICAGO WELCOMES DIVVY BIKE SHARE SYSTEM

#### More than 4,000 Bike Trips in First Weekend of Operations

Chicagoans took their first rides on the Divvy bike share system this weekend, making more than 4,000 trips in the first weekend of operations.

"Bike sharing is another transportation option available to ensure that Chicagoans can safely and efficiently travel around the city's neighborhoods," Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "Our strong transportation infrastructure is a key factor in the quality of life that attracts businesses and families to Chicago, and we will continue to improve our system."

Divvy will feature thousands of bikes at hundreds of stations across Chicago neighborhoods. Each station has a touchscreen kiosk, station map, and a docking system that releases bikes using a Member key or ride code. More than 1,700 Chicagoans have already signed up for Divvy Annual Memberships at DivvyBikes.com.

The system is dubbed "Divvy" to reflect the nature of bike share, where members "divide and share" the use of the bikes. The bicycles' distinctive "Chicago Blue" paint is the same color as the stripes on the Chicago city flag, and will provide a high level of visibility on the street.

"Divvy gives Chicagoans and visitors access to a bike when they want one, without having to worry about storage or maintenance. It also leverages Chicago's public transit system to help commuters complete the first or last few miles of their trip," said Chicago Department of Transportation Commissioner (CDOT) Gabe Klein. "Divvy will change the way we move around Chicago."

Of the 4,123 bike trips made from Friday morning to Sunday night, 3,225 were made by annual members, and 898 were from customers who purchased 24-Hour Passes.

This week, the newly launched system will total 75 neighborhood stations and 750 bikes on the street. Divvy will quickly build to 300 stations and 3,000 bikes by the end of August, and 400 neighborhood locations by next spring.

"With Divvy, Chicago continues its rise to the top of the nation's most bicycle friendly cities," said Mia Birk, Vice President at Alta Bicycle Share, the company that operates Divvy. "Along with its creation of a network of protected bike lanes and trails and outreach and education programs, Chicago understands the power of bicycle transportation to add value to urban daily life."

Riders can purchase \$75 Annual Memberships or \$7 24-Hour Passes, which allow riders unlimited trips in that period. The first 30 minutes of every trip are included in the cost of the Membership or Pass, and incremental fees apply to trips that exceed 30 minutes. Annual Members use a personal key used to quickly unlock bikes from any station.

Chicagoans can find out more about the system through social media on Twitter at @DivvyBikes and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DivvyBikes.

#### **The Lincolnwood Social Club**

Day trips, drop-in programs, guest speakers and seasonal mixers are just a few of the activities enjoyed by Lincolnwood Social Club members. Area seniors, age 55 years and better, are encouraged to join the program and start taking advantage of some of the upcoming programming including theater outings to see The Pirates of Penzance (May 16), Dream Girls (October 10) and Singin' in the Rain (November 28). Other day trips include the Glenn Miller Orchestra (May 22), History Lunch Tour on the Spirit of Chicago (June 20) and Lake Geneva Lake Tour and Lunch at The Abbey (July 18). Registration fees include round trip transportation and lunch for most outings. Drop-in programs are offered on a weekly basis at the Lincolnwood Community Center (6900 N. Lincoln Avenue). Weekly activities include bridge, mah jongg and senior exercise. Classes are offered either free of charge or at a discount for Social Club members. In addition to day trips and drop-in programs, members enjoy monthly activities including movie viewings with catered lunch, area restaurant outings as well as outings to city locales (transportation included) and monthly social mixers highlighting member birthdays.

For membership information and a list of activities, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (847) 677-9740 or access at www.lincolnwoodil.org.



## CITY OPENS PROTECTED BIKE LANES ON MILWAUKEE AVENUE SPOKE ROUTE

Features Dedicated Bicycle-Specific Traffic Signals and Bike Passing Lanes
The City of Chicago officially opened the new bike lanes on a key section of
Milwaukee Avenue today, the city's busiest cycling street. This complete roadway redesign improves safety for all users, and includes dedicated bicycle traffic
signals and Chicago's first bike passing lane.

The safety improvements along the 0.85-mile stretch of Milwaukee between Kinzie Street and Elston Avenue include: a resurfaced roadway; bike lanes in each direction that are protected from vehicular traffic with physical barriers and buffers; improved pedestrian crossings; and increased bike parking opportunities.

Since Mayor Emanuel took office two years ago, CDOT has built more than 60 miles of new bikeways, half of which are protected with barriers or buffers. The City is keeping pace with the mayor's commitment to build 100 such protected bike lane miles in his first term in office.

"Improving our bicycling facilities is critical to creating the quality of life in Chicago that will attract businesses and families to the city," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "As our city grows, it is imperative that our streets include safe bicycle infrastructure that encourages all residents to ride their bikes."

The new Milwaukee design will complement Chicago's Divvy bike share system and makes the corridor a "complete street" by improving transportation options for all roadway users.

"We are redesigning intersections to ensure they are safer for bicyclists, and improve hundreds of miles of residential and commercial streets for the people who use them every day," said CDOT Commissioner Gabe Klein. "Chicago is planning to build more protected bike lanes than any other city in the country, and will soon be the most bike-friendly city in the United States."

On the bridge over the Ohio Street Feeder Ramp, the new protected bike lanes double in size to allow for a passing lane for faster cyclists – the first of its kind in Chicago. Each intersection in the corridor now has bicycle-specific pavement markings to provide guidance to bicyclists. At the intersection of Milwaukee and Elston, a new bicycle signal and right-turn arrows have been installed to reduce conflicts between cyclists and motorists and improve capacity for right-turning motorists.

Due to the width of the roadway, CDOT reduced on-street parking on Milwaukee and is working with the community to increase parking opportunities on side streets where possible.

"This project balances roadway space to ensure pedestrians, transit users, bicyclists and motorists can travel along and across the street safely," said Ald. Walter Burnett (27th). "These improvements provide bicyclists with a safe and comfortable route, while making a key connection for all Chicagoans who commute to and from downtown."

CDOT resurfaced much of the route using an asphalt mix that included a significant percentage of recycled material. In the nearly 2,000 tons of material laid down, there was recycled rubber from 1,800 car tires, enough discarded roofing shingles to cover 30 homes and 15 truckloads of reclaimed asphalt pavement.

The Chicago Streets for Cycling Plan 2020 sets forth a strategy to achieve Mayor Emanuel's goal of making Chicago the best big city for bicycling in America. It calls for a 645-mile network of biking facilities to be in place by 2020 to provide a bicycle accommodation within half-mile of every Chicagoan.

Milwaukee is a "Spoke Route," defined in the plan as 60 miles of direct routes in and out of the Loop that provide safe, continuous bikeways connecting all areas of Chicago with the downtown. The primary goal of the Spoke Routes is to increase commuting by bicycle citywide.

Since 2005, Chicago has seen the number of people commuting to downtown via bicycle increased by 200 percent. Today, there are nearly 20,000 people who commute daily on their bicycles.

It is estimated that more than 40 percent of the traffic on this part of Milwaukee during peak rush hours are bicycles. It is estimated that before the roadway redesign, 30 percent of the 12,000 vehicles that pass through the exceeded the speed limit. There were more than 600 reported crashes along the route from 2006 to 2011.



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#### **Keeping Your Vacation Home in the Family**



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Vacation homes hold a special place in our hearts. Everyone with a vacation home in the family has memories of special times shared with family and friends. Summer weekends and holidays at the lake or mountain home give a rare chance for families and friends to bond without the distractions of the outside world.

But, without careful planning, the vacation home can tear families apart after the passing of the parents. That's what happened to the Jackson family. Bob and Jean had purchased a lake home shortly after they got married. They spent precious times there with their children and grandchildren. It's where their son, Bobby, took his first steps and where their daughter, Lisa,

learned to fish and appreciate the outdoors. They spent most holidays and special occasions at the lake. But when Bob and Jean died, Bobby and Lisa could not agree on how to divide the property. Their parents' Trust said each should get ½ the value. But did that mean they needed to sell the property? Who would pay for the upkeep and do the work? If they kept it, who could use it during the holidays? Understandably, they both were emotionally attached to it. The lake home's increased value compounded the problem because it represented the majority of the economic value left by their parents. When the arguments escalated, the fight became more bitter and it finally ended up in court. The judge ordered a sale of the lake home. Due to inadequate planning, the Jacksons' cherished lake home did not stay in the family but, rather, tore the family apart.

But, this horrible outcome could have been avoided. Since both their kids wanted the lake home, they could have had their Trust specify a shared use arrangement. The arrangement could have specified a method to divide the use and the expenses. Their Trust could have provided a fund for shared expenses. In other family situations, life insurance could provide the liquidity to allow the vacation home to go to one child while other assets went to others.

Whether your vacation home is a cottage or an estate, by the water or in the mountains, a time share or a ranch, your vacation home is an invaluable asset and the focal point of much of your family's history. There is a right way to plan for your vacation home – like having a shared use agreement in your estate plan. Not planning, or not planning with sufficient provisions for the vacation home, like the Jacksons, is the wrong way to plan. A qualified estate planning attorney, who focuses his or her practice in estate planning, can help you keep it in the family while avoiding family discord.

-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.

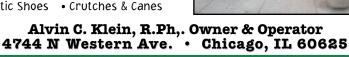
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## GREAT OUTDOORS

#### **MAYOR EMANUEL AND DCASE ANNOUNCE** CHICAGO FARMERS MARKETS

Farmers Markets Kick Off on May 11; Official Opening is May 16;

Mayor Rahm Emanuel on Tuesday announced the schedule for Chicago's Farmers Markets, presented by the City of Chicago, Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) and COUNTRY Financial. The City-run markets selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers open at Lincoln Park (Armitage & Orchard) and Division Street (Division & Dearborn) on Saturday, May 11 and at Beverly (95th & Longwood) on Sunday, May 12 before the official opening at Daley Plaza (Washington & Dearborn) on Thursday, May 16. The majority of the 2013 Chicago Farmers Markets will open throughout the month of June.

For more information, call 312.744.3316, TTY: 312.744.2964 or visit chicagofarmersmarkets.us and like us on Facebook at Chicago Farmers Markets.

#### **Skokie Farmers' Market Starts June 16!**

Visit the Skokie Farmers' Market opening on Sunday, June 16. The Market will be open every Sunday through Sunday, October 27, 2013. Hours are 7:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Arrive early for the best selection. The Market is conveniently located in the Village Hall parking lot at 5127 Oakton Street.

A wide selection of fresh grown seasonal fruits and vegetables are always in abundance at the Farmers' Market. Also available are fresh baked goods, fresh mushrooms and cheeses, fresh cut flowers and plants and much more.

Sponsored by the Consumer Affairs Commission, there will be some new vendors and other fun surprises at this year's Farmers' Market. Visit www.skokie.org or see the June/July edition of NewSkokie for details. For more information on the Skokie Farmers' Market contact Terry Oline, Market Manager, at 847/933-8224 or visit www.skokie.org.

#### **DOWNTOWN MARKETS**

**TUESDAYS** \*FEDERAL PLAZA Adams & Dearborn May 21- October 29, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. **THURSDAYS** \*DALEY PLAZA Washington & Dearborn May 16 - October 24, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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#### **WEEKLY MARKETS** \*LINCOLN SOUARE

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June 4 - October 29, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. LINCOLN PARK

Armitage & Orchard Lincoln Park High School Parking Lot May 11 - October 26, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. NORTHCENTER

Belle Plaine/Damen/Lincoln North Center Town Square June 15 - October 26, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. **NEW Monthly Market** 

**Devon Community Monthly Market** 2720 W. Devon (Republic Bank Parking Lot) July 7; August 4; September 1, October 6 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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#### It's Evanston Farmers' Market Season

Shopping at a farmers' market is a great way to meet local farmers and get fresh, flavorful produce and goods. The bounty of Midwest farmers will be easy to find from May through early November at the Downtown Evanston Farmers' Market!

The Downtown Evanston Farmers' Market will open for its 38th season on Saturday, May 4, 2013. It will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday through November 2, 2013. This crowd-pleaser has expanded to over 50 vendors, so shoppers can purchase fresh fruit, vegetables, meat, cheese, eggs, flavored oils, pasta and bakery items, as well as flowers and plants.

The Downtown Evanston Market is located at the intersection of University Place and Oak Avenue, behind the Hilton Garden Inn. Free parking is available in the adjacent 1800 Maple Avenue Self Park garage with ticket validation at the City of Evanston tent (click on map to expand).

Special events are featured throughout the season and unique artwork by "Home Grown Artists" will be showcased and sold on select dates. Reusable bags are sold on site and Illinois Link cards are accepted. Please note that dogs are not allowed at the market (with an exception for service animals).



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## GREAT OUTDOORS

#### "COOL & DAMP" Good, Or Bad For Your Plants?

By Nick Urhausen, Urhausen Greenhouses



While the spring of 2012 is remembered for being unusually warm and mild, not to mention a consecutive string of about ten 80 degree days in March, the spring of 2013 will be recalled as being cool and wet. Looking back, it seems like it was raining every other day, and we even had several flooding storms. In **URHAUSEN** fact, many of us had water in our basements. Concerning the ENHOUSES coolness, many days – even the ones that were "warm"- turned cool as evening approached, and cool damp lake air filtered in.

Most nights this spring were at or below 50 degrees. So how do these damp and cool conditions affect plants?

The primary effect of wet, cool weather on plants in general is that it slows their growth. Most plants prefer a warm temperature to optimally grow roots into the soil. The cool temperatures inhibit the root growth which then translates to less top growth. Mind you, some plants do really well with the cool temperatures. However, many of our favorites like Coleus, Vinca Periwinkle, Sweet Potato Vine, the herb Basil, Cucumbers, to name a few, really struggle with the cold. Excessively cool temperatures (like night temperatures around 50 degrees) can cause a stunting effect whereby the plant is "frozen in time" by the cool temperatures. Then extra warm temperatures are needed to shake the plant out of its initial cold shock. This cold shock or stunting can be accompanied by defoliation (the process of leaves randomly falling off) on some occasions. This is especially true of Sweet Potato Vines.

Excessive dampness caused by flooding or repeated rains promotes root rot. Several customers reported that their Vinca Periwinkle was experiencing root rot. Others had rot problems with their tropical Caladiums. When it is cool and damp, planting young tender annuals into a cold, damp soil usually presents problems. The coolness prevents the plant from robustly growing, while the excessive dampness challenges the plant's ability to dry out and grow. It is almost like repeatedly dunking someone in water. If dunked enough times, eventually one cannot take it and they expire.

The purpose of writing on the topic of how cool damp weather affects plants is to inform the reader of the truth. Knowing this information will help you diagnose problems in the future. Ultimately, we cannot control the weather; however, being armed with the knowledge can help us understand what is going on when it happens in the future.

Urhausen Greenhouses is located at 6973 N. East Prairie Road in Lincolnwood. Phone 847-675-1573; Website urhausengreenhouses.com

#### **Skokie Wednesdays on the Green**

Enjoy Wednesdays on the Green in Downtown Skokie this summer! Free, fun, family oriented events are held every Wednesday night beginning June 5 through August 28 at 7 p.m., at the Village Green, 5155 Oakton Street.

On their featured Wednesday night, participating Downtown Skokie restaurants offer a 20% discount (dine-in/carry out) from 4 p.m. to closing when patrons present a Wednesdays on the Green postcard that was mailed to all Skokie households in late May. Cards are available at Village Hall, 5127 Oakton Street and can be downloaded at www.wednesdaysonthegreen.com.

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#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Neue Deutsche Welle - 19 Juli

We might be well known for regular recitals of Mozarts's works, but a hot night in July needs a little "Rock Me Amadeus" by Falco.

New Wave music in the 80's was heavily influenced by the German scene. "Die Neue Deutsche Welle" genre made a lasting impact in America with unforgettable music videos and catchy tracks. Attendees who learned German from classics like "99 Luftballoons" and "Der Kommissar" will dance and sing all evening long. Neon clothes, gravity defying hair and fierce blush willke Free and open to the public, first come first serve though! Reserve your entrance today. Full bar and food available for purchase.

#### Kulturkueche - Pancakes und Pork - 19 Juli 7:30 pm

No need to heat up the entire house this summer for Pfannkuchen - switch to Mennonite style pancakes with Mary Michalowski! Thin, with crispy edges - these pancakes are perfect for summer fruits and Nutella, natürlich. 26 Juli 7:30 pm

The following week, Chef Martin of Alpine Brand Sausages, returns to the stage to walk you through the wonders of the grinder attachment and up to 5 of his exclusive recipes.

There are plenty of hands on opportunities for students as well as tasting opportunities. Nominal class fee of \$16 includes demonstration, recipes, one drink and tasting

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#### Made in Germany Summer Camp - 5 Aug - 16 Aug

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#### Working Through Pet Loss

When: Wednesday, July 17 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Where: The Anti-Cruelty Society Mullane Auditorium, 169 W. Grand Ave.

What: This open educational group is dedicated to working through the emotional rollercoaster that can occur when we lose a beloved pet. Whether it is sudden or long-time coming, the permanence of a pet's death can take its toll on thoughts and emotions that are a natural part of the healing process. The group facilitator, Mark Bilkey Psy.D., has over 15 years of experience in guiding individuals through the loss and transition process. Pre-registration is required for this free service. Contact-Tammie Bouschor at (312) 644-8338 ext. 344 or email education@anticruelty.org.

#### **Summer Heat can be Deadly to Pets**

By BluePearl Veterinary Partners.

As the dangerous heat returns and the hot days of summer come upon us, doctors from BluePearl Veterinary Partners recommend taking certain precautions to ensure your pet doesn't suffer from any heat-related injuries.

"It's less than a week into summer and we've already seen multiple cases of heatstroke at several of our locations," said Dr. Neil Shaw, chief medical officer of BluePearl. "It's very important for people to remember that their pets are sitive to the heat."

BluePearl doctors recommend for pets to be kept in an air conditioned environment during the heat of the day and to limit strenuous activities such as running

"Focus on outdoor activities either early in the morning or late in the day," Shaw said.

If your pet does become overheated, spray the animal down with room temperature or cool water, but never ice water. Ice cold water causes a decrease in blood flow to the skin and heat can't escape the body, which makes heat exhaustion symptoms worse.

Don't give sports drinks or electrolyte supplements to pets. Dogs cool off by panting and they do not sweat like people. Supplements like sports drinks can actually harm animals and make pets sick.

Lethargy, vomiting, diarrhea and dark red gums are all signs of heat related distress. If your pet is panting uncontrollably or collapses, take the animal to your veterinarian or nearest emergency veterinary hospital immediately.

Pet owners should also remember to make sure their pets have access to plenty of water at all times. Also, never leave your pet locked in a vehicle with the windows closed.

"Ultimately, any time you feel your pet may be in need of medical assistance, please don't hesitate to get them to your veterinarian as soon as possible," said Shaw. "Time is often the difference between life and death."





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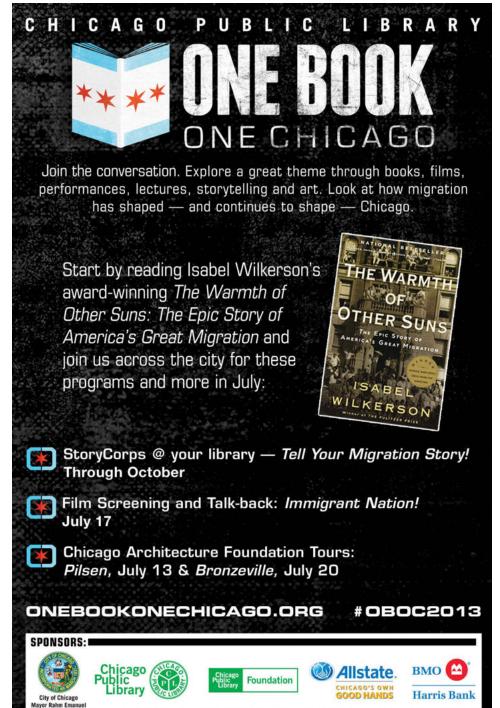
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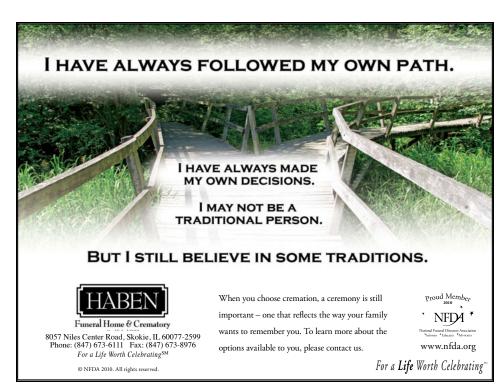


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