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Happy Thanksgiving
from the Staff of Village Publications
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TOYS FOR TOTS

Mike's Barber Shop accepting donations of new, unwrapped toys until December 23
773-775-2771 • 6680 Northwest Highway, Chicago

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Area Christmas Tree Lighting Celebrations

CHICAGO— 103rd Annual Chicago Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Friday, November 18, at 6:00pm, Millennium Park, near Michigan Ave. and Washington St.

EVANSTON— This year's tree lighting ceremony will take place on Friday, December 9 at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, please call/text 847-448-4311. For convenience, residents may simply dial 3-1-1 in Evanston.

LINCOLN SQUARE— Giddings Plaza, Sat., Nov. 26, 2016, 5:30 pm.

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"Holy Cow – Congratulations Cubs"



Courtesy of Jim Hoffman of Customer Loyalty Associates.
See Page 5 for more Cubs celebrations.

Governor Proclaims World Champion Chicago Cubs Day

Governor Bruce Rauner has proclaimed Friday, November 4, 2016, as World Champion Chicago Cubs Day across Illinois in celebration of the Cubs' historic World Series win over the Cleveland Indians.

"The Cubs winning the World Series is bigger than baseball. It is especially meaningful for the generations of Cubs fans who have stood by this team, through thick and thin, for the last 108 years," said Governor Rauner. "I'm a North Sider. I was born a few blocks from Wrigley Field, and I remember watching the Cubs every summer on Channel 9. We have been through every emotion with this team. To see this historic win, to see the players lift the Commissioner's Trophy, that's a moment for all of us. This is a celebration for past and present fans along with all the Cubs' legends.

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Statement From Mayor Emanuel Thanking Citywide Efforts To Host Cubs Festivities

"Thank you to the men and women of the Chicago Police Department, Chicago Fire Department, Office of Emergency Management, Special Events, first responders, and city workers from all agencies and departments whose hard work made today possible. As we celebrate the efforts of the Cubs on the field, we also honor the Chicagoans who have worked around the clock to make this postseason and parade possible."

Thanksgiving Day Feast
White Eagle Banquets & Restaurant
Two Service Options to Choose From

Buffet
Chef Carving Station
Turkey with all the trimmings, honey-baked ham, beef brisket with brown gravy

Traditional Sides Station
Mashed potatoes, stuffing, sweet potatoes, cranberries, string beans

Classic Polish Station
Polish sausage & sauerkraut, pierogi

Fall Harvest Station
A variety of fresh Autumn greens, roasted Fall vegetables, cold salads

Old World Italian Station
Lasagna roll, homemade meatballs

Dessert Station
Bakery-fresh kolaczki, eclaires, pies, fresh fruit
...and more

Family Style
Soup
Salad
Oven-Roasted Turkey
Homemade Stuffing
Honey-Baked Ham
Mashed Potatoes
Sweet Potatoes
Polish Sausage & Sauerkraut
Green Beans
Pierogi
Pumpkin Pie

++(Service and Tax are additional)

Call to make your reservations:
847.647.0660

Seatings:
12:00pm - 4:00pm
(Reservations every 1/2 hour)

Cost:
Adults \$28.00++
Children 3-11 \$14.00++
Children under 3 FREE



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Christkindlmarket Chicago
AND at Naper Settlement!



Daley Plaza; 50 W Washington Street
Open Daily Nov. 18 - Dec. 24

Naper Settlement; Naperville, IL
Thursday through Sunday Nov. 25 - Dec. 24
Also open: Dec. 19 - 23



Community First Medical Center November Health Events



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

Thursday, November 17

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

Through November 18

Spread the Warmth, Hat/Scarf/Mitten/Glove Drive

Thanksgiving is a time for giving, which is why Community First Medical Center and the Volunteer Steering Committee will be collecting hats, scarfs, mittens and gloves for the children at Reinberg School. We are looking for ONLY NEW items for Kindergarten thru 8th grade. You can drop your items off the week of November 14th thru November 18th in the box that will be located in the CFMC lobby.

Wednesday, November 16

Diabetes Awareness Fair – 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Community First Medical Center, Conference Room A, 7th Floor.

In honor of Diabetes Awareness Month CFMC will be hosting a free diabetic awareness fair for the community. Renee Sochacki, RN, MSN,

Diabetic Coordinator will be discussing road maps to managing diabetes through the holidays, healthy habits, portion sizes, nutrition & making healthy life style changes that support living with diabetes. The fair will include, a Parfait Bar, along with healthy recipes by nutritionist, Amy Loria, RD, LDN, Blood Pressure Screenings, A1C Blood Screenings, and Foot Exams by Chicagoland Foot Care. Registration is required by calling 844-236-2362

Tuesday, November 22, and November 29

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, November 30

Courage to Quit Smoking - 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. 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.

Governor Rauner Encourages Illinoisans To Receive Flu Shot

Governor Bruce Rauner, Lt. Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti and Illinois Department of Public Health Director Nirav D. Shah, M.D., J.D. today received their annual flu shots and are urging others to get theirs as well. The flu season typically begins in October and runs through May, with the peak being between December and February.

Flu vaccination is recommended for everyone six months and older. Due to concerns about how well the nasal spray vaccine has worked during the previous flu seasons, the Centers for Disease Control is temporarily recommending that people stick to getting a flu shot and skip the nasal spray.

To find a location to get a flu shot in your community, check with your local health department or log onto the IDPH website to use the Flu Vaccine Finder.

Veterans Honored by Bears of Hope



Veterans met while in service and remained 'buddies'.



Bears of Hope founder, Carolyn Reiner praising veteran couple.

For the seventh year, Bears of Hope joined Skokie's McCormick and Schmick's Seafood & Steak Restaurant for its annual “Veterans Appreciation Day” November 6, 2016. The restaurant gave veterans a complimentary lunch or dinner entrée and Bears of Hope gave them their patriotic-themed fabric bears. Bears Founder, Carolyn Reiner, said “We make a limited number of patriotic-themed fabric bears for veterans. This is a yearly special project to let veterans know we care about them. It's our way to thank and honor them for what they did for our country.”

Bear volunteers personally gave the patriotic Bears to veterans. Sheila Mozin, Northbrook, replied, “I enjoyed meeting the veterans and listening to their service stories. They are so grateful for the bears.”

Marge Davis, Skokie, met a World War II veteran who just returned from an Honor Flight and Tanya Andreseen, Highland Park, was excited to meet a veteran couple who met while in military service. She was an Army nurse and he was an Air Force Pilot. After the service, they got married and raised 3 girls. Two of their girls are in the Air Force. One daughter flies Blackhawk helicopters and was named 2016 Pilot of the Year. Their Dad said, “I'm proud of what my daughters are doing for our country, but worry everyday about their safety.”

Bears of Hope's patriotic bears are also given to Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, a receiving VA Hospice for terminally ill and dying veterans. Karen Huber, Rainbow's coordinator of volunteer services commented, “The bears bring smiles to the veterans faces, give them comfort and lets them know people care



Bears of Hope patriotic bears for veterans

about them and what they did for our country.”

Restaurant General Manager, Aaron Torricelli, added, “This was McCormick & Schmick's 19th annual ‘Veterans Appreciation Day’. We are honored to pay tribute to our veterans. Bears of Hope was an added bonus and a huge part of the event that meant so much to the veterans.”

Besides patriotic bears, Bears of Hope makes bears to comfort sick children and adults. Local social service agencies are given bears throughout the year for those under their care.

January 2017 begins Bears of Hope's 10th year. Since their beginning, over 2000 bears are being loved by those needing emotional support to feel better.

For more information:

www.BearsofHope.com Bears@bearsof-hope.com

McCormick & Schmicks Seafood & Steak Restaurant

Happy Holidays From All Of Us To All Of You!



Join Our Community!

Call our toll free number to find a physician or register for an event.

1-844-236-CFMC
(1-844-236-2362) toll free



Community First Medical Center

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1-773-282-7000 | www.cfmedicalcenter.com

We're Hiring! Go To Our Website www.cfmedicalcenter.com for Career Opportunities

Archbishop Demetrios Of America Visits Lutheran School Of Theology At Chicago To Receive Rare Manuscript

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America, with the blessings of His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, received during a special ceremony in Chicago, Illinois, a rare 9th century Greek manuscript (Codex 1424) of the complete New Testament which is being returned by the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (LSTC) to the Greek Orthodox Holy Metropolis of Drama, Greece.

The President of LSTC, James Nieman, said: "For nearly a century, we have been blessed to be the stewards of this remarkable document, and today we are blessed again by the opportunity to return it to our Greek Orthodox friends and strengthen the bond we have together in Christ Jesus."

At the end of November, Archbishop Demetrios as well as the President of LSTC James Nieman will travel to Greece to participate in ceremonies for the return of the manuscript to the Holy Metropolis of Drama.

Greek manuscripts that contain the entire New Testament are rare. According to biblical scholar Kurt Aland, there are only 60 such manuscripts in world collections. Codex 1424, written in the ninth century A.D., is the oldest complete minuscule manuscript (written in cursive script) of the Greek New Testament in the world. Moreover, the order of the books of the New Testament is unusual. For example, the book of Revelation, today located at the end of the New Testament, in the Codex 1424 precedes the Pauline letters. The manuscript was copied by a monk named Savas, and other monks three centuries later added excerpts from St. John Chrysostom, St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory of Nyssa, and others as commentaries in the margins of the pages.

The Center for the Study of New Testament Manuscripts has photographed the manuscript. It may be viewed at www.csntm.org/manuscript/View/GA_1424?filter=1

Ezra-Habonim, The Niles Township Jewish Cong. Sisterhood Hosts "Holiday Boutique"

Shop for the upcoming holidays at the fabulous "Holiday Boutique" sponsored by the Sisterhood of Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 W. Dempster, Skokie, on Sunday, November 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

"We will offer unique and special gifts, personalized items and something for all your holiday needs," says Judy Frank, president of the Sisterhood. "There will be more than 20 vendors offering children's books, hand-crafted jewelry, table runners and place mats, baby and children's bibs, headbands, handbags, clutches, hats, beaded serving pieces, fused glass items, toys, gift wrap, and so much more!"

"Plan to do your holiday shopping with us," Frank added. "Everyone is welcome!"

For further information, please call the office of Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation at 847-675-4141 or go to the website at ehnt.org

City of Evanston Stumped in Search for Holiday Tree, Branches Out to Nearby Communities for Assistance

The City of Evanston is seeking the help of nearby communities to spruce up downtown Evanston's Fountain Square this holiday season.

Each year, the City seeks the donation of an Evanston fir or spruce tree to be the centerpiece of the community's Holiday Tree Lighting event. After this year's search failed to uproot a suitable tree, the City is branching out its search to communities within a five-mile radius of Fountain Square, including sections of Chicago, Kenilworth, Lincolnwood, Skokie, Wilmette and Winnetka.

Those interested in donating a tree on their property are encouraged to call/text 847-448-4311. Screening and selection of trees will be completed by Wednesday, November 30, and cutting will be scheduled free of charge shortly after the selection. The City will also remove the stump and restore the site with grass seed.

Mayors Jackson and Emanuel Give to Each Other's Charities

In a friendly gesture of good will and mutual appreciation for the sportsmanship on display by both teams during the 2016 World Series, Cleveland Mayor Frank G. Jackson and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel are committing to donate \$1,000 to youth baseball organizations in each other's cities.

For Mayor Jackson that is The Historic League Park which embodies the historical roots of baseball here in Cleveland. For Mayor Emanuel that is his Playball initiative run through the Chicago Parks Foundation, supporting youth baseball in Englewood, Humboldt Park and other neighborhoods.

While there was no friendly wager between Mayor Emanuel and Mayor Jackson over the World Series, the two mayors have come together to honor the incredible sportsmanship and spirit shown by both teams and their fans.

"The recently concluded World Series was more than just a great show for the sport, it was a great show of sportsmanship," Mayor Emanuel said. "It's in that spirit that Mayor Jackson and I are continuing our support for each other's cities, their fans and youth baseball players."

"Mayor Emanuel and I have agreed to give back to each other's city in the same way our cities have been uplifted by the two best teams in professional baseball," said Mayor Frank G. Jackson. "I can think of no better way to demonstrate this than to donate to Chicago's Playball initiative."

Greetings from The Anti-Cruelty Society Upcoming Events to Support the Society!

Santa Portraits

The Holidays will be here before you know it! Join us on Wednesday, November 30, between 6-8 p.m. to have your pet's photo taken on a hand-made, one-of-a-kind, holiday-themed set by our friends at Fetch Portraits. A 5 x 7 photo will be available for pick up at the Society about a week after the shoot and additional digital prints available for purchase online. 100% of the proceeds go directly to the pets in our care! Reservations will be available soon, until then get all the details at anticruelty.org.

Details:

Date: Wednesday, November 30

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Location: The Anti-Cruelty Society
157 W. Grand Ave. Chicago, IL 60665

Adoption Ambassadors

Looking for love? Let's make a date! Join the foster revolution by becoming an Adoption Ambassador with The Anti-Cruelty Society! You can become an animal's foster parent and talent agent to help make the ultimate love connection: adoption!

Visit our website at anticruelty.org for more information.



Mayor Emanuel to Lead Delegation of More Than 80 Leaders to Rome to Honor Archbishop Cupich

Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced today that he and First Lady Amy Rule will lead a delegation of more than 80 civic, faith, elected and business leaders, as well as students from two Chicago high schools, to Rome later this week to support and honor Archbishop Blase Cupich as he is elevated to Cardinal in the Catholic Church.

"For more than two years, Archbishop Cupich has supported Chicago through his service, and Chicago will be there to support him as he is elevated to Cardinal," said Mayor Emanuel. "Whether you are a part of the Catholic Church or not, all Chicagoans have come to know Archbishop Cupich as a man of principle, someone who believes in the power of inclusion, and a voice for the voiceless - in the Church and throughout our city."

The Mayor, Ms. Rule and the delegation will attend the consistory at which Archbishop Cupich will be elevated by Pope Francis in St. Peter's Basilica on Saturday morning, a dinner in support of Catholic Extension in Rome on Saturday evening, and a celebratory Mass in St. Peter's Square on Sunday morning.

Jefferson Park Animal Rescue Event

The JPNA, Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association, will hold its next meeting on Wed. Nov. 30, at 7:00 p.m. at the lower level of the Congregational Church of Jefferson Park, 5320 W. Giddings.

The guest speakers will be representatives of "Grassroots Animal Rescue for Cats and Kittens." They will pass out literature and bring a furry friend for demonstration purposes. Meetings are free and open to the public with lights refreshments. For more information call 1 773 282 3879.

Donate To Evanston's Holiday Food & Toy Drive

To ensure every Evanston family gets to celebrate this holiday season, Mayor Elizabeth Tisdahl encourages all community members to participate in the eighth annual Holiday Food & Toy Drive! Help local families in need by providing food, toys and financial donations through Fri., Dec. 9.

Visit our website at www.cityofevanston.org for more information.

Please Join Lincolnwood In Supporting The 2016 US Marines - Toys For Tots Drive By Donating A New And Unwrapped Toy!

Drop-off Locations

- Lincolnwood Police Dept, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave
- Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave
- Lincolnwood Community Development, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave
- Lincolnwood Community Center, 4170 W. Morse Ave
- Lincolnwood Place, 7000 McCormick Blvd
- Lincolnwood Town Center, 3333 W. Touhy Ave
- UPS Store, 3926 W. Touhy Ave
- Loeber Motors, 4255 W. Touhy Ave
- Republic Bank, 4433 W. Touhy Ave



- Brickyard Bank, 6676 N. Lincoln Ave
 - Liberty Bank, 6666 N. Lincoln Ave
 - The Private Bank, 4007 W. Touhy Ave
 - Lincolnwood Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave
 - Bank Financial, 3443 W. Touhy Ave
 - Airoom, 6825 N. Lincoln Ave
 - MB Financial, 6401 N. Lincoln Ave
- Toys accepted thru December 7, 2016

Attention!

TOYS FOR TOTS LUNCHEON

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13 ~ 11:30 - 1:00PM

Join the Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce as we celebrate the season, community, and the annual tradition to collect toys with the Village of Lincolnwood, Lincolnwood Police & The U.S. Marine Corps.

Wildwood Tavern, 6480 W. Touhy Avenue, Niles

Representative from the U.S. Marine Corps will be in attendance!

PLEASE bring new, unwrapped toys for any aged child.

Register and make check payable to: Lincolnwood Chamber of Commerce, 4433 W. Touhy Avenue, Lincolnwood IL 60712. RSVP/Questions: info@lincolnwoodchamber.org or register and pay online at www.lincolnwoodchamber.org (Events calendar/Dec.13).



holiday FOOD & TOY DRIVE

Strength From the Community



With your help our 2015 Holiday Collection provided 500 toys and 1,600 meals to neighbors facing challenging times.

Please join us this season as we work to deliver holiday cheer to over 1,000 local families. Your donation of an unwrapped toy for a child, infant through age 17 will bring a smile to a young face. Hunger is a year round challenge we address. Our current wish list includes a variety of canned and packaged foods including:

- Canned fruit and vegetables
- Cereal, oatmeal, rice
- Juice or juice boxes
- Pasta
- Cake mixes
- Canned soup, chili
- Canned coffee or boxes of tea bags
- Cookies, crackers or granola bars

If you prefer to make a cash donation, please send or drop off a check made payable to the Niles Township Food Pantry Foundation, 5255 Main Street, Skokie, IL 60077



The Niles Township Food Pantry Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that uses monetary donations to purchase food that stocks the shelves of the Township Pantry. These supplemental groceries help residents facing food insecurity make ends meet. For more information on the Foundation, visit: <http://nfpfoundation.com/>

Drop your donations in the barrels at the Township office.

'Nobody Quits Like Chicagoland' Returns This Week – November 13 – 18

Chicagoland's Third Annual Smoking Cessation Awareness Week

Tobacco remains the single most preventable cause of disease and death throughout the Chicagoland region and across the country. According to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, cigarette smoking is responsible for more than 480,000 deaths per year in the U.S., which equates to about 1,300 deaths each day.

The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) and nearly 30 advocacy organizations across the city and suburbs today announced the third annual 'Nobody Quits Like Chicagoland' Smoking Cessation Awareness Week. Events and initiatives throughout the week will aim to drive public awareness of the importance of smoking cessation (or quitting).

To support this week's efforts, Mayor Rahm Emanuel has issued an official proclamation commemorating Sunday, November 13 – Friday, November 18 as Smoking Cessation Awareness Week in Chicago.

"I commend the efforts of the Chicagoland region for continuing to lead the nation in taking major steps to reduce tobacco use and raise awareness of the importance to quit smoking," said Mayor Emanuel. "While we've made a number of strides – including our move to change the legal age to purchase tobacco products – more can be done to help people quit smoking and educate others as to why they should never start."

On July 1, 2016, the minimum age to purchase tobacco prod-

ucts in Chicago increased from 18 to 21. This law protects young people who are more vulnerable to nicotine addiction, and are also targeted by the tobacco industry with marketing and products designed to lure youth. Senate Bill 3011, currently in the Illinois legislature, proposes to extend that law to the rest of the state.

Throughout the week, partners in this effort will host a variety of programs across the city and suburbs to raise awareness of the dangers of tobacco products and provide resources and support to those who want to quit.

To learn more, and get more information on how to quit, visit at (866) QUIT-YES or visit www.QuitYes.org.

Flu Shots Available for Homebound Skokie Residents

Did you know the Skokie Health Department nursing staff is available to provide flu shots to Skokie homebound residents?

Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by different influenza viruses. Older people, young children and people with certain chronic health conditions are at high risk for serious flu complications.

The best way to prevent flu is by getting vaccinated each fall and following these sensible precautions:

- Clean your hands frequently.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes.
- Stay home from work or school if you are sick.

The Skokie Health Department seeks to make flu shots more accessible to homebound residents. Appointments can be made and identification and a Medicare card (if applicable) are required during the visit. If you or your family member are physically unable to leave your home, please contact the Skokie Health Department at 847/933- 8252 for more information.

Foster-Harlem Property Owners Association

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 17, 7:00 PM
St. Monica's Beyenka Hall, 5105 North Mont Clare Avenue
(Northeast corner of Mont Clare and Carmen Avenues)

Local Business Expo

A wide variety of businesses from our neighborhood will be present. Come meet them in person. They will have information regarding upcoming events and promotions. They will also have coupons and giveaways.

University Guild

November 21, 1:30pm • See The Word: NU's Beatles Manuscripts
Scott Hall, Guild Lounge, on the Northwestern University campus
601 University Place, Evanston

D.J. Hoek, Associate University Librarian for Collection Strategies at Northwestern University Libraries, is a music scholar who directs the development and preservation of their collections. Through a remarkable chain of circumstances, Northwestern University Libraries acquired a small group of original handwritten Beatles lyrics in the early 1970s. Hoek will provide an up-close look at the manuscripts.

The University Guild's annual membership fee is \$50. Membership is open to all in the community. Guests are welcome and cost is \$5 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.

BELMONT-CENTRAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CAPS 25th District Business Meeting

All businesses are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn about new and ongoing efforts to eliminate crime in your area. This meeting will also provide the opportunity to share your crime concerns with Police Officers from the 25th District.

Complimentary lite lunch is provided.

Thursday, November 17th, 2016 a 1:30 p.m. • 5555 W. Grand, Chicago, IL

Kiwanis Of Ravenswood



The Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood meets at Noon every 2nd & 4th Thursday (with some exceptions) at the Hilltop Restaurant, NW corner of California & Foster Avenues, Chicago. Plenty of FREE PARKING is available in the lot west of the restaurant, on the north side. To confirm the meeting dates please call Maria Bappert at 773-728-8127. Thank you.

ONGOING SERVICE PROJECTS OF OUR CLUB ARE: *Lift tops from aluminum cans; *Plastic bread & bagel bags, old towels and any "decent rags" for our four-legged friends; *Plastic shopping bags for the Women's Ministry at Luther Memorial Church who weave mats for homeless people; Paper shopping bags for area food pantries; *Outdated prescription eyeglasses; and last, but not least, *Box Tops for Education" for the Queen of Angels School.

Our two previous guest speakers from RC4, which is located at 4900 and 4908 N. Damen Avenue (60625) in Chicago, informed us that they opened its doors in 2002 to 45 families living in the community. One-third of the childcare capacity was dedicated to children of teen parents. Parenting ProGRESS, which is now headed up by Katelyn Anderson, was created as a ministry of Ravenswood Covenant Church to assist the teen parents through life skills classes and donations which are intended to provide unmet needs and additional support. Currently they take care of 45 children ranging in age from 6 weeks to 15 years. Teen statistics reveal that one million teens become pregnant each year in the United States, half of them resulting in live births. Nearly 4 in 10 teenage girls become pregnant at least once before they reach the age of 20. People can get involved by becoming volunteers or mentors or make donations of new or gently used diapers, clothing, diaper bags, infant toys, blankets, shoes, strollers, car seats and high chairs. And prayers for these programs are appreciated as well, as are monetary donations. Executive Director Stacey Johnson's telephone number is 773-271-4495 and Katelyn Anderson's number is 773-784-7091. Visit the RC4 website at www.rc4cares.com.

WHAT DO I HAVE TO BE THANKFUL FOR?

"What do I have to be thankful for?" I asked myself today.

So I decided to count my joys as I wandered along my way.

The warmth of a home, the love of a friend, the beautiful sound of the rain;

The still of the night, the touch of a child, a day that is free from pain;

The light of the sun, the cool of a breeze, the sound of a waterfall;

But the Love of God and the peace it brings is the greatest blessing of all.

Phone For Legal Advice At No Cost

The Chicago Bar Association (CBA) Lawyer Referral Service hosts Call-A-Lawyer on the third Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteer attorneys will give free legal advice over the phone to Chicagoland residents who call (312) 554-2001.

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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Illinois Department of Transportation Thanksgiving Occupant Protection and Impaired Driving Campaign

Thanksgiving traditionally marks the beginning of the holiday season. The Lincolnwood Police Department is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation during the Thanksgiving Traffic Enforcement Campaign aimed at increasing patrols during the holiday season to ensure safety on the roads for all motorists.

The Thanksgiving Enforcement Campaign will begin on November 14, 2016 and end on November 28, 2016. Officers will be focusing enforcement on distracted / impaired driving, speeding and seatbelt use. A "Seatbelt Enforcement Zone" will be established and clearly marked. Motorists who are speeding, driving while impaired or distracted (on mobile devices) and all individuals not belted properly are at risk of being cited.

Roving patrols will be established as special emphasis will be placed on identification of impaired and/or distracted drivers. Impaired and distracted drivers risk arrest and severe penalties. The loss of life, whether your own or that of another, is by far the greatest risk!

Make this holiday season safe for all individuals on the road –

- Don't Drink and Drive • Don't Text and Drive • Always Wear Your Seatbelt

Skokie and Lincolnwood to Share Emergency Dispatch Services

As outlined in an Intergovernmental Agreement approved by the Skokie Village Board on November 7, 2016, the Village of Lincolnwood will soon receive emergency dispatch services for police, fire and emergency medical response from Skokie's Communication Center. An identical agreement was recently approved by the Lincolnwood Village Board.

"Providing dispatch services to the Village of Lincolnwood affords both operational and financial benefits to the Village of Skokie, its residents and businesses," said Village Manager John Lockerby. "The Village of Lincolnwood's annual subscription fee provides for all costs associated with hiring additional Communications Center personnel, and during peak call times, the additional personnel will increase call-handling efficiency. Lincolnwood also will share proportional costs in the future operating and capital expenses of the Communication Center."

The initial term of the Intergovernmental Agreement is five years, with a first-year subscription fee of \$736,791 that escalates by five percent annually throughout the agreement term. In addition to 24-hour emergency dispatch services, Lincolnwood also will receive non-emergency call handling during non-business hours.

"The addition of Lincolnwood to the Skokie Communications Center will be seamless to our community," said Lockerby. "For years, Skokie and Lincolnwood have regularly assisted one another in mutual aid calls near our shared border. The shared dispatch service is an example of increased intergovernmental cooperation that will serve both communities well by preserving resources and enhancing service delivery."

It is expected that the combined emergency dispatch operations will begin during first quarter 2017.

Register for the New EvanstonAlerts Emergency Notification System

The City of Evanston has transitioned to a new EvanstonAlerts emergency notification system to notify residents of imminent threats to health and safety, such as critical police activity, gas leaks, flooding and more.

EvanstonAlerts allows residents to sign up for text message, email and phone alerts for multiple locations, such as their home, workplace, and school, so that they receive notifications relevant to them. To sign up for EvanstonAlerts, visit cityofevanston.org/alerts or call/text 847-448-4311.

After registering, residents may also download the free ContactBridge mobile app, available on the App Store and Google Play. ContactBridge allows users to receive messages and push notifications on their mobile devices, as well as provide the City with information, photos and more in the event the emergency notification system is activated.

All community members who have not yet

registered for EvanstonAlerts are encouraged to visit cityofevanston.org/alerts to register for the new service. Information will be kept strictly confidential, and will be used for emergency purposes only.

Those who do not subscribe to the new EvanstonAlerts system will still receive notifications on their landline phone, if they have one. The City will also continue to use Evanston Radio AM 1650 and Channel 16 to broadcast notifications in the event of an emergency.

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For more information, please call/text 847-448-4311. For convenience, residents may simply dial 3-1-1 in Evanston.



What About Those Cubbies?



Our Cubbies Did It! The Curse Is Lifted!

By Peter Targos

On November 2nd, the city of Chicago was forever changed due to something so simple yet so important. For the first time in 108 years the Chicago Cubs won the World Series. Eleven days later people are still relishing the Cubs exuberating 8-7 win in 10 innings over the Cleveland Indians. Despite facing the pressure of a win-or-go home game, the Cubs got off to an early start in Game 7 thanks to Dexter Fowler who led off the game with a solo homerun to center field off Indians ace Corey Kluber. In the fourth inning they broke a 1-1 tie with an Addison Russell sacrifice fly and a Wilson Contreras double. The next inning two more runs were tacked on via the long ball by blossoming star Javier Baez and an RBI double by MVP candidate Anthony Rizzo. At this point it looked like it was going to be a breeze for the Cubs and their fans. Ah, but not so fast. In the eighth inning the Cubs were up 6-4 with four outs left to get to capture their first championship since 1908. On the mound was star closer Aroldis Chapman and the batter

was Raji Davis. Advantage was clearly Cubs. Davis soon made his name go down with Steve Bartman as he roped a two-run homer to stun the Cubs and tie the game at 6. With neither team able to score in the ninth extra innings would be needed. Then, Ernie Banks, Ron Santo and many others in heaven helped the Cubs out. A rain delay. For 17 minutes both teams waited and prepared to be champions. Once the delay was over a completely different Cub team showed up. Slugger Kyle Schwarber led of the 10th with a single and was pinch ran for Albert Almora. Next up came another MVP candidate; Kris Bryant who crushed a ball that many thought was out of the park but unfortunately it landed in the glove of Davis on the warning track. On the play Almora tagged up and went into second, which would turn out to be a huge play. After an intentional walk to Rizzo, Ben Zobrist ripped a ball down the left field line to give the Cubs a 7-6 led. Miguel Montero would add an insurance run with an RBI single. Three outs left and the Cubs would finally be champions again. The first two came



easy. A groundout and a strikeout. Just one more. However, CJ Edwards would allow a walk, a steal and give up an RBI single. 8-7 now, the Cubs would hold on right? In came veteran Mike Montgomery who induced a ground ball that rolled to Bryant. As he picked up the ball you could see the smile. Then came the throw. A strike to Rizzo. The Cubs did it and the wait was over!!! From the bottom of this Cub fans heart and numerous others, thank you Cubs. Thank you for a remarkable season and year we will never forget.

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Loyal and Ever Optimistic Cubs Fans Hoist the Banner of Victory as the Chicago Land Area Celebrates with their "Cubbies".

We've Been Rehearsing For This Moment for 108 Years

Skokie Theatre Players Cut Rehearsal Short To Watch The End Of "The 7th"



Let's #FlytheW Norwood Park



French Pastry School Cubs World Series Celebration Cake on Display at Chicago City Council Chambers

French Pastry School founders and students put its 5-foot Cubs World Series Celebration Cake on display at Chicago City Council in honor of the Chicago Cubs historic World Series win.

It took the Cubs 108 years to win a World Series, but this cake took roughly 200 hours to create by the French Pastry School's Certified Master Sugar Artist Chef Sunny Lee and intern Eunli Cho, a graduate of it's 16 week cake decorating program, under the guidance and vision of French Pastry School co-founders Chefs Jacques Pfeiffer and Sebastien Canonne. The tower is made of about 45 pounds of sugar, 25 pounds of chocolate and 10 pounds of Rice Krispies.

The French Pastry School says this work of art is also a celebration of its commitment to providing skill development opportunities and an entrepreneurial vision to its students.



Statement From Mayor Emanuel On Chicago Cubs

"From Opening Day in April to a historic November night, the Cubs championship season united the city of Chicago and fans around the world behind this incredible team. The Chicago Cubs winning the World Series is about more than a game, more than a team, and more than a sport. It is about the families who have passed down a love for the Cubs from mothers and fathers to their sons and daughters, and from grandparents to grandchildren. It is about generations who have come together around radios, televisions, and within the friendly confines of Wrigley Field to root for the home team and share triumphs and defeats. Cubs fans have never given up hope that this day was possible, and this young team made it happen. Congratulations to the Ricketts family, Joe Maddon, Theo Epstein, and the players, staff, and fans who together broke the longest drought in professional sports and made history this year. Go Cubs go!"

Governor Proclaims November 4th World Champion Chicago Cubs Day



WHEREAS, on Wednesday, November 2, 2016, the Chicago Cubs won the World Series, beating the Cleveland Indians in Game Seven, by a score of eight to seven in extra innings; and,

WHEREAS, the 2016 World Series win is the first world championship for the Cubs in 108 years; the team last won the World Series in 1908; and,

WHEREAS, during the regular season, the 2016 Chicago Cubs won 103 games, the most wins for the franchise since 1916; and,

WHEREAS, on their run to the World Series, the Cubs defeated the San Francisco Giants in the National League Division Series in four games and the Los Angeles Dodgers in the National League Championship Series in six games; and,

WHEREAS, a true team effort all season led to the Cubs' stunning and momentous World Series victory, and this achievement is proof of their commitment to baseball excellence; and,

WHEREAS, the historic accomplishment also honors Cubs' greats like Ron Santo, "Sweet-Swinging" Billy Williams, and "Mr. Cub" Ernie Banks, who never had the opportunity to hoist the Commissioner's Trophy, as well as other Cubs legends like Harry Caray; and,

WHEREAS, the World Series win is especially meaningful for the generations of Cubs fans who have stood by the team, through thick and thin, during the last 108 years; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois could not be prouder of all the Cubs players, along with Chairman Tom Ricketts, President of Baseball Operations Theo Epstein, Manager Joe Maddon, and all the coaches and staff, for winning the 2016 World Series;

THEREFORE, I, Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim Friday, November 4, 2016, as **WORLD CHAMPION CHICAGO CUBS DAY** in Illinois in celebration of the Cubs' historic World Series win, and join the City of Chicago and the rest of the State of Illinois in congratulating the Cubs on their remarkable championship season.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield, this THIRD day of NOVEMBER, in the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and SIXTEEN, and of the State of Illinois, one hundred and NINETY-EIGHTH.



Desae White
SECRETARY OF STATE

Bruce Rauner
GOVERNOR



The Holiday Season is Here



103rd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Set For Friday, November 18 in Millennium Park at 6pm.

The City of Chicago is proud to present the 103rd Anniversary of the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in Millennium Park, Friday, November 18.

The 103rd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will feature a performance by the international percussion sensation created by Luke Cresswell and Steve McNicholas: STOMP along with a special appearance by Santa Claus.

Also performing, cast members from Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Musical, which returns to Chicago for nine shows only at The Chicago Theatre. The limited holiday engagement begins, November 17 through November 20. Join the world's most famous reindeer and a holly jolly cast of iconic characters including Hermey the Elf, Yukon Cornelius and the Abominable Snow Monster as they help Santa save Christmas. For complete details, visit www.thechicagotheatre.com.

The ceremony finale will feature an assortment of holiday classics sung by the Chicago Community Chorus, followed by a special appearance by Santa and Mrs. Claus, followed by the lighting of the tree!

The 103rd Tree Lighting Ceremony is presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and sponsored in part by the 93.9 MYfm, Chicago Transit Authority. The lights adorning the Christmas tree are donated and placed on the tree by IBEW Local 134.

Admission to the Tree Lighting Ceremony and all other holiday activities in Millennium Park is free.

Chicago's 103rd Christmas Tree was donated by Scholla Family of Wauconda, Illinois, their 69 foot Norway Spruce was selected out of 120 submissions received by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events. Bill Scholla, who nominated the tree, grew up on the North side of Chicago and now lives in Wauconda with his wife Margie. The Scholla family will join Santa Claus and other guests to light the tree at the annual ceremony.



Santa Claus House in Millennium Park

Santa's Midwest headquarters will open to children of all ages. They can inquire whether they have made his "nice" list, make gift requests and take photos. There is no charge to visit Santa, but you must take your own photos with your camera or smartphone.

Hours:
Friday, November 18, immediately following the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony until 6pm
Saturday, November 19 & Sunday, November 20: 12 Noon-6pm
Thursday, November 24 (Thanksgiving Day): 12 Noon-3pm
Saturdays & Sundays, November 26-December 18: 12 Noon-6pm



Millennium Park - McCormick Tribune Ice Rink

The McCormick Tribune Ice Rink in Millennium Park will kick off the winter season on Friday, November 18 (weather permitting), on the same day as the 103rd Annual Chicago Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration. The rink will open to the public at noon and remain open through Sunday, March 5, 2017.

Now in its 16th season, the ice rink has become a Chicago winter tradition drawing over 100,000 skaters annually. Once again this year, the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events will present Winter Workouts with free skating lessons on Fridays - Sundays, on hour before the rink opens. Additionally, lessons and special programming (including speed skating demons, Noodle Hockey and ice dance demos) will be offered during Chicago Public School's Winter Break, December 24 - January 8, one hour before the rink opens, except for December 25.

The McCormick Tribune Ice Rink is located in Millennium Park on Michigan Avenue between Washington and Madison Street. Skating is FREE and open to the public, with skate rentals available for \$12. Grant support for Winter Workouts is provided by McDonald's Active Lifestyles Endowment, managed by the Millennium Park Foundation.



The McCormick Tribune Ice Rink will operate under the following hours:
Mondays-Thursday, 12 Noon-8pm
Fridays, 12 Noon-10pm (ice skating lesson at 11am)
Saturdays (November 19-January 7), 10am-10pm (ice skating lesson at 9am)
Saturdays (January 14-March 4), 10am-9pm (ice skating lesson at 9am)
Sundays, 10am-9pm (ice skating lesson at 9am)
(Ice Resurfacing lasts approximately 10-20 minutes, depending on conditions.)

Special holiday hours:
Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 24, 10am-4pm (no ice skating lesson)
Friday, November 25, 10am-10pm (ice skating lesson at 9am)

Small Business Saturday In Lincoln Square

There's a lot in store for shoppers in Lincoln Square and Ravenswood on Small Business Saturday. Each year on the Saturday after Thanksgiving the Lincoln Square Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce transforms the business community into a Holiday wonderland with festive decorations, carolers, ice sculptures, and tree lighting ceremony. Businesses throughout the area offer shoppers' great promotions and discounts on this special day, while restaurants showcase their best offerings. Come out and celebrate what makes Shopping Small so important!



Ravenswood Ice Sculpture Spectacular

Date: Saturday, November 26th 2016
Time: 10am - 7pm
Location: Damen and Montrose Avenues
Admission: FREE



Lincoln Square Ravenswood Victorian Caroling

Date: Saturday, November 26th 2016
Time: 11am - 4pm (30 minute performances at the top of each hour)
Location: Damen, Lincoln, and Montrose Avenues
Admission: FREE



Lincoln Square Tree Lighting

Date: Saturday, November 26th 2016
Time: 5:30pm
Location: Giddings Plaza
Admission: FREE

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The Holiday Season is Here



Dance-Along Nutcracker – December 4th at the Chicago Cultural Center

Sugarplum fairies and mouse kings of all ages and abilities are invited to point their toes

to the familiar music of Tchaikovsky's holiday classic with Ballet Chicago at this FREE event.



11am and 2pm: Members of Ballet Chicago will teach basic ballet positions and movements at an optional lesson.

Noon and 3pm: Dancers of all ages and abilities are invited to join the dancers of Ballet Chicago, an internationally recognized professional track school of ballet that strives to make classical ballet training accessible to all.

Music for the Dance-Along Nutcracker®

is provided by the Lakeside Pride Symphonic Band. The Lakeside Pride Music Ensemble is Chicago's premier family of performance groups for members and friends of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community through its four major music groups – Freedom Marching Band, shh...OUT! Jazz Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Symphony Orchestra.

Breakfast with Santa: Resurrection College Prep High

The Resurrection Alumnae Association presents: Breakfast with Santa at Resurrection College Prep 7500 West Talcott, Chicago 60656 Saturday, December 10, 2016 9:00 am to 11:30 am \$10 per person in advance \$12 per person at the door

ater production by Resurrection High School drama students. Children can have their photos taken with Santa and each child will receive a special gift. Tickets are \$10 per person in advance; \$12 per person at the door. For more information, contact Kristin at (773) 777-6616, Ext. 140 or keven@reshs.org; tickets at www.reshs.org.



Christkindlmarket Reveals Annual Mug Design for 2016 Market

Each year the Christkindlmarket Chicago transforms Daley Plaza into a wonderland of fine gifts, hand-made holiday ornaments, delicious foods and European sweets and treats. Perhaps the most anticipated item at the market is the souvenir Christkindlmarket Chicago mug, which has become a staple of this beloved event. Like waiting for the Christkind or Santa, guests anxiously look forward to receiving their own Christkindlmarket mug to collect, take home and remember as a small token of this great holiday tradition. Working with German specialty design companies, who produce the mugs seen at the holiday markets throughout Germany, the Christkindlmarket Chicago team develops each mug design to make it perfect for its annual Chicago debut. Beginning in 1996 through 1998 the Christkindlmarket Chicago mug boasted the same design, but in 1999 it began receiving its annual restyle, every year changing shape, color and imagery. This year, to celebrate our 21st Annual Christkindlmarket Chicago, the Christkindlmarket team would like to raise a glass to this festive holiday tradition with our mini beer stein shaped mugs. Prost!!

drinks such as specialty sausages, potato pancakes, schmitzel, Stollen, and pretzels. Guests can also quench their thirst with a refreshing imported German beer or warm up with a cup of Glühwein (hot spiced wine), which is served in the popular collectable souvenir mug. Enjoy live entertainment throughout the 37-day event, including a roaming Alpine Brass band, meet and greet with the Christkind (the namesake and symbol of the market), the Children's Lantern Parade, daily Advent Calendar prize drawing, Theater day and much more! The Christkindlmarket Chicago is also the perfect destination to host all of your holiday events. Whether an evening with family and friends or a get-together with co-workers, the market offers the chance to plan these holiday gatherings with reserved tables and food and beverage packages ranging from individual family tables up to 100 guests. Enjoy a "Stammtisch", which means small get-together with friends, or a full tent reception at the Christkindlmarket Chicago. The perfect place to celebrate the season.

For more information, please visit the official website at www.christkindlmarket.com.

Breakfast with Santa, 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, at Resurrection College Prep High School, 7500 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago. Includes Breakfast with Santa, face painting, Christmas arts and crafts and a the-

Crafternoon - Make Your Own Advent Wreath Sunday, November 27, 3:00 pm

A common German saying is that "Vorfreude ist die schönste Freude" (Anticipation is half the pleasure). In that spirit, we would like to introduce you to one of Germany's oldest Christmas traditions: the advent wreath! Join us for an afternoon in the Skyline Lounge as we gather to make our own advent wreaths and count down the four Sundays before Christmas Eve by lighting one candle at a time. Traditional German Christmas snacks will be provided and drinks are available for purchase.



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About Christkindlmarket Chicago

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., Christkindlmarket Chicago transforms Daley Plaza into a 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. With free admission, the Christkindlmarket Chicago attracts over an estimated million visitors each year from around the Chicagoland area, nation, and the world. The Christkindlmarket Chicago features nearly 60 vendors boasting hand-made holiday ornaments, nutcrackers, cuckoo-clocks, toys, jewelry, and much more. This year the market also welcomes a brand new Americaneagle.com Grand Timber Haus, the centerpiece alpine lodge located at the heart of the market. It is a visitor favorite spot to warm up, sit down, and enjoy delicious food and



About Christkindlmarket Naperville

The Christkindlmarket team is thrilled to be hosting its suburban market on the village green at Naper Settlement in Naperville, IL, beginning November 25th. The market, set in the heart of this stunning outdoor history museum, is the perfect location to celebrate all the joy and tradition of the season, meet the Christkind, feast on fine German foods and drinks, and enjoy the wondrous sights and sounds of the vendors and entertainers. Hosting 35 vendors, the market will delight guests with authentic hand crafted ornaments, nutcrackers, wood carvings, sweets and treats all displayed in the traditional wooden huts of a quaint German village. Guests can also step out of the cold and shop specialty vendors or sit and enjoy a mug of Glühwein (hot spiced wine) or an imported beer. Featuring all the charm of the original Christkindlmarket Chicago, the Christkindlmarket Naperville is sure to delight visitors of all ages.

For more information, please visit the official website at www.christkindlmarket.com.



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“This Case Is A Shamilton” 93rd Annual Chicago Bar Assoc. Show

WHO: The Chicago Bar Association’s 93RD Annual Bar Show
 WHAT: “THIS CASE IS A SHAMILTON”
 WHEN: December 1- 3 at 7:30 p. m. and December 4 at 2 p.m.
 WHERE: DePaul’s Merle Reskin Theatre, 60 E. Balbo, Chicago
 TICKET PRICES: \$40 per person
 PURCHASE: Please contact info@barshow.org to purchase tickets
 CONTACT: info@barshow.org OR call 312-554-2064
 ABOUT: This irreverent musical comedy revue parodying local and national political, sports, and showbiz figures is a Chicago tradition. Held annually in December, the Bar Show is a great way to catch up on the year’s headlines and have a toe-tapping, finger-snapping, hand-clapping good time. Watch a clip from last year’s show at <https://www.youtube.com/user/BarShowVideo>
 The Chicago Bar Association is the largest municipal bar association in the United States with 21,000 lawyers, judges and law students who practice in Cook County.



(Photo from last year’s show - A Christmas Quarrel)

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Bored houseguests? We’ve got it covered.

By Wayne Mell, Artistic Director

As Thanksgiving approaches, there’s always lots of talk about family traditions and rituals. Do we have to have turkey? Do we put chestnuts or oysters in the stuffing? What is the best way to mash potatoes? It’s stressful getting the meal on the table, but everyone has lots advice for that. The question that always goes unanswered is “It’s the weekend and they’re still here ... now what?” Other than a 6 am trip Super Target on Friday, there are precious few suggestions. Don’t worry. At Skokie Theatre, we’ve got it covered

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It Had To Be Jews
 Saturday, November 26 at 8 pm
 Carla Gordon is back, and this time she brings an exciting cast of singers, comics and shtickers to salute Jewish entertainment from vaudeville, the Catskills’ Borscht Belt, and Broadway. They pay tribute to Fanny Brice, Mickey Katz, Sophie Tucker, and so many more. There will be old favorite songs and new surprises. Performing in English (mostly) It Had To Be Jews will have you laughing, crying, and plotzting from so much fun! Come join us, Bubbela. One night only. Tickets are \$25.

Fascinating Rhythm and Rhyme
 A Birthday Concert Celebrating 120 years of Ira Gershwin
 Sunday, November 27 at 5 pm

In honor of Ira Gershwin’s 120th birthday on December 6, 1896, this two-act family-friendly show features over 30 Ira Gershwin songs, spanning his career with his brother, George Gershwin, Kurt Weill, and Harold Arlen. 11 performers come together to bring you such classic songs as Fascinating Rhythm, The Man I Love, Lady, Be Good, Someone To Watch Over Me, ‘S Wonderful, Embraceable You and many more. Songs from the Broadway musicals: Crazy For You, Nice Work If You Can Get It, Girl Crazy, and An American in Paris as well as extended selections from Porgy and Bess will also be featured. The cast is extraordinary, with some of Chicago’s top jazz, cabaret, and nightclub vocalists: Joan Curto, Kimberly Gordon, Ester Hana, Liz Mandeville, Beckie Menzie, Tom Michael, Bob Moreen, Greta Pope, Tecora Rogers, and the queen of Chicago Cabaret, Denise Tomasello. Directed by Daryl Nitz with musical direction by Beckie Menzie, Bob Moreen, and Russ Long with Joe Policastro on bass and Phil Gratteau on drums. Tickets are only \$32.

New Faces Sing Broadway 1985
 Monday, November 30 at 8 pm

Hopefully your guests are gone, but don’t you need a break? Sit back with a glass of wine and relax as the award-winning Porchlight Music Theatre’s “New Faces” take you on a musical journey to the Broadway season of 1985. Peppared with visuals of the era in an exciting multimedia presentation, the very best music of the “hit and miss” productions that made up a musical season on the Great White Way will sing again in an intimate and elegant cabaret environment. For the real music theatre aficionados, the evening will offer occasions to “name that show tune” in a fun and fast-moving music theatre game where participants will be able to win Porchlight tickets and swag and audience members will be invited to occasionally sing-along as the chorus of some of the best-known hits from that Broadway season. New Faces 1985 features hit songs from: Big River, Grind, Harrigan & Hart, Leader of the Pack, Jerry’s Girls, Mayor, Singin’ in the Rain, Song and Dance, The Mystery of Edwin Drood, The News, Wind in the Willows and others. Tickets are only \$22.

End your weekend by sharing fist class entertain entertainment with those you love most. Tickets are available online at SkokieTheatre.org or by phone at 847-677-7761.

Resurrection Presents Nosferatu: The Legend Of Dracula



Resurrection College Prep High School presents its fall theatre production Nosferatu: the Legend of Dracula. The production will be Friday and Saturday, November 18 and 19, 2016 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 3:00 pm in the Resurrection Little Theatre at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago. The production is directed by Resurrection Theatre Arts teacher Mary Katherine Bohlander. Tickets are \$7 at the door or \$5 in advance. Please call 773.775.6616 Ext 110 between 7:30 am - 3:30 pm on school days to reserve tickets.

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.

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Friday & Saturday
 November 18 & 19, 2016 - 7:00 pm
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 November 20, 2016 - 3:00 pm

Tickets: \$5 in advance; \$7 at the door
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Mingle and Jingle Shopping Event Thursday, December 1, 2016

6:00 - 9:00 pm in the Res Cafe • Free Admission

Bring your family and friends to an evening of shopping sponsored by the Resurrection Parents Club. Spa products and holiday gifts will be available and the Bandit Boutique will be open for Res Spirit Apparel. All are welcome!

Christmas Fine Arts Performances

Resurrection/Notre Dame Band Christmas Concert

featuring the Resurrection/Notre Dame Band and Jazz Band

Thursday, December 1, 2016 • Little Theatre at 7:00 pm

Christmas Choral & Chamber Concert

featuring the Resurrection/Notre Dame Choir and the Resurrection Chamber Ensemble,

Monday, December 5, 2016 • Resurrection Chapel at 7 pm

Christmas Drama Showcase

featuring Resurrection Drama students

Friday, December 9, 2016 • Little Theatre at 7 pm

Christmas Dance Showcase

featuring the Resurrection Orchestras

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 • Little Theatre at 7 pm

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Lord, we humbly ask Thy blessing on the turkey and the dressing,
On the yams and the cranberry jelly, and the pickles from the deli.
Bless the apple pie and tea, bless each and every calorie.
Let us enjoy Thanksgiving dinner; tomorrow we can all get thinner.
For all Thy help along the way we're thankful this Thanksgiving day.
We're thankful too, for all our dear ones, for all the far away and near ones.
Although we may be far apart, we're together in my heart.
Keep us in Thy loving care. This is my Thanksgiving prayer.
P.S. And anyone who wishes may help with the dishes ...
It's Thanksgiving. Gobble till you wobble!

From Maria P. Bappert and Family

The 20th Annual Edison Park Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk Returns Thanksgiving Day Benefits Three Local Charities In Honor Of 20th Anniversary

The 20th annual Edison Park Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk and kids' Gobble Gallop returns to Chicago on Thanksgiving, November 24, from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Edison Park Field House (6755 N. Northwest Hwy). Packet pickup begins that morning at 8 a.m. This year's run will benefit three local charities, Avenues to Independence, New Hope Community Food Pantry Chicago, and Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care.

The Edison Park Turkey Trot is one of the longest running and most popular runs in the Chicago area.

More than 5,000 walkers and runners are expected to take part in this year's race in Chicago's historic, northwest neighborhood of Edison Park. Since its inception, the Edison Park Turkey Trot has donated almost a million dollars to various charities.

The race winds its way through the tree-lined streets of Edison Park, ending at the Edison Park Fieldhouse where the race also begins. Each participant will receive a Turkey Trot t-shirt. Registration for the Edison Park Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk is \$20 online and \$25 for in-person or on race day.

Gobble Gallop

The Gobble Gallop is available for young children ages 3-12 and will take place before the Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk beginning at 8:20 a.m. Everyone is a winner in the Gobble Gallop and all participants receive a t-shirt, finisher's medal and a race bag (race bags are provided to pre-registrants only). Registration for the Gobble Gallop is \$12 per child online and \$15 for in-person or on race day.



Packet Pickup & In-Person Registration

Online registration for the Turkey Trot 5K Fun Run/Walk and Gobble Gallop is open until Sunday, November 20 at 11:59 p.m. at www.epturkeytrot.com. Registration forms can be downloaded online and submitted in-person on any of the packet pickup dates. Registrations forms sent by mail must be sent to 7280 W. Devon Ave and received no later than November 20.

Race packets can be picked up on Saturday, November 19 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sunday, November 20 from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Fleet Feet Sports (4762 N. Lincoln Ave); Monday, November 23 from 4-8 p.m. at Emerald Isle (6686 N. Northwest Hwy); or the morning of race at the Edison Park Field House from 8-9 a.m.

Race day registration t-shirts will be given on a first come, first serve basis for both adult and children participants. Note: Participants who register online after Thursday, November 19 at 11:59 p.m. will not be eligible to pick up their packet at Fleet Feet Sports on November 21 or 22.

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The Evanston Public Library is located at 1703 Orrington Avenue. Metered parking is available in the surface lot directly east of the Library, in the Library's underground garage, on the street, and in the City Parking Garage at Church St. and Chicago Ave. The sale will be held in the Book Sale Room on the 3rd floor. All welcome.

Register Now for the 40th Annual Lincolnwood Turkey Trot on Sunday, November 20, 2016



Lace up your running shoes and join us for the 40th annual Lincolnwood Turkey Trot (1976-2016)! This CARA Certified, chip-timed 5K/10K race and 5K fitness walk takes you through scenic Lincolnwood, featuring a flat, fast course perfect for novice as well as experienced runners and walkers. For our youngest athletes (6 years of age and under), the Drumstick Dash is the perfect way to round out this historic running event!

Download your registration form in advance by going to www.lincolnwoodil.org and click on Parks & Recreation Special Events.

We offer four convenient ways to register. Please note the cut-off dates/times for all registration types. Last year's event sold out prior to race day, so please register early to avoid missing this historic event!

1) ONLINE via Active.com Please note, a small convenience fee is added to online registrations. Online registration closes at 5pm on Friday, 11/18, if we have not yet reached our maximum number of runners/walkers.

2) IN PERSON M-F from 9-5pm in the Parks and Recreation Department office (6900 N. Lincoln Avenue in Village Hall). You may pay by cash, check or credit card. Download the Registration form.

3) FAX (847) 673-4413. If registering by fax, please don't forget to include your credit card information. Download the Registration form. Fax-in registration closes Friday 11/11 at 5pm.

4) MAIL (Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department, 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, IL 60712). You may either pay by check and include in the envelope or supply your credit card information. Download the Registration form. We must have received your mailed registration form and payment in our office by Friday 11/11 at 5pm.

Thanksgiving Sayings To Ponder As You Enjoy The Day

1. "Things turn out best for people who make the best of the way things turn out." John Wooden
2. "Now is not the time to think of what you do not have. Think of what you can do with what there is." Ernest Hemingway
3. "If the only prayer you ever say in your life is thank you, it will be enough." Meister Eckart
4. "If a fellow isn't thankful for what he's got, he isn't likely to be thankful for what he's going to get." Frank A. Clark
5. "Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings." William Arthur Ward
6. "Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds." Theodore Roosevelt
7. "Let us be grateful to people who make us happy; they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom." Marcel Proust
8. "We should certainly count our blessings, but we should also make our blessings count." Neal A. Maxwell
9. "I would rather be able to appreciate things I cannot have than to have things I am not able to appreciate." Elbert Hubbard
10. "Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." William Arthur Ward
11. "Nothing is more honorable than a grateful heart." Seneca
12. "We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures." Thornton Wilder
13. "There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." Albert Einstein.
14. "Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our Thanksgiving." W. T. Purkiser
15. "Forever on Thanksgiving Day the heart will find the pathway home." Wilbur D. Nesbit

Submitted by Laurie Atkeisson



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The Crippling Effects of Disability



Chester M. Przybylo

There are few things in life more valuable than your health. But good health and the ability to use all your senses are the things we take for granted most. We think that every morning we will awake as healthy and fully functional as the day before. Remarkably this nonchalant attitude actually works for most people most of the time. But accidents do happen.

If you are sidelined with an incapacitating illness or are seriously injured in an accident, it could have a significant impact on your family's lifestyle. But the overall effect can be much bigger. Reduced earnings today can mean a less than comfortable retirement and a smaller estate to pass on to your loved ones.

Have you considered the source of your most valuable asset? Unless you've already accumulated tremendous wealth, your greatest asset is your ability to work and earn money. If you are no longer able to

function on the job, you'll not only miss out on future income, but you'll start depleting your existing assets.

Before age 65, one out of three people aged 35 or younger will be disabled for six months or more and one of four will be disabled for one year, according to the National Safety Council. So even if you're feeling young and healthy, it could happen to you. If you wait until you have a need, it may be too late.

Most people don't prepare for the possibility of being temporarily or permanently disabled. Many employers don't include group disability insurance in their employee benefits packages either. This leaves most people on their own except for a little help from the government.

Beyond the direct financial consequences of a disability, there could be some important personal concerns as well. You may have to go through a "living probate" process if you don't have the proper estate planning documents already in place. Let's say a person suffers a stroke or is involved in a car accident and ends up with a head injury. As a result, this person may not be able to make personal and financial decisions.

What happens next? Someone – typically a spouse, child or parent – must file court papers to have the individual declared legally incompetent. Interested parties, including family and creditors, must be notified. A hearing will take place and the individual may need to be present if his or her physical and mental health will allow it. If not, medical evidence or testimony will be introduced. And finally, a notice of the hearing will be published in the local newspaper for anyone to read.

If the person is declared mentally incompetent, the court will appoint others to act on his or her behalf. This responsibility is often split in two. A personal guardian makes decisions with respect to medical care and facilities. A financial guardian or conservator makes the financial decisions. Both roles can be handled by the same person.

You can take steps to ensure that people you know and trust take care of you and not someone appointed by the probate court. You can do this with a Health Care Power of Attorney along with a Revocable Living Trust. You can use the Health Care Power of Attorney to express your wishes regarding life-support measures and long-term care. With the Revocable Living Trust, you can designate a Successor Trustee to manage your financial affairs. The trustee is required to follow the detailed directions you've provided in your trust documents.

Depending on your trust, you may only need a physician's statement indicating you are mentally incapacitated. And this can happen without the time, expense and humiliation of a court proceeding. Soon your financial affairs will be under the management of your trustee who will implement your wishes.

Most people assume that these problems will never happen to them. Consequently, they do not initiate a plan. If you want to make sure you are properly cared for should a disability occur, you should speak with an experienced estate planning attorney to discuss your alternatives.

Happy Holidays from Chester M. Przybylo and his Staff.

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.

Governor Rauner Announces Military Holiday Card Drive with the USO of Illinois

Governor Bruce Rauner today announced the 2016 Holiday Card Drive for the Military. The drive will again be done in partnership with the United Service Organizations (USO) of Illinois.

"It is important we remember our American heroes who continue to serve in harm's way and are unable to be with their loved ones this holiday season," Governor Rauner said. "We are proud to be partnering with USO of Illinois again this year to help spread holiday cheer to our brave men and women overseas. A card is a simple gift that can lift spirits and remind our service members that we're thinking of them even while they're far from home. I encourage all Illinoisans to send holiday cards to express their gratitude and admiration for the service of Illinois' heroes."

Illinois citizens should send holiday cards for U.S. service members to the USO of Illinois as early as possible and thanked the USO of Illinois for helping to distribute the holiday cards to troops and for all the USO does to lift the morale and increase the well-being of our military members throughout the year.

Holiday cards will be accepted through mail delivery only from now through November 30th at the following address:

USO of Illinois
333 S. Wabash Ave., 16th Floor
Chicago, IL 60604

Maj. Gen. Richard J. Hayes Jr., the Adjutant General of the Illinois National Guard and Director of the Illinois Department of Military Affairs, thanked the USO of Illinois for its support of his Soldiers and Airmen.

The United States Postal Service recommends the following holiday mail deadlines for service members serving overseas:

Standard: As soon as possible (deadline is Nov. 7)
Space Available Mail: Nov. 25
Parcel Airlift Mail: Dec. 2
Priority Mail: Dec. 9, except for AE ZIP 093 (Iraq and Afghanistan), which is Dec. 2
First-Class Letters and Cards: Dec. 9, except for AE ZIP 093, which is Dec. 2
Priority Mail Express Military Service: Dec. 16. Service not available to AE ZIP 093.

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 or visit (www.honorflightchicago.org)

Honor Flight Chicago is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to the mission of flying our World War II veterans to Washington DC to see the WWII Memorial built in their honor.



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 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>

Evanston/Skokie Valley Metropolitan Family Services - Giving Hope And Opportunity To Families

With your help last year Metropolitan served more than 53,000 individuals and families in the Chicago area, helping them become more self-sufficient and strengthening family bonds. Learn more about our organization by visiting our website, metrofamily.org.

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.

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Village Holiday Cooking

Pumpkin Dump Cake

From the Kitchens of Laurie Atkeisson

Ingredients	
15 ounces pumpkin puree	1 cup graham crackers, crushed
10 ounces evaporated milk	1/2 cup toffee pieces, I used Heath Bar Pieces
1 cup brown sugar	1/3 cup pecans, chopped (optional)
3 eggs	15.25 ounces yellow cake mix
3 teaspoons pumpkin spice	1 cup whipped topping (optional for the top)
1 cup butter, melted	

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees
Spray a 9x13 inch baking pan (I used a glass pan) with non stick cooking spray.
Combine pumpkin, evaporated milk, brown sugar, eggs, and pumpkin spice.
Stir to combine.
Pour this mixture into the prepared pan and then sprinkle the dry cake mix over all.
Then top with graham cracker crumbs, toffee pieces, and pecans.
Then pour the melted butter evenly over the top.
Bake for 45-50 minutes until center is set and edges are browned.
Let cool and then serve with a dollop of whipped topping on each piece.

Sweet & Savory Sweet Potato

From Christopher Riley of Light Opera Works

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1 1/2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 tablespoon minced shallot (1 small)
- 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 1/2 pounds sweet potatoes peeled, evenly chopped.
- 2 medium, fresh, poblano pepper, seeded, diced (blanch or put in the microwave for 20 seconds or so to take some of the "crunch" away.
- 1/4 cup green onions, thinly sliced diagonally (about two)
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh Italian parsley

Directions

- Cook the sweet potatoes in salted boiling water until just tender when pierced with a knife. If you overcook them, they will fall apart when tossed with dressing and other ingredients. Drain; run under cold water to cool.
- Whisk first 5 ingredients in a small bowl. Slowly whisk in olive oil. Season to taste with salt and pepper to make the dressing.
- Drizzle dressing over potatoes; gently toss to coat.
- Add poblano pepper, green onions, and parsley. I use a spatula to make sure I don't mash the potatoes.
- Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve warm or at room temperature. Can be made 1 day ahead. Bring to room temperature before serving.

Pickled Pumpkins

Here's a new idea for those pumpkins after they have served their purpose for Halloween decorations:

Ingredients for 10 servings:	5 cups water
4.4 lbs. pumpkin, cleaned, peeled and cubed	1 to 2 cups wine vinegar
5 cups white vinegar	2.2 lbs. sugar
	1 lemon
	1 stick ginger

Place the cubed pumpkins in an ironstone or earthenware dish or crock.
Combine white vinegar and water and pour over pumpkin cubes; marinate till the next day. Turn pumpkin cubes out in a colander to drain. In a saucepan, combine wine vinegar, sugar, ginger, the grated rind and the juice from the lemon and bring these ingredients to a boil. Add the drained pumpkin cubes and cook over low heat till they begin to look glassy. Lift pumpkin cubes out of liquid with a slotted spoon and transfer them to an earthenware dish or crock. Continue to cook liquid till it thickens; then remove from heat and pour over the pumpkin cubes. Let cool. Cover with cellophane and tie it securely over dish. Refrigerate. This makes a delicious condiment or dessert.

(Taken from Festive Menus, Cook Book No. 2 from Burda International Cuisine)

Chinese Turkey Dinner

Having trouble thinking of something to do with those turkey leftovers from Thanksgiving dinner? Here is a different way to prepare even those small frozen portions that you had stuck away in the freezer only to probably just use for soup or a casserole, or eventually throw out.

13 oz boned turkey breast	1 cup bean sprouts
2 to 4 T soy sauce	1 onion; 1 clove garlic 6 T oil
1 t ground ginger	1-1/4 T corn starch
2 carrots; 1 leek; 1 zucchini	salt, pepper
1 small fennel bulb	1/4 cup wine vinegar
2 T dried black Chinese mushrooms	2 to 3 T apricot preserves
4 T Chinese noodles (bean threads)	

Cut meat into thin slivers approximately 1/4 inch (this is easier when meat is partially frozen). Sprinkle turkey slivers with 2 tablespoons soy sauce and some ginger and marinate at least 1 hour. Peel and prepare carrots, leeks, zucchini and fennel bulb and cut all vegetables in thin slices. Boil mushrooms in water for 1 minute; boil the bean thread for 2 minutes. Drain mushrooms and bean threads. Wash bean sprouts. Chop onion and garlic finely. Heat oil in a skillet. Combine meat and corn starch and saute till golden brown; remove from skillet. Saute onion and garlic in oil till yellow. Add carrots, leek, zucchini and fennel and saute 4 minutes more. Add bean sprouts, saute 1 minute more. Add noodles (bean threads) and mushrooms; season with salt, pepper and vinegar and mix in the apricot preserves. If desired, add 1/2 cup chicken broth and 1 to 2 tablespoons soy sauce. Thicken with corn starch that has been dissolved in some cold water. Add the meat; do not cook any more, just heat. Serve with rice. Serves 4

(Taken from Festive Menus, Cook Book No. 2 from Burda International Cuisine)

Kulturküche Cooking Classes: Frikadellen November 18, 2016 • 7:30 pm

Master the art of Frikadellen at the DANK Haus with this traditional German dish! Sometimes called "the German hamburger," savory and succulent Frikadellen are made of minced veal, pork, or beef (or a blend of two meats). Combined with onions, a binding agent and "secret seasonings," these giant meatballs are popular throughout Europe and are often served with boiled potatoes and gravy.

DANK Haus German American Cultural Center, 4740 N. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 773/561-9181.



Christmas Tree Care



By: Nick Urhausen,
Urhausen Greenhouses

Just because we do not sell any Christmas trees or poinsettias at Urhausen Greenhouses, as we are already growing our annuals and perennials for next spring and summer, we still receive and answer many questions about Christmas trees. As with everything in horticulture and floriculture, freshness is of the utmost importance. How "fresh" the tree which you purchase will determine how well it will look and how long it will last.

What does one mean by "fresh?" The freshness of a Christmas tree is determined by the length of time since the tree was cut and your purchase. When you purchase your tree it should look healthy and green, and few dead or brown needles should be visible. The needles should not be stiff and hard, but rather flexible and soft. It is a red flag if the needles fall off as you touch them.

Once a fresh Christmas tree is procured, keeping it fresh will depend on how much care the tree receives. Upon purchase, a fresh cut about one inch above the old base on the bottom of the tree should be made. Then the tree should be placed in a bucket of water. Make sure it is a rather large bucket as a tree may absorb almost a gallon of water the first day. Make sure you monitor the water level several times on that first day. At this time of the year you may read or hear about all kinds of additives to place in the water to preserve freshness. Most horticultural experts advocate the use of pure tap water and disavow the benefits of the so called additives.

The key to the freshness of your tree is to keep it watered and not let it dry out. The added benefit of doing this is that a well watered tree will not be a fire hazard. Use common sense when locating your tree. Don't place it near a source of heat, like a fireplace, stove, or a hot air duct. These measures promote safety and preserve freshness.

The information in this article is correct, however as a fellow consumer of Christmas trees it is becoming more and more difficult to find a fresh tree. Many years I have purchased a tree and followed all these guidelines only to be met with frustration. One sign that you have a stale tree is when the tree will not absorb any water after you place it in the bucket of water. Another is when the needles drop only a few days after the tree is placed inside your home. So, I guess it is important to ask the merchants selling trees when the trees were cut.

From all of us at Urhausen Greenhouses we wish everyone a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season.

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