

Alderman Matthew J. O'Shea



Registration is now open for the 9th Annual Beverly Hills Turkey Trot 5K Run & Family Walk. This year's race will be held on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017 through the beautiful tree lined streets of North Beverly. Proceeds from this event will benefit the John McNicholas Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation and the 19th Ward Youth Foundation.

Please visit www.the19thward. com to register today! The Beverly Hills Turkey Trot will be chip timed on a certified 5K route. If you aren't a runner, but would like to enjoy the day, the untimed family walk is perfect for you. Please note, participants who register through the family walk will not be timed; if multiple members of the same family want to participate in the event and be timed, individual registrations are required.

A \$5 discount is available to all CARA members. Runners will be divided by age and sex according to CARA guidelines with awards given for each age group. All participants will receive a t-shirt and gift bag; please note, only one gift bag will be provided per family walk registration.

Additionally, an after party and post-race pancake breakfast will be held in the Christ the King School gymnasium sponsored by the Original Pancake House-Beverly. The after party will feature booths from

sponsors and local organizations as well as entertainment. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Tristan Angus at Tristan@the19thward. com.

#### **ABOUT OUR BENEFICIARIES**

Since its inception 6 years ago, the John McNicholas Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's goal has been to fund the most innovative research focusing on the hardest-totreat tumors. For the last two years JMPBTF has partnered with Lurie Children's Hospital on a Project that is truly one of a kind. The Research centers around the most exciting discovery in brain tumor research in 40 years. Lurie has put together a multidisciplinary team of doctors who's focus is understanding the hardest to treat tumors. This team is the best in the

world and we have assembled them in our own backvard! The project is hoping to go to clinical trial by the end of 2017. Because of events like the Beverly Hills Turkey Trot and many others, they have been able to fund over 1.2 million dollars in life changing research. Together we can bring hope to young people diagnosed with brain tumors.

The 19th Ward Youth Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization that hosts and supports a wide variety of safe, healthy, educational children's programs for families in the Beverly, Morgan Park, and Mount Greenwood communities. All programs are made available at little to no cost to participants and are intended to help young people make new friends and stay active in the community.

Visit www.the19thward.com today to take advantage of our early registration discounts. Please note, online registration will close on November 16th; in person registration is available at any packet pickup or at the 19th Ward Office.

Entry Fees:	Until Nov. 16	Nov. 17-25
Individual Runner/Walker	\$30	\$35
Youth (age 13 or younger)	\$20	\$25
Family Walk (limit 4 shirts)	\$75	\$80

# World Trade Center Steel **Coming to King Lockhart Park**

A sculpture forged from a steel beam from the World Trade Center will be installed at King Lockhart Park. The beam, a gift from

the New York City Fire Department, was presented to the Chicago Fire Department in 2013 to recognize the many Chicago first responders who



in the line of duty on November 2, 2012, was among those who organized groups of firefighters to travel to New York. A second,

> smaller piece of steel was presented to the Johnson family and is currently on display at his fire house. Chicago artist Terrence Karpowicz will

# **New Playgrounds Planned for Beverly and Munroe Parks**

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, Alderman Matt O'Shea, and the Chicago Park District have finalized plans to replace the playground at Beverly Park. The project will include a new, more durable, poured in place soft surface. It will also feature play equipment for children



of all ages including two slides, swings, and several climbing nets. Construction is expected to begin next Spring and complete in late Summer 2018.

Alderman O'Shea is also working with Mayor Emanuel, Senator Bill Cunningham, State Rep. Fran Hurley, and the Chicago Park District to secure funding to replace the playground at Munroe Park.

travelled to ground zero in the aftermath of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. Alderman Matt O'Shea is working closely with the Chicago Fire Depart-

ment, Chicago Park District, and the family of Captain Herbie Johnson to bring this important public art work to our community.

Captain Johnson, who died

create the sculpture; currently he is developing some concepts for the project and finalizing the budget. Once those items are finalized, a com-

mittee will be formed to help raise funds to support this effort. If you or someone you know would like to help with this project, please email mattoshea@the19thward.com.

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# TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2017 • 5:00 P.M. Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences 3857 W. 111th St.

All 19th Ward Senior Citizens are invited to enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal grown and prepared at the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences, the only fully functioning farm in the City of Chicago. A \$5 donation is requested but not required.

Reservations are mandatory and can be made by calling (773) 238-8766.

Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item for the Maple Morgan Park Food Pantry.







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Thanksgiving

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# **Public Safety Update**

#### Dear Neighbor,

Last night, the Beverly Area Planning Association, Chicago Police Department and I hosted a public meeting to discuss safety in our community. Based on feedback from that meeting, the Chicago Police Department - Area South will begin issuing alerts on single incident gun related crimes in the 22nd District. My office will continue to distribute via email the alerts we receive from the Chicago Police Department.

Historically, Area South has issued community alerts when crime patterns are identified. However, given the heightened concerns associated with recent gun related crimes, all parties agree to work more closely together. In addition, the Chicago Police Department has also deployed additional resources to our community in response to the most recent series of incidents.

Also, some residents expressed confusion and frustration with the 9-1-1 process. In response, I have invited representatives from the Office of Emergency Management and Communication (OEMC) to attend the upcoming CAPS meeting for Beats 2211 and 2212, which will be held on Thursday, December 7th, 7:00pm at the 22nd District Police Station, 1900 W. Monterey Ave. All residents who have concerns or questions about 9-1-1 are encouraged to attend.

I would like to thank all of the residents who attended yesterday's meeting, and the Beverly Area Planning Association for their partnership on safety matters. I'd also like to thank the Chicago Police Department for their responsiveness to our community and for their ongoing efforts to maintain public safety. Working together, we will keep our neighborhood strong and safe for the future.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. O'Shea Alderman, 19th Ward

PS: Please remember, if you see something suspicious, call 9-1-1 immediately.

# **CAPS Meeting Calendar**

#### BEATS 2211 & 2212

First Thursday of the month at 7:00pm March, May, June, August, October, December 22nd District Police Station, 1900 W. Monterey Ave.

#### **BEAT 2213**

Second Thursday of the month at 7:00pm March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November Ridge Park, 9625 S. Longwood Dr.

#### **BEAT 2221**

First Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm March, April, May, June, August, September, October, November Christ the King Parish, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave.





A publication for families of Beverly, Morgan Park, and Mt. Greenwood Matthew J. O'Shea, Alderman

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City Hall Office 121 N. LaSalle St., Room 200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 744-3072 www.the19thward.com

# **CPS Begins Work at Mount Greenwood & Esmond**

Earlier this year, Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Alderman Matt O'Shea announced a forty million dollar investment at Mount Greenwood and Esmond Elementary Schools. Site preparation is currently underway at both locations. Any resident interested in working on one of these sites is invited to a community hiring fair on Thursday, December 7, 2017 from 10:00am-





#### Mount Greenwood Elementary School Annex & Renovations:

A new, two-story annex to the existing two-story school will be constructed to alleviate overcrowding. The annex will include thirteen standard classrooms, one science room, two offices, storage, bathrooms, utility rooms, an elevator and building support space. The project will also include a new parking lot, storm water management infrastructure, and a new outdoor playground. Work within the school building will include the conversion of two existing classrooms for expanded lunchroom capacity.

Site preparation and utility work has been completed for this project. Contractors are currently working on the foundation for the new annex; that phase of construction is scheduled for completion in January 2018. The construction contract is currently in the procurement process. The PBC expects that contract to be awarded in the coming weeks.

#### **Esmond Elementary School Annex & Renovations:**

A new, two-story annex to the existing two-story school will replace a deteriorating stand-alone modular building. The annex will include a classroom, computer classroom, science classroom, art room with storage, library, dining room, hybrid kitchen and server, administrative office, bathrooms, building storage, an elevator and building support space. The project will also include renovated parking lots, load area, refuse enclosure, storm water management infrastructure, a new outdoor playground, community garden, and a turf field.

Site preparation and utility work has been completed for this project. The construction contract is currently in the procurement process. The PBC expects a contract to be awarded in December of 2017.



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## at King-Lockhart Park

Visit our independent local businesses for holiday deals and treats on **Small Business Saturday** Nov. 25! While you're there, solve clues and complete challenges in our first Holiday Scavenger Hunt! Participants will be entered into a drawing for gift cards from local businesses.

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### Mount Greenwood Hardware to Become Barraco's Party Room

The Barraco Family recently acquired and renovated the va-

cant commercial property at 3124 W. 111th St. (formerly Mt. Greenwood Hardwara)

wood Hardware). The business will use the space for private parties that cannot be accommodated at their existing location at 3047 W. 111th St. The new party room will not be open to the public, and will



be exclusively utilized for private functions.

The Barraco Family is currently working with the City's De-

partment of Business Affairs and Consumer Protections to obtain appropriate zoning and license approvals. They look forward to opening once that process is complete.

### SXU to host 12th Annual Breakfast with your Legislators

Saint Xavier University (SXU) is set to host its 12th Annual Breakfast with Your Legislators on Thursday, November 30, where business professionals are invited to meet and mingle with Chicagoland elected officials on SXU's Chicago cam-

pus, 3700 West 103rd Street. Elected officials scheduled to attend include: Senator Bill Cunningham, Senator Mike Hastings, Representative Kelly Burke, Cook County Commissioner John Daley and Chicago

Alderman Matt O'Shea. Registration and networking begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Butler Reception Room located in SXU's Warde Academic Center, followed by breakfast and the panel discussion at 8:00 a.m.

General admission for the event is \$15 per person. Pre-registration is encouraged online;

Saint Xavier

the event is expected to sell out and limited seating will be available the day of the event. For questions or more information, please contact the Office of

Special Events at (773) 298-3748 or specialevents@sxu.edu.



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# **Used Children's Book Drive**

Is your house cluttered with old books? This December, Alderman

Matt O'Shea is hosting a used children's book drive in conjunction with Open Books. Residents are encouraged to drop off any unneeded books at the 19th Ward Of-

fice, 10400 S. Western Ave., now through Friday, December 8th.

The most commonly requested books include Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Captain Underpants, Judy Moody, Divergent, Hunger Games, Percy Jackson, and Maze Runner. While children's books are in the highest demand, especially during the holidays, Open Books will accept any gently used books. All



books will be donated to Open Books, a non-profit social venture

> that provides literacy experiences for tens of thousands of readers each year.

Open Books sells the books in their stores and online to help fund literacy pro-

grams, use, and give them away in their instructional and book grant program, and recycle any that are unusable. For more information on Open Books, please visit www. open-books.org. If your school, church, or other organization would like to collect books to support this drive, please contact Matt O'Shea at mattoshea@the19thward.com.

# **Holiday Food Drive**

Alderman Matt O'Shea and the Maple Morgan Park Food Pantry are teaming up to ensure that all families have access to high quality, nutritious holiday meals this December. If you would like to help a family in need, consider dropping off non-perishable food items to the 19th Ward Office at 10400 S. Western Ave., Monday through Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, or at the 19th Ward's Mt. Greenwood Service Office, 3207 W. 111th St., Monday through Friday, 9:00am-2:00pm. Donations will be accepted December 1st through December 15th.

In addition to canned goods and other non-perishable food

items, the Maple Morgan Park Food Pantry is also seeking monetary donations to purchase additional products wholesale. Checks can be made payable to the Maple Morgan Park Food Pantry. When you're stocking up for the holidays, please consider purchasing a few extra items for a family in need. The Maple Morgan Park Food Pantry is located at 11030 S. Longwood Dr. and serves approximately 1,200 families per month; residents of the 60643 or 60655 zip codes can pick up one free bag of food per month. For more information on the Maple Morgan Park Food Pantry, please call (773) 239-3013.

# 22nd District Snowman's Ball Luncheon

The 22nd District will be hosting its annual needy families' youth luncheon on Saturday, December 9th, 2017 at 1:30pm. in the Community Room, 1900 W. Monterery Ave. They are in need of toys, games and gifts for children ages 6 months to



17 years old. They are also trying to give a gift to each mom (10 in total). If you are out shopping and care to share, please donate a gift or two! A toy donation box has been setup in the lobby of the police station for drop off.

# **CIBC: New name, long-standing commitment to our community**

You've heard the old saying, "the more things change, the more they stay the same." For the presenting sponsor of the Beverly Hills Turkey Trot, the saying should be, "the more things change, the more they get better."

In September, The Private-Bank, with branches in several nearby communities, changed its name to CIBC following its acquisition earlier this year. While the name is new, the commitment to the local community is stronger than ever.

"The same team you trust, the people who have been a part of this community for years, are now backed by one of the strongest banks in North America," said Helen Socha, Head of U.S. Retail Banking at CIBC. "We're excited to be part of a modern, innovative bank that has a 150-year-history of putting clients first."

As CIBC, the commitment to building strong and vibrant com-

munities also remains an important part of the company's mission – that includes returning as presenting sponsor of the Beverly Hills Turkey Trot for the ninth consecutive year and participating in the Mount Greenwood Holiday Stroll on Dec. 1, 2017, Socha said.

Socha, who has spent her entire 43-year career serving the banking needs of local residents, highlighted the fact that CIBC's own team members were featured in an advertisement highlighting the name change.

"Our people are our bank," Socha said. "That's something we value and are proud of and it shows in the ways our team members get involved in the community, including serving as volunteers for events like the Turkey Trot."

Socha invites all community members to visit a local branch to learn more about CIBC and how the team can meet their personal and small business banking needs.

### AG School Woodshop Partners with A New Direction

Christmas is coming early for A New Direction Beverly Morgan Park (AND) this year thanks to a new partnership with the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHSAS). With the help of Alderman Matt O'Shea and CHSAS Principal Bill Hook, Ag School students will be making 50 wooden

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Christmas reindeer for ored to be selected to display their craftsmanship to the community through our agency. We also appreciate their efforts in helping us to raise funds and create awareness for domestic violence.

McCarihan added that staff from the agency would be visiting the school in the spring to talk

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# **Cheers for Charity – 12/21**

#### **Dear Friends:**

We would like to ask you to save the night of Thursday December 21, 2017 for our 9th Annual Cheers for Charity Christmas Party, which will be held at Cork and Kerry from 7:00pm-10:00pm.

Our initial idea was to begin a holiday party so that friends and neighbors could get together to celebrate the holidays. While this is still part of our goal, we will set out to help some families and charities in our own community. Over the last eight years we have been extremely successful and we look to continue the tradition and be able to help more families from the area in need with the funds that we raise.

the agency. A New Direction, the neighborhood's local domestic violence agency, will offer the reindeer



to the first 50 people who donate \$25 or more to the agency on Giving Tuesday, which will be held on Tuesday, November 28, 2017.

Jessica McCarihan, AND Board President said, "We are so grateful to the administration and instructor for providing their students an opportunity to engage in this kind of community service. We are honpart of a new outreach program developed by the agency for the local high schools.

A New Direction offers legal advocacy, education, support, and counseling at no charge to adults and children suffering from domestic violence. For more information, please visit www.anewdirectionbmp.org. We have reached out to some people in the area from charitable organizations and have informed them of our desire to help a few families in need during the holiday season. We will contribute all proceeds to two local charities that will make certain that families in our area are helped. The names of the families will be unknown for their privacy but we will informed the total number of families helped and will share that information.

The night will feature an open bar (\$40 minimum donation) with bottled beer, wine, and pop. While we do not expect to raise thousands of dollars on December 21st, hopefully we can ensure some holiday cheer to a couple local families this Christmas Season. If you are interested in helping out for the night, getting the word out, or might know a family in need, please let us know.

This Christmas Party will give these families the chance to join in the holiday season and bring some joy to their children. Thanks, and we look forward to seeing you on December 21st!

**Sincerely,** *The Winters Family* 

# City Announces Benefits for Employees Living with Domestic Violence

In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Alderman Matthew O'Shea introduced an ordinance that reaffirms the City of Chicago's commitment to protecting and supporting its employees who are survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Additionally, the city will also provide up to one month of paid leave for City employees who qualify for the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act ("VESSA"). An Illinois state law, VESSA requires employers to provide survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault with three months of unpaid leave.

"Domestic violence and sexual assault have no place in our society and it is critical that survivors know they are not alone," Mayor Emanuel said. "We recognize the challenges survivors face and believe this ordinance is a significant step in expanding our support and reaffirming the City's continued commitment to providing accessible resources for those affected."

Under the ordinance, the Commissioner of the Department of Human Resources is charged to develop a policy and implement training to improve employees' awareness of existing resources, their ability to recognize warning signs of abuse and act responsively in furtherance of this goal.

"Our goal is to ensure that City employees affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse know that they have their employer's support through accessible information, resources and employee assistance programs," Alderman O'Shea said.

The ordinance was developed in coordination with Chicago Says No More, a coalition of 20 business, civic and philanthropic leaders collaborating with 25 executive directors of not-for-profit organizations with a mission to serve those affected by domestic violence and sexual assault. Their Workplace EAP Task Force collaborated with Legal Momentum, the nation's oldest legal advocacy organization dedicated to advancing the rights of women and girls, to create a model policy for employers. Legal Momentum was instrumental in drafting and helping pass the Violence Against Women Act, the landmark federal law created to address the treatment of the crimes associated with domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. Information about the model policy is available at www.ChicagoSaysNoMore.org.

"Domestic violence and sexual assault are difficult topics to breach, and because of longstanding stigmas, victims and survivors are often reluctant to seek help at a time when they are extremely vulnerable and likely very isolated," said Kristie Paskvan, CFO of Mesirow Financial and founder of Chicago Says No More. "The new ordinance works to help ensure that the City's workplace is a safe environment for all employees who are experiencing abuse and creates a means to provide immediate assistance to employees who have been subjected to such violence."

The City of Chicago currently offers a number of services and resources to domestic violence survivors. DHR employs a clinical therapist who is able to provide confidential consultation and assistance, offers a residency waiver if an employee needs to quickly relocate and provides reasonable accommodations such as changing work phone numbers or modifying a work schedule or location.

"The case with many employers is that they offer numerous services, but the information about them is scattered, so employees have to conduct their own research and, as a result, may not know about everything that is available," DHR Commissioner Soo Choi said "An easily accessible document centralizing this information, together with training to increase awareness, ensures that our employees can easily access that assistance and know that we support them and encourage them to seek our help."

According to the Center for Disease Control, one in three women and one in four men are victims of domestic violence. Domestic violence can co-occur in the forms of physical abuse, psychological abuse, economic abuse and stalking. It is the leading cause of injury to women between the ages of 15 and 44 in the United States, more than car accidents, muggings, and sexual assault combined. Unfortunately, only 14 percent of employers offer assistance for those employees affected by domestic violence and sexual assault when the abuser is not a co-worker.

For confidential information or resources on domestic violence, please call or text the City's Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-877-TO-ENDDV (1-877-863-6338).



# Jason Hicks Arrested for 95th Street Shooting

The Cook County State's Attorney's Office has charged Jason Hicks, the man believed to be responsible for the October 12th shooting incident that occurred

on the 2100 block of west 95th Street, with unlawful use of a firearm, a class three



Moving forward, the 19th Ward will continue to work closely with the Chicago Police Department and Cook County State's Attorney's Office to ensure an aggressive pros-

ecution of this case.

It is important to note that this incident was not a random act

of violence. Law en-

forcement authorities

# **New Business Updates**

Firewater Saloon - 3908 W. 111th St.

Firewater Saloon, a country music themed business in Edison Park, recently announced plans to open a second location at the current TP's Par (2009 W, 111th St.) Currently, Fire

TR's Bar (3908 W. 111th St.) Currently, Firewater has closed on the purchase of the building and the business. Interior renovations are planned for this location and will began as soon as permits are issued.



felony. The Chicago Police Department's Fugitive Apprehension Unit arrested Hicks on the 5500 block of south Lake Park Ave. on Thursday, November 2nd. Hicks, a convicted fel-

n Hicks heiker of this incident to the po-

on currently out on parole, was in possession of a loaded pistol at the time of his arrest.

Given that, Alderman O'Shea has asked that the State's Attorney to explore any possible charges related to the possession of this firearm and potential parole violations in addition to the criminal activity that occurred in our community. footage of this incident, to the police. Their cooperation remains vital to this case and our entire community thanks them. Working together, we can maintain a safe and healthy community for our families. We will keep you updated on this matter as more information becomes available. completed in late 2017 and look forward to an opening shortly thereafter.

#### Americanos - 11060 S. Western Ave.

Owners hope this work can be

Americanos, a full service Mexican Restaurant will be opening in

the former Leona's space at 11060 S. Western Ave. Renovation at that site is currently underway. Opening is expected in early 2018 pending all appropriate business licenses.



Renovations are underway at the Vineyard, a new private events venue operated by the Barraco Family. The Vineyard will operate from the former Beverly Branch Library at 2119 W. 95th St. The community looks forward to welcoming this great new business in Spring 2018. For more information please call (773) 881-4040.



## **Special Olympics, McGarry** Family to Lead 2018 Parade

The South Side Irish St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee announces Special Olympics Chicago will lead the 40th Annual parade as the Grand Marshal. Special Olympics Chicago is celebrating its 50th year of offering athletic training and competition to children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

Amyloidosis Support Groups and The Martin McGarry Family will be the 2018 Parade Honoree. The nonprofit organization is dedicated to the support of Amyloidosis patients, caregivers and former caregivers. The Grand Marshal and Honoree will lead the parade set to step off at noon on Sunday, March 11, 2018, from 103rd and Western.

The South Side Irish Parade will kick off the festivities with a pre-parade fundraiser on Saturday, February 3, 2018. The event is held earlier this year and will feature raffle prizes, a silent auction, the South Side Irish Parade Queen Selection, live Irish music and much more. The party will be held at 115 Bourbon Street, 3359 West 115th Street, Merrionette Park, IL, 60803.

The parade is operated by the South Side Irish St. Patrick's Day Parade and Heritage Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, where more than 60 volunteers work year-round to ensure this family-friendly celebration continues for future generations.

Visit southsideirishparade.org for more information on the preparade fundraiser and the South Side Irish Parade.

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#### Ward Office Collecting Extra Garbage Carts

Do you fill up all of your black garbage carts each week? If you currently have more carts than you need, please contact the 19th Ward Office at (773) 238-8766 or mattoshea@the19thward.com and we can arrange to have the carts picked up and delivered to another community resident who may need it. The City of Chicago is currently experiencing an unprecedented backlog in garbage carts. While Alderman O'Shea is working with the Department of Streets and Sanitation to address this problem, in the short-term, residents can help out by giving up cans they may not need.

So if your kids have left home, if your family's recycling has outpaced its garbage, or if you simply have more cans then you use most weeks, please let us know. Thanks!



Sunday, December 31, 2017 • 11:30 A.M.

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# **Holiday Activities**



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On Thursday, December 28th, the 19th Ward Youth Foundation will host the 8th Annual Children's Film Festival at the Beverly Arts Center. Admission is \$1 per person, per film, and includes the movie and

snacks during the show. Tickets will be issued on a first come first serve basis and space is limited.

The Film Festival will feature a 10:00am showing of Despicable Me 3 and a 2:00pm showing of The Nut Job 2. I hope that you and your family can join us for a fun day at the movies! Parent chaperones are appreciated.

Please note, this year there will be no reservations, tickets can only be purchased the day of the event.





#### Sunday, December 10th 3:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Morgan Park Sports Center 11505 S. Western Ave.

'Tis the season to Skate with Santa at Morgan Park Sports Center

Bring your family and friends and skate along to your favorite holiday music

Make sure to visit the winter wonderland area and decorate your own delicious cookies

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BAPA COOKIE CRAWL

2nd Annual BAPA COOKIE CRAWL Saturday, December 9 | 10am to 3pm Olivia's Garden, 10730 S. Western Avenue Get Your Pictures with Santa! NEW! Christkindl Market Local businesses, one of a kind artisan goods, home decor, specialty food items and live music YOU DO NOT NEED A TIN TO ENJOY THE MARKET! Dec. 9 | 10am to 3pm • Dec. 10 | 11am to 3pm

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# **Legislative Update**

#### Hurley Pushing for Expanded Protections for Police and Fire Fighters sponders safe when responding to

an emergency. The bill idea origi-

nated from a conversation Hurley

had with a constituent while walk-

to know when a building

they're about to enter has

major structural prob-

lems," said Hurley. "By

marking these buildings

with a red X or something

similar, first responders

ing door-to-door in her district.

State Representative Hurley is continuing the discussion on how to protect first responders statewide and ensure structurally dangerous buildings are clearly marked. Hurley introduced HB 3148 earlier this

vear which requires local governments to post a notice on structurally damaged or unsafe buildings. Buildings that pose a potential risk to police or fire fighters responding to an emergency would be iden-

able marking such as the red "X".

Buildings with a red X have structural damage to the degree that it would be dangerous to enter. This measure aims to keep first re-



tified with a large, notice- State Rep. Fran Hurley emergency to keep themselves and their colleagues safe." Despite the intent of the bill, it has been met with some reluctance because of concerns with a term used in the bill that is not included

in the International Property Maintenance Code. Hurley discussed her bill in front of the House Construction Industry and Code Enforcement Committee, where testimony was heard from the Illinois Fire Fighters Association, City of Chicago Illinois Fire Inspectors Association, and City of Chicago Department of Buildings.

Hurley will continue to work with stakeholders and push for critical protections for police and fire fighters. Passage of HB 3148 would provide an increase in safety for first responders throughout Illinois.

If you have any thoughts regarding this legislation or others, contact Rep. Hurley's constituent service office at 773-445-8128.

#### **Cunningham Proposes Identity Theft Protection Measure**

Illinois residents wishing to protect their identity by signing up for a credit freeze will no longer have to pay a fee to do so under legislation introduced by Senator Bill Cunningham in the Illinois Senate.

The new effort to protect con-

sumers has been launched in reaction to the massive data breach suffered by the credit reporting giant Equifax earlier this year. As many as 143 million Americans nationwide, and 5.4 million Illinois res-

impacted by the breach of sensitive consumer information. Computer hackers accessed names, social security numbers, addresses and birth dates stored in Equifax's data systems.

In response to the breach, consumer advocates urged any potential victim to contact the credit reporting agencies and apply for a "credit freeze" on their personal finances. A freeze would help prevent identity thieves from fraudulently opening new credit accounts. But each request for a freeze cost the consumer at least \$10.

"Illinois residents should not have to pay a fee because of the neg-

ligence of a credit reporting agency," Cunningham said. "It is simply unconscionable that a company would charge consumers any fee after they failed to protect their personal information."

The legislation Cunningham is proposing, HB 4095, would prohibit any credit reporting agency from charging fees to consumers who request freezes on their credit. Similar legislation has already passed in seven states.

Cunningham is working with Attorney General Lisa Madigan on the legislation. Madigan is leading a multistate investigation to address the consumer harm, taking steps to

help prevent such financial disasters in the future, and hold Equifax accountable. Earlier this month, Madigan joined with 37 other attorneys general to urge credit reporting agencies Experian and TransUnion to immediately stop charging fees to consumers who want to put a credit freeze on their accounts. All three credit agencies would be required to stop charging fees in Illinois if HB 4095 becomes law.

Attorney General Madigan encourages people to contact her Identity Theft Hotline at 1 (866) 999-5630 or to review the Identity Theft resources on her website, illinoisattorneygeneral.gov. The hotline is staffed with identity theft experts who can help victims report the crime to local law enforcement and financial institutions, work to repair their credit, and prevent future theft. Hotline operators can also assist callers who want to take proactive steps to prevent their personal information from being stolen.

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Friends Giving Food Drive** November 1 to November 20 Non-perishable food item drop off office locations: 10400 S. Western Ave. (9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. weekdays) 3207 W. 111th St. (9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. weekdays)

**Business Attire Clothing Drive** November 20 to December 15 Donation drop off office locations: 10400 S. Western Ave. (9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. weekdays) 3207 W. 111th St. (9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. weekdays)

**Tuesday, November 28 Income Tax Seminar** Taxpayer Federation of Illinois & Center for Tax & Budget Accountability Chicago Ridge Library 10400 S. Oxford Ave, Chicago Ridge 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 5 Mt. Greenwood Office Ribbon Cutting & Open House** 3207 W. 111th St. 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (ribbon cutting ceremony at 3 p.m.)

> Monday, December 11 After Office Hours Mt. Greenwood Office 3207 W. 111th St. 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 16 **Coffee & Conversation B-Sides Coffee & Tea** 9907 Walden Pkwy., Chicago 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.



idents, may have been State Sen. Bill Cunningham

#### Burke, Cunningham, and Hurley Invite Residents to Income Tax Seminar

To help residents keep more of their hard-earned money, state

ham's Income Tax Seminar will feature Carol Portman, president of the Taxpayer's Federation of Illinois, and Ralph Martire, executive

the middle-class would cost Cook County families over \$4,000 a year.

Reps. Kelly Burke, D-Evergreen Park, Fran Hurley, D-Chicago, and

state Sen. Bill Cunningham, D-Chicago, are hosting an Income Tax Seminar on Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Chicago Ridge Library, located at 10400 Oxford Ave. in Chicago Ridge.

season State Rep. Kelly Burke "With tax quickly approaching, I want to help connect area families with valuable tax credits and exemptions," Burke said. "I understand how ever dollar counts, and missing out on these credits can cost residents hundreds or even thousands of dollars in higher taxes."

Burke, Hurley, and Cunning-

director of the Center for Tax and Budget Accountability, who will discuss tax credits and exemptions residents can qualify for to help keep more of what they earn. To RSVP, or for more information, please

contact Rep. Hurley's constituent service office at 773-445-8128.

Burke opposes efforts by Donald Trump and Republicans in Congress to slash taxes for millionaires and billionaires, while eliminating tax deductions that benefit middleclass Illinois families. It is estimated that Trumps moves to weaken

In response, Burke is collecting signatures opposing Trump's tax increase on middle-class families.

"Middle-class families are already struggling under skyrocketing property taxes, and they should not be paying for the ultra-wealthy to get a tax break," Burke said. "If you agree that the wealthy need to pay their fair share, please sign my petition to demand that Trump and his millionaire friends lift-up the middle-class."

To add your name to her petition, please contact her office at 708-425-0571, kburke@kellyburkerep36. org, or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RepKellyBurke.

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Have any ideas for events you would like to see planned, which would benefit residents? Email your ideas to repfranhurley@gmail.com or call 773-445-8128.



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Dec 8-9 & Dec 15-17 BAC Professional Theatre: It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play \$22/\$20 Members









Dec 10, 3pm Gay Men's Chorus: *Naughty or Nice \$28* 

Dec 20, 7pm BACinema: *White Christmas \$6/\$5 Members*  Dec 30, 8pm The Second City's Non-Denominational Christmas Show \$25/\$23 Members



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As a partner institution, SXU pledges an additional \$1,000 SXU Chicago Star Scholarship to Star Scholars who complete their associate degree with a 3.0 GPA or higher and transfer to the University. This scholarship is in addition to SXU's Transfer Merit and Phi Theta Kappa Scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$18,000 per academic year, plus any additional need-based aid for which a student may be eligible as

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determined by the results of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA).

"Saint Xavier University has a long and proud history of providing transfer students an outstanding education that is both valuable and affordable. The City Colleges of Chicago offer excellent op-portunities to students, and we look forward to working with the City Colleges and their Students who graduate SaintXavier students through this UNIVERSITY partnership" said Brian Hotzfield, executive director

of Admission at Saint Xavier University.

The benefits of this partnership include: guaranteed admission to SXU for all Star Scholars, with special admission requirements needed for education and nursing programs; an award of \$1,000 for two years to Star Scholars with a 3.0 GPA or higher; dedicated transfer advising from CCC and SXU, including development of pathways; and invitations to SXU campus events.

Prospective transfer students are encouraged to meet with an SXU admission counselor at their community college campus, or schedule a visit to the SXU campus for an appointment and tour. Students can apply online to SXU for no cost at www.sxu.edu, keyword: Apply.



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# Smith Village Residents Support Neighbors in Variety of Ways

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, it's natural to think about ways to give thanks and give back to others. For years, residents of Smith Village have found imaginative ways to express gratitude and lend support to members of their 19th Ward community as well as others.

This past year, volunteer efforts of Smith Village residents included working with St. Cajetan students and Alderman Matt O'Shea's office to make valentines for veterans, performing comedy skits during monthly Open Mic nights at Smith Village, sewing quilts for retired veterans, knitting caps for premature babies, working with local churches to feed Chicago's homeless, and selling baked goods to raise funds for hurricane relief efforts.

"Smith Village residents always find ways to help others," said Marti Jatis, executive director for the life plan community located at 2320 W. 113th Place. "Sometimes a single resident will spearhead an effort with others lending support. The mix of resident-volunteer efforts constantly changes. Sometimes a specific cause will need immediate attention, or our residents have fulfilled a need and are looking for a new way to help. It's safe to say that at any given time, several Smith Village residents are investing their talent and time in efforts to support others. And, residents in all lifestyle settings have the opportunity to volunteer."

Many residents volunteer within the Smith Village community. Several independent living residents drive fellow residents to medical appointments. Others volunteer in the onsite store, selling snacks, cards, small gifts, personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies to raise money for Emilie's Fund to ensure residents who outlive their means will never have to move.

"We are a true community of supportive neighbors," said Gene Sablick, Smith Village resident council director.

Through a horticulture therapy program, skilled nursing care residents have made flower arrangements and doctored houseplants later sold to raise money for Emilie's Fund.



Smith Village staff members Karinna Wesley, left, Kelly Nicholson and Meghan Maple sold cookies, mini-pound cakes, bread and other items baked by Smith Village residents and donated by Morrison Community Living and Pierre's Bakery in Blue Island. Adam LaJeunesse, third from right, Jeanne Bartolini and Lois LaJeunesse, right, were among those to purchase goodies. The relief effort was coordinated by LeadingAge, an association representing leading life plan communities, including Smith Village, and providers of the complete continuum of services for older adults. Photo by Waldemar Reichert.



Bob Moses of Windy City Veterans Association, second from left, with Sewing Club members Janis McHugh, Kay Bach and Grace Larsen. The sewing club made lap quilts for residents of the Manteno Veterans Home. Photo by Waldemar Reichert

Independent living residents have hosted Souper Bowl parties to collect funds for the Morgan Park Food Pantry. Others have made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for another local food pantry. They've also served meals to families staying at the Ronald McDonald House near Advocate Children's Hospital in Oak Lawn. For now, some of these efforts are on hold, but there's a good chance that new residents will take them up in the future, Jatis said.

For several years, Smith Village resident Marge Murphy organized candy sales to raise money for Misericordia, a community serving people with developmental disabilities. After she passed away in December of 2014, several Smith Village residents volunteered to sell Christmas baked goods made in the Misericordia bakery in her honor.

Through St. Linus Catholic Church, residents in Smith Village's skilled nursing care wing bundle plastic eating utensils in paper napkins for a program that feeds Chicago's homeless. They produce 200 bundles each month to accompany lunches provided through the Port Ministry in Chicago's Back of the Yards neighborhood.

Members of a Smith Village knitting group make hats for the Merchant Marines as well as caps for premature babies.

Over the last seven years, the Smith Village Sewing Club has

sewn coats for greyhound rescue dogs, bibs for adults with learning disabilities, and quilts to raise money for Alzheimer's disease research.

Most recently, the club thanked residents of the Manteno Veterans Home by making 25 lap quilts. A relative of Smith Village resident Dan O'Connell, who passed away in August, added some full-size quilts to the donation.

"Grace Larsen suggested we do this," said Kay Bach, who started the Sewing Club after moving to Smith Village in 2010.

Grace's husband, Edward, now deceased, served as a Marine during the Korean War and later volunteered with Windy City Veterans Association, which supports the veterans home. "We felt it was important to let veterans know we care," said Grace. "My husband helped me realize we should thank veterans for their service." Windy City Veterans Association's Bob Moses delivered the quilts to the Manteno Veterans Home.

In September, Smith Village residents and staff organized a bake sale that raised \$670 in relief for seniors living in retirement communities in Texas affected by Hurricane Harvey.

"Giving to others is an important part of the lifestyle here at Smith Village," said Jatis. "This provides residents the chance to make vital contributions to the outside world and to grow as individuals."

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