Flood Tips

Heavy rains could lead to flooding. The Cook County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management urges residents to keep the following road tips in mind.

Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible flooding of the car. Six inches of water will float many vehicles. Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles including SUVS and pick-ups.

Do not attempt to drive through a flooded road. The depth of water is not always obvious. The road bed may be washed out under the water and you could be stranded or trapped.

Do not drive around a flooded area, as they are there for your protection. Turn around and go the other way.

If evacuation routes have been designated, do not delay to take short cuts or cut corners.

Be especially cautious driving at night when it is a harder to recognize flood dangers.

Do not drive into flooded areas. If flood waters rise around your vehicle, abandon it and move to higher ground immediately. Do not try to wade through flood waters. Some low areas have very fast currents.

July Events at McKinley Park Branch

An introduction to computers workshop will be held on Tuesday, July 3rd at 2:30 p.m. Participants will learn computer basics, how to operate a computer and how to operate the mouse and keyboard. This workshop is mainly for seniors but everyone is welcome. Please call 312-747-6082 to register.

Games Days will be held on Saturdays, July 7th and 14th, from 1:30-3:00 p.m., for all ages. Six new games will be selected each week. We will also have the traditional games for those who simply want to have fun for an evening. Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult.

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Congratulations Graduates!

Aquis literacy center Graduates 2018

On Friday, June 15, Aquis Literacy Center (ALC) held its annual Student Awards Celebration. Eleven adult learners were celebrated for their graduation from Aquis’ English as a Second Language (ESL) program.

Two deserving graduates, Maria Lavinia Pattn and Guadalupe Rodriguez, were awarded the Sister Claudia Hinds Scholarship. Each year ALC awards the scholarship to a graduate who goes above and beyond the average student. During their time at Aquis Literacy Center, both women were consistent in attending their one-on-one tutoring, actively participated in supplemental classes and improved their English through computer learning.

The scholarship was created in memory of Sister Claudia Hinds, the Adrian Dominican Sister who founded ALC. Scholarship funds are used to further the student’s education in English.

God’s Closet

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Additionally, God’s Closet volunteers prepare a hot meal for our community at 5pm on Tuesday and 11am on Friday. Guest chefs might donate food or use ingredients that we have available at God’s Closet. They might solicit donations from area restaurants, grocery stores, and catering companies.

Community meals are a great opportunity for youth groups, church groups, clubs, friends, individuals, families, couples, and teams to do something fun and fulfilling together. If you would like to be a guest chef, stop by and talk to one of our volunteer leaders or contact our Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator.

LDS Annual Alumni Hockey Game

The 11th Ward Democratic Organization and the South Loop Chamber of Commerce celebrated the 12th Annual Flag Day Ceremony. The event was organized by Commissioner John P. Daley, Alderman Patrick D. Thompson, Honorable James A. Balcer and the South Loop Chamber of Commerce. Service men and women with their families joined the ceremony on June 14th at 4:00 at St. Balber. Father McNally (Chicago Fire Department Chaplain) led the gathering in prayer and Chicago Police Officer Ken Block presented the National Anthem at this beautiful ceremony.

Also participating were Chicago Fire Commissioner Joe Sestak, CFD Engine 148 Commander Randall L. Dafin, 9th District Commander, State Rep. Theresa Mah, a representative from Congressman Dan Lipinski’s office. Students also joined us from Graham School, Air Force Academy High School, Marine Leadership Academy, Chicago Military Academy and Corliss Navy ROTC program.

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Munoz Takes Seniors on Informational Trip to White Sox Game

Assistant Majority Leader Antonio “Tony” Munoz and a group of about 60 area seniors attended Thursday’s Chicago White Sox game to enjoy the day and discuss their community needs.

“These are people that aren’t invested in their communities and their input is very important to me,” Munoz said. “I am happy to treat them to an afternoon like this and I am very appreciative of their feedback.”

The group first had lunch at Our Lady of Good Counsel Roman Catholic Church before traveling by bus to Guaranteed Rate field to watch the White Sox take on the Cleveland Indians.

Sensos were provided with visors and health record books to keep track of their medical history as well. The books included helpful phone numbers and information for dealing with health emergencies.

“I enjoyed seeing our seniors out at the ballpark enjoying the Sox game and the wonderful weather we were blessed with,” Munoz said. “It’s important that we keep up with the needs of the seniors in our community and make sure they aren’t forgotten.”

While the Sox were 5-2, Munoz said the seniors enjoyed the weather and a two-run home run by Jose Abreu in the first inning.

“For so long, people like this have worked so hard to make our community better and make me a more effective legislator,” Munoz said. “I am happy to provide them with this opportunity.”

Sisters of St. Casimir Congregational Leadership

With joy, we announce the election of these Sisters of St. Casimir who have accepted the call to serve in congregational leadership during 2018-2023.

Installation of the congregational leaders is scheduled to take place in July.
Cook County Animal and Rabies Control urges pet owners to take special precautions to protect the health and welfare of their pets during the forecasted excessive heat.

Among the recommendations:

1. Do not leave your pet in a hot car: Even with the windows rolled down, studies have shown that the temperature inside the car can increase by 15 degrees above the outside temperature. The law requires that any time the ambient temperature is above 78 degrees, you cannot leave your dog in a car.

2. Keep your pets cool when outside: All dogs should be provided with cool water and shade, and monitored when outside. Short-coated animals and animals with light-colored fur are at greater risk.

3. Keep inside temperatures cool: Make sure your indoor pets have water and shade, and monitored when outside. Short-coated animals and animals with light-colored fur are at greater risk.

4. Consider a haircut: If your dog has a thick coat, consider a hair cut for summer.

5. Air conditioning is a great way to protect your pets: Many pet owners opt for air conditioning to keep their pets cool and comfortable during hot days.

6. Provide shade: Providing shade in the form of a tree or umbrella can help keep pets cool.

7. Use fans: Portable fans can help circulate air and keep pets cool.

8. Keep your pets cool in the car: If you need to transport your pet in a car, make sure to provide shade and water.

9. Keep your pets hydrated: dehydration is a common problem during hot weather.

10. Keep an eye on your pet’s behavior: If your pet seems to be overheating, seek veterinary care immediately.

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The Kaczor family would like to sincerely thank all the wonderful and compassionate people in Tony’s life that rallied around him and his family at a truly difficult time.

The overwhelming generosity, support, love, and commitment of personal time from the community and the compassionate dedication of the brothers and sisters of HBEW Local 134 will never be forgotten.

Through this collective network of love, the family was able to continue to nurture Sean, Michael, and William in their time of need and to also provide Tony virtually around the clock comfort through his painful ordeal and, at the end, his courageous battle. We could not have done this without the support of you wonderful and loving people.

The children thank you. We thank you, Tony. Thank you.

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Lakeside Bank Presents FREE Outdoor Concert
Lakeside Bank is pleased to present Vandervort, College of Music’s Graduate Concert and Jazz Bands on Sunday, July 10th, for the 12th Annual South Loop Loop Concert in the Park, at the Chicago Women’s Park and Gardens behind the Clarke House Museum, 1827 S. Indiana Ave. The Taddles, Tunes & Troubadors program will begin at 5:30PM. A family drum circle demonstration, where kids can enjoy interactive creative music-making with their families using rhythm, song, and dance to build community, foster self-confidence, and have fun, will begin at 6:30 PM followed by the concert at 7 PM.

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets, pick a spot to sit, and listen to the sounds of famous marches, showtunes, movie themes, and concert band classics the whole family can enjoy. There will be kids’ activities, a face painter, balloon artist, and giveaways as well.

The concert is in partnership with the Chicago Park District, the Glessner House Museum, the Greater South Loop Association, the Near South Planning Board, the Prairie District Neighborhood Alliance, the Chicago Women’s Park and Gardens Advisory Council, and the Spoke & Bird.

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Class of 2007 Reunion for E-Blast.

De La Salle invites all graduates from the Class of 2001-2018 to attend the Meteor Summer Sizzle, a party for young alumni.

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