

Perfect Attendance At PJPII School

Pope John Paul II Catholic School, 4325 S. Richmond, announces students who maintained Perfect Attendance for the 2nd trimester of the 2014-15 school year.

Pre-School: Azul Calvillo, Victoria Camarena and Mariano Vazquez.
Kindergarten: Isaah Montes, Gabriel Salgado and Ethan Sotelo.

1st grade: Jasmine Avelar, Alyssa Balanzar and Rita Oskvarek.

2nd grade: Angie Banuelos, Brandon Bautista, Jocelyn Argueta, Ethan Garcia-Soto and Xavier Salgado.

3rd grade: David Davila.

4th grade: Ismael Flores, Ulises Garfias, Mateo Padilla and Sofia Torres.

5th grade: Roberto Correa-Figueroa, Sara Jarosik, Francisco Lopez-Lugo, Raul Martinez and Christina Olazaba.

6th grade: Christian Alaves, Leslie Gonzalez, Robert Madrigal and Elizabeth Martinez.

7th grade: Abigail Adan, Zachary Brasky, Bianca Enciso, Gabriela Gonzalez, Tyler Padilla, Lucia Sanchez and Juan Torres.

8th grade: Ashley Gonzalez, Andres Lemus and Alejandro Vega.

Reception For Garcia



Mayoral candidate, Jesus "Chuy" Garcia (center), attended a fundraising event hosted by Archer Heights residents, Edgar Hernandez (right) and Maria Jimenez on Saturday, March 21. Over one hundred community residents heard Garcia's plan for the city. Also shown is Manny Jimenez (left).

Breakfast Buffet For Curie Sports

Curie High School invites parents, students, alumni and community members to support a Fundraiser for the Athletic Program a Breakfast Buffet at Polonia Banquets, 4604 S. Archer on Saturday, April 25th at 9 a.m. Doors open at 8 a.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance and may be purchased at the school, 4959 S. Archer from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on school days.

For additional event information, call (773) 535-2104. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Sports at Curie High include football, baseball, basketball, soccer, softball, volleyball, track, swim and water polo.

Author Events At Library Center

The Chicago Public Library will feature several noteworthy authors including Sister Helen Prejean, T.C. Boyle, Mary Morris and Daniel P. Smith, as part of its monthly Authors @ the Library series and One Book, One Chicago program. The discussions continue as the Library presents National Poetry Month and Money Smart Week events featuring guest authors, workshops and performances. All of the programs will be held in the Cindy Pritzker Auditorium (Lower Level) at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. For more information, call (312) 747-4050.

On Wednesday, April 8th at 6 p.m., author Mary Morris will discuss her new book, *The Jazz Palace*. She returns to her Chicago roots in this novel that captures the atmosphere and the music of the Jazz Age in the early years of the 20th Century.

On Thursday, April 9th at 6 p.m., *New York Times* bestselling author T.C. Boyle will discuss his new book *The Harder They Come*, a powerful, novel that explores the roots of violence and anti-authoritarianism inherent in the American

character.

One Book, One Chicago will present Sister Helen Prejean on Thursday, April 23rd at 6 p.m. She will discuss the plight of the condemned and rage of the bereaved.

On Thursday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m., Author Daniel P. Smith will guide readers into the closed-door society of the Chicago Police Department in his compelling work, *One the Job: Behind the Stars of the Chicago Police Department*. He will share stories of the tolls the job exacts on the officers and their lives while interweaving a discussion of Chicago criminal landscape, police department culture and history.

On Monday, April 20th at 12 p.m. Terry Savage, author and financial journalist, will explain financial and retirement planning. Planning sessions will follow the presentation.

The 16th Annual Poetry Fest will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Keynote Speaker at 2 p.m. will be Dana Gioia, an internationally acclaimed poet, critic and librettist.

For more information, call (312) 747-4050.

Food Drive At Washington Fed.

Washington Federal Bank will be hosting another food drive to support the local food pantry through April 15th.

Currently, 15% of residents in the area don't have regular access to nutritious food. The Benton House Food Pantry works to meet this need by distributing thousands of pounds of food to over 100 families every week.

The response to previous food drives has been tremendous.

Some of the recommended items are: canned fruit and vegetables, cereal, chili, jelly, macaroni and cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter, rice, soup, stew and tuna which can be dropped off at 2869 S. Archer or 1410 W. Taylor St.

MWRD Honored For Financial Reporting



The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago has again received awards for financial reporting excellence from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. "The awards are an independent attestation of the District's prudent fiscal management," said MWRD President Mariyana Spyropoulos. Additional information about the award can be found at www.gfoa.org. Pictured are: Sue Boutin, Pension Fund Executive Director; MWRD vice president Barbara McGowan and President Mariyana Spyropoulos.

Free Tax Prep At Kelly High

The Center for Economic Progress, in collaboration with the Brighton Park Neighborhood Council, will be providing free tax preparation at Kelly High School, 4136 S. California, on Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Services are provided with funding from the United Way of Metropolitan Chicago.

Taxes will be prepared on a first come, first serve basis to people who meet the income guidelines: Families with less than \$50,000 year and individuals with less than \$25,000 year.

For more information, call (312) 252-0280.

Softball League For Men 49 Plus

Normandy Park, 6660 W 52nd st., is looking to start a Men's age 49 and over 16 inch softball league on Friday nights beginning May 8th. Entry fee is \$255 per team, plus prize pool and umpire fees. For more information, call (773) 229-1421 or email Kathleen.murray@chicagoparkdistrict.com

Parent Workshops On Nutrition

The Curie High School Parent Advisory Council is sponsoring a free workshop on nutrition in room 192 of the school, 4959 S. Archer on Saturday, April 4th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The workshop includes a recipe presentation, cooking secrets, light meals and information in English and Spanish.

Teen Program On Publishing

The Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. will conduct a teen program on Writing and Publishing on Saturday, April 4th at 11 a.m.

Participants will explore writing programs, careers and opportunities. Register at Eventbrite. For more information, call (312) 747-4300.

Easter Egg Hunt At Hoyne Park

The Hoyne Park Advisory Council will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt for children up to age six at 3417 S. Hamilton on Saturday, April 4th at 10 a.m.

Admission is free and registration begins at 9:30 a.m. The Easter Bunny will welcome the participants.

Home Run 5K At Hoyne Park

The Hoyne Park Advisory Council and the Omega Delta Baseball League will sponsor a Home Run 5K at Hoyne Park, 3417 S. Hoyne on Sunday, April 19th at 11 a.m.

Registration fee of \$20 for adults and \$15 for ages under 15 includes a t-shirt, water and refreshments. Proceeds will go towards park improvements and community events.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Post-race activities include a baseball game, bounce house and music.

Edible Workshops At Lincoln Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, Cannon drive and Fullerton parkway will conduct an Animal Enrichment Workshop on April 11th from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Adults and children of all ages will make edible pinatas and creative enrichment items for the animals in the Tadpole Room on Park Place Cafe.

Participants will be able to watch the animals play with their new items. The cost is \$5 for each person per workshop.

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CPS Schedules Make-Up Days

Chicago Public Schools released a revised calendar for School Year 2014-15 which includes rescheduled student attendance days to make up for the cancellations last month on Feb. 2nd and 19th. Class will be in session on Thursday, June 18th which was scheduled to be the first day of students' summer break and Friday, June 19th.

Students' summer break will begin after classes on Friday, June 19th. This update to the

academic calendar will not disrupt graduation schedules or the start of summer school.

CPS has rescheduled professional development dates for teachers: June 22nd be a principal-directed professional development day; June 23rd, a teacher-directed professional development day and June 24th, a principal-directed flex professional development day.

Chicago Public Schools serves 396,000 students in 664 schools.

Farmers Market Art Contest

High school artists have the opportunity to design a celebrated work of art and win a college scholarship as COUNTRY Financial and the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events launch their eighth annual Chicago Farmers Markets reusable bag design contest.

Students are invited to show off their creativity by designing a reusable canvas bag to fit the "Live, Love, and Be Green" theme.

Artwork should contain spring and summer imagery and regional market goods, such as fruits, vegetables and flowers plus the phrase "2015 Chicago Farmers Markets."

The student with the winning design will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and have their artwork displayed on reusable shopping bags this summer. Two runners-up will each receive a \$500 scholarship and have their designs featured at the unveiling.

The winning entry will be unveiled during the opening day of the Markets on Thursday, May 14 at Daley Plaza.

Deadline for entries is Friday, April 17th at 4 p.m.

For more information visit www.CountryFarmersMarkets.com.

Walking Tour Of Chgo. Arts District



The Chicago Arts District offers a self-guided walking tour of the 2nd Friday of the month from 6 to 10 p.m. The event begins at 1821 S. Halsted for maps and details, 30 galleries, creative spaces and over 50 artists will be available.

Library Exhibits Chicago Defender

The history of the Chicago Defender newspaper is displayed in an extensive new exhibition at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State St. through June 28th.

"Journey to Empowerment" reveals the Defender's 110 year history as a pioneering hub of African American journalism and communications. Curated by Candace Hunter, arts and culture reporter, the exhibition includes photographs, original art renderings and historical front pages.

Some of the historical references include founder Robert Sengstacke Abbott, the Bud Billiken Parade and Picnic, Emmett Till, and the elections of Mayor Harold Washington and President Barack Obama.

Visitors will get the chance to choose a headline and write an article through a hands-on component.

For more information, call (312) 747-4050.

Obituaries

FRANK J. DZIELAK of Archer Heights passed away on March 22nd at the age of 77. He was the husband for 57 years to Diana (nee Costa); father of Dennis; grandfather of Chloe; brother of late Catherine (late Lloyd), Harry (Norlene), and late infant Johnny; predeceased by his parents John & Blanche; brother-in-law of Dan (Barbara) Costa. Funeral services were held March 27th at St. Richard Church.

JOSE B. SOTO U.S. Army Korean War Veteran, husband of Amalia (nee Lopez); father of nine; grandfather; great-grandfather; brother and uncle. Member of the American Legion. Funeral services were held April 1st from Szykowny Funeral Home, Jonathan F. Siedlecki, Director, 4901 S. Archer to Our Lady of Fatima Church. Interment was at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

JOZEFA GRAZYNA MUNKO (nee Jedrzejewska) of Clearing passed away on March 21st at the age of 63. She was the wife of Zbigniew; mother of Anna (Ernest) Lakocy and Alicja (Pawel) Rosol; grandmother of Natalia, Maia, Kaya Lakocy, Filip and Michal Rosol; sister of Krystyna (Stanislaw) Lukasik, Leszek (Elzbieta) and Krzysztof (Wieslawa) Jedrzejewski. Visitation was held March 27th at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Ltd. Interment was at Bielawa, Poland.

Alumnae Reunion For Maria High

The St. Casimir Academy/Maria High School Alumnae Association will sponsor Reunion 2015 on Saturday, April 18th. The event begins with 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Casimir Motherhouse followed by noon luncheon at Palos Country Club, 13100 Southwest Highway.

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The Parent Advisory Council of Curie High School, 4959 S. Archer, will offer free adult classes on Saturdays. ESL classes begin on April 18th to June 13th from 9 to 11 a.m.

Computer classes begin on April 25th from 9 to 11 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. through June 13th.

For more information, visit the main office or call (773) 535-2100. Registration is available on the Curie website www.curiehs.org.

Alumni Memorial At St. Laurence

St. Laurence High School and the Office of Alumni Relations will host its annual solemn mass of remembrance, honoring deceased alumni on Saturday, April 11th at 4:30 p.m.

Father Norm Trela from St. Symphorosa Parish and the school's chaplain, will celebrate the Mass of the Resurrection.

A wreath-laying ceremony will take place at the outdoor memorial, weather permitting. Following the liturgy, snacks and refreshments will be served.

Family, friends and relatives of deceased alumni are welcome to attend. Reservations can be made with Ed Kozak in the Office of Alumni Relations at (708) 458-6900. For more information, call extension 244.

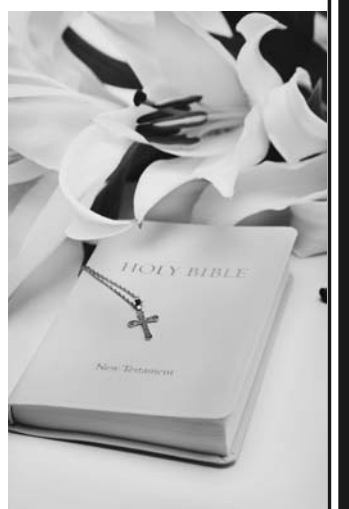
NEIU Students In Art Exhibit

Northeastern Illinois University's art department announces the exhibition of its art students at the Chicago Arts District through April 24th. Ceramics, Graphic Design, Metals, Photography, Printmaking & Sculpture areas will represent the artistic accomplishments of its students in solo or collaborative exhibitions within each of the window spaces along Halsted st. from 18th to 19th. The opening receptions will be held at 1843 S. Halsted on Friday, April 10th from 6 to 10 p.m.

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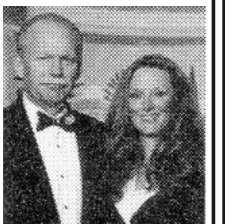
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