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Niles North Debate Team Wins



Niles North Winning Debate Duo, D'Angelo Oberto-Besso Pando (left) and Luc Walkington (right). (See page 8 for Tournament of Champions)

Niles North Band Marches In Columbus Day Parade

The Niles North Marching Vikings will participate in the City of Chicago's Columbus Day Parade on October 13. The parade steps off at 12:30 p.m. from Balbo and Columbus Drive, and continues down Columbus Drive to Monroe Street.

Celebrate Polish Heritage During the Month of October

(See page 11 for more info)



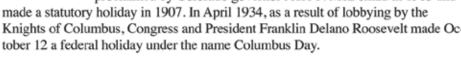
Columbus Day Observance, Oct. 13th



Columbus Day first became an official state holiday in Colorado in 1906, and became a federal holiday in 1937. However, people have celebrated Columbus's voyage since the colonial period. Durpoets and politicians used Columbus Day rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. The first official, regular Columbus Day holiday was proclaimed by Colorado governor Jesse F. McDonald in 1905 and

Knights of Columbus, Congress and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt made Oc-

ing the four hundredth anniversary, in 1892, teachers, preachers,





(See page 3 for more info)

Locally

Res Fall Fest

Saturday, October 25, 2014 6:00 - 11:00 pm at Resurrection All adults, 21 and older, invited to enjoy food, beer, wine, raffles, games & music of the band 7th Heaven! \$20 advance tickets, \$25 at the door

Details & tickets at www.reshs.org

Jr. High Fine Arts Workshop

Friday, October 17, 2014 5:30 - 8:30 pm at Resurrection Girls in grades 5-8 are invited to experience the fine arts at Resurrection. Art, Dance, Drama & Music \$25 for two workshops, food, t-shirt & fun! Details & registration at www.reshs.org

Open Houses

Thursday, November 6, 2014 6:30 to 8:30 pm Sunday, November 23, 2014 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Shadow Days

8th grade girls welcome now on select dates to shadow a current Resurrection student register at www.reshs.org

Jr. Bandit Lock-in

Friday, December 12, 2014 5:30 to 8:30 pm Girls in grades 5-8 are invited to an evening of athletics, fun & games! S25 - includes dinner & t-shirt. register at www.reshs.org



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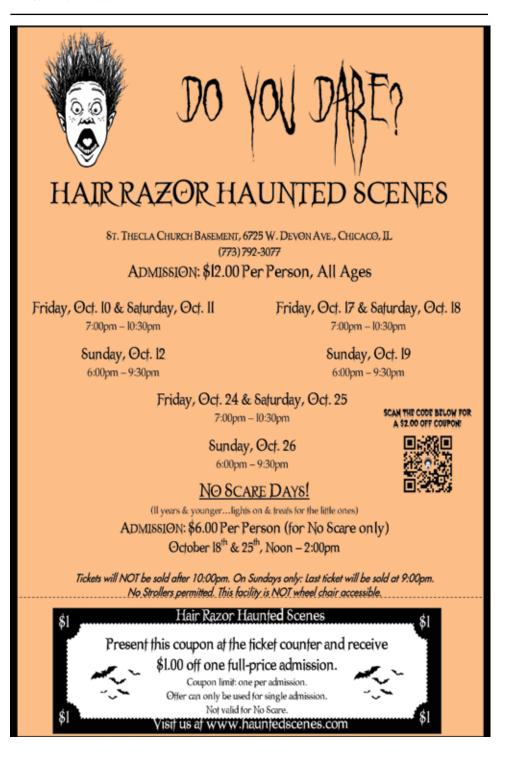
Chicago Artists Month Featured Artists, photo by Joe Mazza Brave Lux, Inc.

Welcome to the 19th Annual Chicago Artists Month, a five-week, 300+ event celebration of the creative pulse and impulse of our city. Drawing from visual art, dance, fashion, music, theater, culinary arts and every other genre of art-making imaginable. CAM is a non-juried program featuring events throughout October including open studio tours, neighborhood art walks + festivals, performances, learning/making and exhibitions featuring Chicago-based artists and arts organizations.

See the complete event listings at www.chicagoartistsmonth.org.

'Like' Chicago Artists Month on Facebook and follow @ChicagoDCASE on Twitter to stay up to date on all that's happening!

Chicago Artists Month is presented as part of an ongoing collaboration between the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and the Chicago Park District. Inkind support was received from Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises®, Inc. Media sponsors are WTTW and WFMT.



Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center offers October Health Screenings and Events

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

A free program "Courage to Quit Smoking" will be held Thursday, October 9, 16, and 23 from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Community Education Room, 2nd Floor of the hospital. Advance registration is required by calling 877-737-4636.

A free Healthy Aging Program will be held Friday, Oct. 10 in the Sister Jerome Room, 7th floor of the hospital from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. This program for individuals aged 55 and older consists of social time, health topics and guests lectures. A representative from The Alzheimer's Association will present a program "Know the 10 signs: Early Detection Does Matter." Registration not required.

In honor of breast cancer awareness month, Mary Brown Walker R.N., N.P., will provide free breast screenings, Thursday, October 10th from 8:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m. in private rooms in the Outpatient Area. Participants will be requested to un-

dress from the waist up to allow for breast visualization and gowns will be provided to ensure privacy. Advance registration is required by calling 877-737-4636.

The staff from Presence Behavioral Health will be providing free confidential depression screening Thursday, October 10 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Community Education Room, 2nd floor of the hospital. Advance registration is required by calling 877-737-4636.

Free blood pressure screenings will be offered Wednesday, October 15, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the hospital's main lobby. A health care professional will perform screenings and answer questions about blood pressure readings. Registration is not required.

The Arthritis Support Group will meet Thursday, October 23 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Centennial Conference room C on the 7th floor of the hospital. 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 for all programs.

Evanston/Skokie Valley Metropolitan Family Services - Giving Hope and Opportunity to Families

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

Kiwanis Club Of Ravenswood

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

And here's a Halloween riddle for you: How do witches tell time? Answer: By their witch-watch!



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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.

Norwood Park Senior Center to Host AARP Driver Safety Class

Are you up-to-date on changes to the "Rules of the Road" in Illinois or want to improve your defensive driving knowledge? If so, consider enrolling in the two half-day AARP Driver Safety Class, hosted by the Norwood Park Senior Center. The sessions are open to persons age 55 or older. Classes will be held on October 14 and October 16, from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., at the Norwood Park Senior Center, 5801 N. Natoma Ave. in Chicago.

The sessions are informative, engaging and spirited. Many who have attended the classes remarked how much they learned about safe driving practices and changes to traffic laws. Completion of the course may qualify participants for a multi-year discount on their liability insurance, an aggregate savings that could exceed \$100. Cost of the class is \$20 per person (\$15 per person for AARP members). To register, please call the Center at (773) 775-6071 or email them at info@npsenior-center.org.

The Norwood Park Senior Center is managed by Norwood Seniors Network, a community outreach program, in partnership with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services, Senior Services Area Agency on Aging and the Chicago Park District.

COMMON SENSE

I used to meet regularly with a senior vice president of the corporation for which I worked at that time.

He was "senior" not only in position, but in his chronological age. One evening we got into a discussion

on the subject of age. He felt that the world was somewhat like a clock – the pendulum swinging left,

hesitating, and then swinging right, or in the opposite direction. As he so wisely put it, "we reinvent the

wheel every twenty years or so". I try to remember those words whenever I speak with an individual who is younger than I am. We think somewhat the same, but we have a tendency to only relate happenings to our own time periods of growth.

When ever I speak with a politician, if he or she has held public office for more than a short time, I ask them

what they have done, what they will do in the future, and how. If the person is a new candidate for

public office, then I ask them what we can expect from their time in service.

Sometimes the "tried-and-true" methods are the best because they have been proven over time. Sometimes they are proven right and other times proven wrong, so let's not make the mistake of repeating the same mistake over and over again and expecting different results. If we guide our actions by the lesson of the pendulum of the eternal clock

then we can more easily adjust to changes as they are occurring, "go with the flow" and make minor adjustments

to keep everything moving like "clockwork"!!

– Editor

Jefferson Park Meeting

The next meeting of the JPNA, Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association, is October 29, Wed., 2014 at 5132 W. Giddings, Chi, lower level of the Jefferson Park Congregational Church at 7:00 p.m.. The Guest Speaker will be 16th Police District Commander Bay who will speak about the priorities for a safe Jefferson Park and lessening crime. There will be a question and answer period. There will also be annual elections with those nominated last month being so far unopposed. Meetings are free and open to the public with light refreshments. For more information call 1773 282 3879.

Norwood Park Seniors Club

at 5801 N Natoma Chicago meet the second and fourth Thursday of the month. We play pinochle and bingo, have parties on special occasions. Meetings start at 10:30 with coffee and a sweet roll. Call Joan at 773-774-7075.

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.

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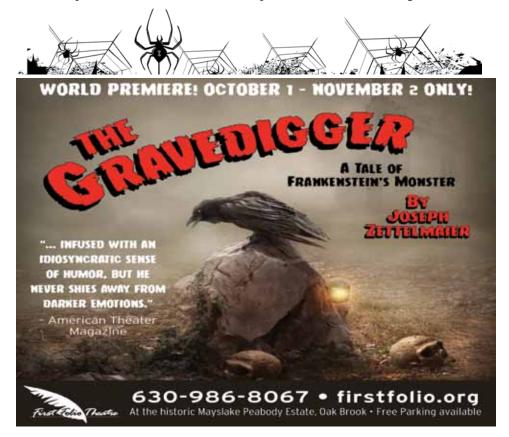
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Happy Hauntings at the Chicago Cultural Center celebrates "Chicagoween," October 23-26

The witching hour is near and the Chicago Cultural Center is the place to be for Halloween fun during Happy Hauntings, October 23-26! This celebration of Chicagoween - the City of Chicago's Halloween season - is moving from Daley Plaza to the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.) for four days of ghost tours, arts and crafts, costume contests, Midnight Circus, movies and much more. Hours for Happy Hauntings are 4-7pm on Thursday, October 23 and 11am-7pm on Friday, October 24 through Sunday, October 26.

Kids, don't miss the annual "Monster Bash" on Saturday, October 25 from 11am-7pm! FREE activities include trick or treating (while supplies last), a dance party, performances by Midnight Circus and of course the Monster Bash Costume Contest at 11:15am. The costume contest is open to children ages 12 and under and includes the following categories: scariest, funniest and most original. There will also be a best costume category for children under 12 months. Children should line up to participate at 10:45am.

For a complete schedule of activities and performances, visit chicagoween.us.



ook-tacular

It's that Spooktacular time of the year when all Halloween Festivities are beginning. It seems that with each coming year more and more people are having a bewitching time celebrating Halloween with gory parties, dressing up, and haunting their homes both inside and out.

At the Antique Resale Shoppe, ghosts and goblins of all ages come in for tricks, treats, and vintage clothes to make their costumes a bit more unique. There are plenty of "dress-up" items from hats, gloves, eyeglasses to beaded sweaters, circle skirts, and army fatigues. And we can't forget the tons and tons of jewelry and accessories that can make a costume bootiful. Suzanna nd Jules enjoy looking into their crystal ball for costume advice.

When you ride your broom over don't forget to say, Boo! Suzanne and Jules, The Antique & Resale Shoppe, 7214 N. Harlem, Chicago,

LeVar Burton To Be Honored at Facets Boo! Bash Gala on October 19, 2014 at Park West

Actor, director, and producer LeVar Burton who made history as Kunta Kinte in the landmark television series Roots, went on to star in Star Trek: Next Generation, and was the host and executive producer of the PBS' children's literacy program Reading Rainbow will receive the Facets Award at Facets' Boo! Bash Family Gala on Sunday, October 19, 2014 at Park West, 325 West Armitage Avenue, Chicago. The event raises funds for the year-round educational programs of the Facets-produced Chicago International Children's Film Festival which reaches over 25,000 Chicago-area children each year.

The Facets Boo! Bash gala at Park West attracts families with children in a fun-filled (and spooky) afternoon of food, interactive games, movies and a celebrity-judged costume contest. This year's special treats include child-friendly acrobatics and circus tricks with CircEsteem and the mobile DJ unit from Redmoon Theatre. Boo! Bash will be emceed and DJ'd by Famos. The event is held from 2 to 5 p.m. with the film program beginning at 2:45 p.m

Tickets to the Facets Boo! Bash gala are \$50 for children, \$125 for adults and are available online at www.facets.org/boobash or by or by calling 773-281-9075 ext.3033.





FIE Expands to Include Midway Airport as Southwest Side Citizens Join Their Northwest Chicago and Suburban Neighbors

The Fair Allocation in Runways (FAiR) Coalition is excited to announce that it has expanded to now include our neighbors around Chicago's Midway Airport. Citizen leaders surrounding Midway contacted FAiR several months ago about joining forces to work together. "It became clear that our neighbors to the South were dealing with the same issue as we were - no real seat at the table in how decisions were made at their local airport. The airport was Midway instead of O'Hare, but that was the only difference." said Lisa Ziems, FAiR Coalition Leadership Team Member. Added Ziems, "They were dealing with the same Mayor, the same Department of Aviation, the same Federal Aviation Administration and most importantly they were getting the same level of cooperation - none."

FAiR has already begun to work with local Midway citizens and civic leaders to build the Coalition. Local Midway leaders, Kevin Robinson and Cori Stankowicz are organizing this new, exciting local effort. They are seeking volunteers. Those Midway residents wishing to join can do so through the FAiR website at www.fairchicago.org. "The plane and noise changes really came as a surprise to a lot of the people that live here. Suddenly, there were these really low flying planes over our homes, our parks, our whole neighborhood, and nobody knew why. Our neighbors started asking what we could do about it, and when we went to the Midway Noise Commission meeting, it was clear that they won't do anything. We knew we needed to join forces with other people in Chicago that are working to solve this problem." Said Kevin Robinson, new FAiR Coalition Leadership Team member.

As part of the effort to fully integrate the concerns of Midway citizens, FAiR ex-

panded its Policy Statement to include the unique situation of the residents around the airport. (See the separately attached FAiR Coalition Policy Statement regarding Midway airport). FAiR members from Midway have also been added to the Leadership Team ensuring that those neighborhoods impacted by the changes at Midway are part of the Coalition's decision making body. According to Cori Stankowicz, new FAiR Leadership Team member, "Midway Airport is going to continue to expand which means more planes, noise and pollution for the communities around Midway. It's time to get organized and make sure that the citizens who could be impacted by these changes have a real voice when these discussions happen and before any other changes occur."

The Fair Allocation in Runways (FAiR) Coalition is a rapidly growing movement of citizens and civics on Chicago's Northwest side and the near Northwest suburbs. FAiR is the leading voice for both city and suburban residents negatively impacted by the new runway takeoff and landing patterns. FAiR supports the economic engine that is O'Hare while also seeking a real role in when and where those engines fly over the residents, homes, parks and schools of impacted communities. FAiR recognizes that two more runways are vet to be completed and the problems posed by yet more massive increases in airplane traffic will only become worse if citizens do not have a voice in the process.

FAiR requests residents report airplane noise complaints online throughout the day at www.fairchicago.org or 800-435-9569. Citizens and civic organizations are invited to learn more about and join FAiR at www.fairchicago.org. FAiR is also on Facebook.

The Chicago Bar Association Law Referral Service: Your Local Legal Network Crash! You've been in a Car Accident. Now What?

By Regina P. Etherton, Regina P. Etherton & Associates, LLC and Vice-Chair of The Chicago Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service Committee

Accidents happen. However, when they do, it is important to be ready not only to protect yourself during the accident, but afterwards as well. If you have been injured, a case becomes much easier if there is a plethora of objective information that lawyers can access. While testimony is good, documents and photographs are much better. After you have been in an accident remember to remain calm and make sure to take the following steps to maximize your chances at winning the money that you deserve.

- If you are in pain, do not move and wait for the paramedics to arrive so they may preserve you from further injury.
- If your vehicle is drivable, drive it to the closest safe place that does not obstruct traffic and call the police immediately! Police reports are essential in reconstructing accidents, and the police will provide you with copies of their observations.
- Cooperate with the police in preparing an accident report.
- If there are other drivers or pedestrians involved in the accident, speak to them and only swap your names, addresses, and registration numbers. DO NOT SPEAK TO THEM ABOUT THE ACCIDENT, and absolutely do not make any statements of fault such as "I'm sorry, I didn't see you."
- Make sure to obtain the other motorists or pedestrian's insurance policy information such as the policy number, the policy name, and the provider.

- Do not fill out or sign any insurance documents, or provide recorded statements without first consulting with a lawyer.
- After the accident, photograph the exterior and interior of the vehicles involved in the accident. Also photograph anything that better explains the scene of the accident better, or explains how the accident occurred. This could be the traffic light location, an obscured road sign, or tire skid-marks.
- Make sure to consult with your physician or doctor after the accident. While you may have apparent injuries, injuries like whiplash, can be latent. Often latent injuries don't manifest until weeks or months after the date of the accident. Consulting with your doctor not only ensures that you are healthy after the accident, but creates a record of your treatment, and will help your chances of prevailing in a future lawsuit.
- Lastly, when consulting with your attorney, make sure to provide them with as much of this information as you currently have. This information is essential for the attorney to determine who is at fault, and if your suit will prevail in court.

About the Lawyer Referral Service:

The Chicago Bar Association has been making referrals to local attorneys for more than 70 years. Our lawyers are screened and have an average of 20 years of experience. We can help YOU find the right lawyer! Call 312-554-2001 (Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) or visit www.chicagobar.org/LRS for referral to a private attorney in the Chicagoland area. Evening/weekend help available for criminal, domestic relations and personal injury matters.

Greater Illinois Chapter Of The National Multiple Sclerosis Society Announces 2014 Scholarship Recipients

Fifteen students in fourteen communities across the state awarded scholarships to support educational goals

The Greater Illinois Chapter of the National MS Society has announced 15 new recipients of \$1,000 college scholarships through its annual Scholarship Program. The 2014 MS scholarship recipients include:

- Cody Bresnahan, of Minooka, is a senior at Minooka Community High School.
- Sarah Callison, of Aurora, is a senior at Marquette Manor Baptist Academy.
- Madison Corradi, of Arlington Heights, is a senior at Rolling Meadows High School.
- Gregory Cox, Jr., of Havana, is a senior at Havana High School.
- Jennifer Emmert, of Lombard, is a senior at Glenbard East High School.
- Makenzie Hayden, of Greenup, is a senior at Cumberland High School.
- Sean Moore, of Bloomingdale, is a senior at Lake Park High School.
- Allison Pales, of Oswego, is a senior at Oswego High School.
- Angela Polakowski, of Chicago, is a senior at Jones College Prep.
- Andrew Posegay, of Glen Ellyn, is a senior at Glenbard West.
- Kevin Rychel, of Gurnee, is a senior at Warren Township High School.
- Addison Schwaller, of Sheridan, is a senior at the Illinois Math and Science Academy.
- Emily Silberman, of Deerfield, is a senior at Deerfield High School.
- Taylor Spooner, of Aurora, is a senior at Kaneland High School.
- Melinda Troyka, of Carol Stream, is a senior at Glenbard North High School.

The program helps students affected by multiple sclerosis pursue a college or technical school education. It is open to high school seniors who live with MS or have a parent who does; or anybody living with MS who has not yet been to a post-secondary school.

In addition to the emotional toll, MS can have a substantial financial impact on a family. The direct and indirect costs of MS, including lost wages — even for those with health insurance — are estimated at more than \$70,000 annually per household. This makes funding a college education that much harder.

"My mom has fought through her MS every step of the way. Five years ago, she graduated with her doctorate, teaching me that there is never a time to stop learning, no matter our circumstance," explained Madison Corradi in her scholarship application essay. "I want to use my education to find a way to give back to all of the amazing parents and loved ones affected by this disease."

Program Continues To Grow Across the Country

The Society established its scholarship program 11 years ago, and it immediately became a source of great encouragement for families concerned that MS might put college out of reach. This year, over \$1.1 million in awards was presented to over 700 new and renewal recipients nationwide. Applications are evaluated on financial need, academic record, leadership and volunteer activities, a statement of educational and career goals, and letters of recommendation. Applicants are also asked to provide a personal statement describing the impact MS has had on their life. Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$3,000 and typically cover one year, although a limited number of awards may exceed this amount.

"Multiple sclerosis not only has a huge impact on the individual living with the disease, but on their loved ones as well. For the hundreds of thousands diagnosed with MS across the country, there are very few known sources of scholarship assistance specially targeted for these families," said John Blazek, President of the Greater Illinois Chapter. "MS shouldn't stand in the way of an education, and we are hopeful this program will give families some relief."

Information about scholarships for 2015-16 will be available on the National MS Society Web site on October 1st. For more information, call 1-800-344-4867 or visit www.nationalMSsociety.org/scholarship.

About Multiple Sclerosis

Multiple sclerosis, an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system, interrupts the flow of information within the brain, and between the brain and body. Symptoms range from numbness and tingling to blindness and paralysis. The progress, severity and specific symptoms of MS in any one person cannot yet be predicted, but advances in research and treatment are moving us closer to a world free of MS. Most people are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50, with at least two to three times more women than men being diagnosed with the disease. MS affects more than 2.3 million people worldwide. It is the #1 disabling neurological disease in young to middle-aged adults.

About the National MS Society

MS stops people from moving. The National MS Society exists to make sure it doesn't. We help each person address the challenges of living with MS. Since its founding in 1946, the Society has allocated more than \$771 million to MS research projects around the world. We are people who want to do something about MS NOW. Join the Movement®.

Early and ongoing treatment with an FDA-approved therapy can make a difference for people with multiple sclerosis. Learn about your options by talking to your healthcare professional and contacting the National MS Society at www. national MSsociety.org or 1-800-FIGHT-MS (344-4867).

Join the Movement is a registered trademark of the National MS Society.

City of Chicago to More Than Double Number of Wheelchair Accessible Taxicabs by 2018

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP), and the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) announced today that the City is developing a plan to double the number of wheel-chair accessible taxicab vehicles (WAVs) by the end of 2018.

"This important investment will help ensure that having a disability doesn't mean limited access to taxis and enjoying our great city," said Mayor Emanuel. "For many of us, taxis are a necessary means of getting from point A to point B, and more wheelchair accessible vehicles are a step in the right direction."

This major increase in the number of WAVs will be subsidized in part by the City's Accessibility Fund, a funding source supported by fees paid by the taxi and rideshare industries. This is the latest commitment from the Mayor in a long series of initiatives to improve the accessibility of the City's public passenger vehicle industry.

The new centralized dispatch which started in 2013 has reduced customer wait times, increased the participation of WAV by establishing driver incentives and has also established training that has garnered greater results.

Photography Critique at the National Veterans Art Museum

Museum to host a free Critique Night on the first Friday of every month

The National Veterans Art Museum (NVAM) invites the public to a monthly photography Wine and Critique hosted by internationally-exhibited photographer Warren Perlstein. Wine and Critique nights launch Friday, October 3, 2014, from 7–10 p.m. at the National Veterans Art Museum, 4041 North Milwaukee Avenue.

The Wine and Critique offers a night of networking, laughter, a glass of wine (or something non-alcoholic) and critiques with a group of industry experts and photo enthusiasts. Participants are both professionals and amateurs who share their knowledge and expertise of photography as art, personal expression, and as business. Many Wine and Critique participants share their photo equipment suggestions, sites to photograph, meet-ups, and other photography events as well. The Wine and Critique also will host a themed contest each month.

There is no charge for this event but participants are asked to bring and share a bottle of wine or something to eat or drink. Participants can display up to 3 images (prints no larger than 11x14 in.) or digital JPEG files 1MB or less on a flash drive for a fun evening of learning more about photography and to watch images evolve.

This event is moderated by Warren Perlstein, a photographer with more than 40 years of experience in commercial, industrial, architectural, and special event photography; www.perlsteinphoto.com. He is also an advisor and instructor of photography at Chicago Photography Center; www.chicagophoto.org.

About Warren Perlstein

Perlstein was co-curator and major contributor of photographs for the American Indian Center of Chicago's "50 Years of Powwow" photo exhibition, which the Field Museum is currently traveling internationally. His work is featured in the book "50 Years of Powwow," published by Arcadia Press. He curated the exhibit "First Exposure," photography from the American Indian Center's 57th annual powwow and co-curated "I Love Ink" and "Tattoo

II," photography exhibits of the art of tattoo at the Chicago Photography Center.

At this time, Perlstein's photography is exhibited in Washington DC, at the National Museum of the American Indian, and in various Smithsonian publications. He has been shown in Chicago's Field Museum, Chicago History Museum, the Illinois State Museum Art Galleries, Chicago Photography Center, and Trickster Gallery in Schaumburg, IL.

About the National Veterans Art Museum

In October of 1981, a group of Vietnam veterans put together an exhibition of artwork based on their war experiences. The success of that show led to the establishment of the Vietnam Veterans Art Group. Fifteen years later, with a building donated, the National Vietnam Veterans Art Museum was launched. In 2003, the museum began accepting work by veterans of all conflicts and, in 2010, changed its name to the National Veterans Art Museum. The museum made its home in Portage Park in 2012.

The National Veterans Art Museum, located at 4041 N Milwaukee Avenue, inspires greater understanding of the real impact of war with a focus on Vietnam. The museum collects, preserves and exhibits art inspired by combat and created by veterans. It is home to more than 2,500 works of art by more than 270 artists. Personal narratives and artistic representations of war (including paintings. photographs, sculptures, poetry, and music) provide transformative learning opportunities in art, history, and civics and enables programming for veterans and their families and for the community at large. The NVAM offers guided tours, teacher resources, workshops for students and student groups, and family-focused interactive programs. Creative community workshops take place the second Saturday of every month. The museum offers a free after-school drop-in arts education program every Friday.

For more information, visit www.nvam.org or call 312-326-0270.

Veterans Pension Benefits'' Will Be Timely Talk At Norwood Crossing On October 15

Wartime veterans or widows of wartime veterans may be entitled to thousands of dollars in benefits from the Veterans Administration? To learn more about these entitlements, attend the Timely Talk on "Veterans Pension Benefits," presented by Thomas Pizur, a veteran's advocate. The event will take place at 2:00 p.m., on October 15, at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

Pizur will discuss a tax-free VA pension benefit that can offset the cost of an Assisted Living community, a nursing home, care for a spouse, or care

in a senior community. Despite efforts by the VA to make more veterans aware of programs and to streamline the application process, many veterans continue to find it difficult to navigate through the bureaucracy. Pizur's presentation will explain an important but little known veteran benefit, and point out how he can assist in the process.

A question and answer session will follow. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by calling (773) 577-5323 or emailing info@norwoodcrossing.org.

Juicebox And Wired Fridays Return To The Chicago Cultural Center On October 3

These free Friday series offer family-friendly music, dance, theater and a mid-day dance party

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events will welcome back two mid-day entertainment series this fall, Juicebox and Wired Fridays. Both events start Friday, October 3 in the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.) and will continue on the first and third Friday of each month through May 2015. A full line-up of performances and DJs will be announced at a later date.

Juicebox is a kid-friendly chance for children to experience Chicago's best music, dance and theater. The FREE series, held at 11 a.m. in Preston Bradley Hall, is aimed towards toddlers but holds something for the whole family. Children are encouraged to move, meet the artists and sometimes even dance and partake in the performances. Juicebox is also presented on select Saturdays in the Horticulture Hall at the Garfield Park Conservatory (300 N. Central Park Ave.) beginning at 11 a.m.

On Friday, October 3 at 11a.m., join beloved Chicago children's musician Ella Jenkins in celebrating her 90th birthday! With her ukulele, usually a harmonica, sometimes a guitar, occasionally a piano and many small percussion instruments (a kaluba drum, keyboard imitating steel drums, guiro, maracas, a tambourine...) she takes listeners on a multilingual, multicultural journey—teaching the art of communication through music. Ella epitomizes the principle that learning and funare interrelated by using a unique call-and-response technique in songs, chants, poems, recitations and games in Spanish, Chinese, Hebrew, Korean, Swahili and other languages. Ella's playful and captivating songs help children appreciate themselves and understand others.

Wired Fridays is a popular, FREE dance party held at noon typically in Randolph Square (first floor north) at the Chicago Cultural Center. This series offers a mid-day break to let loose with some of Chicago's best house music and electronic DJs. Kicking off this fall's series is on Friday, October 3 at noon is DJ Gene Hunt, a true Chicago house music virtuoso. Hunt has been involved with the genre since its Chicago inception in the 1980s. Please note: For this special series kickoff, Wired Fridays is moving across the street to Millennium Park's Wrigley Square (northwest corner of the park).

Juicebox and Wired Fridays are presented by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE). Admission is FREE. For more information on FREE arts programming presented year-round at the Chicago Cultural Center and other venues, visit chicagoculturalcenter.org and cityofchicago. org/dcase or call 312.744.3316. Join the conversation on Facebook and Twitter, @ChiCulturCenter @ChicagoDCASE.

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) is dedicated to enriching Chicago's artistic vitality and cultural vibrancy. This includes fostering the development of Chicago's non-profit arts sector, independent working artists and for-profit arts businesses; providing a framework to guide the City's future cultural and economic growth, via the 2012 Chicago Cultural Plan; marketing the City's cultural asses to a worldwide audience; and presenting high-quality, free and affordable cultural programs for residents and visitors





Jeff Heil, owner and operator of Mirabell Restaurant in Chicago and his wife, Angelica, make ready to board the Mirabell Float which appears in the yearly Steuben Parade that takes place in Lincoln Square during the German-American Fest in early September.



Angelica and Jeff Heil enjoy the Festival events with their daughter, Adrianna (lower right) and her friend, Rain Christiansen (lower left).

Mount Carmel High School Caravan Alley Players Presents The Complete Works Of William Shakespear

Directed by Mr. Dennis Brumirski and performed by Mount Carmel Students

What: The Mount Carmel High School Caravan Alley Players are bringing classic comedy to the stage in The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged), showing October 9, 10, and 11.

The goofy collection of vignettes features thrillingly inept swordfights, comedic dialogue and lots of people falling down. There is audience participation, a dance party, and a Halloween theme cooking show. Spoiler Alert! At the end, everyone dies, not once but three times.

When: Thursday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m., Friday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Mount Carmel High School Student Center, 6410 S. Dante Ave. Chicago, IL 60637

Tickets: Tickets are sold at the door: \$5 for students, \$10 for adults, and free for Mount Carmel students. Carmel High School is Chicago's premier college preparatory school for young men. ocated just south of the Museum of Science and Industry and the University of Chicago, Mount Carmel attracts students from all across the Chicagoland area. Over a century after Mount Carmel's founding in 1900, under the leadership of the Carmelites, the school continues to fulfill its mission to live with zeal for God, for life, and for learning.



SKOKIE THEATRE NOTHING COMPARES TO THE THRILL OF LIVE ENTERTAINMENT



Revel In The Dark and Magical

It's that time of year again. The sun sets earlier and the weather is a little cooler. October is when we light the bonfires and celebrate the harvest and revel in things that go bump in the night. At Skokie Theatre, we have a number of events planned that will help you enjoy the festive Halloween season.

We start with the vampire story that shocked the world! DRACULA! Award winning actress and storyteller Megan Wells will perform her powerful and elegantly horrific one-woman show for two shows, Saturday Oct 25 at 8 pm, and Sunday Oct 26 at 2 pm. Megan is a master of the long form storytelling genre and, in the telling of DRACULA, she crafts a chilling performance straight from the original text by Bram Stoker. You'll experience the story through the eyes of Mina Harker and will see her not as a victim, but as a heroine who

understands that we are, each of us, one bite away from the Vampire Hunger. Tickets are only \$20. Don't miss this tour-de-force performance from this world-class actress. For those of you who enjoyed our recent production of Sweet Charity, we have a special treat. Actress Sarah Hoch returns to our stage with her one-woman cabaret show, Fatal Attraction. Sarah has prepared an evening of love songs for us that are all just a little bit ... bent. Accompanied by musician David Kornfeld, she will serenade us with selections from Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown and All the Men in my Life Keep Getting Killed by Candarian Demons. Plus of course, the Masochism Tango! Don't torture yourself, that's our job. Come and enjoy this evening of songs you won't find anywhere else. Thursday, October 30 at 8 pm. Tickets are only \$20.

Not everything magical is dark and scary. It can be fun and exciting too. And to prove that point we are also featuring magic's newest up and coming star, Trent James, in a show he calls Rabbit-less. Rabbit-less is an evening of magic, comedy, and fun, jampacked with audience participation, mind boggling magic, and side-splitting laughter that will surely leave you wanting more. From a tribute to Harry Houdini and gravity defying magic, to lessons in sleight of hand, balloon sculpture, a long-distance card tick, and more. Trent James will take you on an entertaining "Rabbit-less" journey ... because rabbits ... well, they're just too mainstream. Trent has won dozens of awards for his magic and has performed in cities across the country from his hometown of Chicago to Washington D.C. to Houston to Las Vegas and many points in-between. He was recently chosen to represent North America in the World Championship of Magic F.I.S.M. in Italy next year, but you can see him before then. Trent's show is at 8 pm on Saturday, October 18 and is perfect for the whole family. Tickets are only \$20.

Tickets for all events can be purchased by phone at 847-677-7761, or online at SkokieTheatre.org. So grab a friend and join the Halloween fun. You won't want to travel out alone at night.



6540 N. Milwaukee, Chicago II.

Celebrate German American Heritage Month with DANK Haus!

Stammtisch mit Alpine Thunder 17 Okt 7:30 pm

Round off Oktoberfest season at Chicago's German American Cultural Center with live entertainment and free admission. Alpine Thunder features a driving alpine sound; playing waltzes, polkas, marches, ballads, swing tunes, blues, and a variety of German folk songs for any event. Attendees will enjoy plenty of yodeling, dancing, and pretzel eating! This evening is the final night to enjoy the amazing rooftop Terrasse before winter.

Lincoln Square Art Walk 17 Okt - 19 Okt

You are invited to attend the Opening Reception of the 3rd annual Lincoln Square Art Walk and exhibit of the Best In Show Friday 17. Okt 6 pm - 9pm

Then, stroll through Lincoln Square on Saturday and Sunday to see art works on display at 10 local businesses.

Maps available at all venues Saturday 10am - 7pm Sunday 10am - 5pm

Open Haus Chicago Architecture Foundation 18 Okt - 19 Okt

150 cool places. 48 hours. Go. Special this year - Lincoln Square Ravenswood featuring DANK Haus!

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Visit www.openhousechicago.org for more information and contact Doerthe to serve as a docent at the center. 773-561-9181

McToberfest 18 Okt 7:00 pm

Slainte and Prost!

McToberfest combines the largest and most spectacular social event in the world: Munich's Oktoberfest, with the hospitality and high spirits of an authentic Irish pub

Join our friends at the Irish American Heritage Center with a special discount for the DANK Haus members

Trachten encouraged!

Events take place at the DANK Haus at 4740 N. Western Avenue in Chicago's German home, Lincoln Square. 1/2 block from the Western station on the CTA Brown Line.

Parking is generously provided by MB Financial Bank lot when bank closed only at Western and Gunnison.

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Our programs are partially supported by a City Arts Program 3 grant from the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events.





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8th Grade Girls Invited To Shadow At Resurrection College Prep High School

Eighth grade girls are invited to participate in a Resurrection College Prep High School Shadow Day. Students are paired up with a current student to experience a typical day at Resurrection. Shadow Days are listed on the Resurrection website and include the following dates: Tuesday, September 23; Friday, September 26; Wednesday, October 1; Tuesday, October 7; Wednesday, October 8; Thursday, October 9; Tuesday, October 14; Friday, October 17; Thursday, October 23; Tuesday, October 28; Tuesday, November 4; Tuesday, November 11; Wednesday, November 12; Tuesday, November 18; Tuesday, November 25; Tuesday, December 2; Wednesday, December 3; Tuesday, December 9; Wednesday, December 10, and Tuesday, December 16. A 7th Grade "Experience Res" Day will be held on Friday, February 13, 2015. Please visit www.reshs.org to register for a Shadow Day. Questions may be directed to Nancy O'Leary at 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or noleary@reshs.org.

Resurrection will be hosting two fall Open Houses for prospective students and their families to tour the school facilities and meet with current students, staff and administrators. Visitors can learn about the curriculum and programs at Resurrection, including the block schedule, the Practicum career-exploration program, the Learning Assistance Program, the Advisement Program, and work/study, tuition assistance and scholarship opportunities. The Open House dates are Thursday, November 6, 2014 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm and Sunday, November 23, 2014 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

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

Niles North Debate Wins Tournament And First Tournament Of Champions Bid Of The Season

The Niles North Debate Team competed at the Wake Forest University Early Bird Tournament on September 6 through 8. The team of Luc Walkington and D'Angelo Oberto-Besso Pando won the Varsity division at this prestigious national tournament, in which 115 teams from 18 states competed. The team debated 11 teams over the course of the three days. They entered elimination rounds with a 5-1 preliminary record and as the fifth seeded team.

Luc Walkington was named the Top Speaker, out of 229 debaters, and D'Angelo Oberto-Besso Pando earned 11th speaker. In addition, Walkington and Pando earned their first bid to the Tournament of Champions. They need just one more bid to qualify for the Tournament of Champions, the national championship policy debate tournament that is held every April.

Also competing for Varsity: Sam Eschker debated as a maverick and finished with a 4-2 preliminary record, and Adam Yusen, Bushra Amiwala, Ruby Hyder and Sharmain Siddiqui also competed.

In the Junior Varsity division, Charmee Kamdar won sixth speaker and Bill Bert won seventh speaker. Also competing were Suleiman Nisar, Nate Robinson and Sara Siddiqui.

Katie Gjerpen is the Head Debate Coach. She is assisted by Ian Miller, Colin McEhlinny, Jack Caporal, Evan McCarty, Lincoln Garrett and Patrick Kennedy.

The Deadline for VFW's Youth Scholarship Competitions is Fast Approaching

The VFW is still accepting entries for the 2014-2015 VFW Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen scholarship competitions. The deadline for student entries in both contests is Nov. 1.

The VFW's scholarship competitions are dedicated to promoting patriotism among America's youth. Students are asked to submit an essay in response to a question or statement on a subject that encourages them to consider how democratic ideals and principles apply to their lives. Each year the VFW awards more than \$3 million in scholarships and awards to middle and high school students who participate in the two competitions.

This year's Voice of Democracy theme asks students, "Why Veterans are Important to our Nation's History and Future." The Voice of Democracy scholarship competition is an audio-essay competition open to students in grades 9-12. The national winner will receive a \$30,000 scholarship.

The Patriot's Pen competition is open to students in grades 6-8. This year, students are asked to reflect on the statement, "Why I Appreciate America's Veterans." The national winner will receive a \$5,000 award. Students should submit their entry (along with a completed entry form) to their participating local VFW Post.

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ABOUT THE VFW: The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. is a nonprofit veterans' service organization comprised of combat veterans and eligible military service members from the active, Guard and Reserve forces. Founded in 1899 and chartered by Congress in 1936, the VFW is the nation's largest organization of war veterans and its oldest major veterans' organization. With nearly 1.9 million VFW and Auxiliary members located in almost 7,000 Posts worldwide, "NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS." The VFW and its Auxiliaries are dedicated to veterans' service, legislative advocacy, and military and community service programs worldwide. For more information or to join, visit our website at www.vfw.org.

Divvy Launches Student Membership Program To Make Bike Share Even More Affordable

Six Colleges Sign On To Offer \$55 Memberships For Students

Mayor Emanuel and Divvy, Chicago's bike share system, today announced a new Student Membership program, making a Divvy annual membership available to students at participating colleges for just \$55 – a discount from the standard \$75 annual membership fee.

"Money can be tight for college students and making Divvy even more affordable will help students get around campus and enjoy Chicago's neighborhoods," said Mayor Emanuel. "With the upcoming expansion of Divvy into more neighborhoods and our continued growth of dedicated bike lanes throughout the city, this is another step forward as Chicago continues to set a new standard for other cities to follow."

The program is being launched with six institutions: City Colleges of Chicago, Columbia College, Northwestern University, DePaul University, Rush University Medical Center, and University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). More schools are expected to sign on to the program in the coming months.

The discounted rate will be made available to students currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at the participating schools. Students interested in signing up for Divvy can visit http://DivvyBikes.com/student, select their school, and sign up with their school email address as well as a unique password that the schools will distribute to students.

"At the City Colleges of Chicago we are focused on ensuring our students receive a quality, affordable education that prepares them for further college and careers," said John Brophy, Sustainability Coordinator, City Colleges of Chicago. "The Divvy program, in conjunction with the CTA UPass and our new City Colleges shuttle service, means that City Colleges students now have more options than ever to travel cost effectively between class, internships and jobs, and home."

Divvy is Chicago's bike-sharing system, with 3,000 bikes and 300 stations across the city. In 2015 Divvy will expand to 545 stations with locations in new Chicago neighborhoods and neighboring suburbs Evanston and Oak Park, making it the largest bike share program in North America based on station count and square miles of service area.

Since launching last year, Divvy has enrolled more than 23,000 annual members and has sold half a million 24-hour passes. In its first 15 months of operation, Divvy riders have taken more than 2.7 million trips totaling an estimated 6 million miles travelled. Additionally, Chicago is now ranked by Bicycling magazine as the second best city in America for cycling, up from fifth place two years ago.

Smart Films, Smart Kids. The 2014 Chicago International Children's Film Festival offers even more than just a good time at the movies.

A special selection of Oscar-winning children's animation, LAIKA workshop featuring The Boxtrolls, the return of "Flick or Treat" Halloween program, special events, and much more are set to enrich young movie lover's imaginations at this year's movie festival for kids.

From October 24 through November 2, 2014, Facets' Chicago International Children's Film Festival returns to celebrate its 31tst anniversary of presenting the best in child and youth cinema from around the world. This year's CICFF will feature over 270 films, from over 50 countries, selected from over 3000 entries at venues across the Chicago including the Facets Cinematheque (1517 W. Fullerton) and the Mucic Pox Theatra (2733 N. Southport)

In addition to the films themselves, the CICFF enhances the film going experience with post screening Q&As with filmmakers, interactive workshops with special guests, peer-to-peer dialogues, filmmaker-led seminars, and the CICFF Children's and Youth Juries, encouraging kids and their families to connect with the festival in a variety of ways.

"We're committed to engaging our young movie lovers in the discovery of new stories and cultures through film. The programs and activities throughout the festival encourage their creativity and expand their imaginations," said Festival Programming Director Ann Vikstrom.

Highlights of this year's festival include a selection of Oscar-winning children's animation from the archives of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, the workshop Stop-Motion Magic with LAIKA Studios that includes a special screening of their new film

The Boxtrolls, the popular Halloween-themed movie program "Flick or Treat", and the Festival's unparalleled Oscar-qualifying short film programs.

The full schedule of screenings and workshops to be released September 25th.

Festival Family Passes will be available September 30th for \$40, admitting up to 4 adults or children to all general Festival screenings. Individual tickets to the general public weekend screenings and weekday evening screenings will be on sale September 30th. The general public will also be able to purchase tickets to morning and afternoon weekday school screenings (subject to availability) beginning October 15th. Prices range from \$9 for adults to \$6 for children (2-18). Admission is free for Facets members. The opening reception and awards reception are extra. For more information on screenings and activities, or more information on tickets, please visit facets.org or call 773-281-9075 ext. 3011.

The Chicago International Children's Film Festival is a program of Facets, a nonprofit arts organization, that for 40 years has been dedicated to the exhibition, distribution, and education of foreign, independent, and classic cinema.

Additional programming information and photos will be available at facets.org or by contacting Marketing Director Eric Holst by email erich@facets.org or phone 773-281-9075 ext. 3056. Full Schedule of screenings and workshops will be forwarded to press as soon as it is available.

For more information, visit our website, www.facets.org.

New Art Event At Hubbard Woods

Community Artists Partner with Design District Businesses for Evening of Art and Commerce

Art intersects business on Friday, Oct. 17 when the work of artists from the North Shore Art League goes on display throughout more than two dozen Hubbard Woods Design District businesses.

Dubbed "Art Attack", this one-night, free exhibition and art walk is a creative collaboration between the 90-year-old NSAL in Winnetka - the area's longest-running non-profit community arts center - and the HWDD - the most concentrated neighborhood of unique, design specialty retailers on Chicago's North Shore.

The goal: to spotlight the extraordinary talents of community artists by teaming them with design businesses that inspire the lifestyles of their clients.

"We're always looking for ways to raise the level of awareness about the Art League in the eyes of the community and beyond," said NSAL Executive Director Linda Nelson. "There are so many accomplished artists at the League and so many artistic stores within the Design District. It seemed an ideal match - shops and galleries that appeal to the artistic-minded and artwork that highlights local talent."

Art Attack runs from 5 - 9 pm in stores along Green Bay Road, between Tower Road and Scott Street in the Hubbard Woods, and is open to the public. The artwork will remain on exhibit in many of the stores through the weekend. A portion of all sales of exhibited artwork will go toward helping fund the nonprofit North Shore Art League's outreach and scholarship endeavors.

The event is the perfect vehicle for design businesses to support extraordinary local and other artists, says Paul Zurowski, founding member of the Hubbard Woods Design District and partner in Sawbridge Studios, which features handcrafted furniture

"The Design District was created to bring together local, like-minded merchants in personal fashion, home furnishings, antiques, art or architectural services," says Zurowski. "Talented artists exhibiting their work in our stores seems a perfect fit, and an ideal way to promote our businesses and the Art League."

Kamp Gallery, at the north end of the District, will be the first stop on the Art Attack walk, but visitors are welcome to explore the exhibits in any participating store that displays an Art Attack window decal.

Visit www.shopHWDD.com for a list of participating artists, stores and more details. **About the North Shore Art League**

Founded in 1924, the North Shore Art League remains dedicated to enriching the communities it serves through art education and exhibitions. Classes are held in the League's facilities at the historic Winnetka Community House. The main studio features a 60-foot skylight, the premiere print program offers classes for adults and children, and the League's talented faculty continues to inspire more than 1,000 stu-

About the Hubbard Woods Design District

dents annually.

The Hubbard Woods Design District is a unique collection of local, independent merchants representing the best of the design worlds. This compact three-block neighborhood of classic Tudor buildings features cutting-edge fashion, jewelry, furniture, home decor, antiques and home designers.

Brush With Nature - Family Friendly Art Event

Brush with Nature is a plein air painting program presented by the non-profit arts organization Anatomically Correct where the publicis invited to watch professional artists paint plein air style (a French term which means out in the open). Young aspiring artists are even encouraged to create their own art at the kids table and get their face painted if they choose. Program Director Debra Hatchett explains, "It's almost like live theatre – or perfomance art. It is so much fun to see how an artist works and enjoy the magic of having a painting appear right in front of your eyes." Since 2009, the program has had over 200 artist participants. "The artists appreciate the encouragement and support they receive from the visitors who watch them paint. Visitors of all ages really love the event."

The artworks that are created during this event (and art from the prior event back in July 2014) will be on display in a juried art exhibition inside the Emily Oaks Nature Center Gallery this November. "Visitors like to come back to see the finished paintings inside the gallery. They can vote for

their favorite artist. The exhibition will reveal the scenery and wildlife from both the summer and fall events. It's the best of both seasons," remarks Debra.

The juried exhibition will be on display in the Nature Center Gallery at 4650 Brummel Ave, Skokie, IL 60076 from November 7, 2014 through January 2, 2015. A free public reception will be held on Friday, November 7, 2014 from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Regular viewing hours are Monday - Friday 8 am- 5 pm; Saturday 8 am- 4 pm; and Sunday 10 am- 4 pm. Phone (847) 674-1500, ext. 2500 for more information.

Brush with Nature is sponsored in part by the Village of Skokie Fine Arts Commission, Blick Art Materials and the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency. Founded in 1991, Anatomically Correct is a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization dedicated to showcasing works by artists in alternative spaces in a combined effort to educate, diversify, and promote community awareness of the visual and performing arts. www. brushwithnature.org

2014/2015 University Guild Program Calendar

Northwestern University Campus, Scott Hall, in the Guild Lounge 601 University Place, Evanston

All programs are held on Monday and begin at 1:30 pm (unless noted) Tea, coffee and cookies are served after the program.

Ten Memorable Productions Dominic Missimi

Art Seminar Committee Professor Emeritus, Northwestern University, Theater Dominic Missimi will talk about the "10 productions that have left a lasting impression on my memory and perhaps on my career". How will he narrow the list down to only 10? The University Guild's Annual Membership is \$50. Membership is open to all in the

community. Guests are welcome and cost is \$5.00 per program (new rate). The purpose of the University Guild is to bring to the membership of the Guild the intellectual resources of the University, to promote the interests of the University, to work for the collection and exhibition of the objects of art, and to advance the development and appreciation of the fine arts in the University and in Evanston. The University Guild also gives scholarships to students at Northwestern University.

James Downing Theatre To Present Shakespeare Classic

One of William Shakespeare's most enduring romantic comedies, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," will open the new 2014-15 season at the James Downing Theatre on Chicago's Far Northwest Side. The show will run Saturdays and Sundays, from Oct. 4 through 19 in the lower level of Edison Park United Methodist Church, 6740 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for senior citizens and students; call for group rates. Performances will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4; 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5; 1:30 and 7:30 p.m., Oct. 11; 1:30 p.m. Oct. 12; 1:30 and 7:30 p.m. Oct. 18 and 1:30 p.m. Oct. 19. For reservations, contact 224-725-3696 or jamesdowningtheatre@gmail; or pay by credit card online through jamesdowningtheatre.com.

As a politically prominent wedding approaches, everyone is swept into the romantic fervor. Local tradespeople start planning a pageant. For Hermia, in love with Lysander, her father's matchmaking has linked her to the wrong young man, Demetrius. They escape into the deep woods, as Helena, in desperate love with Demetrius, finds herself left behind. They do not expect the consequences of meeting the supernatural, or that the king and queen of the fairies would involve themselves in human lives, using the mischievous sprite, Puck, to activate their plans.

Director Manuel Ortiz has moved the classic tale into modern times, near the end of the Vietnam War, when there was a similar split between military and flower power.

Cast members include: Chad Gearig-Howe as Theseus/Oberon; Robin Bousel as Hippolyta/Titania; Corey Mills as Lysander, Matthew Patrick as Demetrius; Olivia Douglas as Hermia, Gabrielle Cross as Helena; Nathan Ducker as Puck; Jordan Scott Taylor as Bottom; Cory Kathane, Kyle Cassady, Whitney Pipes and Alexandra Cross, Maegan Gilmore, Elisa Soeder, Brad J. Senffner and Haley Oldham.

Also on the production staff are Corey Mills as choreographer and Steve Kedzierski as technical director. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is the first production in a three-show season, which will also include "Santa's Christmas Cabaret," Dec. 5-7, and "Back to Broadway, a Musical Revue," May 2-17, 2015. Season tickets will be available through Nov. 30, at \$52.50 for adults and \$37.50 for seniors and students.

Fashion Focus: Chicago's Fashion Week **October 14-19**

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) is pleased to announce the premier events for Fashion Focus: Chicago's Fashion Week, October 14-19, a citywide celebration of Chicago's fashion industry. Highlights during the week include a Fashion Town Hall and networking event for industry professionals; runway shows at the Chicago Cultural Center and in Millennium Park showcasing the latest trends, emerging and established designers; shopping events and much more.

"Chicago's fashion community is made up of numerous emerging and established fashion designers, boutiques and artists," said DCASE Commissioner Michelle T. Boone. "The City's fashion initiative is focused on enhancing opportunities, nurturing talent and shining a spotlight on the art and business of fashion in Chicago."

In 2006, the City of Chicago launched Fashion Focus Chicago, an initiative to foster and elevate the business of fashion in Chicago. Fashion Focus provides mentorships and educational opportunities with industry experts - and creates promotional opportunities for designers through programming and vending opportunities at City festivals and industry events.

What does it take to nurture talent and build successful fashion brands? This question will be explored at a special kick-off Fashion Town Hall and networking event on Tuesday, October 14 at the Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington St.) from 6-9 p.m. The town hall will convene industry professionals for a panel discussion with the "makers" and the process of and resources needed to create successful fashion businesses in Chicago.

Chicago fashion icon Nena Ivon will serve as the Keynote Speaker for the Fashion Town Hall. Ms. Ivon will share her expertise and industry knowledge. She was a staple at Saks Fifth Avenue Chicago for 53 years where she served as Director of Fashion, Special Events and Publicity for a number of years and is now directing her expertise towards educating fashion studies students at Columbia College Chicago. Ryan M. Beshel, ,marketing lead for Purely Fashion, Publicist for 900 North Michigan Avenue and runway model agent for Agency Galata, will serve as the

The Chicago Cultural Center will play host to two FREE runway shows and selling events on October 15 and 16 in the Sydney R. Yates Gallery (4th Floor

On Wednesday, October 15, Sanford-Brown College (formerly the International Academy of Design and Technology) will present REVOLUTION runway show featuring innovative creations from the school's junior, senior and graduate fashion designers, in the Sydney R. Yates Gallery from 7-9 p.m. Included in the show will be emerging designers Javonica Sapp and her 2015 line of bridal gowns and Mamie Kapend-Ngewebwa's 2015 African print inspired line.

Powers of Attorney – May Not Be Enough



Chester M. Przybylo

A power of attorney is a way to delegate your decision-making authority to someone else. People often ask "My daughter has my power of attorney, is that all she needs?" While powers of attorney can be useful under some circumstances, people think they are of broader effectiveness than they are.

First off, a power of attorney is only effective so long as the person granting the power, otherwise known as the "principal," is alive. For example, if you appoint your daughter as agent under a power of attorney, and you die, her authority dies with you. If she were to go to the bank and attempt to use the power of attorney to withdraw funds, they would tell her it is no longer valid. Basically, at your death, it ceased to be worth more than the paper on which it was written.

Even while the principal is alive, a power of attorney may not be the most effective way to delegate powers. For example, some title companies will not insure title on real estate when title is transferred pursuant to a power of attorney drawn up more than eighteen months before the transfer.

So, if a power of attorney may not be enough, what is the answer? A revocable living trust offers the solution. With a revocable living trust, you transfer your assets to the trust and you serve as the manager, or "trustee," of the trust during your life. At your death or incapacity, the person whom you have selected steps in to make decisions for you. Your successor trustee simply presents the physician statement of your incapacity and thereby gains the ability to manage the assets in the trust. If the vacation home needs to be sold to pay for health care, he or she would have the authority to do so, even if the trust were done years before the incapacity.

The trust has the added benefit of avoiding probate, the legal process by which assets in a decedent's name are re-titled after death. A trust may also provide a very flexible way to accomplish your wishes regarding distribution of the assets you placed in the trust. For example, if you want your assets held for your spouse and kids and then distributed out only after the youngest has graduated from college or reached age 25, it can do that.

Regardless of your wishes, a trust can help you achieve your goals. A qualified estate-planning attorney who focuses his or her practice in that area can help you tailor an estate plan to ensure that your person of choice has the means to make decisions on your behalf.

This is just one solution for your dilemma. An experienced estate planning attorney can help you explore all your estate planning options and settle on the plan that best meets your family's needs so you'll never again have to hear, "It's not fair!"

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.

Friedman Place to Host Annual Open House

Friedman Place, a supportive living community for blind and visually impaired adults, today announced it will open its doors to the public for an afternoon of fun and learning. The festivities are from 1-3 PM on Sunday, October 19th. Friedman Place is located at 5527 N Maplewood Ave (at Lincoln), Chicago, IL.

Interim Executive Director Alexander Brown will lead a discussion and Q&A about the blind and visually impaired. There will be guided tours available which include a peek into a resident's apartment. Popcorn and root beer/cola floats will be served all afternoon. The festivities will conclude with an old-fashioned sing along beginning at 2:30.

The residents will regale everyone with an afternoon long talent show. Friedman Place residents are particularly musically talented, and their performances are not to be missed. All during the event residents will give demonstrations of adaptive technology in our computer lab, weaving techniques in our multi-loom studio, and a collaborative volunteer project "New Life for Old Bags," which turns used plastic grocery bags into sleeping mats for the homeless, in the library. The resident's arts and crafts will be on display and many beautiful fiber arts products will be for sale.

"The goal of this year's Open House is to continue Friedman Place's tradition of community engagement and to help provide a clearer perception of the blind and visually impaired community" said Executive Director Brown. "We look forward to an afternoon of making new friends, laughs, and fun times."

In addition to individual apartments, residents are provided with a wide range of medical, social, and supportive services. Our aim is to provide residents with individualized evaluations, services and monitoring so that they can live as independently as possible.

About Friedman Place: Friedman Place, a non-profit organization, is one of the only long-term housing facilities for the blind and visually impaired in the U.S. Friedman Place, a modern Supportive Living Facility on the northwest side of Chicago with 74 studio apartments and 7 one-bedroom apartments, opened in 2005, although agency's roots go back over 80 years. To learn more visit us at www.Friedmanplace.org.

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Over 90 Percent Of Trees Inoculated In 2011 And 2012 Still Viable

Dedicated Workforce Continues Inoculation of All Viable Parkway Ash Trees, Including Ash Tree Retreatment

Mayor Rahm Emanuel and the Department of Streets and Sanitation (DSS) announced today a 93 percent survival rate for Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) retreatment for Ash trees treated in 2011 and 2012. DSS inoculated 5,400 Ash trees in 2011 and 2012, and of those previously treated trees, 93 percent or over 5,000 trees remain viable parkway trees and accepted EAB retreatment this year.

"The Emerald Ash Borer treatment program is a common sense investment in Chicago's parkway trees," said Mayor Emanuel. "By providing a dedicated workforce for Ash tree inoculation in 2013 and 2014, we are protecting the viability of our Ash tree population for many years to come."

The EAB treatment, TREE-age, became available in 2009. TREE-age utilizes emamectin benzote to inoculate Ash trees, which has been proved to kill 99 percent of Emerald Ash Borer insects within a tree. An Ash tree receives a self-contained injection into the vascular system of the tree, which then pulls the treatment throughout the base of the tree up to the canopy. This treatment method will kill existing pests as well as prevent new infestations for two to three years. Retreatment needs to be applied after two years to continue to protect the Ash tree against EAB. The

average cost to inoculate a tree is \$46, compared with \$1,000 to remove and replace a tree.

DSS treated a small percentage of Ash trees from 2009 to 2012, but it was not until Mayor Emanuel invested in a dedicated workforce for EAB injection in 2013 that all viable parkway Ash trees would be inoculated by fall 2014. As part of the multi-year inoculation program, over 37,000 viable Ash trees were inoculated in 2013 and all remaining viable Ash trees will be inoculated by fall 2014. Additionally, all Ash trees treated prior to 2013 received a retreatment through the dedicated workforce with 93 percent of Ash trees treated in 2011 and 2012 remaining viable.

"Mayor Emanuel's continued investment in a dedicated workforce for EAB inoculations has shown to have a positive impact on slowing the progression of the insect and manage tree mortality," said Commissioner Charles Williams. "The positive success rate in EAB retreatment is encouraging, and the Department looks forward to completing the remaining inoculations of all viable Ash trees this fall."

The Emerald Ash Borer is an exotic beetle native to Asia that was discovered in southeastern Michigan in 2002. The beetle has killed over tens of millions Ash trees in southeastern Michigan alone, with tens of millions more dying in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and eighteen other infested states.

Mayors Call For Immediate Action To Keep Drinking Water Safe In The Great Lakes And St. Lawrence River Toledo Water Crisis A 'Wake Up Call'

Today, at the Mayors Drinking Water Summit, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel and fellow Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative mayors from across the region called for immediate action to protect the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River as a source of drinking water for over 40 million people.

"Today, my fellow mayors and I stand united in our call for more, better and faster action to protect Great Lakes and St. Lawrence residents from the kind of threat that recently closed down Toledo's drinking water system," said Mayor Rahm Emanuel. "This situation cannot and will not be tolerated as the new normal."

The summit, hosted by Mayor Emanuel and the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative, brought together twenty U.S. and Canadian mayors and leading experts in drinking water and environmental protection. Topics of discussion included threats to drinking water, with a particular focus on the causes of the Toledo drinking water shut down. The mayors were joined by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy, who explained the federal government's response to the threat of microcystin toxins in Lake Erie.

"The microcystin toxin as seen in Toledo's drinking water represents a significant public health threat," said Racine Mayor John Dickert, chair of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative. "Mayors will work with federal, state and provincial authorities, agricultural interests, residents and businesses to ensure that everyone is doing their part to eliminate this threat to Great Lakes drinking water."

Following expert presentations and indepth deliberations, the mayors called for action:

- By USEPA to establish a common limit and an emergency response protocol for microcystin in drinking water for the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence region;
- By Great Lakes states to establish a phosphorus open lake water quality standard;
- By agriculture to further reduce the runoff from farms into Lake Erie, including better nutrient management and application of the '4R Nutrient Stewardship' program;
- By municipalities to further reduce phosphorus loadings through more green infrastructure, better treatment plant operations, and pollution prevention measures.

"We receive most of our water in the St. Lawrence River from the Great Lakes," said Québec City Mayor and Québec Metropolitan Community President Régis Labeaume, "With shared responsibility for these waters, Canadian cities stand as strong partners in cleaning up Lake Erie and protecting the remaining Great Lakes from all threats to our drinking water."

"Lake Michigan is a precious resource to the residents of Evanston. I am happy to join my fellow Mayors in advocating for these important initiatives," added Evanston Mayor Elizabeth Tisdahl.

The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative (www.glslcities.org) is a binational coalition of 114 mayors and other local officials representing over 17 million people, that works actively with federal, state, tribal, first nation and provincial governments and other stakeholders to advance the protection, restoration and promotion of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River basin.

Chicago Public Library Celebrates Polish American Heritage Month

Join the Chicago Public Library in celebrating Polish American Heritage Month, October 1 to October 31, with a variety of programs highlighting the culture, traditions and contributions of Polish Americans.

The Library's keynote event for Polish American Heritage Month takes place on Sunday, October 19 at 2:00 p.m., at the Sulzer Regional Library, 4455 N. Lincoln Ave. The free event features the Academy of Music of the Paderewski Symphony Orchestra of Chicago presenting a colorful, multimedia show featuring the music of Frédéric Chopin, as well as Polish music and dance of the Romantic period. This interactive performance of pianists, violinists, singers and dancers will recreate a concert in the 19th century home of the Chopin family. Actors will share fascinating stories about Chopin—citing fragments of letters, poetry and articles written by and about the young genius.

Throughout Polish American Heritage Month, Chicago Public Library will present a variety of entertaining programs for all ages, including book discussions, lectures, film screenings, storytelling and crafts, art exhibits, workshops and more. Highlights include:

- Film Screening and Discussion: The Fourth Partition
- Art Workshop: Discovering the Beauty of Polish Folk Art
- Eddie Korosa, Jr. and the Boys from Illinois
- Jan Karski: His Work and Legacy, A Historical Perspective

Additionally, a bibliography of books about notable Polish Americans is available at all Library branches and on the Library's website throughout the year. For a complete listing of programs, including dates, times and locations, visit the Library's website at chipublib.org.

Since 1873, the Chicago Public Library (CPL) has encouraged lifelong learning by welcoming all people and offering equal access to information, entertainment and knowledge through innovative services and programs, as well as cutting-edge technology. Through its 80 locations, the Library provides free access to a rich collection of materials, both physical and digital, and presents the highest quality author discussions, exhibits and programs for children, teens and adults. CPL recently received the Social Innovator Award from Chicago Innovation Awards; won a National Medal for Library Services from the Institute for Museum and Library Services and was ranked number one in the U.S. and third in the world by an international study of major urban libraries conducted by the Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf in Germany. For more information, visit chipublib.org or call the Chicago Public Library at (312) 747-4050.

Enjoy the Majesty of Fall; Join the Arbor Day Foundation in October And Receive 10 Free Autumn Classics Trees

The Arbor Day Foundation will brighten up your fall by offering 10 free autumn classics trees when you join the organization in October.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation's Trees for America campaign, a program dedicated to environmental stewardship through the planting of trees.

Everyone who joins the Arbor Day Foundation in October will receive 10 free autumn classics: Two sugar maples, two red maples and one each of scarlet oak, sweetgum, northern red oak, silver maple, white flowering dogwood and Washington hawthorn.

"Members will especially enjoy these trees during the autumn months because they'll add abundant, vibrant color to any yard or landscape for years to come," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting, between Nov. 1 and Dec. 10. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Planting instructions will be enclosed with each shipment of trees.

To receive 10 free autumn classics, send a \$10 membership contribution to Autumn Classics Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by October 31, 2014, or join online at arborday.org/october.

West Ridge Community News

The Rogers Park / West Ridge Historical Society presents internationally known experts offering verbal assessments of members' valuables and collectibles. This service will be free to the Society's Patrons and Life Members. Other members will pay just \$10 per item at the door. There is a limit of two items per member. This event will take place at the Greenleaf Arts Center, 1806 West Greenleaf Avenue, Chicago, IL 60626 on Sunday, November 2 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served. Please register in advance: online at www.rpwrhs.org, e-mail info@rpwrhs.org, or call the Society at (773) 764-4078. Membership is required for participation. You can join at the event or by visiting our website at www.rpwrhs.org.

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Add barley to stock and cook until almost tender. Add mushrooms (washed), carrots, potatoes, celery and onion. Cook all until tender. Add cream to desired thickness. Add spices to taste. Serves 12 – 6 oz. Portions.



The annual Copernicus Center "Taste Of Polonia" on Labor Day weekend saw Governor Pat Quinn at the Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union booth.

Our Village Readers Reunion At Play Book in Niles

Many residents covered by Our Village Chicago recently held another reunion at Play Book in Niles. This annual event was started a few years ago by the late Lisa Losmandy, and her husband Ralph Tector was there to see all her friends. This reunion included the local families: Abbatiello, Beyer, Biasco, Boyle, Carini, Carlson, Casey, Conaghan, Coyne, Ditkowsky, Dolan, Farrell, Fortino, Glowicki, Grossman, Hedberg, Helfenbein, Huesing, Hohmeier, Jenkinson, Kappel, Kulka, Loftus, Lonski, Mares, Marquez, McDarrah, McGowan, Meissner, Murray, Planek, Popov, Quinn, Reedy, Rojek, Sanner, Scharf, Smogolski, Tomaselli, Waddick, Walsh, & Warner. They plan to meet again next year.

Polish National Alliance Seniors To Meet On Wednesday, October 8, 2014

Chicago, IL – Paul C. Odrobina, Vice President of the Polish National Alliance (PNA) announces that the PNA North Side Seniors will conduct their monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 8, 2014, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will take place at the PNA Home Office Cafeteria, 6100 N. Cicero Ave. Chicago, Illinois. Doors will open about 9:15 a.m. This will be a general meeting. This month there will be a guest speaker. The Senior group will be sponsoring a Casino trip to the Four Winds in New Buffalo, Michigan on Wednesday, November 19, 2014. Details will be discussed at the meeting and those wishing to attend could pay for the trip on that day. We ask for those who would be attending to call the Vice President's Office at 1-800-621-3723 ext. 316.

All seniors ages 55 and over (members and non-members) are encouraged to join us for a morning of fun and fraternalism. Refreshments will be served. There is plenty of parking available in the lot behind the PNA building.

The Polish National Alliance is the largest Polish ethnic Fraternal Insurance Organization and was founded in 1880.

For additional information about the PNA Seniors Group and their activities, please call the PNA (773) 286-0500 ext. 316, or visit the PNA website at www.pna-znp.org.

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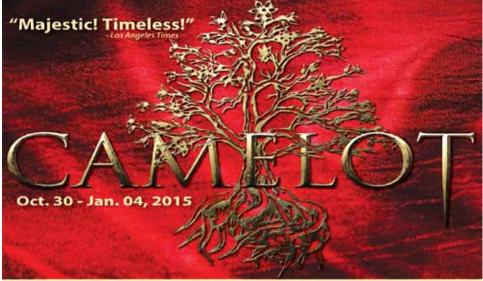
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