



## Students May Have Grief or Depression



By Dr. R. Pletsch

The recent annual Conference of The American School Counselors Association had several speakers dealing with schools reopening with the special interests in students returning to school that are suffering from grief and depression.

The Association expects school counselors to be overwhelmed with these issues. Part of it is due to how many students have lost a parent or two due to Covid 19. This is above and beyond the normal loss of life and the Center for Disease Control has on various reports estimated between 40,000 and 119,000 children have lost a parent during the pandemic.

The number is hard to determine because there are so many ways that families are constructed in our present society. Many kids have more than one or two people they consider important to them. Parenting is done by step parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and even non-relatives living in the house-

hold. The children may suffer and have deep personal feelings with any of these.

Travel restrictions during the pandemic had certain students not allowed to visit their dying relatives and in some cases, not even allowed to attend funerals. These happenings affect our students in many different ways. Of course, it varies by age of the students and the family structure, but even students living in the same household because of age differences have had different experiences in their lives. Their wide ranges of student responses to grief and depression. Here are a few but it is far from exhaustive. We look for changes in the character, like crying, feeling sad all the time. The student is no longer his or herself and may have become loud or quieter. Maybe they no longer show interest in their normal activities or even show hostility towards friends or pets.

If it is a loved one with these signs, be prepared because you are also susceptible to these reactions because you also experienced the death in your family. Your doctor may be a good source to start because it is hard to get psychiatric help right now. Many in the field are overworked and not accepting new patients. Remember, seeing a counselor does not mean that someone is crazy. But there may be an illness that an expert can deal with that you are not prepared for. When school starts, let the appropriate person there know of your concerns. It might be the counselor or the case manager or the principal. This can help the family.

## Summer Learning At Brighton Library

The Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer has a wide variety of summer learning challenges for ages 0-17 and adults in person or virtually. Register at chipublib.org and click events by 10 a.m. the day before.

Fun outdoor games for ages 3-12 including corn hole, hopscotch, jump rope and four square are played on Mondays, August 9th & 16th at 4 p.m.

Hora de Cuentos Storytime for ages 0-5 will be held virtually on Mondays through Aug. 16th at 10:30 a.m.

Family Story Time for ages 0-8 will be held in person on Tuesdays

### City Workshops For Procurement

The City of Chicago Department of Procurement Services announces its 2021 August Workshop Schedule.

Compliance 101: Honoring Obligations to Chicago Taxpayers on Wednesday, Aug. 11th, 2 to 3 p.m.; Working with Assist Agencies on Thursday, Aug. 12th, 2 to 3 p.m.; How to Become Certified on Wednesday, Aug. 18th, 2 to 3 p.m.; Procurement Fundamentals: Doing Business with the City on Thursday, Aug. 19th, 2 to 3 p.m.; Contracting 101: How To Respond To A Request For Proposal on Wednesday, Aug. 23rd, 2 to 3 p.m.; Introduction To eProcurement 101a on Thursday, Aug. 26th, 2 to 3 p.m.

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### Bradfield Graduates

Julius Bradfield recently met the graduation requirements at Monmouth College for a degree in business administration.

## Park District Hosts Valor Games Midwest



The Chicago Park District will host the 9th Annual Valor Games Midwest August 17th-19th at 3 locations. The free paralympic sport competition is for disabled veterans and wounded, ill or injured service members.

On Tuesday, Aug. 17th at Soldier Field, 1410 Museum Campus Dr. will conduct Field Events, Resource Fair and Rowing.

On Wednesday, Aug. 18th at Lincoln Park will conduct Archery at the Range, 2 W. Belmont Harbor Dr. and Cycling at Wilson track, 4400 N. Lake Shore Drive.

On Thursday, Aug.

19th at McKinley Park, 2210 W. Pershing Rd. will offer Biathlon, Powerlifting and Table Tennis.

This is an introductory-level competition, no previous experience is required. Disabilities Include: Traumatic Brain Injury, Amputation, Stroke, Visual Impairment or Blind, PTS/D, Multiple Sclerosis, Burns, Hearing Loss, Spinal Cord Injury, Shrapnel Injury and Other orthopedic impairment.

For more information and to register, participants should visit [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/valor-games-midwest](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/valor-games-midwest).

## Renaissance Fair In Kenosha, Wisc.



The Bristol Renaissance Faire will be staged in Kenosha, Wisconsin every Saturday and Sunday plus Labor Day, Monday Sept. 6th from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

There will be 16 entertainment stages, jousting matches, parades and street performers. Young attendees may play in a sand castle, enjoy games and crafts and receive knighthood. RenQuest, a game for ages 12 & up costs \$10 for a 2 hour adventure of challenges.

Bristol actors will perform monologues and duets from Shakespeare plays. The Mighty Drum Jam will conclude the day. For more information, visit [renfair.com/bristol/](http://renfair.com/bristol/)

## Assistance For Eviction Process

As the moratorium on filing eviction cases has been lifted, Cook County Sheriff Thomas J. Dart is reminding housing providers and tenants grappling with eviction that they can access the Office's Community Resource Center for assistance in services and financial help.

Team members work with the public to help individuals navigate social services, housing, employment, medical and mental health services and government rental assistance. The CRC is currently operating virtually and can be reached at (773) 405-5116, or email at [ccso.resourcecenter@ccsheriff.org](mailto:ccso.resourcecenter@ccsheriff.org) or online at [www.cookcountysheriff.org/crc/home](http://www.cookcountysheriff.org/crc/home).

The Office is taking to address the resumption of evictions after a moratorium that began in March 2020. With significant government rental assistance available, the Office has instituted a policy requiring property owners to confirm there is no forthcoming assistance before an eviction will be enforced. Social

workers are on staff to offer assistance during the eviction enforcement process.

### Legal Aid For Housing

Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt helps residents resolve eviction, foreclosure, debt, and tax deed issues.

The federal moratorium set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and local eviction moratoriums put in place by the State of Illinois expired on July 31st. Landlords could file eviction papers within the Cook County Courts beginning on Aug. 1st and all aspects of evictions can move forward on Sept. 1st, meaning judges can order evictions and the Cook County Sheriff's Office can enforce orders.

Landlords and residents interested in learning more about or connecting to CCLAHD are invited to call 855-956-5763 Monday through Friday from 9am to 4:30pm or visit [www.cookcountylegalaid.org](http://www.cookcountylegalaid.org).

### Kupiec Honored

Ryan Kupiec is among 286 DePaul University student-athletes named to the Tiger Pride Honor Roll for achieving at least a 3.40 grade point average for the 2021 spring semester.

The Honor Roll, started in the 2012 fall semester recognizes student-athletes who are members of an NCAA varsity athletics team and maintain academic excellence.

### King Graduates

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point conferred degrees on more than 1,250 graduates for the spring and summer sessions of 2021.

Felix King received a Bachelor of Sciences, Communication - Media Studies, Coaching certificate.

## 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. 2nd from 4 to 5 p.m. This event takes place on Zoom. Register by 10 a.m. the day before the event.

Grown(ish) Club: Adulting as a Teen features topics about relationships, leadership, money management, job readiness and more on Thursdays, through Aug. 19th from 3 to 4 p.m. This event takes place on Zoom. Register by 1 p.m. of the event.

The library STEAM team will explore science, technology, engineering, art and math to read books, sing songs and participate in hands on activities using household items for ages 0-5 and their caregivers on Tuesdays, through Aug. 31st from 10 to 10:30 a.m. This event takes place on Zoom. Register at least 24 hours in advance.

Kids Write! for ages 7 to 12 will be conducted by April from the Brighton Park Branch Library on Wednesdays through Aug. 25th from 5 to 5:45 p.m. Each participant receives their own hardcover journal. This event takes place on Zoom. Register at least 24 hours before the event.

Visit the Garfield Ridge Branch Library, 6348 S. Archer to pickup an artistic Grab & Go kit as part of the Summer Learning Challenge on Wednesdays, through Aug. 18th from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Each week will focus on a different artist or artistic style. Separate kits will be available by age group: Toddler, Preschool & School Age.

Kids 6 and up are invited to join the McKinley Park Branch Maker Club, 1915 W. 35th st. Sign up and pick up your bag of mystery materials every Thursday from 1-4 p.m. during the Summer Learning Challenge. Create something new each week or gradually add to your creation with the materials to make one epic masterpiece. Bring in your creations or email picture to display at the library.

Mr. Jerry from the Oriole Park branch library will conduct Funny Family Story Time on Monday, Aug. 9th from 7 to 7:30 p.m. This event takes place on Zoom. Register at least 1 hour in advance.

A 3D Printer Workshop on Shapes and Sculpting will be held on Saturday, Aug. 14th from 3 to 4 p.m. and Wednesday, Aug. 18th from 6 to 7 p.m. Register at least 24 hours in advance before each event.

Miss Tara will guide ages 6-13 through the painting experience on Monday, Aug. 9th from 7 to 9 p.m. Materials needed are acrylic paint, canvas and brushes. Register 24 hours in advance.

Join the staff of the Thomas Hughes

### Perez Honored

Baylor University of Waco, Texas has selected nearly 4,000 recent high school graduates and more than 350 transfer students as recipients of academic scholarship awards for the 2021-22 academic year.

Ramon Perez of 60632 and a graduate of Benito Juarez High School was awarded on Independence Scholarship

Children's Library for a 30 minute Zoom story time to read, rhyme, sing and have fun on Fridays through Aug. 20th from 10 to 10:30 a.m. For children 3 to 5 and their caregivers. Register by 9 a.m. the day before the event.

Join Ms. Katie from the McKinley Park Branch to read books, sing songs and enjoy rhymes geared for children 0 to 5 and their caregivers. This event takes place on Zoom, Fridays through Aug. 20th from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Register by 10 a.m. the day before the event.

Kids ages 3-12 may join the staff at the Brighton Park Branch, 4314 S. Archer for fun outdoor games such as cornhole, hopscotch, jump rope, four square and more on Mondays, Aug. 9th and 16th from 4 to 4:45 p.m. This event takes place in person. Register by 4 p.m. the day before the program.

Ages 5 to 12 may join the librarians from the Legler Regional Library to learn about art techniques such as paper sculptures, string painting and more on Tuesdays, Aug. 10th and 17th from 6 to 6:30 p.m. This event takes place on Zoom. Register by 2 p.m. on the day of the event.

The Brighton Park Branch will conduct live, in-person story time with songs, rhymes and books for kids 0 to 7 and their caregivers on Tuesdays, Aug. 10th and 17th from 6 to 6:45 p.m. This event takes place in person. Register by the start of each event.

Grab & Go Meals Distribution will be available at the Brighton Park Branch, 4314 S. Archer on Wednesdays, Aug. 11th & 18th from 2 to 4 p.m.

The Brighton Park Branch will conduct Messy Art outdoors for ages 4 and up and caregivers on Fridays, Aug. 6th and 20th from 3 to 3:45 p.m. Wear clothing to get messy. Register by 3 p.m. the day before.

A 1.5 mile walking tour of Palmisano Park will be conducted on Saturday, Aug. 7th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The 27 acre oasis was constructed on the former Stearns Quarry. Participants will assemble at McGuane Park Fieldhouse, 2901 S. Poplar at 10:15 a.m.

Register for events at [chipublib.org](http://chipublib.org).

### Art Fest On Printer's Row

The 3rd Annual Printer's Row Art Fest will be staged on Dearborn st. from Polk to Harrison on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 7th & 8th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Free reservations are encouraged to help spread crowds at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e-2021-printers-row-art-fest-registration-147183599107>.

There will be art from all price points by painters, street artists, jewelers, up-cycling artists, artisans of all kinds, photographers, and mixed media artists.

Used art may be donated to The Chicago Furniture Bank on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free.

For more information, call (847) 926-4300 or email [info@amdurproductions.com](mailto:info@amdurproductions.com).

## Sundays On State Announces Activities



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Chicago Loop Alliance is announcing the lineup for the Aug. 8th 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. Subsequent events will take place on Aug. 22nd and 29th and Sept. 5th and 12th. Those who register to attend at [LoopChicago.com/Sundays](http://LoopChicago.com/Sundays) will be entered for a chance to win a \$1,000 Loop staycation package.

The Aug. 8th event will feature more than 100 activations that were submitted by community members and organizations. Visit [LoopChicago.com/Sundays](http://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 Freakeasy.

Randolph to Washington: 1 p.m., Jason Winslade of Ritual Rhythms Chicago Drum-

ming; 4 p.m., Bellydance by Phaedra.

Washington to Madison on stage 11 a.m., Yoga with W Chicago City Center; Noon, The Joffrey Ballet; 1 p.m., Broadway In Chicago Illinois High School Musical Theatre Awards; 2 p.m., Walter Parks & Master Accordionist Rob Curto; 3:30 p.m., Broadway In Chicago presents Teatro ZinZanni; 5 p.m., Cabinet of Curiosity presents Michelle Billingsley; 6 p.m., The Real Pretenders and 7 p.m., Jon Langford and His Fancy Men.

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.

## Basics Clinics For Track and Field

The Chicago Park District in partnership Windy City Run announces the launch of two new Track & Field Basics Clinics at Gately Park, 10201 S. Cottage Grove av. The 4 week, 90-minute sessions start on Aug. 7th and run through Aug. 28th.

The Saturday morning sessions, offered by age group for 6 to 10 year olds and 11 to 14 year olds, will focus on setting the foundation for young athletes through a program designed for general conditioning and biomotor training.

The lessons learned during the weekly sessions aim to provide the young athletes with a glimpse into the type of training that is required to develop and compete in the sport. Each weekly session will focus on a different element of track and field, including running form and the history of the sport. Each group will have age-appropriate activities focused on the weekly lessons.

Participants will practice each event in a series of drills focused on developing technique with guidance from former collegiate and award-winning track and field athletes. In the session for 11 to 14 year old participants, trainers will provide insight into the skills necessary to become a NCAA student-athlete.

Interested participants must register at

<https://bit.ly/TracknFieldClinicsGately>.

The Indoor Track and Field at Gately Park is a 140,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility that offers the only hydraulically banked indoor track in Illinois and allows Chicago to compete with similar major markets, such as New York City and Boston, to host championship events. Additionally, the Indoor Track and Field includes a 4,000-square foot warm-up area, eight sprint lanes, two long and triple jump runways and pits, two pole-vault runways, a high jump area, throws cage, and a seating capacity of 3,500.

### Concert Features Chosen Few DJs

The City of Chicago announced a Protect Chicago Music Series concert featuring house-music collective the Chosen Few DJs at the Kennedy King College campus on Saturday, Aug. 28th from 12 to 7 p.m. It will be open only to Chicago residents age 18 and up who are fully vaccinated by Aug. 14th.

Chicagoans who are interested in the event can register at [Chicago.gov/PCMS](http://Chicago.gov/PCMS). A ticket to the event will be issued once vaccination status and City address are confirmed by concert organizers.

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## \$185 Million for Rental Assistance

As the state's gradual phaseout of the pandemic eviction moratorium continues, the Illinois Housing Development Authority has distributed more than \$185 million in emergency rental assistance to 22,200 persons through the Illinois Rental Payment Program. The review of all 70,000 applications received during the first application round in June, has been completed with an additional 25,000 applications in the pipeline to review from the second round. Landlords with in-progress applications already initiated by their tenants are encouraged to complete their portion of the application before the deadline on Sunday, Aug. 15th.

Early in the pandemic, Governor Pritzker announced a statewide eviction moratorium for tenants while launching emergency assistance programs that included extensive relief for renters, landlords, and homeowners. From July to December 2020, IHDA provided \$230.6 million in emergency rental assistance to 46,129 households and \$98.5 million in emergency mortgage payment assistance to 10,071 households.

A new round of rental assistance in May 2021 delivered more than \$500 million to 63,000 households. On July 29, the Governor signed landmark legislation that created new programs and

incentives to support affordable housing throughout the state, including a new \$75 million program to finance affordable rental housing in areas impacted by the pandemic.

The Illinois Department of Human Services has programs available to households in need and has awarded over \$187 million in assistance for more information visit: [www.illinoisrentalassistance.org](http://www.illinoisrentalassistance.org).

An Executive Order allows eviction filings against covered persons to begin on Sunday, August 1. The current prohibition on enforcement of eviction orders entered against covered persons will remain in place until Tuesday, August 31st. Enforcement of eviction orders entered against covered persons will be allowed September 1st and beyond.

The Illinois Supreme Court has issued an order temporarily staying all trial and judgments in residential eviction proceedings involving covered persons, with some exceptions. The order takes effect August 1st and expires September 1st, 2021.

Additional rounds of rental assistance, as well as the Illinois Homeowner Assistance Fund that will provide mortgage assistance, will be announced in the coming months. For updates to these programs, visit: [www.ihda.org](http://www.ihda.org).

## Navy Blue Angels Offer Air Show



The U.S. Navy Blue Angels will perform their unique flight demonstrations along the Lakefront between Oak street and Fullerton avenue on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 21st & 22nd from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Practice runs will be performed on Friday, Aug. 20th from 10 am. to 2 p.m. The mission of the Blue Angels is to showcase the teamwork and professionalism of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps through flight demonstrations and community outreach while inspiring a culture of excellence and service to country.

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The Summer campers participated in the Summer Learning Challenge by reading 30 minutes every day. Books were provided by the Brighton Park Library. Call us today to enroll.

Los campistas de verano participaron en el Desafío de Aprendizaje de Verano leyendo 30 minutos todos los días. Los libros fueron proporcionados por la Biblioteca de Brighton Park. Llámenos hoy para inscribirse.



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## Summer Programs At Lincoln Park Zoo



Photo by Julia Fuller - Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo has scheduled Summer 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](http://lpzoo.org/second-saturdays-garden-tours).

A Pancake Breakfast with the Animals Presented by Nutella at Bird's Eye Bar & Grill, on Saturday, Aug. 21st from 9 to 11 a.m. Discover the behaviors and social dynamics of African painted dogs with Curator of Mammals Mike Murray. The cost is \$50. More information: [lpzoo.org/event/breakfast/](http://lpzoo.org/event/breakfast/).

An Adults Night Out: Summer Block Party will be held Thursday, Aug. 26th from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Among wildlife and gardens. No kids or crowds—just strolling, sipping, and lawn games. The cost is \$20 for super early bird. Prices increase as date approaches. More information: [lpzoo.org/event/adults-night-out-summer-block-party/](http://lpzoo.org/event/adults-night-out-summer-block-party/).

Campfire nights will be held Thursdays, Sept. 2nd & 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](http://lpzoo.org/events).

A Cocktails for Conservation Mixology Class for ages 21 and older is set for

Thursday, Sept. 9th from 6 to 7:30 p.m. This sustainable mixology class will have you turning ordinary kitchen scraps into a delicious cocktail with bartender Mackenzie Heinze of Logan Square's Lula Café. The cost is \$35. More information: [lpzoo.org/events](http://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](http://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 Horrmann'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/](http://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](http://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](http://lpzoo.org/experiences).

## Shedd Aquarium Offers Action Days



Coastal Habitat Restoration through pulling weeds, planting native species or weed collecting.

Volunteers of all ages are invited to participate in a Shedd Aquarium Action Day to restore and protect nearby beaches, waterways, and forest preserves. You'll support animals from frogs to fish while having fun and learning along the way.

Registration and information is available at [shedd-aquarium.org](http://shedd-aquarium.org).

Shedd has teamed up with the Friends of the Chicago River to help reestablish habitat in the North Shore Channel. Volunteers will wear waders and travel via canoe to plant native aquatic plant species along the banks of the canal.

Email [ActionDays@shedd-aquarium.org](mailto:ActionDays@shedd-aquarium.org) to register for a Shedd Aquarium Action Day.

River Planting will be conducted at Kickapoo Woods on Tuesday, August 17th, Wednesday, August 18th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Litter Cleanup and Coastal Habitat Restoration will benefit Ping Tom Memorial Park on Saturday, August 14th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

12th St Beach on

Wednesday, August 11th, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

63rd St. Beach on Saturday, August 21st from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Calumet Beach on Saturday, August 28th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

### 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. on Zoom. Pre-registration is required with Sabrina Poulin, Associate Director, at (773) 927-0512 or email at [Sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org](mailto:Sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org).

## Obituaries

**NOELIA BEATRICE LOPEZ AGULIA** passed away on July 25th at the age of 70. She was the wife of Ruben Jimenez. A Memorial Service was held Aug. 1st at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart.

**RONALD P. DYBAS, CPD** son of Ronald J. Dybas and late April(nee Stech); brother of Laura A. Dybas; nephew of George (Marge) Stech; cousin of Jim (Marybeth) Stech, Beth (Larry) Martin and Jean (Scott) Barlev. Visitation will be held Friday, Aug. 6th from 12 to 4 p.m. at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, 5088 S. Archer. Prayer Service will be conducted at 3 p.m.

**EDYTHE RUTH ESQUIVEL** of McKinley Park, passed away on July 20th at the age of 87. Survivors are her husband, Juan Esquivel; sons Gary (Sharon) and Toby Zichterman; grandchildren Chantene Zichterman - Delgado (Christopher) and Gunnar Zichterman and great-grandchildren Zachary, Jacob and Philomena. A memorial service will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 4517 S. Ashland on Saturday, Sept. 18th at 1 p.m.

**JUAN C. GUERREIRO** passed away on July 31st at the age of 60. He was the father of Jesus, Karla and Emmanuel; brother of Bertha, Maria, Yolanda and Ramiro; grandfather of five. Visitation will be held Thursday, Aug. 5th from 3 to 8 p.m. at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart. Funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, Aug. 6th, 10 a.m. at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 2127 W. 22nd pl. Interment will be at Mount Greenwood Cemetery.

**JOSEPH L. HERMANDEZ** passed away suddenly on July 26th at the age of 37. He was the son of Elizabeth Ruiz and late Larry Hernandez; brother of Michael, Julian, Alexis and Josh. Visitation was held Aug. 4th at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart.

### Vaccination Totals For Area Residents

The Chicago Department of Health and Human Services issued a report of COVID-19 cumulative vaccinations for August 2nd.

City vaccine series completed - cumulative - 1,413,457 doses, 52.5% of population; 1st dose - cumulative 1,586,008 doses, 58.9% of population.

60632: 1st dose cumulative 54,689 total, 60.9% population with an increase of .7% from the prior week. Complete vaccine series 49,226 total, 54.8% population, .5% increase.

60638: 1st dose cumulative 30,719 total, 52.4% population, .5% increase. Complete vaccine series 27,625 total, 47.1% population, .3% increase.

60608: 1st dose cumulative 49,313 total, 61.6% population, .4% increase. Complete vaccine series 44,880 total, 56.1% population, .4% increase.

60609: 1st dose cumulative 32,910 total, 54% population, .6% increase. Complete vaccine series 29,081 total, 47.7% population, .4% increase.

Resource: [Chicago.gov/covidvax](http://Chicago.gov/covidvax)



**HARRY E. KOWALSKI** passed away on July 26th at the age of 80. Visitation and chapel service was held at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer. Jonathan F. Siedlecki, Owner/Director. Interment was at Resurrection Cemetery.



**LUCILLE FRANCES LONA** passed away on July 27th at the age of 82. She was the wife of Tony; mother of Anthony, Debra, Gilbert and Richard (Bridget); grandmother of Jolene, Nicole (Raul), Amanda, Toni (Tim), Bernie, Holly, Raymond (Hugo), Alison (Jordan), Aaron, Stephanie, Bridgette, Andy, Steve, and Tyler; great grandmother of Kristopher, Jacob, Evelyn, Sandra, Parker, and Eva Lily. Visitation was held at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer, Jonathan F. Siedlecki, Owner/Director. Funeral Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of the Snows Parish.

**BERNADETTE NOVAK** passed away on July 25th at the age of 76. Visitation was held at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer, Jonathan F. Siedlecki, Owner/Director.

### Hermle Graduates

Clarke University in Dubuque, Iowa awarded a bachelor of science degree to Luke Hermle.

## Music Festival At Millennium Park

The Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus return to Millennium Park with a thrilling lineup of Festival favorites.

Sibelius Violin Concerto on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 6th & 7th from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The program will feature Jean Sibelius: Violin Concerto and Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 1, *Winter Daydreams* Family Night: Carnival of the Animals on Wednesday, Aug. 11th from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Featuring the Grant Park Orchestra with Ashley Kim and Colin Song, piano. The program will include Jacques Offenbach: *Overture to Orpheus in the Underworld*; Camille Saint-Saens: *Carnival of the Animals* and Edvard Grieg: Suite from *Peer Gynt*.

Classic Broadway on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 13th & 14th from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Featuring the Grant Park Orchestra, Madison Claire Parks and Bronson Norris Murphy, vocals.

The program will include Rodgers and Hammerstein: "Wonderful Guy" from *South Pacific*; Leonard Bernstein: "Maria" from *West Side Story*; Alan Menken: "Be Our Guest" from *Beauty and the Beast*; Claude-Michel Schonberg: "Why God, Why?" from *Miss Saigon*; Andrew Lloyd Webber: "Memory" from *Cats*; Andrew Lloyd Webber: "All I Ask of You" from *Phantom of the*

*Opera* and Stephen Schwartz: "Defying Gravity" from *Wicked*.

Schubert Mass in G Major will be featured on Wednesday, Aug. 18th from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Featuring the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus; Laura Anderson, soprano; Kaitlin Foley, soprano; Lindsey Adams, mezzo-soprano; Joan Concepcion, tenor and Joe Shadday, tenor.

Mozart Violin Concerto No. 3 on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 20th and 21st from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Featuring the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus with Vadim Gluzman, violin and David Govertsen, bass-baritone. The program will include Gabriela Lena Frank: *Elegia Andina*; Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: Violin Concerto No. 3 and George Frideric Handel: *Dettingen Te Deum*.

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.

### Summer Dance In The Parks

The Chicago Summer Dance in the Parks series invites dancers of all ages and skill levels to participate in family and creative activities on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and introductory dance lessons by professional instructors followed by live music and dancing from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Schedule, parks and themes are: Aug. 18th at Willye B. White Park, 1610 W. Howard st. (Reggae); Aug. 25th at Ogden Park, 6500 S. Racine (Steppin'); Sept. 1st at Palmer Park, 201 E. 111th st. (line Dancing); Sept. 8th at Davis Square Park, 4430 S. Marshfield (Cumbia); Sept. 15th at Portage Park, 4100 N. Long (Salsa) and on Sunday, Sept. 12th from 1 to 6 p.m.

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## Virtual Art Programs At A-H Library

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer invites students to share their art by bringing painted rocks to construct a garden, creating circle art for a giant mural and creations for a gallery exhibit.

Let's Draw Together on August 18th. Ages 7 and up will create a unique piece of abstract art. Online registration is required.

Reading Buddies is a program where kids who are beginning to read have a place to practice their skills on Thursdays through Aug. 26th. Beginners will read from 4 to 4:30 p.m. Practice with books like: Ride, Otto, Ride! By David Milgrim and The Party & Other

Stories by Sergio Ruzzier. Independents will read from 4:30 to 5 p.m. Practice with books like: Juana & Lucas by Juana Medina, and Meet Yasmin by Saadia Faruqi. Online registration is required.

Make a Zoetrope for ages 10 - 13 on August 7th. Try drawing your own images to animate in this simple device.

Grab & Go Bags with STEAM activities for ages 4 & up are available on Monday mornings through Aug. 16th.

Library hours are Monday and Wednesday 12 to 8 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (312) 747-9241.

## 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. 4th and 19th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Union Station will be featured on Sept. 4th & 19th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Glitterati, on the Gold Coast will feature a time

### Lawyers Offer Phone Advice

Attorneys with the Chicago Bar Association's Call-A-Lawyer Program will be available to take calls at (312) 554-2001 from the public and offer legal advice on Saturday, August 21st from 9 a.m. to noon.

Citizens may explain their situation to an attorney who will then suggest self-help strategies or provide advice to help resolve their issues.

If callers need further legal services or have questions beyond the scope of the attorney's practice area, they will be advised to contact the CBA Lawyer Referral Service. For more information visit [www.chicago-bar.org](http://www.chicago-bar.org).



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Anyone getting vaccinated should expect minimal side effects. The most common are pain at the injection site, fatigue, headache, muscle aches and fever. Most of these last just 1-2 days. Side effects mean the vaccine is working and the body's immune system is reacting and creating antibodies to fight COVID-19.

For more information about COVID-19, visit Sinai Chicago's COVID-19 webpage at [www.sinaichicago.org](http://www.sinaichicago.org).

## Donation Days At Nature Museum



Photo Credit Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum

The Chicago Academy of Sciences / Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon drive announces their summer lineup of "Suggested Donation Days," where admission is free for Illinois residents with a suggested donation for each household on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., through August 26th. Guests are invited to see their favorite animals and exhibits, and experience the tropical paradise of the *Judy Istock Butterfly Haven*, the renowned 2,700-square-foot greenhouse, home to more than 1,000 free-flying butterflies.

The Nature Museum and its permanent exhibits, re-opened for 'Sum-

mer Hours' of operation on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. during July and August. The museum has also increased their daily programs schedule to include two Critter Connections & Animal Feedings at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., and two First Flight Butterfly Releases at noon and 2 p.m.

During Summer Hours operation, the Museum Store & Cafe will not be open, but bottled water will be available. Masks are required for everyone and will be provided to anyone who's forgotten theirs.

For more information, visit [www.naturemuseum.org](http://www.naturemuseum.org).

## Goodman Musical In Area Parks

Goodman Theatre will present Sonos de Mexico Ensemble's "Zulema" at 10 Chicago Parks Aug. 5th-21st.

"Zulema," is written by playwright Dolares Diaz, music directed by Sonos de Mexico Ensemble founder Victor Pichardo and co-directed by Goodman's resident artists associate Henry Godinez and Marcela Mufloz, Aguijon Theater's co-artistic director from her home in Chiapas, Mexico. Aulema goes on a musical journey in Chicago.

The free show runs one hour without intermission. The finale performance with a cast of over

70-artists on Sept. 2nd is not finalized.

The performance schedule for southside parks is: Aug. 12th at 6:30 p.m., Hale Park, 6258 W. 62nd st.; Aug. 14th at 3 p.m., Dvorak Park, 1119 W. Cullerton st.; Aug. 15th at 3 p.m., Harrison Park, 1824 S. Wood st.; Aug. 19th at 6:30 p.m., Davis Square Park, 4430 S. Marshfield; Aug. 20th at 6:30 p.m., La Villita Park, 2800 S. Sacramento and Aug. 21st at 3 p.m., Marquette Park, 6721 S. Kedzie.

For more information on registering visit [www.goodmantheatre.org](http://www.goodmantheatre.org).

## 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 Theater 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 (Oct. 23rd). Trinity Irish Dance Company will focus on powerful woman dancers (Feb. 5th, 2022) and Giordano Dance Chicago will conclude the season (June 11th, 2022).

The Music Series will feature "Too Hot to Handel: The Jazz Gospel Messiah," (Jan. 15th - 16th, 2022).

The "National Geographic Life" speaker series will present photographer and filmmaker Ami Vitale in "Wild Hope" (Jan. 23rd, 2022), paleontologist Nizar Ibrahim in "Spinosaur: Lost Giant of the Cretaceous" (Feb. 27th, 2022) and biologist - turned - photographer Ronan Donovan in "Social by Nature" (April 17th, 2022).

Subscriptions are on sale now. Tickets for individual productions go on sale Aug. 13th and Oct. 27th. For more information, visit [www.auditoriumtheatre.org](http://www.auditoriumtheatre.org).

### 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. The project must begin within 14 calendar days from the call, and locate requests have a 28-day life.

## Chicago Opera Theater Plans Live Performances

Chicago Opera Theater will present three main-stage productions for its 2021-22 session.

On Sept. 16th and 18th, the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, 205 E. Randolph st. will feature a concert-style staging of Georges Bizet's "Carmen".

The Chicago premiere of the contemporary holiday opera "Becoming Santa Claus," with music and libretto by Mark Adamo, will follow at the Studebaker Theatre, 410 S. Michigan Ave., on Dec.

11th, 17th and 19th.

In the spring at the Studebaker, "Quamino's Map," with music by the Belize-born British composer Errollyn Wallen will follow the London life of a formerly enslaved man April 23rd, 29th and May 1st, 2022.

As part of its Vanguard developmental series, a concert-style performance of "The Beekeeper," will be staged at the Studebaker on March 4th, 2022.

For more information, visit [chicagooperatheater.org](http://chicagooperatheater.org).

## Art Exhibit At Garfield Park



The Chicago Park District's Garfield Park Conservatory, 300 N. Central Park ave. in partnership with the Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance announces the opening of the outdoor exhibit to the general public, *Still Life in Real Life: Charles Ethan Porter in the Artist's Garden*. Fruits and flowers picked from Porter's most famed still life paintings will embellish the garden. Visitors will stroll past strawberries, carnations, violets, sunflowers and more. The living wall will pay homage to Porter's painting entitled Autumn Landscape, which features grasses and flowers of different textures and colors that inhabit the landscape in this painting.

The exhibit runs through October 17th, and will be remain open while weather permits and plants remain in good condition. Through August 20th, every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 to 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., visitors will learn about the garden from an Urban Roots docent.

Timed entry reservation is required at [www.garfieldconservatory.org/visit](http://www.garfieldconservatory.org/visit). The Artist's Garden is accessible through Horticulture Hall. Reservations are required and are added each day at 10 a.m., Wednesday through Sunday. The Conservatory is open Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Thursday thru Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the Artist's Garden exhibit is \$5 for adults and free for children. The main indoor and outdoor gardens are free and open to all.

## Comics Exhibit At Cultural Center



Chicago: Where Comics Came to Life (1880-1960) is on exhibit at the Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington st., Sidney Yates Gallery, 4th Floor North through Oct. 3rd.

Chicago's role in the development of the early comic strip is evident through its countless newspapers and publishing industry. The city led the transformation of comics from daily fantasy and joke features into ongoing stories grounded in the textures and details of real life, its first real step towards legitimacy as an expressive language and semi-literary art form.

Curated by artist and author Chris Ware, and Chicago Cultural Historian Emeritus, Tim

Samuelson, this exhibition is designed and planned as an intentional historical companion to the concurrently appearing survey of contemporary Chicago comics at the Museum of Contemporary Art, in which Ware's work also appears.

## Jazz Music At Shedd Aquarium



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Shedd Aquarium announces the return of *Jazzin' at the Shedd*, an evening event series punctuated by live, local jazz talent, unbelievable animal moments and fantastic city skyline and fireworks views. The limited series will include Wednesday evening events through Sept. 1st.

Anyone interested in an up-close animal experience as part of their visit during *Jazzin'* will also have an opportunity to upgrade their ticket with a special penguin encounter for an added fee. These intimate encounters begin at 5:30 p.m. that evening and allow penguin fans a chance to learn from the people who care for the birds every day, ask questions and snap a photo with one of the penguins.

Some bands that will be playing through the limited *Jazzin'* series include Detour JazFunk and Bob Davis Trio among others. Food and drink will be available for purchase throughout the evening, and guests can wander through the galleries with a cocktail in hand, coming eye-to-eye with aquatic species from blacktip reef sharks to rescued southern sea otters.

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