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REGULAR SHOWS

Monday – Friday

“Shepherd’s Chapel”, 5 – 6AM, 6 – 7AM

“Green Screen Adventures”, 7:30 – 8AM (children’s show that is explained in the FCC #398)

“Saved By The Bell”, 9 – 9:30AM (children’s show that is explained in the FCC #398)

“Shepherd’s Chapel”, Monday – Thursday & Sunday, 3 – 4AM, 4 – 5AM

NOW.CHICAGO is a public affairs television program designed to address, discuss and disseminate information about concerns and issues that are relevant to Chicago and its communities with a distinct focus on highlighting the unique history and character of Chicago's historic neighborhoods.

NOW.CHICAGO runs: **Friday's**, 8:30 – 9AM; **Saturday's**, 7:30 – 8AM; and, **Sunday's**, 6:30 – 7AM.

4/3/09, 4/4/09, 4/5/09

“Austin” – Pastor Robbie Wilkerson of New Birth Christian Center joins host George Blaise to talk about the role of NBCC in the Austin Community. As a lifelong resident, Pastor Wilkerson shares how he has committed himself to making positive change in the neighborhood. Ayesha Jaco and Charley Smith of Youth Outreach Services both talk about how their organization strives to enhance the life of young people through strategic programming. For our community segment we visited Terry Dean of the Austin Weekly Newspaper to talk about how they cover the community.

4/10/09, 4/11/09, 4/12/09

“Streeterville” – In this episode George Blaise sits down with the president of the Streeterville Organization of Active Residents as well as the former president of the organization to discuss the history and current issues of the neighborhood. Also, we visited the Navy Pier to see what they have to offer the Streeterville neighborhood as well as the city of Chicago as a whole.

4/17/09, 4/18/09, 4/19/09

“North Center” – Kay Christ of Roscoe Village Neighbors joins us in the studio to talk about the historical significance of this Chicago community as well as the Roscoe Village Neighbors Association. Jane Hanna of the Lillstreet Art Center talks about how the art center is beneficial to residents and the community. Lastly, we visited Lillstreet to get a more in depth look at what goes on inside the art center.

4/24/09, 4/25/09, 4/26/09

“Pilsen” – Known as one of Chicago’s largest Hispanic populations Pilsen residents have a variety of topics to discuss in this episode of Now.Chicago. Alejandro Morales of the Resurrection Project talks about the rich history of the neighborhood. Jack Ailey of the Pilsen Environmental Rights and reform Organization talks about pollution issues that residents endure. Cesareo Moreno gives us a glimpse into the National Museum of Mexican Art.

5/1/09, 5/2/09, 5/3/09

“Gold Coast” – Bill Ketchum and Abby Zonarini of the Gold Coast Neighbors Association joins us in the studio to talk about the role their association plays in the Gold Coast community. Sarah Herda of the Graham Foundation discusses much of the architectural significance within the community and city as it relates to the Graham Foundation. We visited the manager of the Gold Coast Walking Tour, Elizabeth Garibay, to get detailed information about the tour.

5/8/09, 5/9/09, 5/10/09

“Beverly” – Guests Matt Walsh of the Beverly Area Planning Association talks with host George Blaise about Beverly, one of Chicago’s most integrated neighborhoods. Also, Judith Blackburn, Mike Nix and Laura Kleinhenz of the Beverly Arts Center talks about the eclectic nature of their venue.

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5/15/09, 5/16/09, 5/17/09

“Edison Park” – Rita McGovern, Executive Director of the Edison park Chamber of Commerce talks about the business community of the Edison Park neighborhood. Melissa Panizzi, President of the Edison Park Community Council, talks in depth about community zoning efforts. The owner of the Mecca Super Club, a restaurant in Edison Park, tells us why the Mecca is a great place to eat and why the neighborhood is a great place to be. Finally, Super-Senior citizen, Jim Delmedico, talks about the philanthropy work he does around the community.

5/22/09, 5/23/09, 5/24/09

“Streeterville” - Repeat of 4/10/09, 4/11/09, 4/12/09 show

5/29/09, 5/30/09, 5/31/09

“Jefferson Park” - Northwest Chicago historian and author, Dan Pogorzelski joins us in the studio to speak about the history of this neighborhood. Bob McNamara of the Irish American Heritage center talks about their elaborate center as a resource for local and citywide residents. Gregg Kobelinski of the Copernicus Foundation talks about the renovation of this once, movie palace to a community center full of resources and historical value. In the field, we visited the old Gateway Theater to see the changes it has endured in becoming the Copernicus Foundation.

6/5/09, 6/6/09, 6/7/09

“Lakeview” – George Blaise sits down in the studio with Diann Marsalek, President of the Lakeview Citizen’s Council and gets caught up on the happenings and issues in the community. Modesto Valle, Executive Director of the Center on Halsted talks about the wide range of activities that go on in the center. For the community segment, we traveled to the Center on Halsted and spoke with the director of the youth program to learn how young people are being included in the community.

6/12/09, 6/13/09, 6/14/09

“Portage Park” – Northwest Chicago Historian, Dan Pogorzelski sits down with George Blaise to talk about Chicago’s Portage Park neighborhood. John Arena of the Portage Park Neighborhood Association speaks about the present state of the community. Also, Edna Navarro of Friends of Portage Park comes on to talk about grassroots efforts in the community to renovate play areas in the park. Lastly, we visit the Northwest Neighborhood Federation and spoke with Eunice Smith about community outreach.

6/19/09, 6/20/09, 6/21/09

“South Chicago” – Dinah Ramirez, Coalition Coordinator of Health South Chicago comes in to the studio to talk about the lack of resources available to South Chicago residents and how the efforts of the organization are pressing hard to make changes. Sarah Ward, Executive Director, of the South Chicago Art Center and Ilyris Ortiz, an intern at the center both talk about the work they do for the young people of the community.

6/26/09, 6/27/09, 6/28/09

“Hyde Park” – Ruth Knack of the Hyde Park Historical Society gives us a history lesson on Hyde Park, one of Chicago’s most diverse and thriving neighborhoods. Executive Director of the Hyde Park Art Center, Chuck Thurow, talks about how art relates to the community. Also, featured in this episode are the Hyde Park Neighborhood Club, the Renaissance Society, WHPK Radio, and the Museum of Science and Industry.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR, 30 second public service announcements for upcoming events in Chicago and the suburbs.

CRIME, THE LAW & LAW ENFORCEMENT

4/27 – 9:16PM, 9:57PM; 5/2 – 12:19PM; 5/3 – 12:56PM

The Special Investigations Unit of the Chicago Police Department will share expertise and provide tips to maintain a safe environment for your child when they utilize the Internet. Call to register.

BUSINESS & EMPLOYMENT

4/16 – 1:58AM; 4/17 – 2:57AM, 3:30AM; 4/18 – 3:31AM, 4:25AM; 4/19 – 1:28AM, 2:42AM

Career Transitions Center of Chicago serves administrative professionals who have lost jobs and do not have outplacement or substantial severance benefits. If your career is in transition, give CTC a call.

6/29 – 10:07AM, 11:02AM, 9:32PM, 10:51PM; 6/30 – 11:27AM, 12:19PM, 6:57PM, 7:50PM

Register for the African American Women's Career Conference to participate in workshops and seminars. Job Recruiters will be in attendance but there are absolutely no walk-ins. Register today.

GOVERNMENT & LEADERSHIP

5/6 – 8:31PM; 5/7 – 10:28PM; 5/8 – 1:58AM; 5/9 – 7:27PM; 5/10 – 12:44PM

The FCC has joined with Rainbow Push to help Chicago area residents prepare for the transition to digital TV. Call for details.

5/20 – 10:33AM, 9:16PM; 5/21 – 2:16PM, 8:24PM; 5/22 – 9:27AM, 11:35AM, 5:27PM, 10:04PM; 5/23 – 2:48PM; 5/24 – 5:24AM, 7:13AM, 8:42AM, 10:25AM, 5:28PM, 6:48PM, 10:35PM, 11:29PM

Need more information on the DTV transition coming June 12? Attend the FCC's DTV walk in events at Operation PUSH headquarters Monday evenings and Saturday mornings.

6/8 – 12:58PM, 1:58PM, 11:31PM, 12:42AM; 6/9 – 11:22AM, 11:58AM, 11:31PM, 12:28AM; 6/10 – 8:59AM, 11:37AM; 6/11 – 8:59AM, 10:02AM, 12:38AM; 6/12 – 11:55AM, 12:57PM, 8:46PM, 9:56PM; 6/13 – 7:16PM, 7:46PM, 4:04AM, 4:17AM; 6/14 – 10:45AM, 10:56AM

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LOCAL SERVICES, RELIGION, UTILITIES

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Celebrate Earth Day by helping to green-ify Grant Park. All of the parks trees and bushes will be mulched in this celebration. Log on for details!

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LOCAL SERVICES, RELIGION, UTILITIES continued

Make a difference in your community by volunteering with Chicago Cares. With the creation of several new programs for 2009, they're in strong need of volunteers! Call or log on.

4/16 – 1:58AM; 4/17 – 2:57AM, 3:30AM; 4/18 – 3:31AM, 4:25AM; 4/19 – 1:28AM, 2:42AM

Help make our parks more beautiful. Volunteers will help enhance and preserve habitats by pulling weeds, trail maintenance, and tree care.

The Chicago Park District needs you to celebrate Earth day by cleaning up our parks and learning more about our planet and its resources. Call to find an Earth Day event near you!

4/20 – 2:44AM; 4/21 – 2:57AM; 4/22 – 2:57AM; 4/23 – 9:20PM, 9:52PM; 4/24 – 6:29PM; 4/25 – 3:31AM, 4:17AM; 4/26 – 11:16PM, 1:27AM

Donate your new or used van to Grant A Wish, Inc. so food and clothing can be delivered to needy families in the Chicagoland area. Call for details!

4/27 – 9:16PM, 9:57PM; 5/2 – 12:19PM; 5/3 – 12:56PM

The Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities has adjusted its schedule for walk-in services to better meet the needs of residents with disabilities. Call for more information.

Operation Food Basket offers a snapshot of the prices of over two dozen food items most commonly purchased in Chicago's grocery stores. Anyone with a complaint against a grocery store engaging in deceptive pricing should contact the Department Complaint Hotline at 311.

Join Friends of the Chicago River and 4,100 volunteers for a day of hands-on environmental work and celebration along 100 miles of sites on Chicago River on May 9th.

Kids in Danger is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting children by improving children's product safety. Learn more at (312) 595-0939.

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Come downtown and enjoy gospel music in the beautiful Pritzger Pavillion June 6th & 7th at the 2009 Chicago Gospel Music Festival.

6/1 – 8:59AM, 10:05AM, 2:07PM, 3:05PM; 6/2 – 9:19AM, 1:42PM; 6/3 – 9:18AM, 10:15AM, 7:45PM, 9:28PM; 6/4 – 9:01AM, 10:04AM, 10:56AM, 11:27AM, 11:57AM, 12:57PM, 1:57PM, 2:33PM, 3:56PM, 4:32PM; 6/5 – 7:17AM, 9:20AM, 2:45PM, 4:01PM, 9:46PM; 6/6 – 6:25AM, 7:44AM, 10:45PM, 12:37PM; 6/7 – 12:58PM, 2:59PM, 9:58PM, 11:15PM

If you're interested in foreclosure prevention, the Home Expo is right around the corner. Get a chance to meet representatives from homebuyer programs, senior housing and more!

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EDUCATION

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Discover the 140-year history of Chicago's historical State Street from its humble beginning to the prosperous shopping district it is today. Log on for details!

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Looking for comprehensive computer training in today's popular software? Learn from certified instructors with Computer Training Source, Inc.

5/20 – 10:33AM, 9:16PM; 5/21 – 2:16PM, 8:24PM; 5/22 – 9:27AM, 11:35AM, 5:27PM, 10:04PM; 5/23 – 2:48PM; 5/24 – 5:24AM, 7:13AM, 8:42AM, 10:25AM, 5:28PM, 6:48PM, 10:35PM, 11:29PM

ManhattanGMAT is hosting free GMAT previews to provide an overview of the test, a strategy session for getting a high score, and an understating of the exam's role in the B-school application process. Classes will be led by expert professors!

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Celebrate the success of tutoring and mentoring at Cabrini Connections' 17th annual year end dinner. Call (312) 492-9614 for more info.

Take a tour of the legendary Chicago Theatre! The tour highlights historical and architectural points of the building, including the grand lobby areas, majestic auditorium and backstage space.

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Join critic Todd Bauer for All Chicago's a Stage, an in-depth look at the premier playwriting and stagecraft our city has offered over the past several decades. It's free!

6/22 – 11:27AM, 12:02PM, 12:05AM, 12:45AM; 6/23 – 4:57PM, 8:34PM; 6/24 – 9:27AM, 10:03AM, 4:33PM; 6/25 – 3:11PM; 6/26 – 4:36AM, 3:57PM; 6/27 – 3:28PM, 9:58PM; 6/28 – 6:58PM

Come meet astronomers, scientists, and historians in an informal atmosphere, ask questions, and explore visualizations in the Space Visualization Lab, with an expert guide!

6/29 – 10:07AM, 11:02AM, 9:32PM, 10:51PM; 6/30 – 11:27AM, 12:19PM, 6:57PM, 7:50PM

Come to the Field Museum where kids can create art based on water themes while learning how to conserve water.

Blast off to reading and join the summer space exploration reading club. Prizes will be offered upon completing a book. Young adults who finish the program will receive a raffle ticket for a special drawing.

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HOUSING & THE HOMELESS

4/16 – 1:58AM; 4/17 – 2:57AM, 3:30AM; 4/18 – 3:31AM, 4:25AM; 4/19 – 1:28AM, 2:42AM

Deborah's Place is Chicago's largest provider of supportive housing exclusively for women. Celebrate the women in your life by becoming a volunteer.

HEALTH, THE ELDERLY & POVERTY

4/1 – 9:01PM, 9:57PM; 4/2 – 9:57PM, 11:06PM; 4/3 – 4:58PM, 6:30PM; 4/4 – 10:30PM, 11:43PM; 4/5 – 3:47PM, 4:57PM

Gilda's Club provides a warm and welcoming meeting place where those who have been diagnosed with cancer, join with others to build social, emotional and informational support. Call or go log on for more information.

Help raise awareness for those affected with epilepsy. The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago offers services to people with epilepsy, their families, and the communities in which they live. Call to learn more.

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Bring your children to the only allergy and gluten free expo in North America for free asthma screenings, plus toy giveaways and more! Log on for more info.

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On Sunday, May 3rd, the greater Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will hold our 22nd Annual Walk MS along the Chicago lakefront.

Community Counseling Center of Chicago presents the C4 Miles Run/Walk. The goal is to raise funds and awareness of mental illness.

5/6 – 8:31PM; 5/7 – 10:28PM; 5/8 – 1:58AM; 5/9 – 7:27PM; 5/10 – 12:44PM

Join WCIU at the 24th Annual Chicago Hunger Walk on Saturday June 20th. For more information call (773) 247-FOOD.

Heart disease is the #1 killer of American women. The Sister-to-Sister Foundation is offering free cardiac screenings, educational resources, medical experts and more!

Are you looking to stay healthy and fit this season? Well, Rush University is holding its 5th Annual Health Fair for FREE. Call for details.

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The Aquatic Therapy and Rehab Institute is always looking for fired up volunteers, ready to work on-site at the 2009 National Aquatic. Log on for more info.

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“Step” your day off on the right foot and join WCIU and others in the 24th Annual Hunger Walk. Help the fight against hunger in your community.

Get ready for the U.S. Women’s Triathlon Series in Naperville. Over 2,500 will take part in swimming, biking and running to support ovarian cancer research. Clinics on training and nutrition and bargains will also be available.

If you’re living with a chronic illness and love to write, the Lupus Foundation is searing for your story. Awards will be presented for winning entries.

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Are you looking to donate blood? Join the “Q’s” in their annual blood drive! Appointments are recommended but walk-ins are welcome! ID’s are required.

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Start your day fresh and check out the farmers market at the Daley Plaza with over 70 vendors selling fresh fruits, vegetables, plants and flowers.

This Multiple Sclerosis slugfest is an annual fundraiser to benefit MS research. Participants will receive a fully catered lunch. Sign up today!

RECREATION, ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS

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The Magnificent Mile comes alive with color as hundreds of thousands of vibrant tulips bloom on one of the great avenues of the world with the annual event, Tulips on the Magnificent Mile, Log on for more info!

Your family is invited to Sheil Park's Eggstravaganza. Join the fun with colored egg hunts, balloon artistry, face painting and more! It's all free! Call for more details!

The Hyde Park Art Center is hosting "Bits and Pieces", an exhibition of video art by various artists. Curator Catherine Forster, will host a screening and a discussion of the work. Call or log on for more details.

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Family Field Days – Take part in fun and free art and science activities in the Crown Family PlayLab and in the rest of the Museum. Be an explorer, scientist, artist and much more! Visit the website for more info.

Bring your toddler for free entertainment and storytelling for a jubilant good time. You can stay all day! Log on for more info.

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Come hear the classical music stars of tomorrow when Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestras' Debut Orchestra performs at the Chicago Cultural Center on April 23rd. Call for reservations.

4/20 – 2:44AM; 4/21 – 2:57AM; 4/22 – 2:57AM; 4/23 – 9:20PM, 9:52PM; 4/24 – 6:29PM; 4/25 – 3:31AM, 4:17AM; 4/26 – 11:16PM, 1:27AM

The Green Chicago Bicycle Tour is a two-hour guided tour highlighting lakefront parks and landmarks like Solider Field, Navy Pier and Buckingham Fountain. Includes bikes and helmets.

Bring the entire family to Montrose Harbor for Mayor Daley's 11th annual Kids and Kites Festival. Kite flying professionals will be giving free demonstrations.

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4/27 – 9:16PM, 9:57PM; 5/2 – 12:19PM; 5/3 – 12:56PM

Come out to Soldier Field on May 5th for the opening ceremonies of the 41st annual Special Olympics Spring Games featuring a parade of athletes and lighting of the Olympic torch.

5/11 – 3:34PM; 5/12 – 9:33PM; 5/13 – 4:32PM; 5/14 – 12:01PM, 8:58PM; 5/15 – 7:31PM, 2:36AM; 5/16 – 7:44PM, 2:19AM, 3:11AM; 5/17 – 5:06AM, 7:32AM, 9:01AM, 10:19AM, 12:58PM, 5:58PM, 6:58PM, 9:30PM, 10:34PM, 11:17PM, 12:57AM

Blues Master Aaron Burton plays LunchBreak's Tuesday program at the Chicago Cultural Center on May 19th.

Saturday, May 23rd come honor veterans, active duty military personnel and those who have given their lives in service for their country at the Annual Chicago Memorial Day Parade.

5/20 – 10:33AM, 9:16PM; 5/21 – 2:16PM, 8:24PM; 5/22 – 9:27AM, 11:35AM, 5:27PM, 10:04PM; 5/23 – 2:48PM; 5/24 – 5:24AM, 7:13AM, 8:42AM, 10:25AM, 5:28PM, 6:48PM, 10:35PM, 11:29PM

Calling all city-goers! Chicago's Annual Memorial Day Parade will be Saturday, May 24th. The parade route is on State Street from Wacker to Van Buren. Go join the fun!

The Randolph Street Fest is the festival of the week. Browse eco-friendly home made and craft items plus world goods from all over in addition to antiques!

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See a live performance honoring jazz dance legend, Luigi, featuring his classic piece, "Magic Bird of Fire". If you like dance, it's a show you don't want to miss!

Don't miss the Chicago's Blues Festival featuring Robert Nighthawk, Eddie C Campbell, Betty Lavette and many more. Music fans can also register to win a new Gibson guitar!

6/8 – 12:58PM, 1:58PM, 11:31PM, 12:42AM; 6/9 – 11:22AM, 11:58AM, 11:31PM, 12:28AM; 6/10 – 8:59AM, 11:37AM; 6/11 – 8:59AM, 10:02AM, 12:38AM; 6/12 – 11:55AM, 12:57PM, 8:46PM, 9:56PM; 6/13 – 7:16PM, 7:46PM, 4:04AM, 4:17AM; 6/14 – 10:45AM, 10:56AM

Celebrate Puerto Rican culture with a procession of floats, folk dancers, reggaeton music groups, salsa dancers and more!

This fiesta is Free! Includes live music, dance and cultural performances, plus carnival rides and merchandise! Call for details!

The Chicago Peace Fest is a peaceful space where people can share music, fine art, entertainment, and wholesome fun. Log on for more info.

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RECREATION, ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS, continued

6/15 – 5:48PM, 5:56PM; 6/16 – 4:26PM, 5:18PM, 2:46AM; 6/17 – 7:17PM; 6/18 – 8:05PM, 2:27AM; 6/19 – 4:03PM, 4:45PM, 1:39AM, 3:22AM; 6/20 – 10:32AM, 12:30AM, 8:43PM, 9:56PM, 6/21 – 5:44PM, 7:05PM

Chicago Arabesque will offer a dynamic celebration and exploration of the art, cuisine, culture, music and dance of the Arab world in the heart of the city. Don't miss it.

Mid-North's Annual Fundraiser features live music and special family with performances of children's music, magic and craft booths! It's a great time for all ages.

6/22 – 11:27AM, 12:02PM, 12:05AM, 12:45AM; 6/23 – 4:57PM, 8:34PM; 6/24 – 9:27AM, 10:03AM, 4:33PM; 6/25 – 3:11PM; 6/26 – 4:36AM, 3:57PM; 6/27 – 3:28PM, 9:58PM; 6/28 – 6:58PM

Experience art, fashion and jewelry in Chicago! This European style market is a favorite to decorators and fashionistas from around the world. Free parking food, drinks, music and fun!

32 national soccer teams from across Chicagoland will compete in the world cup tournament! Part of the benefits will go towards cancer preventions and research.

There's food for everybody 's taste at the annual Taste of Chicago with more than 300 menu items plus free entertainment including music from Steve Wonder and Bonnie Raitt. It's an event you don't want to miss.

6/29 – 10:07AM, 11:02AM, 9:32PM, 10:51PM; 6/30 – 11:27AM, 12:19PM, 6:57PM, 7:50PM

Don't miss the 9th Annual Jeff Fest on Chicago's northwest side. Enjoy delicious food as well as arts and craft vendors and activities for kids.

Make tracks to Railroad Days for a fantastic weekend event! Includes carnival, kids activities, live music and plenty of food and drinks. Fun and excitement for the whole family! Don't miss it!

YOUTH, FAMILY RELATIONS & RELATIONSHIPS

4/1 – 9:01PM, 9:57PM; 4/2 – 9:57PM, 11:06PM; 4/3 – 4:58PM, 6:30PM; 4/4 – 10:30PM, 11:43PM; 4/5 – 3:47PM, 4:57PM

Family Focus Englewood provides programs and activities to support the mental health and parenting skills of teens in the Englewood community who are pregnant or are parenting infants. If you need some help, give them a call.

5/6 – 8:31PM; 5/7 – 10:28PM; 5/8 – 1:58AM; 5/9 – 7:27PM; 5/10 – 12:44PM

This Annual Maternity Fair is designed for families to learn about pregnancy issues. There will be various resources available as well as giveaways and a car seat raffle!

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Jobs for youth/Chicago helps youth from low income families become part of the economic mainstream. Attend their annual fundraiser to support!

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YOUTH, FAMILY RELATIONS & RELATIONSHIPS continued

6/29 – 10:07AM, 11:02AM, 9:32PM, 10:51PM; 6/30 – 11:27AM, 12:19PM, 6:57PM, 7:50PM

Participate in Bastille Day to support Mercy Home for Boys and Girls in a 5K run, walk and block party. Enjoy food, drinks and live music at the finish line!

RACE & CULTURAL DIVERSITIES/RELATIONS

4/16 – 1:58AM; 4/17 – 2:57AM, 3:30AM; 4/18 – 3:31AM, 4:25AM; 4/19 – 1:28AM, 2:42AM

The East Village Youth Program works to increase the educational attainment of Chicago's growing Latino population on the North West Side. Call to learn more about the organization and programs.

5/11 – 3:34PM; 5/12 – 9:33PM; 5/13 – 4:32PM; 5/14 – 12:01PM, 8:58PM; 5/15 – 7:31PM, 2:36AM; 5/16 – 7:44PM, 2:19AM, 3:11AM; 5/17 – 5:06AM, 7:32AM, 9:01AM, 10:19AM, 12:58PM, 5:58PM, 6:58PM, 9:30PM, 10:34PM, 11:17PM, 12:57AM

The Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center is now open to the public. Call or log on for information on upcoming special events.

In celebration of Asian Pacific Heritage Month, come to the Woodson Regional Library for a special program about Japanese culture on May 19th. Call to register.

6/15 – 5:48PM, 5:56PM; 6/16 – 4:26PM, 5:18PM, 2:46AM; 6/17 – 7:17PM; 6/18 – 8:05PM, 2:27AM; 6/19 – 4:03PM, 4:45PM, 1:39AM, 3:22AM; 6/20 – 10:32AM, 12:30AM, 8:43PM, 9:56PM, 6/21 – 5:44PM, 7:05PM

Get into African American imagery, words and ideas at this festival's film screenings and workshops, book fair, writing workshops and spoken work show featuring Bill Duke!