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**The Mayor and local businesses encourage every Chicagoan to bring their own reusable bags when they go shopping.**



### Bring Your Own Bag, Chicago!

Starting February 1, 2017, the \$0.07 Chicago Checkout Bag Tax will be collected on all disposable paper and plastic bags used in Chicago.

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- In an effort to reduce the number of disposable bags used in Chicago, the City is implementing a tax on disposable paper and plastic bags used to carry goods out of stores.
- Businesses will begin collecting a \$0.07 tax on disposable paper and plastic bags on Wednesday, February 1, 2017.
- There are multiple disposable bag exemptions, including:

**Paper and plastic bags used to package loose bulk items**, such as fruit, vegetables, nuts, grains, candy, cookies or small hardware items or to contain or wrap frozen foods, meat or fish, whether prepackaged or not

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**Start the habit now and bring your own bag! #BYOBag**



## Community First Medical Center Heart Fest - 2017

Saturday, February 25 • 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  
Conference A & B

Offerings at this event will include:

- Height, Weight, Body Mass Index, Blood Pressures
- Osteoporosis Screening
- A1C • EKG
- Lipid Panel (Fasting 8-10 hours)

Meet and talk to our:

- Cardiologist
- Respiratory Therapist
- Dietician • Pharmacist

Heart Health Exercise: Zumba, Fitness Center

Parfait Bar

Heart Health Literature

The cost to participate will be \$40 (cash or checks only).

To register, please call 773-282-7000.



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# Community First Medical Center Feb/March Health Events



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

**• Saturday, February 25**

Community First Medical Center Heart Fest – 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Conference Room A & B

Offerings at this event will include, EKG, Lipid Panel (fasting is required 8-10 hours), AIC screening, Osteoporosis screening, BMI, a parfait bar, Zumba, talks with a dietician, a pharmacist and cardiologist, Dr. David Fishman. The cost to participate will be \$40. To register, please call 773-282-7000, walk-ins welcome.

**• Sunday, February 26**

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

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

**• Monday, February 27**

Hearing Screening – 11:00 a.m.– Mather’s Café on Central, 3235 N. Central Avenue, Chicago

Marie Vetter-Toalson, AuD, Chicago Hearing Services. Marie will offer complimentary screenings and answer questions.

To register, please call 773-205-3300.

**• Tuesday, February 28**

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

A Compassionate Recovery Education curriculum specializing in “Helping Family and Individuals Navigate the Recovery System”. This free training will provide education to family members to help them improve their personal understanding of the recovery process.

To register, please call 708-536-8775.

**• Tuesday, March 7, 14, 21, and 28**

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

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

**• Thursday, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30**

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

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

**• Thursday, March 9**

Diabetes Support Group - 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Community First Medical Center, Community Education Room, 2nd Floor.

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

**• Sunday, March 5, 12, 19 and 26**

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

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

**• Thursday, March 9 and 23**

Arthritis and Total Joint Replacement – Taking the Right Steps, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., Community First Medical Center, Community Education Room, 2nd Floor.

These free sessions will be conducted by Carleen Nunez, R.N., B.S.N., O.N.C., along with staff from rehabilitation services. Attendees will receive educational materials,

get questions answered, learn what to expect from surgery and meet some professional staff. To register, please call 773-794-4640

**• Friday, March 10**

Free Healthy Aging Program - 12:00 -1:00 p.m., Community First Medical Center, Conference Room C, 7th Floor.

March is National Colon Cancer Awareness Month. Come hear our expert Dr. Anna Patel, Gastroenterologist talk about wellness, screenings & treatment options. This program is for individuals aged 55 and older and consists of social time, health topics and guest’s lectures. To register please call 773-282-7000.

**• Wednesday, March 29**

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

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

**• Thursday, March 30**

Osteoporosis & Bone Density – 2:00 p.m. Mather’s Café on Central, 3235 N. Central Avenue, Chicago

Carrie Stalec, PT, DPT, Community First Medical Center, will discuss valuable tips for persons living with or at risk of osteoporosis. To register, please call 773-205-3300.

## Easter Ham Raffle

Sign up now to raffle Easter Hams.

Hams are \$20 each.

The raffle will take place between April 1st-April 11th. The Chamber will provide tickets, raffle buckets and contact the winners for you.

The deadline to sign up is

Wednesday, March 15th.

Contact the BCCC office at 773-647-1644



## Chicago Police Job Fair

The 25th District station is planning to hold a job fair for young adults between the ages of 18-25 years old in the month of April.

If you would like your business to participate in the fair, or know someone who would like to hire young adults for the summer months, please contact

Officer Jim Mackin

Chicago Police Department

25th District Community Office • Office: (312)746-5090

Email: james.mackin@chiagopoliice.org



## Community First Medical Center

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*All conveniently located on the 2nd Floor Outpatient Specialty Clinic.*

# Caring For Our Community

**Please call (773)527-5071 for appointment and information.**

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



## Resurrection Trivia Night

Resurrection College Prep High School is hosting Trivia Night on Friday, March 3, 2017 at Resurrection, 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago. The doors open at 7:00 pm and the trivia contest will begin at 7:30 pm. The entry fee is \$25 per person and there will be 8 players per team. Participants may bring their own snacks and appetizers. Beer, wine and soft drinks will be available for purchase and all proceeds will benefit the Resurrection Athletic Program.

Reservations may be made on the Resurrection website at [www.reshs.org](http://www.reshs.org) and questions may be directed to Eddie Kane at 773.775.6616 Ext 134 or [ekane@reshs.org](mailto:ekane@reshs.org).

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



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## “Green Thumb Gardening” is Timely Talk at Norwood Crossing on March 15

Spring is within sight, and it's time to start thinking about your flower and vegetable garden. The ground will be thawing soon, and knowing what to do before it's time to plant seeds will lead to a beautiful garden and a bountiful crop. Why wait? Get the scoop and an early start from Master Gardener Karen Finerman during this Timely Talk, “Green Thumb Gardening.” The event will be held at 2:00 p.m., on March 15, at Norwood Crossing Assisted Living, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

Finerman will discuss soil preparation and planning, planting schedules and a host of other issues to make you and your garden a neighborhood hit. Although a financial advisor by profession, Finerman is a 20-year member of Gardeners of the North Shore and a Master Gardener for four years. This program is designed to offer something for the beginner as well as the seasoned gardener.

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](mailto:info@norwoodcrossing.org).

## Rabbi Commemoration

*You are cordially invited to join us for Soul Strings*

An evening of Song & Chassidic Inspiration!

Honoring the life of Rabbi Daniel Moscovitz OBM\*: Regional director of Lubavitch Chabad of Illinois, in commemoration of his third Yahrzeit.

**Monday, February 27** • Doors open at 7:00 pm; program begins at 7:30 pm sharp

At Central Avenue Synagogue - Chabad of Highland Park

874 Central Ave, Highland Park, IL

Tickets: \$18, \$54, \$100 (Complimentary tickets also available online)

Reserve your seats at: [ChabadIllinois.com/SoulStrings](http://ChabadIllinois.com/SoulStrings)

## University Guild Program - March 6

University Guild's program on Monday, March 6 is titled “The Sarah Siddons Society: A History”. Since its inception, the mission of the Sarah Siddons Society has been to fund scholarships for promising theater students at top drama departments in Chicagoland. Dominic Missimi, Professor Emeritus in the Theater Department of Northwestern University, is artistic director of the Sarah Siddons Society. Dr. Missimi, an entertaining speaker, will share information of some great performers.

Monday, March 6  
1:30 pm, Scott Hall, in the Guild Lounge,  
Northwestern University, 601 University  
Place, Evanston

Guests are welcome and the cost is \$5.00 per program.

The University Guild's annual membership fee is \$50. Membership is open to all in the community.

The purpose of University Guild is to bring the membership of the Guild the intellectual resources of the University, to promote the interests of the University, to work for the collections and exhibitions of the objects of art, and to advance the development and appreciation of the fine arts.

The University Guild also provides scholarships to students at Northwestern University.

For more information, please contact Gail Anderson at 608-217-4144.

## Mayor Emanuel Commemorates Presidents' Day By Welcoming New Citizens At Naturalization Ceremony

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today commemorated Presidents' Day by hosting a Naturalization Ceremony at Chicago's City Hall. The ceremony paid tribute to the values and ideals put forth by our nation's forefathers.

“Today you are citizens in a country that is more than just a place on a map, but a set of ideals,” said Mayor Emanuel. “The immigrant story is the American story. It is our nation's heritage and our greatest source of vitality and prosperity. And here in this city, in this country, we will always ensure that that principle will be honored and protected.”

The Naturalization Ceremony was conducted by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. During the ceremony 25 people, from 15 countries took the Oath of Allegiance to officially become United States citizens.

Today marks the ninth Naturalization Ceremony hosted by Chicago as part of the City's New Americans Initiative.

## Early Voting for 2017 Consolidated Primary Election Begins February 13

Early voting for the February 28 Consolidated Primary Election will take place Monday, February 13 through Monday, February 27, 2017. Local Primary Election races include Evanston Mayor and 5th Ward Alderman.

Community members can cast their ballots Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Morton Civic Center, Room G-300 (Ground Floor), 2100 Ridge Ave., in Evanston. There will be no early voting at the Civic Center on Sundays.

On Primary Election Day, Tuesday, February 28, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., residents should go to their registered polling location to vote.

A government-issued photo ID is not re-

quired to early vote, but is helpful if there is a question about the voter's registration, address or signature.

Please note: Residents can register to vote at all early voting sites. Visit the Cook County Clerk's website for a complete list of locations. 2017 Consolidated General Election will take place on Tuesday, April 4. Early voting information will be posted on the Evanston City Clerk's webpage, [cityofevanston.org/government/city-clerk](http://cityofevanston.org/government/city-clerk), in early March, after the conclusion of the Primary Election.

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

## Anti-Cruelty Society

### Help more animals who need you.



Dear Friend,

We're almost there.

As a result of the Canine Influenza virus, we had to immediately suspend all dog adoptions throughout the shelter.

Although dog adoptions remain on hold, I'm pleased to say that our dogs are doing much better. The medical treatment they've been receiving has been working and they are all currently on the road to recovery.

However, the expense of caring for these sick animals is extensive—and they still require another round of vaccines and additional treatment before they're given a clean bill of health.

Fortunately, thanks to caring friends like you, we're only \$11,000 short of our goal! Raising that amount will allow us to provide the remaining medical attention to each and every dog infected with this terrible virus.

And I just received some great news that I have to share.

Because they understand what an urgent need we're facing, members of our Board of Directors have agreed to match any gift up to \$5,000 to help us care for all the sick dogs in the shelter.

That means that anything you can spare—anything at all—will go twice as far toward helping abandoned, neglected and suffering dogs as they try to get healthy.

Your friendship is so crucial to all our animals...and your kindness is especially needed during this difficult time.

These dogs depend on good people like you for their second chance in life.

Please make a gift today—and it will go twice as far to helping animals in need!

For the animals,

Robyn Barbiers, D.V.M., President

*For more info on The Anti-Cruelty Society and our adoption process,  
please visit our website [www.anticruelty.org](http://www.anticruelty.org) or call (312)644-8338.*

## Nominate an Older Adult in Evanston for the 2017 Aging Well Award

Evanston community members and organizations are encouraged to nominate an older adult in Evanston who has made an impact in the local community through his or her interest in aging for the 2017 Aging Well Award. Nominations should be submitted by Tuesday, March 7.

The nomination form can be completed online at [cityofevanston.org/agingwellconference](http://cityofevanston.org/agingwellconference). Printed nomination forms are also available at the Morton Civic Center, Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department, Room 1100, 2100 Ridge Ave., and at the Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave.

All nominees will be critiqued on both outstanding personal acts and/or community impact. The nominee may have impacted the community and improved the quality of the lives of older adults through outstanding leadership as well as the application of time, resources or advocacy.

The Evanston Aging Well Conference Planning Committee will select the honoree at its committee meeting on Thursday, March 16. The winner of the 2017 Aging Well Award will be honored at the Evanston Aging Well Conference on Friday, May 5, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Levy Center.

The free half-day conference provides strategies for healthy aging for older adults, their families, caregivers and professionals. The conference includes a continental breakfast and a choice of two workshops. Space is limited to 175 attendees. Registration for the event will open in March 2017.

Previous winners of the Aging Well Award include Lorraine H. Morton, Father Robert Oldershaw, William Logan, Julia Hagwood, Gerri Sizemore and Ellen Butkus.

For more information regarding the Evanston Aging Well award or conference, please contact Ann Searles at 847-679-2372 or [searlesil@yahoo.com](mailto:searlesil@yahoo.com).

## Lincoln Park Conservatory Spring Flower Show To Feature Spring Blooms & Kites By Chicago-Based Artist

WHO: All ages

WHAT: 2017 Spring Flower Shows “Spring Rising”

WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 11th – Sunday, May 14th, 9am -5 pm

WHERE: Lincoln Park Conservatory, 2391 N. Stockton Drive

MORE: “Spring Rising” is the name of the 2017 Spring Show exhibit of floral artistry at the Lincoln Park Conservatory. “Haustellum” by Chicago-based artist Michael Thompson is one of the strategically placed sculptures on display in the Conservatory's Show House. A colorful backdrop of kites amid a bed of azaleas, daffodils, tulips and hydrangea provide the ideal backdrop for visitors to take pictures of themselves and the exhibit. Orchids, spring bulbs, flowering shrubs and cool season flowers will also make a festive presence throughout the Show.

## Northtown Garden Society Meetng March 2, 2017

It seems that Spring is making an early appearance this year. NGS has lots of interesting guest speakers and activities planned. Hope you will be able to participate. Northtown Garden Society will meet on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 7:00 at Warren Park, 6601 N. Western Ave.

Please join us for a special presentation by Jeanne Nolan, founder of the Organic Gardener Ltd. She has been growing food organically for over 25 years. Ms. Nolan's book, “From the Ground Up: A Food Grower's Education in Life, Love and the Movement that is Changing the Nation” will be available for sale at the price of \$25.00. Credit or cash accepted.

If you would like to bring refreshments to the meeting, please let Lucy Radycki know. [lradycki@ameritech.net](mailto:lradycki@ameritech.net)

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

If you haven't already done so, Please, pay your 2017 dues.

Check out our new, improved web site! [www.northtowngardensociety.org](http://www.northtowngardensociety.org)

Also: The Chicago Flower & Garden Show at Navy Pier is coming March 18-26.

If you would like to share other info contact me at: [sgreen113@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sgreen113@sbcglobal.net)

# Mayor Emanuel And Chicago Infrastructure Trust Announce Chicago Smart Lighting Initiative Moving Forward

## Next-Generation Lighting System Will Ensure High-Quality and Reliable Streetlights Across Chicago

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today announced the Chicago Smart Lighting Project has taken a major step forward following action by the Chicago Infrastructure Trust's (CIT) Board of Directors. In a unanimous vote the Board today recommended a vendor to be considered by the City for a contract to implement the historic initiative to replace approximately 270,000 outdated public lights with reliable and high-quality streetlights.

"Modern, reliable and high-quality streetlights will improve quality of life in neighborhoods throughout Chicago," Mayor Emanuel said. "Today we are taking a major step forward to bring better quality, more reliable and more energy efficient outdoor lighting to Chicago's streets, sidewalks, alleys and bike paths."

The Smart Lighting Project procurement is being led by the CIT, in close coordination with CDOT and other City departments and agencies. Following today's recommendation, the City will make the final vendor selection in the coming months, which will be recommended to the City Council for final approval.

"Today's board action represents a significant investment in Chicago's future and specifically, our neighborhoods," Chicago Treasurer and CIT Board Chair Kurt Summers said. "By modern-

izing our infrastructure, the city will save money over the long term through lower energy costs and vastly improve the lighting on our streets and alleys. This project shows the strength of the CIT and we look forward to beginning other new initiatives that will invest in Chicago in the years to come."

Today's vote follows a recently-completed public demonstration that brought test lights to seven neighborhoods across Chicago. The survey found:

- 64 percent of the respondents agreed that the LED lighting improved night time visibility;
- 57 percent agreed that the LED lighting made it easier to distinguish colors at night; and
- 88 percent of respondents felt the LED light levels were sufficient or more than enough.

The final lights used in the initiative will feature a zero-uplight design to ensure the light is focused downward toward the street and sidewalk where it is needed, with limited light trespass into resident's homes. In addition, all LED luminaires will be limited to a maximum correlated color temperature (CCT) of 3000K or less, and most will contain dimmable power sources that provide

the ability to remotely adjust light levels where needed.

The city-wide lighting modernization initiative will replace approximately 270,000 outdated high pressure sodium (HPS) lamps with modern, energy-efficient LED lights over the next four years. These new lights, which will be owned and operated by the City, will consume 50-75 percent less electricity than existing HPS lights, generating significant electricity cost savings that will be utilized to pay for the modernization.

The Chicago Smart Lighting Project will be one of the largest LED conversions projects in the country and will create the nation's largest municipal lighting control network. The project will also include targeted repairs to existing poles and wiring, with the goal of extending useful life and reducing failure rates.

The Chicago Smart Lighting Project procurement will continue the progress Mayor Emanuel has made in ensuring City initiatives are designed to generate investments and jobs in the neighborhoods that need them most. Bidders on the RFP are required to include a plan for maximizing the participation of Chicago's workforce.

## Mayor Emanuel, Blackstone Charitable Foundation And World Business Chicago Launch Blackstone Inclusive Entrepreneurship Challenge

### Initiative Will Support Entrepreneurship in Communities Throughout Chicago Area

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, the Blackstone Charitable Foundation and World Business Chicago (WBC) today launched the Blackstone Inclusive Entrepreneurship Challenge ("Blackstone Challenge"). The three-year pilot program will award up to \$3.4 million in grants to innovative organizations that effectively recruit and support diverse entrepreneurs and scale start-ups in the Chicago area. The selected programs will serve diverse populations, including communities of color, women, veterans and immigrants. Chicago has been chosen as the first city for this pilot program.

"Chicago's culture of innovation and diversity give us an unparalleled and thriving entrepreneurship community," Mayor Emanuel said. "This initiative will further strengthen that culture and empower entrepreneurs and startups in neighborhoods throughout Chicago."

Jon Gray, Global Head of Real Estate at Blackstone said, "I am thrilled that the Blackstone Charitable Foundation is launching its first inclusive entrepreneurship program in my hometown. We hope that this program will serve as a model for other cities seeking to increase support and opportunities for entrepreneurs from all communities."

In addition to providing grant funding, the Blackstone Challenge will bring together Chicago-based leaders and organizations to share best practices and networking opportunities. This

group will access a broader set of Blackstone and regional resources to support their entrepreneurs.

Over the past six years, the Blackstone Charitable Foundation has supported new ventures and job creation by investing in entrepreneurship globally. To continue economic growth and combat issues of economic disparity, all communities should have access to a full range of resources that help grow and scale local ventures. The Blackstone Challenge is a first-of-its-kind initiative. The Foundation is partnering with ChicagoNEXT, a program of World Business Chicago, to operate the initiative and manage the grantees.

Organizations that apply for grant funding are encouraged to focus on recruiting, supporting and scaling entrepreneurs within the target populations of their programs. In its first year, the Blackstone Challenge will support up to six organizations and deploy up to \$1 million in grant funding. In the following two years, the program will select up to three organizations from the original cohort to receive the remaining funding.

The application, criteria and eligibility requirements for the Blackstone Challenge are available at: [www.blackstonechallenge.org](http://www.blackstonechallenge.org).

## Mayor Emanuel Announces 60,000 Jobs Created Under Building A New Chicago, With 40,000 More Planned During Next Phase Of The Infrastructure Strategy

Chicago Poised To Continue Investing In Infrastructure With Planning Underway On Express Rail To O'hare And A New Green Line Station On The City's Near West Side

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today announced that the City has created 60,000 new jobs under Building a New Chicago. The Mayor first unveiled the comprehensive infrastructure strategy in 2012 as a plan to repair the City's aging infrastructure, which has resulted in new runways, roads, schools, streetscapes, parks, playgrounds, bridge, buildings and more.

## Governor Rauner Attends Associated Builders and Contractors Apprenticeship Graduation and Awards Ceremony

Governor Bruce Rauner today attended the Associated Builders and Contractors' (ABC) Illinois Apprenticeship Graduation and Awards Ceremony to congratulate the graduates of the Class of 2016. ABC's mission is to advance the values of merit shop construction, which encourages open competitions and free enterprise within the construction and contracting industry, based on merit and regardless of labor affiliation.

"These programs are so important to students because they deliver the pathway to good paying jobs and high quality careers," Governor Rauner said. "We're working to provide the education and training necessary for our future generations to succeed, and ensure that everyone in every neighborhood and in every community across Illinois has the same opportunities."

Governor Rauner's Cabinet on Children and Youth has made apprenticeships a priority by bringing together all of the state's agencies serving Illinois' young people to ensure they are healthy, safe and receiving a high-quality education from cradle to career. The Cabinet's Apprenticeship Plus initiative will expand and transform apprenticeships in Illinois by building capacity, infrastructure and expert support in every region of our state.

"Associated Builders and Contractors is thrilled to honor the impressive commitment to high quality construction and developing a well-trained and safe construction workforce displayed by our members," Alicia Martin, Illinois Chapter President of Associated Builders and Contractors said. "The projects honored through our Excellence in Construction awards program are great examples of the focus on safety, innovation and on-time delivery project owners expect from award-winning ABC members and their skilled workforce. Finally, ABC could not be prouder of our graduating apprentices who have taken advantage of the tremendous career opportunities the construction industry presents and demonstrated the commitment needed to master their craft."

## First Installment Property Tax Bills Due March 1

The City of Evanston's Property Tax Assessment Review Office reminds residents that first installment property tax bills for tax year 2016 are due by Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

Property taxes are paid in two installments. The first installment bill is fifty-five percent (55%) of the total property tax bill for the previous year. Taxpayers should note that first installment bills will not reflect Homeowner, Senior Citizen or other exemptions, nor will they reflect successful assessment appeals that were filed for tax year 2016. The first installment is just an estimate based on what was paid last year. When the second installment bill is mailed in the summer, it will reflect all exemptions for which the property is eligible, as well as any savings due to successful 2016 tax appeals.

Evanston residents are encouraged to call the City's Property Tax Assessment Review Office, at 847-448-8168, or email [mgibbs@cityofevanston.org](mailto:mgibbs@cityofevanston.org) with any questions or concerns.

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

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

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

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

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.



## Phone For Legal Advice At No Cost

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

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

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# NORTHWESTSIDE IRISH PARADE

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## SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017

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On Sunday March 12, 2017 the NWSI will host their 14th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The parade will kick off at 12:00pm at 6634 W. Raven (Onahan School) and will run south up Neola Avenue to Northwest Highway, north to Harlem Avenue, ending at Harlem Avenue.

There are more than one hundred parade group participants and approximately twenty five hundred marching, along with thousands of spectators who will attend the Northwest Side Irish Friends and Family Parade.

For more info about our honorees, please visit our website at [www.northwestsideirish.org](http://www.northwestsideirish.org)

More parade participants include: The Emerald Society Band, Chicago Pipes and Drums, Mullane Irish Dancers, Trinity Irish Dancers, St. Patrick's High School, Notre Dame High School Band, William Howard Taft High School Band, O'Hare Irish Dancer, Dillon Gavin Irish Dancers, Teamsters

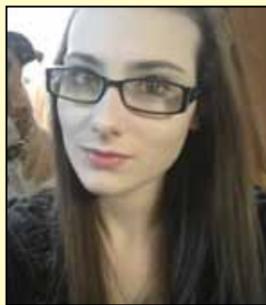
JC 25, Sheet Metal Workers Local 73, IBEW Local 134, SEIU Local 73, CTA, Regina High School, Chicago Pipes and Drums, and many, many more.

The Official NWSI After Party will take place at 7271 W. Talcott at Immaculate Conception Elementary School Recreation Center. Tickets for the after party are \$10.00 per person includes a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, beer, wine and soda. \$5.00 for children 10 and under includes hot dog, chips and a soda. The after party includes live entertainment, face painting, balloon magic, raffles and extended family fun. The Official NWSI Parade After Party begins at 1:00pm and ends at 5:00pm.



*The NWSI Parade Committee is honored and proud to announce the 2017 Grand Marshal, Dr. Joseph G. Schmidt, the President of St. Patrick's High School.*

### 2017 Queen and Her Court



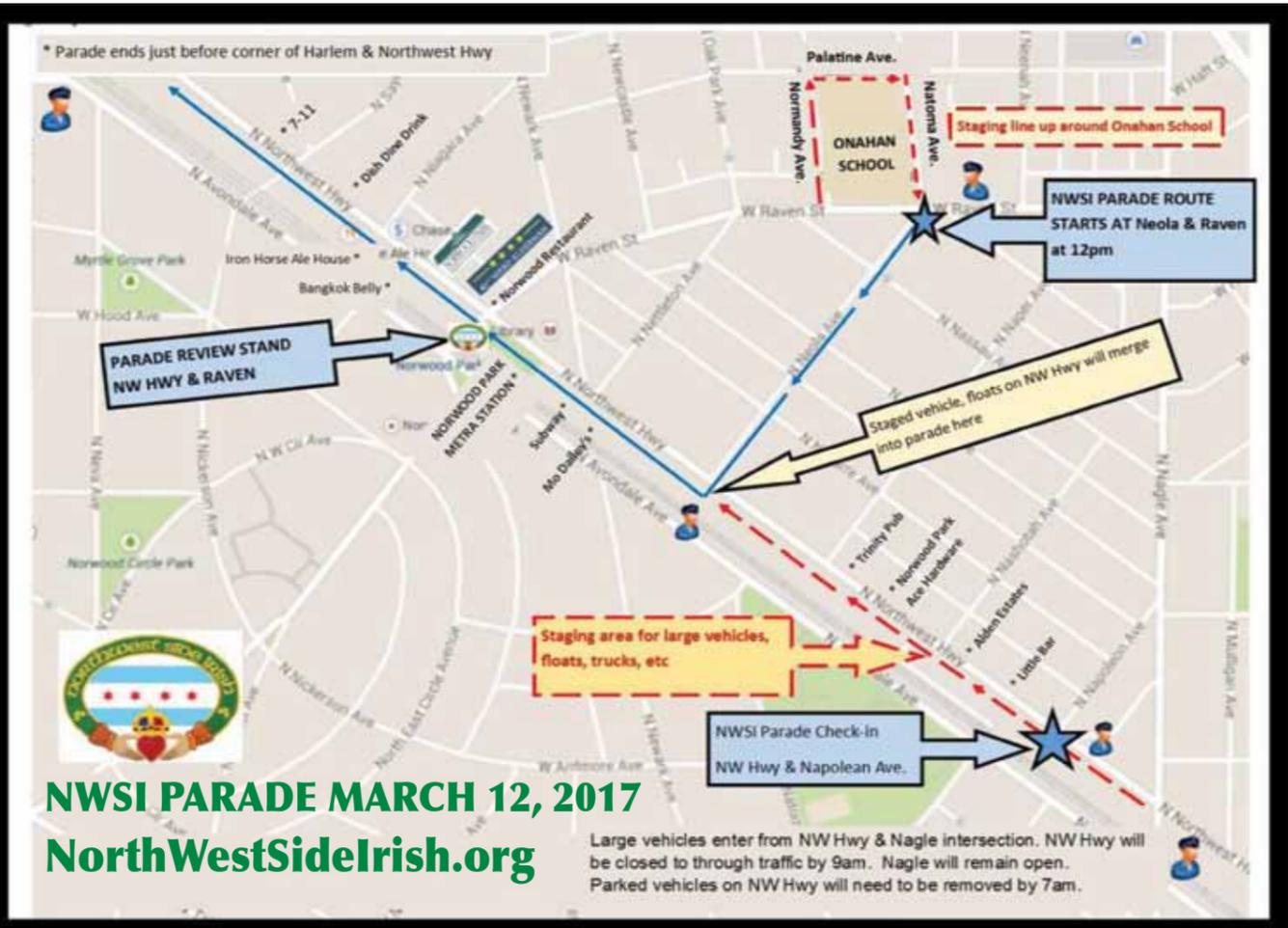
**Krisann Riley      Genevieve McHugh      Shannon King      Beth Cunningham**

*The 2017 NWSI Queen is Krisann Riley and her court is Genevieve McHugh, Shannon King and Beth Cunningham. NWSI has added a Saint Brigid Court recipient. St. Brigid was a patron saint from Ireland who represented the "Strong Irish Woman". For the first time NWSI will pay homage to women in our community who have held exceptional strength and core moral values in their community.*



*NWSI 2017 Humanitarian Award recipient is Dr. Rolf M. Gunnar, M.D. and Marge Gunnar.*

A special thank you to this year's sponsors: Teamsters Joint Council 25, Joseph Mullarkey Distributors, Buzzbox Beverages, Sheet Metal Workers Local 73, Teamsters JC 25, Moretti's Restaurant, & EMB Consultants, Inc. with Donations from: SRL Legal Services, Eli's Cheesecake, Hooters, Soal Academy of Irish Dance, Kisbi Coffee, Trinity Pub Chicago, Home on the Highway, Vaughn's Pub, 5 Roses, and many more!



**Parade Line-up**  
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 Parade Line up - 10am  
 Kick off - 12pm

**Official NorthWestSide After Party**  
 Immediately following the parade at  
 Immaculate Conception Elementary School  
 Recreation Center  
 7271 W. Talcott  
 Ends at 5:00pm

## Northwest Side Irish Parade Grand Marshall

It will be a special year at the Northwest Side Irish Parade, as Saint Patrick High School President Dr. Joe Schmidt has been chosen as the Grand Marshal. All Shamrock alumni and supporters are encouraged to help celebrate Dr. Joe's 50 years of service to Saint Patrick by joining us at this parade. Those interested should meet near Onahan School, 6633 W. Raven, at 11 a.m. on March 12, prior to the start of the parade at noon. More details concerning an exact meeting spot, as well as the location of an after party, will be announced at a later date.

### The Following Article Is From St. Patrick Today 2017:



Dr. Joseph G. Schmidt, AFSC, never planned on a career at Saint Patrick High School.

He did not expect to be a teacher or dean, and certainly never dreamed of becoming a principal or president. Fresh of graduating from Purdue University with a Business Management degree in 1967, Dr. Joe was on his way to a career in business after landing a job with Inland Steel out of college.

That path was quickly changed when Joe received his "calling" from the Christian Brothers.

As a graduate of Saint George, a fellow Christian Brothers school, the entire Schmidt family had developed a tight-knit relationship with the brothers. So when Brother Cormack—a former Saint George teacher who had gone on to become an assistant principal at St. Pat's—invited Joe and his brother, Charlie, to join the Saint Patrick faculty following a teachers strike in 1967, it didn't take the Schmidt brothers long to jump on board.

Joe had already developed a trusting, meaningful relationship with the Christian Brothers over the years, and was eager to give back to them in any way he could.

"The Christian Brothers have always had a big influence on me," said Joe, who considers his affiliation as a Christian Brother one of the most meaningful things in his entire life. "They are good guys, they are great educators and they always treated me and my family with the utmost respect."

The year 1967 turned out to be a big year for Dr. Joe, who graduated from college, married his wife, Lynn, and started his job at St. Pat's within the span of a few months. In the midst of all those monumental events, there was no way that the man hired as an accounting teacher, basketball coach and tennis coach could have pictured himself here half a century later—with two more degrees, three new positions and a countless number of students impacted by his caring, energizing and powerful presence.

But looking back on his career thus far, it's easy for Joe—and all those surrounding him—to see that Saint Patrick High School is where he was always meant to be.

"So many things have gone right for me to be here for so long," Dr. Joe said. "I believe that the Lord does have a path for everybody, and I do believe that my path has been a providential one."

NOTE: Shamrock Nation is also invited to join St. Pat's in the Downtown Parade on March 11. Those interested in marching are asked to meet near Grant park at 11 a.m. (a more detailed location will be shared at a later date.) The parade begins at noon.

### An Irish Friendship Wish For You

May there always be work for your hands to do; May your purse always hold a coin or two;  
May the sun always shine on your windowpane; May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain;  
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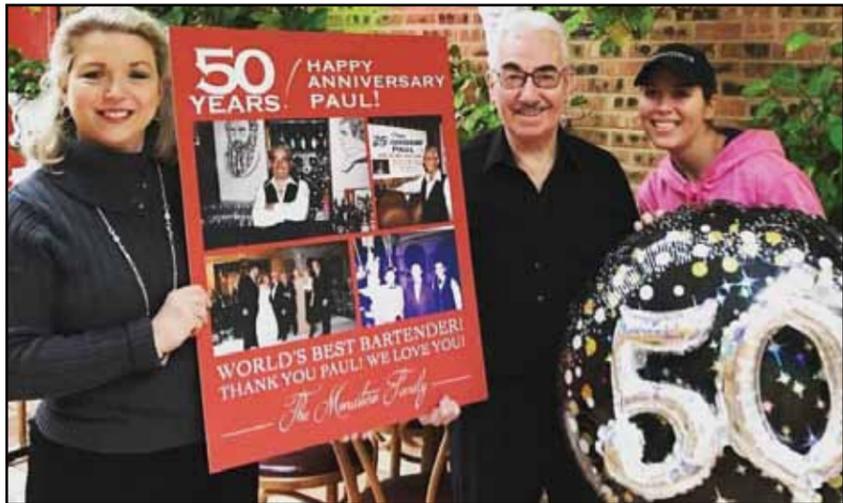
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## 100 Years Of Monastero's Ristorante



Maria Monastero and her cousin Maria Monastero congratulate bartender Paul Iacopetti on his 50th anniversary at Monastero's Ristorante by Devon and Pulaski. He started the day it opened on February 6, 1967, along with Joe Monastero - who's still the owner. Joe also had another restaurant called La Canopy - also by Devon and Pulaski - with his late siblings Salvy and Gina from 1962 to 1967 and then they opened their current restaurant. Congratulations on 50 years of Joe + 50 years of Paul = 100 years of Monastero's Ristorante!

## Annual Mardi Gras Event



Join the the Belmont-Central Chamber of Commerce with the Northwest Connection & Portage Park Chambers.

Tuesday, February 28th, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m

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To reserve your space, call the Belmont-Central Chamber of Commerce. 1-773-647-1644



### New DCASE Opportunities Newsletter

Do you know that DCASE is now sending a separate monthly email focused on opportunities, including grants, artist calls and professional development, for artists and creative professionals? If you would like to receive this mid-month newsletter, visit our website at <http://www.cityofchicago.org>.

## Chicago Cultural Affairs

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## Polish National Alliance

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Sunday, March 12, 2017 - 1:00 P.M.

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Tickets will also be available through the dance groups participating in the concert.

## Day School to Welcome Special 'Children's Torah'



Scribe, Rabbi Yochanan Nathan showing the children of Cheder Lubavitch how a Torah scroll is handcrafted on leather parchment.

The Torah scroll is the most sacred item in the Jewish religion. Painstakingly crafted by an expert scribe for a year, it is kept tucked away in the synagogue ark and reverently removed only for services.

Except for a unique Torah that will soon be welcomed by the students of Cheder Lubavitch Hebrew Day School in Skokie.

The Torah will be cared for by the students, handled by the students, and read by the students. Even the ark will be in the school's gymnasium, accessible to the general student body on a regular basis.

The Torah's velvet mantel, traditionally decorated with intricate embroidery, will be designed by the students.

"We believe in empowering students to take their place as Jewish leaders," explains executive director Rabbi Moshe Wolf. "The Torah—emblematic of our entire tradition—is not something they hear about, see, or even occasionally touch. It is something we want them to embrace and take ownership of as their own. The theme of the dinner is 'Our Children, Our Guarantors.' There is no better way of expressing how the children of Cheder guaranty the continuity of Torah Judaism than by gifting them this special Torah."

The new Torah scroll, which is being written by hand in Jerusalem, is the gift of Sherwin and Pam Willner in memory of his parents, Ben and Mary Willner

The students will also be involved in the creation of the scroll, watching Sofer (scribe) Yochanan Nathan ink in the letters in ancient Hebrew calligraphy and participating in hands-on workshops on how a Torah scroll is fashioned from cowhide and herbs.

Friends of the school will be on hand to help the scribe fill in the last letters of the scroll during a reception on Feb 12 at the Palmer House beginning at 5:30 p.m., which will be followed by a festive dinner.

Once the very last letters will have dried, the newly written scroll will be joyously paraded around the room amidst traditional Chassidic dances.

"This celebration is just the beginning," notes Wolf. "What's really important is that this Torah scroll will be in the hands of our young people for generations to come."



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## Everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day.

By Wayne Mell, Artistic Director

Even when the winter hasn't been overly harsh, March is when we all start thinking green. And St. Patrick's Day is a time when we all celebrate. Whether you like corned beef and cabbage, or a little bit of green beer, everyone likes music. And we have some outstanding events at Skokie Theatre to help herald the arrival of Spring.

### The Irish Heritage Singers March 5th – 3:00 pm

Skokie Theatre is known for its acoustics, which is why it's so popular with singers and musicians. But you have never heard such glorious sounds as when a full choir takes the stage. And that's what happens in their annual concert. The Irish Heritage Singers are the ambassadors for Irish music, for the Irish American Heritage Center and for singing in general. They perform pub favorites and folk songs, of course, but also the whimsy of Percy French, the poetry of William Butler Yeats, the rhythmic excitement of Gaelic revival works. And U2. And Enya. And Celtic Woman. Plus the music of such Irish-American composers as Stephen C. Foster and George M. Cohan. And if that wasn't enough, folks are gathering afterwards at the Curragh Pub where your ticket stub is good for 20%. Tickets are only \$20.

### Megon McDonough and Susan O'Halloran – St. Pat's Pot of Gold March 17th – 8 pm

One of our perennial favorites is everyone's favorite Irish gal, Megon McDonough. And what better day is there to have her in Skokie than St. Patrick's Day itself. Along with story artist Susan O'Halloran, the dish about the pleasures and pitfalls of being raised Irish American. From classic songs such as the woeful Danny Boy to original and humorous tunes such as The Mary Gig; from inspiring stories of searching for connection in the "old country" to the comical Irish way of "taking on the opposition". . .you don't have to be Irish to enjoy this evening of stories and songs that celebrates everyone's heritage and looks at what is universal for all of us: family, sacrifice and, always, joy and laughter in the face of life's challenges! Tickets are only \$30.

But not everyone is ready to embrace their inner Irish, so we have more event for those who don't look good in green:

On March 12 at 2 pm, Carla Gordon salutes Sophie Tucker in 'Hotsie-Totsie'. Sophie was a brassy entertainer who belted out songs like "After You're Gone," and "Some of These Days" and there is no one better to channel her spirit than our own brassy entertainer, Carla Gordon. She is joined by music director Bob Moreen with a special guest appearance by Funny Old Broad Jan Slavin as Fanny Brice. Come join everyone's favorite Yiddish mamas in laughter and song. Tickets are only \$25.

Spring is almost here. However you want to celebrate, we've got a show for you. For tickets, call 847-677-7761 or visit us online at SkokieTheatre.org.



Megon McDonough and Susan O'Halloran

## Delores A. Holmes Recording Studio Now Open at the Gibbs-Morrison Cultural Center

The Delores A. Holmes Recording Studio at the Gibbs-Morrison Cultural Center is now open to the public.

Named in honor of 5th Ward Evanston Alderman Delores Holmes, the studio provides a space for recording, mixing and mastering of tracks and voice overs, and is equipped with standardized music industry equipment and software, such as Cubase and Pro Tools.

The studio will feature engineers Brandon Stewart, Devin Patterson and Seth Watson. All three are lifelong Evanston residents with several years of experience in the music field.

Recording studio hours are:

- Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. to midnight
- Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to midnight
- Sunday, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

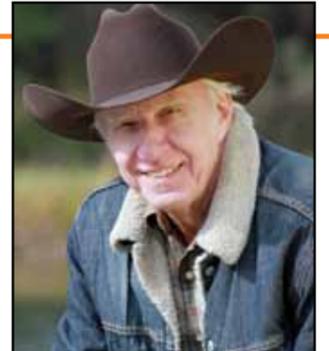
The hourly fee for using the recording studio is \$25 for Evanston students with ID; \$35 for residents; and \$45 for nonresidents.

The recording studio will eventually provide programming, such as music production, song writing, beat making and audio engineering.

The Gibbs-Morrison Cultural Center is located at 1823 Church St., in Evanston. For questions or to reserve space, please call 847-448-8040.

## Roadside History of Illinois

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



## Landmark Skyscrapers

Near Pioneer Court at the south end of the Magnificent Mile are two iconic Chicago buildings, the Wrigley Building, at 410 N. Michigan Avenue, and the Chicago Tribune Tower, 435 N. Michigan Avenue. These and other neighboring structures were created during the downtown construction boom that followed the 1920 completion of the Michigan Avenue Bridge. The historic Wrigley building, which served as headquarters for the William Wrigley, Jr. chewing gum company until 2012, was designed to resemble the Giralda Tower in Seville, Spain. It consists of two buildings (the 27-story south structure completed in 1921 and the 21-story north structure completed in 1924), both connected by a walkway at the street level and by elevated walkways at the third and 13th levels. But its most striking feature is probably the four-faced clock tower that graces the top of the south building. Above the tower is the cupola modeled after the Monument of Lysicrates in Athens, Greece. The Wrigley Building, clad in

white terra cotta, was designated a Chicago Landmark in 2012.

Across Michigan Avenue is another official Chicago Landmark, the Chicago Tribune Tower, completed in 1925. How its neo-Gothic design came to be is an unusual story. In 1922 the newspaper sponsored an international design competition to create the "most beautiful and distinctive office building in the world." The winners, out of more than 260 entries, were John Mead Howells and Raymond Hood of New York. The architects modeled the tower, with its decorative buttresses, after the Button Tower of the Rouen Cathedral in Normandy, France.

Among the building's unique features is an assemblage of bricks, stones, and fragments gathered from historic sites around the world and imbedded into the walls along Michigan Avenue and Illinois Street. The relics were collected by the Chicago Tribune's own correspondents at the request of the paper's owner, "Colonel" Robert R. McCormick. The Tribune Tower, named a Chicago Landmark in 1989, was sold in 2016.

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

## Blockbusters of 1830 by Berlioz and Chopin Highlight March 5 Concert of Evanston Symphony Orchestra

The Evanston Symphony Orchestra continues its 71st season – titled Symphonic Blockbusters- at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall in Evanston conducted by Music Director Law-

rence Eckerling on Sunday March 5, 2017 at 2:30 PM. The program includes works by Hector Berlioz and Frederick Chopin and features the ESO debut of pianist Sean Chen, the third prize winner of the 2013 Cliburn Competition. Mr. Chen is replacing Kate Liu, who had to withdraw due to a performance related injury.

The major work on the program is the *Symphonie fantastique* of Hector Berlioz, one of music's greatest advances in the art of orchestration, which was premiered in December 1830 in Paris. Mr. Chen will take the solo role in the First Piano Concerto of Chopin, premiered in Warsaw in October 1830.

Advance tickets at \$30 (\$25 for seniors, \$5 for full-time students) are available on-line at [www.evanstonsymphony.org](http://www.evanstonsymphony.org) or by calling 847.864.8804. FREE children's tickets (12 and under) are only available by calling 847.864.8804.

Founded in 1945, the Evanston Symphony was the Illinois Council of Orchestra's "Orchestra of the Year" in 2010. The ESO's mission is to provide community members of all ages with convenient, affordable opportunities to perform and hear fine classical music from locally, nationally and internationally renowned artists.

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## Mayor Emanuel Joins Covenant House To Launch New Shelter And Services For Homeless Youth In Chicago

Mayor Rahm Emanuel joined Covenant House International for the official opening of the provider's first new shelter in more than a decade, which will provide services exclusively to youth experiencing homelessness at the new central location at Lawson House at 30 W. Chicago Avenue. Covenant House Illinois will build upon the City's comprehensive and integrated approach to addressing homelessness, expanding overall citywide capacity to serve and shelter homeless youth by 13 percent on any given night.

The added shelter capacity increases the City's existing network of youth shelter space, and contributes the overall doubling of youth shelter beds citywide in the last five years.

"I want to thank Covenant House for the support they provide to our most vulnerable young people," said Mayor Emanuel. "The City and our partners at Covenant House will not give up on our commitment to providing every child in the City of Chicago with shelter, support and care they need."

Later this year, Covenant House Illinois plans to add overnight shelter – beginning with 20 interim beds – initially providing a safe space to sleep along with continued day services, and with plans to scale up to 60 beds of interim and transitional housing in Chicago.

In addition to the day services, Covenant House Illinois is also partnering with a number of existing organizations to provide more extensive support, including Haymarket for substance abuse treatment, Thresholds for mental health services, Heartland Health Outreach for medical care, Cara for employment skills and Cabrini Green Legal Aid for legal services. All of these collaborators will offer services onsite.

Caring for more than 50,000 homeless and trafficked youth across the U.S. and in six countries, Covenant House International is one of the largest and most renowned homeless service agencies in the nation. The new Covenant House Illinois location will support a the chief mission of providing homeless children the ongoing care and crisis support, and builds on the services currently delivered in 27 cities in six countries.

## Resurrection Wyse Team Takes First Place

The Resurrection College Prep High School Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering (WYSE) team competed in the WYSE sectional competition at Oakton Community College on February 3, 2017. The Resurrection Varsity team finished first in their division. The WYSE Varsity team will go on to compete in the WYSE sectionals competition in March. The Varsity team include seniors: Sarah Alshamary, Julia Baase, Elyse Boldt, Jessica Caamoan, Clare Hobson, Natalie Markech, Noelle McGlenn, Meredith Nowotarski, Melanie Persangi, Eleanor Riordan and Emma Sudie. In addition, junior Sofiya Malovana will compete as an at-large competitor in Physics at the upcoming sectionals.

Resurrection students competed in academic competitions in a variety of academic categories. Members of the Resurrection WYSE Team who won medals at the regional competition include the following: Chemistry: 1st - Ewelina Adamczak '18; 2nd - Elyse Boldt '17; and 3rd - Noelle McGlenn '17; Biology: 1st - Clare Hobson '17; and 2nd - Noelle McGlenn '17; and 3rd - Brenda Bortis '18; English: 1st - Meredith Nowotarski '17; and 2nd - Ewelina Adamczak '18; and 3rd - Brenda Bortis '18; Engineering Graphics: 1st - Natalie Markech '17 and 2nd - Sareh Alshamary '17; Math: 1st - Meredith Nowotarski '17; 2nd - Emma Sudie '17; and 3rd - Sarah Deiban, Nell Riordan '17 & Iza Rostkowski '18; Physics: 1st - Natalie Markech '17 & Nell Riordan '17; 2nd - Sofiya Malovana '18; and 3rd - Kathryn Osepek '18

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

## Evanston Celebrates National Drinking Water Week With 3Rd Grade Art Contest

The City of Evanston is hosting a 3rd grade art contest in celebration of National Drinking Water Week (NDWW), which is May 7-13, 2017. The purpose of NDWW is to celebrate water as our most precious natural resource. This year's theme is "Your Water – to know it is to love it."

The City is hosting its annual art contest for 3rd grade students to showcase their ideas of what "Your Water – to know it is to love it" means to them. Submissions should fit on a 9-inch by 12-inch piece of paper or smaller. Hard-copies of the submissions should be dropped off or mailed to the Evanston Water Production Bureau, 555 Lincoln St., Evanston, IL 60201 by Monday, March 6 at 4 p.m. Submissions can be dropped off Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Community-wide online voting to determine the People's Choice Award winner will be held March 24 through April 7. Mayor's Choice and Water Spirit Awards will also be awarded.

Winners will be announced on Monday, May 8 at the Administration & Public Works Committee Meeting of the Evanston City Council. Awards will include Evanston Beach Tokens for the 2017 summer, a plaque recognizing their achievement, and a chance to have their artwork displayed at the main Evanston Public Library, 1703 Orrington Ave., during Drinking Water Week.

Additional activities for National Drinking Water Week, including tours of Evanston's Water Treatment Plant, will be announced in March.

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

## How To Book A Free AFSP IL Speaker

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## VFW Announces Illinois Voice of Democracy Scholarship Winner

Aidan D. Busch, a senior at Palatine High School in Palatine IL, was named the VFW Department of Illinois' first-place winner and recipient of the John H. Emery Youth, Pageantry and Patriotism Award of \$2500 in the 2017 Voice of Democracy Scholarship program. VFW Post 1337 in Mt. Prospect IL sponsored Aidan.

"The Voice of Democracy competition provides high school students with the opportunity to speak out on freedom and democracy," says VFW Department Commander W. Dave Stout. "The program has been popular and successful since its beginning in 1947, and we're proud to keep offering it to America's young people."

The Voice of Democracy is a worldwide audio-essay competition that requires entrants to write and record a three-to-five minute essay on a patriotic-based theme. "My Responsibility To America" was this year's theme.

Over 2700 Illinois students participated in the competition this year. As one of 54 finalists worldwide, Aidan will travel to Washington, D.C. and compete at the national level for the first-place prize of a \$30,000 college scholarship.

The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) started the Voice of Democracy Scholarship program in 1947. The VFW became a national sponsor in the late 1950s and assumed sole responsibility for the program in 1961. The competition was created to provide students grades 9-12 the opportunity to express themselves in regard to democratic ideas and principles. Around 40,000 students participate in the competition each year and VFW awards more than \$2 million in scholarships every year.

## Library Name Changes to Niles-Maine District Library Effective July 1, 2017

The Board of Trustees voted at Wednesday's Regular Board Meeting to adopt a new library name at the beginning of the next fiscal year starting July 1, 2017. The Board voted unanimously in favor of changing the library name from the Niles Public Library District to the Niles-Maine District Library.

"The main reason for the library name change is to be more community inclusive of all the residents in the Library District," said Board President, Linda Ryan.

The Library District serves 59,000 residents in the Village of Niles, Unincorporated Des Plaines, and Unincorporated Glenview. The new library name stems from half of the residents residing in Niles Township (Village of Niles) and the other half in Maine Township (Unincorporated Des Plaines and Unincorporated Glenview).

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

### Carl B. Roden Branch Chicago Public Library

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Ask your librarian or visit [chipublib.org](http://chipublib.org) for more information.

### MARCH PROGRAMS

**Junior Explorers Club: Rubber Band Cars**  
Wednesday, March 1, 2017 (4:00PM – 5:00PM)

Cars move by converting stored energy to kinetic energy. Build a simple vehicle that uses the energy in a rubber band to move. Then use your creativity to design a car of your own. Grades 1-5.

**Great Books Book Discussion**  
March 2, 2017 @6:15 p.m. *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare  
March 16, 2017 @6:15 p.m. *The Egoist* by George Meredith

The long-running Great Books Discussion group at Roden meets twice a month. This year's theme is Love.

**Fatelessness**  
Tuesday, March 7, 2017 (6:00PM – 7:30PM)

Fatelessness is a physical score performed to a radio play (adapted by Andràs Visky and Adam Boncz) from the novel Fatelessness by Imre Kertész.

Fatelessness has been a physical experiment developed over 16 months, first presented at the 27th Annual Rhinofest of 2016, and touring synagogues, libraries, and homes in 2017. Presented by Theatre Y and performed by Benjamin Holliday Wardell.

**Masterpiece Book Club: The Pyramid by Henning Mankell**  
Thursday, March 9, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.

A lifelong fan or new to MASTERPIECE, MASTERPIECE THEATER or MYSTERY!?! Then please join us for our second season as we again host a series of wonderful conversations, about something most novel, books!

In the first of this award winning series, written by bestselling novelist and playwright Henning Mankell, Patrolman Kurt Wallander investigates a homicide, his first case as a twenty-one-year-old patrolman. Join us as we discuss, in these five tales in *The Pyramid*, and how the persona of Wallander transforms from just solving crimes to investigating using his dedication and inner resolve.

**Junior Explorers Club: Squishy Circuits**  
Wednesday, March 15, 2017 (4:00PM – 5:00PM)

Squishy Circuits use play dough to teach the basics of electrical circuits in a fun, hands-on way. Have fun creating circuits that make light bulbs glow, buzzers buzz and motors whir. Grades 1-5.

## Mayor Emanuel Announces MLS All-Star Game Presented By Target Will Be Held At Soldier Field

**FS1, Univision Deportes, TSN and TVA Sports to televise the game in the U.S. and Canada**

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today joined Major League Soccer Commissioner Don Garber to announce the 2017 MLS All-Star Game presented by Target will be played on August 2, at Soldier Field in Chicago, Ill.

"Soccer is a global sport and Chicago is the ideal global city to host this important game," Mayor Emanuel said. "This match will not just bring more world-class soccer to the city, it will help inspire future generations of soccer stars who are learning the game on playgrounds and fields in neighborhoods throughout the city of Chicago."

Mayor Emanuel and Commissioner Garber were joined by Chicago Fire Owner and Chairman Andrew Hauptman, Michael Kelly, General Superintendent and CEO, Chicago Park District, Executive Director of the Chicago Sports Commission Kara Bachman, and Target Vice President of Marketing William White at Soldier Field to make the announcement.

In a landmark, multi-year partnership agreement announced earlier this month, Target became an official partner of Major League Soccer. The 2017 MLS All-Star Game presented by Target is

the latest step in the retailer's largest-ever push into team sports. The annual midsummer showcase will feature the best in MLS hosting one of the top clubs in the world, broadcast live on FS1, UDN and UniMás in the United States, TSN and TVA Sports in Canada, and in more than 170 countries across the globe.

In addition to the match, the city of Chicago will host nearly a week of events surrounding the game, including concerts, community service initiatives, player appearances, and the fourth annual MLS Homegrown Game, featuring the best homegrown players from across the league.

Veljko Paunovic, the head coach of the Chicago Fire, will manage the All-Star Team. The opponent for the 2017 MLS All-Star Game presented by Target will be announced at a later date.

While this is the first MLS All-Star Game to be played at Soldier Field, it's the second time the MLS midsummer classic has been played in the Chicagoland area. In 2006, the MLS All-Stars defeated England's Chelsea FC 1-0 in a match played at Toyota Park in Bridgeview, Ill. Dwayne De Rosario scored the game's only goal for the MLS All-Stars.

## A Few Of The Pitfalls Of Planning Your Estate With Joint Tenancy



**Chester M. Przybylo**

Our office finds a number of people feel that they have covered all their bases when they use joint tenancy as their main estate planning tool. They are aware that if a piece of property or bank account is held in joint tenancy, it avoids probate for the surviving individual after the death of the first individual. This is true, and for some individuals it works without any complications. However, when Joint Tenancy goes awry, it can cause a number of unanticipated problems.

Let's look at an example of a widowed mother, who puts her only asset, her home, into joint tenancy with her only child, a daughter. The daughter is an industrious and trustworthy individual who decided to start a business with a partner who was definitely not as trustworthy as she was. The business partner made a number of bad financial decisions for the business without telling the daughter. The end result was bankruptcy for both partners. To make matters even worse, the daughter's business partner quickly left town and left her holding

the bag. When the court searched the records for the daughter's assets, her mother's house was discovered with her owning one-half of the property in joint tenancy. The judge ordered the sale of the house to use the daughter's one-half share of the house to pay her creditors. What the mother did not realize was that joint tenancy conveyed one-half ownership of the residence, putting it at risk if her daughter had a judgment against her.

A similar scenario can take place when a parent puts bank accounts or property into a joint tenancy situation with a child who later is in a divorce situation. Even "amicable" divorces can get nasty when money is involved, and a soon-to-be-ex spouse claims that the property that is held in joint tenancy with a parent should be part of the settlement.

With more and more individuals living longer lives, the chance of a surviving spouse later having a new relationship increases. Let's say a widowed dad has put all three of his children on the deed to the family residence and feels this is the easiest way to pass on his home to his children when he dies. However, he is still in good health and meets a lovely woman with whom he would like to spend his remaining years. They seem to be a great couple and look forward to beating the ice and snow of a Chicago winter and moving down to Sarasota, Florida. All dad has to do is ask his three children to sign over their rights to the family home so he can sell it and use the money for his new home in warmer climes. What is their reaction to dad's request?? Wait! Not so fast! Maybe his children are truly concerned about his welfare, or maybe they are afraid of losing their share of the property to his new partner. Whatever the reason, they can essentially block any move to Florida by their father.

Why take a risk with joint tenancy when there are better ways to plan your estate?

*Chester M. Przybylo has been elected to the Board of Governors of the prestigious American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys and has been engaged in the practice of law for the last 45 years. To register for an upcoming seminar, call the 24 hour reservation hotline at 1-800-638-7878 or register online at [www.PlanOurEstate.com](http://www.PlanOurEstate.com).*

## Edison Park Post 541 Of The American Legion



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

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

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

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

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

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## 'Caring For The Human Spirit Conference' To Highlight Value Of Spiritual Care In Health Care

HealthCare Chaplaincy Network (HCCN) will hold its fourth annual "Caring for the Human Spirit Conference" on March 13-15 in Chicago, Ill., with a content-rich agenda focused on the further integration of spiritual care throughout health care disciplines and settings.

The three-day conference, at the Sheraton Grand Chicago, will offer multidisciplinary sessions and workshops designed for health care chaplains; and, new this year, specific tracks for nurses and social workers, respectively, with the opportunity to earn a certificate as a spiritual care generalist.

"This year's conference puts multidisciplinary compassionate care in the spotlight," said Rev. Eric J. Hall, HCCN's president and CEO. "It is becoming increasingly clear that spiritual care is such a critical aspect of whole-person care and the overall patient experience that all types of providers need to enhance their knowledge and skills. The wide reach and depth of this conference recognizes that we need health care chaplains as the spiritual care specialists and others on the health care team as spiritual care generalists to all contribute to the best quality care for people in distress."

Known for its research-based agenda and transformative experience, the annual conference will again include top clinicians and researchers in spiritual care, palliative care, oncology, and patient experience as presenters. For the keynote address, Roshl Joan Jiko Halifax, Ph.D., founder of the Upaya Zen Center and Institute, Santa Fe, N.M., will present on "Perspectives on Compassion: An Essential Practice in Chaplaincy."

The plenary speakers are: Deborah B. Marin, M.D., Blumenthal Professor of Psychiatry, and director, Center for Spirituality and Health, The Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York; The Rev. Kathie Bender Schwich, MDiv, FACHE, senior vice president, Mission and Spiritual Care, Advocate Health Care, Downers Grove, Ill.; Shane Sinclair, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Cancer Care Research Professorship, Faculty of Nursing, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta; and Jason A. Wolf, Ph.D., CPXP, president, The Beryl Institute, Southlake, Texas.

Both the conference's agenda and attendees are reflective of spiritual care's increasing integration in health care. A growing body of research demonstrates the positive impact of professional chaplaincy and spiritual care on medical outcomes, patient experience and satisfaction, and cost of care. Recently, the American Medical Association adopted policy recognizing the importance of individual patient spirituality and its effect on health, and encouraged giving patients access to spiritual care services.

The conference also includes more than 30 workshops, poster sessions, an exhibit hall, a pre-conference training on advance care planning, and a renewal of commitment ceremony for chaplains. Participants can attend in person or via webcast. CMEs, CEUs CNEs, and contact hours are available for physicians, chaplains, nurses, and social workers, respectively.

For more information and to register, including early bird registration through February 18, visit [www.healthcarechaplaincy.org/conference](http://www.healthcarechaplaincy.org/conference).

## Mayor's 2017 Summer Youth Employment Program Job Fair Set for March 11

Evanston youth age 14 to 18 years are encouraged to find their perfect summer job at Mayor Tisdahl's annual Summer Youth Employment Program (MSYEP) Job Fair on Saturday, March 11, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at Evanston Township High School (ETHS), 1600 Dodge Ave. Doors will close at noon.

With the help of local employers, MSYEP hopes to place 1,000 young people in jobs. Employers interested in attending the job fair and participating in the program this year can register online at [cityofevanston.org/msyep](http://cityofevanston.org/msyep).

More than 40 employers providing summer and year-round employment will be present, including NorthShore University HealthSystem, Northwestern University, Rotary International, Six Flags Great America (transportation provided), McGaw YMCA, Salvation Army-Evanston, YoFresh Yogurt Cafe, Cinemark / Century Theatres, and more. Sponsors also include ZS Associates.

Youth are highly encouraged to fill out a Summer Youth Employment Program application in advance, which will expedite the process at the job fair. Applications are available at [cityofevanston.org/youthemployment](http://cityofevanston.org/youthemployment), or youth may get assistance and ask questions from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at one of these outreach sessions:

- CAMS Branch Library, 900 Chicago Ave. – Monday, February 13
- EPL Teen Loft, 1703 Orrington Ave. – Monday, February 13
- Ecology Center, 2024 McCormick Blvd. – Tuesday, February 14
- Fleetwood-Jourdain Center, 1655 Foster St. – Wednesday, February 15
- Gibbs-Morrison Center, 1823 Church St. – Wednesday, February 15
- Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave. – Thursday, February 16
- Chandler-Newberger Center, 1028 Central St. – Friday, February 17
- Robert Crown Center, 1701 Main St. – Friday, February 17

- All ETHS Cafeterias – February 13-17, Lunch periods 4-6

In order to be eligible to attend the job fair, youth must be enrolled in school; be at least 14 years of age when the program begins on June 12, 2017; and live in ZIP codes 60201 or 60202. Youth age 17 and 18 years are especially encouraged to attend the job fair, as many opportunities exist for both summer and year-round employment.

Students are encouraged to increase their chances of being hired and get an opportunity to jump the line at the job fair by attending a Pre-Fair Resume & Interview Skills Workshop, sponsored by the Youth Job Center. Workshops will be held at ETHS HUB (W220) on Wednesday, February 22, 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 25, from 9 a.m. to noon (Wildkit Academy); and Wednesday, March 1, 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Students are encouraged to register for a workshop at [cityofevanston.org/workshop](http://cityofevanston.org/workshop).

In 2016, with the help of community organizations and local businesses, as well as partnerships with ETHS and the Youth Job Center, the MSYEP held its largest job fair ever. Nearly 700 Evanston youth attended the event with more than 600 securing summer or year-round employment. Mayor Tisdahl's goal is to provide 1,000 Evanston youth with summer jobs.

Collaborations with individuals, companies, and organizations, such as Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin, Cinemark Theatres, Evanston Township High School, and Northwestern University, contributed greatly to the success of last year's program. Businesses interested in supporting and/or attending this year's job fair and program can register online at [cityofevanston.org/msyep](http://cityofevanston.org/msyep) or contact Youth & Young Adult Program Coordinator Porschia Davis at 847-448-8049 or [youth@cityofevanston.org](mailto:youth@cityofevanston.org).

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

## 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.

# Village Cooking Corner

A Few Ideas For Indulging Prior To Lenten Menus Begin

## Chicken Tikka Masala

Served at most Indian restaurants, famous all over the world! Boneless chicken pieces marinated in yogurt and a blend of spices, cooked in the oven, then simmered in delicious spicy and creamy gravy. Goes perfect with Basmati rice or Naan flat bread. Food Nirvana!

Ingredients for marinade:

Marinate 1 pound of boneless, thigh or leg chicken meat cut into small pieces in:

1 cup of plain yogurt, whisked	3 cloves of chopped garlic
1 tbs of coriander powder	1 tbs of cumin powder
1 tsp paprika	1 tbs of crushed green chilies
1 tbs of crushed ginger	Half tsp of salt
1 tbs of mustard or vegetable oil	2 tbs of lemon juice



Method: Mix chicken pieces thoroughly in the marinade and refrigerate for 4 hours or overnight. Heat oven at 370 degrees.

While oven is warming up, place marinated chicken pieces on a cookie sheet and cook it in the oven for 20 minutes.

While the chicken is cooking in the oven prepare the gravy.

Gravy: Saute 2 finely chopped medium onions in 2tbs vegetable oil in a sauce pan

Once onions are translucent add 2 cloves of chopped garlic  
 1 tbs chopped green chili 1 tbs chopped ginger  
 1 tbs of coriander powder 1 tbs of cumin powder

Half tsp of turmeric

A pinch of garam masala ( a blend of few spices like cinnamon, cardamom, cloves etc.)

Salt to taste

Saute all the spices for couple of minutes then, add 1 tbs of tomato paste.

Mix well then add a cup of heavy cream and 1 tbs of butter.

Now add the oven cooked chicken pieces in the gravy along with the marinade, mix well.

Cover the sauce pan and let the chicken simmer in the gravy for 15 minutes.

Finally, remove the chicken tikka masala from the sauce pan and place in a bowl & garnish with chopped cilantro leaves.

Serve hot with rice or Naan bread.

Note: All spices mentioned above are available at any Indian or Pakistani grocery store or in the International section of any supermarket.

From the Kitchen of Prashant Shukla

(To see recipe videos showcasing recipes from around the world from Prashant Shukla, visit [www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com) and search for Gastro Guru)

## Pasta-bility Lunch

Italian Luncheon Sunday, Feb. 26

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

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

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

Parking: Parking is available in the lot across the street from the Ecology Center, accessible via McCormick Blvd. Parking will not be permitted in the Ecology Center Circle Drive



## Radio Book Makes Radio Reunion

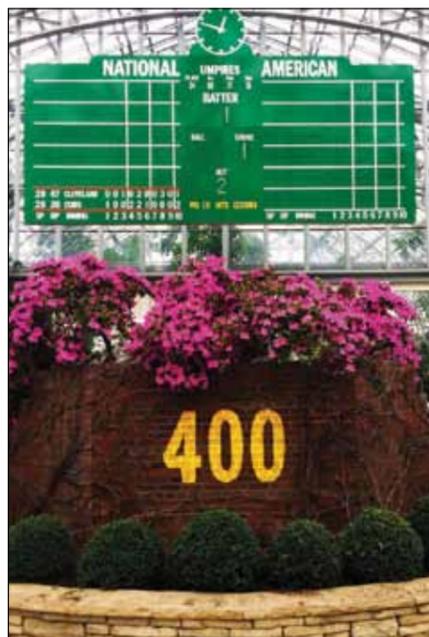
Chicago radio DJ Bobby Skafish (WDRV-WKQX-WLUP-WXRT) just released his first book and suddenly there was a reunion of radio royalty.



Left-to-right you can see radio executive Greg Solk, Bobby, radio producer Rick Kaempfer, and radio DJ Johnny Mars - and their combined radio experience is probably more than 150 years.

The book is titled: "We Have Company: Four Decades of Rock and Roll Encounters" and Johnny Mars says: "With over four decades as a silver-tongued D.J., Bobby Skafish turns his numerous interview moments into a can't-stop reading adventure. Partly his thoughts on the interview process but mainly a memoir about his lifelong passion for music and those that make it. Highly recommended!" Jim Skafish (his punk rock star cousin) says: "I wanted to let everyone know that my cousin Bobby Skafish's first book is coming out! It spans four decades of fantastic interviews Bobby conducted with legendary rockers to memorable life-changing events that Bobby covered and more." Other radio guests at this book-release party were: Cara Cariveau, Stan Lawrence, Patty Martin, Brendan Sullivan, Paul Webber, plus radio-TV star Amy Jacobson and TV star Dane Placko. The aforementioned Rick Kaempfer is also publishing the book, and more details - including a list of who's interviewed - can be found at [EckhartzPress.com](http://EckhartzPress.com).

## Garfield Park Conservatory's Spring Flower Show To Feature A Larger-Than-Life Botanical Cubs' World Series Trophy



WHO: All ages

WHAT: 2017 Spring Flower Show "Spring Training"

WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 18th - Sunday, May 14th, 9am - 5pm

WHERE: Garfield Park Conservatory, 300 N. Central Park Avenue

MORE: Garfield Park Conservatory's Spring Flower "Spring Training" is a celebration of all things baseball, including the Cubs' World Series Championship win. Visitors are invited to take a picture next to the ivy-covered wall and/or their favorite spring bloom. The Conservatory's Show House will be transformed into a spring flowering extravaganza with a nod to Wrigley Field, including the iconic bleachers, a scoreboard, marquee, and a larger-than-life botanical World Series trophy.

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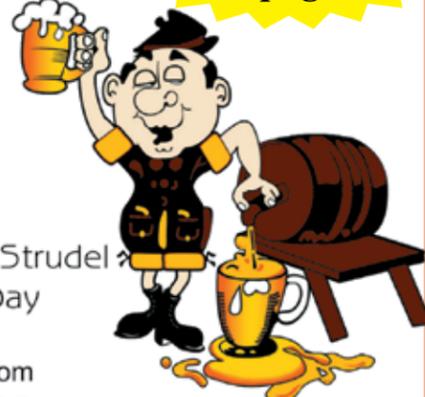
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Activities start the week of April 3 for most programs.

**Tuesday, February 28 at 9AM for parks EAST of California Ave. (2800 W.)**

Please note: registration dates vary for gymnastics centers as well as Morgan Park Sports Center & McFetridge Sports Center.

In-Person registration begins:  
**Saturday, March 4 for most parks. Some parks begin Monday, March 6**

For more information visit:  
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