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# HAPPY Labor Day

**91<sup>st</sup>** **GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST AND STEUBEN PARADE**  
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## Chicago Area Peace Corps Celebrates 50th Anniversary with Tree Dedication

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Peace Corps. Communities across the nation are commemorating the legacy of the more than 200,000 American Peace Corps volunteers who have served around the world since 1961 promoting global peace, friendship and understanding on behalf of the United States through an exchange of skills and culture.

On a local level, the Chicago Area Peace Corps Association (CAPCA) and the Chicago Regional Peace Corps Office are coordinating an outdoor tree and plaque dedication ceremony on Monday, August 29, at 1 p.m. in Federal Plaza, at Dearborn and Adams in Chicago. The chosen event date marks when the first group of Americans departed for Peace Corps service on Aug. 29, 1961. A team of 51 volunteers arrived in Accra, Ghana, on Aug. 30 to begin their teaching assignments as part of this bold new international outreach program.

Since that time, some 5,300 Chicagoland residents have served in Peace Corps, and approximately 300 local volunteers from the area are serving at any given time. The dedication event will highlight the work of Peace Corps volunteers overseas and here at home, and recognize our volunteers from five decades of service. The event is free and open to the public. Attendees will include a wide range of returned Peace Corps volunteers, as well as consulate offices and local officials, including 32nd Ward Alderman Scott Waguespack who served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Kenya and will emcee the event. Juliet Sorensen will be a guest speaker. Ms. Sorensen served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Morocco, 1995 to 1997, and is the daughter of Ted Sorensen, notable aide and speechwriter to President John F. Kennedy. She is now an assistant professor at Northwestern University School of Law Center for International Human Rights and served as Assistant U.S. Attorney in Chicago.

"Peace Corps volunteers are integrated in all facets of our community, including running our non-profits, teaching in our schools, holding public office, operating our businesses and more – all with the added advantage of understanding the greater world beyond U.S. borders," says Kathy Kacen, who volunteered in Armenia 2002-2005 and is now president of the Chicago Area Peace Corps Association, a non-profit organization of more than 300 returned Peace Corps volunteers who live and work in the Chicago area with a focus on community service, cultural education and exchange, and continued support for overseas Peace Corps volunteer projects. "As Peace Corps volunteers having lived two years in a developing country, we bring a passion for service and humanity back home with us, along with a better understanding of global issues and whole host of new skills."

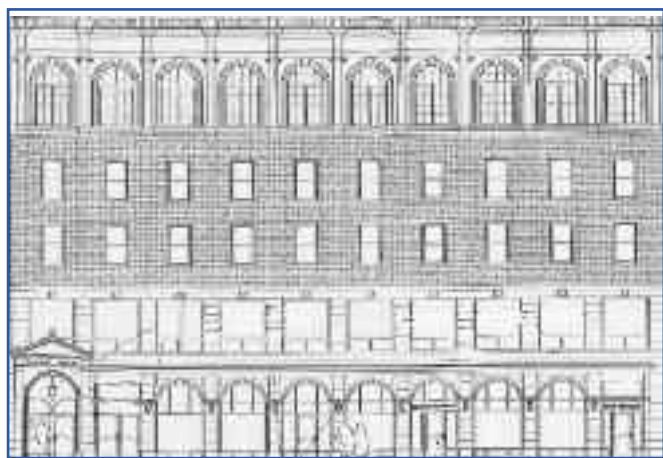
The Peace Corps traces its roots and mission to 1960, when then-Sen. John F. Kennedy challenged students at the University of Michigan to serve their country in the cause of peace by living and working in developing countries. From that inspiration grew a federal agency devoted to world peace and friendship.

Throughout its history, the Peace Corps has adapted and responded to the issues of the times. From HIV/AIDS education to emerging technologies to environmental preservation to new market economies, Peace Corps volunteers have helped people build better lives for themselves. Their work in villages, towns, and cities around the globe represents a legacy of service that has become a significant part of America's history and positive image abroad. Today, some 8,655 volunteers are working with local communities in 76 countries in areas including education, health, environment, agriculture, youth and community development, and business and IT. By living and working in their global communities, Peace Corps volunteers also build cultural bridges and dispel stereotypes.

The Peace Corps Regional Recruitment Office in Chicago covers an 11-state territory and nominates the most volunteers to the Peace Corps annually. "Peace Corps service offers a unique combination of international experience, rewarding work and service to one's country," says Katie O'Connor, manager of the Chicago Regional Recruitment Office and Chicago native who served as an environment education volunteer in Nicaragua. "It changed my perspective of the world and allowed me to grow personally. Professionally, it fosters ability to adapt, problem-solve and work across cultures, which are important skills for our future leaders."

For more information, visit: [www.capca.org](http://www.capca.org) and [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov). In the event of rain, the dedication ceremony will be moved indoors to the Ralph H. Metcalfe Federal Building, 3rd floor conference room, 77 W. Jackson St.

## Be Part of the DANK Haus Legacy!



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## 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 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center A. These free sessions are tailored for adults who have Type 2 diabetes and focus on the emotional side of diabetes, allowing participants to share coping strategies, feelings and problems in living with diabetes. For further information about the Diabetes Support Group and the Outpatient Diabetes Program, call 773-794-8329.

A free **Healthy Aging Program** will be held Friday, September 9, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center. This program for individuals aged 55 and older consists of social time, health topics and guest lectures. Gastroenterologist Amritbhai Patel, M.D., will discuss colon illnesses. Registration is not required.

Free **blood pressure screenings** will be offered Tuesday, September 13, 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.

**Thyroid screenings** will be conducted Monday, September 19, from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. This blood draw screening is for TSH (thyroid stimulating hormone). Neither fasting nor preparation for the test are required. Test results will be mailed within one week. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636). There is a \$10 fee payable at the screening.

Free **hearing screenings** will be given Tuesday, September 20, from 9 a.m. to noon. Audiologists Steven Wolinsky, Au.D., and Marie Vetter, Au.D., will perform this screening in a soundproof booth in the second floor Audiology Department. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

Free informational sessions about **bariatric surgery** will be held Tuesday, September 20, starting at 6:30 p.m., and Wednesday, September 28, starting at 6 p.m. Bariatric surgeons will discuss the benefits of bariatric surgery for obese individuals and will explain available procedures and eligibility requirements. For these events only, register by calling VIP-RHC-THIN (847-742-8446).

The **12th Annual Fall into Fitness 5K Run/Walk** will take place Sunday, September 25, at 8:30 a.m. in Portage Park, Irving Park Rd. and Central Ave. Special guests will be at-home winners of the NBC-TV show *The Biggest Loser*, Jerry and Estella Hayes, who will talk about their successful weight loss story. 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 long-sleeve, 100 percent cotton T-shirt; classic 41-inch folding umbrella 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 [www.ldr.reshealth.org/5krun](http://www.ldr.reshealth.org/5krun).

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

## SEPTEMBER 2011 SUPPORT GROUPS AND PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS

CJE SeniorLife offers support groups on a wide variety of topics of interest to seniors and their families. Fees vary according to the program and individual circumstances and some groups may be partially covered by Medicare and supplemental insurance. For information or to join a group, call CJE SeniorLife at 773/508-1000.

**Scrabble Club** For word lovers and game players of all levels. Learn the classic game of Scrabble or get tips to sharpen your skills, with instructor and tournament director Joe Cortese. Meets every Wednesday, 11 a.m., Bernard Horwich Building, 3003 W. Touhy Ave. Chicago. There is no charge. For more information, call 773/508-1000. Monthly meeting dates: Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 28

**Holocaust Survivors - Coffee and Conversation** Meets every Monday and Thursdays throughout the month. Sponsored by Jewish Child and Family Services (JCFS) and CJE SeniorLife

Mondays from 2 to 3:30 p.m., at Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. Sponsored by JCFS and CJE SeniorLife. Monthly meeting dates: Sept. 12, 19 and 26. There is no charge. To register, call 847/568-5100.

On Thursdays, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., at JCFS Joy F. Knapp Center, 3145 W. Pratt Blvd., Chicago. Monthly meeting dates: Sept. 1, 8, 15 and 22. There is no charge. For more information, call 847/568-5100

**Living Life Through Loss: A Drop-In Bereavement Support Group** Meets every Wednesday, from 1:30 to 3 p.m., at CJE SeniorLife, 3003 W. Touhy Ave., Chicago. Monthly meeting dates: Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 28 Any adult over the age of 60 who has lost a loved one in the past three years is encouraged to attend. There is a \$5 fee for each session. For more information, call 773/508-1129. Sponsored by CJE SeniorLife and the Jewish Healing Network.

**Making Connections: Seniors with Adult Children with Disabilities** Meets first and third Tuesday of every month. Offers families an opportunity to connect, share experiences and learn about benefits and community resources. Sponsored by CJE's Linkages Program. Those interested in attending must register in advance by calling 773/508-1694. Bernard Horwich Building, 3003 W. Touhy Ave., Chicago, 11 a.m. to noon. Monthly meeting dates: Sept. 6 and 20

**For Caregivers of Loved Ones with Atypical Dementia** A new support group for family caregivers whose loved one has been diagnosed with an atypical dementia (Frontotemporal Dementia, Lewy Body Dementia, Primary Progressive Aphasia) takes place the third Wednesday of every month in Deerfield. Drop-ins are welcome. On-site respite care available during the support group; pre-registration is only required if bringing a loved one to respite care. Call Sara Sanderman at 847/236-7863. Weinberg Community for Senior Living, 1551 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield. Meeting Date: Wednesday, Sept. 21, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

**Caregiving for Loved Ones with Dementia - Evanston** This support group is for individuals who are involved in the care of a loved one with dementia. Participants will learn about dementia and caregiving; meet others who face similar challenges and share experiences; discover ways to relieve caregiver stress and burn-out. Group meets the first and third Wednesday of every month from 11 a.m. to noon. Location: CJE's Adult Day Services, 1015 W. Howard St., Evanston. Please RSVP by calling Amy Zann, LCSW, at 773/508-1690. Meeting dates: Sept. 7 and 21

**Community Senior Adults** This group is now open to new members. Enjoy lunch, socialization and great entertainment on a weekly basis. Participants can purchase Kosher lunches at Lieberman's Noshery at an affordable price. Meets every Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Lieberman Center for Health and Rehabilitation, 9700 Gross Point Road, Skokie. Call Esther Craven at 773/508-1047. Monthly meeting dates: Sept. 6, 13, 20 & 27

## RCC ACCEPTING SARFS APPLICATIONS

There are still a few spots left to apply with RCC for its 2011 SARFS program, which stands for Small Accessible Repairs for Seniors.

This program is aimed primarily at low-moderate income seniors, and proof of income level is required as part of the application process. If you are interested in applying or know of anyone who can take advantage of this program, contact Chris Shickles at (773) 784-0400 or email [chris@ravenswoodcommunity.org](mailto:chris@ravenswoodcommunity.org) as soon as possible.

The SARFS program provides free home repairs for eligible seniors and is administered through the City of Chicago's Department of Housing and Economic Development. Its purpose is to help seniors through repairs which make seniors' homes safer and more livable.

Repairs are absolutely free and are performed by licensed contractors who are chosen by RCC and approved by the city. Work is scheduled to start this summer, but applications are accepted year-round.

## ILLINOIS HOLOCAUST MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER

**SPECIAL EXHIBITION: SPOTS OF LIGHT: TO BE A WOMAN IN THE HOLOCAUST** is the first international exhibition to focus exclusively on women and their experiences in the Holocaust. This large scale video-art based exhibition conveys the strength, initiative, and courage of these remarkable women. This landmark exhibit shows that even in the most difficult of circumstances, human beings can maintain those values which are the foundation of humanity: motherhood, friendship, faith and love. This exhibition is a production of the Museum Division, Yad Vashem, Jerusalem; curator, Yehudit Inbar.

Through September 6, 2011

Tickets: Free with Museum admission. For information on hours and admission prices, please call 847-967-4800 or visit [www.ilholocaustmuseum.org](http://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org).

Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, Goodman Auditorium, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie.

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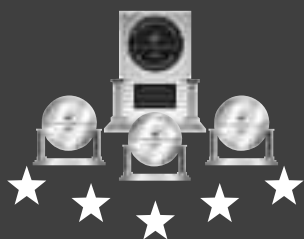


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## College Illinois! Recovery Taskforce Holds Hearing

The College Illinois Recovery Taskforce held a public hearing Thursday to provide an open forum for the discussion of the recent media driven investigation into the investment practices of College Illinois!, the State's prepaid 529-college tuition program.

State Representative Michael McAuliffe (R-Chicago) serves as a member of the taskforce and was at the hearing today to ask questions for his constituents.

"I've received several calls from constituents concerned about their investment in College Illinois! They want to know what is wrong with the program and what should they do to protect their investment," said Rep. McAuliffe. "I joined the taskforce to try to get answers for them and to do whatever I can to turn the program around."

The taskforce invited the new Illinois Student Assistance Commission Chair Kym Hubbard, professional investors, university officials, and families who hold contracts in the program to testify on what they believe needs to be done to help College Illinois!

Rep. McAuliffe asked Hubbard if she could guarantee that the fund would be available for those contract holders that plan to send their children to college in five years. Hubbard said at this point she could not answer because that would be speculative. "Over the next few months we are going to look at many different ideas and solutions as a taskforce to try to get College Illinois! back to being a safe and confident investment for Illinois families," said McAuliffe.

The taskforce, comprised of 21 legislators and headed by State Rep. Jim Durkin (R- Western Springs), will focus on stabilizing the funding of the program while providing an opportunity for the public to join the discussion.

Currently, approximately 35,000 families across the State of Illinois hold College Illinois! contracts.



**Representative  
Michael P. McAuliffe**



## Farewell, Dear Friend

James C. "Jim" DelMedico, 79, of Norwood Park and Community Representative for the 41st Ward of Chicago, passed away Tuesday, August 23rd, 2011.

Jim was one of a kind, ready to help out with any problem or situation. There are not words enough to explain the impact he made through his dedication and love for the people of the 41st, each of whom he considered a friend, and they likewise.

Whatever Jim did, he gave it his all, whether it was helping bring things together at the Edison Park Fest or organizing the Memorial Day Parade in Norwood Park. He spent much of his time working as a member of the School Board for Taft High School and for Onahan Elementary School.

Jim was an active member of the American Legion, post #541, and as a veteran of the Korean War serving in the Air Force, he continued his support of our vets and his Country through his involvement in Veterans' Affairs where he helped many who were in need.

20th District State Representative Michael McAuliffe, who worked for many years with Jim on veterans' issues, praised his selfless and unwavering commitment to the seniors and youth of the area. "He always had a cheerful nature and a smile on his face, thinking always of others before himself".

For about twenty years, Jim was on the 41st Ward Zoning Advisory Board, shaping the present and the future of the Ward to make it one of the best in the City.

Jim volunteered his time delivering meals, shoveling snow, cleaning up leaves, assisting in gardening for folks who could not easily do those things for themselves, and directing the youth of the area in various projects to help others and to build their community awareness.

One could go on forever about the many awards he was presented such as his induction into the Chicago Senior Hall of Fame, his receipt of the Man of the Year award in the 41st Ward, a list too long to mention here.

The best way in which all of us remember Jim, however, is by the good deeds he did, day-in and day-out, for his beloved neighbors and community. We'll not see another Jim DelMedico in our lifetime.

Out of all the telephone calls we received, retired 41st Ward Alderman Brian Doherty summed it up the best by saying that "Jim was a builder of the community and an endless worker for the youth of our area".

Services for Jim DelMedico are as follows:  
Visitation on Friday, August 26th from 3:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. at M.J. Suerth Funeral Home, 6754 N. Northwest Highway in Edison Park. Funeral Mass to be held at 10:00a.m. on Saturday, August 27th at St. Thecla Catholic Parish, 6725 W. Devon Avenue in Chicago. Friends and Family are requested to arrive at the church by 9:30a.m. on Saturday.



**James C. "Jim" DelMedico**

## COMMON SENSE

### Democracy At Its Finest?

The Iowa Straw Poll has taken place. We happened to watch Fox (they call it news) for the coverage. Their number one announcer, Chris Wallace, said of the event, "this is democracy at work".

The potential voter purchases a \$30 ticket to gain access, (the price of which is usually picked up by the candidates) and food and transportation to the Fairgrounds are provided. This probably wasn't done 100% of the time, but take Michelle Bachman's campaign for example. They gave out the \$30 tickets, provided bus transport if needed, and fed the voters a "beef sundae", (hot beef and gravy over mashed potatoes).

We took the count of the votes she received and estimated the cost for just the price of the ticket and food to be somewhere around \$250,000.

The "to give a prize to acquire a vote idea" is probably not what the Founders had in mind as the perfect system.

### Problem Averted

The National Football League almost had a huge problem. They couldn't figure out how to divide up \$9 billion. But, in the end, they worked out a way to secure the money that will be collected by the fans. They do still have the problem of potential rules disputes, but the fans will enjoy and the N.F.L. will dictate.

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## Lawrence Avenue Meeting

The Ravenswood Community Council, in partnership with 47th Ward Alderman Ameya Pawar, will be holding a Lawrence Avenue Road Diet: Project Update.

The Project Update will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 30, from 10-11:30 a.m. at Chase Park (4701 N. Ashland). Businesses and community members are invited to attend this special update regarding the Lawrence Avenue Road Diet, which will affect your businesses and neighborhood.

Janet Attarian of the City of Chicago will speak and the Program Manager will also be in attendance. Alderman Ameya Pawar will address how the city's budget struggles may impact this endeavor. If interested, please RSVP to RCC at 773-784-0400, or email info@ravenswoodcommunity.org.

## Evanston Welcomes New Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko

On Wednesday, August 17, 2011 Evanston Inventure held a reception at the Hilton Orrington Hotel in downtown Evanston to welcome the new Rotary International General Secretary and Chief Executive Officer John Hewko to Evanston, the international headquarters of the Rotary. Various community leaders, residents and elected officials attended the reception.

## ATTENTION US MILITARY VETERANS

American Legion Edison Park Post #541 is having a meeting on Thursday September 8th and also on September 22nd starting at 7:30pm at the Edison Park Field House located at 6755 Northwest Hwy. just west of Harlem Ave. Chicago.

We are a friendly active post with members from Chicago and suburbs. If you're been thinking about joining a veterans organization, feel free to stop by and sit in at our meeting.

For addition information please contact: Post Commander Gerald Skotzko 773-693-3448, Sr. Vice Commander Robert Fuggiti at 773-736-8738

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# LOCAL SCHOOLS & YOUTH EVENTS

## RESURRECTION 90th YEAR KICK-OFF EVENT MASS & BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC

Resurrection College Prep High School begins the celebration of its 90th year of educating young women in Chicago with a kick-off event on Sunday, August 28, 2011 - a Back to School Mass & Picnic. All members of the community are invited to this celebration. Mass will be celebrated at 11 am and the picnic will begin at noon - both the Mass and picnic will be held outdoors on the Resurrection College Prep High School grounds at 7500 W. Talcott Avenue.

Food will be available for purchase at the picnic and games will be played throughout the afternoon. The picnic will include an alumnae softball game - all Resurrection alumnae are welcome to participate. Please contact Stefanie Thorpe at sthorpe@reshs.org to join in the softball game. All skill levels are welcome.

Resurrection College Prep High School will be celebrating its 90th year with events throughout the upcoming year, including a fall Fashion Show on Thursday, October 27, 2011; a Run for Res 5K and an All School Reunion on Saturday, April 22, 2012; and a 90th Anniversary Dinner Gala to be held in October 2012.

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 13,000 alumnae. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or visit [www.reshs.org](http://www.reshs.org).

## NILES NORTH OPENS 2011-12 THEATER SEASON WITH "GOD OF CARNAGE"

The Niles North Theater Department opens its 2011-2012 season with the Director's Circle production of Yasmina Reza's "God of Carnage." The play features two sets of parents who meet for a civilized discussion after their children get into a fight. As the evening goes on, the polite masks come off and the parents become increasingly childish and their irrational arguments erupt into chaos. The play contains adult themes and language. A free community performance will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 1 in the Auditorium at 9800 Lawler, Skokie. Regular performances are 4 p.m. on Thursday, September 1 and 7 p.m. on Friday, September 2 and Saturday, September 3. For ticket prices, or to reserve tickets, please call the Box Office at (847) 626-2122.

The cast of "God of Carnage" includes William Boersma, Dylan Connelley, Cate Hensley and Shannon Rourke. Timothy Ortmann is the Director and Alex Hammon is the Technical Director. Alon Stotter is the Lighting Designer. Director's Circle is an audition-only program at Niles North designed to offer an opportunity for outstanding theater students to hone their craft. The play selection is chosen to showcase the abilities of the actors and technical crew. Upon completion of this production, the students assist their teachers in the school's theater classes, run acting clinics and work as leaders in sharing their skills with fellow drama students. For more information, visit [www.nnthatre.com](http://www.nnthatre.com).

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## JR. BANDITS CROSS COUNTRY INVITE

Grammar school students are invited to participate in the Resurrection College Prep High School Jr. Bandit Cross Country Invite on September 10, 2011 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. Last year approximately 200 students participated in the Resurrection Jr. Bandit Cross Country Invite.

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](http://www.reshs.org) under the "Jr. High Events" tab. Questions may be directed to Cross Country Coach Fred Angelini at [fangelini@reshs.org](mailto:fangelini@reshs.org) or 847.334.1718 or contact the school at 77.775.6616 Ext 134.

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## Make Sweet Music at Oakton

Harness your musical talent by auditioning for ensembles at Oakton. Musicians of all skill levels are welcome. Interested students may audition by appointment.

Musicians are needed in the following areas:

- Guitar Ensemble. Improve your music reading and ensemble playing skills with this group of guitarists that performs many styles of music. Contact Tom Clippert at 847-635-1937 or [clippert@oakton.edu](mailto:clippert@oakton.edu).

- Choir. This all-inclusive group performs a variety of music, including show tunes, classical, and contemporary works. Contact Eileen Berman at 847-635-1950 or [eberman@oakton.edu](mailto:eberman@oakton.edu).

- String Ensemble. Join this group to perform string literature in a group setting. Contact Daniel Golden at 847-635-1937 or [dgolden@oakton.edu](mailto:dgolden@oakton.edu).

- Jazz Band. This award-winning group seeks brass, woodwind, and percussion players, as well as a pianist. Contact Robert Evans at 847-635-1937 or [revans@oakton.edu](mailto:revans@oakton.edu).

- Woodwind Ensemble. Flute, clarinet, saxophone, and oboe players are needed. Contact Robert Evans.

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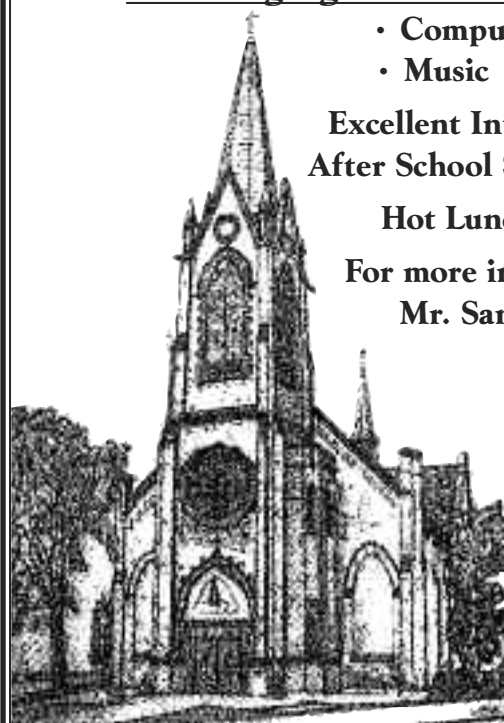
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# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST

## 2011 Chicagoland German Day Association Presents 91st Annual German-American Fest and 46th Annual Steuben Parade

**September  
9th, 10th  
and 11th, 2011  
Lincoln, Leland &  
Western**



**Join us for the Parade  
2:00 pm Saturday,  
September 10  
Lincoln Ave**  
From Irving Park Road North to  
Eastwood – West to Western –  
North to Lawrence

### **German American Fest Schedule of Events, Sept. 9th thru 11th, 2011**

#### **Friday September 9th**

7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies

#### **Saturday September 10th**

12:00 p.m. Festival Grounds Opening

2:00 Parade – Lincoln Ave. North from  
Irving to Eastwood, Eastwood to Western, North  
to Lawrence

3:15 Deutsch Americanisher Kinderchor

3:30 Schuhplattler Verein Edelweis

3:45 Holzhacker Baum von Chicago

4:00 Rehinischer Verein von Chicago  
S.T. Prinz Manfred II  
I.L. Prinzessin Jennifer I

#### **Sunday September 11th**

11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass at the Festival

12:00 Festival Grounds Open

Musik im Zelt

2:00 Begrüßungsworto

2:15 Deutsch Americanisher Kinderchor

2:30 American Aid Society Kindergruppe

2:45 American Aid Society Jugendgruppe

3:00 Donauschwaben Kindergruppe

3:15 Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe

3:30 Donauschwaben Volkstanzgruppe

3:45 Egerlaender Volkstanzgruppe

4:00 Rheinischer Verein von Chicago

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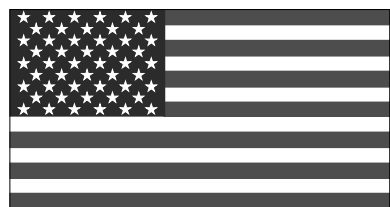
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Societies of Greater Chicago, Alderman Ameya Pawar  
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cooperation of Lincoln Square Chamber of Commerce.*

#### **National German Day Celebration**

**October 2, 2011 2:30 pm**

**Saint Benedict Church  
2215 W. Irving Park Road  
Chicago, IL**

**91st  
Anniversary  
Celebration**



## **German-American Fest September 9-10-11, 2011**

### **ADMISSION IS FREE**

Friday - 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm

8:00 pm Official Opening Ceremony

Saturday - Noon to 11:00 pm

Sunday - Noon to 10:00 pm

**11:00 am German Mass and Service**

**German Commemoration Day**

Sunday October 2nd at 2:30 pm

**St. Benedicts Church**

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## **46TH ANNUAL STEUBEN PARADE**

**Saturday, September 10th, 2:00 pm, Lincoln Ave & Irving Park Rd**

# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST

## Mr. Josef Matuschka Receives the Medal of the Order of Merit

Consul General Onno Hückmann awards Josef Matuschka with the Medal of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany Enlarge image Consul General Onno Hückmann awards Josef Matuschka with the Medal of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany (© Germany.info/chicago) On July 14, 2011, Consul General Onno Hückmann bestowed the Medal of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany on Mr. Josef Matuschka. This medal is one of the highest awards that the Federal Republic of Germany bestows upon any private individual. The Federal President of Germany acknowledges Mr. Matuschka's extraordinary service in fostering continued German-American friendship, and for his work in preserving German traditions in the United States.

Mr. Josef Matuschka has been involved in many German clubs and associations. He was the vice president of the "Rheinischer Vereins" for twelve years, and president for seven. Consul General Onno Hückmann, Josef Matuschka, and friends and family Enlarge image Consul General Onno Hückmann, Josef Matuschka, and friends and family (© Germany.info/chicago) His tireless work within the "Verein" helped it to become the largest carnival association in the United States. He is currently the honorary president of the club. Mr. Matuschka also helped start the Chicago "Maifest" in 2000. Since its inception, this festival has become a Chicago institution and marks the beginning of the festival season in the city. He has also been involved with the soccer club "FC Fortuna", the hunting club "St. Hubertus Jagd Klub", the "Niedersachsen-Club" and many others.

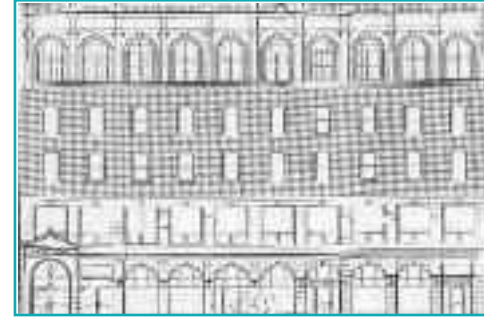
Consul General Onno Hückmann finished his speech by commending Mr. Josef Matuschka on his outstanding engagement within the many German-American clubs, and for acting as a role model for the international exchange of cultures. Mr. Matuschka truly represents the spirit of the German-American friendship.

Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany - Grand Cross Special Class (conferred on President Havel, Czech Republic)

## Order of Merit

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Work will begin on the façade on September 6, 2011. The project will cost over \$250,000, up to 50% of which will be reimbursed through a City of Chicago SBIF Grant. Corporate and individual sponsorship packages are available, starting with Friend of the DANK Haus (\$1,500-9,999), Silver (\$10,000-14,999), Gold (\$15,000-19,999) and Platinum Legacy (\$20,000+).

Help us reach our goal today and ensure that the DANK Haus remains the "Jewel of Western Avenue" for years to come! For more information, please contact us, or mail or bring your tax-deductible contribution to:

DANK Haus German American Cultural Center, 4740 N. Western Ave., Chicago, IL 60625; 773.561.9181, development@dankhaus.com

## German-American Children's Chorus

For over 70 years, the German-American Children's Chorus, has celebrated German culture and song. Under the direction of Ms. Carol Himmel, this group of sixty some children, has performed in Germany, Disney World, Navy Pier, the Museum of Science & Industry, the Chicago Cultural Center, the National Sangerfest and many Chicago area events.

Any child from 4 through 18, regardless of ethnic background, is welcome to join the chorus. We rehearse 9-10 am on Saturday mornings, September through May, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4939 W. Montrose Ave. Chicago.

Children 14-18 yrs. old can join the Jugendchor, which rehearses 10 am - 11 am, right after the Kinderchor. Rehearsals resume Saturday Sept. 17th 2011.

Please visit our website at [www.dakinderchor.org](http://www.dakinderchor.org) for more information.

## Austrian Mixed Chorus

The Austrian Mixed Chorus of Chicago was founded in 1980 by Austrian-Americans for the purpose of keeping alive the Austrian folk songs as they are sung in the various provinces of their homeland. In addition to the folk songs, the Chorus presents light classical music, especially Viennese, German "Lieder" as well as a selection of songs in English. The traditional folk songs of Austria are sung in regional dialects and often include Yodlers. David Crane is the long-time director of the Austrian Mixed Chorus and is well known in Austrian and German-American circles.

For a number of years now, Helmut Groetzl has been the President of the Chorus. Maria Bappert serves as 1st Vice President, and Elfriede Huegel is 2nd Vice President. Trudy Nika is the Secretary, and Hannelore Merritt serves as Treasurer. In addition, Evelyn Schell is Membership Chairperson, and Anni Reinberger heads up the Music Committee.

The Austrian Mixed Chorus welcomes new singers, men and women, in all voice ranges. No audition is required. The rehearsals take place Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Catholic Kolping Center, 5826 N. Elston Avenue, in Chicago. For more information please call Membership Chairperson Evelyn Schell at 847-583-9065.

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# GERMAN-AMERICAN FEST

## 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



1730-1794

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 veterans. 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."

## Holiday Spectacular Christkindlmarket Chicago Celebrates 16 Years

Nestled in between Chicago's downtown sky scrapers, Daley Plaza is aglow with twinkling lights and filled with red and white striped huts during the holiday season. The Christkindlmarket Chicago returns to the heart of the Windy City for the fifteenth year starting on November 23 and is open daily until December 24, 2011.

Since 1996, the German American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest has been hosting the largest traditional Christmas market outside of Germany in Chicago. More than 65% of the vendors travel all the way from Germany to participate in this cultural event. Visitors will have plenty of opportunity to not only practice their German but to learn more about German culture, without having to travel far. With free admission, it comes as no surprise that this event is frequented by thousands of individuals and families from the greater Chicago metropolitan area, the nation and around the world, every season.

Vendor tables shine with an abundance of one-of-a-kind treasures that are destined to become gifts for young and old, family and friends. Holiday ornaments of all shapes and sizes, Nutcrackers, cuckoo clocks, beer steins, wooden and plush toys, jewelry, wood carvings and European chocolates are just a few of the items for sale from 50 vendors. While you admire the gifts and goodies, the smell of simmering sweets and savory treats wafts through the air. German delicacies, such as Bratwurst, potato pancakes, and Schnitzel are sizzling at all corners as the aroma of Stollen, Strudel, pretzels, and roasted nuts seize your senses. Visitors can quench their thirst with a refreshing imported German beer or warm up with a cup of Gluehwein (hot spiced wine) which is served in a red anniversary souvenir boot-mug.

The holiday spirit will be stirred and awakened by the sounds and activities occurring at the market. Special events are scheduled throughout the duration of the Market. They will include singing, music, dancing and special appearances by the authentic Christkind from Nuremberg, Germany as well as the annual Children's Lantern Parade. Several walk-in cabins offer a warm place to shop for unique gifts, whereas the Lufthansa Festival Tent and the Timber House provide a place to relax, warm up, enjoy your goodies and meet with friends.

The market will be open daily from 11am to 8pm Sunday through Thursday, and from 11am to 9pm on Fridays and Saturdays. On Thursday November 24, and Saturday December 24, the market's hours will be from 11am to 4pm. For further information please visit the official Christkindlmarket website at [www.christkindlmarket.com](http://www.christkindlmarket.com) or call us at (312)494-2175. Admission is always FREE!

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<b>7 Sep</b> Adult Wed Class 6:30pm
<b>10 Sep</b> Kinder registration 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
<b>16 Sep</b> Wunder of German Wein SOLD OUT
<b>16 Sep</b> Stammtisch 7:30 pm
<b>17 Sep</b> Kino Kaffee und Kuchen returns Noon
<b>23 Sep</b> German Cinema Now – Kampfansage 7:30 pm
<b>7 Oct</b> KulturKüche – Strudel 7:30 pm – RSVP required
<b>7 Oct</b> "Umlaut" Art Exhibition Opening Reception 7:00 pm
<b>16 Oct</b> Concert Mozart's Spatzenmesse & Raffle Drawing 3:00 pm
<b>21 Oct</b> Oktoberfest Stammtisch 7:30 pm
<b>Late Oct</b> "Sieben Türen" Play
<b>28 Oct</b> Silent Scream – German Horror Films 7:30 pm
<b>4 Nov</b> Gunter Nitsch Literary Reading of "Stretch" 7:30 pm
<b>4 Nov</b> KulturKüche – Schnitzel 7:30 pm RSVP required
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We had finally agreed to our daughter Athena's request for a dog (she had been asking for 5 years).

First, we filled out the paperwork - a lot of paperwork. Then we had to decide what we wanted in a dog. Not an easy task, as we all wanted something different. Athena

wanted something small. She had been terrified of large dogs for years. But also something that does not jump. I thought something older, maybe even a little trained. My husband wanted a younger dog that was trained or a puppy.

So, one afternoon, we headed to the shelter thinking "This is going to be EASY!" After 3 hours and 12 dogs, we walked out with nothing. We were all so disappointed. There were a couple of dogs we would have been happy with, but not one did we fall instantly in love with.

We decided we would come back on Saturday morning, when they were releasing 4 litters of puppy to be adopted. We had to get there early to put our name on a list, because there is usually a crowd waiting for newly released puppies at the shelter. We were number 5. We returned 3 hours later when they opened and there were approximately 50 people standing outside waiting to meet the newest puppies. Some people we talked to drove for 2 or more hours to be there.

When our turn came, we glanced at the 3 litters that were set up in the "Visiting Rooms" and found her instantly! "Tisha" she was called. The runt of the litter, cute as can be, she was standing next to her much larger brother. My daughter knew right away - "That one!" We named her Tisha Bear.

She has been home for a week now. She is 11 weeks old. Potty training. Crate training. And so much fun! It's great being able to give Tisha Bear a forever home.



Athena and Tisha Bear.

# GREAT OUTDOORS

## The Village of Skokie Encourages

### Bicycle Safety

As a reminder to residents, the State of Illinois and the Village of Skokie have specific laws to protect pedestrians, motorists and cyclists.

- By Village Ordinance, riders under the age of 16 must wear a helmet.
- Obey all traffic signs and markings.
- No more than two cyclists may ride side by side.
- Cyclist can ride on Skokie sidewalks, minding pedestrians, except for the B5 Downtown Business District. (Oakton Street from Skokie Boulevard to Lockwood Avenue, extending north and south on Lincoln Avenue between Cleveland Street and Babb Avenue.)

Other Village of Skokie bicycle safety suggestions include:

- Plan your route.
- Always ride with the flow of traffic.
- Yield to others including animals.
- Wear bright or reflective clothing.
- Do not wear headphones, listen to I-Pods, or distract yourself with wireless communication devices.

Following the laws and suggested safety procedures ensure a protected and proactive way to get around town. For more information contact the Skokie Police Crime Prevention Division at 847/982-5919, or visit [www.skokie.org](http://www.skokie.org).

## CHICAGOLAND FARMERS' MARKETS

The following are a few of our local Chicagoland Neighborhood Farmers' Markets. For a complete list go to <http://www.explorechicago.org>.

### Eli's / Wright College Farmers Markets

Eli's/Wright College Farmers Market will have a variety of vendors selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants, flowers and more. Eli's Cheesecake Co. Parking Lot, 6701 W. Forest Preserve Dr., Chicago, IL 60641 Thursdays: 7 a.m.-1 p.m. June 16, 2011 to Oct 27, 2011. For additional information please visit, [www.elicheesecake.com/eventscalendar.aspx](http://www.elicheesecake.com/eventscalendar.aspx)

### Lincoln Square Farmers Market

Vendors will offer a variety of fresh fruit, vegetables and other goods at the Lincoln Square Farmers Market. Lincoln Square Chamber of Commerce hosts two markets. One is on Tuesdays from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the other is Thursday nights (through Oct. 2) from 4 to 8 p.m. Both are in the Municipal Parking Lot (Lincoln and Leland) and will be held rain or shine. City Parking Lot adjacent to Brown Line Station, 4700 N. Lincoln, Chicago, IL 60625 Thursdays: 7-1 p.m. June 7, 2011 to Oct 25, 2011

### Logan Square Farmers Markets

Logan Square Farmers Market is run independently by the Logan Square Chamber of Commerce. A wide variety of fresh goods are available every Sunday. Logan Square, 3107 W. Logan Blvd., Chicago, IL 60647 Sundays: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Jun 5, 2011 to Oct 30, 2011 For additional information please visit, [www.logansquarefarmersmarket.org](http://www.logansquarefarmersmarket.org)

## Skokie Farmers' Market

Visit the "Best on the North Shore" Skokie Farmers' Market held every Sunday through Sunday, October 30. The market is open from 7:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Arrive early for the best selection. The market is inconveniently located in the Village Hall parking lot at 5127 Oakton Street. A selection of locally grown seasonal fruits and vegetables are always in abundance at the Farmers' Market. Baked goods, cheeses and various other vendors are an integral part of what makes the Skokie Farmers' Market so unique.

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](http://www.skokie.org).

## Enjoy the Bounty of Midwest Farmers at Evanston Four Locations!

The Downtown Evanston Farmers' Market is held from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday through November 5. Fruit, vegetables, meat, flowers, cheese, milk, eggs and bakery items are sold by 37 vendors. The Market is located at the intersection of University Place and Oak Avenue. Free parking is available in the adjacent 1800 Maple Avenue Self Park. Reusable and biodegradable bags are sold on site and Illinois Link cards are accepted.

The Ridgeville Market is held from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays through October 26 at Ridge Ave. at South Blvd. Come purchase fresh local and organic produce, fresh eggs, cool drinks and baked goods. Connect with neighbors, farmers and musicians while you take in the music and park atmosphere.

The West End Market will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays through October 29. Its location is the ETHS lot at the intersection of Dodge Ave. and Church St. Illinois Link cards are accepted at the West End Market.

Evanston's newest market, the Central Street Green Market, has all-organic produce from Lake Breeze Organics and bread from Great Harvest Bread. It will be held on from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays through October 26, at Independence Park, Central St. at Stewart St.

For more information on all four markets, please call (847) 448-8138 or visit [www.cityofevanston.org/market](http://www.cityofevanston.org/market).



## Anti-Cruelty Society

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

### Rehab Bark-B-Que

Wednesday, August 31 (Rain Date, September 1)

5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Oak Street Eat and Drink (formerly Oak Street Beachstro)

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For more information and to purchase tickets go to [www.anticruelty.org/](http://www.anticruelty.org/)

\*Dog-friendly event; No aggressive dogs, no dogs in heat, all dogs must remain on leash at all times during the event and should be current on vaccinations.

## Anti-Cruelty Society - Don't Be Cruel

In August we recognize "The Link®", the topic of our fourth humane education film produced in 1999. That film won the CINE Golden Eagle Award, grand prize, Search for Excellence Award from the Latham Foundation and a Silver Plaque from INTERCOM, Chicago

International Film Festival. The film looked at the cycle of violence and the link between animal abuse and human cruelty with the emphasis on intervention. Although that film is over 10 years old, it remains very relevant today.

With your generous gift, you can help us prevent animal cruelty.

Currently, we provide rescue services to over 2,100 animals per year and that number usually trends upwards during very hot or cold weather when people see an animal without food, water or shelter. Although they may have seen the animal before they don't think to call until the weather turns extreme. Despite our best efforts, people continue to harm animals, and in many cases it's the staff and volunteers of The Anti-Cruelty Society who help get these animals out of abusive situations and into loving forever homes.

Your ongoing support will help us continue preventing cruelty and educating the community about the importance of respect and compassion for all living beings - hoping to stop the cruelty before it begins.

Please give as much as you can! If it's more convenient, we can set up a recurring gift which will help so much with our ongoing costs of helping the animals at The Anti-Cruelty Society who are again depending on you!

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



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The Manhattan Transfer, 10-time Grammy Award winners with more than 28 albums, will headline the evening program with a special one-time performance. Since the early 1970s, the group has thrilled audiences worldwide with its renditions of jazz standards such as "Bird Land," doo-wop hits like "Boy from New York City" and the iconic pop tunes "Twilight Zone" and "Route 66." In 1981, The Manhattan Transfer made music history by becoming the first group to win Grammy Awards in both pop and jazz categories in the same year. Headed by founder Tim Hauser, the foursome to this day continues to create hit after hit, while pushing the artistic envelope in its genre of music.

Reservations for Celebrate CJE can be made at [www.cje.net](http://www.cje.net) or 773/508-1025.

## Wind Down the Summer With Your Friends and Neighbors at this Historic Event

Tickets are now on sale for the Norwood Park Historical Society's fourth annual Wine Fest. This historic event is taking place on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011 (9/10/11), 3:30 to 7 p.m. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. for silent auction bidding, and the Wine Fest begins at 4 p.m. Guests must be 21 to attend, and children are not allowed; tickets are \$50 and are available online at <http://tinyurl.com/2011WineFest>.

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In addition to an expansive wine offering and delicious finger foods, the fest will also feature entertainment including the "Singing Sommelier" Robert Lehner, who will present "What really matters when you're tasting wine?" at 5 p.m. Italian opera vocalists Danny Suwinski and Sheryl Bragg will serenade guests during the event.

Don't miss the chance to bid on dream vacations and local sports memorabilia in a silent auction. The auction includes gift baskets, dance and theater tickets, music and books, and restaurant gift certificates. Guests may also buy for \$5 the opportunity to win an "Instant Wine Cellar," a case of hand-selected wines. The auction closes at 6:30 p.m., and bidders must complete their bidding at that time.

Sip new wines, learn some interesting facts, taste outstanding foods, and delight in the company of fellow wine enthusiasts. Best of all, your attendance will help benefit the ongoing operations of the Norwood Park Historical Society. Guests must be 21 to attend, and children are not allowed; tickets are \$50 and are available online at <http://tinyurl.com/2011WineFest>.

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## EDGEArt Reception & Art Walk

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The past two years have witnessed the growth and outreach of Edgewater Artists in Motion (EAIM) to Chicago artists in Edgewater and the greater Chicago area. To celebrate, EAIM and the Edgewater Chamber of Commerce, with support from Alderman Harry Osterman's office, are presenting their second Public Reception and Art Walk - EDGEART, October 13th, 2011 from 6-9pm. The event will feature around 20 Artists, with art displayed at participating restaurants & other businesses. EDGEART will start at That Little Mexican Cafe, 1055 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, where they will serve complimentary taquitos, quesadillas and guacamole, along with a margarita special. Here you can also pick up a flyer with a map of all the other participating venues, what art will be displayed and their special for the evening. Directed Art Walks will leave That Little Mexican Cafe at 6:30, 7:30, & 8:30pm and head along Bryn Mawr. An additional reception featuring more artists will be held at Tango Che, 5602 N. Ridge Avenue. Please join us for exhibitions of fine art by emerging and mid-career artists.

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If the individual has a Will, an executor or personal representative is named in the Will to manage the affairs of the estate. This person has the responsibility of collecting all the assets of the person who has died, managing those assets, paying debts of the estate, and then distributing the assets to heirs or other beneficiaries.

A trustee is similar to an executor, except the trustee manages the assets of the trust rather than of the estate. Because trusts often remain in existence for many years, the role of trustee may be more important than that of executor.

An agent is the person you appoint under a power of attorney to make decisions for you in the event that you are not able to do so for yourself. The agent under a power of attorney for property will make decisions regarding the management of your financial affairs. The agent under a health care power of attorney (also known as an advance health care directive or health care proxy) will make decisions regarding your health care.

If you do not have a power of attorney, it may be necessary to appoint a guardian or conservator to make financial and health care decisions for you if you are not able to make them for yourself. In some states, a separate guardian or conservator may be appointed for the care of the individual and a different person appointed as the guardian or conservator of the property, or estate, of the individual during lifetime. You may appoint a guardian or conservator for your care in a power of attorney.

Guardians of minor children are "nominated" in the Will by the last parent to die. Guardians are "nominated" rather than appointed because the courts will give preference to the nomination but are not bound by it. If a court determines that the best interests of the child would be served by another choice, they need not heed your suggestion.

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While the nomination of a guardian is not a guarantee, it does allow you to give the court guidance, which it will use to make its determination. If all other things are equal, the court will heed your advice.

The nomination or appointment of trusted individuals to be guardians, trustees, or executors is the most important decision you can make with regard to your estate plan. These individuals are charged with carrying out your wishes, whether in raising your children, managing your assets, or making distributions. A qualified estate planning attorney can assist you in making these difficult choices and drafting documents to accomplish your goals.

*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](http://www.PlanOurEstate.com).*

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# Public Libraries

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"Saul Bellow's The Adventures of Augie March is a quintessential Chicago novel and an excellent choice for the One Book, One Chicago program which for 10 years has brought together families, neighborhoods, and our entire city around reading," said Mayor Emanuel. "This fall, I encourage all Chicagoans to pick up a copy of The Adventures of Augie March and explore the seedier side of early 20th century Chicago."

Included in TIME magazine's List of 100 Best Novels, The Adventures of Augie March centers on the life and times of a young man who grows up in Chicago during the Great Depression along with his two brothers and mother. Through his experiences with neighbors, friends, lovers, jobs and travels, we discover how his life's journey is shaped by his escapades and the city around him.

"Saul Bellow portrays the Chicago he knew through the eyes of Augie March—from the pool halls to the welfare lines, the downtown movie houses to the quiet parks," explains Library Commissioner Dempsey. "Augie moves from job to job, mentor to mentor, poor to wealthy and back again, meeting a vast array of unique and often hilarious characters. Perhaps most remarkable about this novel, however, is Bellow's rich language."

For more information, please visit the website at [chicagopubliclibrary.org](http://chicagopubliclibrary.org) or call the Chicago Public Library Press Office at (312) 747-4050.



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**The Library will be closed on Monday, September 5, in honor of Labor Day.**

Do you enjoy authors like Elin Hilderbrand, Jennifer Weiner, and Stacey Ballis? Did you enjoy The Devil Wears Prada and the Shopaholic series? If yes, then this is the book discussion group for you! Jefferson Park is forming a Contemporary Women's Fiction/Chick Lit Book Club. The first meeting is Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m. Call 312-744-1998 and ask for Natalie.

**Friday, September 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** The Chicago Public Schools will conduct their ChildFind developmental screening program. No appointment required.

**Wednesday, September 14 at 2 p.m.** The Wednesday afternoon mystery book discussion group will feature The Samaritan's Secret by Matt Beynon Rees. Call to reserve a copy.

**Thursday, September 15 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.** The social worker is in! Are you confused about the maze of social services and assistance programs? Library Volunteer Susan Fox-Larkin, LCSW, is a professional social worker with 20 years of experience. She will be able to refer you to the proper agency or service for help.

## Job Seeker Workshops at Evanston Public Library

The workNet center at the Evanston Public Library will be hosting two upcoming all-day power workshops for job seekers. The workshops will focus on job search techniques, resume/cover letter writing and interviewing techniques.

The workshops will run from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on August 24th and September 21st on the third floor of the Main Evanston Public Library located at 1703 Orrington Ave. Participants are asked to arrive 15 minutes early and bring their own lunch. Participants can register online at [www.worknetncc.com](http://www.worknetncc.com) or [www.epl.org/calendar](http://www.epl.org/calendar) or by calling 847/448-8600. Walk-in registration accepted for both workshops. For questions, contact Fred Ettinger at 847/437-9391 or [fettinger@worknetncc.com](mailto:fettinger@worknetncc.com).

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# "A Theater Review"

"Sweeney Todd, The Demon Barber of Fleet Street"

Drury Lane Theatre, 100 Drury Lane Road

Oak Brook Terrace, Illinois

Reviewed by Richard A. Eisenhardt

Rachel Rockwell and the Drury Lane Theatre with "Sweeney Todd" have a musical masterpiece on their hands for their audience. What a production and what a cast!

The later productions of Stephen Sondheim have never been favorites but after seeing this production I have to agree he is a musical genius.

Kyle DeSantis and family along with the Van Lente family and artistic director William Osetek deserve a standing ovation for this production.

Rachel Rockwell as the show's director and choreographer along with the musical direction of Roberta Duchak, the scenic design of Kevin Depinet and the lighting design of Jesse Klug as well as the dialog coach of Jill Walmsley Zager along with many others are all exceptional.

Greg Edelman and Liza McCartney as Todd and Mrs. Lovett are exceptional singers and actors and they are all supported by a strong supporting cast of actors and singers that should be on Broadway and some of them are Kevin Gudahl as the evil Judge Turpin, George Keating as Tom Jenkins, Heidi Kettenring as the Beggar Woman, Jonah Rawitz as Tobia Ragg, who has a great future ahead of him, Emily Rohm as Johanna, William Travis Taylor as Anthony Hope, George Andrew Wolff as the Beadle, Larry Adams, Kevin Barther, Sean Effinger-Dein, David Girolmo, Cory Goodrich, Catherine Lord, and James Rank all make up this strong cast.

Outside of a few you may not come out singing every song but many are impressive like "Johanna," "Kiss Me," "Not While I'm Around," and "Pretty Woman" to name a few. If you wonder what drives "Sweeney Todd" mad all you have to do is meet Judge Turpin played perfectly by Kevin Gudahl. It's a wonder when he comes out for his bows at the end why he doesn't get booed by the audience.

The book for the show is by Hugh Wheeler. Todd arrives on the scene for revenge because the Judge wanted Todd's wife and daughter.

Mrs. Lovett owns a meat pie café and above the café is the barber show that Todd owns. While Todd shaves and cuts off the heads of his enemies they are sent below to become part of Mrs. Lovett's pies that she sells to her patrons.

As appetizing as it doesn't sound it is so well sung and done it is a masterpiece of a production. Keating as Pirelli is delightfully funny in his role and you'll marvel at the actress playing Johanna, the long lost daughter of Todd.

"Sweeney Todd" runs two and a half hours but it is well worth it. Rockwell is one of the best directors of Chicago musicals and has a lot going for her.

"Sweeney Todd" runs through October 9th. For show days, show times and reservations call 630-530-0111. Tickets run from \$35 to \$46. The Martinique Restaurant in the same complex has some of the best food around. **-Four Stars-**

## Comedian Couple Deliver Solo Laughs in Stand-Up Revue at the Skokie Theatre

Comedians Hollie and Steve Himmelman share their independent comedic voices in, "Memoirs of The Married Meshuganas". The show is Friday September 9, 2011 at 8:00pm, at the Skokie Theatre 7924 N. Lincoln Ave. Skokie, IL. 60077. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. To purchase tickets call 847-677-7761.

Hollie likes to share stories about her neurosis along with a twisted perspective on many topics, including her childhood and growing up in Skokie. The seeds were planted for Hollie's comedy career in Kindergarten. During that year she compulsively organized her crayons by height and sharpness and always ventured outside the lines during coloring training.

With his unique point of view, Steve looks at simple and every-day situations including the difference in men and women's thought process. Due to grabbing the attention of his fellow classmates, Steve spent most of his grammar school years with his desk in the hallway. Steve realized a comedic career was launched and owes it all to his childhood experiences.

For more information, please contact Hollie Himmelman at 312-576-8373 or [holliehimmelman@gmail.com](mailto:holliehimmelman@gmail.com). For more information on Skokie Theatre contact Al Curtis, 847-677-7761, [info@skokietheatre.com](mailto:info@skokietheatre.com)

## The James Downing Theatre Announces Open Auditions for Rehearsal for Murder, by Richard Levinson and William Link and Adapted by D.D. Brooks.

A new play is about to start rehearsals and the producer, director and cast discover they've all worked together a year before, with the same playwright. What seems to be a mere coincidence begins to take a sinister tone. The last time, the leading lady, the playwright's fiancée died on opening night. Was it suicide...or was it Murder?

Rehearsal for Murder will run Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, October 15th thru October 30th, 2011. Open Auditions will be held 7 pm-9 pm on Monday August 29th and Tuesday August 30th, 2011. No appointments are necessary. Auditions will be cold readings from the script. Performers should bring a resume and head shot, although not mandatory.

Auditions & Performances will be held at the John Waldron Arts Center, housed at Edison Park United Methodist Church, 6740 N Oliphant Ave, Chicago, IL 60631. There are roles for 7-9 men (with doubling possible), ages 30 - 50, and 6 women, ages 25 - 50. There is no pay.

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