



A Peaceful Election



By Dr. R. Pletsch

Last week "we the people" made another historic decision. They gave their overwhelming support to Donald Trump as the 47th President of the United States.

We decided whether to vote as we had four years ago or you decided to change. Regardless of who you voted for, you had a chance to influence life in our country for yourself, children and neighbors.

Forest Preserves Offer Event Permits



The Forest Preserves' nearly 300 picnic groves, including more than 40 accessible shelters, are popular locations for outdoor events.

Beverly Arts Center Schedules Shows

Beverly Arts Center, 2407 W. 111th st. has scheduled on Fridays, Nov. 15th & 22nd from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Trumpeter and composer Orbert Davis will perform a Miles Davis Tribute Concert on Saturday, Nov. 23rd from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

essence of Miles Davis' sound while offering dynamic takes on his classic works.

From Dec. 5th-8th, the own Youth Theatre Company will presents "Elf the Musical Jr."

Laugh your way into 2025, with Mike Toomey's New Year's Eve Comedy Show! on Tuesday, Dec. 31st at 6 pm.

Visit beverlyartscenter.com or call (773) 445-3838.

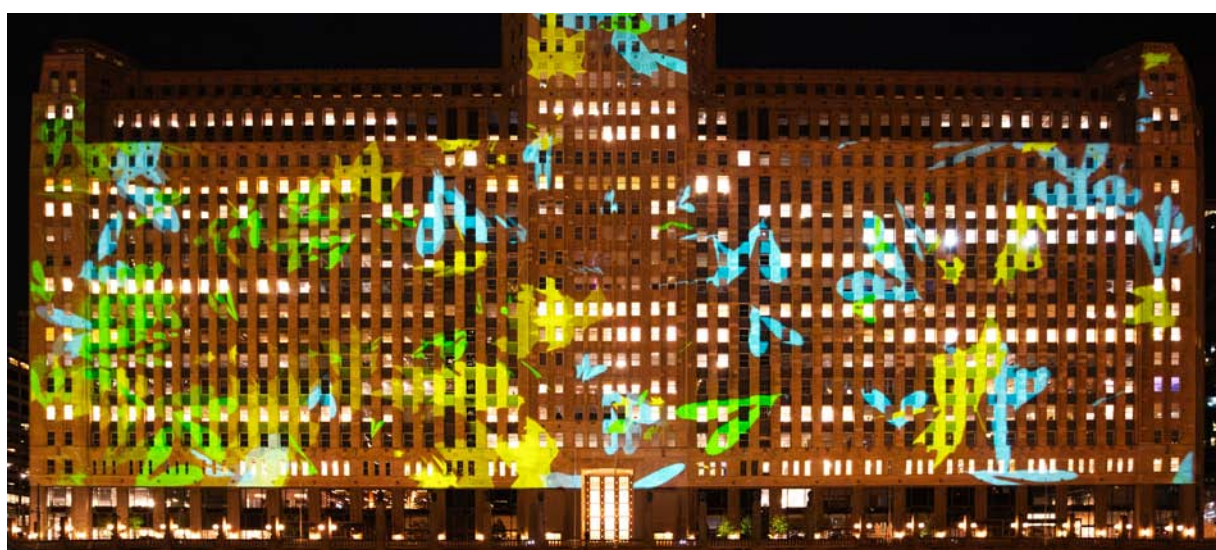
Field Trip For Deaf & H.O.H.

The Brighton Park Community Cmpus (Park No. 596), 4830 S. Western ave. will conduct a special outing for Deaf/HOH Teen Club to travel to the National Museum of Mexican Art for a night of free food, music, workshops, and luchadores on Friday, Nov. 15th from 6 to 10 p.m.

For more information, call (312) 742-PLAY (7529).

BrightonParkLIFE.com To complement our weekly edition The Brighton Park-McKinley Park Life has launched a website.

Art On The Mart Launches 'Wavelength'



Art on The Mart's 2024 winter season showcases emerging talent from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago on Nov. 22nd. 'Wavelength' is a new commission created by graduate and senior undergraduate students who have produced 11 unique works.

GoCPS Application Extended to Nov. 22

Chicago Public Schools has extended the GoCPS application window for the 2025-26 school year until 5 p.m. November 22nd.

Families of students entering kindergarten through ninth grade in the 2024-25 school year began applying for academic programs when the application portal opened Sept. 24nd.

Every student is guaranteed a seat within the general education program of the neighborhood school associated with their home address. Families can use the GoCPS application to explore additional programs.

Families of elementary school students entering grades K-8 may use the GoCPS application to apply to magnet, magnet cluster, dual-language, and selective enrollment programs for the 2024-25 school year, even if their student is currently attending their

neighborhood school or a non-CPS school. An entrance exam is part of the GoCPS application process.

The District's high school admissions test will be administered a final time on Nov. 23rd and 24th for all non-CPS students who have not yet taken the assessment test. One-hour long, consisting of a 30-minute reading section and a 30-minute math section offered in English, Spanish, Arabic, Mandarin, Urdu, and Polish.

Students entering high school in the 2025-26 school year can apply to a variety of programs, including selective enrollment, International Baccalaureate, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, Fine and Performing Arts, Service Leadership Academies, Career and Technical Education, Dual-Language programs.

For more information and a list of all available programs, visit cps.edu/goeps.

Treasurer Salutes Arab Americans

Maria Pappas, Cook County Treasurer and Nada Draz, Consul General of Egypt in Chicago presented Certificates of recognition to Arab American community leaders, activists, and entrepreneurs on Nov. 12th.

Honorees at the celebration were Mustafa Abdul-Maboud, building operations and in kind manager for the Reva and David Logan Foundation; in memoriam recognition of the late Nemer Ziyad of Ziyad Brothers Importing, who died Sept. 13th hydroponic expert Dr. Refaat A. Abdel-Malek, chairman emeritus of MWH Global, Inc.; Bolingbrook Mayor Mary Alexander-Basta; Dr. Muhammad S. Eissa, Arab language and literature author, lecturer and scholar; Taha Elghawa-

by, certified public accountant; Dr. Samir Hanna, owner, CEO and director of physical therapy for Marina Rehabilitation in Rochester, Michigan; Mohammed Jaber, Board of Education member at Orland Park-based Consolidated High School District 230; Samir Khalil, founder of the Arab American Democratic Club; Abir Othman, principal of Andrew High School in Orland Park; Nabil Refai, cofounder and vice president of Naperville-based Diversified Services Network, Inc.; Ahmed Mohammad Saleh, president of A&S Construction and Saffiya Shillo, DEI expert with Diversity Training & Consulting, Inc.

NIU Summer 2024 Graduation List

More than 587 students received their bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from Northern Illinois University in August.

Local graduates are Tyrell Dowdy, Bachelor of Arts, Communication - Organizational - Corporate; Heidy Gutierrez, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science - Politics and Governance; Michelle Hernandez, Bachelor of Science, Human Development & Family Sciences; Family Social Services; Kaly Hudson, Bachelor of Science, Accountancy; Daniel Pineda, Master of Business Administration; Antonio Reyes, Master of Business Administration and Tianna Stubbs, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Dance Performance.

Locator For Life Insurance

The Illinois Department of Insurance announces that its Life Policy Locator helped return to consumers more than \$8.5 million in lost or unclaimed life insurance policies and annuities this year.

You can check for unclaimed life insurance policies at these sites: IDOI: Life Policy Locator Illinois State Treasurer: https://icash.illinois.treasurer.gov/. National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Life Insurance Policy Locator: Life Insurance Policy Locator (naic.org).

For additional assistance, contact the Illinois Department of Insurance at DOI.LifePolicyLocator@illinois.gov or call (866) 445-5364.

Holiday Magic At Brookfield Zoo Chgo.



Photo credit CZS-Brookfield Zoo

Brookfield Zoo Chicago will conduct Holiday Magic on Nov. 22nd - 24th, 29th - 30th and Dec. 1st, 5th-8th, 12th-15th, 19th-22nd, 26th-31st from 3 to 9 p.m.

Discover giant illuminated animals, a tunnel show, visits with Santa, walk through displays, 900+ decorated trees lit up by community groups, Candy Cane Lane and Sparkling Coast.

Purchasing tickets in advance for North Gate entry is optional, and recommended. Advance ticket purchases are required for South Gate entry.

Meet Santa from Nov. 22nd to Dec. 22nd from 5-8 p.m. at Seven Seas underwater viewing area.

Four indoor habitats will be open during Holiday Magic: The Swamp, Living Coast, Great Bear Wilderness Underwater Viewing, and Seven Seas Underwater Viewing. Outdoor habitats will feature big cats, bison, camels, kangaroos and reindeer.

Full hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

Hamill Family Play Zoo is now home to several American breeds of chickens, including partridge rock, barred rock, golden Wyandotte and silver laced Wyandotte.

Fall and winter free admission dates: Tuesdays and Thursdays through Nov. 26th;

Park District Proposes Budget

The Chicago Park District announced the release of its 2025 budget recommendations in advance of its public budget hearing. The proposed \$598.5 million budget unveils a series of priorities focused on the needs of families and invests in youth engagement, community programs and events, workforce development, sustainability initiatives, and infrastructure.

General Superintendent & CEO Rosa Escareño will officially present the recommendations during a public budget hearing at the Chicago Park District Administration Building, 4830 S. Western ave., Wednesday, Nov. 20th at 9:30 a.m. The Board of Commissioners will vote on the 2025 budget on Wednesday, Dec. 11th at 10 a.m.

The 2025 budget recommendations can be viewed online at www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/annual-budget-process.

Mondays and Tuesdays, Dec. 2nd through 24th; Saturdays, Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 3rd through Feb. 27th.

Holiday Sip & Stroll on Thursday, Nov. 21st from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Guests ages 21 and older may enjoy the holiday lights while sampling specialty food and drinks, cheering for photo opportunities, hitting the Swan Pavilion dance floor.

Holly Gingerbread Party on Saturday, Dec. 7th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Party returns with a visit from Santa, a brunch and dessert buffet, hot cocoa bar, gingerbread decorating and experiences with animal ambassadors.

A mimosa and bloody mary bar will also be available for guests ages 21 and older. Dinner with Santa on Dec. 13th-15th at 3:30 or 5:30 p.m. Reservations must be made in advance at the Zoo's Discovery Center.

To purchase tickets visit brookfieldzoo.org/Events.

For more information, visit brookfieldzoo.org.

Workshops For O'Hare Concession

O'Hare Airport concession sales in 2023 totaled \$346M and 2024 sales are nearly recovered to pre-pandemic levels. CDA is looking to share in this amazing growth opportunity in the form of their ORDR Up. RFP open to ACDBE-certified firms. DPS will partner with CDA to offer virtual certification workshops to help firms on their way to submitting a proposal and better position firms for similar future bid opportunities requiring ACDBE certification.

Remaining ABCDE workshops are available at Lincoln - Belmont Branch Library, 1659 W. Belmont on Tuesday, Nov. 19th at 12 noon and West Chicago Branch Library, 4856 W. Chicago ave. on Wednesday, Nov. 20th at 10 a.m.

Certified firms are listed in the public directory for Prime Contractors and anyone looking to do business with a City-certified firm.

Being certified makes you eligible for equity initiatives that aim to benefit disadvantaged businesses looking to grow.

ADCBE certifications are mutually recognized by IDOT, PACE, CTA, and METRA. Register at www.chicago.gov/dps.

Illinois EPA Contest For 5th & 6th Grades

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is inviting fifth and sixth grade writers and artists to participate in this year's Poster, Poetry, and Prose Contest. The 2025 theme How Can You Slash Your Trash? invites students to think creatively about how to reduce the amount of waste they produce.

Additional informational resources have been shared by the Illinois EPA on the contest website. After learning about waste reduction, students are invited to create posters or written works for the contest related to this year's theme. Teachers may display the submissions for voting

and submit final entries to the Illinois EPA for further judging. Teachers may submit up to eight individual entries per school by February 3, 2025.

The creation of posters and written works gives students an opportunity to express and share what they have learned. The students whose works are chosen for the exhibit will receive a certificate and ribbon. The top twelve entries will be given special recognition and displayed on the Illinois EPA website.

In addition to the individual student contest, this year's competition also includes a group video contest for 5th and 6th grade classrooms. Each class is invited to submit a 60-second video that highlights waste reduction strategies in accordance with the same theme. Homeschool units, 4-H clubs, scout troops, and other extracurricular or after school groups with a minimum of five students are also eligible to participate in the video contest.

Additional information, rules, and required documents for both contests can be found at: https://epa.illinois.gov/topics/education/contest.html. Other questions can be directed to Kristi Morris at Kristi.Morris@illinois.gov, or Eli Dollarhide at eli.dollarhide@illinois.gov.

Museum of Asian Art Schedules Programs



The Heritage Museum of Asian Art, 3500 S. Morgan st. announces upcoming activities and event.

3rd Friday Free Admission Museum Night is offered on Nov. 15th from 5 to 8 p.m. The event offers wine and appetizers in addition to an engaging tour led by a museum docent at 6 p.m.

Jade Series Lesson 4: Appreciation of Jade Artifacts from Xinglongwa and Hongshan Cultures will be conducted in Mandarin on Saturday, Nov. 16th at 2 p.m. The lecturer is Jun Wan, who serves as a jade research guest consultant at the Art Institute of

Chicago. Tickets are required.

An in-depth conversation about heritage and the future with art and culture leaders in the community is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 23rd from 2 to 4 p.m. Using the framework of Loong, a mythical creature symbolizing the unification of diverse forces to achieve excellence, we hope to reflect on means of keeping culture alive while continually developing it. Admission is free.

Kringle Market Invites Crafters

Sts. Bruno & Richard Parish will conduct a Kris Kringle Market in the St. Bruno Parish Center, 4839 S. Harding on Saturday, Dec. 14th from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Crafters and vendors may participate for \$30 a space. For information or to request an application, email Delia at dporras@sbrchicago.org or call the parish office at (773) 585-1221.

Pettenon Honored

Concordia University Wisconsin officials have named John Pettenon, a Junior majoring in Social Work to the Spring Honors List for the 2023-24 academic year. Honorees must achieve a minimum 3.60 GPA and complete at least 12 undergraduate credits.

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 Wednesday, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m., Awana (kids club/age 3 through 6th grade) & Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)
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Emergency Food And Shelter

The Brighton Park Neighborhood Council, 4477 S. Archer is offering an emergency food and shelter program designed to help with one month of rent or mortgage payment.
 Eligible zip codes are 60632, 60629, 60623, 60609 and 60608.
 Past due 1 month of rent or mortgage (principal & interest only). Must be a primary residence. 1st month's rent eligible (no security deposit assistance). Qualifying hardship such as unemployment, underemployment, medical or at risk of homelessness, etc.
 For more information call (773) 523-7110 or visit financialservice@bpnccchicago.org. Office hours are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Brighton Park Library Schedules Programs

The Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer has scheduled engaging programs. Hours are Monday and Wednesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday noon to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

Chicago Police Department 9th District Beats 921 & 922 meet on Thursday, Nov. 7th, Beat 921 from 6 to 7 p.m. and Beat 922 from 7 to 8 p.m. The Community Policing Office will share crime statistics, teach crime fighting strategies and listen to issues. A "Kids Only" table full of crafts and other fun activities will entertain the little ones while the adults engage in the meetings.

Workshops with Brighton Park Poets will be held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month where participants discuss source poems, respond to prompts and share their work. The facilitator is bilingual (English, Spanish).
 Story time with Ms. Dannie for children up to 2nd grade and their families are conducted on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for stories, songs and other fun activities.

Adult Book Discussions are held on the third Friday of the month from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
 A Graphic Novel and Manga Book Discussion for ages 13 & up is scheduled for Thursdays, Nov. 21st and Dec. 19th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
 Middle Ground for grades 6 to 8 is offered on Mondays through Dec.

Breakfast With Deaf Santa

Archer Park, 4901 S. Kilbourn will conduct Breakfast with Mr. & Mrs. Deaf Santa on Sunday, Dec. 8th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Open to all children who have all types of hearing loss with their hearing siblings and families and hearing children of Deaf or Hard of Hearing parents. \$5 cash per person, children under 5 are free.
 For more information, contact sarah.faber@chicagoparkdistrict.com or timothy.owens@chicagoparkdistrict.com.

DMV Kiosk At Mariano's

Illinois residents who need to renew their driver's license or state ID have a new option for avoiding a trip to a secretary of state services center.

Fast-Lane kiosks will also renew driver's licenses, state ID's and vehicle registrations and vehicle stickers. Using a kiosk will cost \$4.95 per transaction, and a credit card processing fee if applicable.
 The nearest location is Mariano's at 3145 S. Ashland.

Adult Programs At Archer Park

Archer Park, 4901 S. Archer offers active adults programming for ages 60+ on Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.
 Activities include: special events, workshops and seminars, crafts and hobbies, fitness, bingo and social time.

Literacy Center Invites Tutors

Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th st. invites volunteers to tutor an adult newcomer in the English language.
 Pre-service training is provided and a two-hour weekly commitment is required.
 Email Sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org or call (773) 927-0512.

Property Tax Savings For U.S. Veterans

Cook County Assessor Fritz Kaegi reminds veterans that they may be eligible for property tax-saving exemptions that reduce their tax bills.
 Veterans who believe they may have been eligible for a past exemption can file for a Certificate of Error dating back to 2019.
 The Assessor's Office will participate in the following events: Tuesday, Nov. 19th, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with Alderman Gil Villegas (36th Ward), 6560 W. Fullerton Ave. Unit C118, Suite A. Sign up for an appointment in advance at https://bit.ly/ccao1119.
 Monday, Nov. 25th, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller (5th District), 15440 S. Central ave. Sign up for an appointment in advance at https://bit.ly/ccao1125.
 The Veterans with Disabilities Exemption reduces the equalized assessed value on the primary residence, very likely lowering the tax bill. Veterans who are 70% or more disabled receive an EAV reduction of \$250,000.
 Veterans must renew

Holiday Season At Griffin MSI



Photo Credit: Griffin Museum of Science and Industry

Griffin Museum of Science and Industry's annual tradition, *Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light*, returns on Saturday, Nov. 16th and runs through Monday, Jan. 6th, 2025. Tickets for Museum visits and events are now available at msichicago.org.

Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light features more than 50 trees and displays decorated by volunteers to represent the holiday traditions from cultures around the globe. This year's show will feature the photographic work of snowflake scientist and Caltech Physicist Ken Libbrecht, accompanied by a range of on-site programs and events for all ages.
 Programming includes: Tree Lighting & Cultural Festival: Join Santa Larry at the lighting of the four-story, Grand Tree on Saturday, Nov. 16th at 11 a.m. includes performances and activities from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Naughty or Nice 21+ After-Hours Event on Thursday, Dec. 12th from 6 to 10 p.m. Guests are invited to grab a seasonal cocktail or hot cocoa, take a selfie with Santa or Krampus and explore the Museum after it's been closed to the public.
 Winter Break Camps: Students from Pre-K through 8th grades are invited to learn about winter science with Winter Break Camps. These week-long camps offer hands-on STE(A)M activities run by Griffin MSI's Education team like creating winter-themed crafts with 3D printers, vinyl cutters and more in the Wagner Family Fab Lab. Camps run Monday, Dec. 30th, through Friday, Jan. 3rd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (with no camp on Jan. 1st).
 Every 30 minutes, Museum guests can experience the magic of snowfall amid Christmas trees in the North Court, near the Grand Tree.

Holiday Events At Millenium Park



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 2023 City Tree

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events announced details for 2024 holiday traditions at Millennium Park, 201 E. Randolph st.
 Chicago's Christmas Tree will be displayed near the intersection of Michigan ave. and Washington st. The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony and fireworks, will be broadcast live by CBS Chicago on Friday, Nov. 22nd at 6 p.m.
 The main stage will be located on Washington st. adjacent to the Chicago Cultural Center.
 Other holiday activities include the return of the McCormick Tribune Ice Rink, on Friday, Nov. 15th. The Holiday Market from Nov. 22nd to 24th and the return of the Holiday Sing-Along series every Friday between Dec. 6th and Dec. 20th at 6 p.m. The Park is open daily from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Plan your visit at MillenniumPark.org.

McKinley Library Schedules Programs

The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th st. has scheduled interesting and informative programs. Hours are: Monday and Wednesday, 12 to 8 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.
 Nightfall Story Time (online) Mondays, 6 p.m., ages 0-5, enjoy stories and songs. Online registration required.
 The Chicago Partnership for Health Promotion will offer a series of classes on how to prepare delicious food on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. on Nov. 19th, Dec. 3rd, 10th and 17th. Children under age 13 must be accompanied by a guardian, registration is not required.
 WTTW Kids Learn & Play for pre-schoolers will be taught on Sunday, Nov. 24th from 2 to 2:45 p.m. Participate in fun, guided learning while developing school readiness skills. For ages 3 to 5 with an adult. Presented in English and Spanish.
 STEM Explorers will consider computer science, physics, electricity, forensics and various STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activities on Saturdays, Dec. 7 to 28th from 1 to 2 p.m. Participants engage in hands-on projects designed to develop life skills and STEM competencies. For ages 9 to 15, but siblings are always welcome. This program is made possible by Illinois Extension College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences of University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
 Visit chipublib.org to register.

48th Anniversary Of Cuerdas Clasicas



In celebration of the 48th anniversary of Cuerdas Clasicas all are invited to enjoy a cultural and bohemian night with the participation of the Aguascalientes brothers at the Mayfield, 6072 S. Archer on Saturday, Nov. 23rd at 6:30 p.m. Make your reservation online at Eventbrite or by phone at (773) 387-6744.

College And Careers Workshop

College and Career Saturdays will feature Visual Arts, Gaming and Graphic Design at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. on Saturday, Nov. 16th from 1 to 3 p.m.
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