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#### Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers April Health Events

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

A free **Healthy Aging Program** will be held Friday, April 8, 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. Audiologist Steven Wolinsky, Au.D., will discuss hearing loss and treatments. Registration is not required.

Free **cataract and glaucoma screenings** will be offered Monday, April 11, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Ophthalmologist Kathleen Scarpulla, M.D., and staff will conduct vision screenings and pressure measurements to check for glaucoma. Do not wear contacts but bring eyeglasses. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

Free **foot screenings** will be provided Wednesday, April 13, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Podiatrist Andrea Gillio, D.P.M., will perform the screenings and will advise on foot treatments. Neither prescriptions nor 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).

A free lecture titled **"Feel anxious or depressed? Is it your thyroid?"** will be given Thursday, April 14, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A person who has an overactive thyroid (hyperthyroidism) may experience unusual nervousness, restlessness, anxiety and irritability. A person who has an underactive thyroid (hypothyroidism) may experience mild to severe fatigue and depression. Internal medicine physician Haresh Sawlani, M.D., will discuss conditions related to thyroid disease. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

A free informational session about **bariatric surgery** will be held Wednesday, April 27, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Bariatric surgeons Alexandra Roginsky, M.D., and Stoyan Kokocharov, M.D., will discuss the benefits of bariatric surgery for obese individuals. They will explain available procedures as well as eligibility requirements and will answer questions. For this event only, register by calling VIP-RHC-THIN (847-742-8446).

**The Pacemaker/Cardiac Device Support Group** will meet Wednesday, April 27, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. This free monthly support group is for anyone with or has a loved one with a pacemaker or internal cardiac defibrillator (ICD). Cardiology Services Department staff will conduct the sessions and answer pacemaker or defibrillator-related questions. Sessions aim to provide mutual support and education. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

**The Arthritis Support Group** will meet Thursday, April 28, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center. These free sessions aim to provide mutual support and education. Registration is not required.

Free **blood pressure screenings** will be offered Tuesday, April 5, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., in the second floor Community Education Room. A health care professional will perform screenings and answer questions about blood pressure readings. Registration is not required.

A free lecture titled **"Those Tortuous Varicose Veins"** will be given Tuesday, April 5, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Varicose veins can be painful and unsightly, affecting your quality of life. General surgeon Frederick Tiesenga, M.D., will discuss causes, symptoms and complications of this condition and explain treatment options, including minimally invasive procedures. Dr. Tiesenga will provide free screening to interested attendees after the lecture. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

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



## **Attention US Military Veterans**

American Legion Edison Park Post #541 is having a meeting on Thursday April 14TH and also on April 28TH 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 Chicago and suburbs. We welcome you to stop by and sit in at our meeting. They generally last an hour or so. If you've been thinking about joining a veteran's organization, stop by.

For additional information please contact: Post Commander Gerald Skotzko at 773-693-3448 or Sr Vice Commande Robert Fuggiti at 773-736-8738

#### The 41st Ward Zoning Advisory Board

The 41st Ward Zoning Advisory Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at the Olympia Park Fieldhouse, 6566 N. Avondale Avenue in Chicago.

There will be one item on the Agenda.

Old Business: 1. To consider a request to rezone (downward) the property at 6405 N. Avondale Avenue in Chicago from M-1 to B1-1 for an office building (current use) to house a bank with drive-through facilities.

New Business: None

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact 41st Ward Alderman Brian G. Doherty's office at 773/792-1991.

#### Chromium Results Made Available - Evanston Water More than Exceeds Standards

A recent article in the Chicago Tribune indicated that Chromium VI had been detected in the City of Chicago's drinking water at a level of 0.18 ppb. Based on the proximity of the City of Evanston's water intakes to Chicago's and similarities in the water treatment processes, city staff assumed that the level of Chromium VI in the Evanston drinking water would be approximately the same as Chicago's.

"As previously reported, the City of Evanston has annually tested for total chromium in their drinking water since 1979 as required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).," explained Utility Department Director Dave Stoneback. "The chromium in Evanston's water has always been below this detection level and reported as non-detectable or less than 5.0 parts per billion (ppb)."

Total chromium is comprised of hexavalent (Chromium VI) and trivalent (Chromium III). Again, it should be noted that the USEPA only requires that total chromium levels be tested.

The current US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Illinois EPA maximum contaminant level (MCL) for chromium is 100.0 ppb. This standard is established in the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations and all public water supplies must abide by these regulations. MCLs are established to protect human health based on what the EPA believes, given present technology and resources to detect and treat, is the lowest level to which water systems can reasonably be required to remove a contaminant.

Recently the Evanston Water Utility had tests performed on its finished water. In samples collected January 26, 2011, using the same laboratory and lab method as the Environmental Working Group (the group quoted in the Tribune article), the level of Chromium VI (hexavalent) was determined to be 0.27 ppb," added Stoneback.

The laboratory also indicated that the total Chromium level of this same sample was 0.20 ppb. These test results provide an indication of the margin of error in the testing methods when sampling for such miniscule detection levels in the parts per billion range.

"As a point of reference, a part per billion is equivalent to 1 second in 32 years," explained Stoneback.

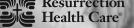
"The Water Utility is committed to testing for both total and hexavalent Chromium on a quarterly basis in accordance with a USEPA request for all large water utilities. The results of these quarterly tests will be available on the City of Evanston's website at www.cityofevanston.org/utilities as they become available," concluded Stoneback.

The results of the samples of the finished water indicate that the water from the Evanston Water Utility is still some 99.73% below the current Safe Drinking Water Act standard of 100 ppb for total Chromium.

## WATER IS BECOMING THE NEXT BIG ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE

In response to a growing crisis--CAPOW (Citizens Act to Protect Our Water) and The Loyola Center for Urban Environmental Research and Policy will jointly host a forum on the water challenges facing our city and state.

FACING OUR WATER CRISIS will be held Saturday, April 30th at Loyola University's Lake Shore Campus (6525 N. Sheridan Rd.) The forum is open to all - free of charge. A fund-raising all-you-can-eat buffet lunch is available for \$10.50 for those who buy tickets online in advance. Parking and public transportation are close at hand. To get more details for the day-long conference, and to make arrangements for lunch please visit: www.protectourpublicwater.net or call 708-447-1547. This forum will shine a light on major pollution and privatization issues and what citizens can do in response. Solutions leading to water and energy conservation will also be emphasized. We will present five speakers, each to give a brief lecture followed by a Q& A session. Afterwards all attendees are invited to participate in topic-focused discussion groups. We urge all who are interested in protecting this basic necessity of life to come for a day of stimulating discussion.



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#### THE PROGRAM:

Karen Hudson, expert on CAFOs (Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations) What Animal Factories are Doing to Our Water All over the State Dave Kraft, of (NEIS )Nuclear Energy Information Service What Nuclear Plants are Contributing to Pollution in the Great Lakes Ann Alexander, attorney for Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) in Chicago How Contamination from Tar Sands Transport and Corporate Pollution Threatens the Great Lakes. Emily Carroll, Director of Chicago Food & Water Watch The Threat of Privatization of the City's Water Nadine Bopp, professor and ecologist Innovative Methods of Decentralized Waste Water Treatment and Energy Production as a Bi-product of Waste Water Treatment. Sponsors include: Nuclear Energy Information Service, Sierra Club, Food & Water Watch - Chicago, Frank Avila, Jay Stone, HumanThread, Oak Park Coalition for Truth and Justice & Socially Responsible Agriculture Project

## Winter Overnight Parking Ban Expires for the Season on April 1, 2011

Chicago's Winter Overnight Parking Ban for 107 miles of the city's most critical arterial streets expires for the season on April 1, 2011. That means that enforcement will be in effect on designated and permanently signed routes until 7AM on Thursday, March 31, 2011. And then there is a long break until the start of next Winter. Enforcement will resume on December 1, 2011.

Please note that the other weather related parking ban, the 2" Inch Snow Parking Ban," technically remains in effect all year round. Realistically it is only a factor during the winter months. The 2" Inch Snow Ban is not activated often, but motorists that violate it when it is active face ticketing and relocation to a nearby site.

### Volunteer to Become a Wish Granter New Training Sessions Now Open For Registration

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Illinois is seeking volunteers who would like firsthand experience in granting wishes to courageous children battling life-threatening medical conditions. The Foundation is especially looking for volunteers in Cook County who are bilingual in English/Spanish or English/Polish.

The next training sessions for volunteers are scheduled for Tuesday, April 5 and Tuesday, April 12 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Chicago. Visit wishes.org for a complete schedule and list of locations.

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 Foundation 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 ten days prior to training. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Please RSVP for this session to Jamie Staab at staab@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.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Illinois grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich their lives with hope, strength and joy.

## **CJE SENIORLIFE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO DELIVER MEALS**

CJE SeniorLife is in need of more volunteers for its Home Delivered Meals program in the north side of Chicago, Evanston, Skokie, and Morton Grove areas. Hot and cold meals are delivered weekdays from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers work in teams of two, where one person drives his/her car with the other person delivering the meals to the client's door. Volunteers can choose one or two weekdays on a regular basis to deliver meals or assist as their schedule permits.

For more information on becoming a Home Delivered Meals volunteer, call Anne Schuman at 773/508-1064.

Many other volunteer opportunities exist for those interested in sharing their time with older adults at various locations in Chicago, Skokie, Evanston, Deerfield, and into the north and northwest suburbs. CJE's Volunteer Department provides the agency with a corps of trained volunteers, putting in more then 70,000 hours of compassionate service, equal to \$1.46 million of compensation each year. CJE recruits and trains volunteers who are committed to the agency's mission of providing vital services to older adults in the community.

CJE SeniorLife is an innovative provider of community-based and residential programs, and services for older adults throughout the Chicago area. Over the past 39 years, CJE's wide range of services has grown to include assisted living, counseling and care management, long-term skilled nursing, Alzheimer's care, home health, wellness programs and much more. CJE is a partner in serving the community, supported by the Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation. For more information about CJE services, call 773/508-1000 or visit www.cje.net.

## Village of Skokie Home Delivered Meals Program Seeks Volunteers

The Village of Skokie Human Services Division offers a Home Delivered Meals program and is in need of additional Home Delivered Meals Facilitators and Volunteer Drivers to deliver meals to Skokie residents. Volunteer drivers may be scheduled as an "on-call" driver or assigned a regular delivery schedule.

Home Delivered Meals Facilitators pick up the delivery route sheets and supply bag from the Human Services Division at 10:30 a.m. They then go to the hospital kitchen where they check and pack the meals in route order and wait for the individual drivers to collect their routes at about 11:15 a.m.

Meal delivery takes place Monday through Friday from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Vol-

#### The Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission Sponsors Local Food Drive

The Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission (LHRC) is sponsoring its annual, village-wide food drive from March 1 to April 15. There will be drop off stations throughout Lincolnwood at local businesses and organizations. The Annual Food Drive benefits the Niles Township Food Pantry.

Community members are urged to participate to help stop hunger in our neighborhood. Suggested donation items include canned/bottled foods, such as canned fruit, Canned/bottled juice, small jars of jelly, peanut butter, canned soup, baby food, formula, tuna, small jars of mayonnaise, etc., and dry foods, such as macaroni & cheese, pasta dishes, rice dishes, powdered milk, coffee, tea, crackers, packaged cookies, etc. Grocery store gift cards are also accepted.

The Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission is committed to promoting recognition and respect for the dignity of each member of the community. The Commission creates opportunities for the community to participate in positive interpersonal experiences by sponsoring enjoyable events and activities for citizen involvement by providing educational enrichment and by serving as a resource and facilitator for the citizens of Lincolnwood. The purpose of the Commission is to promote understanding, mutual respect and neighborly cooperation among all Lincolnwood residents. Meetings are held on the second Monday evening of each month at Village Hall at 7 p.m. All Lincolnwood residents are invited to attend.

Community members may also drop off food donations at the Lincolnwood Police Department located at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue anytime of the day, seven days a week.

For additional information or to find other drop off locations, please contact Sergeant Mark Weidner at 847-673-2167.

#### Seeking Nominations for its 2011 Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission Award

The Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission (LHRC) is currently seeking nominations for its 2011 Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission Award. Any Lincolnwood resident, employee or business owner, of any age, is eligible. The nominee must exhibit outstanding personal leadership and accomplishment in any job-related or volunteer work that supports the LHRC's mission of promoting understanding, mutual respect and neighborly cooperation. Nominations must consist of a descriptive letter of recommendation along with supporting materials (newspaper articles, photographs, etc). Nomination letters, including complete contact information of the nominee and the person making the nomination must be received by April 20, 2011 and directed to the LHRC, c/o Sgt. Mark Weidner, Lincolnwood Police Department, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, IL 60712. For more information, please contact Sgt. Weidner at 847-673-2167.

## Village of Skokie Lending Closet

The Village of Skokie Human Services Division Lending Closet offers Skokie residents the use of canes, walkers, crutches and wheelchairs for periods up to six months. A driver's license or state identification is required for wheelchair loans.

For wheelchairs only, there is a \$25.00 refundable deposit for a 24-hour period or for up to a five-day loan period. The Lending Closet also offers the use of wheelchairs for a maximum of six months for a \$25.00 non-refundable loan.

The lending closet is open Monday through Friday at the Smith Center, 5120 Galitz, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. and again from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information please contact the Human Services Division at 847/933-8208.

## Will Nursing Home Costs Leave Your Family in Financial Ruins?



Anyone Concerned About Nursing Home Costs Needs to Attend This Free, Informative Seminar That Covers 2 Important Topics:

#### **Common Medicaid Myths**

- Do you need to dispose of all your resources to get Medicaid?
- If you put all your property into your spouse's name, will you be Medicaid eligible?
- Can you keep all of your property when your spouse gets Medicaid?
- Does your power of attorney give you the authority you need for Medicaid planning?
- Is it too late for you to plan?

#### **Qualifying for Veteran's Benefits**

- What are the qualifications to receive Veteran's Benefits?
- Is the wife or widow of a veteran possibly

unteers do need to have their own insured vehicle and must be over 18 years of age or partner with someone who is. The ideal volunteer is a friendly and reliable person and must pass a background check. This is a great opportunity for families, corporate volunteers or friends to volunteer together.

Please contact the Human Services Division at 847/933-8208 for further information about volunteering as a home delivered meal driver.

## POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE SENIORS TO MEET

Paul C. Odrobina, Vice President of the Polish National Alliance (PNA) welcomes all to the PNA North Side Seniors for our monthly meeting that will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will take place at the PNA Home Office Cafeteria, 6100 N. Cicero Ave. Chicago, Illinois. Doors will open about 9:15 a.m. A speaker will briefly speak to the attendees. Topics that will be discussed: Polish American Night at U.S. Cellular Field on July 26th, and our annual Mom and Dad Luncheon planned for June 8, 2011.

All seniors ages 55 and over (members and non-members) are encouraged to join us for a morning of fun and fraternalism. Refreshments will be served.

The Polish National Alliance is the largest Polish ethnic Fraternal Insurance Organization and was founded in 1880.

For additional information about the PNA Seniors Group and their activities, please call the PNA (773) 286-0500 ext. 316, or visit the PNA website at www.pna-znp.org and click on "EVENTS".

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eligible to receive benefits?

#### Many Veteran's Benefits Left Unclaimed by Unknowing Vets

Many Vets and their spouses are unaware of Veteran's Benefits that could pay monthly up to \$1,056 for an individual or \$1,949 for a couple.

These benefits may even be used to pay family members acting as caregivers.

Get answers to these and many other important questions at this no-obligation seminar.

Attorney Chester M. Przybylo, noted estate planning attorney, speaker and author will introduce this informative free seminar to be given by his associate, Michael A. Otte. The firm has assisted in qualifying clients to receive Medicaid Benefits. Don't miss hearing about this often misunderstood program at this Free, No-ObligationSeminar. Make your reservations today.

#### 24-Hour Seminar Reservation Hotline 1-800-638-7878 www.PlanOurEstate.com

## <u>Career Corner</u>

#### **Evanston Youth Employment Program Job Fair**

The City of Evanston's Youth Employment Program (YEP) has made significant changes to the process leading up to the Summer Job Fair, which will be held on April 9, 2011 at the Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave., Evanston. This program is geared to Evanston youth age 14-18 and was formerly known as the Summer Youth Employment Program. In previous years, over 500 youth would attend a single day-long event. Youth waited in line for several hours, then filled out an application, reviewed job listings and interviewed for jobs. To streamline and improve the job fair, the City of Evanston will hold a series of community outreach events in advance. This will allow youth and family members to view job listings, ask questions about the program, and complete YEP applications at their convenience.

#### Village of Skokie Works to Recruit and **Retain Businesses and Jobs**

The Village of Skokie is actively engaged in recruiting new businesses and retaining existing businesses in Downtown Skokie, West Dempster Street and all areas of Skokie. Village staff in the Economic Development Division, Community Development Department, Village Manager's Office and other departments/divisions continue to field requests from potential developers and existing businesses on how to locate in Skokie or expand their existing business.

The Village works diligently to both bring businesses into Skokie and also to retain existing Skokie businesses. "It is crucial to retain and help support local businesses," stated Skokie Mayor George Van Dusen. "When local businesses thrive and expand, the whole community benefits. The large majority of local jobs growth comes from existing businesses.'

Topco, a large and growing grocery distribution firm located in Skokie since 1961, had become too large for its current facility on the west end of Skokie. To help meet Topco's growing space needs and remain in Skokie, the Village recently granted street and alley vacations which will allow Topco to make major facility expansions and improvements. These improvements include a new two-story, 30,000 square foot expansion, a larger parking lot and a 40,000 square foot addition in the future. Construction of the 30,000 square foot expansion is expected to begin in early spring 2011 and will result in an additional 125 to 150 employees. All of these additions and improvements have solidified Topco's location in Skokie well into the future.

Command Transportation, a logistics/brokerage company, recently opted to expand their Skokie headquarters which will bring in an additional 200 jobs over the next couple of years. Their decision to expand is indicative of Skokie's positive business environment.

The Village welcomes comments, questions and suggestions from Skokie residents or business owners on development activities in Skokie. Please contact the Economic Development Division at 847/933-8447 or email info@skokie.org. Additionally, Skokie residents can help the Village by writing or emailing your favorite business, if not already located in Skokie, and express your interest in a Skokie location. Corporate addresses are usually located on a business's website.

#### **Doing Business with the City of Evanston Seminar April 28**

The City of Evanston invites Evanston businesses to attend a seminar on how to do business with the city on Thursday, April 28, 2011 from 6-9 p.m. at the Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave. The seminar will provide:

An overview of the bidding and small purchasing requirements of the City for all perspective Minority, Women and Evanston Business Enterprises (MWEBE's);

More tailored break-out sessions on the competitive bid process (\$20K+), potential projects, etc. and the small purchasing requirements (under \$20K); and

Will serve to encourage more businesses to participate in city bids and small purchases.

This seminar is not limited to large companies, sub-contractors or professional consultants, but also smaller scale businesses such as caterers, auto parts suppliers, etc.) along with minority owned, women owned and Evanston based businesses are encouraged to attend.

This is a great opportunity for local businesses to see what other larger-scale and smaller purchase opportunities there are available with the city. Don't miss out on this opportunity on learning how to do business with the City of Evanston.

For more information or to RSVP for the seminar, e-mail economicdevelopment@cityofevanston.org or call 847/448-8100.

#### **Online Job Bank**

Job creation continues to be a top priority for me as 50th ward Alderman. I am

#### **MAYOR DALEY ANNOUNCES** MORE THAN 14,000 JOBS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE THIS SUMMER

Applications Being Accepted Until June 3

Mayor Richard M. Daley said today the City and its public and private sector partners will provide more than 14,000 summer jobs for young people 14-21 years old this year, and he also urged companies in the city to hire young people this summer or sponsor a youth employment opportunity through the City's "Youth Ready Chicago" program.

Young people are looking for ways to grow and be productive during the summer months, and a job provides an alternative to spending time in the streets. Jobs teach responsibility and keep our children out of harm's way," Daley said in a news conference held at the Gads Hill Center, 2653 W. Ogden.

"Not only do summer jobs provide the work experience that may lead to a career, but in some cases these jobs will be needed to help families --make ends meet during these very tough economic times," he said.

Daley said the opportunities provided through "Youth Ready Chicago" include internships, apprenticeships and jobs in both the public and private sector. Public sector partners include After School Matters, the Chicago Park District, Chicago Public Schools and the Chicago Housing Authority.

Daley said there are several new programs this summer, which are partly funded by \$1.6 million in parking meter infrastructure funds, including:

New Museum Internship Program: Approximately 35 young people will secure internships at some of Chicago's world-class museums and gain exposure to arts, science, history and more.

Community-Based Employment Opportunities: The City of Chicago will issue an RFP encouraging community-based small businesses, not-for-profits and other to outline work opportunities that will provide employment to more than 700 youth. The RFP will be available beginning April 15 through the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services.

Summer Mini-Grants: The City's Summer Mini-Grant program will provide young people with the chance to work on neighborhood-based projects, such as starting a community dance troupe or designing a website for a community organization.

Last year, "Youth Ready Chicago" was able to provide more than 18,000 summer opportunities.

Thousands of those opportunities were supported by \$8.6 million in federal stimulus money which is no longer available.

Daley said government can't do this alone.

"We have many partners in the private sector who are strongly committed to the Youth Ready Chicago program. But we all know that most jobs are in the private sector. So today I want to challenge our business leaders to strengthen their efforts to provide jobs for young people," he said.

Daley said businesses can do this by supporting the City's program or by hiring young people themselves.

"The bottom line is that we need everyone's help to keep our kids occupied in a positive way this summer," he said.

Young people can apply for a summer job by filling out the application at www.

youthreadychicago.org. Businesses can also visit the web site to sponsor or learn about employing a young person for the summer.

The deadline for application is June 3.

#### **Election Judges Needed in Evanston for April 5 School Board Elections**

The April 5, 2011 Election is around the corner and the Cook County Clerk's office needs more people to work in Evanston precincts on Election Day.

"This is an opportunity to serve your community, help democracy work and earn a bit of money," Clerk David Orr said.

About 2,100 candidates are on the ballot countywide for local offices including mayors, school board members and park district commissioners. Every election, more than 10,000 election judges make sure polling place operations in suburban Cook County run smoothly and elections are carried out fairly, honestly and accurately. Election judges are responsible for supervising the conduct inside polling places and helping voters.

Election judges can receive up to \$170 every election. This includes working Election Day, successfully completing their training and assisting with polling place set-up before Election Day.

Apply to be an election judge by calling 312.603.0970 or apply online at http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections/electionjudges/Pages/default.aspx

Races and Candidates: April 05, 2011 Consolidated General Election

Evanston residents will be voting for School District 65 and School District 202 Board members.

#### Board Member, Evanston/Skokie School District 65 4 Year Term, Vote For 3

pleased to announce the creation of my online job bank, which will be updated regularly with new employment opportunities for residents. Please check it out:

http://www.goodforthe50th.com/50thward/jobs/

If you are an employer who has a job to post, please e-mail me. Job listings are updated every Monday and Thursday.

I have been working on other fronts to create jobs as well. I helped secure millions in Small Business Improvement Fund dollars to assist job-creating Devon Avenue businesses. I am proud of my role in bringing a \$25 million investment to Devon and Rockwell. I hope to continue this progress in the next four years.

It has been an interesting time on the campaign trail for me recently. I was honored to receive the endorsement of two former competitors. Tom Morris and Ahmed Khan are now supporting me in my bid for re-election. Tom and Ahmed are both strong community leaders, and I feel privileged to have their backing. Please click here to read more.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to remind you to vote early in the "run-off" Aldermanic election by going to the 50th ward's early voting location, Warren Park at 6601 N. Western Avenue, from 9 AM to 5 PM Monday-Saturday. Early voting is happening now and continues until March 31st. Of course, you can also vote at your polling place on election day, Tuesday, April 5th - polls will be open 6 AM - 7 PM. You can visit www.ChicagoElections.com or call 312-269-7900 to find your election day polling place. You can also call my office at 773-539-0050 or e-mail me at BernyStone2011@gmail.com if you need a ride to early vote or vote on election day.

Thank you again for everything you do for our 50th ward community. Alderman Berny Stone

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Nonpartisan	101
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## **Career Corner**

## DANK HAUS HIRES NEW DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

#### Amelia Cotter Fills Brand New Position Created in 2011

The DANK Haus German American Cultural Center in the historic Lincoln Square neighborhood voted in January to increase its office staff to include a Development Director, in addition to its Executive Director Nicholle Dombrowski. Amelia Cotter, former DANK National Office Manager, was hired for the position in February.

Amelia Cotter, former DANK National Office Manager, was hired for the position in February. The role of the Development Director will include a variety of duties, mainly building the human and financial resources of the organization through a variety of fundraising efforts, particularly the strengthening of giving to the organization, as well as volunteer, intern, and special events man-



agement. Amelia Cotter worked for the DANK National Office for two years as National Office Manager and also has a background in writing. A published author, poet, translator, and former consultant for two children's book publishers, she will be able to transfer much of her knowledge and skills from the publishing industry to her new position.

The DANK Haus, a registered 501(c)3, hopes that increasing its staff will assist its mission to preserve and promote German and German American culture, heritage, language, and the fine arts with long-term goals of developing its facility on Western Avenue as a community resource. The DANK Haus is dependent largely on the work of volunteers and public support. It will be undertaking the large project in 2011 of remodeling of its façade with the help of a SBIF Grant from the City of Chicago.

If you'd like more information, or to schedule an interview with Amelia Cotter or Nicholle Dombrowski, please call 773.561.9181 or email dank@dankhaus.com.

#### Evanston Fire & Life Safety Services Begin Recruitment Campaign

The City of Evanston's Fire and Life Safety Services has begun a recruitment campaign this week following the City Council's approval of two preference points being awarded to applicants who reside here in Evanston.

"Evanston Fire & Life Safety Services is seeking motivated and progressive thinking individuals who will be committed to excellence and professionalism," explained Chief Greg Klaiber. "We have a family that is comprised of 107 men and women, which are the cornerstone of the department's mission."

As part of the department's recruitment efforts, they will be holding two informational sessions on March 19 and April 26 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Evanston Township High School, 1600 Dodge Ave. At the sessions, potential applicats will learn what they need to do to apply; qualifications; training opportunities; benefits; and much more.

Evanston Fire & Life Safety Services is committed to being a diversified and well qualified work force. A systematic approach to job enrichment begins with recruit training and it continues throughout an employee's career. Training and experience enables a firefighter to progress into various assignments and ranks within the department which include: Firefighter/Paramedic; Hazardous Material technician; Special Rescue Specialist; Water Rescue; Fire Inspector/Investigator; and Fire Officer.

Applicants must be able to react quickly and calmly in emergencies, make effective decisions under stress, establish working relationships with the public, provide fire protection, prevention and safety services. You will respond to all fires, explosions, accidents, hazardous material incidents and medical emergencies through tasks associated with the job such as, but not limited to, firefighting, driving, maintenance of equipment and grounds, inspections, making minor repairs, investigations and education. As a paramedic, applicants are required to treat sick and injured individuals. As a condition of employment, you must obtain: State of Illinois Firefighter II Certification; Paramedic License; Hazardous Material Operations Certification; and a minimum Class A - Non CDL drivers license.

Applicants must Be between 20 and 34 years of age (if over 34 years of age, must currently be a firefighter/paramedic); be a citizen of the United States; be a high school graduate; be a licensed driver; have normal color vision; and have the ability to complete and pass firefighter/paramedic education and certifications.

Applications are available at www.publicsafetyrecruitment.com, by calling 1-800-343-HIRE or e-mail at info@publicsafetyrecruitment.com. For questions about the firefighter/paramedic position (not related to the application or process), call 847/448-8191.

## LOCAL DUCKS UNLIMITED CHAPTER ACHIEVES PRESIDENT'S ELITE STATUS

## **TRAYEL** Lira Ensemble Tour of Poland for Audience Members

The Lira Ensemble of Chicago, highly praised for its performances of Polish music, song and dance, is also known for organizing unforgettable tours of Poland. This year, Lira is taking its audience members and supporters on a tour of Central and Northern Poland and Lithuania. The tour is open to anyone, but is especially designed for Polish Americans, their families and friends.

This 15-day tour leaves on Thursday, June 23rd and visits Warsaw and Vilinus – capitals of Poland and Lithuania, also Gdansk, Poznan, Torun, Malbork Castle, Chopin's birthplace, and much more.

The Lira Tour is led by Lucyna Migala, co-founder of the company, who is also Lira's artistic director and general manager and an expert on Polish culture. The tour emphasizes music, folklore, traditions and history and, like Lira concerts, is designed to be very enjoyable as well as informative.

It covers all the major attractions as well as concerts, folk performances, and many surprises – all included in the tour price. Also included are all transportation and admissions, first class hotels, three meals a day (except for five meals on your own), and an ultra-modern motorcoach with an airline-style bathroom on board.

Past tour members have praised Lira tours as "life changing experiences," and "great fun," because they offer a view of Poland far beyond the scope of usual tours.

Since the Lira Ensemble is a federally recognized charity, a portion of the tour cost is tax deductible. Those taking the Lira trip will not only enjoy a very personal and unusual tour of Poland, they will be helping with the work of the Lira Ensemble. America's only professional performing arts company specializing in Polish music, song, and dance.

For full details, call 773-508-7040 or 1-800-547-LIRA or visit www.liraensemble.org and click on VISIT POLAND.

## Managing Jet Lag

Jet lag, also know as time zone change syndrome, is a sleep disorder that is attributed to a disruption of the body's internal clock caused by rapid travel across time zones. It affects millions of people every year and interferes with business and vacation activities.

Although jet lag is not a serious medical condition, it does interfere with normal sleep cycles and circadian rhythms. This interference can produce a variety of symptoms, including insomnia, early waking or excessive sleepiness, irritability, difficulty concentrating or functioning at a usual level, headaches, muscle soreness and constipation or diarrhea.

The symptoms get worse with the number of time zones that are crossed during travel and with the age of the person traveling. Most people can feel the effects after crossing at least three time zones, although shorter trips can prompt jet lag in others. In addition, trips that go eastward generally cause more severe symptoms than those to the west.

What can you do to try to keep your internal body clock in sync with the time in the locale to which you are traveling? Although cures work differently in people, the following are basic rules to combat jet lag:

- For a stay of three or fewer days, the traveler may want to keep their watch on hometime and ignore local time by maintaining normal eating, sleeping and other activity patterns.

- If the stay is for four or more days, the body clock can be advanced about one hour per day for the three days before leaving by exposure to bright light on rising or by taking melatonin in the evening. Several studies have shown that 3 to 5 mg of melatonin, taken 2-3 hours before bedtime, improved sleep and decreased daytime fatigue.

- Get plenty of rest before the trip and drink lots of water before, during and after the flight to fight dehydration. Avoid alcohol and caffeine, both of which cause dehydration.

- Try to sleep on the plane if it is nighttime at your destination.

- Bright light, gentle exercise, and caffeine can be used to cause alertness on arrival at your destination.

Submitted by Becker Professional Pharmacy

## Apply for Passport Now to Avoid Summer Travel Delays

City Clerk offices serve as official and convenient passport acceptance agents

Summer travel season officially kicks off in two months and with millions of families hitting the road or heading to airports, now is the time to apply for a U.S. passport.

"It is vital to apply for your passport as early as possible, especially if your family has summer travel plans, as it can take up to six weeks to receive a passport," said Clerk del Valle. "Our offices can quickly assist in the entire passport process, from taking passport photos to helping you complete and mail the application. By applying early you avoid any unnecessary travel delays and paying the higher rush processing fees."

Complete U.S. passport services, including photo services for adults and children ages 5 and older, are available at Clerk del Valle's City Hall office at 121 N. LaSalle, Room 107 or at the City Clerk satellite offices at 5674 S. Archer Ave. on the southwest side or 5430 W. Gale St. on the northwest side. To apply for a U.S. Passport for the first time, each applicant must appear in person with proof of U.S. citizenship and a valid form of photo ID such as a driver's license or state ID. All U.S. citizens entering the country by land or sea must present a passport or passport card that shows their name and proof of citizenship. Passport and passport card applications are available at all City Clerk offices. Passport fees vary for regular service, which take on average four to six weeks, or expedited process, which takes approximately three to four weeks. Regular service fees are \$110 for adults and \$80 for children under age 16. Expedited processing is \$170 for adults and \$140 for children. In addition, expedited processing has the option of an express mailing charge of \$12.72. Passport cards can only be used to enter the United States from Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda at land border crossings or sea ports-of-entry and are not valid for air travel. The card, also available the City Clerk's City Hall and satellite offices, is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children under age 16. Passports expire every 10 years for adults ages 16 and older. Children under age 16 do not renew their passports; instead they must apply for a new passport every 5 years and submit their expired passport or a certified birth certificate. Adult renewals, common when someone changes his or her name, are for passports issued less than 15 years ago. The fee for adult renewals is \$110, or \$170 for expedited service. While applications and the required 2 new photos are available at City Clerk offices, the adult renewals must be mailed by the applicant. The passport fee must be in the form of a money order or check made payable to the U.S. Department of State. There is a separate \$25 execution fee that can be paid in cash, check or money order payable to the City Clerk.

Lake Forest Area DU Chapter recognized nationally

The Lake Forest Area Chapter of Ducks Unlimited was named a President's Elite chapter today, a designation reserved for chapters that raise \$100,000 or more annually for DU's habitat conservation work. This is the first time the Lake Forest Area Chapter has attained this honor.

"To be among the President's Elite signifies an over-and-above commitment by these chapters to raise significant funds for DU's conservation mission," DU President John Pope said. "These chapters have set the standard for what is possible with DU's fundraising efforts."

The Lake Forest Area DU Chapter is one of 43 DU chapters to achieve President's Elite status this year. DU's grassroots system – with more than 2,700 chapters nationwide – has become a model for other conservation organizations worldwide and has helped conserve more than 12 million acres of waterfowl habitat since 1937.

"In raising more than \$100,000 for DU's conservation mission, the President's Elite chapters have placed themselves at the very top of DU's grassroots fundraising system," Jim West, DU's chief fundraising officer, said. "I would personally like to thank each of these chapters for their passion for conservation and their exemplary leadership."

Ducks Unlimited is the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving North America's continually disappearing waterfowl habitats. Established in 1937, Ducks Unlimited has conserved more than 12 million acres thanks to contributions from more than a million supporters across the continent. Guided by science and dedicated to program efficiency, DU works toward the vision of wetlands sufficient to fill the skies with waterfowl today, tomorrow and forever.

For more information about City Clerk passport services and a complete list of items needed when applying, please visit www.ChiCityClerk.com or call 312-744-6774.

# **Holiday Recipes**

## **Devilled Eggs Delmonico**

2 T grated onion

1/2 cup grated sharp cheese1 1/2 c thin white sauce2 C cooked macaroni

10 devilled eggs halves (5 eggs) Paprika or parsley garnish



Blend onion, cheese, white sauce and macaroni. Place in greased one 1 quart shallow casserole. Press devilled eggs into mixture.

Cover casserole, heat in hot oven (400 degrees) about 20 minutes. Garnish. If desired, serve with additional grated cheese. Makes 4 to 5 servings

Recipe from Florence Gilman

## **Mandel Bread**

3 beaten eggs 1 t lemon juice 3 cup sifted flour 1 cup sugardash salt1 t vanilla1 cup Mazola oil1 t baking powder1 c crushed walnuts

Grease and flour cookie sheet and sides. Form dough into 3 long loaves 2" wide and almost length of cookie sheet. Sprinkle with mixture of cinnamon and sugar. Bake 350 degree 25-30 min. Take out of oven and slice loaves while still hot on an angle. Bake each side of slice 10 min. *From the Kitchen of Frances Dodick* 

#### Ravenswood Community Council Community Open House

Tuesday, April 19, 10am to noon

Bodine Electric, 2500 W. Bradley Place

Take a tour  $\cdot$  Win an iPad  $\cdot$  Enjoy brunch

2500 Bradley is under new ownership. The former Bodine Electric Builidng has gone through some changes and has many more in store. Come take a look around, learn about these developments, enjoy a catered brunch with gourmet coffee, and enter to win an iPad. The event is Tuesday, April 19 from 10am to noon. Follow signs to the east parking lot.

RSVP to Adam Parla today or by Friday, April 15 aparla@hansenrealty.com Phone; 773-880-7377 Website www.2500bradley.com

> **Ravenswood Community Business** Leaders and Representatives

The RCC Business Breakfast Meeting has been rescheduled from Tuesday March 22nd, 2011 to Tuesday April 5th, 2011 do to a scheduling conflict with Metra. The location of the event will be The Lincoln Restaurant, 4008 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, IL. at 9 A.M.. Three representatives from Metra will do a presentation on the viaduct upgrades along the Ravenswood Metra line and the new Metra station located at Lawrence and Ravenswood. In addition, a representative from the City of Chicago, Department of Housing and Economic Development will do a presentation on the Small Business Improvement Fund. There is ample parking in the rear of the restaurant just west of Damen Ave. off of Irving Park Road. The RCC looks forward towards seeing you at this event. Please RSVP to dan @ravenswoodcommunity.org. Thank You!

Best Regards, Daniel E. Stefanski LIRI Program Manager

## **McAuliffe, House Pass Budget Reform**

State Representative Michael McAuliffe (R-Chicago) and the Illinois House of Representatives passed a measure this week that calls for budget reform to ensure that the state is living within its means.

"Families all over Illinois have been forced to reduce spending and make strategic budget cuts. The State of Illinois must do the same, as we cannot continue to spend more than we take in as revenue," said McAuliffe.

The proposed legislation, House Resolution 110, establishes a Fiscal Year 2012 revenue estimate of \$33.2 billion which is \$700 million less than Governor Quinn's estimates in his budget proposal. The resolution also calls for \$2 billion less spending, which will allow lawmakers to make necessary and realistic cuts to get the budget back on track. Rep. McAuliffe can be reached at his district office located at 6650 N. Northwest Hwy., Chicago, or by calling (773) 792-0749.

## APRIL 2011 CJE 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.

#### NEW! 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: April 6, 13 and 27

#### **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 1 to 2:30 p.m., at Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. Sponsored by JCFS and CJE SeniorLife. Monthly meeting dates: April 4, 11 and 18 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: April 7, 14, 21 and 28 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: April 6, 13 and 27

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. Bernard Horwich Building, 3003 W. Touhy Ave., Chicago,

11 a.m. to noon. Those interested in attending must register in advance by calling 773/508-1694. Monthly meeting dates: April 5 (no April 19 meeting due to Passover)

#### 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: April 6 (no meeting on April 20 because of Passover)

#### **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 Nosheri 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: April 5 and 12

**Thursday, April 14 Building Better Bones,** an educational program on osteoporosis prevention for older adults age 50 and over, including free bone density screenings to all individuals who attend the education session, will take place at noon, at Whole Foods Market, 1111 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Those interested in attending, must RSVP by calling Whole Foods at 847/475-9492.

## ILLINOIS HOLOCAUST MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER ANNOUNCES APRIL EVENTS

#### SPECIAL EXHIBITION: BEYOND SWASTIKA AND JIM CROW: JEWISH REFUGEE SCHOLARS AT BLACK COLLEGES

What: Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow reveals the little-known story of German-Jewish refugee scholars who were expelled from their homeland by the Nazis and found new lives at historically Black colleges in the American South. This compelling exhibition explores the profound connection that developed between the professors and students and the ways in which these relationships impacted the Civil Rights Movement and American society. This exhibition was created and is circulated by the Museum of Jewish Heritage—A Living Memorial to the Holocaust.

## Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Join the Lincolnwood Social Club (55+)

Are you tired of staying home? Would you like to do fun and exciting things? Do you want to make a few new friends? Then why not join the Lin-colnwood Social Club 55+. You do not have to be a resident of Lincolnwood to join. We go to exciting places every week in addition to the numerous special events held at our Community Center. Give us a call and find out what we are all about (847) 677-9740.

## **Norwood Park Seniors Club**

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

When: Daily: Through May 31, 2011

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

Where: Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie

#### BOOK & AUTHOR DISCUSSION: WOMEN + NAZIS: PERPETRATORS OF GENOCIDE AND OTHER CRIMES DURING HITLER'S REGIME, 1933-1945

What: Professor Wendy A. Sarti discusses her recently published study of the participation of women in carrying out the Nazi program of persecution. Q&A will be moderated by Dr. Leon Stein, Professor Emeritus of History, Roosevelt University. A book signing follows.

When: Sunday, April 10 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Tickets: Free with Museum admission. Reservations recommended; 847.967.4889. Where: Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center Goodman Auditorium, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie

#### \*\*2011 MUSEUM ADMISSION PRICES\*\*

General Admission: \$12	Seniors (65+): \$8
Students (12-22): \$8	Children (5-11): \$6

# GREAT OUTDOORS

## Urban Wildlife **Be Kind to our Fine-Feathered Friends**

Springtime is migration season for millions of birds, and Chicago is a favorite stopping ground en route back to northerly homes. The route many follow is known as the Mississippi Flyway, beginning in Mississippi River Valley and extending all the way to northwest Canada, passing through the Great Lakes on the way. It's an amazing time to watch birds - more than 250 species usually fly through Chicago skies in April and May, but it is also a dangerous time for our avian friends.

Each year thousands of birds collide with city windows, where they fall to the ground stunned and unconscious. With timely treatment, more than 80% of these injured birds can be saved and released back to the wild. Urban Wildlife Coalition works closely with Flint Creek Wildlife Rehabilitation, a state- and federally-licensed facility dedicated to rehabilitating injured and orphaned wildlife.

Volunteers are urgently needed during the upcoming spring migration (begins around March 15). A few hours one morning a week can save hundreds of avian lives. Training is provided. For more information, please visit www.flintcreekwildlife.org/volunteer.htm or phone 847-842-8000.

In the meantime, be prepared in case you find an injured or orphaned bird:

Keep a box or bag in your car, along with paper towels or small rags.

Enter the Flint Creek Wildlife hotline number in your cell phone, just in case.

Place the bird in a paper bag with a folded paper towel at the bottom. Secure the bag with a clip.

Place the bag in a dark, quiet location and phone the number above.

Human instinct almost always is to give food and water to an injured animal or to try to give medical assistance. Resist the temptation. It can cause further injury more often than not.

Injured birds can be dropped off at Flint Creek's Northerly Island facility daily between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. (visit www.flintcreekwildlife.org for directions).

## **Nesting Materials**

It is nest-building season. Help give our feathered friends a hand with recycled materials from your home. Natural materials are always best, but any of these items will work. Place them in a potato, orange, or onion sack (or any other mesh bag) and hang the bag from a tree or bush branch. Watch as birds use as nesting materials.

Pet fur or human hair

Leftover yarn or string (less than six-inches in length for easy weaving)

Leftover fabric strips

Feathers

Raffia or other dried grasses

Small twigs and dried leaves

A drink and a bath are always refreshing after a long day of nest-building. Don't forget to keep your birdbath refilled with clean water.

Urban Wildlife Coalition is a community-based organization founded to help preserve our treasured urban wildlife. For more information about urban animals and tips for living in harmony with them, visit www.urbanwildlifecoalition.org. Questions? Call 773-545-8136 or e-mail us at urbanwildlifecoalition@gmail.com.

#### **Ravenswood Run** 1 May 8:00 am

Join SportsClubDANK and show your true colors as you Run/Walk/Cheer through beautiful Ravenswood

Picture everyone in a new DANK tech shirt, letting everyone know that Germans do not:

A. Wear only trachten

B. Sit around with sausage in one fist and schokolade in the other \$55 includes your bib and Neue DANK Tech Shirt in wickaway fabric You will be a sleek Deutsch speed machine

Next Steps

1. Make \$55 check payable to DANK

2. Complete Registration Form

3. Pick up goodie bag Sat 30 Apr 11.30 - 12.30 in Brandenburg Room or Sun 1 May 7.30a O'Shaughnessy's, Wilson & Ravenswood



### **CITY OF CHICAGO ISSUES TICKET FOR INVASIVE SPECIES Department of Environment Aims** to Increase Awareness

Chicago's Department of Environment (DOE) recently issued a citation and associated fine under the City of Chicago's invasive species ordinance. The violation involved approximately 350 Oriental weather loaches, an invasive fish species, being imported from China through O'Hare Airport by a tropical fish wholesaler based in the Chicago suburbs. The Oriental weather loaches were destined to be sold at aquarium stores throughout the region. If released into area waterways, Oriental weather loaches can reach high densities and outcompete native fish for food.

DOE worked with experts at The Shedd Aquarium to positively identify the fish and appropriately dispose of them. The Shedd will also likely be using some of the fish in their invasive species section in the aquarium and in research to better understand how they impact native fish populations--all of which is in accordance with the City of Chicago's Invasive Species Ordinance.

The ordinance, which passed City Council in 2007, makes it unlawful to possess invasive species that are on the regulated list. The 2007 list consisted of aquatic (waterbased) invasive plants and animals. In 2009, the regulated list was updated to include land-based invasive plants. While there are many more invasive species that could cause harm in the region, the current list prioritizes species that are in trade, not yet prevalent in the city, and pose the greatest threat to the environment. The City of Chicago worked with scientists, industry leaders and other stakeholders to compile the regulated species lists below.

In the first year following the passage of the regulated species list, enforcement visits to affected industries, including garden centers, bait shops, aquariums, and live fish markets, were educational, involving warnings if regulated species were found. The "grace period" for the aquatic and land-based species ended in 2008 and 2010, respectively, and enforcement of all the regulated species is in effect. DOE and Animal Care and Control annually inspect dozens of businesses for the regulated species, as well as respond to complaints or notifications from other agencies, as was the case with the Oriental weather loach. Fines range from \$100 to \$500 for individuals and \$1,500 to \$3,000 for businesses licensed in Chicago.

The City of Chicago has long been a strong advocate for preventing invasive species, including Asian carp, from being introduced in to the Great Lakes.

For more information, please visit www.cityofchicago.org/invasivespecies.

## Snowmelt and Rainfall Coming – **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Reservoirs Ready for Spring**

In anticipation of spring snowmelt and rainfall, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, is ensuring its three Iowa reservoirs are ready for increased inflows to assist in reducing the risk of downstream flooding.

Saylorville Lake in Johnston, Iowa, is currently at 836.32 feet (0.35 percent of flood storage used); approximately one-third foot above its normal pool elevation of 836 feet due to increased inflow into the reservoir. As inflows decrease, the reservoir level will be maintained at the normal pool elevation in anticipation of spring rain and snowmelt runoff. The normal conservation pool represents 11.5 percent (23.9 billion gallons) of Saylorville Lake's total storage capacity of 184.7 billion gallons. Fluctuation of the pool level will result from snowmelt and rainfall entering the reservoir.

The Saylorville Lake project encompasses 25,515 acres of land and water and provides 13 recreation sites. An estimated 1,300,000 visits occurred in fiscal year 2010 with an economic impact of approximately \$27,000,000. Since its completion in 1977, the reservoir has prevented more than \$183,500,000\* in flood-related damages.

Coralville Lake in Iowa City, Iowa, is currently at 681.1 feet; approximately 2.1 feet above its spring conservation pool elevation of 679 feet and is being lowered to reach that elevation. As inflows decrease, the reservoir level will be maintained at the spring pool elevation in anticipation of spring rain and snowmelt runoff. The spring pool is four feet below Coralville Lake's normal (summer) pool elevation of 683 feet and provides approximately 4 billion gallons of additional flood storage. The spring pool represents 3.7 percent (5.11 billion gallons) of Coralville Lake's total storage capacity of 128 billion gallons. Fluctuation of the pool level will result from snowmelt and rainfall entering the reservoir.

The Coralville Lake project encompasses 24,591 acres of land and water and provides 11 recreation sites. An estimated 1,138,090 visits occurred in fiscal year 2010 with an economic impact of approximately \$22,400,000. Since its completion in 1958, the reservoir has prevented more than \$184,000,000\* in flood-related damages.

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5. Run, jog or walk 5K (note how these are always metric) 6. Frühstuck at DANK? Let us know and we'll break out the Nutella

#### Polls Are Open To Choose The 2011 Bike **Chicago T-Shirt Design!**

An e-News exclusive! Voting on favorite design for the 2011 Bike Chicago t-shirt is now open to e-Newsletter subscribers only. Over the years the Bike Chicago t-shirt has been a highly coveted commodity for cyclists. Visit bikechicago.us or click on the t-shirt on the left and choose the t-shirt design you think best represents "biking it" in the City of Chicago. Beginning Monday, April 4 voting opens to the general public.

The winning t-shirt design is FREE to bike commuters and will be passed out at the Bike to Work Rally on Friday, June 17 on Daley Plaza along with a FREE breakfast and programming. The rally begins at 7:30 am and is the grand finale of Bike to Work Week a beginning at 7:30 a.m. The weeks activities will be announced in next months newsletter or be the first to know by joining Bike Chicago on Facebook.

Presented by the City of Chicago and Goose Island 312, Bike Chicago 2011 is a celebration of Chicago's commitment to become even more bicycle friendly and environmentally conscious. Goose Island is passionate about beer, cycling and believe in life on two wheels and feel privileged to call ourselves a part of the community that made Chicago one of "America's Best Bike Cities.

To find out where you can enjoy 312 this summer at chicagoland cycling events visit 312chi.com by clicking on the Goose Island 312 logo to the right.

Lake Red Rock in Knoxville, Iowa, is currently at 734.36 feet (0.0 percent of flood storage used); approximately 7.6 feet below its normal pool elevation of 742 feet. The pool level was lowered to replace the dam's Tainter gate cables and complete additional construction work to bring the reservoir to its full functional capability. As inflows increase, the reservoir level will be maintained at the normal pool elevation in anticipation of spring rain and snowmelt runoff. The normal conservation pool represents approximately 11.6 percent (61.59 billion gallons) of Lake Red Rock's total storage capacity of 467.92 billion gallons.

The Lake Red Rock project encompasses 50,300 acres of land and water and provides 11 recreation sites. An estimated 741,250 visits occurred in fiscal year 2010 with an economic impact of approximately \$14,300,000. Since its completion in 1969, the reservoir has prevented more than \$559,000,000\* in flood-related damages.

Reservoir pool levels are maintained for authorized project purposes which include flood control, water supply (Saylorville Lake only), low flow augmentation, fish and wildlife management and recreation. Lowering pool levels an additional amount in the spring could result in bank sloughing, increases the risk for fish kills and significantly increases the potential for ice jams at the controlling works which could impact reservoir releases and cause pool levels to rise more rapidly. Additionally, lowering reservoirs beyond their authorized level does not afford significant flood storage capacity as empty reservoirs would fill to flood storage capacity within 18 to 33 hours during flood events similar to 2008.

For more information about the District's reservoir operations, visit the reservoir website on the WWW @: http://go.usa.gov/gAn.

\* Flood-related damages are not indexed for 2011 price levels. Figures are representative of the year in which they occurred.

# Public Libraries

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

Book Discussion. Apr. 11, 11 a.m. Lincolnwood Library's adult book discussion features "The Lacuna" by Barbara Kingsolver, the story of a man caught between two worlds-the Mexico City of artists Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo and the America of Pearl Harbor, FDR, and J. Edgar Hoover.

Constituent Advocate. Apr. 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Kris Sadur, from Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky's office, is available to answer questions. No appointment is necessary

Morning Matinees. Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Apr. 7: "Monsters."; Apr. 14: "Babies" and "The Karate Kid." ; Apr. 21: "Disneynature Oceans."

Friday Films shown weekly at 1 p.m. Apr. 8: "Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps."; Apr. 15: "Babies" and "The Karate Kid."; Apr. 22: "Conviction."

Humanities Treasures. This free discussion group meets Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m. at the Lincolnwood Library to explore current events and selected readings. Humanities Treasures is affiliated with the Oakton Community College Emeritus Program.

Live @ Lincolnwood Library. Sunday concert: Dede Sampaio presents the Sounds of Brazil. Sunday, April 17, 2 p.m. Free tickets at the circulation desk 3 weeks in advance to Lincolnwood residents, 1 week in advance to non-residents.

Acting Class. Mondays, 2 p.m. Theater games, improv, bit parts, and more for grades 3-5. Directed by Debbi Brodsky. Registration required. Contact the Youth Services Department at 847-677-5277 x234 or youthservices@lincolnwoodlibrary.org.

Afterschool Café. Mondays, 2:30 p.m. Lincolnwood School students can relax and buy a snack before tackling homework on early release Mondays.

Beginning with Books. 10 a.m., Wednesdays through Apr. 20. Stories, songs, and activities for infants to 2-year-olds and a caregiver. Families are welcome to stay for Playtime program that follows. Register with Lincolnwood Library's Youth Services Department: 847-677-5277 x234 or youthservices@lincolnwoodlibrary.org.

Playtime at the Library. 10:30 a.m., Wednesdays through Apr. 20. A friendly, social time for young children, ages 3 and under, and their caregivers. Toys and snacks are provided for the children.

Stories & More. 10:30 a.m., Tuesdays Apr. 19. A fun, interactive storytime tailored for children ages 3-5, emphasizing letters, numbers, shapes, colors, and other concepts. Register with Lincolnwood Library's Youth Services Department: 847-677-5277 x234 or youthservices@lincolnwoodlibrary.org.

The Friends of Lincolnwood Library meet the third Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m.

Just Games! Apr. 13, 3 p.m. Kids in 3rd-5th grade can stop by Lincolnwood Library for board games and video games.

Kid Flicks. Mondays, 3:30 p.m. Apr. 4: "Ramona and Beezus."; Apr. 11: "Harriet the Spy-Blog Wars."; Apr. 18: "Despicable Me."

Knitting for All Ages. Fridays, 3:30-5 p.m. Adults and children, ages 10 and up, can learn to knit or work on a project.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover. Apr. 16, 4 p.m. Young children are invited to bring their favorite cuddly friend to a special sleepover at the library! Storytime begins at 4 p.m. and then stuffed animals "guests" are tucked in for an overnight stay. See photos of overnight adventures when stuffed animals are picked up between 12:30-4:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 17.

#### **Evanston Public Library Unveils New Early Childhood Initiative**

The Evanston Public Library is thrilled to bring Literacy Labs to Evanston's early childhood professionals. This innovative training series for preschool teachers and home providers willshare a new approach to literacy that can be practiced immediately with preschool kids and their parents. The Library is pleased to be partnering with the Evanston Community Foundation on this program.

The first Literacy Lab on February 26th, 2011 focused on Play Literacy with a construction theme. The Library's LEAP (Literacy Education At Play) Team trained seven preschool teachers and home providers in play literacy, a program that harnesses children's natural desire to imitate adults thereby leading them into play packed with literacy activities.

After the training, the library staff and newly trained teachers hosted 26 children and their parents. The kids created building plans, built those plans out of blocks and narrated the "story" of their buildings. The Lab concluded with lots of energized budding construction engineers and invigorated teachers and parents.

Many participants had positive experiences with the program. One teacher said, "I will be planning to use the information in the classroom when I return to work!"

"I like the format of the workshop with teachers and parents; the children had a lot of one-on-one time," said one parent, Jeanine Brownell. "Perhaps most importantly, the children had a great time; I liked my hard hat and liked building."

Three more Literacy Labs are scheduled for this school year. Spaces are available or interested childcare providers, preschoolers and their parents

#### **GET BETTER DIVIDENDS WITH FREE FINANCIAL ADVICE DURING MONEY SMART WEEK**

As our nation's economy slowly recovers from the grip of an excruciating recession, the need for Chicagoans to better manage their personal finances becomes more important. To assist in this endeavor, the Chicago Public Library joins the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and the Money Smart partners in hosting the 10th Annual Money Smart Week, April 2 – April 9, 2011.

Money Smart Week offers the public a series of free financial literacy seminars, workshops and other programs designed to help people understand the business of money, gain control of their finances and overall wealth management. Such programs help families learn to reduce debt and provide practical money skills for life.

Many of the programs are featured at Chicago Public Library locations throughout the city. In addition, all Library locations have books and databases which allow Chicagoans to learn about financial planning, investing and organizing their finances. For a complete listing of Money Smart Week programs, visit the Library's website at chicagopubliclibrary.org.

## **EPL Observes National Library Week – Create Your Own Story**

Evanston Public Library invites you to Create your own story @ your library and celebrate National Library Week April 10-16. Share your own library experience story in six words

"Legend has it that Ernest Hemingway was once asked to write a story in six words," said Jill Skwerski, who is coordinating EPL's National Library Week effort. Skwerski related that Hemingway's response was: 'For sale: baby shoes, never worn.'

Inspired by the poignancy and brevity of this tale and in honor of National Library Week, Evanston Public Library is asking library patrons to say why they love the library - in 6 words.

Some people already have done so, with submissions such as:

Just ask. They know. Well done!

Books are weapons with nine lives.

I never know \_What I'll find.

Submissions will be accepted via email to jskwerski@cityofevanston.org, or stop in the library and fill out a form at any service desk. Stories will be posted around the library during the week of April 10-16.

"Every day, libraries across the country are helping people create their own unique stories," says Mary Johns, Library Director. "Whether it is by opening a book and exploring distant lands, or by learning how to use new technologies to find a job, people at our library are creating new stories for themselves."

Libraries are places for new beginnings. Whether you are getting your first library card, learning new computer skills or planning a trip, the library is the place where your story begins. This National Library Week, April 10 - 16, join our nation's libraries and librarians and Create your own story @ your library.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April.

For more information, visit the Evanston Public Library at 1703 Orrington and 2026 Central Street, call 847-448-8600 or 847-866-0330 or see the library's web site at www.epl.org.

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#### LOCAL DUCKS UNLIMITED **CHAPTER MAKES TOP 100**

· Welcome to the Zoo with Ann Gadzikowski, editor at Letterpark Press on March 26, 2011.

• Play Literacy: Cars! with the Library's LEAP team on April 30, 2011.

• Highly Usable Music with Carole Peterson of Macaroni Soup on May 21, 2011.

Ann Gadzikowski is the editor of Letterpark Press's Storypath curriculum for preschools as well as an expert on story dictation in the classroom. CarolePeterson is an expert on children's music for preschoolers and is the music specialist at three area preschools.

The Library's LEAP Team includes Rick Kinnebrew (Children's Outreach Librarian), Laura Antolín and Martha Meyer. These three talented Children's Librarians have years of experience in play literacy and are happy to bring their skills to the children of Evanston.

This year, the Broad Foundation (advised by Northwestern University President Shapiro) generously provided funding for Evanston Head Start LEAP - an important piece of the team's outreach work.

The LEAP Team and the Evanston Community Foundation hope to continue expanding the number of trainings available so that all Evanston early childhood educators and their students can be a part of this exciting program.

For more information, contact Martha Meyer at msmeyer@cityofevanston.org. Preschool teachers or home providers may register for a Literacy Lab by contacting Laura Antolín at lantolin@cityofevanston.org or by calling Rick Kinnebrew at 847/448-8613. Parents may register their children for a Literacy Lab at the Main Library Children's Room. Stop by in person, call Children's at 847/48-8610 or register online at www.epl.org.

Northshore DU Chapter recognized nationally

The Northshore Chapter of Ducks Unlimited was recently named one of DU's Top 100 Chapters. The Top 100 Chapters are among Ducks Unlimited's most successful chapters throughout the nation. Each year, the list is reserved for the top 100 chapters that raise up to \$100,000 in grassroots income for DU's conservation mission. Chapters raising more than \$100,000 are recognized by the President's Elite award.

"I thank all our top 100 chapters and the volunteers who have made an extraordinary effort to raise a substantial amount of money for conservation this year," DU President John Pope said.

The Northshore Chapter has earned a spot on the Top 100 list out of the more than 2,700 DU Chapters nationwide. DU's grassroots system has become a model for other conservation organizations worldwide and has helped conserve more than 12 million acres of waterfowl habitat since 1937.

"These top 100 chapters exemplify DU's grassroots system," said Jim West, DU's chief fundraising officer. "Volunteers within these chapters are showing that the future of waterfowl populations and wetlands that filter our drinking water are important to them and their communities. Every volunteer's passion for waterfowl conservation is the catalyst for DU's perennial fundraising success.'

Ducks Unlimited is the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving North America's continually disappearing waterfowl habitats. Established in 1937, Ducks Unlimited has conserved more than 12 million acres thanks to contributions from more than a million supporters across the continent. Guided by science and dedicated to program efficiency, DU works toward the vision of wetlands sufficient to fill the skies with waterfowl today, tomorrow and forever.

# **Public Libraries**

## NEIL GAIMAN'S NEVERWHERE CHOSEN AS THE SPRING 2011 ONE BOOK, ONE CHICAGO SELECTION

Mayor Richard M. Daley and Chicago Public Library officials today announced that Neil Gaiman's novel, Neverwhere, is the 20th selection for Chicago's citywide book club, One Book, One Chicago. "Since I've been Mayor, I've worked hard to encourage Chicagoans to make reading a priority in their lives -- which is why a program like One Book, One Chicago is so important," Daley said in a news conference held at the Harold Washington Library center, 400 S. State St. "We look at it as a way to bring people together in all our neighborhoods and to foster the kind of communication that can only help make Chicago a better place to live," he said. Neverwhere is a fantasy novel. Neil Gaiman is a prolific author who works in many genres -- nonfiction, film, comics, young adult and children's fiction, fantasy and more -- and whose work includes Newberry Medal winner The Graveyard Book, American Gods, Coraline, Anansi Boys and The Sandman comics. He boasts more than 1.5 million followers on Twitter.

The book tells the story of Richard Mayhew, an office worker in London who, after helping a young woman lying injured on a sidewalk, has his existence completely erased. He is subsequently pulled into the haunting and fantastic world of "London Below," populated by people and things that have "fallen through the cracks" of the world above. He undertakes an unbelievable journey full of unforgettable people, creatures and places, all the while hoping to return to "London Above" and to normalcy.

Daley pointed out that when he became Mayor, many libraries were housed in small, rented storefronts with limited book collections and no technology. Hours of operation were not consistent and there was no Sunday library service. "But thanks to the efforts of many people working together, we have been able to create rich book collections in our more than 70 locations, hire and train professional staff for all libraries, add state of the art technology to all libraries and build and open 55 new or renovated libraries since 1989," the Mayor said. "Millions of Chicagoans who had poor or nonexistent library service in the past, now embrace their libraries as community anchors and places of lifelong learning," he said.

Chicago Public Library librarians have created a resource guide for Neverwhereand will conduct book discussions across the city at neighborhood libraries. Thousands of Chicagoans are expected to participate in additional discussions, lectures, readings and events.

As a special feature of the programming, Neil Gaiman will participate in two free public events. On April 12, at 6:00 p.m., he will be joined by acclaimed Chicago author Audrey Niffenegger for a conversation on stage at the Harold Washington Library Center's Cindy Pritzker Auditorium; on April 13 at 7:00 p.m., he will give a solo talk and reading at the Rockefeller Memorial Chapel at the University of Chicago.

Additional events include:

• A discussion of modern fairy tales between authors Lydia Millet (How the Dead Dream) and Kate Bernheimer (editor of My Mother She Killed Me, My Father He Ate Me: Forty New Fairy Tales, to which Gaiman was a contributor) on April 7 at Harold Washington Library Center;

• A full reading on April 11 of Lifeline Theatre's stage adaptation of Neverwhere, which received rave reviews from critics as well as the author himself when it was produced here in May, 2010;

• An exploration of the possibility of parallel universes (such as London Above and London Below) with popular physicist Lawrence Krauss on April 20 at the Harold Washington Library Center;

• A Neverwhere-focused tour of Chicago's Pedway with guide Margaret Hicks.

• DePaul University is offering a variety of One Book, One Chicago related events, including a discussion of the rise of the graphic novel and a Neverwhere-themed art contest. And once again, DePaul University's English Department is offering a ten-week course, "Literature and Social Engagement – Chicago's One Book: Issues and Perspectives," a course dedicated to the close study of the current One Book selection taught by Rebecca Johns Trissler.

• Chicago Public Library's YOUmedia will connect young adults with Neverwhere, related books, technologies and cultural events through a series in interactive workshops.

"Chicago's place in the global economy and the quality of life in our city will be determined in large part by our children's ability to read with comprehension," Daley said. "One Book, One Chicago reminds us we can't just tell young people reading is important -- adults must set the example."

The 2011 Spring One Book, One Chicago is presented by the Chicago Public Library, the Chicago Public Library Foundation, and Allstate. Partners include DePaul University, Rockefeller Memorial Chapel, the Illinois Science Council, Chicago Humanities Festival, Park Hyatt Chicago, as well as Chicago Public Radio and the Chicago Tribune.

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#### EISENHOWER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT 4613 N Oketo, Harwood Heights, IL, (708) 867-7828

**The Adult Book Discussion Group** will be meeting on Monday, April 4 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. or Tuesday, April 5 from 2 - 3:30 p.m. Attend either session to discuss The Alchemist by Paul Coelho. Copies in both regular and large type are available at the library.

**Classic Films** continue at Eisenhower: The Godfather with Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, directed by Francis Ford Coppola on April 14th; Zulu with Michael Caine and James Booth directed by Cy Endfield on April 28th. Discussions with Ralph J Amelio. Free popcorn at all movies! All films begin at 1 p.m.

**Tired of Knitting Alone?** Join our Knitting Circle! We meet the third Tuesday of every month from 2:30-3:30 p.m. April's Knitting Circle will be on the 19th. Bring your needles, bring your yarn and knit over snacks and coffee. No registration, just show up!

#### **Organize Your Space**

Bring your organizing questions and challenges to Erin Kelly. She'll help you with everything from space planning, to planning and handling a home or estate sale. April 4, 7 - 8 p.m.

#### Long-Term Cars is a Family Affair

In conjunction with Money Smart Week, Amy Lustig from Primerica will discuss what to do should you need long term care services in the next 24 hours. If you don't have a plan both you, your family and friends are invited to a seminar to help you begin to think about the process of planning for potential long term care. April 7, 7-8 p.m.

#### Libros Lege Read-Aloud Contest

"Libros lege" means "read books" in Latin so it should come as no surprise that this is a read-aloud contest. In a nutshell, participants read a passage from a book on the list provided in front of an audience. A panel of judges at Eisenhower Public Library chooses finalists. After The Finals are held, 5 winners are awarded an all-expenses-paid, 8-day-long trip to Warsaw, Poland over the upcoming summer. Readers must be at least 16 years of age and have a passport or be able to get one promptly. Readings will be held on Saturday, April 9 from 10-5 and on Sunday, April 10, from 1-5. Call the library for more information.

#### **Computer Classes**

Internet Tips and Tricks: Monday, April 18, 7-8 p.m..; Drop-In Computer Help: Wednesday, April 20, 2-3:30 p.m. Powerpoint Parts 1 and 2: Thursday, April 7, 7-8:30 p.m.

#### State Senator Dan Kotowski's One-on-One

Do you have any Illinois issues? Drop in and meet representatives from Senator Dan Kotowski's office to discuss veteran's affairs, foreclosures, property tax issues, pensions and anything else that's on your mind. Monday, April 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

#### Finding Hallowed Ground: Civil War Battlesites

Discover some of the most important battlesites of the Civil War in this lecture. April is the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War. Tuesday, April 12, 7-8:30 p.m.

#### Bus Trip to Garfield Park Conservatory

Garfield Park Conservatory Spring Flower Show. Join us at one of the oldest and largest conservatories in the country. Spring flowers will be in full bloom! Friday, April 22, 10-2. \$20.00

#### **Chicago Railfan Slideshow**

Hosted by Eddie Kwiatkowksi. Eddie runs his own railroad blog and knows his local railroad trivia! Saturday, April 23, 1-2:30 p.m.

#### Italian Pasta and Sauces

The Food Mercenary is here just in time to celebrate Italian Liberation Day! Learn about Italian pastas and sauces. Sample Zesty Marinara or Oil with lemon and herb sauce. Pasta will be served with grated cheese, and either Grissini or fresh baked bread. Monday, April 25, 6:30-8 p.m. \$3.00 tasting fee.

Please register for all programs by calling (708) 867-7828 and asking for the Answers Desk, or register online at eisenhowerlibrary.org. You must register for fee-based programs through library staff.

#### EDGEBROOK BRANCH 5331 W. Devon Avenue, (312) 744-8313

Money Smart Week is April 2nd through the 9th at the Chicago Public Library. The

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#### SATURDAY, APRIL 9 AT 2:00 P.M.

President Obama recently signed into law the 2010 Tax Relief Act. Learn the implications of this law and how to protect your assets in 2011.

## CHICAGO HISTORY: AN ALTERNATE HISTORY OF CHICAGO'S EARLIEST SETTLERS

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2011 2:00 P.M.

Join us for this free program regarding the beginnings of Chicago history. The presenter will be local historian and author Phillip Vierling, best known for publishing the Chicago Portage Ledger . This publication has now been digitalized by Carnegie Mellon University in its eleven volume entirety and contains original research and documentation pertaining to the Chicago Portage National Historic Site. The Chicago Portage is considered by many to be the birthplace of Chicago. This program is co-sponsored by the Northwest Chicago Historical Society.

#### HAUNTED CHICAGO

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6TH 6:30 P.M.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS AUTHOR APPEARANCE BY URSULA BIELSKI, WHOSE BOOKS INCLUDE CHICAGO HAUNTS, CREEPY CHICAGO AND GRAVE-YARDS OF CHICAGO. THIS PROGRAM IS PRESENTED IN COOPERATION WITH THE AUSTIN-IRVING COMMUNITY COUNCIL. COPIES OF MS. BIELSKI'S BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AFTER THE PROGRAM. A SHORT MEET-ING OF THE AUSTIN-IRVING COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE PLACE JUST PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM. Edgebrook Branch will host a presentation entitled IRS Income Tax Filings: Tax Law Updates by Money Smart Partner, The Internal Revenue Service (IRS), on Monday, April 4th at 6:30 p.m. Learn about the latest news on tax law changes for individual taxpayers and its impact on tax filings.

**Lindsey Lavery of Lincolnwood Place** will host the second program in their threepart Senior Life Series: Housing Options for Seniors Today, a program for seniors and their families on Friday, April 8th at 1 p.m. Do you want to find a great retirement living facility? Do you know how to compare your available choices? This program will compare independent living, assisted living, enhanced living, sheltered care, and skilled nursing care.

**Chicago Chess Kids (CCK)** begun in 2002 is a free club open to children of all ages. They meet on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Each two-hour session begins with an instructor giving a lesson on chess strategy and tactics. The remainder of the session is reserved for practice games or participation in informal club tournaments. Through the guidance of highly trained coaches the CCK has attained national prominence and, since its beginning, the team has won numerous awards and trophies both locally and nationally.

**Preschool Story Time**, an engaging program of stories, songs, rhymes and games for children ages 3-5, will meet on Thursdays, April 7th through April 28th from 10:30-11 a.m. All children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver; no registration is required.

# CELEBRATE EASTER AND PASSOVER

## Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

by Rev. Francis S. Rog, C.R. St Hyacinth Basilica Parish

Our deepest and most powerful impulses of LOVE must spring from this day -- "This is the day the Lord has risen." This season inspires a new beginning -- above and beyond that love already expressed -- to accept God's invitation, to identify ourselves with Christ, to offer "love for love" as we "live, die and rise with Him."

This Alleluia is the wonder in ordinary living with which we bring freshness and beauty in the lives we share with each other.

This alleluia is the mystery and marvel of redemption in our daily sore spots and pains of life.

This Alleluia is the newness of healing, of being filled up again with genuine understanding, with the extension of PEACE.

This Alleluia is a challenge to listen to another's needs as we die to our own ... to reach out to the sick and aged,

to reach out

to the lonely, to those who need understanding,

and to the young...

to help each person understand whom God made him to be and help him to be that person. This Alleluia is a challenge to take time and to be thoughtful.

This Alleluia is the powerful sign that we are His disciples because we love each other. This alleluia must bring with itself the experience of support, encouragement, renewed strength and life that a believing community is to bring.

This Alleluia must be the conviction that each person in our communion of faithful is needed and valued.

At this Paschal celebration may we again plant the seed:

life through death --

an excitement for what is ours today and tomorrow, and the day after, to build. May our Alleluia echo Hope... Promise... Joy... a fuller and more blessed life!

#### **EASTER!**

We began Lent as people on a mission in winter's darkness. Through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we joined the journey with Christ to Easter. We awake this morning to the good news of RESURRECTION, to sunshine and flowers, alleluias and blessings, and an affirmation that suffering and death will be destroyed. Healing and eternal life will be ours at last!

This is the day the Lord has made for breaking fasts, for hunting eggs, for exuberant hospitality. Feast the family and friends with the food blessed for this day.

CHRIST IS TRULY RISEN!

#### **SPRINKLING RITES**

Easter rejoicing lasts 50 days, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. People have always mingled the renewal of spring with celebrations of the resurrection.

In many parts of Europe - especially Poland - the boys and girls (men and women) "christen" each other with holy water and exchange Eater eggs on alternate days following the feast. While holy water might be used, regular tap water mixed with some perfume (scent) to "christen" an unsuspecting friend or member of the household. Some may add: "May you never wither!"



## Park District Hosts Egg Hunts at Soldier Field and Local Parks Egg-Stravaganza April 17 Is City's largest Free Candy Grab

The Chicago Park District hops to it this spring by hosting dozens of egg hunts, including an egg hunt for dogs, from April 7-23 at parks throughout the city. Most events will feature treats, prizes, face painting, arts and crafts plus photo opportunities with the bunny. Some activities may require pre-registration due to limited space. Many programs are admission free or have nominal entrance fees. Participants should call the individual parks for additional information.

One of this year's highlights is the 8th Annual Spring Egg-Stravaganza at Soldier Field, 1410 S. Museum Campus Dr., the largest admission-free candy grab in Chicago, Sunday, April 17, presented by Dominick's.

**Eggstravaganza** Thursday, April 7 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Welles Park, 2333 W. Sunnyside Ave., 312-742-7511

Admission \$5; recommended for ages 5 and under with an adult

**Brunch with the Bunny** Friday, April 15 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Merrimac Park, 6343 W. Irving Park Rd., 773-685-3382

Space is limited; advance-sale tickets only; tickets go on sale April 1; no tickets available at the door

Admission \$10; recommended for ages 5 and under with an adult

**Egg Hunt** Friday, April 15 3 - 4:30 p.m. Durkin Park, 8445 S. Kolin Ave., 773-284-7316 Admission free; recommended for all ages

**8th Annual Doggie Easter Egg Hunt** Saturday, April 16 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Horner Park, 2741 W. Montrose Ave., 773-478-3499

Admission \$5 per dog; all ages

Activities include a hunt for treat-filled eggs, a bonnet parade, obstacle course and a raffle. Photos with the bunny will be available for purchase. Dogs must be kept on a leash, and owners must stay with their dogs at all times.

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 16 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Mayfair Park, 4550 W. Sunnyside Ave., 773-685-3361 Admission \$3; recommended for ages 2-10 with an adult

Lunch with the Bunny Saturday, April 16 12 - 2 p.m.

Mayfair Park, 4550 W. Sunnyside Ave., 773-685-3361 Admission \$7 for children; \$5 for adults, includes lunch; recommended for ages 2-10 with an adult; space is limited; pre-sale tickets available

2011 Spring Egg-Stravaganza Sunday, April 17

Soldier Field, 1410 S. Museum Campus Dr., 312-235-7000

8:30 – 10 a.m. Ticketed brunch in the United Club.

 $\cdot$  Admission to the brunch is \$17.50 for adults, \$12 for children under age 10, and free for children under age 3 with a paying adult.

 $\cdot$  Reservations are mandatory for brunch and must be made by Friday, April 15 by calling 312-235-7162.

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Admission-free candy grab on the field.

Before the candy grab, children will have the opportunity to brunch with the bunny and take photos at the United Club.

**Meet Mr. Hippitty Hoppity** Saturday, April 23 10 – 11 a.m. Wicker Park, 1425 N. Damen Ave., 312-742-7553 Admission free; recommended for ages 18 months to 3 years

For more information about the Chicago Park District's more than 7,600 acres of parkland, 570 parks, 26 miles of lakefront, 10 museums, two world-class conservatories, 16 historic lagoons, nearly 50 natural areas, thousands of special events, sports and entertaining programs, please visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com or contact the Chicago Park District at 312-742.PLAY or 312-747.2001 (TTY). Want to share your talent? Volunteer in the parks by calling 312-742.PLAY.





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## **ST. THECLA CHURCH**

6725 West Devon Avenue, Chicago (773) 792-3077 Holy Week and Easter Schedules

Palm Sunday – April 17, 2011 5:00pm (Sat), 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm (Polish) Vespers 4pm

Holy Thursday – April 21, 2011 8:30am – Lauds / Morning Prayer 7:00pm\* Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday – April 22, 2011 8:30 AM – Lauds / Morning Prayer 3:00pm\* Liturgy of the Lord's Passion Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion 6:30pm Stations of the Cross (English) 7:30pm Stations of the Cross (Polish) Holy Saturday – April 23, 2011 8:30 AM – Lauds / Morning Prayer Blessing of the Easter Baskets Noon and 1:00pm\* Easter Vigil Mass – 8:00pm\* Easter Sunday – April 24, 2011 6:00am (Polish), 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm (Polish) Easter Monday – April 25, 2011 7:00pm Mass (Polish)

**Divine Mercy Sunday, May 1, 2011** 3:00pm\* Divine Mercy Prayer Service

\* Indicates that prayers will be offered in English and Polish

## CELEBRATE EASTER AND PASSOVER

#### Residents of Lieberman Center in Skokie Preparing for Passover

The Jewish holiday of Passover is just around the corner, starting at sundown on Monday, April 18, when families will gather in their homes for the traditional Seder, a festive ceremonial dinner which includes rituals that stimulate all the senses. At the Seder, households read from the Haggadah, the book that is used to relate the story of Passover.

For residents of Lieberman Center for Health and Rehabilitation, CJE SeniorLife's skilled nursing center in Skokie that is home to 240 older adults, this time of year evokes memories of family, food and celebration.

"I love that time, getting together with the family," says Lieberman resident Elizabeth Samuels, 92, who grew up on the west side of Chicago in the Douglas Park neighborhood. "We all know the story of Passover and we love the food."

The eight-day holiday celebrates the passage of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt to freedom over 3,000 years ago. Due to their hasty departure from Egypt, the Israelites did not have enough time to fully bake their bread. Therefore, the Torah commands Jews not to eat any bread products during these eight days and instead to eat matzah, unleavened bread. Matzah also symbolizes the bread of affliction that Israelites ate as slaves.

Fellow Lieberman resident Lillian Berry, 94, fondly remembers Passover gatherings as a child with family and friends at her parents' downtown Chicago home near Ohio St. and Clark St.

"We always did have holiday dinners and my grandmother lived with us," recalls Berry. "My dad was the head of the service and my mom would make the chicken, chopped liver and matzah ball soup. There was singing and we also read from the bible."

At Lieberman Center, the rituals and traditions of Passover that Samuels and Berry enjoyed so much growing up, are maintained through participatory Seders, religious services and festive programs throughout the holiday that are open to the residents and their family members.

"Passover is so important because it has always been a family-centered holiday," says Susan Buchbinder, CJE's Director of Religious Life. "Even for non-synagogue goers, it's a holiday that almost all Jewish residents did celebrate."

For some residents, Buchbinder explains, the holiday can be difficult because it brings to mind many feelings and moments from the past.

"There are so many memories because it's such a sensory holiday – the sounds, tastes and smells," she explains.

But for most residents, Passover is a time for them to enjoy the traditions, music and good eats with their new friends and family at Lieberman. Buchbinder expects up to 100 residents and guests to attend the first night's Seder.

"The look on peoples' faces in anticipation for the Seder to begin is priceless," she says. "The atmosphere is electric."

CJE is looking for volunteers to assist with upcoming Passover programming at Lieberman. For more information, call CJE's Director of Volunteer Services Anne Schuman at 773/508-1064.

By Jeremy Barewin

Jeremy Barewin is senior associate, public relations and marketing, at CJE Senior-Life in Chicago

# **Holiday Recipes**

## **Pot Roast with Herbed-Port Gravy**

1 - 2/12 to 3 pound beef chuck pot roast

- 1 tablespoon cooking oil
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup port or marsala
- 1/4 cup catsup
- 3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano, crushed
- 2 cloves garlic, minced 4 cups hot cooked noodles

Trim fat from pot roast. If necessary, cut roast to fit into crockery cooker. In a large skillet brown roast on all sides in hot oil. Drain off fat. Transfer meat to a 3 1/2 ro 4-quart crockery cooker.

In a bowl combine onion, port or marsala, catsup, tapioca, Worcestershire, Thyme, oregano and garlic. Pour over pot roast.

Cover; cook on low-heat setting for 8 to 10 hours or on high-heat setting for 4 to 5 hours. Transfer roast to a serving platter. Skim fat from gravy. Pass gravy with meat. Serve with hot cooked noodles.

Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Recipe from Janet Reutcke

## **BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY**

The Resurrection College Prep High School Alumnae Association presents Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 16, 2011 from 9am to 11:30am. All are welcome to have breakfast with the Easter Bunny, enjoy entertainment by Resurrection students and make Easter arts and crafts. Each child will have the opportunity to take a photo with the Easter Bunny and receive a special gift.

Tickets for Breakfast with the Easter Bunny are \$8 per child in advance and \$9 at the door; adult tickets are \$5 per adult. Advance reservations are strongly encouraged. To reserve tickets, call 773.775.6616 Ext 127 or e-mail sthorpe@reshs.org.

Resurrection College Prep High School is a Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women located at 7500 West Talcott Ave., Chicago, IL 60631. For more information about Resurrection call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or www.reshs.org.





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#### **Commissioner Dan Patlak to Conduct Tax Appeal Seminar in Chicago's 41st Ward**

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The office of Cook County Board of Review Commissioner Dan Patlak will conduct an assessment appeal seminar in Chicago 's 41st Ward. The seminar will be hosted with Illinois State Representative Michael McAuliffe and Cook County Commissioner Peter N. Silvestri.

The hour-long seminar will educate taxpayers on the overall process, explaining how to file and present evidence for a successful appeal.

"Property taxes are high enough already without having to pay extra because of an inaccurate assessment," said Patlak. "Our office is here to assist property owners who are over assessed. The seminar is designed to de-mystify the assessment appeal process. Taxpayers who make a convincing case for assessment reduction will receive the tax relief to which they are entitled," stated Commissioner Patlak.

Time and location of the seminar is as follows:

Wednesday, April 13, 2011, 6:30 PM

Brooks Park, 7100 N. Harlem, Chicago, IL 60631

The Cook County Board of Review listens to, and rules on, appeals from taxpayers asking for property tax relief. Last year, the Board reviewed over 436,000 appeals. Fulfilling his promise to work full-time at the Board of Review, Commissioner Patlak is one of the most qualified individuals to ever occupy a Board seat. As a Certified Illinois Assessing Officer, he is professionally trained in property valuation, having worked as an analyst at the Board for eight years and as a local Township Assessor in Wheeling Township . Patlak is also a licensed real estate broker.

For more information, taxpayers are invited to call (312) 603-3644.

#### The Neighborhood Boys & Girls Club 14th Annual "Leaders of the Future" Scholarship Award Luncheon

WHY: Since 1984, The Neighborhood Boys & Girls Clubs Scholarship Program has offered our teen youth leaders the opportunity to earn college tuition funds. Students in 8th grade through junior year of high school are eligible for awards of \$500 to \$1,000. High School Seniors and College students are eligible for \$3,000 to \$10,000. The committee will award up to \$30,000 this year.

Thirty-Two scholarship winners have progressed through the program, and have graduated from a school of their choice. Over Eighty-Two students have received awards. The NBGC Leaders of the Future Scholarship Program has been able to encourage members to remain active participants and become staff. Twelve scholarship winners have served on the Board of Directors of NBGC with two of them serving as President. We believe that the success of our club in recent years is due to the dedication and the giving back by these men and women. As our program continues to grow, we are always looking for new scholarship sponsors.

WHERE: The Chicago Brauhaus, 4732 N. Lincoln Avenue, Chicago. Price is \$25.00 per person, everyone is invited to attend.

WHEN: Tuesday, April 12th, 2010. 11:30 am until 1:30 pm.

WHO: The students being honored are Baylee Cabrera (Lake View High School), Jennifer Haslwanter (Gordon Tech High School), Lilyanna Lebron (Lake View High School), Aric Werstein (Maine West High School), Sarah Zarymbski (Gordon Tech High School), Christian Marquez (North Town Academy), Jaime Espinoza (Lake View High School), Valin Myers (North Town Academy), Denise Hearn (Lane Tech College Prep), Patrick O'Connell (Lane Tech College Prep), Jessica Anetsberger (Lane Tech College Prep), Tim Jensen (Christian Liberty), Cassie Kielnik (Lincoln Park High School), Michael VanDenBosch (University of Illinois - Chicago,), Mariah Myers (North Park University), Kathi Jensen (Wright College), Sam Jensen (Northeastern Illinois University), Samantha Prodromos (Harold Washinton College).

SPONSORS: These Scholarship Awards are sponsored by local businesses, NBGC alumni, and foundations. Sponsors include Alderman Gene Schulter, Arrow Messenger Service, Chicago Brauhaus, Community Savings Bank, The John Barrett Family, The Baumhart Family, Ferris Enterprises, Hoellen Family Foundation, Jim Kartheiser, The Krier Family, Lake View Realty, Lakeview Kiwanis Club, Lincoln Park Community Bank, Morici, Figlioli & Associates, NBGC Scholarship Club, Past Scholarship Recipients, Patrons of Laschett's Inn, and Ravenswood Kiwanis Club.

Mission Statement: Founded in 1931, the Neighborhood Boys & Girls Club is a nonprofit, independent organization dedicated to youth development. Its mission is to enhance the well-being and develop the potential of its members, their families and community. This is accomplished through year round multi-faceted programs where "everyone plays". This approach stresses teamwork, sportsmanship, character and leadership - qualities that will build "Better Men and Women".

Neighborhood Boys & Girls Club 2501 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago, IL 60618; (773) 463-4161; (773) 463-5392 fax. Visit our web site: www.nbgc.org/leadersofthefuturescholarship.asp

# LOCAL SCHOOLS & YOUTH EVENTS

## **RESURRECTION/ NOTRE DAME BAND FIRST PLACE AT MIDWEST MUSIC FESTIVAL**



On Saturday, February 26, 2011 the Resurrection/Notre Dame Band took First Place in its class, and took Second Place overall, at the Midwest Music Festival at Lemont High School. The band also brought home awards for the Best Brass and Best Percussion in the day's events. On February 19, 2011 the Resurrection/Notre Dame Band also participated in the State of the Art Band Contest at Marian Catholic High School, placing 3rd, and received honors for Best Brass. The Resurrection/Notre Dame Band performed the piece Espana Cani, composed by Pascual Marquina and arranged by Robert Longfield. They also performed Legend of the Ancient Hero, composed by Benjamin Yeo.

On Monday, February 14, 2011 the Resurrection/Notre Dame Band had the opportunity to participate in a "virtual band clinic" with composer Benjamin Yeo. During the clinic Mr. Yeo, who lives in Singapore, listened to the Res/ND Band perform his piece and offered feedback based on what he had in mind for his composition. The clinic was conducted via Google Video Chat. Following the clinic, the students took the opportunity to participate in a Question & Answer session with Mr. Yeo.

The Resurrection/Notre Dame Band is directed by Mr. Mike Wallace and band members include: Matthew Bardelas, Harry Budge IV, Carl Carrabotta, Eric Carrabotta, Daniel Choi, Nick Couzin, Gabriel Cunanan, Christian Degalicia, Joelle Denver, Connor Fallon, Timothy Ferraz, David Fitch, Kyle Fitch, Nick Flannery, Ryan Flynn, Madelyn Grish, Hailee Higgins, Jennifer Hilger, William Hilger, Ann Marie Holmes, Ralph Joseph, Danielle Kawaguchi, Soo Han Kim, Steven Kim, Danielle Kolaczewski, Mateusz Krajewski, Lawrence Lajewski, Peter Lajewski, Nathan Lane, Sabrina Lujan, Ryan Martin, Siobhan McManus, Erin Mikrut, Massimo Montalbano, Kathryn Moro, Kira Mosthof, Matthew Nee, Kevin Neuhengen, Frank Patzke, Alaina Pluhar, Stefan Prokuski, Erin Raddatz, Michael Reyes, Christopher Ricciardi, Sean Rosochacki, Keith Ryan, Glerry Salvador, Colleen Santella, Peter Schiller, Nicholas Sero, Peter Sisto, Kevin Sudie, John Suk, Vincent Surdo, Tony Valvassori, Alani Vargas, Eugene Villamater, Alexander Visor, Rebecca Wallace, Conor Williams and Hannah Zver.

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#### **On The Road to Literacy Conference**

Over one quarter of Chicagoans lack the basic literacy skills to function competitively and communicate effectively in society. This affects everything from our high unemployment rate to our struggling education system to violent crime and overcrowded prisons.

The 20th annual "On the Road to Literacy" conference, which will be held on April 9, 2011, from 9am to 3pm at the UIC Center for Literacy, 1040 W Harrison, Chicago, IL 60607, brings together the students, teachers and tutors, and administrators of the many literacy programs across Chicago and Illinois who are chipping away at the root of all these problems. The conference is presented by Literacy Volunteers of Illinois and the University of Illinois at Chicago Center for Literacy. Over the years, the conference has become a point of reference in surveying the achievements the literacy community has made and the challenges that lie ahead. Over 20 workshops throughout the day address the experiences of tutors, staff and students in their work together.

This year, the conference's focus will reflect the changes in our society that have affected the work in literacy programs. A special workshop track for tutors and program staff of English as a Second Language will increase the scope of the conference's audience. Workshops will address the shift in focus from scholastic to vocational training. As in past years, there is also a special track led by and for adult learners.

On the Road to Literacy Conference provides valuable training and resources for tutors and students, but it also acts as a forum for discussion between the dozens of agencies brought together and exposes clearer ways of achieving shared goals. "This conference serves as an annual reminder that the work we are doing is critical to improving our society," said Dorothy Miaso, Executive Director of Literacy Volunteers of Illinois. This is an important piece of the fabric that makes up one of Chicago's greatest social service and educational resources. Anyone can register to attend, whether you are a tutor, a student, or interested in the kind of critical work that we do, and what else needs to be done. Register at www.lvillinois.org under the link On The Road to Literacy.

# **Holiday Recipes**

## Mandarin Orange Cake

1 box yellow cake mis (with pudding is best)

4 eggs

1/2 cup oil

1 11 oz. can Mandarin Oranges in juice

Mix all above ingredients including juice to oranges. Grease and flour a 9" x 13" pan and bake for 35 min. at  $325^\circ$ 

#### Frosting

20 oz. can crushed pineapple and juice
small instant vanilla pudding
8 oz. container Cool Whip.

Put pineapple and juice in bowl. Sprinkle pudding over that and fold in cool whip. Frost cake as usual.

Recipe from Rose Suter

## Study Validates Project Exploration's Youth-Science Model

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# LOCAL SCHOOLS & YOUTH EVENTS

#### GUERIN PREP NOLAN SCHOLARS AMONG THE TOP SCHOOLS IN STATE MOCK TRIAL

In only its second year of participating in the Illinois State Bar Association's High School Mock Trial Program, the team of Nolan Scholars from Guerin College Preparatory High School finished among the top eight schools out of a field of 47 teams at the state-wide competition held in March at the University of Illinois in Springfield. In the final round of eight, Guerin Prep competed against the team that took first place in state.

Additionally, three of the Guerin Prep's team were named for outstanding achievement. Junior Melissa Cyrus of Chicago was recognized as an outstanding mock trial lawyer; Junior Jenna Zacharias of Elmwood Park and Sophomore Andrew Rangel of Chicago were named outstanding witnesses.

Students acted as attorneys and witnesses in this program, which teaches about the American justice system. The Illinois State Bar Association has sponsored the mock trial program for high school students annually since 1984. This year's mock trial was based on the facts in a hypothetical case People v. Grey involving an arson.

At the trial, seven members of a school's team, plus three alternates, are able to participate. Guerin Prep actually prepared 15 students for the event, all of whom are involved in the Nolan Scholars Program, a new academic program now in its third year at the school. The themes for the sophomore Nolan Scholars are the law and medicine.

In addition to Cwyrus, Rangel and Zacharias, this year's team included Juniors Paula Kopec, Iwona Lazarz, Vanessa Negron, Melanie Niepsui, all of Chicago; Sophomores Anisa Bravo, Gio Palomino Jaime Santana, and Gaby Sifuentes, all of Chicago, and Danielle DiBari of Elmwood Park; plus Freshmen Hannah Fath of Norridge, Anthony Marra of Chicago and Mary Jo Toohey of River Forest.

The mock trial experience includes presenting both sides of the legal question. The students play the roles of the plaintiff, defendant, witnesses (fact and expert) and attorneys representing each side. The attorneys are expected to try the case according to the rules of evidence, including presenting opening statements, examining and cross-examining witnesses, making appropriate objections, presenting closing statements on behalf of the team's fictitious client.

Volunteer judges and attorneys evaluate students on their arguments and students must also take a written test about the issues of the case.

The students have been practicing with Mr. Jaime Santana, the father of a sophomore Nolan Scholar and private attorney and Mrs. Sharon McFadden, an alumna of Mother Theodore Guerin High School and current chairperson of the Guerin Board of Directors, also a private attorney.

The students have also been supported by Mrs. Karin Calandriello, the director of the Nolan Scholar Program, and Mr. Tom Jaworski, academic counselor for the program.

"I am extremely proud of our students—both as individuals and as a team, explained Calandriello. Their knowledge of the material, poise under pressure and critical thinking skills have been outstanding throughout this whole experience."

Calandriello explained that the mock trial is really not about becoming a layer. "It is about students developing those life skills that will enable them to become the leaders of the future."

She noted that the Guerin Prep team was pitted against schools with lots more experience. "The Guerin Team not only 'held their own,' but also excelled throughout the course of the trial. Their determination, preparedness and adaptability were strengths that forced the more 'experienced' teams to re-strategize their positions."

In addition to the state competition, the Guerin Prep mock trial team also participated in the Northwest Suburban Bar Associations' 15th annual mock trial invitational in February. They finished eighth out of 27 teams in that event, earning a total of 208 points. The top school earned 243 points.

### Wilbur Wright College, One of the City Colleges of Chicago, Named a Tree Campus USA College by Arbor Day Foundation

Wilbur Wright College recently earned Tree Campus USA recognition for 2010 for its dedication to campus forestry management and environmental stewardship, the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation announced. This is the first year Wilbur Wright College, one of the City Colleges of Chicago, located at 4300 N. Narragansett, has been named a Trac Campus USA

# Local Arts and Entertainment

## National Louis University presents "Chicago in These Times"

National Louis University is leading a year-long series of public discussions that address pivotal issues facing education today, with insights from top education leaders. The series, "Chicago in These Times," is presented in partnership with Chicago Shakespeare Theater and Golden Apple, and is open to the public. All three organizations are celebrating important milestones in their history: National Louis University is celebrating 125 years of providing educational access to individuals who otherwise might not have had the opportunity, including adult, immigrant and minority populations; Chicago Shakespeare Theater celebrates its 25th Anniversary Season in 2011-2012; and Golden Apple just turned 25. "Chicago in These Times"

Date: Monday, April 25 and Monday, May 9, 2011

Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Location: Chicago Shakespeare Theater on Navy Pier at 800 East Grand Avenue

Tickets: \$10 per forum; available in advance at http://www.chicagoshakes.com/nlu (\$15 tickets, on a space-available basis, may be purchased at the door no later than 6:15 p.m. The lobby opens at 5:30 p.m.). A reception in the Theater's lobbies follows each forum. Monday, April 25, 2011: Chicago in These Times: What's Next for Chicago Public Schools?

A new mayor and new CEO for CPS: what's at stake for our children? Join us as we share concerns, and explore ideas and possible solutions for the short-term and long-term prospects facing our public schools.

Speakers include: Dominic Belmonte, president and CEO of Golden Apple president; Miguel del Valle, Chicago city clerk; Josh Anderson, executive director of Teach for America in Chicago; Karen Lewis, president of the Chicago Teachers Union; Pauline Lipman, author and professor of Educational Policy at the University of Illinois; Reverend Calvin Morris, executive director of the Community Renewal Society in Chicago, and Ted Purinton, author, chair and assistant professor in the Department of Educational Leadership at National Louis University. Moderator: Linda Lutton, education reporter for WBEZ.

Monday, May 9, 2011: Chicago in These Times: What Keeps School Reformers Going?Young and promising school reformers share their passion and vision with veteran reformers William Ayers, educator and author; Harold Levy, former Chancellor of New York City's public schools; Deborah Meier, education reformer, author, founder of ground breaking Central Park East Secondary School; and Sonia Nieto, author and Professor Emerita of Language, Literacy, and Culture, School of Education, University of Massachusetts. Moderator: Alison Cuddy, host of WBEZ's Eight Forty-Eight. For more information, please visit http://www.chicagoshakes.com/nlu

## **Skokie Police Headquarters Featured in New TV Pilot**

The new Skokie Police Headquarters was recently used to film parts of a new TV series pilot titled Cooper & Stone, starring Alex Breckenridge and Vanessa Ferlito. The show, which will air sometime in the near future, features the personal and professional lives of two young police detectives on Chicago's North Side.

The producers of the show sought out the 7300 Niles Center Road Skokie Police headquarters due to its modern characteristics and proximity to Chicago. Many areas of the new Skokie Police headquarters were used during filming including the evidence technician area, locker room, interrogation rooms and the investigations area.

Skokie Police operations were not effected during filming. Future filming for Cooper & Stone will not take place at the Skokie Police headquarters. If the pilot is picked up, parts of the Skokie Police headquarters used for filming will be remade in a studio.

## **National Wildlife Federation** Why Garden For Wildlife?

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Tree Campus USA is a national program that honors colleges and universities and their leaders for promoting healthy management of their campus forests and for engaging the community in environmental stewardship. Tree Campus USA is a program of the Arbor Day Foundation and is supported by a grant from Toyota.

"We're pleased and very proud of this recognition," says Wilbur Wright's president, Charles Guengerich. "Wright's campus grounds have always been a signature piece of our college; and this honor exemplifies our dedication to the surrounding green environment—even in our urban setting."

"By encouraging its students to plant trees and participate in service that will help the environment, Wilbur Wright College is making a positive impact on its community that will last for decades," said John Rosenow, chief executive and founder of the Arbor Day Foundation. "One goal of the Tree Campus USA program is to help create healthier communities for its citizens through the planting of trees, and the city of Chicago will certainly benefit from the school's commitment to Tree Campus USA."

Wilbur Wright College met the five core standards of tree care and community engagement in order to receive Tree Campus USA status. The standards are establish a campus tree advisory committee; evidence of a campus tree-care plan; verification of dedicated annual expenditures on the campus tree-care plan; involvement in an Arbor Day observance; and the institution of a service-learning project aimed at engaging the student body.

The Arbor Day Foundation launched Tree Campus USA in the fall of 2008 by planting trees at nine college campuses throughout the United States. Twenty-nine schools were named a Tree Campus USA in 2008, and in three years the number of schools has more than tripled.

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# Local Arts and Entertainment

#### More Space for SPACE!

Parents and Faculty Provide Manpower for Expansion at Southport Performing Arts Conservatory (SPACE)

Southport Performing Arts Conservatory (SPACE) has completed their ambitious and much needed expansion project at the organization's Peterson Avenue location. The expansion project, which added approximately 1,100 square feet to the existing facility at 3433 W, Peterson Ave., Chicago, includes a new dance studio, new music studios, a dressing/changing room, designated "launch" area, and an additional restroom, as well as extra office and storage space. The expansion took place over a six-month period with SPACE artistic director and founder Altin Naska spearheading the construction project which included time and labor provided by parents of SPACE's students.

"We have wanted to increase the size of our Peterson location for a number of years," said Naska. "When the adjacent storefront location became available, we jumped at the opportunity to increase our physical space to approximately 3,400 square feet. This expansion allows us to best serve the artistic needs of our existing students while providing the ability to teach and nurture more young artists in the Chicago area. Additionally, this extra space allows us to continue to serve the Sauganash area by providing a larger and more comfortable space for our community concerts and student recitals as well as provide a larger rental space suitable for big or small birthday parties or gatherings."

Parents of students studying at SPACE were instrumental in completing the expansion project by donating their time and professional acumen. "Two of our parents own construction companies. They helped frame, build walls, and lay the floor of the new dance studio. Other parents helped paint, clean and decorate or donated toys and books for our waiting area. There was a true spirit of camaraderie to this project," commented Naska.

SPACE parents are enthusiastic about the conservatory's new "launch" area, a comfortable and child-friendly seating area with bright and natural light. "The parents are very happy to wait for their children to finish their classes," said Naska. "In fact, many have jokingly suggested that Starbucks® open next door with a take-out window from their store to our studio!"

Chicago's SPACE is a European-style performing arts conservatory that provides instruction in music and dance. Founded in 2005, SPACE has fueled the artistic dreams and aspirations of hundreds of artists from ages pre-school through adult. SPACE provides personalized instruction for all levels of artistic ability and offers a large range of music and dance education including Suzuki instruction, traditional individual instruction and a Professional Program.

SPACE has two Chicago locations and is located at 1439 W. Wellington Ave., 773-880-1701, and at 3433-37W. Peterson Ave., 773-463-1220. For more information about SPACE, please call either office numbers or visit the website at www.southportarts.com

## Stage Wright Theater Takes on Serious Issues in Lighthearted Production of "Hairspray!"

"Hairspray! The Broadway Musical" opens at Stage Wright Friday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. and runs through April 10. Discounted previews occur Wednesday, March 30 at 2 p.m. and Thursday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m. Performances are offered on Friday, April 1 and Saturday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m. Shows on Thursday, April 7 and Friday, April 8 are at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. There is a 7:30 p.m. show on Saturday, April 9 and a 2 p.m. closing show on Sunday, April 10. Tickets are \$10 for the general public, with discounted tickets for seniors, students, and children. For tickets and group sales, please call the Stage Wright Box Office at (773) 481-8037 or email StageWright@ccc.edu.

Set in 1962 Baltimore, Hairspray! offers a different perspective on the Civil Rights Movement. The musical centers on the experiences of a plus-sized teenager named Tracy Turnblad, her high school classmates, and "The Nicest Kids in Town." Tracy auditions for and joins the cast of the "Corny Collins Show," resembling "The Buddy Deane Show" (an "American Bandstand" rival), during its peak. Turnblad advocates for integration on the TV show.

Stage Wright includes both students and members of the community. The Hairspray! cast includes all students from Wilbur Wright College.Sara Santoria stars as Tracy Turnblad and Elizabeth Gottman, who recently appeared in Stage Wright's fall production of No Exit, plays Tracy's best friend, Penny. Link Larkin is played by David Ruiz and Amber Von Tussle is played by Karlianne Loshbough. Tracy's parents, Edna and Wilbur, are played by Nicholas Rosario and Jose M. Aviles, Jr., respectively.

Dr. Maria Jaskot-Inclan, who founded Stage Wright 10 years ago, is directing the show alongside musical director, Paul Scavone, and choreographer, Kathleen DeMaira. The stage crew is comprised of students of Wright College under the technical direction of Patrick Ham, set and lighting designer.

Hairspray!was written by Mark O'Donnell and Thomas Meehan, with music by Marc Shaiman and lyrics by Scott Whitman and Marc Shaiman, and based on the film written and directed by John Waters.

Performances are presented as part of the Wilbur Wright College Cultural Events Series in the Events Theater at 4300 N. Narragansett Ave. Wilbur Wright College is a City College of Chicago. Free parking is available. Stage Wright Theater, Wilbur Wright College, One of the City Colleges of Chicago, 4300 North Narragansett Avenue; Chicago, IL 60634

## Norwood Park Historical Society to Host House History Day

On April 16, learn the history of your home and gather renovation tips at the Norwood Park Historical Society.

The Norwood Park Historical Society will host its annual House History Day and Renovators Resource Day on Saturday, April 16, noon to 4 p.m. at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit http://tinyurl.com/NPHS2011events.

This is the Norwood Park Historical Society's annual day for homeowners who want to peer into the past or plan for the future. This event is designed to assist those who are trying to trace the history of their property or plan a future renovation. The Society's historians bring out history resources to help research previous owners, construction details, or events. Resources are limited to those in the archives and museum at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House.

In addition, staff and volunteers make available renovation resources and try to answer renovation planning questions, such as "What kind of windows should my house have?" or "Should my house have a porch?" or "Where can I find the perfect thingamajig or the person to install it?"

Robert Fortune of Fortune Restoration, Chicago, will present at House History Day and Renovators Resource Day. He will answer questions regarding house painting and will have paint color charts and other tools of the trade for demonstration purposes. Fortune Restoration is the preferred painting company for the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House. See the website for details: http://fortunerestoration.com/restoration-projects/oldest-home-chicago.php

For more information about the event, please call 773-631-4633 or e-mail info@norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org.

The Norwood Park Historical Society, a not-for-profit organization, resides in the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, Chicago's oldest home. We invite you to join our efforts to preserve our community's rich history and architectural integrity and to make the dreams and experiences of our predecessors come to life. Visit us on Saturdays, noon to 4 p.m., or by appointment.

## **Evanston to Use Grant to Conduct Historical Survey of Lakeshore Area**

The City of Evanston has contracted with Victoria Granacki and Lara Ramsey of Granacki Historic Consultants to conduct an architectural survey. The purpose of the survey is to assess approximately 323 structures included within the Evanston Lakeshore Historic District, prepare an inventory of their architectural features and current condition, and denote any changes to the structures over time. The survey begins this week and the information will be provided to the city in the form of a computerized database as well as hard copy.

The Illinois Historic Preservation Agency awarded a \$12,000 federal grant to the City of Evanston to conduct the survey. The city's share of \$5,200 or 30% of the total cost is being matched in kind with additional volunteer work and staff work. The total cost of the survey is \$17,200.

The survey boundaries correspond to a southern section of the district, and are roughly described as follows: south side of Greenleaf Street (between Lakeshore Blvd. and Hinman Avenue) to the north; north side of South Boulevard (between Judson Avenue and Forest Avenue) to the south; Sheridan Road, Edgemere Court and Lakeshore Blvd (between Keeney Street and Greenleaf Street) to the east; and Michigan Avenue (between Lee Street and Kedzie Street) and Hinman Avenue (between Lee Street and Greenleaf Street) to the west.

Download architectural and historical survey here>>>

The compiled information will be used to make informed decisions regarding city preservation planning, community development projects, and rehabilitation plans for individual buildings. Property tax assessments are not being changed as part of this survey.

The survey will include photographic documentation of the exterior of each primary and secondary structure in the survey area. Photographs will be taken from the public right-of-way where possible. In some cases, surveyors may be required to walk down driveways to photograph secondary structures (detached garages, sheds, etc). Survey results and photographs will be kept by the City of Evanston, and will be made available online.

Any questions or concerns about this survey should be directed to:

Carlos D. Ruiz Senior Planner/Preservation Coordinator

Community and Economic Development Department

Planning and Zoning Division

City of Evanston, IL

Phone: 773-481-8037; Fax: 773-481-8211; Email: stagewright@ccc.edu

## Village of Skokie Fine Arts Commission Grants

The Village of Skokie Fine Arts Commission offers grants to Skokie schools that promote arts and cultural diversity in the community.

The Cultural Arts Grant is available to Skokie schools for in-school performing arts programming. Skokie public and private schools who host professional visiting artists are eligible to apply for this grant. Awarded programs emphasize on fine arts, music and dance while promoting cultural diversity. The maximum grant level is \$500.

This year, over \$3,900 was awarded to local Skokie schools for various projects, author visits and educational performances. The schools include:

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Fairview South	Lincoln Junior High
Hillel Torah Hebrew Day School	Gesher HaTorah
Highland School	Solomon Schecter Day S
Elizabeth Meyer School	Niles West High School

Applications for the Cultural Arts Grants are found online at www.skokie.org or by contacting the Public Information Division at 847/933-8257.

School

847/448-8687

## SPECIAL INVITATION EXTENDED TO AREA ARTISTS & CRAFTSARTISTS

Artists and craftsartists are invited to jury to be among the exhibitors in the 21st ANNUAL AN ARTS & CRAFTS ADVENTURE, a popular juried arts and crafts show to be presented by American Society of Artists, a national membership organization, on the grounds of Hodges Park, Prospect & Vine, Park Ridge, Saturday, May 7 from 9am to 5pm.

Potential exhibitors in this fine juried pre-Mother's Day event are welcome to jury online (only to Asoaartists@aol.com) or by U..S. mail(only to ASA, PO Box 1326, Palatine IL 60078). Please submit 4 images representative of your work you wish to exhibit, one of your display set-up, your first/lat name, physical address, daytime telephone number - resume/show listing helpful. Please be sure and include our first/last name, physical address and daytime telephone number.

Art In Action, a popular feature of this well attended event will again be included in the show with some of the exhibitors working/ demonstrating at various times during the show. Programs will be available free of charge at the show listing the exhibitors, their medium and showing their location in the show.

Additional information may be obtained from American Society of Artists, PO Box 1326, Palatine IL 60078 - 312-751-2500 or by calling 847-991-4748. Additional information is also available on our website at www.americansocietyofartists.org

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# **Local Arts and Entertainment**

#### **Chicago Architecture Foundation Events and Tours**

#### HIGHLIGHTS THIS SEASON:

Cruise tickets go on sale April 1 First cruise of the season is Saturday, April 30 and runs through November. The only Chicago Architecture Foundation river cruise is aboard Chicago's First Lady. The cruise features the incomparable Chicago Architecture Foundation docents and is a favorite with seasoned cruisers as well as first-timers.

Emerging Chicago Tour - one time only April 9th

This unique tour changes every year and consists of cutting-edge designs that shape Chicago now and into the future.

Preservation: Myths, Methods and Money Tour March 19, April 23; May 21

Tour explores what protects a building from demolition.

Shooting Architecture: Seeing Buildings through Film April 7, 6pm

Program developed in anticipation of the Chicago Architecture and Design Film Festival

Razzle Dazzle: Architecture Tour of Theater District

The bright lights of Chicago are the focus of a new walking tour of the Loop theater district.

Skyscraper Express Tour Fridays and Saturdays at 1:30pm

The city's most significant buildings from unique vantage points, that are surprising and enlightening for even seasoned Chicagoans.

Symphony Center Tour

Lunchtime tour looks at the façade and the space inside.

"Time machine" through skyscraper history — 1-hour tour Mon, Weds at 10:30 am; Fri and Sat at 3:30pm

The 60-minute "Skyscraper Walk through Time" tour showcases a classic high-rise from each major era of skyscraper construction, from the early 1870s to the 21st century super-tall buildings.

Family Programs continue the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Free programs are the perfect way to entertain the family on a cold winter day.

April 17 — Arts in Architecture May 15 — Maps: Where do we fit in the world?

Chicago Model City a great place to start and end a tour

Trace your steps on many architecture tours. The exhibition includes a large, highly detailed scale model of Chicago. The scale of the model is 1 inch to 50 feet, making the Willis Tower nearly three feet tall!

STUDIO SATURDAYS Hands-on workshops for teens.

April 16 — Constructing @ Chicago Architecture Foundation

May 21 — Digitizing

For detailed information check: www.architecture.org - P 312.922.3432

#### Soli Deo Gloria Presents the First Annual CHICAGO BACH PROJECT Concert

J. S. Bach's St. Matthew Passion, BWV 244

Conductor, John Nelson

Wednesday, April 20, 2011, 7:30 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish, 1010 W. Webster Avenue, Chicago (in Lincoln Park near De-Paul University)

Tickets: \$40-\$75 at http://www.chicagobachproject.com OR 1-800-838-3006

Evangelist: Stanford Olsen Jesus: Stephen Morscheck Soprano: Nicole Cabell Mezzo-soprano: Jennifer Lane **Bass: Douglas Williams** Tenor: Nicholas Phan Chicago Bach Choir & Orchestra Chorus Master: Donald Nally Anima-Young Singers of Greater Chicago

## **Maxwell Street Market Upcoming Events**

The entire family will enjoy the many events coming this Spring to the Maxwell Street Market. The Maxwell Street Market is located at 800 S. Desplaines Street, hours are 7 am - 3 pm every Sunday.

Sunday, April 24 - Celebrate Spring At Maxwell Street Bring your children down for the Maxwell Street Spring Hunt. From 11a until 2p children can explore the Market for Special Spring Treats. Live performances will be in our Performance Area (parking lot) all day. Encourage your customers to come out as well. Don't forget your camera!

Sunday, May 1 - Cinco De Mayo This year Cinco De Mayo comes early on Maxwell Street. Celebrate the 149th Anniversary of the Mexican Army's defeat of the French Army. Live music, performances and more!! Maxwell Street Market's Cinco De

#### **DANK-HAUS GERMAN AMERICAN**

**CULTURAL CENTER** 

4740 North Western Avenue, 5th floor, Chicago, IL 60625 773.561.9181 www.dankhaus.com

#### Mach Schnell with DANK

1 May 8:00 am \$35 Entry - pay to DANK & we will register as a group. New DANK tech shirts available to runners at a discount!

#### **Upcoming Events**

3 Apr Navy Pier 8 Apr SC Dank 15 Åpr Stammtisch 22 May Bach Concert

2 Jun Maifest 26 Jun FIFA opening 24 Sep Oktoberfest Pilates Every Saturday 9.15a \$10

#### GermanChicagoNOW !

Sunday April 3 2011 Noon to 5pm Navy Pier's Crystal Gardens FREE Admission Things to Do, See and Eat! Bring the whole family to stroll down Navy Pier and up to the glass enclosed Crystal Gardens. Pretend the palm trees are pines and the dancing fountains an alpine brook. Willkommen to an afternoon of polka, pop, trumpets, folk dancing, kids crafts and coloring. Wash it all down with currywurst, bratwurst, potato salad and a liter of hops. Snap up some music from B &T and pick up something new to wear from Rare Dirndl

#### **GUERIN PREP THEATRE PRESENTS SPRING MUSICAL: "HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING"**

"Great music; great parts. It's fun."

Theatre Director Kristen Mackie offered these three reasons for choosing "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" as this year's Spring Musical for Guerin College Preparatory High School.

To be presented Friday, April 8 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 9 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., the play is a satire on "big business," or as one reviewer has offered, "Power, sex, ambition, greed......it's just another day at the office."

Based on the book, "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" by Shepherd Meade, the musical was written by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert, the authors of "Guys and Dolls." Music and lyrics are by Frank Loesser.

The cast includes Senior Anthony Norman in the role of J. Pierpont Finch, a young window washer with large ambitions, who, armed with a little handbook called "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," climbs the corporate ladder to become a high-powered executive.

Along the way, he takes on the other members of the company (and the cast) from J.B. Biggley, the feared president of the company, played by Senior Anthony Huspen of Norridge; and Rosemary Pilkington, the secretary and love interest, played by Junior Jenna Zacharias of Elmwood Park, to Bud Frump, Mr. Biggleys' whiny nepostistic nephew, who is played by Senior Ryan Donnelly of River Grove.

Hedy La Rue, an ex-night-club cigarette girl and would-be secretary under the boss's protection, spices up the action and adds to the intrigue of Finch's rise to power. She is played by Sophomore Jessie Roman of Chicago.

Finch receives special assistance from three secretaries-Miss Jones, J.B. Biggley's secretary, played by Sophomore Shannon Manzella of Chicago; Miss Smith or Smitty, Rosemary's best friend, played by Senior Vicky Giannini of Chicago; and Miss Krumholtz, who eventually becomes Finch's own secretary, played by Senior Judy Wrobel, also of Chicago.

The other secretaries in the office are Junior Vanessa Negron of Chicago; Sophomores Asalah Boulos of Elmwood Park and Suzanna Deneen and Kelsey Fortier, of Chicago; and Freshmen Madeline Blackburn of Itasca and Marissa Napolitano and Lois Tuman of Chicago. Blackburn and Napolitano also serve as scrubwomen; Fortier, Negron and Tuman are also Pirate Dancers. Wrobel serves as dance captain.

Filling out the cast are the executives in the office, each an example for Finch to follow (or not) and are played by Seniors Branden Castro of Schiller Park, Sophomores Freddy Berrens of River Grove; Angel Centeno of Elmwood Park; and Brandon Blicharz, Erik Mizhquiri, Shane Quinlan and Kyle Schwaba of Chicago; and Freshman Biago Greco of Chicago;

The crew for "How to Succeed In Business" is headed by Sophomore Rita Zapata of Chicago as stage manager, assisted by Sophomores Gina Lindeman of Elmwood Park and Oksana Petty of Chicago.

Mayo Celebration kicks off at 10am.

Sunday, May 8 - Blues Is Back At Maxwell Street Fruteland Jackson will perform at 12pm in the performance area in the parking lot located at Maxwell Street.

Sunday, May 29 Through Sunday, September 4 - Jumping Jacks The City of Chicago's FREE Jumping Jack inflatable will be in the Market from 1-2pm at the North End of the Market. The Jumping Jack is available only to children with adult supervision. Encourage your customers and their children to walk North and participate.

## **SKOKIE ART GUILD**

#### Skokie Art Guild Live Model Figure Drawing Workshops Figure Drawing Workshop and meet as follows:



Thursdays -7:00 PM - 9:45 PM Saturdays - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Devonshire Cultural Center,



4400 Greenwood St., Skokie, IL 60076

www.skokieartguild.org Members: \$12.00 / Non-Members: \$20.00

#### **CALL FOR ARTISTS:**

Skokie Art Guild's 50th Annual Art Fair. July 9-10, 2011. Original Fine Art. Prizes and Awards. Held on Skokie's beautiful Village Green at 5211 W. Oakton. Want to exhibit? For information/application contact: skokieart@aol.com www.skokieartguild.org (847-677-8163).

Other members of the crew are Seniors Kaitlyn Adrian, Emma Brkic, Andy Hayes and Vincent Kaehler, all of Chicago and Lindsay Pitts of Elmwood Park; Sophomores Danielle DiBari of Elmwood Park and Amanda Miranda of River Grove; and Freshmen Lindsey Amati and Sarah Novosel of Chicago, and Tano Bianco of Franklin Park.

Parents of Guerin Prep alumni are also playing vital roles. Bill Parsons, whose son and daughter both graduated from Guerin Prep, is the sound coordinator while Sarafina Norman, mother of a current student and two Guerin Prep alumni, is costume coordinator.

Jeni Donahue is the choreographer and Noah Record is the lighting designer. Mackie, who directs the play, is also the technical director.

Guerin Prep choir and piano teacher, Jordan Chua, is the vocal and orchestral director. Guerin Prep students in the orchestra include Seniors Matthew Klich of Chicago and Rebecca Hufnus of Norridge; Juniors Rob Kostencki, Natalia Koziol, John Mariane and Abigail Sawal of Chicago, Hernando Colque of Northlake and Audrey Sanders of Glenview. Guerin Prep graduate Rodolfo Gomez '10 is part of the percussion section.

"How to Succeed" opened in October 1961 to almost unanimous raves from the critics. It ran a total of 1,417 performances, winning multiple Tony Awards (including Best Musical, Best Book of a Musical, Best Director of a Musical, Best Actor in a Musical, Best Supporting Actor in a Musical, and Best Musical Director), a New York Drama Critics Circle Award and a Pulitzer Prize for Drama, only the fourth awarded to a musical.

Tickets are \$8. Guerin Prep is located at 8001 W. Belmont Avenue in River Grove. For more information, call 708-453-6233, ext. 4762.

A special performance of the musical will be held for area elementary school students on Thursday, April 7, at 10 a.m.

## Skokie Theatre Music Foundation



#### 847-677-7761 7924 N. Lincoln Ave. Skokie, IL60077 www.skokietheatre.com

**Skietheatre.com** Group Rate Available

*Ticket prices do not include service fees* Buy tickets online at www.skokietheatre.org April 6 at 1:30pm Jack Miuccio's MY FAVORITE CROONERS

April 8 at 8:00pm Jack Miuccio - The Dean Martin Songbook

April 9 at 8:00pm BritBeat's 'Back To The Sixties' Multi-Media Concert Experience

April 10 at 2:00pm Ester Hana

Plenty of free parking!

April 10 at 7:00pm Tanya Melamed with "Eyes Manouche"

April 13 at 1:30pm Tony Bernard's TRIBUTE TO THE KING (Elvis)

April 15 at 8:00pm Kevin So

April 16 at 7:00pm Catherine O'Connell

April 17 at 3:00pm & 6:00pm Acrocats

April 20 at 1:30pm Bucky Halker's GREAT AMERICAN FOLKSONGS

April 23 at 12:00pm - 4:00pm Francis Scott Key Birthday Party

April 23 at 8:00pm Reely Dan

April 27 at 1:30pm Tom & Beckie's ISN'T IT ICONIC

April 29 at 8:30pm The Edge Comedy Club

April 30 at 8:00pm An Evening of Rockin' Blues

May 1 at 2:00pm Brian Patti

May 1 at 7:00pm Table for 5

#### CITY TAKING NEW APPROACH TO 2011 TASTE OF CHICAGO Park District to Manage Event; Incorporate Four Music Fests

The City of Chicago is taking a new approach to the 2011 Taste of Chicago by turning over the operations of the food festival to the Chicago Park District and incorporating several annual music fests into the summer event.

Importantly, the Taste of Chicago will continue to be without an admission fee and will reset its focus as a family-oriented celebration of local food and music.

"A new approach to the Taste will allow us to hold this great event that residents and visitors have come to know and love, while enabling us to keep it free and open to all participants," said Chicago Park District General Superintendent Timothy Mitchell.

"Mayor Daley has stressed the importance of keeping the Taste of Chicago free with no admission fee, especially during these tough economic times. Our goal is to do just that while also ensuring that the Taste remains economically viable," he said.

In order to achieve this, Mitchell said the Park District will be scaling back the emphasis on big musical acts, which are expensive to program, and focus on bringing the Taste back to its roots as a family-oriented celebration of food.

The 2011 Taste of Chicago will run for ten days, from Friday, June 24th through Sunday, July 3rd.

By moving the Taste of Chicago under park district management, Mitchell said that a number of production costs can be further reduced by utilizing the district's partnerships.

Mitchell said the park district will also continue the City's partnership with the Illinois Restaurant Association, who has helped to run the Taste of Chicago since its inception 30 years ago.

This year, four of the City's annual lakefront music festivals – Viva Chicago, the Chicago Country Music Festival, Celtic Fest Chicago and the Chicago Gospel Music Festival – will be incorporated into the Taste of Chicago, rather than be planned as stand-alone events.

"Due to the national recession, all four of these events have been impacted by lower attendance, a lack of corporate sponsorship interest and declining sales," said Dorothy Coyle, First Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE). "In these tough economic times it doesn't make sense for the City to continue funding these as stand-alone events."

# **\*A Theater Review**<sup>99</sup>

"Working" Broadway Playhouse at Water Tower Place 175 East Chestnut St Chicago, Illinois

Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

If someone asked me if "Working" worked for me I would have to say it did. Before color television my introduction to Studs Terkel was a television show he did in Chicago called "Stud's Place." The cast included Beverly Younger and Win Stracke besides Terkel.

Back in the 70's the late Mr. Terkel interviewed many common ordinary people to tell their story. The oral history was first a play without music. Now it is an oral history featuring songs. The show has been adapted from the book by Stephen Schwartz and Nina Faxco with songs by Craig Carnelia, Micki Grant, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Mary Rodgers and Susan Birkenhead, James Taylor and Stephen Schwartz. Five musicians make up the orchestra.

Jed Bernstein, Dianne Fraser and Sheila Simon Geltzer are the producers. Many people think you have to come from New York or Los Angeles to carry a show but Gordon Greenberg has assembled a powerhouse cast of six actors from Chicago. We don't need to have outsiders when you have talent like E. Faye Butler, Barbara Robertson, Gene Sergeant, Michael Mahler, Emjoy Gavino, and Gabriel Ruiz.

You'll hear such songs as "All the Livelong Day" sung by the actor who is an iron worker, hedge fund manager and project manager. Other songs featured to describe a variety of occupations are "Delivery," "Brother Trucker," "Cleanin' Women," "Millwork" and nine other songs in this production that runs 100 minutes without intermission.

None of the cast have names, only numbers. All have outstanding voices. The only problem I had was with the choreography.

Many retirees might share an uneasy feeling when Weygandt sings "Joe" a song about retirement.

Whether you like Terkel's philosophy on life or as a person or whether you didn't read his book or see this show before you should see it.

Audiences should discover and support the Broadway Playhouse whether it's this show or another. Hopefully it will find its audience and have a long run.

"Working" is scheduled to run until May 8th but if supported by patrons it could be an open run. For show schedule, show times and reservations call 800-775-2000. Tickets are \$67.50 to \$77.50.

-Three and a Half Stars-

## Bears Designed By Kids for Distressed Children On Display at North Shore Community Bank

During April, 2011, the public is invited to come to North Shore Community Bank, 7800 Lincoln, Skokie, during banking hours Monday-Saturday to see unique bears kids from the bank's Junior Savers Program designed. These bears will be given to the Skokie Police Department. Police Officers will give the bears to children in trauma from accidents, domestic violence, and criminal incidents.

The bears were created at Bears of Hope's Children's Craft Program the bank sponsored. Kids ages 6-12 came to the bank and were given fabric panels with a bear pattern traced on it. The kids designed bears with



Bears of Hope founder, Carolyn Reiner, helps North Shore Community Bank President, Ross Mathee, display designed bears at the bank.

fabric paint markers. Bears volunteers sewed the fabric panels into bears; stuffed them; and got them ready to be displayed at the bank. When Bank President, Ross Mathee saw the completed bears, he exclaimed "Wow!" and then added, "These bears are gorgeous. They will surely bring comfort to children feeling upset."

Bears of Hope is a volunteer organization which makes fabric bears for sick and needy children and adults. The organization gives bears to social service agencies and clergy. They bring bears to individuals they serve needing comfort and hope. Their Children's Craft Program is a fun way children are able to do something good to help others. Area businesses can sponsor this program as a community event. Children have taken it on as a service project in preparation for their Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Bears of Hope relies on volunteers and monetary donations to do its work. They have no paid staff. All funds received

This new plan will allow Chicago to continue to produce these festivals, but without the additional expenses associated with maintaining them as stand-alone events – including security, stage production and food and beverage marketing. By incorporating them into the Taste, which will already have those elements covered, those expenses will be greatly reduced.

At the same time, there are a number of similar neighborhood festivals and ethnic celebrations that feature these particular musical genres. The City is committed to continuing to promote and provide support to these neighborhood events as well, Coyle said.

Coyle also announced that the popular Chicago Blues and Jazz Festivals will continue to operate in Grant Park as stand-alone events on June 10th-12th and September 2nd-4th, respectively.

DCASE will also continue to present the popular summer concerts and events in Millennium Park. Since the park opened in 2004, these free programs have drawn millions of visitors.

Some of the highlights that will be back this summer include: the Grant Park Music Festival, which is presented in partnership with the Park District; the Music Without Borders world music series; and Downtown Sound: New Music Mondays.

"We believe that the new approach we are taking this year will be successful and allow for visitors, residents and families to enjoy food, entertainment and fun this summer," Coyle said. are only used to purchase materials to make bears. Donations can be sent to Bears of Hope, 8331 N. Kostner, Skokie, IL 60076.

For more information contact:

Bears of Hope 847-673-4098 or Bears@bearsofhope.com. Visit their website www.bearsofhope.com

North Shore Community Bank (847) 329-7049. Visit their website www.nscbank.com



(Left) Bears being designed at Bears of Hope's Children's Craft Program. (Right) Kids working on their bear design.

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## **Companion Pets/Wildlife**

## Say NO To Bugs!

#### By Bosley

OK Furry Friends, please raise your paws and speak after me. "I (your name) a good and loving dog do solemnly swear to help my humans understand the importance of flea prevention and will kill all fleas I come across."

I know we don't really need the oath, we dogs are taught the hazardous of fleas at a young age. However, some of our humans just don't seem to get it. How would they feel if something were crawling around in their fur? Or something sucking there blood and causing then to scratch like crazy? Plus, it is gross! Don't get me wrong I love to Roll in the dirt and swim in the lake, what self-respecting pooch doesn't? But, there is something about biting bugs in my fur that grosses me out!

So, what is a poor pup to do? I suggest biting your human on the rear. Just kidding, maybe! I asked my human to help make the following list:

Fleas are more prevalent now then in the spring. The buggers are looking for a warm place, so we find them more on us.

Talk with your Vet or Groomer about flea prevention and or treatment.

There are very effective treatments available from your Vet or at pet stores.

NOT all products are created equal. Some products don't work as well as others and some not at all. So buyer beware and follow the advice of your Vet and Groomer.

Flea baths are only a temporary fix to a flea problem and its prevention time is limited. The topical flea treatments work the best in my opinion.

Any dog can get fleas! You can get them in your own backyard!

Any dog can get fleas! Finding yourself with fleas is not the end of the world and it doesn't mean that you are dirty. Fleas follow a life cycle and they need our blood to survive. They are clever little buggers that can find there way to any pooch. It is no ones fault when you get fleas, well except your human that didn't have you on a prevention treatment.

Fleas are treatable quickly. Please convince your human to get you the help you deserve!

So, now your job is to give this list repeatedly to your human. Because WE CAN WIN THE WAR ON FLEAS, but we need the cooperation of our human. If your human choose not to listen, then I suggest cuddling up in their bed. Maybe the fleas will bite them too! Go ahead I am giving you permission. Until next time play hard and be as good as you can!

Bosley

Submitted by Bosley's mom, Nicole Carfora, CMG, owner of Canine Corral.



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

## "PAINT YOUR PET" PAINTING & WINE PARTY

Date/Time: Sun, 4/10/2011, 4:00 - 7:00 PM Instructor: Stephanie Myers Location: - 2900 N Lincoln Ave Price Per Seat: \$45.00

Join The Anti-Cruelty Society and Bottle & Bottega for the fourth semi-annual PAINT YOUR PET event! Bring a photo of your pet to paint with guidance from Bottle & Bottega artists! Ticket price includes all painting supplies including a 12x16 canvas, plus complimentary wine by LuLu B (www.lulub.com), light appetizers as well as complimentary beer by Pabst (www.pabst.com) and coffee by Starbucks. Reception begins at 4:00. Painting is from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. (Artwork by Lucas Myers - www.lucasmyers.com)

#### **BARK IN THE PARK**

#### COULD YOUR PUP BE THE NEXT BIG STAR?

Join us Saturday, May 7th for Bark in the Park and let your pup be "seen"! This 5K walk and morning of fun, includes a pet talent scout, agility courses, pet psychic, pet massage, contests, prizes and much more!

## 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.

Hello, my name is December, and I'm a girl you'll want to remember. I am a petite Retriever/Lab mix, weighing in at a perfect 36 pounds. I'm 2 1/2 years old, so I'm full grown. I have the most luxurious black fur, and soulful eyes. I'd do best in an all adult household, with no other pets, so I can be the center of attention. I'm a smart girl who has a good obedience base, who needs an experienced dog owner to help me reach my full potential. I am very sweet and very eager to please my people. Come visit me at The Anti-Cruelty Society in the dog adoption room. Please ask for #12657192. I am ready to go home with you today!





Wow!!! MacKenzie is a GOR-GEOUS girl! This petite and pretty girl is a furry black kitty who has the biggest green

eyes! When MacKenzie arrived at the shelter, she had some matting to her wonderful fur and was given a haircut to make her more comfortable -- she looks so darn cute with shades of black and smoke throughout her coat, making her one unique little girl! MacKenzie is 9 years old and came to the shelter when her owner could no longer care for her. She is playful and fun, and acts much younger than her years. MacKenzie is so very pretty -- and we think she knows it! MacKenzie can be a bit of a "princess" at times, who thinks the world is her kingdom and enjoys life on her own terms, but not to worry, she also can be very sweet, enjoying attention and loving pets

-- she is sure to be a phenomenal companion. Our vets checked MacKenzie out and noted that is a little thin, but tasty nutritious food will help her fill-in nicely. She also may need a dental cleaning at your own vet in the near future, but other than that, MacKenzie checks out perfect! A great all-around girl, who is settled enough to enjoy a quiet life, yet has lots of personality and will be great fun to have around -- MacKenzie would love it if you came to meet her! MacKenzie is at The Anti-Cruelty Society, just ask for #11868004. MacKenzie is ready to go home today.

For more information about December or MacKenzie or any of our other pets, visit www.anticruelty.org or call (312) 644-8338.

#### NORTH SHORE ANIMAL LEAGUE AMERICA'S TOUR FOR LIFE® 2011 ARRIVES AT THE ANTI-CRUELTY SOCIETY TO FIND HOMES FOR HOMELESS PETS

Life-saving adoption event set for April 20, 2011 beginning at Noon A groundbreaking national tour geared to promoting shelter pet adoptions – will arrive in Chicago to partner with The Anti-Cruelty Society, Chicago's oldest and largest, private, humane society, for a special adoption event at 510 N. LaSalle on Wednesday, April 20th from Noon to 7 p.m.

In partnership with PURINA ONE®, Tour for Life is the world's largest cooperative national adoption initiative aimed at reinforcing the importance and advantages of shelter pet adoptions and familiarizing communities with their local shelter. The tour was conceived by North Shore Animal League America – the world's largest no-kill animal rescue and adoption organization – eleven years ago and is responsible for placing thousands of pets into loving and permanent homes.

"As a pet owner, I know the love that animals bring into our lives and homes," said country music legend and Tour for Life 2011 spokesperson, Wynonna Judd. "I'm proud to participate in Tour for Life and want to encourage Americans across the country who are considering adding a pet to their families to visit their local shelter or stop by one of our events, and rescue a homeless pet."

In addition to having adoptable shelter dogs, cats, puppies and kittens, the event will also offer information on the benefits of adopting. The event will also include local celebrities including NBC's Andy Avalos, Steve Dale from Steve Dale's Pet World, Jill Egan from The Loop Chicago's Rock Station, and Jordan from Kiss FM. We will also have pet behaviorists on site to answer all of your behavior questions, a pet intuitive, a pet portraiture artist, microchipping, and more. And in an effort to find homes for even more of Chicago's pets, The Anti-Cruelty Society has also invited Chicago's Animal Care and Control to bring some of their adoptable pets to the event.

Throughout the months of March and April, Tour For Life 2011 will travel the length of the United States from North to South and East to West, helping over 100 shelter and rescue groups to bring awareness to their organizations and find homes for orphaned pets in their care. Tour For Life's presenting sponsors are Purina ONE® and Purina ONE® beyOnd pet food brands; the Tour is also supported by The American Mutt-i-grees® Club. For more information on Tour For Life 2011 visit www.AnimalLeague.org/TourForLife2011



#### **About The Anti-Cruelty Society**

The Anti-Cruelty Society is Chicago's oldest and largest, private, open-admission, unlimited stay humane society. With a mission of building a community of caring by helping pets and educating people, its comprehensive programs and services help over 50,000 animals and humans every year and include: adoption, charity veterinary clinic, low or no-cost spay/neuter clinic, cruelty investigation and rescue, humane education & community outreach, a free behavior hotline, dog training classes, S.A.F.E. program (short-term accommodations for emergencies), The Bruckner Rehabilitation & Treatment Center and Virginia Butts Berger Cat Clinic. For more information, visit www.anticruelty.org

#### About North Shore Animal League America

The Animal League has saved almost 1,000,000 lives. As the world's largest no-kill rescue and adoption organization, we understand that a rescue isn't complete until each animal is placed into a loving home. Our innovative programs provide education to reduce animal cruelty and advance standards in animal welfare. Our staff and volunteers work tirelessly in the pursuit of our vision of a world where all companion animals find permanent homes to end euthanasia.

# Don't Trust Your Legacy to Just Anyone



Chester M. Przybylo

Protecting our families and our assets after we are gone is an essential part of life. However, in planning our estates, we need to take into account the many potential life changes that may come up for our surviving family members and ensure that we have various protections built into our estate plan.

For example, it's no secret that the divorce rate in this country is high and a significant percentage of Americans have been divorced several times. Additionally, in 2008 Americans filed more than 100,000 lawsuits, and the number is expected to increase dramatically because of the

downturn in the economy. These statistics should concern all of us, but especially those people who are planning, or failing to plan, their es-

tates. These are very real and potential dangers that may come up for you or your surviving family members, and which can be managed with an effective estate plan.

However, not all estate plans are created equal. There are many Wills and Living Trusts available that are designed to be one-size fits all, and which leave out many important provisions that are intended to protect your family and assets from the very real world concerns that affect many Americans.

Therefore, the most important part of your estate plan is not the documents. It is the knowledge used by the attorney who creates your plan. How do you know if someone has the necessary knowledge? Be sure to check the background of the attorney you hire and make sure that they meet the following criteria:

Experienced. Only an experienced professional has seen what works and what does not work. You do not want to be someone's guinea pig.

Licensed. Many people purport to provide estate planning services, from annuity salespeople to paralegals. Estate planning involves complex legal issues which require a licensed attorney.

Focused. Licensed attorneys practice in areas from antitrust law to water rights law, and everything in between. An attorney who is focused in estate planning has the background, ability, and demonstrated commitment helping people with developing and implementing their estate plans.

The right attorney has the experience to avoid imprecision in the drafting of your documents. In addition to exposing your family and assets to the dangers of divorce and lawsuits, imprecision in documents can lead to family disputes which can wreak havoc on their emotional and financial well being. Further, an experienced, licensed, and focused attorney has the skills necessary to craft an estate plan that not only meets your goals, but also provides:

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Tailored Solution. It is a plan that is tailored to take advantage of the laws of your state to best achieve your individual goals.

Your legacy and your family are the most important elements in your life. Protect them from the perilous times we live in and from untrained, inexperienced, or even unscrupulous "planners."

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. For more information or to attend an upcoming seminar, call (773) 631-2525. Please visit our website at www.PlanOurEstate.com

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#### **Neighborhood Recycling Day**

- Paper Shredding & Electronics Recycling
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This is a chance to safely destroy personal & business documents and recycle old electronic equipment that is taking up space in your home. Shredding of all documents while you watch (no need to remove staples or paperclips). Recycle the following items:

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No amount is too great! Bring us a car load! Sorry, we can't accept appliances, hazardous waste, typewriters, auto stereos, satellites, non-cellular phones, or non-computer cables. FREE!! (Monetary donations will gratefully be accepted by the Chamber)

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Thursday, May 12 · 6:30pm - 9:30pm

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#### **Tax Appeal Seminar**

This letter is to inform you of the upcoming property tax appeal seminar. Commissioner Michael Cabonargi and Commissioner Don Patlak of the Cook County Board of Review and their stall will be there to answer your questions and assist you with the appeal of your property tax assessment with the Cook County Board of Review.

PLEASE BRING THE PIN# (Permanent Index Number) of your property with you. The PIN# can be found on your tax bill, or on your notice of reassessment. PIN#s can also be obtained online at HYPERLINK "http://www.cookcountyassessor.com" www.cookcountyassessor.com. Click on "Assessment Search," and then on "Search for

Residential Properties." The seminar will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2011 at 1:00 PM at Oriole Park Field-

house located at 5432 N. Olcott. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office at 773.792.1991.

Sincerely, Brian G. Doherty

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#### POLISH NATIONAL ALLIANCE **ANNOUNCES A FREE KIDNEY AND DIABETES SCREENING**

The Polish National Alliance is pleased to announce that the Kidney Modbile will on the grounds of the Home Office Building at 6100 N. Cicero Avenue, Chicago, Illinois on Saturday, April 9, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.

There will also be kidney and diabetes screening in the lower level (cafeteria). The take charge of you health program is free to everyone in the community. The screenings will done by the TTI Medical training and the National Kidney Foundation in Illinois. Screeing programs of blood pressure, blood sugar body mass index (BMI) waist circumference, urinalysis, and blood draw will be done by these students. There will also be private consulations with medical professionals on hand as well. The Kidney Mobile will be located outside for an educational tour for your health.

Those interested in attending this free health screening should call the Polish National Alliance to make reservations in attending at 1-773-286-0500 ext 380. Additional details could be found on the PNA website: HYPERLINK "http://www.pna-znp.org" www.pna-znp.org

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

## **2011 Evanston Garbage Cart Replacement Program**

The City of Evanston will start distribution of new 95 gallon garbage carts to replace those single city issued containers which are in disrepair starting March 7, 2011.

Distribution will follow the garbage collection area map which breaks the City into four (4) separate areas. Initial cart distribution will begin in those areas of the City whose normal garbage collection day is on Wednesday with replacements scheduled to take place during the month of March. From that area, distribution will proceed as follows: Month

Replacement I
March
April
May
June

Cart distribution progress updates will be posted on the City website, and local areas will be notified through use of signage as to when the new cart distribution team will be on their streets. Old carts should be left out in their normal collection spot when the local signage is posted to speed pickup and removal. Old carts will be recycled.

If residents have any questions regarding this program, they should call 3-1-1 or 847/448-4311.

#### WEINBERG COMMUNITY FOR SENIOR LIVING IN DEERFIELD HOSTS TRANSI-TION TO WELLNESS, AN EDUCATIONAL **SERIES ON POSITIVE AGING**

CJE SeniorLife in once again offering its popular "Transition to Wellness" series on positive aging throughout 2011 for older adults and their family members. The upcoming April session of classes take place at CJE's Weinberg Community for Senior Living, 1551 Lake Cook Road, in Deerfield. Sessions are free of charge, open to the public and light refreshments follow each presentation. For more information or to RSVP, contact Lisa Stanley at 847/236-7852.

Transition to Wellness programs: **Healthcare Reform: Fact or Fiction?** Monday, April 4 7 p.m.

Join us as Monica Glaser, CIE SeniorLife's Manager of Consumer Assistance, sena-

# **Parks & Recreation**

#### **Private Elm Tree Insurance Applications Now Available**

Private elm tree insurance is again being offered to Evanston residents through the City of Evanston's Park/Forestry Division. While the City maintains elm trees on public property, homeowners are responsible for removing diseased elms from their private property. Costs for removing diseased trees can range from \$1,000 for a medium-sized tree to more than \$4,000 for a very large tree.

The Private Elm Tree Insurance Program covers the cost of removing trees lost to Dutch Elm disease. If an insured tree is so infected that it must be removed, the City will handle all aspects and costs of the removal to ground level. Removal of the remaining stump is up to the homeowner. Costs for the private insurance range from \$60 to \$140 per tree, per year, depending on a tree's size.

This is a one-year insurance program, and new applications must be submitted each year. Applications are available online at www.cityofevanston.org and at the Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave. Residents also may call 847-448-4311 and ask that an application be mailed. Completed applications and payment must be received no later than May 31, 2011.

#### Go Treasure Hunting at **Robert Crown Flea Market**

Find wallet-friendly bargains and some hidden treasures during the second annual Robert Crown Center Spring Flea Market from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 9 at 1701 Main St., Evanston. Choose from clothes, toys, games, jewelry, sports equipment, books, household items and more; the selection is endless. Admission is free and browsing is encouraged. Shoppers should note that the sale begins precisely at 9 a.m.: no early birds allowed. For more information, call 847-448-8258.

## Save Money by Buying Your **Beach Tokens Early**

The preseason beach token sale begins Thursday, April 1 and runs through June 10. Evanston and Skokie residents can purchase tokens during this period for \$24 each. When beaches open on June 11, token prices increase to \$32. Fees for residents of other municipalities is higher.

Tokens are available at the Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave., and all City of Evanston community centers. A daily pass is \$8 for those age 12 and older and \$6 for children ages 1 to 11. Children under 1 are admitted free. Fee assistance and a limited number of free tokens are available to Evanston residents who meet income guidelines. For more details, call 847-866-2900.

## Join the Fun at the Ladd Arboretum Egg Hunt

Belinda the Bullfrog has misplaced her eggs in the Arboretum and needs your help! You can help her find them and learn all about frogs through crafts and other activities. Four one-hour sessions are offered between 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 23. The Ladd Arboretum is adjacent to the Evanston Ecology Center, 2024 McCormick Blvd. Bring a basket or bag for collecting eggs. A special area is reserved for egg hunters ages 18 months to 4 years. Pre-registration is required. The cost per person is \$4.50. For details or to register, please call 847-448-8256.

## LEVY SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

All programs and events listed below take place at the Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave., unless otherwise posted.

Guffaw or giggle your way to health by attending Laughing Yoga class from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Wednesdays, April 13 through May 4. Laughter increases oxygen, boosts the immune system and just makes you feel good! The instructor is a certified Laughing Yoga leader and professional counselor. The fee is \$60/Levy member and \$70/nonmember. Register today by calling 847-448-8250.

Do your meds clash? Review your prescriptions, over-the-counter medications and supplements during a free 10-minute private meeting with a registered pharmacist from Walgreen's. This free program will take place between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13. It is sponsored by the Levy Senior Center, Walgreen's, and the community nonprofit, SASI - Services for Adults Staying in Their Homes, Inc. An appointment is required; call 847-448-8250 to schedule yours.

Customize your jewelry by stringing, stitching or weaving beads into colorful designs. This spring's Beading class will teach you how to choose the best components and get the best results. Class meets from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, April 19 through June 7. The fee is \$50/Levy member and \$60/nonmember. For more information and to register, please call 847-448-8250.

rates fact from fiction regarding recent healthcare reform legislation and explains the changes made within the Medicare program.

#### Five Most Common Diagnoses in Older Adults

#### Tuesday, April 12 7 p.m.

Dr. Jory Natkin, Assistant Medical Director at Weinberg Community for Senior Living, will discuss the signs, symptoms and treatment options of the five most common diagnoses in older adults - diabetes, osteoarthritis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, hypertension and coronary artery disease.

#### **Understanding Long-term Care Insurance**

Wednesday, April 27 7 p.m.

Join us for a review of long-term care insurance and learn how it has been affected by recent healthcare reforms. Professionals in the field will help figure out whether longterm care insurance may be right for you.

Presenters: Vicki Pines, Certified Long-term Care Specialist, President of VFP Services, Inc., Bruce Lederman, J.D., L.N.H.A., Operations Manager of Lenox Advisors

CJE SeniorLife is an innovative provider of community-based and residential programs, and services for older adults throughout the Chicago area. Over the past 39 years, CJE's wide range of services has grown to include assisted living, counseling and care management, long-term skilled nursing, Alzheimer's care, home health, wellness programs and much more. CJE is a partner in serving the community, supported by the Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation. For more information about CJE services, call 773/508-1000 or visit www.cje.net.

## **EVANSTON RECREATION CALENDAR**

Find a hidden treasure at the Robert Crown Center's Spring Flea Market! This second annual event will delight bargain hunters with books, jewelry, household goods, games, clothes, and more. The Flea Market is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 9 at 1701 Main St. Admission for shoppers is free; no early birds! For information, call 847-448-8258.

Kids who perform magic gain poise and self-esteem. Sign up your child age 5-12 years for our next magic class, which meets from 6:45 to 7:40 p.m. on Friday, April 12 at Robert Crown Center, 1701 Main St. The fee is \$20 per person. For more info. and to register, call 847-448-8258.

En garde! Fencing is fun and improves stamina, flexibility, dexterity, and hand-eye coordination. Spring Fencing classes for all ages (grades 1 through adult) begin on Saturday, April 16. Classes are held at Chandler-Newberger Center, 1028 Central St. Times and fees vary per age and skill level, so call 847-448-8252 for more information and to register.

You're almost never too young to learn tennis! Spring Outdoor Youth Tennis Classes. for ages 3 to 14 years, give participants a solid foundation to maximize tennis improvement and enjoyment. Classes range from Pee Wee 1 to Intermediate 1 levels. Most classes meet one hour once a week; times, days, and locations vary, but all classes start the week of April 25. The registration deadline is April 20. For more information or register, call 847-448-8252. You'll love those rainy nights after you take the "Using a Rain Barrel" class. You'll learn the basics of setting up and maintaining a rain barrel for your home, as well as style choices and placement tips. This basic class, for adults age 18 and older, will be held from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 14 at the Evanston Ecology Center, 2024 McCormick Blvd. The fee is just \$12 per person. You may purchase a rain barrel at the Ecology Center any time in April while supplies last. For more information and to register, call 847-448-8256.



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