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Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and Golub & Company Announce Joint Streeterville Land Transation

"The Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago (RIC) and Golub & Company announced today a collaboration that has resulted in joint land transactions in Streeterville. RIC has acquired Golub's parcel at 630 N. McClurg Court and Golub has acquired RIC's parcel at the corner of Ohio St. and McClurg Ct." View the announcement.

Update on Proposed Parking Facility

Plans for Northwestern Memorial Hospital's new parking facility at 441-459 East Ontario Street / 440-458 East Ohio Street are still under development. Updated plans for the garage will be presented to the communtiy at a meeting in early 2010.

SOAR at Lookingglass - Icarus

lookingglass

The popular SOAR night at the Lookingglass Theatre series will continue in 2010 with the January 6th performance of Icarus. The show will be preceded by dinner at Eve featuring an exclusive Prix-fixe menu and souvenir deluxe program signed by Artistic Director David Catlin.

Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - Eve (850 N. Wabash)
Performance - 7:30 p.m. - Lookingglass Theatre (Michigan & Pearson)
Cost: $65

Seating is limited. Please contact the Lookingglass box office at 312-337-0665 and mention code "SOAR" to purchase.

Also mark your calendar for the April 14th performance of Trust. Details will be announced closer to April.

Contibute Today to SOAR's Annual Appeal

The 2009 Look Back and Annual Appeal materials were recently mailed to all SOAR members. Please take a moment to review all of the accomplishments from the past year and consider a special donation to SOAR to help us continue to keep Streeterville a neighborhood.

Donations can be made by using the reply card found in the mailed materials or by clicking here.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

Catering Discount for SOAR Members at the Allerton Hotel

The newly renovated Allerton Hotel is offering discounts on food and beverage rates when hosting your event at the elegant Tip Top Tap Ballroom or the newly constructed Buckingham Ballroom. Each offers rich architectural details for intimate entertaining. Treat your guests to Chicago's longest reigning hotspot, and plan your next business or socal function at The Allerton.

To book your next social event call Director of Catering, Janet Donovan at (312) 272-6420 or by email. Events must spend a minimum of $2,000 to qualify.

Northwestern Memorial Hospital Spotlight on Women's Health

Join Northwestern Memorial Hospital experts as they discuss a variety of issues important to women's health. In January, the lecture will focus on the Human Papillomavirus (HPV), how it can contribute to the development of cervical cancer and what women can do to protect themselves.

Tuesday, January 19, 2010
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 28, 2010
12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The free lectures will be presented by Michelle Luthringhausen, MD and Ruth Michon, APN and will be given at Prentice Women's Hospital,250 E. Superior St.,Third Floor Conference Center. Contact Health Resources at (312) 926-8400 to register.

Preparation for Ronald McDonald House

In preparation for the new Ronald McDonald House coming to Streeterville in 2012, the existing building at 211 E. Grand Ave. will be torn down beginning the first week of January, 2010. The structure will be carefully demolished due to the close proximity to nearby structures.

Ronald McDonald House Charities has indicated they will work with SOAR to ensure the property is maintained in an attractive and safe fashion in anticipation of a 2011 construction start.

Temporary Census Jobs

The U.S. Census Bureau's Chicago Regional Census Center is recruiting people to work part-time between December 2009 and June 2010 to help perform the 2010 Census. Approximately 70,000 temporary Census jobs will be available in the Chicagoland Region.

Jobs available include:

- Census Takers
- Crew Leaders
- Crew Leader Assistants
- Recruiting Assistants
- Census Clerks

Applicants are required to take a basic skills test and undergo a background check. Most jobs also require U.S. citizenship, a driver's license, use of a vehicle and the ability to go door-to-door to interview residents.

For more information call 866-861-2010 or visit the census website.

It's Easy to be Green - Reuse Resealable Plastic Bags

By now you've probably heard how important it is to reduce the number of plastic bags that we all take home from stores, but it's also a good idea to keep gently used sandwich bags in service. Those ubiquitous plastic re-sealable bags now come in many sizes, and they are convenient. However, people often forget that they are sturdy enough for multiple uses. f the bags become ripped or heavily soiled with greasy foods, you are better off throwing them away *(they are generally not recyclable)*, versus expending a lot of water and soap to try and get them back into shape. However, for most uses, a quick rinse, or even shaking out crumbs, means you can use the bags over and over. A number of companies even sell attractive wooden racks, where you can drape the bags for quick drying. Or, simply drop them over the faucet handle or cooking implements to dry. If the thought of reusing bags for food gives you the willies, consider repurposing them for batteries, buttons, coupons, stamps or anything else you can think of.

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