

OUR HAPPENINGS

Our day-to-day activities and events

Chicago Med

By: Mary S

The actors are Torrey DeVitto, Yaya DaCosta, Nick Gehlfuss, Marlyne Barrett, Brian Tee, S. Epatha Merkerson, Rachel DiPillo, Oliver Platt and Colin Donnell. The characters in the show Dr. Natalie Manning, April Sexton, Dr. Will Halstead, Maggie Lockwood, Dr. Ethan Choi, Sharon Goodwin, Dr. Sarah Reese, Dr. Daniel Charles and Dr. Connor Rhodes. Dr. Natalie Manning is strong. April Sexton is a good nurse. Dr. Will Halstead is a good doctor. Maggie Lockwood is careful. Dr. Ethan Choi is helpful. Sharon Goodwin is Head of Patient and Medical Services. Dr. Sarah Reese is nice. Dr. Daniel Charles is

helpful. Dr. Connor Rhodes is overconfident and down-to-earth . I like doctor shows.

Sunday June 11th

By: Natalie F

On Sunday me, my mom, and dad went out to eat for dinner. We ate at Prairie Grass restaurant. I got mac and cheese, water, lemonade and bread. We talked about Our Place and the programs for the summer session. After dinner we watched the Tony awards on TV. I enjoyed watching the award show. I went to bed after the awards show.

Flowers

By: Michaela M

There are so many flowers outside.
There are all different types.
There are small trees,
there are bushes,
there are tulips.
There are different shades of purple
flowers all on my patio.
It always makes me feel good
looking at them.

My Favorite Summer Music

By: Ellyn B

My Favorite Summer Music.
Is Let's Go Surfin'
And Surfin' USA.
We Go Together.
50's Music.
And 60's music.
Brown eye girl.
And Earth Angel.
Party USA.
Fun Fun Fun.
Celebration
And one more time.
Summer nights
And hot hot hot.

Madison, WI

By: Zach W

My weekend was fun. I went to Wisconsin. I went with my mom and dad. In Madison I saw Marsha and Steve. We stayed in the Sheraton hotel. We had two rooms, and we had a shower. We stayed there Friday and Saturday. Marsha and I went on a bike ride down by the lakefront on Saturday. After the bike ride I met up with my mom, dad, and Steve and we all went to dinner for Marsha's 68th birthday. I had shrimp, french fries and a pretzel for dinner. After dinner we played a game called Fargo. I watched the Cub's game after we played the Fargo game. They won 4-0. I took a shower and then went to bed.



Zach hanging out with Marsha and his dad, Rick, in Madison.

Athena

By: Michaela M

My doggie Athena is a diva.
Named after the Greek goddess of
wisdom and war.
She is a rat terrier and chihuahua
mixed.
She is a small dog.
She gets upset when I leave.
She greets me when I get back.
She loves to lick me.
She is a very fun dog.
She gets excited when meeting new
dogs and people.
She does not like the rain
or the snow when it falls on her
head.
She loves to hang out on the couch
with me.

My Aunt

By: Natalie F

My aunt is coming to my house to
stay.
I have fun with my aunt.
My aunt is sleeping over at my
house.
I don't know how many days my
aunt is sleeping over.
Say hi! My aunt's name is Aunt Alice.
She is nice. I know her.
I hang out with her and play games.

MY Favorite Summer Fruits

By: Ellyn B

My Favorite Summer Fruit Is Strawberries.
And Raspberries I also like Peaches as well.
Watermelon Sugar high.
I also like Plums.
And Apricots as well.
Nectarine And Tangerines.
Pineapple Cherries.

Saturday June 3rd

By: Zach W

On Saturday June 3rd I went to see a
movie called Spiderman with my mom and
dad at night. We got popcorn and drinks at
the movie theatre. I really enjoyed the
movie and I thought that it was really
funny. After the movie I went to Lowe's.
After Lowe's I went home and took a
shower, and I watched some sports games.
I watched the Denver vs Miami game and
Miami won the game. I also watched the
Cubs play the Padres and the Cubs won. It
was a close game, but I was glad the cubs
won. After watching the games, I went to
sleep. I had a fun day today.

New York

By: Katie L

I went to New York with my family. I packed for the trip. My mom and dad had to go to a wedding. I went out to dinner with Annie and her boyfriend. Annie and I got dressed. I wore a dress and my boot. I wore jewelry, my medical bracelet, ring, necklace. We got into the car, and we went to get Chinese food and got ice cream with sprinkles after. We walked around New York and came back to Annie's house. After we went to pick up my mom and dad from the wedding. We went back to my room and packed our suitcases. We went to Ama's car to go to the airport. We got snacks for the airplane. I played on my IPAD and I watched movies on the airplane. I had fun watching movies and coloring on my IPad. I was so excited to do a lot of cool things like looking at New York. We got a car service to pick us up from the airport. We went back home and unpacked. I spent a lot of time together with my family when we got back. I went to a birthday party for my friend Justice at a restaurant. I saw Travis at the party, and we danced together to "Don't Stop Believing" by Journey.

I had fun in New York and at Justice's party.

Father's Day

By: Wes G

On Sunday morning my dad and I went to church. My mom was out of town. After church we came back home and watched tv. We watched a few episodes of The Fairly Odd Parents. When we finished watching tv we had dinner and went to bed. On Monday when my mom came back we got Thai food for Father's Day, and my dad opened gifts, After dinner we went home, and I took a shower and went to bed. I had fun with my dad, and I think he had a good Father's Day.



Wes and his dad, David, at a Cubs's game earlier this year.

May 23rd

By: Mary S

On Tuesday, May 23 I woke up and then I went to Sandy's with my mom. I like their food. The restaurant is cozy. My mom got eggs and coffee. I got chicken and waffles. Then I went to Michael's restaurant to get a salad. I got a medium BYO salad. It was good. I loved my salad. Then I went to World Market with Hayley, Jamie, Jessie, Barbara, Chip, Sara, Hannah, Natalie and Wes for Armchair Travel. We got Wai Lana barbeque cassava chips and madeleines. It was good. I loved the Wai Lana barbeque cassava chips and madeleines. I loved going to World Market with Armchair Travel. I wish I could go to World Market with Our Place again. Then I won the staff experience with Kelly to go out for ice cream. I asked Sara to come with me and Kelly to Homer's Ice Cream.

I got mango sorbet in a cup. Kelly got chocolate chip cookie dough in a waffle cone. Sara got vanilla in a cup. I had fun with Sara and Kelly. I want to eat ice cream with Kelly again.



Kelly, Sara and Mary at Homer's Ice Cream.

Saturday June 3

By Travis T

I went to the Saturday social and the theme this week was sports night. Sterling, Penny and Barbara were all at the Saturday social. For my karaoke choice I picked New York New York. After the Saturday social I went home, started some laundry and then watched the news with David Muir. He talked about Biden and checks and repayment. After I finished watching the news, I finished my laundry and went to bed.

Saturday June 10th

By: Wes G

On Saturday June 10th my mom and I went out for dinner. We went to Pizza Hut. I got cheese pizza for dinner. My mom and I shared. We also ordered a caesar salad to share. After dinner my mom and I watched a few episodes of Fairly Odd Parents together. I went to bed after watching it. I woke up early the next day so mom and I could go to the park. We walked around and enjoyed the sunny day. I had fun with my mom at dinner and at the park.

Cooking It Up!

By: Sean W

On Saturday, after going to Fresh Market and getting the ingredients I made a variation of the Strawberry Lemon Trifle. It has cream cheese, yogurt, milk, lime pound cake, lemon zest, strawberries, lemon juice, and vanilla pudding mixed in it. You pretty much prep all the ingredients and then make layers of yogurt cheesecake mixture, strawberry drizzle, strawberries, and lime pound cake. It was definitely a process but worthwhile. I zested the lemon, mixed the ingredients, and put the layers together. My mom did give me some assistance, but it was mainly me. The trifle came out delicious and it is something I would make again. I discovered this recipe from the Lindsey Stirling discord server and community I am a part of. I have a subscription to the server where I can do game nights, movie nights, Q and A's (Questions and Answers), and learning with Lindsey where we do mostly cooking. All this is done with Lindsey Stirling herself and it is always a fun and joyous time! I love being a part of this! It is this same community where I ended up trying a brownie recipe which came out

heavenly. All in all, I enjoy cooking and trying new things. Like I created a homemade version of a chicken parmesan sandwich which was awesome! Also, the potatoes I cook on the stove are always a hit and my butter apples with cinnamon and sometimes maple syrup is a fall classic. Over the years my cooking skills have gotten better and better. I have also gotten quite comfortable using the stove and oven. I owe a big thanks to our place and the top chef program which was led by Emily at the time for opening the door to cook a wide variety of things and discovering what I can truly do in the kitchen like using the stove and oven. It has been wonderful learning and creating! And honestly, I can't wait to see what I cook up next in the future!



Sean's amazing strawberry lemon trifle.

CULTURE CORNER

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The Little Mermaid

By: Macey S

I saw the new The Little Mermaid movie with my parents. I honestly loved the reimaged version way more than the original. Just because Disney added in an origin for the story of the Little Mermaid. For the story of the Little Mermaid in my opinion, it makes even more sense within the story of the film. And the songs, oh, I almost forgot it's still the exact same movie and same exact songs. It's just different and a different cast with magnificent, beautiful and outstanding singing voices. I definitely think that Melissa McCarthy is really funny as Ursula. She is always hysterically funny and it's cool. She sang my favorite Disney villain song "Poor Unfortunate Souls". And Halle Bailey played Ariel and her voice is 1000% way better than Celine Dion. For the rest of the cast, they are all also really talented.

My Brother's Wedding

By: Jason K

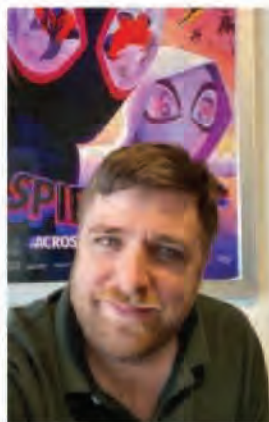
My brother is going to be married soon. He just got engaged to his girlfriend Denise and they are having a wedding ceremony in a mansion which is big. Lots of people are coming to it such as friends of the family, probably little ones. We are going to have a reception and a minister taking the vows and pics. We will have food, drinks, dessert, and music with dancing afterwards. I'm very happy for him. It's an exciting time in his life to be married to someone he likes and loves. He's a lucky man to have found a woman he enjoys spending time with. The wedding will be held on September 9th in the late afternoon at a mansion in Elmhurst. The three of us are going to dress fancy. Plus my aunt is going to pick her up before then.

Spider-Man: Across the Spiderverse

By: Sean W

Over the weekend, on Sunday June 4th my mom and I saw quite a spectacle of a film. We saw the movie at the local theater in downtown Wilmette. It was my first time ever going to that specific theater. Before then we had a delicious lunch at Panera and walked around for a bit before it began. We walked into the theater, picked up some popcorn and candy, and chose our seats. The two of us were the first ones in the screening room. Several other people joined us. Then the film began. Spider-Man: Across the Spiderverse is the sequel to Spider-Man: Into the Spiderman which is one of my all-time favorite movies and I was excited to see the second one. It is a part one of two, with Beyond the Spiderverse coming out next year! Anyways, back to the Across the Spider-Verse: THIS FILM is a beautiful continuation from the first one while building the way for the next one. It is spectacular and full of many amazingly written characters, stunning action sequences, a great piece of storytelling, lots of heart,

breathtaking animation, and all the spider people you could ever imagine! Honestly, I loved this film, and it left me wanting more once it ended. This one follows Miles Morales (Spider-Man) and Gwen Stacy aka Spider-Gwen or Spider-Woman as they try to figure out the best way to wear the mask, to be the hero they want to be. And in doing so, we follow their journey across the Spiderverse where they meet a society of spider people. The main villain is a quirky guy by the name of the Spot who uses the spots on his body to create portals and slowly becomes a grander threat. He was an interesting character too. The worlds we explore, and visit are rich and beautifully crafted. It was such a treat to see this movie in theaters. I had an amazing time! And I extremely recommend you see the film if you are a Spider-Man fan, animation fan, comic book fan, action-adventure fan, and a marvel fan. I rate this film a 10/10!! I cannot wait to see Beyond the Spiderverse next year!



Sean at the movies for Spider-Man: Across the Spiderverse.

Summer Session

By: Jason K

Next session at Our Place for the summer session I'm doing kitchen kinetics on Wednesdays with my Our Place group cooking food. Golf on Thursdays at the Wilmette golf club from 3-5pm. It's been a long time since I've gone golfing. I've never done it before. I've played mini golf but not professional golf though so I'm looking forward to it. It should be nice to be with my Our Place friends. I'm also continuing with online zoom with mnasr, doing wildcat workout fitness in the early morning at home and Our Place zoom too in the afternoon and socials online. Plus, work twice a week on Mondays and Fridays from 11-1pm.

Cabaret

By: Dan C

This past Saturday, June 17th, I saw a performance of Cabaret at the Porchlight Musical Theater. The show has received rave reviews. My brother is on the production team. Some of the lead actors are Erica Stephan, Gilbert Domally, Mark David Kaplan, Mary Robin Roth, Evan Wilhelm, Josh Walker and more. If you are a fan of musicals this reviewer would highly recommend Cabaret. However, the show is set in pre-WWII /pre-Hitler Germany.