



Bridge Building Contest Winners



De La Salle Institute completed its 48th annual Bridge Building Contest in the Honors Geometry class of Mark Jackowiak '88. Berenice Perez '19 created a bridge that withstood a De La Salle student-record 245 pounds. Tying for second place were Raina Villareal '19 and Diana Wolf '19 whose bridges held 230 pounds. Jorge Diaz '19 placed third with 200 pounds. 41 students joined the "100 Club" as their bridges sustained 100 pounds or better. Pictured are: Diana Wolf, Berenice Perez, Mark Jackowiak, Raina Villareal, and Jorge Diaz.

Fear of School Shootings



By Dr. R. Pletsch

The recent shootings in Parkland, FL has given the anti-gun people a platform and the issue is not what is important. The importance is making the children and their parents feel safe. That's the issue. But having families that are suffering grief from the tragedy and you have them yelling and screaming about gun control does not help them feel safe. If all the politicians agreed to ban all guns, it would take years to enforce and millions of others would still be armed.

The time I felt the most responsibility, not just as a parent or teacher, but mostly as a principal were I was legally, ethically and morally responsible for all those working with me and all the students. I felt the burden of this protection, making the young feel relaxed enough to learn. During my 18 years as principal I wanted to express to the parents and students that those in my school were my kids and I would treat them and protect them like my own son and daughter. They knew I was in control and they should follow any drill I called for without hesitation.

Other things were logistical. At De La Cruz we only had five exits and they all emptied out into the same street within 200 feet of each other -- God forbid, it would have been a perfect killing field. We worked hard to change the locked fences and teachers were told to worry about the kids in front of them and I would worry about everything else.

There were the

tragedies in Oregon, Columbine, California, then came 9/11. As we closed our shades to the north and east, because we could see Sears Tower out our windows and I was sure it was going to be the next target. Things settled down a little but we constantly ran active shooter drills. Then the tragedy at Virginia Tech and we had to regroup. The kids seemed to be in need of more counseling and we hired an outside agency to come in.

Years later when I was a principal at St. Paul/Our Lady of Vilna, a simple event helped me realize that the kids' psyche needed the cavalry, not ambulances. There shortly after the tragedy of Sandy Hook, we were told to lock the doors and hide. I visited the Kindergarten class that was following instructions. They had a good location to hide between book shelves, away from the windows and door. I used my key to enter and said loudly, "Good job kids". A little girl stood up and said "We were hiding like teacher told us". Other heads began to bob up. Then one of the kids gave the real question. "If bad guys come and we are going to hide what will you do?" I said "I'd take off my shoe and beat them in the head". The kids cheered and came jumping out and hugged me. That was a simple answer. They wanted someone to stand up for them and do what it takes. So I ask that you talk to your kids, that the schools are doing what they can. Even though Florida is more than 1000 miles away, the kids can be more sensitive than you think. Add that to the fact that our friend from Bridgeport, Commander Bauer, didn't make it home. Many of our kids worry about that. I'm not sure of the political feelings, I personally feel prayer helps.

March Programs At M-P Library

The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th St., has scheduled interesting programs for March.

Chess games will be played on Thursday, March 1st and Wednesday, March 7th at 5 p.m. All ages and skill levels are welcome.

A computer workshop for beginners will be held on Thursday, March 8th at 2:30 p.m. Basics will cover the start-up and operation of the mouse and keyboard. Registration is required at (312) 747-6082.

Games Day for all ages will be conducted on Saturdays, March 3rd and 10th from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Children under age 11 must be accompanied by an adult.

Literacy Center Needs Tutors

Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th st. needs volunteer tutors to instruct limited English proficient adults learners for 90 minutes per week at the center.

All instruction is one-on-one and training is provided. Knowledge of a second language is not required; all instruction is in English.

The next Tutor Training Workshop is: Friday, March 9th from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, March 10th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tutors must attend both days for certification.

For more information, contact Sabrina Poulin, Volunteer Coordinator, at (773) 927-0512 or email Sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org.

Beat Meeting For 911 & 921

9th District CAPS Beats 911 and 912 will meet at David School Annex, Pershing and Albany on Wednesday, March 7th at 7 p.m.

Beat 911 is roughly bounded by Western ave., Central Park ave., Stevenson Expressway and Pershing rd.

Beat 921 is bounded by Western ave., Kedzie ave., Pershing rd. and 43rd st.

Residents are urged to attend and express their concerns.

Completes Basic



A/M Z. T. PALUCH

U.S. Air Force Airman Zachary T. Paluch graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The intensive, eight-week program included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

The son of Claudia M. and Gregory A. Paluch, he is a 2016 graduate of Kennedy High School.

Deadline For LSC Filing

Elections for Local School Council at elementary schools will be held April 18th and for high schools on April 19th from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The filing deadline is March 2nd at 3 p.m. No prior experience or formal education is required. All you need is a passion for local schools and a desire to see them continue to improve.

The primary responsibilities include approving how school funds and resources are allocated, approving and monitoring the implementation of the annual school improvement plan, and hiring and evaluating the school's contract principal.

LSCs consist of: six parents of children at the school, two community representatives, two teachers, one non-teacher school employee, one high school student (for high schools only) and the school principal (an automatic member).

For more information, visit cps.edu/lscselections.

Dean's List At Lewis University

Lewis University of Romeoville has announced the Dean's List for the 2017 Fall Semester.

Honorees must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of credit with a grade point average of 3.5 out of a possible 4.0 and with no "D" or "F" grades.

Chicago scholars and their majors are: Adrian Aguinaga; Paola G. Avalos, Psychology BA; Elias M. Ballesteros, Middle Level Education BA; Bradford Bingham, Theatre BA; Jenna C. Cairo, Biology BS; Robert Cao, Athletic Training BA; Matthew P. Carroll, Mathematics BS; Alicia Garbacz, Business Administration BS; Daniela Gonzalez, Info Security Risk Mgmt BS; Benjamin P. Graca, Air Traffic Control Mgmt BS; Natalie

M. Grillo, Business Administration BS; Charlie X. Grimm, Aviation Flight Mgmt BS; Christopher M. Grosskopf, Computer Science BS; Sylvia Kupiec, Psychology BA; Christopher Ludes, Computer Science BS; Alyssa M. Marfoe, Biology BS; Rabah Merzoug, Aviation Administration BS; Genna M. Mirabile, Criminal Justice BA; Denisse Murillo, Social Work BA; Natalie M. Palm, Secondary Education BA; Daniel Palucki, Psychology BA; Isabel Rodriguez; Dina M. Soto, Criminal Justice BA; Jacob Stypa, Aviation Maintenance Mgmt BS; Robert M. Thomsen, Radio-TV Broadcasting BA; Violetta Wnek, Nursing BSN; and Monica L. Wojcik, Early Childhood Special Edu BA.

Kelly High School Educator of Year

Instructor Jack Mei has been selected the Kelly High School recipient of the Educator of the Year Award by the McKinley Park Civic Association. He will receive the award during the association's 47th Annual Banquet at Polonia Banquets, 4604 S. Archer on March 4th.



S. MEI

A native of Guangdong, China, he arrived in the United States in 1990.

"I began working at Kelly High School in 1994 as a teaching assistant," Mei says. "I was encouraged by Mrs. Shirley Carter, an Assistant Principal to finish the classes I needed to complete my certification."

Mei went to Chicago State part time and finished his certification in 1996.

He teaches bilingual Algebra 1 and 2, AP/IB World Language Chinese, and previously taught Biology and Geometry. Since 1999, he has helped over 300 students complete IB diplomas or certificates in Chinese Language and Culture.

A valuable link to Chicago's Chinese community, he served as president of the Moy Association and coordinated efforts between the Kelly High School Band and Chinese New Year Parade. Mei has also served as a chaperone for groups of Chicago area students traveling to Shanghai and Hangzhou for summer Chinese language immersion programs.

Penny Social At Rhine Post VFW

The Auxiliary to Rhine Post VFW 2729 will sponsor their annual Penny Social at the Post Hall, 5858 S. Archer on Sunday, March 4th at 11 a.m.

Attendees will enjoy nickel, dime and quarter tables full of unusual items and a raffle. Proceeds benefit many veteran programs here and abroad. Parking is available on west end of lot across Archer ave.

Edwards Honored

Katrina-Jade Edwards of 60632 was named to the Fall 2017 President's List at Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia. Honorees must earn a 4.0 GPA for the semester and complete at least nine semester hours of academic credit with no incompletes.

CAPS Beat 821 Plans Meeting

8th District CAPS Beat 821 will meet at St. Bruno Hall, 4839 S. Harding on Wednesday, March 7th at 7 p.m.

Residents are urged to meet with beat officers and express their concerns.

DeLaSalle Students At Model U.N.



De La Salle Institute announces that 21 students recently attended the University of Chicago's Model United Nations Conference XXX in downtown Chicago including Carlson Ayanlaja; Omar Charles; Ivy Delgado; Michael Forberg; Leslie Garfias; Octavio Jimenez; Jessica Kissi; Benjamin Loza; Kiara Luna; Miriam Madriz; Denise Maldonado; Max Masquelier; Adrian Nuno; Brycen Pitre; Diego Rocha; Nicholas Shebish; Mateo Stranis; Radovan Tomovic; Jonathan Valenzuela; Breana Wayne and Christopher Williams. The Meteors, who represented the country of Bangladesh at the conference, were guided by faculty members Danny McGuire and Jean Rebarchak. De La Salle's program is an authentic simulation of the United Nations General Assembly, UN Security Council or other multilateral body that introduces students to the world of diplomacy, negotiation and decision making. Students become ambassadors of member countries to debate current issues, draft resolutions, plot strategy, negotiate with supporters and adversaries, resolve conflicts and navigate the UN's rules of procedure.

Robotics Team At Kelly High



Kelly High School has established a 15 student robotics team that meets on Mondays and Tuesdays after school to build VEX robots from kits. Scrimmages and competitions will be held on Saturdays against other local Chicago Public High schools. The team is sponsored by Northeastern University's Pathways University Bound program. The coach, Hugo Cruz, states "Robotics opens up educational paths to students interested in design, engineering, and other STEM fields." Pictured are Patricia Vazquez, Emilio Balderas and David Balderas.

Free Training For Trades

National Latino Education Institute, 2011 W. Pershing road provides free STEM training for trades.

Participants will receive Skills Training, CDL Training and Field Experience with companies in range of industries, including Transportation, Construction and Energy Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. or 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Requirements: 18 years old, high school diploma/GED, valid driver's license, must be laid-off, or collection unemployment to qualify.

For more information call (773) 247-0707, ext. 218.

CAPS Beat 912 Plans Meeting

9th District CAPS Beat 912 will meet at St. Maurice Church Hall, 3625 S. Hoyne on Wednesday, March 14th at 7 p.m.

The area is roughly bounded by 31st st., Pershing road, Western ave. and the south branch of the Chicago River (Bubbly Creek).

Problem and crime conditions will be discussed.

Marks 50 Years of Public Service



ALD. E. BURKE

The City Club of Chicago will honor 14th Ward Alderman Edward M. Burke, dean of the City Council for 50 years of public services on Wednesday, March 7th.

An expert on city budget matters, he is

chairman of the Committee on Finance. The City Club is a non-partisan organization whose members include prominent business civic and government leaders.

Feast Day Dinner At Rhine VFW

Rhine VFW Post 2729 at 5858 S. Archer will celebrate St. Joseph and St. Patrick Feast Day dinner on Saturday, March 10th from 6 to 9 pm.. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased in the canteen on Monday and Thursday after 7 p.m.

Menu includes corn beef and cabbage, polish sausage with kraut, potatoes, coffee and cake, soda and beer. Parking is available on west end of lot across Archer ave.

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Initial Report Of Property Tax Study

Initial findings of the Civic Consulting Alliance analysis of the Cook County residential property tax system were released which reflect the first two phases of a five-phase project.

In July 2017, President Toni Preck-winkle and Assessor Joseph Berrios asked the non-partisan non-profit consulting firm, to conduct an independent, pro bono evaluation of the property tax assessment system with a focus on residential properties.

The goal of the evaluation was not only to assess, but to work alongside the employees in the Assessor's office and Board of Review to understand the details of the entire process from data gathering through appeals to the Board of Review.

Phase 1: Scoping (completed): Defining the goals and associated measures of the assessment process, including industry standard target ranges that indicate whether the process is meeting these goals.

Phase 2: Diagnostic (completed): Analyze the outcome produced by the current end-to-end process for one triennial assessment cycle over the three-year period 2014-2016.

Phase 3: Solutions developed (now under way): For each area with improvement potential, develop a tactical solution through cross-functional teams with external expertise and staff to the Assessor's Office and the Board of Review.

Phase 4: Planning: De-

velop an implementation plan for all changes by sequencing initiative appropriately, ensuring adequate resources and development oversight, and public reporting structures to ensure progress.

Phase 5: Implementation: Implement initiative and monitor outcomes, likely over multiple years.

The residential assessment system is more variable and more regressive than agreed-upon industry standards. The system appears to be in compliance with the requirements that residential assessments are at 10% of market value. Bringing the system into compliance with industry standards will require fundamental changes in modeling, review process, data collection and a shift away from reliance on appeals.

Training Academy To Honor Bauer

Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced the upcoming Joint Public Safety Training Academy will be named in honor of Chicago Police Commander Paul Bauer, who was killed in the line of duty.

The new campus will be located in West Garfield Park and will include indoor and outdoor training spaces that extend the current training capabilities of the Police and Fire Departments as well as offer more joint-training opportunities.

DeLaSalle Names 2018 College Football Signees



De La Salle Institute announces that six student-athletes from the Class of 2018 have made their choices as to where they will continue their educations while playing college football next fall. Honored at a ceremony in Hilton Commons were Joseph Bonds (Northern Illinois University); Nick Boehm (University of Wisconsin-Whitewater); Michael Coates (University of Wisconsin-Whitewater); Jeremy Inniss (Elmhurst College); Byron Perkins (Purdue University) and Jameel Stephens (Benedictine University).

MPCA Schedules Awards Dinner

The McKinley Park Civic Association will host its 47th annual awards dinner at Polonia Banquets, 4604 S. Archer on Sunday, March 4th.

The Outstanding Educators are: Brother John Scherer of Aquinas Literacy Center, Maribel Herer of Burroughs School, Diane Brown of De La Salle Institute, Monica Guerrero-Diaz of Evergreen Academy Middle School, Cynthia Hengst of N. Greene School, Kacey Skrbec of Horizon

McKinley, Jack Mei of Kelly High School, Lilia Esposito of Montessori and Pastor Adam Gaweł of St. Andrew Lutheran. Educators have been honored yearly since 1993.

Receiving the William H.G. Toms Community Service Award is State Rep. Theresa Mah. This award has been given since 1973.

Those interested in tickets can contact Sue Pletsch, MPCA treasurer at (773) 847-0261.

Tickets are \$28 per adult and \$17 per child. Ads, including congratulations, are available.

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.

For more information visit chipublib.org/makerlab.

Children's Program At A-H Library

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer, will observe African American History Month with the program "Walk Together Children" on Monday, Feb. 26th at 6 p.m. Storyteller Oba King will present songs, music, African drums and fun. Registration is not required.

Opening Reception For Art Exhibit



"Ching-Ching" by Mark Nelson.

Prospectus Art Gallery, 1210 W. 18th st., will conduct the opening reception for an exhibit by artist Mark Nelson on Friday, March 9th from 5 to 10 p.m.

A native of the Republic of Panama, he arrived here in 1984 to attend the School of the Art Insti-

tute of Chicago. His collection of paintings and prints features the subject of music. For more information, call (312) 733-6132.

Registration For B-K Baseball

Brighton Kelly Baseball will accept registration for the 2018 season at the Gage Park Field House, 2415 W. 55th st. on Saturday, Feb. 24th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Kelly High School, 42nd and California, Door #5 on Saturday, Feb. 24th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

At least one parent or legal guardian must be present with three proofs of residence and a copy of the child's birth certificate.

Fees will cover 12+ games, complete uniform, trophies and more. For more information, contact Yesenia Conde at (872) 235-3541 or Pedro Momohara at (773) 814-3191.

Register at Reboot ChicagoLaunch.Eventbrite.com

National Day Of Unplugging

Reboot will conduct their 9th annual National Day of Unplugging from sundown on Friday, March 9th, through sundown Saturday, March 10th. To demonstrate the positive impact a digital power-down can have.

The Chicago Launch Party will be staged at the Catalyst Ranch, 656 W. Randolph st. on Saturday, Feb. 24th at 8 p.m. Features are food, refreshments, music, massage chair, tarot card readings, photobooth and workshops. The cost is \$10 through Feb. 23rd or \$15 at the door.

Register at Reboot ChicagoLaunch.Eventbrite.com

Game Days At M-P Library

The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th st., has scheduled a Game Day on Saturdays, Feb. 24th from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. for all ages. Children under age 11 must be accompanied by an adult.

CAPS Beat 922 Plans Meeting

9th District Beat 922 will meet at Shields Middle School, 2611 W. 48th st. on Tuesday, Feb. 27th at 6 p.m.

The area is bounded by 43rd st., 49th st., Kedzie ave. and Western ave.

Residents will meet with beat officers to discuss problems.

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Registration For Polar Plunge

Registration for the 18th annual Chicago Polar Plunge is now open, offering cold weather champions the opportunity to brave the icy waters of Lake Michigan on Sunday, March 4th to benefit the Special Olympics Chicago program.

In the last several years, the Chicago Polar Plunge has attracted national attention with the participation of city of Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, "The Tonight Show" host Jimmy Fallon, actors Vince Vaughn and Dax Shepard, musician and artist Lady Gaga, the casts of Chicago Fire, Chicago PD, and Chicago Med, and The TODAY Show personalities Al Roker, Tamron Hall and Dylan Dreyer.

Registration is available by visiting www.chicagopolarplunge.org. Plungers will have the opportunity to create their own fundraising page to jump-start their efforts. Registrants are asked to raise a minimum of \$200. Prizes will be awarded to the top

three individual fundraisers; best three individual costumes; best team costumes; and largest team.

Participants will receive free parking at Lincoln Park Zoo, or a free bus for groups of 20 or more; a souvenir t-shirt; warm towel when exiting the water; free photo downloads; and complimentary food at the "Melt Down Party."

The Special Olympics Chicago program has over 7500 athletes who compete and train in 22 sports for 122 Chicago Public Schools and in 23 parks through the Park District.

This summer, Chicago will be the epicenter of a nearly week-long celebration from July 17th-21st, in honor of the organization's 50th anniversary. Activities include the first-ever unified cup tournament, a star-studded concert, and dedication of a Special Olympics Eternal Flame at Soldier Field.

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Free Entry At Science Museum

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Free Museum entry is available on Feb. 22nd, 26th to 27th. Discover how the capture of the only German sub during World War II was kept a secret inside the U-505 Submarine exhibit; experience 1.5-million volts of lightning strike above your head in Science Storms; shake off the winter doldrums by learning why laughter can be contagious in YOU! The Experience; and see the amazing patterns that surrounds us every day in Numbers in Nature: A Mirror Maze.

Must be an Illinois resident, with proof of address, to receive free Museum Entry. Giant Dome Theater films, U-505 Submarine on-board tour. Future Entry Chicago, Coal Mine, Brick by Brick, Robot Revolution and special tours are not included in Museum Entry. They require additional, timed-entry tickets.

Application For Namaste School

Namaste Charter School, 3737 S. Paulina, is accepting applications for students in kindergarten through 8th grade for the 2018-19 school year until 4 p.m. on March 2nd. A lottery drawing of applicants will be held on Tuesday, March 27th. The school day operates Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Curriculum features literacy, math, science, social studies, physical education, breakfast and lunch menus, morning and afternoon recess.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOOD LENDING SERVICES, INC. Plaintiff, vs. HARRY R. HEDGE, BEVERLY HEDGE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CITY OF CHICAGO, AN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CORPORATION Defendants 17 CH 1578 6021 SOUTH NATCHEZ AVENUE Chicago, IL 60638 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 21, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 22, 2018, at the Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate subject to the following Common Known as 6021 SOUTH NATCHEZ AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60638 Property Index No. 19-18-412-019-0000. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$127,332.73. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid payable to the purchaser to be held in escrow. No third party checks will be accepted. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. Where a sale of real estate is made to satisfy a lien prior to that of the United States, the United States shall have one year from the date of sale within which to redeem, except that with respect to a lien arising under the Internal Revenue laws the period shall be 120 days or the period allowable for redemption under State law, whichever is longer, and in any case in which, under the provisions of section 505 of the Housing Act of 1950, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701k), and subsection (d) of section 3720 of the Internal Revenue Code, the right to redeem does not arise, there shall be no right of redemption.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEIGHBORHOOD LENDING SERVICES, INC., A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE TOWNHOMES OF GARFIELD RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, AN ILLINOIS NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; Defendants. 15 CH 3050 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercountry Judicial Sales Corporation will on Monday, March 26, 2018 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 14-036209 F2 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 13077115

Parents looking for a fun and engaging activity for their 6 to 12 year old children are invited to register for Brookfield Zoo's Spring Zoo Camp March 26th to 30th and April 2nd to 6th from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The flexible schedule allows parents to register their kids for just one day or multiple days. The cost is \$75 per day.

In addition to arts and crafts activities, and traditional camp games and songs, the sessions will feature animal adventures. Campers will have the opportunity to visit the animals habitats, including attending a Dolphins in Action, up-close experiences with animals at Hamill Family Encounters and Hamill Family Play Zoo, as well as taking a spin on The Carousel.

For more information and to register, visit VZS.org/camp.

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE OF CTV II MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST II Plaintiff, vs. EPIGEMINO ESPINOZA-ESPINOZA, VERONICA PENA MARTINEZ, CITY OF CHICAGO Defendants 2017 CH 11801 4947 S ARTESIAN CHICAGO, IL 60632 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 21, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on April 5, 2018, at the Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 4947 S ARTESIAN, CHICAGO, IL 60632 Property Index No. 19-12-216-012-0000. The real estate is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to the Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION WELLS FARGO BANK NA, Plaintiff, vs. NOE CASTANEDA; ALEJANDRA CASTANEDA; Defendants. 17 CH 11466 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercountry Judicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski, LLC, One East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 14-036209 F2 INTERCOUNTRY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 13077118

Spring Camp At Brookfield Zoo

Parents looking for a fun and engaging activity for their 6 to 12 year old children are invited to register for Brookfield Zoo's Spring Zoo Camp March 26th to 30th and April 2nd to 6th from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The flexible schedule allows parents to register their kids for just one day or multiple days. The cost is \$75 per day.

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Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF THE CWABS INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-17 Plaintiff, vs. AGUSTIN M. RAMOS AKA/AGUSTIN RAMOS AKA/AGUSTINE M. RAMOS, REMIGIO REYES, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. Defendants 16 CH 16020 5149 S. KOSTNER AVE Chicago, IL 60632 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 7, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 20, 2018, at the Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 5149 S. KOSTNER AVE, Chicago, IL 60632 Property Index No. 19-10-400-018-0000. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$252,955.41. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to the Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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Programming At Theater on Lake

The Chicago Park District announced the first ever series of events and dates for arts and cultural programming at the newly renovated Theater on the Lake, 2401 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago.

Renovations to the performance space included a new permanent stage with professional lighting and sound systems, an enclosed lobby and box office and dressing rooms.

The venue includes private event space, a restaurant with a commercial kitchen and a full bar, outdoor seating and indoor restrooms. The south end of the lakefront terrace will accommodate al fresco dining and private event.

Holiday Events At City Parks

The Chicago Park District will host numerous holiday events this winter in parks citywide. Kid-friendly indoor and outdoor activities will be available for everyone in the family to enjoy. For the schedule of events call (312) 742-PLAY or visit chicagoparkdistrict.com.

Ice Skating will be offered through March, weather dependent.

Northerly Island, 1521 S. Linn White Dr., (312) 742-2910 will stage Polar Adventure Day on Feb. 24th from 12 to 4 p.m. Visitors will have the opportunity to meet with live animals, engage in winter activities, create nature-inspired crafts and more. Dress warm as events take place outdoors and inside the visitor center.

For more information and to register, visit VZS.org/camp.

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION ARVEST CENTRAL MORTGAGE COMPANY Plaintiff, vs. WENDY M BURTON, THOMAS J BURTON, JR., PRINCIPAL SERVICES TRUST COMPANY S/II TO THE CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY Defendants 16 CH 4245 7004 WEST 75TH STREET Chicago, IL 60638 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 1, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 19, 2018, at the Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 5908 W. 63RD PLACE, CHICAGO, IL 60638 Property Index No. 19-20-200-041-0000. The real estate is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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“Animal Secrets” At Children’s Museum



Kohl Children's Museum, 2100 Patriot Boulevard, Glenview announces the return of the popular exhibit "Animal Secrets," March 20th through Aug. 26th. Families will explore the hidden habitats and secret lives of forest animals.

Using imaginative role-play and hands-on activities, children will discover nature from an animal's point of view in naturalistic environments, including a meadow, woodland, cave and naturalists' tent.

The program is designed for children ages birth to 8, preschool to third grade school groups, and has English and Spanish-language text panels.

Visitors can explore a woodland clearing, crawl through a tree's roots, play in a chipmunk's den, investigate a raccoon's log and curl up in an eagle's nest. Illustrated murals, including images of wildflowers, blue heron, butterflies and a rabbit, transport visitors to a grassy meadow. Visitors can follow four winding sets of animal tracks and listen to specific animal sounds to locate the animals. Visitors can create their own butterfly wing patterns using multicolored mosaic tiles.

Children can explore the secret world of a

Real Estate For Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC Plaintiff, vs. WENDY M BURTON, THOMAS J BURTON, JR., PRINCIPAL SERVICES TRUST COMPANY S/II TO THE CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY Defendants 16 CH 4245 7004 WEST 75TH STREET Chicago, IL 60638 NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 1, 2017, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on March 14, 2018, at the Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 7004 WEST 75TH STREET, Chicago, IL 60638 Property Index No. 19-30-115-036-0000. The real estate is improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds/wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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Free Basic Admission To Field Museum



For the third year in a row, The Field Museum, 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, will be free for Illinois residents during the entire month of February from 9am to 5pm. Free Days are about an 80-dollar savings for a family of four, making them the perfect opportunity to take advantage of many adventures—from exploring the pyramids of ancient Egypt to witnessing the history of life on earth, and plenty of dinosaurs.

Visitors can witness the action happening in Stanley Field Hall as the skeletal celebrity SUE, is moved piece by piece. Visitors can take and share their selfies by using the #SUEontheMove hashtag for a chance to be featured on the Museum's social handles. SUE will make her debut during the spring of 2019 in the Field's permanent exhibition, Evolving Planet.

Visitors that wish to upgrade to an All-Access Pass, which includes access to Ancient Mediterranean Cultures in Contact, Cyrus Tang Hall of China, Underground Adventure, and a 3D movie, can do so at an additional cost.

Brookfield Zoo’s Calendar of Events

Winter Wine and Whiskey Fest – Saturday, Feb. 24th from 4 to 8 p.m. Enjoy sampling from more than 50 seasonal wines and whiskeys complemented with hors d'oeuvres. Chicago cover band Enough Said will provide entertainment.

Brookfield Zoo Goes Blue for Autism Awareness – Saturday, April 7th. To commemorate the day, the iconic lion statues will be clothed in blue scarves, and blue flags will decorate the grounds.

Breakfast with the Bunny – Saturdays and Sunday, March 24th, 25th, and 31st. An all-you-can-eat buffet, in the Discovery Center, will feature Mr. and Mrs. Bunny, who will be available for photo opportunities. There will be live musical entertainment.

Seating is offered at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Pricing, which includes zoo admission and parking, is \$29.95 for adults and \$21.95 for children ages 3 to 11. Children 2 and under eat for free. Reservations are required.

Easter Sunday Brunch – Sunday, April 1st. The all-you-can-eat brunch features a wide variety of items, including omelets, carving stations with accompaniments, seafood, a sweets table, and more. Mr. and Mrs. Bunny will be on hand for photo opportunities.

Admission is \$21.95 for adults and \$15.95 for children ages 3-11 and seniors 65 and older. Children 2 and under are admitted free. Admission to the zoo is free on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays in February.

Parking is \$14 for cars and \$20 for buses. (A Cook County parking tax is included). For more details on admission packages, pricing, or to pre-purchase tickets or memberships, go to CZS.org or call (708) 688-8355.

Engineering Fest For Ages 5-12

The Chicago Architecture Foundation, 224 S. Michigan ave. will celebrate National Engineers Week on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24th & 25th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Ages 5 to 12 may meet with design professionals and discover the structures inside skyscrapers that keep them tall and strong. A skyscraper-themed photo booth will provide fun props to share with friends on social media.

An interactive self-guided tour features Chicago's iconic skyscrapers. Participants may build and measure their own super-tall skyscraper to take home or add to collaborative city.

A mini-tour outside will explain how to "read" a building. CAF is accessible from the Orange Line, get off at Adams and Wabash and walk to Michigan ave. There are many parking garages within 1-2 blocks, including Millennium Park Garage South.

For more information, visit architecture.org/efest.

Books and Crafts For Ages 6-10

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer will conduct a program of books and crafts for ages 6-10 on Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. through March 1st.

Participants will read with a tutor to improve reading skills and make a fun craft to take home. For more information, call (312) 747-9241.

Smith Honored

Cecily Smith has been named to the Grinnell "College Dean's List for the fall semester of 2017. Honorees must have a grade point average of 3.75 or above.

Chinese Students Complete Intern Program At City Hall



14th Ward Alderman Edward M. Burke former U.S. Senator Adlai Stevenson III, Chief Procurement Officer Jaime L. Rhee and Budget Director Samantha Fields recently congratulated students visiting from China on the completion of their internships at City Hall. Professor James Xue, Executive Vice President of the Midwest U.S.-China Association (upper row-far right) organizes the program which immerses foreign-born interns in American life and exposes them to the workings of municipal government. The students worked in various assignments under the guidance of the Committee on Finance, City Clerk's Office, Department of Procurement Services, Treasurer's Office and Office of Budget and Management. "For nearly all of these visiting scholars, this program marked not only their first trip to America, but their first chance to see Democracy in action," Burke noted. "I trust you will carry the memory in your hearts and be an ambassador of goodwill for our City as you return to your homes."

Birds of Paradise At Nature Museum

National Geographic's *Birds of Paradise* exhibition is open at Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon, through June 17th.

Featuring the extravagant plumage, courtship dances and bizarre behaviors of the birds, the exhibition features the research of National Geographic photographer Tim Laman and Cornell Lab of Ornithology scientist

Edwin Scholes.

Everyday 11:30 to 12 p.m. Live Bird Showcase: Meet one of our feathery guests in *The Bird House* and speak with biologists about the adaptations of birds all over the world, including local species you can see right here in Chicago. Cost is free with admission.

The Nature Museum will also be showcasing Serama Chickens and Bobwhite Quails - through March 19th and Blue-headed Macaw and Ivory-billed Aracari - March 21st to June 18th. For more information, visit naturemuseum.org or call (773) 755-5100.

Wright Honored

Minnesota State University has named Zoe Wright to the Honor's List for the fall semester. The freshman is majoring in Biology.

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May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. C.M.

Applications For After School Matters

After School Matters® is accepting teen applications for its Spring 2018 program session. More than 400 programs in the arts, communications and leadership, sports and STEM will be offered at nearly 150 Chicago public high schools, as well as Chicago Park District, Chicago Public Library and community organization locations throughout the city. Programs will continue to be offered downtown at Gallery 37 Center for the Arts. Teens can search and apply for spring programs online at afterschoolmatters.org.

More than 7,000 paid apprenticeship and internship opportunities will be available with stipends of up to \$425 (depending on the program level), and interns can earn up to \$10.50 per hour.

The programs offer teens an opportunity to develop their current skills while incorporating 21st Century skills like collaboration, problem solving, social awareness and more.

A few of the exciting programs offered include: Kelyvn Park Bikes - Sports. Location: Kelyvn Park High School, Hermosa. This program offers teens the opportunity to explore the biking industry. Teens will develop hands-on mechanic skills, organize community events and participate in weekly field trips. Upon successful completion of the program, teens are eligible for summer employment with the Chicago Park District and West Town Bikes.

Museum 44 - STEM. Location: National A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum, Pullman. Using pop culture, various media and professional mentors, teens will produce a television show in this program. Teens will learn about music production, film production, marketing, promotions and media from industry professionals while working on a film that can improve their communities.

Teatro Americano - Arts. Location: OPEN Center for the Arts, South Lawndale. In this program, teens explore different aspects of theater production and performance including acting, movement, voice, improvisation, writing, marketing, costuming, and stage management. At the conclusion of the program,

teens present a full-length play in a professional theater setting.

Teen Arts Council - Arts. Location: University of Chicago Arts Incubator, Washington Park. The Teen Arts Council collaborates with the University of Chicago Arts + Public Life initiative to develop skills in arts administration, community engagement and event planning, while providing opportunities for other teens to engage with the arts. The Council members work with university staff and local partners to develop projects and public events for various audiences.

Territory Urban Design Team - Communications & Leadership. Location: Roosevelt High School, Albany Park. In this program, teens will work in art, architecture, urban planning, entrepreneurship, community organizing and public health. Teens will have the opportunity to research, design and implement ideas to activate public spaces.

Urban Hardball and Softball - Sports. Location: Columbus Park, Austin. Teens in this program will train to become umpires and coaches by learning the rules of baseball and softball and developing their leadership and communication skills. Teens are able to practice what they learn with little league programs.

Windy City Harvest Youth Farm - STEM. Location: Neighborhood Housing Services, North Lawndale. In the Windy City Harvest Youth Farm North Lawndale program, teens learn what it takes to grow healthy food in the urban environment. Participants grow, harvest, sell and cook more than 40 varieties of fruits and vegetables and showcase their work at a community farmer's market.

Teens can search and apply for Spring 2018 programs at afterschoolmatters.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. Application features include an interactive map to help teens search for programs and a full Spanish translation on a mobile-friendly platform. For questions about programs and applications, call 312-742-4182 or email applications@afterschoolmatters.org.

Obituaries



WALTER CYGAN, of Justice, formerly of Brighton Park, passed away on Feb. 18th at the age of 89. He was the husband of late Teresa (nee Bartnik); father of Joanne (Thomas) Kozak; grandfather of Kristine (fiancé Peter Gresk) & Paul Kozak; brother of Janina Buch & Zuzanna Zbaraza; uncle and great uncle of the Gwozdz, Igras, Duzdzik, Lizon, Cygan and Dudlo Families.

Mr. Cygan was an active member of the Polish National Alliance, Lodge 825, Council 55, PNA Youth Camp, Polish American Congress, P.R.C.U.A., Polish-American Veterans, Starszych Obywateli Jana Pawla Drugiego and a 50 plus year parishioner of St. Pancratius Church.

Visitation will be held Thursday, Feb. 22nd from 4-9 p.m. and Friday, Feb. 23rd from 3-9 p.m. at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Ltd., 8999 S. Archer ave., Willow Springs. Funeral services will be held Saturday, Feb. 24th at 9:30

a.m. to Our Lady, Mother of the Church for 10:30 a.m. Mass. Entombment will be at Resurrection Garden Mausoleum.



MARIA BUKOWSKA (nee Szczechowicz), of Fountain Hills, AZ and formerly of Archer Heights passed away at the age of 102. She was the wife of late Maciej Bukowski; mother of Jozef (Maria) Bukowski and Anna Bukowska; grandmother of Maria (Stanley) Zolnierczyk, Czeslawa (Jan) Mietus and Janina (Krzysztof) Staszal; great grandmother of Tomasz (Zuzanna) Staszal, Renee (Joe) Keen, Dariusz and Joanna Zolnierczyk and Jacqueline Mietus. Funeral services were held Feb. 21st from Zarzycki Manor Chapels, 5088 S. Archer Ave. to St. Richard Church. Interment was at Resurrection Cemetery.

Easter Egg Hunt At Lincoln Park Zoo



Lincoln Park Zoo will celebrate Easter Egg-Stravaganza on Saturday, March 31st from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with a breakfast menu, photos with the Easter bunny, egg hunts for different age groups, free rides on the AT&T Endangered Species Carousel and Lionel Train Adventure, music and crafts.

Admission is \$25 for ages 13 and older and \$35 for children ages 1-12. Ages 12 months and under are free.

The Easter bunny will remain on zoo grounds for photos from 1-4 p.m. Photo packages will be available for purchase.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit lpzoo.org/easter.

Recruitment For Police Department

Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Chicago Police Department Superintendent Eddie Johnson announced that 83 officers have been deployed to their district assignments, as part of the plan to grow the Department by 970 police officers. New officers will be deployed to districts each month into 2019.

After successfully completing their training at the Academy, they have now completed their initial field training and are being sent to their first district detail. The new officers will benefit from the new in-service training requirement, which begins with 16-hours of mandatory training and will necessitate that all members take 40 hours of continuing education annually by 2021. These officers also benefited from a new cultural awareness course taught at the DuSable Museum of African American History, and new deescalation, crisis intervention and procedural justice modules.

The City is now accepting applications for the next Police Entry Exam. The ongoing "Be the Change" recruitment campaign which reflects the belief that this new

generation of police officers will lay the groundwork for more diverse department and be future leaders who define how police support, protect and work together with communities.

Candidates can register online to take the Police Entry Exam on May 5th at McCormick Place. Registration is open through Feb. 28th.

To learn more and apply, visit www.chicago.police.org/bethechange.



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