



TERRA COSTA HOWARD

STATE REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 42

Dear Terra,

I'm very pleased that a number of bills I sponsored in the spring session successfully passed both chambers and are now headed to the Governor for his signature.

I'm proud to join my colleagues in the General Assembly in passing new laws that support public education, protect reproductive rights, prevent gun violence and expand access to healthcare, but there's always something special about seeing my own bills passed into law.



- **HB1123** – Requires school report cards for students with disabilities to include information about the student's progress toward graduation.
- **HB 1555** – Clarifies a guardian ad litem's responsibility to interview the child and submit written reports in family law cases involving child custody and parenting time.
- **HB 2102** – Requires applicants' fingerprints to be checked against the FBI registry for a national criminal record search before they can be included in the Health Care Worker Registry.
- **HB 2861** – Requires DCFS to prepare a written report within 30 days after a child is placed in a residential treatment program, and requires a court hearing to consider the report within 20 days of filing.
- **HB 3097**– Improves Department of Labor's ability to enforce safety standards at amusement parks and carnivals.
- **HB 3301** – Includes independent contractors in the reporting requirements of the Department of Employment Security's New Hire registry.
- **SB 1804** – Allows certain refrigerants to be allowed for use as long as any equipment containing the refrigerant is installed in accordance to safety standards.
- **SB 1909** – Prohibits crisis pregnancy centers from using deceptive practices to interfere with anyone seeking to access emergency contraception or abortion care.
- **SB 2208** – Requires public universities to grant students full credit for courses in their major subjects that those students completed at Illinois community colleges.

Pride Month Spotlight: Charlene Carruthers

For Pride Month, we're celebrating members of Illinois' LGBTQ+ community whose work is expanding our horizons and making our state even greater.

Chicago native Charlene Carruthers is the author of the bestselling book, *Unapologetic: A Black, Queer and Feminist Mandate for Radical Movements*. She is also a founding member of Black Youth Project 100, an organization that brings together students, artists, poets, service workers, media makers, and musicians to raise awareness about social justice issues. She is also a noted advocate for reproductive justice.



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Carruthers, a Ph.D. candidate in Black Studies at Northwestern University, recently directed her first film, [The Funnel](#), which tells the story of a young Black poet living on Chicago's South Side. The film has been showcased in multiple film festivals across the United States and in London.

Get ready to roll up your sleeves and donate blood in Downers Grove TOMORROW

Get ready to roll up your sleeves! The Village of Downers Grove will host a blood drive tomorrow (Friday, June 9) from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Public Works Facility (Main Room), 5101 Walnut Ave.



Walk-ins are welcome, but you can also click [here](#) to make an appointment.

Hey tweens! Make a splash TOMORROW at the Glen Ellyn Park District's Teen Splash Bash

With summer weather here at last, kids aged 10-14 are invited to an evening pool party from 8 to 9:30 p.m. tomorrow (Friday, June 9), at Sunset Pool, 483 Fairview Ave. in Glen Ellyn.



Registration is required, and adults/caregivers must be present for check-in and checkout. You can click [here](#) to register today.

Support NAMI DuPage's Run for the Mind with three fun races SATURDAY

As a member of the House Mental Health & Addiction Committee, I'm a strong supporter of NAMI DuPage. So I hope you'll turn out on Saturday (June 10) for their annual Run for the Mind, which will include a 5k run/walk, a short "Diaper Dash" for children aged 3 and under, and their first-ever "Color Run," co-hosted by Serenity House and the Prevention Leadership Team.

The runs will be held on a flat, paved, winding course through the DuPage County Fairgrounds and the DuPage County Government Center.

For those of you who don't know (I didn't!), a color run is a short run past half a dozen "color stations." At every station, the runner will be tagged with a puff of (non-toxic, environmentally safe) colored powder. By the end of the race, each participant looks like a dazzling work of art!

A colorful poster for the "Run for the Mind" event. It features silhouettes of runners against a watercolor background. The text includes:

- D.A.T. DuPage Action Team**
- Saturday, June 10th, 2023 at DuPage County Fairgrounds**
- 5K Run/Walk-8AM**: Break the stigma associated with youth mental health illness at the NAMI DuPage Annual Run for the Mind 5K!
- Diaper Dash-9:30AM**: Join us with your little ones 3 and under!
- Color Run-10AM**: NEW this year, NAMI DuPage is partnering with Serenity House, The Prevention Leadership Team and the DuPage County Teen Ambassadors for a 1-mile Color Run!
- Join us in ending the stigma by participating in this fun and colorful event! Funds raised will go directly back into the community to teen mental health initiatives.
- Register Here:** <https://raceroster.com/events/2023/73498/nami-run-for-the-mind>
- Want to help? Become a volunteer!** <https://bit.ly/3MFLtyQ>

A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

Carol Stream Rotary and SCARCE are teaming up to offer a pancake breakfast, which is FREE to all race participants! Spectators are invited to the breakfast as well and are asked to make a suggested donation of \$8.

NAMI DuPage's [Run for the Mind 5k Run/Walk](#) events begin at 8 a.m. at the DuPage Event Center & Fairgrounds, 2015 Manchester Road, N. County Farm Road in Wheaton. You can click [here](#) to register.

Take a stroll through Lisle's

2023 Garden Gait on SUNDAY

If you're looking for a lovely way to spend a summer day, you're invited to take part in Lisle's Garden Gait, a self-guided tour of some of the village's most beautiful private gardens.



The Garden Gait, which will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Sunday (June 11), starts at the [Museum at Lisle Station Park](#), 921 School St., where you'll be given a booklet directing you to all of the showcased gardens.

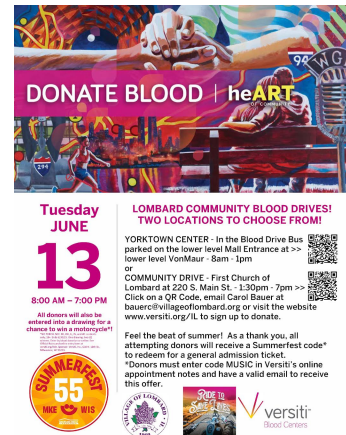
You can enjoy complimentary refreshments at the Lisle Woman's Club's tea room, visit their craft fair vendors, and enter gift basket raffles. The Garden Gait is hosted by the Lisle Woman's Club, and all proceeds from the event will support the club's local philanthropic causes and scholarship programs. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets and find out more.

Blood Drive in Lombard on TUESDAY

If you can't make it to the Downers Grove blood drive, you'll have another opportunity to donate on Tuesday, June 13.

You can donate at either Yorktown Center (in the Blood Drive Bus parked on the lower level Mall Entrance) from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. or at First Church of Lombard, 220 S. Main St., from 1:30 to 7 p.m.

You can click [here](#) to make an appointment at Yorktown, or click [here](#) for First Church of Lombard.



Safely dispose of sensitive personal documents at our Shred Event on June 17

My office is joining forces with Sen. Laura Ellman and the Village of Lombard to host a Shred Event from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, June 17, at the Lombard Village Hall, 255 E. Wilson Ave.

You can safely dispose of documents that contain your personal information, including credit card statements, medical records, tax returns, and bills. Please note that there is a limit of two bankers boxes of documents per car.

For more information, contact my office at (630) 812-9292 or email Reptch42@gmail.com.

Join the Offices of State Rep. Terra Costa Howard and Sen. Laura Ellman for a



SHRED EVENT

Saturday, June 17
9 a.m. - Noon
(or until the truck is full)

Lombard Village Hall
255 E. Wilson Ave.
Lombard, IL 60148

Safely shred your personal documents with us! Limit two bankers boxes per car.

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Nominate a great local project for the Governor's Hometown Awards



Do you know about a great project by one of our local units of government that deserves some recognition?

The Serve Illinois Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (Serve Illinois) is seeking nominations for the Governor's Hometown Awards program, which highlights projects by municipalities, park districts, school districts, commissions, and other government units.

The judges are looking for projects that had strong volunteer support, addressed a real need in the community, and had a positive impact on their community's quality of life.

Applications are open now through June 16 for projects that were completed last year.

For additional information regarding program criteria and the application process, please visit [Serve Illinois](#). You can click [here](#) to fill out an application.

Don't miss COD's Andy Warhol exhibit!



The Andy Warhol Exhibit is here! The Cleve Carney Museum of Art has unveiled WARHOL, featuring “Andy Warhol Portfolios: A Life in Pop | Works from the Bank of America Collection,” in the McAninch Arts Center at the College of DuPage campus, 425 Fawell Blvd. in Glen Ellyn.

Tickets are available at warhol2023.org or by calling (630) 942-4000. Discounts are available for groups of 20 or more. Tickets include admission to on-site lectures by renowned authors and Warhol experts, as well as concerts and many more cool and educational events.

I'm really excited that villages throughout DuPage County are holding Warhol-themed events to support this amazing exhibit. Click [here](#) for an event list.

Hey, young wannabe pop stars! Check out the the Anima/Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus Summer Camp

Anima/Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus is inviting young performers to take part in its summer camp, *Be a Pop Star!* for rising 3rd-6th graders. The camp will present technique and music theory through the lens of pop music.

Anima/Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus is a world-renowned children's chorus founded in 1964. The group has performed numerous times through the years with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, tours nationally and internationally, and has been recognized with awards from Chorus America.

The two camp sessions, June 12-16 and July 10-14, will be taught by the chorus' artistic director, Evan Bruno, in their rehearsal space at the Glen Ellyn Park District's Main Street Recreation Center, 501 Hill Ave.

Campers will develop their own pop personas and come away with a curated playlist of songs that they can share with the whole family! You can click [here](#) for more information.

BE A POP STAR!
Anima Summer Singing Camp

FOR SINGERS ENTERING GRADES 3-6
Learn how to sing and dance like a pop star with your favorite singers like Taylor, Harry and Bruno. Plus, learn about the pop stars that inspired a generation!

**JUNE 12 - 16
OR JULY 10 - 14
9AM-12PM**
@ Main Street Rec. Center

SIGN UP TODAY!
\$25 early bird discount if you sign up by March 31

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SCAN ME

Upcoming Events

We have lots of events coming up, so please take a look and mark your calendars today!

June 14: [Movie in the Park in Glen Ellyn](#) Watch *Minions: The Rise of Gru* under the stars, starting at 7:30 p.m.

June 17: [Stuff the Squad Car in Glen Ellyn](#) from 8 a.m. to noon at the Glen Ellyn Police Department, 65 S. Park Blvd. Help the Glen Ellyn Police Department stuff a squad car with non-perishable food items benefiting the Glen Ellyn Food Pantry.

June 17: [Blood Drive sponsored by Lombard Lodge No. 1098](#) from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at First Church of Lombard, in Fellowship Hall, 220 S. Main St.

June 17: [May the Course Be with You Tournament](#) from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Holes & Knolls, 845 Pershing Ave., Glen Ellyn

June 21: [Glen Ellyn Park District's Jazz in the Park](#) from 7 to 9 p.m. at Maryknoll Park, 845 Pershing Ave., Glen Ellyn

June 27: Our monthly **Food and Blood Drive** with the Glen Ellyn Park District and Kiwanis Club of Central DuPage at Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center, 800 St. Charles Road, Glen Ellyn

June 30: Summer Break at the Lake from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Lake Ellyn Park, 645 Lenox Road, Glen Ellyn

If you have any questions about pending legislation or other issues related to your state government, please don't hesitate to contact my office at 630-812-9292 or RepTCH42@gmail.com.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and stay strong,



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