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29TH ANNUAL TASTE OF CHICAGO JUNE 26-JULY 5, 2009



Admission is free and food tickets are \$8 for a strip of 12 tickets. The event opens everyday at 11a.m. and ticket sales end at 8:30p.m. The festival will close at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 5. Visitors are encouraged to take public transportation to Taste of Chicago. For more information please call the Mayor's Office of Special Events hotline at (312) 744-3370 or visit the web at www.tasteofchicago.us .

Taste hours are 11 a.m. -9 p.m. daily except July 3 when Taste closes immediately following fireworks and on July 5, Taste closes at 6 p.m.

3RD OF JULY MIXES IT UP AGAIN FOR INDEPENDENCE EVE CELEBRATION

Upon sampling the array of food selections at Taste of Chicago, festival attendees will slowly make their way to the Petrillo Music Shell for the prefireworks entertainment. Beginning at 7:30 pm, the 85th Army Band will dazzle the audience with their harmonious sound.



Blooming ANNUALS in all colors and varieties

Following the conclusion of the 85th Army Band's performance, spectators will direct their attention to the award-winning fireworks display that will last for 20 minutes as 101.9 THE MIX broadcasts their soundtrack to compliment the show in the background. The view of the show is best throughout Grant Park, and museum campus to the south, as each explosion of color in the sky, along with the musical accompaniment, builds up to the grand finale.

FREE CONCERTS FIT THE BILL AND THE WALLET

Ten days of free concerts might be the best stimulus package yet! In a year where savings and value are taking priority, a lineup of internationally renowned entertainers performing free concerts is more valuable than ever as the 29th Annual Taste of Chicago, June 26-July 5 in Grant Park, presents a star-studded lineup with music for every taste.

For more information on the Taste of Chicago, call the Mayor's Office of Special Events (312) 744-3315, TTY (312) 744-2964. Visit the Mayor's Office of Special Events on the Internet at www.tasteofchicago.us for updates on performers, chefs and restaurants. For more information on Chicago, including help planning your trip, visit www.explorechicago.org







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Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center Offers July Health Programs



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

For All of You, All of Your Li "Do You Have Carpal Tunnel Syndrome?" is a

free lecture that will be offered Wednesday, July 1, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Hand surgeon Srdjan Ostric, M.D., will discuss signs, symptoms and treatment options for carpal tunnel syndrome. He also will explain common indicators, including hands or fingers feeling numb, tingling or itching as well as difficulty in grasping objects. Refreshments will be served. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

The Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, July 7, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the second floor Community Education Room. These free sessions are tailored for adults who have Type 2 diabetes and focus on the emotional side of diabetes, allowing participants to share coping strategies, feelings and problems in living with diabetes. For further information about the Diabetes Support Group, call certified diabetes educator Kathy Byrne-Bellavia, R.N., at 773-794-8329.

Cholesterol screenings will be offered Friday, July 10, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. A 12-hour fast is required for this blood draw that tests for total cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL and LDL. Test results will be mailed. There is a \$15 fee. Advance registration is required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

A free Healthy Aging Program will be held Friday, July 10, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center. This program for seniors aged 55 and older consists of social time, health topics and guest lectures. Registration is not required.

The Arthritis Support Group will meet Thursday, July 23, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., in the seventh floor Centennial Conference Center. These free sessions aim to provide mutual support and education. Registration is not required.

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

Zoning Board Meeting Cancelled

The 41st Ward Zoning Advisory Board will not meet at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesday, July 1, 2009, at Olympia Park Fieldhouse, 6566 N. Avondale

The 2008 – 2009 vehicle sticker expires on June 30, 2009. City Clerk del gins on July 16, 2009.



Wright Launches Senior **Discount Program**

Senior citizens can get a "passport" to staying mentally and physically fit through a new program launched this year by Wilbur Wright College, 4300 N. Narragansett Ave.

Seniors will be able to take four continuing education classes, attend two social events and get half-off additional classes by joining Wright's Golden Age Club for just \$50. Continuing education classes start at various times through the year.

The list of courses included in the program is long. It includes Senior Morning Workout, Introduction to Brian Gym and Basic Computer Classes. Many of these classes would cost more than \$50 individually, but the membership in the Golden Age Club entitles seniors to the discount.

The social events will be informal gatherings featuring lectures, music and refreshments. Dates are to be announced.

Wright has launched this special program because research has shown the physical and mental health benefits of staying active.

For a complete continuing education summer schedule or to register for the program, visit the Continuing Education Department in Room A139. A summer schedule can also be found online at wright.ccc.edu. For more information, contact (773) 481-8059.

Wright Seeks Crafters for Fair

Wright College is seeking artists and crafters for its indoor 42nd Annual Craft Fair on Sept. 13 at the college, 4300 N. Narragansett Ave.

Tables for this no-admission fair range from \$65 to \$100. The fair is wellattended by thousands each year because of its long history and because much of the merchandise is hand-crafted.

Wright's Center for Lifelong Learning sponsors the fair, which runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The deadline for reserving a booth is Aug. 1. Tables will be assigned on a "first-applied-for, first-assigned" basis.

For more information, contact Mary Dicks at (773) 481-8914. Also, a vendor application is on Wright's website: wright.ccc.edu.



Chicago Locals Honored at the Ed Kelly Sports Awards Dinner

By Sophia Venetos

The Ed Kelly Sports Program will present several individuals with awards at its 35th Annual Giant Awards Dinner on Monday, June 29 at the White Eagle Banquet Hall, located at 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave. in Niles. Local recipients include Harry Kempf, owner of Chicago Brauhaus Restaurant and a part of Chicago history, who will be honored with the Dan O'Brien Business Award. Also, Terrence O'Brien, president of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, will receive the Thomas Rand Achievement Award.

Other honorees include former Lightweight Champion Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini, who will receive the Muhammad Ali Athlete Award. In addition, Gene Pingatore, the head basketball coach at St. Joseph High School, will be honored with the Ray Meyer Coach Award.

WFLD anchor Pat Elwood will be presented with the Irv Kupcinet Media Award. Lastly, Jose A. Caez, business manager of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1031, will be honored with the Bill Hogan, Sr. Labor Award.

Media personality Mike North will emcee the event, and tickets are on sale for \$100 each or \$1,000 for a table for 10. Cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:45. For more information, call 773-728-6300. The Ed Kelly Sports Program is an Illinois not-for-profit organization, therefore the purchase of each \$100 ticket provides value in return of \$25 and entitles the purchaser to a tax-deductible charitable contribution of \$75 for each ticket.

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Chicago Brauhaus-Meister and "Father" of Lincoln Square Harry Kempf to Receive Award

Ask around about Harry Kempf and expect to hear the words "businessman," "pioneer," "community builder," "guardian of German culture" time and again. This civic leader and important figure in Chicago history will receive the Dan O'Brien Business Award .

Raised in Germany, Kempf found a new home in Chicago in 1956. A musician at heart, one of his first purchases was a bass fiddle, a solid investment that landed him a job singing at Zum Deutchen Eck. In many ways, the fiddle marked the beginning of Kempf's decades of business acumen that brought together music and love of his homeland.

In 1963, he opened Zum Lieben Augustine, a restaurant that offered tasty food and lively music to all its patrons, adjacent to the then German Theatre (now the Davis). Two years later, joined by his brother Guenther, Kempf opened another venue Treffpunkt Bierstube where the two played music, served traditional German fare, and developed a dedicated following.

In the mid-60s, the Chamber of Commerce decided to designate the area, now Lincoln Square, as an ethnic cultural hub. But with few businesses in the area, the plan seemed distant. Distant, that is, until the Kempf brothers decided to throw a party. With the help of Mrs. Ed Kelly, who invited all the seniors in the area, the Kempfs cooked up thousands of brats, and the community celebrated its first Oktoberfest — a classic Chicago festival that has grown, and is a don't-miss event more than 40 years later!

From the ashes of a fire that destroyed Treffpunkt a year later, a new restaurant was born, a tribute to Deutschland, a Midwestern American version of Munich's Hoffbrauhaus. Over the years, the Chicago Brauhaus became a venerable institution, an anchor for German-American culture, drawing friends from down the block and across the Atlantic for a stein, a meal, and a rousing version of Ein Prosit. Today, Harry's son Alfred (Freddie) helps carry on the tradition.

In 2000, the City of Chicago honored Harry Kempf and his brother by dedicating Giddings Plaza as "Kempf Plaza." On Monday, June 29, Harry Kempf will receive the prestigious Dan O'Brien business award at the Ed Kelly Sports Program 35th Giant Awards Dinner. Mr Kempf will be recognized for his contributions to Chicago business and culture. We cannot think of a more deserving recipient of this award and we join in wishing Harry Kempf much continued success.



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Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation **Concerts In The Park**

Wednesday(s) ** July 22, August 19 6:00pm - 7:30pm Proesel Park Shelter (Corner of Kostner & Morse) Lincolnwood, IL

FREE – Open to the Public For more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

July 22nd * The Class of '68

The Class of '68 began in 2002 as the Rob Ross tribute band to celebrate a birthday for one of Steve Wild's closest friends. In the



process, Steve met Woody Johnson, who volunteered to sing with a who hadn't played in thirty years! The event re-kindled a love affair with 1960's music in both and gave birth to the Class of '68, a band dedicated to the :Golden Age of Top 40." With the addition of other's who share the passion, the band is one of the few whose members actually played 1960's rock and roll in the 1960's at some of the Chicago areas most popular venues including the Cellar, the Green Gorilla and the Pink Panther.

Lincolnwood Social Club (55+) Movie & Lunch, now showing "Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day"

After losing yet another nanny position because of her gruff demeanor, Guinevere Pettigrew (Frances McDormand) mistakenly lands an assignment as the assistant of an American starlet (Amy Adams) and finds herself swept up in a dizzying world of glamour and high society. Based on the novel by Winifred Watson, this charming 1940s-era tale also stars Ciarán Hinds, Lee Pace, Shirley Henderson and Mark Strong.

Lunch from Lou Malanti's will be served to those who register for the lunch.

Friday, July 10, 2009 11:30am - Lunch Noon - Movie

Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, IL Fee: \$11 Club Member * Movie & Lunch / \$4 Movie Only \$14 Non-Members * Movie & Lunch / \$6 Movie Only

Registration is required, for more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Social Club (55+) **Monthly Lunch Bunch**

Per a Club Member's suggestion, the July Lunch Bunch will be held at the ever-popular Pizano's Pizza & Pasta of Glenview. Diners will enjoy the convenience of a pre-arranged menu and pricing of \$12.00 per person which includes your choice of menu item to be ordered day of, coffee, tea, soft drinks, dessert, tax and gratuity.

As always, transportation to and from the restaurant as well as payment is the responsibility of each attendee. On-site parking is available. Bring your appetite!

Wednesday, July 29 11:30am

Pizano's Pizza & Pasta 1808 N. Waukegan Road, Glenview, IL

FREE - Lunch & Transportation are on your own Registration is required, for more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

Aquanastics

A variety of fun and fitness activities set to music. Water exercise is not only beneficial for body toning, but has therapeutic value for those who need a regular program of rhythmic movement. Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 16 – August 6 10:30am – 11:30am. Lincolnwood Aquatic Center 7155 Kostner Ave., Lincolnwood, IL \$65 Residents, \$81 Non-Residents Registration is required, for more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

Step Aquanastics STEP in the pool is not just another gimmick; it's an alternative to land step and traditional aquatic exercise in one class. It will prove to be a creative and fun class. We will be using steps and noodles for this class.

Class #1 * June 14 – August 16 Sundays from 9:00 – 10:00am \$50 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Class #2 * June 15 – August 5 Mondays & Wednesdays from 11:30am - 12:30pm, \$65 Resident, \$81 Non-Resident

Lincolnwood Aquatic Center, 7155 Kostner Ave., Lincolnwood, IL Registration is required, for more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

Lincolnwood Social Club (55+) Join the Lincolnwood Social Club

Are you tired of staying home? Would you like to do fun and exciting things? Do you want to make a few new friends? Then why not join the Lincolnwood Social Club 55+. You do not have to be a resident of Lincolnwood to join. We go to exciting places every week in addition to the numerous special events held at our Community Center. Give us a call and find out what we are all about, our number is (847) 677-9740. This is one phone call you won't be sorry that you made.

Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Your Party Place – Lincolnwood **Community Center Available for Rent**

The Lincolnwood Community Center is part of the Parks and Recreation Department of the Village of Lincolnwood. We serve the community's recreational needs by offering various programs in our facility. However, when we're not serving the recreational needs of the community, we would like to make our Community Center available for rent to, businesses, individuals and families of Lincolnwood as well as those living nearby.

It is important for us to serve the public's recreational needs, but it's also important to assist families in attaining an affordable space to hold all types of functions, from birthday parties, bat/bar mitzvah parties, family reunions/celebrations, annual holiday parties, wedding engagements, retirement parties, to classroom enrichment programs and more.

We can fulfill almost every need of the community with our list of amenities including: round or rectangular tables, banquet chairs, kitchen, TV, podium with microphone, coffeepot, tablecloths and more. If you have a specific need that was not mentioned in our amenities list, talk to our staff to see if other arrangements can be made.

Availability is based upon seasonal Parks & Recreation Department programs and previously scheduled rentals. Stop by our facility, located at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue in Lincolnwood, for a tour of the building, to inquire about availability, or to pick up a renter information packet detailing prices, policies and procedures. Or you can contact the Parks and Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740 for more information.

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GREAT OUTDOORS



How Does a "Heat Wave" Affect Your Plants?

by: Nick and Gerard Urhausen, Urhausen Greenhouses, Lincolnwood

Once again this year our Chicago weather has changed from the cool of Spring to the heat of Summer almost overnight. This sudden and rapid change from cold to hot impacts the growth of your flowering annuals in ways of which you may not be aware. The average gardener often does not understand the role that temperature plays in the performance of his/her plants. What we will focus on today is the impact which temperature has on blooming.

For all plants there is an ideal temperature range consisting of a night time low and a day time high which is optimal for producing blooms and flowers. Having a heat wave the night time low is usually not cool enough, and the day time high is often exceeded. When this occurs, most plants tend to slow down, just like people do, when it is hot. Some plants will either go out of bloom completely or decrease the number of blooms significantly. This is the survival mechanism of the plant kicking in. The plant will shut down blooming to concentrate on just staying alive. Dianthus and snapdragons are some example of plants that often times go out of bloom when the real heat hits. This does not mean that the plant is dead. Continue to water, and when the weather cools the blooms and flowers will magically reappear. In other plants the number of blooms will not decrease, however the size of the flowers will shrink. New Guinea Impatiens and nonstop Begonias will often follow this pattern. Again, keep up the watering and continue feeding the plants every two weeks, and all will be fine when the weather cools down. During a heat wave all a gardener can really do is just wait for the cooler more moderate weather to return.

Urhausen Greenhouses is located at 6973 N. East Prairie Road in Lincolnwood. Their phone number 847-675-1573. urhausengreenhouses.com

Racing to Mackinac For 101 Years

By Sophia Venetos

The Chicago to Mackinac Sailboat Race is one of the longest annual freshwater sailing distance race in the world at 333 miles (289.4 nautical miles), with boats beginning at the mouth of the Chicago River, crossing Lake Michigan, and finishing between the lighthouse on Round Island and the race committee trailer on Mackinac Island, Mich.



The 101st running of the race will begin on July 18, 2009.

The first Mac Race was run in 1898 as an informal race of 5 boats. The boat Vanenna won that year in 51 hours. The second Mac Race didn't take place until 1904 and then occurred irregularly until after World War I. Since 1921, the Chicago to Mackinac Race has been run every year. Last year's race marked the 100th anniversary.

Usually, there are around 300 boats and 3,000 crew members participating in the annual race, according to the race's Web site. To join, you must receive an invitation from the Chicago Yacht Club, the association that runs the race. Last year, a record-number 460 boats entered the race.

Urban Wildlife Coalition Shedding Light on Fireflies

Get ready... July is firefly time. While catching them is fun (assuming you aren't the firefly), watching them and trying to interpret their signals is a peaceful way to reconnect with nature on a calm summer night. They generally make their appearance just after dusk.

Lightning bugs aka fireflies are winged nocturnal beetles in the same family as non-flying glowworms. There's something inherently amazing and efficient about a creature that provides its own light source.

Fireflies flash using organs under their abdomens, specifically for creating light. The oxygen they take in combines with a chemical called luciferin, and the result is the emission of highly efficient light. In fact, nearly all of a firefly's glow is given off as light, not heat. Compare that with a standard light bulb which gives off only 10% of its energy as light and the rest as heat.

Fireflies love moisture and humidity. Since this has been an especially rainy spring, we may see more fireflies this summer.

When not left in a jar, their average lifespan is two months.

Fireflies are peaceful creatures. They do not bite, attack, or carry disease. They light up for two reasons: to ward off predators and to attract mates.

Generally, males fly higher up in trees; females stay lower to the ground. Attract fireflies to your yard by avoiding lawn and garden chemicals and minimizing artificial light. Watch as males fly around, flashing light to attract females. If a low-flying female is interested, she will glow back at precisely timed intervals after the male glows.

Urban Wildlife Coalition is a community-based organization founded to help preserve our treasured urban wildlife. For more information about urban animals and tips for living in harmony with them, visit www.urbanwildlifecoalition.org. Questions? Call 773-545-8136 or e-mail urbanwildlifecoalition@gmail.com.

National Wildlife Federation Create a Dog-Friendly Wildlife Garden

By Doreen Cubie

With a little planning and the right mix of plants, homeowners can design a haven not only for wild animals but for pets as well

IS IT POSSIBLE to share your life with rambunctious dogs and still garden for wildlife? Yes, says Kim Winter, NWF's habitat programs manager, who owns three mixed-breed dogs ranging in size from 30 to 80 pounds. "It's trickier to maintain habitat," she says. "Dogs do destroy plants." At her home in northern Virginia, Winter takes the "divide and conquer" approach to landscaping: Her pets roam and romp in the backyard while most of her wildlife garden goes in the front.

"Raised beds do keep dogs out," agrees Jill Martini, horticultural manager for The Oregon Garden, a botanical sanctuary located 45 miles south of Portland in Silverton. Among the more than 20 demonstration plots at this nonprofit organization is a "Pet Friendly Garden." Martini says placing mulched or grass pathways between raised beds will help guide dogs away from the flowers. And she suggests putting in an arbor for vines. Not only will most of the plants be out of harm's way, the pathway created by the trellis will direct your dog's movement. "Work with your animal's instincts," says Martini. Continued next issue...

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Since it is an amateur event, no prize money is awarded for winning the race. However, section winners receive a plaque, a flag, and bragging rights for the next year. The overall winners also have their names engraved on the permanent trophies that are displayed at Chicago Yacht Club, according to the race's Web site.

One man who has maintained his bragging rights since 2002 is Roy Disney, who set the monohull racing record of 23 hours, 30 minutes and 34 seconds with his boat Pyewacket. Steve Fosset claimed the record for multihulls in 1998 with the boat Stars and Stripes, finishing with a time of 18 hours, 50 minutes and 32 seconds. Most entrees finish the race between 40-60 hours.

Racers who have completed 25 Mackinac races can join the exclusive "Island Goat Sailing Society." Called "Island Goats," these sailing veterans were originally named for their appearance, scent, and conduct upon reaching Mackinac Island after the race. The society was established by Hobart "Red" Olson in 1950, according to the race's Web site.

For more information about the Chicago to Mackinac Race, visit http://www.cycracetomackinac.com/.

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The Chicago Park District Takes Fun On The Road

Craftmobile Returns to North side Parks June 22 – July 31

Take a ride with your IMAGINATION! The Chicago Park District's craftmobile is returning to your neighborhood playlot. Children can create colorful craft projects outdoors when the traveling workshop begins its sixweek tour the week of June 22 and continues through July 31 at neighborhood playlots. Craftmobile activities are free and all supplies are provided.

This free drop-in workshop on wheels stops weekly at the locations for 1-hour. Children ages 4 & up should be able to complete entire projects and take them home at the end of each session. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

In the event of rain, the Craftmobile will stop at the nearest park field house (indicated in parentheses). For more information call 773.262.8658.

Mondays (June 22 - July 27, 2009)

10:00 - 11:00 am @ Kolmar Park, 4143 N. Kolmar Ave. (rain site: Mayfair Park, 4550 W. Sunnyside Ave.)

11:30 - 12:30 pm @ ParkView, 3823 W. School St. (rain site: Avondale Park, 3516 W. School St.)

1:00 - 2:00 pm @ Ravenswood Manor Park, 4604 N. Manor (rain site: Horner Park, 2741 W. Montrose)

2:30 - 3:30 pm @ Jacob Park, 4674 N. Virginia Ave. (rain site: Horner Park, 2741 W. Montrose Ave.)

Tuesdays (June 23 - July 28)

11:00 am - 12:00 pm @ Roberts Square Park, 5200 W. Argyle (rain site: Jefferson Park, 4822 N. Long)

1:00 - 2:00 pm @ Forest Glen Park, 5069 W. Berwyn (rain site: Gladstone Park, 5421 N. Menard Ave.)

2:30 - 3:30 pm @ Jeffrey S. Green Park, 6500 N. Algonquin Ave.(rain site: Edgebrook Park, 6525 N. Hiawatha Ave.)

Thursdays (June 25 - July 30)

10:00 - 11:00 am @ Senn Park, 5887 N. Ridge Ave. (rain site: Broadway Armory, 5917 N. Broadway St.)

11:30 - 12:30 pm @ Cedar Playlot, 5311 N. Winthrop Ave. (rain site: Broadway Armory Park, 5917 N. Broadway St.)

3:00 - 4:00 pm @ Matanky Playlot, 6925 N. Ridge Ave. (rain site: Paschen Park, 1932 W. School St.)

Fridays (June 28 - July 31, except July 3)

10:00 - 11:00 am @ Maple Park, 2047 N. Spaulding Ave. (rain site: Mozart Park2036 N. Avers.)

11:30 - 12:30 pm @ Aiello Park, 2133 N. McVicker Ave. (rain site: Riis Park, 6100 W. Fullerton Ave.)

1:30 - 2:30 pm @ Greenbaum Park, 4300 W. Wabansia Ave. (rain site: Hermosa Park, 2240 N. Kilbourn Ave.)

For more information on summer activities in the parks, call 312/742-PLAY, 312/747-2001 (TTY) or visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com.

Roll Out Summer Fun with the 9th Annual Movies in the Parks

Chicago Park District's Outdoor Neighborhood

Neighborhood Farmers' Markets

Norwood Park

Chicago's Farmers Markets bring more than 70 vendors selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers to over 20 neighborhoods throughout the City of Chicago.

Dates: May 30: Jun 27: Jul 25: Aug 29 Hours: 8 am - 12 pm Location:Century 21 McMullen Parking Lot, 6400 N. Northwest

Hwy., Chicago, IL 60631 Admission: FREE

Website: For additional information please visit,

www.norwoodpark.org

Logan Square

Chicago's Farmers Markets bring more than 70 vendors selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers to over 20 neighborhoods throughout the City of Chicago.

Dates: Weekly: Every Sunday

From: Jun 7, 2009 to Oct 25, 2009 Hours: Sundays, 10 am - 3 pm Location: Logan Square, 3107 W. Logan Blvd., Chicago, IL 60647 Admission: FREE

Website: For additional information please visit,

www.logansquarefarmersmarket.org

Independence Park

Chicago's Farmers Markets bring more than 70 vendors selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers to over 20 neighborhoods throughout the City of Chicago.

Dates: Jun 14: Jun 28: Jul 12: Jul 26: Aug 9; Aug 23: Sep 13: Sep 27: Oct 11 Hours: 9 am - 1 pm

Location: South side of Irving Park btwn. Springfield and Hamlin, W. Irving Park Rd. & Springfield Ave., Chicago, IL 60631 Admission: FREE

Website: For additional information please visit,

www.independence-park.com Lincoln Square

Chicago's Farmers Markets bring more than 70 vendors selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers to over 20 neighborhoods throughout the City of Chicago.

Dates: Every Tuesday From: Jun 9, 2009 to Oct 27, 2009 Hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Location: City Parking Lot adjacent to Brown Line Station, 4700 N.

Lincoln Ave., Chicago, IL 60625 Admission: FREE

Website: For additional information please visit,

www.chicagofarmersmarkets.us Lincolnwood

Lincolnwood's 3rd Annual Farmers Market will run every Thursday through August 20th, between the hours of 8 am -1 pm, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4707 W. Pratt Avenue. This location was chosen because of its visibility from Pratt Avenue, accessibility of parking, and neighborhood location. The goal of the Lincolnwood Farmers Market is to offer an event that brings residents and the business community together, while offering the opportunity for individuals living and working in Lincolnwood to buy fresh produce and natural products. Our vendors will set up displays that may include fruits, vegetables, bread, pastries, cheese, flowers, honey, and more.

Thursdays, June 4 – August 20 8:00am – 1:00pm

St. John's Lutheran Church 4707 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, IL FREE – Open to the Public For more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

Screenings Run June 12 – Sept. 1

The Chicago Park District kicks off the 9th annual Movies in the Parks with screenings of current and classic movies in more than 130 citywide parks from June 12 – Sept. 1. Admission is free, and all movies begin at dusk.

"The Movies in the Parks program has become a tradition throughout our neighborhood parks," said Chicago Park District General Superintendent and CEO Timothy J. Mitchell.

Several of the selections include screenings of Iron Man, Kung Fu Panda, and Madagascar 2: Escape 2 Africa. Many screenings will feature closed captions.

The Chicago Park District's Movies in the Park series provides community residents with free, outdoor film entertainment in the safe environment of neighborhood parks across the city. The Park District encourages Chicagoans to grab a picnic basket and a blanket to enjoy the Movies in the Parks program this summer.

For additional details, visit your local park, call 312-742-PLAY or log on to www.chicagoparkdistrict.com.





FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION IN MILLENNIUM PARK

Picnic, Inspired by the Cartoons of John T. McCutcheon, At 11 AM, Followed by the First-Ever Independence Day Concert by the Grant Park Music Festival at 1:30 PM

Start your Independence Day holiday with a picnic on Millennium Park's Great Lawn on Saturday, July 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The day continues with the Grant Park Music Festival's first-ever Independence Day concert in Millennium Park at 1:30 p.m. at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion.

Inspired by the cartoons of John T. McCutcheon that were created in 1904, the picnic will feature members of the theater company, Collaboraction, who will roam the western side of the Great Lawn depicting McCutcheon's "Bird Center" citizens. A reading of the Declaration of Independence by Cultural Historian Tim Samuelson dressed as "Bird Center" character, Judge Warden, will add to the festivities. Also, on hand will be the Northside Southpaws, a Chicago mandolin/guitar duo performing ragtime, country music and turn-of-the-century waltzes played on left-handed instruments. A "Bird Center" pic-nic lunch, provided by Marcello's, will be available for \$6.95.

Expected to be an annual fourth of July tradition, the Grant Park Music Festival's free concert, "Independence Day in Millennium Park", will feature a program of traditional and patriotic favorites performed by the Grant Park Orchestra, under the baton of Christopher Bell, along with special guest, Chicago tap dance master Lane Alexander. This concert is part of the Grant Park Music Festival's 2009 75th anniversary season.

"This is a perfect addition to the City of Chicago's Fourth of July festivities," said Lois Weisberg, Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs. "Millennium Park is a wonderful gathering spot, and this new tradition will bring people together on the 4th to celebrate our country's history as well as a look to its future."

This joyous concert for the whole family begins with Francis Scott Key's Star Spangled Banner and works its way through an all-star American canon, including Tchaikovsky's Overture 1812 and John Philip Sousa's Stars and Stripes Forever. Special guest, Chicago tap dance master Lane Alexander will perform with the Grant Park Orchestra to three selections from Morton Gould's Concerto for Tap Dancer and Orchestra, a work on which Alexander is considered one of the foremost experts.

Other events on the Fourth of July in Millennium Park include workouts in Tai Chi, Yoga, Pilates and Capoeira on the Great Lawn from 7 a.m through 11 a.m. The Family Fun Festival opens at 10 a.m., full of interactive activities and musical games for kids of all ages.

The Grant Park Music Festival, comprised of the Grammy®-nominated Grant Park Orchestra and award-winning Grant Park Chorus led by Principal Conductor Carlos Kalmar and Chorus Director Christopher Bell, will commemorate its historic 75th season with a wide ranging series of classical music concerts and special event programming at the state-of-the-art Frank Gehry-designed Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park, June 10 – August 15, 2009. Grant Park Music Festival Memberships apply to this program, although more than half of the seating, plus the entire Great Lawn are free to the general public.

A companion exhibition, "The Cartoons of John T. McCutcheon: Chronicles of a Changing World" will be on view at the Chicago Cultural Center's Chicago Rooms, located at 78 E. Washington Street across the street from Millennium Park through September 27, 2009. On July 9 at 12:15 p.m., Tim Samuelson, the exhibition curator and Cultural Historian for the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs, will lead a gallery talk about the work. Organized by the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs, this exhibition is supported by the Chicago Tribune Foundation and Chicago Tribune. Admission to the exhibition is free.

For more information about Millennium Park, please visit www.millenniumpark.org or call 312.742.1168. For more information about the Grant Park Music Festival, visit www.grantparkmusicfestival.com.

Parents and Adults – Be Responsible over the Summer

There is no justification for teaching a child how to break the law. Abiding children in their pursuit of the excitement of setting off and using fireworks is teaching them how to break the law.

Contributing to the delinquency of a minor is when a person puts a child at risk. Fireworks are becoming more powerful and dangerous. They should be left to the professionals who are legally licensed to set them off for display purposes.

When, and if, a child loses his or her hand or fingers or receives damage to his or her face through the unlawful use of fireworks, it's because they have been put in harm's way by the adult who has allowed it.

Kids will always be kids. They haven't changed much over the years. We, as adults, can probably still remember when we though we knew it all.

A child will possibly find access to illegal fireworks, but its' our responsibility as adults to not promote it or allow it.

When I was young, I knew a boy who lost his eye when a firework went off in his hand. They were not illegal back then, and he thought he knew what he was doing. He had don well in life, but maybe could have done better with two eyes instead of one.

Laws are usually enacted to protect us after an unfortunate incident brings attention to the condition that exists.

Showing children, through your example, how to obtain illegal fireworks or leaving them to their own devices around those fireworks, is not being a responsible adult. Ultimately, children are the responsibility of their parents and you, as a parent, are accountable for their actions.

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"A Theatre Review"

"Pump Boys and Dinettes" Drury Lane Oakbrook Theatre Terrace 100 Drury Lane Road, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois

Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

Ah! Shucks Folks! Summertime is about to descend on us and Drury Lane Oakbrook is celebrating with its production of "Pump Boys and Dinettes" that is being directed by Shawn Stengel.

The show opened off Broadway in 1982 and Oakbrook's production is a gentle and intimate musical compared to what sells in New York nowadays with the big scale musicals.

The show was conceived and written by John Fley, Mark Hardwick, Debra Monk, Cass Morgan, John Schimmel and Jim Wann.

The show opened at Chicago's Apollo Theatre several years ago and had a long run and later had a run at the Marriott Theatre.

The Pump Boys are being played by Shaun Whitley, Brian burke, Alan Bukowiecki and the return of Jesse Kazemek to Chicago Theatre after being absent from the Chicago scene for a few years. The Pump Boys sell high octane fuel on North Carolina's Highway 57 and they perform a rousing, down home, mix of country, blue grass and rock 'n' roll and play musical instruments that will knock your socks off.

The sassy sexy dinettes are played by Chicago favorite Tammy Mader who is also the show's dynamic choreographer and Liza Jaine as Rhetta and Prudie Cupp who run the Cupp diner next door and while they are baking pies sing up a storm.

The music ranges from ballads, rock, ragtime, and rock-a-billy that includes such songs as "Mamaw Sisters," "Mona" and "The Night Dolly Parton Was Almost Mine."

"Pump Boys and Dinettes" runs through August 2. For performance days, show times and reservations call 630-530-0111. Tickets range from \$29 - \$33 and \$35 - bargain prices. The theatre has free parking. If you have dinner, the food comes highly recommended. The theatre is wheel-chair accessible. - Four Stars -

"Tommy"

Circle Theatre, 7300 West Madison St., Forest Park

Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

The Circle Theatre is a small non-equity, not-for-profit theatre. Every time I attend one of their productions whether it is on its larger main stage or their small studio theatre it is amazing what they accomplish. This shoe box theatre is located in Forest Park.

The artistic team of Bob Knuth and Kevin Bellie manage to get the rights to many shows seldom seen on local stages and give the audiences first rate productions. Their current production is The Who's "Tommy" that some might call a rock musical but is really a rock opera. Forty years ago it made history as an art form as it went from record album, live concert, to a movie, to ballet, to the stage.

The storey concerns "Tommy" who we see as a little boy who is traumatized by the sight of his father killing his mother's lover. Tommy then retreats into a world of isolation as a mute. Tommy at the age of four is played by Dylan Angel Lainez and at age ten by Alex Turner.

Tommy's parents are played by Michelle Pickett and Eric Lindahl. Both are quality performers who have strong singing voices as does Tommy the adult son played by Tom McGunn. McGunn sings his songs with feelings and the story should draw audiences who are young, middle-aged and even older.

Tommy as a boy to outsiders, cannot hear, see or speak. As a boy he is sexually abused by his Uncle Ernie played by Jon Landvick and is brutalized by his evil cousin Kevin played by Gerald Keiel. Tommy has a love for playing pinball machines and this elevates him into a national sensation as he regains his sight, speech and hearing.

The show has a cast of 18 and runs a fat two hours. The show features such songs as "I'm Free," "pinball Wizard," "Acid Queen" and "Sensation" by Pete Townshend. The book is by Townshend and Des McAnuff.

The show is directed by Jeffrey Cass and the musical direction is by Carolyn Brady Riley and six member orchestra with choreography by Kevin Bellie.

"The Who's Tommy" runs through July 19. Performance schedule is 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$2 and \$24 with a \$2.00 discount for students and seniors. - Three Stars -



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Estate Planning: It's Not Just About the Documents



An estate plan passes your assets to whom you want and in the manner you want after your death. However, some of your assets may not be controlled by your Will or Living Trust. This article discusses the various problems that can result when a thorough review of assets and ownership titles doesn't happen and how working with an experienced estate planning attorney can ensure that you avoid any planning pitfalls. What is an estate plan? An estate plan is a

plan that passes your assets to whom you

Chester M. Przybylo

want and in the manner you want after your death. However, an estate plan is more than

just documents. For example, some of your assets may not even be controlled by your Will or Trust.

Let's look at a case study. Mike had a Will which left everything to his wife, Sally. It also provided that if Sally did not survive him, it would have set up continuing Trusts for his kids.

Mike owned the following assets:

- Family farm worth \$2 million, owned in joint tenancy with his sister, Mary Retirement plan with \$2 million, opened when he was still single
- House, worth \$500,000, owned jointly with his wife, Sally

\$5,000 in a checking account

Is this a good plan? Unfortunately, no, it is not. Sally may not get anything! How can this be? Well, first, the family farm, which was owned jointly with Mary, went to Mary, the surviving joint tenant, by operation of law at Mike's death. The retirement plan went in accordance with the beneficiary designation Mike had put in place before he even met Sally. Since he never changed the beneficiary designation, the beneficiary is still Susan, who was his fiancée at the time he opened the retirement plan. Sally will get the house. However, Mike and Sally refinanced the house when real estate values were high, so the mortgage actually exceeds his equity in the house. Sally gets only the checking account.

What did Mike do wrong? Mike failed to seek the advice of an experienced estate planning attorney. An experienced attorney who focuses in estate planning would have seen the problems with this plan and would have advised a better plan. For example, a better plan would have included changing the beneficiary designation on the retirement plan and changing the ownership of the family farm from joint tenancy to tenancy in common. Joint tenancy property passes to the surviving joint tenant, notwithstanding a Will, while tenancy in common property does not. Property governed by a beneficiary designation passes to the beneficiary pursuant to the most recent beneficiary designation, notwithstanding a Will.

Remember, your assets can pass by ways other than a Will:

By contract or other arrangement, such as Trusts, Partnerships, and Buy-Sell Agreements

By operation of law, such as joint tenancy or tenancy by the entirety

By beneficiary designation, such as life insurance, 401(k)s, and IRAs

An experienced attorney who focuses in estate planning can help you devise a plan so that nothing falls through the cracks. That way, you will have the security of knowing that the assets you've built up will be there for your family when they need them most.

Chester M. Przybylo has been elected to the Board of Governors of the prestigious American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys and has been engaged in the practice of law for the last 40 years. For more information or to attend an upcoming seminar, call (773) 631-2525.

Ready to Take the Plunge?

A Few Tips for Professional Parents Returning to Work

CREATE A GREAT RESUME. Your first introduction with any potential employer is the resume and it has to look great. It doesn't matter if you are an electrical engineer or an administrative assistant, it is mandatory that your resume not only contains the nuts and bolts of your career, but is compelling and pleasing to the eye. Surf the internet and find a resume template that you can use as a starting point. If writing is not your strong suite, you can always hire a professional resume writer. It might cost you a few dollars, but with the alternative being a lousy resume, it may be money well spent. Remember to keep your resume simple and stay away from fancy fonts as you may have to email or upload it to a website.

PLAN YOUR FUTURE. Reentering the workforce is the perfect time to reevaluate where you truly want to be. Is your background in teaching, but you always wanted to get into graphic design? Take the time to consider your enjoyment or relevance in your old field and what it may entail to jump into a new one. Sign up for classes that will either allow you to catch up on your industry's trends and technology or acquire the skills needed for your new career.

CONSIDER A PART-TIME JOB. A great way to ease back into your career is by seeking and obtaining a part-time job in your selected field. More and more often these days, companies are considering the option of hiring career people into long-term, part-time positions. This emerging trend allows employers to have talented, capable employees who, because of the flexibility that part-time allows them, are often more efficient and productive. Part-time jobs can offer mothers (or others) returning to the workplace a chance to flex their career-muscles, increase their income and maintain a more satisfying work-life balance.

AVOID THE PARENT TRAP. For a parent returning to the labor force, probably the single most intimidating aspect of writing a resume or sitting in an interview is the large chuck of time spent raising your family. Don't address this in your resume, as the resume should simply document your work history. The best way to address the dreaded gap is to simply say "I took time off to raise my family." This also gives you the opportunity to mention some of the things that you may have accomplished during your time out of the workplace.

VOLUNTEERING COUNTS. When you are struggling to compose your resume keep in mind that all those school committees you sat on, every fundraiser you spearheaded, even the annual Cubs game for your friends and family you organized, might just be worthy of inclusion. You should certainly evaluate your past volunteer activities and determine if they might add value to your job search or indicate a direction for that job search.

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Dog Food Continued

By Bosley

This article continued from Bosley last issue... In fact, one of the most popular dog foods advertises a lot and its commercials show juicy meat and fresh veggies falling into the food. Take a look at the ingredients listed on the bag: Ground yellow corn, chicken by-product meal, corn gluten meal, whole wheat flour, animal fat preserved with mixed-tocopherols (form of Vitamin E), rice flour, beef, soy flour, sugar, etc.

The first ingredient listed is corn; therefore the majority of what we dogs are eating is corn? Does that make sense? Give me steak anyday!

What the heck is a chicken by-product? According to the dog food project: by definition, byproducts are those parts of animal carcasses other than the cuts of meat the animal was slaughtered for. This includes organs, intestines and their contents, blood, hair/feathers, feet, heads and so on.

Do I really need to go on? Border Collies aren't the only smart dogs; any of us can understand that this is not good for us. Plus, I am not even getting into all the chemicals and stuff, YUCK! So, please read the bag of dog food before you buy it! We dogs are counting on you to do the right thing! Next time I will talk about the good stuff in foods!

The very Hungry Bosley For more information check out www.dogfoodproject.com

Submitted by Bosley's mom, Nicole Carfora, CMG, owner of Canine Corral.

ARTIST KATE HOLMES RAISES FUNDS FOR ANIMALS IN NEED A Portion of the Artist's Proceeds will Benefit The Anti-Cruelty Society

The Anti-Cruelty Society and artist Kate Holmes have come together to benefit animals in need. Starting in June, Holmes will be selling her animal-themed paintings and donating 15% of the sale to The Anti-Cruelty Society.

"I have a great respect for animals. They inspire my art, my family and my life," said Holmes. "This is the perfect opportunity to give to animals that need help - people have a vital responsibility to protect these creatures."

Kate's art reflects the importance of animal welfare organizations like The Anti-Cruelty Society. That is why Holmes introduces her Give Back Campaign, which donates 15% of every print sale to select animal welfare organizations such as The Society.

As an animal adopter herself, Kate's family includes two young children, two rescue kittens and two dogs that hail from a long line of Mexican street mutts.

"The animals teach my family many things, but above all, the importance of unconditional love," said Holmes.

For more information contact The Anti-Cruelty Society at (312) 645-8015 or to purchase one of Kate's prints visit www.kateholmes.com. For more info on The Anti-Cruelty Society and our adoption process, please visit our website www.anticruelty.org or call (312) 644-8338.

Nikita: Nikita is a very striking looking 3year old calico. She has very distinct markings with wonderful deep colors of tan, brown and white. Nikita is an affectionate and lovable girl who continually rolled all around during our visit showing me just what a sweet girl she is! She is pleasingly plump with just a tad of extra weight on her, but with a little help from you, she most likely will slim down in no time. Nikita came to us when her family was



moving and couldn't take her along. She would do best in an adult home, as children would be a bit much for her. She is an amazing looking girl who will make a wonderful friend and companion. Won't you come and meet her? Nikita is at The Anti-Cruelty Society, just ask for Tab Band #678976. Want to see Nikita in action? Visit our Video Gallery!



Pinky: Pinky is a 9-month old youngster and is here with her sister, Rose, because their owner was ill and could no longer care for them. She's a very sweet girl, but pretty shy outside her cage and a bit stressed with the shelter environment. She'd like a patient, experienced pet owner and a low-key household in order to give her time to come out of her shell. She is a very sweet dog, but would prefer a no children household at present due to her shyness. She would probably do well with

basic obedience classes after she has time to adjust to her new surroundings to help build up her confidence! Pinky is a cutie - come see her today at The Anti-Cruelty Society and spend some quiet time with her. Just ask for her and mention Tab Band #683498!

Registration for Animal Explorer Camp is Open!

Calling all 6th - 8th grade students looking to discover the amazing world of animals!

Animal Explorers Camp invites middle school students to start making a difference in their world. This camp provides a meaningful opportunity for 6th-8th grade students to discover the amazing world of animals. Campers will be mentored by staff from two of Chicago's most note-worthy organizations- The Anti-Cruelty Society and the Jane Goodall Institute's Roots and Shoots.

Campers will get a chance to see the inner-workings of the largest animal shelter in the Midwest, interacting with kennel attendants, veterinary staff, a humane investigator and many four-legged residents!

Other highlights include a visit to the Hoofed Animal Humane Society in Woodstock, IL and an experience on the Chicago River. A theme of "making a difference for animals" is intertwined throughout the week and the class will have several service learning opportunities. Dates: Session 1 - July 13 - 17, 2009; Session 2 - July 27 - 31, 2009 Time: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm (each day) Place: The Anti-Cruelty Society Behavior & Training Center, 169 W. Grand Ave., Chicago IL 60654

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Cost: \$240 for Roots & Shoots' members & ACS adopters; \$300 for non-members & non-adopters. For more information call 312-644-8338 ext. 348 or eserrano@anticruelty.org

Good Shepherd Hosts its 2nd Annual "Paws for Prayer"

"Paws for Prayer" is a sacred gathering for dogs and their walkers held every Sunday morning at 8:00am at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 7116 W. Palmer St. in Chicago. Stop by for a moment of prayer, sacred readings, psalms for dogs, and fellowship for (hu)man & beast! Gatherings begin July 5th and run through August 23rd. Dogs are God's gift of love to us in fur...stop by and say thanks.

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Computer classes for July: Mouse Clinic for the Absolute Beginner, Tuesday, July 7, 2:30-3:30 p.m. What Does This Button Do (or how to turn your computer on, etc.), Wednesday, July 8, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Save Yourself, Thursday, July 16, 2:30-3:30 p.m. How Do I Get Online? Tuesday, July 21, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Search Engines Thursday, July 23, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Twitter, Tuesday, July 28, 2:30-3:30 p.m. These classes hold 12 each. They're free, but you must register!

Classic Films continue at Eisenhower: Shane with Alan Ladd and Jean Arthur: Thursday, July 16, 1-3:45 p.m. Double Indemnity with Fred McMurray and Barbara Stanwyck; Thursday, July 30, 1-3:45 p.m. Special Event – All Day Hitchcock Film Festival Thursday, July 23, 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. See as many or as few films as you want. The line-up is; 9:30 a.m. The 39 Steps; 11:30 a.m. Notorious; 2:00 p.m. Rear Window; 4:30 p.m. North by Northwest; 7:00 p.m. Discussion with Ralph J Amelio. Free popcorn at all movies!

Carpets of Perennial Gardens Perennial ground covers are an attractive alternative to turf grass. Learnabout everythingfrom quick spreaders to slow creepers. Saturday, July 18, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Not Your Ordinary Board Game Star Wars? Magic? Wargaming? Try six or more different board games. Teachers available for all levels! Saturday, July 11, 12:30-4 p.m.

Preparing for the Job Interview. Lori Howard will help you go into your interviews fully prepared! Come either Friday, July 17 from 1-3 p.m. or Tuesday July 21 from 6-8 p.m. This is a free, but you need to register.

Face Painting for Teens. Learn how to do the great kind of face-painting you find at places like the Renaissance Fair and other estivals. Get your own face-painting kit to take home. Wednesday, July 8, 1:00-3:00 p.m. \$5.00 gives you the class and the kit! Ages 12 and up.

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HISTORICAL ILLINOIS – THE LINCOLN YEARS, by Histories for Kids, Inc. In honor of Lincoln's 200th birthday, be amazed and fascinated by stories of his incredible life, as told by host Stephen Douglas. Ages 5 & up. Thursday, July 2, 2:00–2:45 p.m. All programs are free and no registration is required. For more information, please call Sandy Art at 312.744.8313.

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Family Nights in the Library Garden. June 25, July 2, July 16, July 23. Join us on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Come learn about the fascinating life of Abe through stories, songs and crafts. This program is geared for school-aged children 7-11 years old, but younger and older siblings are welcome. (If weather does not permit us to be in the library garden, we'll meet in the Community Room.) On July 9th we'll meet at 6:00 p.m. as Author Jim Aylesworth joins us for a musical romp through the life of Abraham Lincoln!

Preschool Story Time, 4-,5-, & 6-year-olds. Wednesdays, June 17 through August 5th at 1:30 p.m. Come in and read stories, sing songs, learn rhymes, and make a fun craft! On July 22nd we'll meet at 3:30 p.m. for a fun-filled Puppet Show. You'll make your very own puppet to take home! Young Teen Book Blab Discussion for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. On Tuesday, July 7th at 7:00 p.m. come ready to discuss The Graveyard Book and on Thursday, July 30th at 7:00 p.m. come ready to discuss Who's Haunting the White House? Drop-In Activity Days. Come to the library any time during our reporting hours on Tuesday, June 23; Tuesday, July 7; Saturday, July 25; and Wednesday, August 5. Participate in our fun craft or activity of the day and earn make-up stickers for any weeks that you missed! A Hero's Hat, Join Lea Atiq as we explore the life of Lincoln through his hats and make your very own hat in celebration of this great American Hero on Monday, July 6th at 11:00 a.m. Registration required. Our Honest Abe: An Author Visit. Join author Jim Aylesworth on this musical romp through the life of our Honest Abraham Lincoln on Thursday, July 9th at 6:00 p.m. Registration required. Abraham Lincoln in Song. Chris Vallillo will use Lincoln's own words, stories and vintage instruments —including one Lincoln used himself—on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:00 p.m. Registration required.

Village Cooking Corner

This is the Season for fresh berries. You'll find them at all of your local farmer's markets and grocery stores. Take advantage of this delicious way to enjoy cherries (or substitute blackberries or raspberries) as a light summer dessert to compliment any meal.

Cherry Strudel Cake

1 cup butter or margarine 1 cup sugar

- 2 eggs 2 cups flour
- 2 t. baking powder

1 t. salt

1 can cherry pie filling (or substitute or combine with pie filling fresh cherries or berries)

Topping: 2 T margarine 1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup sugar 1/4 cup flour

Cream butter and sugar. Add eggs and beat thoroughly. Add other ingredients. Spread about 3/4 batter in greased 9" x 13" pan. Pour pie filling down center of batter and spread, using spatula. Drop remaining batter from spoon over filling. Combine the topping and sprinkle over the top. Bake 350° oven about 40-45 minutes. From the Kitchens of Rose Suter

CONG. QUIGLEY TO HOLD SERIES OF CONSTITUENT SERVICE FAIRS

Later this month, Congressman Mike Quigley (D-IL) will hold a series of constituent service fairs across the district to serve those who need assistance and allow constituents to meet and work with Cong. Quigley's new team of experienced staff members.

"These fairs are a great opportunity for me and my staff to reach out to the people who need our help most in the district," said Rep. Quigley. "I look forward to expanding our services, reaching out to new families, and ensuring that the residents of the 5th District are well-represented. I'm also proud that we've been able to bring several service providers together under one roof, so that people can get the most assistance possible all at once."

These fairs, in addition to the continuation of the "Congress on your Corner" series and an expanded district staff, will allow Rep. Quigley to better serve those residing in the 5th District. The June fairs are the first in a series of forums that Rep. Quigley will be holding throughout the year in various parts of the district.

What: Constituent Service Fair When: Monday, June 29, 2009 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Where: Hiawatha Park, 8029 W. Forest Preserve Drive

What: Senior Fair When: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 30, 2009 Where: North Park Village, 5801 N. Pulaski Road More information and event flyers are available upon request. Call

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