



Rejoice Together in Church This Easter

Teach Your Easter Traditions



By Dr. R. Pletsch

Parents or grandparents have an opportunity this week to teach the young ones in their families about their traditions. Is Easter special or not with your family and why? The children of our community are more reliant than anyone can remember. We only have one Catholic school remaining, all others have closed as did the three Lutheran schools we had at one time.

Some of our kids go out of the neighborhood, like to Mother Teresa School in Bridgeport. Some of our students do

attend parishes and congregations that still have Religious Ed programs on the weekends. This means most need the families to spark their interests.

Kids in general find Easter special. There's the Easter bunny, colored eggs, candy and maybe new clothes. Some other traditions include hiding the eggs, visiting relatives. Some have a family dinner maybe with an Ethnic specialty. Some do worship together.

Most of the children in our community are at least nominally Christian. We do have a few Jews and Buddhists. A large number are "unchurched". Therefore, they have little idea of the theology that is involved. This is the family's responsibility if you choose to accept it.

If you celebrate, may you have a pleasant Easter time with your loved ones. As many of the immigrants I knew as a kid in Back of the Yards would say, "Christ is Risen". Those that will not be celebrating may you have a great day. Remember, our children can be like sponges, soak up all that is occurring and to some degree or another, always watching us and our actions. These observations become part of the total of their adult beliefs.

Application For Summer Jobs

Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot and the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services announced the launch of the 2021 One Summer Chicago application. OSC 2021 will run from July 5th to August 13th and will include remote and socially-distanced, in-person job and life-skills training for youth ages 14 to 24. The application deadline is Friday, June 11th at OneSummerChicago.org. Over 21,000 slots are available.

Young people will be compensated for participating in career exploration opportunities in fields such as coding and tech, healthcare, media and more. Returning this year under the OSC portfolio include the Chicago Youth Service Corps, Everyone Can Code, Photography for All programs and more.

The Citi Foundation is continuing its support for its eighth year in a row, with funding that has totaled over \$7 million. The Summer Jobs Connect program, spearheaded by the Citi Foundation and the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund, supports young adults seeking summer employment and provides appropriate banking products, services and education. Citi Foundation is also the largest private funder of the Summer Youth Employment Program, a citywide program designed to employ out of school youth.

More information on OSC is available at OneSummerChicago.org.

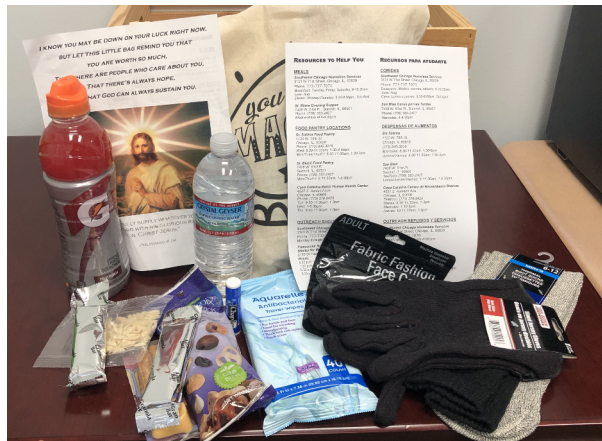
St. Richard School Benefits Homeless



St. Richard School teachers assembled the Blessing Bags.

St. Richard School collected thousands of items and created more than 180 Blessing Bags for homeless friends this Lent. Each bag was filled with water, snacks, socks, gloves, wipes, band-aids and a few other essentials, as well as a message of hope and love. The items were donated by school families and staff, and the bags were assembled by the teachers.

Msgr. Peter Galek, pastor of St. Richard Parish, blessed the bags in front of St. Richard Church on March 29th. The majority were given to Southwest Chicago Homeless Services



Contents of Blessing Bags.

(<http://www.homeless-services.org/>) and The Southwest Collective (<https://www.swcollective.org/>), Franciscan Outreach (<https://franciscanoutreach.org/>), a Catholic ministry which serves the homeless in different areas of Chicago, will receive the remaining bags and dona-

tions. "Giving these blessing bags to our homeless friends is one way our students can answer God's call to know and serve people in need in loving, compassionate ways, especially during Holy Week and this pandemic," said Michelle Napier, Principal.

Gift Inspires Girls For STEM Careers



A.M. DRAKE

The Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago marked Women's History Month by announcing a new initiative to encourage girls to enter STEM careers, thanks to a generous gift from business leader and MSI Trustee Ann M. Drake.

The donation will inspire and motivate all children to achieve their full potential in science, technology, engineering and math.

The new initiative focuses on girls in grades 4 through 8. Gender differences in learning appear in adolescence and persist through high school and post-secondary study, contributing to significant workforce disparities: in 2019 women comprised 51% of the national population but only 27% of the STEM workforce.

The Museum will conduct research to assess the current landscape of gender-inclusive STEM learning for its audiences and identify opportunities.

Programs will begin this summer. The Museum hopes to engage over 3,000 girls annually through direct programming efforts.

Drake also made a gift to support the development of a new exhibit about space exploration. The current exhibit, the Henry Crown Space Center, showcases mission-flown spacecraft like the Apollo 8 module and Aurora 7 capsule.

Drake joined her family business in 1990 and soon became CEO in a male-dominated industry. During her tenure, DSC Logistics became one of the nation's leading supply chain management companies. For spearheading this transformation, she received the Committee of 200's Entrepreneurial Champion Luminary Award in 2018 among other honors.

BrightonParkLIFE.com

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Church Services

ST. RICHARD PARISH
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Easter Schedule

Easter Triduum - Holy Thursday to Holy Saturday. At sundown on Holy Thursday, Christians begin the most sacred days of the year. These days are to be observed by church attendance and by keeping the prescribed fast and abstinence as well as prayer, quiet and reflection on the events of our salvation.

Holy Thursday - April 1st (No morning Mass or Adoration) 7 p.m. Concelebrated Trilingual Mass of the Lord's Last Supper and Procession. The Church will remain open until midnight for private prayer.

Good Friday - April 2nd, (No morning Mass), 3 p.m. - Stations of the Cross - Bilingual (Spanish/English), 4:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Polish), 5 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion and Death of our Lord with Veneration of the Cross and Communion in Polish; 7:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion and Death of our Lord with Veneration of the Cross and Communion (English & Spanish). The church will remain open for prayer at the Tomb of our Lord.

Holy Saturday, April 3rd (No morning Mass) 12 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food and Children's Baskets, 7 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection. This is the first Mass of Easter. No Masses are permitted before dark of the holiest night of the year.

Easter Sunday, April 4th, 6:30 a.m. Sunrise

Resurrection Mass with Procession in Polish; 9 a.m., 12 a.m. - Mass in English; 10:30 p.m. Mass in Spanish.

Easter Monday, April 5th, 8 a.m. Mass in English; 6 p.m. Mass in Polish.

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Adam Gawel, Pastor

Holy Week worship schedule: Maundy Thursday, April 1st, 7 p.m.; Good Friday, April 2nd, 7 p.m.; Easter Sunday, April 4th, 9:30 a.m. All are welcome!

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Holy Thursday, April 1st, Mass of the Last Supper at 7 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9 p.m. (live streamed too).

Good Friday, April 2nd. Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m. Veneration of the Cross and Communion Service at 7 p.m. (live-streamed too)

Holy Saturday, April 3rd. Blessing of Easter Baskets at 11:30 a.m. Register at (312) 842-7979 or (312) 842-6777.

Easter Masses are at 6 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

ST. THERESE
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Holy Saturday, April 3rd. Easter Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m. (live streamed) Easter Sunday, April 4th. Masses at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

University of Illinois Announces Graduates

The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign announces August 2020 graduates.

60608: Derek Beavers, Bachelor of Arts in Communication; Krystal Corcoles, Bachelor of Science in Psychology; Vicky Li, Master of Social Work; Winny Mei, Bachelor of Science in Community Health; Alexander Rymarz, Bachelor of Science in Psychology; Alexis Thompson, Master of Education in Education Policy, Organization and Leadership; and Richard Villereal, Master of Business Administration.

60609: Joann Tam, Bachelor of Science in Finance with honors. 60632: Huiyi Huang, Master of Education in Education Policy, Organization and Leadership; Sofia Perez, Bachelor of Science in Finance; Vivian Perez, Bachelor of

Science in Astronomy; Fabian Ramos, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science; Diane Rocha, Master of Science in Library and Information Science; and Marshall Yenou, Bachelor of Science in Finance.

60638: Yareli Lazaro Bahena, Bachelor of Science in Community Health and Joseph Szarfarski, Bachelor of Science in Community Health.

Street Sweeping Season Opens

Street Sweeping begins April 1st and runs until November from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"No Parking Signs" are placed two days in advance, notifying motorists that sweeping is scheduled. Violators will be ticketed.

Art on the Mart Spring Programs



Spring 2021 Programming of the Art on the Mart projections will feature The Adler Planetarium, April 1st to July 4th and Art Institute of Chicago April 1st to May 19th at 8:30 and 9:30 p.m.

Astrographics will explore ways in which humans conceptualize and visualize their universe, and how that has changed over time. The piece will consist of four movements (*Earth, Other Worlds, Stars and Beyond*) which will transport the viewer from Earth to other planets and stars, then out to deeper and more speculative realms. Each of these movements features scientific visualizations based on real data showing the scale of the universe.

The visuals, produced by the Adler Planetarium, are woven together with imagery from the world's telescopes and works on paper from the Adler's collections. Accompanying the projection will be music from the Sun Ra Arkestra archives from the Experimental Sound Studio. *Astrographics* artistically showcases both historic perceptions of space and more recent advances in the understanding of the universe.

In conjunction with the Art Institute of Chicago's exhibition *Monet and Illusion*, Art on the MART illuminates the city's historic riverfront building with projections of six iconic paintings by famed Impressionist Claude Monet, including Monet's

Water Lilies and Stacks of Wheat, accompanied by the classical music composition "Clair de Lune" by Claude Debussy.

Art on theMART will also project captivating portraits by contemporary American artist Bisa Butler in alignment with the Art Institute of Chicago's exhibition *Bisa Butler: Portraits*.

CBA Offers Legal Service

As consumer and employment complaints relating to the Coronavirus are surging, the Chicago Bar Association is reminding the public that attorneys are available to provide legal assistance online or over the telephone. The lawyer referral fee will be waived in the wake of the public health pandemic.

The CBA sponsors a monthly "Call A Lawyer" program through the Lawyer Referral Service, making attorneys available to take calls from the public. On Saturday, April 17th from 9 a.m. to noon, the public can call (312) 554-2001 and explain their situation to an attorney.

These services can also be accessed on the CBA's website at www.chicagobar.org.

Forest Preserve Offers Programs

The Cook County Forest Preserve District has scheduled free interesting programs.

Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, 9800 Willow Springs rd., Willow Springs will conduct Seniors Enjoying Nature Inside/Outside Rain or Shine on Thursday, April 1st at 10 a.m. Registration is required at (708) 839-6897.

River Trail Nature Center will conduct "Born to be Wild" facebook live on Thursday, April 1st at 2 p.m. Spring is around the corner and with that comes baby animals. We'll answer your questions and give you tips on what to do if you come across wildlife. Contact (847) 824-8360.

Dan Ryan Woods Visitor Center, 87th Western ave. will provide an afternoon of nature exploration, art making, scavenger hunts, and more on Friday, April 2nd from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration is required at <https://sbadanryan.eventbrite.com>. Contact (708) 386-4042 or experience.nature@cookcounty-il.gov.

Facebook Live from Sand Ridge Nature Center will feature Nature for Little Ones on Saturday, April 3rd at 10 a.m. From squishy mud to gritty sand, explore the earth that's directly beneath our feet. Contact (708) 868-0606 or sandridge.naturecenter@cookcountyil.gov.

Facebook Live from Little Red Schoolhouse will explore "Nature Play: Mud Pies" on Saturday, April 3rd at 1:30 p.m. This virtual program will create, share and learn mud pie recipes using natural objects that can be found in your neighbor-

hood. All ages are welcome. Contact (708) 839-6897 or littlered.schoolhouse@cookcountyil.gov.

Facebook Live from River Trail Nature Center will conduct "Small Serendipity" for pre-K to 2nd grade on Tuesday, April 6th at 10 a.m. Ranger staff will explain nature and provide instructions for making a craft at home. Supplies are available at River Trail for pick up, if needed, starting April 3rd. Contact (847) 824-8360.

Dan Ryan Woods Visitor Center, 87th & Western ave. will conduct Open Nature Play Day on Wednesdays, April 7th to 28th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Fridays, April 9th to 23rd from 12 to 4 p.m. Each week will feature a story trail to incorporate literature into play and a take home activity kit. Registration is required at Jessica.Becker@cook-countyil.gov or (312) 415-2970.

Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, 9800 Willow Springs rd., Willow Springs invites children ages 3-5 years and their favorite adult to learn about Dinosaurs through outdoor adventures and activities on Wednesday, April 7th at 10 a.m. Registration is required at (708) 839-6897 or littlered.schoolhouse@cookcountyil.gov.

A Zoom presentation on the art of bird watching is scheduled for Tuesday, April 13th at 6 p.m. Join a naturalist to learn about the history of birding, what equipment you might need and birds to expect. Registration is required at <https://beabettebirdier1.eventbrite.com>. Contact (708) 386-4042 or experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Guided Walks At Nature Museum



Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Drive will conduct nature walks through the museum grounds on Thursday, April 1st and Saturday, April 3rd. Register your family to learn about the plants and animals that call the museum's grounds home. From grasses to trees to bugs to birds. The museum building will not be open, and bathrooms are not available. Plan and time your visit accordingly. Register at eventbrite.com/e/spring-break-nature-walks-tickets-14270221023.

Hotline For Domestic Abuse

If you or anyone you know may experience domestic violence during the Stay at Home order, the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-7233) recommends creating a safety plan that considers travel restrictions and limited shelter options. More information is available in English and Spanish at bit.ly/NDVHCorona.

The Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline (1-877-863-6338) is experiencing an increase in calls and its shelters are at capacity.

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Brookfield Zoo's Calendar of Events


Virtual Spring 5k Run/Walk now through May 30th, 2021. You choose the time and place—take a hike in a forest preserve, jog along a waterfront trail, or stroll through a neighborhood. Or, run the full 5k to compare your time with other runners. The cost is \$30 person. Each participant receives a beanie, virtual medal, and completion certificate. Race materials will be mailed. To register and for additional information, visit CZS.org/SpringRun2021.

Virtual Lecture—Wildlife Wellness: Conserving the Health of Free-ranging and Zoo Reptiles, Wednesday, April 14th, 7 p.m. Join Matt Allender, DVM, MS, PhD, Dipl ACZM, clinical veterinarian for the Chicago Zoological Society, for a presentation about research efforts in conservation, health, and disease. The lecture is free, although a \$10 donation is appreciated. Online reservations are required at CZS.org/LectureSeries.

Earth Day: A Party for the Planet, Saturday, April 24th, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. This special day, the zoo will be hosting a recycling event, presented by the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program. From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., representatives from the zoo and its partner organizations will be stationed in the main

Obituaries

WANDA BOROWY, (nee Nowak), 84, of Archer Heights; wife of late Jan Marian Borowy; mother of Maria Janina Borowy; sister of Janina Nowak in Poland and late Maria Wodzinska; sister-in-law of Stanislaw Borowy and Barbara (late Florian) Glowa. Visitation was held March 31st, at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, 5088 S. Archer Ave. Funeral Mass followed at St. Richard Church. Entombment was at Resurrection Garden Mausoleum.



Debt Forgiveness For Utility Bills

Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot announced that the City has set aside \$8.9 million in potential debt forgiveness for eligible homeowners enrolled in the Chicago Utility Billing Relief Program, a debt relief initiative that reduces the cost of water, sewer, and water-sewer tax portions of utility bills for low-income residents. Launched in April 2020, the City has already cut in half the water utility bills for 8,539 participants, and the City anticipates setting aside more forgivable utility debt in 2021 as more qualified customers sign up for the program. UBR Program enrollees are eligible for total debt forgiveness on their past due balance.

The UBR program provides low-income residents with a 50 percent reduced rate on their water, sewer, and water-sewer taxes, as well as debt forgiveness on their outstanding utility balance for those who pay the reduced rate for one year. Over the course of the year, customers are not required to make any payments on their set aside balance and collection and shut-off activity is suspended during enrollment. Since implementation in April, enrollees have averaged \$1,044 in outstanding utility debt set aside.

While working in partnership with CEDA of Cook County, who operates the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, the City has engaged in a public education campaign to enroll homeowners who meet

program qualifications. Eligibility criteria includes: must reside in the City of Chicago; must be a homeowner who resides in a single-family home or two-flat; and Income must be at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level, i.e., the 30-day income for a family of four cannot exceed \$4,367.

Homeowners are encouraged to check their eligibility at www.chicago.gov/ubr and follow the prompts to complete the income verification process. For more information, contact the City's Utility Billing & Customer Service Center at (312) 744-4426 or utility-bill@cityofchicago.org.

Residents who do not qualify for the UBR Program may be eligible for a Senior Citizen Sewer Exemption. This program grants a sewer charge and sewer tax exemption to seniors aged 65 or over who own and occupy their own residence. The property must have a separate metered water service or city water assessment. Seniors who do not qualify for the exemption because they own and occupy a townhome, condominium unit, or cooperative unit with a shared water service or assessment may qualify for the Annual \$50 Senior Citizen Sewer Rebate.

The City offers several utility bill payment plans for residents including a 6-, 12-, 18-, 24-, or 36-month payment plan, which are accessible online or by phone. For more information, contact at (312) 744-4426 or utility-bill@cityofchicago.org.

JUAN HERIBERTO CARDENAS, passed away March 24th at the age of 66. He was the husband of Concepcion (nee De La Rosa); father of Juan and Elsie (Alberto); brother of Dolores, Estela, Jose, Ruben, and Jesus. Visitation was held March 31st at St. Clare of Montefalco Church. Funeral Mass followed. Arrangements were entrusted to Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart.

IRENE B. SZINAVEL SR., (nee Baris), 90 of Countryside; mother of Irene Szinavel Jr., Cristina (Donavan) Hilsabeck, Ernani J. Szinavel, Evelin Ullich and late Josef (Marjorie) Szinavel; grandmother of Rachael, Leah, Christopher, Michael, Daniel, Emma, Brandon, Emily, Vincent and Angela; great grandmother of 26; sister of late Stefan, Maria, Luis and Jorge. Visitation and funeral service were held at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Willow Springs. Interment was at Antioch Hillside Cemetery.

JAN W. CUDZICH, 40 of Vittum Park; father of Claudia and Krystian; son of Zofia (nee Danko) and late Jan Cudzich; brother of Stanislaw (Stanislawa) Cudzich, Janina (Tadeusz) Gal, Krystyna (Keith) Hejna and Andrzej Cudzich; uncle of Monika (Justin) O'Brien, Joanna Gal, Andrzej (Wiktorja) Cudzich, Magdalena (Karol) Budz, Aneta (Zbigniew) Polak and Maciej Cudzich. Visitation was held March 25th at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, 5088 S. Archer Ave. Funeral Mass was celebrated March 26th at St. Faustina Kowalska Church. Interment was at Resurrection Cemetery.

COVID-19 Testing At Midway Airport

The City of Chicago will conduct COVID-19 testing at Midway Airport, Parking Lot B, 5738 W. 55th st., on Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12 to 6 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Register in advance a Chicago.covidtesting.com or (312) 746-4835. On-site registration is allowed, however due to the increase of numbers, they cannot guarantee that walk-ins will be seen the same day.

Do not eat or drink anytime 20 minutes before the test.

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Easter Sunday, April 4th, Mass on Facebook/YouTube at 10:30 a.m. in English

Holy Thursday & Good Friday Services @ St. Barbara 7 PM
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil @ St. Therese, 7:30 PM

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Flower Show At Garfield Conservatory



The Garfield Park Conservatory and Gardens, 300 N. Central park ave, has reopened the indoors to the general public. Virtual programming will also stay connected. The Spring Flower Show:

Saturation will welcome back guests through May 9th.

All 60-minute visits must be pre-booked at visitors@garfieldpark.org or (773) 638-1766.

Pink Flower Show At Lincoln Park

The Chicago Park District announces the re-opening of Lincoln Park Conservatory, 2391 N. Stockton Dr. Reservations from the general public to visit its global plant collection at lincolnparkconservancy.org. Timed-entry will be available during the new hours of operation; Friday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admittance is free.

The 2021 Spring Flower Show "Pretty in Pink" will run through Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9. The display features blooms in many pink hues such as azaleas, hydrangeas, peonies, tulips and alyssum.

The Lincoln Park Commission constructed the Lincoln Park Conservatory in phases between 1890 and 1895, replacing a small greenhouse that dated from the 1870s. Nationally renowned architect Joseph Lyman Silsbee designed the Conservatory in collaboration with architect M.E. Bell.

A "paradise under glass," the Conservatory supported "a luxuriant

tropical growth, blending the whole into a natural grouping of Nature's loveliest forms." Historically, aquatic plants propagated in tanks in the Conservatory were planted outside, in artificially-heated lily ponds. The exotic plants were so popular that in 1897, the Egyptian government requested seeds from Lincoln Park's water lilies.

Designed both to showcase exotic plants and grow the thousands of plants needed for use in the parks, the Conservatory offers visitors a tropical experience within its four display houses: Palm House, Fern Room, Orchid House and Show House, which is home to the annual flower shows. Admission is free. For more information, visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com.

Reservations are limited to 60 minutes for parties of up to eight people and all visits must be pre-booked online, for a specified date and time. Reservations can be made up to 14 days in advance.

Library Schedules Online Zoom Events

The Chicago Public Library has scheduled Online events via Zoom.

A knit and crochet circle meets on the 2nd and 3rd Mondays of each month from 6 to 7:45 p.m. All skill levels are welcome, all you need is needles and yarn. Register by 10 a.m. the day before the event.

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.

Songs and poems written during the writing circle will have the opportunity to be showcased in a virtual openmic. Register by noon on the day before at chipublib.org.

The Chicago Public Library will conduct online Creative Write About It! Writing Club via Zoom on Tuesdays, through April 27th from 4 to 5 p.m.

STEM Around the House will be available on Tuesdays, April 27th and May 25th at 5 p.m. Participants will solve problems, meet design challenges and have some STEM-y fun with things you have around the house. Best for kids ages 5 to 12, but younger children are welcome to participate with an adult. Register at least 24 hours before the event.

Citywide Tag Team Spanish Story Time for ages 0-5 and their caregivers will be held Fridays through April 2nd from 3 to 3:30 p.m. Two librarians will pair up to read some Spanish books and perform rhymes and songs. Register 24 hours in advance.

Homework Help: Virtual Teacher in the Library for kindergarten through 12th grade will be available Mondays, April 19th and May 17th from 3 to 5 p.m. Register at least one hour in advance.

Little Learners Story Tie for kids, pre-schoolers and toddlers will be held

on Wednesdays through April 28th from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Ms. Casey from the West Loop Branch will read books and provide fun with fingerplays, songs, rhymes and movement.

Mock Interviews and Resume Help for adults and teens will be offered on Thursdays, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through April 29th. Email Jose at jgallegos@chipublib.org with the job you're applying for. A Zoom meeting will help with resumes and mock interviews.

The staff of the Thomas Hughes Children's Library will conduct a 30-minute story time for preschoolers on Fridays from 10 to 10:30 a.m. through April 23rd. This event takes place on Zoom. Registration by 9 a.m. the day before the event.

STEAM Team will present Story Time on Mondays from 10 to 10:30 a.m. through April 26th. Each week read books, sing songs, and participate in hands-on STEAM activities using common household items. This program is geared for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers.

MARVEL-ous Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m. through April 5th will feature WandaVision with Loki and The Falcon and the Winter Soldier. This event takes place on Zoom. Register at least 24 hours before the event.

Write About It! Writing Club for teens and adults will feature writing and poetry on Tuesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. through May 18th. This event takes place on Zoom. Register by 10 a.m. the day before the event.

How to Zoom: Intro to Online Meetings for adults will be offered on Wednesday, May 17th from 4 to 5 p.m. You can use zoom on a smartphone, a tablet, a laptop, or a desktop computer (if your device has a camera, speakers, and a microphone). This class will cover the basics of how to connect as a participant, as well as how to set up a meeting as a host. We will also cover options for how you appear, sounds, and are able to share your screen during a meeting.

Register for events at chipublib.org.

Planetarium Offers Virtual Field Trips



Adler Planetarium, has launched its innovative, new Virtual Field Trips program. In an entirely new 3D world built by the Adler, students are transported to a place where they can walk among the planets, soar over Saturn, or do a jig under Jupiter. Groups will have the virtual space all to themselves as they learn and explore together.

Preview the Adler's Virtual Field Trips experience at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEWBDXLWpls&feature=youtu.be>

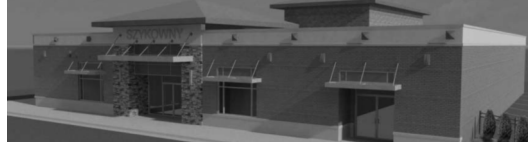

Currently designed for middle school students, the Adler will provide teacher guides for before and after the experience to help them make the most of this cosmic classroom getaway. The Adler's Virtual Field Trip fits into a standard class period, and aligns with middle school space science curriculum.

For more information about the program, pricing, and to register your class for a session, visit: <https://www.adlerplanetarium.org/learn/educators/virtual-field-trips/>

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Support your site by: Installing an adoption sign at the site after you complete your 8 cleanups; Providing necessary permits and safety information; Providing trash bags and gloves; Offering ongoing access to knowledgeable staff as a resource & Collecting and disposing of filled litter bags and other debris cleared from the adoption site.

Individuals, families, schools, youth groups, civic groups, clubs, organizations, fraternities, and faith groups are invited.

Contact Joanna Huyck at joanna.huyck@cook-countyil.gov or (773) 631-1790 with any questions.

Vaccination Totals For Area Residents

The Chicago Department of Health and Human Services issued a report of COVID-19 cumulative vaccinations for March 28th.

City vaccine series completed - cumulative - 370,977 doses, 13.8% of population; 1st dose - cumulative 727,958 doses, 27% of population.

60632: 1st dose cumulative 24,905 total, 27.7% population. Complete vaccine series 11,020 total, 12.3% population.

Resource: Chicago.gov/covidvax

60638: 1st dose cumulative 14,139 total, 24.1% population. Complete vaccine series 8,047 total, 13.7% population.

60608: 1st dose cumulative 29,605 total, 37% population. Complete vaccine series 10,414 total, 13% population.

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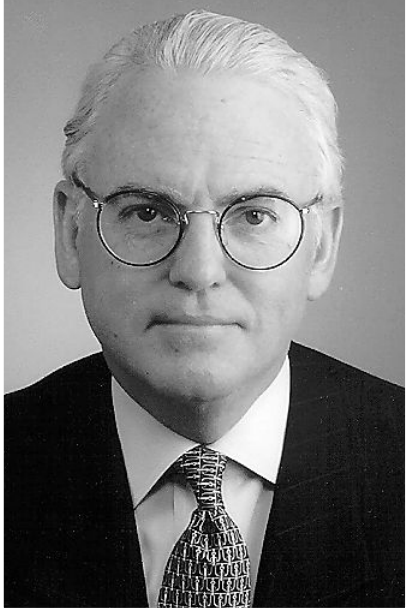
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Urge Online For Driver Services

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White is urging the public to visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com to conduct transactions online when possible instead of visiting a Driver Services facility. Over the last nine months, more than 3.8 million transactions have been conducted online.

All expired driver's licenses and ID cards, as well as those expiring over the next four months, are now valid until Aug. 1, 2021. This extension does not apply to commercial driver's licenses and CDL learner's permits.

To renew license plate stickers online: Residents will need a registration ID and PIN, which are located on the renewal notice and registration card.

Vehicle owners may then visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com and click on "License Plates Renewal" under Online Services.

Online renewals for driver's licenses and ID cards has been expanded. Not everyone qualifies, particularly those who are required to take a written or road test. Those who qualify for online renewal will receive a letter containing their PIN approximately 90 days before their driver's license expiration date.

Customers may check their eligibility status for online driver's license and ID card renewal by: Visiting www.cyberdriveillinois.com and clicking on "Read more on how to renew your driver's license or ID card online" near the top of the main page. Then click on "Check your eligibility now" where they will be prompted to enter their driver's license or ID card number and the last four digits of their social security number.

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