



## Catholic Schools Week



By Dr. R. Pletsch

What do St. Agnes, St. Anne, St. Basil, St. Bridget, St. David, St. George, St. John the Baptist, and St. John of God have in common? Not only were these vibrant Catholic schools in our surrounding area, but the parishes and even the churches are no longer existent. There may be more than I am aware of, but this gives an example of what a great magnitude Catholic schools had around the area. As the Stockyards and other industries gave immigrants from countries all over the world a place to work.

In its time, the vast majority of students were enrolled in Catholic schools. From conversations with various religious and ethnic representatives, the schools, of course, letting the immigrants have bilingual education, which is not common in the public schools. It also gave the parents a place to meet and share their "old world" culture.

The world has a way of not holding still. Events that effected us all, like World War I, the Great Depression, World War II, and living in an area culturally mixed, many married into other ethnic groups. More and more people began to feel American and did not have the need for an ethnic school.

We sometimes oversimplify that Vatican II helped bring about an extreme drop in vocations to religious life. These teaching brothers and sisters had to be replaced with lay teachers that made, while poor, much more money than the religious made. A question about the Orthodoxy of Catholic school teachers has been an issue several times. Do these teachers follow the theology as prescribed by the faith and their contracts?

What happens when the teacher announces in class that she believes in abortion, or is pregnant or admits to cohabitating? At this point the courts do not support church teachings. These "scandals" have cost several I personally know to pull their kids out of Catholic schools. Some say it's the money, but if the school delivers most can find a way. I know a family that put five kids through Catholic grade school and two through Catholic high school, the tuition was probably only \$500, but the one worker in the family made about \$8,000 a year. So money itself is not a good reason if you want the Catholic school structure. Maybe you have to trade that everyone doesn't get Smartphones or Nikes. That's a discussion you have at home.

I am aware of a few "Catholic schools" that have very few Catholic students. They have become private schools because they do not teach Catholicism saying they will lose their non-Catholics and would have to close the school. So if it part of your heritage, and you believe a half hour a day of religion is better than an hour on Saturday, we still have a few nearby schools, St. Mother Theresa school and St. John Paul II. They are relatively affordable and not very far. This is one of many choices that parents make for their kids that will affect them the rest of their lives. Because these classmates will be your child's friends for years to come.

## Family Programs At Archer Heights Library

The Archer Heights Branch Library, 5055 S. Archer will conduct Toddler Time which features early literacy tips, books, fingerplay, rhymes, flannel board, stories and songs on Thursdays through Feb. 20th from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Discovery Play is open, unstructured playtime for young children and their caregivers on Thursdays through Feb. 20th from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Kids Art Cart has supplies like colored pencils, pipe cleaners and yarn for children to create their own projects on Saturdays, Feb. 8th and 22nd from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

The second Monday of the month writer's group will provide feedback on various styles on Feb. 13th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Writers should bring 3-4 pages of their work for consideration.

Adults and teens may enjoy a Bubble Painting workshop on Saturday, Feb. 22nd from 2 to 3 p.m.

Family film screenings will be available on Saturdays, Feb. 1st, 8th and 15th at 2 p.m.

Adult book clubs for Polish will continue on the 3rd Wednesday of the month with English on the 4th Wednesday.

A special story time for ages 0-6 will be held on Mondays, Feb. 24th and March 30th from 6:30 to 7 p.m. Children may attend in pajamas and enjoy music and movement.

Families may participate in a craft program to create Valentine's Day cards and mobiles for the Mercy Home for Boys and Girls on Wednesday, Feb. 5th from 4 to 5 p.m.

The Graphic Novel Book Club will discuss "Sunny Rolls the Dice" by Jennifer L. Holm on Thursday, Feb. 6th from 4:15 to 5 p.m. The story concerns a female 7th grade student who joins a group of boys who play Dungeons and Dragons.

On Mondays and Wednesdays, Computer Help is available from 3 to 8 p.m. Homework assistance is provided on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m.

### Dean's List At Marquette U.

The following students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Scholars and their major are Claire Casey, Speech Pathology and Audiology; Kathryn Cerven, Speech Pathology and Audiology; Johanna De Leon-Lopez, Advertising; Guadalupe Diaz, Nursing; Nicholas Garcia, Biocomputer Engineering; Kaitlyn Guan, Nursing; Vanessa Lai, Biomedical Sciences; Yaitzell Noriega, Speech Pathology and Audiology and Joia Wesley, Psychology.

## New Tutors At Aquinas Literacy Center



Aquinas Literacy Center, 1751 W. 35th St., trained fourteen new volunteer English Literacy tutors to help address the societal need of adult education in English as a Second Language. Over 40 students are waiting to be matched with an English tutor. The next tutor training workshop will be held Friday, March 13th from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, March 14th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Attendance on both days is required. Volunteer tutors instruct limited English proficient adults learners for 90 minutes per week at the center. Knowledge of a second language is not required; all instruction is in English. For more information or to be put on the contact list, contact Sabrina Poulin, Volunteer Coordinator, at (773) 927-0512 or email [sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org](mailto:sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org).

Pictured in front row are Bruno Cabral, Jennifer Johnston, Ruth Kadanoff, Starr Ivey, Nicole Zoghby and Leena Lim. 2nd row: Brenda Gengler, Sarah Bransfield and Amparo Royacelli. 3rd row: Michelle Prestidge, Nusha Martynuk, and Elizabeth Martinez. 4th row: Beth Hart and Kelly Hughes.

## Musical Programs



Funkadesi, a Chicago-based group that blends Indian music (bhangra, Bollywood, folk) with reggae, funk, and Afro-Caribbean sounds will perform a free program at the Chicago Cultural Center, Preston Bradley Hall, 78 E. Washington st. on Friday, Feb. 7th and Garfield Park Conservatory, Horticulture Hall, 300 N. Central Park ave. on Saturday, Feb. 8th from 11 to 11:45 a.m.

## NIU Announces Fall Dean's List

Northern Illinois University of DeKalb announces its fall 2019 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 college of Business, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Visual and Performing Arts.

Local scholars are: Shaniya Bibbs, Health Sciences-General; Alyssa Bueschel, Industrial

Mgmt and Technology; Rubi Chavez, English - B.A.; Jeanette Gamez, Child Development; Maritza Ibarra, Child Development; Maritza Ibarra, Rehabilitation & Disability; Kylie Little, Music Performance; Victoria Norris, HealthSci-Pre-Physical Therapy; Teri Robinson, Art and Design Education and Matthew Zebrowski, Sport Management - B.S.

### Climate Change Panel Discussion

Congressman Dan Lipinski will moderate a climate change panel discussion featuring WGN Chief Meteorologist Tom Skilling at Lewis University, Romeoville, Sancta Alberts Building on Saturday, Feb. 1st at 1 p.m.

Panelists include: Doug Sinsterson, Research Meteorologist, Argonne National Laboratory (Retired); Seth Darling, Director of the Center for Molecular Engineering, Argonne National Laboratory; Donald Wuebbles, Henry E. Preble Professor of Atmospheric Science at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and Laura Franklin, Dean of the College of Humanities, Fine Arts, and Communications at Lewis University.

Parking is available in Lots D and L.

## Family Programs At Brighton Library

The Brighton Park Branch Library, 4314 S. Archer, will conduct First Thursday Story Time for ages 0-3 and their caregivers which will feature stories, songs and fun activities on Thursday, Feb. 6th from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Little Learner Story Time for ages 0-3 and caregivers is offered on Fridays, through March 13th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Adult Coloring Classes will relive childhood joy on Mondays, Feb. 3rd, 10th & 24th; March 9th - 30th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Designs and materials will be provided.

Chess for Everyone will be offered on Tuesdays, through Feb. 25th from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Instruction will be available.

Family Story Time is a

program of books, stories, poems, songs and simple craft activities for families with children of all ages on Tuesdays, through Feb. 25th from 6 to 7 p.m.

Toddler Time is an early literacy program for children ages birth to 5 with storytelling, picture books, music and a craft on Wednesdays, Feb. 5th, 19th and 26th from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Cooking Club will explain techniques and ingredients on Thursday, Feb. 13th, March 12th, April 9th, May 14th, June 11th, July 9th, Aug. 13th, Sept. 10th, Oct. 8th and Nov. 12th from 6 to 7 p.m.

Ages 6 to 12 will learn how to program and control the Ozobot, a tiny robot using only paper and markers on Thursday, Feb. 6th from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

A Rules of the Road Review Course for adults and seniors will be conducted on Monday, Feb. 24th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The course combines an explanation of the driving exam with a practice written exam.

Ages 5 to 12 will participate in arts and crafts on Thursday, Feb. 27th from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

A Spy School: Investigating the Science of Espionage" for ages 7 to 12 will be conducted on Thursdays, March 5th through April 2nd from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

For more information, call (312) 747-0666.

### Dean's List At Monmouth College

Monmouth College announces that Jake Carbajal, Emily Krueger, Roselyne Rodriguez, and Iliana Torres were named to the Dean's List for fall 2019. Honorees achieved at least a 3.5 GPA while taking at least three academic credits.

### BrightonParkLIFE.com

To complement our weekly edition The Brighton Park-McKinley Park Life has launched a website. On it can be found general information about us, recent and past issues, advertising information and a calendar of free local events. We encourage our readers to check back often for new updates!

## 2020 Finalist For Golden Apple Award

Paloma Salcedo is a 2020 finalist for the prestigious Golden Apple Awards for Excellence in Teaching. She teaches 4th grade at Brighton Park Elementary School. Following a competitive process, 30 educators were selected as finalists from a record-setting 732 nominations received from 64 counties in Illinois.

Fellow educators, students, parents, and community members nominate teachers for the awards.

Award recipients are selected by master educators who recognize instructional best practices and utilize professional standards to evaluate exemplary teachers and school leaders. Members of the selection committee viewed video evidence of instruction and will observe finalists' teaching in-person in their classrooms - a comprehensive day which includes interviewing finalists' colleagues, school leaders, students, parents, and community members.

Award finalists will be honored at the Q Center in St. Charles on Saturday, Feb. 22nd. Details and tickets are available at [www.goldenapple.org/celebration](http://www.goldenapple.org/celebration). Northwestern Univer-



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sity will provide a Spring Sabbatical to award recipients at no cost. In addition, each award recipient receives a \$5,000 cash award. Award recipients become Fellows of the Golden Apple Academy of Educators, a community of educators who support current and future teachers and deepen the learning of students.

Golden Apple's mission is to inspire, develop, and support teacher and school leader excellence in Illinois, especially in schools-of-needs. Visit <http://www.goldenapple.org> for more information.

## DeLaSalle Institute Appoints Principal



T.J. SCHERGEN

The Board of Directors of De La Salle Institute announces that Thomas J. Schergen has been appointed Principal of the 130-year-old co-educational Catholic and Lasallian High School. A member of the Class

of 1997, he will officially assume the duties of Principal on July 1, 2020.

Schergen is currently serving as the Principal of IC Catholic Prep in Elmhurst, IL, where he has also held the positions of President and Athletic Director in his eight-year tenure.

Before beginning at IC Catholic Prep, Schergen also served at Marist High School and Maria High School. He previously taught at De La Salle Institute in 2001-02.

His Bachelor's Degree in Special and Elementary Education was received from Illinois State University in 2001 and a Master's Degree in Educational Administration from Saint Xavier University in 2005.

### Dean's List At Knox College

High-achieving students were named to the Knox College Dean's List for the 2019 Fall Term. Miguel Martinez Nava (60608), graduate of Benito Juarez Community Academy; Giselle Rivers (60632), graduate of Lane Technical High School; Samuel Barouch (60608), majoring in Environmental Science and Music, graduate of Lane Technical High School; Melody Eng (60608), majoring in Integrative Business & Management, graduate of Kelly High School; Aleksandra Gicala (60632), majoring in International Relations & Studies, graduate of Curie Metropolitan High School.

### Dean's List At Trinity College

Trinity College of Hartford Connecticut announces local students who achieved Faculty Honors for the Fall 2019 semester. Honorees attained a semester GPA of at least 3.667 on four graded courses, with no individual grade below B-, and no incomplete grades pending.

Scholars are: Jeffery Huang (60608); Nanci Alejandra Lopez Flores (60632); Neve J. Rivera (60632); and Maciek Dan Pradziad (60638).

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## Scout Troop 1441 At Camp Cary



Members of St. Mary Star of the Sea Boy Scout Troop 1441 traveled in a snow storm to Cary Camp in LaFayette for a weekend of cabin camping on Jan. 17th-19th. Scouts had to plan cook and serve meals, to help meeting their cooking merit badge requirements as well as rank advancements. Later the scouts led a hike throughout the entire trail system to help earn their Hiking merit badge. Founded in 1927, Cary Camp has notable Boy Scout memorabilia and scout history displays. St. Mary's Scouting program is now accepting new boys who are interested in joining Boy Scouts (ages 11 to 17) Meetings are held every Thursday at 7 pm in Dugan hall, 6435 S. Kilbourn. Cub Scouts (ages 6 to 10 yrs old) will meet on a different evening. Parents can contact Ed Melkonian at (312) 316-5825 for more information. Pictured are: Adrian Ayala, Aaron Ayala, Adan Moreno, Pedro Moreno (Committee Member), Ed Melkonian (Asst. Scout Master), Alexei Ayala, Damian Jimenez, and John Massura (Scout Master).

## Grey Seal Births At Brookfield Zoo



A 12-day-old grey seal pup born on January 10 is practicing her swimming skills behind the scenes at Brookfield Zoo under the watchful eye of her mom Tasha. The modified pool is shallow, which allows the pup to practice navigating in her aquatic environment with easy access out.

Two grey seals were born at Brookfield Zoo on Jan. 9th and 10th. The female pups are currently behind the scenes bonding with their mothers, Lily and Tasha, and are practicing their swimming skills in a shallow pool designed for the newborns.

In anticipation of the births, the Chicago Zoological Society's marine mammal care staff had been monitoring Lily and Tasha around the clock and were present when the pups were born.

This is the fourth successful birth for Lily, who turned 16 on Jan. 25th. Her previous offspring—all males born in 2014, 2016, and 2017—are currently on breeding loans at other North American zoos. The other pup is the first successful birth for 16-year-old Tasha. The two moms are half-sisters and arrived at Brookfield Zoo in November 2007. The sire of both newborns

is 19-year-old Kiinaq (pronounced KEY-knack), who arrived at Brookfield Zoo in 2018. Kiinaq was stranded in the wild and deemed unreleasable when he was only a few months old.

Although guests probably won't see the pups in the outdoor habitat at Pinniped Point prior to their molting, they can view updated photos and video on the zoo's website at CZS.org/GreySealPups or on Brookfield Zoo's Facebook page.

### Doyle Honored

Shannon Doyle, a student from 60638, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester. Her major is Nursing.

Honorees must achieve a grade point average of 3.50 or higher on 12 semester hours or more.

## Park District Schedules Teen Opportunity Fairs

The Chicago Park District will conduct its 5th annual Teen Opportunity Fair series from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Malcolm X College, 1900 W. Jackson Blvd., on Jan. 31st; Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson Ave., on Feb. 15th; and Kennedy King College, 740 W. 63rd St., on March 14th.

Teens between 13-19 years old will have access to information about job readiness and connect with organizations in attendance to receive feedback and critique. Teens seeking volunteer opportunities and skill development offerings will find ample options.

Break-out sessions and keynote speakers will connect attendees with experts working in various industries and provide insight into leadership development as well as preparing for a future in technology, music, engineering, and civic engagement sectors. Teens may participate in mock interviews, acquire information from college advisors, and receive key resume writing tips.

Keynote speaker, at the Jan. 31st and March 14th events, is Jahmal Cole, CEO and Founder of My Block, My Hood, My City.

Some representatives and organizations attending the fairs include: ALL STARS, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Chicago History Museum, Chicago Public Library, Chicago Zoological Society - Brookfield Zoo, Chicago Park District Community Sports, Economic Awareness Council, Elite Ambulance Service, Forest Preserve, Genius Labs, Music Forward Foundation/House of Blues, Superior Ambulance, UCAN

and Wendella.

The Chicago Park District offers a variety of programming aimed at teen audiences which include Leadership Councils and culture & arts, fitness and sports. Registration is ongoing at [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/teens-parks](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/teens-parks).

Teens can start gaining experience in the workforce with a job as a lifeguard, junior laborer and/or summer recreational leader. Lifeguard applications are being accepted now and interested applicants may register for American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification classes as well.

For more information, visit [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/lifeguards](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/lifeguards). Additional available job opportunities are available at [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/jobs](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/jobs). For more information on the Teen Opportunity Fairs, visit [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/events/teen-opportunity-fairs](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/events/teen-opportunity-fairs).

### Chicago Lecture On Architecture

Glessner House Museum, 1800 S. Prairie Ave., will conduct a lecture titled, "Chicago's First Landmarks - 1960" on Tuesday, Feb. 11th at 7 p.m.

On Feb. 11th, 1960, Mayor Daley's Commission on Chicago Architectural Landmarks designated 38 buildings. The designation was purely honorary and did nothing to protect them. Within a few months, preservationists formed the Chicago Heritage Committee in an attempt to save one of the listed buildings - the Garrick Theater, which was demolished the next year. This lecture will examine the process for designating our city's first landmarks and how politics and the tension between development and preservation played a role.

The building that survived and those that did not will be revealed. Prepaid tickets at \$15 per person are required. For more information, call (312) 326-1480.

### Ice Skating At Maggie Daley Park

The skating ribbon at Maggie Daley Park is now open. Admission is free. \$13 skate rental Monday to Thursday; \$15 skate rental Friday to Sunday thru Jan. 12th. Skates are available in child's size 8 through men's size 13 - with \$3 locker rental.

Hour weather permitting are Monday to Thursday 12 to 8 p.m. Zamboni times are 2:30 and 5 p.m. Friday to Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Zamboni times are 12, 2:30, 5 and 7:30 p.m. Holiday hours for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, and President's Day hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Zamboni times are 12, 2:30, and 5 p.m.

Parking is available at Millennium Lakeside Garages.

## Obituaries



**CHRISTOPHER Z. GUSTAW** husband of Christine (nee Pappas); son of Danuta (nee Stachyra) & late Edward Gustaw Sr.; brother of Edward A. Gustaw Jr., Annmarie Gustaw and late John Gustaw; son-in-law of Paulette & Ronald Pappas; brother-in-law of Lisa (Bill) Ryan; uncle of Kevin Ryan. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 30th from Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Willow Springs to Sacred Heart Church.



**ROBERT J. McHUGH**, husband of Kathi (nee Murphy); father of Maureen (Christopher Deumond) McHugh and Kevin (Jonna) McHugh; brother of Daniel (Colleen Sundberg) McHugh and Kathleen (Michael) Klimczak; son-in-law of Arlene Murphy. Funeral services were held Jan. 22nd from Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Willow Springs to Sacred Heart Church.

**JUSTINA OJEDA**, passed away on Jan. 22nd at the age of 74. She was the wife of late Domingo Ojeda; mother of Benjamin (Yolanda) Ojeda, Raul (Hermelinda) Ojeda, Brigid (Amalia) Ojeda, Reyna (Victor) Rodriguez, Martha (Antonio) Lopez, Fredi (Christina) Ojeda, Maria (Isabel) Carillo, Margarita (Salvador) Nava, Arcadia (Roberto) Albarran and Justina (Juan) Fuentes; grandmother and great-grandmother of many. Visitation was held Jan. 26th, at Szykowny Funeral Home, 4901 S. Archer. Funeral services were held Jan. 27th at St. Joseph Church. Interment was at Mount Auburn Cemetery.

**ALFRED VILLASOR** passed away on Jan. 22nd at the age of 50. He was the son of Flaviano Villasenor & late Martha (nee Almenta); father of Josue Torres; brother of Beatrice, Manuel, Mario, Abel, Francisco and Jesus. Visitation will be held Friday, Jan. 31st from 2 to 8 p.m. at Ocwieja-Robles Funeral Home, 4256 S. Mozart.



**MICHALINA LEJA** (nee Fudala), wife of late Jozef; mother of Jozefa (Pawel) Schulz, Tadeusz (Wladyslawa) Leja, Lottie (Andrzej) Skubisz, Casey (Eva Malecki) Leja, Tessie Krygier, Bobbie (Stan) Latek, late Stanislaw and late Jan Leja; grandmother of Marcin Schulz, Anna Nowak, Marta Swiatowicz, Joanna, Adam & Justyna Liszka, Lukasz and Jolanta Leja; Annette Czaja, Dominika Krozol, Mateusz Skubisz; David, Derick and Cassie Leja; Eric Krygier; Alyssa, Monica & Ivonna Latek and Annette Warpecha; great-grandmother of 24; sister of Stefania Styrzula. Funeral services were held Jan. 25th from Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Willow Springs to St. Turibius Church. Interment was at Resurrection Cemetery.

### Lee Honored

Upper Iowa University has named Dajah Lee, a Psychology major, to the Dean's List for the 2019 fall semester. To be honored, a student must have earned a minimum 3.50 grade point average for the semester and be enrolled as a full-time student.

## McKinley Pk. Library Schedules Programs

The McKinley Park Branch Library, 1915 W. 35th St. will feature Nightfall Story Time with the Mad Hatters for ages 0-5 and caregivers to enjoy stories, songs and a craft on Mondays, Feb. 3rd, 10th & 24th; March 9th to April 20th from 6 to 7 p.m. Pajamas are welcome.

First Thursday Story Time for ages 0-3 and caregivers will feature stories, songs and fun activities on Fridays, Feb. 6th, March 5th and April 2nd from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Little Learners Story Time for ages 0-3 and caregivers will enjoy stories, songs and rhymes on Fridays, through April 3rd from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Play time will follow.

Kids 4 and up will build Lego creations based on different challenges or play freely with the bricks and their own ideas on Tuesdays, Feb. 4th, 18th; March 17th, 31st and April 14th and 28th from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Exploratorium with Robominds Robotics Team on Wednesdays, Feb. 26th, March 25th and April 22nd from 4 to 5 p.m. Kids 6 and up will explore STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) concepts through challenges and experiments.

Horizon Science Academy's student robotics team, Robominds, will present their robot and an interactive Lego activity.

Creation Station for ages 3 and up will be provided materials on Thursdays, Feb. 20th, March 19th and April 16th from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

A Windy City Harvest Tour of The Farm on Ogden will be featured on Tuesday, Feb. 4th from 3 to 4 p.m. The facility includes a 50,000-gallon aquaponics systems, a 7,300 square-foot greenhouse, distribution for Veggie Rx, a commercial kitchen and teaching kitchen, aggregation space, and a year-round indoor market.

A computer workshop for senior citizens will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 4th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Participants will learn how to use the mouse and keyboard.

A Maker Lab for ages 10 and up will be held on Thursday, Feb. 13th from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Participants will learn about electricity, conductivity, circuits and create light-up art.

Family Night for kids, pre-schoolers and toddlers on Thursdays, March 5th and April 2nd from 6 to 6:45 p.m. will feature games, crafts and building challenges.

For more information, call (312) 747-6082.

### Overnight Event At Shedd Aquarium

Shedd Aquarium will conduct *Asleep with the Fishes* overnights for families and groups with children ages 5-12 on Fridays, Feb. 28th, March 20th & 27th, April 17th & 24th and May 8th.

Overnights include animal and science activities, an aquatic presentation, animal encounters, aquatic crafts, a scavenger hunt and a Caribbean Reef feeding dive. Participants may explore any of the open exhibit spaces throughout the evening.

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