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## B-MAC EDITION

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Blue Island, Midlothian, Alsip, Crestwood

### De La Salle Institute announces new president



Following an extensive national search, Paul McCoy, Chairman, Board of Trustees, announces the appointment of Anne Marie Tirpak as President of De La Salle Institute, effective July 2022.

Ms. Tirpak brings a wealth of experience, insight and knowledge to the position having served as a highly impactful advancement professional at the diocesan level, within Catholic elementary and secondary schools, and in the university setting.

Ms. Tirpak holds a Bachelor of Arts from John Carroll University, a Master's in Education from Loyola University Chicago, and a Certificate in Non-Profit Leadership from Northwestern University. She has completed graduate studies at Catholic Theological Union (CTU) where she was chosen as a Cardinal Bernardin Scholar, a unique academic and pastoral program reflecting Cardinal Bernardin's signature issues of reconciliation and peacemaking, interreligious dialogue, leadership development for the Catholic Church, the consistent ethic of life, and the search for common ground in the church and world.

"As soon as we started to speak with Anne Marie, her ability to serve as the faith leader of our school was abundantly clear," said

Dr. Diane Brown, former DLS principal and Search Committee member.

Ms. Tirpak brings extensive experience in fundraising, alumni relations, strategic planning, marketing, enrollment, community relations, special events, capital campaigns, communications and DEI.

"I am honored to serve De La Salle Institute as its next President and am grateful for this appointment by the Board of Trustees. I look forward to serving this vibrant Chicago institution richly reflective of our city, and working with Principal Tom Schergen and the students, faculty, staff, administration, alumni/ae, friends and Board of Trustees to ensure the continued vitality of the Lasallian mission and its unique expression at De La Salle Institute," said incoming President Anne Marie Tirpak.



Moraine Valley  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Moraine Valley Community College has hired Rory Smith to be the inaugural executive director for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. The new position was created to help the college live out and emphasize its core values of diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) on campus.

Smith believes everyone is better off when student-specific solutions are sought, and his goal is to help the college generate those solutions to make additional improvements. He intends to work with every group involved with the college from the Board of Trustees to students to faculty and the community.

"Education is not one size fits all. What is the context of each individual student that walks in the door? We have to ask, 'What is it you need, and what can we uniquely provide you?'" he said. "My job is to create new possibilities for students. In DEI, it's about recognizing the importance and respecting

### Moraine Valley hires new Diversity, Equity and Inclusion executive director

the difference of everyone. It's about making sure they have a role in the decision making and then generating the equitable outcome that relates to them specifically for the mission we're all here for."

Smith has a history of building DEI positions from the ground up as he was tapped to do so at each of his previous employers. A lawyer by trade, he began recruiting diverse lawyers for the firms where he worked. As inaugural director of Diversity Affairs at the John Marshall Law School (now the University of Illinois Chicago School of Law), he developed programming to assist students of color with academic readiness. He then created his own DEI consulting firm, assisting organizations with DEI. After eight years, he went back to education, becoming the first chief of diversity at Hartwick College in Oneonta, NY. He returned to Chicago and brought his skills to Moraine Valley.

"Rory brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this new role. He

has a passion to guide the college further toward a diverse staff that services a diverse student body. He is eager to meet with staff and students to understand our history and work toward an equitable future," said Rick Hendricks, vice president of Administrative Services.

Smith has ideas about what the college can do, but for now, he's getting to know people and the work Moraine Valley already has done in this area so he can better understand what is needed. To start, he will look at the college's strategic plan.

"I feel a great deal of welcome, and sense of inclusion and sharing of what's been done. I also want to hear about things we're concerned about, and how we talk about this work and make it so we can have difficult conversations in courageous and respectful ways," Smith said. "Recognizing all of those things together is how we generate what we hope for our students. There's great possibility for us, for our students and for society because of this work."

### South Suburban College opens late spring class registration

The South Suburban College (SSC) Adult Education Department has extended the enrollment period for its free High School Equivalency (HSE/GED) and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs. The late spring session is scheduled from April 18 through June 16, 2022. Most of the Adult Education programs are offered both full-time and part-time at the Main Campus in South Holland or at the Oak Forest Center.

Many adults choose to expand their skills and pursue a high school education through the HSE/GED program. This program will

develop the skills required to pass the High School Equivalency exams. HSE for ESL is also available for students who plan to take the HSE/GED exam in English. The ESL program allows non-native students the ability to improve their English skills from beginning to advanced levels. All courses are offered free of charge.

HSE registration is made by appointment only at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2475 or 2411, or online at <https://forms.gle/nBaUMMKjn-Miz8RMU6> as follows:

March 15, 17, 21, 23, 29, 31, and on April 4 and 6 at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Main Campus, Room L233.

ESL registration is made

by appointment only at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2475 or 2411, or online at <https://www.quia.com/sv/1194173.html> as follows:

March 15, 17, 21, 23, 29, 31, and on April 4 and 6 at 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Main Campus, Room 1243.

At the time of registration, all HSE and ESL students will take a placement test; expect to stay at least three hours. A mask must always be worn during the testing/registration process and no children are allowed. The following items are required at registration:

Current Illinois-Issued Photo ID, High School Withdrawal Letter (for students under 18) and Medical Card (if applicable).

### Notice of Village Trustee vacancy in Midlothian

Village President Gary L'Heureux is seeking candidates for appointment to fill the vacant office of Village Trustee on the Village Board of Trustees. The responsibilities and job description for Village Trustee can be found at 11-2-1 of the Village Code link on

the Village website. The compensation for Village Board members is \$6,000 per year. Candidates should submit a resume with cover letter by email or in person at Village Hall, to Deputy Village Clerk Maria Kolacki at: [mkolacki@villageofmidlothian.org](mailto:mkolacki@villageofmidlothian.org)



Resumes and cover letters must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 18, 2022.



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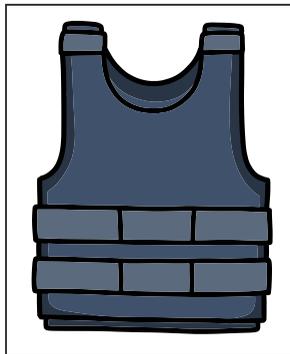
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## FAR SOUTH EDITION

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Mokena, Oak Forest, Orland Park, Tinley Park

### Orland Park Police Dept. donates surplus bulletproof vests to citizens of Ukraine



Surplus ballistic vests have been sent from the Orland Park Police Department to assist Ukrainian volunteer combatants who are fighting to defend their country from Russian aggression.

The Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police organization put a call out for donations of ballistic vests for Ukrainian freedom fighters after retired Mokena, Illinois Chief of Police Steven Vaccaro made a plea for the items due to

his family's connection to the region.

"We are happy to do whatever we can to help with this urgent request," said Orland Park Police Chief Joe Mitchell.

The vests, which are no longer needed by the Orland Park Police Department, were sent to Wroclaw, Poland and will be given directly to Ukrainian civilians to help protect them from sniper fire they may encounter during the war.

In addition to the vest donation, the Village of Orland Park is organizing a humanitarian aid delivery to the region to provide much needed supplies for Ukrainian women and children in Poland. More information regarding the donation drive will be forthcoming.



**Village Engineer:** The Village Board appointed Arlan Schattke as Village Engineer. Arlan has more than 10 years of related experience in the engineering consulting field and in municipal government. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering and has been a licensed professional engineer in Illinois since 2016. **Congrats, Arlan!**

**Harmony Square:** The Village Board approved three resolutions requesting quick-take authority powers for parcels of property at 6712 North St., 6724 North St. and 6706 North St. These parcels are necessary for

### Tinley Park Village Board met Tuesday for its regular meeting at Village Hall

construction of Harmony Square Plaza in Downtown Tinley. If the Illinois General Assembly grants this authority, the parcels will come under Village control within one year of the date granted.

**State Property:** Village Manager Pat Carr gave an update on a State bill that would approve the sale of the former Tinley Park Mental Health Center at 183rd St. and Harlem Ave. to the Village of Tinley Park for \$4.5 million. "The Village remains actively engaged with CMS and its lobbyists to get the bill pushed through," he said. "We're very optimistic that our elected officials at the State will submit this bill." Carr added that the property has the potential to create thousands of jobs and generate millions of dollars for the entire area.

**Task Force Update:** Deputy Chief Thomas Tilton gave an update on the Tinley Park Police Department's new task force with Orland Park and Orland Hills to monitor the 159th Street, car dealership corridor between Harlem Avenue and LaGrange Road. Since the task force was formed, there have been 70 traffic stops, one unlawful use of weapon arrest, 105 grams of cannabis seized, three misdemeanor arrests and three drivers that were chased away by police before they were able to commit a crime. "These stats are indicative of a very effective program," Tilton said

**Floor and Decor:** Building Official Michael Coleman reported that Floor and Decor at the former Burlington building on 159th Street is on track to hold its grand opening on

April 18.

**Water Pressure:** The board approved a professional services contract with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LTD for administration and full-time construction observation services of the Westside Pressure Improvements Design and Construction.

**Bulk Fuel:** The Board approved a contract with Al Warren Oil Company, Inc. to participate in a fixed-cost bulk fuel program for both gasoline and diesel fuel. This will give the village manager the authority to finalize a contract subsequent to the approval locking in pricing for the current market.

**Business Spotlight:** The Village Board profiled Dunn-Rite Building Maintenance and D.W. Ram Corporation as part of its ongoing Tinley Park Business Spotlight series.

### Oak Forest launches Hometown Heroes banner program



The Oak Forest Hometown Heroes Banner Program honors current

or former Oak Forest residents, who have served or are currently serving in any branch of the Armed Forces.

Each banner includes name, photo, rank, and branch of the military. The double-sided banners cost \$75 each and will be displayed on Cicero Avenue for two years from Memorial Day to Veterans Day. Banners will be presented to the applicants after the two-year display period upon request.

Applications are due Monday, April 4 and are available at City Hall or online at <https://bit.ly/35X9hVp>.



### Orland Park Police Chief Joe Mitchell announces retirement

The Chief's efforts have focused on Orland Park Police Department's community and business engagement efforts, crime reduction through the use of state of the art technology and training, robust task forces, including the FBI and DEA, and village-wide initiatives such as addressing mental illness through the creation and the continuation of the department's nationally recognized Crisis Intervention Team focusing on response to mental health related incidents and subsequent partnership with Trinity Services to better

address the needs of those with mental health concerns.

Mitchell and the Orland Park Police Department are actively involved with the Law Enforcement Torch Run and fundraising for Illinois Special Olympics.

"Chief Mitchell has faithfully and diligently served the Village of Orland Park," said Mayor Keith Pekau. "He has provided steadfast and dependable leadership to the men and women of the Orland Park Police Department throughout his period as chief. In 2021, the Village of Orland Park had the lowest number of index

crimes in 27 years and was recently named the eighth safest small city in America, thanks to his outstanding leadership," said Pekau.

Upon Chief Mitchell's retirement, Deputy Chief Eric Rossi will be appointed Interim Chief of Police until a permanent chief of police is selected.

"Chief Mitchell is an exemplary professional whose presence will be missed," said Village Manager George Koczwar. "We wish him the best in his retirement and thank him for his many years of public service to the Orland Park community."





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Chicago Ridge, Worth, Palos Hills, Palos Park, Palos Heights

## Gov. Pritzker announces \$19.7 Million in Grants for 36 Illinois public museum projects

Thirty-six Illinois museums will receive a total of \$19.7 million in state capital investments to improve their facilities and develop new exhibits, Gov. JB Pritzker announced today. The investments are made possible through the Illinois Public Museum Capital Grants Program, funded by the governor's bipartisan Rebuild Illinois capital program, the first in nearly a decade.

"Rebuilding Illinois means investing in all types of infrastructure that improve communities and the quality of life for residents. That includes an investment in the museums that protect our cultural heritage and offer unique programs and events for visitors to

enjoy," Gov. Pritzker said. "I am pleased to see the array of improvements and exhibits that will happen as a result of our 2022 Public Museum Capital Grants, made possible through the Rebuild Illinois capital program."

The Illinois Public Museum Capital Grants Program, administered by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, is open to any museum operated by local government or located on municipally owned land. The maximum grant award for projects is \$750,000, and matching funds are required in many cases based on museum attendance levels.

"Museums are an important economic driver and point of pride in commu-



nities throughout Illinois," said Colleen Callahan, director of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. "Providing funding for capital improvements and exciting new exhibits helps to create jobs, attract more visitors, and boost local tourism."

The Illinois Public Museums awarded Capital Grants are listed below. More information about the Illinois Public Museum Capital Grants Program is available online at <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/grants/Pages/Museum-Capital-Grants.aspx>.

## Statement from U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona on one-year anniversary of the American Rescue Plan

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law by President Biden, 2021, and U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona highlighted its impacts on America's schools in the following statement:

"When President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan into law, the Department of Education went straight to work delivering an unprecedented \$130 billion to help schools safely reopen and welcome nearly 100 percent of America's K-12 students back into the classroom for in-person learning. We also delivered tens of billions of dollars to begin closing longstanding equity gaps in

higher education and help our colleges and universities invest in COVID-19 testing and campus safety, keep tuitions stable, and provide financially struggling students with direct assistance to stay enrolled. Today, the Department is advising state and local leaders on how they can continue leveraging American Rescue Plan funds to establish new summer and afterschool programs; grow and strengthen a talented and diverse educator workforce; and invest in tutors, counselors, and other school staff who can lessen the burden on teachers and help tend to our children's social, emotional, and mental health needs.



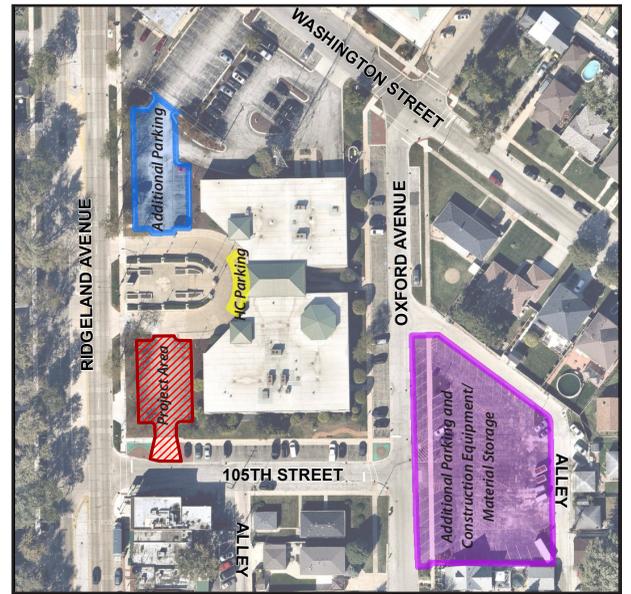
From kindergarten to high school to college and careers, our North Star remains clear: a robust and equitable recovery that ensures every student is able to succeed and pursue their dreams."

The White House also issued a fact sheet to celebrate the impact ARP funds are having in classrooms. Featuring highlights from across the country, the fact sheet outlines how ARP dollars helped schools safely re-open and are addressing the academic and mental health needs of students. You can view that fact sheet at: [www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov).

## Grant for Village Hall permeable paver parking lot project

The Village of Chicago Ridge will be undertaking a Capital Improvement Project to reconstruct the existing Village Hall parking lot with permeable pavers. This is a water quality improvement project that is being partially funded through an IEPA 319 Grant the Village received. In addition to the parking lot improvements, two new electrical vehicle charging stations are being installed within the lot. The project is anticipated to begin mid-late March 2022 and be completed by May 31, 2022.

Throughout construction, the visitor's parking lot for Village Hall will not be available for parking. Please be aware of the upcoming construction activity and follow the posted traffic control advisory signs. While this parking lot is closed, visitors will be allowed to park on the north side of the drop-off lane in spots along Ridgeland Avenue. Please use caution



while parking to make sure you are not parking in a Commuter Parking stall which is by permit only. Additional parking is available along 105th Street and east of Village Hall along Oxford Avenue. Handicap parking will be allowed in the drop-off lane for Village Hall and the Police Department. Please see the Temporary Parking Lot Area Exhibit labelling these parking areas.

Construction is being performed by Copenhaver Construction, Inc, Gilberts, IL and is construction is being overseen by Boris Vukovic from Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. ([bvukovic@cbbel.com](mailto:bvukovic@cbbel.com); cell: (847) 975-6929).

We apologize about any inconvenience this may cause during your visit. We appreciate your understanding.

## Moraine Valley looking for residents to host international students

Learn about another culture while welcoming an international student into your home. Moraine Valley Community College's International Student Affairs Department has immediate needs for residents to help integrate students into the U.S. and provide a safe place for them to stay through its Host Home Program.

Hundreds of international students from countries such as Ireland, South Korea, Vietnam, Poland, Congo, Japan and Sweden enroll at Moraine Valley, and many

are in host homes throughout the community. Many need a safe place to live and learn for a minimum of one semester. Students pay hosts a monthly fee determined by the college.

Living with a local family helps international students practice English, learn the American culture, acclimate to their new environment, and abate cultural shock and loneliness. Hosts also benefit by learning about another country, its language and culture, and contribute to the student's success while building inter-

national relationships and helping them adjust to the new environment.

Community members can host more than one student but must own their own home, condo or property, have a washing machine and dryer, access to the internet, and a private bedroom available. The home should be within 15 minutes of walking to the college or near a bus line (#385, 381 or 379).

For more information on hosting, email [international-admissions@morainevalley.edu](mailto:international-admissions@morainevalley.edu) or call (708) 974-5443.



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## SUBURBAN EDITION

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Burbank, Evergreen Park, Hickory Hills, Justice, Oak Lawn

### Teachers awarded for excellence

Written by Jennifer Jepsen, OLCCHS Staff Writer



Marwa Elmasry



Ailysh Cooper

Oak Lawn Community High School bilingual teacher Marwa Elmasry has been named the 2022 Bilingual Teacher of the Year through ISBE's Teacher of the Year program. "The Teacher of the Year and Those Who Excel programs recognize the people who make education in Illinois so exceptional," said State Superintendent of Education Dr. Carmen I. Ayala. "Our students have been in the most capable hands despite the challenges of the past two years. Our Illinois educators and their level of commitment, passion, and dedication

have been a guiding light for students and communities in a time when we have needed it the most. I am so proud of each and every one of our honorees and especially of our finalists for Illinois Teacher of the Year. This recognition is the highest honor in our profession." About Marwa, World Languages department chair Kristin Kuchyt said, "Mrs. Elmasry is an extremely dedicated teacher whose passion and appreciation for learning can be seen every day. Her classes have insightful conversations that lead to a deeper understanding of the material. She has an ability to make all students and community members feel welcome in our school. We are all so thrilled and excited that she was awarded with this honor!"

Art teacher Ailysh Cooper received the Meritorious Service Award for Early Career Educator. All public and nonpublic preK-12 educators in Illinois with fewer than five years of teaching experience are eligible. The top nominees from eight regions are designated as Regional Teachers of the Year; the Illinois Teacher of the Year is selected from that cohort. Remaining nominees are awarded on two levels: Meritorious Service and Special Recognition. Art department chair Eric

Kallenborn said, "Ailysh Cooper lives and breathes art education. Whether it be creating how to art videos on YouTube or crafting a cool, new lesson for her classes, Ailysh is always finding ways to make art accessible to all. Her love for art education extends well past the hallways of OLCCHS; she is involved in multiple organizations created to help teachers expand their craft, and she presents at national conferences to share her experiences and practices. We are proud and privileged to call Ailysh a Spartan. Our student art community blooms with her in this building."

Principal, Dr. Jeana Lietz said, "We here at OLCCHS have known what outstanding educators Marwa and Ailysh are; it is exciting that the rest of the state gets to know about their work as well. Marwa is a tireless advocate for her students and has worked hard to create a bilingual program here at OLCCHS to be proud of. Ailysh has been a wonderful addition to our staff, and we knew from day one of working with her that she was special. These are very well-deserved honors for both teachers."

ISBE will recognize all its Teacher of the Year awardees at a banquet later this summer.



An Evergreen Park Community High School senior has been awarded the prestigious Chick Evans Scholarship for golf caddies for the second year in a row. Danny McQuillan, who caddies at the nearby Ridge Country Club, was recently informed of his Chick Evans scholarship selection.

"I was overjoyed," McQuillan said of the moment he got the call. "I'm so happy because I've had so many dreams that are now easier to achieve."

The Chick Evans scholarship offers a full tuition and college housing to only about 300 high-achieving high school caddies a year nationally. Like last year's winner from EPCHS, Nellie

### EPCHS senior awarded prestigious Chick Evans Scholarship

O'Grady, McQuillan will attend Indiana University for college.

"I loved the campus, and I already know a few people who go there," McQuillan said of his decision to become a Hoosier.

To qualify for the Chick Evans scholarship, caddies must have a strong caddie record, excellent academics and outstanding character, among other attributes.

McQuillan fit the bill perfectly. At EPCHS, he has been involved as a two-sport athlete in golf and swim, and is active in clubs as vice president of both the National Honor Society and the Future Business Leaders of America club.

McQuillan, an Evergreen Park native who attended Southwest Elementary School and Central Middle School, is in his sixth year as a caddie at Ridge. He's the son of Matt and Mary McQuillan of Evergreen Park.

Golf has been a constant in McQuillan's family for generations. His uncle, Robert Fanelli, was also awarded the Chick Evans scholarship.

McQuillan said he's not planning to try out for the golf team at IU, but may join a few clubs at the Bloomington, Indiana, school.

"Schoolwork is more important," he said.

McQuillan plans to major in finance and hopes to become a stock broker for a large or private firm.

Since 1930, the Chick Evans Foundation has awarded nearly 11,000 scholarships for full tuition and housing college scholarships to hardworking caddies. The Foundation, sponsored by the Western Golf Association, is named in honor of amateur golfer Charles "Chick" Evans, Jr. Evans was the first amateur to win the U.S. Open and U.S. Amateur in the same year.

### Overnight closures scheduled on Roberts Road and 87<sup>th</sup> Street for Central Tri-State Tollway I-294

Road closures with detours will be scheduled on Roberts Road and 87th Street during the next two weeks to accommodate mainline bridge beam placement on the

Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project. Overnight lane closures will also be scheduled in both directions on I-294 during this time to complete the work.

Electronic message signs and construction signage will be in place in advance to alert drivers to each of the overnight closures. Up-to-date closure infor-



Central Tri-State

mation will be posted on the Tollway website in the Daily Construction Alert. All work is weather dependent.

Work is scheduled to begin on Roberts Road under I-294 on Monday, March 14, with closures alternating between Roberts Road and 87th Street over the next two weeks, however, both roads will not be closed at the same time. The closures will begin at 9 p.m. each night with the roadway reopening by 5

a.m. the following morning. Altogether, five nights of roadway closures will be needed on Roberts Road and three nights of roadway closure will be needed on 87th Street.

During the roadway closures on Roberts Road, a posted detour will route traffic via 95th Street, 88th Avenue/Cork Avenue and 79th Street. (see map below)

During the roadway closures on 87th Street, a posted detour will route traffic via Cork Avenue, 95th Street and Harlem Avenue.

In addition, Frontage Road, which connects west-bound 87th Street to Roberts

Road north of I-294, is scheduled to close each of the eight nights. No detour will be posted.

To accommodate bridge replacement work, traffic is currently reduced in both directions on Roberts Road and 87th Street. Traffic will remain in this configuration through 2022 for bridge work.

Construction updates, project information, maps and detour information for work that is part of the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project are available in the Projects section on the Tollway's website at [www.illinoistollway.com](http://www.illinoistollway.com).

## Free Income Tax preparation assistance is available

Low-to-moderate income families and senior citizens needing assistance filing their 2021 income taxes can receive free help through several trusted programs across the State of Illinois. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS), AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Program, and Ladder Up Tax Assistance Program are providing free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals in select locations statewide.

“With the tax filing deadline date of April 18 just around the corner, it is important for Illinois taxpayers to know that filing assistance is available,” said Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) Director David Harris. “Volunteers at these locations are certified by the IRS and ready to assist qualified individuals in filing their state and federal tax returns accurately and on time.”

How taxpayer assistance is provided and when services are available varies by region,

based upon several variables including COVID-19 conditions and volunteer capacity.

“Tax filing season can be stressful, but fortunately there are free resources available to help older adults navigate the process, get their full refunds, and protect their personal information,” said Paula Basta, Director of the Illinois Department on Aging. “I encourage older taxpayers to take advantage of these services as soon as possible and encourage everyone to spread the word to aging loved ones who may prefer some guidance when it comes to filing their taxes.”

The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance and the Tax Counseling for the Elderly programs offer free tax help for individuals making \$58,000 a year or less, people 60 years of age or older, individuals with disabilities, and taxpayers with limited English-speaking skills.

The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Program provides free tax assistance, with a special focus on taxpayers

over the age of 50 or who have low-to-moderate income. Availability is determined at the local or community level. AARP membership is not required to receive assistance.

In Chicagoland, the Ladder Up Tax Assistance Program (TAP) provides free basic tax return preparation for families earning up to \$58,000 and individuals earning up to \$32,000 per year.

Taxpayers can search for a free tax assistance provider closest to them by visiting IDOR’s website [tax.illinois.gov](http://tax.illinois.gov). Individuals with questions should contact IDOR’s Taxpayer Assistance Division at 800-732-8866.

Taxpayers may also visit any of IDOR’s offices located in Chicago, Des Plaines, Fairview Heights, Marion, Rockford, and Springfield to receive assistance. Staff at these locations can help with any Illinois state income tax filing inquiries and are available weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced that expiration dates for driver’s licenses, ID cards and learner’s permits are being extended until July 31, 2022. The previous extension was set to end on March 31, 2022. As a result, expired driver’s licenses, ID cards and learner’s permits will remain valid until July 31, 2022, so customers do not need to rush into Driver Services facilities, especially during inclement weather. This extension does not apply to commercial driver’s licenses (CDL) and CDL learner’s permits.

White’s office has expanded online renewals for expired driver’s licenses

## Jesse White extending driver’s license and ID card expiration dates until July 31, 2022

and ID cards and continues to mail letters to eligible customers. The letter provides driver’s license and ID card holders with a unique PIN needed to renew online instead of visiting a facility and waiting in line. Customers may call 217-785-1424 to confirm their eligibility for online renewal or to obtain their PIN.

Customers who must visit a facility include first-time driver’s license or ID card applicants, first-time REAL ID applicants and drivers ages 75 and older who are required by state law to visit a facility when renewing their license.

White continues to

encourage people to conduct other business online at [ilsos.gov](http://ilsos.gov). In addition to driver’s license and ID card renewals for those who qualify, online services include obtaining a duplicate driver’s license or ID card, ordering a driver record and purchasing license plate stickers.

White noted his office is also extending the expiration dates of Restricted Driving Permits (RDPs) to July 31, 2022 for those that expired on or after December 1, 2021 through July 30, 2022.

As a reminder, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has extended the federal REAL ID deadline to May 3, 2023.

## Village of Tinley Park to create COVID-19 memorial page



The Village would like to honor all the lives lost to

the COVID-19 pandemic by memorializing them on a special archived page on the Village website. If you would like to honor a loved one you lost to COVID, please send

their full name and a high-resolution photo of them to [marketing@tinleypark.org](mailto:marketing@tinleypark.org). Please note that this page will memorialize Tinley Park residents only.

## Bremen Township is open for Tax Appeals

Now through March 29, 2022 Bremen Township Building Department at City Hall is open for Tax

Appeals. The forms are available at the Clerks Office. These forms must be submitted before March

29. Contact, Taxpayer Advocate Guy Gattone at 708-687-4050 extension 1031.



## Metra to repair 80th Avenue tracks



Metra will be closing the railroad crossing at 80th Avenue for repairs starting April 20 and lasting through

April 29. Metra will place detour signs in the area for drivers. The north lot at the 80th Avenue train

station will remain open for parking. Visit Metra’s website at [Metra.com](http://Metra.com) for more information.

## Oak Lawn Village View Newspaper Archive

Oak Lawn Village View Newspaper Archive  
Explore digitized microfilm from the Oak Lawn Village View.  
Hosted by the Internet Archive.  
Look at the Oak Lawn Library website at <https://www.olpl.org>.

## Proud member of following 2022 Chambers

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## Finance Director Barbara Damron honored

Lifelong Mokena resident and Village Finance Director Barbara Damron retired earlier recently, having left an indelible mark on the organization to which she gave 36-plus years of her life.

Village Hall of Mokena elected officials and staff gave Ms. Damron accolades fitting of her contributions

and sacrifices at the Village Board’s meeting, honoring her for her prominent role in implementing Mokena’s sound and conservative fiscal policies over almost four decades of service to the community.

Village elected officials and staff wish Ms. Damron all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

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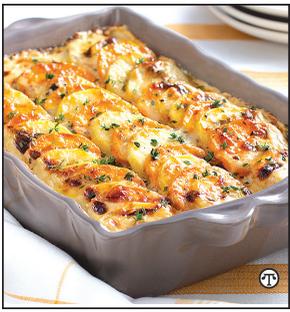
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## Sweet and savory side recipe is easy



(NAPS) Here's a delicious twist on an old favorite: creamy, cheesy, scalloped sweet potatoes, an easy-to-make casserole that will wow everyone at the table. High in fiber and loaded with vitamins and minerals,

California sweet potatoes add just a hint of sweetness to this rich and savory dish. Serve it next to your Easter ham, your Thanksgiving turkey or with a store-bought roasted chicken on a regular old Wednesday night. Deliciously indulgent, it'll be your new favorite side dish.

Creamy, Cheesy, Scalloped Sweet Potatoes, serves 8 to 10.

1½ pounds each orange-fleshed and yellow/white-fleshed sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into ¼

inch-thick slices, divided; 2 cups shredded Gruyère cheese, divided; 2½ cups heavy cream; 2 tablespoons chopped fresh thyme; 1½ teaspoons each salt and pepper; 1 teaspoon dry mustard; ½ teaspoon ground nutmeg; ¼ teaspoon each garlic and onion powder.

Preheat oven to 400° F. Oil 9-by-13-inch baking pan or 2½ to 3 quart casserole dish. Layer half of sweet potatoes in dish, mixing colors. Sprinkle with half of cheese. Add remaining sweet pota-

atoes and set aside. In small saucepan over medium-high heat, combine cream with herbs and spices. Cook until bubbles appear at edges of saucepan. Pour cream mixture over sweet potatoes. Sprinkle with remaining cheese, cover loosely and bake until almost tender, about 45 minutes. Uncover and continue baking until tender, about 15 minutes.

For more recipes, nutritional info and tips, go to [www.casweetpotatoes.com](http://www.casweetpotatoes.com).

## Join us for an Adult Egg Hunt at Oak Lawn Park District

Easter is right around the corner and it's time to start thinking about Easter activities and egg hunts!

Adult Egg Hunt, Saturday April 2, 7-8:00 pm at Stony Creek Golf Course (5850 W. 103rd St.)

Join us for an Adult Egg Hunt (21+)! Each adult will receive a complimentary drink along with an empty six pack to fill with 6 eggs. Each egg will have a ticket to redeem special prizes for adults such as: drink tickets, vouchers to local business,

and more. It will be a fun night for adults to have a few drinks and relive those childhood memories of searching for eggs!

Win prizes from some of our generous donors.

Fee is just \$30 per person. Registration can be found at <https://www.olparks.com/events/adult-egg-hunt/44653>.

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Hickory Hills Chamber of Commerce is having our 2022 Expo which will be held at Conrady Jr. High School at 7950 West 97th Street, Hickory Hills on Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 9 am to 2 pm.

We will have local business, vendors, and crafters, plus raffles. Free



Admission, everyone is welcome.

**Housewares Super Sale set for April 2 and 3**



After a two-year pandemic hiatus, Sertoma Centre, Inc. is excited to announce it is bringing back the Housewares Super Sale for 2022. This sale-to-end-all-sales will be on Saturday and Sunday, April 2 and 3, at 4100 W. 127th St. (just west of 127th and Pulaski), in Alsip. The sale runs both days from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Sertoma's Super Sale features new houseware and décor items donated from vendors at the 2022 Inspired Home Show at McCormick Place. Items for sale are brand new and feature such well-known brands as Oster, Sunbeam, Gibson, Umbra, and Cordon Bleu. All items are 50 to 90 percent off with proceeds support programming at Sertoma for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Shoppers will find a

variety of items for the home, from functional to beautiful. Items include kitchen and dining ware, small appliances and gadgets, furniture, living room décor, storage solutions, cleaning supplies, and much more.

Volunteers are also needed for the Super Sale. We need many volunteers to help unpack and price our merchandise or help the day of the event. High school students and community groups are

welcome. This project is great for students needing service hours. If interested, contact Adam at [aharold@sertomacentre.org](mailto:aharold@sertomacentre.org) or call 708-730-6208.

Founded in 1971, Sertoma Centre, Inc. is a nationally accredited, not-for-profit agency that provides services to individuals with developmental, physical, and emotional disabilities and/or mental illness. Learn more at [www.sertomacentre.org](http://www.sertomacentre.org).

**April 23<sup>rd</sup> is annual Rid Litter Day in Palos Park**

Join us on Saturday, April 23 for our annual Rid Litter Day. Last year over 60 volunteers helped clean up over 80 bags of litter from our roadways.

Supplies will be provided at the event. More details will follow as the event nears.

Thank you to all the volunteers and residents who do their part everyday around Village streets and their properties to keep Palos Park clean, green, and beautiful. Call 708-671-3700.



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**We need volunteers** to go with us to McCormick Center to collect the donated items from the housewares show.

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All help is appreciated, but volunteers must be at least 18 years old and can bend, kneel, and lift 25lbs. Transportation provided.

Questions? Contact Adam, Volunteer Manager: **730.6208** or [aharold@sertomacentre.org](mailto:aharold@sertomacentre.org)

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# Theatre

## Black Ensemble Theater begins The Season of Healings with *It's Just Like Coming to Church*



Black Ensemble Theater's Founder and CEO Jackie Taylor kicks off the 2022 Season of Excellence: The Season of Healings with the world premiere of Jackie Taylor's *It's Just Like Coming to Church* (Welcome to The Church of YOU). The production runs March through April 24, 2022. The opening is Sunday, March 20 at 3:00pm.

*It's Just Like Coming to Church* is written and directed by Jackie Taylor and stars Dawn Bless (Preach) and Vincent

Jordan (Deacon Jones).

This joyous and uplifting story helps us understand the power of forgiveness, self-love, and faith as we move through the trials and tribulations that life brings.

*It's Just Like Coming to Church* features music of many different genres including gospel, spiritual, soul, jazz, hip-hop, and blues. The story is uplifting and inspiring and the music will touch the soul. If you need a healing, this is the place to be.

Tickets are available at [www.blackensemble.org](http://www.blackensemble.org), (773) 769-4451 and at the Black Ensemble Theater Box Office, 4450 N. Clark Street in Chicago. Performances are Fridays at 7:00 p.m., Saturdays at 3:00 and 7:00



p.m. and Sundays at 3:00 p.m. Tickets for previews (March 18 and 19) are \$50 and tickets for the regular run, March 20-April 24, are \$55.

Black Ensemble Theater is proceeding slowly, cautiously, and carefully. Mainstage shows will run 90 minutes and will be performed without an intermission. There will not be any food or drinks served. Masks are mandatory and must be worn at all times in the theater.

## How the Hell Did I Get Here?



Downton Abbey's Lesley Nicol shares her journey from up-and-comer to big-screen sensation in this uproarious one-woman musical.

Through masterful storytelling and original songs by Mark Mueller, *How the Hell Did I Get Here?* takes the audience on the journey from Lesley's childhood, through her time as a working actress to her success on *Downton*. This is an unashamedly feel good evening with a charismatic performer.

By purchasing tickets, you represent that everyone using your tickets will be fully vaccinated against covid-19

at the time of the performance. You will be asked to show proof of vaccination before entering the theater.

Show dates are Sunday Mar 13, 2022 through Sunday Apr 3, 2022.

Greenhouse Theater Center, 2257 N. Lincoln Ave Chicago, IL 60614. For information, please contact 773-404-7336. To select tickets dates *How the Hell Did I Get Here?* via ThunderTix.

## Tosca opens Saturday, March to April 10 at Lyric Opera of Chicago



Photo by Todd Rosenberg

Puccini's *Tosca* brings together three of opera's most richly drawn characters, a glamorous opera singer, a revolutionary artist,

and a sinister police chief, into a potboiler of doomed love, political intrigue, and murder, all powered by some of the most gripping and passionate music ever composed for the stage.

Michelle Bradley stars in her Lyric and role debut as the impassioned heroine *Tosca*, Russell Thomas is her lover Cavaradossi, and Fabián Veloz makes his Lyric debut as *Tosca's* evil tormentor Scarpia. Eun Sun Kim, San Francisco Opera's heralded new music director, conducts the Lyric

Opera Orchestra in one of the most eagerly anticipated debuts of the season.

Transporting audiences to faraway places requires the magic of great stagecraft, and director Louisa Muller is incorporating the work of legendary designers Jean-Pierre Ponnelle and Marcel Escoffier into her vision. Lyric's new-to-Chicago production respects the history and tradition of this classic opera while heightening its suspense and drama. This *Tosca* bursts with a riveting

## Chicago Philharmonic Society presents *Fanfare Chicago*

The Chicago Philharmonic Society proudly presents its third of four concerts of its 32nd Season, *Fanfare Chicago* on March 27, 2022 at Harris Theater for Music and Dance (205 E Randolph, Chicago). Led by Artistic Director and Principal Conductor Scott Speck, the renowned orchestra presents an American Premiere by Pulitzer Prize and three-time Grammy Award winner Jennifer Higdon, plus world premieres by Reinaldo Moya and Nicholas Hubbell, plus Ottorino Respighi's *Gli uccelli* and Trittico botticelliano. Single tickets ranging from \$10-\$75 are now available at [harristheaterchicago.org](http://harristheaterchicago.org), and include a red-carpet, pre-concert experience outside the Harris Theater sponsored by Continental AutoSports Ferrari, one of the oldest and most trusted Ferrari dealerships in North America.

*Fanfare Chicago* spotlights Jennifer Higdon, one

of today's most performed living composers. Higdon's many achievements include winning a Pulitzer Prize (for her Violin Concerto, written for Hilary Hahn in 2009), and three Grammy Awards (for concertos for percussion, viola, and harp). Her Mandolin Concerto, written for and partly commissioned by Avi Avital, premiered with the Munich Philharmonic to great acclaim. Avital's performance of the concerto with Chicago Philharmonic marks the second performance of the piece worldwide, and the American Premiere.

Also during the concert, Chicago Philharmonic's Donna Milanovich Composer in Residence Reinaldo Moya will present the world premiere of his piece *Polo Romanesco* inspired by the Baroque era in Latin America as it incorporates the Baroque Romanesca chord progression and its Venezuelan descendent, the popular song *Polo Margariteño*.



Nicholas Hubbell, winner of the 2019-2020 Chicago Philharmonic *Fanfare* Competition, will premiere his piece *Chicago Fanfare* which celebrates the beauty and vibrancy of Chicago and gives each instrument section a representation. A large panoramic photo of Chicago's cityscape at night, taken offshore from lake Michigan, served as visual inspiration as Hubbell wrote the piece.

For the safety of patrons and musicians, all audience members, musicians, and staff are required to show proof of vaccination to enter the Harris Theater. Masks will be worn by all throughout the performance. More information can be found at [chicagophilharmonic.org](http://chicagophilharmonic.org).

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## DRURY LANE

## Drury Lane Theatre opens season with *The King and I*

theatricality that is sure to intrigue new and longtime opera lovers alike.

Performance dates for *Tosca* are March 15, 18, 23, 26, April 3, 7, and 10; All performances take place at the Lyric Opera House, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago.

*Tosca* is performed in Italian with projected English titles. Running time is 2 hours and 50 minutes, including two intermissions.

For tickets and information, call 312.827.5600 or go to [lyricopera.org/tosca](http://lyricopera.org/tosca).

Drury Lane Theatre opens its 2022/2023 season with the celebrated Tony Award-winning musical Rodgers and Hammerstein's *The King and I*. Based on "Anna and the King of Siam" by Margaret Landon," with music by Richard Rodgers, and book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, *The King and I* was originally choreographed by Jerome Robbins. Drury Lane's production of *King and I* is directed by Alan Paul and runs April 1 to May 22, 2022, at Drury Lane Theatre, 100 Drury Lane in

Oakbrook Terrace.

British tutor Anna Leonowens and the King of Siam struggle with cultural differences after Anna arrives at the royal palace in Bangkok. Inspired by true events, *The King and I* is a tale of the human experience, exploring the historical intricacies of class, race, and politics in 1862.

Single Tickets: \$64-\$79. \$5 discount for Senior Citizens on Wednesday and Thursday matinees.

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## Why Big Tech wants you to think there's a patent crisis

By Chris Israel

Big Tech has long felt free to help itself to the good ideas of smaller companies. It's bad enough that these giants fiercely contest the efforts of inventors to receive fair compensation, a courtroom mismatch between startup firms with a good idea but little money on one side, versus behemoths valued into the trillion-plus dollars on the other.

Now, Big Tech is taking the process one step further by claiming to be the real victim here.

For years, Big Tech has been promoting the myth of "patent trolls." This army of creatures supposedly files

bogus lawsuits by the truckload to grab cash settlements from tech giants.

Now, the latter have added the new wrinkle of claiming that the United States is facing a crisis of "bad patents", in other words, that the U.S. has been issuing patents that are too vague, too conventional, or so poorly written that it's impossible to know what invention or technology the patent encompasses.

When tech giants get called out for stealing intellectual property, they've made the same argument: they can't have committed theft because the smaller firms' patents were invalid

in the first place.

"The claims of the Patent-in-Suit are invalid and unenforceable," pronounced Google in a recent lawsuit with smaller firm VideoShare over video-streaming technology. Google huffed that VideoShare's patent was too abstract and "lacked novelty." Fortunately, the jury saw through the ruse, and the court ordered Google to pay \$26 million for its infringement.

Now comes the High Tech Inventors Alliance, an advocacy group formed by Google, Amazon, Cisco and the like, to allege that over a quarter of patents granted in the United States are invalid.

If true, that would be shocking. In fact, this claim is every bit as bogus and self-serving as the proposition that Big Tech is beset by patent trolls. The figure derives from a single, decade-old study that examined just 980 patents issued from 2000 to 2010. To put that in perspective, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office granted about 2 million patents in that period.

The truth is that poor quality applications rarely get through the system. And 25% of U.S. patents are not "bad." The United States is

judicious in issuing patents. The USPTO grants patents in fewer than 35% of applications processed, one of the smallest percentages worldwide.

In addition, the number of patent lawsuits in the United States has remained steady for decades. If a "patent crisis" did exist, there would be far more than two disputes per 1,000 patents issued, a rate that has not budged for nearly a century.

Our largest competitors don't think the U.S. is awash with "bad" patents. China is responsible for between \$200-\$600 billion in theft of American IP every year.

If Big Tech succeeds in its efforts to weaken intellectual property protection, the consequences will be dire, encouraging foreign theft and jeopardizing America's global economic standing.

Our policymakers shouldn't fall for Big Tech's "patent crisis" hoax. There's too much at stake.

Chris Israel is the executive director of the U.S. Alliance of Startups and Inventors for Jobs and a former U.S. Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator. This piece originally appeared in the International Business Times.

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## Gravelle three-peats as SSC Red diving champion

Written by Brian Frangella, OLCCHS Staff Writer

High School diver and swimmer Jeremy Gravelle took the busy month as his own.

It was a busy month for boys swimmers across the state of Illinois as conference championships were taking place, sectional meets were hosted, and an eventual state finals meet crowned state champions.

He won the South Suburban Conference Red diving title for an impressive third consecutive year. Gravelle was named as the Spartan Athlete of the Month.

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## Pattara wins in Owen W. Winter Jr. Post 4241 essay contest

Mayor Hank Kuspa and Commander Don Snedden of the Owen W. Winter Jr. Post 4241 recently presented Grace Pattara, a 12th-grade student from Mokena with a proclamation recognizing her first-place district finish and fifth-place state finish

in the Veterans of Foreign Wars' Voice of Democracy essay contest. This year's theme was "America: Where do we go from here?" The Oak Forest VFW sponsored Pattara's entry in the democratic and patriotic-themed, recorded essay contest.

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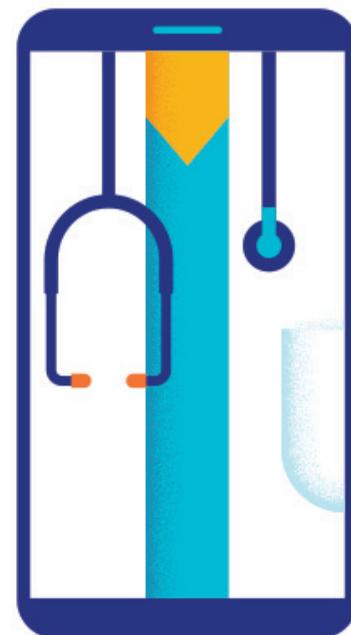
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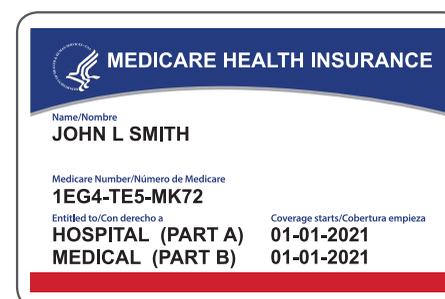
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