



Check the Stats You Are Reading



By Dr. R. Pletsch

Times change, but the worry about crime does not. It seems to always have been one of the top concerns during an election. I'll show you a couple of times that would make you wonder about our stats.

I know students who stated they committed a crime and the police told the school to settle it internally using Board of Ed rules. Some think it was to keep it off the books or some other statistical reason. The Board agreed, end of story. As the cases I tell you about, I do not use names of people or schools. During a different period of time, when you read the paper, every violent crime had a headline or at least in the story that it was near the "blank" school. This was in effect whether the victim was an infant or Senior Citizen.

I know a girl who was 14 at the time. She was shot in the head at 2:30 in the morning sitting on her front porch. She was about two blocks from a school she did not attend. The headline was "student paralyzed near 'blank' school. As if it

was expected near minority schools. Many can tell you other stories like this. With social media, there are even more stories like this.

Now you might wonder why I mention these events when hopefully very few, if any of you, have been affected by this. But the use of bad stats has entered the presidential race. I've had high school students ask about the candidates lying. They heard the two main candidates talk about crime. One candidate stated FBI stats show that crime is down nationally. The other candidate says according to his stats, crime is way up. Well according to stats, they may both have been telling you the truth, because I heard investigative reporters talking on the radio and they said that undeniably the FBI stats say crime is down, while several other stats say crime is up. The big difference is that those measuring the crimes for the FBI did not include any statistics from New York, San Francisco and yes, Chicago because they have not been sending stats to the FBI.

So the candidates both saw different stats and their information just may have been flawed. This makes it imperative that we try to see who is telling the truth. This would not be the only stat that could be doing us harm. We are not sure if this is intentional because we don't have the funds to look things up.

Just reading this short article may help you think. You could look up these stats yourself on Google. You will become much more informed than the average citizen.

Mexican Museum Offers Programs



The National Museum of Mexican Art, 1852 W. 19th st. has scheduled a wide range of programs for families that provides opportunity to explore the galleries while learning about Mexican art and culture.

A new digital guide is available for free on Bloomberg Connects, the free arts and culture app that features visual descriptions, supplemental videos, art highlights from the permanent collection, and more.

Ancient Huasteca Women - Goddesses, Warriors and Governors in Rubin & Paula Torres Gallery runs until July 21st. Over 130 artifacts highlight several roles or women in the Mesoamerican civilization known as the Huasteca. This exclusive exhibition, from the National Institute of Anthropology and History in Mexico includes recently excavated sculptures that reveal ancient stories of female deities, warriors, governors and priestesses.

Mariachi Potosino - The Sound of Home recounts the story of José Cruz Alba (1918-2002) and his immigrant journey from Durango to Chicago. Archival photographs, video, newspaper clippings and family interviews trace his life's work.

Children ages 7-12 are invited to explore the galleries during a guided visit of Nuestras Historias: Stories of Mexican Identity. Spend time analyzing "The New Awakening" and creating building block artworks inspired by nature. \$15 registration fee includes all materials. Email angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org to register.

Arte Diseno Chicago II - From the World's Fair to the Present Day will be held through Aug. 11th. On Saturday, June 22nd, a docent will guide visitors through the gallery and discuss works of art. The English tour will take place at 10 a.m. and the Spanish tour is at 11 a.m. The tours are available on a first come, first served basis for the first

30 people who check in.

This exhibition examines the 1893 World's Fair and features 19th century works of art from both sides of the border, along with contemporary artwork by Chicago-based artists who were born in Mexico.

The Auxiliary Board will sponsor Copitas de Sol: A Spirited Mixer on Sunday, Aug. 4th. Explore the world of agave spirits like mezcal, tequila and cañita; plus delicious bites and craft brews. There are two sessions: "Know More" 1 to 3 p.m. and "Bubble Vibes" 4 to 6 p.m.

Summer Wednesdays are set for July 3rd to Aug. 7th when the galleries will be open until 8 p.m. for guests to explore. The Teinda Tzintzuntzan will be open for your shopping needs.

Plants and Pistils will create a floral installation outside of the museum on Friday, June 21st at 11 a.m. in honor of Juneteenth. Viewing is free and open to the public.

Viva la Vida, a monthly workshop series is tailored for creative ages 55 and better on Thursday, June 27th from 1 to 3 p.m. for an immersive experience in the galleries followed by an art making activity to create landscape artworks with pastels. This workshop will also feature a creative writing exercise. Participants should bring a photo of a landscape that's important to them. Coffee and treats will be provided. This program is free, but registration is required.

Most programs are free of charge; however, registration is required at angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org

Dean's List At U. of Iowa

More than 7,650 undergraduate students at the University of Iowa named to the dean's list for the 2024 spring semester.

Degree seeking undergraduate students who achieved a grade-point average of 3.50 or higher on 12 semester hours or more of graded coursework are recognized.

Local scholars are Vincenza Handzel Major: Dance, fourth-year; Alyssa Lunn Major: Communication Studies, first-year; Jackson Mendoza Major: Journalism and Mass Communication; first-year; Daniel Ocon Major, fourth-year; Julian Quintero, Major: Business Direct Admission, first-year and Lucy Shields Major: Pre-Business, first-year.

Dean's List At Bradley U.

More than 1,700 students were named to Bradley University's Dean's List for Spring 2024. Full-time students must achieve a minimum 3.5 grade point average for the semester on a 4.0 scale.

Local scholars are Dylan Gazda (60638), Julian Salgado (60638), Andrew Diaz (60638), Ann McManus (60609), Cristina Solano (60632), Julian Wojturski (60638), Molly Pigott (60609), Yaritza Contreras (60608), Emily Brazel (60609), MaryKate James (60609), Nathaniel Kwan (60632) and Joanna Burdzy (60638).

Remembrance For Eric Hernandez

Carmella Barrera and 12th Ward Alderwoman Julia Ramirez will unveil an Honorary Street Sign at the southwest corner of 36th st. and Western Blvd. on Saturday, June 22nd at 2 p.m.

The ceremony will honor the life of Eric S. Hernandez, a McKinley Park resident whose life was tragically cut short while crossing the intersection.

Western Blvd from 35th st. to 36th st. will be renamed in his honor, along with pedestrian and traffic safety improvements.

Mentoring For Ages 11 to 14

New Life Community Church, 4155 S. Rockwell will offer a Summer Mentoring Program on Wednesdays, June 24th through Aug. 16th, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Ages 11 to 14 will enjoy arts & crafts, games, life skill snaf field trips.

Contact Ms. Vicky at vmora@bnpnccchicago.org or Mr. Mark at Mgarcia@bnpnccchicago.org to inquire and register.

Gentile Honored

Upper Iowa University announced that Michael Gentile, an Accounting major attained the Dean's List for the Spring 2024 semester. Honorees must have earned a minimum 3.50 GPA and be enrolled full-time.

Park District Swim Season

The Chicago Park District announces the opening of all outdoor and indoor pools for the 2024 season through Sept. 2nd.

This year, due in large part to launching the "Your Perfect Summer Job" hiring campaign four months earlier than in 2023, and the creation of a new stipend-based Lifeguard Explorer Training Program, a 6-day operational schedule will be available. Pool hours will primarily run from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. with the majority of the pools being open on weekends.

The Humboldt Park beach, the only man-made inland beach, opening on Monday, June 17th after a four-year hiatus. Beach goes can access information on swim status by visiting www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/beaches.

Grant For Aquinas Literacy Ctr.



The Dollar General Literacy Foundation recently awarded Aquinas Literacy Center a \$9,000 grant to support English language literacy. The Foundation has donated more than \$10.6 million to support adult,

family and summer literacy programs in the 48 states in which Dollar General operates.

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation supports organizations that increase access to educational programming, stimulate and enable innovation in the delivery of educational instruction and inspire a love of reading.

Each year, DGLF awards funds to nonprofit organizations, schools, and libraries within a 15-mile radius of a Dollar General store or distribution center to support adult, family, summer and youth literacy programs.

The Foundation also offers a student referral program for individuals interested in learning

how to read, speak English, or prepare for the high school equivalency exam.

Since 1996, Aquinas Literacy Center has offered individualized instruction in the English language to the adult immigrant population of McKinley Park and surrounding areas (Bridgeport, Back of the Yards and Brighton Park). Through tutoring, combined with supplemental learning opportunities (conversation classes, book clubs and writing workshops) and independent computer learning, learners are empowered to transform their lives by acquiring skills to become successful parents, productive workers and responsible citizens.

Summer Opportunities For CPS Students

Chicago Public Schools offers exciting programs throughout the summer for students of all ages. These programs are designed to help students grow academically, have fun, and deepen their connections with other students and school communities.

Summer programs begin on Monday, June 24th, as does LunchStop, the summer meal program that runs Monday to Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. through Aug. 9th. Students enrolled in summer programming at a CPS school and any children who live in the area served by the summer program are eligible for meals.

This interactive map at <https://schoolinfo.cps.edu/mealdistribution-sites/> allows families to find nearby meal sites, along with operating days and times. Families can also call (800) 359-2163 or text 'FOOD' or 'COMIDA' to 304-304.

Families may explore options for their children at cps.edu/summerprograms.

The Chicago White Sox are offering CPS staff and families \$5 upper-level tickets, and 50% off lower-level tickets, to select home games this summer.

To learn more about CPS pre-k programs and to apply for the 2024-25 school year, visit chicagoearlylearning.org.

Families of students with disabilities may be eligible for financial assistance through the Diverse Learners Recovery Fund.

Eligible families may apply to receive a one-time grant of \$500 for up to two students. Grants will be awarded to up to 8,000 K-12 students through a lottery system. Applications will be accepted through Oct.

To learn more about the Diverse Learners Recovery Fund and to apply for financial assistance, visit AdamOPD.com.

CPS students ages 14-19 are encouraged to apply for the next cohort of the Mayor's Youth Commission. Beginning in September 2024, the group of 40 young people meet monthly to advise Mayor on issues that impact youth. Visit explore.mychimifuture.org/chicagoyouthcommission for more information and to apply by June 15th.

There are spots open at some of the Park District's Summer Day Camps, which run from June 24th through Aug. 2nd. Other summer programming runs from through Aug. 25th. Learn more at chicagoparkdistrict.com/day-camp.

Teens are invited to more than 70 free events in parks with many featuring giveaways, music, and more. The Summer Teen Tour culminates with the ninth annual Teens in the Parks Fest on Sept. 7th, where singers, rappers, dancers, spoken word artists, musicians, and poets between the ages of 14 and 24 showcase their talent. Students can audition to be part of this year's TIP Fest on June 27th, and July 18th. Learn more and register at chicagoparkdistrict.com/tip-fest/cps.

Applications for One Summer Chicago, the city's program to provide work and paid internship opportunities for ages 14-24, are now open. Visit onesummerchicago.org to learn more.

Dean's List At Marquette U.

Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin has announced the Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester.

Honorees must have earned at least 12 credits and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college - for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences, undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7.

The undergraduate GPA requirement is 3.5 for the following colleges: the College of Communication, College of Business Administration, College of Health Sciences, Opus College of Engineering and College of Nursing. All other programs have a 3.75 GPA minimum.

Local scholars are: Victoria Flores, Health Sciences; Klemens Koszarek, Computer Science; Kinga Ludzia, Civil Engineering; Itzel Martin, Speech Pathology and Audiology; Quan Mims, Marketing; Michael Nava, Information Systems; Sarah Sanchez, Accounting; Reilly Sheehan, Mechanical Engineering and Emily Szymczyk, Biomedical Sciences.

Spring Dean's List At Northern Ill. U.

Northern Illinois University of DeKalb, Illinois announces its spring 2024 Dean's List students. To earn this distinction, students must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology or a minimum of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale in the colleges of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts.

Local scholars and their high school are: Alan Alejandro, Marketing - B.S., Whitney M Young Magnet HS; Michkayla Berry, Health Sciences-General, Wells Community Academy; Nia Berry, Health Sciences-General, Prosser Career Academy High; Berenice Capetillo, Family Social Services, Marine Leadership Academy; Leslie Carreno, Family Rel, Prev & Wellness, North Grand High School; Denise Cortez Mendoza, Medical Laboratory Sciences, Back of the Yards College Prep; Jaron Frazier, Psychology - B.S., Gwendolyn Brooks Coll Prep Aca; Evelyn Galvan, Family Rel, Prev & Wellness, Back of the Yards College Prep; Sydney Hamill, Acting, Munster High School; Mekiya Hatchett, Nursing, Dwight D Eisenhower HS; Michelle Hernandez, Family Social Services, Pathways in Education Ashburn; Tasha Johnson, Psychology - B.A., Lindblom Math and Science Acad; Julieta Lopez, Rehabilitation & Disability Se,

Lincoln Park High School; Marvin Lopez, Psychology - B.A., Lane Technical High School; Crystal Lozano, Psychology - B.A., John F Kennedy High School; Ricardo Luna, Nursing, Jones College Prep; Osvaldo Medina, Electr Engineering Tech - B.S., Pritzker College Prep-Noble; Emily Montelongo, Music Education, Trinity High School; Eduardo Mora, Electrical Engineering, Curie Metropolitan Hs; Betsy Reyes, Family Social Services, Rauner College Prep; Hudsonra Townsend, ELED-General Elementary Educ, Corliss High School and Miranda Vaca, Biological Sciences - B.S., John Hancock College Prep HS.

Cops vs. DJ's Softball Game

The Chicago Police Knights will face the Chicago Throw Backs DJs in a Charity Softball Game at Michael J. Madigan Sr. Park, 4701 W. Marquette rd. on Sunday, June 30th at 12 noon.

The fun begins at 10:30 a.m. with a free baseball clinic for ages 12 and under. Clinic participants will receive refreshments, hot dogs and snacks courtesy of the Midway Baseball Association and Tampico Beverage Company. Clinic registration begins at 10 a.m.

Donations will benefit the Chicago Police Knights Youth program. Visit www.cpdknights-baseball.com.

DCASE Schedules Summer Dance Events



Photo credit Patrick L. Pyszka, City of Chicago

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events announced the lineup for Chicago SummerDance, a summertime tradition and cultural gathering hosted in parks and downtown through Sept. 8th. The free outdoor series offers dance and movement lessons for all skill levels taught by professional instructors, followed by music and social dancing. Neighborhood events will include a variety of activities for the whole family in addition to dance lessons and music. The schedule is available at ChicagoSummerDance.org.

SummerDance features more than 30 dance styles, including Salsa, Swing, Cumbia, Line Dancing, Ballet Folklorico, Steppin', KPOP. At its flagship location in the Spirit of Music Garden in Grant Park, and live music from a roster of

bands, including Shout Section Big Band (Swing), Funkadesi (Bhangra/Bollywood) and Club Crib (R&B/Steppin').

The Spirit of Music Garden will kick off Aug. 8th with the Texas-based psychedelic Cumbia band, Money Chicha with dance instruction from Teatro Tariakuri.

Aug. 17th is Salsa night in Grant Park with dance instruction led by Desueno Dance in collaboration with MOMENTA, and live music by Flaco Navaja & the Razor Blades.

Taste of Chicago Grant Park (Sept 6-8) will feature Footwork, Hustle and Line Dancing, and introduce KPOP taught by Chemical X, along with Mexican Regional dance styles led by Ballet Folklorico de Chicago.

The festival extends into neighborhoods as part of the Chicago Park District's Night Out in the Parks Series.

For more information, visit ChicagoSummerDance.org.

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Ridge Library Plans Programs

The Garfield Ridge Branch, 6347 S. Archer, has scheduled interesting programs.

An Adult Book Discussion of "The Candy House" by Jennifer Egan is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 8th at 6 p.m.

Morning Stories for ages up to 4 are recited on the first Saturdays of each month at 10:30 a.m. Featuring a simple story, new song and familiar nursery rhyme. Playtime follows.

The Spanish Book Club meets on the first Thursday of each month from 1 to 2 p.m.

Baby Time will share books, songs and play on Fridays, through June 28th and July 12th to Aug. 2nd from 10 to 11 a.m.

Senior Drop-In Games are played on Saturdays through June 29th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring a game or several will be available.

Teen programs to age 18 are held on Tuesdays at 6 p.m.

Saturday Stories and Play for ages 15 months to 4 with a caregiver will be held on Saturdays, June 29th and July 6th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Attendees will listen to a simple story, sing songs and learn nursery rhymes. Children can then stay to play and make friends.

A Music STEAM program for ages 6 to 12 will explore music through a variety of art projects, science experience and more on Tuesdays through July 30th from 4 to 5 p.m.

Art: 1,2,3, for ages 3 to 5 on Thursdays, June 20th and 27th, 1:30 p.m. Dress accordingly to get messy.

Story Time for Tots on Mondays, through July 15th at 10:30 a.m.

Discovery Hour, Wednesdays, June 26th, July 10th, 17th & 31st at 10:30 a.m. Play Doh Fun, science and matching games, Pass the Bag activity and block play for ages to 4 years.

DIY Black Light Poster for ages 8 to 12 on Thursday, June 20th at 6 p.m. Craft your own psychadelic black light poster with fluorescent acrylics.

Sound Bingo for ages 3 to 12 p.m. Saturday, June

22nd at 12 p.m. A fun game where we replace B-4 with bzz, beep, tweet, oink and moo.

Kids' Summer Reading Program for ages 7 to 12, through Aug. 3rd. Registration and check-ins daily. Kids need to read or be read to: 500 minutes and complete 5 activities to earn a t-shirt. Weekly raffles and grand prize: a Karaoke Machine.

Gold Record Readers on Wednesdays, July 3rd to 24th at 4 p.m. Between chapters, we will play some fun reading and word games.

WTTW Kids Learn & Play for ages 3 to 5 on Tuesday, July 9th at 1 p.m. Participate in fun, guided learning while developing skills in social-emotional development, math, language and literacy.

A Family Field Trip for ages 6 to 13 will visit the Art Institute of Chicago on Saturday, June 29th from 9:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. An interactive guided tour and art-making activity will be held in the museum's private studio. A shared room will store personal items and feature a bagged lunch.

A Music Listening Party for adults will be held on Tuesdays, July 9th & 23rd, 6 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 10th at 2 p.m.

Sort It Out! for ages 4 to 5 is scheduled for Thursdays, July 18th & 25th at 1:30 p.m. Children will learn to sort objects by size, shape and color using tongs, magnets and cups. Puzzles will also be available.

Open Piano Play for ages 6 to 12 will be available on Saturdays, July 6th & 13th at 12 p.m.

A Jewelry Workshop for ages 6 to 12 will be conducted on Tuesday, July 11th at 5:30 p.m. Led by Joy Joshua, an experienced artisan, participants will craft unique jewelry pieces using an array of materials.

Play Day for ages 6 to 12 is set for Tuesday, July 13th at 10:30 a.m. Children can enjoy playing with toy kitchen, pretend food, trains, cars, blocks, Bingo dabbers, Duplos and dolls.

Koalas At Brookfield Zoo



Photo credit: Brookfield Zoo Chicago

Brumby and Willum, two male koalas, arrived at Brookfield Zoo Chicago on June 10th and have been acclimating to their new home at the Hamill Family Play Zoo. Now, the marsupials are ready to meet the public.

The koalas, are here through a loan partnership with San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance and San Diego Zoo's Koala Education and Conservation Project.

Koalas, who prefer a solitary lifestyle, live in eucalypt forests, which are their home, shelter, and food source. They eat eucalyptus leaves, which are highly poisonous to most other animals. They have two types of teeth to help them eat the leaves—incisors at the front of their mouths, strip leaves off branches and their molars help cut and grind the leaves to make them more digestible.

Because of the leaves'

high level of toxicity, koalas have specialized gut bacteria that breaks down the poisonous leaves, extracting all water and nutrients. This is why koalas spend most of their time—up to 18-22 hours a day—sleeping in trees conserving their energy.

Although many refer to koalas as bears, there is no relation.

Those interested in supporting the care of the koalas can contribute to the Animal Adoption program. For \$35, a recipient receives a personalized certificate of adoption, a 5-inch x 7-inch color photograph, a fact sheet on the species, program decal, and invitation to the Adoption summer event. A Plush Package is also available for \$65 and includes all the prior benefits plus a 12-inch plush koala and four free tickets to the Adoption evening in 2024. Visit brookfieldzoo.org/animaladoption.

Archer Heights Library Schedules Programs

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer has scheduled a wide range of informative programs.

ALL AGES

Wayco Andes Music Show on Saturday, June 22nd at 2 p.m. Listen to the traditional Andean sounds played on the Incas instruments.

Live Animal Show with Animal Quest on Thursday, June 27th at 3 p.m. Fun, educational and interactive presentation.

Technology Help is available Drop-in (first come, first served when adult librarian is on duty) or by appointment. Get help with your devices, computer questions, using online library resources (eBooks, databases, job resources).

Foam Party on Saturday, July 27th at 2 p.m. Dance in bubbles, play games and create crafts.

Family Field Trip, Saturday, June 29th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Join a special round-trip bus ride to the Art Institute, where families will engage in an Interactive Guided tour and art-making activity in the museum's private studio. For families with children ages 6 to 13. Register at the front desk and complete consent form.

TEENS

Magic Waffle Mondays at 1 p.m. (except Aug. 26th). Make a waffle with fun toppings and enjoy board games, coloring or bring your own book.

Teen Tuneful Crafternoons on Thursdays at 1 p.m. (except June 20th & July 4th). A fun afternoon of crafts, socializing and snacks. Materials and snacks will be provided.

Do you need community service hours? Ask about our Teen Summer Volunteer Program.

Teen DIY for ages 14 to 19 will be available on Tuesdays, June 25th; July 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th from 5 to 7 p.m. Projects include art, perfume rollers, block painting, patches and vinyl stickers.

KIDS

Instrument petting zoo with Old Town School of Folk Music on Saturday, July 13th at 2 p.m. Ages 3 to 10 will discover sounds of instruments.

STEAM Fun with Marble Run on Tuesday, July 16th from 1 to 3 p.m., ages 5 to 13 will unleash creativity through Tunepad.

Music of Latin America with Pop-Up Music School on Friday, July 19th at 11 a.m. Sing, dance and learn about music from Ms. Magaly, for ages 0-5 with a caregiver.

ADULTS

Zumba Fitness Classes on Wednesdays, June 26th & July 3rd at 6:30 p.m. A 45-minute medium intensity, dance workout for all levels. This class is limited to 20 participants. Register online for each session.

Music open mic on Fridays through Aug. 9th at 2 p.m. Play your favorite pieces on our acoustic guitar or keyboard.

The Ballad of "Deepfake Drake": AI and music on Monday, July 15th at 6:30 p.m. A lively discussion on a song generated by AI. Register in person to pick up a copy of the New York Times article at the Circulation Desk or

Tech Training For Veterans

The Cook County Department of Veterans Affairs is accepting applications for the Chicago Cook Technology Academy, a free training program designed to provide veterans with career skills. Cook County has partnered with Microsoft and National Able Network to offer this 11-week course, which begins July 22nd. Applications are due Sunday, July 14th.

To date, three sessions have completed, producing 32 graduates, 24 of whom have gained post-training employment. The average starting pay is \$30.27 per hour.

Programming is based on curriculum developed for Microsoft's Software and Systems Academy and has been expanded into Cook County by Microsoft at no cost. The program is available to all qualifying veterans but is tailored for service members transitioning out of the military.

Participants are trained in cloud development or administration by National Able Network's IT Career Lab instructors. Those who complete the course will have the opportunity to interview for full-time, entry-level IT positions. For more information, visit: www.cookcountyil.gov/service/chicago-cook-technology-academy

Beat Meeting For 9th Dist. Police

The Chicago Police Department 9th District will conduct a public meeting for Beats 921 & 922 at the Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer, Thursday, July 2nd. Beat 921 will meet from 6 to 7 p.m. followed by 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 activities will entertain them while the adults engage in the meetings.

Church Services

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Sunday, 10 a.m. Worship service: Ernest Gray speaking.

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Gathering for Spanish speakers.

Obituaries



ALEJANDRO CAS-TILLO who was born on Nov. 17th, 1990, passed away on June 13th at the age of 33. Visitation was held June 18th at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer ave., Jonathan Siedlecki, owner-director. Funeral Mass was celebrated June 18th at St. Richard Church, 5032 S. Kostner. Interment was at St. Mary's Cemetery, 87th & Hamlin, Evergreen Park

MARY LOU SMITH, (nee Davis), wife of late Ralph Vincent Francis Smith; mother of Michael (Jessica), Jennifer (John) Rhead, Claudia (Matthew) Bohanek, Susanna (Stephen) Baughman, Rebecca (Mark) Walshon, Christina Smith and Gregory Smith; grandmother of Samantha, Aero Michael Smith, Sean (Caitlin), Leah, Aidan Rhead, Emily, Ethan, Isabelle and Lily Bohanek, Ryan (Amanda) Smith, George, Sadie Baughman and Luke Walshon; great grandmother of Weston, Layla and Amira; sister of Kathleen (late Frank) Damato; sister-in-law of Betty (late Edward), late Lillian (late Joseph) Falkowski and late Daryl Winters. Visitation will be held Friday, June 21st from 4 to 8 p.m. at Zarzycki Manor Chapels, 5088 S. Archer ave. and Saturday June 22nd from 10 to 11 a.m. at St. Richard Church. Mass of Christine Burial will follow at 11 a.m. Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Support Group For Parents

The Brighton Park Neighborhood Council will conduct a Parent Support Group at Davis School, 39th & Sacramento on Tuesdays, June 25th and July 30th at 10 a.m.

Mental Health and its affect on the family unit will be discussed. Child care will be available. For more information or to register, contact, Eveline Echeverria (312) 544-9569.

Music Festival At Grant Park

The Grant Park Music Festival announces scheduling at the Jay Pritzker Pavilion. Garrick Ohissou will perform Schumann's "Piano Concerto" and Prokofiev's "Symphony No. 6" on Friday, June 21st at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, June 22nd at 6 p.m.

Kyle Dickson will conduct Dvorak's "Serenade For Strings" on Thursday, June 27th at 6:30 p.m. Alumni of the Festival String and Vocal Fellowship program return for a reunion concert of contemporary and classical works.

Ludovic Marlot will conduct the Haydn London Symphony in concert on Wednesday, June 26th at 6:30 p.m. The program features Assad - Water Nymphs, Richard Strauss

- Suite from Der Rosenkavalier and Haydn - Symphony No. 104, London.

Pre-concert talks take place one hour early in the Chase Promenade North Tent. Visit gpmf.org or call (312) 742-7647 for more information.

Gamers Universe At H-W Library

The Chicago Public Library and Chicago Teen Gamers Guild will present Gamers Universe at the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State st. on Saturday, June 22nd from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Register at chipublib.org/gamersuniverse.

Play Piano Outdoors At McKinley Park



The Chicago Park District will conduct "Pianos in the Parks" at McKinley Park, 2210 W. Pershing rd. from June 21st to Aug. 15th. Everyone has the opportunity to play piano outdoors this summer as part of Make Music Chicago. A free introductory lesson will be available during scheduled times. Visit <https://classicalmusic-chicago.org>.

Family Events At Beverly Arts Center

The Beverly Arts Center, 2407 W. 111th st. has scheduled classes for dance, visual arts, music, theatre, senior, fitness and more.

Join the Youth Theatre Company for the full theatrical experience. Includes auditions, rehearsals, and live performances on The Baffes Theater's mainstage. Payment plans are available.

The open application period for the ART COMP 47 has begun. This annual juried gallery exhibition celebrates the talent of

local and regional artists. Since 1976, ART COMP has supported artists with prize money and the opportunity to show their work in the Jack Simmerling Gallery.

BAC's Summer Arts Camp for ages 5 to 14 offers full-day dance, music, theatre and visual arts classes. The camp has four sessions, with the first three being two weeks long and culminating in a showcase. The fourth session, Summer Show Camp, is four weeks long and culminates in two performances of Camp Rocks Musical.

Music Mondays will feature the Smiley Tillman Band through Aug. 26th from 7 to 9 p.m. Bring a lawn chair. A donation is requested.

For ticket information, visit beverlyartscenter.com or call (773) 445-3838

CAPS Beat 912 Plans Meeting

Beat 912 of the 9th District Police Dept. will conduct public meetings at the McKinley Park Fieldhouse, 2210 W. Pershing rd. on the 2nd Wednesday of every other month beginning July 10th from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

Residents will have the opportunity to meet beat officers, discuss problems and crime conditions, receive crimes stats and learn crime reduction strategies.

For additional information contact the Community Policing Office at (312) 747-3501 or email caps.009district@chicago-police.org.

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Thursday June 27th
7pm kick off
Archer/Parkside
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Tue., Thurs., & Sat. 8 AM Mass

Masses at St. Therese
Chinatown — 218 W. Alexander
Sunday Masses
8AM & 10:30AM in English
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St. Barbara: 312-842-7979 St. Therese: 312-842-6777 School 312-326-2837

Mandarin Mass, 12:30 PM, Sunday, June 23, St. Therese
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Symphony Center Schedules Concerts

Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan ave. announces its schedule of concerts.

Tchaikovsky Pathétique & Trifonov (CSO), June 20th - 23rd. For ticket information, visit cso.org or call (312) 294-3000.

County Releases Project Map

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways has released its 2024 highway construction project map that includes all projects underway or scheduled to begin.

Information shown for each project includes an expected start date, overview, benefits and scope. The public is encouraged to visit the site throughout the season for updates.

Residents can enter an address to view information regarding projects, click the orange highlighted sections on the map or use the arrows in the upper left to toggle through.

Visit: www.cookcountyl.gov/service/highway-construction-projects.

Open Studios At Bridgeport Art Ctr.

Capoes. The event is free but there is a suggested \$20 donation to help support the programming. Register at bridgeportart.com.

Midway C of C Plans Parade. The Midway Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Patriots Day Parade on Thursday, June 27th.

Dragon Boat Race At Ping Tom Park. The 2024 Chicago Dragon Boat Race for Literacy will be staged at Ping Tom Memorial Park, 300 W. 19th st. on Saturday, June 22nd from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mariachi Concert. Celebrate Music and Culture with Mariachi Estrellas de Chicago at the Lincoln Belmont Library, 1659 W. Melrose st. on Saturday, June 29th from 2 to 3 p.m.

Program On Chicago River. Shedd Aquarium is presenting a free program on the ecology, history and future of the Chicago River at the Bridgeport Art Center, 1200 W. 35th st. on Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m.

Free Events At Ryan Woods. The Forest Preserves of Cook County will conduct a Night of Nature Play at Dan Ryan Woods Visitor Center, 87th and Western on Wednesday, June 26th from 7 to 9 p.m.

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For information, examine the court file, CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Plaintiff's Attorneys, 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL, 60527 (630) 794-9876. THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE. You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jscc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales.

NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Case # 2022 CH 02070 13246147

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, July 2nd. 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).

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