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HAPPY Labor Day

And Best Of Luck To All Of Our Young People As They Begin Their New School Year. Study Hard, Do Well And Have Fun.

Here's a quote from Frank Bappert on the subject of laboring and working, translated from the original German:
"Whoever invented work must not have had anything to do."



The Next Generation of Commuters: Back to School on Transit
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WE WILL NEVER FORGET September 11, 2001

America is the land of freedom and liberty. NEVER FORGET, liberty comes at a huge cost at times. NEVER FORGET the victims of September 11th, 2001 in New York, Pennsylvania and the Pentagon whose lost lives left a void in our hearts forever, but will be a perpetual reminder of the values we cherish as a Nation. NEVER FORGET them and the sacrifice of all those who have gone before them, after them, and those who continue to defend our liberty and freedom everyday.
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Twilight Canoe Fundraiser for Clark Park

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96th German-American Fest & Steuben Parade

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Labor Day in the United States is a public holiday celebrated on the first Monday in September. It honors the American labor movement and the contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of the country. It is the Monday of the long weekend known as Labor Day Weekend and it is considered the unofficial end of summer.

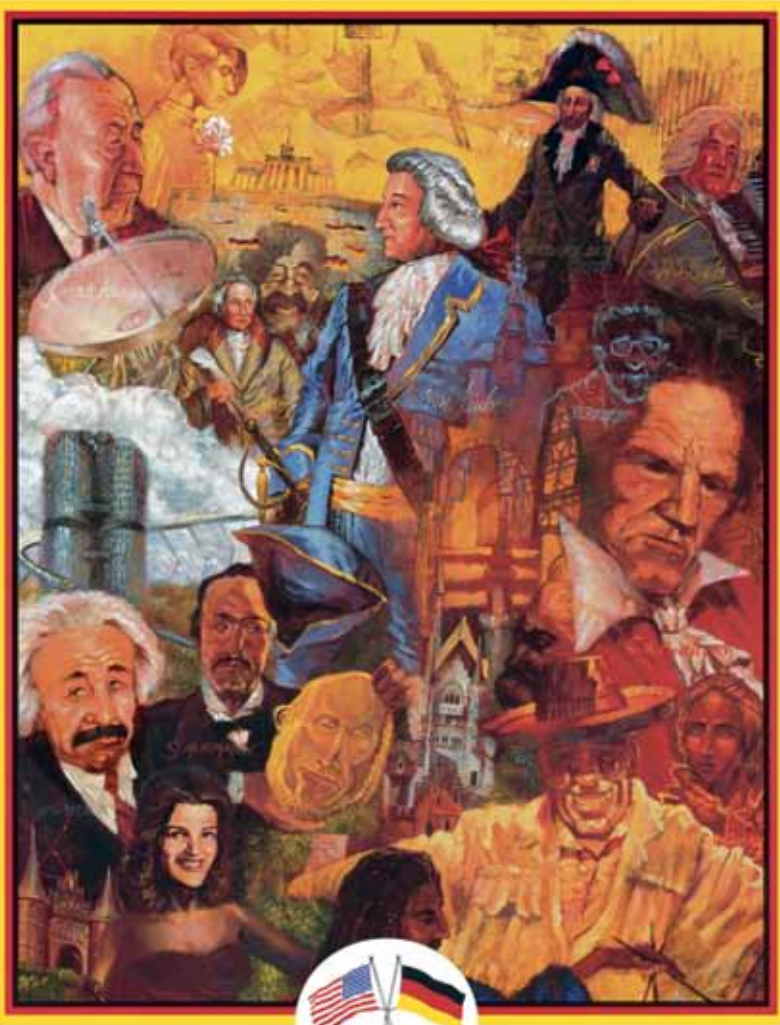
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Hard work and dedication along with the freedom to use our talents and experience to help others, are principles that are some of the greatest strengths of our communities and our country. This Labor Day we celebrate the hard work performed day-to-day by so many people. Enjoy the Celebration of good old American Labor.



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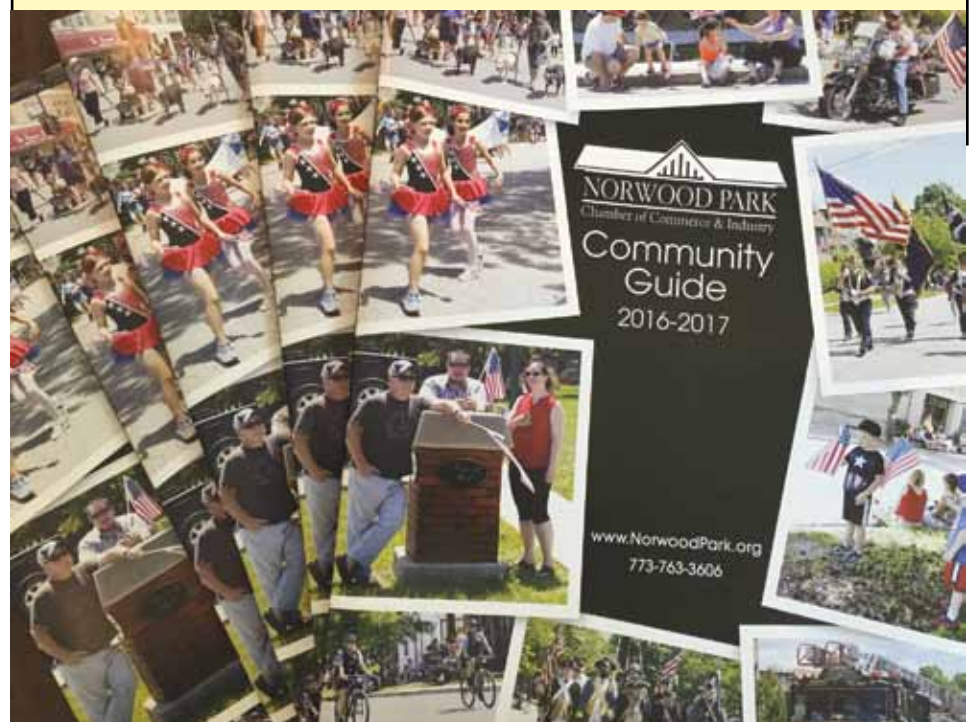
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Community First Medical Center September Health Events



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

Thursday, September 1 and September 22
Courage to Quit Smoking - 1:00 - 2:00pm.
 Community First Medical Center, Community Education Room, 2nd Floor.

Pablo Castillo, RRT, Director, Respiratory will provide sessions on how to have enough courage to quit smoking.

Monday, September 2
The Importance of Strength - Mather's Café on Central, 3235 N. Central Avenue, Chicago - 1:00 p.m.

Find out about the importance of strength training, and get an expert review of general exercises for the upper and lower body. To register, please call 773-205-3300.

Tuesday, September 6, September 13, and September 20
Community First Medical Center Walking Club - 9:00 a.m.

Portage Park (Meet at the Senior Center). This is a supervised program for independent seniors looking to improve their overall fitness, which includes educational and walking sessions.

Tuesday, September 6
Diabetes Support Group - 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
 Community First Medical Center, Community Education Room, 2nd Floor.

This free support group aims to provide mutual support and education.

Tuesday, September 6, September 13, September 20, and September 27

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.

Thursday, September 8 and September 22
Thinking about Joint Replacement - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m., Community First Medical Center, Community Education Room, 2nd Floor.

These free sessions will be conducted by Carleen Nunez, R.N., B.S.N., O.N.C., along with staff from rehabilitation services. Attendees will receive educational materials, get questions answered, learn what to expect from surgery and meet some professional staff. To register, please call 773-794-4640.

Friday, September 9
Free Healthy Aging Program - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., Community First Medical Center, Conference Room A, 7th Floor.

This program is for individuals aged 55 and older and consists of social time, health topics and guests lectures. Registration not required.

Wednesday, September 14
Hearing Screenings - 10:00 am - noon.
 Audiologist Marie Vetter, Au.D, will provide free hearing screenings. This screening will be done in a soundproof booth, room 502, in the Professional Building across the street from the main hospital. Registration is required by calling 844-236-2362

Thursday, September 22
Arthritis Support Group - 1:00 - 2:00 p.m., Community First Medical Center, Conference Room C, 7th Floor.

This free support group aims to provide ways to manage your arthritis. Registration is not required.

Friday, September 23
The Secret Alimant: Incontinence - 1:00 p.m.
 - Mather's More than a Café on Higgins, 7134 W. Higgins, Chicago.

Presented by Carrie Stalec, PT, DPT, physical therapist from Community First Medical Center. Learn some causes and type of incontinence as well as treatment options. To register, please call 773-774-4804.

Sunday, September 25
Fall into Fitness 5k walk/run - 7:30 - 9:30 a.m.
 Join us for a run or a walk around the Portage Park neighborhood. Proceeds will go towards the continuing development of educational health and wellness programs for our entire community. Register on-line: www.signmeup.com/115740

Tuesday, September 27
Toastmaster International - 7:30 p.m.
 Community First Medical Center, Conference Room A & B, 7th Floor.

Laughter is the Best Medicine Come Laugh With Us! Humorous - Contestants present a 5-7 min. humorous speech, not a monologue. Evaluation - Contestants present a 2-3 minute evaluation of the test speech. Registration not required, guests are welcome anytime. www.toastmasters.org/about/who-we-are.

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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.



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Thanksgiving Turkey Raffle

Sign up now to raffle Thanksgiving Turkeys! Turkeys are \$20 each. BCCC will supply entry forms and raffle boxes. All participating businesses will be featured in the November issue of TV FACTS. Deadline is September 1st.

The raffle will take place between November 1st to 15th. The Chamber will provide tickets, raffle buckets and contact the winners for you.

For more information, please contact the BCCC office at 773-647-1644.

BELLS ARE RINGING - TIME TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL

Bible Basics For The Orthodox Church School Teacher: The Greek Orthodox Metropolis Of Chicago Department Of Religious Education Holds Annual Workshop



The Fall 2016 Sunday Church School Teacher Workshop, "Bible Basics for the Orthodox Church School Teacher" was held on August 20, 2016 in Elmhurst, Illinois. Over 130 Orthodox Sunday School teachers and directors, representing 7 Orthodox jurisdictions, from throughout the Chicagoland area attended this event.

This program is designed to afford Sunday Church School teachers the opportunity to come together, in faith and fellowship, to learn about the Orthodox faith and share views and ideas on the role of Christian formation and education.

Speakers and topics presented at the workshop included: Dr. Anton Vrame, Director of the Department of Religious Education of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, who spoke on the value of studying scripture. Ms. Ruth Faklis, Metropolis of Chicago Choir Federation President and retired librarian, demonstrated story telling techniques for all ages. Presvytera Nichole Boznos, MTS, a graduate of Holy Cross Seminary, discussed the challenges and blessings associated with teaching the Bible to children 2-8 years old. Ms. Jan Kolyvas, of St. Spyridon Hellenic Orthodox Church, showed her unique approach in teaching the Parables to teens. Finally, a special presentation by Gordana Truhovich of the Orthodox Christian Coalition for Healthy Youth, gave attendees information on drug and substance abuse amongst Teens In the Orthodox community of the Greater Chicagoland area.

Planning is underway for the 2017 Teacher Workshop: "Orthodox Spirituality for the Orthodox Church School Teacher", which will be held on August 19, 2017.

For more information on this workshop and upcoming events, find the Metropolis of Chicago Department of Religious Education on Facebook, or email religiousedmc@chicago.goarch.org.

Twilight Canoe Fundraiser for Clark Park



Come out for an evening of paddling in the quiet twilight; enjoy the finest natural scenery and wildlife of the North Branch of the Chicago River. A riverine tour will be conducted by experienced River paddlers, followed by a delicious catered dinner. (Rain or Shine - If weather is unsafe for kayaking and canoeing, dinner will be held in the scenic WMS Clark Park Boathouse.)

What: "Twilight Canoe or Kayak" on the North Branch, includes all canoe/kayak equipment and catered dinner.

Also, there will be raffles! Prizes! A silent auction. Entertainment provided by the HORNER PARK JAZZ BAND! DINNER CATERED BY NOON O KABAB! All to benefit improvements to the park.

When: Sunday September 11th, 5:30pm - 9:00 pm

Where: Richard Clark Park- Rockwell and Roscoe (2600 W/3400 N)

Cost: \$55 per person, \$25 for child with an adult family member

**Please make your reservation by September 4th, online or by mail. Either mail check made payable to: Clark Park Advisory Council/Friends of the Parks, Attn: William Donahue, 2334 W Melrose, Chicago, IL 60618 OR RSVP and pay online at: <http://clarkparkadvisorycouncil.blogspot.com/>

Any questions email: ClarkParkAdvisoryCouncil@gmail.com

Sponsored by: Clark Park Advisory Council, Chicago Rowing Foundation, Chicago River Canoe and Kayak, Chicago Park District, Friends of the Parks, KIDS WORK, Illinois Senate President John J. Culleton, Alderman Aameya Pawar (47th)



Resurrection Cross Country Invite For Girls & Boys - Grades 5-8 Teams & Individual Runners Welcome

Resurrection College Prep High School is hosting a Cross Country Invite for girls and boys in grades 5 to 8 on Saturday, September 10, 2016. Teams and individual runners are welcome to participate and registration is open until September 2, 2016. Registration can be found at www.reshs.org. Check in time is 8:00 am and races will be at 9:00 am for 5th & 6th grade girls; 9:20 am for 5th & 6th grade boys; 9:40 am for 7th & 8th grade girls; 10:00 am for 7th & 8th grade boys. The event will take place on the campus of Resurrection College Prep High School at 7500 W. Talcott Avenue in Chicago. The entry fee is \$100 per team or \$10 for an individual runner. For more information, please contact Resurrection Cross Country Coach, Fred Angelini at fangelini@reshs.org or Kristin Even at 773.775.6616 Ext 140.

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. The Resurrection athletics program includes 12 sports and 27 teams. 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.

Open Houses
Thursday, October 27
6:00 to 8:00 pm

Sunday, November 6
2:00 to 4:00 pm

Learn about our academics, athletics, fine arts, clubs and technology.

Shadow Days
8th grade girls welcome now on select dates to shadow a current Resurrection student
7th grade girls welcome on February 10
Register at www.reshs.org

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Young Women's Writing Contest
Young Women's Math Olympics
Fine Arts Workshop
Jr. Bandit Lock-in

Schedules & registration at www.reshs.org

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Summer Children's Book Drive a Lesson in Kinship

Niles Township staged its second annual summer Books for ALL Children collection drive from late June through August 12th. In just six weeks, community residents, government officials and local business owners contributed 7,790 children's books to Bernie's Book Bank, a Lake Bluff based non-profit organization that collects and distributes books to at-risk infants, toddlers and school-age children throughout Illinois.

Marilyn D. Glazer, Supervisor of Niles Township stated, "This summer's drive was another lesson in kinship. We combined our resources with that of wonderful partners and the results are evident. We are all working for the common good, and what better cause than helping children learn through book ownership."

The Niles and Skokie Libraries, Youth Services of Glenview, park districts in Morton Grove, Lincolnwood, and Niles, assisted the Township. The Village Hall in Lincolnwood also served as a pivotal collection point.

Niles Township is a year round collection site for Bernie's Book Bank. Anyone wishing to donate gently used or new children's books to the Book Bank can stop by the Township office at 5255 Main Street in Skokie, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Since 1850, Niles Township Government has been dedicated to improving life for its residents. Niles Township is located in the northeast corner of Cook County. With a population of over 105,000 the Township includes the villages of Skokie, Lincolnwood and Golf, and sections of Morton Grove, Niles and Glenview.

Local groups interested in participating in the 2017 Niles Township children's book collection drives should contact Jack Macholl, Public Relations Manager at (847) 673-9300.



Niles Township Trustees and Mark Collins (Skokie) and Donald Gelfund (Lincolnwood) pictured with the Bernie's Book Bank truck. A total of 7,790 books for at-risk children were collected in Niles Township in a six-week period.

QAS 1976 + 40 = 2016 Reunion

Queen of All Saints class of 1976 is having their 40th reunion on Saturday, September 17, at 7 p.m. Patty Wodarski Picardi and several classmates have chosen Moretti's in Edison Park. Patty says: "Hard to believe it has been 40 years since we graduated 8th grade. Hope to see everyone!" Patty also says that you can contact her on Facebook if you have any questions. Save the date, September 17!

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Required four-part training at the Skokie Campus:

Thursday, September 1, 5:30 - 9:15 p.m.

Tuesday, September 6, 5:30 - 9:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 1, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 15, 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Call 847.635.1426 for an interview or to request information about summer ESL and Literacy classes.



**7701 N. Lincoln Avenue,
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Fall into Fitness

5k

run/walk

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**Sunday,
September 25, 2016**

**Start and Finish at Portage
Park**

**5K Run/Walk start time:
8:30 a.m.**

Participants	Pre-Race	Race Day
Adults (18+)	\$20	\$25
Youth (ages 6-17)	\$10	\$15
Seniors (ages 60+)	\$10	\$15
Family Rate (up to five members)	\$45	\$55
Children 5 and under	Free	Free

**For more information, call:
773-794-8383 or 773-794-7648
On-Line: www.signmeup.com/115740**



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BELLS ARE RINGING - TIME TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL

Niles Township Works With Community to Help Students

Community residents, employees of Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company, and the staff at Niles Township worked side by side to collect essential school supplies for children in need. Township Food Pantry Manager Tony Araque and his team organized supplies and filled 50 backpacks with essential school supplies.

Marilyn D. Glazer, Supervisor of Niles Township stated, "We want children in our Township to begin the school year with everything they need to learn without worry. Starting a new school year is challenging enough without fretting over not having proper supplies. The success of this project each year is because people in the communities we serve are generous and believe in helping children succeed."

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For more information about the school supply drive or Niles Township, contact Jack Macholl, Public Relations Manager at (847) 673-9300.



Niles Township Supervisor Marilyn D. Glazer, community volunteer Frances Roehm and Township Food Pantry Manager Tony Araque pictured in front of backpacks filled with school supplies for children in-need.

Resurrection Welcomes New Athletic Director Eddie Kane

Resurrection College Prep High School welcomes Mr. Eddie Kane as the school's new Athletic Director. Mr. Kane comes to Resurrection College Prep with experience as a high school Athletic Director at Bishop Machebeuf Catholic High School in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Kane is no stranger to strong competition as Machebeuf was a member of the Metropolitan League, which regularly produces State Champions in a variety of sports. Mr. Kane attended the University of Notre Dame for his Masters of Education degree as well as for his undergraduate studies. He is excited to contribute to the Resurrection Athletics program, which includes 27 teams and 12 sports, including Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball and Water Polo.

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Public Transit a Great Option for Students Heading Back to Class

Students across the RTA region are heading back to school and public transportation can be the most convenient and economical way to get to and from school and extra-curricular activities.

Asher B., a senior at a CPS college prep high school, knows this routine all too well. He will be among thousands of students who will board either a Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) bus or train, Metra train or Pace bus this school year when the doors open next week. Asher has been taking the CTA 'L' from his Lakeview neighborhood since his freshman year. His brother Oliver B., a sophomore, is "on the same track" and following in his footsteps.

"They enjoy the independence of coming and going on their own and it takes less time to get to school by public transportation than if I were to drive them," said Lauren T., the boys' mother.

Likewise, 10th grader Dakota J. often takes the Metra Electric line for his short trek to school in Hyde Park. His mother reports that even though Dakota could "almost walk to school," on days when the weather is bad, "Metra is a perfect option."

"Regional students and parents are fortunate to have access to our excellent public transportation system that provides students with safe and affordable transportation," said RTA Executive Director Leanne Redden. "In addition, these discounted fare programs makes riding an affordable alternative for these young commuters."

These three students can receive a discount on their transit "commute" to and from school. Please see the attached for details of student rider discounts in the RTA region.

Asher, Oliver, Lauren and Dakota and his mother are available for interviews; please

contact Susan Massel at 312-913-3256 or massels@RTAChicago.org.

Transit Agency Student Discount Fare Information, 2016-17 School Year

The CTA will provide free rides to CPS students and accompanying adults as part of its sixth annual "First Day, Free Rides," initiative on the first day of school for Chicago Public Schools. The CTA continues to offer U-Pass permit that offers unlimited rides to full-time college students at schools that elect to participate in CTA's U-Pass program.

Metra continues to offer discounts to student riders aged 7 to 11 or half-price fares during the weekday and those under 6 years old ride for free with an accompanying fare-paying adult. Full-time students enrolled in an accredited grade school or high school can receive a discount on their fare if they have a student ID or letter of certification from their school. Discounted tickets are honored daily from 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., leaving room for students to participate in after-school activities. Metra also offers area colleges and universities various support to help raise awareness about public transit options throughout the region. Colleges and universities can choose personalized materials, transit events and more—all provided on a complimentary basis.

Pace offers a Reduced Fare 30-Day Pass that costs \$30 and allows students unlimited rides on Pace buses. Pace also offers a Campus Connection pass that provides unlimited rides to college students throughout the semester. Both passes are valid for travel on Pace Regular Fare routes, or on Premium Fare routes with a surcharge.

Learn more about on the region's transit system by visiting www.RTAChicago.org.



German-American Fest



96th Annual German-American Fest and 51st Annual Steuben Parade

**September
9th, 10th and 11th, 2016
Lincoln, Leland &
Western**



**Join us for the Parade
2:00 pm Saturday, September 10th
Lincoln Ave**

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

German American Fest 2016 PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Friday, September 9th

8:00pm Opening Ceremony and Introduction of Kornflower Queen Holly Anetsberger
National Anthems are being sung by Katrina Giannoni

Saturday September 10th

2:00 pm von Steuben Parade
3:00 pm Combined Choruses of Chicago
3:10 pm Greetings by President Erich Himmel
3:15 pm German American Kinder Chor
3:30 pm Edelweiss Dancers
3:50 pm Lustigen Holzhacker Dancers
4:00 pm Rheinischer Karneval Chicago Fanfaren Corps & Amazonen Dancers

Sunday, September 11th

11:00 am Morning Mass at Fest Outside Stage
2:00 pm Greetings by President Himmel
2:15 pm German American Kinder Chor
2:30 pm Danube Swabian Children Dancers

2:45 pm American Aid Society Children Dancers
3:00 pm Danube Swabian Youth Dancers
3:15 pm American Aid Youth Dancers
3:30 pm Nocheinmal Dance Group

3:45 pm Egerlaender Dance Group
4:00 pm Edelweiss Dancers
4:15 pm Lustigen Holzhacker Dancers
4:30 pm Rheinische Karneval Chicago Fanfaren Corps & Amazonen Dancers

BAND SCHEDULE FOR GERMAN-AMERICAN DAYS SEPTEMBER 9, 10 & 11

IN THE LARGE TENT:

FRIDAY; 6pm to 10:30pm
PALOMA
SATURDAY; 4pm to 10:30pm
PHENIX
SUNDAY; 1pm to 5pm
EURO EXPRESS
5:30pm to 10pm
PHENIX

IN THE SMALL TENT:

FRIDAY; 6pm to 10:30pm
PHENIX
SATURDAY; 5pm to 10:30pm
PALOMA
SUNDAY; 4pm to 10pm
PALOMA

OUTSIDE STAGE:

FRIDAY; 6pm to 10pm
PIEPTONE
SATURDAY; 5pm to 10pm
PIEPTONE
SUNDAY; 5pm to 10pm
PIEPTONE

**National
German American
Day Celebration**
2:30 pm, Sunday, Oct. 2, 2016
St. Benedict's Church
2215 W Irving Pk Rd, Chicago

German-American Fest
September 9-10-11, 2016

Friday - 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm
8:00 pm Official Opening Ceremony
Saturday - Noon to 11:00 pm
Sunday - Noon to 10:00 pm
11:00 am German Mass and Service

ADMISSION IS FREE

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51st ANNUAL STEUBEN PARADE - Saturday, Sept. 10th, 2016
2:00 pm Lincoln Ave. & Irving Park

German Commemoration Day
Sunday, Oct. 2nd at 2:30 pm
St. Benedict's Church
2215 W. Irving Park Rd.
Chicago

FOR INFO: WWW.GERMANDAY.COM






96th German-American Fest



General Friedrich Wilhelm Von Steuben German-American Hero

General Friedrich Wilhelm Ludolf Gerhard Augustin Von Steuben was born in Magdeburg, Germany on September 17, 1730.

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

Von Steuben sailed for America and arrived at Portsmouth, NH in 1778 to aid the young nation in its fight for independence. He offered his services to General Washington without rank or pay, arriving at Valley Forge in the late winter of 1777-78. He found the soldiers in deplorable condition, without uniforms, weapons or food. Appointed by Congress to be inspector General of the Army, Von Steuben set about training the unorganized band of ragged soldiers. He infused in them a sense of discipline and converted them into an excellent fighting force, training them



to bear arms, march, form columns and to execute maneuvers with precision. He gave confidence to the officers and men, enabling them to continue on to victory at Yorktown.

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

On June 28, 1778, Von Steuben's training was put to test when the American troops encountered the British Army near Monmouth Courthouse in the town of Freehold, Monmouth County, New Jersey. What early threatened to become a disastrous defeat for the Colonial forces was turned into a glorious victory by General Von Steuben. The retreating troops of General Lee were brought to a halt by Von Steuben and reformed under heavy fire. The retreating men knew how to conduct themselves and wheeled into line with the precision of veterans. What seemed to be a certain defeat turned into a patriot victory and a turning point in the war. This battle was followed by victories in Stony Point, Yorktown and other places.



The Much Beloved "Christkindlmarket" Prepares For The Holiday Season In Chicago And Its Newest Location In Naperville

The Christkindlmarket Chicago returns to downtown Chicago on November 18th, 2016 and invites all visitors to enjoy one of the most enchanting atmospheres in Chicago during the holiday season. Recognized as one of the top holiday markets in the U.S. by Travel + Leisure magazine, Christkindlmarket Chicago transforms Daley Plaza into a magical picturesque European Christmas village filled with candy cane striped wooden huts and twinkling lights that harkens back to the traditional holiday market in Nuremberg, Germany.

Throughout the 37-day event, the Christkindlmarket hosts live entertainment and performances including school groups, professional singers, dance groups and much more. On weekends, the roaming Alpine Brass band with its festive German holiday music is sure to stir and awaken the spirit of the season in all. Special events include appearances by the Christkind (the namesake and symbol of the market) the annual Children's Lantern Parade, Theatre day and much more! One of the most popular events is the daily Advent Calendar. Starting December 1st, one lucky visitor each day gets to help us count-down until Christmas Eve and win a gift from one of the market's special vendors.

The popular "Kinder Club" boasts fun activities geared towards the youngest visitors. Children and the young-at-heart can go on a scavenger hunt to explore the market, interact with the vendors, and learn more about German holiday traditions. Collect an ornamental paper crown and the Christkindlmarket Passport activity book, which includes coloring pages, riddles and much more.

The Christkindlmarket Chicago 2016 is the perfect destination to get into the spirit of the holiday season, whether through an evening out with family and friends or a get-together with co-workers. The market offers the chance to plan holiday gatherings with reserved tables and food and beverage packages ranging from individual family tables up to 100 guests. Whether enjoying a "Stammtisch", which means small get-together with friends, or a full tent reception, the Christkindlmarket is the perfect place to celebrate the season.

For more information, please contact us and visit the official website at www.christkindlmarket.com. High resolution photos and HD video are available upon request.

A beloved holiday tradition is coming to Naper Settlement in Naperville. The Christkindlmarket Naperville will offer people who live in the western suburbs a chance to experience a traditional German holiday market with all of the sights, sounds and magic as well as delicious smells and treats, wonderful handmade ornaments and gifts. Traditional wooden huts will be filled with one-of-a-kind gifts including woodcarvings and delicious German delicacies harkening back to the original Christkindlmarkt in Nuremberg, Germany, which began in 1545. The Christkindlmarket Naperville will open on Friday, Nov. 25 and on 21 select days in November and December it will transform the village square at Naper Settlement into a picturesque marketplace.



The Christkindlmarket Naperville joins the Christkindlmarket Chicago this holiday season. Since its inception in 1996, the Christkindlmarket Chicago has become a holiday staple for Chicagoans and visitors alike. The market, organized by German American Events, LLC., a subsidiary of the German American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest, Inc., is one of the largest and most authentic of its kind outside of Europe.

Our Village News will be sharing more detailed information about both Christkindlmarkets in the upcoming Holiday editions in November and December this year. Watch for them.

Join Us For The Festivities! German Day Von Steuben Parade 2016

Volunteers Should Meet @ 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 10th.

What is the most famous parade in Chicago? Of course, it's the one where Ferris Bueller performed his famous "Dankeschön" and "Twist & Shout" on a DANK float! What would be more festive than walking with DANK Haus in that parade on the 30th anniversary of the movie?



DANK Haus is inviting all members, students, volunteers and supporters to walk with us in this year's Von-Steuben-German-Day Parade. Put on your festive gear (Trachten or our famous German Chicago Pretzel shirt) and celebrate German-American Day with us. All ages are welcome!

The parade takes off at the intersection of Lincoln and Irving Park and meeting point is at the CVS Pharmacy (4051 N Lincoln Ave) at 2 PM.

Don't have one of our famous German Chicago Pretzel shirts? No problem, stop-by DANK Haus at 4740 N. Western Avenue, Chicago or email us at dank@dankhaus.com with your size (women and men sizes S-XXL).

KINDERCHOR

The German American Children's Chorus or The DA Kinderchor was founded in 1935 in hopes of preserving German culture through music and song. 80 years later the Kinderchor still thrives under the direction of Ms. Carol Himmel. The children range in age from 4 to 21. The Kinderchor sings at various engagements throughout the City of Chicago. Each year the Chorus has two annual concerts, the Christmas and the Mother's Day concerts. The Chorus has taken two very successful Concert Tours in Germany with the third trip planned for 2016. The Kinderchor has also sung at Epcot Center in Orlando, FL and has sung for the German Consulate at The Union League Club of Chicago. The Kinderchor will also participate this year at the annual Von Steuben parade held on Lincoln Ave. on Saturday Sept. 10, 2016. The Kinderchor will also have a food and beer tent this year at the annual Germanfest held in Lincoln Square. The Kinderchor is always looking for new members. The Chorus rehearses every Saturday morning beginning in early October 2016, 9:30 am.

For more information please take a look at our website, www.dakinderchor.org

THE OTHER "OKTOBERFEST"!! The Cannstatter Wasen Or Stuttgart Beer Festival

The Winter of 1815- 16 in Wuerttemberg was the coldest since records were kept. Harvesting was made impossible. People were starving and the little existing flour was stretched with sawdust to feed the hungry.

When Wilhelm the First became King of Wuerttemberg in 1816, the crisis was at its worst. His brother-in-law, Czar Nikolaus of Russia, helped relieve the biggest misery by delivering grain to the starving people in his relative's region. Then in 1817, when the first harvest wagon was brought in, King Wilhelm and his wife Katharina, had the glorious idea to sponsor a harvest festival. This would take place annually on the King's birthday of September 28th in the area of Cannstatter Wasen, by the river Neckar.

Starting as an agricultural festival lasting up to 5 days, in 1972 this Autumnal Fair, as it is better described, has expanded to a celebration of 16 days and includes carnival games and rides including the tallest Ferris Wheel in the world. Food, beer and wine tents are also an important site at the Volksfest since as many as 3 to 4 million people attend each year. In the center of the Festival grounds stands the symbol of "Thanks-



giving", a 25 meter high pillar decked in fruit with a huge basket of more fruit on the top.

This tradition, second in size some believe only to the Oktoberfest in Munich, has not changed and will continue for years to come. Beginning 1 week before the Munich Festival, the 167th Cannstatter Wasen, or as referred to by locals, "Wasen" will take place from September 27th to October 13th in the extensive Wasen area of the Stuttgart City District of Bad Cannstatt. (Portions of this article submitted by Helga Zettl and other portions taken from Wikipedia)

O Tannenbaum! Nominate Your Christmas Tree Today

The City of Chicago is now taking submissions for the 102nd Christmas Tree to grace Daley Plaza this holiday season. If you or someone you know has a very large spruce or fir tree that is more than 55-feet tall and you would like to donate it to be the city's official tree, submit three photos and why you think it should shine on Daley Plaza to DCASE@cityofchicago.org. If your tree is chosen, you and your family will be invited to light the tree at the 102nd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in late November with Mayor Emanuel.

The Original "Christmas Tree Ship"

The Rouse Simmons was the original "Christmas Tree Ship" that came to Chicago at the beginning of the holiday season for over 30 years in the early 1900's. The "Christmas Tree Ship" was a three masted schooner that was easily recognized by waiting crowds when they saw a Christmas tree tied to her main mast and her decks loaded with thousands of Christmas trees destined for Chicago families. For more of the story visit our website at www.christmas-ship.org.

The Chicago's Christmas Ship Executive Committee wishes to thank all that made this year's event a tremendous success! The 2015 Chicago's Christmas Ship will be Saturday, December 5th, 2015.

We couldn't make this happen without the help of individuals and groups that support us through financial and in-kind donations. 100% of donated funds are used for the purchase of Christmas trees.



96th German-American Fest



Chicago Brauhaus/Treffpunkt 1965-2016

Congratulations On A 50+ Year Tradition As "The Golden Standard" In Dining And Entertainment!

As their eagerly anticipated month-long Maifest celebration is about to begin on May 6th, everyone, far and near, seems to know this place, but does everyone know how it all began and continues to this day?

First, and most importantly,

Harry and Guenter Kempf are, of course, the Chicago Brauhaus. We know them as consummate business men and leaders of the community in Lincoln Square. Their contribution to the preservation of their ethnic heritage is appreciated by, not only their fellow German-Americans, but by all who relish in the diversity of Chicago's neighborhoods.

It wasn't always, however, the Chicago Brauhaus as we know it today and Harry and Guenter Kempf weren't always as well known and heralded as they are now. In fact, Lincoln Square was at one time, only an idea.

Since all great ideas require great people to make them a reality the Kempf brothers were the perfect people, in the perfect place, at the perfect time.

The Kempf family has had a long musical tradition. Their Father was a gifted, though no formally trained piano and bass player. Since the time of their youth, Harry, Guenter and their Dad played music together, mastering many different instruments along with singing.

Harry's journey to American began in 1956 when he was only 19 years old. He came to Chicago, bought a bass fiddle at Lyon and Healy, and used his talents by acquiring a job singing at Zum Deutchen Eck. He was soon playing his bass as well. He eventually formed a trio which performed at Little Hawaii at 5100 N. Western Avenue. He then went on to gather nine other musicians to play in a 10 piece band called The Continental Ensemble.

In 1963 Harry opened Zum Lieben Augustin next to the German Theatre (which is now the Davis) on Lincoln Avenue, and offered lunch, dinner and music, of course, to his patrons.

Guenter arrived in Chicago in 1965 leaving behind a prosperous job in an appliance manufacturing company in Stuttgart. After serving in the army into which he was drafted, he decided to spend a year in America with a promise from his old boss in Stuttgart that he was welcome to his previous job when he returned.

He, as we all know now, did not return to Germany, instead, joining his brother Harry to open Treffpunkt restaurant on Lincoln Avenue in 1965. There they played music, with Harry on his bass, Guenter on the drums and Max on the accordion. They served German traditional foods and developed quite a following.

In 1965 Lincoln Avenue consisted of Meyers Deli (now Gene's), the Treffpunkt and various storefronts. The street was unfinished and a bridge connected one side with the other. The Chamber of Commerce had an idea to create an ethnic center with businesses being established around that area, but with no streets and no businesses, the hope seemed distant.

Enter Harry and Guenter.

To bring the people there, Harry and Guenter decided to run an Oktoberfest. They had a tent set up from Lawrence Avenue to Giddings (on Lincoln Avenue) and on their own, orchestrated what has become an eagerly anticipated event which thrives to this day.

Even though it was mid-November by then, they decided to set a time for a Friday and Saturday, and hoped the weather would cooperate. Mrs. Ed Kelly invited all the senior citizens in the area for brats and coffee and Bingo on Saturday afternoon to kick off the Fest.

The evening on Saturday and all day Sunday were a rousing success. The temperature was 60 outside and inside the tent the warmth and fun made it seem even toastier. On Sunday night, after the party finished, a heavy rain began to fall - holding off just long enough for everyone to finish enjoying themselves.

The current German Day Fest is, of course, the offshoot of this original Oktoberfest and now is held every September in Lincoln Square at Leland and Western Avenues.

There are now many more tents, more people and more food and music and cultural activities and performances to delight young and old alike, and the senior citizens still kick off the festivities with a luncheon on Friday afternoon before the 2-day/3-night event begins.

As a result of all of the hard work and planning and hoping, people began to come back to Lincoln Square to shop, dine and congregate. The streets were finished and everything looked like it was only going to improve.

Then in 1985 there was a fire at Witzel's shoe store, right next door to the Treffpunkt restaurant. The area was once again in ruin.

As though they had a premonition, the year before Harry and Guenter had purchased Roehrich's furniture store just across Lincoln Avenue from the Kempf's Treffpunkt. They planned to remodel the building to eventually house banquets, weddings, and large events. When the fire hit, Treffpunkt was destroyed along with a lot of the area businesses.

Within 60 hours, the old Treffpunkt would become the current Chicago Brauhaus. Like a Phoenix, the Kempfs built their dream of a rendition of Munich's Hoffbrauhaus. Little by little, while still remaining open for business, they remodeled from the ground up.

The original lamps from Henrici's Restaurant still hang from the ceilings, and the bar stools from Rush Street are still in place.

Harry, who played music all the time at the Treffpunkt, now jumped in and became Chicago Brauhaus' chef. The nightly music still continued with Guenter at the helm.

Through these many years, Harry and Guenter Kempf have managed to remain an institution in Chicago. People still come from far and wide, and from just down the street, to experience the togetherness and friendly ambience of this one-of-a-kind place. The family Kempf has always stuck together, continuing with Alfred (Freddie) Kempf, Harry's son, who represents the next generation. The basic, strong work ethic, talent and perseverance nurtured by their parents and upbringing, have made them a success in every way.

Generations of Chicagoans and visitors alike have been drawn to Chicago Brauhaus which has served as an anchor to the German-American culture and traditions. Just as the extraordinary staff and musicians have been there for what seems, always, so have the families who look to this icon as a place for special celebrations and events, or to join in anytime with festivities which are constantly going on. In one visit, you will feel a part of the Chicago Brauhaus family, all ages, always welcome, enjoying the good clean fun while dining on German traditional favorites, topped off with a beer, wine or cocktail.



The Kempf brothers, Harry (left) and Guenter (right) flank their iconic emblem of the Chicago Brauhaus as they overlook Kempf Plaza.

Live music six days a week invite dancing on the central dance floor or listening and enjoyment of German and English standards. You will see couples, children or groups dancing to German and American favorites including the chicken dance.

Seasons bring the special events which have become a tradition for the generation of families who have been enjoying Brauhaus hospitality. There is always a party going on, whether it's Oktoberfest in September/October, a 5-week long celebration of fun, music, food and drinks, or Maifest which runs for 4 weeks in April/May, or special bands and entertainers from Europe make Chicago Brauhaus a yearly stop.

In 2000, the City of Chicago honored Harry and Guenter Kempf by naming Giddings Plaza the "Kempf Plaza." The plaza, which sits directly across the street from Brauhaus, hosts band concerts in the warm weather and is a lovely spot for sitting and relaxing in front of the fountain. It is a true European setting which befits its location and deserves the respected name it so proudly bears.

A little extra note:

A friend recently returned to Chicago after being away for quite a few years. One of the very first outings she had with her Family was to Chicago Brauhaus. She remarked that it was "like truly coming home again". Everything was as she remembered; the same wonderful food, the same lively and fun entertainment and the same contagious feeling of warmth that has continued for, now generations of families, old and new.

Congratulations Harry & Guenter Kempf on the September Anniversary of the Dedication of Kempf Plaza in Lincoln Square

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96th German-American Fest



The First Germans in America

While individual Germans had been in America as early as 1608, 1683 is rightfully celebrated as the beginning of group immigration from the German states. The first to arrive as a group were religious dissenters who landed at Philadelphia aboard the Concord in Mid-August 1683. Francis Daniel Pastorius, an agent for a land purchasing company in the city of Frankfurt am Main, organized the original party of settlers. It was a group largely made up of nonconformist sects such as the Mennonites, Amish, Moravians German Quakers, and other Protestant minorities, notably dissidents of the Reformed and Lutheran persuasion.

These settlers were from Krefeld, Frankfurt and the Palatinate. Germantown, the settlement they established near Philadelphia, became a point of entry for later waves of German immigrants to Pennsylvania. By 1689, the settlement had grown so large that it had to be incorporated. Germantown's citizens were pious, peaceful, industrious people, who quickly established southeastern Pennsylvania as a leading agricultural region.

Over the centuries, the community has continued to cling to the language and culture of its native land. Descendants of the first German immigrants are called Pennsylvania Dutch - an Anglicization of the word "deutsche" meaning "German."

The eastern counties of Pennsylvania became the center of German immigration to America during the colonial period, but there were several other important areas of settlement. One of these was New York state, including the Mohawk Valley region around Utica and the area around Schoharie. The latter area was settled by so-called Palatines, Protestant refugees from the Palatinate in southwest-central Germany. The Shenandoah Valley region of Virginia was also an important area of German settlement in colonial times. Other areas were in Georgia and the Carolinas. Salem, NC preserves many historic buildings reminding one of early German settlement there.

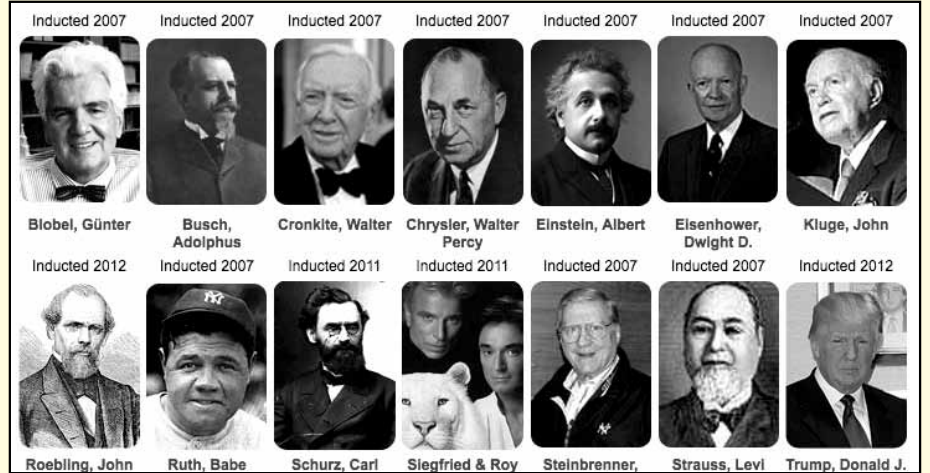
When the first American census was taken in 1790, Pennsylvania's German population was put at 225,000 which amounts to a third of the state's entire population. If we further count those Germans who in the course of the 18th century settled in the English colonies of New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina, especially those from the Palatinate, Baden and Wurtemberg, and include their children, then Americans of German origin were about 9% of the total population of the youthful United States around the close of the 18th century.

The term "German-American" refers to immigrants from German-speaking areas and their descendants. In the narrow political sense, the term "German-American" can refer to emigrants from Germany and its given geographical area in a specific historical period.

Taken in the broad ethno-linguistic and cultural sense, German-Americans also include immigrants--and their offspring--from Austria and South Tyrol, Switzerland, Liechtenstein and Luxembourg, Germans from Russia and the Balkan countries, and Jewish-German immigrants. In earlier centuries most of these areas were within the boundaries of "Germany."

Before the "homogenizing" processes of the 20th century, there were many more distinct differences in how people live in the various German-speaking regions. It was often possible to tell where someone came from by observing how he or she was dressed. And there were -- and still are -- numerous regional customs and traditions.

German-American Hall of Fame



Established in 2004 as a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization registered in the State of New York, the GERMAN-AMERICAN HALL OF FAME (GAMHOF) will pay ongoing tribute to outstanding Americans of German heritage as they are inducted by the Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Advisory Board and other opinion leaders. Inductees will be selected from five major categories: Arts & Humanities; Business and Industry; Government & Military; the Sciences; and Athletics. Those honored are all great Americans with remarkable stories who have truly enriched our history and heritage.

The distinguished inductees pictured above have all received many awards, decorations and accolades. Yet the select few who are inducted into the German-American Hall of Fame will have achieved one of the highest honors a German-American can receive in the United States.

The German-American Hall of Fame is already the ultimate destination for the celebration and recognition of the most noteworthy German-Americans. It serves as an inspiration to supporters and visitors around the world.

Visit www.gamhof.org.

Favorite Recipes from the Kitchen of Maria P. Bappert

BEEF ROLLADEN

This is one of the most well-known and great favorite beef dishes of Germany. Each cook adds his or her own touches, and this method of preparation comes from Hildegard Christophersen of DeBary, Florida, and from Richard Bappert of Deltona, Florida, who worked for years at Nick's Meat Market in Chicago.

Use thinly-sliced sirloin tip (from full tip) or London broil cuts of beef about 8" x 4" or 6" x 4". Have the butcher slice it real thin or cut it with the meat slicer when meat is frozen. You can also pound the slices with a meat mallet, which will tenderize the meat even more. Spread with a brown mustard. Place a slice or two of lean bacon and thinly sliced onions lengthwise on the meat. You can also use 4" long slices of celery or carrot, both cut in half lengthwise, and a quarter of gherkin the same width as the meat. Roll up tightly lengthwise and secure with two toothpicks. Dust with flour on all sides and brown a few at a time in olive oil. Set aside.

Oven method: After all pieces of rolladen are browned, place them side-by-side in an ovenproof baking dish and add any leftover celery, carrots and onion.

Stovetop method: Place rolladen in a pan with tight fitting cover. Add vegetables as above. Deglaze frying pan with water, add one or two beef bouillon cubes for flavoring or some brown Maggi seasoning, and add to rolladen. Cover tightly and simmer or bake in a 350 degree Fahrenheit oven for about half an hour. Turn rolladen, cover pan again, and simmer or bake for another half hour. To prepare the gravy, remove rolladen from pan so that only the juices and extra cooked vegetables remain. Dissolve some corn starch in cold water, slowly add to the pan juices and stir and heat until the gravy is nice and smooth.

Favorite side dishes to serve with Beef Rolladen are bread dumplings, homemade spaetzle, or cooked store-bought noodles, along with your favorite vegetable or salad. Bon appetit!

Your "Tante Mitzi" Bappert

SPAETZLE

Ingredients:

2 eggs, 1/2 cup milk, 1-1/2 cups flour,
1/2 tsp. salt, 2-3 tbsp. butter

Fill large pot 2/3 full with water and add about 1 tsp. salt, and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low or medium so you have a gentle boil. Beat eggs and milk with a fork. Combine flour and salt and add to egg-milk mixture; stir with a wooden spoon until flour is blended



in and dough is smooth. With a tablespoon, spoon almost-sized portions into the water by first dipping the spoon into the water and then taking dough from the edge of the bowl. Dip spoon into the water with each spaetzle. This will help them to fall off the spoon easily. Cook until spaetzle rise to the top of the pot. Test a large one by cutting it in half to be sure the center is not raw. Pour into colander and drain thoroughly, then quickly rinse with cold water and shake as dry as possible. Melt the butter in a saucepan and add the spaetzle and fry until lightly browned. Use a spatula or wooden spoon to stir. If you have a spaetzle press, use a heavy stainless steel or cast aluminum pan to place the press on the edge. Fill the press with dough, and when the water is boiling, press the dough into it. Since the noodles are thinner than when made by hand, when they hit the boiling water they bounce back up almost immediately, that's how quickly they cook, but test one for doneness.

This recipe is from Maria Kreiling from a cookbook published by the Women's Club of the Danube Swabian Society of Chicago with the title, "Our Daily Bread."

BAVARIAN RED CABBAGE

Ingredients; 4 slices of bacon; 1 medium onion (1/2 cup), chopped; 4 cups shredded red cabbage; 1 tart apple, pared, quartered and chopped; 1 tbsp. sugar; 1/2 tsp. salt; 1/8 tsp. pepper; 1/4 tsp. caraway seeds and 3 tbsp. cider vinegar.

Fry bacon until crisp. Drain, reserving 2 tbsp. of the drippings. Saute onion in the drippings until soft. Add the cabbage, apple, sugar, salt, pepper and caraway seeds. Stir, cover and cook over low heat for 10 minutes. Add vinegar and cook for 15 more minutes.

This recipe is from Marianne Schroeder from the "Our Daily Bread" Cookbook published by the Women's Club of the Danube Swabian Society of Chicago. Copies of this book can be bought for \$10.00 plus \$3.00 for shipping and handling. Send your check to Annerose Goerge, 7113 N. Keeler Avenue, Lincolnwood, IL 60712.

PLUM CAKE

Ingredients: 3 eggs, separated; 1-1/2 cups sugar; 1-1/2 cups shortening (3 sticks butter or margarine); 4 cups flour; 4 tsp. baking powder; 2-3 tbsp. milk; and 1 to 1-1/4 lbs. plums which have been washed, pitted and cut in half.

Cream shortening; add egg yolks and sugar, and then the flour, which has been sifted together with the baking powder, followed by the milk. Beat the egg whites until very stiff and dry and fold into the dough. (You might want to beat the egg whites first, then you don't have to wash the beaters.) Grease an 11 x 17" baking pan and spread 2/3 of the dough in it. Place the plums on top, then drop the rest of the dough between the plums with a teaspoon. This will give the cake a checkerboard-like appearance when done. Bake in preheated 350 degree oven for 30 to 40 minutes. When done, sprinkle the top with confectioners sugar.

This recipe was submitted by Irene Rotter to the "Our Daily Bread" cookbook published by the Women's Club of the Danube Swabian Society of Chicago.

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Funny Girl Launches The 2016-17 Play Series

By Wayne Mell, Artistic Director

If a robin is the first sign of spring, then what's the first sign of fall? It's the big Broadway musical at Skokie Theatre, of course. In past years, audiences have enjoyed our productions of Sweet Charity and Next to Normal. This year, we're pulling out all the stops with a big, bold production of Funny Girl.

Funny Girl is the smash Broadway musical about Fanny Brice, an awkward Jewish girl who "isn't pretty," and how she defied the odds to become the greatest star of her generation. With humor, talent, and chutzpah, her rise to super-stardom, and her turbulent romance with gambler Nick Arnstein, are explored through Bob Merrill and Jule Styne's unforgettable score, which includes "I'm the Greatest Star," "Don't Rain On My Parade," "People," "The Music That Makes Me Dance," and "You Are Woman, I Am Man."



Funny Girl is all about the girl. She has to sing, she has to act, she has to dance, and more importantly she has to be funny. Our production stars an absolute gem named Sally Staats. You may have gotten a peek at her last June at our Tony Awards Night Gala, where she entertained our guests by singing "People." Her performance that night was just the tip of the iceberg. This charming, perky star is new to Chicago. She is originally from Milwaukee, where she performed at the Skylight Music Theatre. She made an appearance last summer at the New York Musical Theater Festival, and then moved to Chicago where she landed the role of Margot in The Diary of Ann Frank at the Metropolis Performing Arts Center.

Sally is joined by 13 other talented singers and dancers including Mario Mazzetti as Eddie, a local Chicago favorite who has appeared with Redmoon Theatre, the Citadel Theatre, and Artists Giving Back; local film and TV actor Rob Ibanez who plays Nick Arnstein; and Bob Sanders as Flo Ziegfeld, a New York actor who appeared off-Broadway with Jane Krakowski in A Little Night Music. Funny Girl is directed by Joseph Jefferson award winner Stephen M. Genovese, who previously directed our productions of Tuesdays With Morrie, Same Time Next Year, and Beau Jest.

Funny Girl launches the MadKap Productions 2016-17 play series. Other shows in the season include the hilarious farce Beyond Therapy in November, the classic romantic comedy The Seven Year Itch next February, and the Tony Award winning drama Equus in April.

Funny Girl run Sept 9 – Oct 2, 2016. Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm, Sundays at 2:00 pm, with a matinee on Wednesday, September 14 at 1:30 pm. Tickets are \$39 general admission, \$34 for seniors, and \$29 for students. Or, you can subscribe to the entire season and see all four shows for under \$99. Call our box office at 847-677-7761 or visit SkokieTheatre.org.

Bonus Presentation: The story behind Funny Girl is as equally entertaining as the show itself. An unknown performer named Barbra Streisand was given the role of Fanny Brice after many big stars passed it up, and she turned it into an unparalleled lifetime career. Theatre historian Charles Troy has compiled a 90 presentation in honor of our production that shares all the stories behind the scenes that brought this beloved musical to life. The Creation of Funny Girl will be presented on Wed, Sept 7 at 1:30 pm and again on Tues, Sept 13 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are only \$15 and can be reserved by calling 847-677-7761 or visiting SkokieTheatre.org.



Resurrection Best Ball Scramble Golf Outing

On Sunday, September 11, 2016 the Resurrection College Prep High School Men's Club will sponsor the Best Ball Scramble Golf Outing at Tam O'Shanter Golf Course, 6700 W. Howard Street in Niles. Check-in will be at 7 am with an 8 am shot-gun start. All are welcome – men, women, alumnae, community members and friends of Resurrection College Prep High School. Registration is available on-line at www.reshs.org - the cost is \$75 for an individual or \$30 for lunch only. The outing includes 9 holes of golf, green fees, cart, coffee and donuts at check-in and buffet lunch featuring six different entrees, two salads and dessert. Longest drive, closest to the pin and other contests will be held during the golf outing. Hole sponsorships are also available at www.reshs.org.

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

Chicago Jazz Festival Full Lineup - September 1-4 at Millennium Park and the Chicago Cultural Center

The Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) is pleased to announce the 38th Annual Chicago Jazz Festival. The Labor Day Weekend tradition will take place in Millennium Park and at the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington Street) September 1-4, showcasing the greatest jazz artists from Chicago and around the world. The FREE admission Chicago Jazz Festival is produced by DCASE and programmed by the Jazz Institute of Chicago (JIC).

The Chicago Jazz Festival has always taken pride in celebrating the full spectrum of jazz with a special emphasis on the city's unique place in the music's artistic development. This year's programming takes a special look at that history while celebrating the artists, events and moments that continue to shape jazz today.

For the latest information on the Chicago Jazz Festival, visit chicagojazzfestival.us, like us on Facebook at Chicago Jazz Festival and follow us on Twitter (@ChicagoDCASE, @ChiJazzFest, #ChiJazzFest).



How Do I Handle My Inheritance? Dos and Don'ts for the Recent Heir



Chester M. Przybylo

Have you been notified that you will be receiving an inheritance? If so, an inheritance can come with some conflicting emotions. Because an inheritance follows the death of a loved one it may cause you to experience the grief that comes with it. On the brighter side, it can often mean financial freedom for the recipient. While a sudden financial windfall can be a challenge to manage responsibly at any time, this may be a time of heightened emotions for you. Here's a list of "Dos" and "Don'ts" to guide you in making good use of your inheritance.

Do understand the nature of the gift you were given. It isn't always gifted in the form of cash. You might receive real property, personal property, benefits from an IRA, or disbursements from a Trust. Often a beneficiary is only provided with basic information that lacks details regarding the inheritance and without this critical information about assets, managing them can be difficult.

Don't go it alone. It is important to spend time and money to consult with someone qualified to assist you with managing your inheritance. An estate planning attorney and a financial advisor can provide invaluable guidance to ensure you understand the nature and value of your inheritance.

Do plan ahead. After consulting with an attorney and a financial advisor, you should sit down and write a detailed plan for your inheritance considering both the now and the future. Then stick to the plan unless there is a good reason to deviate from it.

Don't spend any money before making a plan. People often make poor financial decisions when they make them on impulse. Don't spend any money before you have your written plan in place.

Do put money away for a rainy day. An inheritance is the perfect opportunity to put money away for life's surprises, both good and bad. Because the money was unexpected it cannot already be designated for something. Therefore it presents the perfect opportunity to save money.

Don't listen to well-meaning "friends" who steer you toward risky investments. Always discuss investment ideas with your legal and financial advisor to prevent being talked into potentially risky investments.

Do invest in your own future. Think long term. Go back to school? Build a small business? Where do you want to be in 5, 10 or 20 years.

Do allow yourself a "splurge". After you have created your financial plan and consulted with an estate planning attorney and financial advisor, set aside a proportionate amount of your inheritance for a "splurge". Keep in mind, this "splurge" is planned for and not off-the-cuff.

But, don't go overboard with your splurge. While it's alright to splurge on something with your unexpected inheritance, make sure you don't go overboard. Your purchase should be proportionate to the value of your inheritance. For example, if the value of your inheritance is \$100,000, your splurge should not cost \$50,000. Think in terms of one to two percent of the value of your inheritance.

Take heed of these dos and don'ts and you may be well on the way to the future the deceased loved one envisioned for you when they made their estate plan.

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.

Norwood Park Senior Center To Celebrate Seventh Anniversary With Party On Sept. 15

The Norwood Park Senior Center will celebrate its seventh anniversary at 2:00 p.m., on Sept. 15, at the Center, 5801 N. Natoma Ave. in Chicago. The event will include refreshments, an anniversary cake and a music and dance performance by the Na Kupuna Ukulele Club of Chicago, according to Keith Chase-Ziolek, director of the Center.

The Senior Center offers a full schedule of activities to meet the interests of active seniors. "We are now averaging about 15,000 visits every six months, which makes us the busiest senior center in the city," said Chase-Ziolek. "Participation in our fitness program continues to exceed all other Chicago satellite senior centers. In fact, this led us to expand our fitness room hours on Saturday mornings. Aside from our monthly program and activity calendar, we also have a steady luncheon group that takes advantage of our outstanding and inexpensive Chicago congregate dining.

"If you're over 55 and haven't been to our center yet, this is a good time to stop by," he added. "Mark the date on your calendars for this fun time, have some refreshments and make new friends!"

With more than 1,000 members, the Norwood Park Senior Center has already become known as one of the most active and lively gathering places in Chicago.

The Norwood Park Senior Center is managed by Norwood Crossing in partnership with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services, Senior Services Area Agency on Aging and the Chicago Park District. For more information, call the Senior Center at (773) 775-6071 or email them at info@npseniorcenter.org.

Adult Enrichment Course At Resurrection College Prep High School

As the country prepares for another presidential election, all are welcome to join Resurrection College Prep High School's Fall 2016 Adult Enrichment Course entitled "The Presidency, Democracy and the Future of America." Course participants will explore questions such as: How has the Office of the Presidency shaped the people who have occupied it? How have the Presidents themselves redefined the Office? What historical events and what type of character help to make what history has measured as a "great" president and what can we learn about the direction of race relations in our country with the twice-elected first bi-racial president? Course information and the books that will be used in the course can be found at www.reshs.org.

All community members are welcome to participate. Classes will meet at Resurrection College Prep High School on the following Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 pm: September 13 & 27 and October 11 & 25, 2016. The cost is \$50 - to register for the course, please contact Alisa Martorano at 773.775.6616 Ext 142 or amartorano@reshs.org. The course will be taught by Resurrection faculty member Mr. Mike Longo who holds Master's degrees in Music and Humanities from DePaul University. Mr. Longo was recently honored with the "Lead. Learn. Proclaim. Award" by the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) which recognizing excellence and distinguished service in Catholic school education.

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.

Mayor Emanuel, Chicago Park District Announce Online Registration For Fall Programming To Begin August 15

Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Chicago Park District General Superintendent and CEO Michael P. Kelly today announced that online registration for fall Park District programming begins on Monday, August 15.

Chicagoans can now view fall programs online and create a wish list of preferred programs. Online registration for fall programming, including after-school care, will take place over two days and in two different zones.

Residents can register online at here for programs at parks located west of California Avenue beginning Monday, August 15 at 9 a.m. and Tuesday, August 16 at 9 a.m. for parks located east of California Avenue.

"The Chicago Park District is excited to offer patrons of all ages more than 6,500 opportunities to recreate, learn and remain active in our parks this fall," said General Superintendent and CEO of the Chicago Park District Michael Kelly. "From soccer and gymnastics to theater or ceramics, we invite children, adults and seniors to explore all of their interests at an affordable price and in a convenient location."

In-person registration begins either Saturday, Aug. 20 or Monday, Aug. 22 depending upon

the park. To see when a particular park begins online and in-person registration, visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com.

Fall programs run from the week of Sept. 19 to the week of Nov. 21, unless otherwise noted. The Park District works with residents to ensure that programming is affordable regardless of income level.

For the first time, one of our most solicited programs will be offered in two different sessions to give park patrons more opportunities to participate in gymnastics. The additional session increases the number of slots available and allows participants to progress more efficiently in the popular sport.

Gymnastics Fall Session I: Online registration begins Monday, August 15 for parks west of California Ave. and Tuesday, August 16 for parks east of California Ave. Activities run the week of August 29 through the week of October 17.

Gymnastics Fall Session II: Online registration begins Tuesday, October 18. Activities run the week of October 31 through the week of December 12.

For more information, call 312-742-PLAY or visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com.

Niles Public Library District Kicks Off September with Library Card Sign-Up Month and Food for Fines Promotion

National Library Card Sign-Up Month: Patrons who sign up for a new library card or renew their expired card in the month of September will be entered in a weekly drawing for a chance to win a gift card to Target, Starbucks, Portillo's, or AMC Theatres. Patrons can stop by the Patron Services desk with identification or visit www.nileslibrary.org/apply-card-online to sign up.

Food for Fines: From September 1-15, patrons may bring in non-perishable food items to the Patron Service desk in exchange for \$1 in current fines waived from their library account. The maximum waived is \$50 per household. Some restrictions may apply. All food donations will benefit the Maine Township, Niles Township, and Niles Family Services Food Pantries. Patrons with accounts in good standing may donate items, too.

Items in cans, boxes, plastic jars or bags are accepted. Glass jars, homemade food, expired, dented, damaged food or cans with bar codes scratched are not accepted. For more information about Food for Fines, visit: www.nileslibrary.org/food-for-fines

Niles Public Library District is located at 6960 W. Oakton St, the northeast corner of the Oakton and Waukegan intersection. Library hours are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 9pm, Friday, 9am to 7pm, Saturday, 9am to 5pm and Sunday, 1 to 5 pm.

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Patriot Day - September 11

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On this day, the President directs that the American flag be flown at halfstaff at individual American homes, at the White House, and on all U.S. government

buildings and establishments, home and abroad. The President also asks Americans to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 A.M. (Eastern Daylight Time), the time the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001.

(From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia)

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