



Seek Funding For Special Education



By Dr. R. Pletsch

The Chicago Principals and Administrators Association (CPAA) led by its president, Troy LaRaviere, has been issuing papers illustrating how the Special Ed students are not receiving proper and adequate funding. They are doing this research using CPS statistics with the help of Sarah Karp of WBEZ who submitted a Freedom of Information Act request for CPS data.

The report that CPS is releasing is entitled "Emanuel Administration Policy in Chicago Public Schools Leads to Systematic Discrimination Against Poor Students of Color with Special Needs". The students' needs are determined by the student's Individual Education Plan, a legal document signed by members of the Board of Ed staff and the student's family.

The process is long and some believe is unnecessarily complicated. It often calls for special help, like an aide or smaller class size, but CPAA notes that it is hard to get that special help and often the burden is put on the principal to rearrange the schedule of the current staff.

There is a process for the principal to seek the extra funding. CPAA calls the process "delay

and deny". They gave examples of two principals in the budget battle that lasted 80 days and still not getting the money and there are always less than 180 days in a school year.

Disturbing as the apparent discrimination they lay at Emanuel's door step, 158 schools appealed for extra funding to support Special Ed. The schools that were majority African American received 9% of the requested funding. The schools that were majority Hispanic received 14% of their requests, but among the majority White schools, they received 60% of funding requests. The CPAA has stated that nobody got everything they asked for, but the statistics are hard to deny.

The CPAA has stated that "both the mayor and governor are using one another as excuses for neglecting Chicago's children. While the state needs to act, Chicago does not have to wait. Our city has revenue sources of its own which it can draw to give our students the education they deserve.

Inaction in Springfield is no excuse for inaction in Chicago". President LaRaviere and the CPAA state that "CPS has cut school funding repeatedly in order to redirect those funds to other priorities" eg. Navy Pier, debt reduction, custodial privatization, wasteful and redundant school construction, and subsidies for wealthy developers, etc.

The efforts by Troy and the CPAA in noting that this is not a Democrat versus a Republican as we are often made to believe, there is enough blame to go around. If you are interested in this and other problems our CPS principals must undergo, you can utilize the website mycpaa.com.

Beer Festival At Brookfield Zoo



ZooBrew will return to Brookfield Zoo on Friday and Saturday, August 25th and 26th from 5 to 9 p.m. The 21-and-over event, sponsored by Blue Moon Brewing Company, offers zoogoers the chance to sample more than 80 ales, lagers, stouts, porters, and malts while taking in wildlife and nature.

Other features are a variety of food options, live music, and a silent auction that features memorabilia from participating breweries. On August 25th, local band To the 9's will entertain guests. The following evening, Fletcher

Rockwell will have every-one dancing.

A variety of ticket options are available, all of which include free parking and admission to the zoo that day from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. General admission tickets (\$55) include 3 oz. samplings from more than 80 beers and a commemorative ZooBrew tasting glass. VIP tickets (\$85) on Aug. 25th only, include early admission to the ZooBrew tent at 4 p.m.; access to the VIP Beer Garden, featuring samplings of select specialty brews, snacks, and food provided by Chuck's Southern Comforts Cafe; a visit with some of the zoo's ambassador animals; 3 oz. samplings of more than 80 beers; and a commemorative ZooBrew beer mug. A general admission designated driver ticket (\$35) and a VIP designated driver ticket (\$45) are also available and include unlimited soft drinks (no beer sampling allowed). All tickets will be an additional \$10 on the day of the event. Tickets are limited and available at CZS.org/ZooBrew.

At Big Shoulders Brush Creek Ranch



Seven PJPII Students from Pope John Paul II School and 5th grade teacher Ms. Kendra Evans traveled to Saratoga, Wyoming to participate in Big Shoulders Fund Brush Creek Ranch Science Enrichment Program. The program began in January with STEM focused classes, field trips and activities designed to prepare them for their week at the ranch. While in Wyoming, they conducted learning projects such as testing water samples, nature hikes, stargazing to identify constellations and identifying animals in the wild. Other activities included climbing walls, zip-lining, horseback riding and rope courses. Pictured are Madeline Flores, Ismael Flores, Abigail Ramirez, Sofia Torres, Andrew Flores, Mateo Padilla, and Roberto Correa-Figueroa.

Fall Fest At Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo is embracing autumn with the third-annual Fall Fest, kicking off Sept. 29th. This fun, free admission, family-friendly celebration lets guests experience harvest in the heart of the city, from picking the perfect pumpkin to clambering up a hay mountain.

In addition to the free offerings at Fall Fest including singalong sessions with Mr. Singer on the Main Stage and autumn-themed animal enrichment daily.

Ticketed experiences include a corn maze to explore and thrilling rides to conquer, like a towering burlap sack slide on the zoo's Main Mall and a tractor-themed carousel at Farm-in-the-Zoo. The festival will also include a 65-foot ferris wheel, two corn pools, multiple bounce houses, professional pumpkin carvers and educational activities.

Pumpkins will be available for purchase throughout the entire month of October at the pumpkin patch located next to Landmark Café. Pumpkins vary in price depending on size.

Fall Fest is a free

Health Fair At McKinley Park

12th Ward Alderman Cardenas will sponsor his 14th Annual Back to School Health Fair at McKinley Park Fieldhouse, 2210 W. Pershing rd. on Saturday, Aug. 26th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The fair will include free immunizations, school physicals, health check, hearing tests, 30 health vendors, entertainment, a snack and free haircuts. Residents who show proof of address can receive school supplies.

2nd District State Representative Theresa Mah will co-sponsor adding more supplies and services and a paper shredding event in the parking lot. For more details, call (773) 523-8250.

Literacy Center Seeks Tutors

The Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th st. need volunteer tutors to help adult immigrants learn English 90 minutes per week. Opportunities are available Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Tutors must attend training workshops on Friday, Aug. 25th from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 26th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information or to register, contact Sabrina at sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org or (773) 927-0512.

event open to the public Sept. 29th - Oct. 1st. Oct. 6th - 9th (Columbus Day), 13th - 15th, 20th - 22nd and 27th - 29th from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tickets are required for attractions and are available for \$3 each or in bulk packages of 10 for \$27, or 20 for \$51. All zoo buildings will remain open with regular hours during this time.

Lincoln Park Zoo's Auxiliary Board will host the 31st Annual Spooky Zoo Spectacular on Oct. 28th. This free event allows children to celebrate Halloween in a family-friendly environment. It will include family entertainment, trick-or-treating, a haunted house and arts and crafts from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets for Fall Fest rides will remain available for purchase during Spooky Zoo Spectacular as well.

Adults Night Out: The Great Pumpkin Glow on Oct. 12th from 6:30 to 10 p.m. is the perfect 18-and-older event for the kid at heart. Enjoy zoo grounds covered in pumpkins, educational entertainment, a barn dance party and Fall Fest offerings after-hours, wine or beer in hand (for those ages 21+). Tickets are available for \$15 at lpzoo.org or \$20 at the door, if tickets remain. Costumes are optional.

For more information on upcoming events, visit lpzoo.org/events.

Optimism Walk For Parkinson's

The American Parkinson Disease Association will stage the 2017 Midwest Optimism Walk on Saturday, Sept. 9th at the Riverwalk Grand Pavilion (end of West Jackson Avenue) in Naperville. Registration is now open and participants are encouraged to sign-up online in advance of the walk.

The fundraising event offers a short walk of up to 1.5 miles (participants can walk as much or as little as they choose - walking the full distance is not mandatory).

Register at (630) 933-4392 or apdamidwest@apdaparkinson.org.

Summer Dance In Grant Park

Chicago Summer Dance will be staged in the Spirit of Music Garden of Grant Park, 601 S. Michigan ave. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Sept. 14th.

A full day of dance competitions, social dancing and performances will be featured at Millennium Park on Saturday, Aug. 26th from noon to 9:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Air & Water Show Returns Aug. 19 & 20



U.S. Army Parachute Team Golden Knights.

The 59th Annual Chicago Air and Water Show presented by Shell Oil products will be staged along the lakefront from Fullerton to Oak Street, with North Avenue Beach serving as show center on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 19th & 20th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Headliners include the U.S. Navy Blue Angels, U.S. Army Parachute Team Golden Knights and U.S. Navy Leap Frogs.

Returning acts include: F-35 Heritage Flight, F-16, A-10, F-22, AV-8B Harrier, U.S. Coast Guard MH-65 Dolphin Helicopter, C-130, AeroShell Aerobatic Tea Aerostars, American Airlines, Bill Stein Airshows, Chicago Fire Department Helicopter Air/Sea Rescue, Firebirds Del Team, Matt Chapman Airshows,

Warbird Heritage Museum P-51 Mustang, Sean D. Tucker and Team Oracle, Susan Dacy in the Super Stearman Model 70, Warbird Heritage Museum Foundation: A-4 Skyhawk Jet Tac Demo - and announcer Herb Hunter.

ABC 7 Chicago is creating "Air and Water Show Week" on Eyewitness News, with special features starting Monday, Aug. 14th, and leading up to coverage on Eyewitness News on Aug. 19th and 20th. Spectators on Lake Michigan and along the lakefront can watch and listen with WBBM Newsradio 780 and 105.9FM and provide live streaming video coverage at WBBM780.com/airshow.

For more information, visit chicagofairandwatershow.us.

Glessner House Schedules Tour



Tours of the Glessner House, 1800 S. Prairie ave., will be held on Saturdays, Aug. 19th; Sept. 16th.; Oct. 21st; Nov. 18th and Dec. 16th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Attendees will see areas not included on public tours including original sketches by architect H.H. Richardson. Pre-paid tickets at \$25 are required.

Computer Classes At M-P Library

The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th st. will offer CyberNavigator classes in August.

An introduction to computer class, mainly for seniors will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 23rd at 4 p.m. Participants will learn how to use the mouse and keyboard.

A Brainfuse class on Wednesday, Aug. 30th at 4 p.m. will provide an introduction to on-line study, homework help, cover letter and resume writing.

For more information

and registration, call (312) 747-6082.

BrightonParkLIFE.com

To complement our weekly edition The Brighton Park-McKinley Park Life has launched a website. On it can be found general information about us, recent and past issues, advertising information and a calendar of free local events. We encourage our readers to check back often for new updates!

Solar Party At Planetarium

On August 21st, a total solar eclipse will be visible in parts of the United States for the first time since 1979. In Chicago, at 11:54 am CST, the Moon will start to block our view of the Sun, covering up to 87 percent of it by 1:19 pm. The last time Chicago was this close to the path of totality (when the Moon blocks the Sun completely) was 92 years ago in 1925! In celebration, the Adler Planetarium is throwing a giant block party to experience this rare celestial event and offering free general admission to all.

From 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eclipse Fest will offer live entertainment, hands-on science for all ages, programming from partners across the city and local food trucks.

Inside the museum, guests will receive free general admission to check out exhibitions, including Chasing Eclipses, which prepares you to experience an eclipse. Guests will receive a live-feed of the total solar eclipse from locations in the path of totality.

Chicago Eclipse Fest

Senior Fest At Millennium Park

The Chicago Department of Family & Support Services will sponsor Senior Fest at Millennium Park on Thursday, Sept. 14th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Chicago residents age 60 and older will enjoy Serendipity Performance, Serendipity Picnic Lunch, Flu Shots/Health Screenings, Senior Resource Fair, Game and Art Area, Dancing, Raffle, Prizes and Bingo.

Passengers should be dropped off at the north entrance on Randolph drive between Michigan ave. and Columbus drive.

Free tickets are available at the Southwest Regional Senior Center, 6117 S. Kedzie, (312) 747-0440 or Garfield Ridge Satellite Center, 5674 S. Archer, (312) 745-4255.

Dean's List At Knox College

High-achieving students were named to the Dean's List at Knox College of Galesburg, IL for the 2017 Spring Term. Honorees must have earned at least 2.5 credits in the term, with a grade point average of 3.6 or better (on a 4.0 scale).

Local scholars are: Marilyn Barnes (60608), Caroline Foulk (60638), Christian Padilla (60632), and Jeremy Barnes (60608).

Jazz Music At Navy Pier

The Jazz Institute of Chicago is presenting live music at Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand ave. on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Featured performers are Greg Arity (drums) on Aug. 23rd and Cole DeGenova (piano) on Aug. 30th.

experience includes: A Mad Science Show live on stage; Entertainment by Jim & the Povolos; Ask an Astronomer!; Eclipse Trivia; Design challenges including solar car races, making solar ovens, and creating pinhole projectors; Solar science demonstrations including UV beads, a sundial station, and sun prints; Fun for our littlest guests including bubbles, sensory activities, and light and shadow activities; Carnival fun including giant Jenga, a jumbo bounce house, gladiator obstacle course, giant parachute, jumbo ladder toss, bean bag toss, and a sandbag game; Collections Corner (inside the museum); Rocket fun; telescope viewing, and a selfie station.

The Adler will also host a viewing station at Daley Plaza. Staff will be on-site to hand out safe solar viewing glasses and answer eclipse-related questions.

Safety Tips For Eclipse

On Monday, Aug. 21st a solar eclipse will be visible across the United States. The last total solar eclipse seen coast to coast in the U.S. was in 1918. Starting shortly before noon and lasting until 2:45 p.m. central time, people in Illinois can see the moon pass in front of the sun. There is a 70-mile wide path across the country called the path of totality, which is when the sun will be completely blocked by the moon. Parts of southern Illinois are in the path of totality and people there will see a total eclipse. Totality in Carbondale and surrounding area will last approximately 2 minutes and 40 seconds. Central and northern Illinois will see varying degrees of the partial eclipse with decreasing magnitude further north. More information about the path of the eclipse and how long it will last can be found at <https://eclipse.aas.org/>.

Looking directly at the sun is unsafe except during the brief phase when the moon entirely eclipses the sun. The only safe way to look directly at the un-eclipsed or partially eclipsed sun is through special-purpose solar filters, such as eclipse glasses or hand-held solar viewers.

"Looking at the sun without eclipse glasses or solar viewers can cause 'eclipse blindness' or retinal burns," said Illinois Department of Public Health Director Nirav D. Shah, M.D., J.D. "Homemade filters or ordinary sunglasses, even very dark ones, are not safe for looking at the sun."

To date, four manufacturers have certified that their eclipse glasses and hand-held solar viewers meet the ISO 12312-2 international standard for such products: Rainbow Symphony, American Paper Optics, Thousand Oaks Optical, and TSE 17.

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Midnight Circus At McKinley Park



Midnight Circus will bring its Little Big Top to McKinley Park, 2210 W. Pershing road on Saturday, Sept. 9th from 12 to 1:30 p.m. For tickets at \$5, visit <http://midnightcircus.net/about/>.

Celebration For Back To School

Chicago Public Schools announced Back-To-School Bashes for students, educators and families to celebrate the school year ahead. Events will feature food, music, games and allow families to learn more about GoCPS, the District's new process to make applying to high school simpler and more equitable.

The network 8 Event will be held at Kelly High School, 4136 S. California on Monday, Aug. 21st from 2 to 5 p.m.

Activities and resources will include: performances from the Jesse White Tumblers; Appearances by local radio personalities; Medical vans offering vaccinations for students; Information on Medicaid and other programs for families.

District representa-

tives from the Office of Access and enrollment will be on hand to distribute materials, answer questions, and help families create GoCPS login accounts using on-site iPads.

For more information visit www.cps.edu/b2s.

Scavenger Hunt At Lincoln Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo will conduct an adult-oriented scavenger hunt on Friday, Aug. 25th from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Teams will solve clues to find fun challenges around the zoo.

The top three teams and those with the best costumes will win prizes. The cost is \$25. For more information, visit lpzoo.org/events.

MWRD Schedules Reservoir Tours

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will host public tours of the first phase of the McCook Reservoir on Sundays: Aug. 27th, Sept. 17th and 24th, Oct. 1st and 15th between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Each tour takes approximately two hours. Participants must wear sturdy footwear, no sandals, high heels, shorts or dresses allowed.

Tours begin at the Mainstream Pumping Station, 6100 River Rd., in Hodgkins, IL. Visitors can view interactive displays and watch videos of TARP construction. Buses will transport visitors for a guided tour of the McCook Reservoir, which is located west of the Stevenson Expressway (I-55) between the Des Plaines River and Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal.

When completed, the reservoir will have a total capacity of 10 billion gallons, beginning with the first phase to be finished this year that will provide 3.5 billion gallons of storage. Phase 2 will be completed in 2029 and provide 6.5 billion gallons of storage. The McCook Reservoir will provide an average of \$143 million per year in flood damage reduction benefits to 3,100,000 people in Chicago and 36 other communities.

TARP is the country's largest public works project for pollution and flood control, covering a 375-

mile area that includes Chicago and 51 suburbs relying on a combined collection system. The 109-mile network of tunnel systems, which capture 2.3 billion gallons of water 150 to 300 feet below ground, was completed in 2006. The Majewski Reservoir was completed in 1998 and the Thornton Reservoir in 2015. When complete, the McCook Reservoir will replace Thornton as the largest reservoir of its kind in the world.

To reserve space on the tour: call (312) 751-6632 or email tours@mwrdr.org.

Jazz Nights At Shedd Aquarium

Shedd Aquarium will conduct its summer Jazz Festival on Wednesdays, through Sept. 13th from 5 to 10 p.m.

Guests will enjoy live Jazz music, cool drinks, and visit with 32,000 animals.

Featured bands on Aug. 23rd are Rio Bamba, Shawn Salmon Duo, PowerPlay FYI and Reginald T. McCants. Tim Binder, executive vice president of animals, and Bill Van Bonn, D.V.M., vice president, animal health will offer the Science Pub lecture. Members of Shedd's Animal Response Team traveled more than 1,000 miles to help rescue and relocated a stranded beluga whale found near New Brunswick, Canada.

Featured bands on Aug. 30th are Detour JazFunk, Bob Davis Trio, Gray Matters and Reginald T. McCants.

Dr. Matt O'Connor, Shedd staff veterinarian will present the Science Pub Lecture. When Shedd's largest fish, Ginsu the green sawfish, needed surgery, Dr. Matt and his team dove into world-class care. From wet suits to underwater biopsies, get a firsthand account of caring for a 14-foot predator.

For more information, visit shedd-aquarium.org.

Evening Events At Brookfield Zoo



Brookfield Zoo will conclude its 4th annual Summer Nights on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 11th and 12th from 4 to 9 p.m. Guests of all ages can enjoy a variety of live music and roaming kids' entertainment, as well as enhanced dining experiences, a beer and wine garden, animal encounters, and a laser light show closing out each evening.

Zoogoers can bring lawn chairs or blankets to the East Mall.

The schedule includes Hi Infidelity rock band on Friday and Dishwalla alternative rock band on Saturday at 7 p.m.

Entertainment for the youngsters will take place each evening at 6 p.m. at the Kids' Stage. Family-friendly acts include music, juggling and acrobatics, magic shows, and puppet and clown performances. Additional entertainers will mingle and engage guests in fun-filled roaming routines.

For those wanting to get up close to animals, animal ambassadors will be making appearances between 5 and 6:30 p.m. Several animal exhibits and other in-park attractions (some require separate admission) will also be open until 8:30 p.m. These include Butterflies!, The Carousel, Clouded Leopard Rain Forest, Dolphin Underwater Viewing, The Fragile Desert, Hamill Family Wild Encounters, Pinned Point, The Swamp, and the summer exhibit, Dinos & Dragons.

Summer Nights is in-

cluded with the purchase of general admission: \$19.85 for adults and \$14.50 for children ages 3 to 11 and seniors 65 and over. Parking is \$12. Guests who arrive after 4 p.m. for Summer Nights will receive \$2 off admission and \$6 off parking. Special value pricing also includes a choice of one free attraction: Butterflies!, The Carousel, Dolphins In Action (6:00 p.m.), Hamill Family Play Zoo (closes at 6:00 p.m.), Hamill Family Wild Encounters, or Dinos & Dragons. Discounted zoo admission tickets may also be purchased at any Chicagoland Meijer store.

For additional information, visit CZS.org/SummerNights or call (708) 688-8000.

Public Safety For Eclipse

Excitement is building for a total solar eclipse that will be visible in a 70-mile-wide path in southern Illinois on Aug. 21st. At least 145,000 people are expected to travel to the totality area in 18 southern Illinois counties to experience the rare celestial event and partake in dozens of eclipse-related events scheduled over a four-day period. Outside the totality area, people as far north as Chicago will be able to witness a partial eclipse.

County and municipal agencies will be the lead within their jurisdictions. To facilitate coordination among response organizations, IEMA will establish a State Unified Area Command in Effingham, where representatives from the state departments of Transportation, Natural Resources, Public Health, Corrections, IEMA, Illinois State Police, Illinois National Guard, fire, law enforcement and emergency management mutual aid organizations and American Red Cross will be staged from Aug. 18-22.

The National Weather Service in Paducah will have personnel in the Marion Area Command to provide regular weather updates for the 18-county area.

For links to more information about eclipse safety and other related information, visit the Ready Illinois website at www.Ready.Illinois.gov.

Anniversary Mass In SSC Chapel

The Sisters of St. Casimir are celebrating the 110th anniversary of their founding with a Mass in the Center Chapel, 2601 W. Marquette road on Saturday, Aug. 26th at 9:30 a.m. and will honor the community's foundress, Venerable Mother Maria Kaupas.

Celebrating the Mass will be the Most Rev. Placido Rodriguez, CMP, Bishop Emeritus of the diocese of Lubbock, Texas. Fellowship and refreshments will follow in the dining room.

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

Film Showing At Hoyne Park

Hoyne Playground Park, 3417 S. Hamilton will present a film showing of "Frozen" on Thursday, Aug. 17th from 8 to 9:42 p.m.

Separated by a childhood accident, a pair of royal sisters with magical powers (voiced by Idina Menzel and Kristen Bell) must mend their relationship to end the eternal winter that grips their kingdom.

DeLaSalle Inst. Becomes Co-Ed

De La Salle Institute will become coeducational for the first time in its 128 years of existence on Monday, Aug. 21st. To celebrate this historic achievement a ceremony will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Parmer Activity Center, 3434 S. Michigan ave.

Enrollment For Early Learning

Mayor Rahm Emanuel launched the enhanced universal preschool application designed to improve access and help families to identify options for early learners. This online site provides a single point of entry to access a menu of over 600 programs for three- and four-year olds available under Chicago Public School Department of Family and Support Services and community based sites. Over 10,000 preschool applications have been submitted for upcoming school year.

Families of children who will be three- of four-years old on Sept. 1st, 2017 can now submit applications online for enrollment in fall 2017 early learning programs.

The online application process allows parents to receive real-time information about program availability in their desired location, eliminating the need to visit multiple sites to apply for preschool. Notifications for placement in programs for the upcoming school year will continue to be accepted on a rolling

basic, prioritizing families based on need.

Families can access support in the application process at Neighborhood Resource Centers located in Chicago Public Library Branches including McKinley Park and West Lawn.

For more information, call (312) 229-1690.

Adult Book Club At A-H Library

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer conducts a lively discussion of adult book club 2017 selections on the 4th Wednesday of each month (except Nov.) from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The schedule includes Aug. 23rd, *Year of the Flood* by Margaret Atwood; Sept. 27th, *Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore* by Robin Sloan; Oct. 25th, *OBOC*; Nov. 29th, *We Have Always Lived in the Castle* by Shirley Jackson and De. 27th, *Room* by Emma Donoghue.

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Obituaries

Awareness Month For Immunization



JAMES ALAN LaVOY, CPD Captain passed away on Aug. 13th at the age of 50. He was the husband of Kimberly (nee Jabczynski); father of Jessica and Alex; son of June & George Wright; brother of late Thomas Simunjak; uncle of Brooke, Emily, Kayla, Danielle, Ashley and Andy; uncle of Landon, MacKenzie and Kai; brother-in-law of Dennis (Julie) Jabczynski. Funeral services will be held Friday 9 a.m. from Blake-Lamb Funeral Home, 4727 W. 103rd st., to Queen of Martyrs Church for 10 a.m. Mass. Visitation will be held Thursday from 3-9 p.m.

The Illinois Department of Public Health is recognizing August as National Immunization Awareness Month as a reminder that vaccines protect against serious and potentially life-threatening diseases. Vaccines give parents the safe, proven power to protect their children from diseases like measles and whooping cough (pertussis).

Many vaccine-preventable diseases are still common in other parts of the world. For example, measles is brought into the U.S. by unvaccinated travelers who are infected while in other countries. When measles gets into communities of unvaccinated people in the U.S. (such as people who refuse vaccines for religious, philosophical, or personal reasons), outbreaks are more likely to occur. Illinois experienced a measles outbreak in 2015 in a daycare in which 12 of the 13 cases were infants too young to be vaccinated.

Vaccines are thoroughly tested before licensing and monitored after they are licensed to ensure they are very safe. The vaccination schedule has been scientifically shown to be safe. Although children continue to get several vaccines up to their second birthday,

these vaccines do not "overload" the immune system. Vaccines contain only a tiny amount of the antigens (the parts of the germs that cause the body's immune system to respond) that your child encounters every day, even if your child receives several vaccines in one day.

When a child develops a disease like whooping cough, chickenpox, or the flu, they may miss several days of school. It could also mean lost money because a parent or caregiver will need to stay home to provide care and make trips to the doctor.

The State of Illinois requires vaccinations to protect children from a variety of diseases before they can enter school. For school entrance, students must show proof of diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, haemophilus influenzae type b, hepatitis b, and varicella, as well as pneumococcal and now meningococcal (depending on age) vaccinations.

Families who need help paying for childhood vaccines should ask their health care professional about the Vaccines for Children program, which provides vaccines at no cost to eligible children. For information, call (312) 746-6050.



"One World: One Family" 16 ft. x. 6 ft 2006

Prospectus Art Gallery, 1210 W. 18th st. will conduct the opening reception for an exhibition by Chicago artist Pablo Serrano on Friday, Sept. 1st from 5 to 10 p.m. The show will continue through Oct. 13th. The son of Mexican immigrants who came to Chicago from Durango Mexico in 1979, his work focuses on his creative potential of art and music to explore citizenship, education and politics. Serrano has worked on diverse community based art collaborations as a high school art teacher, muralist, painter and most recently founder and host of the People's Stage Karaoke. For more information, call (312) 733-6132.

MWRD Offers Compost Sale

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago is offering composted biosolids for sale at HASMA, 7430 W. Portage Trail, in Forest View (approx. one-half mile west of Harlem Avenue and one-half mile north of I-55) and CALSMA, 12600 S. Doty ave. (north of 130th st. - along the frontage road west of the Bishop Ford Expressway).

Composted biosolids are a product of wastewater treatment that improve soil quality by supplying organic matter, improving soil structure and porosity for a better plant root environment, and retaining nutrients longer. They can be used as a soil amendment or conditioner for establishing turf grass, mixing into topsoil blends, or adding to planter beds and pots for establishing flowers and trees. The cost is \$10 per cubic yard, plus tax.

Summer Events At Riverwalk

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events announces summer programming along the Chicago Riverwalk will run through October with a number of activities, including "Dance of the Bridges," Chicago Park District Fishing at the Jetty and parades with puppets.

On the 2nd Tuesday of every month, vendors, restaurants and tour operators will offer additional programming and discounts. Performances and promotions will include the Traveling Music Cruise and a live painting project with local artists.

The Chicago Riverwalk (Lake Shore Drive to Lake Street) is a 1.25-mile promenade and a summertime destination for Chicagoans and visitors alike. Events are free unless otherwise noted. For more information and a schedule of events visit chicagoriverwalk.us.

Beginning at river level and spiraling five stories up, the McCormick Bridgehouse & Chicago River Museum provides

the opportunity to view the massive gears of Chicago's most famous movable bridge.

A free Summer Speaker Series will be conducted on Mondays, through Aug. 28th "lunch and learns" on the Bridgehouse Museum's plaza from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. Each talk concludes with Q&A session. Speakers include Colonel Chris Drew (U.S. Army Corp), Patrick McBriarty (author, PTM Werks Series), Dr. Philip Willink (Shedd Aquarium) and Jennifer Wasik (Metropolitan Water Reclamation District).

For more information, visit www.bridgehouse-museum.org.

Blood Donations Urgently Needed

The American Red Cross urges blood donors to give in the final weeks of summer to help overcome a chronic summer shortage.

To fully meet the needs of hospital patients in the coming days and weeks, donations are urgently needed from new and current donors. Those who donated blood earlier this summer may be eligible to donate again. Blood can be safely donated every 56 days, and Power Red cells can be donated every 112 days.

Those who come out to give blood or platelets with the Red Cross through Aug. 31 will be emailed a \$5 Target eGiftCard.

Appointments can be scheduled by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). To help reduce wait times, donors are encouraged to make appointments and complete the RapidPass online health history questionnaire at redcrossblood.org/RapidPass.

Alzheimer's Assn. Schedules Walk

The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place at Centennial Park in Orland Park on Saturday, Sept. 30th. Participants will complete a 2.11 mile walk and learn about the disease, advocacy opportunities, clinical studies enrollment and support programs.

A tribute ceremony will honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

Prom For Senior Citizens

The Chicago Department of Family & Support Services and Westside Coalition for Seniors will sponsor the 24th Annual Senior Prom at the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, 2233 S. King Drive on Wednesday, Oct. 25th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The cost is \$50. For more information, contact Mary Futrell at (773) 742-4455.

Maker Lab Offers Classes

Chicago's free and publicly accessible maker space, features introductory workshops and open shop for ages 14 & up at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st.

No reservations are required. Enrollment is first come, first served until capacity is reached and begins 15 minutes before the stated start time.

Lawyers Offer Phone Advice

The Chicago Bar Association will conduct its Call-A-Lawyer program on Saturday, Aug. 19th from 9 a.m. to noon.

Residents may call (312) 554-2001 to speak with a volunteer Lawyer Referral Service Attorney for general legal advice and self-help strategies.

MCA Opens Stage Season

The Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, 920 E Chicago ave., will open the Stage season with "The Fever by 600 Highwaymen," a performance that tests the limits of responsibility and invites the audience to become part of the work Sept. 7th to 10th.

The performance begins with writers and directors Abigail Browder and Michael Silverstone taking turns as narrator, describing a party hosted by a woman named Marianne before an audience of 75 people seated on an empty stage. As time passes, the performers call upon volunteers to take part in the story, facilitating simple interactions that evolve the

spectators into participants who influence the direction of the show.

The performance runs 75 minutes with no intermission and takes place at 7:30 pm on Thursday-Sunday, September 7-10, with extra 2 p.m. shows on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are \$30 and are available at (312) 397-4010 or www.meachicago.org.

On Friday, Sept. 8th, the audience can join the artists for a conversation moderated by Ira Murfin, Interdisciplinary PhD in Theater and Drama at Northwestern University, following the performance.

Twilight Safaris At Lincoln Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway, will conduct Twilight Safaris for ages 16 and older on Wednesdays, 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.

Art Festival In Evanston

The City of Evanston Art & Big Fork Festival will be staged at Sherman & Church sts. Aug. 18th to 20th.

On Friday there will be art from 4 to 7 p.m. plus food and live music from 4 to 9 p.m.

Saturday will feature art from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. plus food and live music from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday will offer art from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. plus food and music from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Plan your visit at AmdurProductions.com.

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