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We Wish Our Jewish Friends **And Neighbors A Happy** Rosh Hashanah, Sept. 20-22 And A Meaningful Yom Kippur, Sept. 29-30



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Gov. Rauner Statement on Hurricane Harvey

"Our thoughts and prayers go out to the people of Texas as they deal with unimaginable flooding from Hurricane Harvey.

"The state of Illinois stands ready to expedite assistance wherever needed. I have directed Illinois Emergency Management Agency Director James K. Joseph to alert state agencies and our mutual aid partners in law enforcement, fire services, emergency management, public works, public health and other disciplines that could be called on to provide assistance, if requested.

"IEMA is closely monitoring requests for assistance through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, the national system for coordinating disaster assistance. Director Joseph personally contacted the emergency management director to let him know Illinois stands ready to assist in any way possible. IEMA also is assessing potential needs in Louisiana in the event assistance is needed there.

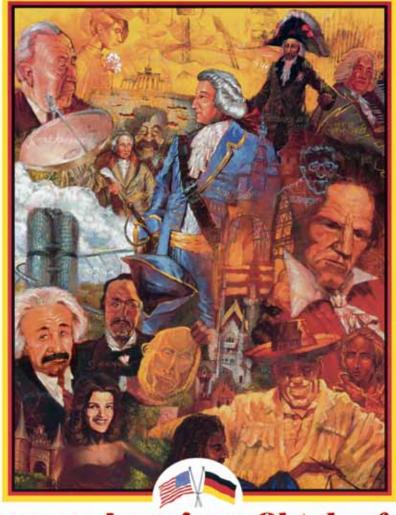
"The impacts of this disaster will be long-lasting. Illinois is committed to assisting Texas and other states in the Gulf region through the response and recovery process."

All of us at Village Lublications are keeping the victims of Hurricane Harvey in our thoughts and prayers and wish everyone in the path of Hurricane Irma a safe outcome

See Pages 4 and 10 for Ideas on Places To Give

September is National Preparedness Month

See Page 4 for Information that could save lives and property





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WE WILL **Never Forget** September 11, 2001

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

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German-American Oktoberfest September 8-9-10, 2017

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52ND ANNUAL STEUBEN PARADE - SATURDAY, SEPT. 9, 2017

2:00 PM LINCOLN AVE & IRVING PARK

German Commemoration Day - St. Benedicts Church SUNDAY OCT. 1st at 2:30PM. 2215 W. IRVING PARK RD. CHICAGO

Community First Medical Center September Health Events

Community First Medical Center, 5645 West Addison Street, Chicago, will offer the following health events in September

Friday, September 8

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

Craig W. Halihan, D.P.M. will give a talk on Healthy feet, diabetes and wound care. To register, please call 773-282-7000.

Friday, September 8, 15, 22 and 29 11th Step Mediation – 6:45 – 8:00 p.m., Community First Medical Center,

Conference Room C, 7th Floor Silent mediation, a brief positive talk or reading followed by 12 step sharing. Open AA meeting format, everyone is welcome to attend. Coed, nonsmoking. This is a fellowship open to learning how the art of listening leads to developing an improved 'real" relationship with their higher power and our fellows. For all who seek through prayer and meditation to improve their conscious.

Sunday, September 10, 17 and 24

Alcoholics Anonymous – 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Community First Medical Center, Conference Room A, 7th Floor. Alcoholics anonymous is a group of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they solve their common problem. If you think you have a drinking problem, please join our free AA Group.

Monday-Friday, September 11-15 Volunteer Steering Committee Sock Drive

The Volunteer Steering Committee will be sponsoring a sock drive to benefit Central Nursing Home. NEW SOCKS ONLY. Donation boxes will be in the main lobby of the hospital and outside the Café.

Tuesday, September 12, 19 and 26 Community First Medical Center Walking Club

9:00 a.m. – Portage Park (Meet at the Senior Center).

This is a supervised program for independent seniors looking to improve their overall fitness, which includes educational and walking sessions.

Tuesday, September 12 and 26

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

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

Wednesday, September 13

Free Blood Pressure Screening Clinic - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Community First Medical Center, 2nd Floor

Julie Jacobs, AGNP, will check your blood pressure, review your medications with you and discuss how to keep your blood pressure at a healthy level. Diet and lifestyle modifications will also be discussed and recommendations provided. Bring a list of current medications, wear short sleeve or sleeveless top, take your medication on your regular schedule. To register, please call 773-794-8359.

Thursday, September 14, 21 and 28 Overeaters Anonymous – 7:00 p.m. Community First Medical Center, Café Meeting Room A fellowship of individuals who through shared experience, strength and hope are recovering from compulsive eating. If you think you may be a compulsive eater, please feel free to attend our free meetings.

Tuesday, September 19

Learning Interventions Family Education (LIFE) – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Community First Medical Center, 7th Floor Conference Rooms A & B

September is National Recovery Month. Join Recovery Education For an Evening of celebrating Family Recovery Stories, Strengthen Families and Communities. To register, please call 708-536-8775.

Wednesday, September 20

Cholesterol Screening Clinic - 8:00 – 10 a.m. Community First Medical Center, 2nd Floor

This session will be conducted by Julie Jacobs, AGNP. A brief discussion before getting your blood drawn will include diet, medications and lifestyle changes that will help to maintain a healthy cholesterol level. You will get a phone call from Julie within 48 hours

Become part of our team

* Registered Nurses * Patient Care Technicians * ER Technicians

* Unit Secretaries * RN Case Managers * and other Clinical Opportunities

Community First, it is not just our name, IT IS OUR MISSION.

Career Fair

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 — 10AM - 2PM

Community First Medical Center 5645 W. Addison - 7th Floor, Chicago, IL 60634

Bring your resume and meet with our amazing team!

Same-day interviews
Free Parking

with your lab results and recommendations for further follow up. DO NOT eat or drink for 12 hours before arriving, Bring a snack/drink for after the blood specimen obtained, bring list of current medications with name of medication dosage and when you take the medication. Register for your cholesterol screening a \$10 fee. To register, please

Thursday, September 21

call 773-282-7000.

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

These free sessions will be conducted by Carleen Nunez, R.N., B.S.N., O.N.C., along with staff from rehabilitation services. Attendees will receive educational materials, get questions answered, learn what to expect from surgery and meet some professional staff. To register, please call 773-794-4640.

Sunday, September 24

Fall into Fitness 5K walk/fun – 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Join us for a run or a walk around the Portage Park neighborhood. Proceeds will go towards the continuing development of educational health and wellness programs for our entire community. Register on-line: www.raceroster. com/12825 by 12:00 p.m. on September 21, 2017.

Tuesday, September 26

Career Fair – 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Community First Medical Center, 7th Floor, 5645 W Addison

Become part of our team, registered nurses, patient care technicians, ER Technicians, RN Case Managers and other Clinical Opportunities. Bring your resume and meet with our amazing team! Same day interviews, free parking.

Tuesday, September 26

Diabetes Screening Clinic - 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. - Community First Medical Center, 2nd Floor

This session will be conducted by Julie Jacobs, AGNP and Renata Sochacki, RN, Certified Diabetic Educator. A brief discussion before getting your blood drawn will include diet, medications and lifestyle changes that will help to maintain a healthy blood sugar. Bring a list of current medications, take your medication on your regular schedule, if possible, do not eat or drink after midnight. Register for your diabetes screening a \$10 fee. To register, please call 773-282-7000.

Tuesday, September 26

Lung Health and Blood Pressure Screenings – 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. - Trina Davila - Chicago Department of Family and Support Services, 4300 W North Avenue, Chicago

Fasial Master, RRT, Advanced Respiratory Care Practitioner, Community First Medical Center will discuss lung health and provide blood pressure screenings.







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our flag

(Part 6) How To Obtain A Burial Flag For A Veteran

We continue our series on the History of "Our Flag". This will continue over the next few editions and hope that it proves to be of interest and an educational reference for all of our readers - young, and not so young. (This is taken directly from the booklet titled "Our Flag" issued by the 105th Congress, 1st Session, and printed by the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, 1998, under Senate Concurrent Resolution 61)

Any honorably discharged veteran is entitled to a burial flag. The funeral director, as part of the services, will make the necessary arrangements for the family on behalf of the veteran. The flag may be used to cover the casket and it is presented to the family as a keepsake. The local office of the Department of Veterans' Affairs can also provide information on the procedure for obtaining a flag for a deceased veteran.

Photo: A 12 by 18 foot flag flies at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial 24 hours a day. The flagpole is located just a few feet from the statute of the "Three Servicemen" and near the walkway leading to the Memorial walls. The base of the flagpole has an inscription and the emblem of the five U.S. military services, and was designed to be placed for public viewing.



Gov. Rauner Signs Bill Providing Access To Service Dogs For Veterans Suffering From Mental Health Difficulties

Governor Bruce Rauner today signed HB 2897, legislation to increase access to service dogs for veterans through the Helping Paws Program. This expansion will add veterans to the program-eligibility pool and allow the training of service dogs to assist veterans with physical or mental health ailments.

Compared with the general population, the veteran population is at-risk for higher rates of depression, post-traumatic stress disorder and suicide. Partnership with a service dog can help alleviate stress and feelings of isolation as veterans transition back into civilian life.

"One of our most important duties as a society is ensuring that our veterans have access to services that improve their quality of life," Gov. Rauner said. "Those who have served our state and country can face mental health challenges such as depression and post-traumatic stress disorder, and the Helping Paws service dog program will help provide the comfort and relief that our veterans deserve."

The Helping Paws Program is run by the Illinois Department of Corrections at Logan Correctional Center, a prison for women. It is a vocational dog training program that has served Illinoisans for 17 years. Offenders have trained more than 300 dogs since the program began. Once they graduate, the dogs go on to assist people who are visually impaired, confined to wheelchairs, suffer from diabetes or epilepsy, and now will assist veterans with depression or PTSD. The program partners with Mid America Service Dogs' Foundation and Paws Giving Independence. Veterans who participate in the program will be provided a service dog at no charge.

"It is our responsibility to take care of our veterans when they return home, and this small change will have a life-changing impact on the lives of those veterans who are struggling the most," said Rep. Dave Severin (R-Benton). "I am excited to see HB 2897 signed into law, as it will surely have a positive impact on the lives of those who deserve our help."

"Service dogs often can offer companionship, stress-relief and motivation to veterans who suffer from PTSD or depression that friends and family can't provide," Sen. Andy Manar (D-Decatur) said. "I am pleased that these veterans now are on the list of people in Illinois who can take advantage of the Helping Paws Service Dog Program and lead more fulfilling lives."



Good morning, Thank you for your past participation in the Out of the Darkness Chicagoland Walk supporting the Illinois Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

I hope you will join us again and register for the 2017 Chicagoland Walk taking place on Saturday, September 23!

Why is it important to walk? For hope For awareness



For suicide prevention

For community to share stories and to know you are not alone

I encourage you to invite family, friends and colleagues to join you for this special day. Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you at the

> With gratitude, Courtney Collins Illinois Area Director

Vietnam Veterans of America to Hold Town Hall Meeting on Generational Effects of Agent Orange/Dioxin

walk!

Edison Park Post 541 Of The American Legion

Veterans and Sons of Veterans are invited on September 14, 2017 7:30 P.M., to attend our informational meeting.

Location is Edison Park Field House 1st floor North at 6755 N. Northwest hwy., Chicago, IL 60631.

We will be forming a Sons Of the American Legion (SAL) unit and are looking for charter members.

All male descendants, adopted sons and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in Service during World I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf War and the War on Terrorism, during the delimiting periods set forth in Article IV, Section 1, of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for Membership in the Sons of The American Legion.

This is an informational meeting. All Veterans are invited and if you qualify we would love for you to join us. Veterans qualifications are for service during the periods stated above.

Contact: Past Commander Bob Fuggiti 847-921-8738

Edison Park Post 541 — AmerLegion541@aol.com

9755 W. Northwest Highway, Chicago - Meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

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

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

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

For more information please contact Jac Charlier at jac.charlier@gmail.com or visit (www. honorflightchicago.org)

Honor Flight Chicago is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to the mission of flying our World War II veterans to Washington DC to see the WWII Memorial built in their honor.



Vietnam Veterans of America Chicago Chapter 242 will hold a Town Hall meeting to address the birth defects, diseases, and learning disabilities affecting the children and grandchildren of Vietnam veterans. The forum will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2017, at 1:00 PM, at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60630. "We cannot be silent about the effects of our battlefield exposures on our children in the face of overwhelming evidence connecting many diseases and birth defects to exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam, said Jim Mindak, President of VVA Chapter 242. "We encourage all veterans with children and/ or grandchildren suffering from illnesses, learning disabilities, or physical disabilities to come share their stories. We will explore issues surrounding Agent Orange exposure, including scientific information, health effects, and methods for educating the public and elected representatives about the issues of Vietnam veterans, their children, and their families," said Jim Mindak. The goal of the town hall meeting is to bring attention to the hidden cost of our service and to encourage the government to create and maintain a registry of these birth defects as well as assist our doctors in finding ways to diagnose and treat these birth defects. Veterans of all wars are subjected to many contaminates, and most were not aware of what was being used or what effects they might have on our health. Said Jim Mindak "Our children are the innocent victims of our war, and we need the help of our government to cope with these problems. We worry, who will be there to take care of them when we are gone?" In keeping with VVA's founding principle, "Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another." Vietnam veterans throughout the state of Illinois continue to fight for the welfare of our nation's veterans from all wars.

Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) is the nation's only congressionally chartered veterans service organization dedicated to the needs of Vietnam-era veterans and their families. VVA's founding principle is "Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another."

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September Is National Preparedness Month: Mayor Emanuel, City Officials **Urge Residents To Plan For Emergencies Before They Happen**

As the country recognizes National Preparedness Month in September, the City of Chicago is reminding residents to prepare for potential hazards and ensure readiness if a crisis occurs through a new #PrepareChicago campaign. Mayor Rahm Emanuel today announced that throughout the month, the Office of Emergency Management and Communication (OEMC), the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Fire Department will conduct public education around emergency preparedness, including an advertising campaign providing tips for Chicagoans on how to prepare for large-scale emergencies and natural disasters in five languages.

There is no known threat in Chicago, though the City recommends plan for the unexpected by making an emergency plan and building a kit of supplies, including for medical, financial and pet needs. It is also important to stay informed of ways to mitigate hazards and respond to emergencies, and to be aware of current events.

"Emergencies can come in many forms and we are taking the lessons learned from incidents around the country and around the world to inform our own public safety efforts and emergency plans. We urge individuals to do the same," said Alicia Tate-Nadeau, OEMC's Executive Director. "We all have a part to play in planning, practicing and updating emergency responses and this is a good time for everyone to make sure they are ready should the unexpected happen."

Throughout the month of September, OEMC is making extra efforts to continue to provide readiness messaging throughout Chicago with outreach measures including speaking engagements, school events and social media. We encourage everyone to utilize the emergency preparedness tools available at www. GearUpGetReady.org or www.Ready.gov as well as sign-up for emergency alerts at www.NotifyChicago.org .

As part of National Preparedness Month, CDPH is launching its #PrepareChicago public education campaign, providing tips for Chicagoans to prepare for large-scale emergencies and natural disasters. #PrepareChicago educates residents on how they can prepare their families, how to work together as a community and how they can volunteer during public health emergencies.

"Chicago is best prepared when we are all prepared, which is why we are working to reach residents in every neighborhood in a variety of languages and formats," said CDPH Commissioner Julie Morita, M.D. "Making sure all Chicagoans have the knowledge and resources they need to protect themselves in an emergency is imperative to our mission of ensuring the health and safety of our residents."

As part of CDPH's efforts to reach all Chicagoans where they live, work and play, emergency preparedness messages will be displayed throughout Chicago via the CTA and Metra transit systems, billboards, newspaper and social media ads. This year's campaign also includes foreign language online and print publications as well as bus shelter ads in the five most commonly spoken languages in Chicago: English, Spanish, Polish, Chinese and Tagalog.

Residents looking for additional ways to help can volunteer their skills by signing up for the Chicago Medical Reserve Corps (CMRC). CMRC has over 400 medical and non-medical professionals who assist in public health emergencies and local disasters. Chicagoans can sign up to volunteer online or via email at ChicagoMRC@cityofchicago.org. For more information, visit www.CityOfChicago.org/HEALTH.

Throughout the month, the Chicago Red Cross is partnering with the CFD and OEMC to install 2,000 lifesaving smoke alarms in high-risk neighborhoods. This is part of the American Red Cross' "Sound the Alarm. Save a Life" campaign to install 100,000 free smoke alarms in cities across the country and educate residents about fire safety .

"Being prepared means making sure your family is safe from the dangers that can be cause by fire and carbon monoxide," said Fire Commissioner Santiago. "Make sure you have detectors for both smoke and carbon monoxide and that each unit has a fresh battery. The majority of deaths and injury from fire and carbon monoxide occur in homes that do not have working detectors. Make sure yours are working because your life may depend on it. And its the law in Chicago."

"Be sure your family is ready to help your pets in a disaster by preparing a disaster-preparedness kit and having it at the ready, said Executive Director of Chicago Animal Care and Control Susan Russell "Your kit should include essential items like food and water for at least five days and a portable food and water bowl; your pet's rabies, license and microchip information; any medications and medical records; current photographs of your pet; written information about your pet and veterinarian information; and a pop-up kennel. If you have a cat, include little pans, litter, a scoop, garbage bags, Lysol wipes and an anxiety soothing product like Feliway. If you have a dog, bring sturdy leashes; if your dog is not great with other people or animals, a Baskerville muzzle."

If You See Something, Say Something

OEMC encourages the everyone - residents, visitors, businesses - to always be aware of surroundings and report suspicious activity by calling 9-1-1, notifying on-site security or by calling the toll free local number for Chicago and Cook County at 855-RPRT-2-S4 (1-800-777-8274).

Notify Chicago

Get Chicago emergency alerts by signing-up for OEMC's NotifyChicago alert system at www.notifychicago.org. This is a free service provided by the City of Chicago.

Niles Township To Host Hurricane Blood Drive on Sept. 11th

Niles Township Government is partnering with LifeSource and will host a blood drive for all township residents on Monday, September 11, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in the Lee Tamraz All Purpose Room at the Township's offices, 5255 Main St., in Skokie.

All blood donors will receive a coupon for a free pint of frozen custard, courtesy of Culver's of Skokie and Culver's of Morton Grove. In addition, LifeSource will make a donation to support Emergency Relief Efforts along the Gulf Coast for every donor that day.

"There's no substitute for blood and we encourage Niles Township residents to give the gift of life by making a blood donation that day," said Supervisor Marilyn Glazer. "One pint of blood can save three lives and blood donations have come to a standstill for the foreseeable future for those areas impacted by the hurricane."

While walk-ins are welcome, appointments are preferred and can be made by calling (877) 543-3768 or by visiting www.lifesource.org, selecting "Make an Appointment" and using group code 88A to schedule your appointment.

"Investing And Tax Planning" Is Timely Talk At Norwood Crossing On September 20

A big question for many retirees is whether he or she will have enough money to last through their retirement. The answers might lie in the presentation by Christine Trapp, owner of Trapp Financial in Itasca, when she discusses "Investing and Tax Planning," at 2:00 p.m., on Sept. 20, at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago. Trapp is a certified financial planner and the owner of a comprehensive financial planning and investment service since 1983.

In her Timely Talk, she will examine the many ways to provide income during retirement, and the impact of estate planning rules on your beneficiaries. These two issues, while often confusing, can be clarified, leading to peace of mind and growing assets.

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

Disaster Relief for Harvey and Irma Victims:

SAMARITAN'S PURSE is looking for donations of:

* Medical Supplies * Food & Water * General Goods like Toiletries and Clothing * Volunteers * Monetary Donations

Please call 828/262-1980 to find out details on how to help or visit samaritanspurse.org.

Kiwanis Of Ravenswood

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF RAVENSWOOD is now meeting at the Barba Yianni Grecian Taverna, 4761 N. Lincoln Avenue, just south of Lawrence. Arrangements have been made for our Kiwanis Kin for FREE PARKING in the mb Financial parking lot. If you plan to attend, please RSVP with Maria Bappert

nual Picnic of the Bethany Retirement Community at 4950 N. Ashland Avenue, which this year our Club and the Lake View Kiwanis Club will be co-sponsoring. 2017 will be the 77th time that our Club has sponsored this event for the residents at Bethany. There will be Food, Fun, Music, and

Mental Health Foundation Hosts Chicago Wellness Fair

The second annual Celebrate Life Wellness Fair returns to the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum on Sunday, September 10th. The fair, hosted by the mental health non-profit NoStigmas, welcomes Chicagoans for an afternoon of of learning to live mentally healthy lives together with a support community.

Celebrate Life Wellness Fair coincides with World Suicide Prevention Day, which aligns with NoStigmas mission of ensuring nobody face mental health or suicide issues alone. The three-hour, all-age fair includes vendors from across Chicago, healthy food, mental health experts, motivational speakers, a raffle, and more.

When: Sunday, September 10th

11 AM-2 PM (rain or shine)

Where: Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum 2430 N Cannon Dr, Chicago, IL 60614

Accessible by CTA bus routes #76, #151,

and #156

Free parking on Cannon and Stockton

Drive Who: All-ages welcome

Tickets to the fair are by donation and can be purchased at nostigmas.org/celebrate-life. All donations go toward helping NoStigmas' be the hub that cultivates mental health and suicide awareness communities across the nation by educating mental health leaders through its one-of-a-kind Ally Training Program.

Chicago area companies are welcomed to join NoStigmas in the celebration by being a vendor or through one of its tax-deductible sponsorship opportunities. Please contact nostigmas.org/sponsor-vendor

About NoStigmas: NoStigmas is mental health your way: Peer-to-peer, communitywithin-community mental health support networks built by and for the ones who need it most. Together with mental health Allies, we are working to eliminate stigmas about mental health and suicide.

Pappas Returns \$32 Million In Overpayments To Taxpayers

A program to avoid duplicate property tax payments has handed back \$32.3 million to property owners this year, Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas said today.

The Stop Taxpayer Over-Payment System (STOPS) automatically returns a second tax payment on a property. Nearly 6,100 double payments were prevented in 2017.

"The program has been helpful to property owners by letting them avoid seeking a refund," Pappas said. "STOPS also has allowed us to reduce our staff, which saves money for all taxpayers."

The STOPS program helps taxpayers who have forgotten that they have already paid their taxes. Sometimes, it prevents married couples from paying the taxes separately. More often the program comes into play when two mortgage companies try to pay the same tax bill.

Since STOPS began in 2009, more than 72,000 double payments have been avoided. A total of \$306.2 million in duplicate payments have been returned.

If a payment is stopped, it can be resubmitted only if the second payer is legally responsible for the payment. In that case, the first payer is authorized to receive a refund.

at 773-728-8127 as the restaurant needs to know for how many people to set the table. Thank you.

Donations for our various service projects are received from our own members as well as from the Austrian Mixed Chorus and the Greater Rockwell Organization. We added another service project to our list, namely collection of corks from wine bottles which will be given to an Austrian friend who will pass them on to the Moose Lodge which he belongs to for the benefit of Mooseheart.

COMING UP ON SEPTEMBER 14 - The An-

More! Bethany is celebrating 128 years of service to older adults.

SEPTEMBER DATES

Sept. 11 - Patriot Day

Thu., Sept. 14 - Annual Picnic of the Bethany Retirement Community. The time is usually 11 am to 1 pm.

Fri., Sept. 22 - First day of Autumn

Thu., Sept. 28 - Regularly scheduled Luncheon Meeting at Barba Yianni

Fri., Sept. 29 - PEANUT DAY!

Phone For Legal Advice At No Cost

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

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

The CBA Lawyer Referral Service is one of few bar associations in the country to meet the American Bar Association Standards for lawyer referral and approved to use its logo and slogan, "The Right Call for the Right LawyerTM." For referral to an experienced attorney, the public can contact the CBA Lawyer Referral Service at 312-554-2001 during business hours or through the Web site at www.chicagobar.org.

In addition, the Treasurer's Office this year also reduced about 900 checks to the amounts actually due, preventing overpayments totaling \$206,000.

Cook County Issues Cautionary Rabies Alert

Cook County Animal and Rabies Control urges Cook County residents to vaccinate their pets against rabies after a kitten tested positive for rabies in Carroll County IL.

"Finding rabies in cats is unusual and Cook County Animal and Rabies Control wants to make sure all domestic animals are protected against the disease, which can be fatal," Animal and Rabies Control Administrator Dr. Donna Alexander said. "Pet owners should not panic, but should take precaution to protect their pets."

A total of 18 bats have tested positive for rabies in Cook County this summer.

"This is not an unusual number at this time of year, but pet owners should make sure their indoor cats are vaccinated. The small brown bat is the major carrier of rabies in Illinois and is small enough enter a home through a crack or small opening. A curious cat may come into contact with the bat," Alexander said.

Last year, 23 bats tested positive for rabies in Cook County.

Residents should also be cautious around stray animals, outdoor animals and wildlife, and prohibit pets from roaming outside.

A number of Cook County's low-cost rabies vaccine clinics remain this season. The full schedule is available on the Cook County website, https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/lowcost-rabies-clinic.

The cost of a one-year rabies shot at the rabies clinics is \$7 for dogs and cats and a three-year rabies shot is \$21. Ferret vaccines, which last one-year, are \$9. Only rabies vaccinations will be available at the low-cost rabies vaccination clinics.

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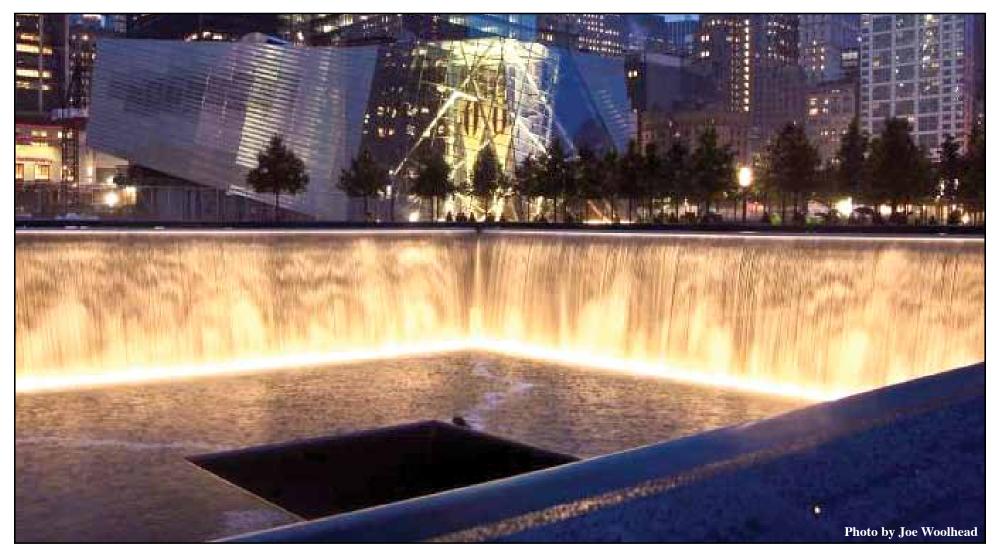
Patriot Day - September 11

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

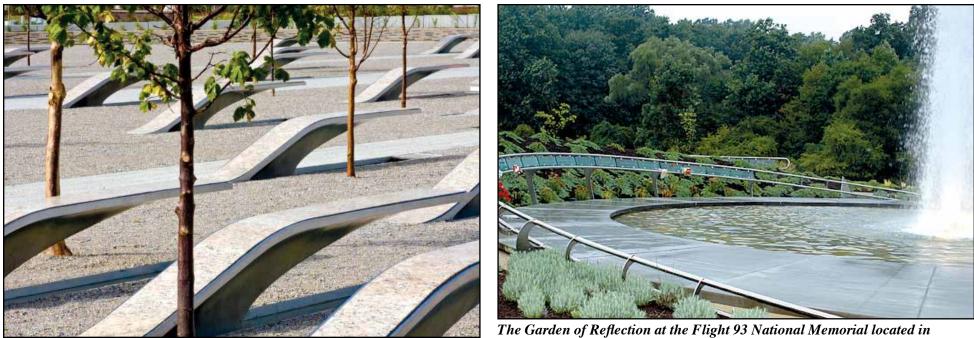
On this day, the President directs that the American flag be flown at halfstaff at individual American homes, at the White House, and on all U.S. government

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

> (From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia) WE WILL NEVER FORGET



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



The Nation's 9/11 Pentagon Memorial.

www.pentagonmemorial.org

The Garden of Reflection at the Flight 93 National Memorial located in southwestern Pennsylvania. www.9-11memorialgarden.org



The Village of Skokie's 9/11 Remembrance

On Monday, September 11, 2017, the Village of Skokie Fire Department will dedicate a moment of silence with a bell ceremony beginning at 8:58 a.m. at the flagpole of each of its Fire Stations in remembrance of the attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001. At 8:59 a.m., a "last alarm" bell ceremony will take place followed by a minute of silence at 9:00 a.m. The public is invited to attend. Station locations include: Fire Station 16 - (Headquarters) - 7424 Niles Center Road

Fire Station 17 - 8157 Central Park Avenue Fire Station 18 - 9024 Gross Point Road Ceremony schedule:

8:58 a.m. - Fire Department personnel assemble

8:59 a.m. - "Last Alarm" Bell Ceremony

the time the 1st tower collapsed 9:00 a.m. - One minute of silence Additionally, on Sunday, September 10 a United States flag will be on display from a fire apparatus at the Skokie Farmers' Market in remembrance from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at 5127 Oakton Street.

For more information, contact the Skokie Fire Department at 847/982-5320.



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The Freedom of Humor: The Audacious Art of Germany's Master Float Builder Jacques Tilly

Grand Opening/Meet and Greet: September 7th, 7:00pm Exhibit: September 7th, 2017 - September 15th, 2017

DANK Haus proudly presents a new museum exhibit showcasing the work and creative process of Germany's master float builder, Jacques Tilly. For more than 30 years, Tilly has designed impressive floats for one of Germany's largest Carnival parades: the Shrove Monday parade ("Rosenmontagszug") that takes place in Düsseldorf, a city in the Rhineland that is considered to be a major stronghold of the German Carnival tradition.

Due to his unique style and his daring sense of humor, Tilly's floats have gained prominence in Germany and abroad. By taking on current issues and transforming them into striking images and provocative scenes, Tilly's artwork challenges established social norms and taboos. Of course, his artwork has often led to frequent controversies about the limits of humor. As a native and lifelong resident of Düsseldorf, Tilly embodies the city's cherished tradition



of "Narrenfreiheit" - the freedom to criticize the political status quo and to speak out against the powers that be. His biting political satire spares no one: over the past three decades, he has poked fun at politicians, religious leaders, terrorists, and even the pope.

This exhibit will be hosted in the Scharpenberg Gallery at the DANK Haus from September 7th - 15th between 9am to 5pm. It will present an overview of Tilly's work by showcasing largescale photographs of his most famous floats. Each photograph will be paired with additional material illustrating its context and the way it was received. The exhibit will also highlight the steps involved in making the floats and provide an insight into the inspiration behind the designs themselves. It is sure to be a unique, informative exhibit, so don't miss it!

The Grand Opening of this exhibit will take place on Thursday, September 7th at 7:00pm and will include a Meet and Greet with Jacques Tilly himself. And if that were not exciting enough, the DANK Haus is also pleased to announce that on Saturday, September 9th, Jacques Tilly will be the guest of honor on the DANK float at this year's von Steuben Parade in Lincoln Square. 7

Lincolnwood Events: Touch a Truck & Family Fun Fest

• **Touch a Truck** Lincolnwood Village Hall / Fire Station Parking Lot

Saturday, Sept. 9 from 10am-noon We'll have trucks, a bounce house, train for the kids FREE

http://www.lincolnwoodil.org/touch-a-truck

• Family Fun Fest

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SEPT. 15TH 5PM-10PM SEPT. 16TH 12PM-10PM

Fall is officially here! Join us for this year's Norwood Park Fall Fest at the Norwood Park Metra Station at 6088 N. Northwest Highway, on Friday, September 15, 2017 from 5 pm to 10 pm, and Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 12 pm to 10 pm. There will be a suggested \$2 donation upon entrance. We will have local vendors, food vendors, and live music, all night Friday and all-day Saturday! There will be wristbands for children's activities which will be held on Saturday, September 16th only, from 12pm to 8pm. Activities will include inflatables, interactive games, face painting, balloon art, live entertainment, a children's DJ and a cotton candy stand. All proceeds from the stand will go towards the local New Hope Food Pantry. The nonrefundable wristband options are the following: 12pm-3:30pm for \$10, 3:30 - 7pm for \$10, or 12 pm- 7pm (all day) for \$15. We want to thank our 18 sponsors, 30 vendor- Business Expo, and 7 different types of food vendors, for participating in Norwood Park's largest fundraising event of the year!

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



festivities to kick off the season. For more information please visitwww.norwoodpark.org.

Thank you to the following sponsors for making this year's Fall Fest 2017 possible:

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By Wayne Mell, Artistic Director

A musical theatre addict known simply as 'Man in Chair' sits alone in his apartment, where he drops the needle on his favorite LP — the fictitious 1928 musical comedy The Drowsy Chaperone, and suddenly, from the crackle of his hi-fi, the uproariously funny musical magically bursts to life on stage, telling the tale of Janet Van de Graaf, a pampered Broadway starlet who wants to give up show business to get married to millionaire Robert Martin. Other characters who join the fun include her producer who sets out to sabotage the nuptials, her drowsy (aka intoxicated) chaperone, the debonair groom, the dizzy chorus girl, the Latin lover and a pair of gangsters who double as pastry chefs. Hailed by New York Magazine as "The Perfect Broadway Musical," The Drowsy Chaperone is a delightful parody of jazz-age musicals, lovingly poking fun at all the familiar devices including mistaken identities, spit takes, and lavish dance numbers. It will delight anyone who is a fan of musical theatre.

The play was originally developed in 1998 as a wedding present for the real life Janet Van de Graaf (a Winnetka native) and her fiancée Bob Martin. It was created by Toronto theatre mainstays Don McKellar, Lisa Lambert and Greg Morrison, who presented it for the first time at Martin's stag party in a notorious bar called The Rivoli. Martin enjoyed it so much that he signed on as a writer and continued to develop it for the Toronto Fringe Festival the next year.

The show was the hit of Broadway in 2006, where it starred people like Sutton Foster, Georgia Engel and Bob Sagat. It was nominated for 13 Tony awards and won 5 of them including best score, best book, and best features actress. It also won 7 Drama Desk awards after being nominated in all major categories.

The Skokie production stars Rachel Whyte as Janet Van de Graaf and Christopher Johnson as Robert Martin. With Mark Anderson, Nick Arceo, Sean Barrett, Abby Boegh, Zeke Dolezalek, Sabrina Edwards, Edward Fraim, Connor Hernandez, Megan Leigh, Joe Lewis, Bob Sanders, Debby Shellard, James Spangler as the Man in the Chair, and Mandy Corrao as the Drowsy Chaperone.

It is directed by the team responsible for last year's production of Funny Girl, Steven M. Genovese directs, with musical direction by Aaron Kaplan and choreography by Julie Salk. The set is designed by Emmy Weldon, with costume design by Patty Halajian, And lighting design by Andrew Vanderbye.

Performances are from September 8 through October 7, Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 pm and Sunday afternoons at 2:00 pm. There is a special matinee on Wednesday, September 13 at 1:30 pm, and one Thursday night performance at 7:30 pm on October 5. There are no performances Friday Sept 22, Friday Sept 29 or Sat Sept 30.

Tickets can be purchased by calling our box office at 847-677-7761, or online at SkokieTheatre. org. Tickets are \$39 general admission, \$34 for



seniors, and \$29 for students. You can save \$5 per ticket by using code VILLAGE at checkout.

The Drowsy Chaperone is part of a three-show subscription package. For only \$66, you can see The Drowsy Chaperone plus two other shows. Rocket City, Alabam' (Nov 3 - Nov 19) is based on a true story about Werner Von Braun and the Nazi rocket scientists who were moved to Huntsville, Alabama by the US Military to develop nuclear missiles before the Russians could, and how this affected the Jewish population of that small southern town. Crossing Delancey (Feb 2 - Feb 18) a romantic comedy a young Jewish girl who must choose between being a modern woman, or following tradition and marrying the man her Grandmother picked for her.

Resurrection Jr High Fine Arts Workshop

Junior high girls (grades 5-8) are invited to an evening of creativity, food and fun at the Resurrection College Prep High School Junior High Fine Arts Workshop on Friday, September 22, 2017 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Girls can experience Resurrection College Prep's Fine Arts Program in action and will be able to choose to participate in two of the following workshops: featuring art, dance, drama and music (choir). Students need no background in the arts to join in this evening of educational fun. Attendance at this workshop is designed to spark an interest in the arts and to allow students to learn about expressing themselves through the arts.

Registration is available on the Resurrection College Prep High School website atwww.reshs. org. The fee for this event is \$25, which includes dinner, two workshops and a souvenir t-shirt. Register by September 8, 2017 - late registration may be accepted, but t-shirt availability may be limited.



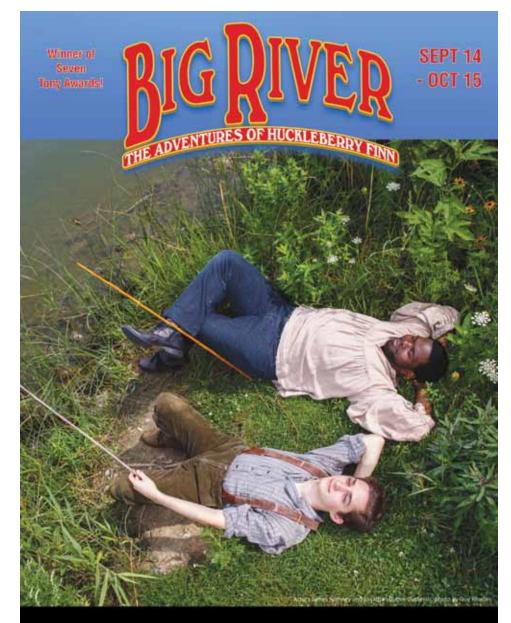
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State Song Resolution Is Presented To Chicago Author

State Rep. Michael P. McAuliffe (R-20th) presents Chicago author Stan "Tex" Banash (left) with a copy of HR184, the House resolution that urges Illinois constitutional officers and members of the Illinois General Assembly to play the official State song at all official events, and State colleges and universities to play it at their commencement exercises and other important programs. Banash, who



drafted the resolution to build public awareness and is the author of the book, Roadside History of Illinois, received his copy "as a recognition of our [Illinois House] thanks for his initiative and proposal of this resolution." McAuliffe, who introduced the resolution in the Illinois House, and Banash are encouraging residents to visit state historical sites, learn Illinois history and take pride in its traditions. Illinois will celebrate its bicentennial in 2018 and many communities statewide will be hosting celebratory events.





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Statement From Mayor Emanuel On Walter Payton And Northside College Prep Being Named The Best Two Public High Schools In The United States

Newly released data by Niche, which analyzes school data across the country, ranked two Chicago Public Schools (CPS) high schools as being the best two public high schools in the nation. In total, three CPS high schools were ranked among the top 10 nationally. Five of CPS high schools were ranked among the top 10 in Illinois.

"I am so proud of the great work by principals, teachers and students in these high schools, from Walter Payton to Northside Prep to Whitney Young, and throughout Chicago Public Schools. They are proving to everyone what those of us in Chicago have long known, Chicago students always succeed when we invest in their success," said Mayor Emanuel. "Our principals, our teachers and the nearly 400,000 children they serve deserve the support of their governor and the state of Illinois as they continue to make incredible academic gains and outperform their peers across the country. So do their peers across Illinois, which is why school superintendents across Illinois support SB1, it's why editorial boards across Illinois support SB1 and it's why the governor himself agrees with 90 percent of SB1."

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Gov. Rauner starts 100 Day Countdown to Bicentennial Celebration

Gov. Bruce Rauner announced the start of the 100 Day Countdown to the Illinois Bicentennial Celebration from Kaskaskia Island, the first state capital of Illinois. The historic setting of the announcement is the site of the "Liberty Bell of the West" and was attended on Saturday by Lt. Gov. Evelyn Sanguinetti, local and regional officials, Bicentennial Commissioners and the public.

Kaskaskia briefly served as the state's first capital in 1818 when Illinois became the nation's 21st state. After the flood of 1881, the Mississippi River shifted eastward making Kaskaskia the only Illinois territory west of the Mississippi.

"The Illinois Constitution was signed right here on Kaskaskia Island 199 years ago today," Gov. Rauner said. "It is fitting that we begin our countdown to the Bicentennial Celebration where it all began."

Illinois high school and college students across the state have been submitting self-made videos on "Something to Learn about Illinois History." The 100 best videos are being chosen by a panel of judges and historians and will be posted on Illinois 200 social media platforms, by media partners WGNRadio.com, SJ-R.com and on other outlets. The deadline for submitting videos will be extended through September to allow school systems that start late to inform their students about the contest.

The first Bicentennial video was submitted by Melissa Crosby of Chester High School and

More Than 700 Attendees at Library's First-Ever Fandom Fest

The Niles-Maine District Library held their first-ever Fandom Fest on Saturday, August 19, 2017. By all measures, it was a spectacular success.

Over 700 people attended the event which featured local media personality Svengoolie who signed autographs and took pictures with children and adults for over two hours. The event also featured the 501st Midwest Garrison, a Star Wars Imperial costuming club of approximately 30 members who posed for photographs with attendees. Attendees were also able to participate in drawing workshops, table top gaming, an escape room, a Buffy the Vampire Slayer trivia contest, cosplay contests, and other activities throughout the event which started at 11am and ended at 3pm.

The attendees of Fandom Fest were comprised of approximately 60% residents of the Library's service area. The balance of attendees was mainly from communities surrounding the Library with some attendees from as far away as Wisconsin, Maryland, and New York. Feedback on the event was very positive including comments posted on the Library's Facebook page.

Karen Dimond, Library Trustee and Board President said, "As a Trustee I am very proud to be able to bring an event like this to members of our community who may not have the resources to go to similar events in Chicago or San Diego."

Similar events such as Wizard World coming up in Rosemont charge an entrance fee between \$40 and \$80 per day and have a lineup of entertainment personalities who charge between \$20 and \$120 for each autograph and each photograph. A family of four attending Wizard world on a Saturday would pay \$280 in entrance fees alone. As is customary, the Library did not charge patrons a fee for this program.

Security and crowd and traffic control was provided by the Niles Police Department and VIPS (Volunteers in Police Service). VIPS had volunteers posted at each entrance to the Library parking lot to help control traffic. They also had volunteers posted at the key crosswalks on Waukegan Road and Oakton Street for the safety of the Library's patrons.

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

Chicago's Fabulous Fountains

Thurs., Sept. 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Author Greg Borzo discusses his new book, Chicago's Fabulous Fountains, an introduction to more than a hundred of Chicago's outdoor public fountains with beautiful color photos taken by photographer Julia Thiel. Books are available for purchase and the author will autograph books at the conclusion of the program.



has been posted.

Each student whose video is chosen will receive two tickets to the performance of Hamilton in Chicago on Dec. 3, 2017 - the official start of the Illinois Bicentennial Celebration.

To enter the video contest or to get more information, visit www.illinois200.com.

With the first County Courthouse in the background the governor and lieutenant governor joined a group of state, county and local leaders for a ceremonial signing of the 1818 Illinois Constitution.

Illinois was recognized as a state on Dec. 3, 1818, and the official Illinois Bicentennial will be celebrated in 2018 with events planned across the state on Constitution Day, Aug. 26, 2018, and the grand birthday celebration at the United Center on Dec. 3, 2018. Municipalities and organizations that are planning Bicentennial activities between Dec. 3, 2017, and Dec. 3, 2018, can apply for endorsement by the Illinois Bicentennial. Visit the Participate page at www.illinois200.com for more information and to submit an application for endorsement.

New Skokie Bank Gives \$2,000 donation to Niles North Athletic Boosters

PurePoint Financial celebrated its new Skokie location and the community's diversity with a generous \$2,000 donation to the Niles North Athletic Booster Club at its Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony held June 19th at their new Financial Center located at 9234 Skokie Blvd. Financial Center Manager, Sonja Zecevic said,



"It is our honor to support young athletes at Niles North and to contribute to all the great work you are doing."

Niles North High School embraces its diversity, with approximately 6 out of every 10 students in the district speaking a language other than English at home. PurePoint Assistant Manager, Puja Jiandani, noted that many of their customers are Niles North graduates who now have children or grandchildren attending the school. The generous contribution from PurePoint will be used to provide \$2,000 in Booster Club College Scholarships to one male and one female Class of 2018 outstanding athlete.

Niles North Athletic Director, Brett Bildstein, and Booster Club President, Christine Aragon, happily accepted the \$2,000 donation on behalf of the Booster Club.

Northwest Side Hunger Walk

The month of September is National Hunger Action Month and the organization Feeding America reports that 1 in 6 Americans struggle with hunger. According to Feeding America, "Hunger can affect people from all walks of life. Many Americans are one job loss or medical crisis away from food insecurity – but some people, including children and seniors, may be at greater risk of hunger than others."

The 2017 Northwest Side Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, September 24, 2017, to raise awareness and funds to reduce hunger in the local community and throughout the world. The annual Northwest Side Hunger Walk is an ecumenical effort by local churches and the community and funds will be donated to organizations that serve the people on the neighborhood, citywide and international level. The Resurrection Key Club and Celtic Club are instrumental in organizing the event each year. Funds are donated to the following organizations: New Hope Methodist Food Pantry, which serves neighborhood residents on the northwest side Chicago; Catholic Charities, which serves the Chicagoland area; and Heifer International which serves the international community.

The walk will begin and end at Resurrection College Prep High School at 7500 W. Talcott Avenue in Chicago. Participants do not need to register in advance. Sign-in will be at 1:00 pm on Sunday, September 24, 2017, in the Resurrection College Prep parking lot. Walkers will step off at 1:30 pm for the approximately 3-mile walk. All community members are welcome to participate and information and a pledge sheet can be found atwww.reshs.org or donations can be made the day of the walk. Questions may be directed to Kathleen Heneghan at 773.775.6616 Ext 125 or kheneghan@reshs.org.

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Resurrection Cross Country Invite For Girls & Boys -Grades 5-8 Teams & Individual Runners Welcome

Resurrection College Prep High School is hosting a Cross Country Invite for girls and boys in grades 5 to 8 on Saturday, September 9, 2017. Teams and individual runners are welcome to participate. Check in time is 8:00 am and races will be at 9:00 am for 5th & 6th grade girls; 9:20 am for 5th & 6th grade boys; 9:45 am for 7th & 8th grade girls; 10:15 am for 7th & 8th grade boys. The event will take place on the campus of Resurrection College Prep High School at 7500 W. Talcott Avenue in Chicago. The entry fee is \$100 per team or \$10 for an individual runner. Registration is available until Wednesday, September 6, 2017 and details and registration forms can be found at www.reshs.org.

For more information, please contact Resurrection Cross Country Coach, Fred Angelini at fangelini@reshs.org or Kelly McClearn at 773.775.6616 Ext 140.



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The Impact of Dying Without an Estate Plan



Chester M. Przybylo

Most of us expect that tomorrow will be another day like any other. But, as Euripides said, "no one can confidently say that he will still be living tomorrow." In fact thousands of people die in the United States every single day. Some of them die of long-term illnesses. But, many of them die unexpectedly from accidents, heart attacks, and other tragedies.

Let's look at what would happen if you died without planning in advance. First, if your death were preceded by a period of incapacity, your family might not be able to access funds that were needed during your illness. Without a Durable Power of Attorney for Property, financial institutions and other companies and organizations (Social Security Administration, utility companies, etc.) will not speak with anyone trying to assist you. Next, if you had not legally expressed your wishes with regard to your end-oflife care, your family might not be able to carry out your wishes. A

Health Care Power of Attorney, Advance Health Care Directive, Health Care Proxy or Living Will would be needed to empower the person whom you designate to assist you.

After your death, the probate court would appoint an executor or administrator for your assets. In some states this can be a time-consuming and expensive process. Often, this process can be made less burdensome if you had planned with a Trust. But, in the absence of planning, there are no legal instructions with regard to the disposition of your assets. In other words, you were "intestate."

When you die intestate, the distribution of your assets is set by a pre-determined list for intestate succession that varies from state to state. Typically, it is some combination of your spouse, descendants, and family of origin. But, without a valid Will, you do not get to specify who gets how much. You have to rely on what your state has set as the default for distribution. This may be far from what you have in mind. For example, if you have an unmarried partner, he or she would get nothing.

Even more importantly, without a Will, you would have no input into who will raise your minor children or provide assistance for an adult child with special needs. State law and the judge will determine that for you. Of course, the judge would not be privy to your experiences and may make a different decision without the benefit of your guidance.

Unfortunately, the question is not if you will die, but when will you die. When you die, you can leave a plan to achieve your goals and care for your family or you can leave it to chance. Your family and your hard-earned assets are too important to pass without your direction. Contact a qualified estate planning attorney today. They can prepare a plan for you which achieves your goals of passing your assets to whom you wish and make sure that your selection of guardians for your children are heard by the court. The planning can even help minimize estate taxes.

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.

Skokie Chabad Hurricane Harvey Relief

You can help the emergency relief work in Texas.

Due to Hurricane Harvey and the devastating and unprecedented flooding that has hit parts of Texas, homes have been destroyed, families have been displaced and lives have been uprooted. Chabad in Texas has been mobilized to assist in relief efforts, and to help those in need.

Today they need our support.

You may donate to the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund using your credit card.

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Jewish Calendar

Lubavitch Chabad of Illinois is once again publishing the Jewish Art Calendar 2017/18 for the upcoming Jewish New Year.

The Jewish Art calendar includes detailed information on upcoming holidays, educational messages, Shabbat and Holiday candle lighting times, traditional Jewish recipes, and popular thematic artwork by famed artist including: Yoram Lukav, Michoel Muchnik, Baruch Nachshon, Chenoch Lieberman and Zalman Kleinman. By popular request this year we printed the larger size.

To your receive your free copy (one per person, while supplies last) e-mail: info@ChabadIllinois.com.

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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Norwood Park Senior Center To Celebrate Eighth Anniversary With Live Music On Sept. 13

The party of the year in Chicago's Norwood Park will take place on Sept. 13 to celebrate the eighth anniversary of the Norwood Park Senior Center, the largest and most successful senior center in Chicago. The event will be held at 3:00 p.m., at the Senior Center, 5801 N. Natoma Ave. in Chicago.

This is a great time to make new friends, savor refreshments and enjoy live musical entertainment. With more than 1,000 members, the Norwood Park Senior Center has already become known as one of the most active and lively gathering places in Chicago for older adults.

Although there is no cost for this event, those planning to attend should make their reservation early. There is limited seating and table space available. With more than 1,000 members, the Norwood Park Senior Center has already become known as one of the most active and lively gathering places in Chicago for older adults. To make your reservation, call the Senior Center at (773) 775-6071 or email them at info@npseniorcenter.org.

The Norwood Park Senior Center operates as an affiliate of Norwood Life Society in partnership with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services, Senior Services Area Agency on Aging and the Chicago Park District.

Mayor Emanuel Opens New North Park Senior Housing Building Development Providing 63 Affordable Housing Units for North Side Seniors

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today joined Alderman Margaret Laurino (39th) and local residents to celebrate the grand opening of J. Michael Fitzgerald Apartments, a new 63-unit affordable apartment building for seniors in North Park.

"This development is a win-win – it will provide quality affordable housing to seniors in North Park while honoring an individual that helped build Chicago into the thriving international city it is today," Mayor Emanuel said. "It's the perfect example of what Chicago's fiveyear plan to invest \$1.3 billion in affordable housing is designed to do."

Developed by Elderly Housing Development and Operations Corp., the \$19.3 million complex was constructed on 1.65 acres of City-owned land at 5801 N. Pulaski Road in the North Park Village Nature Center. All of the project's one-bedroom units are designed for independent seniors earning up to 60 percent of area median income. Amenities include a lounge, library, community rooms, and a health and wellness center staffed by a social service coordinator.

"Thank you to Elderly Housing Development and Operations Corp. and Mayor Emanuel for recognizing the needs of our community and making this investment in North Park Village," Ald. Laurino said. "The setting and amenities at North Park Village have made this one of the most sought-after senior housing facilities in Chicago. I applaud the progress being made in providing affordable housing to residents as part of the City's Five-Year Housing Plan."

City assistance for the project includes a 75-year land lease for \$1 per year and \$1.25 million in donations tax credits that generated \$1.1 million in equity for the project.

Other project funding sources include \$10.6 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 202 Supportive Housing Development program, and \$514,000 in Low Income Housing Tax Credits from the Illinois Housing Development Authority that generated \$5.3 million in equity.

The project is part of the City's Five-Year Housing Plan, which is committing \$1.3 billion to build, rehabilitate or preserve 41,000 affordable housing units by the end of 2018.

J. Michael Fitzgerald was a business manager and financial secretary for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and former board member of the Chicago Convention and

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The Adoption Process From A To Z

"The Adoption Process from A to Z," a seminar presented by Chicago and Northbrook Attorney Sally Wildman, will be offered through the New Trier Extension Community Education Program, New Trier High School, 7 Happ Rd., Northfield, Illinois, 60093, on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, from 7:00 - 9:15 p.m.

Fee: \$18.00 per person. To register, call 847-446-6600 or view: www.newtrierextension.org. Course # 173-753 under "ONE OF A KIND" in the catalogue. Registration closes on Sept. 10, 2017.

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.

Norwood Park Seniors Club

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

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Plant Trees and Shrubs for Wildlife

visitors:

ite, native holly berries are as ornamental as they

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Certify your garden today!

Now is the time to start thinking about fall planting in your yard or garden! Apply to have your yard or garden recognized as a Certified Wildlife Habitat before September 30, 2017, and you'll be entered to win a \$25 gift certificate to a nursery near you, to help you purchase a shrub or bush to enhance your wildlife habitat garden.

Many birds like cardinals, chickadees, and mockingbirds don't fly south for the winter. By planting native berry producing shrubs or trees you will attract these birds and ensure they have food throughout the winter.

In northern states, consider:

Sumac- Several native sumac species, both trees and shrubs, provide tiny berries and winter cover.

American Holly- Evergreen and a bird-favor-

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Thursday, September 21 7:00 PM, St. Monica's Beyenka Hall, 5105 North Mont Clare Avenue (northeast corner of Mont Clare & Carmen Avenues) Guest Speakers: Tim Heneghan, City of Chicago 41st Ward Committeeman Maryrose Pavkovic, The Chicago Public Art Group Find out about the various art projects (including those colorful murals you see under viaducts) that this organization sponsors.

Tomato Fest At Kilbourn Park

Kilbourn Park, 3501 N. Kilbourn Ave is hosting their annual Tomato Fest on Saturday, September 9 from 10am-2pm. The event is free and family-friendly.

Join local food and gardening lovers as we highlight the many ways you can enjoy your bountiful tomato harvest all year long.

Together with Slow Food USA and the Kilbourn Park Organic Greenhouse, this free event celebrates all things Tomato! Tomato Fest is dedicated to showing gardeners how to make the most of this bumper crop at a time of year when our gardens are the most bountiful. This family friendly event will host demonstrations on food preservation, seed saving, recipe samples, art activities for kids, plus garden and greenhouse tours and a Homemade Salsa Contest!

Bring a jar of your own homemade salsa and join us for an afternoon of Tomato fun!

Kilbourn Park, home to the Park District's only teaching greenhouse, offers workshops throughout the year. For questions regarding the event or to register for a class, call Kilbourn Park at either 773-685-3351 or 773-685-3359 or visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com

Village Cooking Corner

Asparagus Salad (Sparga Salata)

Recipe from "The Hungarian Cookbook" by Susan Derecskey

2 lbs. asparagus, cooked and cooled 1 Tablespoon finely chopped parsley

1-1/2 Tablespoons chopped scallions 1/2 Cup French sauce vinaigrette (see below)

1 hard boiled egg yolk Arrange the asparagus stalks in an oblong glass dish. Mix the scallions and parsley into the sauce vinaigrette, and pour it over the asparagus. Refrigerate for at least 30 minutes. Crumble the egg yolk rather coarsely so that it resembles blossoms of mimosa or golden rod. Just before serving, baste the asparagus with the sauce and sprinkle the crumbled egg yolk on top.

French Sauce Vinaigrette

The following recipe makes 1/2 cup of sauce, enough for 2 medium heads of Boston lettuce. A larger quantity may be made at one time and stored in the refrigerator for several days.

1/2 teaspoon dry mustard Pinch of black pepper 6 to 8 Tablespoons olive oil or cooking oil

1/4 teaspoon salt 2 Tablespoons wine vinegar

Blend the mustard, salt, and pepper, add the vinegar, and mix thoroughly with a fork. Add the oil and stir or shake vigorously. Just before serving, mix the sauce thoroughly again and pour it over the salad or vegetables. If using lettuce or other vegetables than asparagus, turn them quickly and carefully until all of the pieces are coated. Serve in individual plates or bowls.

Watch the Food Network's upcoming episodes of Coast-To-Coast Chow featuring Harry Kempf, owner, operator and chef of the Chicago Brauhaus.



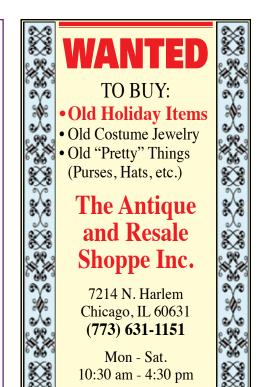
Museum of Science & Industry "Free Days"



Sept. 5-8, 11-15, 18-22, 25-29, 2017 9:30am-4pm 5700 S. Lake Shore Dr.

One of the largest science museums in the world, the Museum of Science and Industry (MSI) has both an illustrious history and a focus on the future of science and science education. In September, MSI will be holding several Illinois Free Days where museum entry is free for all Illinois residents who show valid proof of residency.

For more information, please visit their website at www.msichicago.org.



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