

## Volunteer to Become a Wish Granter

#### **Training Session Now Open For Registration**

Have you ever wondered how to help brighten the life of a child battling a life-threatening illness? Bring hope, strength and joy back into their lives by becoming a volunteer with the Make-A-Wish Illinois. Make-A-Wish is hosting a free training for wish granting volunteers on September, 25th from 6 to 8:45 p.m. in Chicago (location TBA). Volunteers who are bilingual in English and Spanish are especially needed to help wish families whose primary language is Spanish.

Wish-Granting volunteers work in teams of two to help grant the wishes of children in their community. Volunteers plan and carry out wishes from start to finish with support from the Make-A-Wish staff. Wish Granters are asked to give 10-12 hours per month to grant at least three wishes per year. This is a fun and rewarding opportunity for adults of all ages.

To attend the training, potential volunteers must complete the volunteer application and online training in advance; therefore RSVP is required by July 11th Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Reserve a spot for this session by contacting Eric Stuebs at stuebs@wishes.org or 312.602.9413. All volunteers must be over 18 and submit an application, reference and background check; and complete an online and brief in-person training to begin granting wishes.

Make-A-Wish Illinois grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich their lives with hope, strength and joy. Further information on volunteering is available at wishes.org.



## HEAR YE, HEAR YE, FELLOW KIWANIANS!

This is official Peanut business! The Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood needs to place its order for peanuts the beginning of September, so we are sending out this important email blast to all the members to ask a couple of questions:

No. 1 - Will you be able to help our Club sell peanuts on Peanut Day - Friday, September 28? If so, we can provide you with the distinctive designer vest which has two big pockets to be stuffed first with peanuts and then with cash. You'll also get a can for the money.

No. 2 - Would you like to purchase one or more boxes of peanuts (each containing 100 packets) to help us raise funds? They are available for \$30.00 per box. This reflects an increase of a box of peanuts from \$15.00 to \$19.00. cost \$15.00 each, but this is also a fundraiser ...

Please let me know ASAP. Send me your response to my NEW email at: weindorfermitzi@att.net or leave a message on my home phone: 773-728-8127.

Many thanks, and may God bless you for becoming involved with our organization which is part of Kiwanis International and helping to "serve the children of the world."

Maria Bappert, President, Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood

# Resurrection

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#### Jr. Bandit Cross Country Meet

Saturday, September 8, 2012 8:15 pm check in at Resurrection Girls & boys - individual runners welcome \$10 entry fee - registration forms at www.reshs.org

#### Jr. High Fine Arts Workshop

Friday, September 28, 2012 5:30 - 9:30 pm at Resurrection Girls - grades 5-8 \$25 for workshops, food, t-shirt & fun!

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Fall Open Houses Sunday, November 4, 2012 1:30 to 3:30 pm

www.reshs.org

Monday, November 5, 2012 6:30 to 8:30 pm

#### Shadow Days

8th grade girls welcome on select Wednesdays to shadow a current Resurrection student

#### Jr. Bandit Lock-in

Friday, December 14, 2012 6:00 to 9:00 pm

773.775.6616 Ext 129 for info or to schedule a Shadow Day

## **VITA Tutors Needed** "FALL INTO PLACE"

Many adults need help with basic English reading, writing and speaking skills.

## **FALL INTO PLACE!**

Call Oakton Community College at 847-635-1426 to learn how to become a VITA tutor. A required four part training will be held at the Skokie Campus on



August 30, September 4, September 15, and October 6.

## **Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers September Health Programs**

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

The Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, September 4, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The free support group aims to provide mutual support and education. For more information, call 773-794-8329.

Med Check, a new, free support group, is for individuals who have questions about their medications or need help to organize their medications. The first session will be held Thursday, September 6, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Bring medications to discuss concerns with a pharmacist. A nurse will take blood pressure and answer health related questions. Registration is not required.

A free lecture, titled Help for Your Joints, will be given Wednesday, September 12, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Rheumatologist Harpinder Ajmani, M.D., will discuss the different types of arthritis, its signs and symptoms, and treatment options. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

A free **Healthy Aging Program** will be held Friday, September 14, 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. Tom Lydon, Illinois Comptroller's Office, will discuss credit cards and debt. Registration is not required.

Free foot screenings will be given Saturday, September 15, from 9 a.m. to noon. Podiatrist Hong Suk Yoon, D.P.M., will perform the foot screenings and will advise on foot treatments. No prescriptions or treatments will be given at the screenings. Participants should wear easy to remove shoes and socks. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

The 13th Annual Fall into Fitness 5K Run/Walk will take place Sunday, September 23, at 8:30 a.m. in Portage Park, Irving Park Rd. and Central Ave. Event participants will use the latest timing system that is used in big city marathons for accurate timing of participants' performance. Registrants will receive a 5K longsleeve, 100 percent cotton T-shirt; compact LED flashlight; and post-race refreshments. Top race winners will be awarded prizes. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636) or going online at olr.reshealth.org/5krun.

The Pacemaker/Cardiac Device Support Group will meet Wednesday, September 26, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. This free support group provides mutual support and education. Cardiology staff will conduct sessions and answer questions related to pacemakers and internal cardiac defibrillators (ICD). Registration is not required.

A free lecture, titled **Health**, **Wellness and Nutrition**, will be offered Wednesday, September 26, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Plastic surgeon Srdjan Ostric, M.D., will discuss how nutrition affects health and wellness. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

The Arthritis Support Group will meet Thursday, September 27, 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 parking is available in the hospital's parking facility on Addison Street.



## Start with a visit to your Primary Care Physician

#### Choose a doctor at Our Lady of the Resurrection **Medical Center who:**

- is in your neighborhood accepts your insurance
- speaks your language
- is focused on your good health

## Area Residents Invited to Participate in Community Survey

Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center invites area residents to participate in a community survey designed to collect grassroots input to better understand health and wellness needs and to identify ways that overall health can be improved in the community. The hospital is working in partnership with a cross-section of local organizations on an overall Community Health Needs Assessment. Area residents can participate in this process by filling out a brief online survey, which can be found at: http://reshealth.org/programs/survey.cfm. The survey is available in English, Spanish, Polish and Russian. All responses are confidential and will only be used to understand and prioritize what is needed to improve community health and wellness. For questions about the survey, please contact Mireya Vera at 773-594-8457.

## LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COULD WIN A TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND A \$30,000 SCHOLARSHIP

Commander Joseph Stachon of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Department of Illinois, today announced the kick-off of the 66th year of the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary Voice of Democracy Scholarship Competition. Local high school students have the opportunity to compete for thousands of dollars in scholarships and a trip to Washington, D.C.

Students begin by competing at the local Post level with a deadline of November 1st. Post winners advance to District and then the first place District winner advances to the State competition. All state winners receive a four day trip to Washington, D.C. A total of \$152,000 is awarded to national finalists. First place is \$30,000. Annually the VFW provides more than \$2.3 million in scholarships. Each year, around 50,000 students participate in the competition.

Students must write and record a three-to-five minute essay on this theme for 2012-2013, "Is Our Constitution Still Relevant?" on an audio cassette tape or audio CD and present their recording, typed essay, and entry form at their local VFW Post. Interested students and teachers should contact the nearest Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, or e mail vfwil@vfwil.org for further information.

FOR DETAILS VISIT http://www.vfw.org/Community/Voice-of-Democracy

## Village of Skokie Fine Arts Commission Grants

The Village of Skokie Fine Arts Commission offers Cultural Arts Grants to Skokie schools that promote arts and cultural diversity in the community. Cultural Arts Grants are available to Skokie schools for in-school performing arts programming and Project Grants are available to Skokie arts organizations.

The Fine Arts Commission offers a grants workshop on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 5127 Oakton Street. The deadline to submit both grants for consideration is Friday, September 28, 2012.

Skokie public and private schools that host professional visiting artists are eligible to apply for the Cultural Arts Grant. Programs should have an emphasis on fine arts, music and dance while promoting cultural diversity. The maximum grant level is \$500. All proposed programs/projects must take place between May 1, 2012 and April 30, 2013.

The Project Grant Program offers grants to organizations and sponsors of visual, audio and creative projects. These competitive grants provide larger funding amounts and Skokie not-for-profit arts organizations and institutions are encouraged to apply. All proposed programs or projects must take place between May 1, 2012 and April 30, 2013.

Applications for this year's Arts Grants are available online at www.skokie.org or by contacting the Public Information Division at 847/933-8257.

#### Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood

Meets 2nd & 4th Thursday 12 o'clock Noon at Hilltop Family Restaurant, 2800 W. Foster (Northwest corner of Foster & California)

Sept. 13th -There will be no guest speaker today. A Board of Directors meeting will follow the regular Meeting. Sept. 27th- Regular meeting at the Hilltop Restaurant at 12:00pm. Our guest speaker is TBA. Sept. 28th –PEANUT DAY 2012! For more information, please call Ron Heiderman @ 773-561-0455 or email to rheiderman@sbcglobal.net

## LIFE LINE SCREENING TO OFFER PREVENTIVE HEALTH SCREENINGS AT NORWOOD CROSSING ON SEPTEMBER 11

Do you have high cholesterol or high blood pressure? Have members of your family suffered from these ailments? Do you have a poor diet? If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, you may want to consider being screened for your risk of stroke through the services of Life Line Screening, a preventive health process that uses non-invasive ultrasound technology to scan for potential health problems. Norwood Crossing will host Life Line Screening from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., on Sept. 11, in the Norwegian Heritage Room, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago. Screening packages of 60 - 90 minutes each are available, and reservations are limited to 35 persons per day. The Complete Wellness package that costs \$129 - \$139 per person consists of four screenings: Stroke/Carotid Artery--blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm which can lead to a ruptured aorta; Ankle Brachial Index--hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; and Osteoporosis screening to measure bone density, for men and women, to assess the risk of osteoporosis. The Complete Wellness plus Heart Rhythm Package, (which includes the Atrial Fibrillation screening) costs only \$139 - \$149 per person. Payment must be made upfront, although some health insurance companies will reimburse policyholders for the tests' cost after a receipt is submitted. Life Line Screening tests over one million people a year, and has saved about 60,000 lives during that period. Appointment spaces are limited and pre-registration is required. Sign up now by calling toll free (888) 653-6441 or register online by going to www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

Make an appointment today! 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636)



For a free Check-up Checklist, visit olr.reshealth.org/myhealth

#### **OUR LADY OF THE RESURRECTION** MEDICAL CENTER



## **Attention U S Military Veterans**

American Legion Edison Park Post #541 is having a meeting on Thursday Sept. 13TH and Thursday Sept. 27TH starting at 7:30PM at the Edison Park Field House located at 6755 Northwest Hwy (just west of Harlem Ave) Chicago.



We are a medium size, friendly active post with members from all over Chicago-land.

Feel free to stop by and sit in at our meeting. If you've been

thinking of joining a veterans organization, we just might be what you've been looking for.

For additional information, please contact: Post Commander Gerald Skotzko at 773-693-3448. We're looking forward to seeing you.

## MEAL DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS SAVE LIVES OF TWO SENIORS

Three Norwood Seniors Network meal delivery volunteers saved the lives of two NSN clients in separate incidents during recent meal runs. Joe Henmueller, a Korean war veteran, and the team of John Murray, a retired Chicago Police Department officer, and his grandson, William Beltran, a sophomore at Eastern Illinois University who was home for the summer, were both in the right place at the right time.

During a stop at a home on Henmueller's route that



MEAL DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS SAVE LIVES OF TWO SENIORS Joe Henmueller and his wife, Grace, a volunteer

for more than 10 years, are pictured at the Norwood Crossing Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

takes him through Edison Park and Niles, he noticed that the client failed to answer the front door and was not in the back yard. Sensing that something was wrong, he notified Norwood Seniors Network staff who in turn phoned the client's daughter who was out of town. The daughter called the Niles Fire Department for a wellness check. Unable to get a reply, the first responders broke through the front door, found the client on the bathroom floor, and transported the client to Lutheran General Hospital. It was later determined that the client had been on the floor for about 12 hours. Unfortunately, the client who usually wore an emergency response system removed it beforehand, making it inaccessible. Now fully recovered from a hospital stay and post-hospitalization rehab at Norwood Crossing, the client is home again and receiving NSN meal deliveries and caregiving.

"Their (Seniors Network) phone call to me was huge," said the client's daughter. "It was huge! I'm very grateful to the Network and gratified that a caregiver is now there four or five days a week. It also gives me peace of mind to know that once a day a Seniors Network meal delivery volunteer will stop for a brief visit."

A similar lifesaving situation occurred several months later when volunteers Murray and Beltran drove to a home on their meal delivery route. Beltran, who scurried with a meal up the stairs to the second floor apartment, knocked, entered, saw the client lying on the couch with discolored arms, and the meal from the previous day untouched, alerted his grandfather who called 911. After a short hospital stay, the client is undergoing rehabilitation at Norwood Crossing.

Reflecting afterward on his unusual experience, Beltran said he was "happy to do something for someone else" and when he returns to school this fall will

## CHILDREN LEARN CYCLING SKILLS THROUGH WEEK-LONG BIKE SAFETY CAMP

Inaugural Event Provides Cycling Skills Education and Bikes for Kids



As part of the effort to make Chicago the greatest and safest city for bicycling in the United States, 80 children are participating in a bicycle safety camp, which provides a week-long riding and safety course taught by the City's Bicycling Ambassadors, as well as a new bike and helmet.

The four camps, taking place in parks in the 3rd, 25th, 47th and 48th wards, will involve training on bike-riding skills, riding safely, route selection, map reading, as well as a series of neighborhood group rides.

The pilot program was the idea of four aldermen – Pat Dowell (3rd), Daniel Solis (25th), Ameya Pawar (47th) and Harry Osterman (48th) – who recently observed a similar bike safety camp for children in Demark, and wanted to bring the education course to Chicago.

"It is important to teach children the skills they need to ride their bikes safety and confidently so they have a lifetime of enjoyment on a bicycle," said Dowell, who celebrated the opening of the camp at Fuller Park at 331 W. 45th St. "These bike safety camps can help increase the number of Chicagoans who choose active transportation, and contribute to a healthier, happier, and more productive city."

"The goal of these camps is to provide each child with the basic bike-handling skills that will encourage them to ride more," said Gabe Klein, Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT). "The more that kids learn to ride confidently and safely, the more they will want to keep riding."

Each camper will receive a new Schwinn bicycle, donated through Bikes Belong, a national coalition of bicycle retailers and suppliers. The Chicago Bicycling Ambassadors program is also providing each camper with a new bike helmet. The campers were chosen to participate by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago and the Chicago Park District.

"We are pleased to help facilitate the gift of bikes to these Chicago summer camps for kids," said Bikes Belong Board President Chris Fortune. "Innovative programs such as this one will connect more people on bikes in Chicago and will enhance the quality of life for the community."

Bikes Belong also recently launched the Green Lane Project, a new effort that works closely with six cities to help them build world-class cycling networks by facilitating a partnership between the cities and provide them with strategic and technical assistance, while expanding the national knowledge base and sharing it widely.

Chicago's Streets for Cycling Plan 2020, to be released by CDOT this summer, sets forth a strategy to achieve Mayor Rahm Emanuel's goal of making Chicago the best big city for bicycling in America. The Plan, developed through a community process, identifies a 645-mile bike network of on-street bikeways that will allow all Chicagoans to feel more safe and comfortable riding on city streets.

The Plan's network was developed using three key principles: provide a bicycle accommodation within half-mile of every Chicagoan; provide more bikeways where more people live; and build more infrastructure where ridership is high, while establishing a strong backbone of infrastructure where ridership is currently lower.

Chicago's Bicycling Ambassadors are the City's bike-safety and public-awareness outreach team that promotes safety for all road users – bike riders, motorists, and pedestrians – and encourages all Chicagoans ride their bikes more. Ambassadors do outreach at city festivals, neighborhood block parties and farmers markets. They also give bicycle safety demonstrations at day camps, libraries, and schools, as well as bike-to-work presentations for area businesses.

tell his friends that "I saved a life, and it gave me a good feeling." His grandfather, who has seen his share of tragedy and unusual incidents while on the police department, told his grandson that he should cherish his good deed because "it is a rare thing to save a person's life."

All Norwood Seniors Network meal delivery volunteers are instructed to watch for unusual circumstances when delivering meals to clients. "Our meal delivery volunteers are that added insurance during the day that can bring peace of mind to a family member," said June Ninnemann, Norwood Seniors Network executive director. "When our volunteers deliver meals, they also check on a client's well-being. Seniors who live alone and independently should be proud of their achievement, but families need to be aware that sometimes additional safeguards are needed. One inexpensive safety device is the emergency response system, a button that hangs from the neck or attaches to the wrist to summon immediate help. It can truly be a lifesaver."

Services provided by Norwood Seniors Network, established in 1994 in Chicago's Norwood Park community, include Care Management, Caregiving, Emergency Response System, Door-to-Door Transportation, Home Delivered Meals, Luncheon Social Outings, and Membership. Call (773) 631-5673 or email info@norwoodseniorsnetwork.org for more information.

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## POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE ANNOUNCES 6th ANNUAL CLASSIC AND ANTIQUE CAR SHOW AND KIDNEY & DIABETES SCREENINGS IN SEPTEMBER

The Polish National Alliance is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the 6th Annual Classic and Antique Car Show on the grounds of the Home Office Building, located at 6100 N. Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois on Sunday, September 9, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m. Rain date, Sunday September 16, 2012.

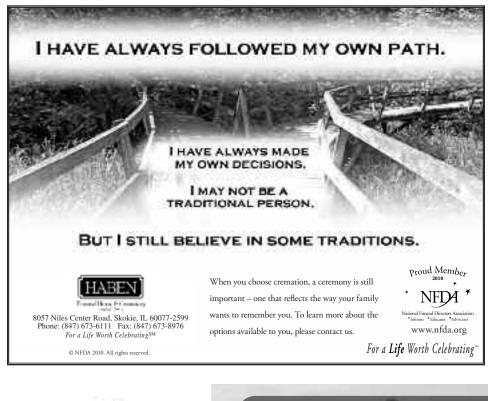
The car show is open to the public and free admission to view the classic and antique vehicles. It will feature hot cars, great food, music, and lots of fun. Trophies will be awarded to the best cars.

Those wishing to participate showing off their cars (muscle cars, antique cars, sports cars, classic cars, and motorcycles), must be 1986 and older models, must register with the PNA. To receive a registration form, contact the Polish National Alliance 1-800-621-3723 ext. 380, during regular office hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.), or download it from the PNA Website in the events section or from the car show link on the main page. Questions about the car show, please call Dave at (847) 970-1040. Early registration fee before Setpember 1st is \$5.00, on site registration the day of the event will be \$10.00, cash only. Please check the PNA Website www.pna-znp for updates and to obtain additional information.

Then on Saturday, September 15, 2012 the PNA will have Free Kidney and Diabetes screening at the PNA Office – 6100 N. Cicero Ave. – Chicago, IL. - from 10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. Take charge of your health and attend a free screening through the Kidney Mobile program. The program will include blood pressure, blood sugar, body mass index (BMI), waste circumference, urinalysis, blood draw, and private consultations with medical professionals.

You must make an appointment for this event in advance. Please call the PNA during regular office hours at 1-800-621-3723 or (773) 286-0500 ext, 380. or check our website www.pna-znp.org for additional information.

The Polish National Alliance is the largest Polish Fraternal Ethnic Insurance Organization since 1880.



## JR. BANDIT CROSS COUNTRY INVITE

Grammar school students are invited to participate in the Resurrection College Prep High School Jr. Bandit Cross Country Invite on September 8, 2012 on the campus of Resurrection College Prep High School. Team and individual runners are invited to participate in the following categories: Varsity Girls (7th and 8th grade), Varsity Boys (7th and 8th grade), Jr. Varsity (JV) Girls (6th grade and under) and Jr. Varsity (JV) Boys (6th grade and under). The Varsity race will be 1.5 miles and the JV race will be 1 mile. Check-in time is 8:15 am and the races will begin every twenty minutes, beginning at 9 am.

The fee is \$10 for an individual runner or \$100 per team. To register, please submit the registration form found on the Resurrection College Prep website at www.reshs.org under the "Jr. High Events" tab. Questions may be directed to Cross Country Coach Fred Angelini at fangelini@reshs.org or 847.334.1718 or contact the school at 77.775.6616 Ext 134.

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.

## St. Thecla Women's Council

is seeking crafters and vendors for it's **9th Annual Craft & Gift Show** to be held on Nov. 17, 2012. Spaces are available for \$50.00 & \$60.00 For information or application call Bernie – 773-774-6897 or Terri – 773-631-0215

## St Peter Oktoberfest 2012 Sponsorship

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

St. Peter Catholic School in Skokie is again preparing to host its Annual Oktoberfest for September 21, 22 and 23, 2012. This family friendly event encompasses live music, German Food and Beer Tent, Carnival, Spartan Raffle and an Alumni Evening. This fun filled time has children's and adult activities throughout the event and attracts hundreds of school families, parishioners, alumni and local Skokie residents.

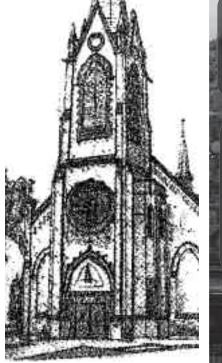
At this time, we are asking you to become an official sponsor of Oktoberfest. Our goal is to join together with the community to create a mutually beneficial and outstanding event. We are asking for your support through a donation. As always we count on the generosity of our business community to help make this the most successful Oktoberfest to date. All proceeds directly benefit our students. St. Peter School has had a tradition of academic excellence for over 100 years and we want you to be part of our very proud tradition.

Show the community your support with your sponsorship. These sponsorships will be recognized in our Ad Book, which is distributed to all St Peter parishioners, school families and attendees of the event. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase your business and help St Peter School.

Please contact us or visit our website to obtain a sponsorship form which will present choices that might best meet your abilities. We appreciate your support as much as you appreciate ours. Feel free to contact either myself, or Sante Iacovelli, principal of St. Peter School, at 847-673-0918. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Thank you for your time and consideration. Jeanne Cushing, 847-757-4034 Oktoberfest Committee Member, St. Peter School Oktoberfest 2012





Hours: Friday 5:00pm-11:00pm Saturday 12:00pm-11:00pm Sunday 1:00pm-7:00pm Live Entertainment: Fri. The Hip-Noz Sat. The Blues Brothers Sun. Frank K & Company

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# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST **2012 Chicagoland German Day Association Presents** 92nd Annual German-American Fest and

47th Annual Steuben Parade

**September** 7th, 8th and 9th, 2012 Lincoln, Leland & Western



## Join us for the Parade 2:00 pm Saturday. **September 8th Lincoln Ave**

The parade begins at 4000 N. Lincoln Ave. traveling to Wilson Avenue and north on Western Ave. The parade's reviewing stand is located at Leland and Western avenues.

## German American Fest Schedule of Events, Sept. 7th thru 9th, 2012

Friday September 7th 7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies

#### Saturday September 8th

12:00 p.m. Festival Grounds Opening

Von Steuben Day Parade from Irving 2:00 Pk Rd to Eastwood Eastwood to Western north

to Lawrence

3:00 **Combined German American Choruses** of Chicago

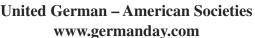
- 3:15 German American Kinderchor
- 3:30 Schuhplattler Verein Edelweiss
- Jolly Lumberjacks Dancers 3:45
- 4:00 Rheinische Verein Chicago

#### **Sunday September 9th**

SUNDAY MASS at the Festival 11:00 am grounds

- 12:00 Festival ground opens music in the tent
- 2:00 **Opening Ceremony**
- German American Kinderchor 2:15
- 2:30 American Aid Society Kinder Dancers
- 2:45 American Aid Society Youth Dancers
- 3:00 Donauschwaben Kinder Dancers
- 3:15 Donauschwaben Youth Dancers
- 3:30 Donauschwaben folk dance group
- 3:45 Egerlaender folk dance group
- 4:00 Rheinischer Verein Mardi Gras Society with Prinz Franz Josef & Princessin Sandra

Fanfaren Corps and Amazonen Dancers



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The German Day Association would like to thank the following for their sponsorship and support. United German American Societies of Greater Chicago, Alderman Ameya Pawar 47th Ward, Mayor Rahm Emanuel, City of Chicago and the cooperation of Lincoln Square Chamber of Commerce.

German Commemoration Day Sunday, October 7, 2012 1:30 pm Saint Benedicts Church 2215 W. Irving Park Road

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September 9, 11:00 am Sunday Mass in German (on the **Festival Grounds**)

# **47TH ANNUAL STEUBEN PARADE** Saturday, September 8th, 2:00 pm, Lincoln Ave & Irving Park Rd

# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST

Announcing DANK Haus German American Cultural Center Latest Archival Acquisition The Adolph & Gerhard Enders Model Railroad!



Cabin et maker Adolph Enders was sent to the Russian front during World War II, then emigrated to Detroit. There he began his career making models for the automobile manufacturers. For 40 years in a Detroit basement, Adolph and his brother Gerhard constructed by hand a 16 foot by 12 foot model Lionel "O" railroad to remind them of their beloved Germany. Each piece is masterfully hand carved and it includes a river of real water, a work-



ing woodcutter and a hand painted canvas mountain backdrop.

The DANK Haus German American Cultural Center is proud to be entrusted with this treasure of German American craftsmanship and hopes to install it in a prominent location after extensive restoration for enjoyment by all ages.

The Archives Committee is seeking model railroad enthusiasts to be part of the restoration team so that it may be enjoyed by all ages for decades to come

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## **General Friedrich Wilhelm Von Steuben German-American Hero**

General Friedrich Wilhelm Ludolf Gerhard Augustin Von Steuben was born in Magdeburg, Germany on September 17, 1730. Von Steuben's military career began at an early age, when he entered the Prussian army and served with Distinction in the Seven Year's War. He later became the aid of Frederick the Great of Prussia, who was recognized as the military genius of his time. Von Steuben became expert in the drilling and training of troops. Because of this exceptional ability, Benjamin Franklin and Count St. Germain, French Minister of War persuaded Von Steuben to volunteer his military expertise to the American Revolutionists.



Von Steuben sailed for America and arrived at

Portsmouth, NH in 1778 to aid the young nation in its fight for independence. He offered his services to General Washington without rank or pay, arriving at Valley Forge in the late winter of 1777-78. He found the soldiers in deplorable condition, without uniforms, weapons or food. Appointed by Congress to be inspector General of the Army, Von Steuben set about training the unorganized band of ragged soldiers. He infused in them a sense of discipline and converted them into an excellent fighting force, training them to bear arms, march, form columns and to execute maneuvers with precision. He gave confidence to the officers and men, enabling them to continue on to victory at Yorktown.

As "Drill Instructor" of the Continental Army, Von Steuben wrote "Regulations of the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States." Although his Manual has been modified, it still remains in the basic guide for the discipline and drill of the Army.

On June 28, 1778, Von Steuben's training was put to test when the American troops encountered the British Army near Monmouth Courthouse in the town of Freehold, Monmouth County, New Jersey. What early threatened to become a disastrous defeat for the Colonial forces was turned into a glorious victory by General Von Steuben. The retreating troops of General Lee were brought to a halt by Von Steuben and reformed under heavy fire. The retreating men knew how to conduct themselves and wheeled into line with the precision of veter-



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ans. What seemed to be a certain defeat turned into a patriot victory and a turning point in the war. This battle was followed by victories in Stony Point, Yorktown and other places.

Steuben was remarkable for the generosity and fineness of his nature, spending his entire income, beyond what was essential to his own simple needs, in purchasing clothing and rations for his men. In recognition of his services Congress granted him an annuity and New York State presented him with a large tract of land. He became an American citizen and lived in New York until his death in 1794. He was laid to rest in a hero's grave on his estate in Steuben County where the inscription on a bronze plaque sums up the contribution that he had made to the new nation "Indispensable to the Achievement of American Independence."

Steuben's military services in America are likewise very adequately indicated in General John McCauley Palmer's biography on Steuben by his most praiseworthy statement: "...in the course of my researches I was soon convinced that the military services of two men, and two men only, can be regarded as indispensable to achievement of American independence. These two men were Washington and Steuben. When I say that their military services were indispensable, I mean that each of them contributed something essential to final victory, that could not have been contributed by any other man in the American Army."

# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST 92nd German-American Fest

#### by William Milleker

The opening ceremonies for the 92nd German-American Fest will be on Friday, September 7, 2012 at 6 pm in the Festival area at Lincoln Avenue and Leland Ave.

The three-day festival includes German food and beverages and music provided by German bands in two large tents. Carnival games are also available for the kids.

The 47th annual Von **Steuben German Day Parade** celebrating Chicago's German Americans, steps off at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012. The parade begins at 4000 N. Lincoln Ave. traveling to Wilson Avenue and north on West-



ern Ave. The parade's reviewing stand is located at Leland and Western avenues.

The parade honors Baron Friedrich von Steuben, a German military man who volunteered his services to Gen. George Washington, leader of the revolutionary army of the American colonies. Von Steuben converted the colonial army, mostly farmers and tradesmen, into a disciplined fighting force, instilling in them much needed inspiration, confidence and competence.

The parade, is sponsored by the United German American Societies

of Greater Chicago includes marchers in ethnic costumes, floats, bands and marchers from many local German American organizations.

More than 60 floats will make their way through the Lincoln Square neighborhood, the heart of Chicago's German-American Community and end in the Festival area.

This year the Honorary Grand Marshall is Brigadier General Steven P Huber and Erich Himmel is the Grand Marshall.

On Sunday the festival continues from noon to 10 pm with a cultural program at 2 pm.

Traditional German singing and dancing groups and a drum and bugle corps will perform.

The German Day Association was founded in 1920 by dedicated Germans wishing to promote the usage and continuance of the German language, customs and songs in Chicago. At that time the Association became the umbrella organization for all of the German Organizations under the name of the United German American Societies of Greater Chicago.

Entrance to the festival area is free. For more information visit germanday.com







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# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST

## **Executive Director of the DANK Haus German American Cultural Center**

Despite her French first name, a Polish married name and being half Irish, Nicholle Dombrowski brings a strong German American focus to her role as Executive Director of the DANK Haus German American Cultural Center.

"My mother came from Berlin in the 1960's as a little girl with my Oma, they settled first in Michigan where my Tante had married an American soldier and then moved to Chicago because, after Berlin, my Oma needed to be in a world class city," shares Nicholle.

Like so many other German Americans, the family settled right into American life, starting a dry cleaning and tailoring business at Montrose and Drake, learning English from television and cooking turkey at Thanksgiving. "Food and language are the things that really keep a culture together – we might have managed the Thanksgiving turkey but I was the only kid at school who had liverwurst for lunch," laughs Nicholle.

"We spoke some German at home, once my Oma died it certainly dropped off, my mother brought us to the DANK Haus Kinderschule a few times but there were so many other extracurricular activities we did not stay. As an adult, it is definitely one of those things you look at your Mom and say: "You should have forced us to learn German!""

German class was not an option in high school but Nicholle did study the language during her sophomore year at the University of Illinois at Chicago while pursuing her degree in International Business and French. She accepted a position with the American Farm Bureau, assisting with meetings and Special Programs and shifting over to become a Junior Accountant and Payroll Specialist.

"So when the opportunity opened up at the DANK Haus, I had already veered pretty far off my educational path but was definitely ready for something past beige cubicles and spreadsheets." And she certainly found it – Nicholle joined the DANK Haus in 2008 in the midst of its major shift from a semi private club and school to becoming a center showcasing the music, ethnic traditions, art, literature and history of Germans and German Americans. "I always thought the people that worked at the Shedd Aquarium and Field Museum had the best jobs in the world. To be able to walk every day through an amazing space, surrounded by all these displays and visitors and come up with cool programs - and now here I am," declares Ms. Dombrowski.

Working for a non profit with a small staff certainly has its challenges but in Nicholle's hands the organization is making enormous leaps. "Pivotal to our





growth has truly been our willingness to open ourselves up to the public as both visitors and contributors as well as our position as a Core Member of the Chicago Cultural Alliance, a consortium of 27 ethnic museums, of which I recently was elected to the board." The DANK Haus German American Cultural Center offers regular film programs, cooking classes and open houses to further German language and culture as well as a steady stream of concerts both classical and traditional as well as varying art and historical exhibits. The board's new strategic plan calls for increased collaboration with external groups and there are some great projects in the works - from a children's Lanterenfest with the German School Chicago to a multi perspective tour of Humboldt Park with the Polish Museum of America and the Institute for Puerto Rican Arts and Culture to "Mctoberfest" at the Irish American Heritage Center.

The public is welcome to meet Ms. Dombrowski and a host of other great supporters of German American culture at the DANK Haus German American Cultural Center's language classes, programs, concerts or by scheduling a tour of the museum and center.

## Kulturkueche – Sausage Making Class

DANK Haus German American Cultural Center asks if you are you ready to grind a whole pork shoulder? Austrian Chef Martin of Alpine Brand Sausages will guide you through the art of Wurst. Students will make 3-4 sausages from bratwurst to chorizo to sweet Italian and kielbasa.

Besides the already intriguing pork shoulder, one of the ingredients on the shopping list is brandy. Attendees will take part in butchering, spicing and stuffing of two sausages and a side dish. There are plenty of hands on opportunities for students as well as tasting opportunities.

Nominal class fee of \$18 includes demonstration, recipes, one drink and tasting http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/268874

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This event is Friday September 14 2012 at 7:30 pm. Reservations required. DANK Haus German American Cultural Center, 4740 North Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625. Phone: 773.561.9181 www.dankhaus.com

## The German American Children's Chorus

The German American Children's Chorus or The Kinderchor was founded in 1935 to preserve the German culture through song. 77 years later the chorus thrives with 60 active members ranging from ages 4 to 21. The Kinderchor has successfully taken two concert tours to Germany and sang at The Epcot Center at Walt Disney World.

The chorus rehearses every Saturday morning beginning September 29, 2012 at St. John's Lutheran Church and School, 4939 W. Montrose Ave. Chicago, IL. The Kinderchor begins rehearsal at 9:30 am and the Jugendchor or Junior Chorus, which consists of the High School students and older, follows at 10:30 am.

We encourage any prospective members to come visit and sit in on a rehearsal.

For more information please visit our website: www.dakinderchor.org Make sure to visit us at the annual German American Fest September 7, 8 & 9, 2012 at Lincoln & Leland Ave's in Chicago's very own Lincoln Square. The Kinderchor will participate in The Von Steuban Day parade and will be running a tent at the fest. Stop by and visit the Kinderchor tent for a cold beer and a delicious bratwurst.

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## Chicago Public Library Offers "Blue Moon" Fine Amnesty Program

#### Students Can Start the School Year with a Clean Slate

For the first time in 20 years, the Chicago Public Library is offering a fine amnesty program to encourage all patrons to return overdue materials and not allow fines to discourage students from taking advantage of the full resources offered at the library.

"This program will allow parents and children the chance to start the school year with a clean record and enable them to check out materials that will help with their studies and classes," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "Regardless of the reason for not returning an item, students with overdue materials can start fresh and take advantage of the Library and its extensive resources for their studies."

Coinciding with the astronomical phenomenon taking place on August 31, the Library is naming the program the "Once in a Blue Moon Amnesty," reinforcing the fact that it is not a regular occurrence.

From August 20 through September 7, late fines will be waived on all books, CDs, DVDs and other materials, no matter how long overdue. The amnesty will apply to all patrons and if an item has been lost, they will be responsible for paying only the replacement cost.

"In conducting this amnesty, we expect to recover thousands of outstanding items, the value of which will most likely exceed the lost revenue in fines. This will recoup the City's investment in the materials and, most importantly, make them available for other patrons to use," said Library Commissioner Brian Bannon. "This program aligns with our commitment to lowering the barriers to library use for all Chicagoans, especially those most in need of our services."

Dating from January 2011, the Library is currently owed \$1.4 million in unpaid fines from overdue materials with an estimated worth of more than \$2 million. The Library collects approximately \$2 million a year in revenue from fines.

The last fine amnesty Chicago Public Library conducted was in 1992, in which juvenile cards were wiped of fines once materials were returned. There was also a one-week fine amnesty in June 1985 for all library patrons, at which time 77,000 books were returned – representing approximately \$1.5 million worth of materials.

Similar fine amnesty programs have been very successful in other cities in the past few years. Washington, D.C conducted a two month amnesty at the beginning of 2012, recovering 21,075 items and updating more than 34,000 patron accounts most of which had been inactive for more than 3 years. When Boston waived fines owed by 57,000 kids, their young adult card registrations went up 85 percent and circulation increased by 10 percent.

## CPS Launches Online School Locator To Help Parents Easily Access School Information by Neighborhood

Chicago Public Schools (CPS) will unveil today an updated and enhanced webbased tool that helps parents quickly find school options in their neighborhoods and provides easily accessible and detailed information on each CPS school. The school locator tool is ideal for parents researching schools for their children as they enter grade school or are considering high school options, as well as potential Chicago residents looking for school options in the vicinity of a prospective property. Site visitors can access the tool at: www.cps.edu/map.

"Whether it's a neighborhood school, a charter or a magnet, our students need a full education and parents need to be able to quickly and easily access information about every school," said CPS CEO Jean-Claude Brizard. "Parents have consistently suggested an easy-to-use online tool, and we are listening. As the new school year kicks off, we encourage parents to visit our website and see how easy it is to access school information."

This is the first time families and Chicagoans have access to this level of detail about every school in a clear and easy-to-use online format. The new school locator tool provides search features that allow users to search for all CPS elementary and high schools by school name, in addition to schools within a one and a half mile radius of a specific address or Zip code. Search results reveal an area map with colorcoded "pins," identifying nearby schools both by elementary, middle or high school and by its classification as a neighborhood school, Military Academy or Selective Enrollment school. Charters also are displayed on the map.

Clicking the pin will further define the school by attendance boundary, ward or neighborhood and provide general school information including address, contact information and link to individual school profile pages, highlighting more extensive details about each school including enrollment, demographics and academic performance detail.

#### LINCOLNWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY 4000 W. Pratt Ave., 847-677-5277

*The library is closed Monday, September 3 for Labor Day.* Book and Travel Reviews. September 7, 10:30 a.m. Steven Monz presents his-

torical review of bon vivant Chicago architect Benjamin Marshall.Cinematic Classics. Thursdays at 1 p.m. September 6: "The Third Man"; September 13: "Imitation of Life"; September 20: "Forbidden Planet"; September 27: "Kind Hearts and Coronets."

Dining for Wellness. September 19, 11:30 a.m. Chef demonstration by Lincolnwood Place.

Friday Films. Shown weekly at 1 p.m. September 14: "The Hunger Games"; September 21: "Salmon Fishing in the Yemen"; September 28: "Bernie."

Morning Matinees. Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. September 13: "The Hunter"; September 20: "The Five-Year Engagement"; September 27: "Safe."

News and Views. September 14, 1 p.m. Join us for an hour-long discussion of current events led by Nancy Wheeler.

Afterschool Café. 2:30-3:15 p.m. Lincolnwood school students can relax and buy a snack before tackling homework on early release Mondays. No-school days, no café.

Beginning with Books. Wednesdays, September 12-December 19, 10 a.m. Stories, songs and activities geared for very young children and their caregivers. Participants are invited to stay for Playtime program following. Registration required. Contact the Youth Services Department at 847-677-5277 x234 or youthservices@lincolnwoodlibrary.org.

Bingo. September 10, 3:30 p.m. School-age kids, come play the bingo of the month: "For the Birds Bingo."

Fun-tivities. September 26, 3:30 p.m. Afterschool fun. Includes various games designed for 3-5th grade students.

Games. September 12 and 24, 3:30 p.m. Video or board games especially for school-age kids.

Kid Flicks. September 17, 3:30 p.m. "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island." Knitting for All Ages. Fridays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Adults and children, ages 10 and up, can learn to knit or work on a project.

Madlibs. September 19, 3:30 p.m. Come and create your own madlib! September's theme is "Mail Call." Students 3-5th grade.

Open Grant Room. Tuesdays, September 4-December 18, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Come hang out, do some homework, play a board game, and buy a snack. Students 3-8th grade.

Playtime. Wednesdays, September 12-December 19, 10:30 a.m. A relaxed play experience that helps young children develop social skills. Toys are provided.

## Jewish Art Calendar 2012/2013 Available

Lubavitch Chabad of Skokie is once again publishing the Skokie Jewish Art Calendar 2012/2013 for the Jewish New Year. The Jewish Art Calendar includes detailed information on upcoming holidays, educational messages, Shabbat and Holiday candle-lighting times, traditional Jewish recipes, and popular thematic artwork by famed artists including Yoram Lukav, Michoel Muchnik, Baruch Nachshon, Chenoch Lieberman and Zalman Kleinman.

To receive your free copy, call 847-677-1770 or contact us via the website, www.SkokieChabad.org.

## After School Matters® Now Accepting Applications from Chicago High School Students for Fall 2012 Programs

After School Matters is now accepting applications for its Fall program session, which begins September 17. Programs in the arts, communications, science, sports and technology will be offered at 53 Chicago Public Schools high schools, more than 100 community organizations, Chicago Park District and Chicago Public Library locations across the city, as well as Downtown at the Gallery 37 Center for the Arts. In total, approximately 7,000 opportunities in more than 300 programs will be available to Chicago teens this fall.

For more information about After School Matters and to apply for Fall programs, visit www.afterschoolmatters.org. Follow After School Matters on Twitter at @aftrschoolmttrs and on Facebook at facebook.com/afterschoolmatters.

The Chicago Public Schools serves approximately 402,000 students in more than 675 schools. It is the nation's third-largest school system.

## **Registration Now Open for Club Kid After-School Program**

The Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to partner with School District 74 to offer Club Kid After-School Program for Kindergarten through 5th grade students. This well-rounded program located at Rutledge Hall features a homework club, arts and crafts, cooking activities, athletics, health and wellness, and so much more.

Enrollment is currently open for the 2012-13 school-year. Registration options include one to five days per week with a 5% sibling discount offered for families with multiple children enrolling in the program. Three convenient payment options are available including monthly billing.

For more information, please contact the Village's Parks and Recreation Department (847) 677-9740. You may also visit the Village's website at www.lincolnwoodil.org.





# What's Your Reason to Start Your Estate Planning?



Chester M. Przybylo

People have many different reasons to do estate planning. Some people plan diligently and well in advance of any urgent need. Other people procrastinate and plan only when things are thrust upon them. What are you waiting for? Here are some of the top reasons which estate-planning attorneys say motivate their clients to plan or update their existing plan:

• Vacations - People want to relax without worrying about "what ifs." But, you don't need to wait for a vacation to take this worry off your plate.

• Weddings - When a couple is starting a new life together, they want to start off right and make sure each other are taken care of.

• Divorce - Most people no longer wish to benefit their ex-spouse after a divorce.

• Births and adoptions - A new child is a joyous occasion. People want to make sure there is a solid foundation for their new bundle of joy. Even if they already have a plan, they want to make sure that the plan is suitable now that their family has grown.

• Funerals - The death of a close friend or relative can make people feel their own mortality. They realize that their own death will happen, sooner or later, and they would rather it happen on their own terms. Often, people see firsthand the anguish caused by poor planning and want to make sure they don't leave behind an emotional and financial mess.

• Inheritances - When people inherit money, it often changes their estate plan. They consider how to divide the newfound wealth and what they want to leave as their legacy.

• Health changes - A significant deterioration in health often makes a person's mortality more real. They want to make sure their loved ones are taken care of in case their health declines further. Of course, planning in advance would remove that worry and focus their energy on spending time with loved ones.

• Law changes - Changes in the law can affect what would happen to the estate. New opportunities appear from time to time, while other opportunities disappear. The savvy update their plans periodically to take advantage of these opportunities while they can.

The bottom line is that people do estate planning in order to take care of their loved ones and to assure the legacy they envision. A qualified, estate-planning attorney who focuses his or her practice in that field can help you arrive at an estate plan that effectively accomplishes your unique goals. When you die, will your loved ones discover a plan in disarray (or no plan at all) or a coherent estate plan? What will your legacy be?

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.

## Tai Chi for Older Adults and People with Arthritis

The Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department will hold a free Tai Chi demonstration class on Wednesday, August 29 from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Lincolnwood Community Center, located at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue. Tai Chi consists of fluid, gentle movements that are slow in tempo. It improves strength, flexibility, balance, well-being, and overall fitness. This form of exercise is especially ideal to free up stiff joints and muscles. Participants have reported better balance, significant pain relief, increased sense of well-being, and improved physical ability. This class is taught by Arthritis Foundation Certified Instructor Renee Gatsis.

Fall classes are one hour long and are offered on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Lincolnwood Community Center from September 5 through October 24, 2012. Please pre-register at the Village's website at www.lincolnwoodil.org or by visiting the Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, please call (847) 677-9740.

## Wright College Holds Open Auditions for the Northwest Chicago Symphony Orchestra

Students and community members, age 15 to 100, who play the flute, bassoon, trumpet, trombone, percussion and strings are welcome to try out

The Northwest Chicago Symphony Orchestra's (NCSO), located on City Colleges of Chicago's Wilbur Wright campus, will be holding auditions for its 33rd season over the next three weeks. This community orchestra brings together talented musicians from Chicago's Norwest Side communities to perform everything from Brahms and Chopin to Prokofieff and many other standard orchestra repertoires.

Founded in 1979, in response to Wright College students who were seeking an opportunity to perform within their community, the orchestra has grown to become a high quality and affordable musical destination for local residents—from both Chicago's Northwest Side and the neighboring Northwestern suburbs. Michael Holian, founder and conductor, is a professor of music at Wright College as well as a seasoned musician with years of experience performing in community and professional orchestras.

The open auditions will be held on Tuesdays August 28th, September 4th and September 11th from 7-9:30 p.m. at Wilbur Wright College, 4300 N. Narragansett, in the Events Building, Rehearsal Hall E207. Musicians should perform: violin, viola, contrabass, bassoon, trumpet, trombone or percussion. Those auditioning must be at least of high school age and previous orchestral experience is preferred, though not required.

For questions or more information about the auditions, or for a full schedule of the Northwest Chicago Symphony Orchestra's performances, go to www.nwcso.org or call 773/481-8863, 773/481-8254 and 708/717-3912

## 200th Anniversary of Fort Dearborn Battle-Potawatami, Chicagoans Join Together for Reconciliation Sept. 8th

The 200-year anniversary of the Battle of Fort Dearborn will be commemorated at the site of the 1812 battle. Several events will be held Saturday, Sept. 8 on Prairie Avenue and 18th Street in Chicago's South Loop neighborhood.

Several groups, including the Prairie District Neighborhood Alliance (PDNA), will mark this important milestone at the 6th Annual Festival on Prairie Avenue. The commemoration will be at 2:30 p.m. and will include:

-- 1812 Infantry soldier reenactors and the Illinois Guard provide a ceremonialhonor guard.

-- Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Eagle Staff veterans and elders provide prayer, as well as ceremonial Native American drumming and dance to open the ceremony. The American Indian Center, the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian and Native American historians join in partnership for commemoration.

-- The Chicago History Museum's Chief Historian provides a historical overview focused on reconciliation and memorial.

-- The IL Army National Guard, the Daughters of the War of 1812, the Pritzker Military Library and the Illinois Commission on the War of 1812 honor Ensign George Ronan, who was killed on August 15, 1812 in the Battle of Fort Dearborn and who was the first West Point graduate to die in battle.

-- Invited political leaders including, Mayor Rahm Emanuel, Gov. Pat Quinn, 2nd Ward Ald. Robert Fioretti, among others recognize Chicago's city council resolution of reconciliation and remembrance.

Apart from the commemoration, the Festival on Prairie Avenue is expected to attract several thousand attendees and will feature many educational opportunities and exciting attractions including: A Native American flute player, storyteller, Native American crafts, a War of 1812 encampment, tours of the Battle of Fort Dearborn Park, Glessner House Museum and Clarke House Museum, an Art and Crafts Fair, a stage with music performances and entertainment, pony rides, petting zoo, magician, balloon characters, carnival games, inflatable bounce houses and moon walks, face painter, character artist, pie-eating contest, food and more.

This year the Art and Crafts fair at the festival will feature many artists including: -- Jack Simmerling, an important artist whose original art work and lithographs have been featured throughout Chicago and the United States.

-- Dobrila Pintar, an outstanding artist whose work with lampwork beads, lampwork jewelry, glass sculpture and metal smithing will also be featured at Chicago's 17th annual Chicago Artists Month.

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## DOWNTOWN FARMSTAND TO BECOME INDOOR MARKET

Downtown residents and workers will soon be able to shop for fresh produce and farm products every weekday, rain or shine, at the Farmstand Farmers Market, which is replacing the Downtown Farmstand.

Open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the new market will offer fresh fruits and vegetables recently picked on nearby farms. Lehman's Orchards, Frank Farms and the Original Bleeding Heart Bakery will be among the vendors selling fresh products every day, while another group of vendors will offer their fresh wares on a rotating schedule, so that shoppers will find different offerings each day.

The Farmstand Farmers Market, 66 E. Randolph, will remain open through October. During the summer months, the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) which runs the Chicago Farmers Markets Program, will solicit ideas for a new concept for the space after the summer growing season.

A Request for Information (RFI) will be posted on the department's webpage seeking innovative ideas for how the space can serve the public while providing nutritional education and information on local and sustainable goods. This public/private partnership will serve to promote a long-term mission of healthy eating and keeping Chicago as one of the greenest cities in the nation.

Opened in 2008, the Farmstand was one of the first city stores to provide locally sourced goods. As other retailers began to offer similar options, the Farmstand operated at a loss for the past three years despite maintaining a loyal following.

The RFI will be posted on the department website at www.cityofchicago.org/dcase beginning July 16.

For a complete list of Chicago Farmers Markets, presented by COUNTRY Financial, visit www.chicagofarmersmarkets.us.

## CITY OF CHICAGO FARMERS MARKETS RETURN 33rd SEASON

Much like spring, the City of Chicago Farmers Markets have returned, and the first markets will open in the neighborhoods, May 12 in Lincoln Park and on Division Street followed the next day by the Beverly market. Chicago's Farmers Markets are presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) and COUNTRY Financial.

Downtown markets will open with the season's official kick-off at the Daley Plaza market, which opens on Thursday, May 24 where DCASE and COUN-TRY Financial will reveal the winner of the 5th Annual Reusable Bag Design Contest during the 11 a.m. program. This year's artistic theme is "Fill Up on Fresh" and the winning design will appear on thousands of bags distributed throughout the season.

LINCOLN SQUARE TUESDAYS June 5 - October 30, 7 a.m. – 1 p.m. Lincoln/Leland/Western, City Parking Lot at Brown Line Station LINCOLN PARK TUESDAYS May 12 - October 27, 7 a.m. – 1 p.m. Armitage & Orchard, Lincoln Park High School Parking Lot

## **Skokie Farmers' Market**

Visit the "Best on the North Shore " Skokie Farmers' Market now opening two weeks earlier on Sunday, June 10. The Market will be open every through Sunday, October 28, 2012. 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, cheeses, fresh mushrooms, cut flowers and much more. New highlights planned for the upcoming year include a new plant and vegetable grower, cooking demonstrations and additional musical entertainment.

The Skokie Consumer Affairs Commission hosts the Skokie Farmers' Market. For more information on the Skokie Farmers' Market, contact Terry Oline, Market Manager, at 847/933-8224 or visit www.skokie.org.

## Wine Fest Brings Historic Night to a Historic Home

The Norwood Park Historical Society will hold its fifth annual Wine Fest on Saturday, September 8, 2012, 4 to 7 p.m., at 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago. Doors open for VIP patrons at 3:15 p.m. Ticket prices are \$50 before September 2 and \$55 after, or \$70 for VIP tickets, which includes high-end wines and an extra 45 minutes of tasting. The Wine Fest is held every year at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, Chicago's oldest home.

The event allows ticket holders to experience various wines and foods at a unique outdoor venue. Foremost Liquor Center will be on tap to coordinate a "never-ending glass" of wine filled by a wide-ranging selection of flavors from around the world. The Wine Fest will offer gourmet cuisine provided by Honest Foods.

The Wine Fest is one of the largest fund-raisers for the Norwood Park Historical Society. Guests must be 21 to attend. Tickets are available for purchase by phone at 773-631-4633, e-mail: info@norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org or online at www.norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org.

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

## **World Music Festival 2012**

Joy to the World! Beginning September 21 through September 27, the 2012 World Music Festival will offer a city-wide, multi-venue, seven-day festival with more than 70 performances from acclaimed musicians representing countries from around the globe. Featuring traditional and contemporary music from diverse cultures, all scheduled performances and family friendly events will all be free admission for the first time.

This year the World Music Festival will stretch further into Chicago's neighborhoods with new venues that include Austin Town Hall, Gage Park, Little Black Pearl, David and Reva Logan Center for the Arts and Ping Tom Park.

For the full schedule visit www.WorldMusicFestivalChicago.org and for festival updates join us on Facebook at facebook.com/WorldMusicFestivalChicago and on Twitter @WMFChicago.

## Lincoln Square Art Walk: Block by Block Call for Artists

Lincoln Square Art Walk: Block by Block is a juried showcase of local artists in a rich variety of mediums and venues organized to highlight the vibrant artistic community and bring art to people where they live, play, work and shop.

Venues and artists interested in participating should reside in the area bounded by Foster, Ravenswood, Montrose and the Chicago River. Artists, residing within this area, are allowed to submit an entry as an individual, \$20 fee. Artists, residing outside of this area, that are presently associated with a gallery, art studio facility, or art instruction class, that is within the eligible area, are allowed to submit an entry only through that venue, as one of a stable of artists showing at that location, and venue submits a 'Group' entry. Venue group entry fee of 10 artists \$100. Venue group entry fee of 11+ artists \$200

Preliminary Art Walk venues include: Granville Picture Framing, Scharpenberg Gallery at DANK Haus German American Cultural Center, Salamander Shoes, Gene's Sausage Shop & Delicatessen, Pickle's Playroom, MB Financial Bank, Provenance Food and Wine...

Applications, materials and more information may be found at http://www.facebook.com/LincolnSquareArtWalkBlockByBlock

Lincoln Square Art Walk is a cooperative event among the businesses and institutions in Lincoln Square that believe in the promotion of art for the benefit of the community.

The main Opening Reception is October 18 2012 from 6:00 pm to 9:00pm at the DANK Haus.

Lincoln Square Art Walk runs October 18 2012 through October 21 2012.



## Anti-Cruelty Society

For more info on The Anti-Cruelty Society and our adoption process, please visit our website www.anticruelty.org or call (312) 644-8338.

We are about to break ground for an expanded & improved Veterinary Clinic. Our current clinic was last renovated over 25 years ago and has been helping our veterinarians provide medical care for thousands of cats and dogs in addition to performing over 11,000 spay/neuter surgeries each year. The clinic is in need of numerous repairs and the aging surfaces are failing and need to be replaced...and the new clinic will provide an additional 2,000 square feet to help us care for the animals and spay/neuter more cats and dogs.

We received a very generous offer from our Board of Directors. Every gift given through this special appeal will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$100,000! This is a chance to see the impact of your support literally double.

The demand for our services is never ending. Last year our veterinarians provided medical care to over 7,000 animals and spayed/neutered thousands more. I invite you to take advantage of this great opportunity our Board of Directors has given us and the animals that depend on us by clicking the donate button and giving (double) today!

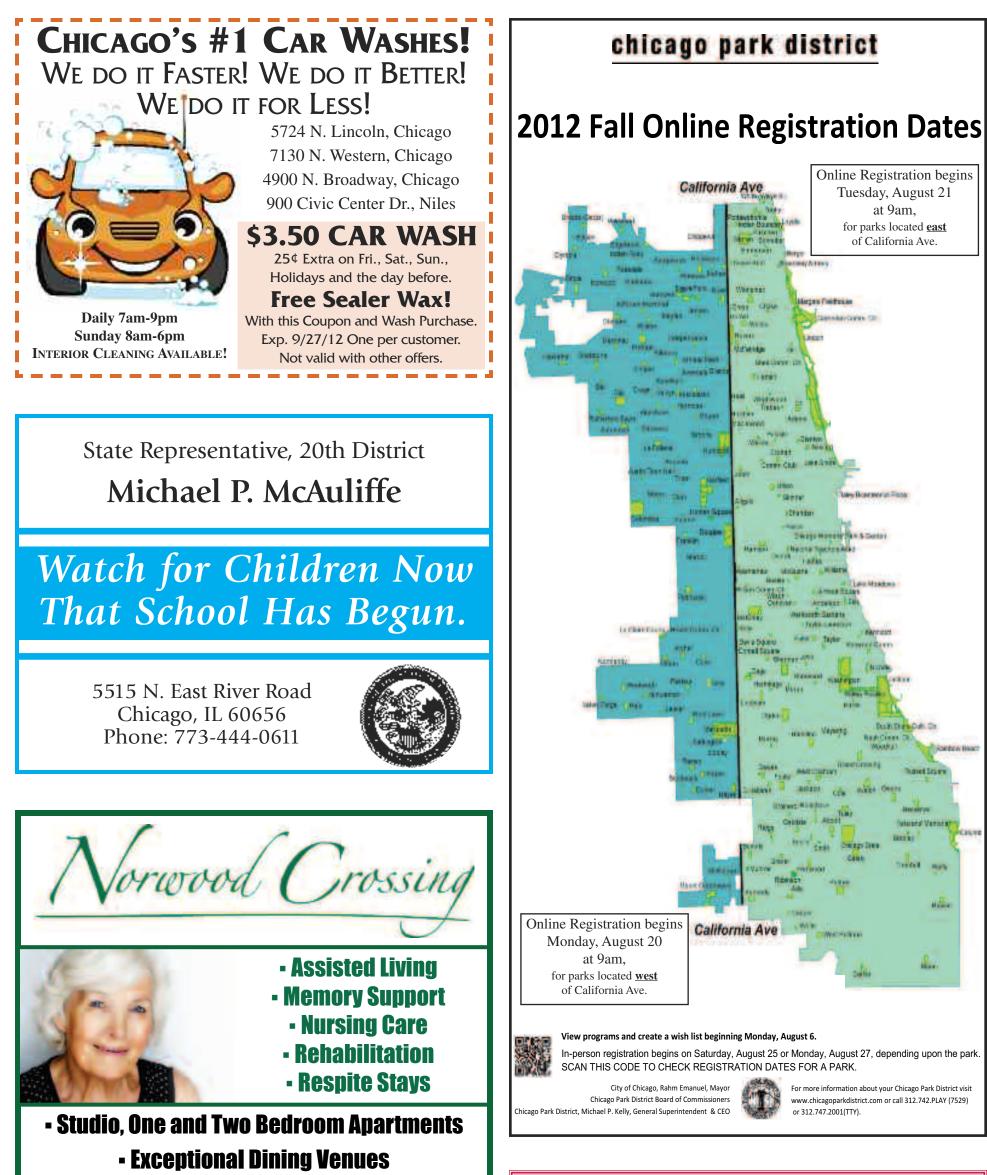
Sincerely, Robyn Barbiers, D.V.M., President

#### ADULT ENRICHMENT COURSE AT RES H.S.

Resurrection College Prep High School is offering a fall adult enrichment course called "A Night to Remember." Participants will explore the fatal night of April 14, 1912 when the "unsinkable" Titanic sunk. Participants will explore and discuss the mythic proportion of this tragedy, its impact on the industrial age, and its influence on the modern luxury liner. Course readings will include Walter Lord's book A Night to Remember and, for a more indepth look at the historical period, Erik Larson's book Thunderstruck.

The course will be taught by Resurrection faculty member Mike Longo who holds a Master's degree in Music and Humanities from DePaul University. Classes will meet at Resurrection College Prep High School on the following Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 pm: September 11, September 25, October 9 and October 23, 2012. The cost is \$50 - to register for the course, please contact Alisa Martorano at 773.775.6616 Ext 142 or amartorano@reshs.org.

Resurrection College Prep High School, located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago, is the largest all-girls Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school 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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