



## Summer Olympics



BY: DR. R. PLETSCHE

The Summer Olympics will begin this week in Rio de Janeiro and continue to August 27th. The number of possible educational activities that could be incorporated in our children's curriculum is beyond number. While most students are on summer break, we have many home schoolers in our community and several schools will resume classes before the Olympics are concluded.

The students could investigate the return of the Olympics in 1886 when 280 athletes from 13 nations met in Athens. Today in Rio, there are about 10,500 athletes and over 200 nations will compete. They could discuss this enormous increase and research why there were no Olympics in 1916 or 1940 or 1944. They could also look into why the United States boycotted the 1976 Olympics while the Soviet Union boycotted the 1980 games -- this denied some athletes from the two nations that won the most medals a chance to compete.

The kids, of course, could be introduced to

different games of the Olympics. It is interesting to show children about the relay races. I'm not sure you'd want to introduce them to archery or my favorite, synchronized swimming.

Students in middle grades and high school can do great history lessons. The 1936 games with Jessie Owens is familiar to everyone and would probably not be a good report. But there are the 1912 gold medals that were taken back of American Indian, Jim Thorpe. Why did this happen? There is also the story of the bloody water polo game between the Soviet Union and Hungary in 1956 or the terrorists that killed members of the Israeli wrestling team at the 1972 games in Munich. They could look into performance enhancing drugs. There was a time the East German women's swimming team could not chemically prove they were women. There are also many stories of Americans competing for other countries because they could not make the US team, but the other country allowed them in. The classic of the Winter Olympics was when the entire Italian ice hockey team was composed of Americans.

What an honor it must be just to be in the Olympics. The possibilities for educational experience during the Summer games are staggering and what a waste of good human interest and data if all the kids do is count medals. Gone are the days that the athletes are truly amateurs. But it is still a great spectacle in which countless numbers of young people aspire to. Our hope is that they are run well and safely.



BY: C. STRADER

As they celebrate the Year of Felix Nowowiejski, the Polish composer, conductor, and educator, the Chamber Choir of the Feliks Nowowiejski Academy of Music in Bydgoszcz, Poland is coming to Chicago to present the program "Felix Nowowiejski: The Great Composer and Patriot on the 70th Anniversary of his Death," featuring sacred and secular works by Nowowiejski himself. The choir will perform in Five Holy Martyrs Church, located at 4301 S. Richmond Street, at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 -- the first day of the Novena before the Solemnity of Our Lady of Czestochowa. A 6:30 pm Mass and Devotion in the Polish language will precede the concert. Admission to the concert is free. A good-will offering during the concert would be greatly appreciated.

The Chamber Choir dates back to 1986, when conductor Janusz Stanecki gathered students from all music fields longing to sing choral music. Nowadays, the choir works with the philharmonic orchestras of Bydgoszcz, Gdansk, Torun and Gorzow Wielkopolski. The choir's repertoire includes works by Polish and European composers from the Middle Ages to the present. The choir has toured extensively, taking part in the International Choral Festival in San Juan, Argentina (2006) and the International Choral Festival in Missoula, MT (2013), and has won numerous prizes.

The group's most important honors

### Nominations For Sr. Hall of Fame

The Illinois Department on Aging is seeking nominations for the 2016 Illinois Senior Hall of Fame awards. The annual award, established in 1994 by the General Assembly, recognizes residents of the state, ages 65 and older who excel in the categories of Community Service, Education, Performance and/or Graphic Arts, and Labor Force.

Nomination forms are available at local Area Agencies on Aging or by calling (800) 252-8966. IDoA will compile a list of nominees then consult with members of the Illinois Council on Aging to determine the award winner from each category.

### Panel Talk On Working Women

Dr. Anne-Marie Slaughter will lead a panel discussion on the topic "Career Without Kids" at the Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, 400 S. State St. on Wednesday, Aug. 24th at 6 p.m.

Her 2012 article "Why Women Still Can't Have It All" opened a national conversation on achieving a healthy work-life balance for working women.

include: the Grand Prix in the Legnica Cantata National Polish Choir Tournament (2006); the Peace Trophy at the 53rd International Choral Festival in Cork, Ireland (2007); Gold and Silver medals at the International Choir Contest of Sacred Music

in Preveza, Greece (2009); and five medals at the Singing World International Festival of Choral Art in St. Petersburg, Russia (2012); 4th place at the International Choral Competition in Spittal, Austria (2014); 2nd Prize at the Fleischmann

International Trophy Competition during the Cork International Choral Festival (2015). Conductor Janusz Stanecki studied Choral Conducting and Music Education at the Feliks Nowowiejski Academy of Music in Bydgoszcz. He also holds a degree in

accordion performance from the Instrumental Department of the Academy. He graduated from the post-graduate Choirmaster's College with highest honors, and served as the Academy's Vice-Rector for the Arts. He is currently the Deputy Dean of the

Faculty of Conducting, Jazz and Music Education. He is a music activist, organizer and judge of many international choral and conducting competitions, and was named a Professor of Music Arts by the President of Poland.

## Music Festival In Grant Park

The 82nd season of the Grant Park Music Festival, with the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus in the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park continues through Aug. 20th. All concerts take place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m., and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. One Night Member Passes are available for reserved seats, with free seating available for every concert.

Carlos Kalmar will conduct the Grant Park Orchestra in *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini* with piano virtuoso Stephen Hough on Aug. 3rd. The weekend brings the world premiere of Michael Gandolfi's, *The Cosmic Garden in Bloom*, inspired by the 30-acre private Garden of Cosmic Speculation in Scotland. The Grant Park Chorus joins the program for Mozart's Great Mass in C Minor, with guest soloists Hlengiwe Mkhwanazi, soprano; Janai Brugger, soprano; Hoss Brock,

tenor and Daniel Eifert, bass on Aug. 5th and 6th.

Swiss cellist Christian Poltera will perform Shostakovich's Cello Concerto in a program that includes masterworks by American composers Roy Harris and Walter Piston on Aug. 10th. Kirill Gerstein will play Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 on Aug. 12th and 13th.

Violinist Christian Tetzlaff will perform Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto on Aug. 17th. Berlioz's masterpiece, *The Damnation of Faust* featuring the Grant Park Chorus and an all-star line-up of soloists Allyson McHardy, mezzo-soprano; Jonathan Johnson, tenor; Stephen Hegedus, baritone and Kristinn Sigmondsson, bass on Aug. 19th and 20th.

Free pre-concert lectures are held one hour before the concert in Millennium Park's Family Fun Tent, and are led by WFMT's *Relevant Tones* host Seth Boustedt or CSO's *Sounds and Stories* contributor Laura Sauer. Confirmed special guests at these lectures include Michael Gandolfi on Aug. 5th and 6th, Christian Poltera on Aug. 10th and Kirill Gerstein on Aug. 12th and 13th.

*Open* lunchtime rehearsals of the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus continue through Aug. 19th and typically take place Tuesdays through Fridays from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Audiences are welcome to sit in the Pavilion Seating Bowl during rehearsals, and Festival docents will be on site to talk about the week's concerts during rehearsal breaks. A special Brown Bag Lunch talkback with composer Michael Gandolfi will take place on Friday, Aug. 5th at approximately 12 noon.

Ten of this summer's concerts -- including Aug. 5th, 12th and 17th -- will be broadcast live on 98.7WFMT, and online at wfmt.com/streaming.

For more information about Festival including membership, One Night Member Passes and group seating, visit gpmf.org or call 312.742.7647.

## Guest Speaker



K. YARBROUGH

Karen A. Yarbrough, Cook County Recorder of Deeds, will speak before the Golden Agers at the Bridgeview Oremus Community Center, 7902 S. Oketo on Tuesday, Aug. 9th at 12:15 p.m. Her topic will be "Property After Death". She served as Illinois State Representative for 12 years and was selected for the position of Assistant Majority Leader. Civic activities include past president of the Maywood Chamber of Commerce and board member of the United Way of Suburban Chicago.

A B.A. in Business Management was received from Chicago State University and a M.A. in Inner City Studies from Northeastern Illinois University.

## Park District Senior Games



Festivities for the 2016 Senior Games sponsored by Cigna-Health Spring and Oak Street Health kick off Monday, Aug. 29th at 10 am. with opening ceremonies at the Cancer Survivors Pavilion in Maggie Daley Park, 337 E. Randolph st. Athletes will partake in the ceremonial lighting for the eadron, yoga, fun walk, dancing and lunch. The sporting competitions and leisure activities take place at various Park District sites and include track and field, horsehoes, bowling, swimming, golf and horseshoes, bocce ball and much more.

The games close with an awards ceremony at South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 S. South Shore Dr. on Thursday, Sept. 29th at 11 a.m. An outing to U.S. Cellular Field for a Chicago White Sox game will take place on Thursday, Sept. 15th at 1:10 p.m. Seniors who are residents of the City of Chicago, more than 55 years old and are in good physical health are encouraged to register at <http://tinyurl.com/SrGamesChicago16>. The \$25 registration fee includes: Opening and Closing Ceremonies with a participant meal; opportunity to participate in all the events offered; White Sox Game ticket Senior Games outing; Senior Games T-shirt; Senior Games participation ribbon and Surprise if packets are picked up at Opening Ceremonies.

### One Day Univ. At Oak Brook

The Chicago Tribune will conduct a One Day University event at the Chicago Marriott Oak Brook, 1401 22nd st. on Saturday, Oct. 8th from 9:30 a.m. to 4:14 p.m.

Professors from elite universities will present their best lectures. The program will feature "The Art of Aging" by Brian Carpenter of Washington University of St. Louis from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

"The Rise of the Ultra Wealthy" by Rachel Friedberg of Brown University from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. "Beethoven's Ninth: The Story Behind The Masterpiece" by Thomas Kelly of Harvard University from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. "Untangling the Web: Why the Middle East to a Mess and Always Has Been" by Ari Soltes of Georgetown University from 3 to 4:15 p.m.

For registration information, call (800) 300-3438.

### Maker Lab At H-W Library

The Maker Lab, Chicago's first free and publically accessible maker space, features introductory workshops and open shop for personal projects and collaboration for ages 14 and up in the 3rd floor lab at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st.

Enrollment is first come, first served until capacity is reached and begins 15 minutes before start time.

An Ardund Thermin Workshop will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 16th at 6 p.m. Participants will

build a light-controlled, electronic musical instrument while learning about micro-controllers and Arduino software.

Makers set of wine tags with the laser cutter is the topic for Monday, Aug. 22nd at 1:30 and 6 p.m. Participants will learn the basics of Inkscape software.

Family Drop-In Day is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 27th at 2 p.m. Each child will be able to choose an item to be made using the featured 3D printer.

## Applications Open For After School Matters

After School Matters is now accepting applications for its Fall program cycle. More than 300 programs in the arts, communications, science, sports and technology will be offered at more than 70 Chicago public

high schools, Chicago Park District, Chicago Public Library and community-based organization locations throughout the city as well as downtown at the Gallery 37 Center for the Arts.

Approximately 7,000 paid apprenticeship and internships will be available to high school teens this fall. Fall programs will meet approximately three days a week for three hours per day over the course of 10 weeks. Participating teens will be eligible to earn a stipend of between \$275 and \$425 (depending on the program level), and interns can earn minimum wage.

The programs offer teens an opportunity to explore and develop their talents, which gaining critical skills for work, college and beyond.

Programs are free and open to Chicago teen residents who are at least 14 years of age (16 years of age for internships) and who are entering or currently enrolled in high school.

Teens interview with program instructors to discuss and present their skills and interests.

For questions about programs and applications, call 312-742-4182 or email [applications@afterschoolmatters.org](mailto:applications@afterschoolmatters.org).

### Movie Showings At Kelly Park

Kelly Park, 41st and California, will conduct movie showings of "Zootopia" on Tuesday, Aug. 16th at 8 p.m. and "In the Game" on Wednesday, Aug. 31st at 8 p.m.

Zootopia concerns a city of animals who have abandoned traditional predator/prey roles in favor of civilized co-existence. A rabbit police officer is forced to work with a charismatic fox con artist to crack a major case involving the disappearance of some carnivorous citizens.

In the Game features the Kelly High School Girls Soccer Program.

### Performances At Library Center

The Arts, Movies and Performers Division of the Chicago Public Library has scheduled three programs in the Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, 400 S. State st.

Joseph Ehrenpreis will a solo recital on the eight string Brahms guitar on Friday, Aug. 5th at 12:15 p.m.

Nicholas Huang will perform classical piano compositions by Beethoven, Chopin and Ravel on Friday, Aug. 12th at 12:15 p.m.

Actors from Theatre Y will lead a reading of Shakespeare's MacBeth on Wednesday, Aug. 24th at 5:30 p.m. in room 7N-5, 7th floor.

### Folk Music Jam At McKinley Park

The McKinley Park Advisory Council will sponsor an Open Folk Music Jam featuring the Young Stracke All Stars during the Farmers Market at 37th and Archer on Sunday, Aug. 7th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Residents are invited to bring their instruments and voices to join in the performance.

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### Maker Lab Faire At Ford City

The Chicago Public Library will conduct a Mini Maker Lab Faire at Ford City Mall, 7601 S. Cicero on Saturday, Aug. 6th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Makers of all ages and abilities will offer free family fun.

## Summer Nights At Brookfield Zoo

Brookfield Zoo's Summer Nights sponsored by Meijer and the Illinois Farm Bureau will feature live music and fun activities for the entire family on Friday and Saturday nights through August 13, from 4 to 9 p.m.

Zoogoers can dance or just relax with family and friends. Special Zoo Chats will feature animal ambassadors, kid-friendly activities, dining experiences, and a laser light and video show each evening.

The fun takes place on the East Mall, starting with local musicians at 4:00 p.m. Popular local and national bands will continue the festive atmosphere, playing music from a variety of genres, including rock, pop, country, jazz, and folk. Headliners begin performing at 7:00 p.m., and include: Friday, Aug. 5th - The Willis' Clan of musicians, dancers, athletes, writers and artists. Saturday, Aug. 6th - House Party with DJ's Maurice Culpepper, Gene Hunt and Alicia. Friday, Aug. 12th - Rebirth Brass Band from New Orleans. Saturday, Aug. 13th - Unity the Band reggae group.

Family entertainment will take place every



evening of Summer Nights with themed roaming performers from 5 to 9 p.m. Fun kids' entertainment on the East Mall Playground Stage, presented by JULIE, Inc., starts at 6 p.m. for children during game shows, magic shows, or juggling acts.

Several animal exhibits will remain open until 8:30 p.m., including The Fragile Desert, Butterflies!, Dolphins Underwater Viewing, Clouded Leopard Rain Forest, Hamill Family Wild En-

counters, Pinniped Point, and The Swamp. Hamill Family Play Zoo will remain open until 6 p.m. Families can be wowed at a 6 p.m. Dolphins in Action and then venture to the west side of the zoo for a 7 p.m. Festival of Flight bird show. Guests can meet animal ambas-

sadors during Zoo Chats on the East Mall every hour on the hour from 5 to 8 p.m.

General admission is \$17.85 for adults and \$12.50 for children ages 3-11 and seniors 65 and over. Parking is \$11. Guests who arrive after 4 p.m. for Summer Nights receive value pricing of \$15.95 for adults and \$10.95 for children ages 3-11 and seniors 65 and over. Take an additional \$1 off admission if you pre-purchase tickets online. Children 2 and under are free. Parking is \$5 after 4 p.m. Special value pricing also includes a choice of one free attraction Butterflies!, The Carousel, Dolphins in Action (6 p.m.), Hamill Family Play Zoo (closes at 6 p.m.), or Hamill Family Wild Encounters.

For additional information, visit [www.CZS.org/SummerNights](http://www.CZS.org/SummerNights).

### Museums For All Offer Discounts

The Field Museum, Museum of Contemporary Art, and Art Institute of Chicago have joined Museums for All, a signature access program of the Association of Children's Museums and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The three museums now offer discounted admission, during normal operating hours, to every Illinois family that qualifies for state food assistance with an Electronic Benefits Transfer card (also known as the Link card) or a Women, Infants and Children ID booklet.

Discounted Admission Rates: The Field Museum, 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, Illinois residents, \$3 basic admission person, up to six people. Museum of Contemporary Art, 220 E. Chicago Ave., suggested \$3 admission to cardholder, up to six people (kids under 12 are always free). Art Institute of Chicago, 111 S. Michigan Ave., Illinois residents, free admission to cardholder and family (kids under 14 are always free).

### MG Foundation Schedules Walk

The 6th annual walk to benefit the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America will be staged at Riverwalk Park, Grand Pavilion, Naperville on Sunday, Sept. 25th with check in at 9 a.m.

MG is a chronic autoimmune disease in which antibodies attach and destroy neuromuscular connections.

For more information, visit [info@mgwalk.org](http://info@mgwalk.org) or call (855) MGWALKS.

### Public Program On Dirty Energy

The Museum of Contemporary Photography, 600 S. Michigan Ave., announces public programming in conjunction with the *Petcoke: Tracing Dirty Energy* exhibition, running through Oct. 9th.

A Workshop and Discussion: Mapping Petroleum Lives will be held Thursday, Aug. 4th from 6-8 p.m. Led by artist Rozalinda Borcila, this mapping-from-below workshop uses prompts and exercises to develop a discussion of the ways petroleum shapes our daily lives as an economy, a source of energy, and as a way of organizing the social world.

Participants will produce mind maps and diagrams of the various systems that mediate our relationships to petroleum, as well as some of the financial, rhetorical, and cultural structures that define petroculturalism. Images and diagrams produced will be incorporated into the *Petcoke* exhibition.

The more information, visit [mccp.org](http://mccp.org) or call (312) 663-5554.

## Jazz Concerts At Aquarium



Shedd Aquarium, 1200 S. Lake Shore drive, is conducting its weekly after-hours concert series on Wednesdays, from 5 to 10 p.m. Guests may enjoy cocktails on the lakeside terrace, hear jazz music and view the Wild Reef, Abbott Oceanarium and Amphibian exhibits.

Shoreline Sightseeing will offer an evening fireworks cruise through August at \$35 which includes admission to the concert.

Jazzin' at the Shedd tickets are \$18 online in advance or \$20 at the door through Sept. 14th. For more information, call (312) 939-2438.

## IDPH Promotes Immunizations

During National Immunization Awareness Month this August, the Illinois Department of Public Health reminds parents that immunizations are important for people of all ages.

"The need for vaccines does not end in childhood. Immunizations are recommended throughout our lives based on age, lifestyle, occupation, travel destinations, medical conditions, and vaccines received in the past," said IDPH Director Nirav D. Shah, M.D., J.D. "Immunization not only protects the person receiving the vaccine, but also helps prevent the spread of disease, especially to those who are most vulnerable, such as infants, the elderly, and those with chronic conditions and weakened immune systems."

All adults, including pregnant women, should get the influenza (flu) vaccine each year to protect against seasonal flu. Every adult should have one dose of Tdap vaccine (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis or whooping cough) if they did not get Tdap as a teen, and then get the Td (tetanus and diphtheria) booster vaccine every 10 years. In addition, pregnant women are recommended to get the Tdap vaccine preferably at 27 through 36 weeks.

Adults 60 years and older are recommended to receive the shingles vaccine and adults 65 and older are recommended to receive one or more pneumococcal vaccines. Some adults

younger than 65 years with certain high-risk conditions are also recommended to receive one or more pneumococcal vaccinations. Adults may need other vaccines - such as hepatitis A, hepatitis B and HPV.

Changes to school immunization requirements for the 2016-17 school year require all kindergartners to show proof of four polio immunizations. Additionally, students entering all grades except three, five, and 12 must show proof of two doses of varicella, and students entering grades six, seven, and 12 are required to be immunized for meningococcal.

For school entrance, students must show proof of diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, haemophilus influenza type b, hepatitis b, and varicella, as well as pneumococcal and now meningococcal (depending on age) vaccinations. For more information about immunizations, including vaccination schedules for infants, children, teens and adults, visit <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/prevention-wellness/immunization>.

The Vaccines for Children program provides vaccines at no cost to children from low-income families. For information, call (312) 746-6050.

### Curie Artwork At A-H Library

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer announces the opening of Art ON, an exhibition of student artwork from Curie High School's Performing and Visual Arts program through Sept. 10th.

Artist and designer Katerina Pilipchik started Art ON to take their work outside of the school environment and bring it to the wider public.

Library hours are Mondays and Wednesdays from noon to 8 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Friday and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pieces on display in the community room can be viewed on Saturdays between 1-4 p.m. For more information, call (312) 747-9241.

### STEAM Team at Brighton Library

As part of the Summer Learning Challenge, The Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer, will present two weekly programs. On Monday at 11:30 a.m., the STEAM Team will present a story time and activities centering on science, technology, engineering, art and math through Aug. 22nd.

On Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Discover and Create will feature various crafts or activities through Aug. 23rd.

The programs are best suited for children ages 6 to 12. For more information, call (312) 747-0666.

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## Picnic Contest At Millennium Park

The fifth annual Grant Park Music Festival Picnic Contest will be staged on the Great Lawn of the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park on Saturday, Aug. 6th at 6 p.m. The Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. to perform the world premiere of American composer Michael Gandolfi's The Cosmic Garden in Bloom and Mozart's Mass in C Minor.

The program will be led by the Festival's Artistic Director and Principal Conductor Carlos Kalmar with guest soloists Hlengiwe Mkhwanazi, Janai Brugger, Hoss Brock and Daniel Eifert. Admission for the contest and the performance is free.

Teams are encouraged to pitch their blankets, adorn tables, coordinate some costumes and show off their impressive picnic spreads. The grand prize winner will receive a \$100 gift card to Macy's, a custom gift basket from Macy's Stonewall Kitchen, dinner for four at Columbus Tap at the Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park plus a two

gallon tin of caramel, cheese and butter popcorn. Two runners-up will each receive a \$50 gift card to Macy's and a two gallon tin of popcorn. The contest theme, A Picnic in the Cosmos, is inspired by the 30-acre private Garden of Cosmic Speculation in the Borders area of Scotland, designed by Charles Jencks along with Mozart's unfinished Great Mass. Contestants will be judged on how they incorporate the theme, as well as their creative menu, imaginative décor and presentation of food and drink.

The Grant Park Music Festival runs through Aug. 20th in Millennium Park's Jay Pritzker Pavilion. All concerts are free and most will take place on Wednesday and Fridays at 6:30 p.m., and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.

For more information about the Grant Park Music Festival picnic contest, visit [gpmf.org/dining](http://gpmf.org/dining) or call (312) 742-7638.

### Art Show In Glenview

The Glen Town Center, Glenview will conduct its annual Art Show on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 6th & 7th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission and parking are free. From 294 north exit Willow road east to Patriot blvd. then south to Towers. From Edens, exit Lake st. west to Patriot, north to Tower. For more information, call Amdur Productions at (847) 926-4300.

### ARC Residency At Cultural Ctr.

Applications will open Aug. 8th to Sept. 9th for the "ARC Resident" program for arts organizations presenting free, high-quality arts, culture, humanities or creative industries - related public programming for Chicago residents and visitors.

Five Chicago-based arts and culture organizations will be selected to present their proposed series of free public programs at the Chicago Cultural Center and receive technical and marketing support, free space and a \$5,000 award to expand the reach of their programming.

The residency season begins October and runs through May 2017. More information will be posted at [cityofchicago.org/dca](http://cityofchicago.org/dca).

### Free Lawn Passes For Ravinia Fest

The Chicago Public Library is supporting the Ravinia Words & Music education program by providing free lawn passes to select concerts.

Patrons may visit any neighborhood branch library to request the passes. For more information, call (312) 747-4300.

## Wounded Warriors At Brookfield



Brookfield Zoo was the final destination of a one-day 18-mile cycling event for wounded veterans as part of the Soldier Ride. Just before entering the south entrance, riders passed under an American flag draped across two ladder trucks from Riverside and Brookfield fire departments. Once inside the park, staff and zoo guests and campers waving flags lined the walkways to cheer on and acknowledge the warriors. Lunch was served in the Pavilions followed by a narrated tour aboard Motor Safari trams.

### Historical Talk On Landscaping

The Chicago Public Library Women's History Month Committee will present a talk by landscape historian Barbara Geiger in the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. on Saturday, Aug. 6th at 2 p.m.

She will discuss landscape designs, land ownership patterns and inheritance laws that produced estates like Downtown Abbey.

### Beatification Mass At SSC Chapel

The next monthly Mass praying for the beatification of Venerable Maria Kaupas, foundress of the Sisters of St. Casimir, will be held in the Chapel, 2601 W. Marquette rd on Saturday, Aug. 6th at 9:30 a.m. The celebrant will be Rev. Msgr. Dennis J. Lyle, STL. Light refreshments will be served after Mass. All are invited.

For more information, call (773) 776-1324.

## Chicago Promotes Home Ownership

Mayor Rahm Emanuel and the Chicago Infrastructure Trust announced the Chicago Home Buyer Assistance Program is accepting applications from families and individuals looking to buy a home in Chicago or refinance an existing mortgage. The program provides support for down payment and closing costs.

"The Home Buyer Assistance Program is another important tool in our tool kit for building stronger neighborhoods throughout the City of Chicago. I am proud that lenders are now accepting applications and I encourage anyone who is interested to apply today," Mayor Emanuel said. "By putting more families on the path to homeownership, we will help more communities thrive."

The program currently has three approved lenders/services now accepting applications: Guaranteed Rate, American Financial Network

and Home Trust Mortgage.

First-time home buyers must complete a home buyer education course. Depending on loan type, qualified home buyers can have an annual income limit of up to \$133,000.

Qualified buyers may receive a grant for up to 7 percent of the total loan amount. For example, for a loan amount of \$250,000, a borrower could receive a grant of no more than \$17,500 to cover down payment and closing costs. Qualified borrowers are required to contribute the lesser of \$1,000 or 1 percent of home purchase price at the closing.

"Home ownership a key component in investing in our 77 neighborhoods. Homeowners are the foundation in every community that promote safe neighborhoods for families to live, play and work. I look forward to increasing the approved lenders list to ensure success of the home buyers assistance program," said City Treasurer Kurt Summers and Chairman of the Chicago Infrastructure Trust.

Buyers must occupy the home as their primary residence and reside in the property for at least five years before selling or refinancing. If the home is sold or refinanced before that time, the homeowner will have to pay back a prorated amount of the grant. After five years of on-time mortgage payments, the grant is completely forgiven.

To learn more about the Home Buyer Assistance Program and to view a complete list of approved lenders, visit: [www.cityofchicago.org/homebuyer](http://www.cityofchicago.org/homebuyer) or [www.chicagoinfrastructure.org](http://www.chicagoinfrastructure.org).

### ZERO Workshop On Prostate Cancer

ZERO - The end of Prostate Cancer will conduct a workshop at Fritz's Pour House, 1511 Plainfield road, Joliet on Wednesday, Aug. 10th from 5 to 7 p.m.

Dr. Gregory Lewis M.D., Advanced Urology Associates will speak on prostate cancer risk, diagnosis and treatment. Registration is required by email at [kim@zero-cancer.org](mailto:kim@zero-cancer.org) or call (202) 888-9404.

### Movie Showing At Archer Park

Movies in the Park will feature "The Good Dinosaur" at Archer Park, 4901 S. Kilbourn on Tuesday, Aug. 9th from 8:15 to 9:48 p.m.

In a world where dinosaurs and humans live together, an Apatosaurus and a young boy form a friendship and learn to confront their fears.

### Fashion Program For Teenagers

The YOUmedia teen program at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st., will conduct a fashion program on Tuesday, Aug. 9th at 4 p.m.

Participants will learn the basics of sewing, learn pattern making, screen print and use a sewing machine.

## Flight Festival At Brookfield Zoo

Festival of Flight, an inspirational bird presentation, will appear at Brookfield Zoo through Labor Day, Sept. 5th.

Guests will look on in awe as Palmer, a palm cockatoo, glides inches above their heads and as an Andean condor displays its incredible 10-foot wingspan. Zoogoers will chuckle as a kea parrot named Ike teaches onlookers how to properly recycle and as Gabby and Happy Jack, two yellow-headed Amazon parrots, sing some of their favorite songs. In addition, members of the audience may want to bring some extra cash, as a crow scans the crowd for donations that will help support endangered species in the wild.

Conservation is woven throughout the show to inspire caring and to urge the audience to action. Zoogoers will hear about endangered blue-throated macaws which estimated at just over 100 remaining in the wild.

The Festival of Flight will feature more than 20 species of birds, including blue-throated and scarlet macaws, hooded vultures, Eurasian eagle owls, Harpy eagles, double yellow-headed Amazon parrots, Harris hawks, Abyssinian ground hornbills and ravens. The birds are trained by renowned animal behaviorist Steve Martin and his team of trainers.

The 20-minute presentation will take place west of Tropic World habitat at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. daily. Through August 13th, shows on Fridays will be at 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. and on Saturdays at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., and 7 p.m.

General zoo admission is \$17.85 for adults and \$12.50 for children 3-11 and seniors 65 and over. Children 2 and under are free. Parking is \$11. For further information, visit [CZS.org/UpcomingEvents](http://CZS.org/UpcomingEvents) or call (708) 688-8000.

### Author Mayer At Library Center

The Authors at the Library program will feature John Mayer in the Cindy Pritzker Auditorium, 400 S. State st. on Tuesday, Aug. 16th at 6 p.m.

His new book "Steppenwolf Theatre Company of Chicago: In Their Own Words: chronicles the rise of the high school actors who performed in a church basement beginning in 1974.

### Collection For School Supplies

Operation Homefront and Dollar Tree have joined forces to gather school supplies for military children across the country. Last year, patrons donated more than \$5 million of supplies.

For more information, visit [www.OperationHomefront.net](http://www.OperationHomefront.net).

## Obituaries



**EDWARD SULARSKI** of Lemont, passed away on July 31st at the age of 92. He was the husband of late Patricia (nee Crowley); father of Dave (Bev) Klotz, Susan (John) Kowalski and Robert (Lori) Klotz; grandfather of Kristal, Mindy, Nicholas, Alex, Paige and Danielle; great grandfa-ther of Emma, Danika, Gia and Easton; son of late Charles & Marie Klotz. Preceded in death by his brother, Melvin and sister, Ester and Lorraine. Visitation was held July 30th at Schuette - Daniels Funeral Home, Burlington, Wisconsin. Entombment was at Resurrection Cemetery.

and late Wladyslaw (Zdzislaw) Sularski; brother-in-law of late Marie (late Jan) Sularz. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Aug. 4th at 9 a.m. from Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Ltd., 8999 S. Archer ave., Willow Springs to SS. Cyril & Methodius Church, Lemont for 10:30 a.m. Mass. Interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery.

**CHARLES E. KLOTZ, JR.**, U.S. Army Veteran, formerly of Brighton Park passed away on July 25th at the age of 81. He was the husband of late Patricia (nee Crowley); father of Dave (Bev) Klotz, Susan (John) Kowalski and Robert (Lori) Klotz; grandfather of Kristal, Mindy, Nicholas, Alex, Paige and Danielle; great grandfa-ther of Emma, Danika, Gia and Easton; son of late Charles & Marie Klotz. Preceded in death by his brother, Melvin and sister, Ester and Lorraine. Visitation was held July 30th at Schuette - Daniels Funeral Home, Burlington, Wisconsin. Entombment was at Resurrection Cemetery.

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