



An Issue for a Parent



By Dr. R. Pletsch

Imagine you are the parent of a 10 year old, who along with her 7 and 9 year old cousins spend most of their day together doing their chores, taking care of pets and helping keep the lawn tidy. She is an average young lady doing what other 10 year olds do. Never a problem in school or in the neighborhood.

One day in June the mother of the cousins comes over. She tells a story conveyed by her 7 year old daughter, which seems outlandish and must have been thought up by the eldest child -- your daughter. The younger cousins claim that earlier that day they saw an intense bright light hovering over a tree in the field they were playing in. Maybe it was a reflection, or their imagination, something they saw on TV, or even a UFO. But they told their mother that your daughter claims to have had a conversation with the bright figure and they said it looked like a lady.

So you assume something may have happened, but if only your child heard anything, maybe she is instigating the event. Maybe she is just teasing her younger cousins. You ask these questions of your daughter and wonder if drugs or alcohol may be involved. But she tells the family they had had an earlier encounter with a brilliantly bright man, but none of the three spoke about it. The children's stories are constant and

non wavering even when they are harshly questioned.

Your spouse just says "kids will be kids". But you are worried. The story gets more involved as your daughter says that the lady spoke to her, she had come from heaven and would return next month. As a parent you are becoming more concerned and seek all the professional help you can afford. You tell your daughter to tell the truth and recant her story. But she will not and social media has gotten hold of the story. Both your families are now the topics of jokes and ridicule. As your child is starting to be followed, you become fearful. You wish it would end. Has your child become mentally ill? Social media is relentless. As a parent you always want to defend your child. Your daughter is a loving, ordinary little girl. As the days go by, the anticipation of the brilliant white lady returning adds stress to your family and your marriage.

We are celebrating the 100th anniversary of such an encounter. Not in the modern-day USA, but in 1917 Fatima, Portugal. It is a story worth retelling. Because so few of our people under 40 know it. There was a time when the vast majority of the children in the Back of the Yards, Brighton Park, Bridgeport and McKinley Park attended Catholic schools and this story was often told. I will mention this again in October, the 100th anniversary of The Miracle of the Sun.

Please note, that apparitions are not considered part of the faith by the Catholic Church and though this apparition was declared valid in 1930 believing any or all of the story is up to the individual. There will be many stories about the events in the coming days on channels like EWTN. But think of this family and the problems they encountered because of this event. We all have events that are hard to deal with and this is an example of a couple poor families in rural Portugal during WWI.

S-W Senior Center Schedules Programs

The Southwest Regional Senior Center, 6117 S. Kedzie offers a wide range of services and programs.

On Friday, June 23rd from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., a Rules of the Road Class to renew Driver's License will be conducted.

On Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m., an 8 week session beginning June 13th will teach basic computer and

Twilight Safaris At Lincoln Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway, will conduct Twilight Safaris for ages 16 and older on Wednesdays, May 28th, June 28th; July 26th, Aug. 23rd and Sept. 27th from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

A zoo horticulturalist and an animal expert will lead a stroll and point out interesting animal behavior and season's highlights in the gardens.

Participants should bring a camera. Each event will focus on a different area of the zoo. The cost is \$13. For more information, visit lpzoo.org/education.

the internet. The cost is \$40 and registration is required.

On Thursday, May 18th; June 1st and 15th from 10 to 11 a.m., a facilitator from Rush University Medical Center will conduct a support group for those under overwhelming stress.

On Friday, May 12th and 26th plus June 2nd from 10 to 11:15 a.m., Nelson Fluker will conduct Home Gardening classes.

A series of presentations on the risks of Oseporosis will be offered on Monday, May 15th from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.; Thursday, May 18th from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. and Tuesday, May 23rd from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

For more information, call (312) 747-0440.

Ripon College Presents Awards

Area students were recognized for academic achievements at Ripon College's 2017 Awards Convocation, held April 19 in Demmer Recital Hall.

Stephanie Lopez was recognized for membership in Phi Sigma Iota honor society in Foreign Languages with a major in Psychology and minors in Spanish and Educational Studies.

Carmen Zapata was recognized for receiving a Student Leadership Award, membership in Phi Sigma Iota honor society in Foreign Languages with a major in Psychology and a minor in Spanish.

Completion For Water and Sewer Project



14th Ward Alderman Edward M. Burke led a press conference to announce status of water main and sewer project at 45th & Drake on Tuesday, May 9th.

Aldermen Edward M. Burke and Raymond Lopez joined Chicago Department of Water Management Commissioner Barrett Murphy on May 9th in announcing the completion of \$30 million water and sewer main improvements in the 14th and 15th wards.

Over the past three years, the City has replaced more than 100,000 feet of water mains and nearly 20,000 feet of sewer mains.

During a ceremony held at the intersection of 45th and Drake ave., City crews completed the placement of the last sewer pipe, capping off work on the project that spanned several Southwest Side neighborhoods.

"This is such a massive project that if all of the water and sewer mains were laid end-to-end they would reach from the northern suburb of Evanston to the Beverly community on the Far South Side of Chicago," Alderman Burke said.

"By replacing these sewer pipes, the City will increase capacity and reduce the risk of flooding for area residents. We will also be replacing an extensive system of water mains, many of which are 100 years old, in order to

prevent leaks caused by an aging water supply system," Burke added.

The sewers that were installed ranged in size from 8-inches to 72-inches at a depth of ten to

forty feet. The water mains ranged in size from 8-inches to 16-inches. The scope of the project also included asphalt restoration and curb and sidewalk restoration

The improvements are part of a massive \$7 billion citywide, ten-year Capital Plan that will eventually replace 880 miles of water mains and 250 miles of sewer mains.

STEAM Fair At St. Bruno School



On May 1st St. Bruno School, 49th & Harding hosted its third annual S.T.E.A.M. Fair in celebration of science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics. Families were able to view artwork created by students throughout the year, including clay sculpture, 3-D paper cut-outs, and chalk cave paintings. Also on display were models of sail cars and industrial revolution inventions, biospheres containing live plants and fish, and kindergarten-created marble runs.

Activities included the creation of structures. Families were also able to participate in hands-on activities. They created structures out of toothpicks and gummy candy, building catapults to shot marshmallows down the hallway and solving codes to open locked boxes filled with candy.

Rhine Post VFW Schedules Events

Rhine Post VFW #2729 and Auxiliary will install the officers for 2017-18 at the post home, 5858 S. Archer on Saturday, May 13th from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Introduction and awards to new Buddy Poppy Princess Lillian M. Engelhardt and Buddy Poppy Prince Nathan R. Kelly will follow.

Honorably discharged qualifying veterans are invited to bring their DD214 discharge papers and join the VFW. The Auxiliary is now open to male family members.

Volunteers and members of Rhine Post and Auxiliary will be on the street and at businesses in the Garfield Ridge area offering Buddy Poppies to the public in Thursday and Friday, May 25th & 26th. The Poppies are assembled by veterans in VA Hospitals and nursing homes as a rehabilitation program for which they are compensated.

1968 Kelly Class Plans Reunion

The 1968 graduating class of Kelly High School is planning a 50 year reunion at Holiday Banquets, 10140 S. Roberts road on June 3rd, 2018 at 3 p.m.

The cost is \$38 for a family style dinner with cash bar. Classmates or persons with information about their whereabouts can reach Mark Wickes by mail at 21139 Woodbridge dr., Frankfort, Illinois, 60423.

Adult Nights At Lincoln Pk. Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway, invites guests age 18 and older to explore the zoo after dark on Thursdays, June 8th, July 6th, and Aug. 10th from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Entertainment will be provided. The cost is \$15 online or \$20 at the door. A summer pack 3 pack is \$40.

For more information, visit lpzoo.org/events.

City Sticker Sale At 12th Ward

12th Ward Aldermen George Cardenas, 3476 S. Archer will conduct a vehicle sticker and visitors pass sale on Saturday, May 20th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Residents should bring the reminder letter or state vehicle registration card with plate number, make, model and Vin.

No cash will be accepted, only credit cards, money orders or personal checks. For more information, call (773) 523-8250.

Kids Event At Science Museum

The Chicago Public Library will present STEAM Powered Saturday at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. on May 13th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Children ages 3 to 11 and their families will celebrate Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math with a wide range of activities including playing Giant Math Winder with inventor, David L. Hoyt; STEAM-themed story times at 11:15 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 1:15 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. and musical performances by Little Miss Ann at 11:30 a.m., 12:45 p.m. and 2 p.m., and ongoing drone demonstrations with Soaring Badger Productions.

Applications For After School Matters

After School Matters is accepting teen applications for its summer 2017 program session. More than 600 programs in the arts, communications, science, sports and technology will be offered at more than 60 Chicago public high schools, as well as Chicago Park District, Chicago Public Library and community organization locations and downtown at the Gallery 37 Center for the Arts.

More than 12,000 paid apprenticeship and internship opportunities will be available. Summer programs will meet four-to-five days a week for three-to-four hours per day over the course of six-to-seven weeks. Advanced apprenticeship programs will begin the week of June 26th, and all other programs will begin the week of July 5th. Participating teens will be eligible to earn a stipend of up to \$725 (depending on the program level), and interns can earn \$10.50 per hour.

After School Matters' unique programs offer teens an opportunity to develop their current skills while incorporating critical 21st Century skills like collaboration, problem solving, social awareness and more. Multiple independent studies and recent data have confirmed that teens who participate in After School Matters programs have higher Freshmen On-Track rates, improved school-day attendance and higher high school graduation rates than their peers.

A few of the exciting programs offered throughout the city this summer include: Teens in the Adler Planetarium Counselor-in-Training program will work with the Summer Camp Team to provide a dynamic experience for pre-k through middle school campers.

Teens interested in learning about music production and mixing will grow their skills in the Deejaying Foundations program will attend

Gallery 37 in the Loop. Teens will learn the art of selecting and mixing music for a variety of events and audiences. These fundamentals are transferable to a variety of careers in entertainment including music composition, radio broadcasting and film and television production.

Empowerment Tales at the Sarah E. Goode STEM Academy is a program for teens of all abilities to participate in the development of poetry, plays and dramatic storytelling based on their lived experiences. Participants will enhance their self-confidence, public speaking and communications skills.

Ring Leaders at the Chicago Youth Boxing Club, Little Village will teach the physical and professional components of amateur boxing in order to prepare to become youth coaches, instructors or officials. Teens learn effective coaching techniques, methods of group management and sports instruction fundamentals while developing goal-setting, teamwork, leadership and communication skills. During the second half of the program, teens create their own lesson plans to run weekly sessions for community youth between the ages of 8-12.

Teens can search and apply for Summer 2017 programs at afterschool-matters.org. Programs are free and open to Chicago teen residents who are at least 14 years of age (16 years of age for internships) and are high school students, including rising high school freshmen and recently graduated seniors. As part of the application process, teens interview with program instructors to discuss their interests. For questions about programs and applications, call (312) 742-4182.

Tobin Graduates

Alexandra Cole Tobin was among more than 3,000 graduates who received degrees from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln during commencement exercises May 5th - 6th.

She earned a Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Technology with distinction from the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Zoomba Class At Lincoln Pk. Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway, will conduct Zoomba at the Zoo on Sunday, May 21st from 9 to 11 a.m.

All fitness levels are welcome, 16 years and older. The cost is \$20. For more information, visit lpzoo.org/events.

Shoe Drive At Washington Fed.

Washington Federal Bank will be collecting new and gently used shoes (no sandals) to support Soles4Souls through May 31st. Drop off donations at 2869 S. Archer ave. or 1410 W. Taylor st.

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Music Festival At Grant Park

The Grant Park Music Festival will open on Wednesday, June 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Jay Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park. Artistic Director and Principal Conductor Carlos Kalmar and Chorus Director Christopher Bell will lead the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus in a ten-week season that runs through Aug. 19th.

Most concerts are Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. (exceptions include Tuesday, July 4th at 6:30 p.m. and no concert in Millennium Park on Wednesday, July 5th when the Grant Park Orchestra appears at the South Shore Cultural Center).

Free Classes For Citizenship

Free citizenship classes are available at Burroughs Elementary School, 3542 S. Washtenaw and Kelly High School, 4136 S. California.

Burroughs is open Tuesdays, 6 to 8 p.m.; Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon.

Register with Lizbeth Gonzalez or Carmen Barragan at the school or calling (773) 535-7226 from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

Kelly operates on Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

To register or receive more information, contact Janeth Herrera at (312) 721-8714 or stop by room 107A on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m.

Childcare is available for children ages 5 to 11 (potty trained).

One Night Membership Passes, starting at \$25 are now on sale. Patrons can call (312) 742-7647 or go online at gpmf.org and select their own seat down front in the member section of the Jay Pritzker Pavilion.

Season memberships to the Grant Park Music Festival 2017 season are still available, and include reserved seats to every concert, along with exclusive benefits like access to concert receptions and discounts on parking and restaurants.

Patrons can also choose to create their own membership series of four, eight or twelve Festival concerts. A Choose Your Own four-concert membership package begins at \$96.

For every concert, there are seats that are free and open to the public in the Seating Bowl and on the Great Lawn, available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Yoga Classes At Lincoln Pk. Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway, will offer adult yoga classes for ages 16 and older on Wednesdays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays 9 to 10 a.m.

Beginners and intermediate participants should bring their own mats and water. The cost is \$20 for one drop-in; \$80 for five classes; \$140 for 10 classes; \$360 unlimited.

For more information, visit lpzoo.org/yoga.

Gray Wolves Born At Brookfield Zoo



The Mexican gray wolf pack at Brookfield Zoo recently increased in size. One female and four male puppies are currently in a den with Zana, their 5-year-old mother, at the Regensten Wolf Woods habitat—but not all of them were born at Brookfield Zoo.

Since 2003, the Chicago Zoological Society, has been a partner in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Mexican Gray Wolf Recovery Program. Adult wolves and their offspring at Brookfield Zoo are potential candidates for release to the wild.

Zana gave birth to a litter of five pups on April 22nd. Officials proposed cross-fostering, which is the transfer of young pups from one litter to another litter of similar age so that each receiving pack raises the pups as their own.

Congressional Art Competition Opens

Congressman Dan Lipinski is accepting submissions from high school students in the third Congressional District of Illinois for the 2017 Art Competition.

The winning entry will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol for one year, and the winner will receive two round-trip tickets to travel to Washington, D.C., in June for the exhibition opening. Runners-up will have their artwork displayed in Lipinski's offices for one year.

For submission guidelines, visit lipinski-house.gov or call (773) 948-6223.

In this particular circumstance, the objective was to place two pups from Brookfield Zoo's litter with a wild pack and place two wild-born pups in the zoo's pack.

On May 3rd, following a neonatal examination at the zoo, animal care staff travelled with a male and a female pup from Brookfield Zoo to New Mexico, where they met a team of biologists from the Mexican Wolf Interagency Field Team.

The pups were placed in the den of the San Mateo wild wolf pack, where the alpha female had recently given birth to her own litter of six males and two females.

At the same time, the CZS team received a male and a female puppy from the San Mateo pack for care and transfer to the zoo. They will emerge from the den within the next few weeks at which time zoo guests will have an incredible opportunity to witness the complex social structure of the wolf pack.

Discussion For Community Issues

The Chicago Public Library has joined The Chicago Community Trust to host On the Table events at branches across the city. The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th st., will host an event where community members of all backgrounds gather to discuss issues and solutions on Tuesday, May 16th at 10:30 a.m.

Registration is requested at (312) 747-6082.

Central Stickney Sets Mansion Tour

The Central Stickney Park District is hosting a tour of two elegant mansions near downtown Chicago with local tour guide Ed Kozak on Monday, May 22nd.

The group will first visit the Charnley-Perisky House, designed by renowned architect Louis Sullivan, with help from his junior draftsman Frank Lloyd Wright.

After lunch, the Driehaus Museum at the Nickerson House will be explored. The bus will depart from the Central Stickney Park District office, 47th and Long at 9:30 a.m.

The cost is \$47 for non-Central Stickney residents. For reservations and additional information, call the Park District at (708) 496-8292.

Clean & Green Campaign



15th Ward Alderman Raymond Lopez joined community organizations and residents for Mayor Rahm Emanuel's Annual Clean & Green citywide cleanup. The Boy Scouts, Back of the Yards Neighborhood Council, Oak Street Health, Plant Chicago, Chicago Park District, Hedges Fine/Performing Arts School, Kelly High School, Lindblom Math & Science Academy, and residents spruced up Brighton Park, Gage Park, Back of the Yards, and West Englewood. Residents, block clubs, and organizations can continue to organize community cleanups throughout the summer. For more information, call (773) 823-1539.

Robot Exhibit At Science Museum



J.B. Spector/Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago

The Museum of Science and Industry, 5700 S. Lake Shore drive, is welcoming the return of more than 40 robots as part of its national touring Robot Revolution exhibit which will open May 11th. The exhibit offers opportunities to interact, learn from and play with robots—including: RoboThespian, a life-sized humanoid robot that greets guests at the entrance; The Cube Solver, dazzling guests with its lightning-fast ability to solve a Rubik's Cube; Hex, a hexapod robot, with six snakelike legs that navigates rough terrain and Adept Lynx, a self-navigating industrial robot used in shipping factories.

Guests can interact with or observe many of the robots, including: see soccer robots play a competitive game against each other without human interaction; play tic-tac-toe against Bax-

ter, an industrial robot; make faces at the EMyS robot and see it mimic your expression; watch robot specialists repair and fix robots inside the RoboGarage and learn how different types of robots can be used in search-and-rescue efforts.

Robot Revolution is not included in Museum Entry and requires an additional timed-entry ticket: \$12 for adults and \$9 for kids ages 3-11.

For more information, visit www.msichicago.org.

Valerie Jarrett At Library Center

The Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st., will present Valerie Jarrett in conversation with Dr. Adam Green on Monday, May 15th at 6 p.m.

She worked in the administrations of Mayors Washington and Richard M. Daley and recently served as senior advisor to President Barack Obama.

Food Trucks At Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway will conduct its second annual Food Truck Social on Saturday, May 13th from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Admission is \$10 with zoo admission, fun activities and live music. Drinks will be available for purchase.

For more information, visit lpzoo.org/events.

Law Program On Estate Planning

The Chicago Bar Association will present a program on Estate Planning at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. on Monday, May 22nd at 12:15 p.m.

A question and answer period will follow.

Discussion For Community Issues

The Chicago Public Library has joined The Chicago Community Trust to host On the Table events at branches across the city. The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer, will host an event where

community members of all backgrounds gather to discuss issues and solutions on Thursday, May 18th at 2 p.m.

Registration is requested at (312) 747-9241 or archerheights@chipublib.org.

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Brighton Library Needs Volunteers

The Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer, is seeking teen volunteers for the 2017 Summer Learning Challenge, Super Explorers.

This is an opportunity for gaining work experience as well as fulfilling service learning hours. Teen volunteers must be at least 12 years old and complete sixth grade by the end of this school year.

Volunteers will register children for the program, take and record reading minutes, assist with crafts, help at library programs, and organize SLC forms and registration sheets as well as other duties.

Attendees should bring completed application packets to a volunteer orientation on Saturday, May 27th at 2 p.m. For an application, visit the library. For more information, call (312) 747-0666.

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Required documents for each household member are Social security, proof of income for last 30 days; State ID or driver's license and proof of legal status. These include Permanent Residents card, Certificate of Naturalization or Passport and birth

certificate or passport. Marketplace applications require a W2 form or 2015 income tax report. Appointments are required with Lupe Roque or Elizabeth Tellez at (773) 523-7110.

Garden Tour At Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo's Horticultural Department will offer a free walkabout through its gardens for all ages on Saturday, May 13th from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Participants should meet at the kiosk near Cafe Brauer. For information, visit lpzoo.org/event.

Celtic Fiddler At B-P Library

Chicago-born Liz Carroll will present an afternoon of lively Celtic fiddle music at the Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer on Saturday, May 13th at 2 p.m.

An Irish-American musician and composer who has been featured on eleven albums, she is a recipient of the National Endowment of the Arts Heritage Fellowship Award. Ms. Carroll appears as part of the "The Art of Work" series, a year-long program series sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and Company of Folk.

Dinos & Dragons At Brookfield Zoo



Photo by Jim Schulz/Chicago Zoological Society

From May 6th through September 17th, guests of all ages can explore the new multisensory Dinos & Dragons exhibit at Brookfield Zoo, which re-creates a time when dinosaurs roamed the Earth and learning about dragon legends through culture and literature.

A display of 17 animatronic dinosaurs and dragons will feature Triceratops, Apatosaurus, Tyrannosaurus rex, and Chinese dragon. Guests will first enter an indoor area in which they can explore the cultural connections between people and dragons through hands-on activities and up-close experiences with an amazing collection of large and small modern dragons: lizards.

Guests will see a 6-foot Komodo dragon, frilled and bearded dragons, a European legless lizard, spiny-tailed lizard, iguanas, and a plumed basilisk, as well as several species of monitor lizards: the crocodile, roughneck, Nile, and black-throated. Animal care staff will provide informal chats about the animals.

The live reptiles will be integrated within three dragon-themed areas: Medieval, Asian, and Paleontology. Each will have colorful scenery such as a fire-breathing dragon poking his head out of a castle.

Engaging educational signs will illustrate the mythology of dragons, as well as facts on real-life "dragons."

Youngsters can enjoy a variety of interactive activities, such as loading and releasing a miniature catapult, putting on a puppet show complete with a castle backdrop, and digging for realistic-looking dinosaur bones and other fossils. Kid-friendly stations will feature temporary tattoos, a dragon texture rubbing project, and fun photo opportunities. At dig boxes presented by JULIE, Inc., young paleontologists can uncover dinosaur artifacts.

Exiting the indoor area, guests will encounter graphics of inhabitants from the Late Jurassic Period, when the Stegosaurus roamed North America 150 million years ago, to the Late Cretaceous Period of 85 million to 75 million years ago, when the Pteranodon wandered the Earth. Along a winding outdoor path landscaped with trees, each animatronic figure will come to life as guests pass by, triggering a sensor that signals body parts such as eyes, heads, arms, and tails to move.

Zoogoers can test their dinosaur and dragon knowledge by trying to answer questions from the "Games of Bones," which will feature parodies of popular game shows: DINOPARDY, Are You Smarter Than a Paleontologist?, and Dino Feud.

Guests will also encounter a replica of a paleontologist's excavation site and a dinosaur dissection lab, complete with a light box of x-rays, beakers, books, and a microscope. Staff will engage youngsters in "dissecting" realistic-looking dinosaur body parts made of non-latex materials.

An animatronic Drexorex hogwartsia mom and her three newly hatched offspring will be displayed on the north side of Roosevelt Fountain.

Admission to Dinos & Dragons is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 3 to 11 and seniors 65 and over. General admission to Brookfield Zoo is \$19.85 for adults and \$14.50 for children 3-11 and seniors 65 and older. For more information, visit CZS.org/DinosDragons.

Obituaries



STANISLAW WOZNIAK of Countryside, passed away on May 6th at the age of 59. He was the husband of Henryka (nee Kwiciecien); father of Anna (Arthur) Goryszewscy and Monika (Karol) Ulawscy; grandfather of Wiktor, Krystian and Rosa Goryszewscy and Wiktorja Ulawscy; son of the late Janina (nee Wojtyniak) and late Kazimierz Wozniak; brother of Jerzy (Wioletta) Wozniak and the late Ewa Wozniak; uncle of Angelica Wozniak. Visitation will be held Thursday, May 11th from 5-9 p.m. at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, 8999 S. Archer Avenue, Willow Springs. Funeral services will be held Friday at 10:15 a.m. to Our Lady, Mother of the Church for 11 a.m. Mass. Interment will be in Warsaw, Poland.

Art & Music Show At Bethany Baptist

Bethany Baptist Church, 3532 S. Hoyne will present the McKinley Park Youth Art & Music Show on Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Darrell Daulton invites all to attend this free event which will feature 10 artists and 15 musicians.

Special Meal For Golden Diners

The Golden Diners program for ages 60 & older will serve a special meal of Chicken Breast Filet on Friday, May 12th at lunchtime.

Suggested contribution is \$2. Reservations are required at local centers. For more information, call (312) 744-4016.

Discussion Of Fierce Moms

The Chicago Public Library will conduct a new discussion series at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. on Friday, May 12th at 12:15 p.m.

Participants will view and discuss Fierce Moms in celebration of Mother's Day.

BPNC Sponsors Comedy Cantina

The Brighton Park Neighborhood Council and Mikey O Comedy Show will present the 5th Annual Comedy Cantina at IUOE Local 399, 2260 S. Grove at. on Friday, May 12th. There will be performance by Gwen La Roka, Joey Medina, and Ana Belaval, a life band and a DJ.

Raffles will include tickets to Ruido Fest, Cubs game, White games, Chicago Bulls fan basket and Adler Planetarium.

For tickets, visit 4477 S. Archer or call (773) 523-7110.

'62 Class Reunion For St. Pancratius

The 1962 graduating class of St. Pancratius Grammar School, 40th place and Richmond, is planning a 55 year reunion this fall.

Classmates or persons with information on their whereabouts may contact co-chairman Ken McClory at (708) 214-3385 or Shirley Wass (630) 251-0882.

Live Music At Lincoln Pk. Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo will conduct "Locally Sourced" at Cafe Brauer on Wednesdays, May 31st through Aug. 30th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free for all ages. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. Live music will be provided. For more information, visit lpzoo.org/events.

G-R Senior Ctr. Schedules Events

The Garfield Ridge Satellite Senior Center, 5674 S. Archer, will conduct a Brain Aerobics class on Wednesdays through June 7th at 10 a.m.

Instructor Joni Gatz will provide the latest information and exercises to keep cognition intact.

The Center will celebrate its 21st anniversary at Crystal Sky Banquets on Tuesday, June 20th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Advance tickets at \$35 are required at (312) 745-4255.

Fitness Plus group exercise classes are con-

ducted on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:45 a.m.

1968 Reunion For St. Agnes School

The 1968 graduating class of St. Agnes Grammar School is organizing a 50th reunion to be held Sept. 22nd, 2018 in the near Southwest Suburbs, as well as a golf outing and picnic during that weekend.

Contact kathleenmcnally@hotmail.com.

A Mother's Day Memory

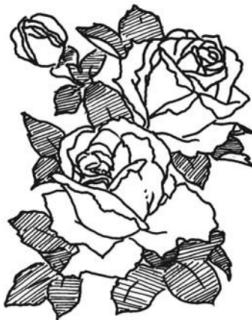
On this beautiful day of family love and affection, daughters and sons honor their mothers, parents remember their own mothers, grandparents dream of a mother's touch when they were children so many years ago.

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