

Patriot Day



By Dr. R. Pletsch

What is Patriot Day? It's only been around for a short time. It's the title of how we commemorate 9/11. Yes, that date in 2001 when terrorists drove planes into The World Trade Center, the Pentagon and when they crashed in Western Pennsylvania. The original count was about 3,000 deceased, but since that original count, some have sadly committed suicide and some have died from illness because they worked in the contaminated crash sites.

It may seem odd to commemorate a date when all those innocent people died. But look at what happened that day. The individual heroism will never be completely known. We know of many first responders who rushed into those burning buildings to save as many as they could, not even knowing how many had survived.

Many stories have been confirmed of workers risking their own lives trying to lead others including some severely injured to safety. Some helped carry people out as many as 80 floors to safety. Some survivors talked about people that saved them, went back in to help more and were never seen again.

The Pentagon also had many cases of people rushing in despite the flames, the fear of explosions, and warnings that

Flight 93 had turned and was heading to DC, target unknown. The Air National Guard were the first to respond and they sent two F16s as soon as they could. The two jets were unarmed and these two brave pilots decided if they spotted Flight 93, they would ram the airline out of the sky, even though it was filled with innocent people in hopes to save even more.

They had no idea that the passengers of Flight 93 worked together to take over the jet and the terrorists drove that jet into the farm lands near Shanksville, PA. All these heroes knew they were on a suicide mission.

How are these events patriotic? Many of the survivors later said their inner feelings took over. There was no care if the people were male or female, Black or White, Americans or not. Not even if they were friends or strangers. They did not care or even consider these things. It was not about reward or notoriety. They were at that time and space simply people. We, as Americans, don't leave people behind. I believe it's in our DNA.

You never know how you will react until the unexpected happens. I was a principal at the time and I had the shades on the East side all closed. That was the view of Sears Tower, that I feared would be next. I had our clerks tell people who called, no early dismissal, trust your students with us. Many of our staff members were doing the same, trusting our kids to other professionals -- and God.

This is what patriotic people do. They do their best to help each other regardless of Religion color etc. I have friends who lost several people that day, and they tell me they fly their flag every Patriot Day to remember those caught in the buildings and those that worked and prayed for them. There are presently very good memorials at these locations. It would be good to view them. Our kids deserve to know our history.

Lead Service Line Replacement

Chicago's legacy lead water service lines are found in nearly 400,000 primarily single-family and two-flat residents. While the drinking water is in full compliance with all federal, state, and industry standards, the City is committed to begin lead service line removal in a responsible, sustainable, and equitable manner.

The City announced two voluntary replacement programs: the Equity Lead Service Line Replacement Program and Homeowner-Initiated Program represent the first phase of a multi-year effort.

The City has also released a technical report to explore the full spectrum of funding and operational options for replacement and created a working group made up of stakeholder groups, regulators, and aldermen to provide input on operationalizing recommendations. For more information, visit leadsafchicago.org.

Brookfield Zoo's Annual Zoo Run



Photo credit CZS-Brookfield Zoo

Brookfield Zoo will conduct a 5k Run and 1-Mile Kids' Dash on Sunday, Sept. 12th. Proceeds will benefit the Chicago Zoological Society's Animal Care and Conservation Fund.

Runners and walkers of all ages are invited to take part in the 5k race at 8:30 a.m. presented by Aquafina and Gatorade and sponsored by DuPage Medical Group. Family and friends of participants will receive free zoo admission to cheer on their favorite runner and then stay to enjoy the zoo after the races.

Youngsters 4 to 13 years are invited to participate in the 1-mile Kids' Dash that starts at 9:30 a.m. Both races commence in the Discovery Center parking lot and take participants through the zoo and past many animal habitats.

Registration for the 5k is \$45 on Sept. 9, the last day to register plus a minimal sign-up fee. The fee for the 1-mile Kids' Dash is \$25 plus a minimal sign-up fee. Participants in both runs will receive a sling backpack featuring the 2021 Zoo Run logo, a timed-bib, and snacks and beverages. To learn more and register, go to CZS.org/BrookfieldZooRun.

Awards and prizes will be announced onstage at 10 a.m. to the first-, second-, and third-place male and female finishers

Music Festival At Millennium Park

The Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus return to Millennium Park with a thrilling lineup of Festival favorites. Chicago in Tune will feature House, Saturday, Sept. 11th and Blues, Saturday, Sept. 18th, all from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Baroque in the Park will be enjoyed on Friday, Sept. 10th from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Free seating is available at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion on The Great Lawn with a blanket or the Seating Bowl. Outside food or drink, including beer and wine is welcome.

Boy Scout Troop 1441 Attends U.S. Grant Pilgrimage



Over the weekend of Aug. 27th, members of Boy Scout Troop 1441 sponsored by St. Mary Star of the Sea Holy Name Society, traveled to Galena, IL, the former home of President and Civil War hero Ulysses S. Grant for the annual Grant Pilgrimage. For a 5 Mile Trail Hike, scouts were given maps with questions and the answers placed at historically significant places. The interactive history scavenger hunt required scouts to find Galena's Generals and get 14 to 16 questions answered. Other events included Bucket brigade competition, Civil War Encampments and reenactments, Scout patch trading, Museum tours, Church services and a parade complete with a Military Band. Any boys from any school ages 11 to 17 years old who are interested in Scouting, can have a parent contact Ed Melkonian at (312) 316-5825 for further information. Pictured in front row are Lucas Kozel, Alexi Ayala, Adan Moreno and Lulu Rodriguez (Troop Secretary). Back Row: Lorena Sanchez (Troop Advancement Chairman), Angie Kozel (Troop Treasurer), Michael Kozel, Eloy Corral Jr. (Senior Patrol Leader), Eloy Corral Sr. (Asst Scout Master) and Ed Melkonian (Asst Scout Master). Not shown is Mr. Ayala.

Library Schedules Family Events

The Chicago Public Library has scheduled Online events via Zoom.

Live one-on-one homework help is also available online everyday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. through Brainfuse. Students in early elementary through advanced college prep can get help with: specific homework questions, improving study skills, writing papers, ACT and SAT test prep and learning English as a second language. Use Brainfuse on any connected device or at home with your library card.

Write About It! Writing Club for teens and adults will feature writing and poetry on Tuesdays, through Nov. 30th and Dec. 7th & 14th from 4 to 5 p.m. This event takes place on Zoom. Register by 10 a.m. the day before the event.

Justin Mercer, Program Coordinator with the Forest Preserves of Cook County, will provide a virtual presentation about the history, uses, and amenities on Saturday, Sept. 11th from 10 to 11 a.m. Q & A will follow. Register online 24 hours before the event.

Join Ellie at the Rogers Park Branch for baby time with songs,

Greek Fest In Lincoln Park

The Lincoln Park Greek Fest will be staged at Saint George Greek Orthodox Church, 2701 N. Sheffield on Friday, Sept. 10th, 5 to 11 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 11th, noon to 11 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 12th, noon to 10 p.m.

On Friday, the entertainment will feature 6-7:30 p.m., Counter Point (Classic Rock) and 8 p.m., 16 Candles (Pop/Rock).

On Saturday and Sunday the Ormi Orchestra will perform modern and traditional Greek music from 4 to 10 p.m.

Greek Folk Dance Troupe performances will be featured on Saturday and Sunday at 6:30 and 8 p.m.

Anemos Dance Troupe of St. George Chicago will give 15 minute Greek Dance lessons on Saturday and Sunday at 12, 1 and 2 p.m. Suggested donation is \$10. For more information, visit lincolnpark-greekfest.com.

Fall Programs At Area Parks

The Chicago Park District offers Fall Programs through Dec. 19th. Offerings include gymnastics, woodcraft, fitness, seasonal sports & more. View and register for our in-person and virtual classes at www.chicago park district.com.

rhymes and books on Tuesdays, through Sept. 28th from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Register 24 hours before.

The Garfield Ridge Branch, 6348 S. Archer will conduct Stories and Songs for ages 0-5 on Wednesdays, Sept. 15th to 29th at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Prostate Cancer: Prevention and Early Detection with American Cancer Society will be featured on Thursday, Sept. 16th from 6 to 7 p.m. A question and answer session will follow. Register until 24 hours before the event.

Real People Realty will conduct a free Real Estate Investing Seminar on Thursday, Sept. 16th from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Participants will learn the key strategies that investors use to build wealth; how to find properties; how to make money depending on your budget and how to minimize risk. Register by 4 p.m. Sept. 16th.

Garfield Ridge Branch, 6348 S. Archer will conduct Time for Tots ages 18 to 36 months on Mondays, Sept. 13th to 27th from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Attend in person for stories, songs, finger plays and a take home craft. Register by 10:30 a.m. on Sept. 13th.

Register for events at chipublib.org.

Literacy Center Need Tutors

Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th st. empowers adults to learn English and become more engaged in their community.

Volunteer tutors are needed to instruct limited English proficient adults learners for 60-90 minutes per week at the center or online over Zoom. All instruction is one-on-one and training is provided. Knowledge of a second language is not required; all instruction is in English.

The next virtual tutor training workshop will be held in Sept. 18th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Zoom. Pre-registration is required with Sabrina Poulin, Associate Director, at (773) 927-0512 or email at Sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org.

Final Line-Up For Sundays On State



Credit Sean Su Purple Photo

Chicago Loop Alliance is announcing the lineup for the Sept. 12th Sundays on State event, taking place from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on State Street from Lake to Madison. The open streets project is free and open to the public. Those who register to attend at LoopChicago.com/Sundays will be entered for a chance to win a \$1,000 Loop staycation package.

The final event will feature more than 100 activations that were submitted by community members and organizations. Visit LoopChicago.com/Sundays for the most up-to-date details.

The performance schedule for Lake to Randolph includes 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. - The Freaeasy (T. Mixwell, Stax, MC Zulu, Radiohio, Uno, Forrest Roush, Puffs Bagswelle, Sirene De Paradis); 2 to 5 p.m., DJ sets brought by Paint the City and 5 p.m., Derrick Carter.

Randolph to Washington: Noon, Sweet Kay Bluegrass; 1 to 3 p.m.,

Macy's and Chicago Fashion Incubator photo shoot; 2 p.m., Imagination Circus preview; 3 p.m., Beautiful Guitar Hands and 6 to 8 p.m., Pop Up Karaoke.

Washington to Madison on stage 11 a.m., Ballet Chicago class; 12:30 p.m., Feathered Beaus; 2:30 p.m., The Happiness Club; 3:30 p.m., Chemical X; 4 p.m., Porchlight Music Theatre; 5:30 p.m., Blind Adam and the Federal League and 7 p.m., Peter Oprisko singing Frank Sinatra.

East-west streets within the program area will remain open so that retail, hotels, restaurants and residential spaces will still have access by vehicle. Signage about the street closure will be placed at the sites of the closure and two blocks out to provide ample notice. State Street from Wacker to Lake will be used as a drop-off zone.

Career Fair In 12th Ward

The 12th Ward Community Career Fair will be staged at Chicago Indoor Sports, 3900 S. Ashland on Thursday, Sept. 16th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. if you are looking for a new career path and opportunity, bring your resume. Employers who wish to participate may contact Vanessa Aranda-Ortiz@city-ofchicago.org.

Info Program On Facebook

The River Trail Nature Center will conduct a virtual program "Navigating Facebook" on Thursday, Sept. 23rd at 2 p.m., ages 13 and up with learn how to access old posts, photos and videos. For more information, call (847) 824-8360.

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Fall Programs At Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo has scheduled Programs and Events through September.

Second Saturday Garden Tours offer nature lovers a free guided tour of diverse plant life and ecosystems. A zoo horticulturist will point out interesting species in bloom, answer questions from guests, and discuss the horticulture program. Meet at gate near Café Brauer from 10 to 11 a.m. For more information: lpzoo.org/second-saturdays-garden-tours.

Campfire nights will be held Thursdays, Sept. 9th and Oct. 14th from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Families with children 5-12 can join the zoo's Learning Department for an evening of zoo animals, night hikes, self-guided activities, and roasting s'mores around a campfire. The cost is \$30 person. More information: lpzoo.org/events.

Lincoln Park Zoo's 7th annual craft beer festival will be held Friday and Saturday, Sept. 17th & 18th from 6 to 10 p.m. Adults will enjoy a souvenir tasting glass, food, music, lawn games, and more. The cost is \$55 for

general admission, \$65 for early access at 5 p.m. More information: lpzoo.org/events.

Breakfast with the Animals will be presented by Nutella on Saturday, Sept. 25th from 9 to 11 a.m. View and learn all about Jamaican iguanas and Horrman's two-toed sloths with Curator of Small Mammals and Reptiles Dan Boehm as you enjoy fresh fruit and pastries. The cost is \$50. More information: lpzoo.org/event/breakfast/

The Lionel Train Adventure ride is located near the zoo's West Gate and just south of Regenstein Macaque Forest. The track-less 28-passenger train operates from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets cost \$3 each, \$27 for 10 tickets, or \$51 for 20 tickets. More information: lpzoo.org/experiences.

The AT&T endangered Species Carousel is adorned with 48 hand-carved replicas or threatened animal specials, plus two chariots and operated from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets cost \$3 each, \$27 for 10 tickets, or \$51 for 20 tickets. More information: lpzoo.org/experiences.

Photo Contest For Forest Preserves



The Forest Preserves of Cook County are sponsoring its 2021 Photo Contest.

Photos of Preserves landscapes, plants, insects, birds and other wildlife, that highlight the seasons and people enjoying the outdoors may be submitted through Sept. 15th.

Winning photos will be featured in the 2022 Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar and Forest Preserves social media accounts. Winners will receive 10 copies of the calendar and a Forest Preserves prize package.

Review the official rules and submit up to five photos to fpdcc.info@cookcountyl.gov.

The 2020 contest winners are posted on the Forest Preserves Facebook page.

Outdoor Grilling In McKinley Park

McKinley Park, 2210 W. Pershing rd. offers outdoor grilling in the picnic grove area.

Guidelines include: use of an enclosed metal containers are required, grill away from trees, open fire pits and bonfires are not allowed, hot coals must be doused with water, and ashes and coals must be properly disposed of in red used-coal receptacles.

Regular Hours For Nature Museum



The Chicago Academy of Sciences / Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, invites visitors to "Flutter into Fall" and experience the return of its popular exhibit Weather to Climate: Our Changing World on Sept. 12th.

The Museum has returned to regular full-time hours of operation 7 days per week from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guests are welcome to visit their favorite animals and exhibits including the internationally renowned signature Judy Istock Butterfly Haven, a 2,700-square-foot greenhouse home to more than 1,000 free-flying butterflies.

Visitors can "Flutter into Fall" on Sunday, Sept. 12th with a day-long celebration of butterflies, bees, and other pollinators and join scientists as they tag and release local monarch butterflies to track their annual migration to Mexico. Monarch tagging and release demonstrations

will take place at 10 a.m., 12 p.m. and 1 p.m.

Guests can also participate in guided plant walks around the Museum grounds to learn about native plants and the role they play in the lives of local pollinators. There will be multiple butterfly releases in the Judy Istock Butterfly Haven, a butterfly-themed story time with Open Books, family yoga demonstrations and more. Illinois residents can enjoy free admission or support the day's events with a suggested donation of \$10 per household.

Weather to Climate: Our Changing World. an interactive experience explains how the two phenomena are connected through engaging, age appropriate and entertaining content.

Information on reopening guidelines can be found at <https://nature-museum.org/reopening/>.

Archer Heights Library Plans Virtual Programs

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer has scheduled September and October virtual programs for children and adults.

Monday: Virtual Adult Graphic Novel BDC each 2nd Monday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 13th, *Hip Hop Family Tree v.1* by Ed Piskor. Oct. 11th, *Astro City: Life in the Big City* by Kurt Busiek. Sight Word Bingo for Children, Oct. 18th, 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday: Sight Word Bingo for children Sept. 22nd, 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. Online registration is required. Spanish American Heritage Month, Sept. 29th, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Polish American Heritage Month, Oct. 20th, 6:30 p.m. a Virtual Conversation about Polish music, films, books, and cuisine.

Thursday: Reading Buddies Virtual Program, Sept. 16th & 23rd and Oct. 7th, 21st and 28th. Kids beginning to read will have a place to practice their skills. Beginners read from 4:30 to 5 p.m. will practice with books like *Ride Otto*, *Ridel* by David Milgrim and *Are You Ready to Play Outside* by Mo Willems. Independents read from 5 to 5:30 p.m. and will practice with books like: *Meet Yasmin* by Saadia Faruqi and

the *Mercy Watson* series by Kate DiCamillo. Online registration is required.

Saturday: Curious Kids Club, Sept. 18th & Oct. 30th, 3 to 3:45 p.m. During September, owls and their digestion will be explored Pellets will be dissected to see what that owl had for dinner. In October, we will make something even better than slime - oobleck! Join us to find out what makes this non-Newtonian fluid so unusual. Ages 7 and up. Branch registration is required. Pick up a materials grab and go bag.

The Mad Hatters will conduct a fun filled story time of books, poems, and songs on October 16th from 11 a.m. to noon. Don't forget to wear your silliest hat! The bilingual program is presented in Spanish and English. Online registration is required.

The recommended book for adults is *2084: Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Humanity* by John Lennox, Oxford Professor Mathematics.

Library hours are Monday and Wednesday from 12 to 8 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, www.chipublib.org

Vendors Market At McKinley Park



A Vendors Market will be staged at McKinley Park Fieldhouse, 2210 W. Pershing rd. on Saturday, Sept. 11th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost is \$10 a table per vendor. Free for the public.

Free Lira Concert At St. John Bresbeuf

The Lira Ensemble of Chicago and the Polonia Council of the Archdiocese of Chicago will present a concert of "American & Polish Sacred Music" at St. John Brebeuf Church, 8305 N. Harlem in Niles on Sunday, Sept. 12th at 3 p.m.

The concert celebrates the Catholic Church's beatification of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński, who was the Primate of Poland during decades of communism. He was imprisoned and kept under house arrest but managed to keep all the churches open and operating.

The concert also remembers the victims of 9-11, on the 20th Anniversary of the Attacks on America in 2001.

Call 8-1-1 Before Digging

Illinois law requires residents and professional excavators to call 811 at least 48 hours or two working days prior to starting excavation. Whether you plan to plant a tree, install a mailbox, plant a garden, or build a deck – regardless of the depth and size of the project you must call 811.

Obituaries



FLORENTINO AGUILAR MIRANDA passed away on Sept. 2nd at the age of 60. He was the husband of Maribel Sandoval; father of Florentino Jr., Gustavo Adolfo, Sergio and Adrian; brother of Manuel, Socorro, Josefina, Ramiro, Enrique, Jesus, Francisco, Alberto, Pablo and Cristina; grandfather of one. Visitation was held Sept. 8th at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart. Funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday, Sept. 9th, 11 a.m. at Queen of the Universe Church, 7114 S. Hamlin. Interment will be at St. Casimir Catholic Cemetery.

ALEJANDRO M. RIVERA passed away on Aug. 27th at the age of 73. He was the husband of Elsa Rivera. visitation was held at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer, Jonathan F. Siedlecki, Director/Owner. Funeral Mass was celebrated at Immaculate Conception Church. Interment was at St. Casimir Cemetery.



AMIR DANIEL ROSALES age 17, a senior at Solorio High School, passed away on Aug. 31st, after a long terminal illness. He was the son of Mayran Martinez and Rene Rosales; stepson of Mario Sanchez; brother of Rene, Deris and Roberto. Funeral Mass was celebrated Sept. 6th at St. Rita of Cascia Parish. Visitation followed at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart.

Birding Event On Facebook Live

Facebook Live from Sand Ridge Nature Center will feature Bird Specialist Jessica Becker on Tuesday, Sept. 28th at 1 p.m.

She will answer questions regarding the birds of Cook County.

Contact (708) 868-0606 or sandridge.nature-center@cookcountyl.gov.

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Ravinia Hosts Music Festival

Ravinia Music Festival announced updates to its 2021 season, which features more than 70 events through Sept. 26th.

Tickets are available exclusively exclusively at Ravinia.org.

Max Weinberg's Jukebox comes to Ravinia for the first time on Sept.

19th, armed with an unlimited repertoire of classic songs to engage the audience in an interactive concert. For 45 years, Weinberg has held the drum chair behind Bruce Springsteen & The E Street band, and while anchoring the house band for *Late Night with Conan O'Brien* for 17 years.

Frank Orrall returns on Sept. 23rd, making his first appearance as a solo artist and playing a DJ set to the North Lawn from the Carousel Stage. Orrall is a multi-instrumentalist, poet, and composer with a host of side projects including the Mod dub rockers Thevery Corporation, Palm Fabric Orchestra, 8fatfat8, and Mourning Doves.

Ms. Lauryn Hill makes a return to the festival on Sept. 25th. The lone female member of The Fugees, she launched her solo career with the release of the album *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill*.

Family Yoga In Play Garden

Family Yoga is conducted in the McKinley Park Branch Library Community Play Garden, 3518-28 S. Wolcott. Every Saturday from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., weather permitting.

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Fall Programs At Park District

The Chicago Park District offers an extensive array of in-person programming options along with virtual programs for all ages this fall. A new customer user interface recently launched on our registration website.

The registration site was updated with a re-designed customer user interface which allows registration from any device.

Aquatic classes will resume beginning the week of Sept. 20th with Parent and Tot Swim; Tiny Tot Swim; Youth, Teen and Adult Learn to Swim; Junior Lifeguards; Swim Team; Water Polo; and Aquatic Exercise. Seniors are offered Water Walking, and Aquatic Exercise. Lap swim and open swim times will begin the week of Sept. 7th.

Early Childhood fea-

tures Arts & ABCs, Ballet, Bitty Basketball, Dino Diggers, Kiddie College, and Little Artists. Mom, Pop, & Tot and Parent/Guardian & Tot activities are for the younger set. Online/virtual programs include Kiddie College, Arts & ABCs, and Puppetry.

Youth are offered Boxing, Basketball, Seasonal Sports, Dance, Woodcraft, Cheerleading, a variety of fitness options and much more.

Adults and Seniors may sign up for American Sign Language, Cardio Line Dance, Chair Exercise, Conditioning, Drawing & Painting, and Bingo, sports leagues include Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, and "16 softball.

Visit chicagoparkdistrict.com for more information.

Appointments For Driver's Services

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White stated that customers will be required to make an appointment for behind-the-wheel road tests, REAL IDs, standard driver's licenses and ID cards must make an appointment.

Vehicle services, such as renewing a license plate sticker or applying for a vehicle title, do not require an appointment.

Hours are: Tuesday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Customers can visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com or call (844) 817-4649 to schedule an appointment up to 10 days in advance.

Seniors, veterans, persons with disabilities, and expectant mothers can be served as walk-ins, or make an appointment.

Bird Walk At McKinley Park



McKinley Park, 2210 W. Pershing rd. will conduct a Bird Walk on Saturday, Sept. 11th from 7 to 9 a.m. Participants will enjoy 7 acres of native plantings. Goldfinches, Waxwings, Catbirds, Flycatchers and Night Herons.

Everyone is welcome. Bring binoculars. Some will be available to lend. The group meets every second Saturday of the month near the Field House at 7 a.m.

Preparedness Month For Emergencies

The Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications is encouraging residents to participate in National Preparedness Month throughout the month of September. The Safe Chicago public program is installing life-saving kits in City properties for active shooter incidents, workplace accidents and other emergency situations requiring immediate medical attention before first responders arrive.

426 wall mounted Bleeding Control Kits have been installed in 269 buildings, which includes: City Hall, Chicago Public Library locations, Chicago Cultural Center, DFSS Senior Centers, CDPH Medical Clinics and other locations.

Each kit can treat up to 8 victims and is equipped with a tourniquet, gauze, shears, gloves and an instruction

manual. Life threatening bleeding emergencies can be the result of falls, penetrating injuries, gunshot wounds and more. Knowing how to control bleeding from a serious injury is essential.

National See Something, Say Something Day will be observed on Sept. 25th. Emergency information, tips and helpful links are available at Chicago.gov/OEMC.

You'll need items to survive during a disaster that includes supplies at home plus a go kit of items if you must evacuate quickly.

Prepare for Disasters: Find the best way to limit the impacts a disaster may have, like having the right insurance coverage or make your home stronger and more resilient.

Teach Youth About Preparedness: talk with your children to reassure them, especially in this pandemic time.

Sign-up for Smart911. Create a profile for your family which will give 9-1-1 information to help in an emergency visit www.Smart911.com.

Auditorium Theatre To Reopen This Fall

The Auditorium Theatre will reopen this fall along with the 2021-22 arts season.

Chicago's Ensemble Espanol Spanish Dance Theatre will open the season on Oct. 16th, with live flamenco music and dancing.

The International Dance Series will open with Ballet Folklorico de Mexico de Amalia Hernandez (Feb. 12th - 13th, 2022), followed by Alvin Alley American Dance Theater (March 2nd - 6th, 2022).

Ballet Hispanico will present the Chicago premiere of the life of Eva Peron (March 26th-27th, 2022) and Eifman Ballet of St. Petersburg stages a re-imaged version of its "Russian Hamlet" (May 20th-22nd, 2022).

The company's Made in Chicago Dance Series will celebrate the city's dance companies. Deeply Rooted Dance Theater will present a new work dedicated to Quincy Jones

Chgo. History Museum Schedules Events



The Chicago History Museum, 1601 N. Clark st. has scheduled walking tours in interesting neighborhoods.

Historic Old Town will be explored on Sept. 19th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Union Station will be featured on Sept. 19th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Glitterati, on the Gold Coast will feature a time when Chicago's rich and famous were carousing on Sept. 12th and 18th from 2 to 4 p.m.

Guide Luis Tubens will lead a walking tour of the Pilsen community art murals on Sept. 19th, 24th & 25th from 2 to 4 p.m.

Guide Bernard Turner will explain the history and culture of the Bronzeville community on Sept. 16th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Movies in the Park will

Lottery Debuts Claim Center

The Illinois Lottery has opened a new Chicago-based claim center space in the pedway of the George Dunne Cook County office building, 69 W. Washington st. Appointments are required at IllinoisLottery.com.

Midnight Circus At McKinley Park



Midnight Circus in the Parks will bring a series of High-Flying, Open-Air performances to McKinley Park, 2210 W. Pershing rd. on Saturday, Sept. 18th at 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. The wildly eclectic cast of acrobats, aerialists, physical performers and musicians will once again amaze, amuse and inspire.

New Scopes Program At Adler Planetarium

The Adler Planetarium announces a new 'Scopes' program in its Doane Observatory. Stargazers will learn how telescopes work and to find bright stars and constellations using modern and historic tools.

'Scopes at the Adler will be held on clear nights during select Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, Sept. 20th, 22nd, 27th, 28th and 29th at 8 p.m. Each program lasts one hour.

The call to hold the program will be made on the morning of the scheduled date and announced on social channels via @adlerplanet on Twitter and our 'Scopes at the Adler Facebook Group, with ticket link going live at noon.

The cost is \$25 online only (no refunds), 12 tickets maximum sold per event.

Visit <https://bit.ly/36gAqIL> for more information and to purchase tickets

when they go on sale.

The parking lot next to the Planetarium is owned by the Chicago Park District and is not open in the evenings. Guests should take public transportation (#146 CTA bus), rideshares, or taxis on program evenings. Parking on the Museum Campus is limited in the evening hours, and cars parked along Solidarity Drive past 10 pm may be ticketed and towed.

Bird Walks At Dan Ryan Woods

The Forest Preserves of Cook County will conduct Bird Walks at the Dan Ryan Woods Visitor Center, 87th and Western on Wednesdays, Sept. 15th to 29th at 8 a.m.

Join a naturalist to explore this preserve while looking for migrants and resident birds. A limited supply of binoculars is available for lending.

For more information, call (708) 305-2168.

Display Of Illinois Guitars

The Illinois Rock 'n Roll Museum, on Route 66 in Joliet is featuring an exhibit titled "The Recorded History of Illinois Guitars".

The exhibit, written by author Wally Marx Jr., will chronicle how the guitars have become cherished by rock stars and collectors.

Instruments played by Rick Nielsen from Cheap Trick, Jim Peterik from the Ides of March, Billy Corgan of Smashing Pumpkins and many others will be displayed.

For more information, visit roadtorock.org.

Recruitment For Foster Parents

A Foster Parent Recruitment Picnic will be staged at Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion, 87th and Western on Saturday, Sept. 18th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Professionals, current foster parents, and youth in care will explain how to become a foster parent for youth of all ages. This event includes food, games, activities, and raffles.

Registration is required at <https://tinyurl.com/Foster2021> or contact (708) 305-2168.

Chicagoland Walk Against Suicide

The Illinois Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention will conduct its annual Out of the Darkness Chicagoland Walk at Montrose Harbor on Oct. 2nd.

Register, volunteer or donate and be part of the movement coming #TogetherToFightSuicide.

For more information, go to www.afsp.org/chicago.

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