Sullivan will seek re-election

State Rep. Ed Sullivan, R-51st, of Mundelein has announced his intention to seek re-election to the Illinois House of Representatives in the newly drawn 51st House District in 2012.

A Mundelein graduate and Carmel High School graduate, Sullivan is serving his fifth term in the General Assembly. In announcing his re-election bid, Sullivan cites his advocacy for small businesses in the state and support for legislative initiatives that help create an environment for small businesses to create jobs.

“Moving forward, our No. 1 priority should be to spur private-sector job creation by removing the disincentives for employers to expand and hire workers due to a state tax and regulation structure that punishes productivity and puts us at a competitive disadvantage with neighboring states,” said Sullivan. “We need to recognize that small business is the engine that drives our economy.”

First elected to the House in 2002, Sullivan will run in the new 51th District. The district includes all or parts of Mundelein, Libertyville, Lake Zurich, Long Grove, Hawthorn Woods, Vernon Hills, Deer Park, Green Oaks, Barrington, Tower Lakes, North Barrington and Lake Barrington.

Cuneo Mansion to host jazz fest

Loyola University Chicago’s Cuneo Mansion and Gardens will host its first Jazz Fest on Oct. 13, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Great Hall of the museum, 1350 N. Milwaukee Ave, in Vernon Hills. The event will feature renowned pianist Anthony Molinaro and others.

Molinaro, assistant professor of music at Loyola University Chicago, is a composer and classical pianist, who has won many awards including the Naumburg Prize and the National Piano Fellowship from the American Pianist Association. Joining Molinaro will be an array of Chicago jazz musicians including Scott Burns, tenor saxophone and jazz band director at Loyola; Victor Garcia, trumpet and music instructor at Loyola; Lorin Cohen, bassist and instructor at the Jazz Ambassador program; and Michael Raynor, drummer/percussionist and member of the Dennis Luxion, Michael Raynor Quartet.

The lineup will feature original and unique arrangements on music of The Beatles and George Gershwin. Tickets are $20 per person. Cuneo members receive a discounted rate. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.cuneomansion.org.