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*We Honor
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
on the Anniversary of his
Birth, January 15
(Observed on January 20, 2014)*

Francis Cardinal George Visits Queen of All Saints

Queen of All Saints "Filipino-American Community Association" held a special mass called "Simbang Gabi" with special guests Francis Cardinal George & Bishop Francis Kane last month on December 23. The evening mass also featured priests from many parishes, including QAS. It was the 25th anniversary celebration for Simbang Gabi at QAS and also the 50th anniversary of Francis George becoming a priest.



The Cardinal enters the mass

QAS Basilica had colorful symbols & decorations, including bahay kubo (bamboo hut), belen (nativity set), kalabaw (water buffalo), parol (lantern), and sabsaban (crib). After mass parishioners dined on Filipino food, then saw teenagers perform traditional dances such as "tinikling" with bamboo sticks and "sayaw sa banco" using benches. Music came from a mandolin-like instrument called a banduria.

The night was very well organized thanks to the Filipino-American Community Association, QAS staff & choir, Marizel & Rex Abad, and many others.

In honor of this 25th "Simbang Gabi" mass, and 50 years of priesthood for Francis Cardinal George from Portage Park, he received a special engraved plaque with the cover of the first Filipino Catechism book "Doctrina Christiana" from 1593.

WINTER, CHICAGO STYLE

HAS ARRIVED

BE CAREFUL - BE AWARE - HELP OTHERS

**Veterans
Appreciation Day
&
Bears of Hope**
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McCormick & Schmick's General Manager, Aaron Toricelli; WWII veteran Robert Gordon; & Bears of Hope founder, Carolyn Reiner



CHICAGO RANKED AMONG WORLD'S MOST COMPETITIVE CITIES FOR BUSINESS IN NEW IBM REPORT

World's Most Competitive Cities Report Puts Chicago at the Top of All Major Sectors for Business Investments; Global Location Trends Report Ranks Chicago #1 in U.S. for Foreign Direct Investment

Chicago ranks among the World's Most Competitive Cities in a new report released by IBM. Of the top 100 global cities, Chicago ranked in the top 8 or better across the board, and 4th in financial services. Of 15 North American cities, Chicago was 2nd in four categories, and third in software development. The overall high rankings reflect the diversity of the Chicago's economy.

"I am pleased to receive this recognition for our efforts and that IBM has characterized Chicago as one of the top cities in the world in every category," said Mayor Emanuel. "A report like this shows the opportunities we have with our diverse economy, talented workforce, world-class infrastructure and incredible quality of life. I will continue to foster growth and create jobs across Chicago so we maintain and improve this high standing in the global economy."

The analysis replicates the strategic shortlisting process that companies often utilize when making location decisions. It takes qualitative measures such as business environment and quality of life, while also weighing quantitative cost factors.

The study looks at five investment types: international headquarters, shared services, software development, financial services and life sciences. Chicago ranked among the top 10 cities in the world in each of these functions.

Chicago Performance	Global Rank	North American Rank
International Headquarters	7	2
Shared services center	6	2
Software development	8	3
Financial services	4	2
Life sciences R&D	7	2



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on Friday, February 14, 2014
8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Reservations required.

Presence Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers January Health Programs

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

A free Healthy Aging Program will be held Friday, January 10, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. This program for individuals aged 55 and older consists of social time, health topics and guest lectures. A pharmacist will be available to answer drug-related questions. Registration is not required.

A free blood drive will be conducted Tuesday, January 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The hospital and Heartland Blood Center will host this opportunity to donate the gift of life. The blood donation process includes registration, a brief medical screening, blood collection, and refreshments. Walk-ins are welcome and appointments are encouraged by calling Sharon O'Malley, R.N., 773.794.8486.

A free Courage to Quit Smoking program, from the Respiratory Health Association, will be offered January 21, 28 and February 4 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Participants will receive a workbook to be used at each session and will include practice exercises and educational information. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.4636.

Free blood pressure screenings will be offered Monday, January 27, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., in the hospital's main lobby. A health care professional will perform screenings and answer questions about blood pressure readings. Registration is not required.

A free lecture titled Heart Health for Women will be given Tuesday, January 28, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in anticipation of National Heart Month, which is February. Stories of survival make the facts and figures on women's heart disease come to life and echo the importance of prevention, early detection, accurate diagnosis, and proper treatment. Debra Davidson, a speaker for WomenHeart, will tell her personal story of how heart disease affected her. What you hear may save your heart or that of someone you love. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.4636.

Thyroid screenings will be held Thursday, January 30, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. This screening tests for TSH, the thyroid stimulating hormone that indicates if the thyroid is functioning properly. No fasting or preparation for the test is needed. Test results will be mailed within one week. There is a \$10 fee. Advance registration is required by calling 877.737.4636.

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

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

Skokie and SWANCC Provide a Holiday Light Recycling Program

The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), Elgin Recycling and the Village of Skokie are offering a free Holiday Light Recycling Program.

All holiday string lighting and extension cords can be dropped off at the Skokie Public Works Department, 9050 Gross Point Road, now through January 31, 2014 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Garland, live greens, wreaths or other non-recyclables are not accepted in this program. Elgin Recycling is processing the material, www.elginrecycling.com.

Remember to remove holiday decorations and lighting early in the New Year. In accordance with the Village of Skokie adopted 2008 National Electric Code section 590.3 (B), temporary electric power and lighting installations shall be permitted for a period not to exceed 90 days for holiday decorative lighting and similar purposes. Exterior holiday decorative lighting is a festive way to enjoy the holiday season. For more information, please contact the Property Standards Division at 847/933-8224.

For more information please contact the Public Works Department at 847/933-8427.

Village of Skokie Holiday Tree Pickup and Holiday Light Recycling Program

Weather permitting, Village of Skokie Public Works crews will pick up holiday trees during the first two weeks in January. The trees are then chipped and prepared for mulch which is available to Village residents after the New Year's holiday.

After these initial collections, Village refuse crews will collect trees during normal garbage collections. The mulch pick-up area is located on the south side of Church St in the Commonwealth Edison right-of-way property which is just east of Terminal Ave.

To have your tree picked up for recycling, place it in the alley or at the curb where refuse is collected. Do not put the tree in a bag or container, and please remove all decorations. Wreaths are not collected with the trees and should be disposed with the regular household garbage.

Additionally, the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), Elgin Recycling and the Village of Skokie are offering a free Holiday Light Recycling Program. All holiday string lighting and extension cords can be dropped off at the Skokie Public Works Department, 9050 Gross Point Road, December 2, 2013 through January 31, 2014 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Do You Know About the Skokie TeenLink Program?

The Skokie TeenLink program is a database collection of Skokie teens who are available to do outside yard work, including snow shoveling, which is provided to Skokie residents upon request. Many residents who request the TeenLink list are unable to do physical work themselves, unable to afford the cost of a professional contractor on a regular basis or only need assistance during one season. The TeenLink list provides contact information for Skokie teens including the name and address of the teen, days of availability, type of work they are willing to do and their expected rate of pay. Residents can receive the list by mail or email.

This program becomes very popular and sought after during the snow season. It's always best to receive the TeenLink list early in the year and contact the teen before needing assistance.

The resident is responsible for contacting the teen and for making financial and scheduling arrangements.

Do you know someone who may benefit from the TeenLink list?

Please contact the Village Manager's Office at 847/933-8257 for more information. Skokie teens can also complete an application to be added to the TeenLink program by contacting the Village Manager's Office or visiting www.skokie.org to download an application.

Medication Strategies for Mental Illnesses

Meet Dr. Corey Goldstein, M.D., from Rush University Medical Center, an expert in the diagnosis and pharmacological management of psychiatric disorders. Dr. Goldstein will answer your questions about medications and mental illnesses.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness, Cook County North Suburban, invites the public to this free program on Monday, January 20, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the NAMI CCNS office, 8324 Skokie Blvd, Skokie, in the Turning Point Building. Turn west on Washington St, which is one block south of Main St. Parking is available in the rear of the building.

Please enter the door at the south end of the building. For more information, call 847-716-2252.

KIWANIS CLUB OF RAVENSWOOD

The Kiwanis Club of Ravenswood meets 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.

Saturday, January 18 -Pattie Heath, our new Governor, will visit fellow Kiwanians in Chicago at 1:00 pm sharp at Sabatino's, 4441 W. Irving Park Road. Parking available. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Please RSVP with Lt. Gov. Suzy Pollack at 312-329-0391 or SuzyPollack@msn.com.

Best Wishes to you and yours for a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year!

P.S. And, during these cold and dreary winter days, remember this: Friendship warms the heart!

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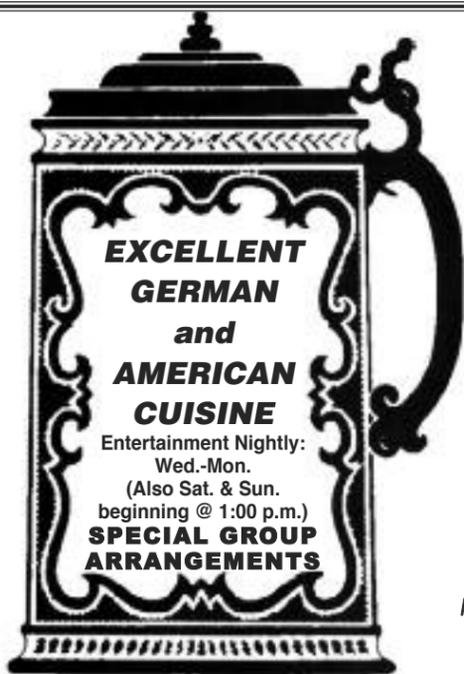
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Katherine A. O'Dell Announcing Her Candidacy For Judge

Katherine A. O'Dell is announcing her candidacy for Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County as a Democrat, 10th Sub Circuit, in the upcoming Primary Election being held on Tuesday, March 18th.

Katherine A. O'Dell is a Democratic candidate for Judge in the 10th Subcircuit in the Circuit Court of Cook County (Northwest Corner of the City neighboring both western suburbs, Main Township, Niles and Northbrook). She is the senior associate with The Law Offices of Amari & Locallo that handles, exclusively, ad valorem real estate tax matters, locally and nationally. These matters include filing real estate protests at the local Assessor's Offices and Boards of Review.

Katherine also handles various related real estate tax matters including back tax and tax sale issues, incentives, etc.

Katherine graduated from The John Marshall Law School in 2000 where she had served as the President of The John Marshall Law School Alumni Association. The Alumni Association also awarded her The Distinguished Service Award in May of 2006. Katherine received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Northern Illinois University. She obtained her high school degree from Regina Dominican in Wilmette. Lastly, Katherine attended grammar school at Queen of All Saints, located in Chicago's 39th Ward.

Katherine began her legal career at The Cook County State's Attorney's Office in the Real Estate Tax Department of the Civil Division. She defended cases for the Cook County Treasurer's Office, the Cook County Clerk's Office, the Cook County Board of Review and the Cook County Assessor's Office including Specific Objection lawsuits, Property Tax Appeal Board cases, Indemnity lawsuits as well as tax sale and tax deed matters.

Katherine is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association, serving her third elected term as a member of the ISBA General Assembly (governing its supreme legislative body). She is also Past President of the Justinian Society of Lawyers. She began her membership with the Justinian Society of Lawyers in 2001. Katherine is also the associate editor of the Justinian Society newsletter and serves on its Executive Committee. She also is First Vice President of the Sicilian American Cultural Association.

In 2007, Katherine was selected by the Law Bulletin Publishing Company as one of "40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40 to Watch."

Katherine is married to Jason E. O'Dell. They live in Chicago's 41st Ward and are proud parents of Jason Jr., age 5. Katherine has lived in the 10th Judicial Sub Circuit since 1978.



Veterans Shown Appreciation

(From page 1)

McCormick and Schmick's Seafood & Steak Restaurant, located in Westfield Old Orchard, held its annual Veterans Appreciation Day in November. Bears of Hope joined the restaurant to praise veterans for their service to our country. The restaurant gave veterans a complimentary entrée and Bears of Hope gave them their handmade patriotic fabric bears. Bears of Hope is a Skokie based volunteer organization. They make handmade fabric bears for sick children and adults. Bears Founder, Carolyn Reiner, added, "Each year we make a limited number of patriotic fabric bears for veterans. Patriotic themed cotton fabric is used to make these special bears. No two bears are alike; each one is unique, just like the veteran who will receive it. This is our way to honor our veterans and let them know how much we appreciated what they did for our country."

Veterans representing all military branches came to the restaurant. Many served either in World War II; Korean War; Vietnam; Desert Storm; Iraq or Afghanistan.

World War II veteran, Robert I. Gordon, told Reiner he was with the U.S. Seventh Army Division, when they liberated Dachau Concentration Camp April 29, 1945. Gordon said, "It's been 68 years ago and I still remember the horrible stench and the sight of near death inmates we found alive and starving. The prisoners who could, crawled to us, reached out and touched us."

A Vietnam veteran looked shocked when Reiner gave him his bear. He exclaimed, "You don't know how much this bear means to me. When we came home, nobody cared or wanted to do anything for us. I'm glad things have changed. Whenever I look at this bear it will remind me, people care about us. Thank you so much."

Bear volunteers enjoyed talking to the veterans and hearing their war stories. Danon Dastugue, a Bears volunteer, replied "I absolutely loved being part of this event. It was extremely rewarding to thank veterans for their service, especially the WWII vets. They all seemed genuinely humbled by our expression of gratitude."

Restaurant general manager, Aaron Torricelli, said, "This was McCormick & Schmick's 15th annual Veterans Appreciation Day. We are honored to pay tribute to our veterans. Having Bears of Hope at our location, was an added bonus and a huge part of the event that meant so much to the veterans."

Contact Bears of Hope at bears@bearsofhope.com

Contact McCormick & Schmick's, Westfield Old Orchard, 847 763-9811

Illinois State Disabling The Disabled

Those in the disabled community holding a blue placard for their vehicle will be required to pay meters throughout the state beginning January 1st, 2014. Hats off to Illinois States' intention to end the abuse of those who are not handicapped enjoying the benefits of those who are, but blue placard holders will have to comply with time limits on meters-something that is currently unrestricted.

The handicapped community that is able to drive, currently has no time limits on parking meters. January first however, blue placard holders will have to feed the meters and continue feeding them throughout the day at whatever time interval the meter requires. With the new law, many disabled persons will be more

than a little challenged in having to make their way back to feed the meters multiple times throughout their stay. Only those with yellow and gray parking placards will have no time constraints on parking meters and neither will they have to pay them.

"It's critical that cities, towns, and municipalities throughout Illinois work with their disabled community to be sure they are properly informed and assigned placards that are appropriate for their needs," Ms. Schelter said. "For disabled folks who haven't got the correct placard, offering a grace period would be appropriate for those at risk of having to pay fines, tickets, or penalties for overstaying metered parking time limits."

For more information please contact Cate Schelter, Illinois Chamber of Commerce, 312/983-7115 or cschelter@ilchamber.org.

LONELY CHICAGO SENIORS GIVEN GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP

"Christmas Day can seem like the loneliest day of the year when you spend it all alone," said Simone Mitchell-Peterson, chief executive officer of Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly, Chicago Chapter. "At Little Brothers, we want to make sure that our seniors don't spend the day feeling lonely and unremembered. That's why we host three parties every year in the city of Chicago on Christmas Day, and visit our elder friends who are homebound or in nursing homes."

Little Brothers serves people ages 70 and over, who are aging without support from friends or family. "Many of our elders have no one to celebrate a holiday with," said Mitchell-Peterson. "They're isolated and lonely. So we celebrate holidays with them, like family would. This year approximately 300 elders joined us for Christmas dinners on the South, West, and North sides of Chicago. Our celebrations are much more than just dinner-our volunteer drivers pick up elders at home and drive them to the party and spend the day with them, sharing conversations and fun. It's a holiday outing with friends."

Hosted at Biagio on the North Side, Marriot at Midway on the South Side, and Marcello's Father and Son in West Town, each party featured a delicious meal, lovely decorations, music, and conversation. "Instead of being alone, our elders celebrate the holiday with friends," said Mitchell-Peterson. Elders who are homebound or in nursing homes had special meals, along with seasonal treats and a fresh plant, delivered by volunteers.

Little Brothers started preparing for the holiday in September, organizing a massive gift drive. "This year, with the help of incredibly generous donors, we provided holiday gifts to 1,003 seniors," said Mitchell-Peterson. "For many of our elders, this is the only gift they will receive during the season." The gifts are delivered throughout the month by Little Brothers volunteers and staff. "The impact of our Elder Holiday Gift program doesn't just come from the gift," said Mitchell-Peterson, "It's the way it makes people feel-the visit, the thought and care involved. It makes our elders feel valued and remembered. That's our goal with all of our holiday activities-parties, home delivered meals, and gifts-to make sure our elders know how much we care about them."

Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly provides friendship to seniors in Chicago who are 70 and older and aging without support from family or friends. All services and programs are free to seniors, regardless of income. The non-profit organization has operated in Chicago since 1959, and serves more than 1,300 seniors in the city.

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Chicago Park District Presents Sculpture on the Boulevards for Citywide Communities to Enjoy as Part of the Cultural Plan

The Chicago Park District in collaboration with the Chicago Department of Transportation, with assistance from the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, presents Sculpture on the Boulevards featuring 24 works on display now through next fall along Logan, Independence, California, Western and Garfield Boulevards. This is the largest temporary art installation to take place in Chicago's neighborhoods.

Chicago Park District General Superintendent and CEO Michael Kelly said, "We are excited to work with Mayor Emanuel to bring art to Chicago's historic boulevards and thoroughfares. This initiative creates a wonderful opportunity to expose Chicago's children and families to the arts and celebrates the talents of local artists right in our own neighborhood."

Several of the sculptures were previously on display for a year along the lake-front until last September, in an exhibit curated by Chicago Sculpture International. Additionally, the majority of artists are from Chicago.

"We are thrilled that Sculpture on the Boulevards is advancing some of the goals articulated in the Chicago Cultural Plan," said Michelle T. Boone, Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events. "The project maximizes people's opportunity to participate in arts and culture, and promotes neighborhood cultural assets."

Following is the list of sculpture locations.

**Logan Boulevard • Independence Boulevard • California Boulevard
Western Boulevard • Garfield Boulevard**

For more information about your Chicago Park District, visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com or call (312) 742-PLAY(7529) or (312) 747-2001.

Loyola University presents a staged reading of *Urania* by Jyl Bonaguro.

A tragicomedy of the life of Emilie du Châtelet, female mathematician, scientist and lover of Voltaire.

The life of a female intellectual largely forgotten by history emerges in a new play based upon the book, *Emilie Du Châtelet: Daring Genius of the Enlightenment* by Professor Emerita Judith Zinsser. Urania plunges us back into 18th-century France, where courtly manners were strict and scientific reasoning was the new vogue. It portrays how, after falling in love with Voltaire, Du Châtelet transformed from a social dilettante into one of Europe's leading scientific minds.

Considered scandalous by many, she still managed to publish works on physics, mathematics and even the subject of happiness. Her crowning achievement was a translation of Isaac Newton's *Principia Mathematica* with an original commentary. Completed just 6 days prior to her untimely death at age 43, it is still the only complete French translation of Newton available today.

Brushed aside by history, Du Châtelet is only recently being recognized as contributing to famous formulas like $E=mc^2$. Unlike the generally more light-hearted dramatic adaptations of her story to date, Urania takes a modern approach that balances her unsung achievements with the nuances of her relationships and the constraints of 18th century attitudes towards women.

The location of the reading, within the former women's College of Mundelein, now part of Loyola University, is an apt setting for Du Châtelet who was barred from attending university because of her sex. After the reading, a brief Q&A panel will explore the gender roles of women in science and math and how such a mind could have lapsed into anonymity.

"During the past 40 years, study after study has addressed why more women do not become scientists. The question is most apt for physics.... Zinsser debunks legends about the life and loves of the vivacious and unorthodox 18th-century French noblewoman Marquise du Châtelet and analyzes her contribution to physics." ~ Scientific American

Free & Open to the Public: Sunday, January 19, 2014 from 2-4:30pm
Studio 409, Mundelein Center for the Fine & Performing Arts
1020 W. Sheridan Road Chicago, IL

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Award Winners Take the Spotlight for 2014 Facets Family Film Series

As part of their annual Facets Family Film Series, Facets presents an international selection of award winning family-friendly movies from the 2013 Chicago International Children's Film Festival. On the second Saturday of each month, beginning January 11th and running through June 14th, Facets will screen the award winners and audience favorites from the immensely successful 2013 CICFF. Screenings are at Facets (1517 W. Fullerton) and times are 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 1PM and 3PM. Ticket prices are \$9 for Adults and \$6 for kids. Facets members are free. It's a second chance for families to see their favorites, and the ones they might have missed.

"Most often, Festival awards are given at the end, so it's not uncommon that festival goers don't even get to see the big award winners," said Festival Director Ann Vikstrom. "We think that's a bit silly, so we provide this second chance to catch the ones you might have missed."

The 30th annual CICFF welcomed nearly 30,000 kids, parents, and teachers, and saw weekend attendance grow over 300% from years past. "This was the biggest CICFF yet," said Vikstrom. "We are very proud of the films this year, and this way they can touch the lives of an even larger audience."

This lineup of award winners and audience favorites represent a diverse range of cultural perspective for both young and the young-at-heart with mesmerizing tales of fantasy, courage, friendship, discovery, and acceptance. With painterly animation, skilfully woven stories, and vibrant visuals, this year's selection of extraordinary stories will inspire and entertain all of Chicago's young movie lovers.

The Facets Family Film Series and the Chicago International Children's Film Festival are programs of Facets Multi-Media, a nonprofit organization that for 39 years has been dedicated to the exhibition, distribution and education of foreign, independent, and classic cinema. The Facets Family Film Series is screened every second Saturday at Facets (1517 W. Fullerton) starting January 11 and continuing February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, until June 14. Individual tickets are \$9 for Adults and \$6 for Children ages 2 to 17. Tickets are on sale now at Facets.org. Admission is free for Facets members. For more information on screenings and activities, or to purchase tickets, please visit facets.org or call 773-281-9075 ext. 3011.

Full schedule, additional programming information, and photos can be found at facets.org/kids or by contacting Marketing Director Eric Holst by email erich@facets.org or phone 773-281-9075 ext. 3056.

For tickets and complete program information go to Facets.org.

CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY HEATS UP IN JANUARY WITH BEATLES KARAOKE, A NEW ART EXHIBITION AND A CELEBRATION 100 YEARS OF MUSIC AT THE LIBRARY

The Chicago Public Library enters the New Year with a variety of programs showcasing music & art, and spotlighting human rights. All of the programs take place at the Harold Washington Library Auditorium, 400 S. State St.

The Music Information Center: Celebrating 100 Years of Music for the City (1914 - 2014)

Friday, January 17 at 12:15 p.m.

Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, Lower Level

Chicago Public Library's Music Information Center was formed as a separate department in 1914, making it one of this country's earliest music collections available to the public. 100 Years of Music for the City (1914 - 2014) kicks-off a 10-month-long observance of this centennial milestone and features former and current CPL Music Information Center librarians, Richard Schwegel, Jeanette Casey and Alan Wolfe, presenting a lively and fun discussion of the Library's Music Department back to its inception.

Beatles Karaoke

Friday, January 24 at 12:15 p.m. • Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, Lower Level

The New Black: Film Screening and Panel Discussion

Tuesday, January 28 at 6 p.m. • Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, Lower Level

Art exhibition on the 8th Floor: Murmurs: An installation by Selva Aparicio Exhibit open from January 10 through February 21, 2014 • Upright and Flat Exhibit Cases

For more information, visit chicagopubliclibrary.org or call the Chicago Public Library at (312) 747-4050.



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LOCAL AUTHOR STAN "TEX" BANASH TO DISCUSS ROADSIDE HISTORY OF ILLINOIS AT RODEN BRANCH, CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY ON JAN. 25

The public is invited to hear local author Stan "Tex" Banash discuss his third book, *Roadside History of Illinois*, at the Roden Branch, Chicago Public Library, 6083 Northwest Highway, in Chicago, at 11:00 a.m. on Jan. 25.

Banash will explain several interesting sections of the book, describe some of his research and then point out a number of significant happenings about Illinois history that shaped the state. The book itself begins with the Ice Age and carries readers to the present along old U.S. highways, state roadways and county roads, leading to the people, places and events that contributed to the state's development. It is the first book on Illinois history in more than 30 years and has been praised by former U.S. Sen. Adlai E. Stevenson III and Wayne C. Temple, Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Archives. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and inscription following the talk.

Active in his local community, Banash is a past president of the Edison Park Chamber of Commerce and also chaired the 41st Ward Zoning Advisory Board under Ald. Brian Doherty. He operated his own public relations firm in Norwood Park for more than 30 years. Banash graduated from Northwestern University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and obtained a Master of Arts degree in Urban Studies from Roosevelt University. His two earlier books were *Best of Dee Brown's West* and *Dee Brown's Civil War Anthology*. He also reviews books for a number of western publications, and is a member of Western Writers of America, the Society of Midland Authors, Western History Association, and the Westerners—Chicago Corral, where he served as its sheriff for five years.

DOG & PONY THEATRE COMPANY CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON WITH WORLD PREMIERE OF BREACH AT THE DEN JANUARY 16 - FEBRUARY 16

Dog & Pony Theatre Company kicks off its 10th anniversary with the world premiere of *Breach* by Egan Reich, a hyper-physical piece about five grieving women attempting to butcher a whale, at The Den Theatre, 1333 N. Milwaukee Ave. Co-artistic director and founder Krissy Vanderwarker directs.

Preview performances are Thursday-Friday, Jan. 16-17. Regular run is Jan. 18 – February 16. Press is invited to attend opening night Saturday, Jan. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Performances are Thursdays-Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 general admission, \$15 student/senior. All previews plus Thursday performances are pay-what-you-can. Tickets are available via Brown Paper Tickets here. Visit www.dogandponychicago.org for more information.

Founded in 2002, Dog & Pony Theatre Company is committed to producing vital works by new and emerging playwrights whose use of language and convention are daring and highly imaginative. As an eclectic collective of artists with backgrounds in theatre, public broadcasting, political activism, and religious studies, Dog & Pony is particularly drawn to work with social and cultural relevance. The company has presented 16 full productions in eight years including *As Told By The Vivian Girls*, recipient of three After Dark Awards, and *The Twins Would Like to Say* as part of Steppenwolf's inaugural Garage Rep series. The productions of *Mr. Marmalade*, *The Further Adventures of Hedda Gabbler*, *God's Ear*, *Dead Letter Office* and *Auctioning the Ainsleys* were all nominated for non-Equity Jeff Awards.

Dog & Pony Theatre Company is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and a proud member of the League of Chicago Theatres and Theatre Communications Group.

Explore experimental dance, theater and genre-defying performances at OnEdge 2014

OnEdge is a new performance series that will examine deeply personal themes of identity, heartbreak, family and philosophy through in-your-face samplings of contemporary performances that include emerging and mid-career artists such as Keith Hennessy (San Francisco), Miguel Gutierrez (New York), Peter Trosztmer (VIDEO)(Montreal), George Lewis Jr. and Lewis Forever (Los Angeles and Berlin) and Jeremy Xido (New York). The FREE series will spotlight experimental dance, theater and genre-defying performances and workshops from national and international artists and companies and will include several Chicago and world premieres.

OnEdge will take place January 11-February 1 at the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.) and the Storefront Theater (66 E. Randolph St.). Show times vary; visit cityofchicago.org/dcse for complete details. **Some performances include sexual themes and adult content. Not recommended for children under the age of 15.

Enjoy Loops and Variations on ICE International Contemporary Ensemble (ICE)

Coinciding with a number of Sunday Salon dates in 2014, the International Contemporary Ensemble's initiative, OpenICE, will present free contemporary music concerts at the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.) and the Edgewater Public Library (1210 W. Elmdale Ave.). The Cultural Center will host OpenICE in Preston Bradley Hall at 3pm on Sunday, January 12, February 9 and March 2. On the Saturday prior to each of these dates, the Edgewater Public Library will host OpenICE performances.

On Sunday, January 12, don't miss the first OpenICE for 2014 at the Chicago Cultural Center. Two extraordinary performers of unwieldy instruments (Dan Peck, tuba and Nathan Davis, percussion) are creating a body of new music written by them and for them. For the complete schedule visit www.cityofchicago.org

Calling All Artists! Learn more about the Cultural Grants Program today!

Cultural Grants Program Are you an artist or do you know someone who could benefit from the DCASE Cultural Grants Program? The deadline to submit on-line grant applications for the DCASE Individual Artists Program is Monday, January 13 at 5pm and the CityArts application process for non-profit arts and culture organizations opens January 24 at 12:01am!

For full details on eligibility requirements and guidelines for either program, visit chicagoculturalgrants.org.

GT Skokie Young Artists audition: "Goose on the Loose"

Description: The eccentric Mrs. Goose always keeps the kids of Uphill Village guessing what silly thing she'll do next. Join a cast of popular characters, Jack and Jill, Little Miss Muffet, Peter Piper, Mary, her lamb, and others on a journey created and performed by our youth ensemble. It's "Goose on the Loose"!

Audition Date: Saturday, January 18 and Sunday, January 19

Audition Time: 2-4pm both days

Audition Location: Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave, Skokie, IL 60077

Type/Restrictions: Seeking an ensemble of creative youth performers, ages 9-16 to write and perform in this show. Also seeking 2 teens age 14+ to act as Assistant Director and aid with tech.

Time Commitment: Rehearsals begin the week of February 10 and will be twice a week, Thursday evenings and Saturdays, time TBD. Shows are Saturdays and Sundays at 4pm, March 15-23.

Material to Prepare: Please prepare a monologue, story, or joke. Cold readings will be available for anyone without a prepared piece. If possible, please bring a headshot and resume.

To set up an audition: Contact director Susan Sjodin at susansteinke@hotmail.com; please indicate the name and age of child and preferred audition date/time.

Contact info - e-mail: susansteinke@hotmail.com; phone: 864-414-6431

Website: www.gorillatango.com

JOURNAL OF ORDINARY THOUGHT WRITING WORKSHOPS DOCUMENT MIGRATION STORIES AT CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY BRANCH LOCATIONS

Chicago continues reading the One Book, One Chicago selection *The Warmth Of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson in January. As part of the programming surrounding Ms. Wilkerson's book, Chicago Public Library invites the public to join the writers of the Journal of Ordinary Thought (JOT) for weekly community writing workshops to document and share their personal stories of migration. In addition to regular attendees, the workshops welcome new writers to be part of the facilitator-led sessions exploring how migration has shaped our lives and our city.

Journal of Ordinary Thought workshops in January are:

Fridays: January 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31 at 10:00 a.m.

Budlong Woods Branch, 5630 N. Lincoln Ave.

Wednesdays: January 8, 15, 22 and 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Bezazian Branch, 1226 W. Ainslie St.

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Wired Fridays continues in 2014 with midday DJ dance parties

Wired Fridays This winter, the popular midday DJ dance series will continue to showcase House Music and Juke/Footwork, both of which originated in Chicago. DJs will spin their tunes featuring House Music on the first Friday of the month and Juke/Footwork on the third Friday of the month at noon to 1pm in Randolph Square on the first floor of the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.).

Wired Friday's kicks off January 17 with one of the original masters of dance music, DJ Deeon. Originating from the South Side of Chicago, DJ Deeon's music is revered worldwide and has redefined dance music with albums such as his collaborative album, *Dance Mania*, with the Chicago label Dance Mania Records.

For more information, visit cityofchicago.org/dcse.



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I Already Prepared My Will or Trust Do I Still Need an Attorney?



Chester M. Przybylo

Many people have the misconception that once they have created a Revocable Living Trust, they no longer need the services of their estate planning attorney. After all, a Living Trust avoids Guardianships and Probate, and attorneys and the court are involved in each of these processes. So, obviously the planning that was done eliminated the need for any future services of the estate planning attorney. Nothing could be further from the truth. There are a number of times the services of an estate planning attorney are needed.

First, there should be periodic reviews of an estate plan. This should occur at least every two to four years. You may be wondering what facilitates this need.

- Changes in relationships with loved ones;
- Changes in the size or make-up of your assets;
- Changes in the physical, mental or emotional status of your loved ones;
- Different needs that should be addressed to protect your loved ones.

These are only a few of the many reasons why there must be periodic reviews of an estate plan.

Second, if the Trustor (the person who creates a Trust) is serving as Trustee of the Trust and wants to resign, an attorney's services are needed. There must be a resignation prepared and signed and the Successor Trustee needs to qualify to serve. Additionally, questions about accounting and the transfer and value of assets, etc., all need to be addressed and resolved. There should be continuity in the administration of the Trust. This is best accomplished by ensuring the Successor Trustee starts out the right way – with the guidance of a qualified attorney.

Third, suppose that the Trustor and/or Trustee become physically or mentally incapacitated. How is incapacity determined and who determines it? These questions should only be answered by the estate planning attorney. Once properly determined, it is necessary to qualify the Successor Trustee to carry out the terms of the Trust. That person will need guidance at the outset with transferring assets and being certain they are performing their duties properly. In addition, they may periodically need to consult with the attorney about trust related matters.

Finally, upon the death of a Trustee, it is again necessary to utilize the services of the estate planning attorney. This is when the work becomes more complex than merely changing Trustees. Are there death tax returns that need to be prepared? Is an accounting needed? Do the assets need to be valued at date of death values? Are there any post-mortem planning strategies to be implemented to reduce death taxes? When and how are distributions made? Is the Trust to be terminated? How does the Successor Trustee take over control of the assets? These are only a few of the questions that must be answered.

Yes, a properly drafted and fully funded Living Trust can avoid court involvement in your affairs. However, as demonstrated, it is absolutely necessary to involve the estate planning attorney at various times after the Living Trust has been signed. There may be other occasions when the estate planning attorney should be consulted as well. Therefore, it is important that you use the services of an estate planning attorney experienced not only in planning estates, but also in handling trust administrations.

Chester M. Przybylo has been elected to the Board of Governors of the prestigious American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys and has been engaged in the practice of law for the last 40 years. To register for an upcoming seminar, call the 24 hour reservation hotline at 1-800-638-7878 or register online at www.PlanOurEstate.com.

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Please send us 2 of your recent trash hauling invoices. You can do this in one of three ways.

1. Fax to 773-326-3582
2. Take a picture using your smart phone and email to info@wastemaster.com.
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Do I pay for this service?

There are no fees for the initial data analysis. Wastemaster will send you an alert if we believe you can save money. Once you receive this alert, you will have the option of working with us to help you save money. If you decide you want to partner with Wastemaster, our fee is based on your total savings. We can either provide you with the information to allow you to negotiate on your own or we can manage the entire process for you. It's your choice on how you want to proceed and you are not obligated to pay for anything.

What is your privacy policy?

All personal information is kept strictly confidential. We only share your zip code, service frequency and hauling rates with other members. Your name, address, and contact information is not shared.

CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY'S LAW AT THE LIBRARY HELPS YOU CLEAN UP YOUR CREDIT IN JANUARY

The Chicago Public Library and the Chicago Bar Association partner to present Law at the Library, a free monthly lecture series focusing on today's hot and timely legal issues. Law at the Library invites participants to talk with a licensed and experienced legal professional, ask general questions, and check out materials on a variety of legal topics – at no charge!

Start the new year with a fresh start financially, as the January Law at the Library seminar is Cleaning Up Your Credit. Discussion includes the legal aspects of repairing personal credit history for the year 2014 and beyond. A question and answer session follows the discussion. The seminar takes place on Monday, January 27, at 12:15 p.m. in the Chicago Authors Room, 7th Floor at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State Street

Law at the Library programs are free and open to the public. Registration is not required. In addition, all Chicago Public Library locations serve as community centers which provide access to books, databases and journals that can help Chicagoans learn more about legal issues. Law at the Library programs will be recorded for later podcasting by Illinois Legal Aid Online.

For more information, visit chicagopubliclibrary.org, the Chicago Bar Association at chicagobar.org or call (312) 747-4300

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Mix: beans and taco seasoning mix. Spread onto bottom of 9-inch pie plate or quiche dish.

Layer: Remaining ingredients over bean mixture, cover and refrigerate several hours or until chilled.

Serve with chips or crackers.

Makes 48 servings, 2 Tbsp. dip and 14 chips or 16 crackers each.

Make Ahead: Prepare as directed, cover, refrigerate up to 2 hours.

Piquant Meat Balls

2 pounds ground beef
1 egg
2 tablespoons bread crumbs
1 teaspoon salt
pepper, to taste
12-ounce bottle of chili sauce
6 ounces grape jelly
juice of 1 lemon

Combine meat, egg, bread crumbs, and seasonings. Shape into balls the size of a walnut. Heat chili sauce, jelly, and lemon juice in a heavy skillet or Dutch oven until blended. Add the meat balls, cover, and simmer for 30 minutes. Uncover and cook 15 minutes longer, stirring frequently to prevent sticking. Serves 8 to 10.

Celebrate the New Year in Illinois With 10 Free Flowering Trees from the Arbor Day Foundation

Residents of Illinois can ring in the New Year with 10 free flowering trees by joining the Arbor Day Foundation any time during January 2014.

By becoming a part of the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation, new members will receive two Sargent crabapple, three American redbuds, two Washington hawthorns, three white flowering dogwoods.

"These beautiful trees will give your home in Illinois lovely flowers with pink, yellow and white colors," said John Rosenow, founder and chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "These trees are perfect for large and small spaces, and they will provide food and habitat for songbirds."

The free trees are part of the Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting, between February 1 and May 31, with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch tall trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members will also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE FLOWERING TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2014. Illinois residents can also join online at arborday.org/january.

JR. BANDIT WINTER SOFTBALL HITTING CLINIC AT RESURRECTION

The Resurrection College Prep High School is hosting a Jr. Bandit Softball Hitting Clinic for girls in grades 5-8 on Saturday, January 18, 2014. Students can choose from one of two sessions - Session 1 will be from 9 -11:30 am and Session 2 will be from noon- 2:30 pm. Girls will be learning offensive fundamentals, including hitting and bunting and should bring indoor shoes. Participants may bring their own bat and helmet, if preferred. The cost is \$25 per player and reservations may be made through January 10, 2014. Information and the registration form may be found on the Resurrection College Prep website at www.reshs.org. Questions may be directed to Coach Fred Angelini at fangelini@reshs.org or Athletic Director and Associate Principal Katie Wachtel at kwachtel@reshs.org. Calls may be directed to 775.6616 Ext 134 during school hours.

Resurrection College Prep High School, located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago, is the largest all girls' Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women on the north side of Chicago. Since its founding in 1922, Resurrection has graduated over 13,500 alumnae. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or visit www.reshs.org.

We need your vote.... New Playlot at Monument Park in 2014!

Monument Park also known as "The Train Park" (Oliphant & Avondale) has been added to the play-grounds to be constructed in 2014 as part of the Chicago Plays! Playground Renovation Program. The Chicago Park District has worked with play-ground manufactures to design 2 equipment plans specifically created for your park that will work within the existing playground footprint.



Option 1

We need your vote on the playlot designs as seen here. Voting ends January 14th. Your prompt reply will help to prioritize construction. As the construction date approaches, we will notify you of the anticipated construction time. Typically, construction will take approximately 4-6 weeks. Construction will begin in 2014!



Option 2

The Chicago Plays! Program has created much excitement and has gotten Chicagoans thinking about community and its importance to their parks.

The community will have a volunteer work day opportunity to help install the engineered wood fiber surfacing at their community playground. Should your community opt to hold a volunteer work day, you will need the commitment of 35 volunteers for the project. Community Fiber Days will be held during the week from 9:00am- 2:00pm. We will notify the community when a day is scheduled.

VOTE by emailing info@edisonpark.com. Voting ends Tuesday, January 14th

New Year's Resolutions for Pets

As 2014 begins, doctors from BluePearl Veterinary Partners are encouraging pet parents to keep some New Year's resolutions in mind for their pets, as well as themselves.

"While providing remarkable care for pets is what we do best, preventing injuries or disease is by far the most remarkable care, and that's something any pet parent can provide," said Dr. Jennifer Welser, chief medical officer of BluePearl. "Make your pet a part of your New Year's resolutions and have a safe and happy new year."

Consider quitting smoking for yourself and your pet. Second hand smoke isn't only harmful to people. It is also harmful to pets. Knock the habit to help keep yourself and your furry friend alive longer.

Exercise with your pet. Exercising for both people and pets is a great way to stay in shape. The life expectancy of a pet can be significantly increased if they live a healthy and active life.

Make sure you maintain regular visits with your family veterinarian. Pets age much faster than people, so doctors from BluePearl recommend taking your pet to your veterinarian twice a year.

Consider obtaining a pet insurance policy to assist with funding in the event of a veterinary emergency. Companies like Trupanion offer pet health insurance. That can mean the difference between being able to save your furry friend or having to make the difficult decision to put him or her to sleep.

Start an emergency fund. Setting aside \$20 to \$40 per paycheck can be a perfect way to save for emergency care.

"PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR SALE IN THE CHALLENGING 2014 MARKET" IS TIMELY TALK AT NORWOOD CROSSING ON JANUARY 15

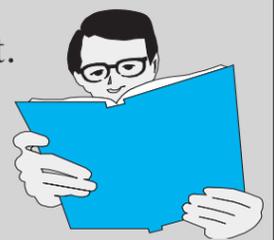
Whether you live in a single-family home, a townhouse or a condominium, a time will come when you or your family will put the home up for sale. Perhaps it will be this spring or later in the year. Whenever it is, there are repairs that need to be made, improvements that can add value to the property and little touches that can pique the interest of potential buyers. You can learn these and other factors affecting your home's marketability, such as current market trends and changing loan guidelines, by attending the Timely Talk, "Preparing Your Home for Sale in the Challenging 2014 Market," at 2:00 p.m., on Jan. 15, at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

Susan Bragg, of Baird & Warner's Edgebrook office, will make the presentation. Bragg has more than 30 years experience in real estate, is a three time recipient of the "Team Spirit" Award, a Lifetime member of the "Million Dollar Club," is active in her Norwood Park community, and is specializes in Chicago's far northwest side real estate where many of her transactions take place.

A question and answer session, raffle and light refreshments will follow the talk. For more information or to RSVP, please call (773) 577-5323 or email info@norwoodcrossing.org.

SHARE THE GIFT OF LEARNING!

Help adults learn to speak and read English. The VITA (Volunteers in Teaching Adults) Program of Oakton Community College in Skokie needs tutors. Training will be held on Thurs. Jan. 9th, Tues. Jan. 14th, Sat. Feb 8th, and Sat. March 1st. Plan to attend the 4 session workshops. Please call 847.635.1426 for more information.



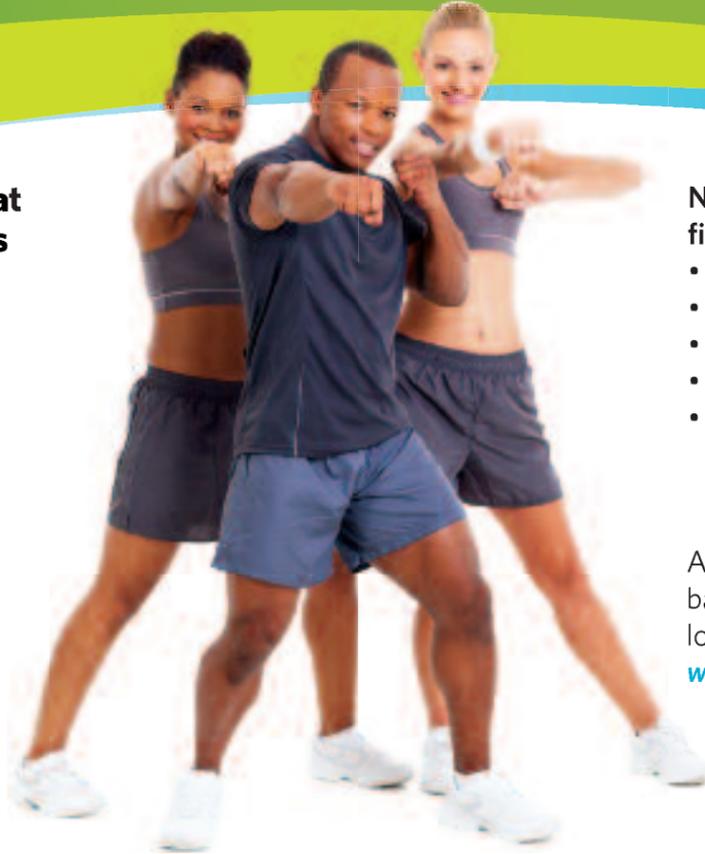
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