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This year's reception at Chandler's featured performances by the Hoffman Estates High School Chamber Orchestra and Schaumburg Idol, a local search for the next singing superstar. Past and present Idols performed classics including *Nobody Does It Better* and *Heat Wave* for guests.

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*Submitted by Schaumburg Park District*

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