**National Letter Writing Week Is the 2nd week of January.**

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Last Chance to Nominate and Honor Local Heroes

Nominations are encouraged for categories including Good Samaritan, Global Citizen, Law Enforcement and Military Candidate.

Members of Chicago and northern Illinois communities have 30 days left to nominate candidates for the 2018 American Red Cross Heroes Breakfast. Nominations are due January 12, 2018 for 11 categories including Good Samaritan, outstanding nurse, global citizen, military and law enforcement. To nominate a hero, fill out the online nomination form at http://www.redcross.org/local/illinois/chicago-northern-illinois/signature-society/heroism.

Every year the event honors local community members who have demonstrated heroism through extraordinary acts of courage or kindness or in some way have exemplified the Red Cross mission to help people in need.

The heroic act must have taken place during the 2017 calendar year. Candidates must also live or work in the Illinois counties of Boone, Bureau, Carroll, Cook, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Jo Daviess, LaSalle, Lake, Lee, McHenry, Ogil, Putnam, Stephenson, Whiteside, Will and Winnebago.

Heroes will be recognized at the 19th annual American Red Cross Heroes Breakfast on Thursday, May 3, in downtown Chicago. Nominations are being accepted in the following 11 categories:

- Blood Services: an individual(s) or organization who promotes community blood donation awareness and helped to build the community blood supply.
- Community Impact: an individual(s) who displays leadership and commitment to his or her community by making a positive, noticeable and significant impact in society.
- Disaster Services: an individual(s) who exhibited heroic efforts in response to a natural disaster or emergency situation, providing relief to victims through financial or voluntary assistance.
- Emergency Medical Assistance: an individual(s) who, during a time of crisis, provided medical assistance including CPR and first aid to a person or people in need.
- Firefighter: a professional or volunteer firefighter(s) who acted above and beyond the call of duty, exhibiting heroism either in response to an emergency situation or through an ongoing commitment to the community.
- Global Citizenship: an individual(s) who showed concern and worked to meet the needs of the world’s potentially vulnerable populations by providing needed relief, whether locally, nationally, and/or internationally.
- Good Samaritan: an individual(s) who courageously and selflessly responded to a significant or unexpected crisis.
- Law Enforcement: a professional police officer(s) or related law enforcement official(s) who exhibited heroism either in response to an emergency situation or through an ongoing commitment to the community.
- Military: an active, reserve, ROTC, retired member(s) of the Armed Forces, or a military supporter, who acted above and beyond the call of duty.
- Nurse: a licensed and practicing nurse, nursing student, or retired nurse who exhibited heroism either in their response to an emergency situation or through an ongoing commitment to the community.
- Youth: an individual(s) who courageously and selflessly responded to a significant or unexpected crisis.

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Armour Sq. Park is located at 3309 S. Shields. Winter Session began Monday, Jan. 8, and ends Friday, March 16, 2018. Spaces are limited. Classes offered include: Ballet, Tap, Modern Dance, Mommy & Me Ballet, Arts & Crafts, Painting, Little Artists, Art & ABC’s, Kidz College, Play School, Parent & Tot Gymnastics, Recreational Tumbling, Tiny Tot Tumbling, Dance, Dance, Team Gymnastics, American Sign Language, Fun with Food, Bitty Basketball, Floor Hoops, Lacrosse, Parent & Tot Sports, Indoor Soccer, Yoga, Circuit Training, Ahs & Core, Weight Training, Senior Citizen Club and More, Pop & Tot Yoga. We are offering a Men’s 4 on 4 for 35hrs. & over Basketball League $100 on Thursdays from 6-9pm. Call the Park at 312-745-6800 for more information.

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McKINLEY PARK DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL extends an invitation to the January Meeting which will be held on January 3, 2018 from 7 to 9 PM. The meeting will take place at the National Latino Education Institute, 215 West 31st St.

Join the council for the first public meeting and help make McKinley Park an even better neighborhood. Updates on work will be shared, information on the CMAP Planning Grant and an opportunity will be available to join the new committees being formed.

There will also be a presentation on how the Great Rivers Chicago initiative will impact McKinley Park. Special thanks to our host, the National Latino Education Institute.

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On Sunday, December 24th at 10:00AM Forward Humanity pooled and distributed 100 sleeping bags, hats, gloves, socks, hygiene kits, and thermal blankets to gift to their neighbors across the city.

Volunteers gathered at the Downtown Islamic Center (231 S. Water Street) to make 100 healthy lunches and pack holiday gift bags full of warm winter items and hygiene kits which have been donated through a social media and online campaign. Distribution took place throughout known underpasses, vandykes, and other noticeable temporary housing across the city.

Year-round there are hungry and homeless Chicagoans in the city. In the coldest months and need additional warm clothes and blankets to survive.


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Come print out free puzzles, reading logs and certificates at: www.readingclubfun.com

Find a piece of paper and a pencil and sit down to list one or more habits that you will change more and one new thing that you are going to try. Good luck!

Have you ever heard of a New Year’s resolution? It is a promise that you make to yourself to change something or add something to your life. One of my resolutions is to brush my teeth at least twice a day, no excuses. I’m also going to join a new group like 4-H or scouts so I can learn new skills and help others, too.

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New High School a Victory, But Ald. Thompson Says Community Must Make Its Voice Heard on Attendance Boundaries

Following is a statement from 22nd Ward Alderman Patrick D. Thompson regarding the announcement on Monday, January 8th, 2018 from Chicago Public Schools about the new high school planned for the National Teachers Academy (NTA) building.

"Since I began knocking on doors when I ran for alderman in 2014, I’ve heard over and over again that neighbors in our area want a new, good quality high school for residents of the 11th Ward and the Near South Side. I have heard loud and clear that this continues to be a major concern for our communities. As such, when I took office in 2015, I immediately began working with community organizations, CPS and local parents and educators on a plan for a new, quality high school option for the children of the 11th Ward. I am proud of what we have been able to accomplish thus far.

"Today’s announcement is a step in the right direction for quality secondary education. However, the preliminary proposed attendance boundaries of the new high school at National Teachers Academy (NTA) do not include all of our communities. There is still time for community residents to make their voices heard. I encourage students, parents, principals, teachers and local school council members from all of the schools in the 11th Ward to join us and attend the next CPS public hearing on Tuesday, January 16th at 4:00 p.m. at Second Presbyterion Church, 1363 S. Michigan Avenue."

“This is the opportunity for our communities to advocate for their interests and speak out about any concerns to ensure that the plan accommodates all our residents."

"I will continue to work with CPS and the Emanuel Administration to ensure quality education opportunities for all of our residents in the 11th Ward. I am asking that all of our residents get involved as well as by attending the upcoming community meeting."

You may view the CPS’s full announcement at http://cps.edu/News/Press_releases/Pages/PR1_01_08_2018.aspx.

Games Day at McKinley Park Library

Starting in your 2018, Games Day at McKinley Park Library will be held twice a month for all ages. So bring a friend and bring your favorite game to share! Saturdays, January 13th and 20th from 1:30-4:30 pm, and Wednesdays, January 10th, 21st & 28th from 1:30-4:30 pm. All games will be selected each month. We will also have the traditional games for those who simply want to have fun for an afternoon. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Upcoming Events at Caneware Library

Do you want to learn a new language? On Wednesday, January 17th & 31st from 11 am – 4 pm, our youth will introduce you to print, online research and phone applications that will help you achieve your goal. If you cannot make our scheduled sessions, please call to make an appointment with our Cyber Navigator or Adult Services Librarian.

Relax and create a masterpiece at our Adult Coloring Party! Coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and help promote overall wellness. On Thursday, January 11th from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm, we will provide coloring pages, utensils, light refreshments, and music.

On Wednesday, January 17th from 6:30 – 7:30 pm, the Kids Book Club will discuss Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty. Visit the Caneware circulation desk or check your maroon library for a copy of the book.

Don’t forget about our on-going Storytime and Family craft programs or drop-in to play with our vast collection of Giant Legos, wood blocks, puzzles, puppets and other fun hands-on learning activities. Stop in for a calendar or check online at www.chipublib.org/caneware.

We have Computer Help available Tuesdays 1:00-4:00 pm. Visit us at 642 W. 45th St. or call 312-747-0644 for more information.