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## Lakefront Festivals And Special Events

**19th Annual Chicago Kids and Kites Festival presented by Country Financial May 6, 2017**

A favorite family event and a harbinger of springtime in Chicago, the festival provides free kite kits for children to build, decorate and fly (while supplies last) along with other family activities such as face painting, balloon artists and the Big Kite Candy Drop (weather permitting). Cricket Hill in Lincoln Park (Lake Shore Dr. and Montrose Dr.)



*A Yearly Easter Tradition For The Andritsakis Family Is The Much Anticipated Highlight of the "Lamb Roast". Anastasios (pictured) And His Entire Family Gather To Celebrate The Season And The Day.*

## Law Week – 2017



The Chicago Bar Association's (CBA), Young Lawyers Section (YLS) announces Law Week 2017, May 1-5th; with the theme of The 14th Amendment: Protecting Our Children, the Future of Democracy. (see Page 3 for Events and Details)



**April 28th  
is Arbor Day  
2017 in Illinois**

**The White Oak  
is our State Tree.**

## Skokie Celebrates Arbor Day by Planting Terezin Trees

Skokie has been designated as a Tree City since 1985 and each year the Village and the Skokie Park District co-sponsor an Arbor Day tree planting ceremony. This year's Arbor Day ceremony is Thursday, April 27 at 10 a.m. at Niles West High School, and the entire community is invited to attend this family-friendly event. The Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center (ILHMEC) is donating three maple Terezin trees to the Village for the 2017 Arbor Day plantings. The Terezin trees are named as such because they originate from a tree planted by children held in the Terezin concentration camp in Czechoslovakia during World War II. To date, saplings from the original tree have been planted in some 600 locations throughout the world in memory of the children from Terezin.

In 2005, a delegation from the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, while visiting Terezin, received a sapling from the original tree. The delegation gave the sapling to the Chicago Botanic Gardens where it was cared for until the ILHMEC was complete. On May 7, 2009, the Terezin tree was planted at the ILHMEC and it stands in front of the museum as a living, growing, thriving symbol of the Jewish people's resilience - a tree of life. The three saplings being planted during Arbor Day 2017 came from the ILHMEC Terezin tree. In addition to the April 27 Arbor Day tree planting ceremony at Niles West, ceremonies will be held at Niles North High School and Ida Crown Jewish Academy earlier in the month.

The Arbor Day ceremony is hosted by the Skokie Park District, the Village of Skokie and the Village's Beautification and Improvement Commission.

For more information please contact the Village Forester at 847/933-8427, or visit [www.skokie.org](http://www.skokie.org).



## DCASE NEWS

**Farmers Markets Season is Here**  
**Thursday, May 11**  
**7am-3pm Market**  
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# Community First Medical Center April Health Events



Community First Medical Center, 5645 West Addison Street, Chicago, will offer the following health events in April

**Sunday, April 23 and 30**

**Alcoholics Anonymous – 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Community First Medical Center, Conference Room A, 7th Floor.**

Alcoholics anonymous is a group of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they solve their common problem. If you think you have a drinking problem, please join our free AA Group.

**Tuesday, April 25**

**Learning Interventions Family Education (LIFE) – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Community First Medical Center, Café Conference Room, Ground Floor.**

A Compassionate Recovery Education curriculum specializing in “Helping Family and Individuals Navigate the Recovery System”. This free training will provide education to family members to help them improve their personal understanding of the recovery process. To register, please call 708-536-8775.

**Wednesday, April 26**

**Courage to Quit Smoking - 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Community First Medical Center, Community Education Room, 2nd Floor.**

Faisal Master, RRT, Advanced Respiratory Care Practitioner will provide sessions on how to have enough courage to quit smoking.

**Wednesday, April 26**

**Hemorrhoids & Colon Cancer– 1:00 p.m. Mather’s Café on Central, 3235 N. Central Avenue, Chicago**

Henry Govekar, M.D., Community First Medical Center. Dr. Govekar will discuss the causes, prevention, and treatment of hemorrhoids and explain the connection between this ailment and colon cancer. A must-see lecture on a subject that nobody wants to talk about. To register, please call 773-205-3300.

**Wednesday, April 26**

**Hearing Screenings – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Audiologist Marie Vetter will provide free**

hearing screenings, the screenings will be done in a sound proof booth in suite 502, in the professional building across the street from the main hospital, 5600 W. Addison, Chicago. To register please call 773-282-7000.

**Thursday, April 27**

**Overeaters Anonymous – 7:00 p.m. Community First Medical Center, Café Meeting Room**

A fellowship of individuals who through shared experience, strength and hope are recovering from compulsive eating. If you think you may be a compulsive eater, please feel free to attend our free meetings.

## Norwood Park Resident Appears Before Illinois House Committee To Boost “Illinois”—Official State Song

Norwood Park resident and author Stan “Tex” Banash (left) appeared recently with State Rep. Michael P. McAuliffe (R-20th) before the Museums, Arts and Cultural Enhancement Committee in Springfield in support of HR184 to encourage and expand the playing of the Official State Song, “Illinois,” during official public events at state universities and at state sponsored government functions. In his testimony, Banash noted that Illinois will celebrate its bicentennial in 2018 yet “very few (people) can hum its (the song’s) melody” and “even fewer know we have a state song.” Banash said that Illinois schools teach little about state history “and even less about its many achievements and its historical importance at the geographical crossroads of a great nation.” He added that the state song is part of our foundation as a state--“a foundation that should instill pride in each resident, but to have pride, our residents must know we have a state song...must know how to recognize its melody...and must desire to hear it at official events...In doing so, (we) build state pride--an important ingredient in celebrating our 200th anniversary” and in being proud Illinoisans. The resolution is now in the Illinois House where it will be considered for passage in coming weeks. Banash is the author of the book, Roadside History of Illinois, and promotes Illinois pride at his many public appearances around the state.



**Association of Sheridan Condominium/Co-op Owners**

**What will be happening in the State Legislature?  
This is an important meeting to attend for all  
condo/co-op owners. Every board should have someone in attendance.**

Eliot Schencker and Kris Kasten, attorneys with the law firm of Michael C. Kim & Associates, which serves as ASCO legal counsel, will jointly speak on proposed State legislation being considered by the Illinois General Assembly. They will describe the content, pros/cons and current status of the various bills.

Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.  
Malibu Condominium Association  
6007 N. Sheridan Road, Hospitality Room  
Parking available for a fee — Refreshments will be served

## Jefferson Park Meeting

The Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association, JPNA, will have its monthly meeting on Wed. April 26, at 7:00 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Jeff Park, 5320 W. Giddings, lower level.

The Key Speaker will be Commander Looney of the 16th District. There will be a question and answer period. There will be announcements of community events sponsored by the local organizations in May. Meetings are free and open to the public with light refreshments. For further information, please contact C. Blumenthal, Board Member, 773 430 6662.



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## Law Week 2017: The Chicago Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section Presents The 14th Amendment: Protecting Our Children, The Future Of Democracy

The Chicago Bar Association's (CBA), Young Lawyers Section (YLS) announces Law Week 2017, May 1-5th; with the theme of The 14th Amendment: Protecting Our Children, the Future of Democracy. The Week was established to celebrate the importance of the rule of law and American legal system in our society. Law Week activities provide the public with much needed information about lawyers who work in furtherance of protecting and upholding of the tenants of freedom and values in our democracy.

In addition to the events listed below, the YLS will also recognize individuals and community organizations that advance social justice initiatives and provide assistance to those in need in the Chicagoland area. The Liberty Bell Award honors a non-attorney community member who has rendered service that strengthens the effectiveness of the American system of freedom under the law. The winner will be announced on May 3rd. The YLS is also sponsoring the Legal Prep Essay Contest for students attending Legal Prep Charter School. One winning essay will be chosen from each grade and winners will receive Visa gift cards. Also, the YLS is conducting a "Blankets for Babes" donation drive for blankets, backpacks, and suit cases for children living in foster care at Lydia House. The YLS' "Pinwheels for Prevention" fundraiser (\$5 donation per pinwheel), will benefit Prevent Child Abuse Illinois. A pinwheel garden will be displayed in the lobby of The Chicago Bar Association as a visual representation of the donations.

For more information or to register for events contact yls@chicagobar.org or visit www.chicagobar.org/lawweek.

### Law Week Events:

#### Ask-a-Lawyer Day – April 29, 2017

Date and Time: Saturday, April 29, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Information: Callers will have the opportunity to speak to an attorney for free and receive general legal advice by calling 312-554-2001.

#### Law Day Public Celebration and Lunch with a Judge (Registration required)

Date and Time: Monday, May 1, 2017 | 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Location: Richard J. Daley Center

#### Advocating for the Rights of Children: An Overview of Due Process and Equal Protection

Date and Time: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 | 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Location: The Chicago Bar Association or Webcast

#### Lawyers in the Classroom Law Day Activity

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 | 8:15-10:00 a.m.

Location: Eberhart Elementary School, 3400 W. 65th Place Chicago, IL

#### Legal Workshops with Legal Prep Charter School Students

Date and Time: Thursday, May 4, 2017 | 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Location: The Chicago Bar Association

#### The Legacy of Brown v Board of Education and the Continued Quest for Equality

Date and Time: Friday, May 5, 2017 | 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Location: The Chicago Bar Association Building or Webcast  
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## Cell Phones For Soldiers

Representative D'Amico has partnered with Cell Phones For Soldiers, a nonprofit serving troops and veterans, to collect gently used cell phones for members of our military. Donated phones will be used to provide free communication services to military members so they can connect with their loved ones. Donations will be accepted starting today, May 1, 2015 to May 29, 2015 in Representative D'Amico's public service office located at 4404 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, IL 60630. Office hours are 9 AM to 4:30 PM.

## Edison Park Post 541 Of The American Legion



Edison Park Post 541 of the American Legion will be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at the Edison Park Field House, 6755 N. Northwest Hwy, Chicago, IL 60631. The meeting will start at 7:30 P.M. and is open to all Veterans who served in any branch of the United States military services during the armed conflicts listed below.

We are also forming a Sons of the American Legion Squadron. The requirement for becoming a member is:

All male descendants, adopted sons and stepsons of members of The American Legion and such males descendants of veterans who died in service during WWI - WWII - Korean War - the Vietnam War - Lebanon Grenada - Panama and the Persian Gulf War, during the delimiting periods set forth in Article 1 of the National Constitution of The American Legion or who died subsequent to their Honorable Discharge form such Service shall be eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Legion.

Visit our website at <http://amerlegion541.wix.com/americanlegion541>

## Phone For Legal Advice At No Cost

The Chicago Bar Association (CBA) Lawyer Referral Service will host April's Call-A-Lawyer on the LAST SATURDAY in April, April 29th, from 9 a.m to 12 p.m. to coincide with Law Week. Volunteer attorneys will give free legal advice over the phone to Chicagoland residents who call (312) 554-2001.

NOTE: The regular schedule for Call-A-Lawyer will resume in May on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Attorneys will be available to answer general questions on a variety of legal issues including (but not limited to) bankruptcy, domestic relations, immigration, personal injury and Social Security. Callers can explain their situations to attorneys who will suggest self-help strategies to resolve their legal issues. If callers need further legal services, they will be advised to see their attorney or to contact the CBA Lawyer Referral Service.

The CBA Lawyer Referral Service is one of few bar associations in the country to meet the American Bar Association Standards for lawyer referral and approved to use its logo and slogan, "The Right Call for the Right Lawyer™." For referral to an experienced attorney, the public can contact the CBA Lawyer Referral Service at 312-554-2001 during business hours or through the Web site at [www.chicagobar.org](http://www.chicagobar.org).

The regular 3rd Saturday of each month schedule for call-ins resumes in May, 9:00 a.m. until Noon.

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Follow this link to our application on Zapplication.com. Enter this early show and get the summer started!

Please let us know if you have any questions. We hope you will join us at our show next summer!

Linda Nelson, Executive Director

Questions? [www.northshoreartleague.org](http://www.northshoreartleague.org) or 847-446-2870

## Honor Flight Chicago - "Operation Locate A Hero"- 2017 Season Planning Underway

Honor Flight Chicago (HFC), part of the National Honor Flight Network, was founded to recognize our Veterans – most specifically our WWII Veterans with a day of Honor, Remembrance, and Celebration from a proud and grateful Nation. HFC is currently working on the 2017 season flight schedule - with projected monthly flights from Chicago Midway to Washington, DC to visit their WWII Memorial. The trip is provided at (no) cost to the Veteran.

There are approximately (21,000) WWII Veterans remaining in the Chicago area – which HFC is requesting assistance from the public to help locate these WWII Heroes.

For more information please contact Jac Charlier at [jac.charlier@gmail.com](mailto:jac.charlier@gmail.com) or visit ([www.honorflightchicago.org](http://www.honorflightchicago.org))

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## Tony Award Winning Equus Comes To Skokie Theatre

By Wayne Mell, Artistic Director

One of the most provocative plays in modern drama is heading to the Skokie stage. Peter Shaffer's Tony Award winning *Equus* will be performed for nine performances from April 21 to May 6. Critics consider this to be a timeless classic and one of the greatest plays from the contemporary theatre, but it is not for the faint of heart. Due to nudity and controversial material, the show is recommended for mature audiences only.

*Equus* is Peter Shaffer's exploration of the way modern society has destroyed our ability to feel passion.

Alan Strang is a disturbed youth whose dangerous obsession with horses leads him to commit an unspeakable act of violence. As psychiatrist Martin Dysart struggles to understand the motivation for Alan Strang's brutality, he is increasingly drawn into Alan Strang's web and eventually forced to question his own sanity. Although the play is fictional, it was based on a true incident. In 1973, Shaffer read a newspaper headline about a stable boy who blinded six horses. *Equus* was the story Shaffer created in his mind to explain such a horrible event.

The play premiered in 1975 and won most of the coveted awards including the Tony Award for Best Play, the Drama Desk Award for Outstanding New Foreign Play (having come from England), and the New York Drama Critics' Circle Award for Best Play. Actors Peter Firth and Frances Sternhagen were both nominated for Tony Awards for their performances. In 2009, *Equus* was revived on Broadway with Daniel Radcliffe from the Harry Potter movies. He was also nominated for a Tony Award for Best Actor.

It was made into a film in 1977 starring Richard Burton, Peter Firth, Joan Plowright, and Jenny Agutter.

In Skokie, the role of Alan is played by Justin Dietzel, a Chicago actor who is the artistic director of the Beat Theatre Collective. Vincent Mahler takes on the reigns as the psychiatrist Dr. Dysart. They are joined by Chicago favorites Joan McGrath and Rebecca Joy Fletcher as well as Tom Carr, Evan Cullinan, Brian Hoffman, Kearstyn Keller, and Alexandria Pelletier.

Performances are April 21 – May 6. Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm, Sundays at 2 pm, with a weekday matinee on Wednesday, April 26 at 1:30 pm. Tickets are \$34, with a senior price of \$29 and a student price of \$24. Call 847-677- 7761 or visit [SkokieTheatre.org](http://SkokieTheatre.org) for reservations.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2017 SKOKIE IDOL WINNERS

On April 7 and 8, we held the finals for our annual Skokie Idol competition. The competition begins each year in January where local singers perform each week before a panel of judges. Votes are collected from the audience to determine who is invited back to compete again the next week.

Morton Grove resident Samantha Ratliff won in the Jr. Division consisting of 4 th through 7 th graders. Yazmin Shawamrah, a vocal coach from the Top Note Music Academy in Skokie, won in the adult division. And the teen division (8 th through 12 th grade) resulted in a tie between Chicago 8 th graders Charise Pisani and Maja Todorovich.

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## Musical Revue And Spring Art Show Opening To Be Held At Norwood Crossing On May 13

The public is invited to turn back the clock 50 years and attend the musical, "The 1960s," featuring old time favorites sung by Norwood Crossing residents and made famous earlier by Bob Dylan, Elvis Presley, Bobby Darrin, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, Johnny Cash, Louis Armstrong, and the Beatles. The program will begin at 3:00 p.m., on May 13, in the Norwegian Heritage Room at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

Afterward, the Norwood Crossing Spring Art Show will open, enabling visitors to stroll through the first and lower floors to view the creative artwork of residents and meet the artists. The artwork, which is an outgrowth of months of Expressive Art group sessions, will be displayed through August 31.

The musical, produced and coordinated by music therapists, Jessica Georgi and Joan Lin, and art therapist, Katie Reagan, will include a cast of Norwood Crossing residents, performing songs with piano accompaniment by Norwood Park resident Dan Collins. Light refreshments will be served following the performance at a reception in the Wellness Center.

For more information, call (773) 577-5377, email [HYPERLINK](mailto:HYPERLINK) "mailto:info@norwoodcrossing.org" info@norwoodcrossing.org or visit [norwoodcrossing.org/artshow](http://norwoodcrossing.org/artshow).



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It's that time of year again! Time to register your community group, girl scout troop, school, non-profit, business, and join us in the honoring of all those who have fought and died for our country.

Please visit the Norwood Park Chamber website, [www.norwoodpark.org](http://www.norwoodpark.org) to register and/or to sponsor the Parade.

## Roadside History of Illinois

*This is the fourth in a series of monthly short articles about places in Chicago, nearby suburbs and beyond that can be visited by those who seek to learn more about local history. The articles are partial excerpts from the book, Roadside History of Illinois (Mountain Press, 2013), by Chicago author and Illinois native Stan Banash.*



### John Deere and the Deere Home Site in Grand Detour

A small unincorporated village outside Chicago's collar counties is Grand Detour, about 110 miles west of Chicago in Lee County. It is best known as the home of John Deere, who obtained the first patent for a self-scouring steel-bladed plow. While Deere is often credited with inventing the steel plow, Will County farmer John Lane, Sr. (see last month's column) created one several years before, but he never applied for a patent. Therefore, it was Deere's design that revolutionized farming, and Deere whose name became synonymous with innovative agricultural machinery and remains so to this day.

John Deere, whose mechanical genius contributed immensely to agricultural expansion in the Midwest and West, was born on February 7, 1804, in Rutland, Vermont. He grew up there and began his career as a blacksmith. Having tried and failed several times to open his own shop, in November 1836 Deere moved to Grand Detour, where he had heard there was a shortage of blacksmiths. Two days after arriving, he built a forge and opened for business. The following summer, after establishing his blacksmith shop and building a three-room cottage, he sent for his wife and five children to join him.

At the time, most plows had wooden or cast-iron blades, or moldboards, to break through the prairie crust and reach the rich black soil. But these plows did not do their job cleanly. Dirt clung to the moldboard, requiring the operator to stop every several feet and scrape it. Deere decided to use his blacksmith skills to try to solve the problem. Working with old discarded saw blades, Deere experimented until he came up with a successful design for a "self-polishing" plow in 1837. He produced only ten plows in the first year, most of which he sold to local farmers. By the end of 1842, his output had reached one hundred.

In the spring of 1843, Deere teamed up with a neighbor, fellow Vermonter Leonard Andrus. The partners built a factory on the Rock River and imported special rolled steel from England to produce over 1,000 plows. Deere dissolved the partnership in 1848, when he moved his operations to Moline, seventy-five miles southwest, where better transportation was available. By that time he had taken on two new partners, John Gould and Robert N. Tate, to form Deere, Tate & Gould. In 1853 Deere bought out his partners, renaming the company John Deere, Manufacturer.

In 1858 Deere transferred his interest in the company to his son, 21-year old Charles, while remaining the president. The business incorporated 10 years later as Deere & Company. Today Deere & Company—better known as John Deere—is the world's largest manufacturer of agricultural and forestry equipment and related products.

John Deere died in Moline on May 17, 1886, at age 82. He is buried at Riverside Cemetery. Deere's 1836 Grand Detour home and replica shop are now open to the public as the John Deere Historic Site.

Planning a visit? Why not tie it to one of the special events held at the John Deere Historic Site in Grand Detour during the summer and fall. They are open every day (Mondays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sundays from Noon – 4 p.m.) now through December 31 (except Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas). The John Deere Historic Site is located six miles north of Dixon on IL 2 (between Dixon and Oregon along the Rock River). To learn more, please call (815) 652-4551, email [JohnDeereHistoricSite@JohnDeere.com](mailto:JohnDeereHistoricSite@JohnDeere.com) or visit [www.JohnDeereHistoricSite.com](http://www.JohnDeereHistoricSite.com).

*Copies of Roadside History of Illinois (Mountain Press, 2013) may be obtained at Amazon.com or through your local bookstore. More information about the author can be found by visiting his website [www.stantexbanash.com](http://www.stantexbanash.com).*

## Greetings from The Anti-Cruelty Society

### Upcoming Events to Support the Society!

#### Bark in the Park 2017

Join us at the 23rd Annual Bark in the Park! Chicago's largest dog party will include an optional 5K walk (with or without your dog), activities, food, refreshments, beer, games, and a team scavenger hunt!

Details

Date: Sunday, May 21, 2017

Time: Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.

5K walk kicks off at 10 a.m.

The party continues until 2 p.m.

Location: Stadium Green at Soldier Field

Visit our website at [www.barkinthepark.org](http://www.barkinthepark.org) for more information and to register!



#### Run on Team Anti-Cruelty

It's not too late to join Team Anti-Cruelty and help homeless animals! Registration is open and all interested runners can sign up by going to [teamanticruelty.org](http://teamanticruelty.org). Perks of joining Team Anti-Cruelty include free training through CARA and Coach Denise Sauriol and advice in preparing for the big run in October. Team Anti-Cruelty participants who refer a friend will have their entry fee waived--and do twice as much for our community of caring.

Visit our website at <http://jgriggs46.wixsite.com/team-anti-cruelty> to learn more or register for Team Anti-Cruelty.



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# What's in a Word?



Chester M. Przybylo

We use words every day without much thought. Words can have different meaning in different contexts. Sometimes this “play on words” can give rise to humor. In fact, comedian George Carlin based his career on the subtleties in the usage of language. Carlin became famous for the “Seven Dirty Words” skit detailing the words that were prohibited in broadcast media. In fact, Carlin’s skit was the subject of a U.S. Supreme Court Case which clarified the boundary between free speech and obscenity. Carlin often pointed out apparent oxymorons like “jumbo shrimp” or “military intelligence.” George Carlin died recently, at age 71.

Like George Carlin, an attorney who focuses his or her practice in estate planning understands that subtleties in the language used can make a big difference. An example of the reason for the complexity of language in estate planning matters is the “Rule Against Perpetuities” which can invalidate a gift or other transfer in a Will or Trust if not done the right way.

Relax, you do not need to try to figure out what “the Rule” is and how it applies. In fact, the rules involved in estate planning are so complex that a court found “. . . few, if any, areas of the law have been fraught with more confusion or concealed more traps for the unwary draftsman . . . .”

If your daughter needed her appendix removed, would you read up online to perform the procedure yourself? Would you get out your knife and wet-stone and start sharpening? Would you take her to the dentist? Well, of course not. In fact, while the possibility is laughable; the reality would be tragic.

The same holds true in estate planning. Just as your daughter is relying on you to bring her to a good surgeon to remove her appendix, your children are also counting on you to plan your estate properly. Just as your daughter’s life could be at stake in the appendectomy, your children’s livelihood and well being could be at stake with the estate plan. A poorly drafted estate plan can wreak havoc on relationships, as well as assets. If you don’t plan your estate properly, it would be almost as obscene as George Carlin’s famous “Seven Dirty Words.”

A qualified estate planning attorney who focuses his or her practice in estate planning can ensure your wishes are carried out smoothly and effectively. 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 45 years. To register for an upcoming seminar, call the 24 hour reservation hotline at 1-800-638-7878 or register online at [www.PlanOurEstate.com](http://www.PlanOurEstate.com).

## How To Book A Free AFSP IL Speaker

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## St. Thecla Seniors Meetings

St. Thecla Seniors located at 6725 W. Devon meet at 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the Queen of Peace room. There is a short meeting followed by sweet rolls and coffee. Bingo and cards are played. We have parties!!! Please join us as you may like us! For information, please call Joanie at 312/608-4092.

## Norwood Park Seniors Club

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

## “Operation Prom” Presented Simulated Fatal Car Crash At Resurrection College Prep High School

In preparation for prom season, Resurrection College Prep High School hosted the Anne Bleicher Operation Prom program on April 20, 2017. Operation Prom is a dramatic educational program that demonstrates the tragic effects of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Junior and senior students at Resurrection witnessed a simulated fatal car crash in the parking lot at Resurrection College Prep, complete with emergency response vehicles, paramedics and student actors playing the roles of injured and emotional teens. The actors included Resurrection students Nell Riordan '17, Sophia Acevedo '17, Nicole Le Boeuf '17, Alyssa Czachor '17 and St. Patrick students Joe Hansen and Mike Valicento. Operation Prom is hosted every two years at Resurrection to educate students about making responsible driving decisions and all juniors and seniors have seen this presentation since 1999.



Emergency Department Physician Dr. Halleh Akbarnia, Chicago Police Department Commander Bay, Adams Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home staff member Cathy Wall Notariano, Operation Prom Program Director and Resurrection alumna Jennifer Bleicher Matthiessen and Resurrection alumna parent speaker Liane Bania.

Following the crash simulation, the students gathered in the Resurrection College Prep Little Theater to hear guest speakers address the real life impact of driving under the influence. Speakers included Chicago 16th District Police Department Commander William Looney, Chicago Fire Department Chief Charles Roy, Nurse Practitioner and Trauma Program Manager Jhoanna Gulmatico, Emergency Physician Dr. Halleh Akbarnia, Resurrection alumna parent Liane Bania and Adams Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home staff member Cathy Wall Notariano. Students heard not only the statistics about impaired driving, but also the emotional, physical and financial toll on the families of victims and drivers. The program also touched on the dangers of distracted driving due to texting and cell phone use. Video presentations by current Resurrection parents Michelle Witzak and Gina O’Hehir also urged students to be safe while enjoying their prom season.

Resurrection Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) Club helped to facilitate the program, including SADD President Anneliese Daley and Officers Kelly Barone '17, Brittany Baldassin '17, Alyssa Galiardo '17 and Kate Galiardo '17. The Anne Bleicher Operation Prom Program Director is Resurrection alumna Jennifer Bleicher Matthiessen '03



who has been involved in the program at Resurrection since 1999. The program was started by Jennifer’s mother, deceased Resurrection alumna Anne Brown Bleicher '75, and has been continued by her five daughters. For information about

the Anne Bleicher Operation Prom Program, contact Jennifer Bleicher Matthiessen at [operationpromnight@gmail.com](mailto:operationpromnight@gmail.com).

Resurrection College Prep High School, located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago, is the largest all girls Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women on the north side of Chicago. Since its founding in 1922, Resurrection has graduated over 14,000 alumnae. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or visit [www.reshs.org](http://www.reshs.org).

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## Village Cooking Corner

### Baked Cocktail Meatballs In Cranberry Sauce

The following recipe is from my good friend Eleanor who told me she recently served them at a family celebration. Everybody loved them ...

#### Ingredients for the meatballs:

2 lbs. ground meat (beef or turkey),  
1 cup fine dry bread crumbs,  
1 pkg. Lipton onion soup mix and 3 eggs.  
Mix and shape into meatballs – small balls if you plan to serve them for cocktails or larger for a family meal. Bake on cookie sheet about 20 minutes at 325 to 350 degrees.

#### Ingredients for the sauce:

1 – 16 oz (500 ml) chili sauce (look for Bennettes available at the Jewel),  
1 bottle of water, 1 cup light brown sugar,  
1 cup drained sauerkraut and 1 can whole cranberry sauce (2 cup size).  
Mix together and simmer for 20 minutes. Then put baked meatballs in a baking dish and pour sauce over all. Bake, uncovered, at 350 degrees for 1-1/2 to 2 hours. Set out toothpicks if serving with cocktails. If you plan to serve it as a main dish for your family or for guests, Eleanor suggests side dishes of mashed potatoes, zucchini or squash noodles, which are also available at the Jewel, or your choice of a vegetable. Bon appétit!

Submitted by Maria P. Bappert

Watch the Food Network's upcoming episodes of Coast-To-Coast Chow featuring Harry Kempf, owner, operator and chef of the Chicago Brauhaus.



### NEW Jefferson Park Indoor Farmers' Market – Join Us!!

The Farmers Market in Jefferson Park is now both a summer and winter market. Winter Sunday Market - Jefferson Park Copernicus Center-Annex, 5214 W. Lawrence, 10:00am - 2:00pm May 7. Produce, canned goods, meats, crafts and more. Brunch available - Cash Bar!  
Visit us at [www.jeffersonparksundaymarket.com](http://www.jeffersonparksundaymarket.com) to learn more.

## Ready, Set...Strut For Strays

The Strut for Strays, C.A.R.E.'s 22nd annual spring fund-raising dogs-plus-people walkathon, will step off from the Evanston Subaru in Skokie, 3340 Oakton Street, Skokie, the morning of Saturday, May 13. The Strut will be led by Grand Marshal Christian Stolte, a Skokie-based animal lover who also stars in the popular TV show Chicago Fire.



Strut For Strays donations help pay for the care of the dogs, cats, kittens, and puppies that are being rescued and rehomed by Community Animal Rescue Effort volunteers.

"C.A.R.E. spends about \$300 on veterinary care and checkups for each dog or cat we rehome, while puppies and kittens average \$500 per animal," says C.A.R.E. President Linda Gelb. "We hope each Strut participant will raise enough money to sponsor at least one of our animals."

As special incentive, the 2017 Strut's top fundraiser will win a new bicycle from The Pony Shop, a bicycle store in Evanston.

Who should 'Strut'? We're seeking fun-loving people, with or without canine companions, who want to be part of saving and finding forever homes for stray and unwanted dogs and cats. Although cats and other pets are not allowed, participants are encouraged to run or walk in honor of a favorite animal friend.

People who want to support C.A.R.E., but cannot participate in the actual Strut for Strays event can fundraise as a Struttin' Sponsor from the comfort of their own homes.

The Strut's \$35 advance registration donation (\$40 on event day) qualifies participants for entry plus a Strut for Strays Goodie Bag. A \$50 or higher donation qualifies for entry to event, the Strut for Strays T-shirt and Goodie Bag.

The Strut registration booth will open at 8:45 a.m. At 9:30 a.m., people and dogs will begin the 2.5-mile course north along McCormick Boulevard to Dempster and back. The route will take Strutters past the colorful artwork dotting the Skokie Northshore Sculpture Park.

Because of Chicago's unpredictable weather, participants are encouraged to bundle up accordingly. The Strut will take place rain or shine. Plenty of refreshments will be provided for both people and pups.



Sponsors of C.A.R.E.'s 2017 Strut For Strays include Dog Obedience Group, Evanston Subaru in Skokie, Hub's Restaurant, The Pony Shop, Tails Pet Magazine, Village Inn Pizzeria Sports Bar & Grill as well as first-time sponsors Golf-Mil Veterinary Hospital and Bill's Plumbing & Sewer.

Strut 2017 participants are encouraged to pre-register online and create a personalized fund-raising page on C.A.R.E.'s First Giving site, [firstgiving.com/CAREevanston/Strut2017](http://firstgiving.com/CAREevanston/Strut2017). Strut registration forms can also be downloaded from C.A.R.E.'s website, [CARENorthshore.org/strut](http://CARENorthshore.org/strut).

ABOUT C.A.R.E.  
Community Animal Rescue Effort is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) animal rescue organization founded in 1987. C.A.R.E. places companion pets into safe, healthy, lifelong homes; serves as an educational and counseling resource; and works to reduce pet overpopulation. More information about C.A.R.E. can be found at [CARENorthshore.org](http://CARENorthshore.org).

### University Guild's Annual Luncheon – May 1st

The next University Guild Program will be on Monday, May 1st at 1:30 p.m. and will be held at Scott Hall, in Northwestern University's Guild Lounge at 601 University Place in Evanston.

The University Guild's Annual Membership is \$50. Membership is open to all in the community. Guests are welcome and cost is \$5.00 per program. The purpose of the University Guild is to bring to the membership of the Guild the intellectual resources of the University, to promote the interests of the University, to work for the collection and exhibition of the objects of art, and to advance the development and appreciation of the fine arts in the University and in Evanston. The University Guild also gives scholarships to students at Northwestern University. For more information, please contact Gail Anderson at 608-217-4144.

Parking: As you are aware, parking in Evanston can be a bit of a challenge with most street parking limited to 2 hours. The closest parking lot is the self-park located at 525 Church Street and the Clark Street (north) entrance is closest to our location. You would walk west on Clark to Chicago Avenue, then north on Chicago Avenue and Scott Hall is on the south side of the Cahn Auditorium Building; west side of Chicago Avenue across from the famous Northwestern University arch.

### Shop at the Ecology Center's Indoor Winter Farmers' Market on Saturdays

The Evanston Ecology Center's Indoor Winter Farmers' Market is held from 8 a.m. to noon every Saturday, December 3, 2016 through April 29, 2017, except for December 24 and 31.

Location: 2024 McCormick Blvd., Evanston (Intersection of McCormick Blvd. and Bridge St.)

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