



NEWS FROM Seraj Library Project

Empowering communities in Palestine, one library at a time

{{Today's Date}}

Dear *{{Name}}*

Here's a great opportunity for Chicago area folks! We hope you can join us on Sunday Afternoon, July 24...**SEE YOU THERE!** *John Cassel, Vice Chair.*

A Summer Picnic for the Seraj Community

Sunday, July 24
4 - 7:00 pm

Laurie & Estephan Salameh, our co-founders, will be in Chicago in July. Join us for this great opportunity to gather with our Seraj friends, connect with Laurie & Estephan, celebrate our Project's successes, and hear an update on our activities and plans.

The picnic will be held at ***First Church of the Brethren*** community garden, 425 S Central Park Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60624.

All are welcome!

No charge
Local street parking is available.

Just off the Eisenhower at Central Park.
Exit Homan from the East,
Independence from the West.

The Homan Stop on the Blue Line is just one long block away.

This picnic is being held at John & Joyce Cassel's church. Questions? Call John at 630.606.5671.

- **Meet** your fellow-supporters of Seraj community libraries in Palestine.
- **Learn** about the libraries and the children who use them. Laurie Salameh, Director and Seraj's Co-Founder.
- **Receive** an update on the situation in Palestine from Dr. Estephan Salameh, Seraj's Co-Founder, adjunct professor at Birzeit University, and advisor to the Prime Minister.
- The brief program & update will begin at 5:30 pm.



Seraj will provide simple sandwiches, chips and drinks. **Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, if you wish.** Bring a lawn chair or blanket to supplement our supplies, if you are able.

If you play the guitar, banjo, ukulele, or other instrument, bring it to entertain us!

Eight or eighty years old—everyone, and all families, are welcome to join in the Seraj's family fun.



Let us know you are coming!

Help us plan so we can host you properly. Please use the above button to register for the event. Tell us how many are coming in your party—our count need only be approximate and impromptu friends are welcome. **It's a picnic!** Please reply by **Wednesday, July 20**. We look forward to seeing you.



Amer Zahr, popular Palestinian-American political activist & comedian will be our MC

**Announcing: The Seraj Benefit — *in person*
Reza's Restaurant, Oak Brook, IL
Sunday, November 13 at 4:00 pm.**

Middle Eastern Food. Seraj Reports & Fellowship.

Hold the date on your calendar. More information to come.

We're very enthused about our planned program and the opportunity to gather as a Seraj community. Plan to join us for an enjoyable and informative evening...

Our October Seraj Trip to Palestine on **October 16-24**, is fully booked. If you are interested, join the wait list. Or watch for future tours. We are anticipating this being a very rewarding experience. We'll hear a brief report at our November Benefit.

Explore our Seraj Palestine Tour



Our tour will be in Palestine for the 2022 Olive Harvest!

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