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Chicago's Mayor Choses Not To Seek Another Term

Excerpts From The Prepared Remarks Of Mayor Rahm Emanuel On September 4, 2018



"Today, the time has come to make another tough choice. As much as I love this job and will always love this city and its residents, I have decided not to seek re-election."

"This has been the job of a lifetime, but it is not a job for a lifetime. You hire us to get things done – and pass the torch when we've done our best to do what you hired us to do."

"I'll always be here for the future of this city – not as mayor, but in the most important role anyone can play, as citizen. I hope I'll find ways to answer the call I've asked of every citizen: to do my part to stand up for the next generation, who deserve the doors of opportunity to be open and the spark of hope to light their eyes."

"From the bottom of my heart: Thank you. God bless you. And God bless the people of Chicago."



WE WILL NEVER FORGET September 11, 2001

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

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98th German-American Fest & Steuben Parade September 7-9

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

Sunday, September 9th 2018 at 4pm

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We Wish Our Jewish Friends
And Neighbors A Happy
Rosh Hashanah, Sept. 9
And A Meaningful
Yom Kippur, Sept. 18



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Volunteer to be a VITA Literacy/ESL Tutor at Oakton Community College.

Help adults learn to read and/or speak English. Learn about methods and materials especially suited for tutoring individuals new to the U.S. or American-born residents who need help improving their reading and writing skills.

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- Thursday, September 6 5:00 - 8:45 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 11 5:00 - 8:45 p.m.
- Saturday, September 22 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
- Saturday, October 6 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Call 847.635.1426 for information about upcoming classes.



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Patriot Day - September 11

In the United States, Patriot Day occurs on September 11 of each year, designated in memory of the 2,977 killed in the September 11, 2001 attacks. Initially, the day was called the Prayer and Remembrance for the Victims of the Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001.

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

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

(From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia)

WE WILL NEVER FORGET



Photo by Joe Woolhead



Nightfall on the 9/11 Memorial at WTC. Honoring the lives of those who were lost is at the heart of our mission. Occupying eight of the 16 acres at the World Trade Center, the Memorial is a tribute to the past and a place of hope for the future. Go to 911memorial.org for more information.

The Nation's 9/11 Pentagon Memorial.
www.pentagonmemorial.org

The Garden of Reflection at the Flight 93 National Memorial located in southwestern Pennsylvania.
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Otte & Czajkowska, LLC, Marks One-Year Anniversary with New Website

Chicago Law Firm Offers Estate Planning, Elder Law Services



Izbela Czajkowska and Michael Otte

Chicago attorneys Michael A. Otte and Izbela Czajkowska are celebrating the one-year anniversary of Otte & Czajkowska, LLC, and are excited to announce the launch of their new website.

Otte and Czajkowska took over the firm of Chester M. Przybylo & Associates in order to continue serving clients from the firm's Jefferson Park office in Chicago. The attorneys have more than 20 years of combined experience and primarily offer estate planning, estate administration, and elder law services.

Attorney Michael A. Otte practices estate planning and trust administration law, with a particular focus on elder law. In addition to trust planning, he represents clients in cases

involving Medicaid planning, Medicaid appeals, adult guardianship, contested trusts and estates, and nursing home contract review.

Otte earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Iowa and a juris doctor from Loyola University Chicago. Before earning his law degree, he counseled seniors on elder financial matters through the AARP and taught classes on mortgages, credit, and lending for the Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago.

Otte is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, the Illinois State Bar Association, and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. Outside of his practice, he is a member of the board of directors of SASI, a Chicago-area nonprofit organization providing services for older adults still living in their own homes.

Attorney Izbela Czajkowska focuses her practice on probate and estate and trust planning and administration. She can also handle guardianship proceedings and assist clients with planning for disability and special needs. She is a native Polish-language speaker, which allows her to better serve Polish-speaking clients.

Czajkowska earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a juris doctor from the Chicago-Kent College of Law. She is a Certified Public Accountant and started her law career by working as a tax attorney.

Czajkowska was named a Super Lawyers Rising Star from 2014 to 2017. She offers free legal aid to the Polish community and volunteers as a Guardian Ad Litem through the Chicago Volunteer Legal Services.

About Otte & Czajkowska, LLC:

Otte & Czajkowska, LLC, provides a full range of estate planning, estate administration, and elder law services for clients on the northwest side of Chicago and its nearby suburbs. Attorneys Michael A. Otte and Izbela Czajkowska help their clients create security and certainty for their futures. Otte & Czajkowska, LLC, is one of the few firms in northern Illinois to offer Polish-language services in these areas of law. For more information or to schedule an appointment at their Jefferson Park office, call 773-631-7100 or visit <https://www.octlawyergroup.com>.



We're sorry to report that The Tomato Fest at Kilbourn Park which had been scheduled for September 8th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. has been cancelled. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Jewish Art Calendar Available

Lubavitch Chabad of Northbrook is once again publishing the Jewish Art Calendar 2018/19 for the upcoming Jewish New Year. The Jewish Art calendar includes detailed information on upcoming holidays, educational messages, Shabbat and Holiday candle lighting times, traditional Jewish recipes, and popular thematic artwork by famed artist including: Yoram Lukav, Michoel Muchnik, Baruch Nachshon, Chenoeh Lieberman and others. To your receive your free copy (one per person, while supplies last) e-mail info@ChabadNorthbrook.com.

Wow!!! The Niles North Vikettes Are Turning 50!!!



VIKINGETTES: Back Row: C. Payne, J. Kliphardt, J. Kohlenbrener, J. Edenson, B. Gersten, S. Masters, I. Kerbis. Third Row: C. Stawiariski, R. Korey, K. Keefe. Second Row: T. Saltzberg, N. Paul, G. Budnik, J. Caplan, R. Kallison, D. Citron. Front Row: R. Berger, J. Emin, L. Schlessinger, L. Belson.

In October of 1968 the "Vikingettes" made their first HOMECOMING appearance and this September will mark the Niles North Vikettes' 50th anniversary performance. If you are a former Vikette, or know someone who is... We are going to celebrate by performing at half-time of the Niles North Homecoming football game on Friday, September 7th, 2018.

This will be a great opportunity to get reacquainted and reminisce with your former squad members, have fun, and perform in front of your family and friends. We hope you will be as excited as we are about this tremendous opportunity!!!

We will perform the School Song prior to the start of the Varsity Football Game.

At half time of the game we will perform

the Dances of the Decades with a routine from each decade... 70's, 80's, 90's, 00's, 10's and conclude with a kick line!

We will also celebrate under the Alumni Tent and have a private party Thursday night, Sept. 6th to view videos of past performances and reminisce with former squad members.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Please help us find former Vikettes. We are practicing for Homecoming, but for those who are out of town or those that just want to perform the kick line or school song, we can provide a digital copy for them to practice on their own.

PLEASE join us by contacting Iris Kerbis Cantor (Puccini) at Vikette50Reunion@gmail.com and join our FACEBOOK page Vikettes from Niles North

Fall into Fitness

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run/walk

Sponsored by:
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Sunday,
September 30, 2018

Start and Finish at Portage Park

5K Run/Walk starttime: 8:30 a.m.

Participants	Pre-Race	Race Day
Adults (18+)	\$20	\$30
Youth (ages 6-17)	\$10	\$20
Seniors (ages 60+)	\$10	\$20
Family Rate (up to five members)	\$45	\$55
Children 5 and under	Free	Free

For more information, call 773-794-7648

On-Line: www.raceroster.com/18438



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32nd Annual House Walk: 100 Years of Chicago Bungalows

On September 9th, Rogers Park/ West Ridge Historical Society will host this year's house walk! Tour Historic Chicago Bungalows in the Talman-West Ridge Bungalow District. Visit six homes on a self-guided tour through a great neighborhood on the National Register of Historic Places.



Tickets are available here: <https://rpwrhs.org/program/32nd-annual-house-walk-100-years-of-chicago-bungalow-history/>

2018 Res Scholars Announced At Resurrection College Prep

Resurrection College Prep honored the top students in each class during the August 27, 2018 Back to School Liturgy, which marked the first all-school gathering for the new school year. The top ten students in the sophomore, junior and senior classes and the incoming freshmen with the top ten entrance exam scores were named as Res Scholars. The Class of 2022 Res Scholars were awarded the Resurrection College Prep Block Family Foundation Top Ten Tester Scholarship.

Freshmen Res Scholars - Class of 2022:

Allison Calumet, Caroline Flynn, Phoebe Galfano, Grace Gumiel, Julia Gutzman, Rachael Lally, Daniella Perfetti, Kyra Roselund, Grace Sondermann and Lydia Williams.

Sophomore Res Scholars - Class of 2021:

Alexandra Bazianos, Casey Brannigan, Josephine D'Angelo, Kaylee Dolatowski, Bailey Finley, Angelique Kamarinos, Lauren Lessner, Ella Narowski, Kayla Villaraza and Kellie Wijas.

Junior Res Scholars - Class of 2020:

Emma Gillespie, Reagan McEleney, Rosemary Mullaghy, Grace Pavlik, Emily Riccio, Colleen Richardson, Clare Ryan, Natalie Shamon, Alexis Suleiman and Shuru Wang.

Senior Res Scholars - Class of 2019:

Maya Austin, Angela Christie, Kayla DeCicco, Sarah Erickson, Abbey Garcia, Janna George, Viviann Markech, Morgan McCarthy, Erin Nolan and Kiarra Villaraza.



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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.

C.A.R.E. To Host Multi-Family Yard Sale To Benefit Cats & Dogs

C.A.R.E.'s highly anticipated Yard Sale will take place Saturday, Sept. 15, from 9 am to 3 pm, at 1530 Seward, Evanston. All proceeds will benefit C.A.R.E. animals.

Calling all treasure hunters! The tireless volunteers of Community Animal Rescue Effort will be hosting the organization's highly anticipated Giant Yard Sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 1530 Seward, Evanston.

C.A.R.E.'s Giant Yard Sale will feature household items, kitchen accessories, animal and pet-related products, and much, much more. And C.A.R.E.'s solemn promise: "no junkie!"

Mark your calendar for C.A.R.E.'s Giant Yard Sale on Sept. 15 so you can discover treasures new and gently used. One day only, rain or shine.

ABOUT C.A.R.E. --- Community Animal Rescue Effort is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) animal rescue organization founded in 1987. C.A.R.E.'s mission is to place companion pets into safe, healthy, lifelong homes; and serve as an educational and counseling resource. C.A.R.E.'s Adoption Center, opened in August 2018, is located at 4927 Main St., Skokie, IL. www.CAREnorthshore.org



Edison Park Post 541 Of The American Legion



Edison Park 541 of The American Legion invites Veterans and Sons of Veterans on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p.m., to attend our informational meeting. Location is Edison Park Field House 1st floor North at 6755 N. Northwest Hwy., Chicago, IL 60631. The Sons of the American Legion (SAL) squadron are looking for Sons of Veterans to be members. All male descendants, adopted sons and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in Service during World I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf War and the War on Terrorism, during the delimiting periods set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for Membership in the Sons of The American Legion. This is an informational meeting. All Veterans are invited and if you qualify we would love for you to join us. Veterans qualifications are for service during the periods stated above. Contact: Past 9th District Commander Bob Fugiti 847-921-8738 Edison Park Post 541 — AmerLegion541@aol.com 6755 W. Northwest Highway, Chicago - Meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

Honor Flight Chicago - "Operation Locate A Hero" - 2018 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 2018 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.



Cell Phones For Soldiers

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



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98th German-American Fest



98th Annual German-American Fest and 53rd Annual Steuben Parade

**September
7th, 8th and 9th, 2018
Lincoln, Leland &
Western**



**Join us for the Parade
2:00 pm Saturday, September 8th
Lincoln Ave**
The parade begins at 4000 N. Lincoln Ave. traveling to Wilson Avenue and north on Western Ave. The parade's reviewing stand is located at Leland and Western avenues.

German-American Oktoberfest 2018 Program of Events

Friday, September 7th

8:00pm Opening Ceremony and Introduction of Kornflower Queen Lisa Mende

National Anthems are being sung by Katrina Giannoni

Saturday September 8th

2:00 pm Von Steuben Parade
3:00 pm Combined Choruses of Chicago
3:10 pm Greetings by G.A. Society President Erich Himmel
3:15 pm German American Childrens Choir
3:30 pm Schuplattler Edelweiss Dancers
3:45 pm D'Lustigen Holzhacker Buam Chicago Dancers
4:00 pm Rheinischer Verein Chicago, Fanfaren players and Amazonen Dancers

Sunday, September 9th

11:00 am Sunday Mass at the Fest Site
12:00 pm Festival begins in the big tent
2:00 pm Program starts on the big stage with the National Anthems sung by Katrina Giannoni and Greetings by the President of G.A. Society Erich Himmel
2:15 pm German American Children's Chorus

2:30 pm Donauschwaben Children Dancers
2:45 PM American Aid Society Children dancers
3:00 PM American Aid Society Youth Dancegroup
3:15 PM Donauschwaben Youth Dancegroup
3:30 PM "Noch Ein Mal" American Aid Society Adult Dancers
3:45 PM Donauschwaben Adult Dancers

4:00 PM Egerlander Volks Dancegroup
4:15 PM Schuplattler Edelweiss Dancers
4:30 PM D'Lustigen Holzhacker Buam Chicago Dancers
4:30 PM Rheinischer Karneval Verein Chicago - Fanfaren Players and Amazonen Dancers
S.T. Prince Robert Ludwig I and I.L. Princess Hildegard II

BAND SCHEDULE FOR GERMAN-AMERICAN DAYS SEPTEMBER 7, 8 & 9

IN THE LARGE TENT:

FRIDAY; 6:00pm to 10:30pm

PALOMA

SATURDAY; 4:00pm to 10:30pm

PHOENIX

SUNDAY; 1:00pm to 5:00pm

TEMPOS

SUNDAY; 5:30pm to 10:00pm

PHOENIX

IN THE SMALL TENT:

FRIDAY; 6:00pm to 10:30pm

PHOENIX

SATURDAY; 5:00pm to 10:30pm

PALOMA

SUNDAY; 4:00pm to 10:00pm

PALOMA

OUTSIDE STAGE:

FRIDAY; 6:00pm to 10:00pm

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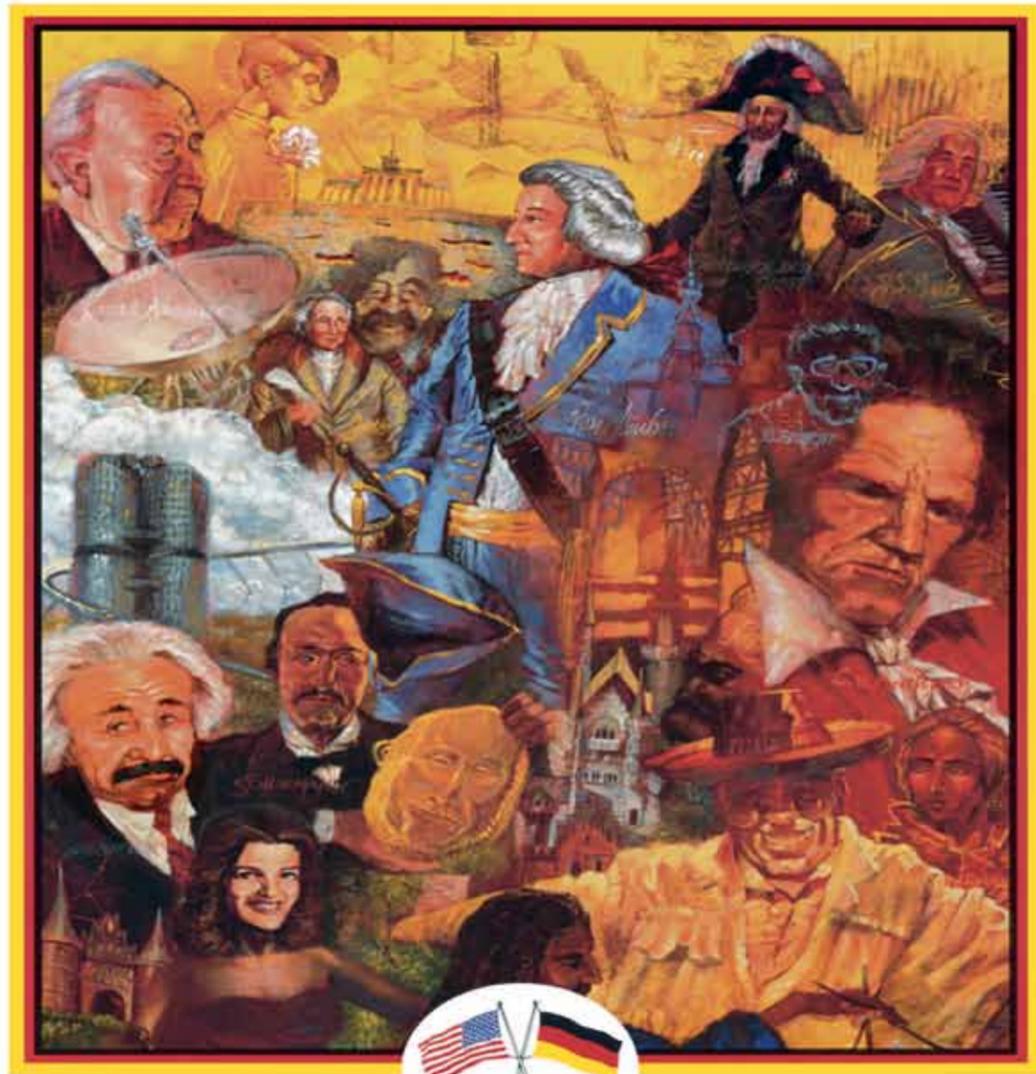
SATURDAY; 5:00pm to 10:00pm

PIEPTONE

SUNDAY; 5:00pm to 10:30pm

PIEPTONE

**German American
Day Commemoration**
2:30 pm, Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018
St. Benedict's Church
2215 W Irving Pk Rd, Chicago



Oktoberfest by German-American Fest September 7-8-9, 2018



FRIDAY — 5:00 PM TO 11:00 PM
8:00 PM OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY
SATURDAY — NOON TO 11:00 PM
SUNDAY — NOON TO 10:00 PM
11:00 AM GERMAN MASS AND SERVICE

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53RD ANNUAL STEUBEN PARADE - SATURDAY, SEPT. 8, 2018
2:00 PM LINCOLN AVE & IRVING PARK

German Commemoration Day - St. Benedicts Church
SUNDAY SEPT 30TH AT 2:30PM. 2215 W. IRVING PARK RD. CHICAGO

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98th German-American Fest



General Friedrich Wilhelm Von Steuben German-American Hero

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

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



Germain, French Minister of War persuaded Von Steuben to volunteer his military expertise to the American Revolutionists.

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

bear arms, march, form columns and to execute maneuvers with precision. He gave confidence to the officers and men, enabling them to continue on to victory at Yorktown. As "Drill Instructor" of the Continental Army, Von Steuben wrote "Regulations of the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States." Although his Manual has been modified, it still remains in the basic guide for the discipline and drill of the Army. On June 28, 1778, Von Steuben's training was put to test when the American troops encountered the British Army near Monmouth Courthouse in the town of Freehold, Monmouth County, New Jersey. What early threatened to become a disastrous defeat for the Colonial forces was turned into a glorious victory by General Von Steuben. The retreating troops of General Lee were brought to a halt by Von Steuben and reformed under heavy fire. The retreating men knew how to conduct themselves and wheeled into line with the precision of veterans. What seemed to be a certain defeat turned into a patriot victory and a turning point in the war. This battle was followed by victories in Stony Point, Yorktown and other places.

The First Germans in America

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

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

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

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

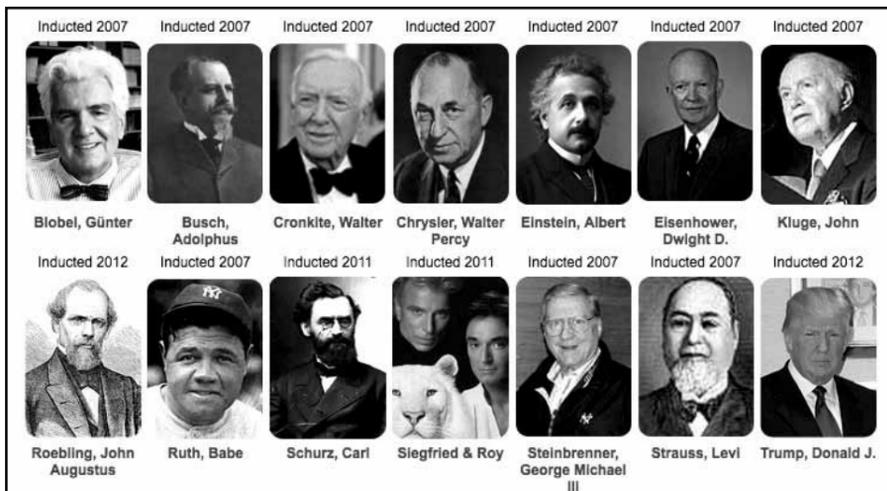
When the first American census was taken in 1790, Pennsylvania's German population was put at 225,000 which amounts to a third of the state's entire population. If we further count those Germans who in the course of the 18th century settled in the English colonies of New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia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

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

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

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

GERMAN-AMERICAN HALL OF FAME



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

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

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

United German American Societies of Greater Chicago
a 501(c)3 not for profit charitable organization
or German Day Association

The United German American Societies of Greater Chicago, the parent organization for over 50 German-American organizations in Chicago, is pleased introduce our new website and social media outlets.

For the latest events hosted by any of these organizations, visit the below website for dates & details. For coverage of events hosted by the German Day Association, and other activities in the German-American community, visit our Facebook & Twitter pages.

Website - <http://germanday.com/>
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The Original "Christmas Tree Ship"

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

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

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

Gamhof Board Of Trustees Recently Approved A List Of Prominent German-Americans To Be Considered For Future Induction Into Its Hall Of Fame

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| Arts and Humanities | Government and Military | 17. William Rittenhouse |
| 1. Josef Albers | 1. Dr. Hanna Ahrendt | 18. John D. Rockefeller |
| 2. Eric Braeden | 2. John Peter Altgeld | 19. John A. Roebling |
| 3. Maximilian Berlitz | 3. Senator Rudy Boschwitz | 20. Jacob Schiff |
| 4. Albert Bierstadt | 4. George Armstrong Custer | 21. Joseph Schlitz |
| 5. Sandra Bullock | 5. General Johann de Kalb | 22. Charles Schwab |
| 6. Doris Kaspelhoff Day | 6. Evertt McKinley Dirksen | 23. Ignaz Schwinn |
| 7. Marlene Dietrich | 7. Louis Freeh | 24. Henry E. Steinway |
| 8. Walter Johannes Domrosch | 8. Senator William Frist | 25. Nathan Straus |
| 9. Louise Erdrich | 9. General Alexander Haig | 26. Henry C. Studebaker |
| 10. Carl Follen | 10. Senator Henry J. Heinz | 27. W.R. Timken, Jr. |
| 11. Caroline Louise Frankenberg | 11. President Herbert Hoover | 28. Donald J. Trump |
| 12. Dennis Franz | 12. Jack F. Kemp | 29. Henry Villard |
| 13. Gunther Gebel-Williams | 13. Henry Kissinger | 30. John Wanamaker |
| 14. Clark Gable | 14. Jakob Leisler | 31. Felix Wardburg |
| 15. Greta Garbo | 15. Peter Minuit | 32. Friedrich Weyerhäuser |
| 16. Walter Gropius | 16. Henry Morgenthau | |
| 17. George Grosz | 17. John Peter Gabriel Muhlenberg | Science |
| 18. Friedrich Hecker | 18. Friedrich Münch | 1. Ernst Bloch |
| 19. Oscar Hammerstein | 19. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz | 2. Otto Boetticher |
| 20. Oscar Hammerstein II | 20. Franz Daniel Pastorius | 3. Dr. Max Kade |
| 21. Sonya Henry | 21. General John J. Pershing | 4. Francis Lieber |
| 22. Paul Hindemith | 22. Edward Vernon Rickenbacker | 5. Ottmar Mergenthaler |
| 23. Daniel Webster Hoan | 23. Johann Paul Schott | 6. Martin Schwarzschild |
| 24. Sebastian Junger | 24. George Schultz | 7. Charles Proteus Steinmetz |
| 25. John Kay | 25. Carl Schurz | 8. Wernher Von Braun |
| 26. Grace Kelly | 26. General Norman Schwarzkopf | 9. Dr. Ruth Westheimer |
| 27. Otto Klemperer | 27. General Carl Spaatz | 10. George Westinghouse |
| 28. Heidi Klum | 28. General Baron Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben | Athletics |
| 29. Fritz Lang | 29. Sen. Robert Wagner, Sr. | 1. Roger Clemens |
| 30. Ernst Lubitsch | 30. Robert Wagner, Jr. | 2. Lou Gehrig |
| 31. Thomas Mann | 31. Wendell Wilkie | 3. Charlie Gehringer |
| 32. H.L. Mencken | | 4. Tom Heinsohn |
| 33. Thomas Nast | Business and Industry | 5. Carol Heiss |
| 34. Anna Ottendorfer | 1. Eberhard Anheuser | 6. Paul Hornung |
| 35. Wolfgang Petersen | 2. John Jacob Astor | 7. Todd Hundley |
| 36. Otto Ludwig Preminger | 3. John J. Bausch | 8. Mickey Mantle |
| 37. Elvis Presley | 4. Valentin Blatz | 9. Paul Molitor |
| 38. Joseph Pulitzer | 5. Walter Percy Chrysler | 10. Dirk Nowitzki |
| 39. Erich Maria Remarque | 6. Adolph Coors | 11. Mike Schmidt |
| 40. Ludwig Mies van der Rohe | 7. Charles Freihofner | 12. Detlef Schrempf |
| 41. Charles M. Schulz | 8. Henry Clay Frick | 13. Barney Schultz |
| 42. Margaretha Meyer Schurz | 9. Louis Gerster | 14. Warren Spahn |
| 43. Elisabeth Schwarzkopf | 10. Milton Hershey | 15. Roger Staubach |
| 44. Siegfried & Roy | 11. James Lewis Kraft | 16. Jim Thome |
| 45. John Steinbeck | 12. Henry Lomb | History |
| 46. George Viereck | 13. Adolph Ochs-Sulzberger | 1. Donner Party |
| 47. Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. | 14. Frederick Pabst | 2. John O. Meusebach |
| 48. Bruno Walter | 15. Heinz Prechter | 3. Eriin Panofsky |
| 49. Kurt Weill | 16. Walter Reuther | 4. Maria Ludwig "Molly" Pitcher |
| 50. Johnny Weismüller | | 5. John Augustus Sutter |
| 51. Lawrence Welk | | 6. Dr. Don-Heinrich Tolzmann |
| 52. Peter Zenger | | |



98th German-American Fest



The United German American Societies of Greater Chicago, the parent organization for over 50 German-American organizations in Chicago, will proudly be hosting the:

53rd Von Steuben Parade Saturday - September 8, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.

On Lincoln Avenue from Irving Park to Western & Lawrence Avenues.

The Von Steuben Parade is named after Friederich Wilhelm von Steuben, originally from Magdeburg, Prussia (now Germany), who was Inspector General under George Washington during the Revolutionary War. The Von Steuben Parade showcases the many German cultural Clubs & Organizations in the greater Chicago area, including musicians, dancers and choral groups.



Fall Concert Of The Austrian Mixed Chorus

The AUSTRIAN MIXED CHORUS of Chicago was established in 1979 and has been thriving ever since. Our goal is to keep Austrian song and music alive so that generations yet to come will be able to experience the pleasures we have had for many years. Folk songs and classics have delighted our guests year after year. We hope to entertain you with music along those lines now and also in the future. This year's concert has the theme of "Melodies from Austria," under the direction of our dedicated and very talented Director, David Crane. Mr. Crane is well known for bringing out the best in singers not only locally, but also internationally.

The public is cordially invited to their 39th Annual Concert which will take place on Sunday, October 14, at the Avalon Banquets, 1905 E. Higgins Road (just south of Oakton) in Elk Grove Village and there is FREE PARKING. The afternoon starts with cocktails (cash bar) at 2:30 pm, followed by the concert at 3:00 pm, and dinner at 4:30 pm. The cost is \$50 per person, which includes complete dinner, dessert coffee and of course, our concert and dancing. The fabulous Anthony Kawalkowski Orchestra will provide the music once again. Dinner choices are Chicken Vesuvio or Tilapia in Ginger Sauce. All tickets will be held at the door. Checks should be made payable to: Austrian Mixed Chorus and mailed to Trudy Nika, 7157 Dexter, Downers Grove, IL 60516. Place cards, which will serve as your tickets, will be held at the door. For more information call Trudy at 1-630-960-1123 or email her at nika7157@comcast.net for your reservations.

Submitted by Maria P. Bappert

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

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

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



Starting as an agricultural festival lasting up to 5 days, in 1972 this Autumnal Fair, as it is better described, has expanded to a celebration of 16 days and includes carnival games and rides including the tallest Ferris Wheel in the world. Food, beer and wine tents are also an important site at the Volksfest since as many as 3 to 4 million people attend each year. In the center of the Festival grounds stands the symbol of "Thanksgiving", a 25 meter high pillar decked in fruit with a huge basket of more fruit on the top.

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

(Portions of this article submitted by Helga Zettl and other portions taken from Wikipedia)

KINDERCHOR

The German American Children's Chorus or The DA Kinderchor was founded in 1935 in hopes of preserving German culture through music and song. 80 years later the Kinderchor still thrives under the direction of Ms. Carol Himmel. The children range in age from 4 to 21. The Kinderchor sings at various engagements throughout the City of Chicago. Each year the Chorus has two annual concerts, the Christmas and the Mother's Day concerts. The Chorus has taken three very successful Concert Tours in Germany. The Kinderchor has also sung at Epcot Center in Orlando, FL and has sung for the German Consulate at The Union League Club of Chicago. The Kinderchor will also participate this year at the annual Von Steuben parade held on Lincoln Ave. on Saturday Sept. 8, 2018. The Kinderchor will also have a food and beer tent this year at the annual Germanfest held in Lincoln Square. The Kinderchor is always looking for new members. The Chorus rehearses every Saturday morning beginning in early October 2018, 9:30 am.

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

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98th German-American Fest



Feel the Holiday Spirit at Chicago's Traditional Christkindlmarket

The smell of fresh pretzels, bratwurst, and hot spiced wine (Glühwein), the sound of Christmas music, and the glimmer of sparkling Christmas ornaments, all in a cozy atmosphere – this is the Christkindlmarket Chicago experience. From November 16 to December 24, 2018, visitors can enjoy the outdoor market with various vendors from Germany and around the world, watch performers, try out different foods and buy special gifts. Since 1996, German American Events, LLC, a subsidiary of the German American Chamber of Commerce of the Midwest, has hosted the Christkindlmarket Chicago as a free event, featuring nearly 60 vendors with unique offerings for all ages.



The youngest visitors have the opportunity to participate in the "Kinder Club". They will receive a free paper passport with coloring pages and learning games, in which they can collect stamps from different vendors on a scavenger hunt to win prizes. Other fun activities include the Lantern Parade on Kinder Tag when children get to march around and sing American and German Holiday songs with the Christkind, the namesake of the market. This fairy-like being, dressed in gold and white robes with a crown upon her golden locks, is the bearer of gifts to most children in German-speaking countries, much like Santa Claus is in the United States.

Guests may also enjoy a "Stammtisch" experience, a popular German tradition of a shared table gather, be it for a family, a business meeting, or a get-together with friends. Visitors can reserve a private table for up to eight people inside the heated Timber Haus where they can enjoy delicious food and drinks, such as sausages, potato pancakes, hot chocolate, and Glühwein.

This year, Christkindlmarket lovers do not only get the chance to experience the traditional markets in Chicago and Naperville, but also in Milwaukee. For the first time, the Christkindlmarket is taking place right next to Fiserv Forum where it will be open November 17 until December 31. All three markets offer



Photos by: Eric James Walsh

a broad variety of entertainment, ranging from theater plays to professional singers and dance groups.

Ready to make some wonderful memories, collect a specialty souvenir mug from each location for your collection, and get into the holiday spirit? Mark your calendars, bring your loved ones, and enjoy one of the largest traditional Christkindlmarkets outside of Europe.

More information, Stammtisch table reservations, and mug sales are available on the Christkindlmarket's website: www.christkindlmarket.com

Christkindlmarket Chicago at Daley Plaza: November 16 – December 24

Sunday – Thursday: 11am – 8pm Special Hours: Thanksgiving Day: 11am – 4pm
Friday – Saturday: 11am – 9pm Christmas Eve: 11am – 4pm

Christkindlmarket Naperville at Naper Settlement: November 23 – December 24

Thursday: 11am – 7pm Special Hours: Dec 17 – 20: 11am – 8pm
Friday – Saturday: 11am – 9pm Christmas Eve: 11am – 4pm
Sunday: 11am – 6pm

Christkindlmarket Milwaukee at Fiserv Forum: November 17 – December 31

Sunday – Thursday: 11am – 8pm Special Hours: Thanksgiving Day: 11am – 4pm
Friday – Saturday: 11am – 9pm Christmas Eve: 11am – 4pm
Christmas Day: closed
New Year's Eve: 11am – 4pm

In Tribute to Harry & Guenter Kempf and in Recognition of the 8th Anniversary of the Dedication of Giddings Plaza as Kempf Plaza

As we approach the beginning of the first German-American Fest in Lincoln Square since the closing of our very own world renowned Chicago Brauhaus, we thought we would revisit how the Oktoberfest at Lincoln, Leland and Western Avenue came to be held at this spot.

Our memories of the place that seemed home to all who entered, and of the Brothers Kempf, their Family and their Staff of so many years, will never fade. As Harry and Guenter enjoy a quieter, less hectic life in retirement, to enjoy the free time that never seemed to be, we hope they will always remember, that we will always remember, them and what they brought to Chicago and the building of a legendary neighborhood through their iconic Chicago Brauhaus. We miss the laughter, the music, the memorable food, the ambiance – But mostly, we miss them!!!

Here is a little bit of history for those who don't know the origins of the Oktoberfest in Lincoln Square.

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

At one time, Lincoln Square was only an idea. Since all great ideas require great people to make them a reality, the Kempf brothers were the perfect people, in the perfect place, at the perfect time.

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

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

The evening on Saturday and all day Sunday were a rousing success. The temperature



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

was 60 outside and inside the tent the warmth and fun made it seem even toastier. On Sunday night, after the party finished, a heavy rain began to fall - holding off just long enough for everyone to finish enjoying themselves.

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

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

Through these many years, Harry and Guenter Kempf have managed to remain an institution in Chicago. Generations of Chicagoans and visitors alike have been drawn to Chicago Brauhaus which has served as an anchor to the German-American culture and traditions.

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

We Celebrate The Ethnic Diversity Of Chicago's Heritage Village Cooking Corner

Submitted by Maria P. Bappert

BEER CAKE

For this special edition of OUR VILLAGE for the Annual German-American Fest, also known as "Oktoberfest," I would like to share a great recipe with our readers that has BEER as one of the ingredients. Beer and Oktoberfests go well together, don't you think?

I have never had so much fun baking a cake as with this one, and the reason is the BEER! Usually when the liquid is added to the cake, it is either water, milk or juice. It just sort of blends in without too much fuss. It's fun to watch the beer bubble up before it blends in with the batter, and the fragrance which emanates is really refreshing. This recipe was given to me years ago from a friend who came to the same hair salon and she, in turn, got it from her sister in Ireland.

- Ingredients: 4 cups flour,
2 cups sugar,
2 sticks of butter or margarine (room temperature),
1 tsp. each of cinnamon, allspice and nutmeg;
2 teaspoons baking soda,
one 15 ounce box (2 cups) of dark raisins (use some chopped dates if you want to),
3/4 cup chopped walnuts,
two eggs and
one 12 ounce can of beer.

Method: Measure dry ingredients, mix and set aside. In a small mixing bowl, cream the butter or margarine; slowly beat in sugar and eggs. Transfer mixture to the large mixing bowl. At low speed, beat in flour alternately with the beer. Lastly, fold in the raisins and chopped nuts. Grease Bundt or spring-form pan with Crisco or spray with no-stick spray. Pour in batter and bake in preheated oven at 325 degrees for 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 hours. Test with wooden toothpick for doneness. When done, remove from oven and gently shake so that the cake loosens from all sides. (This cake has a tendency to stick to the sides because of the raisins.) Invert onto a cake plate and allow to cool completely before cutting.

OKTOBERFEST IN A POT

Germans can't think of an Oktoberfest without Sauerkraut – the two just go hand-in-hand. Also please note that Germans spell Oktober with a "k" and not a "c," but spelling it either way is OK in the good old USA. (I like to say, "We are German-Americans). What I love about this recipe is that it is a one-pot meal and that it tastes better the next day, as it is the case with all dishes made with Sauerkraut. German grammar also demands that all nouns are spelled with a capital letter.

While I learned to cook Sauerkraut from my Mom, this recipe comes from our good Austrian friend Loretta, who served it to members of the Austrian Mixed Chorus after one of our rehearsals. It was a special treat for us. So here's what you will need: A glass or bag of Sauerkraut, some Spaetzle or a pasta of your choice like Kluski, Macaroni, Rotini or Spaghetti, smoked Bratwurst, Polish Kielbasa or your favorite Wieners, some bacon, a good-size onion and caraway seeds and a couple of bay leaves if you like their taste. If the Sauerkraut is very sour, rinse it with cold water and drain it.

Add the seasonings and bring to a boil; lower heat to a simmer and cook for about half an hour. In the meantime, cut up some bacon into small pieces and fry it. Add the chopped onion and cook and stir until it is slightly browned. If you don't want to use the bacon, use a bit of olive oil instead. Cook the pasta in a separate pot until it is "al dente." Cut up the sausage of your choice into bite-size pieces and add it to the Sauerkraut along with the pasta. Stir it all together and heat it up (it should not be watery), then taste it. It might need some salt, or try a sprinkle of Vegeta, which is an all-purpose vegetable seasoning imported from Croatia which a lot of our people have become fond of using. Go easy with the stuff as you can always add more. For a "gourmet touch" add a nice fruity German wine if liquid is needed and simmer gently. Taste for doneness and flavoring. If you are a bacon lover, you can fry up several strips of bacon, drain them on paper towels and cut them up into small pieces to top off your dish. Serve it with rye, crispy white bread or pretzel rolls. Refrigerate leftovers or freeze a portion of it to enjoy on another day when you're too busy to cook. Loretta suggests that you use equal parts of Sauerkraut and pasta prepared "just the way you like it." Guten Appetit!

Oh, one final thought: You might wonder why they call it Oktoberfest if it's usually held in September. Years ago I was told that because it's usually held outdoors, if they would wait until Oktober, it would be too cold. You might also have seen advertisements for "Oktoberfest in August." Seems like people just cannot get enough of these festivities.

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North Branch Trail Alliance of Greater Chicago

We're Going To The Gardens And We Want You To Come With Us!

Botanic Gardens Ride 2018: Sunday, September 9 at 11:00 am

- Start at "U Dawg U", Northfield with a Chi hot-dog
- Ride to Chicago Botanic Garden and enjoy a personalised tour of the grounds
- Wind your way back along the trail at your own pace
 - Meet everyone at Hackney's on Harms Road

Please RSVP at northbranchtrailalliance@gmail.com for ride info, map and last minute updates.

Big Oaks/Union Ridge Community Meeting

The next general meeting for the Big Oaks-Union Ridge Neighborhood Association will be Thursday, September 20th at 7:00 pm at:

St. Monica's Beyenka Hall

5115 North Mont Clare Ave. (Mont Clare & Carmen Avenues)

Guest Speakers:

*Chicago Smart Lighting Program will provide a presentation on the new Chicago streetlights

*Peter Perry, Soaring Eagle Computer Services, will discuss cyber security

*Meet the candidates for the State of Illinois 19th District, Robert Martwick (D) and Ammie Kassem (R)

Refreshments will be served after the meeting. Bring a neighbor!

Northtown Garden Society September Meeting

Northtown Garden Society will meet on Thursday, September 6th, 7:00 pm at Warren Park, 6601 N. Western Ave., Chicago

Saving Seeds—Our featured guest speaker is Julie Peterson.

Julie manages Waters School and Community Garden and is a longtime steward and leader of Riverbank Neighbors and where saving seeds is part of a way of life. This presentation is meant to show how local seed saving is needed to protect biological diversity as part of a worldwide movement.

Julie will share about the native seed gathering that can be done by anyone who grows native plants and will give an overview of the need for native seed collecting in the Chicago region, honoring the work of many seed experts and efforts such as the North Branch Restoration Project and its leaders. Her presentation will then move to heirloom crop seed saving for backyard gardeners and regional and worldwide efforts to protect seeds, drawing connections to the work of the Seed Freedom Movement and the important issues of patented and heirloom seeds.

For those who have an interest in learning to collect, share, propagate, save, and plant seeds, this presentation is aimed to provide an overview and to help people get connected to seed saving efforts in our region and to find the people and groups doing this important work.

NGS members can bring seeds to share to the Sept./October meeting

There will be a \$5.00 fee for non-NGS members, and refreshments will be served.

Friedman Place - Understanding Adjusting to Life without Sight

Friedman Place Continuing Education
Moving Forward: Understanding Adjusting to Life without Sight
Friday, September 14th 2018, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Friedman Place, 5527 N. Maplewood, Chicago, IL 60625



Vision loss, at whatever stage of life it occurs, can be a difficult and sometimes traumatic experience for the individual affected by it as well as the family members who support them. In this workshop, attendees will learn and understand the different stages of the adjustment process that both congenitally and adventitiously blind individuals can go through. Participants will leave with a deeper understanding and appreciation for the multifaceted experiences that lead up to the loss of sight; psychological, social and emotional factors that keep them stuck; and finally the tools and resources that will foster healthy acceptance and self esteem.

Presented by Christian A Zapata, LCSW

Christian Zapata is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and the Social Work Supervisor at Friedman Place. He has fifteen years experience in clinical and supervisory roles and has presented extensively on a wide variety of professional topics.

Please RSVP by calling Friedman Place at 773-989-9800 or emailing education@friedmanplace.org

Norwood Life Society Thrift Shop Hires Part-Time Manager

For the first time in its 30-year history, the Norwood Life Society Thrift Shop, 6017-19 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago, is hiring its first part-time manager. Cathy Campise, a Norwood Park resident since 1990 and parishioner of nearby St. Thecla Catholic Church, will guide the shop and its many volunteers.



"Cathy's role will bring continuity to our day-to-day operation. She will focus on merchandise display, in-store promotions and external marketing to continue sales growth for the benefit of the residents of Norwood Crossing," said Kate Roche, director of norVOLution, the department that oversees the Thrift Shop along with volunteers at Norwood Crossing and its affiliates. "Our business has increased substantially in the past several years as well as the volume and quality of donations, and we are very grateful for the community's support. Much of this increase has been the result of the dedication and creativity of our volunteers, and we are thankful for their contribution as they continue to serve in a voluntary role."

Cathy's first association with the Thrift Shop began shortly after it opened its doors in 1988. "I started donating and shopping at the NLS Thrift Shop in 1990," she said, recalling the days when it was simply called the Thrift Shop or several years later the Medley Market. "After winning the October 2013 monthly gift certificate, my daughter told me [to] 'march back to the shop and volunteer.' I started volunteering on Saturday mornings, while working full-time. It was the best decision I made. I enjoy the environment."

Originally from Seattle, Cathy graduated from the University of Hawaii. She met her husband in Honolulu, but he was from Chicago. "He wouldn't move anywhere the Chicago Bears didn't have home field advantage," she said. "So, I became a Chicago resident." For the past 24 years, she has been a senior buyer of raw materials and machined parts for a company in suburban Buffalo Grove but is easing into retirement.

Cathy looks forward to meeting the shop's "fantastic donors, volunteers and patrons in the upcoming months" and is eager to "help everyone to reduce, reuse and re-purpose donations to raise money for the programs at Norwood Life Society."

The Norwood Life Society Thrift Shop is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. From 1988 to 2003, the Medley Market as it was often known was operated by volunteers of the Norwood Park Home Women's Service League, founded in 1965. As these women aged, there were fewer of them to staff the Thrift Shop. After the League disbanded in 2003, volunteers staffed the Thrift Shop for the next five years under the direction of the Norwood Park Life Care Foundation. The understaffed shop nearly closed in 2008, but was saved by a grass-roots neighborhood effort. More than 400 community members unhappy with the potential loss of the Thrift Shop signed a petition to keep it open. Their stand made a difference. The continuing success of the Thrift Shop today is primarily due to its volunteer staff and community support. The store is widely known in Chicago and draws shoppers from all parts of the city.

It is open on Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., except on Thursdays when it remains open to 7 p.m. Cathy can be reached by email ccampise@nlsthriftshop.org or by calling (773) 763-3775. Her hours at the Thrift Shop will vary, depending on staffing needs.

Proceeds from the sale of merchandise help support Norwood Crossing, Norwood Seniors Network and other affiliates of Norwood Life Society, all of whom work towards "enhancing the independence and well-being of older adults."

"Genealogy 101" is Timely Talk at Norwood Crossing on September 19

Have you ever wondered about your family ancestry and your ancestors, who they were, what trades or professions they followed, and their role in our military history? These and a host of other questions may prompt you to learn more about your ancestral past. To understand the ancestral process of discovery, attend the Timely Talk, "Genealogy 101," at 2:00 p.m., on Sept. 19, Norwood Crossing Assisted Living, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

Denise Sabanc, a librarian within the Northside Neighborhood History Collection at the Sulzer Regional Library in Chicago, will make the presentation. She will explain the basic skills and strategies for locating your ancestral family and offer other tips on how to get started and organize information. Added areas covered in her presentation will include use of library resources and the Internet.

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

Need A Lawyer? The Chicago Bar Association Can Help TALK TO A LAWYER FOR FREE ON SATURDAY, September 15, 2018

Attorneys with the Chicago Bar Association's Call-A-Lawyer Program will be available to take calls from the public and offer brief legal advice on Saturday, September 15th, as part of an ongoing legal public service program offered by the CBA.

Calls will be accepted Saturday, September 15th from 9 a.m. to noon at (312) 554-2001. Call-A-Lawyer events are typically held on the third Saturday of each month in the morning hours.

Citizens can call in and briefly explain their situation to an attorney who will then work to suggest self-help strategies or provide advice to help resolve their issues. If callers need further legal services, or have questions beyond the scope of the attorney's practice area, they will be advised to contact the CBA Lawyer Referral Service during the week for a referral to an attorney in the appropriate area of law.

The CBA's Lawyer Referral Service has more than 200 prescreened, qualified lawyers experienced in almost every area of law that offer their services to the public. When contacting the LRS during normal business hours Monday through Friday, callers can be referred to attorneys practicing in numerous areas of law including:

- Domestic Relations, including divorce, custody, support and other family law matters;
- Personal Injury (including auto accidents, slip and falls, products liability, wrongful death, malpractice and other types of injury cases.
- Estate Planning, including will and trust drafting, probate and will contest.
- Real Estate, including buying or selling real estate, foreclosure defense and landlord/tenant issues.
- Employment Law, including wrongful termination, harassment and discrimination.

Additionally, the CBA offers an after-hours On-Call service which provides callers' access to attorneys in three different areas of law at any time after normal business hours. You can reach a lawyer 24/7 for help with criminal defense, personal injury and family law matters by calling (312) 554-2001.

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By Wayne Mell, Artistic Director

Many people believe that the novel Don Quixote is one of the greatest works of fiction ever published. In 1605, Spanish writer Miguel de Cervantes introduced us to the old nobleman, who was so enamored of chivalry and ethics that he loses his sanity and sets off on a quest to restore honor and civility to the world. The local inns become castles, and the wenches are fair damsels that must be rescued from distress. And although he tries to fight the menacing giants, they turn out to just be windmills in the field.



chel Carreras stars as Aldonza, the rough and tumble barmaid who he renames Dulcinea and in whose honor he dedicates his quests. The cast includes Mark Anderson, Andrew Buel, Brandon Campbell, Margaret Garofalo, Perry Georgopoulos, Garrett Wade Haley, Gretchen Kimmeth, Aimee Kleiman, Michael Rawls, Devi Reisenfeld, Jenny Rudnick, Matthew Schnitker, and Anita Silver.

The show is directed by Stephen M. Genovese, who directed previous productions of Funny Girl and The Drowsy Chaperone at Skokie Theatre. Music Direction is by Aaron Kaplan. Set Design is by Jeremy Hollis, Costume Design is by Beth Laske-Miller, with lighting by Andrew Vanderby.

Man of La Mancha performs from September 7 to September 30, 2018. Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm, Sundays at 2:00 pm, with a matinee on Wednesday, September 12 at 1:30 pm. Tickets are \$42 general admission, \$36 for seniors, and \$32 for students.

Man of La Mancha is the second show in MadKap Production's 2018-19 Play Series. This summer's California Suite was the first in the series which includes the Pulitzer Prize-winning Proof by David Auburn in November, and Bonnie and Clyde: The Musical in February. You can see the remaining three-shows of the series, including Man of La Mancha, with a subscription ticket for only \$72.

Tickets are on sale now through the Skokie Theatre Box Office by calling 847-677-7761 or by ordering online at SkokieTheatre.org. Use code VILLAGE for \$5 off the single ticket price.

For centuries, the story has inspired us to see the beauty in the commonplace, and to always fight for ideals, even if the foe is bigger than us.

In 1965, playwright Dale Wasserman turned the story into a musical. Instead of telling the story directly, he crafted it into a flashback told by a prisoner of the Spanish Inquisition awaiting trial. Featuring stirring classic songs including "The Impossible Dream," Man of La Mancha is a multi-Tony Award-winning theatrical masterpiece that, like the novel it's based on, is considered one of the finest pieces of the modern musical theatre.

MadKap Productions is bringing Man of La Mancha to life for twelve performances in September. Instead of taking place in a Spanish prison, the story will be told by the residents of a homeless shelter who are looking for hope and nobility in a world filled with despair.

Sean Caron takes on the dual role of Cervantes and Don Quixote, with Victoria Olivier by his side as his faithful squire, Sancho. Ra-

The American Legion: Its History and Relevance for Today

Monday, September 24@6:30pm

Dale Tippett, past Commander of Billy Caldwell Post 806 and currently the Senior Vice Commander of the 9th District, will discuss how the Legion promotes, protects, and enhances the quality of life for all Americans. The American Legion will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding in 2019.

Austin-Irving Branch, 6100 W. Irving Park Road, 312-744-6222
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Join the Senior Polka Association North. Yearly membership \$10.00. Meets at the Lone Tree Manor: 7730 North Milwaukee, Niles, IL on the first Tuesday of the month. Live Polka music from 5-6pm. There is a short meeting at 6pm followed by cake, coffee, and bingo. Join us for an enjoyable evening. Call Richard 847-209-1385.



Young At Heart Ballroom Dancing



Young at Heart Ballroom dancing for dancers of all ages. We are a not for profit organization and have been in existence for 18 years.

Dance Friday nights from 7:30pm - 10:30pm at the American Legion, 9757 W. Pacific, Frankin Park, Illinois. Doors open at 6:30. Admission - members \$10, guests \$12 - Cash Bar.

Dances every 2nd and 4th Friday of each month.

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For more information or directions please call Char at 773-203-2053.

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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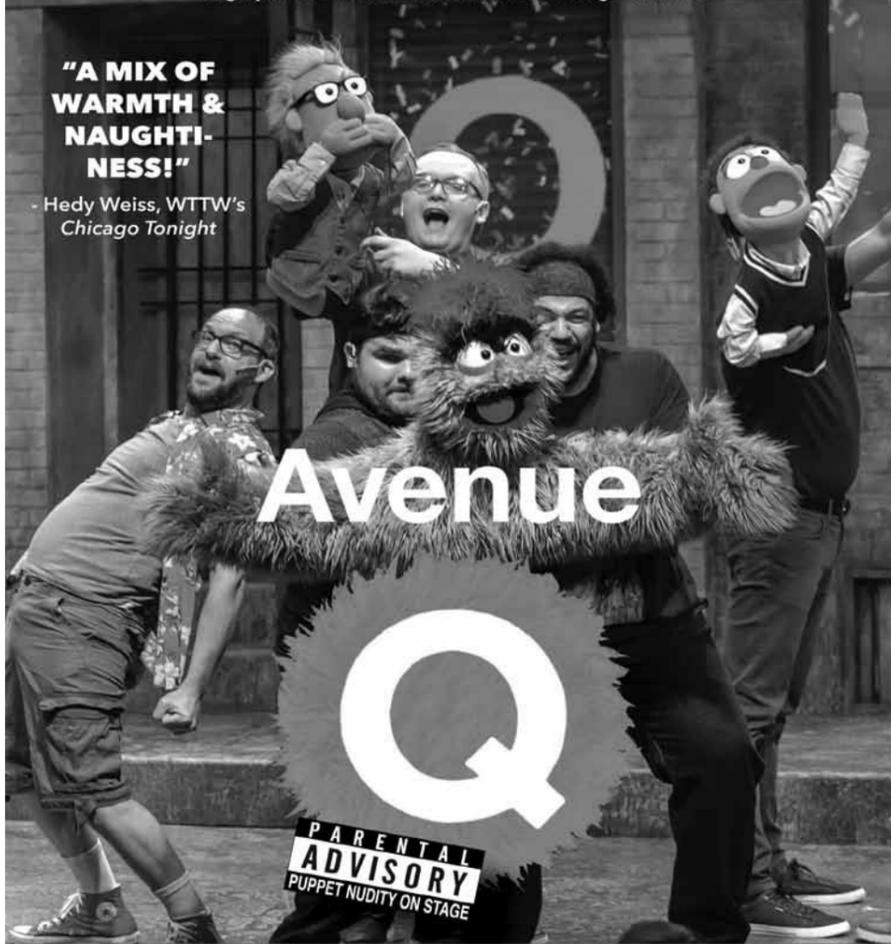
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Fall is almost here! Join us for this year's largest Family Fest, Norwood Park Fall Fest located at the Norwood Park Metra Station at 6088 N. Northwest Highway, on Friday, Sept. 14, from 5 pm to 10 pm, and Saturday, Sept. 15, from 12 pm to 10 pm.

This year, we are bringing a larger stage to the streets and expanding over part of Northwest Highway to accommodate our ever-growing crowd! With headlining bands like 7TH HEAVEN and Smoke N' Guns straight from Nashville, this year's fest is expected to be larger than ever before. The park section will be a giant children's Mecca of fun! (Children's section Saturday only). There will be a suggested \$5 donation upon entrance that goes to the overall expense of the fest and improvement fund for local business workshops and beautification of Norwood Park. Walking & Ubering to fest is suggested due to limited parking.

Representing at the Fall Festival will be many local business vendors, food vendors, and live music, all night Friday and all-day Saturday! There will be wristbands for children's activities which will be held on Saturday, Sept. 15th ONLY, from 12pm to 8pm. Activities will include: inflatables jump houses, interactive games, face painting, animal show, magic show, dance, balloon art, live entertainment, and a children's DJ, all located in the park area. The nonrefundable children wristband is from 12pm- 7:45pm (all day) for \$15. New Hope Food Pantry will be selling cotton candy as well, 100% proceeds from the stand will go towards the local food pantry.

We want to express our gratitude to everyone who supports this locally grown festival, as well as our sponsors: Sprout Pediatric Dentistry, Wintrust Bank - Gladstone Park, Edward Fox Photography, Mullarkey Distributors, Ori Brothers Family Flooring, State Farm, Lori Shaw, Alderman Napolitano, Chicago Park District, Senator John Mulroe, Signature Bank, RCI Realty, Northwest Side Irish, Norwood Crossing, Abell Animal Hospital, Big Shot Marketing, Riordan Insurance Group, State Rep. Michael McAuliffe, Resurrection College Prep for making this fest possible. Thank you to our Business Expo vendors, and food vendors, for participating in Norwood Park's largest fundraising event of the year!

The event will be cash only however, there will be ATM's provided on site. Come by and support your local vendors, bands, and Chamber of Commerce, for a night of Fall festivities to kick off the season.

For more information please visit www.npfallfest.org

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