



Iranian Drone Attack



By Dr. R. Pletsch

It seems there is very little understanding of what occurred in the Middle East Saturday night. It is very hard to understand as Americans because the war and at least hard feelings have been a part of their lives for generations.

When dealing with the issue here, I will keep it simple. There is bitter hatred between these people. It is not you vs. me, it's us vs. them. It is a whole group of people and some of the people within those groups of Jews and Muslims are more committed to killing each other than others. Earlier this year a group of Hamas rebels crossed the border with weapons and according to reports in Muslim newspapers, they killed, harmed and raped many Jews including women and children. They took hostages, some of which have not been released. As retaliation, the Israeli military invaded

the area in Gaza where these Palestinian members of Hamas came from.

We move this forward to Saturday and the country of Iran, who many believe supplied the weapons and logistics for this attack, used drones and missiles during an evening attack against Israel. Reports that at least 300 were shot toward Israel, but according to press reports, only two landed inside Israeli borders.

Israeli, American, British and Jordanian air defenses shot most down. Iranian military was permitted to launch these drones and missiles from Iran, Lebanon, Iraq and Yemen. On Sunday, Germany, Canada, France and others pledged to support Israel.

What happens next, no one is sure. But no one wants to back down and it is not like two friends who have a fist fight, they both swing, both get hurt, and this is the fight they were not afraid of each other and it's over. This, of course, is an oversimplification and individual families have individual stories.

I found most of the information because I watched Fox News Saturday night. It seemed the only channel that took this area and the importance of this event seriously. Then I used the Washington Post to firm up the statistics. Don't believe that everyone thinks like you do. You may be sad to find you are the more human of the people you know.

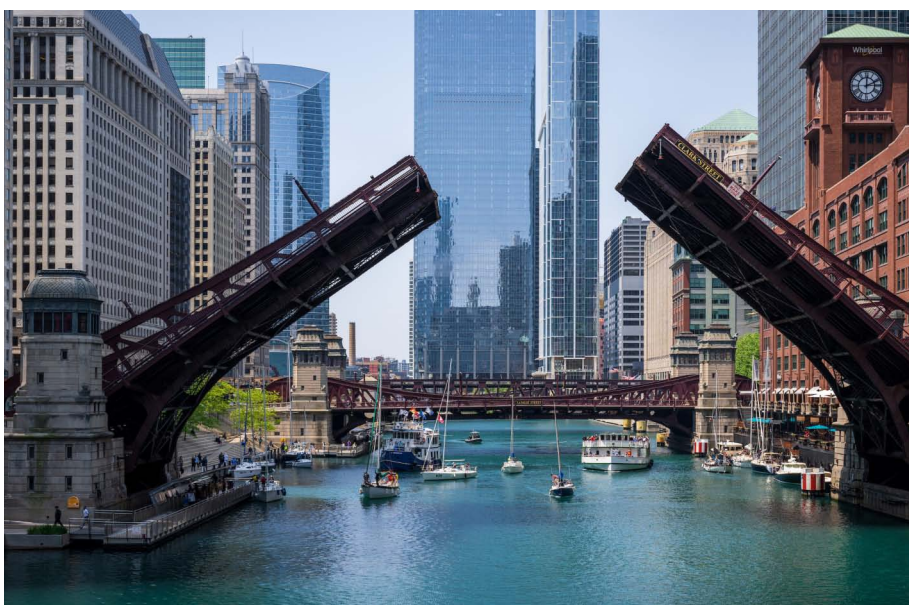
Celebrate Illinois Telecommunicators

Governor JB Pritzker has proclaimed April 14th-20th, as Telecommunicators Week in Illinois in recognition of the contributions telecommunicators make to the safety and well-being of residents.

"Our telecommunicators are the first to answer the call and serve as a vital part of our response during any emergency. The information that they provide to responders helps us understand the situation we are responding to and allows us to better prepare to help once we arrive," said Illinois State Fire Marshal James A. Rivera.

Illinois State Police Telecommunication Services Bureau has approximately 100 public safety telecommunicators responsible for providing routine and emergency capabilities for state law enforcement agencies, as well as federal, county, and municipal agency partners when necessary.

Bridge Lifts Begin April 20th



The Chicago Department of Transportation announced spring bridge lifts will begin on Saturday, April 20th at 8 a.m., with the raising of 27 bridges from S. Ashland ave. to DuSable Lake Shore Drive.

Each year, in the spring and fall, CDOT raises the movable bridges along the Main and South Branches of the Chicago River on a twice-weekly schedule on Saturdays at 8 a.m. and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. to accommodate recreational boats traveling to and from their storage yards. During these "boat runs," the bridges are typically raised one at a time, with each bridge lift taking an average of 8-12 minutes. While the bridge is in the upright position, traffic is halted, and drivers may use alternate streets or wait until the bridge is lowered.

Gads Hill Center CEO To Retire



M. GARCIA

Maricela Garcia announced her retirement from Gads Hill Center after 12 years at the helm and will leave Aug. 31st. She will join the Migration Policy Institute as a Nonresident Fellow.

During Garcia's tenure, GHC has expanded beyond its historic roots in Pilsen and later North Lawndale into multiple new sites across the southwest side that serve Brighton Park, Little Village, Back of the Yards, Chicago Lawn, Gage Park, McKinley Park, and New City. The expansion has been accompanied by a budget increase from \$4 to \$16 million, and the capacity to deliver bilingual and culturally competent services to more than 5,000 children and their families annually.

Key program innovations included integrating Mental Health support and Social Justice practices in every dimension of programming.

Maricela's tenure has included the COVID-19 pandemic period, during which GHC helped working families who lost their jobs and income navigate financial, emotional, and health crisis. Hundreds of families were kept from becoming homeless by providing rent and mortgage assistance during the initial months of the pandemic, and to equip family homes with com-

puter hardware and technical assistance to ensure that their children could pivot from in person to virtual classes.

Gads Hill Center's expansion of services and ability to successfully navigate the pandemic were a result of the development of a vision and infrastructure to ensure a solid future as the neighborhoods in Chicago that GHC has historically served were impacted by gentrification.

From the time Maricela assumed the CEO role in 2012, she has led the process of identifying the destination areas for the Latino families leaving Pilsen, and the services they would need. She has diligently raised the capital funds to build the infrastructure for a new family center in Brighton Park.

Museum of Asian Art Schedules Programs



Photo provided by Heritage Museum of Asian Art

The Heritage Museum of Asian Art, 3500 S. Morgan st. offers 3rd Friday tours monthly at 6:30 p.m. Participants will explore the 3rd floor of Asian art from the Main, Ming and Scholar's Galleries. Free parking, museum admission and appetizer will be available.

The Lunar New Year will be observed with a Special Exhibition: Year of Dragon featuring a preview reception, an opening ceremony and workshop series with an exclusive Jade Lecture.

3rd Friday Free Admission Night is scheduled for April 19th from 5 to 8 p.m. Tour at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Explore the three galleries of the museum and the new special exhibition - Year of Dragon. Free parking, museum admission, tour and appetizer will be provided.

The Main Gallery displays artifacts from China, Japan, Korea, Cambodia, Thailand, India and other Asian countries.

The Ming Gallery features Chinese art form the Ming Dynasty, including statues, furniture, paintings, calligraphy, etc.

The Scholar's Gallery gives a glimpse into the lifestyle of a typical Chinese scholar in the Qing dynasty: their furniture, tools, and objects of contemplation.

2024 Resident Artist Irene Hsiao has created

an interactive installation, performance, and workshop series called *If the Sky Could Dream* that combines drawing, painting, dance, found materials and found spaces. Because the dragon is a water deity in Chinese culture, this work also features projections of the waters of Lake Michigan, the Chicago River, and the lakes, ponds, and lagoons of Chicago Parks. The schedule includes Friday, Apr. 19th, 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, May 11th, 1 to 3 p.m.

Peter Wong will conduct a 6-week Tai Chi workshop on Sundays, April 14th to May 19th from 2 to 3 p.m. The cost is \$65. Topics are: Softening Exercises, Yang Style, Breath Relieving, Footwork, Pushing Hands and Standing Meditation.

Juliann Wang will teach a Tea Meditation Workshop on Saturday, April 20th from 2 to 3 p.m. The cost is \$15. Participants will experience Chinese Tea Ceremony, a guide to various types and brewing practices.

For additional information visit heritageasianart.org

Park District Offers Summer Programs

The Chicago Park District 6-week day camp session for ages 6 to 12 runs from June 24th through August 2nd. Options are available for early and extended camps to help families in need of additional services.

The summer program session for all ages and abilities runs from June 10, 2024, to August 25, 2024. For a full catalogue of summer programs, visit chicagoparkdistrict.com

Online registration is now open. In-person registration begins on Saturday, April 20th or Monday, April 22nd. Young and aspiring artists can get into painting, drawing, music, and woodcraft courses. Adventure Camp allows ages 8 to 13 to learn fishing and gardening. This camp for young outdoor explorers also features a lake water investigation activity and nature play at 6 unique sites.

Teens are offered self-defense classes, learn to row and leadership clubs. The Recreation Leader in Training program serves as a mentorship course for ages 13 to 15.

Adults can enjoy ceramics, boxing, orchestra, and swim hours. Seniors can enjoy boxing, basketball, Pilates, cardio conditioning, and dynamic activities are available for seniors 60 years of age and older. Aquatic based exercise, ceramics, and line dancing are also available.

The Summer Food Service Program provides breakfast or lunch and a snack. The Nutrition Team includes nutritional education to campers. Financial Assistance is available for those who cannot afford to pay the full price. No child will be turned away for inability to pay. All camps range in cost, and some are offered for free. For more information, visit chicagoparkdistrict.com

State Police Combats Hijacking

The Illinois State Police continues to target vehicle theft, hijacking, and related violent crimes using a \$10 million Illinois Vehicle Hijacking and Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council grant from the Illinois Secretary of State.

From January through March 2024, ISP missions resulted in the following: Vehicles recovered - stolen and/or hijacked, 274; Stolen vehicle arrests, 31; Hijacked vehicle arrests, 1; Firearms seized as a result of stolen/hijacked vehicle recover, 28; Missions targeting stolen/hijacked vehicle recovery and related violent crime, 50; K9 used for stolen/hijacked vehicle recovery and related violent crime, 28; Air Operations targeting stolen/hijacked vehicle recover and related violent crime, 50; and Forensic laboratory assignments related to stolen/hijacked vehicle, 1,165.

Highlights of vehicle recovery efforts: January 16th, ISP pursued a stolen Nissan on I-94 at

Garfield. The vehicle stopped in the area of 70th and Wood in Chicago and ISP took two suspects into custody and recovered two firearms.

February 14th, ISP attempted to stop a Dodge taken in an aggravated vehicular hijacking. The vehicle fled and stopped on I-57 northbound at Kenzie, where the suspects fled on foot. ISP took one suspect into custody and recovered two firearms.

On March 16th, ISP pursued a stolen Jeep on East End Avenue and 26th Street in Chicago Heights. The Jeep stopped in the 20000 block of Juniper Avenue in Lynwood. ISP took three suspects into custody and recovered a stolen firearm with an extended magazine and an auto-sear switch.

"To Mom" Concert At Athenaeum

The Mexican Folkloric Dance Co. of Chicago will present a "To Mom with Love" Concert at the Athenaeum Center, 2936 N. Southport ave. on Saturday, May 11th at 6 p.m.

Music will feature Sonos de Mexico Ensemble, Cuerdas Clasicas and Mariachi Perla de Mexico.

Free parking lots behind theater on Oakdale ave & SW corner of Southport & Oakdale. For tickets visit <https://secure.athenaeumcenter.org/1163>. Enter code Mom24 for a 10% discount (valid only a short time).

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*.

The School of Fine Arts Spring 2024 catalog is now available. Learn about classes for dance, visual arts, music, theatre, senior, fitness and more.

For ticket information, visit beverlyartscenter.com.

Jazz Institute Offers Concerts

The Jazz Institute of Chicago announces the Chicago Jazz Piano Festival will be staged at Pianoforte Studios, 1335 S. Michigan ave. with concerts by world-renowned pianists, including Miguel de la Cerna and David Kikowski, April 26th & 27th; Bethany Pickens and Uri Caine, May 10th & 11th; Elio Villafranca and Darwin Noguiera, Sept. 20th & 21st; Esteban Castro, Oct. 25th & 26th; Laurence Hobgood, Nov. 29th & 30th.

The Aaron Kaufman - Levine Quartet will perform at Cafe Logan, 916 E. 60th st. on Friday, April 19th at 6 p.m. Free

and open to the public. Award-winning saxophonist, Aaron Kaufman - Levine has performed with the Jazz Band of America and is the recipient of the Kiewit-Wang Mentorship Award.

The Jazz Institute of Chicago will sponsor The Gala at Park West, 322 W. Armitage ave. on Wednesday, May 29th featuring Grammy Award winner Samara Joy.

A Jazz Links Jam Session will be performed at the Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth ct. on Wednesday, May 8th at 5 p.m. Enjoy live jazz for free in one of Chicago's most distinguished clubs.

Land Bank For Cook County

The Cook County Land Bank Authority, City of Chicago, Community Investments Corporation and Community Initiatives Inc., unveiled a newly restored eight-flat residential building at 1701 N. Melvina in the Galewood community, including five affordable residences on April 16th.

The Cook County Land Bank Authority, an independent agency, was founded by the Board of Commissioners in 2013 to address communities affected by the mortgage crisis. The Land Bank acquires properties that have sat tax-delinquent, abandoned and vacant for years and sells them at below-market rates to qualified developers, who rehab them. Learn more at <http://www.cookcountylanbank.org> or email info@cookcountylanbank.org.

Symphony Center Schedules Concerts

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

Chopin & Tchaikovsky, April 18th & 21st; Gateways Festival Orchestra featuring Take 6, April 19th; Mahler 4, April 21st - 24th; CSO Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, April 25th - 27th; Sheherazade, May 2nd - 4th; Montgomery & Bruckner 7, May 30th - June 1st; Hilary Hahn & Friends, June 9th and The Elements with Joshua Bell, June 13th - 15th.

For ticket information, visit cso.org or call (312) 294-3000.

Baseball Parade To Hoynes Park

Omega Delta Youth Baseball & Softball League will conduct an opening day parade on Saturday, April 20th at 10:15 a.m.

Assembly will be at Target Parking Lot, 33rd st. and Damen. The procession will wind through the neighborhood and end at Hoynes Park, 3417 S. Hamilton.

5K Run For Parks At Burnham Park



Photo by Chicago Parks Foundation

The Chicago Parks Foundation will bring its 5K event at Burnham Park, 31st Street Beach on Sunday, Sept. 15th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Start the morning with the timed Lakefront Trail 5K or a guided 1-Mile Burnham Wildlife Corridor Nature Walk. Then enjoy the post-race gathering with food, drinks, and community fun. Registrations include a commemorative t-shirt and post-race party food/beverage ticket. All ages welcome. Limited time early bird rate of \$35. The course is suitable only for walkers, runners and manual wheelchairs. An optional 1-mile guided nature walk along the Burnham Wildlife Corridor is \$20. Register at runsign.up.com/Race/IL/Chicago/RunfortheParks5k1.

S-W Home Equity Assurance Program

The Southwest Home Equity Assurance Program guarantees the property value of its members that is established during registration.

After 5 years of membership, if you decide to sell your home and it sells below the assured value, the program may reimburse you for the difference between the sale price and guaranteed value. If you sell above the assured value, that is your profit. Members may take advantage of a

home improvement loan program to update, upgrade and renovate their home.

Borrow \$1,000 to \$15,000 at 0% interest on a 5-year term; \$15,001 to \$20,000 at 2% interest on a 7-year term or \$20,001 to \$30,000 at 3.5% interest on a 15-year term.

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For more information, call (773) 735-2000 or visit swhomeequity.com.

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Archer Heights Library Schedules Programs

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

TEENS

Teens are invited to explore their interests in various clubs on Thursdays at 4 p.m. Topics are: May 2nd, Self Care; May 16th, Sit n' Stitch: Crochet & Knitting; April 25th & May 23rd, Gaming.

Join us weekly on Mondays at 4 p.m. to work on creating fun art, excluding holidays.

Teens who need community service hours may apply to our volunteer program.

HOMEWORK HELP

Homework help for pre-k through high school from a certified teacher is available on Sundays, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 3 to 6 p.m.

ADULTS

Drop-in Technology Help for adults is available on Mondays from 1 to 2 p.m., except on holidays. Get help with your computer, phone or tablet.

Book Clubs: Polish Book Club meets 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 1 p.m. Contact Elizabeth. English Book Club meets 4th Wednesdays of each month at 1 and 6:30 p.m., contact Jeannine.

Craft Lab is available on Monday, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. May 13th: Rock Painting. Register online or at the circulation desk. Materials will be provided.

Beading Time is conducted on the 1st Saturday of each month, 2 to 3 p.m. Create jewelry and ornaments with beads and wire. Bring your own material or use ours. Limited to 10 participants, register at front desk.

Adults social table - meet people while enjoying puzzles, coloring, doodling, crosswords or

sudoku. Play a board game or just chat with other visitors. Located at the 2nd adult reading table.

KIDS

"Matisse at the Library: Drawing with Scissors" will be held Sunday, April 28th at 2 p.m. Art-making workshop where kids age 3+ will create collages inspired by artist Henry Matisse.

EYE GLASSES

Certificates for free eye exam and glasses from VSP and Lions Club will be available Saturday, May 11th from 2 to 4 p.m. Eligibility includes: one member household annual income \$25,760 or below (for each additional member, add \$9,080); and haven't used the program in the last 12 months.

For more information, visit chipublib.org.

Recruitment For IDHS Employment

The Illinois Department of Human Services offers rewarding career opportunities in various fields - Business, Management and Administration, Medicine and Healthcare, Community and Social Services, Technology, Law, Administrative, Service and Public service. Join the next presentation and learn about career opportunities, employee benefits and tips on completing your online employment education. Bilingual is a plus.

Register for the next virtual recruitment presentations on Wednesdays, May 1st from 10 to 11 a.m. or April 17th and May 15th from 2 to 3 p.m.

Spanish only speaking may apply on April 24th and May 22nd from 2 to 3 p.m.

Contact Dhs.Recruitment@Illinois.gov.

Brookfield Zoo Schedules Events



Photo credit Brookfield Zoo Chicago

If you've been storing items in your basement or garage, bring them to Brookfield Zoo Chicago's Party for the Planet recycling event on Saturday, April 20th 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the main parking lot, 8400 W. 31st st. Gather any electronics, textiles, and used books. For a list of acceptable recyclables, visit brookfieldzoo.org or call (708) 688-8000.

The 2.2 Mile Earth Day Run will be held inside the park on Sunday, April 21st at 8 a.m. Registration fee is \$35 person and includes admission to the Zoo, an Earth Day Run commemorative medal, and a packet of wildflower seeds. For more information, visit brookfieldzoo.org/events.

Brookfield Zoo Chicago's Digital Photo Contest is open from May 24th - Aug. 2nd. The photographer's paradise has more than 3,000 animals representing over 500 species. Professional photographers will judge and choose the grand prize winner and their top seven picks in the following categories: mammals, birds, and reptiles/amphibians/invertebrates/fish. The public is being asked to then go to the Zoo's website and vote for first-, second-, and third-place winners in each of the three categories. For additional information, go to brookfieldzoo.org/digitalphotocontest.

The Roaring Nights—summer concert series will feature June 22nd, The Fray; July 12nd, Barenaked Ladies and July 27th, Gin Blossoms. Limited capacity and reservations are required. For more information, including band line-up and ticket pricing, visit brookfieldzoo.org/roaringnights.

Brookfield Zoo Chicago is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with extended summer hours of 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Admission to the Zoo is \$29.95 for adults, \$20.95 for children ages 3 to 11, and \$24.95 for seniors 65 and over. Children 2 and under are free. Parking is \$17-\$20.

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, April 26th, May 10th, May 24th to May 19th from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Children 0 to 5 and their caregivers will join Ms. Katie for songs and stories.

Family Crafts for ages 3 & up and caregivers will be conducted on Tuesday, April 23rd from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Parent Book Club will be reading *Good Inside: A Guide to Becoming the Parent You Want to Be* by Rebecca Kennedy on Sunday, April 28th from 3 to 4 p.m.

A Poetry Month Writing Workshop for teens is scheduled for Mondays, April 22nd and 29th from 4 to 5 p.m. Explore different poetic forms with

Teen Associate Brooks. Snacks will be available.

Covid-19 related resources, including PPE, vaccine information, at-home tests, are offered by The Resurrection Project on Tuesdays, April 23rd and 30th from 2 to 5 p.m., while supplies last.

The Baby and Toddler Play Group will meet on Tuesday, May 7th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. to play and socialize.

LEGO at the Library for ages 4 and up is offered on Wednesday, May 8th from 4 to 4:45 p.m. Take on a variety of challenges or free build.

Reading Buddies for ages 3 to 13 will meet on Saturday, May 18th from 2 to 2:45 p.m. New and beginning readers and their caregivers are invited to practice together and play literacy games.

Visit chicagopubliclibrary.org to register.

Lincoln Park Zoo Schedules Run, Walk



Photo provided by Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo, 2001 N. Clark st. announces that the western lowland gorilla is the featured animal for 2024's Run for the Zoo on Sunday, June 2nd.

Every registrant will receive a unique, gorilla-themed 2024 medal along with the annual race shirt and post-race goodies.

The event is thoughtfully designed to accommodate every member of the family.

The 10K Run and 5K Run/Walk courses are U.S.A. Track & Field-certified and chip-timed for experienced athletes. Runners will take a flat path that goes into the zoo, around the neighborhood, and near the lakeshore, allowing for views of the Chicago skyline.

No experience? Enjoy a morning stroll alongside friends and family in the 5K Walk, traversing the neighborhood, natural areas, and the zoo.

Lincoln Park Zoo is

home to two troops of gorillas, who live in the Regenstein Center. The Lester E. Fisher Center for the Study and Conservation of Apes, which conducts primate research, is also housed here.

The zoo's Goualougo Triangle Ape Project studies gorillas and chimpanzees in the only habitat in the world where they coexist.

To register, visit lpzoo.org.

Lawyers Offer Phone Advice

The Chicago Bar Association is reminding the public that attorneys are available to provide legal assistance online or over the telephone.

The CBA sponsors a monthly "Call A Lawyer" program through the Lawyer Referral Service, making attorneys available to take calls on April 20th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, the public may call (312) 554-2001 and explain their situation to an attorney.

These services can also be accessed on CBA's website at www.chicagobar.org.

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. The next meeting is May 8th from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

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

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

Of the Earth Exhibit At Morton Arboretum



Five large-scale sculptures by Polish American artist Olga Ziemska have been created for an exhibition, "Of the Earth", at The Morton Arboretum, 4100 Illinois Rte 53, Lisle. The work was created from reclaimed and pruned tree branches and other natural materials gathered from locations throughout the Arboretum's 1,700 acres. "I am giving reclaimed natural materials a new life and transforming them from nature into new forms,"

Ziemska said.

Ziemska has exhibited and created public installations in Poland, Taiwan, Italy, South Korea, Mexico, and other locations globally in a career spanning more than 20 years. Her work entwines and melds the human body with other natural forms.

The exhibition will run through spring 2025.

For more information visit, mortonarb.org.

Midway C of C Plans Meeting

The Midway Chamber of Commerce will conduct a General Meeting at Wintrust Sports Complex, 5499 W. 65th st., Bedford Park on Tuesday, May 7th at 12 noon. Lunch sponsor is Carlos Aparicio of Aparicio Law.

For more details, contact (773) 767-0014 or info@midwaychamber.org.

Star Programs At Ryan Woods

The Forest Preserves of Cook County will conduct a free program, "Night Hike: Stars and Stories" at the Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion, 87th & Western on Thursday, April 25th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Join in and listen to the story "Under the Drinking Gourd" and learn the significance of why reading the stars was important for survival.

Lakefront Loop 5K At Navy Pier

Navy Pier's annual Lakefront Loop 5k will be staged on Sunday, May 5th at 7:30 p.m. This year's event will include a Kids Dash, timed 5k with age group awards, and post-race treats. Visit navypier.org.

Clean-Up Day At Kelly Park

The Chicago Park District will conduct an Earth Day Clean Up at Kelly Park, 2725 W. 41st st. on Saturday, April 20th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

All ages may register at <https://signup.com/go/NvovrHA>.

Fitness Centers At Area Parks



Photo provided by the Chicago Park District

The Chicago Park District offers fitness centers to motivate residents to increase physical activity by walking, swimming, weightlifting, running, yoga and more.

Parks are health hubs that offer opportunities for all ages and abilities to adopt healthy habits through programs, facilities and amenities.

Residents searching for a weight loss goal in 2024, may access the on-demand physical exercise

routines and connect with wellness team about establishing healthy routines, habits and health goals.

Fitness centers have a variety of equipment to help maintain and/or improve one's cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength, muscular endurance, and flexibility. Equipment features treadmills, cross trainers, upright and recumbent bicycles, free weights and benches, cable cross-overs, multi-station weight machines and core-focused weight equipment.

One-month, 3-month and year-long fitness center memberships are available to purchase from \$30-\$60. Accessible equipment for people with disabilities is available at 40 fitness centers.

Fitness and wellness options are available for a range of ages and abilities, including aquatic aerobics, cycling, Pilates, yoga, kickboxing, and strength training. Lap swim memberships are also available for purchase. Most winter session classes run through March 21st.

For more information, visit www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/fitness-centers.

City Offers Vacant Lots

The Department of Planning and Development encourages the redevelopment of City-owned vacant lots to return them to productive uses.

View a list of commercial, industrial and residential sites selected by the regional planning teams as high-priority redevelopment opportunities at chicago.gov. For questions email info@chiblockbuilder.com.

**St. Bruno / St. Richards
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April 21, 2024

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION MCLP ASSET COMPANY, INC. Plaintiff, vs. TRENTE L. FORTE, DEMETRIC L. FORTE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS Defendants
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Commonly known as 8943 SOUTH LOWE AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60620
Property Index No. 25-04-119-017-0000
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$59,112.93.
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Commonly known as 2121 Waukegan Rd., Suite 301, Bannockburn, IL 60015 (847) 291-1717
For information call between the hours of 1pm - 3pm. Please refer to file number 22-097289.
E-Mail: llmnotices@lls.com
Attorney File No. 32-097289
Case Number: 22 CH 9951
TJSC# 44-793
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 # 22 CH 9951 13242022

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1944107940
12 RICHMOND ST. CHICAGO, IL 60629
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on April 3, 2023, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 1, 2024, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 6444-46 S. RICHMOND ST., CHICAGO, IL 60629
Property Index No. 19-24-112-032-0000
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$334,145.71.
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22 CH 01915
1400 S. PAULINA ST. CHICAGO, IL 60609
NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 6, 2024, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 7, 2024, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL, 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 4183 S. EMERALD AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60609
Property Index No. 20-04-119-031-0000
The real estate is improved with a single family residence.
The judgment amount was \$247,199.42.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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Commonly known as 950 W. 53RD ST., CHICAGO, IL 60609
Property Index No. 08-412-039-0000
The real estate is improved with a multi-family residence.
The judgment amount was \$252,617.33.
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2022 CH 12420
1223 WEST 98TH STREET CHICAGO, IL 60643
NOTICE OF SALE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on October 5, 2023, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 17, 2024, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker, 1st Floor Suite 35R, Chicago, IL 60606, sell at a public sale to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 1223 WEST 98TH STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60643
Property Index No. 25-08-116-015-0000; 25-08-116-016-0000
The real estate is improved with a commercial investment property.
The judgment amount was \$317,084.15.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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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.

The 30th annual Sor Juana Festival will continue through May. The festival honors Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz, a 17th century Mexican nun who was a celebrated playwright, mathematician and poet.

Ancient Huasteca Women - Goddesses, Warriors and Governors will open in Rubin & Paula Torres Gallery on Friday, April 26th from 6 to 8 p.m. and run until July 21st. Over 130 artifacts highlight several roles 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 deities, warriors, governors and priestesses.

A contemporary dance performance inspired by Frida Kahlo for Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz will be offered by Silvitia Diaz Brown on Saturday, April 27th at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15.

Nuestras Historias: Stories of Mexican Identity from the Permanent Collection highlights the Museum's Permanent Collection to showcase the stories of Mexican identity. From ancient Mesoamerican and colonial artifacts to modern Mexican art and contemporary works.

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.

Auxiliary Board in partnership with Onward House is hosting a donation drive to support recent arrivals. Donations of new and gently used items will be distributed to those in need. Visit nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org for a list of items needed.

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.

A free screening of "Bolero", a documentary following Angela Aguilar as she visits eastern Cuba to explore the roots of the genre will be offered on May 25th.

Arte Diseno Xicago II - From the World's Fair to the Present Day will be held through Aug. 11th. 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.

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Ridge Library Plans Programs

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

April is Poetry Month. Submit your original poem to hang on the bulletin board. All ages, use any format.

MSI: Spy Academy Club for grades 3-8 will be held on Wednesdays, May 1st to 22nd from 4 to 5 p.m. Test your speed and logic skills, make a spy ID buzzer; build a magic box and reflective eye glass lenses and construct an escape zipline.

The Artist's Studio is scheduled for Tuesdays, May 7, 21st and 28th from 4 to 5 p.m. Take part in family art-making projects designed in partnership with the Art Institute of Chicago. For children of all ages.

"Diamond Painting" Coaster Craft for adults is offered on Saturday, May 11th at 1 a.m. Diamond painting is the process of applying tiny resin rhinestones to an adhesive pre-printed design to create a sparkling mosaic-style picture.

An Adult Book Discussion of "Mickey 7" by Edward Ashtonis scheduled for Thursday, May 9th at 6 p.m.

Time for Tots Story time for ages 15 to 36 months and a caregiver is available on Mondays through May 20th from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, rhymes and a themed craft to take home. Early arrivals can color, build puzzles and play with toys. Great opportunity to socialize and learn how to share, take turns and clean up.

Stories & Songs for ages 18 months to 4 years will be held on Wednesdays, May 1st to 22nd from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Early arrivals can build puzzles. Free play follows each session. Children learn to share and socialize with their peers.

Games People Play for

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

Engaging programs for families include Studio Saturday: I Spy in the Galleries on April 20th from 10 to 11 a.m. and Listo para el museo: Storytime in the Galleries on April 20th from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Six Flags Opens Season April 20th

Six Flags Great America opens on April 20th on weekends and select days, with daily operation beginning May 21st.

New, innovative experiences include Sky Striker, a massive 17 story pendulum thrill attraction, debuting later this spring; Windy City Sports Bar & Grill, a newly reimagined dining concept in Southwest Territory; and Great Summer Nights, an all-new event showcasing live music, an immersive nightly parade, and fireworks.

Registration is encouraged, but not required at chicagoparkdistrict.com.

adults will be enjoyed on Thursdays through May 30th from 2 to 4 p.m. Bring your own games or use ours. Light refreshments will be served.

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.

Knit Wits: Crochet Circle will meet on Saturdays, April 20th and 27th from 2 to 4 p.m. Bring your projects to share or to help others finish. This is a meet-up-not a tutorial - it's to have fun and talk.

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

A Planner Meet Up for adults and seniors will be held Saturday, April 27th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring your own journal/planner, stickers, wash tape and gel pens.

Senior Drop-In Games are available on Saturdays through April 27th from 11:30 to 1 p.m. Bring a game or borrow some of ours.

"Duplo & Block Play" for ages 15 months to 5 years will be offered Saturday, April 20th from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Toy cars, farm animals and more will help children use their imagination to build roads, towers and cities.

LEGO Free Build for ages 5 to 10 on Wednesdays, May 1st to 15th from 4 to 5 p.m. Bring your imagination and we supply the bricks.

Baby Time will share books, songs and play on Fridays through May 17th from 10 to 10:30 a.m.

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

Application For Youth Employment

The Chicago Department of Family and Support Services announced the launch of the One Summer Chicago application portal. The City aims to connect an additional 4,000 young people to paid opportunities and life-skills development programs this summer.

OSC is a youth employment program offered in partnership with local businesses, community organizations, and city agencies to provide ages 14-24 with paid work experiences for six weeks of the summer.

Mayor Johnson appropriated an additional \$76M in his FY2024 budget to expand youth employment opportunities for this summer.

More information is available at OneSummerChicago.org.

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Open Studios At Bridgeport Art Ctr.



Provided by Bridgeport Art Center

The Bridgeport Art Center, 1200 W. 35th st. will conduct 3rd Fridays Open Studio on April 20th from 7 to 10 p.m. Enter and check-in through the Atrium Entrance off of Racine Street. +21 wristbands are available at check-in

Community Cleanup In 12th Ward

A 12th Ward Community Cleanup will be conducted at Gunsaulus Academy, 4420 S. Sacramento on Saturday, April 20th at 1 a.m. Materials and refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact (773) 475-6783 or ward12@cityofchicago.org.

for complimentary wine bar.

The Chicago Ceramic Center is conducting pottery classes and hand-building workshops.

The Illinois High School Art Exhibitions will be on display through April 21st. Over 100 city, suburban, public and private high schools from across the state will participate.

Register at bridgeportart.com

Vendor Fair At Hale Park

The Chicago Park District will sponsor a Vendor Fair at Hale Park, 6258 W. 62nd st. on Saturday, May 4th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Jazz Institute Offers Concerts

The Jazz Institute of Chicago announces the Chicago Jazz Piano Festival will be staged at Pianoforte Studios, 1335 S. Michigan ave. with concerts by world-renowned pianists, including Miguel de la Cerna and David Kikowski, April 26th & 27th; Bethany Pickens and Uri Caine, May 10th & 11th; Elio Villafranca and Darwin Noguiera, Sept. 20th & 21st; Esteban Castro, Oct. 25th & 26th; Laurence Hobgood, Nov. 29th & 30th.

The Aaron Kaufman - Levine Quartet will perform at Cafe Logan, 916 E. 60th st. on Friday, April 19th at 6 p.m. Free and open to the public. Award-winning saxophonist, Aaron Kaufman - Levine has performed with the Jazz Band of America and is the recipient of the Kiewit-Wang Mentorship Award.

The Jazz Institute of Chicago will sponsor Th Gala at Park West, 322 W. Armitage ave. on Wednesday, May 29th featuring Grammy Award winner Samara Joy.

A Jazz Links Jam Session will be performed at the Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth ct. on Wednesday, May 8th at 5 p.m. Enjoy live jazz for free in one of Chicago's most distinguished clubs.

Application For CPS Preschool

The School Year 2024-25 application is open for Chicago Public School's free full-day preschool program for four-year-olds and half-day preschool program for three-year-olds. Families can apply via the Chicago Early Learning website at cps.edu/ChicagoEarlyLearning and application portal.

The free CPS full-day preschool programs meet all federal, state and local education standards and all schools are engaged in continuous quality improvement. Preschool programs are awarded a Gold, Silver or Bronze Circle of Quality, as determined by a state-approved independent review. Eighty-eight percent of CPS preschool programs meet the Gold Circle of Quality or the highest standards for quality in three areas: learning environment and teaching, administration, and training and education.

The District aims to collaborate with the Chicago Department of Public Health to host a webinar on Thursday, May 9th from 4 to 5 p.m.

More information about the CPS Preschool programs is available at cps.edu/schools/grade-levels-served/pre-k/. Parents may also call the Chicago Early Learning Hotline at (312)-229-1690.

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

English Literacy Volunteers Needed

Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th st. needs volunteers to help adult immigrants learn English. You do not have to speak another language, all tutoring is in English for 90 minutes per week.

The next tutor workshop will be conducted on April 20th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Register in advance to begin tutoring. For more information, contact the Associate Director at sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org or (773) 927-0512. The Literacy Center is sponsored by the Adrian Dominican Sisters.

Pancake Breakfast At St. Richard

Sts. Bruno & Richard Boy Scouts of America Troop 42 is hosting their 2nd Annual "All You Can Eat" Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 21st from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the St. Richard Church Hall, 50th & Kostner. The cost is \$10 person and children under age 3 are free.

Clean Up At Ping Tom Park

The Chicago Park District will conduct an Earth Day Clean Up at Ping Tom Park, 1700 S. Wentworth on Saturday, April 20th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

All ages may register at <https://signup.com/go/TzmaiUx>.

Brookfield Zoo Chicago Welcome Two Koalas



Photos credit: San Diego Zoo

Brumby (left) and Willum.

Brookfield Zoo Chicago will welcome koalas for the first time in its 90-year history, starting Memorial Day weekend. Brumby and Willum, the two 2-year-old marsupials will be visible to guests in Hamill Family Play Zoo, now free year-round with general admission.

This partnership with San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance and San Diego Zoo's Koala Education and Conservation Project marks a rare opportunity for guests, as Brookfield Zoo is one of only 11 accredited zoological facilities in North America where the public has the opportunity to see and experience these unique and engaging animals.

Koalas are one of only a few animals that eat eucalyptus leaves, which are highly poisonous to most other animals. Twice a week, the Zoo will receive a rotation of several species of fresh eucalyptus leaves for Brumby and Willum. Because of the leaves' high level of toxicity, the koala has 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. According to several sources, the misnomer occurred when English-speaking settlers observed koalas in Australia and thought the animal resembled a small bear. Actually, the koala is the only existing species of the family Phascolarctidae. It is more closely related to other marsupials (pouched mammals) like wombats and kangaroos, which can be seen at the Zoo's Australia House.

Koalas are listed as a "vulnerable" species by the International Union for Conservation and Nature in its native land of Australia. Found in Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, and New South Wales, the species faces several threats, including deforestation, fragmentation of its habitat for development, bushfires, disease, and drought.

Library Offers Teen Internships

One Summer Chicago and After School Matters are offering summer internship opportunities at Chicago Public Library for ages 16-18 for six weeks June 24th to Aug. 2nd. Hourly wage is \$15.80 per hour.

Apply at onesummerchicago.org through May 4th. Afterwards you will be directed to the After-school Matters website, select a CPL location. Hours vary by site.

Jam Sessions At Jazz Showcase

The Jazz Institute of Chicago will conduct Jam Sessions for students age 3 to 19 at the Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth court on Wednesday, May 8th from 5 to 7 p.m.

Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, visit JazzInChicago.org.

Yoga Class At Ryan Woods

The Forest Preserves of Cook County will conduct a Yoga Class at Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion, 87th & Western on Saturday, April 27th from 10:30 to 11:30 p.m. Registration is required at fpdcc.com.

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.

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.

Chicago Police Department 9th District Beats 921 & 922 meet on Thursday, May 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.

Preschool Story Time for children up to kindergarten and their families will be held on Wednesday, April 24th from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Join Mx. Dannie for stories, songs and other fun activities as we practice literacy skills and build a love for books.

Family Story Time with picture books, stories, songs and paper craft activity will be available on Tuesdays through April 30th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Middle Ground for grades 6 to 8 is offered on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. through April 30th. Play video games on Nintendo Switch, make crafts or art and hang out after school. Earn service hours for attendance.

Workshops with Brighton Park Poets will be held on Sundays, April 21st; May 5th and 19th; June 2nd from 1:30 to 4 p.m. The community-based organization hosts a generative poetry workshop 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 Mx. Dannie for children up to 2nd grade and their families are conducted on the

2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. for stories, songs and other fun activities.

A Graphic Novel and Manga Book Discussion is scheduled for Thursday, April 18th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

An Adult Book Discussion of "Dr. No" by Percival Everett will be held on Friday, April 19th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

LEGO and DUPLO Club for ages 3 & up will meet on Thursdays, April 18th, May 2nd and May 16th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. We supply the bricks and you supply the imagination.

STEM Agent Academy for grades 3 to 8 will be taught Thursdays, April 18th, May 2nd and May 16th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Join Mx. Dannie for science experiments that help you become a Science Secret Agent.

Teen Hideaway is available on Tuesdays, through May 21st and Thursdays, April 25th to May 9th and May 23rd from 5 to 7 p.m. Create art or learn to use the 3D Printer, button maker, sewing machine or vinyl cutter. Video and board games are available.

A Graphic Novel and Manga Book Discussion is scheduled for Thursday, April 18th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The group will be discussing "Earthdivers", volume 1, "Kill Columbus" by Stephen Graham Jones and continuing a discussion of "Akira" by Katsuhiro Otomo with book four.

Visit chicagopubliclibrary.org to register.

Craft Brews At Lincoln Park Zoo

Lincoln Park Zoo will feature Craft Brews on Saturday, June 15th for ages 21 plus.

General admission tickets at \$55 include: twenty 3-ounce tastings, souvenir craft brews glass, after-hours access to the zoo, yard games, live music and food for purchase.

An early admission ticket is \$65. Visit lpzoo.org.

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