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Environmental Services

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2019

Join Gabriel on September 12th for Fall Fest

Recipe Corner



Chocolate Pecan Pie

Ingredients:

- Half package (one crust) - refrigerated pie crusts
- 1.5 c. chopped pecans
- 1 c. (6 oz) semisweet chocolate morsels or chunks
- 1/2 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 c. dark corn syrup
- 1/4 c. bourbon (or water)
- 4 large eggs



Please join Gabriel for our annual open house.

Open House highlights include:

- Delicious autumnal food and drinks, plus local craft beers
- Live music
- Tours of our two geothermal systems, solar power array, & rain collection system
- Geoprobe® soil boring demos
- Laboratory tours
- Networking with other professionals in your field
- Raffles, prizes, and giveaways
- And much, much more!

Thursday, September 12, 2019

3:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Gabriel's Headquarters - 1421 N. Elston Ave.

Guests are welcome!

For more information, contact us at gabriel@gabenv.com or (773) 486-2123.

- 2 tps cornmeal
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 c. butter, melted
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract

Directions:

- 1) Preheat oven to 325*. Fit pie crust into a 9-inch pie plate, fold edges under and crimp.
- 2) Sprinkle chopped pecans and chocolate morsels evenly onto the pie crust. Set aside.
- 3) Combine sugars, corn syrup, and bourbon (or water) in a large sauce pan. Bring to a boil over medium heat. Cook 3 minutes, stirring constantly.
- 4) Whisk together eggs and remaining ingredients. Gradually stir 1/4 hot mixture into egg mixture. Add to remaining hot mixture, stirring constantly. Pour filling into pie crust.
- 5) Bake at 325* for 55 minutes. Cool and serve.

*1st Place - Pie Contest
Nell Rhoades*

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MWRD Now Subject to Independent Oversight for First Time in its 130-year History



Effective May 2019, Cook County's Office of the Independent Inspector General (OIIG) has extended its jurisdiction to include oversight of MWRD. The mission of OIIG is to detect, deter, and prevent corruption, fraud, waste, mismanagement, unlawful political discrimination, and misconduct in the operation of Cook County government.

OIIG will prepare quarterly reports for MWRD's Board of Commissioners and Executive Director, as well as separate summary reports to appropriate department heads upon conclusion of any MWRD investigation. The reports are not allowed to name any informant, complainant, witness, or person investigated, except in certain instances.

OIIG is authorized to issue public statements concerning: a) an investigation that exonerates an individual who is publicly known to have been under investigation where the subject requests such a statement, and b) an investigation that concerns inefficient or wasteful management, as opposed to individual misconduct or illegality.

Complaints regarding wrongful acts, infractions, or omissions on the part of MWRD as an agency or by an individual employee may be made online on the [OIIG website](#) or by calling 877-IGTIPLN (877-448-4756) or 312-603-0745.

The Better Government Association (BGA) has been calling for this independent oversight because MWRD had been one of the state's largest public agencies without an inspector general.

EPA Seeks Public Input on Designating 20 Chemicals as High-Priority Substances

EPA's public comment period has officially opened regarding the 20 chemicals they have proposed to be designated as High-Priority Substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Until November 21, interested parties are invited to review the





chemical-specific information, analysis, and basis EPA used to support the proposed designation. EPA is required to complete the prioritization process by December 2019. Once a chemical is designated as High-Priority, EPA will undertake a 3-year risk evaluation process to determine if the chemical, under the conditions of use, presents an unreasonable risk to human health and the environment.

20 additional chemicals are proposed to be designated as Low-Priority chemicals. If approved, these Low-Priority chemicals will not require any further risk analysis at this time.

October

- October 31 - ERMS Seasonal Emissions Report

For participating facilities with 10 or less ATUs

The 20 proposed High-Priority chemicals include seven chlorinated solvents, six phthalates, four flame retardants, formaldehyde, a fragrance additive, and a polymer pre-cursor.

Additional information about the chemicals and the public comment forum can be found in the Federal Register.

November

- November 30 - ERMS Seasonal Emissions Report

For participating facilities with 11 or more ATUs

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