Police Superintendent Search Forum - May 22nd

The Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability (CCPSA) launched a nationwide search for the next Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department. As part of that process, a community forum will be held on Monday, May 22nd, 6:00 - 8:00pm at the Beverly Arts Center (2407 W. 111th St.). All residents are encouraged to participate in the forum and make your voices heard by the Commission.

By ordinance, when a vacancy occurs in the office of the Superintendent, the Commission is charged with conducting a nationwide search, recruiting candidates, reviewing applications, performing background checks, conducting interviews, and selecting three finalists to present to the Mayor. The Mayor must select a Superintendent from among the Commission's three finalists, or

reject the finalists and get a new list of finalists from the Commission. The Mayor may only select

a Superintendentfrom a list provided bythe Commission."Selecting a new

superintendent is one of the most significant powers that the

Commission has and it's something that we take very seriously,"

said Community Commission President, Anthony Driver. "At this critical time in the city's history, the Chicago Police Department needs a visionary and effective Superintendent."

As an essential part of the search process, the Commission will host a series of public forums across the city, at which members of the public can provide recommendations to inform the selection of the Superintendent

candidates. "Chicagoans' voices are critical in shaping the future

of the Chicago Police Department, and their input is invaluable as we search for the next Superintendent. We encourage all members of the public to attend our upcoming community forums and share their thoughts and perspectives on the qualities and skills they would like to see in the next leader of our city's police force," said President Driver. The Commission will also engage deeply to seek input from Chicago police officers and local and national experts on policing and public safety.

The Community Commission also welcomes public comment via email at superintendentsearch@cityofchicago.org.

PROPOSED TREE IN GRAFE

\$7.9 Millon Mt. Greenwood Streetscape Project Begins

Construction on the \$7.9 million Streetscape on 111trh Street is now underway. This project will make major public way investments to the commercial strip on 111th Street from Homan Ave. to Sacramento Ave. Work will include full street renovation with infrastructure upgrades and decorative streetscape elements that will match the improvements made on 111th Street between Central Park and Homan Ave.

Throughout construction, 111th Street will remain open to motorists and pedestrians and access to businesses and residences will be maintained. To keep the street open to traffic, parking will not be allowed around active construction. In addition, there will be periodic parking restrictions on some side streets. CTA bus routes will not be affected.

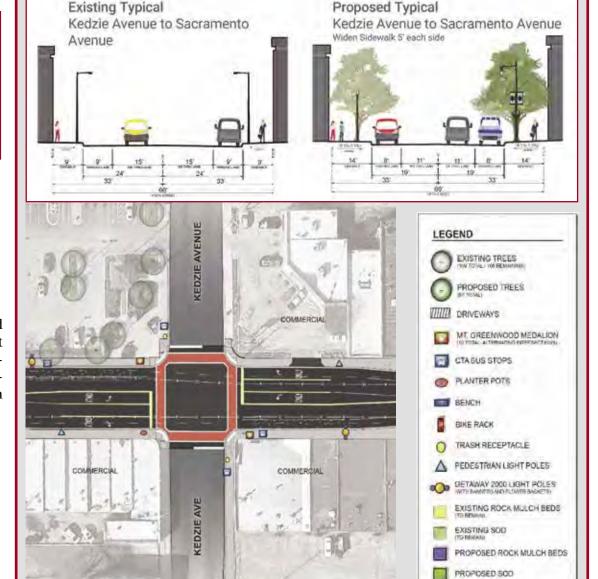
The project includes:

- New Wider Sidewalks
- New Curb and Gutter
- ADA Ramps
- Upgraded Crosswalks
- Shorter, better-aligned crosswalks
- New Lighting
- Full-Width Roadway Resurfacing
- New Pavement markings and signs
- Site Furnishings
- Trees, Landscaping, and Hanging Baskets
- Sidewalk Medallions
- Light Pole Community Identifiers

This nearly \$8 million investment in the Mount Greenwood community will help us draw new businesses and attract new customers to the commercial district, improve pedestrian safety and enhance nearby property values. The project is expected to continue through 2023 and conclude in 2024.

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MT. GREENWOOD Community Food Drive benefitting Pat's Pantry

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2023 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Mt. Greenwood Community Church

3509 W. 111th Street, Chicago

No Contact Drive Up Service Available

Pat's Pantry is a food pantry operated in collaboration with the Mt. Greenwood Community Church in memory of Patrick Turney.

We are collecting non-perishable and toiletry items.



PAT'S PANTRY

The most commonly needed items include:

- Applesauce
- Boxed Oatmeal
- Canned Beans
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Soup
- Canned Stew
- Canned Tomatoes
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Vegetables

- Cooking Oil
- Jelly/Jam
- Nuts
- Pasta/Pasta Sauce
- Peanut Butter
- Rice
- Bandages
- Deodorant

- Feminine Products
- Kleenex
- Paper Towels
- Shampoo
- Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Grocery Gift Cards

Monetary donations also appreciated. Checks can be made payable to Pat's Pantry.

Pat's Pantry offers food pick up opportunities Wednesday's from 3:00-6:00pm.

For more information, or to volunteers, please contact Kathy Cavalonne Turney at patspantrymtgcc@gmail.com.

The Mt. Greenwood Community Food Drive is sponsored by:









www.MtGreenwoodFoodPantry.wordpress.com

One Pill Can Kill:

A Presentation for Parents and Teens

On Tuesday, May 23rd, the 19th Ward will partner with the Patrick William Roche Foundation and Advice Beyond the Classroom (ABC) to provide an important seminar on drug addiction and the everincreasing dangers of fentanyl at 6:00pm at the Beverly Arts Center. The presentation will feature first-hand accounts from recovered drug addicts, family members who lost a loved one to drug overdose, and medical and law enforcement

professionals who are on the front lines of this fight. Parents and teenagers are strongly encouraged to join us for this important discussion.

Fentanyl is an opioid fifty times stronger than heroin. Street drugs like cocaine, ecstasy, heroin and meth often contain fentanyl, without the user's knowledge. Illegally made fentanyl dominates the street drug supply, causing record numbers of drug deaths in America.

In fact, recent testing completed by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) found that 6 out of 10 fentanyl laced pills now contain a lethal dose of fentanyl. This means that quite literally, one pill can kill you.

Fentanyl is now involved in 79% of Gen Z drug deaths, higher than any other age group. The best way to combat this trend is by educating our kids. Too many families in our community and across the country have experienced the tragedy of a fentanyl death.

Strong action is needed to reverse this horrible trend. The Patrick William Roche Foundation has lead outreach efforts at local high schools to educate students about this dangerous issue. To expand their reach, the Foundation has now partnered with ABC and the 19th Ward Youth & Community Foundation to try and reach even more families with this important information.

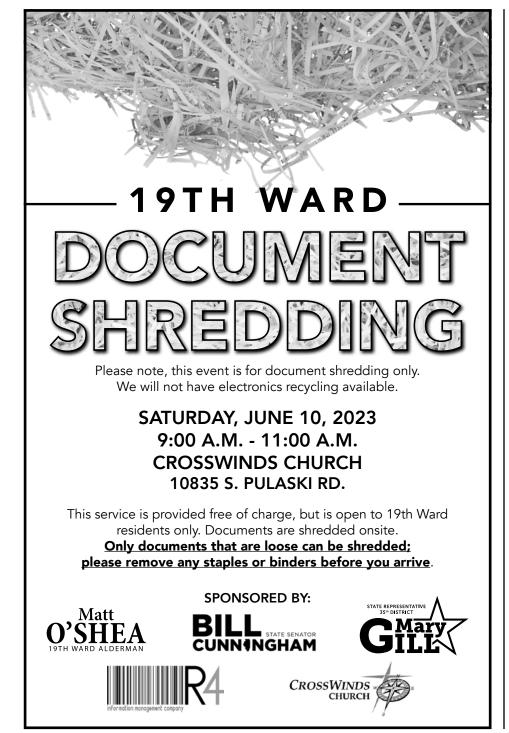
Please take time out of your busy schedule to attend this event and hear difficult first-hand accounts. For more information, please email mattoshea@the19thward.com. Admission will be done on a first come, first served basis. We hope that you can attend.



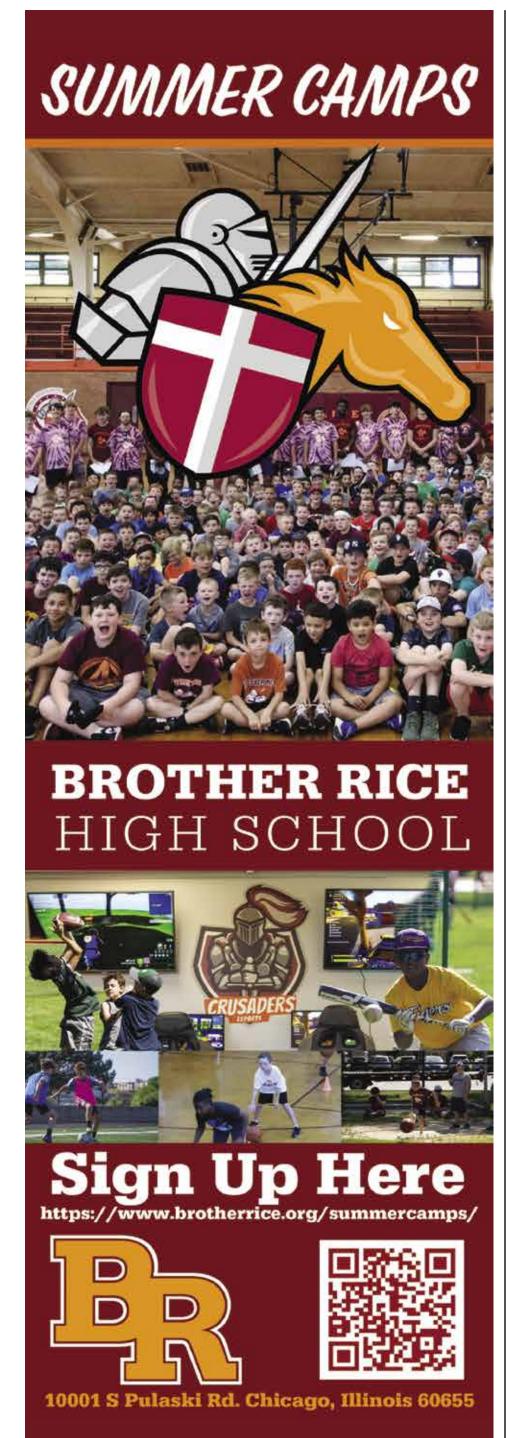
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The William Patrick Roche Foundation presents at Saint John Fisher School







19TH WARD NOW BOOK THURSDAY FAMILY EVENTS

Please join the Beverly Area Planning Association & Alderman Matt O'Shea for activities, fun and food perfect for young families at Throw Back Thursdays this June! Each week will highlight a different era through music and instructor led activities. Weather permitting, Throw Back Thursdays will take place on June 1st, 8th, and 15th from 5:30-7:00pm and are free.

Families are encouraged to bring chairs, blankets, and bug spray. Food and beverages will be available for purchase from local food trucks.



On Thursday, June 1st meet at Maggie Cosme Park (9201 S. Longwood Dr.) as we celebrate the 1960's. Kids are encouraged to decorate their bikes, wagons or strollers with your favorite bright colors, flowers or peace signs – the more colorful the better! Shannon Ward will provide live music from the 1960's and there will be a funfilled high energy instructor led activity for the kids!



On Thursday, June 8th meet at Graver Park (1518 W. 102nd Pl.) to celebrate the 1970's. Kids are encouraged to decorate bikes, wagons or strollers with your best disco look. Enjoy the sounds of the 1970's with a disco freeze dance game led by F45 Training.



On Thursday, June 15th meet at McKiernan Park (10714 S. Sawyer Ave.) for a 1980's themed night of fun. Decorate your bike, wagon or stroller in honor of the 1985 Super Bowl Champion Chicago Bears. Don't forget your best Bears apparel to participate in our instructor led Super Bowl Shuffle game.

Throw Back Thursdays are sponsored by Alderman Matt O'Shea, Senator Bill Cunningham, State Rep. Mary Gill, the Beverly Area Planning Association and the Chicago Park District.





Senior Tech Thursdays at Mercy Circle this June

Starting on June 1, a 3-week, free series, offers practical tips to better use digital devices

Tech Thursdays, a free, three-week series sponsored by 19th Ward Alderman Matt O'Shea and Mercy Circle, will help seniors learn more about how to use a variety of features on their powerful smartphones and tablets. Illinois State Senator Bill Cunningham as well as Illinois State Representatives Mary Gill and Kelly Burke are co-sponsoring this event.

Sessions meet from 1:30 until 3pm on Thursdays, June 1, 8 and 15, at Mercy Circle, 3659 W. 99th St. in Chicago. Instead of entering Mercy Circle's campus at 99th Street, however, all participants should use the entrance to Mercy Circle's campus on the west side of Central Park Ave. at 100th Street and follow the signs to free valet parking and the entrance to the meeting rooms for Tech Thursdays.

Classes are free, but participants must make reservations for each of the three one-hour classes by calling the 19th Ward office at 773-238-8766 or registering online at the19thward.com.

When registering, indicate the kind of digital device you use because one classroom will be set up for those using Apple products, including iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch, and another room for Android users, including Nokia, Mo-

torola, Samsung and Google de-

"Often even experienced users of smartphones and tablets only master a few features instead of leveraging the power of what we hold in our hands," says 19th Ward Alderman Matt O'Shea. "These classes can help participants use their devices more effectively no matter how accomplished they are."

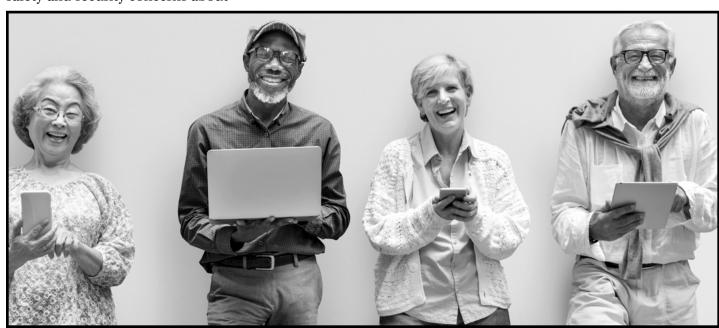
Those attending the classes will learn how to use FaceTime, What-sApp and Zoom, as well as how to set up email and text groups to stay in touch with friends and family. Additionally, classes will explore safety and security concerns about

how to keep information private and avoid scams. Finally, seniors will learn how to find and install applications, or apps, including some of the most popular and useful apps for older adults.

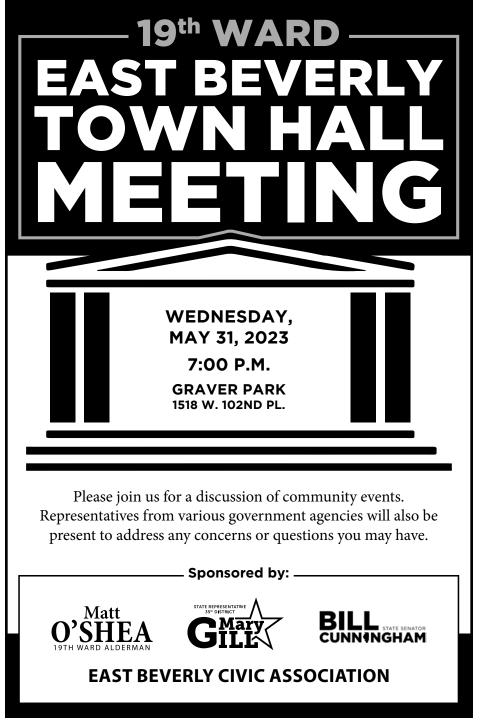
Both classes are led by experienced technology teachers. Clare DiCola Richards, founder of Amplify7, a Beverly-based marketing firm specializing in developing websites and using social media marketing, will lead the Apple sessions. Lauren Dowden, director of technology at Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School, will teach the Android sessions.

All participants must bring their own devices so they can immediately apply what they're learning to their own smartphones and tablets. "We are pleased to host this series because technology can build connections and offer convenient access to helpful information," says Mercy Circle executive director Frances Lachowicz. "There are so many ways smartphones and tablets can make life easier."

In addition to free valet parking, Mercy Circle will provide beverages and snacks for all who attend.







Dear Neighbors:

My name is Mary Gill, and in March I had the honor of being sworn in as the new State Representative for our community. It is a great responsibility to continue the work our friend Fran Hurley did for the last decade, and I'll be working hard every day to build on the many ways she supported our first responders, uplifted families in need, and kept our neighborhoods strong.

While I am a new face in Springfield, working on behalf of our community is nothing new to me. I've always sought ways to advocate for my neighbors, bring people together, and lend a hand. I worked to strengthen partnerships between policymakers, residents, and our vibrant local businesses as the former executive director of the Mount Greenwood Community and Business Association.

As a former special education teacher and an active volunteer with Special Olympics Chicago/Special Children's Charities, I value the role we all play in supporting one another and enriching the lives of those around us.

So even when the issues being debated in Springfield seem challenging or complicated, please know that as our voice I'll always be guided by that desire to support people in our community.

While speaking on our behalf in the State Capitol, I also want to be a resource for our families at home. I'm partnering with Senator Cunningham and Alderman O'Shea to assist families with state and city issues at our constituent service office at 10400 S. Western Avenue.

Whenever you have thoughts you'd like to share, or if I can ever be of assistance to you, please contact me at 773-445-8128 or Rep-MaryGill@gmail.com.

We have a great community supported by leaders who understand what our families value about living here and know what we work so hard to build. It's my honor to join them and to have this new opportunity to advocate for our families.



Dog Waste Signs

Many neighbors have had issues with dog waste being left on their lawns. To help address this problem, the 19th Ward Office will have yard signs available asking pet owners to be courteous and clean up after their animals. Signs also notify pet owners that failure to clean up can result in a ticket.

Signs are available at no cost and will be delivered to homes next month. To request a sign for your yard, please visit www.the19thward.com by June, 1, 2023. Signs are limited to one per address.





The Chicago Police Memorial Foundation (CPMF) recently launched their annual "Paint the Town Blue" fundraising campaign. Businesses throughout the Chicagoland area will be selling stars during the month of May to customers and staff in support of CPMF. Starts are then presented prominently on windows and walls of the businesses to help show support for the men and women of the Chicago Police Department.

To help promote this effort, the 19th Ward and Barney Cal-

AJ Uniform 2758 W. 111th St.

Barraco's

3047 W. 111th St **Beverly Hills Garage**

2043 W. 95th St.

Big'n Little Shoes 3142 W. 111th St.

Birdies Sports Bar & Grill 4036 W. 111th St.

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3400 W. 111th St.

Cork & Kerry 10614 S. Western Ave.

Express Med Spa

3537 W. 111th St.

F45

3246 W. 111th St.

Flippin Flavors

1848 W. 95th St.

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10222 S. Western Ave. **Gaelic Fire Brigade**

10627 S. Pulaski Rd.

Healy Real Estate 3153 W. 111th St.

Hinky Dinks

3243 W. 111th St. Hippo's

3011 W. 111th St.

May 19th from 6:00-8:00pm. There, Ald. Matt O'Shea, former Chicago Police Superintendent Phil Cline, and WGN Radio's David Hochberg will all serve as guest bartenders for the evening. All tips received by the guest bartenders will be donated back to CPMF. Free food will also be provided.

Please join us to support this important work. Below is a list of businesses that are participating in the campaign at the time of publication. Please visit cpdmemorial. org for the most up to date list.

LawDog Security

10359 S. Pulaski Rd.

Little You, Inc. 11053 S. Millard Ave.

Lunette's Family Eyecare & Optical Boutique

3402 W. 111th St.

McGowan Family Dental

3250 W. 111th St. McNally's

11136 S. Western Ave.

Mosaics Boutique & Tea

10448 S. Kedzie Ave.

Mount Greenwood Embroidery 3136 W. 111th St.

Original Pancake House 10437 S. Western Ave.

Posh Pet

3514 W. 111th St.

Reilly's Daughter 4010 W. 111th St.

Schools Are Us

3146 W. 111th St.

Shrader's Goods

3145 W. 111th St.

The Plug

3652 W. 111th St.

Top Notch Beefburgers 2116 W. 95th St.

You Glow Girl

3205 W. 111th St.





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Cunningham pushes law to protect first responders with long-term COVID illness

State Senator Bill Cunningham advanced legislation that ensures Chicago police officers, firefighters and paramedics who contracted COVID-19 while on the job will receive the disability benefits they earned.

Cunningham's legislation, House Bill 3162, corrects an inconsistency in state law that treated Chicago first responders differently than other "essential workers" who became ill during the height of the pandemic. Under the Illinois' workers compensation act, any employee who was required to remain at the workplace during COVID-related lockdowns and

contracted the disease is entitled to a legal presumption that they were infected at work. This qualified those employee for disability benefits, unless their employer can prove they refused to follow workplace COVID safety measures.

However, Chicago Police officers, firefighters and paramedics are among a small group of employees who are not part of the Illinois workers compensation system, so they were not covered by the same legal protections extended to other essential workers during the pandemic. Disability benefits for Chicago first responders are controlled by the city's police and fire pension funds and not governed by workers compensation laws. In recent months, those police and fire pension boards have routinely denied duty disability payments for officers, firefighters and paramedics who are suffering "long hall" COVID symptoms and unable to work.

"Chicago first responders are entitled to the exact same health and safety protections that were provided to other essential workers during the pandemic," Cunningham said. "If the Chicago police and fire pension funds are going to claim a legal technicality to refuse to protect our first responders, then the state legislature will have to step in and force their hand. That is exactly what HB 3162 does — it requires the Chicago pension funds to grant the same COVID presumption that all other workers receive."

Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza has been leading the

fight for passage of HB 3162. Her brother was denied full duty disability benefits after contracting COVID-19 while working 17 straight days before a vaccine was available in November 2020. Police Sergeant Joaquin Mendoza spent 72 days in the hos-

pital, suffered kidney failure, had five strokes, and lost the use of his left arm. If he had been granted full duty disability, he would have received 75% of his salary and health insurance. But his claim was denied and he was instead granted 50% of his salary for no more than four years, regardless of injury, and had his health insurance canceled.

"There are a few dozen officers and firefighters like Sgt. Mendoza who contracted COVID on the job and have been unable to return to work because of the extent of their injuries," Cunningham said. "HB 3162 will ensure they will be able to pay their bills, support their families, and keep their health insurance."



Support the Road Home Program & Chicago's Veterans

This summer, the 19th Ward will sell hats and yard signs to show support for our veterans and their families. T-shirts will be available for \$25; yard signs will be \$20. All proceeds will benefit the veteran's mental health services at Rush University Medical Center's

Road Home Program.
Horse Thief Hollow
and Open Outcry will
both be again be offering their "Home of the

Free" and "Because of the Brave" specialized brews for the month. \$1 for each beer sold will also be donated to the Road Home Program at Rush University Medical Center.

Throughout the month, activities will be scheduled to raise awareness about mental health in

conjunction with National Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Awareness month. It is important to reduce the stigma associated with PTSD and help ensure those suffering receive proper treatment. The Road Home Program is a na-

tional center for excellence for veterans and their families. They provide men-

lies. They provide mental health care and wellness to veterans of all eras, service mem-

bers and their families at no cost regardless of discharge status.

This effort is a partnership between the 19th Ward Youth & Community Foundation, the Conner T. Lowry Memorial Fund, and the Road Home Program. To purchase a t-shirt or yard sign, please visit www.the19thward.com.



ANIMAL VACCINATION EVENT Promoting Responsible Pet Ownership

Open to the first 100 pets

Saturday, July 8, 2023

Open to the 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences 3857 W. 111th Street



Featuring a FREE Vaccine Clinic by the City of Chicago Animal Care & Control

1 Year Rabies Vaccine • DA2PP Vaccine FVRCP Vaccine • Microchip with Registration

Vaccine Clinic Rules: -

- Only open to City of Chicago Residents 18 years of age or older with valid Photo ID.
- IF YOU OR YOUR PET IS SICK, YOU WILL NOT BE SERVICED. Pets showing signs of respiratory illness will not be serviced.
- · Please practice social distancing while at the event.
- Be prepared for a long wait. Bring your own chair and water and expect to wait in any possible weather condition.
- No petting of animals other than your own. No animal socialization will be allowed.
 You must maintain a distance of 6 feet between other clients.
- Handling of animals must be self-sufficient by a competent adult greater than 18 years of age.
- ALL Dogs MUST be on a leash no longer than 6 feet long or in a carrier (DO NOT use retractable leashes).
- ALL Cats MUST be in a carrier.
- If your pet requires a muzzle during vaccinations or around other animals, YOU MUST bring your own. Muzzles are not available at the clinic. You MUST be able to handle your pet around other animals.
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95th Street Farmers Market Returns



The 95th Street Farmers Market opened for the season on Sunday, May 7th. Operating in the commuter parking lot at 1835 W. 95th Street, the market operates from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. each Sunday through the last Sunday in October. The market hosts live music each week from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. as well as complimentary face painting for kids every other Sunday from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. This season the market is excited to welcome the Edna White Memorial Garden volunteers who will share information about the garden and offer some simple crafts for kids. The market will also host the staff from the Chicago Public Library - Beverly Branch several times throughout the season. They will also offer craft activities for kids and share

information about their summer programming. Weekly highlights for the market are posted each week on the 95th Street Farmers Market page. You can also visit the 95th Street Business Association's website, 95thstreetba.org, under the market section of the site to stay updated.

Won Kim, a local artist and chef, has once again generously spent time securing a variety of restaurants who will pop up at the market throughout the season. These pop ups give our market visitors an opportunity to sample food from restaurants located across the city. We are also thrilled to welcome back Uncle Earl's Barbeque who will be with us each week beginning on May 14th.

Vendors returning to the market include:

- Finn's Ranch
- Aunt Lizzie's Baked Goods
- Andy's Sunflower Café
- Nuts to Go, Emmy & J's Gourmet
- Danie's Delicious Detox Drinks
- The Smile on a Dog
- Stamper Cheese
- Bee Line Microgreens
- Noffke Farm
- Lafevor Farm
- Piscasaw Garden
- 2Twenty Bakery
- Coco's Tamales
- Aimie's European Bakery
- Jam's Hot Sauces
- True2Mi
- Uncle Pizzas
- Rosie's Plant Care
- Little Squeeze Incorporated
- Pixie Dust Salts

The market is excited to welcome the following new vendors:

- Hughes Happy Hives
- La Juicy Jars
- Made With Love Vinegar
- Wild Flower Soap Company

Some of our 95th Street businesses will also pop up with us throughout the season. Please be on the look out for Miss Purl and The Baker Sisters. We will also host Kellogg School's Garden Club and the Beverly Theatre Guild. Vendors stocked with great gifts will pop up with us including Beverly Native and Bungalow Bias.

The market is grateful for its generous sponsors for the 2023 season including our Premier Sponsor, Beverly Bank, our Market Activity Sponsors, Southtown Health Foods and the Morgan Park Beverly Hills Business Association, our Music Sponsor, Core Fitness and Physical Therapy, our General Sponsors, Alderman Matt O'Shea, the 19th Ward Community & Youth Foundation, State Senator Bill Cunningham, State Representative Kelly Burke, State Representative Mary Gill, Treadfit Beverly, BAPA, the Beverly Improvement Association, Christ the King Parish, and our Friend of the Market, Pacor Mortgage Corporation.

We look forward to seeing you at the market!



Be a Part of Black Business Month

August is National Black Business Month, a designated time to celebrate and support Blackowned businesses nationwide.

A group of Black business owners, plus the MPBHBA, 95th Street Business Association, and BAPA have been meeting to discuss ways we can collaborate and connect. The conversations have resulted in a plan to create a Black business directory, as well as to partner for Black Business Month in August.

If you are a Black Business owner in Beverly or Morgan Park, please be sure to submit your business information so that your business can be featured in a local directory.

Plan to join us for the culminating event at the Farmer's Market on 95th street on August 27th. More information regarding Black Business Month is coming soon! Stay tuned! For more information please contact nora@mpbhba.org.

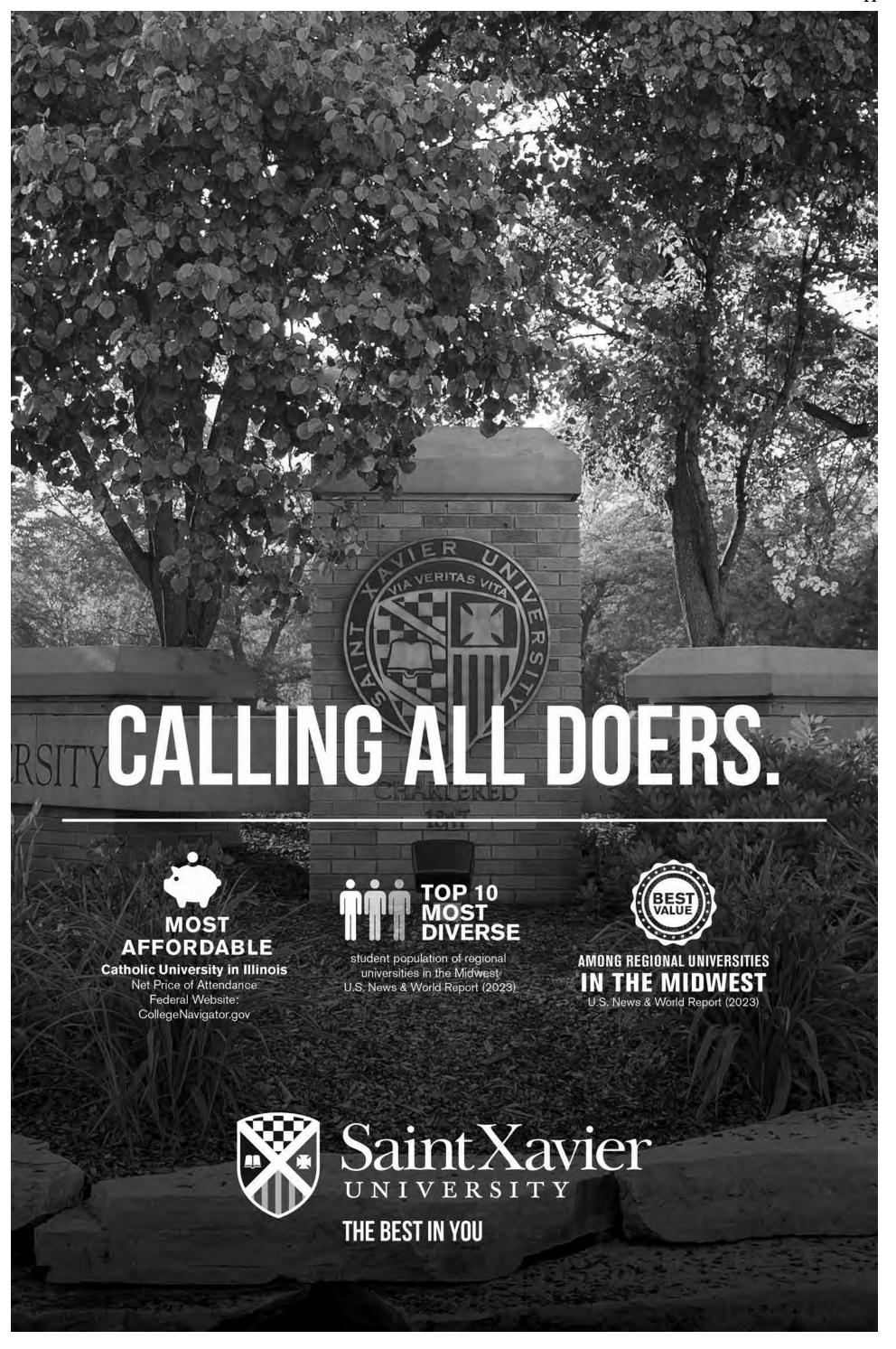


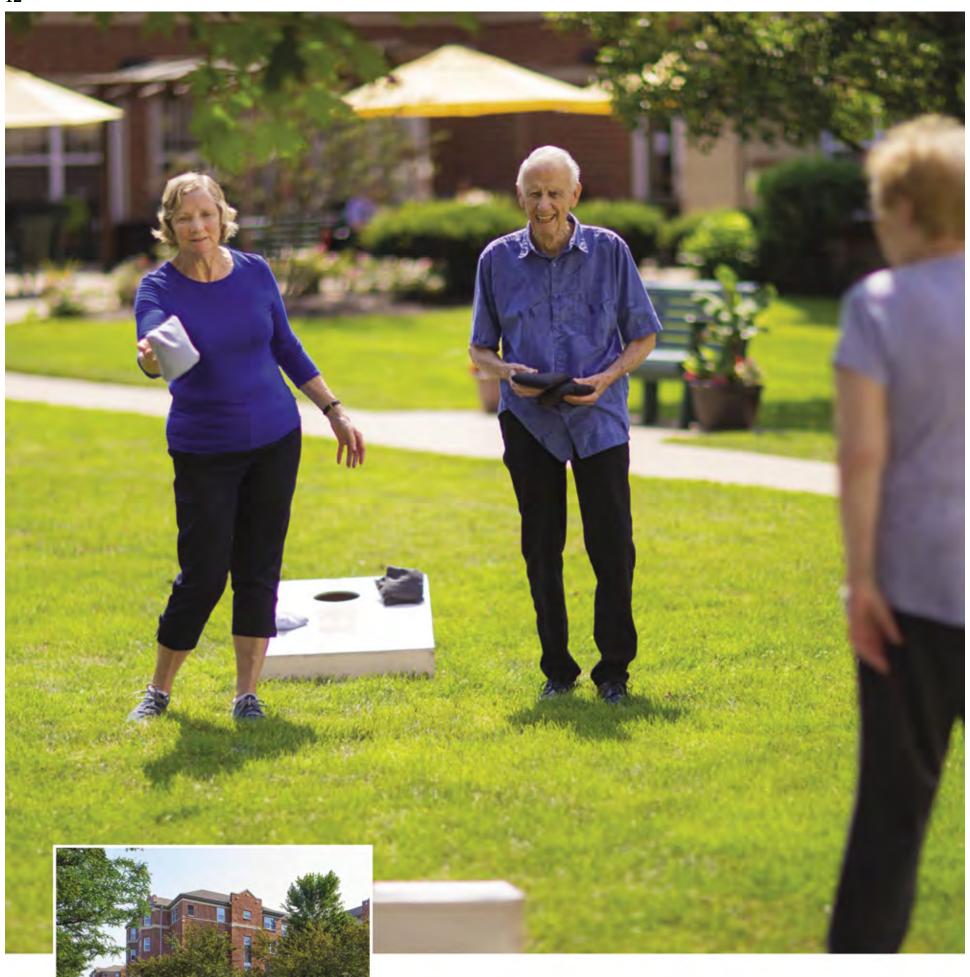
TRAFFIC CALMING SIGNS AVAILABLE

Alderman Matt O'Shea will be offering a limited number of free "Please Slow Down - Kids Play Here" yard signs for 19th Ward residents. Yard sign requests will be accepted May 15th – June 1st and delivery is expected in mid-June. The speed of traffic through our community is a growing concern. All residents are asked to be more mindful of their vehicle speed. Also, please refrain from texting while driving.

While there is no fee for the sign, there is a limit of two signs per block. Requests will be honored on a first come first served basis. To request a sign, please visit www.the19thward.com.









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In memory of Cameron Fahey

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sion and love that he showed to those he knew and those he did not. Lymphoma took Cameron from the world in 2014 at age 17. During his final days, Cameron received many blood transfusions. By donating blood, you are helping to treat children throughout Chicagoland who, like Cameron, are in need of blood in order to continue their fight.

About the Foundation

The Cameron Miller Fahey Memorial Scholarship Foundation honors Cameron's life and concern. Since its inception, it



has awarded over \$80,000 in college scholarships to deserving Brother Rice seniors who exemplify Cameron's commitment to his fellow man and creativity in all forms. The Cameron Miller Fahey Memorial Scholarship Foundation is a 501(c)(3) Charitable Organization. For more information, visit camscrusaders.org or call Brian Fahey at 312-315-8520.

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to locate this blood drive.

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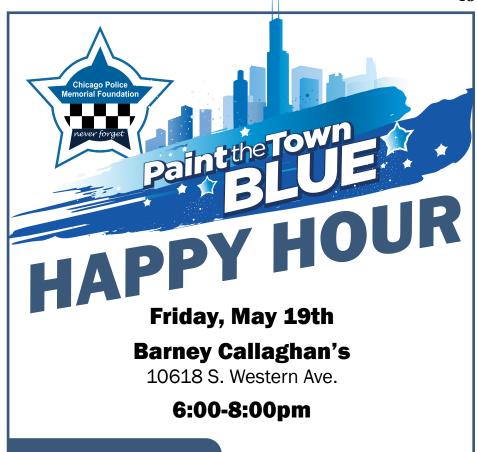








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Please come out to support the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation. Guests can buy a star to be displayed on the wall or tip a guest bartender to make your donation in support of Chicago Police Memorial Foundation.

SPECIAL GUEST BARTENDERS:

- Phil Cline
 Chicago Police Memorial

 Foundation
- Matt O'Shea 19th Ward Alderman
- David Hochberg WGN Radio



WasteNot Compost Expanding Residential Service to Beverly and Morgan Park

WasteNot Compost, Chicagoland's largest compost operation and only zero-emissions service, is expanding its residential service to the Chicago neighborhoods of Beverly and Morgan Park. Residents of Beverly and Morgan Park can now sign up to become WasteNot members on their website wastenotcompost.com. Membership includes weekly or bi-weekly compost service and access to the WasteNot zero-waste online shop. New members can use the coupon

"NEWZONE23" to get a \$24 service credit at the time of sign up.

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Reduce Utility Bills with CUB

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Home Energy Savings Webinar: Tuesday, June 20th at 1:00pm

Are you concerned about the rise in utility prices? Join CUB for information about how to reduce your energy usage. This event is designed to help you better understand the ins and outs of your bill, avoid utility scams, as well as programs designed to save you money

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Chicago Park Activities

This event is supported by a Chicago Presents grant from the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs & Special Events.

Seniors Day at Play Friday, May 19th, 9:30am-1:00pm at Mount Greenwood Park (3721 W. 111th St.)

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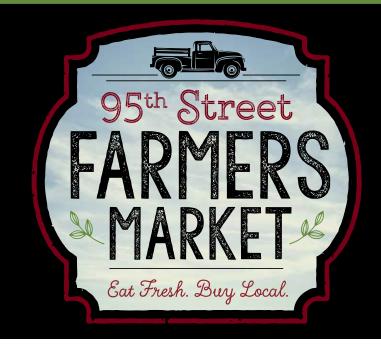
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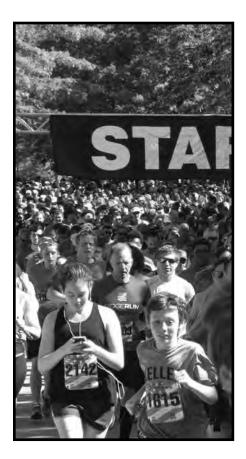


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BAPA Offers Something for Everyone in May

May is a busy month for the Beverly Area Planning Association (BAPA) with its signature community events kicking off a summer of fun for everyone.





Registration is open for BAPA's 44th Ridge Run on Memorial Day, Mon., May 29. Runners can compete for overall wins or simply race to place in age categories ranging from 6 to 80 or beat their personal best time.

The Ridge Run, considered Chicago's favorite neighborhood race, takes participants through the Ridge Historic District to run the 10K run, 5K run and walk and Youth Mile run routes. Cheering spectators line the route, offering encouragement, water and energy to the runners. Races start and finish at Ridge Park, 9625 S. Longwood Dr.

The Memorial Day Ceremony honoring the men and women in the U.S. armed forces who have given their lives in service to our country, will be held at 9 a.m. at Ridge Park. The running events are followed at about 10:30 a.m. by the Beverly Hills/Morgan Park/Mount Greenwood Memorial Day Parade lead this year by Grand Marshal Honor Flight Chicago.

The presenting sponsor of the Ridge Run is OSF HealthCare Little Company of Mary Medical Centers, which generously provides the day's health necessities including the Ridge Run the first aid tent. The hospital has been a vital health resource for the community for more than 90 years and continues to achieve accolades

for quality through its revolutionary medical technologies and services both at its home and satellite locations.

You don't need to run to have fun! Come out to cheer on the runners or spend the morning at Ridge Park where Beverly Soccer Club will be hosting activities for children and Ridge Run sponsors will be answering questions about their services and distributing information.

There's still time to sign up with friends to create a Ridge Run team or to apply to march in the Memorial Day Parade. Info on both is available at bapa.org/ ridgerun.

Ridge Run registration continues until race day for participants signing up for the 10K run, 5K run or untimed walk, Ridge Run Challenge 5K and 10K, and, for kids up to age 12, the untimed Youth Mile. Sign up online until midnight on May 25 at bapa.org: in-person advance sign-up and packet pick up continues Thurs., May 25 and Fri., May 26, 12 to 7 p.m., and Sat., May 27 12 to 5 p.m. at Running Excels, 10328 S. Western and Sun., May 28, 12 to 4 p.m. at Ridge Park. Race day registration opens at Ridge Park Mon., May 29 at 6:30 a.m.





From an Italianate Painted Lady to a classic centerentrance Colonial Revival, the five homes featured on the BAPA's annual Beverly/Morgan Park Home Tour demonstrate how preservation can be combined with modern updates to suit today's lifestyles, Sun. May 21, 12 to 5 p.m.

"This year's BAPA Home Tour shows that Beverly/ Morgan Park residents are investing not only in their homes but in our community," said BAPA Executive Director Mary Jo Viero. "We are attracting new homeowners who are keen to honor the historic architecture of their homes while updating them for modern living with renovations and additions that allow for long-term enjoyment."

The Beverly/Morgan Park community has seen an uptick in home renovations and additions over the past few years, with dozens of building permits being issued for construction and renovation projects with project costs totaling in the millions of dollars.

Five fabulous private homes and one local institution will open their doors so visitors curious can get an inside look at some the community's most beautiful places where old meets new. Featured homes include:

• A 140-year-old Italianate Victorian home that was divided into a duplex for many decades before the current owners undertook a complete restoration, turning the house into their dream home.

- An elegant 1920s era Tudor Revival style home where beautiful original woodwork was meticulously restored and an expansive new kitchen created for a young family with a dad who loves to cook.
- A beautiful frame Four Square that was the family home of the current owner who moved back from the West Coast to renovate the house.
- A stunning 1914 brick home in the Renaissance Revival style, rich in architectural details including three sunrooms, a tiled roof, and an outstanding hand carved fireplace mantel. It's a contributing building in the Ridge Historic District.
- A gracious center-entrance Colonial Revival built circa 1928 whose owners have taken painstaking care to mesh the beauty of the past with the style and amenities perfect for a busy family.

The Home Tour is self-guided and begins with check in/day of sales 11:45 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the St. Barnabas School new addition, 10121 S. Longwood Dr. The addition, opened in Aug. 2022, houses the school's administrative and wellness offices, as well as the Innovation Center, modeled after high school and college science labs.

All tours must begin by 3 p.m. Advance Home Tour tickets are available online at bapa.org/home-tour. For more information, contact BAPA at 773-233-3100 or visit bapa.org.

BAPA Porch Concert Series



Get your coolers out of winter storage! Dust off your favorite lawn chairs. Call all your music fan friends! BA-PA's 2023 Porch Concert Series launches with country swing and classics band Beverly Country Club on Fri., May 12, 6:30 p.m., on the 10616 S. Longwood Drive lawn at the Ridge Historical Society.

Music is just part of the fun at BAPA's Porch Concerts. These free monthly, family-friendly Friday night block parties are open to everyone in the community and include food trucks, fun with your neighbors, and even the convenience of portapotties.

The concert season continues with Return2Soul on June 9, Back Country Boys on July 14, Grit & The Double Knit on Aug. 11, and Old Style Neon (formerly Cloud of Shame) on Sept. 8. Locations will be announced as they are determined.

Once again, BAPA members will have a chance to bring a Porch Concert to their front steps by accepting and winning the Porch Concert Challenge. One block will be chosen to host a Porch Concert in each of four neighborhood zones, based on the highest percentage of BAPA members on the block.

Complete information is available at bapa.org. Sign up or renew your BAPA membership online at bapa.org/support or call 773-233-3100 for assistance.

Alice Keane leads Caregiver Support Group at Smith Village

Alice Keane describes her new role as a volunteer facilitator for the Caregiver Support Group at Smith Village, a continuing care retirement community in the 19th Ward, as "a dream come true."

Along with co-facilitator Bridget Murphy, Keane creates a safe place for caregivers to voice concerns and to share experiences and practical advice on some of life's most challenging moments. Every third Tuesday of the month, the free support group is open to caregivers in the area.

Keane's own experience as a caregiver came as a shock for the longtime Beverly resident when her husband, Jim Keane, began to show signs of possible dementia.

"Jim had a doctorate in public administration. He served as an Illinois State Representative from 1979 to 1992. He was brilliant," she says. "He won every game we ever played together. The idea that he might be suffering from dementia seemed impossible."

Keane adds, "I began to notice changes in Jim. He became quieter. We would sit at dinner, and he would stop speaking. His handwriting became a tiny scrawl. His speech became repetitive. I thought he needed speech therapy, but our primary care doctor directed us to a neurologist instead."

After his physician stated her husband had Alzheimer's

disease, Keane wanted to learn as much as she could about her husband's diagnosis. The doctor recommended contacting the Alzheimer's Association. "They are lifesavers," she says. "They had so many practical suggestions."

Then in 2016, the Keanes were considering their options. "As Jim's daily life began to change, we found a beautiful apartment in the independent living community at Smith Village where we could live in a community with neighbors and friends whom we've known for years," she says. "Later, when Jim's disease advanced, he moved to a residence in the memory care community where he could get more support, but I could visit him all the time."

Jim passed away from complications due to COVID-19 on Easter Sunday in 2020.

Grieving during lockdown gave Alice time to reflect and consider her next steps. She had raised their children, enjoyed a successful career and then cared for Jim. Now suddenly, she had time. "It dawned on me that the Alzheimer's Association was the perfect place for me to spend my energy."

Keane had earned a doctorate in education at the University of Illinois Chicago. She served as a teacher, then assistant principal at Alice L. Barnard Elementary School and later as principal at Jane Ad-

dams Elementary School. Volunteering as a community educator and support group leader, trained by the Alzheimer's Association, seemed like the perfect way to give back to a community that helped her, to share all that she learned from her own experiences.

"No caregiver should feel alone when experiencing the impact of Alzheimer's disease," she says. "Our support group is a place to express concerns, learn practical approaches for coping and come to terms with the consequences of different kinds of dementia e . Together we help each other as caregivers accept their reality and find as much happiness as they can."

For more information about the Caregiver Support Group at Smith Village, please call 773-474-7300.



Caregivers are invited to the Caregiver Support Group at 6:30pm on Tuesday, April 18, at Smith Village, 2023 West 113th Place in Chicago. This month, the group explores the "art of therapeutic fibbing" as a strategy for helping people with dementia when they slip into their own reality.

Sign Up for Smart 9-1-1 Today

The Office of Emergency Management & Communications (OEMC) launched Smart911 in 2018 to better prepare Chicago residents when calling 9-1-1. Throughout 2022 we are reintroducing Smart911 to make sure all residents have the information they need to take advantage of this free and private service. Smart911 allows individuals to create a safety profile for their household that includes any information they may want 9-1-1 and first responders to have in the event of an emergency.

Chicago residents can input a wide array of information into their Smart911 safety profile, such as the medical history and medications, home and work addresses, mental health conditions, the layout of their home, number of residents and pets in the home, disabilities, emergency contacts, and more.

All Smart911 profiles are private and will only appear to the 9-1-1 call taker for the duration of a 9-1-1 call. To sign up for Smart911, residents can create a free safety profile by visiting **www.SMART911.com** or download the Smart911 App. At a time when every second counts, Smart911 provides a platform to input critical details that could impact response and make the difference between life and death.

Why sign up for Smart911?

Save Time

Smart911 allows individuals and families to provide, medical, household or situational information when they call 9-1-1 to help first responders rapidly assist in the case of an emergency. The Smart911 profile you create is displayed to the call taker when you call 9-1-1 from the registered phone number.

Help with Location

Because over 80% of 9-1-1 calls are made from cell phones today and by providing home address in the profile, the call taker can better verify the location of the incident, which is critical when time is of the essence.

Prepare First Responder

In COVID-19 times, by including vaccination data and other household information,

the first responders can know vital information prior to arrival. Include your vehicle description, utility shut off locations, property layout and any information that would be useful in an emergency call to 9-1-1. Enter as much or as little as you like.

Get Resources Needed

Medical details and conditions such as allergies, medicines, mental health situations and autism can be provided which can help to get the resources needed.

Provide Language Option

Residents can also sign up for a safety profile in ANY language and indicate that they or someone in the household has difficulty communicating in English. 9-1-1 will know to connect them with an interpreter ASAP in an emergency.

Communicate Mental Health Conditions

If you are experiencing a behavioral health emergency, you may find it easier to communicate with safety professional by text message. You can also include any mental health information you feel is important for 9-1-1 so first responders can communicate and assist you during difficult times.



Assist Seniors

For active seniors, a safety profile can give peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, 9-1-1-would have details on their home and medical needs. For loved ones with Alzheimer's or other critical health matters, information can be added along with an emergency contact.

Include Physical Disabilities

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'Merriment for Mercy' brings laughs to Mercy Circle

Comedy fundraiser benefits area's only faith-based senior living community

Merriment for Mercy, a comedy-filled evening featuring Tim Cavanagh, Ed Kerfin and Bill Gorgo, elicits laughter to raise the spirit for an audience of donors supporting Mercy Circle at 6:30pm on Saturday, June 10, at Saint Xavier University, 3700 W. 103rd St. in Chicago.

The evening which benefits Mercy Circle, a continuing care retirement community in Chicago's 19th Ward, begins with hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer in Saint Xavier's Butler Reception Room. At 7:30pm, guests move to McGuire Hall for non-stop comedy. To purchase tickets at \$65, including the reception and the performance, call 773-253-3621 or email mbannon@mercycircle.org before Thursday, June 1.

Headliner Tim Cavanagh has appeared on Comedy Central, Showtime and WGN America. A high school teacher when he launched his career as a comedian. Cavanagh taught during the day and sang in Chicago comedy clubs at night. Well known for his humorous music, Cavanagh released the CD "Sounds Like Fun!"; appeared on the "Dr. Demento Show"; and is a regular guest on "The Bob & Tom Show," a nationally syndicated radio show aired in 130 markets. Today, he performs inventive standup comedy routines in concert halls, college campuses, nightclubs and on cruise ships.

Ed Kerfin, a Mt. Greenwood native, opens the evening of comedy. He currently hosts "Friends Over Fifty Fridays" on WJOL. He often appears at a variety of comedy clubs in the Chicago area and will tour the East Coast this summer. Kerfin has appeared on WGN9TV, WLS7TV, WTTWChannel11 and many local radio stations.

Bill Gordo rounds up the evening of entertainment. He declares that writing and performing stand-up are his first loves. Gordo, who also has written three plays and acted in half a dozen stage productions, is an award-winning storyteller. He shares his love of stand-up by teaching stand-up classes and mentoring several young comedians.

Proceeds from Merriment for Mercy will support new programs that enhance the quality of life for residents at Mercy Circle, just in time to celebrate the community's tenth anniversary. "Laughter is good for the soul," says Mercy Circle major gifts officer Mary Bannon. "We hope this evening will afford audience members to enjoy the moment as we come together to feel connected and support Mercy Circle."



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