

## Chicago Quotes

"I don't have any great love for Chicago. What the hell, a childhood around Douglas Park isn't very memorable. I remember the street fights and how you were afraid to cross the bridge 'cause the Irish kid on the other side would beat your head in. I left Chicago a long time ago."

*-"The King of Swing" Benny Goodman, 1976*

## Civil War & Chicago...Oops!

One of the handouts given/purchased by those who attended the Civil War & Chicago tour had an error! The King of Swing, as noted above, was Benny Goodman, NOT Count Basie! Please correct your handouts!

## CTPA Directory Updates

Our newest members are **Candidate Guides Doug Gates and Linda Fine (French) and Associate Member Accent on Arrangements**, which bring the membership up by six new Candidate Members, three new Associate Members and two new Friends since the 2004 CTPA Directory was printed in March 2004.

## Featured Website: AAA Motor Club

International Tour Guide Management Institute (ITMI) recommends that all tour guides and over-the-road escorts join AAA Chicago Motor Club to have access to the many free-to-members maps and publications that AAA updates and produces annually.

**Donna Primas, CTG**, said, "Even before I ever took the ITMI course, I was an AAA member to take advantage of their roadside assistance program. Recently when I was at my local AAA office picking up some new books and maps, they told me that AAA members may now print their own **Vacation TripTik** routing from the convenience of a home computer. I have not tried to do this yet, but I see it as a great new tool. No more delayed gratification!"

For more about AAA Chicago Membership: [www.aaa.com](http://www.aaa.com).

**See another website write-up on the last page!**

**Volunteerism is the rent we pay  
for the space we occupy.**

## Panda-monium!?

Important CTPA contact and friend, **Carey Randall** of the **Sears Tower Skydeck** plays with pandas! The picture below was taken on June 5 or 6, 2004, at the Wolong Panda Reserve outside of Chengdu in the Sichuan Province of China. The primary purpose of Carey's trip was pleasure, though she admits to making a few sales calls. She spent two weeks with a group visiting (Mainland) China, and then extended the trip to include stops in Lhasa, Tibet, and Hong Kong.

She wrote, "We didn't know we would be able to play with babies (pandas) until we were nearly at the Reserve...It was an absolutely amazing trip." Looks like great fun!



*How to caption the above photo?*

*... We always knew Carey Randall was lovable...*

*...Not at all that 'unbearable'....*

*...Getting her stuffing, hugged out...*

*... 'Pandamonium' broke out when Carey traveled to China on vacation...*

## Millennium Park Bus Loading

Per Joleen Domaracki, Tourism Sales Manager of the **Chicago Convention and Tourism Bureau (an Honorary CTPA Member)**, upper Randolph by the Bike Station will be the "official" Millennium Park loading zone on the upcoming 2005 Motorcoach map.

## Rotary in June 2005: CTPA Preferred!

**Howard Silver** is a **Certified Tour Guide (CTG)** who just happens to be the CFO of **Associate Member Educational Tours** and Chairman of the Tour Committee for the Rotary International Centennial Convention taking place June 18-22, 2005.

In a recent email, Howard informed that a DMC has been chosen. He wrote, "...the only companies that I contacted for a Request for Qualifications were those that were CTPA members. I felt that those companies would be the most professional in their work and would have the best working knowledge of handling large group tours.

"We are now expecting up to 60,000 people. We have chosen (**CTPA Associate Member**) **On The Scene** for our destination management services and they understand that our priority is to use CTPA guides."

While taking and passing the CTPA Certified Tour Guide test does not guarantee you work, it may help you get noticed as CTG names are in **bold** and preceded by a diamond (♦) in the CTPA Directory. Having passed the test may also help convince a company you have never worked for that you have the requisite knowledge base thereby allowing you to get a foot in the door!

**Pat Birch** of **On the Scene** told me that Rotary Staffing will require from 36 to 50 people per day. Tour guides will be needed, as will escorts, registration assistance, etc. In a recent conversation, Pat specifically mentioned needing a large number of Portuguese speaking guides!

**Due to potential preferential treatment afforded CTPA members, if you know of individuals who are NOT CTPA members, you may wish to encourage them to join now or in 2005.** If you know of Portuguese speakers, you may wish to have them contact On The Scene about potential guide training.

## Did you know...Certification Testing?

You can take the written test in the presence of ANY Certified Tour Guide at ANY mutually agreeable place with sufficient advance notice. Just be sure to set up your written test date PRIOR to the Part Two-Slide Test date.

**If you have already passed Part One and would like to take the Part Two-Slide Test** this

fall, please let Donna Primas know as soon as possible. A date in early November is planned.

### **TWO individuals who recently took the newly revised written test were asked to assess it.**

- *Fair and balanced. Intelligent enough to expose one's leanings, areas of weakness and other individual gaps. As valuable as a written assessment can be, and thus well worth taking!*
- *I passed the test and even enjoyed taking this entertaining and intelligent exam. The post-test review question-by-question definitely will help me improve.*



## Update: 2004 Officer Elections

After reviewing the qualifications for each office, nominations were opened at the September 21 meeting at the Improv Kitchen and continued at the September 23 meeting at IIT. The final day for candidate nominations is October 5 at our meeting.

There is no limit to the number of individuals who may be nominated. However, it is important that all nominees sign a statement, which says that if elected, they will serve. **Judy Lammering, CTG**, (and whoever she enlists to help) follows up on this aspect of the procedure prior to preparing the ballot.

So far, the following individuals have been nominated and seconded. These individuals have either accepted the nomination OR have not yet indicated that they are unwilling to serve.

**President:** Donna Primas, CTG

**Vice President:** Esther Banike, CTG

**Treasurer:** Lijana Baehr

**Secretary:** Marilyn Brumund, CTG

**If you are willing to serve and would like to be nominated**, please call Judy on her cell phone 630/965-8564 or email her at [jmlnot50@aol.com](mailto:jmlnot50@aol.com).

Ballots will be distributed to voting members (Certified & Candidate Guides) by mail and ballots must be returned in the envelope provided by the voting deadline (date TBD).

## A Great New Resource:

### ***The Encyclopedia of Chicago***

Edited by James R. Grossman, Ann Durkin Keating, and Janice L. Reiff and published by the University of Chicago Press, this book should prove to be a great reference worthy of purchase—or at least putting on your holiday gift list! ***The Encyclopedia of Chicago*** is hard cover, has 1,100 pages and costs \$65.00.

Sponsored by the Newberry Library in cooperation with the Chicago Historical Society, major funding was provided by The National Endowment for the Humanities, The John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, The City of Chicago and The State of Illinois. All notable institutions whose reputations precede them!

Real people and real events make our city's past. This volume “explores, documents, narrates, explains, and wrestles with that past to produce a definitive description of the city and its history.”

#### **The press releases say this:**

“***The Encyclopedia of Chicago*** comprises two products: a 1,300-page book, published by the University of Chicago Press, and a hypermedia electronic encyclopedia to be published at the web site of the Chicago Historical Society. Each will provide comprehensive reference for scholars, teachers, students, and the general public. The ***Encyclopedia*** encompasses all aspects of Chicago's past, from geological prehistory to the present. No comparable reference work exists.

“***The Encyclopedia of Chicago*** is particularly interested in interdependence and diversity. Entries explore histories of communities across the metropolitan area, histories of every ethnic group that has had an institutional presence in Chicago, and a broad range of institutions. These individual histories are less important than their relationship to one another: between city and suburbs, among ethnic groups, and across an institutional landscape.

“An interdisciplinary editorial board includes scholars from across the country and combines breadth of expertise with representation from Chicago's research and teaching institutions. A community advisory board brings together representatives from city libraries, museums, schools, media, businesses, and government agencies to provide additional advice and evaluation for the project. This diverse board includes people

who disagree, and people whose conversation stimulates new ideas.

“The Newberry Library, with its considerable experience developing works of scholarship accessible to broad audiences, serves as project headquarters. The Chicago Historical Society provides its unique and extensive graphics collection and the permanent home for the electronic publication. This cooperative institutional base brings together two extraordinary research collections as well as expertise of the infinite nooks and crannies for Chicago history. At the Newberry, encyclopedia staff interacts regularly with urban historians, geographers, library scholars, secondary school teachers, librarians, and others whose perspectives contribute to the kind of interdisciplinary environment most likely to nurture a successful encyclopedia project.”

#### **A second publicity piece about the tome says:**

“Chicago rises out of the prairie in the heart of the country, buffeted by winds coming off the plains and cooled by the waters of the inland sea of Lake Michigan. Chicago is a city of size and mass, the cradle of modern architecture, and the freight hub of the nation, a city built on slaughterhouses and cacophonous financial trading tempered by some of the finest cultural institutions in the world. **While many histories have been written of the city, none can claim the scope and breadth of *The Encyclopedia of Chicago*.**

“...***The Encyclopedia of Chicago*** is the definitive historical reference on metropolitan Chicago. More than a decade in the making, the ***Encyclopedia*** brings together hundreds of historians, journalists, and experts on everything from airlines to Zoroastrians to explore all aspects of the rich world of Chicagoland, from its geological prehistory to the present.

“***The Encyclopedia of Chicago*** has everything in it to engage the most curious historian as well as settle the most boisterous barroom argument. If you think you know how Chicago got its name, if you have always wondered how the Chicago Fire spread, if you have marveled at the Sears Tower or the reversal of the Chicago River—if you have affection, admiration, and appreciation for this City of Big Shoulders, this Wild Onion, this Urbs in Horto, then ***The Encyclopedia of Chicago*** is for you.

**ORDER NOW for a special CTPA Member *Encyclopedia* discount purchase (\$45-\$50), tax included. Call DONNA 630/717-9004 ASAP!**

## CTPA Contributor to *The Encyclopedia!*

Sherry Meyer, CTG, wrote her Master of Arts thesis about Montgomery, and completed four entries for *The Encyclopedia of Chicago*.

- Chicago: Ashburn
- Western Suburbs: Geneva, North Aurora and Montgomery

## Upcoming Events Related to *The Encyclopedia of Chicago*

*These events are not sponsored by the CTPA but are deemed to be of potential interest:*

### ●Wednesday, October 6, 6:00 pm

**Location:** Harold Washington Library, 400 S. State St.

A special presentation of the Encyclopedia to Mayor Daley followed by a Chicago trivia battle with some of your favorite Chicago celebrities.

### ●Creating The Encyclopedia of Chicago

**Saturday, November 13, 10:00 am - 11:00 am**

*(Part of the Chicago Humanities Festival)*

The panel of editors discusses their creative process: How were decisions made about what and what not to include? How did they identify 145 ethnic communities to include as individual entries? Why does the book have no standard biographical entries? And exactly what is a neighborhood?

## Chicago Metro History Fair

A September 22 email sent to the CTPA membership on-line outlined a possibly pleasurable way that CPTA members with an interest in history could volunteer for a worthy cause.

Now in its 27<sup>th</sup> year, the annual Metro History Fair touches the lives of up to 17,000 students in grades six through twelve each year! The sponsoring body (the CMHEC) is an independent not-for-profit organization co-sponsored by the Newberry Library, Chicago Historical Society, UIC, and the Public Library, which has made a difference in students' educational experiences. The children who participate in the program produce mini-museum exhibits, performances, documentaries, and research papers about their history discoveries. In doing their projects, they make history come alive for themselves and their audiences.

A large number of volunteers are needed to assist **for a few hours to multiple days—on**

weekdays, evenings, and Saturdays, February through April. They offer great flexibility in performing a variety of tasks, from judging projects to on-site assistance. There are opportunities in the suburbs and well as in the city.

For more information, visit the CMHEC website: [www.uic.edu/orgs/cmhec](http://www.uic.edu/orgs/cmhec) or contact **Pauline Kochanski, Outreach & Volunteer Coordinator**, at **312-255-3607** or [pkochanski@chicagohistoryfair.org](mailto:pkochanski@chicagohistoryfair.org)

## History Fair Participation—Very Rewarding!

*I have been a judge for the History Fair for more years than I care to remember. It is great fun and I always learn a great deal from the students. I usually judge performances but I have also judged displays and I have worked with the grammar school groups as well.*

*I recommend it as a highly gratifying volunteer job.*

**-Enid Rieser, CTPA Candidate Guide**

## NEW REGULAR FEATURES-?

### Worth Walking By & Worth Stopping In

I would like to get *all members* more interested in *SUBMITTING short articles* to share with the membership. One idea for a short submission is the something with the theme, *Worth Walking By*. This could be a building, sculpture, monument or vista that may be out of the way or just on a street a bit off the beaten path. If one were in the neighborhood, the place you mention would be “worth walking by.”



One such *Worth Walking By* place for me is the **self-parking garage on 60 East Lake Street** between Wabash and Michigan Avenues. This multi-story garage designed by Stanley Tigerman & Associates in 1986 has a façade that resembles the front grill of an automobile. The AIA guide notes that the exterior coloration of the baked enamel panels was selected from the 1957 Chevrolet palette of colors. The building is sort of a serendipitous urban “joke.” It always makes me smile.

## Worth Walking By...Stopping In (cont'd)



The **second theme** I would suggest for short member submissions is **Worth Stopping In**. Again, this would be a short write-up of an interior or lobby of a building that you find particularly inspiring or beautiful and would like others to know about.

For me, the lobby of the **Marquette Building, 140 S. Dearborn** (at the corner of Adams, across from the Miesian Federal Buildings), defines a perfect “Worth Stopping In” place. The 1893-95 Holabird & Roche exterior is undergoing an ambitious renovation of the upper cornice and there is scaffolding to dodge at present.

Many of you may have admired the exterior bronze reliefs as you roll by on a coach. If you have not seen them, they are noteworthy as they tell the story of Father Marquette, a Jesuit priest and explorer who passed through our area 1674-1675 with fellow traveler, Joliet. The exterior bronzes by Hermon McNeil document the encounter with Native Americans and the interior lobby continues with that theme.

The two story interior lobby has perhaps THE most stunning mosaics in all of Chicago. They never cease to move me for their exquisite coloration. Designed by J.A. Holzer and executed by whom else, Tiffany. The interior bronze reliefs on the two levels also show French Explorers and Native Americans, including Chief Checagou!

Next time you are in the area, be sure you step inside—whether it is day or night. Building security guards man a desk just inside the Dearborn entrance and have always welcomed myself and small groups—even on the weekends.

### NOW IT'S YOUR TURN!

Share your knowledge and tell the CTPA members what you think is **Worth Walking By** or **Worth Stopping In**. Be sure to include the location address, why you think it is so wonderful and, if known, date, style, architect, etc.

Computerized text is preferred (in an email or attachment), but snail mailed hand written submissions are also gratefully accepted.

**PRETTY  PLEASE!**

## New Plaza/Art at IUC Campus

CTPA Candidate Guide **Holly Jensen** read this in Chicago Magazine and thought it would be of interest to the CTPA membership:

“**The Sheltering Sky *Rayna***, a major work of installation art by renowned conceptual artist James Turrell, is on loan from the permanent collection of the Art Institute of Chicago to the University of Illinois at Chicago's Gallery 400 (1240 W. Harrison St.; 312-996-6114), where it is being exhibited for the first time in 20 years.

Turrell—whose most significant piece is *Roden Crater*, an ongoing 30-year-old earthwork for which the artist has transformed a dormant volcano in Arizona's Painted Desert into a series of underground tunnels and chambers—was commissioned by the university to design **Gateway Plaza, a public space on the southwest corner of Halsted Street and Roosevelt Road** that provides entry to the school's South Campus.

The plaza, which will also feature one of the artist's signature chambers for viewing the interplay of sky and light, similar to those of Roden Crater, will open in November. *Rayna* remains on view through October 30.

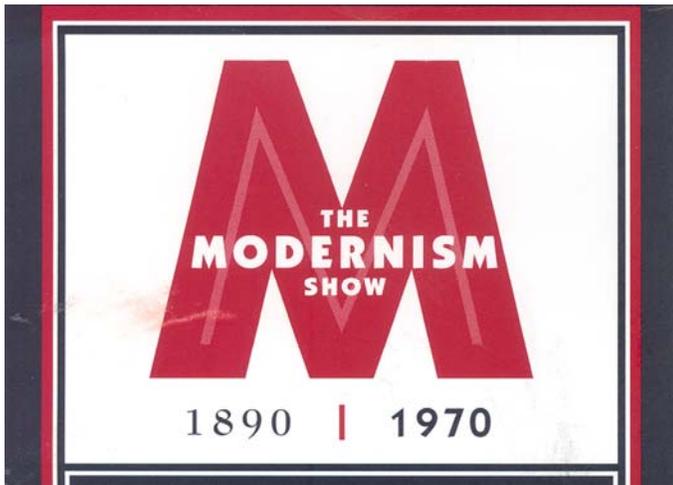
### About CTPA Special Invitations:

When we have complimentary entrance at museums or other venues, the offer is good **only** at the **specified day and time**. Please do not ask the institution for special treatment or entrance at any other times as this may upset our contacts and/or risk the special privileges with these organizations.

## SAVE THE DATES!

### Upcoming Events & Meetings

- **RSVP BY OCT 1!** Tuesday, October 5, 6:30 p.m., our last quarterly meeting will be at the Chicago Park District Fieldhouse. **Elaine Coorens** has written a book about Wicker Park and **Brian Read** (husband of **Barbara Read, CTG**) shot the video-photos for Crown Fountain.
- **RESERVE NOW!** Tuesday, October 19, 1:00 p.m. (**RSVP by OCT 4**) & Thursday, October 28, 9:30 a.m. Field Museum of Natural History, entrance to Machu Picchu (docent-led tours).
- **Monday, November 22, 9:00 a.m., & Tuesday, November 23, 9:00 a.m.**, Field Museum of Natural History, special entrance to Jackie Kennedy without docents. **FLYER ENCLOSED!**



## Modernism Show in November

The Woman's Board of the Winnetka Community House will present the 15th Annual Modernism Show with top quality examples of Art Nouveau, Arts and Crafts, Prairie School, Art Deco, Art Moderne, Fifties and other 20th Century design movements. Furniture, paintings, illustrations, photographs, jewelry, metalwork, pottery, textiles, clothing and other decorative arts from these important periods of design will be offered for sale by dealers from across the United States.

All proceeds benefit the programs and services of the Winnetka Community House, a non-tax supported organization that is dependent on a broad base of community support for its existence. Numerous free lectures are held in conjunction with the show. Admission is \$12 and hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on November 6, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on November 7.

For more information, call 1-847-446-0537 or on-line at [www.winnetkacommunityhouse.org](http://www.winnetkacommunityhouse.org).

### Select Airport Codes From the M's What a difference a letter makes...!

MDW - [Chicago, IL, USA - Midway](#)  
MDZ - [Mendoza, Argentina - El Plumerillo](#)

MKE - [Milwaukee, WI, USA - General Mitchell](#)  
MKG - [Muskegon, MI, USA](#)  
MKK - [Molokai, HI, USA](#)

MSO - [Missoula, MT, USA](#)  
MSP - [Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN, USA](#)  
MSQ - [Minsk, Belarus](#)  
MST - [Maastricht, Netherlands - Maastricht/Aachen](#)  
MSY - [New Orleans, LA, USA](#)



## Airline and Airport Codes

Those airline and airports are sometimes hard to recognize or remember, so in response to a recent inquiry for help, I set off to find a good on-line source of information.

After discovering a few for-purchase software programs, which can be loaded on a Palm Pilot—I don't have a PDA (Personal Digital Assistant) yet so I skipped over those—I found an extraordinary "everything-you-wanted-to-know-about-aviation" site.

Just printing a summary listing of what this site has took eleven pages! What Marshall Field once said about his Chicago department store, applies to this website, "If we don't have it, you don't need it!"

The site is [www.ThirtyThousandFeet.com](http://www.ThirtyThousandFeet.com) and it described itself like this: "an aviation directory with thousands of links to aviation web pages, aviation news, FAQs, and other sources of commercial, military, and general aviation information."

Check it OUT! You will find photos of aircraft, FAA Abbreviations and Acronyms (those desired two and three digit codes!), principles of flight, commercial and military aircraft photos and cockpit layouts, air show and air races, glossaries of terms, the history of flying, call signs, registration numbers explained, tips for large passengers(!), pilot log book software, engine and plane manufacturers, airport pollution, flight simulators, hang gliding, soaring, ultra lights, paragliding, military terms...yadda, yadda, yadda! **You have to see it to believe it.**

### Some Airline Codes ...From the Z's

ZA - [AccessAir](#) - USA - 737s based in Des Moines, Iowa  
ZB - [Monarch Airlines](#) - UK - flights in Europe  
ZI - [Aigle Azur](#) - France - Holiday flights to Algeria  
ZK - [Great Lakes Aviation](#) - USA - United Express flights  
ZK - [United Express](#) - USA - Great Lakes Aviation flights  
ZQ - [Qantas New Zealand](#) - Previously Ansett NZ  
ZR - [Muk Air](#) - Denmark - Copenhagen to Scandinavia  
ZU - [Freedom Air International](#) - Flights NZ & Australia  
ZW - [Air Wisconsin](#) - USA - United Express feeder