



## Another War In The Middle East



By Dr. R. Pletsch

There is a war in the Gaza Strip. No one knows how many have died or been injured. Most people fear that this conflict may spread. In this area of the world, there are many countries and individual militias that have many modern weapons including nuclear weapons. Most of these nations show some tendency to be pro-Hamas (the legal government of the Palestinians).

Warfare in the Middle East is not new. The children can get confused easily so let's try and give them the facts as we know them. The area known as the State of Israel actually was founded after World War II. There was no invasion as the children would think. The Jewish people that had migrated to the area petitioned the United Nations to recognize them and, by majority vote, the UN voted to recognize them as an independent nation. Therefore, it is many countries, not just the USA, that recognized Israel as a free independent nation.

This new nation has had to fight numerous wars to maintain their existence. They have always won militarily. Then last week, another war broke out between Hamas and Israel. This short, concise story, if you need to or desire more, there is plenty on the internet that will support this.

A problem now is that some supporters of Hamas believe the war was started by Israel's aggression. The following items are on video tape released by Hamas and pro-Hamas websites. No one in the camp denies these videos. As the war started, Hamas taped their exploits including beheading babies, mutilating civilians, breaking into homes and killing or taking hostages. They also showed many rapes and what the Western world considers desecrating bodies. They have threatened many other things on these websites as calls for more attacks on Israel and their allies. Some people in other parts of the world including the US believe these are lies, but you could look them up to see what they actually say. Then make your own decision.

There are many news reporters from around the world who said they witnessed these things. Remember to try to limit the students to this war. Do not let them get involved in claiming atrocities hundreds of years ago. People can be made to justify almost anything, but learn the facts the best you can and remember when it is mentioned, it is not all Jews or Muslims that most complaints are about. Don't hate Grandma because she is part Jewish or your neighbors because they go to a Mosque. America is better than that.

## Halloween Party At West Lawn Park



Photo provided by Chicago Park District

The Chicago Park District will conduct a Halloween Party for ages 2 to 12 at West Lawn Park, 4233 W. 65th st. on Tuesday, Oct. 31st from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Participants will enjoy tricks and treats, games, costume contests and more.

## Paid Program For Tech Trainee

The Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology is launching a paid trainee program to build a pipeline of tech talent to meet the demand for skilled professionals and diversify the agency's workforce.

Trainees will receive a minimum yearly salary of \$54,000 from DoIT while pursuing tracks in one of five high-need concentration areas: cybersecurity, networking, coding and database, end user computing and enterprise infrastructure. Additional tracks will be added as the program grows.

Trainees will receive formal mentoring from current DoIT employees and be offered a full-time

job after completing the program and meeting its benchmarks.

Cohorts will begin with initial classes of 20 participants, with additional cohorts launching as needed. Lincoln Land Community College developed the curriculum for participants and will host a training site in Springfield. DoIT has partnered with City Colleges to provide a Chicago-based training site and expand the program's reach.

Applicants should apply online at DoIT.illinois.gov. A recruitment event will be held Friday, Nov. 3rd from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Harold Washington College campus.

Prospective applicants can email DoIT. Recruitment@illinois.gov with application questions.

## One Mile Run At West Lawn

The Chicago Park District will conduct a Holiday Hot Chocolate One Mile Run at West Lawn Park, 4233 W. 65th st. on Saturday, Nov. 11th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call (312) 742-7529.

## New Volunteer English Literacy Tutors



Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th st. trained five English Literacy tutors to help address the need of adult education in English as a Second Language on Oct. 14th. Pictured are Steve Koslovsky, Viviana Gonzalez, Lisa DeAngelis, Stephanie Wilk and Dave Schmid. Currently there are over 30 adult students on the wait list for English tutoring. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer tutor, the next, and final tutor training workshop of this academic year, will be held in-person at the center on Saturday, Nov. 11th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. All instruction is one-on-one for 90 minutes per week and training is provided. Tutoring can be in-person, online over Zoom or a hybrid of both. Knowledge of a second language is not required; all instruction is in English. For more information, contact Sabrina Poulin at (773) 927-0512 or email Sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org.

## Haunted House At Archer Park



Photo provided by the Chicago Park District

The Chicago Park District will conduct a Haunted House at Archer Park, 4901 S. Kilbourn on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27th and 28th from 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free.

## McKinley Library Schedules Programs

The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th st. has scheduled interesting and informative programs.

Little Learners Story Time will be held on Fridays through Dec. 29th from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Children 0 to 5 and their caregivers will join Ms. Katie for songs and stories.

Fall into STEAM will be held on Thursdays from 4 to 4:45 p.m. with the following themes: Oct. 19th - Pumpkins and Oct. 26th - Spooky Science.

Family Crafts for ages 3 and up will be conducted on Wednesday, Oct. 25th from 6 to 6:45 p.m.

Digital Skills for Job Searching will be demonstrated on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 1 to 2 p.m. A career specialist will help build your online skills to be successful with your job search. Bring your laptop if you have one, but a device is not needed to attend.

Halloween Story Time and a Costume Parade is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 30th from 6 to 6:30 p.m.

COVID-19 related resources, including PPE, vaccine information, at-home COVID tests, are offered by The Resurrection Project on Tuesday, Oct. 31st from 2

to 5 p.m. While supplies last.

LEGO at the Library will take on a variety challenges or free build on Thursday, Nov. 2nd from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Visit [chicagopubliclibrary.org](http://chicagopubliclibrary.org) to register.

## Launch of Theater Season

The City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events announce the launch of Theater Season, a new campaign to promote local theater in partnership with the League of Chicago Theatres.

Chicago boasts more than 250 theatres ranging from storefront, non-union theatres to renowned resident theatres in the country, including 6 which have been honored with Regional Tony Awards, and the largest touring Broadway organization in the nation. For more information, visit [www.chicagoplays.com](http://www.chicagoplays.com). Available discounted tickets are listed at HotTix.org.

## Fall Fun Event At Riverwalk

The McKinley Park Development Council will sponsor a Fall Fun Riverwalk Event behind the 2040 S. Halsted L stop on Sunday, Oct. 22nd from 2 to 4 p.m.

An expansion of the riverfront path from Western ave. to Ping Tom Park is under consideration.

Urban Rivers will discuss their floating islands and wildlife along the South Branch. There will be activities for all ages and an opportunity to participate in designing sections of the riverwalk.

Fall treats from McKinley Park, Bridgeport and Chinatown will be enjoyed. Interpretation will be available in Spanish and Mandarin.

## Meeting Concerns Migrant Shelter

12th Ward Alderwoman Julia Ramirez has scheduled a community meeting at Kelly High School Auditorium, 4136 S. California on Tuesday, Oct. 24th at 6 p.m.

The topic for discussion is the proposed temporary shelter for migrants to be installed in the former truck parking lot at the northwest corner of 38th street and California.

For more information, call her office at (773) 475-6783 or email [Ward12@CityofChicago.org](mailto:Ward12@CityofChicago.org).

## Mexican Museum Offers Programs

The National Museum of Mexican Art, 1852 W. 19th st. has scheduled a wide range of programs.

Reservations for docent-led tours of Dia de Muertos exhibition can be made on the website via online form.

The Dia de los Muertos: Love Never Dies Ball is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 4th. Hosted by the Museum's Auxiliary Board it includes culinary treats, adult beverage, live music and dancing.

The Museum's youth initiative Yolcalli Arts Reach has been chosen to participate in a charitable giving campaign funded by Target. Now through Dec. 31st, vote for us through the Target Circle program. Find out more and vote at [www.target.com/circle](http://www.target.com/circle).

Yolcalli Arts Reach presents its annual Chill Set: a late night at the museum for youth 25 years and under on Friday, Nov. 17th. Enjoy exhibits, dance to a live band and DJ and eat snacks. Registration is encouraged for this free event.

Chill Set on Saturday, Nov. 11th is intended to give teens a safe and engaging evening of art and community, a party and a workshop. Adults are not invited, exceptions for group chaperones. Order tickets at [bit.ly.chillset23](http://bit.ly.chillset23).

Loyola University Chicago is interested in understanding more about children's learning and improving the academic success by participating in two 45-60 minute conversations with a family of children ages 3.5 Families will receive \$45 and a small gift. Email [cmaldonado1@luc.edu](mailto:cmaldonado1@luc.edu) for more information.

Yolcalli's Youth Art Market will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5th from 1 to 5 p.m. Youth made art includes stickers, buttons, zines, clothes, jewelry, candles and more!

A docent will guide visitors through Dia de Muertos, Living Presence and discuss highlighted works of art on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 9 a.m. for English and 9:30 a.m. for Spanish. Registration is required.

Join Dia de los Muertos Chicago on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 3 to 8 p.m. Guests will enjoy offrendas, live musical performances and art activities. Families and individuals are invited to

share a photograph of a departed loved one to be incorporated into photo memorial. The event is free and open to the public, rain or shine.

The Festival del Arte Popular is open through Oct. 22nd. Meet some of Mexico's finest folk artists and watch live demonstrations.

Studio Saturday on Oct. 21st will feature Poetry in the Galleries from 10 to 11 a.m. Children 7-12 are invited to explore the galleries during a guided visit of *Nuestras Historias: Stories of Mexican Identity from the Permanent Collection*. They will observe multiple artworks, discuss their themes and content, and write poems based on the works. This event is free but registration is required.

Email [angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org](mailto:angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org) to register.

Storytime in the Galleries for ages 4 to 8 will be held Saturday, Oct. 21st at 11:30 a.m. A reading of *I Remember Abuelito: A Day of the Dead Story* by Janice Levy, tells how a family prepares to honor their deceased loved ones. This book connects with Sun Mad, an ofrenda dedicated to the artist's father, a farm worker from the San Joaquin Valley, CA, which is currently on view in *Nuestras Historias: Stories of Mexican Identity from the Permanent Collection*. Admission is free, but registration is required.

Email [angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org](mailto:angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org) to register.

Viva la Vida, a monthly workshop series tailored for 55 years and above are invited to the museum on Thursday, Oct. 26th from 1 to 3 p.m. for an immersive experience followed by an art making activity. The theme of the afternoon will be Day of the Dead, as we highlight our Dia de Muertos, Living Presence exhibition creating nicho boxes using paint markers, collage materials, found objects, tissue paper, and other materials.

This program is free but registration is required, email [angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org](mailto:angela@nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org).

## N4EJ Schedules Community Party

Neighbors for Environmental Justice (N4EJ) will conduct its final Neighbors in Nature event of the year at the McKinley Community Play Garden, 3518 S. Wolcott on Sunday, Oct. 22nd from 4 to 7 p.m.

Dinner from 5 to 6 p.m. will feature food from Chile Toreado and a dance party from 5 to 7 p.m. with music by Honey Lucio.

## Cook County Proposes Budget

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle presented a proposed \$9.14 billion Executive Budget Recommendation for Fiscal Year 2024, which includes millions in funding for equity programs and pandemic relief without increasing taxes or cutting vital services.

The County was able to close a \$161.8 million budget gap without the need for raising any new taxes, fines or fees.

In the coming year, Cook County will continue implementation of critical projects funded in FY2023 with nearly a quarter of the billion dollars from its American Rescue Plan Act allocation from the U.S. Treasury Department.

A plan will be implemented to continue providing services once federal funds are no longer available. This is being made possible through a proposed \$166 million American Rescue Plan Act reserve that will sustain ARPA programs during a step-down period as the County continues to

identify grants and permanent funding sources. This reserve will provide additional time and flexibility to sustain Guaranteed Income Program, Medical Debt Relief, Behavioral Health Services, Violence Prevention and Stormwater Management.

In addition to its ARPA work over the last several years, Cook County established its Equity Fund in 2021 to achieve more equitable outcomes for residents. In FY2024, the county will appropriate \$70 million in new, additional funding, bringing total fund investments to nearly \$130 million. Casino tax revenue including revenue from the new temporary Chicago casino is designated as a new permanent revenue source of the Equity Fund and equity-specific initiatives.

The County has seen its bond rating upgraded twice and successfully pushed for landmark pension legislation.

All FY2024 budget information is now posted at [cookcountylil.gov](http://cookcountylil.gov).

## "Illumination" At Morton Arboretum



Photo Credit Morton Arboretum

### Warming Fires - Making S'mores

Tickets for the holiday favorite 11th annual *Illumination: Tree Lights at The Morton Arboretum* go on sale to the general public on Oct. 23rd.

Also new this year is an '80s-themed Electric Illumination night, and new displays that immerse guests among festive lights and music.

*Illumination* ticket prices for Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT/ LINK) and WIC cardholders is available through the Museums for All program, at \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

ComEd is also offering a \$5 discount on a limited number of nonmember tickets, by entering the code 2023COMED-LIGHTS during online checkout.

Electric Illumination is a late-night experience for adults 18 and older, features a curated mix of house music, synchronized to the light displays on Fridays, Dec. 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th from 9:30 to 11 p.m.

The adults-only (ages 21 and older) IllumiBrew preview event 5:30 to 10 p.m. on Nov. 16th and 17th offers a first look at the newest version of *Illumination* while sampling local brews, ciders and meads along the trail.

The 2023-24 *Illumination* season, Nov. 18th through Jan. 6th, will feature 18 displays, including two new and four returning favorites with enhanced experiences. New exhibit *Winter Radiance* will feature kinetic LED tall grasses paying homage with light and color to an indigenous Midwest plant species. Starlit Trail envelopes guests among large twinkling "stars" along the path.

The mile-long paved walking trail will be reversed to create a different experience.

Tickets are available online at [mortonarb.org](http://mortonarb.org)

### Veteran's Mass At Lady of Snows

American Legion Central Park Post 1028, will host its annual Veteran's Day Mass at Our Lady of Snows Church, 4810 S. Leamington on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m.

Veterans from all military branches will be honored with the playing of each anthem. A flag raising ceremony, rifle salute and breakfast will follow. Family members are invited to arrive by 9:30 a.m. to coordinate the entry procession.

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## Ridge Library Plans Programs

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

Time for Tots, ages 18 to 36 months with a caregiver, will experience stories, songs, rhymes and a themed craft to take home. Early arrivals can color, build puzzles and play with toys. The event is offered Mondays through Dec. 11th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Games People Play is available on Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m. with Scrabble, Pinochle, Yahtzee, cards, trivia and more. Bring your own game and a friend.

Stories and Songs for ages 18 months to 4 years with a caregiver will be held Wednesdays through Oct. 25th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Join us for songs, stories and silly dancing. Playtime follows each session. Early arrivals can play with puzzles.

LEGO Challenges for ages 6 to 8 will be completed on Wednesdays through Nov. 15th from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. work in teams to complete timed challenges. Creations will be put on display.

The Science Connections program will conduct Transportation Exploration for ages 8 to 10 on Mondays, during October and November.

### Deadline For Mortgage Help

The Illinois Emergency Homeowner Assistance Fund program offers up to \$60,000 in funding to support households with delinquent mortgage payments, property taxes, or HOA fees where the delinquency began in 2020 or later. The window to apply for mortgage assistance is closing on Oct. 31st.

Contact the housing counseling team for help filling out the application and understanding how the program works.

For more information, visit [open-communities.org/ilhaf](http://open-communities.org/ilhaf).

Children will be able to work on a project with provided materials. Topics are Aerodynamic airplanes on Oct. 23rd at 3:30 p.m.; Careening Cars on Nov. 6th at 4:30 p.m. and Stumping STEM Challenges, Nov. 20th at 11:30 a.m.

The Luna Blues Machine will perform a free concert on Saturday, Oct. 21st from 1 to 2 p.m. Led by the Cervantes sisters, hip-hop, soul, Latin and folk music is infused to create their own unique sound.

Tween Halloween for ages 8 to 12 will create Hang and Leaf Ghosts on Tuesday, Oct. 24th from 4 to 4:45 p.m. String them up to make a banner or hang them individually.

Make a Monster Puppet for ages 5 to 10 on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 2 to 3 p.m. Supplies are provided to make a monster puppet to take home. Coloring sheets are also available. (This program follows the neighborhood Halloween Parade).

Chicagoska: Polish American Woman Writers will be featured on Thursday, Oct. 26th from 7 to 7:30 p.m. In honor of Polish American Heritage Month, this event will feature a panel of talented female authors. Polish American author and editor of *Forgotten Chicago*, Daniel Pogorzelski will serve as moderator.

Register for events at <https://chipublib.bibliocommons.com/events/>

### Bird Language Course Online

Bird Language expert Dan Gardoqui of Lead with Nature will conduct a four-week journey to better understanding what birds are chirping about on Wednesday, Nov. 1st-22nd from 6 to 7 p.m. The course is provided via evening Zoom, decoding what birds are telling us. Reduced rate is available for \$75. Register at [birds@openlands.org](mailto:birds@openlands.org).

## Fall Fest At Lincoln Park Zoo



Photo provided by Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo's Fall Fest, invites guests to enjoy classic fall favorites like pumpkin patches, hot apple cider, musical entertainment, story times, large-scale chalk art, live professional pumpkin carving, still walkers, and seasonal décor. Photo opportunities will be available throughout the zoo for families to remember their time.

Ticketed experiences include the Harvest Maze, Fun Slide, an inflatable obstacle course, bouncy house, and Kiddie Wheel. Daily attractions include Lionel Train Adventure, AT&T Endangered Species Carousel, and the virtual reality Gorilla Trek experience.

Fall Fest is free and open to the public Friday to Sunday through Oct. 29th. Attractions do require tickets and are available for \$4 each or 10 for \$36 and 20 for \$69. Attraction tickets will be available to purchase online or at the zoo.

Other autumn events are Haunted History

### Halloween Fun In Garfield Ridge

The Midway Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its Halloween Pumpkin Jamboree on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Parade Line Up begins at 9 a.m. on Nordica, just south of Archer (near Weber's Bakery). Kick off at 10 a.m., eastbound on Archer to 55th st. to Merrimac; south to 56th street, disbanding at Kennedy High School.

Activities for families will follow at Wentworth Park and Kinzie parking lot, including a Dia de los Muertos event, live music, art, vendors and food. Wentworth park is sponsoring the Trunk or Treat in Kinzie parking lot from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### After Hours At Cultural Center

The City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events offers an engaging array of free arts programming throughout the Chicago Cultural Center year-round.

Highlights include the free "Under the Dome" concert series, taking place Thursday, Oct. 26th at 6:30 p.m. with Rapper and Chicago-native Roy Kinsey and Nico Segal, a trumpeter and founding member of the band, Kids These Days. RSVPs are recommended at [cityofchicago.org/dcace](http://cityofchicago.org/dcace).

### Comedy Jam In Garfield Ridge

The Midway Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Comedy Jam at the Mayor's Mansion European Chalet, 5445 S. Harlem on Friday, Oct. 20th at 7:30 p.m. The performers are Vin Pandya, Mo Good, Abi Sanchez and Joey Villagomez.

Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. Purchase tickets at [midwaychamber.org](http://midwaychamber.org).

### Concert Honors Saint John Paul II

The Lira Singers will perform a concert honoring St. John Paul II at St. Daniel the Prophet Church, 5300 S. Natoma on Saturday, Oct. 21st at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and free for clergy, children and college students. Buy tickets at [iraensemble.org/upcoming-performances-chicago/](http://iraensemble.org/upcoming-performances-chicago/)

### Learning Lab At Cultural Center

The Chicago Cultural Center Learning Lab, 78 E. Washington features Meet an Artist on the 2nd and 4th Fridays and Saturdays of the month through Dec. 23rd from 12 to 2 p.m.

The interactive studio offers sights, sounds and experiences for visitors of all ages and a wide range of ability. Admission is free.

### 9th Dist. Beat 912 Plans Meeting

9th District Police Beat 912 will meet at the McKinley Park Fieldhouse, 2210 W. Pershing rd. on Wednesday, Nov. 8th at 6:15 p.m.

Residents may meet their beat officers to discuss problems. For more information, contact (312) 747-3501.

## 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. 2nd from 6 to 7 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.

Help with Homework from the Teacher in the Library program is available on Mondays from 3:30 to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Graphic Novel and Manga Book Discussions will be held on Thursdays, Oct. 19th, Nov. 16th and Dec. 21st from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Each month, read and discuss a graphic novel and a manga selection. Stay for the conversations that can be anything from the details of the book to the latest happenings in comic book culture.

Earthshakers Nature Club Thursday, Nov. 2nd and Dec. 7th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Explore nature in this fun science and sustainability club focusing on ways to give your life more green. For kids ages 6 to 13 and their families.

Family Craft Night will be enjoyed on Thursdays, Nov. 9th and Dec. 14th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

LEGO Duplo Club will meet on Thursdays, Oct. 19th and Nov. 16th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Families with children ages 5 & up will build their own design or try a design challenge. Work on your own or as a team.

Teen DIY for ages 13 to 19 will be held Saturday, Oct. 21st from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Create and make something new using provided materials.

A Teen Hideaway for ages 13 to 19 will be available on Tuesday, Oct. 31st plus Thursdays, Oct. 19th and 26th from 5 to 7 p.m. Teens will design & create with a 3D Printer, button maker, vinyl cutter, play video games or just chill and read.

Visit [chicagopubliclibrary.org](http://chicagopubliclibrary.org) to register.

### Free Day At Children's Museum

In partnership with the Chicago Children's Museum, Navy Pier guests can enjoy a fun-filled day of activities for families and children (ages 10 and under) on Thursday, Oct. 26th.

Admission to the Chicago Children's Museum is free, in addition to the Pier's workshops, programming, activities and other resources. This event is made possible by generous support from the Pritzker Foundation.

### Family Fest At Park No. 571

The Chicago Park District will conduct a Family Fall Fest at Park no. 571 - Eleanor Boathouse, 2828 S. Eleanor st. on Saturday, Oct. 28th from 1 to 3 p.m. Admission is \$2 for all ages. Festivities include: bounce house, halloween activities, sweet treats and crafts. Register at [southbranchpac@gmail.com](mailto:southbranchpac@gmail.com)

### City Clerk At Park District HQ

The Mobile City Hall Office of the City Clerk will be at the Brighton Park Community Campus, 4830 S. Western on Thursday, Oct. 26th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Residents may obtain dog licenses, apply for a CityKey ID, purchase City stickers and residential parking permits and learn more about the Chicago Rx Program.

### 8th District CAPS Meeting

CAPS Beats 815 & 821 will meet at the Archer Park Fieldhouse, 4915 S. Kilbourn on Wednesday, Nov. 1st at 7 p.m. The districts cover 38th to 55th st. and Pulaski to Cicero.

For more information, contact (312) 747-8724 or email [caps.008district@chicagopolice.org](mailto:caps.008district@chicagopolice.org).

## Obituaries



ALEJANDRO JUAREZ-CERVANTES passed away on Oct. 4th at the age of 62. Born in Michoacan, Mexico, he was the son of Graciela Cervantes and late Gilberto Juarez; father of Michelle, and Natalie; brother of Gil Jr., Diana, and Antonia; grandfather of 20 year old Alexia Murillo, 15 year old Jema Zendejas, and 11 year old Gabriel Zendejas. Visitation was held Oct. 15th at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart. Interment was at St. Casimir Cemetery, 4401 W. 111th St.

JESSICA I. RODRIGUEZ passed away suddenly on Oct. 6th. She was the daughter of Maria Ibarra and late Francisco Rodriguez; mother of 11 year old Leslie, 7 year old Isaia Jesus, and 5 year old Genesis; sister of Rosa, Viviana, Kayla, Fernando, and late Francisco. Visitation was held Oct. 14th at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart.

### Inductees For Sr. Hall of Fame

Illinois Department on Aging Director Paula Basta announced three new members of the Senior Illinoisans Hall of Fame, who will be honored during award ceremonies in their home communities this fall.

Each year, up to four Illinoisans aged 65 or older are inducted into the Hall of Fame for their work in community service, education, arts or the labor force.

Honorees are: Hilda E. Frontany, 80, Chicago; Dr. Peter Orris, 78, Chicago and Shirley Pacey, 72, Decatur.

For information about the Department's programs and services for older adults and persons with disabilities, visit <https://ilaging.illinois.gov/> or contact the Senior HelpLine toll-free at 1-800-252-8966.

ENRIQUE B. HICARO, SR., of Chicago, passed away at MacNeal Hospital on Oct. 9th at the age of 94. Born in Cavite City, Cavite, Philippines, on July 15th, 1929, to Juana Bayot and Juan Hicaro, he attended University of Santa Tomas in Manila City, Philippines, with a Bachelor of Science in Architecture, followed by a Master of Science degree in Architecture from the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Enrique worked as a professional architect with A. Epstein & Sons International, Inc., for over 35 years on the Harold Washington Library, United Terminal at O'Hare Airport, Madame Curie High School, Hyatt Regency and other projects throughout Chicago and the United States.

Survivors are his sons, Enrique Jr. (Teresa Tam) and John (Gemalie, Matthew, and Christine) and sister Frances. He was predeceased by his wife, Ernesta (née Payumo, 1998), and his brothers Herminio, Victor, Herminigildo, and Ricarte.

Memorial services were held at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer on Oct. 15th. Funeral Mass was celebrated Oct. 16th at St. Richard Church. Interment was at Saint Mary Cemetery Evergreen Park.

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# COMMUNITY MEETING

Details on temporary shelter at 38th & California

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## Community Dinner Celebration

Come one, come all—  
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**NEW DATE!**  
**Sunday, October 22, from 4-7pm**

McKinley Community Play Garden (3518 S. Wolcott Ave.)

4-5pm **Decorate** the space!  
5-6pm **Dinner** is served!  
5-7pm **Dance party** with music by Honey Lucio!  
4-7pm **Connect** with Neighbors for Environmental Justice (N4EJ)!

Part of Neighbors for Environmental Justice's "Neighbors in Nature" series  
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Rosary: Sunday, 5:30 AM  
6 AM & 9:30 AM Sunday Masses  
**Weekday Schedule (Chapel)**  
Tue., Thurs., & Sat. 8 AM Mass

**Masses at St. Therese**  
*Chinatown — 218 W. Alexander*  
Sunday Masses  
8AM & 10:30AM in English  
12:30PM in Mandarin  
**Weekday Schedule**  
Mon., Wed., & Fri. 8 AM Mass

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St. Barbara: 312-842-7979 St. Therese: 312-842-6777 School 312-326-2837

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