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Blue Island, Midlothian, Alsip, Crestwood

Physician Magician runs through April 2nd at the Rhapsody Theater

Dr. Ricardo Rosenkranz is back by popular demand with Physician Magician. The show that runs through April 2nd, 2023 and is at the Rhapsody Theater, 1328 W. Morse Avenue in Chicago.



In this production, the award-winning Rosenkranz will present truly astounding numbers that will captivate audiences in an intimate setting. Physician Magician highlights what the Chicago Tribune calls Rosenkranz's "An immensely likeable, intelligent and very intimate show. Makes your spirit yearn to heal itself. Well worth seeing! A sophisticated affair. Very cool" with signature pieces and performances brought to the stage to showcase magic that cannot be seen anywhere else.

"There is something beautiful and wonderful about the unknown, and I think in that sense, magic and medicine share a DNA," said Rosenkranz. "I am committed to creating a unique experience that energizes and uplifts every audience."

After premiering hit magic shows in 2016 and 2018 Dr. Ricardo Rosenkranz returns to Chicago Stages this year with his new show called Physician Magician. The new show includes several never-before-seen illusions and brings back many signature classics and audience favorites including Balsamo, last seen on the CW's Fool Us.

Teller of Penn & Teller Fame said about Dr. Rosenkranz's Show, "Physician Magician is like spending a cozy evening with your jovial doctor, who just happens to command some of the rarest and most beautiful illusions in the world. The show is an elegant soiree, a fireside chat entwined with brain-busting mysteries, conjured by a physician/magician, who sees the world through the double lens of medicine and magic."

Dr. Ricardo Rosenkranz has performed for Penn & Teller's fool us in Las Vegas, and recently completed a very successful run at the world-famous Magic Castle in Hollywood. In addition, Dr. Rosenkranz headlined at the Prestigious Magic Circle in London and was honored by The Magic Circle to Associate of the Inner Magic Circle with Silver Star. Rosenkranz is an award-winning and respected faculty member at the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. He has been fascinated by magic since a young age and has long been incorporating his illusions into his teaching to help engage students and encourage participation. After winning several teaching awards and traveling the country to deliver seminars, Rosenkranz decided to bring his act to the stage in Chicago.

Physician Magician runs through April 2. The show

From the Desk of Mayor L'Heureux

Dear Residents,
Spring is around the corner and the Village will begin sprucing up the town. I hope you can join us for our Annual Clean Up Day, which will be held on Saturday April 29th. Volunteers will meet at the Public Works Garage at 8:30 am.



I'd like to thank Trustee Crowley for taking the lead in developing and coordinating this monthly newsletter. I am extremely happy to announce that Trustee Crowley has also worked with Village Staff to have this Newsletter available in Spanish beginning April 2023. I hope you are enjoying this email and find it informative. If you have suggestions, please Email Trustee Sandi Crowley at scrowley@villageofmidlothian.org.

Please join me and the Village Board: Saturday March 18, for the Village's Birthday Party at the Midlothian Historical Society 11 am to 2 pm.

Mayor Gary L'Heureux

The Easter Bunny will be hopping in for a visit & photos

Pre-registration is required for the Egg Hunt after party known as Breakfast with the Bunny! Get ready to enjoy a buffet filled with lots of breakfast favorites, as well as, some special treats too! We will have the Easter Bunny seated for photos, an Easter craft, raffle & prizes and some fun and games.



Meet at the Apollo Recreation Center at 12521 S. Kostner Ave, Alsip, IL. on Saturday, April 1, 2023 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. This program is for all but ages 2 or under are free. Residents \$10 and Nonresidents are \$15.

Note: Please bring your camera for pictures and prepare your little ones for fun-filled Easter activities. You must pre-register for this event due to ordering concerns. Say Activity 243578-A. Call 708-389-1003 make reservation before March 27.

is intended for ages 12 and older. Tables in the VIP and Premium floor space seat 2 guests (\$60-\$75 per person). Regular tickets range between \$20-\$50 dependent on seating selection. Performances will be held Thursday and Fridays at 7:30PM and Saturdays at 2:00PM and 7:20PM, with select Sunday 2:00PM showings. To purchase tickets or for additional information, visit <https://rhapsodytheater.thundertix.com/events/207730> or call the box office at (888) 495-9001.

March is Developmental Disability Awareness Month at Blue Cap

Mayor Bilotto and Mayor Denson officially declared March 15, 2023 Intellectual and Developmental Disability Awareness Day in their communities!

Thank you to Blue Island and Calumet Park for your unwavering support for Blue Cap.

Visit our website at blue-cap.org to see all that Blue Cap does! Blue Cap School is 1962 Broadway, Blue Island, IL.



Virgil and Ed pose with Mayor Bilotto

In 1987, President Reagan recognized March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month to increase "public awareness of the needs and the potential of Americans with developmental disabilities" and to provide the "encouragement and opportunities they need to lead productive lives and to achieve their full potential."

Switch upgrade in Midlothian

Trustee Burbatt has been working on upgrading the Village switches. The Village is the process of switching to Meraki network equipment. Meraki is a cloud-based product that uses a web-based console that is far easier to work with than other products. When Meraki is used for all components the amount of information available about your network and what is connected must be seen to be believed. Almost all tasks can be done by a single person from a remote location which means tons of information that means tons of troubleshooting and no running around to solve problems.

Crestwood Fine Arts Fair

On Sunday, March 26th, 2023 from 10:00am to 3:00pm at the CRWC 5331 W. 135th Street, Crestwood.

Join us as we host the fifth Crestwood Fine Arts Fair! The Crestwood Fine Arts Fair is a gathering of local artists to showcase their artisanship and provide an opportunity for attendees to browse, shop and celebrate the arts. Live music throughout the day, along with wine and cheese samplings.

For additional information or questions, visit us on Facebook or contact Trustees' Linda Madlener (708) 371-4800 x1007, or at lmadlener54@gmail.com or Theresa Flynn (708) 371-4800 x1008, or atffly5@gmail.com.



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FAR SOUTH EDITION

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Mokena, Oak Forest, Orland Park, Tinley Park

Tinley Park Village Board meeting highlights

911 Dispatcher: The Board approved the appointment of Melissa Sylvester to the position of Lead 911 Dispatcher. Melissa joined the Village in 2016 as a 911 Telecommunicator. She became a Communications Training Officer in 2020 and has assisted in training new hires within the department. Melissa has served as Senior Telecommunicator on the afternoon shift often and has proven to be a good leader in the 911 Center.

Land Bank: The Village Board approved the appointment of Community Development Director Dan Ritter as Local Government Director representing the Village of Tinley Park with the South Suburban Land Bank and Development Authority.

Code Amendments: The Board passed an ordinance amending the Tinley Park Municipal Code regarding contractor licensing. The ordinance establishes the contractor registration period as beginning on January 1 and ending December 31 and increases the fee for contractor registration starting January 1, 2024.

Business Spotlight: The Board welcomed a representative from Kelly Girl Boutique as part of its ongoing Tinley Park Business Spotlight series. Watch the presentation at the link below.

Watch the meeting in its entirety on the Village's YouTube channel or on Tinley TV, which broadcasts on Comcast Channel 4 and U-Verse Channel 99.



L to R: Trustee Bridget M. Lindbloom, Board Secretary Charles McShane, Trustee Nancy W. Healy, Division Commander Terry Paggi, Board Vice-President Christian Barcelona, Treasurer Dan McMillan, and Trustee Elan Kleis. Photo by Maurya Orr.

Certificate of Appreciation presented to Orland Park Public Library

At the Library Board of Trustees regular meeting, Division Commander Terry Paggi presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary to the library for the library's support of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and its mission of Recreational Boating Safety. Orland Park Public Library, 14921 S. Ravinia Ave, Orland Park.



Nicor to move some gas meters

Nicor Gas is in the midst of a multi-year initiative to modernize aging natural gas infrastructure to enhance the safety and reliability of its natural gas distribution system. As part of this program, Nicor is working to move all natural gas meters currently located inside homes and businesses to the outside to enhance customer convenience and to enable safer and more rapid access to its facilities for maintenance and repair.

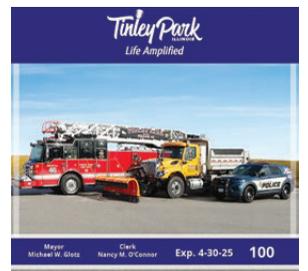
Tinley Park residents who have inside meters that need be relocated outside will be contacted by Nicor's contractor, KS Energy, to schedule an appointment. KS Energy also will reconfigure your inside piping. See the Nicor flyer or call Brandon Seward at (773) 256-7145 for more information

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Village to discontinue vehicle stickers

Mayor Michael Glotz and Clerk Nancy O'Connor are pleased to announce that the Village of Tinley Park's vehicle sticker program is being discontinued. Residents are no longer required to purchase a vehicle sticker. Residents

who would still like something to display on their vehicles can pick up a free sticker (shown below) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. starting Monday, April 3 at Tinley Park Village Hall, 16250 S. Oak Park Ave., or at the Tinley Park



Police Department, 7850 W. 183rd St. Please bring your vehicle's registration when picking up your free sticker.



Chicago Shakespeare Theater announces *The Comedy of Errors*

In her final production as Chicago Shakespeare Theater artistic director, Barbara Gaines stages Shakespeare's riotous *The Comedy of Errors*, imprinting her legacy of inventive and captivating interpretations of the Bard's work for today's audiences. The production features original framing scenes penned by Second City veteran Ron West and showcases an ensemble cast of beloved Chicago Shakespeare collaborators whose combined credits span the Theater's 37-year history, from the first

production on the rooftop of the Red Lion Pub to last fall's searing *Measure for Measure*. *The Comedy of Errors* runs March to April 16, 2023, in the Courtyard Theater.

An eccentric group of stage and screen actors gather on a London movie set in 1940 to film Shakespeare's *The Comedy of Errors* as much-needed comic relief for the troops. Backstage antics and hilarious complications abound as Antipholus and Dromio search for their long-lost identical twins.

Chicago Shakespeare makes its facility and performances accessible to all

patrons through its Access Shakespeare programs. Accessible performances for *The Comedy of Errors* include: Audio-described Performance on Sunday, April 2, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. A program that provides spoken narration of a play's key visual elements for patrons who are blind or have low vision.

Projected Spanish Translation Performance on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 1:00 & 7:30 p.m. A Spanish-language text display of the words and sounds heard during a play, synced live with the action onstage.

Open-captioned Perfor-



Police raise \$35k for Special Olympics

Polar Plunge: Members of the Tinley Park Police Department raised \$35,000 (and counting) recently during the annual Polar Plunge event to benefit Special Olympics Illinois. Officers took turns dunking into the frigid depths of an outdoor pool all day during the fundraiser.

mance on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 1:00 & 7:30 p.m. A text display of the words and sounds heard during a play, synced live with the action onstage.

ASL Duo-interpreted Performance on Friday,

April 14, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. All dialogue and lyrics are translated into American Sign Language by two certified interpreters.

The *Comedy of Errors*, in Chicago Shakespeare's Courtyard Theater. Single

tickets (\$35 to \$92). Special discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the Box Office at 312.595.5600 or visit the Theater's website at www.chicagoshakes.com.



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SOUTH SUBURBAN EDITION

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



Candidate moderation

The League of Women Voters of the Palos Orland Area is moderating a candidates' forum for the mayor of Palos Park. It will be held on Tuesday, March 14 at Stagg High School (8015 W. 111th Street) in the media center. Please enter using the North door (N-1) along 111th Street and go to the

second floor.

If you wish to submit a question prior to the forum, please email it to: palosorlandlww@gmail.com with Palos Park in the subject line.

The candidates are Ronette Leal McCarthy and Nicole Milovich Walters. Any other questions, please email the League.

Vehicle Stickers available soon

The 2023-2024 Worth Vehicle Stickers will be on sale starting May 1, 2023. Renewal application will go out in the mail on April 21. Please bring renewal application with you and make any changes on it. Your current sticker expires on June 30 at midnight. Please come in the month of May to receive your \$2 discount per vehicle.

We will be open from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays in May (will be closed on May 27 & 29) & June. We are open the 3rd Monday of the month until 7 p.m. throughout the year. You can also drop the application and check in the

McCord's got talent!

Looking for a night of fun with neighbors and friends while helping to benefit McCord Gallery & Cultural Center?

Then join us for an evening of song as you take to our stage to perform, or simply cheer and applaud the talent shared. You can sing your heart out or just hang out with friends! Give us your best diva solo or perform in a group! Nobody judging, we're here for the fun!

Sip 'N' Sing Karaoke Night is Friday, April 28, 2023 doors open at 7pm. Tickets are \$5.00 includes wine, beer, soda and nibbles. Call for tickets at 708-671-0648.

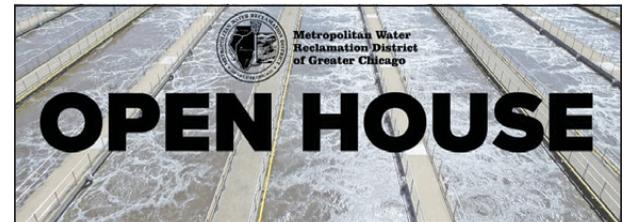
This is an evening to benefit Mc Cord Gallery & Cultural Center 9602 W. Creek Road, Palos Park, IL



Gallery Hours: Monday through Friday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday: CLOSED, visit our website at mccordgallery.org.

drop box or the U.S. mail by June 15 and we will send your stickers to you by mail.

Village of Worth, 7112 W. 111th Street, Worth, IL 60482, 708-448-1181 village hall, www.villageofworth.com.



The MWRD is celebrating Infrastructure Week

Join us for an open house and tour on May 13 and May 20!

Take a tour of one of our water reclamation plants and watch as we transform wastewater into clean water. We will also have representatives from our Human Resources, Information Technology and other departments available to answer your questions.

Free parking. Please dress for an industrial environment; closed toe shoes and

long pants are required. Reservations are not needed. Free Oakwood Samplings and Free Milkwood Seeds.

Learn more at <https://mwrld.org/open-house-mwrld-celebrates-infrastructure-week> and please call 312-751-6633 with any questions.



Black Ensemble Theater opens the 2023 Season with Reasons: A Tribute to Earth Wind & Fire

Black Ensemble Theater's Founder and CEO Jackie Taylor announces the world premiere of Reasons: A Tribute to Earth, Wind & Fire, written and directed by Producing Managing Director Daryl D. Brooks. The production kicks off the 2023 Season of Excellence: Rejuvenation and runs through April 30, 2023.

Reasons takes us on a journey of how Earth, Wind & Fire was formed from their humble beginnings, to become the musical revolutionaries that changed the course of music. They took a vision that no one said would work and turned it into a musical powerhouse that still lives on today. Reasons pays tribute to Earth, Wind & Fire



with all their hits, including "Boogie Wonderland," "Fan the Fire," "Mighty Mighty," "Shining Star," "Reasons," "Fantasy" and "September."

The artistic team is Jackie Taylor (Executive

Producer), Daryl Brooks (Director), Aerial Williams (Assistant Director), Robert Reddrick (Music Director) and Christopher Chase Carter (Choreographer). The design team includes

Sydney Lynne (set design), Denise Karczewski (lighting and projection Design), Marquicia Jordan (costume design), Keith Ryan (wig design) and DJ Douglass (sound and projection

design). The production stage manager is Jessica Moore.

Jackie Taylor states, "The 2023 Season of Excellence is subtitled Rejuvenation because the productions will focus on helping to reignite the passion, excitement and energy of returning to the vibrancy and vitality of experiencing a full season of outstanding theater."

Tickets are available at www.blackensemble.org, (773) 769-4451 and at the Black Ensemble Theater Box Office, 4450 N. Clark Street in Chicago. Performances are Fridays at 8:00 p.m., Saturdays at 3:00 and 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 3:00 p.m. Tickets for the regular run (March to April 16) are \$56.50-\$66.50 (Fees included).

Worth Park District breakfast with bunny

Please join us before the Easter Egg Hunt for breakfast and pictures with the bunny on April 1st. The time will be from 8:30-9:45am. Enjoy some Easter activities in the gym before and after your egg hunt time as well! Registration is required by March 24 for all Easter events. Breakfast is \$15 Resident/\$20 Non-Resident and the Easter Egg Hunt is free. Please call 708-448-7080 for more information.



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SUBURBAN EDITION

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

Oak Lawn Park District Awarded \$600,000 OSLAD Grant

The Oak Lawn Park District has been awarded a \$600,000 Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. This grant will assist in funding the Wolfe Wildlife Refuge Rejuvenation Project. This project includes repaving pathways, adding a ½ basketball court, six pickleball courts, fitness area, table games area, removal of invasive species, and other upgrades.

“Any time we can provide an improvement to our community that they’ve helped us identify and then find ways to fund it outside of taxpayer dollars, we’re going to make every attempt to secure those funds,” said Tom Hartwig, executive director. “I want to thank Mayor Terry Vorderer and the Trustees at the Village of Oak Lawn, Representative Kelly Burke, Senator Bill Cunningham, and the Southwest Conference of Mayors for providing support for us and for our staff that worked so hard to help us secure this grant.”

Construction of this project is anticipated to begin this fall and will be completed in the summer of 2024.

“Wolfe Wildlife is a fantastic park, and improvements will only make it better,” said Hartwig. “The pathways improvements will provide improvements to our residents that make the park safer and easier to enjoy. As for pickleball, it’s the fastest growing sport in the nation and we’re happy to see our community have another spot to play.”

Wolfe Wildlife Refuge, located at 109th & Laramie Ave, is a 45-acre natural wetland that features a walking/biking path, observation deck, outdoor pavilion, and a custom “tree-themed,” all-inclusive playground with seven swings and multiple slides.

Established by the Illinois General Assembly in 1986, OSLAD is a cost-sharing program between state and local governments that has become one of the most popular grant programs in Illinois. Since it was established, OSLAD has awarded more than \$530 million for park projects throughout Illinois (including the awards announced today).

“Today, I couldn’t be prouder to announce that IDNR’s OSLAD program is offering the largest round of grants in the history of the program — nearly \$60 million,” said Governor JB Pritzker. “The health and wellbeing of Illinoisans sits at the heart of the OSLAD program, and for the first time ever, we’ve been able to provide 100% of funding assistance to qualifying distressed recipients.”



Applications are now open for the Village of Evergreen Park L.E.A.D. EP Summer Internship

The Village of Evergreen Park is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for its annual summer internship program. This opportunity provides students with hands-on experience and insight into the workings of local government and will give them resources to help further their careers.

The program is open to freshman, sophomore, or junior undergraduate students interested in political science, public administration, history, finance, or other similar areas of study who are Evergreen Park residents. Interns will have the opportunity to work on a wide range of projects in the areas of planning and

community development, environmental issues, community engagement, and events and recreation.

“We are thrilled to offer this program once again, and look forward to welcoming a new cohort of talented and motivated interns,” said Mayor Kelly Burke. “Our interns have the chance to make a real impact in the community, and we are excited to see what this year’s group will accomplish.”

The interns will work part-time for seven weeks over the summer. They will also have access to a variety of professional development opportunities, including field trips and hearing from guest speakers.



To apply, interested students should submit the completed internship application, essay, and a reference from an academic or professional contact by April 3, 2023. Applications can be dropped off at Village Hall at 9418 S. Kedzie during business hours or emailed to Heather Kokodynsky, HR Director at hkokodynsky@evpkadm.org. Applicants will be reviewed by a selected group of community volunteers.

For more information about the program, including eligibility requirements and application instructions, please visit www.evergreenpark-ill.com.

13th Annual Egg Hunt at the children’s museum in Oak Lawn

Join us for our 13th annual Egg Hunt for Children with special needs! Join us for an egg hunt in the museum. There is no charge for this event, but you must pre-register. Please only register for one session.

This egg hunt is for children who cannot participate in community egg hunts due to their disability. Our goal is to remove as many barriers as we can. For example, we provide beeper eggs for children who are vision impaired. Children are encouraged to go at their own pace, and



we’ll have volunteers here to assist. Everything is indoors so weather is not an issue.

Due to the popularity of this event, we are offering two sessions. The museum will be closed all day specifically for this event. Sign up for 10:00 am to 11:30 am and 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

Registration for the Spring Egg Hunt for children with special needs is

now open!

This is a free event, but pre-registration is required because spaces are limited.

Registration is at Spring Egg Hunt 2023, Children’s Museum in Oak Lawn www.flipcause.com.

Extra hours this month: Monday, March 6th is open 9:30 am to 4:00 pm and Monday, March 27th is open 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

The Lost Weekend: A Love Story

The Lost Weekend is set for Domestic and International Release by Iconic Events on April 13th, a love story that took 50 years to tell.

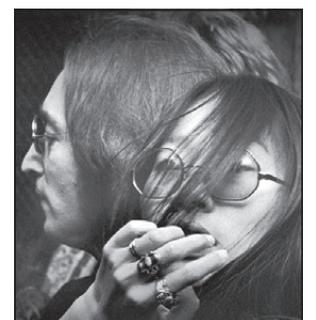
May Pang’s revealing account of her relationship with John Lennon.

Iconic Events will release The Lost Weekend: A Love Story on April 13th as a Special Event, leading into limited theatrical engagements starting on Friday, April 14th. The revealing and compelling documentary, with never-before-seen footage, moved audiences at its world premiere at the Tribeca Film Festival last June, garnering both critical and audience acclaim. The film is produced and directed by Eve Brandstein, Richard Kaufman, and Stuart Samuels.

Billed as “a weekend that lasted 18 months and a love story that took 50 years to tell”, The Lost Weekend: A Love Story explores the 18-month relationship (1973-1975) that John Lennon spent with May Pang, his Chinese American assistant turned lover (on Yoko Ono’s insistence and which she came to regret). With May’s help, Lennon reunited with his son Julian and had his most artistically and commercially productive period post-Beatles, with the albums “Mind Games”, “Walls and Bridges”, which included his only #1 Hit Single “Whatever Gets You Through the Night”, “Rock and Roll” and collaboration with Rock legends Elton John, David Bowie, Harry Nilsson, Mick Jagger, and Ringo among others. Pang chronicles it all revisiting her younger self, as a naïve 22-year-old experiencing her first unforgettable love.

The film tells a different, more complex story from the perspective of May Pang, using newly revealed footage, new interviews with Julian Lennon and others.

After watching The Lost Weekend: A Love Story, fans will never think of John Lennon in the same way again. Only in theaters. More information is available at <https://iconicleasing.com>.





Eileen Kerlin Walsh

Know your candidate for trustee of Moraine Valley Community College

As an alumna of Moraine Valley Community College, I take an interest in the school that gave me the opportunity to meet the best instructors, who inspired me to further my education. That means a dedicated board is needed to keep Moraine Valley Community College on the top standards for a two-year college degree.

I endorse Eileen Kerlin Walsh because I have known her for 34 years and she has climbed the ladder of success by giving back to many people of

all communities. She had many odd jobs by putting herself through college and law school. Yes, she was a product of two strong farmers with a total of 14 children in Ireland, now married to Tom, they have four boys, two in college.

Eileen, as an attorney with her own Law Firm, gives back as a mentor at MVCC Job Resource Center, she was also past president of Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce. Eileen attended DePaul University for undergraduate, Juris Doctorate from Loyola, School of Law. Eileen is a member of the MVCC Advisory Board Paralegal Program.

Eileen is very recognizable for she is on Public Access

TV in Palos Heights, and active in various Chamber of Commerce Organizations, for when she enters a room, heads turn, she shows strength, assertiveness, and humor. What is most important she shows love. We need a person who can communicate well with everyone and is known to be independent and will listen to the communities in the MVCC area.

I trust her with my Alma Mater and trust me when I ask you to vote for Eileen Kerlin Walsh for Moraine Valley Community College Trustee. Remember her for your early voting.

Annette Dixon, Village View Publications, Publisher.



Front row, L-R: Vice President Kimberly Du Buclet, President Kari K. Steele, and Chairman of Finance Marcelino Garcia. Back row, L-R: Commissioner Cam Davis, Commissioner Mariyana Spyropoulos, Commissioner Patricia Theresa Flynn, Commissioner Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Commissioner Yumeka Brown and Commissioner Daniel Pogorzelski.

Board of Commissioners to meet March 16

The MWRD Board of Commissioners will hold its Regular Board Meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 16. Public comments may be made in person at 100 E. Erie Street, Chicago, during the Public Comment period.

To view the meetings, visit <https://mwrld.legistar.com/calendar.aspx>.

Click the "In Progress" link under the Video Column. This link will be active when there is a meeting in session.

Support our Small Businesses

First Installment Tax Bills are Due April 3

First installment property tax bills for tax year 2022 will be arriving in mailboxes in early March. Property taxes are paid in two installments. The first installment is fifty-five percent (55%) of a property's total tax bill for the previous year and will be due on April 3, 2023.

Under state law, first installment bills are supposed to be mailed in late January and are supposed to be due on March 1. But last year's second installment bills were not due until

December 30, 2022, and the state legislature determined that having another tax bill due March 1 could cause hardship for some taxpayers. Accordingly, lawmakers decided to extend the due date to April 3 for this year only. Next year's first installment tax bills should have the familiar March 1 due date.

Property owners who do not have mortgage companies paying their taxes can make tax payments in person, by mail, or online at the Cook County Treasurer's web site, www.cookcountytreasurer.com. Those wishing to pay in person can do so at the Cook County Treasurer's downtown office at 118 N. Clark Street and at any Chase Bank.

If money for property taxes is paid into an escrow account with a taxpayer's mortgage company, the financial institution should receive the tax bill electronically, even if the taxpayer also receives a copy of the bill. Robert Maloney advises taxpayers with property tax escrows held by their mortgage companies not to pay property taxes on their own, as this may result in a double payment of taxes. But taxpayers with mortgage

escrows should check the Cook County Treasurer's website to verify that their mortgage companies have

paid the taxes.

Contact Palos Township Assessor's Office at 708-598-4449.

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 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>.

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Illinois ranks 4th as best state to launch a business

The research, undertaken by Lensa, looked at factors such as the rate of new entrepreneurs, corporate tax rate, and venture capital, to reveal the best states to launch your business.

For all the information, please visit: <https://lensa.com/insights/startup-states>.

In first place is Texas, scoring 7.09 out of 10 in the factors we looked at. Texas saw 492,243 new business applications in the last year, beaten only by California and Florida. Texas also ranks in the top 10 states for corporate tax rate, at just 3.95%, helping small business owners maximize their profits. Texas sits in the top 15 US states for the cost of living, benefiting startup entrepreneurs who are bootstrapping their businesses.

Rank	State	New business applications	Business survival rate	Rate of new entrepreneurs	Corporate tax rate	Share of college-educated population	Labor costs	Cost of living index score	Venture capital disbursed per \$1 million of GDP	Startup score /10
1	Texas	492,243	5.62%	0.37%	3.95%	30.70%	\$32,177	92.1	\$3,000	7.09
2	Georgia	326,460	4.80%	0.47%	5.93%	32.20%	\$32,427	88.8	\$3,824	6.68
3	California	518,001	7.36%	0.43%	4.92%	34.70%	\$38,576	142.2	\$29,416	6.56
4	Illinois	198,831	6.04%	0.28%	4.63%	35.50%	\$37,306	94.3	\$4,175	6.22
5	North Carolina	171,355	7.03%	0.34%	6.09%	32.00%	\$31,993	95.7	\$6,082	6.07
6	Ohio	154,824	7.69%	0.28%	4.39%	28.90%	\$32,465	91.3	\$1,705	5.97
7	Minnesota	64,638	8.68%	0.20%	4.17%	36.80%	\$38,881	100	\$4,370	5.87
8	Massachusetts	75,432	9.34%	0.27%	4.56%	44.50%	\$45,555	135	\$31,792	5.79
9	Colorado	110,567	4.88%	0.42%	5.80%	41.60%	\$39,545	105.3	\$8,193	5.77
10	New Jersey	162,576	3.72%	0.37%	3.74%	40.70%	\$44,153	115.2	\$2,879	5.76

Georgia ranks second on the list of the best states to launch a startup in, scoring 6.68 out of 10. Georgia had around 326,460 new business applications in 2021, putting it in fourth place for this factor behind Texas, California, and Florida. Despite the lively business environment in Georgia, the state is one of the worst in the US for corporate tax, with a rate of 5.93%. The state makes up for its high corporate tax rate with an incredibly low cost of living, with an index score of 88.8. This puts it in the top five most affordable US states and provides some benefits for startup founders looking to reduce costs.

California ranked as the third best state for entrepreneurs to start a business, scoring 6.65 out of 10. In 2021, California had around 518,001 new business applications, beaten only by Florida. This makes California one of the fastest-growing new business climates and an attractive choice for new business owners. However, for startup entrepreneurs in California, the corporate tax rate is 4.92% and the state is in the top three most expensive based on its cost of living index of 142.2.

Further Insights: Florida has an active and dynamic new business climate, with 632,105 new business applications in 2021.

Massachusetts has the highest business survival rate with a score of 9.34%.

Mississippi has the lowest labor costs of all the states, with the average income at \$25,444.

Mississippi has the lowest cost of living index in all of the states, at 83.3, making it one of the most cost-effective states for startups.



Beyond Green at JJC

Coordinator at Joliet Junior College. JJC has several LEED certified buildings, which have garnered some attention. They also offer courses and host trainings for “green” professions. In addition, the College has a rare fen wetland and other natural areas they are managing. JJC also owns an array of 3542 solar panels that offset about 22.5% of the College’s energy needs.

To join the program please RSVP to Lois Lauer at (708) 923-1550, or lois.lauer@illinois.sierraclub.org, or Ann Baskerville at ann.baskerville@sierraclub.org. Please RSVP by Friday, March 10, Lois or Ann will send you a link to join the Zoom meeting.

You will receive a link in reply to join the meeting.

All meetings are free and open both to Sierra Club members and the general public.

Sierra Club’s Sauk-Calumet Group will host a program about “Sustainability: Beyond Green at JJC” on March 13, 2023, at 7:15 pm, via the Zoom online platform.

The program will be given by Maria Anna Rafac, Sustainability

Brookfield Zoo’s 2023 Event

Connecting Children and Families with Dolphin Conservation at Sarasota Bay

If you’ve ever vacationed along Florida’s west coast, you may have had the great fortune of seeing bottlenose dolphins swimming in Sarasota Bay. Many of the dolphins found in



this area have been studied by Chicago Zoological Society’s Sarasota Dolphin Research Program staff, including Dr. Katherine McHugh, deputy program director and senior scientist.

Join Dr. McHugh for an enlightening presentation as she shares some of the programs, strategies, and partnerships the world’s longest-running study of a wild dolphin population uses to connect children and families with these charismatic marine mammals. Additionally, she will discuss the dolphins’ underwater habitats in Sarasota Bay and opportunities to get involved in dolphin conservation. Following the presentation, there will be a question and answer session. The Virtual lecture, which begins at 7 p.m. CT, on Tue. March 21 is free, although a \$10 donation is appreciated. Online reservations are required and can be made at CZS.org/LectureSeries.

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Walk: Yukich Field, 8900 S. Kedzie Ave, Evergreen Park, IL. Skin Screenings held at EPFD Firehouse next to park-9000 S Kedzie Ave, from 10 am to 1 pm.

This year we are changing our location for our 5K and skin screening. It will be free of charge. We will be selling March4Meg shirts, sweatshirts and hats leading up to the event that you can wear that day and we will accept any donations that day or online through our website. We will provide the music, timing clock, bottled water and opportunity for you to spread awareness by “Stepping up to Stop Melanoma”. Come on out and March4Meg, Lucy, Susie, Papa Hops and so many others affected by melanoma!! All proceeds to fund The Meg Moonan Endowment at Advocate Christ Medical Center, our Community Outreach Program, and free skin screenings throughout the year. Visit our website at www.march4meg.com.

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Presented by the SCA Men's Club we are having our Fish Fry on March 17 and March 31, 2023. At St. Catherine of Alexandria at 10621 S. Kedvale Ave, Oak Lawn from 4:30 to 7:30 pm.

This year Fraternal Order of Eagles will be having their Fish Fry during Lent on Fridays and on March 17th they have the Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner.

Fish Fry's is from 4 to 8 pm and will have Homemade Bake sale plus live entertainment. For preorders or carry out 708-388-9739. The Eagles is at 2427 Grove Street, Blue Island.



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Housewares Super Sale set for April 1 and 2

Sertoma Centre, Inc. is excited to announce that the Housewares Super Sale will be on Saturday and Sunday, April 1 and 2, 2023. This sale-to-end-all-sales will be 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 2023 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 supporting programming at Sertoma for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and those living with mental illness.

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



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We also need Volunteers for the Super Sale. Volunteers help unpack and price our merchandise or help on 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 Gwen at grucker@sertomacentre.org or call 708-730-6210.

Founded in 1971, Sertoma Centre, Inc. is a nationally accredited, not-for-profit agency that provides services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and those living with mental illness. Learn more at www.sertomacentre.org.

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