

Welcome to the Christkindlmarkt!

The market opens at 11:00. Give yourself plenty of time to enjoy it, look around, and speak German to the workers – they'll really appreciate it!

Be sure to sample some of the tasty treats available at the Christkindlmarkt stands as well – remember, these are made by authentic Germans and are almost as good as being there!

There are plenty of things for you to do and ample time in which to do so, after you've taken in the Christkindlmarkt. I would highly recommend:

Things to See At Macy's (formerly Marshall Field) on State and Randolph

- ❑ Check out the windows along State Street. Since the late 1890's, they have been decorated with a different story or theme. This year's theme is "Believe."
- ❑ Go into Macy's and look up! Corinthian columns lead the way to an atrium on the north side which is topped by a spectacular atrium from none other than Louis Comfort Tiffany. Tiffany himself didn't build it -- a group of 50 artists worked under him for 18 months to make it possible. The dome covers 6,000 square feet and is the largest Tiffany mosaic in existence.
- ❑ Then, go to the Walnut Room restaurant to see the giant Christmas tree. The best place to see the tree is from the observation deck on the 8th floor.
- ❑ Hungry? Macy's has a cafeteria in the basement and a food court on the 7th floor.

PROTECT YOURSELF!!!!

In Chicago, as in any large city, your best means of protecting yourself is to be aware of your surroundings. With that in mind:

- ❑ **You MUST choose at least two "buddies" with whom you will spend the day. Your group must consist of at least three people! DO NOT go off by yourself. If you see someone from our school who is on their own, please invite them into your group.**
- ❑ Be discreet with your cash; don't flash it around where everyone can see it. Keep it on your person (rather than in your backpack, which can be opened from behind without your knowledge).
- ❑ Do not let go of your purchases for any length of time.
- ❑ Use the map (reverse) to orient yourself to your surroundings and explore more.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you become lost or separated from your partner/group, or need any other assistance, find another group from our school or call my cell _____. It will be on all day.

The distance between the Christkindlmarkt at Daley Plaza and the John Hancock Observatory on North Michigan Avenue is approximately 1.5 miles. Please budget your time accordingly and wear a watch out of respect for the group.

YOU MUST RETURN TO THE BUS PROMPTLY AT _____.

