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Usha Kamaria, of Skokie, lights a wick during a beginning prayer to the goddess Durga for the success of the evening during a ceremony celebrating the New Year on the Indian calendar at the Feldman Recreation Center in Niles on Saturday. PAGE 7 (Michael Jarecki/for STM)

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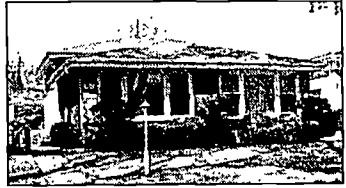
Evanston \$549,000
Awesome 2900sq ft Vintage in prime East location! Parking, W/D 4bd, 3bths! ID#03105297
Charlie Vernon 847-491-1855



Skokie \$375,000
Adorable 4bed/3ba Cape Cod w/newer updates. Hdwd flrs finished bsmt & more. ID#03105299
Sheila Doyle 847-491-1855



Lincolnwood \$350,000
Lincolnwood estates - traditional brk georgian-spacious home offers 4 bdrms ID#04405281
Irene Yungerman 773-775-1855



Skokie \$349,950
Superb 3bd/Devonshire Hghlnds w/upds/Custom Brick w/rock grdn/Must see! ID#03105303
Dorit Helmer 847-491-1855



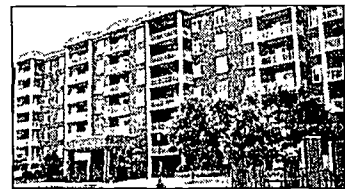
Skokie \$349,000
Beautiful cape cod home on a lovely lot with expansive back yard. ID#04405462
Lorenzo Sanchez 773-775-1855



Skokie \$315,000
Jumbo upd sunny ranch on dbl lot w/lge rms. Fin bsmt 3+br 2ba. att gar! ID#03105246
Naumiak Julie 847-491-1855



Skokie \$315,000
Newer condo. 2br w/eat-in kit & Indry rm. Mstr w/2 closets. ba w/sep shwr ID#93909018
Maureen Dunn 847-446-1855



Morton Grove \$299,000
Brt & sunny top flr 2BD. 2BA unit in Woodlands. w/unobstructed west views ID#04405235
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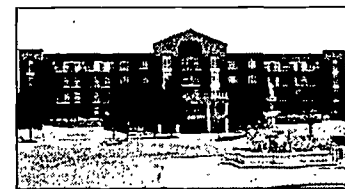
Skokie \$298,500
Fairview south school dist. 50x125 lot. Oak hdwd flrs. inv LR w/wdbrfl. ID#04405381
Rebecca Cleal 773-775-1855



Skokie \$279,900
Outstanding Bldg! Units are occupied. 2bd/1bth w/updtd Kts & Bths! Invst opp ID#03105042
Rosemarie Hoffman 847-491-1855



Chicago \$279,000
Extra lg & spacious 3bdrm/2bth unit features high end finishes throughout. ID#04405431
Nicole Flores 773-775-1855



Niles \$275,900
True three bedroom unit with extra large terrace with a beautiful view ID#04405431
Gina Purdy 847-823-1855



Skokie \$249,000
Spacious & bright condo feat lg LR w private balc. Open kit w maple cabs ID#94409691
Diane Staton 773-775-1855



Evanston \$199,000
2br, 2ba CONDO LRG KITCHEN LR, DR, BAL. HEATED PARKING. IN UNIT LAUNDRY. ID#03105202
Jan Peterson 847-491-1855



Lincolnwood \$179,000
Clean, spotless & ready to move into! Neutral colors. ceramic tile foyer. ID#04405442
Lynn Pufpaf 773-775-1855



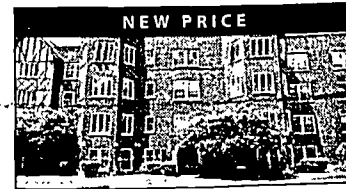
Glenview \$150,000
Exc value in valley lo: corner unit w/gracious foyer to welcome guests ID#94409647
Jeanne Salzmann 847-823-1855



Morton Grove \$137,000
Beautiful 1 bdrm condo w/2 spacious balc! Nice floor plan w/sep dining area ID#04405096
Xavier Oravanakathil 847-823-1855



Skokie \$135,000
Quiet 1st flr condo. Beautifully rmdd. 1 of the best values on the Nthshr. ID#03105313
Matt Burbach 847-491-1855



Chicago \$84,500
Im.med. possession Vintage 1Br. Co-op 5spacious, high Ceilings & hrdwd flrs ID#03105204
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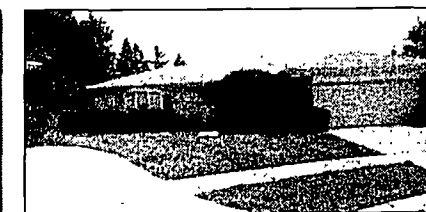
Morton Grove \$899,000
Expansive 6 br, 5.5 ba loaded w/Brazilian cherry floors. Gourmet kit. Liv rm w/plc. All baths w/natural stone. Deck w/hot tub, 3-car gar.



Morton Grove \$529,900
5 br, 5.5 ba home designer homew/dramatic 2-story marble foyer, remodeled gourmet kitchen. Master suite w/skylight. Full finished basement.



Morton Grove \$400,000
3 br, 3 ba georgian in prime area. Hardwood floors. Master suite w/ balcony & alcove! Island kitchen & ss appls. Newer 2-car garage.



Niles \$399,000
3 br, 1.5 ba home in great cul-de-sac location. Great view of park & very close to schools. All-new thermal windows. Hdwd flrs under carpet.

Marla Schneider 6105Elm.Info 847-724-5800 Kathy Mlicevic 847-222-6907 Douglas Stitt 847-222-6884 Tony Lullo 847-696-0700



Niles \$385,000
4 br, 3 ba home on a huge lot w/many improvements & updates. All refin hdwd flrs. Big eat-in kitchen w new oven, cooktop & new ceramic flrs.



Morton Grove \$359,000
Spacious 3 br, 2.5 ba TH w/fabulous floor plan. Liv & din rm combined w/multi-sided fpic. Lrg balc. Great location near town & train.



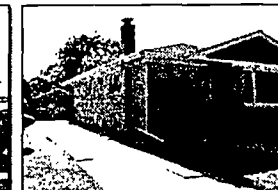
Morton Grove \$329,000
Residential lot recently divided & zoned for single fam. Nice wide lot works well for ranch w/att garage. Split-level or 2-story.



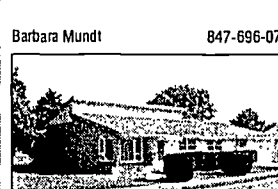
Morton Grove \$321,900
Beautiful 4 br, 3.5 ba Colonial. Great layout with great room design. Deep English basement. Attached 3-car garage. Big corner lot.



Morton Grove \$309,000
Spacious 3 br, 2.5 ba tri-level w/bsmt. Raised formal liv rm w/vaulted ceiling. Fpic. Large eat-in kitchen w/bow window. Master bedroom w/bath & hall bath w/Jacuzzi.



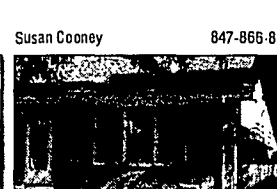
Niles \$309,000
Beautifully updated 3 br, 2 ba brick ranch. Hdwd flrs. New kitchen w/maple cabinets. Newer ss appls. Finished basement w/plc. Fenced yard.



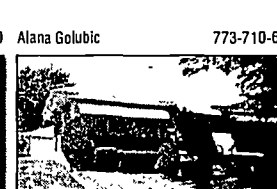
Morton Grove \$299,000
Updated 3 br split in a great location. Newer windows. Fin bsmt. Remodeled kit. Hdwd flrs & ceramic kitchen flr. Attached garage.



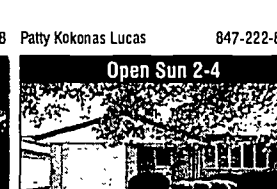
Morton Grove \$298,000
3 bedroom, 2 bath with nice curb appeal. Good size split level. Newer white appliances, ceramic tile kitchen, hardwood floors. 2.5-car gar.



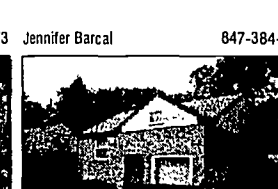
Niles \$279,900
3 br, 1.5 ba jambo bi-level duplex w/formal din rm, fam rm, bsmt & laundry w/storage. Large fenced yard w/patio. 3 prkg spaces.



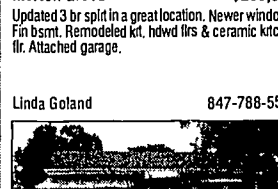
Niles \$274,500
2br 2 ba back ranch. Kit w/appl. Newer furnace, water heater & remod ba. Hdwd flrs. Bsmt. Newer c/a roof. Agent related to seller.



8439 Roseview Dr, Niles \$269,000
Adorable 3 br, 2 ba ranch w/hardwood floors & large eat-in kitchen. Full basement and attached 1.5-car garage. Great location. Fresh paint.



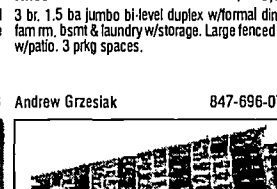
Morton Grove \$264,900
Great 3 br, 2 ba home w/2-car att garage on spacious corner lot. Hdwd flrs. Rec rm w/built ins. Family rm w/wood-burning fireplace & more.



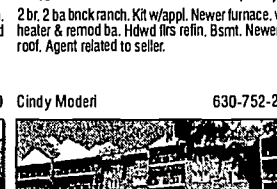
Niles \$249,900
Well maintained 2 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Close to shopping, schools and public transportation. Separate dining room, large eat-in kitchen.



Niles \$249,000
Bright 3 br, 2 ba home. Good size bedrooms, eat-in kit, hdwd flrs. Full finished basement w/wet bar, separate laundry room. Conv location.



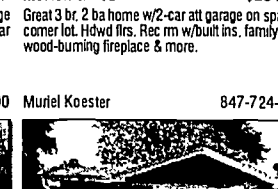
Niles \$200,000
Upgraded 2 br, 2 ba corner unit. Den/alc can be 3rd br. Maple cabs, stainless appl, updated ba. Assessment incl pool, heat, cable. Lrg balc.



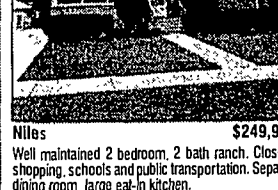
Niles \$199,900
2 br, 2 ba corner unit w/plc. Full size eat-in kitchen. Master br w/Jacuzzi. Full laundry room. Double balcony. Heated indoor gar.



Niles \$189,000
Tree-top facing 2 br, 2 ba well-maint unit. Large eat-in kitchen with skylite. Separate in-unit laundry room with full size w/d. Heated gar.



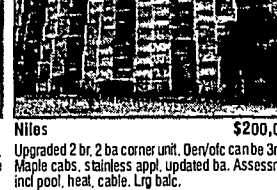
Morton Grove \$170,000
3 bedroom home. Needs work. Short sale. Don't miss this opportunity!



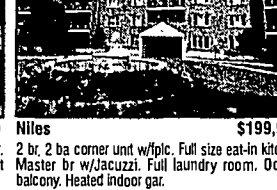
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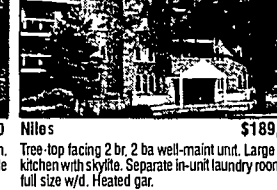
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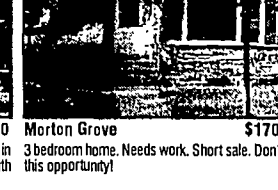
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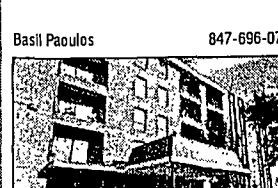
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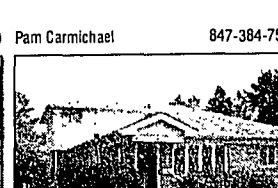
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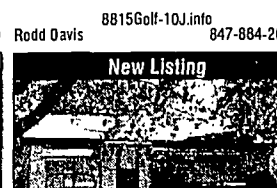
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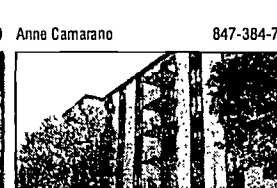
Morton Grove \$169,900
Bright 2 br, 1.5 ba sunny unit w/southwest exposure. Large living & dining rooms & inviting patio. The unit has an assigned parking.



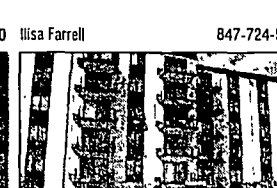
Niles \$169,900
Fantastic oppor/unity! Corporate-owned 4 bedroom, 2 bath home being sold in as-is condition



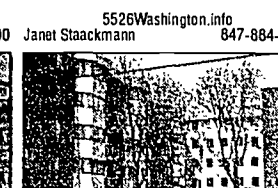
Morton Grove \$165,000
3 br 1-level home. Large lot. Kit opens to large fam rm w/fireplace. Sep dining/breakfast area. Hdwd flrs. 1st floor laundry. Oversized gar.



Niles \$145,900
Largest unit in complex! 2 br, 2.5 ba unit feat new carpet, window treatments, fresh paint, newer a/c units, 2 balc. Ample closets & ba.



Niles \$107,000
Beautiful 1br condo w/fresh paint. New carpeting in neutral colors. Large guest & linen closets in foyer. Eat-in kit opens to liv/din rm.

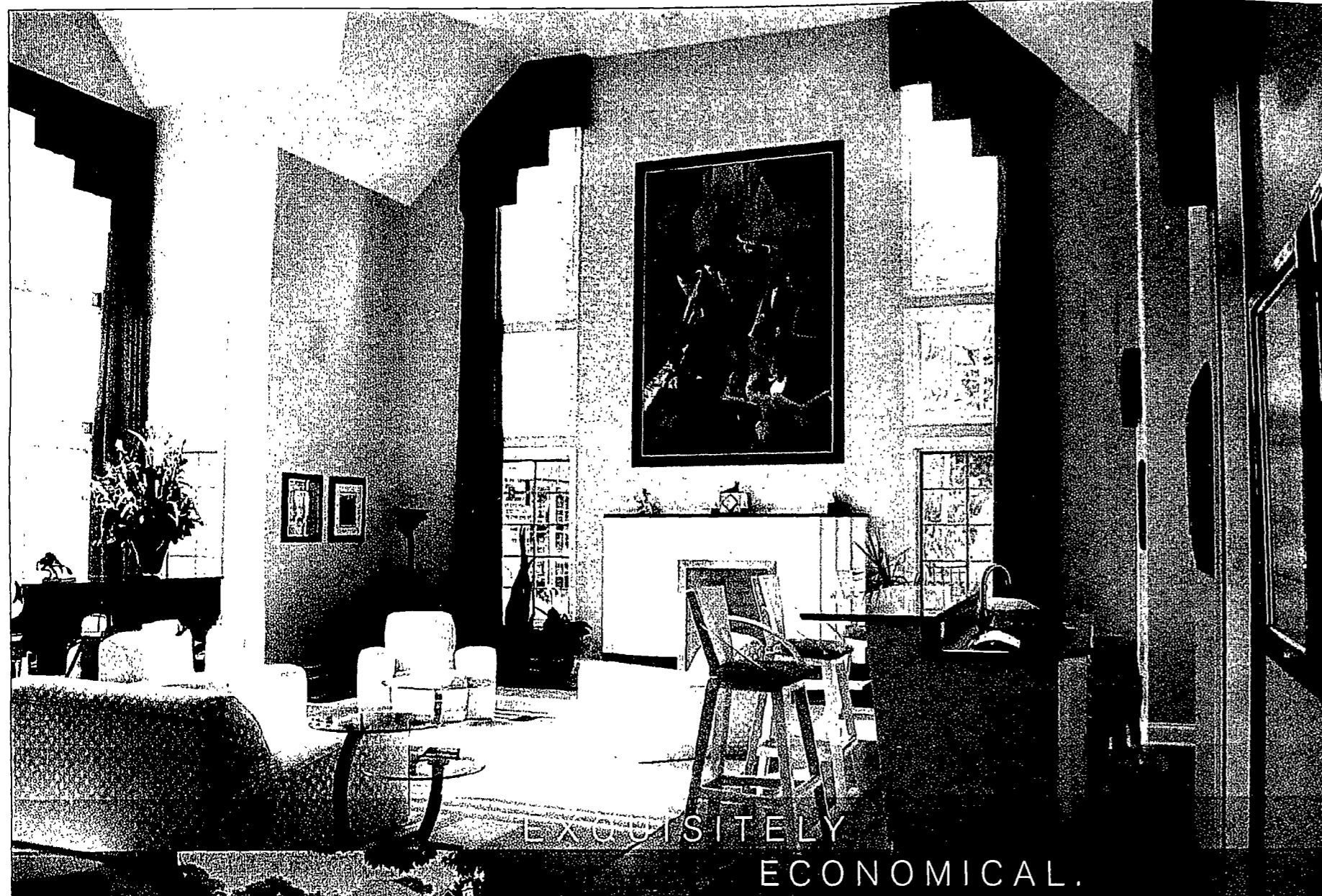


Morton Grove \$99,900
Nice unit in Lotus Gardens. Seller will pay assessments through December 2010.

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NILES TEEN CENTER

'Creative approach' garners recognition

By **TRACY GRUEN**
Contributor

"It's nice to get recognized even if we have a small program."

Mark Williams,
Teen Center coordinator

The Niles Teen Center was recently recognized by the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation at Harvard University.

Out of about 600 applicants the Niles Teen Center was one of 173 government programs to be awarded in the inaugural year of the Bright Ideas program.

"Our evaluators feel the Niles Teen Center took a creative approach," said Christina Marchand, associate director for outreach, for Innovations in American Government Awards.

Marchand said the Teen Center is in a very unique location at Golf Mill Shopping Center and also offers creative programs. The Teen Center has a strong partnership with various entities in the community, such as various governmental departments, the Public Library, Chamber of Commerce, Golf Mill management and stores, local school districts, residents and businesses.

The applicants were evaluated based on novelty (demonstrating creativity), effectiveness (achieving tangible results), significance (addressing important problems or concerns) and transferability (promise of successful replication by others).

"It's nice to get recognized even if we have a small program," said Teen Center coordinator Mark Williams, who feels the acknowledgment will bring national attention to the Teen Center and the village of Niles.

The Teen Center opened its doors to local teens about three years ago.

"When teen centers across the country are closing, the Niles Teen Center is fulfilling a need,"

Marchand said.

One of the goals of the Bright Ideas initiative is to have government programs various cities and states will model after other successful programs.

The programs address public issues, such as reducing poverty, environmental conservation and emergency management.

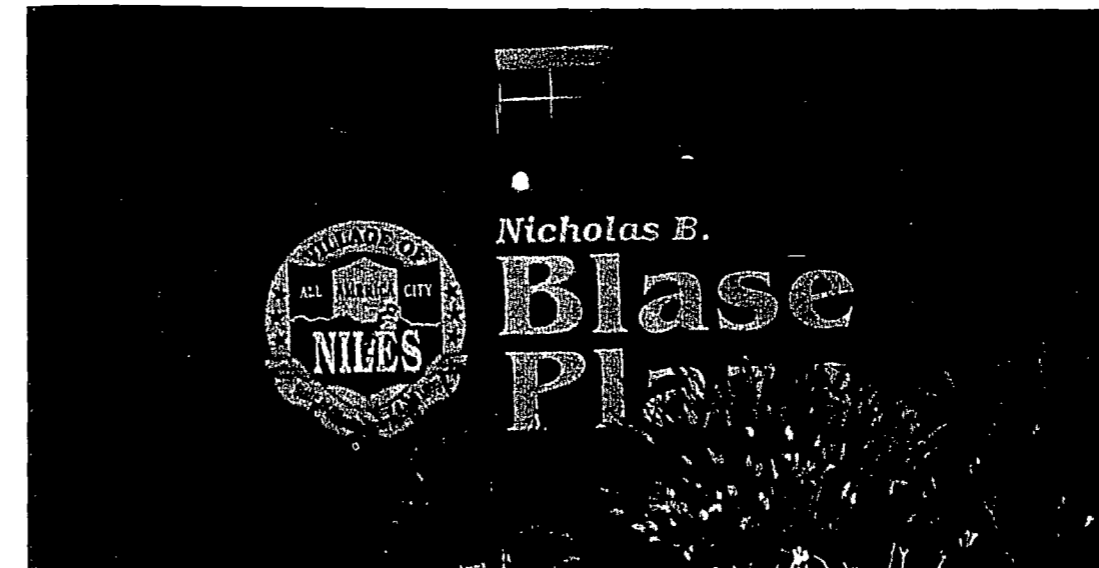
"I'm constantly coming up with new ideas for programs," Williams said.

The teenagers will be actors in an upcoming haunted-house community event. The past couple of years the Teen Center also held a charity car wash that provided funds for Habitat for Humanity and the expansion of the Teen Center facility.

With the expansion Williams said attendance is continuing to grow, with about 25 to 50 kids dropping by on a daily basis. The center is open 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Teens can socialize with other teens, participate in activities, type papers and receive help with their homework. There also are days they can participate in craft projects.

The Bright Ideas will be featured on the Ash Center's Government Innovators Network website, which allows policy makers and practitioners to share innovative ideas through an online marketplace.

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This wooden Nicholas Blase Plaza sign will remain following a Niles village board vote last week. (Patrick Butler/Staff Writer)

VILLAGE BOARD

Tiebreaker keeps plaza named for imprisoned former mayor

By **PATRICK BUTLER**
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Nicholas Blase may well be the only federal prisoner in the country with a civic center plaza named in his honor.

Following a sometimes emotional 45-minute discussion during the Sept. 28 Niles village board meeting, Mayor Robert Callero broke a 3-3 tie over whether to tear down the large wooden Blase Plaza sign outside the municipal offices.

"The vote is even. I therefore have to go with the voice of the people," Callero said.

Callero, who succeeded Blase, said he was voting to keep the sign not only because public support ran 57 percent to 42 percent in a recent survey in the village newsletter, but because "in his 47 years as mayor, he (Blase) had done many good things. And the good things should not be overlooked."

Trustee Louella Preston agreed the controversial mayor had achieved much, but "squandered those achievements, tar-

nished the village's reputation and violated our trust" by shaking down businesses to buy insurance from one of his friends, then taking a 25-percent cut of the commissions.

Blase was sentenced to a year and a day in federal prison eight months ago.

Preston's comments drew both cheers and boos from the audience, prompting a warning from Callero: "If that happens again, I'll clear the room."

The audience, which included Blase's wife, Fay, sat silently as Trustee Chris Hanusiak said, "We need to honor the honorable," adding that the plaza should be renamed for police officers, firefighters and those in the military. Hanusiak also questioned whether the survey means much, since only 1,500 of the 12,000 people who received the newsletter bothered to fill out the survey, which Hanusiak said should never have been done in the first place.

"We don't take surveys about taxes or anything else," he said. "Why this?"

Trustee James Hynes argued that, while the Blase sign is less important than the village's budgetary problems, leaving the sign up sends a message that Niles isn't serious about ethics reform.

Pressing to keep Blase's name on the plaza Trustee Alan Weel said that once a place has been named after someone, it shouldn't be changed. Likewise, Trustee Joe LoVerde said, "I have a naturally forgiving nature. The mayor is paying his debt to society and should be forgiven. His 47 years of service has not been lost."

Also voting to keep the sign up was Andrew Przybylo, who like Hynes and Weel recalled Blase's accomplishments during his nearly half-century as mayor.

Outside the village board chambers after the meeting, a tearful well-wisher hugged Fay Blase.

"He deserved at least this for all he did for this village all those years," she said, wiping away tears as she tried to smile. "He deserves it."

SMOKE ALARMS: UP, DOWN AND ALL AROUND

Fire Department raises smoke alarm standards

In an effort to better educate communities across the United States about smoke-alarm recommendations, nonprofit National Fire Protection Association is promoting "Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With!" as the theme for this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, Oct. 3-9, which the Village of Niles is supporting locally.

NFPA has been the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for 88 years.

"Many homes in Niles may not have any smoke alarms, not enough smoke alarms, alarms that are too old, or alarms that are not working," said Fire Chief Barry Mueller, of the Niles Fire Department, in a news release. "We want residents to understand that working smoke alarms are needed in every home, on every level (including the basement), outside each sleeping area and inside each bedroom. And, if a smoke alarm is 10 years old or older, it needs to be replaced."

Mueller stated in the release that smoke alarms can mean the difference between life and death in a fire. NFPA statistics show that working smoke alarms cut the chance of dying in a fire nearly in half. But they must be working properly to do so. The asso-

ciation's data shows that many homes have smoke alarms that aren't working or maintained properly, usually because of missing, disconnected or dead batteries. Roughly two-thirds of all home fire deaths result from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

NFPA and the Niles Fire Department agree that interconnected smoke alarms offer the best protection; when one sounds, they all do. This is particularly important in larger or multi-story homes, where the sound from distant smoke alarms may be reduced to the point that it may not be loud enough to provide proper warning, especially for sleeping people.

"Most people have a sense of complacency about smoke alarms because they already have one in their homes. Fire Prevention Week provides an excellent opportunity to re-educate people about smoke alarms, new technologies and expanded options for installation and maintenance," said Judy Comoletti, division manager for NFPA public education. "Ultimately, we want this year's campaign to serve as a call to action for households nationwide to inspect their homes to ensure that their fam-



Oct. 3-9 has been proclaimed "Fire Prevention Week" in Niles by Mayor Robert Callero. Fire Chief Barry Mueller is in attendance for the signing of the related proclamation. (Contributed photo)

ilies have the full smoke alarm protection that's recommended." The Niles Fire Department offers the following tips for making sure smoke alarms are maintained and working properly:

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button, and make sure everyone in your home knows their sound.
- If an alarm "chirps," warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away.

■ Replace all smoke alarms, including alarms that use 10-year batteries and hard-wired alarms, when they're 10 years old (or sooner) if they do not respond properly when tested.

■ Never remove or disable a smoke alarm.

To learn more about "Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With!," go to www.firepreventionweek.org.

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NEWS BRIEF

Lions Club Candy Days return Friday and Saturday

At the Sept. 28 village board meeting Mayor Robert Callero proclaimed Friday and Saturday as "Lions Candy Days in Niles" in an effort to assist the Lions Club of Niles to promote their annual, statewide candy day fundraiser.

Ginger Troiani noted in a news release that the fundraising ef-

forts of the Niles Lions is one way the Lions of Niles try to make a difference in the lives of visually or hearing-impaired children or adults.

He said: "Niles Lions, their friends, families, and many volunteers will be on the street corners and at the local stores on Oct. 8 and 9, giving away candy to all motorists and passersby, and they will also be accepting dona-

tions to help the visually and hearing impaired."

"As always, not one penny of the funds collected will be used for administrative purposes," the release stated.

The Lions Club of Niles retains a small portion of the collected funds for special local humanitarian projects such as eye exams and glasses for needy residents. The club remits a majority of the

funds collected to the Lions of Illinois Foundation.

The foundation provides many services throughout the state that no one club could afford. Among these statewide services are camp lions for the sight and hearing impaired, free low-vision and diabetic retinopathy screening programs, as well as hearing screening programs.

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GOLF-MAINE PARK DISTRICT

Nine nights in Niles

Hindu festival of Navaratri runs Friday through Oct. 17

traditional Gujarati folk dances and worship of the goddess Durga.

Navaratri, which means "nine nights," is a celebration of the goddess and of good triumphing over evil, but it also signifies the beginning of the autumn harvest season in India.

Celebration of the Hindu festival Navaratri is taking place this month at Golf-Maine Park District in Niles.

Various organizations are again sponsoring garba-ras and dandia nights at the park district's Feldman Center, 8800 Kathy Lane. The nights feature live music,

Though in India Navaratri is celebrated for nine straight nights of dancing and worship, in the United States it is often spread out over several weekends. This year Navaratri will be observed in India from Friday through Oct. 17.



Members of the United Senior Parivar perform the Garba dance during a ceremony celebrating the New Year on the Indian calendar at the Feldman Recreation Center in Niles on Saturday. Here a portrait of Ghandi is on display to honor him on his birthday, Oct. 2. (Michael Jarecki/for STM)

MAINE TOWNSHIP JEWISH CONGREGATION SHAARE EMET

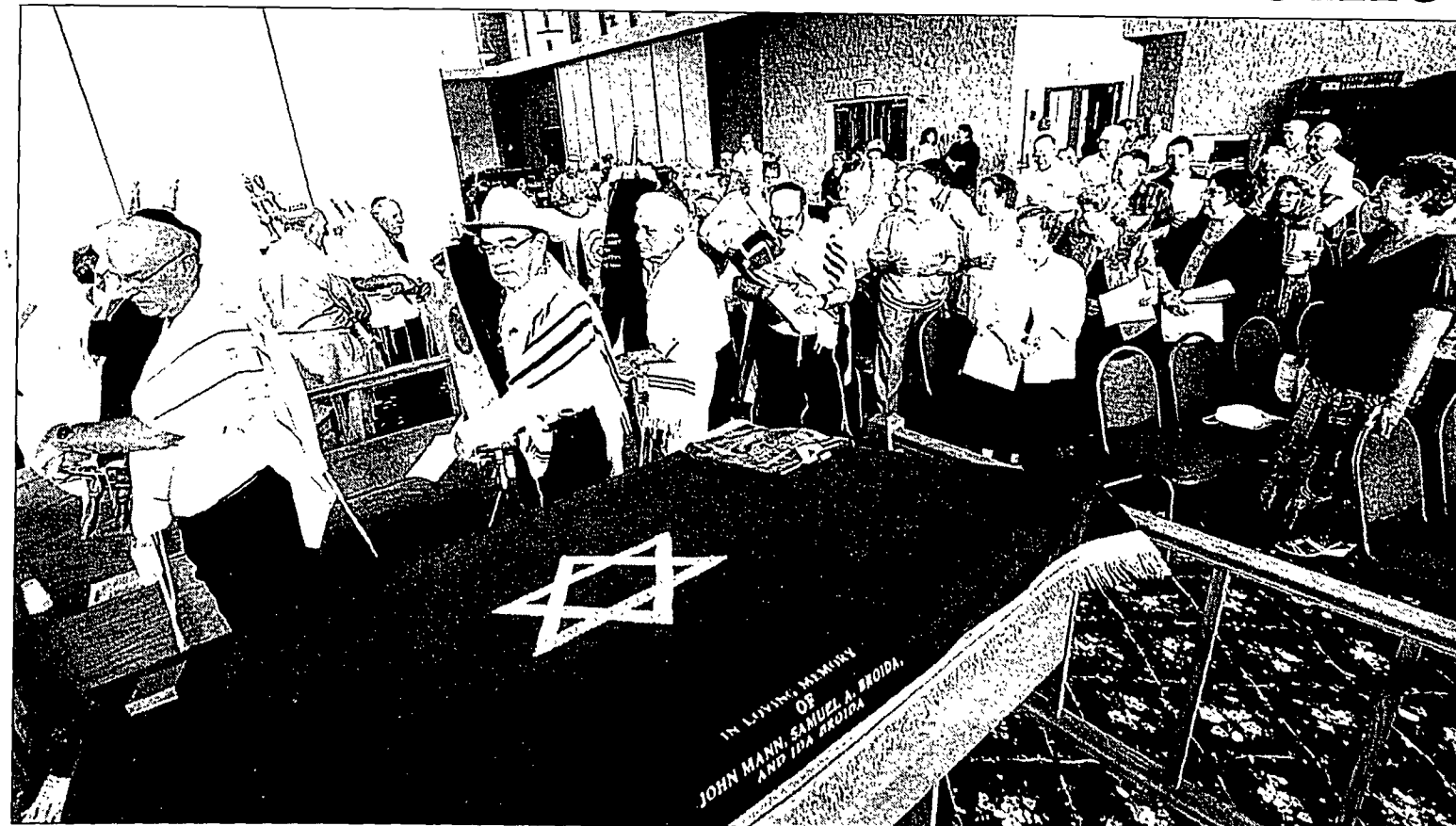
Torah scrolls moved to their new home

Members of Maine Township Jewish Congregation Shaare Emet welcomed several religious items from their former synagogue to their new place of worship in Northbrook during a special ceremony.

The past summer Maine Township Jewish Congregation shut its doors at 8800 W. Ballard Road, in unincorporated Maine Township, and merged with Adas Yehuda V'Shoshana in Northbrook. To celebrate the merger, eight Torah scrolls from MTJC, plus one that survived the Holocaust, were dedicated on Aug. 29. Nineteenth Century stained glass window panels, originally from a synagogue on Chicago's West Side before they were obtained by Maine Township, have also been added to Adas Yehuda V'Shoshana's walls.

MTJC closed June 30 after over 40 years in the community due to low membership.

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Men from the Maine Township Jewish Congregation Shaare Emet walk with Torah scrolls during a merger celebration at Adas Yehuda V'Shoshana. (Jeff Krage/for STM)



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NILES POLICE

Suspected gang members threaten man with kids

Police discover brass knuckles, folding knife in bushes at scene

By JENNIFER JOHNSON
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Three unincorporated Maine Township teenagers were arrested Sept. 28 after they were allegedly involved in gang-related activity the night of Sept. 28 in the parking lot of the Niles Meijer store, 9000 Golf Road.

According to Niles police a 31-year-old man said he was leaving Meijer with his three children and walking

to his home, located in the adjacent Golf Terrace apartment complex, when three teenage boys started shouting at him and flashing gang signs. The man told police the teenagers were attempting to get him to reciprocate and as he pushed his children into their apartment building, one of the teenagers jumped the chain link fence separating the parking lot from the complex.

According to police the group "continued to bait the victim into a fight" and one of the teenagers raised an object that the victim initially believed could have been a gun.

When police arrived they found the three teenagers,

as well as a set of brass knuckles with an attached folding knife in the bushes near the apartment complex, the police report stated. One of the teenagers, identified as a 15-year-old boy, allegedly admitted to pointing the brass knuckles at the 31-year-old man.

All three boys, ages 15, 16 and 17, were charged with mob action. The 15-year-old was also charged with assault and unlawful use of a weapon, while the 17-year-old was also charged with disorderly conduct, according to police.

The teenagers were charged as juveniles and released to the custody of guardians.

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\$1500 Tax Credit for Homeowners Set to Expire

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that provides homeowners with a tax credit equal to thirty percent (30%) of the cost in an amount not to exceed \$1500 for energy efficient home improvements is set to expire December 31, 2010. Homeowners in the Chicagoland area are encouraged to take advantage of the stimulus package immediately.

Brian Carlisle noticed several drafty areas in his 55-year-old 2-story brick Georgian home. He didn't think there was much that could be done to insulate his brick walls and was resigned to another cold Chicago winter. Carlisle saw USA Insulation at a home and garden show and liked what he saw in the demonstration.

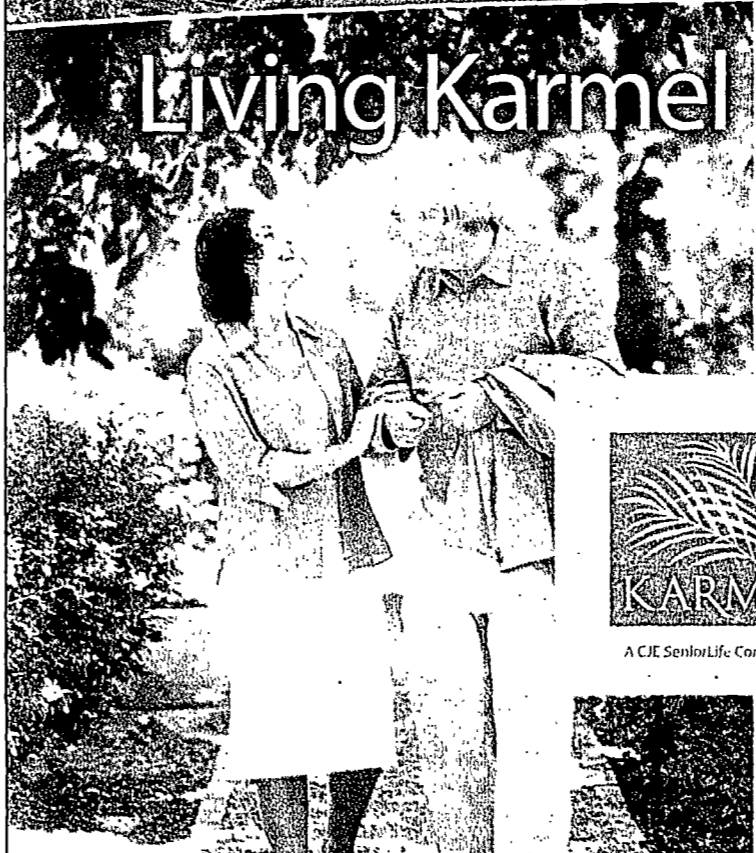
"They were the only ones that installed the foam insulation from the outside," he said. "And the foam is environmentally friendly." Carlisle was impressed with the installation as well as the installers. "They drilled holes through the mortar junctions, but you can't see where the holes were when they were finished." Carlisle has noticed some definite improvements in his indoor environment.

"Before my house was insulated, my furnace and air conditioner would work constantly to keep my house comfortable. Now they run less often, and I've seen a dramatic difference in my utility bills. There is an evenness of temperature throughout the house, which is very significant," he added. "Also, my house is much quieter than it used to be. I can't hear the outside traffic or the noisy crickets anymore. It's a great product, and it will also be good for the resale value of my home."

"Properly insulated walls and attics can save homeowners up to 50 percent on their utility bills," said Michael Preston of USA Insulation. "It also adds to the value of your biggest investment - your home." USA Insulation installs its patented Premium Foam Insulation in all wall cavities, from the outside. The product goes into the walls as a foam and dries hard, creating a 4-inch shell of insulation around your home.

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2010 ELECTION

State government faces 'huge budget hole'

By MATT KIEFER
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While deciding who best to manage Illinois' flagging fiscal affairs, voters might want to ask candidates if they understand exactly what kind of mess awaits them in Springfield.

It's a valid question. Consider the following as you evaluate the sanity of the situation:

■ The budget deficit officially stands at \$13 billion this year. That's equal to half the state's annual spending.

■ A structural deficit, combined with a constitutional obligation to turn in a "balanced" budget, means Illinois legislators routinely put the difference on the state's credit card.

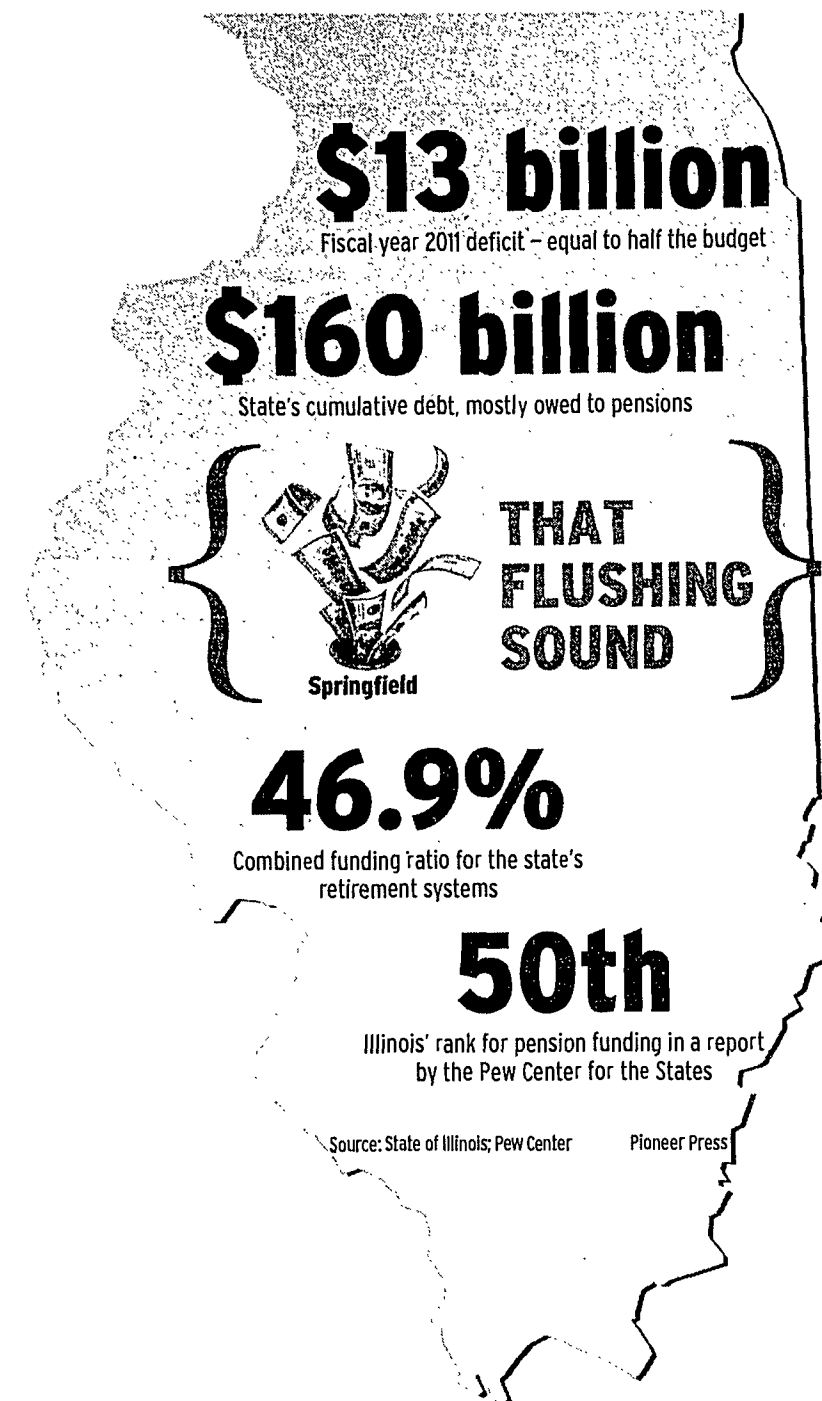
■ And the rates are rising. Credit rating agencies have repeatedly downgraded Illinois bonds over the past year and a half.

■ Worst of all? Illinois is buried in \$160 billion of accumulated debt — \$130 billion of it owed to employee pension funds — with no foreseeable way of digging itself out.

■ Meanwhile, Springfield has yet to finish distributing last year's general state aid payments to local school districts, social service agencies are cutting staff because of delayed or reduced payments, and some state employees are taking unpaid furloughs or plain old pink slips.

Thus far, a dilatory legislature has failed to cap the well, unable to agree on the expansive cost cuts or tax hikes necessary to avoid insolvency.

Few hold out hope that the state's "Big Three" revenue streams — individual income tax, corporate income tax and sales tax — will rebound anytime soon in the post-recession economy. That's bad news for schools, health-care providers and social service agencies, the top beneficiaries of state funding that have seen their



allowances dwindle and lag.

Pension problem

Pundits warn the crisis will reach a natural resolution within the next decade, when pension capital dries up completely and the state starts bouncing checks.

"This is a very dangerous situation," said R. Eden Martin, president of the Commercial Club of Chicago,

whose Civic Committee has called for statewide pension reform. "There is a huge budget hole annually, and we have big unfunded pension and retiree health obligations."

Illinois has funded only 47 percent of its retiree obligations, even as the government borrows money to make its pension payments. "The people we hired

today, we already owe them money, as well as the people who are retired," Martin said.

The Civic Committee endorses a controversial proposal to change retirement benefits for state workers, bringing them onto a defined contribution plan — such as a cost-sharing 401(k) — rather than a defined benefit plan like the

current guaranteed pension.

The business group calls for "prospective" change to retiree benefits, meaning earned pensions would remain intact but future work would count toward a new plan.

That would reduce the state's obligations while toeing the line of the Illinois Constitution, which states pension plans "cannot be diminished or impaired," according to Sidley Austin LLP and other major Chicago law firms that have reviewed the proposal.

Others, including former Illinois Appellate Court Justice Gino DiVito and former congressman and federal Judge Abner Mikva, disagree, saying the judiciary would strike any such maneuver as unconstitutional.

All sides agree that attempts to convert pensions would have to be resolved by litigation.

Last spring, the General Assembly created a new tier of retirement benefits for new hires that sets caps on salary formulas and raises the retirement age from 55 to 67. That law, which only affects state employees hired after Jan. 1, 2011, "did not go far enough," Martin said.

"It didn't reduce the unfunded liability by as much as a dime," he said. "They will reduce its growth in the future, but they didn't solve today's problem."

Raise taxes?

Labor unions, digging in to protect their retirement plans, question why business interests have singled out their workers' benefits. They call the pension shortfall a symptom of a larger financial disease, one that needs a revenue cure.

"It's clear that the state has a \$13 billion deficit. Anybody who thinks you can close that without raising more taxes is wrong," said Henry Bayer, executive director of the American Fed-

eration of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 31, whose members include state employees.

He describes the latest pension debate as "engineered by the corporate elite."

"Largely what this is is a bunch of rich businessmen who don't want to pay their fair share of taxes, who seek to avoid that by cutting the modest retirement benefits of public employees," Bayer said, adding, "We would vigorously fight any attempt to violate the constitutional rights of our members."

Springfield avoided taking action on tax increases in this last session, reserving the inevitable debate for after the election.

Democratic Gov. Pat Quinn has floated an income tax increase, raising the flat rate to 4 percent from the current 3 percent.

His Republican opponent, state Sen. Bill Brady, opposes any increase in income taxes, which he believes would stifle job growth.

Covering the budget gap with income taxes alone would require an increase of 5 percentage points for an 8 percent Illinois income tax rate, according to the Civic Committee's "Illinois is Broke" campaign.

Meanwhile, Illinois' unemployment insurance fund is more than \$2 billion in the red, according to ProPublica. Local school districts have started to discuss the possibility of writing off the state's unpaid bills, or relying more on their own property tax base in the future.

Candidates sent to Springfield next month will hear an ever-louder chorus calling for fiscal sustainability. Pension reform may be on the table. However, as legislators consider tampering with retirement benefits, they may find their lot thrown in with state employees: Illinois also administers a General Assembly pension plan.

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We Ask: Illinois General Assembly Candidates

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What would you propose the state do to make good on all the bills it owes?

57 HOUSE DISTRICT



Elaine Nekritz (D)

Elaine Nekritz, 52, has been a state representative since 2003. She holds a law degree from the University of Michigan. Before serving in elected office she worked as a real estate attorney, becoming partner with the law firm of Altheimer and Gray. She was an aide to state Sen. Jeff Schoenberg, D-9th, and chaired the Northbrook's Community Relations Commission from 1997 to 2002. She lives in Northbrook with her husband, Barry.

At the end of the spring 2010 legislative session, I joined with nine other House and Senate members to propose over \$1.3 billion in spending cuts and savings. I was the chief sponsor of \$600 million of those cuts. Our proposed savings included: \$200 million from Medicaid; \$100 million in contributions from state employees for their health care; \$300 million from renegotiating state contracts and \$6 million from decreasing the mileage reimbursement rate for all legislative and state employee travel.

A multi-pronged approach is necessary to address the state's overwhelming budget hole. We must continue requiring spending cuts, reforming government service delivery models to become more modern and streamlined and finding new revenues. It is disingenuous to pretend that new revenues are unnecessary to close a \$6 billion gap in a General Revenue Fund budget of approximately \$28 billion.

I was proud to be a leader in the Illinois House in the effort to establish a two-tiered pension system with significant retirement benefit restrictions for newly hired state employees. But there are significant differences between public and private sector pensions that can affect the legality of legislatively mandated changes to benefits for current employees. We must do what we can to avoid a lawsuit and pursue changes that comply with the Illinois Constitution.

In order for the state to make good on its backlog of unpaid bills, we will need to achieve a truly balanced budget. It took us years to get into this mess and it will take three to five years of restrained spending and budget process reforms to get out of it. A multi-year plan with the discipline to stick to it will be critical to a successful resolution of the budget crisis.



Richard G. Hamen (R)

Richard Hamen, 40, a resident of Prospect Heights, has served as alderman there since 2007. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1988 after high school. He has served as a corporal in United States Army Reserves since 2008 and before that was a corporal in Illinois National Guard from 2005-08. He chaired the Prospect Heights Human Relations Commission since 2007. He is single and has one daughter.

I support auditing the books at all levels to find the waste, fraud, and abuse. When this has been done in other states billions have been saved. Hiring and salaries will be frozen except for critical positions. It will not be up to cronies to determine which positions are "critical" either. Critical means just that ... critical, and I will not tolerate cronyism at all. Waste, fraud, and abuse is rampant at every level of state government. By eliminating this we will save billions.

I support increasing revenues by putting people back to work, which will add taxpayers and revenue. According to the Illinois Policy Institute, we will gain at least \$2.5 billion by supporting the people's desire to work and take care of their families. We cannot possibly ask working families to pay more money towards the irresponsible decisions of the last eight years by my opponent and Speaker Madigan. I will do everything in my power to derail any attempts to raise taxes and fees.

No. The benefits of current state employees cannot be legally altered. To do such would only bring massive lawsuits and enrich trial lawyers. My opponent being a lawyer and receiving much of her support from trial lawyers may not mind litigating this for years but I do. I will not support any attempts to alter current pension agreements. I do think that these current agreements are excessive and that my opponent showed a serious lack of judgment by going along with these.

Pay them. These bills are owed to municipalities and companies that also have bills to pay. The state is behind millions of dollars to each municipality in District 57. This causes them to have to borrow money, reach into reserves, lay off and furlough employees, put off necessary projects, etc. I think that it is extremely irresponsible of my opponent to allow District 57 municipalities to go broke because she won't pay them what is owed on time.

65 HOUSE DISTRICT



Wendy J. Gruen (D)

Wendy Gruen is a certified financial planner and operates Turner Financial Services, Inc., a personal financial planning business in Des Plaines, where she lives with her husband. She is an appointed member of the Des Plaines Economic Development Commission, a former field organizer for the National Organization of Women and was an activist for the Equal Rights Amendment ratification.

Restructuring debt and improving efficiencies could help close the gap. Reducing administrative staff of government offices and streamlining procurement processes will provide savings. We should look at consolidating overlapping agencies and offices. Current proposals to combine the Comptroller's and Treasurer's offices and to merge DCFS and the Department of Juvenile Justice deserve consideration. We should also examine ways to eliminate redundant layers of government and streamline delivery of state services.

We must find new revenue sources. I would reluctantly support a tax increase, but with fiscal responsibility out of Springfield, including budget cuts and a move to a more progressive tax system. Illinois has one of the highest sales tax rates in the nation but its sales tax base is relatively low. Reducing the rate and expanding the base would address an increasingly serviced-based economy. We should also review all existing tax credits to ensure they meet their intended purposes.

The only real solution to our pension funding crisis is to address the state's structural deficit. To do so will require both an increase in revenue and a decrease in spending. The General Assembly must be committed to fully funding the pension system. Pension holidays like the one allowed for Chicago Public Schools result in the sort of disaster we are currently facing.

Balancing the budget is certainly a key factor to paying our bills. I believe that with the appropriate spending reductions and revenue increases, the state could begin to accelerate payments on the bills owed. Additionally, I believe that the General Assembly must work to pass fiscally responsible legislation and discontinue the habit of perpetually borrowing to pay deficits.



Rosemary E. Mulligan (R)

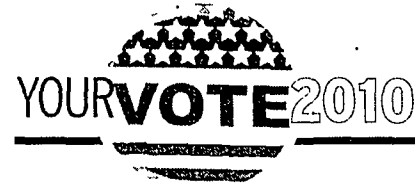
Republican Rosemary Mulligan, of Des Plaines, is running for her 10th term as state representative. She has sat on several state committees focused on human services, health care, education and federal lending, and worked on more than 20 task forces, commissions and state projects. She has also served as majority chair or minority spokesman of the Illinois House Human Services Appropriations Committee for 16 years. Mulligan is the committeeman of the Maine Township Republican Organization and a member of the advisory boards Avenues to Independence and Have Dreams.

Conduct a comprehensive review of grant and state programs as to the percentage of moneys expended on administrative costs as opposed to actual services being received. Programs that are not efficient and don't meet a certain ratio should be eliminated or consolidated. I serve as one of the two House Republicans on the governor's Medicaid Task Force. We need to put in place some of the Medicaid reforms that have been suggested by the task force.

I don't feel comfortable taking more tax dollars without specific, responsible spending plans being in place that address the current problems, particularly incurring debt and bill payment. I believe the economic impact raising taxes would have on Illinois taxpayers, both personal and corporate, would be to remove their ability for any discretionary spending. Personally, we won't buy goods and services. Corporately, we won't grow businesses and jobs. Also, a corporate raise will encourage businesses to leave the state.

No, a pension plan is a contract with an employee who usually accepts a lower salary to receive that benefit. Changing the existing contract for people who have been paying in for years seems grossly unfair. Consider also many don't get Social Security. Reporting neglects that approximately 11 percent of people's yearly salaries are being used like an interest-free loan when payments are skipped. We have to stop skipping payments and come up with a way to replace the deficit.

I would only use federal Medicaid reimbursements to pay down Medicaid debt, particularly while we are still receiving enhanced payments that go down incrementally over this coming year. If we use those reimbursements for other things, we lose money. Our tax system cannot sustain our increases in entitlement programs. When Democrat leaders give lump-sum budgets to their governors as they have the past two years, they remove thoughtful line item budgeting and cause the financial running of our state to completely breakdown.



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10 SENATE DISTRICT



John Mulroe (D)

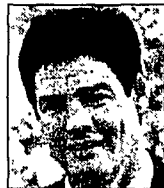
Longtime civic leader and "political newcomer" John Mulroe Mulroe, 51, of Edison Park, is an accountant, lawyer, former assistant state's attorney, part-time instructor at Harper College and has been active in the Edison Park Community Council and Chamber of Commerce, and served as president of the St. Juliana School Board. His immediate goals are to find ways to "incentivize job development" through tax credits to encourage businesses to hire more people and not outsource, and wants to improve education funding.

Consolidate state-owned and leased properties; review every contract under former Governors Ryan and Blagojevich, terminating unneeded contracts or sweetheart deals; consolidate lawmakers' district offices so lawmakers in the same general areas can combine resources and reduce costs; pursue sustainable energy and limit waste; reduce travel costs, setting limits on use of the state plane and encouraging the development of high speed rail, and possibly limiting use of state vehicles; install a Metra inspector general to end waste and corruption.

I am not in favor of passing a tax increase without the voters having a say. People don't trust career politicians to manage tax dollars responsibly. That is why we must remove waste and inefficiencies where possible and cut spending. If Springfield lawmakers can demonstrate that they have made considerable cuts and the budget is still in the red, voters should be able to decide by referendum whether the state needs to modernize the tax code and generate more revenue.

The unfunded pension requires serious attention from lawmakers. We need to bring both sides back to the table and find a sustainable solution. The Illinois Constitution says benefits for current employees cannot be reduced but we need to keep all options on the table going forward because the state cannot afford to continue down its current path. We cannot afford to let our state go bankrupt, so it is clear that we have to do something to fix the problem.

Cut waste and make government more efficient; prioritize vital human services to make sure we don't hurt working families and seniors; adopt spending reforms that show we are tracking the performance of every penny and that ensures lawmakers never leave town without a balanced budget, as borrowing has caused our bond rate to plummet and is not effective; let voters decide if we adopt a modernized tax code asking more from individuals who make over \$200,000 a year.



Brian G. Doherty (R)

Alderman Brian Doherty, 41st Ward, describes himself as a progressive Republican with 19 years of aldermanic experience under his belt. The 53-year-old Oriole Park resident defeated Roman Pucinski in a 1991 runoff and was a Golden Gloves and Chicago Park District boxing champion in his earlier days. Though he is the only known Republican currently in the City Council, he generally backs the policies of the nominally Democratic Mayor Richard M. Daley.

Reduce Medicaid spending by implementing Managed Care, and enforcing income guidelines and citizenship eligibility. Medicaid is the state's largest single insurer, covering 2.6 million Illinoisans and costing over \$7 billion, or 39 percent of general funds. Also must get rid of Blagojevich holdover agency directors with a spendmore attitude, then audit government services for efficiency. Follow through on the Sunshine Commission comprising labor, business, citizens and government leaders to recommend consolidating or eliminating duplicative and ineffective programs.

Tax increases would stifle job growth and hurt families. While asking Illinois families to cut their budgets, Springfield has continued spending. Asking taxpayers to send more money to the government implies that there's room to cut from family budgets. Springfield politicians don't have the fortitude to reduce the budget line-by-line. I propose a supermajority vote for tax and fee increases. Government should live within its means by eliminating waste to protect essential services like education and public safety.

I advocate full funding of the five pension systems. Payments have been continuously reduced for resources to start programs; debt must be repaid. With the passage of the two-tier plan for future employees, we need to prevent reforms' erosion. Both chambers should adopt rules requiring larger votes for increasing pension benefits until we can change the law. Current employee benefits are constitutionally protected. We must consider a larger employee contribution in exchange for a commitment to honor funding obligations.

First, reduce wasteful spending. Springfield has yet to make a concerted effort to go through the budget line-by-line. Second, after paying bond debt to protect our faltering credit rating, the Comptroller's office should use its repayment flexibility to target human services and struggling businesses to protect Illinois' most vulnerable citizens.

REPUBLICAN

Doherty takes aim at Medicaid waste

By PATRICK BUTLER
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Ask all you want, but Chicago Alderman Brian Doherty, 41st Ward, won't say whether he's a Cubs or Sox fan.

"That could end up being a campaign issue," said the 10th District Illinois State Senate candidate, who is wrapping up 20 years as the only Republican on the Chicago City Council.

But he minces no words when it comes to fiscal responsibility and the need for Medicaid reform.

"We've been dominated by the Democratic party in Springfield for eight years and their policy of overspending and borrowing has put us in a very deep budget crisis: \$80 billion," said the onetime Golden Gloves champion who's leaving his safe seat because "my party asked me. And the state

needs me."

While Illinois isn't exactly flush with cash, "the state has been taking in a lot more money than people realize. But the state has also been taking on more and more obligations."

Like Medicaid, which he said accounts for 30 percent of the general budget, with virtually no oversight.

"Right now, they don't

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DEMOCRAT

Budget woes call for common sense

By PATRICK BUTLER
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Will the real independent fiscal conservative in the 10th District Illinois Senate race please stand up?

"That's me," says Sen. John Mulroe, a lawyer and CPA who says he's the best qualified of the two candidates to "go line-by-line through the state budget" to root out the kind of waste and inefficiency his oppo-

nent, Chicago Alderman Brian Doherty, 41st Ward, says he wants to eliminate.

One way to begin might be to eliminate the state's hundreds of square feet of unused office space now that the state's workforce has been reduced by some 20 percent over the past 10 years.

The state could save still more money just by ending the requirement that elderly homeowners apply every

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DISTRICT 207

Council marks Maine East's Newsweek listing for 3rd year

The Park Ridge City Council on Sept. 20 recognized Maine East High School for being featured on Newsweek Magazine's list of the nation's best high schools for the third consecutive year this year.

Only 6 percent of high

schools in the nation made the list, with the top schools selected based on a "Challenge Index" which measures how school staff work to challenge the average student with advanced placement and college level courses and tests.

Principal Michael Pressler accepted a copy of a proclamation from Mayor David Schmidt recognizing the students, educators, parents and administrators of Maine East.

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NEWS BRIEF

Damaged cable kills power in Niles for 10 hours

A damaged cable caused parts of Niles to be out of power for more than 10 hours on Sept. 27.

"ComEd had a problem," said Niles Public Works Director Scott Jochim. "We had lights out down in the area for a long time."

From about 2:38 p.m. to just before midnight the power was out from Central on the north, Lyons on the

south and Greenwood on the east in Niles.

"1,300 customers were affected," said Com-Ed Spokesperson Bennie Currie.

He said the Northern Illinois service territory serves about 3.8 million customers.

Parts of Niles, Maine Township and Northfield Township lost power.

Golf Mill Shopping Center lost power after 2:30 p.m. and at 5 p.m. power was restored in a portion of the mall.

But since the power was-

n't entirely restored they decided to close the entire mall at 7 p.m.

"Retail usually doesn't close down ever," said Regina Verdico, marketing manager of Golf Mill, who said power was restored about midnight. "It was like a snow day."

Wal-Mart was out of power for a few hours, but they were able to save their frozen food by storing them in the back, off of the main floor.

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VILLAGE BOARD

Trustees approve \$70K for new wireless system

By TRACY GRUEN
Contributor

A new \$70,743 wireless network that will connect the northern part of Niles was approved at the Niles village board meeting Sept. 28.

"We're building a village-wide network for the internal safe and secure infor-

mation we need to provide our Police, Fire and other departments," said Bill Shaw, MIS director for the village of Niles.

This is Phase 3 of the village-wide project that connects Fire Station No. 2, the Oriole Water Tower, the Golf Mill Security Office and the Four Flags Water Tower.

Currently there is no secured connectivity in this area and it will improve the water-management system, in-vehicle reporting system for the Police Department and the village security system.

"It's pooling our resources and building something that's best for the whole village," said Shaw. "We real-

ly have no coverage on the north end of town right now."

Shaw said having a site at Golf Mill allows the village to cover the northern portion of town.

With the new connectivity village employees will be able to receive information while out in the field, and not have to come back to the office and then go back out.

The first part of the network was installed in 2007. Since that time, Shaw said, the system has been very reliable and has only been down for a total of six minutes during massive storms and power outages.

"It would be beneficial to access information should there be a problem," said Niles Fire Chief Barry Mueller. "We can get to our

vehicles when they're out on the road."

In the future the wireless connection will allow the village to install a relatively inexpensive and state-of-the-art phone system. Its current phone system is nearly 30 years old.

Phase 3 of the network is expected to be ready by Thanksgiving.

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check for citizenship status," he said. "All you need is one pay stub. They don't require any asset testing to see if you're hiding any money. And they have this thing about presumptive eligibility. If you don't come back and fill out the forms again, they keep you on."

Not surprisingly, he added, Medicaid enrollments increased by 75 percent in the past eight years.

Pension reform is another urgent priority as far as Doherty is concerned. The state's pension program is underfunded by \$78 billion, but at least they're starting

to make some improvements by requiring new state workers to pay more into the program and retire a few years later, he said.

Of course, he added, revenue wouldn't be so much of a problem in a more robust economy. He noted that some experts consider Illinois to have one of the worst business climates in the country.

"The worst thing for business is uncertainty. A lot of our jobs are moving to Indiana right now," he said.

And it isn't that much better for the lawmakers themselves, he said.

"Everyone except the leaders in the House and Senate are limited in how much money they can receive from certain entities,"

he said.

Under what Doherty calls "fake campaign reform," he said that money goes to the Senate president and House speaker, who dole it out to the members, "who are deathly afraid (of Senate President John Cullerton and House Speaker Michael Madigan), who can make or break them."

Doherty added that it's time to streamline government at several levels in Illinois.

"We have the most government bodies of any state in the nation," he said. "All those little townships. They need to be combined. They're holdovers right from the horse-and-buggy days and a lot of them aren't needed by now."

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mail it back. It's a big waste of money all around."

Mulroe's other cost-cutting ideas include "becoming more involved with alternative energy, not only to help the environment and cut spending, but create new jobs."

And he'd be in favor of eliminating free public-transit rides at least for those seniors who can afford to pay their way.

He also agrees with Doherty that it's about time to start enforcing the state's Medicaid-eligibility requirements, but wonders why his opponent — who describes

himself as an independent fiscal conservative — has been so timid when it came time for crucial City Council votes like the controversial parking-meter deal, which Doherty said he disliked, but nonetheless voted for.

If they didn't like the deal, why did they approve it, Mulroe asked. "It was probably one of the worst decisions they ever made," he said.

Mulroe said: "He (Doherty) claims to be Mr. Independent, but he always goes along. How is it going to be any different in Springfield. That bothers me."

Moving on, Mulroe said that while he can't create new jobs, "I can at least try to help businesses hire more

people through special tax credits" or deductions.

And while he thinks there's probably plenty of blame to go around for the state's poor financial state, Mulroe said he thinks it's about time for everyone to stop pointing fingers and start working at solving the problems.

One thing he says he doesn't want to do is sit around Springfield for years just to collect a paycheck.

"I don't view politics as a career, but a privilege. I'm going to do my best. And if it's so bad I can't be effective, I don't need to be there," he said. "I'm 51. There's no way I'm going to spend the next 30 years in Springfield."

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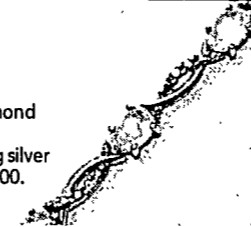
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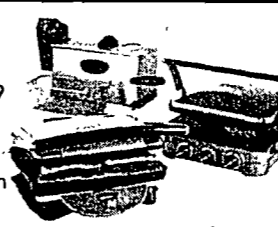
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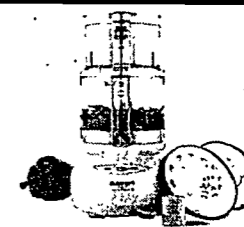
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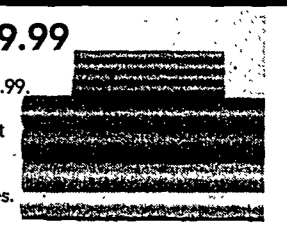
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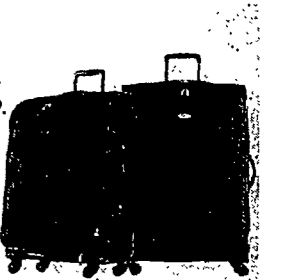
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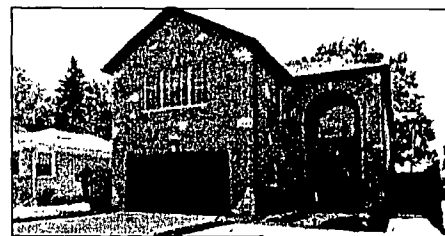
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The asking price for 5500 Lincoln Ave., Unit 519E, lowest among homes for sale in Morton Grove.

Orthodontist sells to software pro

By David Lister
 A Northbrook-based orthodontist has sold his home in Niles to a software engineer. Dr. Kyint Chwa and Laura Chwa sold the five-bedroom, 2.5-bath home at 9229 Natchez Ave. to Amtul and Khalid Rehman for \$610,000 on Sept. 8. The Chwas, who were the first owners of the 3,283-square-foot home, bought it for \$450,000 in January 2000.

Kyint Chwa has practiced dentistry at Janzen, Janzen and Chwa in Northbrook and has served on the orthodontics faculty at the University of Illinois at Chicago's dental school. Amtul Rehman has been a software engineer for Fiserv Insurance Solutions. He attended DePaul University and the University of Madras in India.

MARKET WATCH AS OF MONDAY

City	For sale	Median price	Foreclosure rate	# of sales	# of foreclosures
Chicago: Edison Park	2.30%	\$271,000	8.27%	133	11
Chicago: Forest Glen	2.81%	\$347,000	12.50%	16	2
Chicago: Norwood Park	2.68%	\$276,000	14.22%	232	33
Des Plaines	3.50%	\$172,000	28.12%	946	266
Evanston	3.64%	\$285,000	14.04%	819	115
Glenview	3.43%	\$383,000	13.43%	648	87
Lincolnwood	3.42%	\$287,500	17.90%	162	29
Morton Grove	2.71%	\$250,000	18.73%	283	53
Niles	2.69%	\$222,250	22.35%	340	76
Park Ridge	2.95%	\$340,000	11.25%	471	53
Skokie	2.83%	\$249,750	24.82%	705	175
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MAINE TOWNSHIP

Boys report attack by gang members

By JENNIFER JOHNSON
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A 15-year-old boy and his 17-year-old brother reportedly being punched by alleged gang members as they walked home from school in unincorporated Maine Township, Cook County Sheriff's Police said.

Deputy Cmdr. Anthony Brzezniak said the 15-year-old boy was walking the afternoon of Sept. 21 in the area of Dempster Street and Howard Court when he was stopped by five gang members. The offenders re-

portedly asked the teenager what gang he was affiliated with and when the boy said he was new to the area, one of the suspects punched him, Brzezniak said.

The teenager's 17-year-old brother witnessed what had occurred and reportedly ran over to tell the offenders to leave his brother alone when he also was punched, Brzezniak said. The five suspects then reportedly left the area.

Brzezniak said the two brothers refused medical treatment.

Both the Cook County

Sheriff's Department and the Park Ridge Police Department deploy officers to patrol the unincorporated area just north of Maine East High School to prevent students from being accosted by gang members while walking home from school. But the number of officers present is dependent on the amount of manpower that is available, Brzezniak said.

Cook County also has a gang unit that works in the area and the officers were expected to follow up on this incident, he said.

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NILES POLICE

Teen cited for soiling slide

By JENNIFER JOHNSON
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A 13-year-old Park Ridge boy was cited by Niles police after he allegedly admitted to defecating on a playground slide on the night of Sept. 21.

According to a police report Niles police officers responded at 8:30 p.m. to Kirk Lane Park, 7741 Waukegan

Road, after a witness reported seeing a young person defecating on the playground equipment there. Police found three teenage boys nearby at Civic Center Plaza and began to speak with them when the 13-year-old allegedly admitted to the incident.

According to police the teenager was issued a local ordinance citation and, with

assistance from his mother, cleaned the slide with disinfectant before he was allowed to go home.

The other two teens, a 14-year-old boy and a 15-year-old boy, both of Edison Park, were released to their parents without charges, according to the police report.

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SHERIFF'S REPORTS

The following incidents in unincorporated Maine Township were compiled by the Cook County Sheriff's Department. Further details about some incidents are not made available by the department at the time the incidents are released.

BURGLARY

A teenage boy was arrested Sept. 22 after police reportedly found the proceeds of three area burglaries inside his bedroom. According to police a resident of Crestwood condominiums and apartments reported

that a video-game system, video games, four pairs of Air Jordan sneakers and a duffel bag were missing from his residence on the 10000 block of Linda Lane. Investigators determined the apartment had been entered through a bedroom window. Later the man reportedly observed a teenage boy carrying his duffel bag, leading police to the boy's Crestwood residence, where items reported stolen in three burglaries within the complex were recovered, according to police. The teenager's age was not dis-

closed, but he is younger than 17 and has been petitioned to Juvenile Court, police said.

A residence on the 9400 block of Ironwood Lane was reported burglarized the afternoon of Sept. 22.

THEFT

Fifty feet of copper conduit and several materials made of cast iron were reported stolen Sept. 24 from the Potter Road construction site at Potter and Golf

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POLICE BLOTTER

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DISORDERLY CONDUCT

John Mohr, 57, of 6300 W. Touhy Ave., Niles, was issued local ordinance citations for disorderly conduct, public intoxication and cost of emergency services Sept. 25. According to police a security guard at the YMCA where Mohr resides reported that Mohr was standing outside drinking a beer, and yelling and swearing, even though no one else was around. When the security guard told Mohr he could not drink outside of his room, Mohr allegedly used a racial slur and threatened

him, according to the police report. The guard did not want to pursue the matter at the time, but less than an hour later police were called back to the YMCA after Mohr allegedly began making threats in the lobby. Police said Mohr appeared to be intoxicated. He was cited by police and told to go to bed, according to the police report.

BURGLARY

A burglary was reported the night of Sept. 24 at The Outerwear Outlet, 7507 Milwaukee Ave. The front door was reportedly smashed to gain entry.

Between 8:10 a.m. and 8:10 p.m. a first-floor condominium unit on the 9000 block of Heathwood Drive was burglarized. Entry was reportedly gained through

a rear sliding glass door.

Between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. Sept. 28 a home on the 7100 block of Birchwood Avenue was burglarized.

Overnight between Sept. 28 and Sept. 29 a home on the 6900 block of Dobson Street was burglarized. A door was reportedly forced open to gain entry.

BURGLARY TO VEHICLE

A checkbook, ATM card and \$200 were stolen overnight between Sept. 24 and Sept. 25 from a vehicle parked on the 7600 block of Milwaukee Avenue. According to the police report the ATM card was used to make a \$402 purchase after it was stolen.

A GPS device was stolen overnight between Sept. 29

and Sept. 30 from a vehicle parked in a lot on the 9000 block of Terrace Drive. The passenger-side window was broken to gain entry.

Two vehicles were burglarized the morning of Sept. 30 in the rear parking lot of the 8900 block of Greenwood Avenue. A wallet containing \$700 and credit cards as well as miscellaneous hand tools were reported stolen from one of the vehicles, while a wallet containing three credit cards was stolen from the second vehicle. A rock was used to smash out windows of both vehicles in order to gain entry, according to the police report.

THEFT

Amber Bowman, 21, of 8022 N. Harlem Ave., Niles, was charged with felony

misuse of a credit card and felony theft Sept. 28. According to police Bowman used a credit card that did not belong to her in order to purchase \$400 worth of gift cards from Kohl's at Golf Mill on Sept. 18. Bond was set at \$1,500. She has a Nov. 3 court date.

A \$450 cell phone was stolen Sept. 25 from the T-Mobile kiosk at Golf Mill.

A wallet containing \$40 in cash and debit cards was reported stolen Sept. 26 from a man's locker inside XSport Fitness, 9210 Milwaukee Ave.

On the afternoon of Sept. 28, a man in his 40s was seen knocking items off a shelf and into a backpack he was carrying at CVS, 9640 Milwaukee Ave. When

an employee confronted the man and asked to check his backpack he refused and allegedly shoved the woman as he exited the store. It was not immediately known how much merchandise had been taken, police said.

DISTURBANCE

A 22-year-old woman allegedly threw coffee at another woman just before 4 a.m. Sept. 27 while both were dining at Omega, 9100 Golf Road. According to police a glass of water was then thrown at the woman who allegedly threw the coffee, resulting in \$25 worth of damage to drinking glasses. Both women agreed to pay for the damage and no charges were filed, according to the police report.

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roads, police said. The items

were valued at about \$3,500.

BURGLARY TO VEHICLE

A vehicle was reported burglarized the afternoon

of Sept. 23 on the 9700 block of Bianco Terrace.

A vehicle was reported burglarized the afternoon of Sept. 26 on the 9000

block of Columbus Drive.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

Two vehicles were reportedly damaged Sept. 22 on the 9100 block of Ballard Road.

BATTERY

On Sept. 23, a woman allegedly slapped another woman during an argument over \$20 at Crestwood con-

dominiums and apartments on the 9900 block of Holly Lane. The victim reportedly left the scene before police arrived and no charges were filed.

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Dr. Brown is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh's School of Medicine. He completed his internship at the University of Chicago Hospitals and his Dermatology residency in 1999 at Rush University Medical Center. He completed a fellowship in Mohs Micrographic Surgery at Baptist Medical Center, Kansas City, Missouri, in 2000. Dr. Brown is board certified by the American Board of Dermatology and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology.

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WE SAY

Quinn and Kirk

Illinois' budget is on life support. This year's budget has a \$9 billion deficit, \$18 billion if non-recurring income sources (tobacco funds, tax amnesty, etc.) are subtracted.

The state needs a leader with fiscal discipline and a sense of compassion for the state's residents.

Sadly, neither candidate fits that description, but Democratic Gov. **Pat Quinn** clearly demonstrates a broader grasp of potential solutions.

The former lieutenant governor inherited a financial mess. Delayed pension payments saddled the state with an \$80 billion IOU; the national economy tanked, depressing state revenue; and programs were created without funding sources.

State Sen. Bill Brady wants a major overhaul, cutting the budget by 10 percent across the board. But some of the budget funds are non-discretionary, such as education, social services and public safety, so the Republican's solution would require cuts approaching a catastrophic 20 percent.

Gov. Quinn recognizes that it is impossible to cut the budget that deeply without serious consequences. He wants to use the proceeds of a 1 percent increase in the state's income tax for education funding.

He recognizes that creating more jobs means offering tax breaks for businesses. He claims to have created 74 business incentives leading to 3,300 new jobs, retained 11,000 jobs and leveraged \$1.6 billion in new investment.

We support Quinn for governor and urge him to continue exercising fiscal discipline.

Elevate Kirk to Senate

For five terms, voters in the 10th District have supported **Mark Kirk** of Highland Park to represent them. And based on his performance, we urge voters to promote him to the U.S. Senate.

Kirk helped open a commuter line that serves residents from Antioch to Franklin Park and led the fight to prevent BP Petroleum from dumping waste into Lake Michigan. He claims credit for leadership in providing Israel with an early warning system on rocket attacks. He helped get the North Chicago Veterans Hospital named after local hero James Lovell of Lake Forest.

He's an intelligent legislator who could step into the U.S. Senate fully up to speed on all key issues.

Kirk is one of the few moderate Republicans in Washington, an endangered species, and someone with potential to represent all the constituencies of the state.

He has sometimes bucked party leadership, supporting stem cell research, for example. He also voted against the 2002 \$274 billion bloated farm subsidy bill and voted to reform the wasteful sugar subsidy program.

Kirk calls himself a social moderate and fiscal conservative, although he lost his way in the latter during the Bush years, regularly backing budgets that kept war costs off the books. His recent votes provide some assurance he's found his way back.

Recent disclosures that Kirk embellished his resume are troubling, but based on his accomplishments in Congress, he has earned our vote.

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Waste not, want a mutiny



CHERYL O'DONOVAN

VAN MOM STRIKES AGAIN

In this economy, we all strive to be more frugal. On Oprah, I watch people dive into Dumpsters for edible food.

As cameras roll, the guy yells, "See this head of lettuce? Peel it back, and you've got an iceberg manifesto. A salad bar."

"That's right, Steve. I just slather on extra ranch to

kill the rancid flavor." His wife beams and digs out discarded hot dogs that glow radioactive.

In our house, iceberg lettuce is the first thing to wilt and grow soggy. Strawberries and other produce go bad fast, too.

To prevent waste, my husband summons a family meeting.

"We're going to pretend we're in a submarine in World War II," he proclaims.

Oh-oh. The soul of Captain Ahab gleams in his eye. This can't be good.

"Just like they did on German subs, we first eat all the fresh stuff, the fruit, the vegetables, the meat."

He narrows his eyes.

"Then, it's onto the canned stuff."

"Canned stuff" could include anything from corn and peas to pickled eels. I envision tins of Spam in a warehouse, and the four of us staggering out into the sun after the 50th supper of Spam au gratin and Spam-in-a-blanket.

"Was there ever a mutiny on these subs, Red Baron?" I ask.

He glares. "Benjamin Franklin said, 'A small leak can sink a great ship.'"

"Well, I didn't see that History Channel special, Ahab."

He lifts a Diet Coke cake, shakes it. "You wasted this."

Using scientific preci-

sion, he pours the rest into test tube and then into a beaker. "Two-point-three ounces. And you call yourself a parental example."

We turn off the lights, lest we waste electricity. I almost hack up an end table and ignite it for extra heat. What's next? Me outside slapping laundry on the side of a rock with the other villager women, trying to soap long underwear clean?

Now he's gone too far. "How about we go the full Monty? No TV or Netflix for two weeks."

For me, this means no "Mad Men" on Sundays. I yank the remote from his hand. "You know what else Ben Franklin said."

"What?" he asks.

"When in doubt, don't." *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submissions for Community Calendar are required 14 days preceding the date of publication. Send to: Niles Managing Editor, Pioneer Press, 3701 W. Lake Ave., Glenview IL 60026. Information may be faxed to (847) 486-7495 or e-mailed to mbottari@pioneerlocal.com.

Center of Concern

The Center of Concern, 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge, (847) 823-0453, calendar of events includes:
 Monday, Oct. 11 - Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group, 10 a.m.
 Tuesdays, Through Oct. 26 - Employment counseling, by appointment.
 Tuesday, Oct. 19 - Medicare counseling, by appointment.
 Wednesday, Oct. 20 - Grief and loss support group (call first).
 Saturdays, Oct. 9 and 23 - Legal counseling, by appointment.
 Saturday, Oct. 30 - Blood pressure and blood sugar testing, 10 a.m.-noon (no appointment needed).

Center counselors also are available to help eligible residents apply for Illinois Circuit Breaker property-tax relief grants and license-plate discounts, Illinois Cares Rx (prescription drug assistance), the senior-citizen real-estate tax exemption and deferral, the senior-citizen tax-assessment freeze, and the longtime-occupant-homeowner property-tax exemption.

Preparation of simple wills and durable powers of attorney for health care and property also is available by appointment. For services that require an appointment, call (847) 823-0453 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays. The Center of Concern also offers housing counseling for seniors and others seeking affordable housing, programs designed to prevent homelessness, friendly visitors for the homebound, and volunteer opportunities in the office and in the field. See www.centerofconcern.org.

Chamber

A Multi-Chamber Biz-to-Biz Expo & Taste will be held from 3-6 p.m. Oct. 21 at Bristol Court Banquets, 828 E. Rand Road, Mount Prospect. Participating chambers include those of Edison Park, Niles and Park Ridge among others. There will be business exhibits, product demonstrations, networking, prize drawings and giveaways. Call (847) 268-8180.

Civic

A representative from the Niles Township Clerk's office will be available 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays and evenings by appointment on the second and fourth Mondays of each month to accommodate residents with passport applications, voter registrations and temporary handicapped parking placards. To schedule an appointment at Niles Township in Skokie, call (847) 673-9300.

The Maine Township Neighborhood

Watch meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in the basement of Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road in Park Ridge. Meetings address issues within the unincorporated area of the township and all residents are invited. Reports from the Cook County Sheriff's Police, North Maine Fire Department, and the township's Code Enforcement Department are shared, and residents are invited to ask questions and report any concerns or problems in their neighborhood.

Classes

Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy Inc., is now offering "Introduction to Animal Assisted Therapy," dog training classes at various locations, including 6042 W. Oakton St., in Morton Grove. The fee is \$60. Contact Dorida King at dhking4@yahoo.com or call (773) 736-9021, for schedules and locations.

Clubs

The Twenty-first Star Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at 11:30 a.m. Oct. 9 at the Park Ridge Country Club, 636 N. Prospect Ave. in Park Ridge. Lunch will be served at noon, with the meeting and program to follow. Hostesses for the day are: Millie Anderson, Lois Cuttone and Mary K. Redmann, chairman. Chapter

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A quartet of activities for
the coming week

1. Maritime folksinger Tom Kastle presents "Tommy's Gone to Hilo" at 8 p.m. Oct. 9 at the Ethical Humanist Society Second Saturday Coffeehouse, 7574 N. Lincoln Ave. (at Howard), Skokie. \$8. Call (847) 677-3334 or visit www.ethical-human.org.

2. "The Gondoliers," by Gilbert & Sullivan, will be presented by The Savoyaires at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 8-9 and 15-16 and 3 p.m. Oct. 10 and 17 in the auditorium at Chute School, 1400 Oakton St., Evanston. Tickets are \$12-\$22; \$7-\$17 for ages 12 and under. Call (847) 251-8767 or visit www.savoyaires.org.

3. The Chicago Philharmonic Orchestra presents "Rachmaninov Russian Feast" at 7 p.m. Oct. 10 at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall on the Northwestern University campus, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Guest conductor Robert Trevino leads the orchestra in Rachmaninov's Second Symphony, and pianist Julia Siciliano will perform Rachmaninov's Second Piano Concerto. Tickets are \$20-\$75. Call (847) 866-6888 or visit www.chicagophilharmonic.org.

4. The Edge Comedy Club performs at 8 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokie theatre.com.

Still Acting Up! performers share their humorous life experiences

'A Pinch of Sage'
Still Acting Up!, Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood St., Skokie. 2 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 13-24. \$13 in advance, \$14 at the door; \$11 and \$12 for seniors; \$6 for children younger than 12. (847) 674-1500, Ext. 2400; www.skokieparkdistrict.org.

By MYRNA PETLICKI
Contributor

A group of enthusiastic, energetic older adults share their wisdom in "A Pinch of Sage" Oct. 13-24 at Devonshire Cultural Center in Skokie. They are members of Still Acting Up!, a troupe sponsored by the Skokie Park District that writes and stages original musicals that present aging in a positive light.

Brenda Segal of Glenview, who has been associated with the company for 10 years, handles a variety of roles, including producer, business manager, writer and composer. She created the songs along with Barbara Brown of Wilmette and Georgia Cohen of Evanston.

"I'm the only one in the troupe who does not perform onstage," Segal said. Brown and Cohen both serve as accompanists.

"This show is about a conference that people from all over the country are invited to where they are asked to come and share the wisdom of their many years of experience," Segal said. "The various people are thrilled that finally someone wants to hear from them and



The senior acting troupe, Still Acting Up!, rehearses for their comic musical on life lessons, "A Pinch of Sage." (Tamara Bell/Staff Photographer)

acknowledges that maybe, after you've lived that long, you might have something worthwhile to say."

Brown, a 12-year company member who is the group's choral director, wrote several songs for the show.

"The story of this show is wisdom — what the older people can tell young people. And why don't they listen to us?" Brown said.

That problem is spelled out in the opening number composed by Brown, "Why Don't They Listen to Us?"

Ten-year company member Ray Gilbert of Lincolnwood discovered Still Acting Up! in 1990 when he was serving as president of the Friends of the Lincolnwood Library. The group hired the company to perform at the library.



Members of Still Acting Up! will perform their musical, "A Pinch of Sage," Oct. 13-24 at the Devonshire Cultural Center in Skokie. (Tamara Bell/Staff Photographer)

"My wife turned to me and said, 'Someday you're going to be in that group,'" Gilbert recalled. "Ten years later, I decided to do that."

In addition to performing in a half-dozen ensemble numbers, Gilbert has a solo in the show, "I Used to Do That."

"I say to the audience, 'It's time that you learn that you can say, 'No,'" he related. "The tag line

of the song is, 'Let the other guy do the schlep-ping.' You have to learn your limits."

Like all of the company members, Segal, Brown and Gilbert bring a wealth of experience to Still Acting Up!

Segal, who retired from a career in marketing and public relations for the Deerfield Park District, earlier served as managing

director of Highland Park's Apple Tree Theatre. At Apple Tree, she co-wrote all the material for the young people in the Eileen Boevers Traveling Troupe.

"Now I'm at the other end of the spectrum," Segal said. "Surprisingly, I've even used some of that older material. I've adapted it for this group."

Brown earned a master's degree in voice from Indiana University. She has sung with a variety of well-known performers, including Glenn Miller's main saxophonist. She taught school for 28 years, primarily music and chorus. Brown enjoys her role in Still Acting Up! because, "I love to make people sound good," she said.

Gilbert performed in fraternity shows when he was in college and with a parents' show when his kids were in college.

"I've been singing all my life," he said. He also is in charge of setting up the equipment when the company tours.

Segal said that the company has been "a tremendous inspiration for me. They are the most active, lively, terrific group of people. They relish life."

You don't have to be a "senior" to enjoy this show.

"Even though we're talking about what it's like to be us," Segal said, "I think it resonates with younger people as well — if they're willing to listen." And take some "Sage" advice.

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LIFE AS WE KNOW IT

After settling on mutual dislike after a disastrous blind date a man and a woman (Josh Duhamel, Katherine Heigl) are named by their deceased best friends as the caretakers of an orphaned child. Greg Berlanti ("The Broken Hearts Club") directed the romantic comedy. Rated PG-13 for sexual material, language and some drug content.

MY SOUL TO TAKE

A serial killer returns to a small town to torment seven teens born on the day he is believed to have died. Wes Craven ("A Nightmare on Elm Street") wrote and directed. Rated R for strong bloody violence, and pervasive language including sexual references.

SECRETARIAT

The story of the champion racehorse and his owner Penny Chenery (Diane Lane), who sets out to save her father's racing stable with Secretariat in spite of discouragement from her family and the male-dominated racing world. Randy Wallace ("We Were Soldiers") directed the drama. Rated PG for brief mild language.

STILL PLAYING

FREAKONOMICS

The documentary filmmakers responsible for "Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room," "Super Size Me," "Jesus Camp," "Why We Fight" and "King of Kong" contribute short films on subjects ranging from Sumo wrestling to motivating underachieving students with cash. (85 min.) Rated PG-13 for elements of violence, sexuality/nudity, drugs and brief strong language.

HATCHET II

A woman who was lucky enough to escape her psycho-killer tormentor in the first installment of this '80s style retro-slasher returns for revenge. Adam Green ("Frozen") wrote and directed the horror comedy. (89 min.) No MPAA rating.

HOWL

Co-directors Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman (documentary filmmakers whose past work includes the Oscar winners "Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt" and "The Times of Harvey Milk") originally planned to tell the story of Allen Ginsberg's legendary 1955 poem as a documentary before deciding to dramatize it - within limits. James Franco gives a fine, understated per-

formance as Ginsberg, worthy of an Oscar nomination, while the film shuttles back and forth from coverage of the Howl obscenity trial. Ginsberg's famed first public reading of the poem, and an interview allowing him to flash back in black and white to key moments leading to its creation - with darkly evocative interstitial animated sequences illustrating the poem's sometimes lurid imagery. The result is a closed loop dramatically, with dialogue lifted entirely from the public record one way or another. But that insular quality allows the film to focus exclusively and in-depth on the creation of this particular literary work and the personal trials of this particular writer. At the very least, "Howl" makes it clear how far outside of the mores of its time Ginsberg's poem was - and what a fearless creative leap he made to write it. A leap he was only able to make, he explains to his interviewer, because he believed no one would ever read it. (BI) (90 min.) No MPAA rating.

LET ME IN

A lonely young boy (Kodi Smit-McPhee) is befriended by a lonely young girl (Chloe Moretz of "Kick-Ass") - who happens to be a vampire. Matt Reeves ("Cloverfield") wrote and directed this adaptation of the Swedish "Let the Right One In." (115 min.) Rated R for strong bloody horror violence, language and a brief sexual situation.

SOCIAL NETWORK

"I don't want friends," says Facebook founder/college-boy billionaire Mark Zuckerberg early on in "The Social Network" and by the end he's got his wish: The one friend he had is suing him for \$600 million. But this brilliant, fast-paced, witty film by David Fincher ("Zodiac," "Fight Club"), featuring a hyper-intelligent script by Aaron Sorkin ("The West Wing") isn't in the least bit a morality play - it's more interested in chronicling a cultural phenomenon, with the possible moral footnote that Facebook grew so quickly that it simply outstripped all personal considerations. As the story bounces back and forth from Zuckerberg's status-obsessed Harvard days to a series of depositions from fellow students accusing him of intellectual property theft, the always-reliable Jesse Eisenberg ("Zombieland," "The Squid and the Whale") plays the prickly computer-genius as a sort of arrogant, pouty, seemingly deeply unhappy child - and somehow manages to make him strangely likable. Don't miss this one. (BI) (120 min.) Rated PG-13 for sexual content, drug and alcohol use and language.

FILM CLIPS

YOU WILL MEET A TALL, DARK STRANGER ★★

One of Woody Allen's determinedly unfunny films, "Tall Dark Stranger" takes his stock characters, themes and situations - neurotic upper-middle class Londoners now, instead of New Yorkers, whose lives are being turned upside down by shifting romantic allegiances - and drains it of humor with dreary and unpleasant results. The plot tracks alcoholic, semi-suicidal Helena (British TV star Gemma Jones), looking like a doddering outcast from a Tennessee Williams play, whose marriage has recently ended disastrously, and her selfish daughter Sally (Naomi Watts), who's not too thrilled about her own. Anthony Hopkins and Josh Brodin both look ill at ease as Helena and Sally's respective spouses, Hopkins trying to stave off approaching mortality by marrying a blowsy blonde prostitute and Brodin as a failed writer/peeping tom obsessed with a beautiful young classical guitarist. Almost perversely, Allen maintains a light, whimsical tone throughout, which might make you wonder why you're not finding any of this to be amusing. Things eventually take such a bad turn for practically everyone that "Stranger" could almost qualify as a tragedy, except that all of the main characters are so thoroughly disagreeable that you're not likely to care what happens to any of them. (BI) (98 min.) Rated R for some language.

CATFISH

A "reality-based thriller" about an on-line relationship between a photographer and precocious young-girl artist who admires his work - leading to an unexpected revelation. (94 min.) Rated R for language and some content.

LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE

A young barn owl leads the struggle against an evil organization that kidnaps baby birds and brainwashes them to become soldiers. Zack Snyder ("Watchmen," "300") directed the animated family adventure. Rated PG for some sequences of scary action.

THE VIRGINITY HIT ★★ 1/2

The fact that "The Virginity Hit" takes the approach of a cinemaverite faux documentary makes it a little more interesting than it would have been as a standard-issue teenage sex comedy. The question is: Will anyone be able to sit through it long enough for its modest virtues to present themselves? Written and directed by Huck Botko and Andrew Gurland (who also wrote the faux-docu horror movie "The Last Exorcism"), "Virginity" is essentially the story of four rich, obnoxious high-school boys who set out to help Matt (Matt Bennett of Nickelodeon's "Victorious"), the most hopeless among them, to lose his virginity - and document his humiliating quest for posterity. Despite the fact that the lack of a screenplay means there's not much going on of interest in terms of dialogue or characterization (an obvious preference in this genre), the story moves along at a reasonably good pace and generates a few outrageously crude laughs here and there. You might even be surprised to find yourself eventually becoming involved with the teenage degenerates. However reluctantly. (BI) Rated R for strong crude and sexual content, nudity, pervasive language, drug and alcohol use.

BURIED

A claustrophobe's delight. This suspenseful and emotionally devastating solo drama is first of all a remarkable exercise in ingenious screenwriting and direction. A kidnapped civilian contractor (Ryan Reynolds) in Iraq wakes up in pitch darkness to discover he's been buried alive by insurgents who want \$5 million for his release - and that he's rapidly running out of oxygen. His only hope is to use the cell phone his kidnapers have given him to beg for ransom to find someone, anyone who can help him. Reynolds, whose performance spans the gamut from desperation to panic to anger, despair and, finally, resignation, surely deserves an Oscar

- Reviews by Bruce Ingram

SHOWTIMES

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GET LOW (PG-13)

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"Etty," Oct. 7-10 at Next Theatre, located inside the Noyes Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Actor/writer Susan Stein portrays Etty, a young woman appointed by the Nazis to the Jewish Council in Holland. Performances at 7:30 p.m. Thursday; 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. For tickets, visit www.nexttheatre.org or call (847) 475-1875, ext. 2.

"The Gondoliers," by Gilbert & Sullivan, will be presented by The Savoyaires at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 8-9 and 15-16 and 3 p.m. Oct. 10 and 17 in the auditorium at Chute School, 1400 Oakton St., Evanston. Tickets are \$12-\$22; \$7-\$17

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"Haff, the Man & Falling Girl," presented Oct. 8-Nov. 21 at Theatre Zarko, located on the second floor of the Noyes Cultural Arts Center, Studio 213, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Curtain at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$15-\$20. Visit www.theatrezarko.org.

"I Do! I Do!" through Nov. 14 on the Light Opera Works Second Stage, 1420 Maple Ave., Evanston. Performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$27, \$34, \$42; half-price for ages 21 and younger. For information, call (847) 869-6300 or visit www.LightOperaWorks.com.

"Low Pay? Don't Pay!" presented by Piccolo Theatre through Oct. 23 at the Evanston Arts Depot, 600 Main St., Evanston. Housewives Antonia and Margherita, fed up with high prices in the supermarket, take matters into their own hands and "liberate" some items from the local grocery store. Keen to hide their light-fingered antics from their hot-headed moralist husbands — not to mention the police — the women are forced to resort to more and more inventive hiding places. Performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25; \$20 for senior citizens; \$15 for students. Call (847) 424-0089 or visit www.piccolothatre.com.

"Passing Solo," 8 p.m. Oct. 29-30 in Northwestern University's Alvina Krause Studio, Annie May Swift Hall, 1920 Campus Drive, Evanston. Nancy Cheryl Davis portrays Irene Westover Redfield and Clare Kendry Bellevue.

childhood friends who encounter one another as adults in 1920s Harlem and who share a secret: their birth certificates read "Negro" but both can — and do — pass as white. Admission is free. Call (847) 491-3171.

"A Pinch of Sage," presented by the senior citizen performance troupe Still Acting Up! at 2 p.m. Oct. 13, 17, 20 and 24 and 8 p.m. Oct. 16 and 23 at the Devonshire Center, 4400 Greenwood St., Skokie. Tickets: \$13 in advance, \$14 at the door; \$11/\$12 for seniors; \$6 for children under 12; \$9 per person for groups of 20 or more. For tickets, call (847) 674-1500, ext. 2400.

"QED," a play about physicist Richard Feynman, will be presented in a theater-in-the-round setting at 8 p.m. Oct. 7-9 and 2 p.m. Oct. 10 at Northwestern University's Jerome B. Cohen Commons (fourth floor) of the Technological Institute, 2145 Sheridan Road, Evanston. Panel discussions after each performance will feature the play's actors as well as Northwestern faculty from various fields sharing interdisciplinary perspectives of the play and Feynman. Admission is free. Reservations are recommended; call (847) 324-3298 or visit www.etopia.northwestern.edu.

"Rabbit Hole" will be performed at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Oct. 9 in the auditorium at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton, Skokie. The production contains language and subject matter that may be unsuitable for young viewers. Tickets: \$10; \$7 for students and senior citizens. Call (847) 626-2633.

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North Shore Chamber Arts Ensemble
4 p.m. Oct. 17 at North Shore United Methodist Church, 213 Hazel Ave., Glencoe. \$35. (847) 835-1227. www.chamber-arts-ensemble.org.

By DOROTHY ANDRIES Contributor

David Rubens of Glencoe had to think fast when someone challenged the music on the first concert of his North Shore Chamber Arts Ensemble's season. "He asked me how I could justify programming 18th, 19th and 20th century composers on the same program," he said. "I answered that they were all tunesmiths — they all used hymns and folk tunes in their very distinctive compositions."

The ensemble will play J.S. Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 4, with Albert Wang of the Lyric Opera

Orchestra as soloist, as well as Edvard Grieg's Holberg Suite for Strings, and Aaron Copland's original scoring of the Martha Graham ballet "Appalachian Spring," which features the beautiful Shaker hymn "Simple Gifts."

"They all have another thing in common," Rubens continued. "All of them are related to dance. Copland, of course, but also Grieg, whose Holberg Suite has a number of dance numbers. And Bach's second movement is almost a minuet."

Wang is concertmaster of the group of about 15 players — strings, flute, bassoon and clarinet, plus harpsichord or piano. The number of musicians expands and contracts according to repertoire.

Rubens is founder, artistic director and principal

conductor of the North Shore Chamber Arts Ensemble and his vision includes making it easy for area residents to enjoy classical music. "We are presenting music in a beautiful, intimate setting, thanks to the North Shore United Methodist Church," he explained. "People will see the players up close and observe them making music."

"Plus, there are no parking problems," he added, "and you don't have to dress up. We want the audience to feel comfortable. Come in jeans and just enjoy."

The program will last about one hour and 20 minutes. Members of the church will serve coffee and sweets during intermission.

The ensemble has a

season of programs planned. On Dec. 5 it will present Part I of Handel's "Messiah" with a choir of a dozen singers, and on Dec. 19 its free Christmas program titled "Cookies, Cocoa and Carols" will feature soprano Jennifer Franco as soloist. The final concert will be an all-Mozart afternoon on April 10. All performances are at North Shore United Methodist Church.

Rubens hopes that the group will be able to give a children's concert soon and possibly even present an afternoon of ballet. He also hopes the Glencoe community will take his ensemble to its heart. "We hope people will step forward to make our programs a permanent fixture in Glencoe," he said.

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Prickly plants, animals the focus at nature center

By MYRNA PETLICKI Contributor

There's no cause for fright when you meet "Things That Go Bump in the Night" at the annual family event at Emily Oaks Nature Center, 4650 Brummel St., Skokie. "This year folks are going to meet The Untouchables," said Manager Lee A. Hansen. "Participants will be guided down the trail and they will see wanted posters. These are critters that are untouchable. We find out why we shouldn't touch them but also what's neat about them."

Stories about two plants, two insects and two animals will be told by costumed staff and volunteers. "The scripts are humorous and there's lots of great information presented in a fun and engaging way," Hansen said.

Afterwards, attendees will gather around a campfire to sing songs while drinking hot apple cider and eating cookies. Hours are 6:30-8:45 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 15 and 6-8:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 16. Tickets are \$5. Register in advance so you can be assigned an arrival time. Call (847) 674-1500, Ext. 2500 or visit www.skokieparkdistrict.org.

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During "Things That Go Bump in the Night" at the Emily Oaks Nature Center, visitors will learn about plants and animals that shouldn't be touched.

butchers, insane clowns and other scary sights should do the trick at **Scream Scene Haunted House** at the Skokie Water Playground, 4701 Oakton St. Hours are 7-10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through Oct. 30 and Sunday, Oct. 31. Admission is \$8. Recommended for children 10 and older. Call (847) 674-1500, Ext. 2700 or visit www.screamscene.com.

Three Beatles?

See the Threeties perform in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the late Beatle John Lennon's birth, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9 at Niles Public Library, 6960 Oakton St. Call (847) 663-1234 or visit www.nileslibrary.org.

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Your family can gather around a campfire with

other nature lovers on a crisp autumn evening, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15 at Wildwood Nature Center, 529 Forestview Ave., Park Ridge. You'll hear stories, sing songs and take a hike. Cost is \$15 per family. Reservations are required. Call (847) 692-3570 or visit www.prparks.org.

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"Suicide, Incorporated," through Oct. 10 at The Gift Theatre, 4802 N. Milwaukee, Chicago. Performances at 7:30 p.m. Friday; 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$25-\$30. Call (773) 283-7071 or visit www.thegifttheatre.org.

"Tartuffe" by Moliere, adapted and directed by Sean Graney, at 8 p.m. Oct. 22-23, Oct. 28-30 and Nov. 5-6; and 2 p.m. Oct. 24 and 31 in Northwestern University's Ethel M. Barber Theater, 30 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Tickets: \$25; \$22 for seniors; \$10 for full-time students. Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern.edu.

"Three Sisters," Oct. 16-Nov. 21 at Piven Theatre Workshop, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Curtain at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25; \$15 for previews, Oct. 16-17. For information, call (847) 866-8049 or visit www.piventheatre.org.

"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee," presented by Big Noise Theatre through Oct. 17 at Prairie Lakes Community Center Theater, 515 E. Thacker, Des Plaines. Performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$23; \$21 senior citizens; \$16 children. Call (847) 604-0275

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Baroque Band, a period-instrument orchestra, performs in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Single tickets are \$35; \$30 senior citizens; \$15 students. Call (312) 235-2368 or visit www.baroqueband.org. Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m.: "Hell's Angels - Masters of the Violin." The program includes Corelli: Concerto Grosso Op. 6, No. 1; Locatelli: Concerto Grosso Op. 1, No. 1; Torelli: Concerto Grosso Op. 6, No. 3; Tartini: Concerto Grosso in G Major.

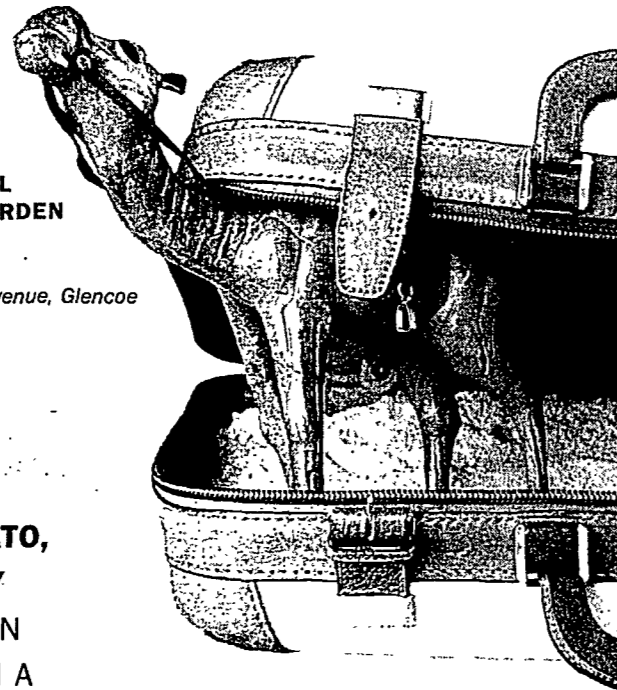
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Robert Trevino leads the orchestra in Rachmaninov's Second Symphony and pianist Julia Siciliano will perform Rachmaninov's Second Piano Concerto. Evanston Chapter, Lyric Opera of Chicago will host a presentation by composer, pianist and performer Philip Seward at 3 p.m. Oct. 10 at Three Crowns Park, 2323 McDaniel, Evanston. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Benjamin Britten performed in a new production at Lyric Opera of Chicago this season, will be the focus of the program. Cost is \$10 for members; \$15 guests. Call (847) 328-0158 or (847) 475-5345 for information. Evanston Symphony Orchestra performs at 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 864-8804. www.evanstonsymphony.org. Tickets in advance are \$27; \$22 for senior citizens; free for children 12 and younger.

Tickets at the door are \$30; \$25 seniors; \$5 students. Oct. 24: "Triple Celebration," featuring The Lincoln Trio. The program includes Brahms: Academic Festival Overture; Beethoven: "Triple" Concerto for Violin, Cello and Piano in C Major; and Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 4 in F Minor. The Met: Live in HD, the Metropolitan Opera's series of live performance transmissions into movie theaters, includes Showplace Niles 12, 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles, and Evanston 18, 1715 Maple Ave., Evanston. Tickets are available at the theater box offices and online at www.fathomevents.co. Oct. 9, noon: "Das Rheingold." Oct. 23, 11 a.m.: "Boris Godunov." Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 905-1500. www.musicinst.org. Oct. 10, 3 p.m.: Brazilian Music Festival, featuring MIC ensemble-in-residence Orquestra de Samba. The student dancers and percussionists of the Evanston Escola de Samba will kick off the event with a samba performance, followed by ODS's concert pro-

gram featuring the music of Brazilian composers Pixinguinha, Antonio Carlos Jobim and Heitor Villa Lobos. Brazilian guest artist Dill Costa, along with MIC faculty artists Jim Setapen, Julia Miller, and Fiona Queen; will explore the relationship between Brazilian popular and classical music. Tickets: \$25; \$15 for senior citizens; \$10 for students. Park Ridge Civic Orchestra presents concerts at the Pickwick Theatre, 5 S. Prospect, Park Ridge. Tickets are \$25; \$20 for students and senior citizens. Visit www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org or call (847) 692-PRCO or (847) 823-8861. Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m.: "Eclectic Mix," with flute soloist Caroline Pittman. The program includes Von Weber: "Euryanthe" Overture; Fauré: Fantasy for Flute and Chamber Orchestra; Carpenter: "Sea Drift"; and Schumann: Symphony #3 (Rhenish). Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general pub-

lic; senior citizens and NU faculty and staff; and student rate. Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m.: Norman Gulbrandsen Memorial Concert. A concert honoring the late Northwestern voice professor will feature sopranos Elizabeth Norman and Lindsey Ramey, mezzo-soprano Amy Anderson, tenor Kurt R. Hansen, baritone Stephen Powell and bass-baritone Samuel Ramey. The program will include Mozart's "Alleluia," selections from Handel's "Messiah" and a work by Verdi. Admission is free. Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m.: Symphonic Wind Ensemble performs Mozart's Serenade No. 12 for Winds in C Minor; Richard Strauss' "Alteerseelen"; and Paul Hindemith's Symphony in B-flat for Band. \$7/\$5/\$4. Oct. 16, 7:30 p.m.: Arnold Steinhardt, violin, "Chaconne, Anyone?" The evening

will feature video projections of the score, Steinhardt's commentary and performance of the Chaconne. A question-and-answer session will follow. \$12/\$9/\$6. Oct. 19, 11:30 a.m.: Thomas Hampson Vocal Master Class. \$7/\$5/\$4. Regenstein Recital Hall at Northwestern University, 60 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 467-4000. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public; senior citizens and NU faculty and staff; and student rate. Oct. 11, 7:30 p.m.: Ensemble Alternance, a chamber group of soloists devoted to performing contemporary music. The program will feature the world premiere of an untitled work by Raphael Cendo; Mark Andre's "iv 2"; Philippe Leroux's "ppp"; Cendo's "Furia"; and Gerard Pesson's "Mes Beatitude."

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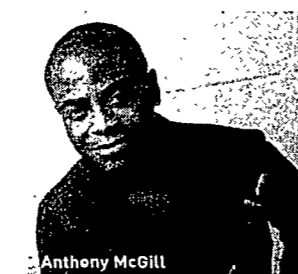
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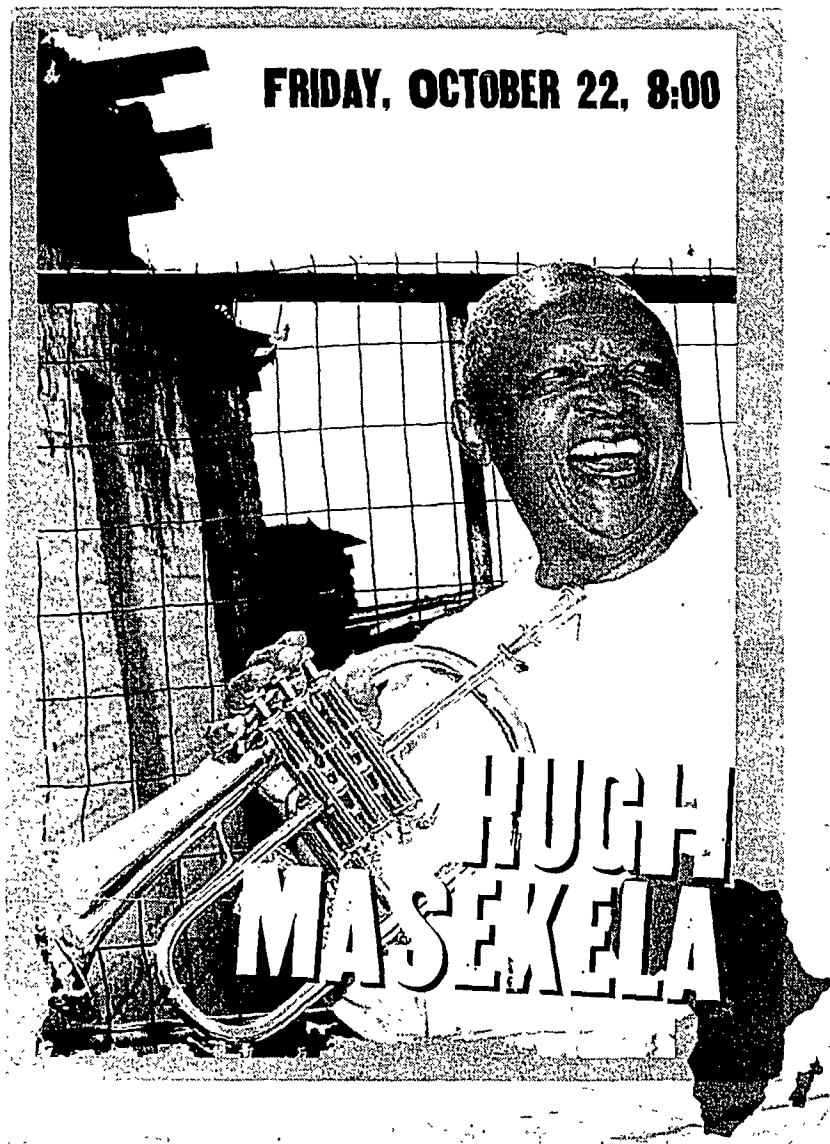
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and cheese reception will be held at 6 p.m. \$15; \$10 for seniors; \$5 children. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Global Fund for Women. The North Shore Harmonizers, a women's barbershop chorus, will present "A Bunch of Broadway... and A Little Jazz" at 7 p.m. Oct. 10 at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. The chorus will perform a cappella songs from Broadway shows, emceed by Chicago singer Bradford Newquist. Guest artists will include jazz quintet The Milwaukee Connection, featuring swing clarinetist and Evanston resident John Blegen. \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door; free for children under 12. Call (312) 409-4215. Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise. Oct. 9, 8 p.m.: "A Couple of Characters," an evening with cabaret artists Suzanne Petri and Bob Moreen. Oct. 10, 2 p.m.: Ester Hana in "May I Sing to You?" Oct. 10, 7 p.m.: "You're the Top: An Evening of Cole Porter" with Janet Redstone. Oct. 13, 1:30 p.m.: Jack Muccio's "Crooners of Hollywood." Oct. 15, 8 p.m.: Ooyke Oykes. Oct. 16, 8 p.m.: The Best of Three Cat Productions. Oct. 17, 2 p.m.: Tony Andriacchi presents "Songbirds." Oct. 20, 1:30 p.m.: Marcus Gentry's "Tribute to Nat King Cole." Oct. 23, 8 p.m.: Hilary Feldman in "Hollywood and Broadway: A Fine Romance." S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston.

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ART GALLERIES

Block Museum of Art at Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-4000. www.block-museum.northwestern.edu. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Admission to the museum is free; unless noted, admission to all programs is also free. Through Dec. 12: "Leon Golub: Live & Die Like a Lion?," featuring

late drawings by the American artist, in the main gallery. Oct. 20, 6 p.m.: "Three Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Days with Leon Golub." Samm Kunc, Golub's studio manager, will discuss the artist's working methods. Nov. 11, 6 p.m.: Gallery Talk. Brett Littman, executive director of the Drawing Center, New York, and curator of "Leon Golub: Live & Die Like a Lion?," leads an in-gallery discussion of the exhibition. Through Dec. 12: "Shirin Neshat: Rapture," a video and sound installation by the Iranian-born and U.S.-based photographer, video artist and filmmaker, in the Alsdorf Gallery. Oct. 16, 2 p.m.: Hamid Dabashi on Shirin Neshat: Films and Discussion. Dabashi will introduce a screening of Neshat's best short works and lead a discussion afterward. Nov. 13, 2 p.m.: Eduardo Cadava, professor of English, Princeton University, and Ranjanna Khanna, Margaret Taylor Smith Director of Women's Studies, Duke University, discuss the treatment of oppression in the artwork of Golub and Neshat.

Dittmar Memorial Gallery at Northwestern University's Norris Center, 1999 Campus Drive, Evanston. www.norris.northwestern.edu/dittmar.php. (847) 491-2348. Through Nov. 1: "Caged Dresses, Floating Kimono," 19 pieces by Patricia Otto, an artist who puts needle and thread to innovative use and "repurposes" materials and everyday objects in creative "green" and affirming ways. Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Gallery hours: 9

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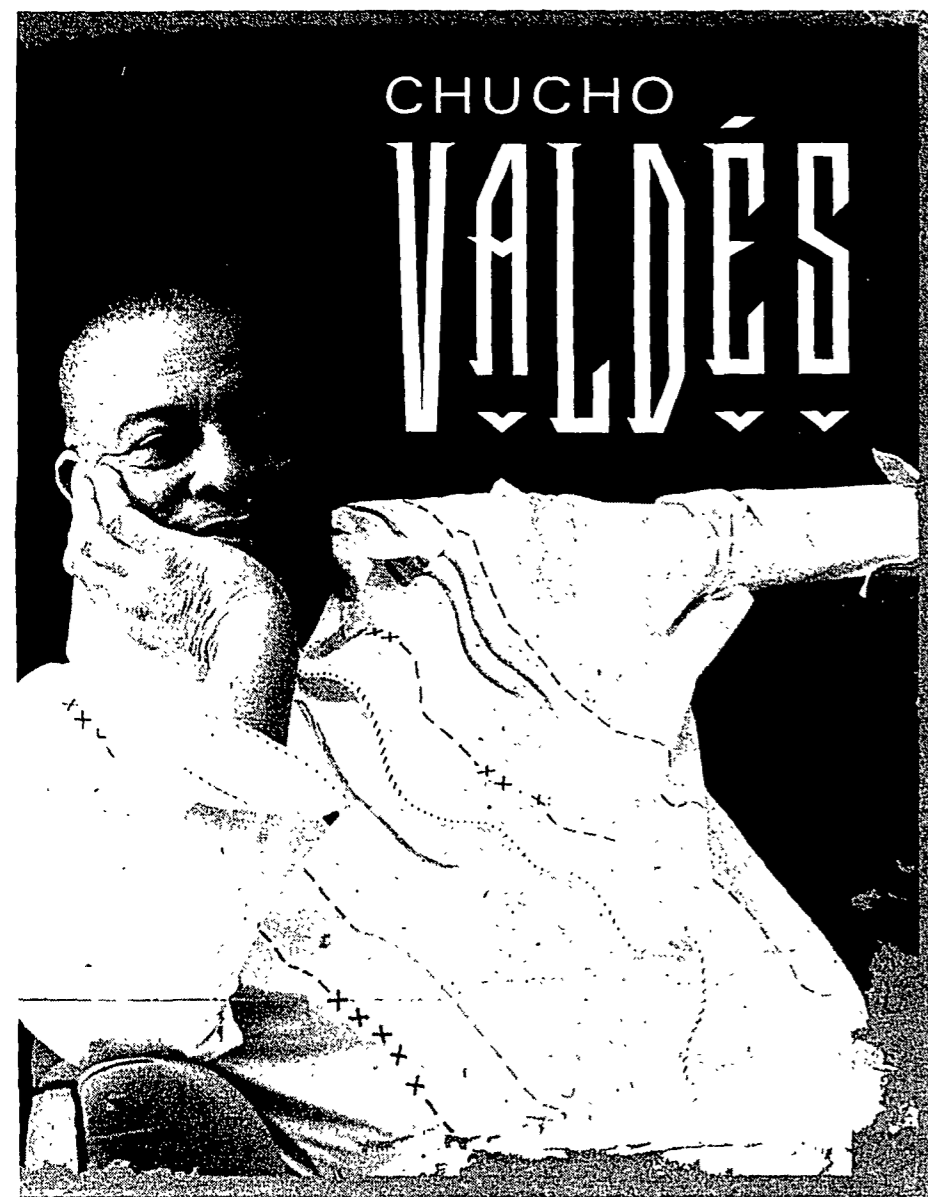


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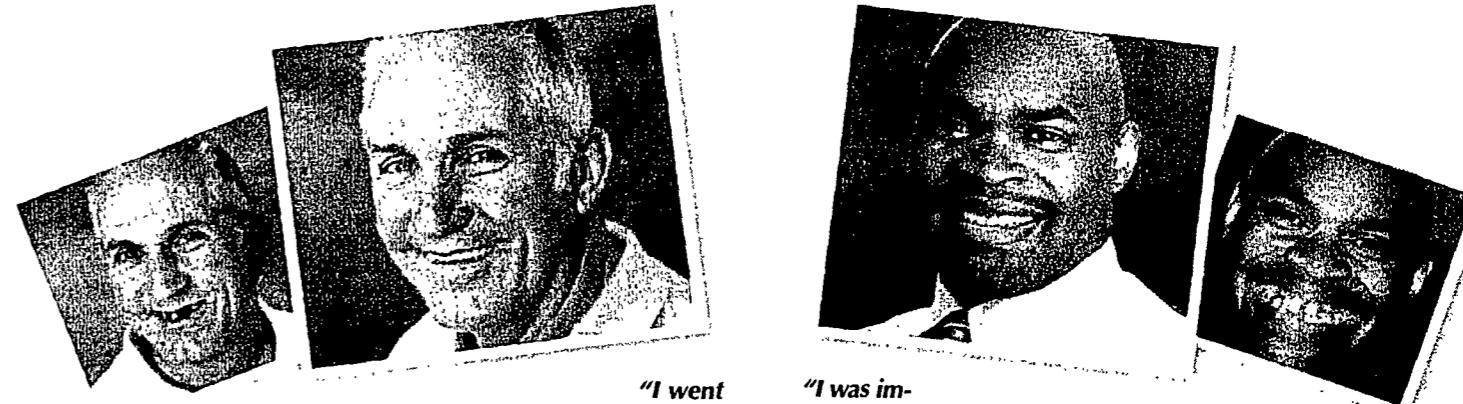
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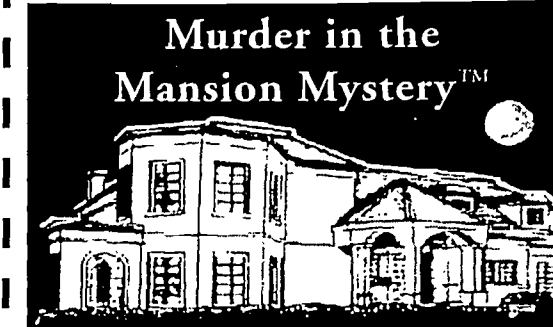
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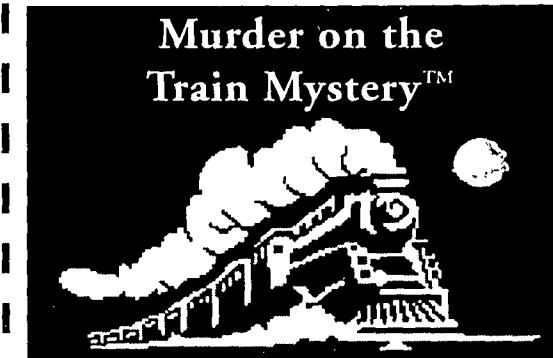
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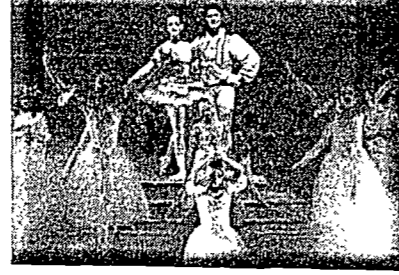
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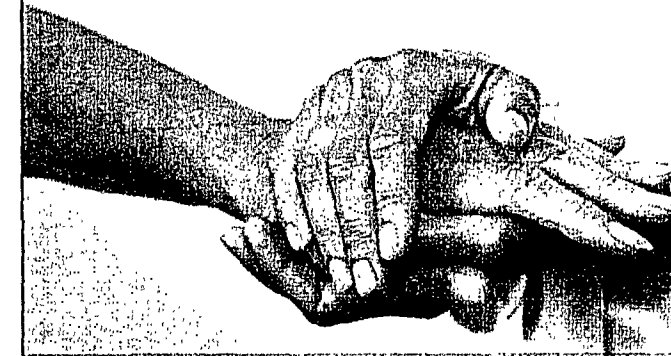
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Actress applauds oncology nurses

Patients living with cancer often depend on their oncology nurses to help them during one of the most challenging times of their lives. Actress and breast cancer patient Marcia Strassman, recognized for her roles as Julie Kottler in "Welcome Back, Kottler" and the wife in the "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids" movies, knows firsthand how critical the nurse/patient relationship is for people living with

cancer. Strassman was diagnosed more than three years ago with advanced breast cancer that spread to her bones. During the course of her treatment Strassman established a strong relationship with her oncology nurses, who continually help ease the stress of coping with her cancer. "The relationship between cancer patients and their oncology nurses is crucial in a patient's day-to-day journey with cancer,"

she said. "We see our nurses so frequently that they become our friends and confidants, which helps create an atmosphere so comfortable that it makes it easier to manage our diagnosis and keep a positive attitude. My oncology nurses care, advise, listen and help by simply being there. They are truly unsung heroes." "I know my treatment would be nowhere near as relaxed and filled with humor without the astounding attitudes of my oncology nurses," she added. Strassman encourages all people battling cancer to stay positive and maintain an open dialogue with their nurses and doctors. Growing scientific evidence supports the significance of friendship in the lives of cancer patients – the more friends they have, the better their prognosis. Research from the Harvard Nurses' Health Study found that women who developed breast cancer and had 10 or more close friends were much more likely to survive the disease than women who lacked this kind of network. A study by Stanford University School of

Research from the Harvard Nurses' Health Study found that women who developed breast cancer and had 10 or more close friends were much more likely to survive the disease than women who lacked this kind of network.

Medicine in 2000 found that disruptions in the normal pattern of the stress hormone cortisol predicted earlier death in breast cancer patients, but a University of Michigan study established that the company of others leads to the release of calming hormones in women, demonstrating the positive health effects of social interaction and reducing stress and anxiety. This stress-relieving aspect of friendship plays a role in helping women become healthier. Strassman continuously applauds the efforts and friendship of oncology nurses and credits them as the driving force to helping successfully manage her cancer and treatment journey. For resources on cancer, cancer support and Strassman's personal experience, visit www.facebook.com/marciastrassman. For cancer information and resources from leading nurse experts, visit www.interventionz.com. Courtesy of Napsnet.com



Actress Marcia Strassman has established a strong relationship with her oncology nurses during her battle with cancer.



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What makes breast cancer difficult to treat? Typically, doctors treat breast cancer through surgery to remove the tumor, followed by chemotherapy and radiation. But some cancers prove difficult to remove and others come back. And some tumors stop responding to chemotherapy drugs. When this happens, the cancer is said to have developed drug resistance.



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Some cancer cells become drug resistant when they develop the ability to pump out drugs from their bodies. Other chemotherapy drugs target specific proteins within the cancer cell. In response, the cancer cells produce more of that protein. Chemotherapy drugs can destroy healthy tissue, so doctors are limited in the dosages that they can administer. The cancer cells produce more proteins than the chemotherapy drugs can tar-

get, allowing the cancer cells to overwhelm the body despite chemotherapy treatments.

But cutting-edge companies are developing new drugs that can treat resistant cancers and give patients new hope. For example, Cellectix Corp., a cancer and anti-inflammatory drug developer, has developed a unique technology called Kevertin that targets growth signals in tumor cells as opposed to being toxic to all cells, which is the traditional chemotherapy treatment.

In experiments, mice were implanted with human tumor cells known to be drug resistant. Kevertin reduced tumor volume by 68 percent and delayed tumor growth by more than 62 percent, compared to controls.

"Kevertin continues to demonstrate consistent success in fighting drug-resistant cancers, the leading cause of chemotherapy failure," said George Evans, CEO of Cellectix. "We are optimistic that Kevertin will continue to progress on the developmental pathway as a treatment for these very difficult cancers, providing hope to its patients."

Are you at risk?

Knowing the risk factors associated with breast cancer are essential. Here are a few of them, courtesy of the American Cancer Society:

- Being female and increasing age are the most important risk factors for breast cancer.
- Other important factors that increase a woman's risk for developing breast cancer include certain inherited genetic mutations (BRCA1 and BRCA2), a personal or family history of breast cancer, high breast tissue density as seen on mammograms, biopsy-confirmed hyperplasia and a history of high-dose radiation therapy to the chest.
- Other risk factors include a long menstrual history, being overweight or becoming obese after menopause, recent use of oral contraceptives, use of postmenopausal hormone therapy, never having children or having one's first child after 30, consumption of one or more alcoholic beverages per day, and being physically inactive.

Hotline urges mammography screening at 40

In response to new guidelines about screening mammographies released by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, the Breast Cancer Network of Strength maintains its current recommendation that women begin screening at age 40.

Earlier diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer leads to better outcomes, according to experts.

People are being encouraged to be proactive and to discuss with their health care team their risks of developing breast cancer, the risks and benefits of screening and what is best for them.

For those without health insurance, Network of Strength staff members and volunteers can coach individuals to be advocates for their own breast health. If you notice a lump or a change in your breasts, call the YourShoes support center to find the resources you need at (800) 221-2141. This resource is available around the clock, seven days a week.

Network of Strength does not raise money for research. It provides breast cancer

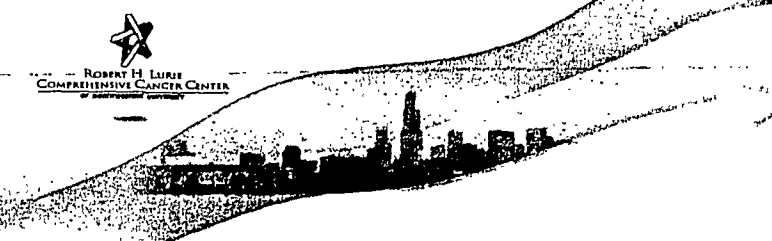


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For more information about Breast Cancer Network of Strength, visit www.networkofstrength.org.

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Pink Streak Team to participate in Chicago Marathon

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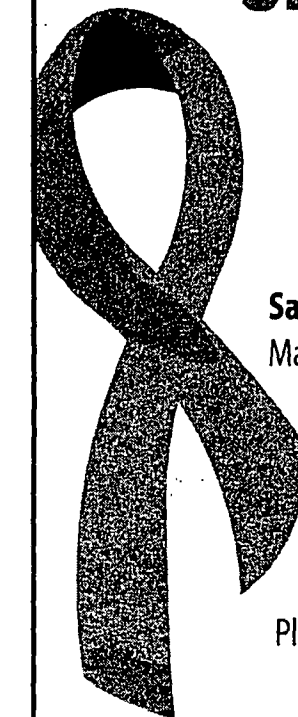
Chicago's marathon is known for its fast and flat course. Elite athletes and amateurs alike annually target the race for its potential to generate personal, national and world records. In addition to its speed, the course offers a scenic tour of Chicago and its lively neighborhoods, as well as a convenient start and finish in Grant Park.

This year, Pink Streak has more than 65 runners who have all pledged to raise more than \$75,000 for Network of Strength. Many people, like Tim Holcer, are running to show their support for someone who is fighting breast cancer. Holcer is running in honor of his sister, Jen, who was diagnosed with breast cancer in October 2008. Last year, Holcer ran the Chicago Marathon and raised \$2,625 for the Pink Streak Team. This year, he has set his goal at \$6,000.

If you are not a runner, you can still support the team by volunteering at the marathon. Brent Carstensen will be heading up aid station 9, and we will be looking for volunteers to help staff that station. To support one of our Pink Streak runners, or volunteer for the marathon, visit <http://main.networkofstrength.org/pinkstreak>. For more information, call (312) 873-2755 or e-mail pinkstreak@networkofstrength.org.

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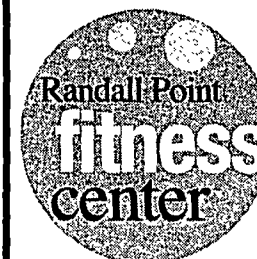
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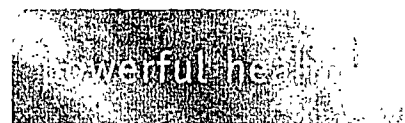
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Celebrity cat lover and breast cancer awareness supporter Kate Walsh has joined Cat Nap for a Cause to raise funds and awareness. PHOTO: ABC/ERIC OGDEN

Purina teams with Komen in Cat Nap for a Cause

On average, cats sleep 13 to 16 hours a day. Many of those hours are composed of naps – 20 to 30 minutes in length – hence the term “cat nap.” Cat owners likely watch their feline friends curl up in a sunny spot at the edge of a bed and with a wishful sigh, contemplate joining them for a cat nap of their own.

Well, according to the National Sleep Foundation, a short nap of 20 to 30 minutes can help improve mood, alertness and performance. And when a person is fighting a disease such as breast cancer, connecting with your cat – especially during a restful and regenerative cat nap – provides a calming influence, according to a recent Purina Cat Chow survey.

Inspired by one cancer survivor's touching story of the role her cat played during her battle with cancer, Purina Cat Chow is doing its part to help the fight against breast cancer. For the third consecutive year, the company is donating more than \$200,000 to Susan G. Komen for the Cure and will raise awareness for breast cancer through its Cat Nap for the Cause campaign.

In addition, when a person becomes a fan of www.facebook.com/purinacatchow and registers to take a cat nap this October, another \$2 donation will be made to Susan G. Komen, up to \$150,000. Purina Cat Chow Indoor and Purina Cat Chow Complete also will feature pink packaging this October in honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Celebrity cat lover and breast cancer awareness supporter Kate Walsh has joined the campaign to raise funds and awareness.

“One of my favorite things to do is hang out with my cats Billy and Pablo ... and I'm not kidding. I know many people share the same bond with their pets,” said Walsh, star of ABC's “Private Practice.” “As a cat lover and daughter of a courageous woman who has been a breast cancer survivor for more than 10 years, I'm thrilled to support a campaign that empowers cat lovers and breast cancer supporters to make a difference and raise funds simply by taking a cat nap this October.”

The Purina Cat Chow national survey found that 84 percent of women battling breast cancer said their cat had a calming effect on them during their treatment. Cats also provided daily support to the patient, according to 76 percent of survivors surveyed.

Dr. Karen Sueda, of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists, said that cats are perceptive to their owners' needs during an illness.

“Whether pet owners are fighting a disease such as breast cancer or going through a rough period in life such as job loss or financial stress, their cats often display intuitive behaviors of knowing when they need extra love and support,” Sueda said.

Susan G. Komen for the Cure is the world's largest grassroots network of breast cancer survivors and activists fighting to save lives, empower people, ensure quality care for all and energize science to find the cures. The organization has invested more than \$1.5 billion toward ending breast cancer, becoming the world's largest source of nonprofit funds dedicated to the fight against breast cancer.



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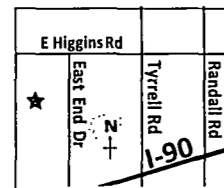
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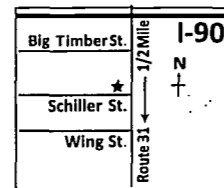
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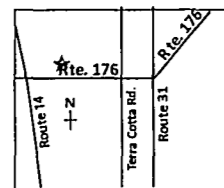
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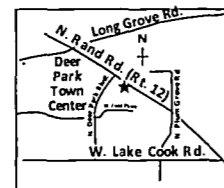
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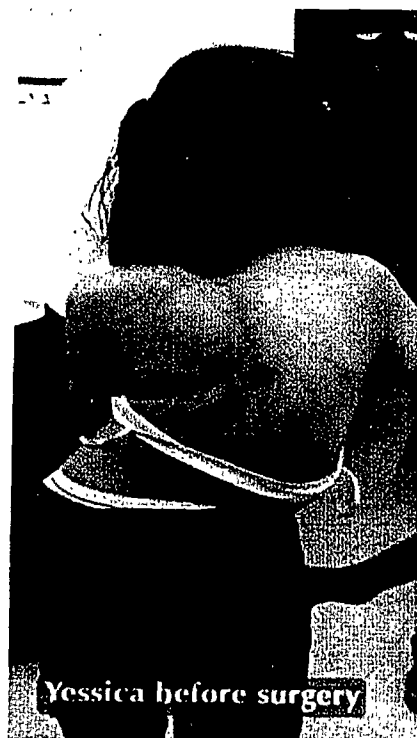
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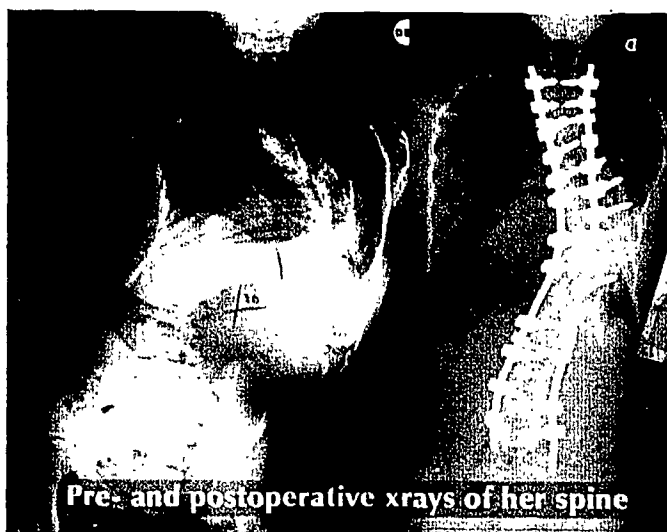
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Yessica today with Dr. Rinella

Scoliosis can cause the spine to twist and bend in an abnormal way. While the cause of scoliosis is unknown, it affects women more than men. Today, Yessica enjoys an active lifestyle and dancing.

Colombian girl begins a new life after scoliosis procedure

Yessica learned she had scoliosis when she was 10 years old. Growing up in Colombia, South America, she did not have many options for treatment. By the time she was 12 years old, her spinal curvature increased to over 120 degrees, so non-operative approaches were not possible. Despite knowing curves of this magnitude were potentially life threatening, several spinal specialists felt nothing could be done to correct her scoliosis. Her family began to lose hope.

Fortunately, Yessica learned **Dr. Anthony Rinella**, a spine and scoliosis surgeon from the Joliet area, led a team of experts on a pediatric mission to her country. She worked closely with Dr. Rinella's nonprofit organization - **SpineHope** (www.SpineHope.org) - to see if she would be a surgical candidate.

Dr. Rinella and his team of four surgeons from around the United States performed a number of studies. "We felt the surgery was very complex, but possible," said Dr. Rinella. Yessica's mother emphasized, "We were very happy to know a team of experts was confident they could help when local surgeons could not."

Most surgeries of this type require 4-6 hours in the operating room, and a 3-5 day hospital stay. However, due to the severity and rigidity of her curves, Yessica had to spend additional time in the hospital to gently stretch her spine prior to surgery. "I felt myself growing every day, and this made it easier to breathe," said Yessica. On the day of surgery, Dr. Rinella was very happy he could successfully straighten her curve in a single procedure.

Immediately after surgery, she could not believe how tall she was! "My spine felt straight, and I no longer had a large rib hump on my back," said Yessica. Her mother cried with happiness the first time she stood up after surgery.

It took some time to get used to her new body. She grew approximately 6 inches and no longer leaned to the side. Amazingly, within two weeks she did not need any more pain medication. Yessica was surprised she did not need a brace after her surgery, and she had no activity restrictions. This allowed her to recover much faster.

Now 1 year after surgery, Yessica is very happy with the way she looks. She regularly plays sports, and loves to dance.

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The M-B R Class cloaks minivan in crossover clothing

BY KIRK BELL
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For the average family, minivans can get pretty expensive. Load up a Honda Odyssey or a Toyota Sienna and you'll easily top \$40,000. So what about the well-heeled family who wants the utility of a minivan and the caché of a fine luxury vehicle?

No luxury automaker offers a minivan. Well, maybe one does, but the manufacture will never call it a minivan. It's the Mercedes-Benz R Class, and it's a minivan in crossover clothing.

The R Class was introduced for the 2006 model year and it gets a midcycle update for 2011. The changes aren't very dramatic, comprising mostly a new face with a wider and higher grille, LED taillights and a different bumper shape at the rear, and a new instrument cluster and available two-tone upholstery inside.

The 2011 Mercedes-Benz R Class is offered in only two models: the gasoline-powered \$50,240 R350 4Matic and the diesel-motivated \$51,740 R350 BlueTec 4Matic. The R350 4Matic features a 268-horsepower V-6, while the BlueTec has

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2011 MERCEDES-BENZ R CLASS

ENGINE: 268-horsepower 3.5 liter V-6 (R350); 210-horsepower 3.0-liter diesel (R350 BlueTec)

TRANSMISSION: seven-speed automatic

DRIVETRAIN: four-wheel drive

FUEL ECONOMY: 14 city/19 highway (R350); 18 city/24 highway (diesel)

BASE PRICE: \$50,240 (R350); \$51,740 (diesel)

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a 210-horsepower 3.0-liter turbocharged diesel engine that puts out a hefty 400 pound-feet of torque. Both models feature Mercedes' 4Matic all-wheel-drive system, which sends 45 percent of the power to the front wheels and 55 percent to the rears at all times.

The R Class can be configured a number of ways. It comes standard with a three-passenger rear bench seat and two seating rows. A 50/50

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Family grows with Franczak in Palatine

Kevin and Alison Gildemeister are moving up to a larger R. Franczak home at the Heritage of Palatine Brownstones, a private collection of distinctive rowhomes on Greeley Street at Washington in downtown northwest suburban Palatine. The Gildemeisters purchased their first new condominium at the Benchmark of Palatine in December of 2005. The Gildemeisters have two children, Katelyn, 5 months old, and Ryan, 2.

As with the Gildemeisters, R. Franczak values young families and counts many among its buyers. Rowhomes offer approximately 2,300 square feet of living space with three bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths and a bonus room. The 2,300-square-foot rowhomes are preconstruction prices range from \$389,900 to \$409,900. The adjacent condominium community offers 48 residences that feature one-bedroom, two-bedroom and two-bedroom-plus-den residences with two baths. Plans range from 1,126 to 1,716 square feet of living space, and are priced from \$279,900 to \$349,900.

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Mercedes-Benz R Class: minivan in disguise

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split-folding third-row seat is optional, as is a pair of second-row bucket seats. That allows for seating arrangements ranging from four to seven passengers and everything in between.

Rear-seat room is a definite strength of the R Class. The second row has enough head and legroom for even tall passengers, but the middle seat isn't contoured for the best comfort. The most versatile configuration is the six-passenger setup with a second-row center walkthrough. The third row has enough room for two adults to fit easily, but the short seat bottoms will limit long-trip comfort.

The center walkthrough makes it easier to get back to the third row, but an available second-row center console makes it more comfortable for second-row occupants. The whole layout would be easier to access with sliding side doors, but then Mercedes would have to admit that the R Class is really a minivan.

All those seats can also be folded flat to turn the R Class into a big cargo bin. With all the seats down, there is a cavernous 85 cubic feet of cargo space, and there is a plentiful 42.2 cubic feet behind the second-row seats. Getting the seats down, however, can be confusing. The optional second-row console must be removed to maximize space, and the second-row headrests may also have to be removed depending on how far back the front seats are set.

When folded, the third-row seats hook

into the second-row seats, so they all need to be in the right position. My experience: It takes about a minute to collapse everything once you get used to it. Doing the same in most other vehicles takes half that time or less.

The front seat is also quite accommodating, but drivers will be more impressed with the typical Mercedes ambience. Though a step down from an E Class or S Class, the R is replete with quality materials and components, including sturdy plastics, soft-touch surfaces, gauges that look like fine watch faces and burl walnut wood trim. The standard upholstery may not be leather, but the faux leather will fool most. Oddly, Mercedes doesn't offer leather as an option.

As a modern luxurious cruiser with a bevy of tech features, the R Class also comes standard with one of the new breed of central control interfaces. Mercedes calls it the COMAND system, and it uses a five-way controller located to the right of the dashboard center screen to handle the communications, navigation and entertainment functions.

COMAND controls tech features such as an available hard-drive-based navigation system that holds four gigabytes of music files, an iPod interface, Sirius satellite radio and a Harman Kardon 7.1 surround-sound audio system. Other available luxury and tech features include dual rear DVD screens in the backs of the front headrests, a blind spot warning system, a power rear lift gate and a rearview camera.

On the road, the 2011 Mercedes-

Benz R Class feels like a cross between a crossover and a minivan. This is no sport touring model, but it does feel stable and composed. There is more body roll in turns than you'd find in your average four-door sedan but far less than most minivans. The steering is light and a bit slow to react, but the ride is buttery smooth. All in all, it's a bit dull but comfortable.

The 3.5-liter gasoline provides smooth, willing power. Zero to 60 mph takes 8.0 seconds, which is fairly quick but not excessive. Passing is fairly easy, though the seven-speed automatic transmission can be a bit tardy to downshift to provide that extra punch. Fuel economy is unimpressive at 14 mpg city/19 highway. Those numbers are more typical of a thirsty V-8.

The clear choice for better mileage is the 3.0-liter turbocharged diesel engine. It feels slightly stronger from a stop, but response on the highway isn't quite as immediate.

There is only a hint of diesel clatter and drivers need not worry about smelly emissions. Zero to 60 mph takes 8.6 seconds, and fuel economy is a livable 18/24. Given recent improvements in fuel economy by many automakers, however, we'd expect the diesel to do better than that.

To sum it up, the 2011 Mercedes-Benz R Class is smooth and fairly responsive on the road, comfortable and roomy inside, and it offers more luxury but less utility than American families can find in a minivan. If you want the roomiest, most comfortable European cruiser money can buy, the R Class is your choice.

Jaguar unveils electric concept car at Paris show

PARIS — Jaguar last week unveiled a range-extended electric supercar concept car at the Paris Motor Show. Designed to celebrate the brand's 75th anniversary and provide a glimpse at the future, the C-X75 shows Jaguar's commitment to producing beautiful, fast cars powered by sustainable means.

"The C-X75 is a tribute to the people who shaped the iconic Jaguars that are revered to this day. By making it an innovative test bed for the technologies of tomorrow, it also ensures that our reputation for engineering excellence will continue for another 75 years and beyond," said Mike O'Driscoll, managing director for Jaguar.

The C-X75 hints at an exciting evolution of Jaguar's design while paying homage to some of its most admired cars of years gone by. Advanced design features such as a ground-breaking propulsion system and active aerodynamics allow for an elegantly simple fuselage section that remains stable at high speeds.

Inspiration from the past comes from cars like the 1950s C-Type and D-Type racers and the 1966 XJ13 Le Mans prototype. Shorter and lower than the current crop of supercars, the C-X75 exterior design is about pure performance with a simple central fuselage surrounded by prominent wheel arches. Thanks to the absence of a conventional piston engine, the car's designers had maximum freedom in placing the mechanical components and creating an elegant engineering package.

The 205 mph four-wheel-drive supercar is capable of running in purely electric mode (zero tailpipe emissions) for 68 miles on a six-hour domestic plug-in charge. The innovative, lightweight micro gas turbines are

also capable of quickly and efficiently recharging the Lithium-ion batteries, giving the car a theoretical range of 560 miles.

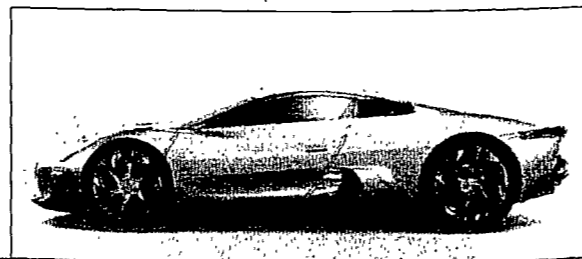
This range-extension system is a result of Jaguar's research engineers adopting a clean-sheet approach to powering supercars of the future. The C-X75 turned to the latest evolution of a pioneering British technology: the gas turbine.

Developed in partnership with Bladon Jets, the miniaturized turbine blade — the first viable axial-flow micro-turbine — increases the compression and efficiency of micro gas turbines so that they can be viewed as a realistic power source. Each of the micro gas turbines weighs just 35kg and produces 94 70kW of power at a constant 80,000 rpm.

The energy created by the turbines and stored in the batteries is transmitted to the road using four independent electric motors. Using individual motors has benefits in terms of weight saving and distribution, packaging and efficiency. Each motor weighs just 50kg but produces 145kW of power and an astonishing combined total torque output of 1,180 pound-feet.

Because each wheel is driven by its own electric motor, the C-X75 is four-wheel drive — with all the traction, grip and safety benefits that entails — without the weight disadvantages of a purely mechanical set-up.

Jaguar has increased the design's aerodynamic efficiency dramatically by opening the front grille and brake cooling vents only when necessary. At the rear corners of the car vertical control surfaces automatically engage at higher speeds to direct airflow aft of the rear wheels for increased stability and efficiency.



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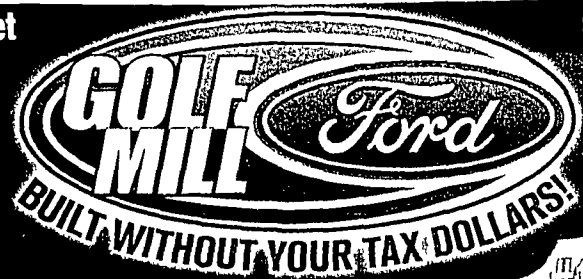
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Toll Brothers holding national sales event

Eight locations offer savings, incentives through Saturday, Oct. 10

Toll Brothers, a leading builder of luxury homes, is inviting homebuyers to attend its "National Fall Sales Event," which will be held in Toll Brothers communities nationwide including The Crossings at Morton Grove and seven other communities in the Greater Chicagoland area now through Saturday, Oct. 10.

Buyers will be able to take advantage of limited-time savings and manufacturer incentives, making this an excellent time to buy a new Toll Brothers dream home.

With prices from \$279,995, The Crossings at Morton Grove is an enclave of 64 charming new rowhomes, situated just steps from the Morton Grove Metra station so residents can walk out their front door and be at the train station in 5 minutes.

"To find newly constructed rowhomes in such an ideal location is incredibly rare," said Brian Wulfestieg, senior project manager for Toll Brothers. "And we are just 20 minutes from O'Hare airport, which is also a big draw."

The community is more than 70 percent sold out and the builder recently opened a new building due to the demand. Buyers are impressed with the luxurious features included in each rowhome such as granite countertops, 42-inch maple kitchen cabinets, hardwood floors, Kohler plumbing fixtures, whirlpool Gold stainless steel appliances in the kitchen, a washer and dryer, 9-foot first-floor and second-floor ceilings, a rooftop deck, two-car



The rowhomes at The Crossings at Morton Grove, by Toll Brothers, offer strong curb appeal and luxury living.

attached garage, full basement, and a fully-sodded yard with automatic irrigation systems.

Homebuyers in Illinois who place a deposit on a new home at The Crossings at Morton Grove or any other Chicagoland community during this event will have the opportunity to customize their own savings package, from significant discounts on high-end upgrades or structural additions to locking in a good rate long-term through the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, TBI Mortgage Company. Plus, for this event only, buyers will also receive special incentives from national manufacturers.

"The long-term rate lock lets buyers net on today's low rates and provides the time to build their dream home," said Brett Taylor, senior sales manager for The Crossings at Morton Grove.

"The program is available through TBI Mortgage and allows qualified buyers to lock in a low rate for as long as 345 days. If rates improve within 45 days of the closing, the buyer can float down to the lower rate at no additional cost."

Visit www.TBIMortgage.com for more information.

"With the limited time only savings and incentive packages being offered during the National Fall Sales Event, now is the perfect time to buy a new Toll Brothers home," said Wulfestieg.

In addition to The Crossings at Morton Grove, Toll Brothers offers several other communities in the greater Chicagoland area: luxurious townhomes ready for occupancy in Bloomingdale at Bloomingdale Walk, single-family homes, townhomes, and single-family homes and ranch townhomes in Elgin

at Boves Creek Country Club for buyers aged 55 and older, single-family homes and townhomes at Hawthorn Woods Country Club in Hawthorn Woods, single-family homes in North Aurora at Lake Ran Estates, condominiums and townhomes at Patriot Commons at The Glen, single-family homes at The Woods of South Barrington, and active-adult single-family ranch homes at Regency at The Woods of South Barrington.

To take advantage of the National Fall Sales Event savings, buyers must make a deposit by Oct. 10 and sign an agreement of sale within 10 days of deposit. Sales and incentive packages will vary among communities. Home buyers should visit or call their community of interest to learn about specific incentive details. For more information, visit www.TollSalesEvent.com.

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"People have faith in Toll Brothers because of our remarkable history and our impeccable reputation," said Taylor. "Anyone considering a luxury home purchase should make this event a priority. We're already seeing signs of economic growth in this country, so it might not be long before this buyer's market ends."

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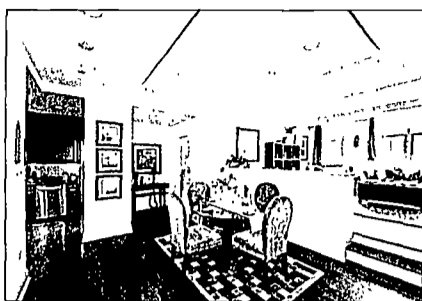
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Mallinckrodt In The Park succeeds in lowering age limit to 55

Wilmette community looks to get a boost from pre-retirees



Mallinckrodt in the Park, located in Wilmette, has won approval from the Wilmette Board of Trustees to lower its resident age restriction from 62 years to 55 years.

The new guidelines require one member of the household to be at least 55 years of age. There is no age restriction on any other member of the household.

"We have successfully lowered the age requirement in response to interest from younger buyers on the North Shore, particularly those pre-retirees," Wnshawsky said.

"We're confident that the younger entry threshold will attract a new pool of buyers as there are very few options for homebuyers on the North Shore and even fewer that offer the ease of condominium living, classic styling and modern luxuries available at Mallinckrodt in the Park."

Mallinckrodt Renaissance LLC and brokerage firm @properties are selling the remaining 22 units at Mallinckrodt in the Park, which is the adaptive reuse and conversion of the historic Mallinckrodt College, built in 1918.

Available floor plans include one bedroom, one bedroom plus a den, two bedrooms or two bedrooms plus a den, one to 3 1/2 baths, and 1,148 to 2,952 square feet. Prices range from \$235,000 to \$750,000 including one or two deeded indoor heated parking spaces.

Nearly every floor plan at Mallinckrodt in the Park is unique. Some include a balcony or walk-out patio and many offer views of the park or Mallinckrodt's signature fountain.

Since acquiring the final 33 units in the project, Mallinckrodt Renaissance LLC has reduced prices on the condominiums by an average of 16 to 40 percent from the initial developer offering and stepped up marketing. Its efforts have yielded seven closings since the beginning of the year along with four additional units currently under contract.

"We're really hitting our stride now with new prices, new marketing and a new younger entrance age," said David Rosen, manager of Mallinckrodt Renaissance LLC and managing director of Long Grove Capital.

A sales center and decorated model for Mallinckrodt in the Park are open Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. and by appointment during the week. For more information or to schedule an appointment, visit www.mallinckrodt.com or contact Don Shen at @properties at 847-910-0268, or dshen@nproperties.com.



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Note that offers available on select homes as determined by Lennar, for purchase agreements written by Oct. 10 and closing must occur no later than Oct. 26. The seller will pay closing costs as defined on your Good Faith Estimate, excluding prepaids, subject to seller contribution of up to \$5,000. The offer may affect loan amount, and is available only to qualified buyers financing through Universal American Mortgage Company and closing at designated closing agent. Prices are subject to change without notice. Limited funds are available; this offer may change upon exhaustion of funds. Specific terms apply and buyer is subject to qualification that includes, but not limited to, a minimum of 3.5 percent down, a minimum credit score of 620, owner occupancy requirements and/or any changes in investor guidelines or programs. Payment shown is based on \$149,990 sales price.

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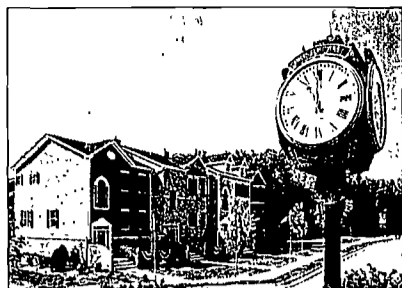
Deals abound at Bristol Bay

BY MARCY MARRO
For Sun Times Media

Sitting on 27 acres of beautiful Wisconsin countryside, Bristol Bay Condominiums in Bristol, Wis., offers residents a real sense of community. The neighborhood-themed development features 172 townhome and ranch-style condominiums in a community that is reminiscent of a historic colonial village.

To close out Phase 1 of the community, the builder is offering deep discounts on the remaining 12 residences, said Doug Stanich of Douglas Kent Homes. There are five two-bedroom, 2½-bath townhomes and seven two-bedroom, two-bath condos still available. Priced from \$189,900 to \$249,900, the residences are being offered with as much as \$102,000 off the original prices. The townhomes offer 2,300 square feet of living space, while the condos range from 1,549 to 2,054 square feet.

In addition to special financing with as little as 5 percent down, these bargains are the best deals ever offered on these residences," Stanich said. According to Stanich, the secluded neighborhood offers a



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very traditional feel to it, similar to that of Williamsburg, Va. Residents can walk along the well-lit paths throughout the community, enjoying the water and preservation areas. Residences with colonial-style architecture make up the streetscape, showcasing townhomes and condos big porches and balconies in a vibrant color array of reds, greens, yellows, black, white and gray. A town meeting hall adds to the community's colonial feel, while the city of Bristol will also be developing a 10,000-square-foot park to surround the neighborhood.

"We really wanted to do something totally different with Bristol Bay," Stanich said. "We wanted to bring people together while giving the community a true sense of the same type of feeling of keeping things close while offering a real sense of community."

The condominiums have an attached two-car garage and private entrance, while the townhomes feature an attached two-car garage and private entrance to three levels of living space. The open floor plan includes 9-foot ceilings, a spacious foyer, along with two master

bedrooms with walk-in closets and built-in microwaves in the kitchen. The baths feature molded marble vanity sinks and beveled plate glass vanity mirrors, in addition to Kohler fixtures and

Housing market needs another shot of stimulus from Uncle Sam

Two years ago this week President George W. Bush and a panic-stricken U.S. Congress enacted the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) as the banking crisis threatened to plunge the nation into a second Great Depression. The \$787 billion TARP fund, signed into law in February of 2009, bailed out Wall Street, the domestic auto industry, and the banking sector. More than 700 banks nationwide received \$205 billion of the total, and those funds actually are projected to earn nearly \$10 billion in profit for Uncle Sam.



Don DeBat
On the home front

Another \$282 billion was targeted for tax cuts designed to boost the take-home pay of workers. And, \$140 billion went for aid to state and local governments to help avoid layoffs of public employees.

However, not all of the TARP funds generated instant success. For example, nearly a third of the money was earmarked for infrastructure projects, including rebuilding streets, roads and bridges, along with upgrading electrical grids. To date, only one third of this money has been spent to generate jobs and spark construction.

Uncle Sam's stimulus program also gave the housing industry a major shot in the arm over the past two years. The \$8,000 federal tax credit incentive for first-time buyers and the \$8,500 credit for others purchasing a new primary residence lured nearly three million home buyers into the marketplace in 2009 and 2010.

However, government critics say the lucrative housing tax-credit deal also cost the U.S. Treasury Department an estimated \$21 billion in tax revenues.

With the tax credit program ended last May, contracts for pending home sales fell by a record 30 percent to an all-time low, reports the National Association of Realtors.

Now, five months later, the Federal Reserve is concerned that the nation's economy is sputtering and may be headed toward deflation, so a new round of Treasury bond purchases totaling up to \$1 trillion is being contemplated. This would push long-term interest charges and mortgage rates even lower, increase the supply of money in the financial system and eventually boost inflation.

With mortgage rates already at 50-year lows, and home prices devaluated, experts say now is the perfect time for a new round of housing tax-credits from Uncle Sam to give the economy a major boost.

New-home construction and remodeling of existing homes is the bedrock of the U.S. economy, a fact often

forgotten by Washington, D.C. bean counters, housing advocates say. "Residential construction has a direct, positive impact on the economy because of the work opportunities it creates in the housing industry, as well as in other areas that provide products or services to home builders and buyers," notes the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

Along with construction labor jobs are created in the industries where lumber, concrete, lighting fixtures, heating equipment, carpeting, furniture and other products that go into a home are produced.

More jobs are created when real estate agents, lawyers and brokers provide services to home builders and buyers. In addition, the incomes of workers are subject to federal, state and Social Security taxes. Profits made by the business owners are similarly taxed. Beyond this, most states impose sales taxes on material sold to home builders, and local government levies fees for building permits and utility tap-in services.

The NAHB gives the following national estimates for the direct economic impact of new residential construction and remodeling:

- 3.05 jobs created and \$89,216 in taxes generated from building an average new single-family home.
- 1.16 jobs created and \$33,494 in taxes generated from building an average new multifamily rental unit.
- 1.11 jobs created and \$30,217 in taxes generated from each \$100,000 spent on residential remodeling.

It is likely that these tax-revenue numbers are low because the federal government does not include items such as installation of landscaping and purchase of new kitchen appliances as part of single-family home construction costs. Realtor/broker services, and marketing and finance costs also are excluded, notes the NAHB.

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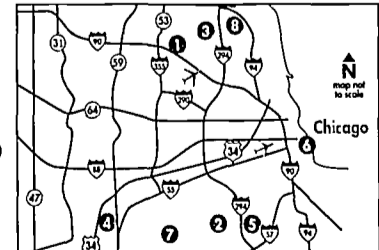


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Lakeside activities enhance the fall lifestyle at The Atwater



Living near downtown Racine means a fun-filled fall season with street festivals, art gallery openings, and holiday shopping.

Year-round residence a vacation getaway an hour from Chicago

While summer months are packed with an abundance of outdoor activities, entertainment opportunities continue to abound in late fall in nearby downtown Racine.

Visitors can tour over 60 downtown shops, galleries and restaurants with opportunities to find just the holiday gifts they need and a chance to meet some artists. A downtown holiday parade features live reindeer, lighted floats and marching bands culminating in a tree lighting ceremony. And there's a Halloween 5K run and walk for everyone to enjoy.

Since there is so much to do and see in downtown Racine, it's no wonder that many Illinoisans have purchased a home at The Atwater at Gaslight Pointe and are enjoying all the amenities that living on Lake Michigan offers. Homeowners are discovering the charming historic shopping district, art galleries and wonderful museums and even horse-drawn carriage rides. Many events feature live local music at various locations, and folks are finding that there's so much to explore in downtown Racine.

With drive time only one hour from Chicago, The Atwater is a popular choice as a vacation getaway retreat or year-round residence. Built by New England Builders, the four-story, 40-unit condominium building features impressive one- and two-bedroom condos for immediate occupancy.

New England Builders is currently offering a variety of special incentives making now the best time to buy. Executive vice president Chris Rintz invites you to take advantage of below market 30-year

THINGS TO SEE AND DO IN RACINE IN NOVEMBER

First Fridays: Visit over 50 downtown shops, galleries and restaurants. Listen to live music and delight in a horse-drawn carriage ride, Nov. 5. Main and 6th streets, 6-9 p.m.

Downtown Holiday Parade: Enjoy live reindeer, lighted floats, marching bands, costumed characters and more. Nov. 13, 5:30 p.m.

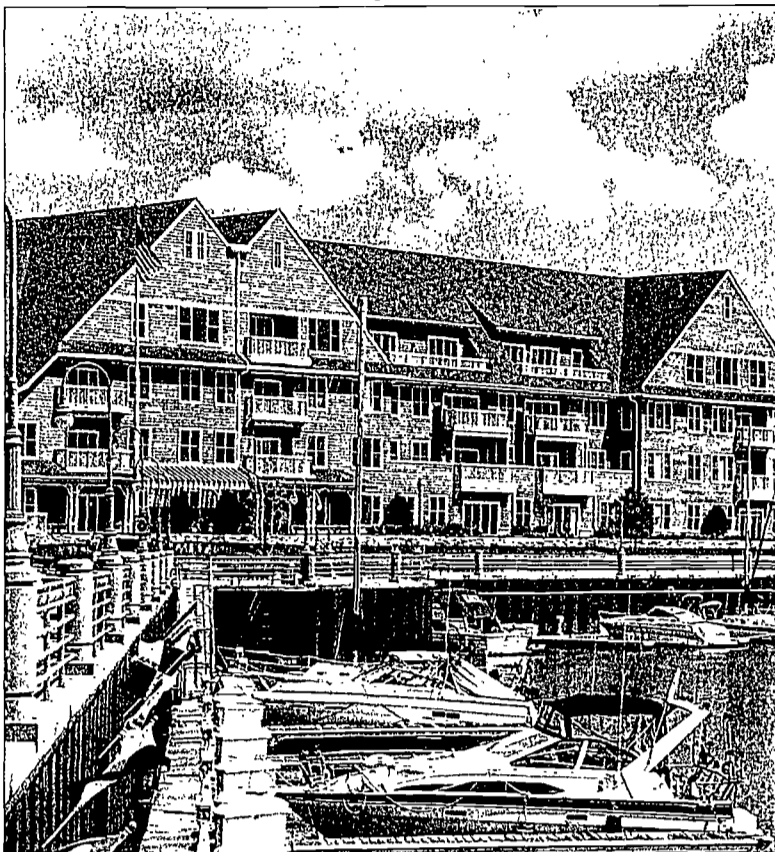
Community Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony: Join neighbors as they welcome the holiday season. Nov. 13

Downtown Gallery Night: Visit unique galleries and workshops to view exhibits, meet the artists and enjoy refreshments. Nov. 20, 6-9 p.m.

5K Run/Walk: Enjoy Halloween costume race for runners and their families, Nov. 30, 10:15-2:00 p.m.

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Featuring one- and two-bedroom condos previously priced from \$190,900 to \$418,900, units are now available from \$169,900 to \$372,500. Currently, two units remain that overlook the harbor, while eight units offer views of the lake from their balconies. Floor plans range in size from 787 to 1,836 square feet for one-bedroom, one-bath to two-bedrooms-plus-den and 2½-bath homes. Buyers still have time to add their personal touch by



Relax in your vacation condo getaway all year round, while enjoying spectacular harbor views from your balcony at The Atwater.

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"I made one of the best decisions of my life when I purchased a two-bedroom, 2½-bath condo at The Atwater," said Dan Bramuchi.

He and wife Wendy were impressed with the charming quaint architecture of the New England-style building that is perched on Lake Michigan, and it is only one hour from their Glenview home.

Dan says he could not find this type of weekend retreat anywhere else. The views of Lake Michigan and the exciting harbor are fabulous and the condo is

only two short blocks from Main Street, where there's a variety of restaurants, shops and art studios.

"From our balcony we can watch all the colorful boats docked at the harbor and enjoy a magnificent panorama of Lake Michigan and the Lighthouse. Even though the location is close to our home, it's still far enough away to feel like we're on vacation. There's always something to do and the atmosphere is very festive."

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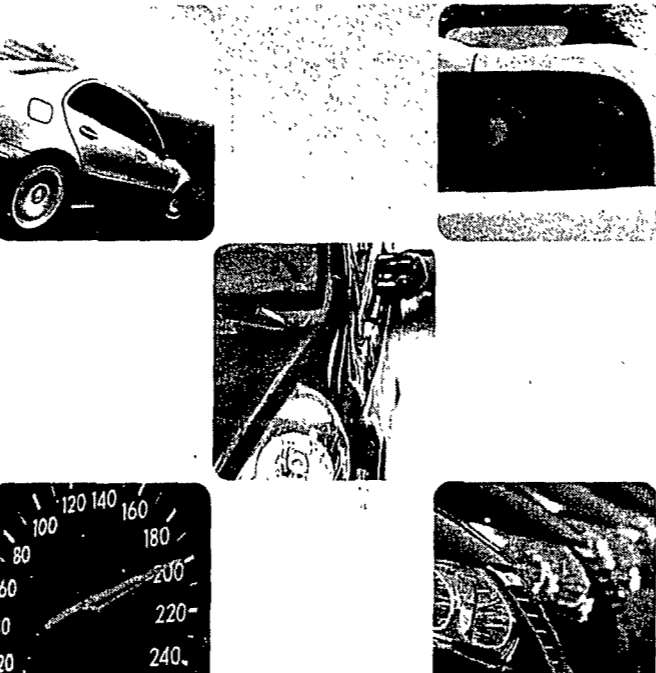
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Al Piemonte Ford offers travel incentive.

To make it more affordable for shoppers to meet face to face with Al Piemonte Ford's credit department, the dealership has added a gift card incentive. Now customers who visit the Credit Department will be rewarded with a \$10 Target Gift Card.

Finance personnel will be on hand to meet with them and access their ability to get financing for a new or used vehicle. Ed Dixon, "The Credit Coach" from the dealership, sees this as another step in making the customer experience "friendly and inviting".

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Shoppers can start the process by calling a 24 hour toll free number dedicated to financing. The number is 1-800-NEXT CREDIT or 1-800-639-8273.



Ed Dixon "Credit Coach"

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ORGANIZATIONS

The American Jewish Artists Club is now accepting applications for new artist members. The club exhibits widely in the Chicago area in museums, public venues and institutions, synagogues and community centers. Members also participate in salon discussions and art critiques, plein air painting sessions, and other activities.

For information, visit www.american-jewishartistsclub.org.
Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the second Friday of the month at the Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. New members are welcome. For information, visit www.dpag.org. Oct. 8: Phil Kantz will present an oil portrait demonstration. International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 43 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 15 in the South Conference Room at Saint Francis Hospital, 355 Ridge Ave., Evanston. "Mentalism Night" will honor of magician Harry Houdini, who died on Halloween 1926. Members will perform and explain some of their tricks. Free. For information, contact Robert K. Miller at (847) 272-3850 or miracles@magicmiller.com. Skokie Art Guild meets on the fourth

Tuesday of March, April, May, June and September at the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. For more information, visit www.skokieartguild.org.

SINGLES

Spare Singles Sunday Evening Club holds ballroom dances from 7:30-10:30 p.m. the first and third Sundays of each month at the American Legion, 9757 Pacific Ave., Franklin Park. Admission is \$8 for members; \$9 guests. Oct. 17: Halloween dance with music by Chuck and Friends.

WORKSHOPS & CLASSES

Skokie Art Guild offers figure drawing workshops from 7-9:45 p.m. Thursdays and 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays at the De-

vonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood St., Skokie. Fee is \$12 for members; \$20 for nonmembers. Visit www.skokieartguild.org for information.
Oakton Community College offers Alliance for Lifelong Learning classes at various locations. For information or registration, visit www.oakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888, press 3. Mosaics (ART C16-01) encourages students to develop a sense of design, balance and harmony while learning about materials application. Three-week session meets from 7-9:30 p.m. Mondays, starting Oct. 18. Course fee is \$150.
Oakton Community College's Emeritus Program offers Understanding the Unique World of Stephen Sondheim (MUS C18-61) from 10 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Wednesdays, starting Oct. 13, at the

Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe. The three-week course delves into the lyrics, music and unusual subject matters of the American composer. Course fee is \$60. Call (847) 635-1414 or visit www.oakton.edu/emeritus.

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Scream Scene Haunted House, featuring more than 20 rooms, open from 7-10 p.m. Oct. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 and 29-31 at the Skokie Water Playground, 4701 Oakton St. Not recommended for children under 10. Admission: \$8. For information, call (847) 674-1500, ext. 2700, or visit www.ScreamScene.com.
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MUSEUMS

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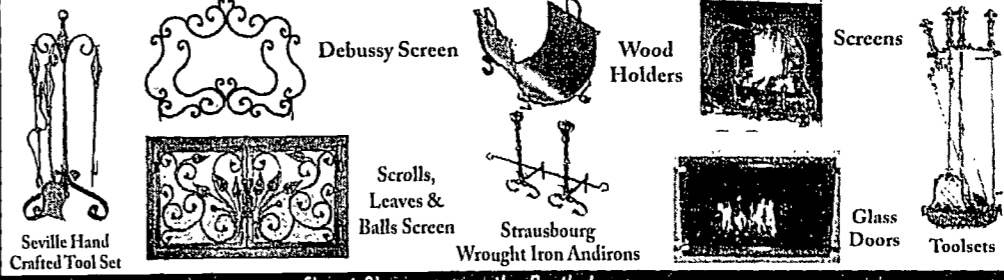
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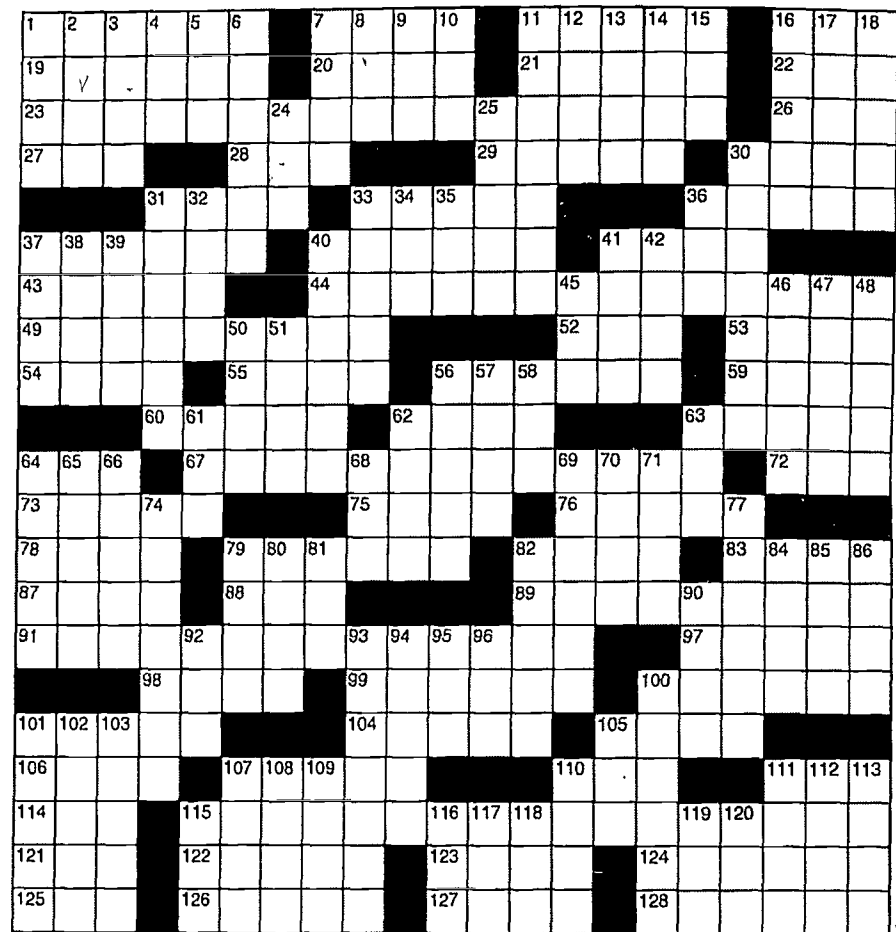
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- 91 "Double, double" ("Macbeth" refrain)
- 97 Heavenly hunter
- 98 "Dies ___"
- 99 Jim Varney character
- 100 Had a knight job?
- 101 Clear the slate
- 104 Dutch export
- 105 Take-out order?
- 106 Pull sharply
- 107 Valhalla VIP
- 110 Calendar abbr.
- 111 "Wiedersehen"
- 114 Goal
- 115 Peter Graves series
- 121 Middling mark
- 122 Comic Sherman
- 123 Hodgepodge
- 124 Verdi hero
- 125 Hamilton bill
- 126 Elfluvia
- 127 Wording
- 128 Basket material
- DOWN
- 1 Phrenology term
- 2 "Orinoco Flow" singer
- 3 Liability
- 4 Household
- 5 "A Fool Such ___" (59 hit)
- 6 Tune
- 7 Street urchin
- 8 History division
- 9 Offense
- 10 Make lace
- 11 Bondage
- 12 Take on board
- 13 Maintain
- 14 Competition
- 15 Drop a brick
- 16 Rocker
- 17 Lose control
- 18 Stun
- 24 Housman's "A Shropshire"
- 25 Lake sight
- 30 Malaria treatment
- 31 Leaves work?
- 32 Small business-man?
- 33 Fair
- 34 ___ Tin Tin
- 35 Cephalopod's squirt
- 36 Kimono closer
- 37 Rubberneck
- 38 Way off base?
- 39 "Damn Yankees" siren
- 40 Materialize
- 41 Vatican document
- 42 Culp/Cosby
- 45 Spoiled
- 46 Foe
- 47 Word form for "view"
- 48 Upscale shop
- 50 "Coming" (69 song)
- 51 Berg and Drabowsky
- 56 Put on guard
- 57 Be different
- 58 Flapscallion
- 61 Furrow
- 62 Firmament feature
- 63 Rocker Nugent
- 64 Barely there
- 65 "Tosca" tenor
- 66 Problem solvers?
- 68 Sgt. or cpl.
- 69 Cheese-maker's need
- 70 A Karamazov brother
- 71 It's a long story
- 74 Cleopatra's Needle, for one
- 77 Swimmer Gertrude
- 79 Empedocles' last stand?
- 80 Lose luster
- 81 Robust
- 82 Taco topping
- 84 Landed
- 85 Gin
- 86 Flavoring
- 86 Round of applause
- 90 Cook in a cauldron
- 92 Exist
- 93 Gets back
- 94 Maine town
- 95 Burmese statesman
- 96 You can retire on it
- 100 More nervous
- 101 Tape-deck button
- 102 Actress Adoree
- 103 "As You Like It" setting
- 105 Couple
- 107 Unrestrained
- 108 '52 Winter Olympics site
- 109 Tyrant
- 110 Detect
- 111 Blind as ___
- 112 Radius' sidekick?
- 113 Sinn ___
- 115 Hua's predecessor
- 116 "I kid you ___"
- 117 ___ du
- 118 Combine
- 119 Mexican Mrs.
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Answers: Inside today's classified section

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Majority of Veterans Don't Understand Burial Benefits; Company Provides Assistance

BY ROBERT ELLSWORTH

A recent study shows that approximately 60% of veterans do not fully understand the burial benefits provided by the federal government. While the reasons for this shocking figure are largely unknown, the seemingly difficult processes involved in obtaining veterans benefits are partly to blame. Another likely cause is the possibility that many veterans and their families are not aware of what the government provides when a veteran passes away.

The benefits can be significant, but they vary depending on several conditions set forth by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Certain restrictions apply based on whether burial takes place in a private or national cemetery.

Regardless of the cemetery chosen, benefits include a government-issued flag, a government headstone or marker and a Presidential Memorial Certificate. Even though these benefits are "guaranteed," certain procedures must be followed to receive them.

Some veterans may be eligible for monetary burial allowances, as well, but this is yet another issue that complicates matters; in order to be considered, the veteran must meet a list of additional requirements.

With so many issues related to receiving VA burial benefits, it is no wonder that there is a gap in understanding — the guidelines are difficult to comprehend. Thankfully, though, at least one funeral services company has stepped in to assist veterans and their families during their time of need.

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and cemeteries, offers a free *Veterans Planning Guide* to eligible veterans. The 56-page guide clearly outlines VA burial benefits, spells out the required procedures and offers helpful information to veterans and their families. The guide also contains worksheets that allow you to plan your own arrangements, making clear your final wishes.

Chris Marsh, a representative of the Dignity Memorial network, says the company is doing what it can to help veterans. "Knowing that the federal guidelines for veterans can be difficult to understand, we developed the *Veterans Planning Guide* to make the process of both planning one's own arrangements and receiving well-deserved benefits much easier," says Marsh. "We made the guide free so more veterans can receive those benefits that they have earned."

In addition to providing important information and special offers for veterans (including a free flag box and information on how to receive a 10% discount on services not covered by VA benefits), the guide outlines possible payment plans, so that funeral expenses are much easier to manage. Marsh notes, however, that even if you choose not to pay up front, planning early is vital — for you and your loved ones.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Some flashes of Aries ire might erupt as you confront an unusually bewildering situation. But you should be able to keep your temper under control as you work through it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That marriage 'twixt the arts and practicality that Taureans excel at once again highlights your enjoyment of much of the week. However, you need to watch any sudden urge to splurge.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Even with all the plusses apparently outweighing the minuses, you still might want to defer an important decision to make sure you have all the facts you need.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) One or two problems might threaten to derail otherwise smoothly running situations at work or at home. But a few well-placed words should help get things back on track quickly.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This could be a good time for all you Leos and Leonas in the spotlight to open your generous Lion's hearts and share the glory with those who helped you accomplish so much along the way.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might want to get advice from someone who's been there and knows these situations better than you do, before investing time or money (or both) in a questionable matter.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Be careful how you handle a workplace matter that seems out of place in the schedule you've prepared. Before you act, one way or another, find out who set it up and why.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your entertainment aspect is strong this week. Besides providing a wonderful break from everyday obligations, sharing fun times brings you closer to those you care for.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Having a weekend fun fest? Your friend or relative who's down in the emotional dumps could perk up if you find a way to include him or her in your plans.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) If you're in one of those "the Goat knows best" periods, you might want to ease up and try listening to what others have to say. You could learn something.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) That new challenge is getting closer, and you should be out there now showing facts and figures to potential allies to help persuade them to rally to your support. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Getting a head start on holiday plans could help free up some time later to spend on other projects. Meanwhile, a colleague has some ideas that you might find worth discussing.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are always there for others, and sometimes you need to be reminded that you need to be there for yourself as well.

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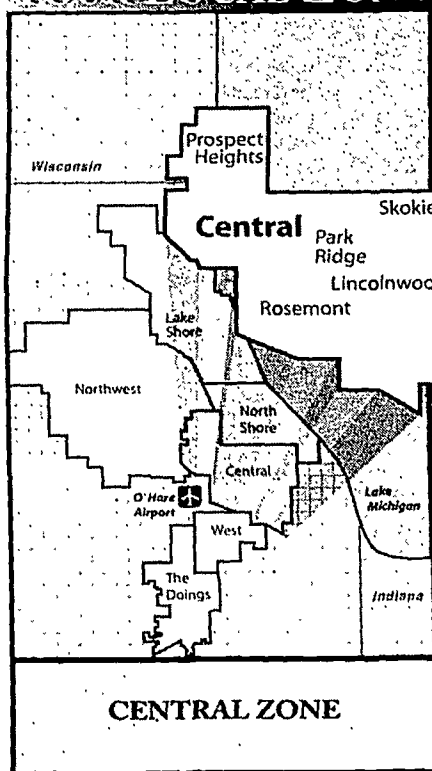
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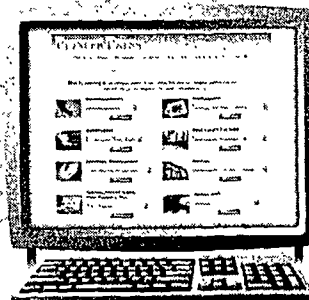


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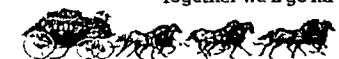
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THREE STEPS TO MAKING SMARTER COUNTEROFFERS

By Michael Chaffers, Monster Contributing Writer

In every salary negotiation, the time comes when the other side puts an offer on the table. At that point, the ball is in your court. Unless you want to accept that offer or walk away from the table, you have to put forth a counteroffer.

You will hear all kinds of advice for doing this, and much of that advice is not particularly useful. For example, a friend might tell you, "Always ask for 20 percent more than you will settle for. You can always retreat." A colleague might say, "Always add 10 percent to what they offer. Employers are always trying to lowball you."

While these tactics may work a few times, they have significant flaws. Not only do they lead you to throw out arbitrary figures, but those figures may not be related to what you really want or need from the negotiation.

Here is some practical advice that can help you develop salary counteroffers that achieve your goals.

- 1. Get Prepared**
Before the negotiation begins, take the time to research standard compensation for the position. Establish a reasonable salary range, a typical benefits package and common additional compensation (e.g., stock options, annual bonus, performance bonus). This work makes it possible for you to know the range in which any satisfactory agreement has to fall.
- 2. Be Firm**
Most negotiators make the mistake of putting out an arbitrary position as their counteroffer, then having to retreat from it because they face a hostile reaction. Avoid this pitfall by selecting a reasonable and appropriate counteroffer -- one based on the data you gathered in your research -- and staying there until the other side offers a persuasive reason for you to move.
- 3. Be Wise**
Keep the big picture in mind. Your goal in the negotiation is to reach an agreement that satisfies your interests, not to win a battle

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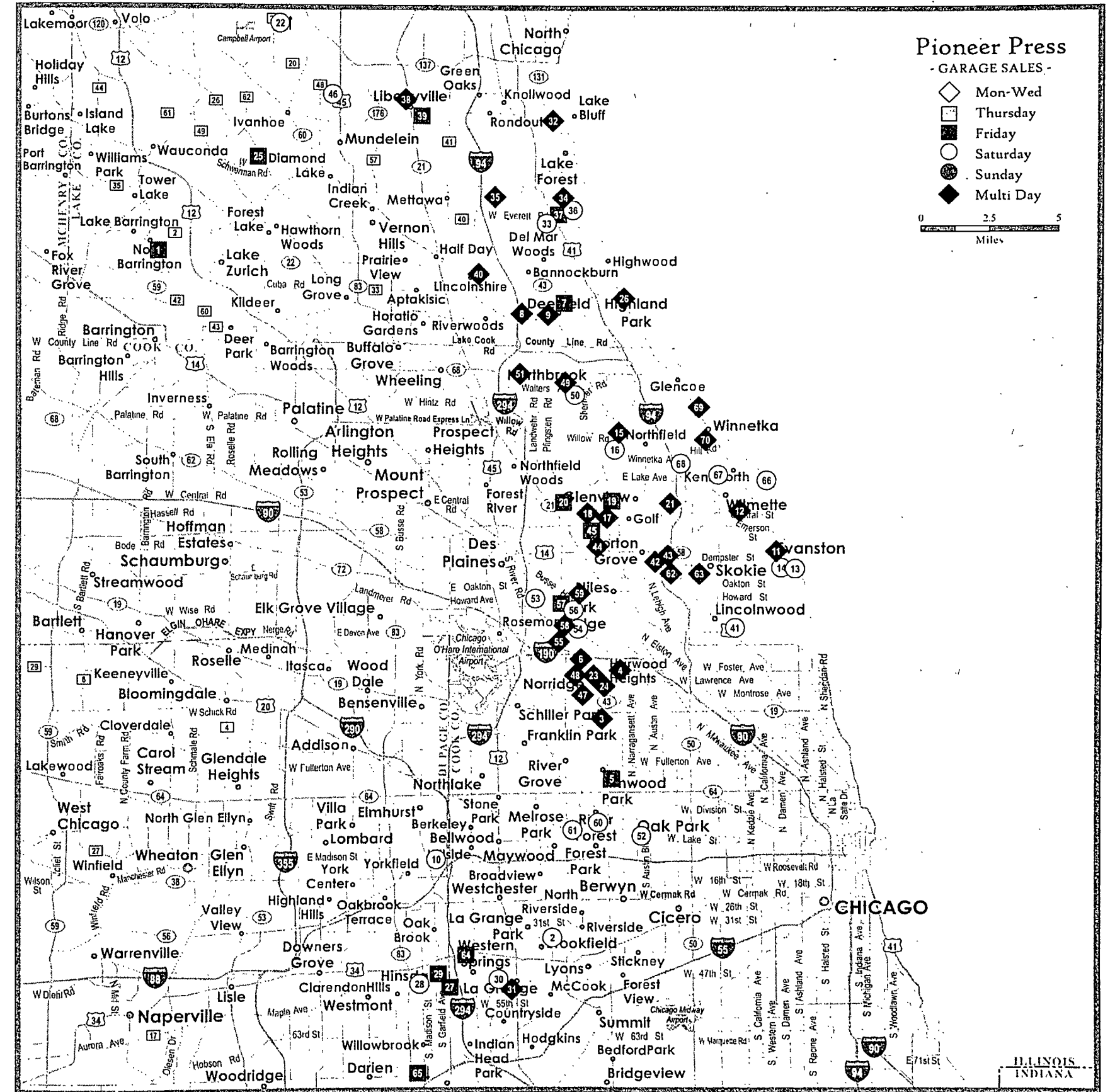
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45 9430 Ozark		9am to 4pm	9am to 3pm	
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46 320 Ambria Drive			8am to 4pm	
NORRIDGE				
47 4545 N. Orange Ave	10am to 7pm	10am to 7pm	10am to 7pm	
48 8120 Winona		9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm
NORTHBROOK				
49 1074 Western		9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm	
50 2134 Walters Ave			8:30am to 1pm	
51 3661 Palm Canyon Dr		9am to 4pm	9am to 4pm	
OAK PARK				
52 200 Block of S. Harvey			8am to 12pm	
PARK RIDGE				
53 415 LAKE			9am to 2pm	
54 1032 S. Vine			9am to 3pm	
55 1228 Granville		9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm	
56 610 and 631 Wisner Street			9am to 2pm	
57 712 S. Chester Avenue		9am to 3pm		
58 900 S. Clifton		9am to 4pm	9am to 4pm	
PARKRIDGE				
59 531 N. Ashland		9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm	
RIVER FOREST				
60 7510 Oak Ave			9am to 4pm	
61 7970 W Lake			9am to 1pm	
SKOKIE				
62 8147 Long Ave		9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm
63 8150 Kolmar	3:30pm to 6:30pm	8am to 10am		
WESTERN SPRINGS				
64 3830 Grove Avenue		8am to 1pm	8am to 1pm	
WILLOWBROOK				
65 10S. 235 Kaye Ln		9am to 3pm	9am to 3pm	
WILMETTE				
66 1000 Sheridan Rd.			9am to 2pm	
67 2136 Greenwood			9am to 3pm	
WINNETKA				
68 19 Meadowview Dr			9am to 4pm	
69 76 Old Green Bay Rd		8am to 2pm	9am to 12pm	
70 893 Ash		9am to 4pm	9am to 3pm	

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Garage Sale Guide



RE JUDICIAL SALES

SKOKIE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION... AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. AMADO ROSALBA B. PASQUALI ROSALBA B. PASQUALI ROSALBA B. PASQUALI...

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SKOKIE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION... WHEATLAND BANK, Plaintiff, vs. CRISTINA A. ANTON, MKM MASONRY COMPANY...

CONDUCTED HOUSE SALES

CHICAGO - ESTATE SALE 2733 W. Jerome Sat-Sun, Oct 9-10, 10a-3p... Estate Liquidation Lifetime collection: antiques, books, records, vinyl, etc.

GARAGE/HOUSE SALES

Evanson - 4 Family Yard 1065 of Items for home, work, school, etc. Bargains, beads, 10% off...

GARAGE/HOUSE SALES

Highland Park - Estate Sale 1485 Oakwood Ave. Sat & Sun, 9am-4pm. Furniture, books, records, etc.

GARAGE/HOUSE SALES

Lincolnshire - 28 Dukes Ln Moving Sale - Downsizing Fri-Sat, Oct 8-9, 9am-3pm. Books, exercise, sewing supplies...

GARAGE/HOUSE SALES

Park Ridge - 1228 Granville Fri-Sat, Oct 8-9, 9am-3pm. Books, exercise, sewing supplies, household, & much more...

GARAGE/HOUSE SALES

Wilmette - Sat, Oct 9, 9am-3pm. Multi family and books, records, exercise, sewing supplies, household items, DVD's, etc.

GARAGE/HOUSE SALES

WINNETKA 19 Meadowview Dr. Sat, Oct 9, 9am-4pm. Just south of Hill & Hubbard. Rds. Upscale multi-family sale...

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RE JUDICIAL SALES

SKOKIE IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION... FIFTH CIRCUIT COURT, Plaintiff, vs. QUALITY FLOORS, INC., INC., LIVIU MIHULET AND GIGI MIHULET, Defendants...

RE JUDICIAL SALES

CHICAGO - 6800 W. Foster Ave. Sat-Sun, Oct 9-10, 10a-3p. Housewares, clothes, garden supplies, tax machine, etc.

RE JUDICIAL SALES

CHICAGO - 323 Prairie Ave. Oct 9 & 10, 10a-3p. Furniture, designer clothes, video game systems, tools, hot tub & much more...

RE JUDICIAL SALES

CHICAGO - 809 & 802 W. Balmoral. Fri/Sat, Oct 9-9:45, 9a-4p. Furniture, Clothing & More!

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CHICAGO - 175 & 1805 Camden Dr. Fri/Sat, Oct 9-9:45, 9a-4p. Furniture, Household, Clothing, Kitchen, Kids, etc.

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CHICAGO - 401 Wadsworth St. Fri/Sat, Oct 9-9:45, 9a-4p. Furniture, Household, Clothing, Kitchen, Kids, etc.

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CHICAGO - 1075 & 1085 Camden Dr. Fri/Sat, Oct 9-9:45, 9a-4p. Furniture, Household, Clothing, Kitchen, Kids, etc.

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of the District Office, 7700 Gross Point Road, Skokie, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds of the District in the amount of \$16,100,000 for the purpose of paying claims against the District.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE On October 19, 2010 the Board of Education of Skokie School District 69, Cook County, Illinois will conduct a public hearing regarding the renewal of a Modification of State Mandates to the Illinois State Board of Education.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 17-2.170(E) of the Harwood Heights Zoning Ordinance of 1988, that the Village of Harwood Heights Planning Commission will be conducting a public hearing on October 27, 2010, at 7:00 PM at Village of Harwood Heights, Village Hall, 7300 West Wilson Avenue, Harwood Heights, IL 60706 to consider the joint application of BT Acquisition Company and Mega Driving School for a special hardship appeal to operate a commercial driver's license training school for the operation of tractor-trailers, buses, trucks and other commercial vehicles on the property located at 7401 West Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, IL owned by BT Acquisition Company and leased by Mega Driving School, Inc. and legally described as follows:

PARCEL 1: LOTS 7 AND 7 AND THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 8 IN KLEFSTAD'S INDUSTRIAL ADDITION TO HARWOOD HEIGHTS, IN THE NORTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 12, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 2: LOTS 13 AND 14 IN BLOCK 1 AND THAT PART OF LOTS 15 TO 18 IN SAID BLOCK 1, BEING NORTH OF A LINE DRAWN FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING IN THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 15, WHICH IS 47.89 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH EAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 15 TO A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 18, WHICH IS 42.60 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH WEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 18, TOGETHER WITH THE EAST AND WEST VACATED 20.00 FEET OF SAID BLOCK 1 LYING SOUTH OF AND ADJOINING THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID BLOCK 1 LYING SOUTH OF AND ADJOINING THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 14.

EXTENDED EAST TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID BLOCK 1 AND LYING NORTH OF THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOTS 15 TO 18 AND THAT PART OF LOTS 13 AND 14 AFORESAID ALL IN LAWRENCE LAMON'S ADDITION, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE EAST HALF OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTH EAST QUARTER AND THE NORTH HALF OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 12, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly Known As: 7401 West Lawrence Avenue, Harwood Heights, IL All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. All inquiries regarding this public hearing can be directed to Natalie Mendel at the Village of Harwood Heights Village Hall, respectfully submitted. Marcia Polloway Village Clerk Publication Date: Oct 7, 2010 Pub: 10/7/10 (1800858) C

PUBLIC NOTICE

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT Policy Statement for Nonpricing Programs The Kladde Kollege announces participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program. This program is designed primarily to provide nutritious meals to all children in child care centers, Head Start Programs, before and after school programs, and homeless shelters. Meals are available at no separate charge to children. In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TTY). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

REDUCED-PRICE MEALS For July 1, 2009, Through June 30, 2010 Child care facilities are eligible for higher rates of reimbursement when enrolled children are from households whose income is within the levels shown in the chart below.

Table with 4 columns: Household Size, Annual, Monthly, Level for Free Meals, Level for Reduced-Price Meals. Rows for household sizes 1 through 8.

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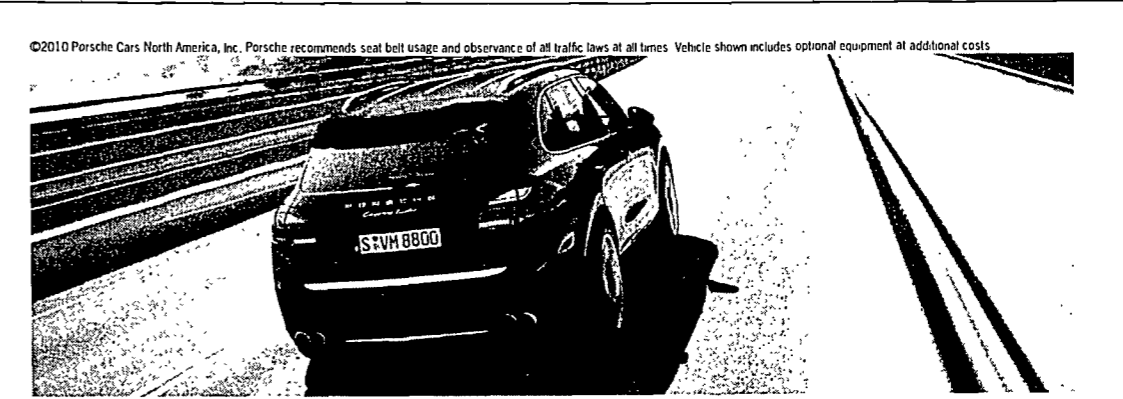
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The purpose of a state constitution is to establish a structure for government and laws. The Illinois Constitution provides citizens with rights and protections; creates the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of government; clarifies the powers given to local governments; limits the taxing power of the State; and imposes certain restrictions on the use of taxpayer dollars. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) the people of the State by referendum may propose changes to the Legislative Article. Regardless of the method of initiating change, the people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Constitution before they become effective.

The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds Section 7 to the Suffrage and Elections Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section would provide the State's electors with an option to petition for a special election to recall a Governor and for the election of a successor Governor. At the general election to be held on November 2, 2010, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III — SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS Section 7 — Initiative to Recall Governor

- (a) The recall of the Governor may be proposed by a petition signed by a number of electors equal in number to at least 15% of the total votes cast for Governor in the preceding gubernatorial election, with at least 100 signatures from each of at least 25 separate counties. A petition shall have been signed by the petitioning electors not more than 150 days after an affidavit has been filed with the State Board of Elections providing notice of intent to circulate a petition to recall the Governor. The affidavit may be filed no sooner than 6 months after the beginning of the Governor's term of office. The affidavit shall have been signed by the proponent of the recall petition, at least 20 members of the House of Representatives, and at least 10 members of the Senate, with no more than half of the signatures of members of each chamber from the same established political party.
- (b) The form of the petition, circulation, and procedure for determining the validity and sufficiency of a petition shall be as provided by law. If the petition is valid and sufficient, the State Board of Elections shall certify the petition not more than 100 days after the date the petition was filed, and the question "Shall (name) be recalled from the office of Governor?" must be submitted to the electors at a special election called by the State Board of Elections, to occur not more than 100 days after certification of the petition. A recall petition certified by the State Board of Elections may not be withdrawn and another recall petition may not be initiated against the Governor during the remainder of the current term of office. Any recall petition or recall election pending on the date of the next general election at which a candidate for Governor is elected is moot.
- (c) If a petition to recall the Governor has been filed with the State Board of Elections, a person eligible to serve as Governor may propose his or her candidacy by a petition signed by a number of electors equal in number to the requirement for petitions for an established party candidate for the office of Governor, signed by petitioning electors not more than 50 days after a recall petition has been filed with the State Board of Elections. The form of a successor election petition, circulation, and procedure for determining the validity and sufficiency of a petition shall be as provided by law. If the successor election petition is valid and sufficient, the State Board of Elections shall certify the petition not more than 100 days after the date the petition to recall the Governor was filed. Names of candidates for nomination to serve as the candidate of an established political party must be submitted to the electors at a special primary election, if necessary, called by the State Board of Elections to be held at the same time as the special election on the question of recall established under subsection (b). Names of candidates for the successor election must be submitted to the electors at a special successor election called by the State Board of Elections, to occur not more than 60 days after the date of the special primary election or on a date established by law.
- (d) The Governor is immediately removed upon certification of the recall election results if a majority of the electors voting on the question vote to recall the Governor. If the Governor is removed, then (i) an Acting Governor determined under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article V shall serve until the Governor elected at the special successor election is qualified and (ii) the candidate who receives the highest number of votes in the special successor election is elected Governor for the balance of the term.

EXPLANATION

The Illinois Constitution provides the General Assembly with exclusive authority to remove a Governor through the impeachment process. The Illinois Constitution also provides that the order of succession to the office of Governor shall be the Lieutenant Governor, the elected Attorney General, the elected Secretary of State, and then as provided by law. The proposed amendment would provide the State's electors with the ability to initiate a special election to recall a Governor and elect a new Governor.

To begin the recall process, an elector must file an affidavit of intent to circulate petitions to recall a Governor no sooner than 6 months after the beginning of the Governor's term of office. The affidavit must include signatures of the proponent of the recall petition, at least 20 members of the House of Representatives, and at least 10 members of the Senate, with no more than half of the signatures in each chamber from the same political party. After filing the affidavit with the State Board of Elections, the proponent has 150 days to circulate a petition. The petition must include signatures equal to 15% of the total votes cast for Governor in the preceding gubernatorial election, with at least 100 signatures from a minimum of 25 counties. Within 100 days, the State Board of Elections must certify or reject the petition, and if the Board certifies the petition, a special election must be held within 100 days after the certification. The special election ballot shall include the question, "Shall (name) be removed from the office of Governor?". The Governor is immediately removed if a majority of the electors voting on the question vote to recall the Governor.

Persons seeking to be elected to serve as the successor Governor may circulate nomination petitions. A petition must be signed by 5,000 electors. If multiple candidates of the same party file petitions, a special primary election will occur on the same day as the recall election.

If a Governor is recalled, a special election to elect the successor Governor must take place within 60 days. An Acting Governor, as determined by the order of succession, shall assume the duties of the Governor until the electors choose a new Governor. The special election ballot will include the names of the candidates nominated at the special primary election, as well as any independent or new party candidates, on a special election ballot. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected Governor for the balance of the term.

Voters that believe the Illinois Constitution should be amended to provide for a special election to recall a Governor and for a special election to elect a successor Governor should vote "YES" on the question. Three-fifths of those voting on the question, or a majority of those voting in the election, must vote "YES" in order for the amendment to become effective. Voters that believe the Illinois Constitution should not be amended to provide for a special election to recall a Governor and for a special election to elect a successor Governor should vote "NO" on the question.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT WILL APPEAR UPON THE BALLOT IN THE FOLLOWING FORM:

FORM OF BALLOT

Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

Explanation of Amendment
The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds a new section to the Suffrage and Elections Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section would provide the State's electors with an option to petition for a special election to recall a Governor and for the special election of a successor Governor. At the general election to be held on November 2, 2010, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

If you believe the Illinois Constitution should be amended to provide for a special election to recall a Governor and for a special election to elect a successor Governor, you should vote "YES" on the question. If you believe the Illinois Constitution should not be amended to provide for a special election to recall a Governor and for a special election to elect a successor Governor, you should vote "NO" on the question. Three-fifths of those voting on the question or a majority of those voting in the election must vote "YES" in order for the amendment to become effective.

YES
NO
For the proposed addition of Section 7 to Article III of the Illinois Constitution.

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of Amendment, and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call at the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 2, 2010, as set forth in House Joint Resolution 121 of the 96th General Assembly in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I herenunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois. Done in the City of Springfield, this 2nd day of August 2010.

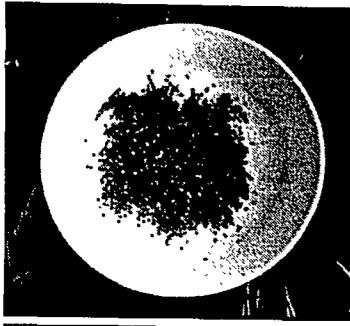
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Secretary of State

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POWER SEEDS

Chia seeds, with 30 percent more antioxidants than blueberries, look like black sesame seeds and can be used on top of organic yogurt for a snack.

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Anh Tran's Seasoned Roasted Pumpkin Seeds

- 1 1/2 C pumpkin seeds
- 2 tsp. olive oil
- Sea salt, to taste
- Seasoning choices:
- 12 tsp. turmeric powder or
- 4 slices fresh ginger root, ground to a paste

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Clean any major chunks of pumpkin from seeds. Toss pumpkin seeds in bowl with oil and seasonings of your choice. Spread pumpkin seeds in single layer on oiled baking sheet. Bake for about 30 minutes, stirring occasionally, until golden brown.

Anh Tran's Cabbage Salad with Roasted Seeds

- 1 head red or green cabbage
- 1/2 C Thai basil
- 1/2 C mint
- 1/2 C cilantro
- 1/2 C seasoned sunflower or pumpkin seeds
- Wellness Salad Dressing:
- 1/4 C fish sauce, or salt and black pepper
- 1/4 C fresh lime juice or vinegar
- 1/2 C water
- 1 T sugar
- 2 tsp. chili sauce

Wash and julienne cabbage, and drain excess water in colander. Place in bowl. Wash, remove and dice stems from basil, mint, cilantro. Add basil, mint and cilantro leaves and 1/2 cup seeds to cabbage. (Reserve some seeds for garnish.)

Give dressing a quick stir, and pour in about half of it. Toss and taste.

Add boiled shrimp, if desired. Garnish with remaining sunflower seeds, adding other seeds as desired.



Nutrient-rich pumpkin seeds suffice Anh Tran's Cabbage Salad with Roasted Seeds.

Energy edibles

Foods to fall for when the earth tilts

By **VERONICA HINKE** Contributor

Cabbage and pumpkins abound at outdoor markets and local grocers this time of year, and incorporating the two energy-boosting foods into her diet is just one way Chinese medicine practitioner Anh Tran, a Vernon Hills resident, maintains high energy as the season transitions.

Tran, owner of Points of Wellness Acupuncture in Long Grove, has developed a cabbage salad recipe she garnishes with seeds — pumpkin, sunflower and even seeds that comprise much of the popular holiday Chia Pet gifts.

Cheers for chia

"Chia seeds remind me of black sesame seeds," she said. "You could use them to coat pork chops or steak, or to top organic yogurt for a snack."

Marlene Lacy, owner of 32-year-old A Way of Life Natural Food and Nutrition Center in Niles, learned chia seeds were sprouting onto the power foods scene about three years ago.

The licensed nutritional counselor has been carrying them in

her retail store, along with pumpkin and sunflower seeds, ever since. "I read about them in a trade magazine," she said. "Chia seeds have 30 percent more antioxidants than blueberries and eight times more energy-enriching omega-3 than salmon."

"Chia seeds are a great substitute for people who can't eat fish or dislike fish," she said. "This time of year, when fruits become scarcer, tap into grains, oats and seeds for essential energy sources."

Natural power sources such as chia seeds and other energy-boosting foods, Tran feels, should be a basic part of everyone's diet.

Food as medicine

She believes in food as medicine: "I tell people to incorporate energy foods into their diet as much as possible."

To make seeds tastier, Tran uses traditional methods, like roasting pumpkin seeds in a little olive oil, but flavoring them with healthy spices such as turmeric or ginger root ground into a paste.

She said there's no need to be a perfectionist when roasting



Acupuncturist Anh Tran prepares energy-boosting Cabbage Salad with Roasted Seeds at her home in Vernon Hills.

pumpkin seeds. "It's OK to leave some strings and pulp on your seeds."

Goji seeds are another of Tran's favorites. "They're really more like little, red berries," that spice up salads, or brew into a tasty tea. "Rehydrate them in a little water to make them easier to chew," she suggested.

Start a food journal

On her blog, Tran invites you to learn more about your food habits, particularly when seasons change, by keeping a food

journal. Document serving sizes and measure intake of each food group. That way you can learn what foods cause energy levels to decrease.

Visit: www.pointsofwellness.net or Tran's "food therapy" blog <http://wellnesspathway.blogspot.com>.

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Spirit lacking in this sky venture



STEPHANIE ZIMMERMANN

THE FIXER - Chicago Sun-Times

Dear Fixer: Last Feb. 7, we booked two round-trip tickets on Spirit Airlines to San Juan, Puerto Rico, leaving June 11 and returning June 21. The tickets were \$550.

We were to meet my sister and brother-in-law from California and go on a cruise to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. We had a room booked for Saturday and excursions in San Juan prior to our cruise, which was to depart on June 13.

On June 10 — the day before the trip — when we came home at 5:30 p.m., we had a message from Spirit Airlines advising that our flight had been canceled.

I called their 800-number and was on the phone for over 35 minutes, only to be connected to a rep who told me they needed to transfer me to the person re-booking canceled flights. I held for 20 minutes; then the phone was picked up and I was immediately hung up on.

I called back but could not get through. I had my landline, my husband's cell phone and my cell all holding for the first available rep. Finally, someone answered and said he had to transfer me. He did, and the line went dead again.

Eventually, I got through on my cell phone. By now I was crying, begging this rep to help us because our flight was to leave in 18 hours. She promised that she would make sure that when she transferred me, someone would pick up. And with

that, I lost her and no supervisor answered.

At this point, I had been trying for four hours. I got through to another rep, who took my name and numbers and promised me a call by midnight.

By 2 a.m., I was still waiting. We were supposed to leave in 12 hours.

I started looking for alternate flights online. I tried routes from Milwaukee, O'Hare, Midway and Rockford airports but there were no open seats anywhere.

Frantically, I started calling the airlines. American Airlines came through for us. They had two first-class seats from O'Hare to San Juan (leaving June 12 and returning June 22) for \$2,416 total.

While I was on the phone with American, the Spirit rep finally answered one of the cell phones. I told her I had to leave in less than 10 hours and I had these excursions planned in San Juan that I would be charged for. She said there was nothing she could do.

So, I hung up and booked the flight on American.

Finally, on June 11 at 11:47 a.m., four hours prior to our original flight, I got a call on my cell phone from a Spirit rep offering me a flight on June 19! I said that wouldn't do me any good. Then he offered us a flight on Jet Blue arriving after midnight on June 12.

I told him I was forced to book with American because we had excursions and a hotel for Saturday. He promised me a full refund for our tickets and \$100 future credit each for my husband and me for our trouble.

I asked if they would send us the difference between the Spirit tickets and the American tickets and he said he would get back to us.

Since we got home, I have called numerous times trying to find out where my refund is. The 800-number couldn't help. The corporate office number has a recording; if you hit any option there is a recording advising you to visit the website.

I have tried calling the rep who promised me the refund and \$100 vouchers, but that number has a recording. I have gone through the company directory and left a voice mail on every line I could get through on. I did once get a maintenance person to answer but he couldn't help.

I have left messages on supervisors' phones, while randomly hitting numbers; I have tried all other lines that just say "Spirit supervisor." I couldn't get through on the website.

We are at our wits' end. The extra expense out-of-pocket was more than our cruise was.

Patti Paladino

Dear Patti: As you learned the morning of June 12 while watching CNN at the airport, this mess occurred when Spirit's pilots walked off in a strike.

Too bad you couldn't employ such dramatic tactics — though we admire your tenacity in randomly dialing their supervisors.

We took your problem to Spirit spokeswoman Misty Pinson. She was able to locate your promised refund and vouchers, though she said Spirit would not reimburse you for the price difference between their flight and American's. The \$550 is being refunded and you and your hubby will each get \$100 toward future travel on Spirit.

Getting the runaround about a consumer problem? Tell it to The Fixer at www.pioneerlocal.com/fixer.

NEWSMAKERS

Carrabotta reaches Eagle Scout status

Eric Carrabotta of Boy Scout Troop No. 175 has successfully completed his Scout project, as well as passed the scrutiny of the specially assembled group of local people who formed the Board of Review. Carrabotta will be honored at the special Court of Honors, scheduled to take place later in the year, when newly named Eagle Scouts will receive their patch, neckerchief and slide to commemorate their accomplish-

ments. Carrabotta worked in conjunction with the nonprofit organization, Little-By-Little Haiti, to collect funds to construct and deliver more than 200 special kits for people affected by the hurricane that hit the island in 2009. Eagle Scout Carrabotta joins fellow Eagle Scouts at Troop 175, completing 26 merit badges on his way to becoming the troop's sixth Eagle Scout in 2010, the 42th Eagle Scout overall and 24th from Troop No. 175, since 2000.

Scoutmaster John Mazur, along with Committee Chairman David Oku and the sponsoring organizations, St. John Brebeuf Holy Name Men's Club and North American Martyrs Council 4338, of the Knights of Columbus, offer congratulations to Carrabotta, along with his family.

Troop 175 expects to bestow the Eagle rank to one more talented young man this year, upon his successful completion of all the rigid requirements for this prestigious rank.

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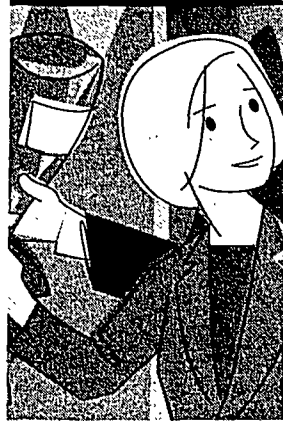
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Regent Dorothy Wilson announces that Mary Jo LaDu, associate professor, Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, University of Illinois at Chicago, will present "I Lose My Keys...Is It Alzheimer's Disease?" Dr. LaDu will address Alzheimer's disease, and what can be done. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership. The DAR recognizes "Patriots: not only soldiers but also anyone who contributed to the cause of American freedom." Contact Second Vice Regent Betty Borman at (847)818-9001.

The Park Ridge Catholic Women's Club will meet at 12:15 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Park Ridge South Recreational Center located at 833 Talcott Road, Park Ridge. The program will be a presentation by the storyteller, Jim May, followed by dessert and coffee. Members are requested to bring any infant item for donation to Infant, Inc. Monetary donations are also welcome.

St. John Brebeuf's Catholic Women's Club will host its annual fall luncheon, "Autumn Leaves," on Oct. 15 at Casa Royale Banquets in Des Plaines. The afternoon includes lunch and fashions from Chico's of Park Ridge. Tickets are \$40 per person. Call (847) 966-8145.

The Friends of Saint Benedict will hold its annual fund-raiser on Oct. 8 at the North Shore Country Club in Glenview. It is a luncheon and book review with the popular book dramatist, Barbara Rinella. A grand raffle and raffle of the day drawing will be held. Tickets for the drawings will be available at the luncheon. The afternoon promises to be informative and entertaining. Luncheon tickets are \$45. Call Saint Benedict Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at (847) 647-0003 or Loretta Hewicker, (847) 965-0542.

The Sweet Singers of Congregation Ezras Israel which entertains at nursing homes, retirement facilities and charitable organizations, meets the first Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Rosenberg Auditorium of Ezras Israel, 7001 N. California Ave., Chicago. Those who enjoy singing are welcome to join. Call the Ezras Israel office at (773) 764-8320.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7712 meet at 7 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Post at 7680 Caldwell Ave. (next to Tam Tennis in Niles on Howard Street). The Post is open also on Fridays 7 p.m. until closing. All veterans from Vietnam, Gulf War, Afghanistan Korea and World War II are welcome. Call Bernard Beverley, (847) 966-5479, e-mail james-bond54762@yahoo.com or call (847) 470-9890.

The Korean War Veterans Association. Greater Chicago Chapter No. 25, meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Montclare-Leyden VFW Post, 6940 W. Diverser Ave.

Call Joe Henmueller, (773) 774-9671. **Chiacchieroni** Italian-language dinner group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at Salerno's, 1716 E. Kensington Road, Mount Prospect. The next meeting will be Oct. 14. This is a casual evening of conversation in Italian. Call Gabriella, (847) 292-0089, or e-mail: ichiacchieroni@yahoo.com.

Join the Catholic Women's Bowling League for Ladies Night Out at Classic Bowl, 8530 Waukegan Road, Morton Grove. Fee is \$15 per week. All skill levels welcome. Call Deanne Drozd at (224) 628-4009 or d.drozd@comcast.net.

The Knights of Columbus (North American Martyrs Council, Niles), provides ways for members to help others in the community while trying to improve their family and spiritual lives. Call Bob Galassi, (847) 965-0920. **Niles Chapter Toastmasters** meets at 7:15 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Morton Grove, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Members learn how to feel comfortable and have self-confidence talking to an audience. Call (847) 583-9328.

Community

Have Dreams (Helping Autistic Voices Emerge), a Chicago area autism resource organization, will host an Open House from 4-7 p.m. Oct. 19 at its new Evanston site located at 2020 Dempster St. Parents, professionals and community members are invited to tour the new facility and receive information on programs, resources, autism consultative services, interactive trainings/workshops, volunteer opportunities and special events. Contact Bobbi Goldman at bgoldman@havedreams.org or Dana Fenceroy at (847) 905-0702, Ext. 28, or visit www.havedreams.org.

The Northwest Choral Society invites experienced singers to audition for its 45th anniversary 2010-11 season, which will include three exciting concert programs. Recently appointed Music Director Alan Wellman will conduct the Northwest Choral Society this season, with pianist Lori Lyn Mackie serving as accompanist. Auditions are held every Tuesday evening before rehearsals 7-7:30 p.m. at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 1095 Thacker at Dempster St., in Des Plaines. Be prepared to discuss prior musical experience and vocalize. Bring a prepared audition piece if that is most comfortable, but it is not required. To schedule an audition, call (224) 585-9127 or visit www.nwchoralsociety.org.

The Northwest Choral Society subscription drive for the 2010-11 concert season runs through Dec. 7. The program line up will feature the annual holiday concert, scheduled for Dec. 4 and 5 and entitled The Christmas Star, will feature Harlan's Christmas Canticle, accompanied by a string quartet, as well as carols and hymns of advent and Christmas by Bach and Lauridsen. The Spring Concert, to be presented March 26 is under the title Praise and Triumph. Haydn's "Lord Nelson Mass" will be the featured score. While typically more classical in nature, the Spring Concert also will include pieces from Handel, Mozart and Franck. Members of the Northwest

Choral Society Chamber Orchestra with Alan Heatherington as concertmaster will accompany the chorus. The final concert of the season, Celebrate Americana will be held June 4 and 5, with selections from Copeland's "Old American Songs," Gershwin's "Porgy & Bess," and Bernstein's "West Side Story." Season tickets for the three concerts are offered at a discounted price of \$40, for adults and \$33, for students and senior citizens. Single concert tickets are \$18, for adults and \$15, for students and seniors citizens. To order tickets, call (224) 585-9127 or visit www.nwchoralsociety.org.

Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, will present "Deadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race" through Jan. 2. The exhibition examines how the Nazi leadership, in collaboration with physicians, psychiatrists, and other medical professionals, used science to help legitimize persecution, murder and, ultimately, genocide. It chronicles the Nazi campaign, from 1933 to 1945, to "cleanse" German society of individuals viewed as biological threats to the nation's "health." This exhibition was produced by the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

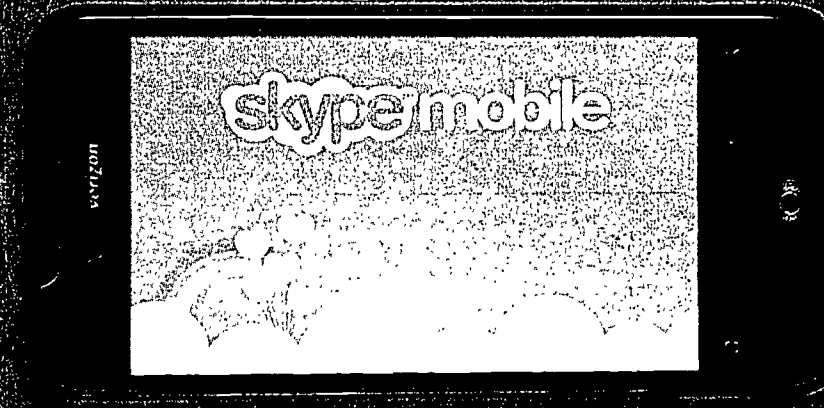
This year the Maine South Athletic Pass, entitling bearers to admission to all home football and basketball games (except IHSA games), is available exclusively through the Maine South Athletic Boosters for \$30. See south.maine207.org, click on Organizations, then Hawk Boosters and then the membership link to obtain a membership/pass application - or call Laurie Kovalcik, membership committee chairperson, at (847) 292-1665 or John Wolf, Booster president at (773) 935-5585 for more information or an application. Consider becoming a member in addition to purchasing the pass for the good and benefit of all Maine South athletes.

Any women interested in joining the Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care Threshold Singers can contact Kathy Huber at (847) 685-9900. Practices are held on two Thursdays each month starting at 6:45 p.m. in Park Ridge. Threshold Singers are trained to sing in groups of two and three at the bedside of those who are sick and dying. The songs are generally traditional or simple rounds, chants, lullabies and hymns that can be chosen to respond to musical taste and spiritual direction. Singers go through patient care volunteer training, but there are no auditions; only requirements are a love of music and a desire to serve others.

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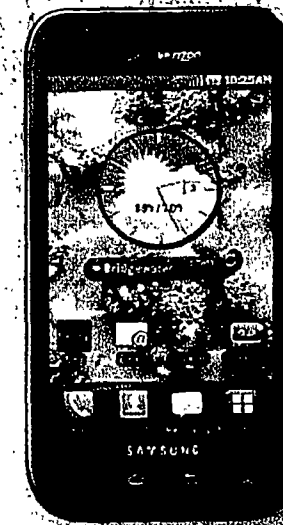
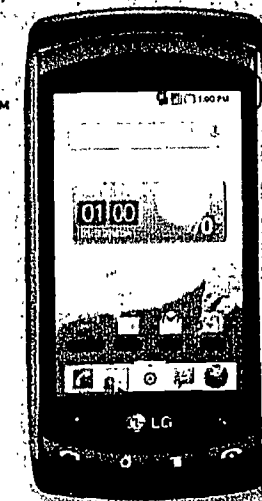
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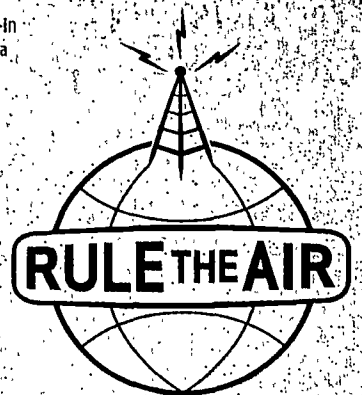
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Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays and 1-8 p.m. Thursdays. Donations are accepted 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays only. Donate only gently used clothing; broken or obsolete electronics cannot be accepted. Purchases help adults with developmental disabilities. Avenues to Independence is a nonprofit organization based at 515 Busse Highway in Park Ridge that offers a variety of programs to enhance an individual's work, social, and daily living skills. For information on donations or to volunteer, contact Michael Frustini. (773) 631-6230.

Crafts

Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Women's Club Queen of Peace Guild will hold its annual Holiday Craft and Bake Sale Nov. 6 and 7 in Paluch Hall (elevator accessible), 8300 Greenwood Ave., Niles. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday. There will be a variety of handmade crafts, ornaments, wreaths, alphas, baby knit quilts, dolls, baby knit sets, home decorations, jewelry and more plus a grand raffle, bake sale, a turkey booth, Christmas stocking tree and a candy guessing jar for added chances at gifts and items. Coffee and rolls will be served. A luncheon menu will be available. Free admission. Proceeds benefit the parish. Call

the Ministry Center. (847) 823-2550. **St. Eugene Parish**, 5520 N. Canfield Road, Chicago, will host a Rummage, Craft and Bake Sale from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 9. Lunch will be available. **St. Thecla Women's Council** (Devon and Oak Park avenues) is seeking crafters for its annual Craft & Gift Show to be held Nov. 13. Spaces are available for \$45 and \$55. For an application, call Bernie. (773) 774-6897, or Terri. (773) 631-0215.

St. John Brebeuf's Catholic Women's Club will hold its annual Holiday Craft Fair 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Nov. 14 in the May Parish Ministry Center, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles. Any crafter wishing to receive an application may call Judi Stephens. (847) 296-6421.

Resurrection Retirement Community, 7262 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago, (no stairs) is sponsoring a Craft and Gift Sale from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 16. Featured will be home baked goods, fabric items, pillows, jewelry, beadwork and more. Call (773) 792-7930. **The Parents Club** of Guerin College Preparatory High School is seeking crafters for its annual Holiday Craft and Gift Show scheduled 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 30 throughout the first floor of the school, at 8001 W. Belmont Ave., River Grove. Admission is \$2; children under 12 free (strollers are not permitted). Refreshments are also available for purchase. To receive an application form, call (708) 453-6233. Crafters can also download an application from www.guerinprep.org. Deadline for participation is Oct. 15; entry fee is \$60.

Fitness Center

Niles Family Fitness Center, 987 Civic Center Dr. Niles. (847) 588-8400 or www.nilesfitness.com.

Mike Ippian and the Niles Family Fitness Center present a highly instructional, highly competitive basketball program, Elite Instruction Basketball, for ages 7 to 11. It will run from 4:45-6:15 p.m. Tuesdays, Nov. 9 to Dec. 14. Focus is to enhance knowledge and performance while providing an opportunity for players to compete. Players will participate in 1 on 1, 3 on 3, and 5 on 5 tournaments, as well as various jumping and shooting competitions. Fees are \$99, members; \$115, nonmembers and includes a T-shirt. **Gentle Yoga** focuses on basic body alignment, breathing techniques and achieving familiarity with yoga practice. This class promotes concentration, flexibility, strength and endurance while quieting the mind. Classes are held from 9:05-10:05 a.m. Saturdays, Oct. 9 to Nov. 13. Early bird rate by Oct. 1 is \$49, members; \$59, nonmembers; otherwise, \$54 and \$64, respectively.

Pilates Exo Chair is a semi-private two-person class. **Exo Chair Express** is a 30-minute semi-private class providing a challenge to take on chair exercises and enhance mat exercises on the exo chair for an ab blasting, stability challenging workout. (Mat experience recommended). **Core Blast Express** is a 30-minute semi-private class focusing on challenging core musculature. **Exo Chair Express** is conducted 10:15-10:45 Mondays, 6-6:30 p.m. Wednesdays or 8:15-8:45 a.m.

Thursdays: **Core Blast Express** is held 7:45-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays. Cost is \$114, members; \$119, nonmembers. **Pilates Reformer** Class options: Private Pilates Mat Training; Private Pilates Reformer and Chair Training; Pilates Individual Reformer and Chair Training, half session; Pilates Reformer and Chair, semi-private. To schedule an appointment, call Group Exercise Coordinator Danielle Dresherow at (847) 588-8410.

Full swim lessons for ages 3 months to 13 years run six weeks and each lesson lasts 35 minutes. Bring a towel from home. Group lessons are \$54, members; \$69, nonmembers.

Food Drives

The **Maine Township Food Pantry** is

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Fundraisers

The **world-renowned Harlem Ambassadors** will display their dazzling dunks, hilarious antics and unique style of basketball during a game against the Gladstone Park Gladiators at 7 p.m. Oct. 7 at Resurrection College Prep High School, 7500 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago. The exhibition game,

sponsored by the Gladstone Park Chamber of Commerce, will offer entertainment for children and adults. Proceeds from this family-oriented event will help fund the chamber's scholarship program and other civic activities. Concession sales at the game will benefit the Resurrection High School Booster Club. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Children age 5 and under are free. Visit www.gladstoneparkchamber.com or call the chamber at (773) 775-8871. The grade from the elementary school with the most students at the game will win a free lunch from McDonald's for up to 100 students.

Band-O-Rama, sponsored by the Maine South High School Fine Arts Department and Music Boosters, will

take place Oct. 16 at Maine South, 1111 S. Dee Road, Park Ridge. This year's theme is "Picture a Great Year." A silent auction and raffle will take place at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. in the student cafeteria and the Maine South Marching Band concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Spectator Gym. Band-O-Rama is an annual fundraising event for the Maine South Music Boosters. In addition to the marching band, the Hawkettes and eighth-graders from various schools will also perform. Tickets for the dinner and concert are \$14 for adults and \$9 for children or students; cost of the concert only is \$5. Visit maine-southmusicboosters.org.

A-Biding Care and AP Lifeline host an intergenerational bingo event at

Frisbie Senior Center, 52 E. Northwest Highway, Des Plaines, on Oct. 8. All are welcome to enjoy a variety of bingo games with prizes. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Frisbie Senior Center and the Alzheimer's Association. \$5 for the first card, \$1 for additional cards. Registration, small eats and beverages 4-5 p.m.; bingo 5-7 p.m. Call Frisbie at (847) 768-5944 to sign up.

Our Lady of Ransom Parish in Niles is selling Entertainment 2011 Books at \$25. The book offers a variety of values, mainly two-for-one deals at many restaurants and establishments. Discounts cover a variety of areas: travel, restaurants, car rentals, movie theaters, hotel discounts and more. The sale of these books benefits the

parish. To obtain a book, contact Josephine Box at (847) 823-8984. **Like New Auto Spa, Inc.**, 1050 Busse Highway, Park Ridge, has introduced a special fund-raising program that benefits Advocate Lutheran General Hospital/Advocate Lutheran General Children's Hospital. Anyone who visits Like New to have their car washed or detailed, or buys a gift card from the company - and also asks for the Lutheran General discount - will receive a price cut for the service, with a portion of the proceeds going specifically to benefit the Older Adult Services program of the hospital. Call AiMee Madden, Lutheran General Development Office, (847)

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297-2510, Ext. 260, and she will forward a form to complete. **Maine Township**, in cooperation with the Cook County Sheriff's Office, is collecting used cell phones to be converted for emergency 911 use for seniors. Donate phones at Maine Town Hall.

Senior Center

The Niles Senior Center offers free membership to Niles residents age 62 and older, and their spouses. Only center members may register for classes or trips, or purchase tickets. Drop by the Niles Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive, Niles, or call (847) 588-8420, for an application.

Seniors

Golf Mill Shopping Center is hosting "Feats of Fitness," a mall walking program Mondays through Saturdays, to enable seniors to walk within an enclosed environment. The program is sponsored by Bethany Terrace. Golf Mill Shopping Center, Maine Township Mainstreamers and Partners in Healthcare (North Shore Physicians Group). Health seminars and blood pressure screenings will be offered throughout the year every month on the second Wednesday. Call the Golf Mill management office, (847) 699-1070.

CJE SeniorLife is accepting applications for its Robineau Residence, 7550 N. Kostner Ave., in Skokie. Robineau offers a residential community composed of 24 affordable units in a one-story building, in a warm, friendly setting designed to serve seniors, 62-years and older, who may need a helping hand. Staff is available on-site, 24 hours a day, in case of emergency. Additional supportive services are available through CJE. Applicants should qualify for subsidized housing under the provisions of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 8 program. An additional monthly service fee is required. Scholarships are available. For an application and tour of Robineau, contact Dorothy Levant at (847) 675-8580.

The **North Shore Senior Center**, located in Northfield, is looking for volunteers to deliver meals to seniors living in Maine Township. Deliveries are made during weekdays. For more information on becoming a volunteer, contact Maura Rogan at (847) 784-6052 or e-mail mrogan@nssc.org. **Super Seniors**, a Jewish Seniors group for people older than 60, meets 3-4:30 p.m. the first and third Sundays at the North Shore University Health System Skokie Hospital, 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie. Topics include current events, books, jokes and Israel. Call (847) 583-9328.

Support

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago invites those who have experienced the loss of a loved one to suicide to participate in its Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) meetings at its Northwest office, 1717 Rand Road, Des Plaines. The minimum age for the monthly meetings or eight-session groups is 18-years-old. If possible, call the LOSS office, (312) 655-7283, for an initial intake before the first meeting or visit www.catholiccharities.net/loss. Groups meet 7-9 p.m. on the second Sunday of each month and also on the second Wednesday of each month. **Younger Widowed Support Group** is an ongoing support group for younger widowed persons who are 55 years of age or younger. It meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge; \$5 per session. Call (847) 882-8884 or visit www.rainbowhospice.org. **Families Anonymous** is a support group for family members and friends who are concerned about and affected by the substance abuse or behavioral problems of a loved one. Group 831 meets at 10 a.m. every Friday at Carter Westminster Church, 4950 W. Pratt Ave., Skokie, in the basement; enter from parking lot in the rear. Group 173 meets at 7:30 p.m. every Monday (except holidays) at First United Methodist Church, 418 W. Touhy Ave., Park Ridge in Parlor Room, south portion of main level; use entrance at rear (Grant Place), across from parking lot. No dues or fees required. First names only used at meetings to preserve individual anonymity. This is a nonprofessional and non-religious program. Call (773) 777-4442 or visit www.familiesanonymous.org. **Community Reinforcement and Family Training Groups** provide education on early intervention, tools for motivation and self-care techniques for families as they learn new ways to approach a loved one who misuses, abuses or has addictive behaviors 6:30-8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Serenity Center, 29 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. Fee is \$35 per group. Open registration required; contact Barbara DeHart, (708) 536-8775 or e-mail refnnews4u@gmail.com.

NorthShore Hospice will sponsor the following Grief Support Groups: **Soul Mates**, is an ongoing support group for those who have experienced the death of a spouse or life partner. This group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month 6:30-8 p.m. at NorthShore University HealthSystem Home & Hospice Services office, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. **Legacy** is an ongoing support group for adults who have experienced the death of a parent. The group meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month 6:30-8 p.m. NorthShore University HealthSystem Home & Hospice Services office, 4901 Searle Parkway, Skokie. Handicap accessible and parking available. To pre-register for the programs, call Thom Dennis, (847) 982-4364 or e-mail denris@northshore.org. **Tops Club, Inc.** (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), an international weight-loss network of support groups, holds a local meeting weekly on Monday beginning at 5 p.m. at the Niles Park District Center, 6676 West Howard St., Niles, on the lower level. The building

is handicap accessible. TOPS has helped individuals live healthier lives since 1948 with a combination of sensible eating, regular exercise, and ongoing support to help members achieve and maintain their weight-loss goals. Women, men, teens and preteens committed to attaining and maintaining a healthy weight are all invited to join. Visitors are welcome to visit their first TOPS meeting free of charge. For more information about this meeting call (847) 966-4871 or, to find another local chapter, visit www.tops.org or call 800-932-8677. **MOMS Club of Northern Chicagoland** holds weekly activities (such as playgroups, outings, museums, park dates) and monthly member meetings and Moms Night Out Call (773) 853-2834 or visit http://sites.google.com/site/momclubofnorthernchicago or e-mail chicagomomsclub@gmail.com. **One Hope United**, formerly Kids Hope United, is seeking foster, adoptive parents to provide homes for at-risk children. Call (847) 245-6543 or visit www.onehopeunited.org. **The Maryville Crisis Nursery**, 4015 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, offers twice-monthly tours of the facility. Tours are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. and on the fourth Tuesday at 4 p.m. The Maryville Crisis Nursery, which opened in 2006, is a safe haven for children, newborn to age 6, whose families are experiencing crises in their lives, such as job/medical issues, homelessness, domestic violence or other stressful situations. The nursery cares for children for up to 72 hours while parents concentrate on resolving the problems that are the root cause of the stress. There are no charges for services. Children are cared for by professionals and skilled childcare volunteers. The Maryville Crisis Nursery is available to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The 24 hour help line number is (773) 205-3637. For additional information, call (773) 205-3600.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness, Cook County North Suburban, invites the public to attend its "Family Support Group" for families of individuals with a mental illness. Program is free and meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Nessel Center, 1775 Ballard Road, North of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge. Free parking. Call (847) 716-2252. **The local TOPS Club** chapter meets at 5 p.m. Mondays at the Niles Park District Center, 6676 W. Howard St., Niles, on the lower level (handicap accessible). TOPS meetings are open to women, men and teens. Cost is nominal. Visitors are welcome to attend their first TOPS meeting free of charge. Call (847) 966-4871 to find another local chapter, visit www.tops.org or call TOPS Headquarters at 1-800-932-8677. **The Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance**-Greater Chicago has free support groups for people with mood disorders and support groups for their families. Meetings take place

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An Alzheimer's Caregivers support group, co-sponsored by Advocate Medical Group and the Alzheimer's Association, is offered monthly at the Nessel Pavilion on the campus of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. Meetings are 1:30-3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in the lower-level conference room of Nessel Pavilion, 1775 Ballard Road, Park Ridge. Meetings are free and no registration is required. Contact Sandy Guarnise, (847) 318-2501.

The Neptune Society, the largest independent cremation company in the nation based in Des Plaines, is bringing comforting teddy bears to Chicago area children who are hurt, frightened or alone. The Neptune Society Teddy Bear Program names a teddy bear in honor of every person whose death care is handled by Neptune on the one-year anniversary of their death. The teddy bears are then donated to organizations such as Rainbow Hospice in Park Ridge and local fire departments to be given to a child in need.

The Les Turner ALS Foundation Support Group meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month at Temple Beth Israel, 3601 W. Dempster St., Skokie. For directions, call (847) 675-0951. Those attending are asked to notify Claire Owen, director of patient services, (847) 679-3311 or cowen@lesturnerals.org.

Grandparents As Caregivers, a program sponsored by Children's HomeAid, will offer grandparents an opportunity to meet other grandparents, share concerns and talk about interesting topics that will help them care for their grandchildren. Meetings are 10-11:30 a.m. the first Wednesday of the month at Niles Public Library, 6960 Oakton St. Free child care is available with 24-hour notice. Meetings are monthly. Call Linda, (847) 640-9590.

The Stroke Club of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital meets 3-4:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Outpatient Therapy Center, Church and Potter avenues, Des Plaines. Call Megan Potterfield, (847) 723-6690. **Holding Onto Hope** is a monthly daytime group for widowed people grieving the loss of a spouse. It meets 1-2:30 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge. Registration is required. Admission is \$5 per session. Call (847) 692-8884.

Life Transitions Group is an ongoing support group for anyone who, as a general guideline, has been widowed for one to four years, meeting 7-8:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge. The fee is \$5 per session. Call (847) 692-8884. **Good Mourning** Program will meet

6:45-8 p.m. every third Monday of the month at Lutheran General Family Care Center, 9375 Church St., Des Plaines. The program is a support group for children, teens and families who have lost a loved one through death. Preliminary interview is required before registration. To register, call Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care Bereavement Support, (847) 692-8884.

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Crohn's & Colitis Foundation support group meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. every third Thursday of the month at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Room 1063, Park Ridge. The focus is to assist patients with Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis, their families, significant others and friends in coping more effectively with the illness. Call (847) 827-0404.

Resurrection Medical Center sponsors a variety of free cancer-support groups for both patients and their family members. All support groups are free and meet in the Cancer Conference Room (ground floor, Entrance C). Contact Carol Flanagan, (773) 792-5116.

The Cancer Support Group for cancer patients, families and friends meets monthly 7-8:30 p.m. every last Wednesday.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Family Support Group for people with leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome, multiple myeloma, Hodgkin's Disease and their families meets every first Wednesday of the month.

The Butterfly Club is a support group for children ages 6 to 13 whose parent or caretaker has been diagnosed with cancer. The group meets every first Wednesday of the month. Registration and parental consent are required. **The Us Too! Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets every second Wednesday of the month.

The Teen Cancer Support Group is for teens ages 13 to 18 whose parent or caretaker has been diagnosed with cancer. The group meets every third Wednesday of the month. Registration and parental consent are required. **Multiple Sclerosis Support Group** meets the last Saturday of each month in the Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. Call (773) 594-7856.

Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Health Management Classroom. The session is free. Call Health Management, (773) 792-5022.

Afterglow Support Group for stroke survivors and their family and friends meets the second Wednesday of the month in the Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. **Parkinson's Support Group** meets the third Wednesday of the month 5-7 p.m.

at Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. Call (773) 594-7866.

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is forming a support network for women living with breast cancer. The Breast Cancer Networking Group will meet 2-3 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month. The support group provides breast-cancer survivors the opportunity to share information and experiences with other women. The group will be at Lutheran General's Center for Advanced Care, 1700 Luther Lane, Park Ridge, in the ground-floor conference room G104. Call (847) 723-8130.

Northwest Suburban Interstitial Cystitis/Painful Bladder Syndrome Support Group of Illinois meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month in Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge, Conference Room 1064. E-mail: bzarnikow@aol.com to be added to the e-mail list for meeting announcements.

An area Alzheimer's support group for caregivers and family members of people with Alzheimer's Disease meets at 10:30 a.m. every second Saturday at Central Baptist Village, the Commons Theater Lounge, 4747 N. Canfield Ave., Norridge. New members are always welcome. Call Jessi Lenth, group facilitator, (708) 583-8509.

Queen of All Saints hosts a weekly meeting for female survivors of sexual abuse. The meetings are 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the Benedict Center Chapel, 6275 N. Ionia. To participate in the confidential, 12-step program, call Queen of All Saints Rectory, (773) 736-6060. Additional meetings are 7-8:30 p.m. Fridays at St. Juliana Parish Center, 7200 Osceola Ave. Call Linda, (773) 271-2281.

Teen Center

The Niles Youth Council is a group of teens from sixth through 12th grade who provide support and advice on Teen Center programming, develop leadership skills and work to serve the Niles community. They meet the first and third Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Stop to check them out. Call (847) 375-8949. The Teen Center is located at 373 Golf Mill Center in Niles.

The Teen Center is working with the Niles Senior Center to find teenagers willing to help senior citizens with leaf raking, snow shoveling and general yard work while earning money. Complete the Niles Teen Job Connection form available on the center Web site and return it to Mark at the center. Information will be shared with the director of the center and contacts will be made with residents in need of services.

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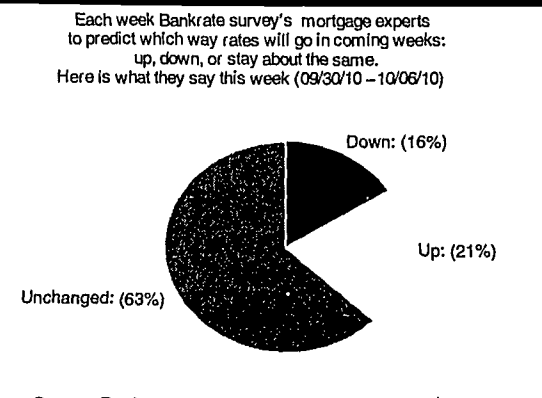
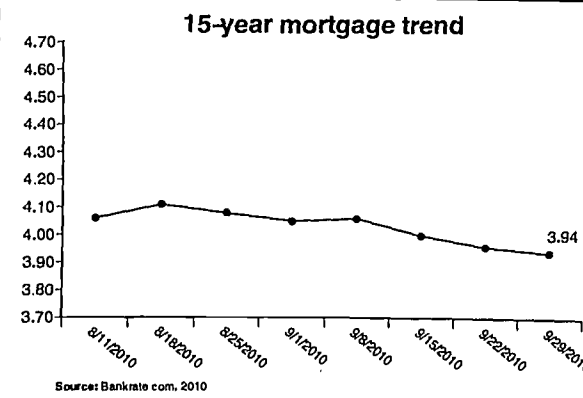
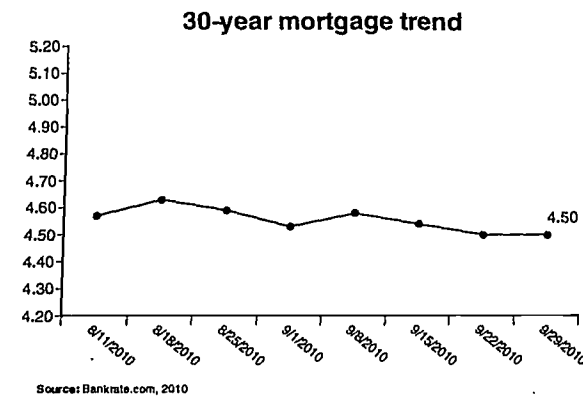
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Girls volleyball at Glenbrook North Invite, 5 p.m.

Girls swimming at Deerfield, 5:30 p.m.

Boys football hosts Deerfield, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday
Girls tennis Conf. at Highland Park, 8 a.m.

Girls volleyball at Glenbrook North Invite, 9 a.m.

Boys soccer at Leyden West, noon

Wednesday
Girls volleyball hosts Glenbrook North, 6 p.m.

NILES WEST

Today
Girls volleyball hosts Maine South, 6 p.m.

Boys soccer at Maine South, 7 p.m.

Friday
Girls tennis CSL Conf. Tourn. at Glenbrook South, 3 p.m.

Boys football hosts Glenbrook South, 7 p.m.

Girls volleyball at Regina, 6 p.m.

Girls swimming hosts Glenbrook South, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday
Girls tennis CSL Conf. Tourn. at Glenbrook South, 8 a.m.

Boys golf IHSA Sectional

Monday
Boys golf IHSA Sectional

Wednesday
Boys soccer hosts Northside Coll. Prep., 6 p.m.

NOTRE DAME

Friday
Boys football at Glenbard South, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday
Boys cross country vs. West Aurora, at Waubensie Comm. Coll., 8:30 a.m.

Boys soccer at Marist, noon

Monday
Boys soccer hosts Northridge Prep., 6 p.m.

MAINE EAST

Today
Boys soccer hosts Glenbrook South, 7 p.m.

Friday
Boys football hosts Maine West, 7:30 p.m.

Girls swimming at Highland Park, 5:30 p.m.

Girls tennis CSL at Highland Park, 3 p.m.

Saturday
Girls tennis CSL at Highland Park, 8 a.m.

Wednesday
Boys soccer hosts Gordon Tech, 7 p.m.

Girls volleyball hosts Deerfield, 6 p.m.

Dons special teams punish Pat's

Forced fumbles on kick runs boost ND

By DAN SHALIN
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FOOTBALL — Three critical special teams plays proved to be the difference when rivals St. Patrick and Notre Dame met Friday night in Niles.

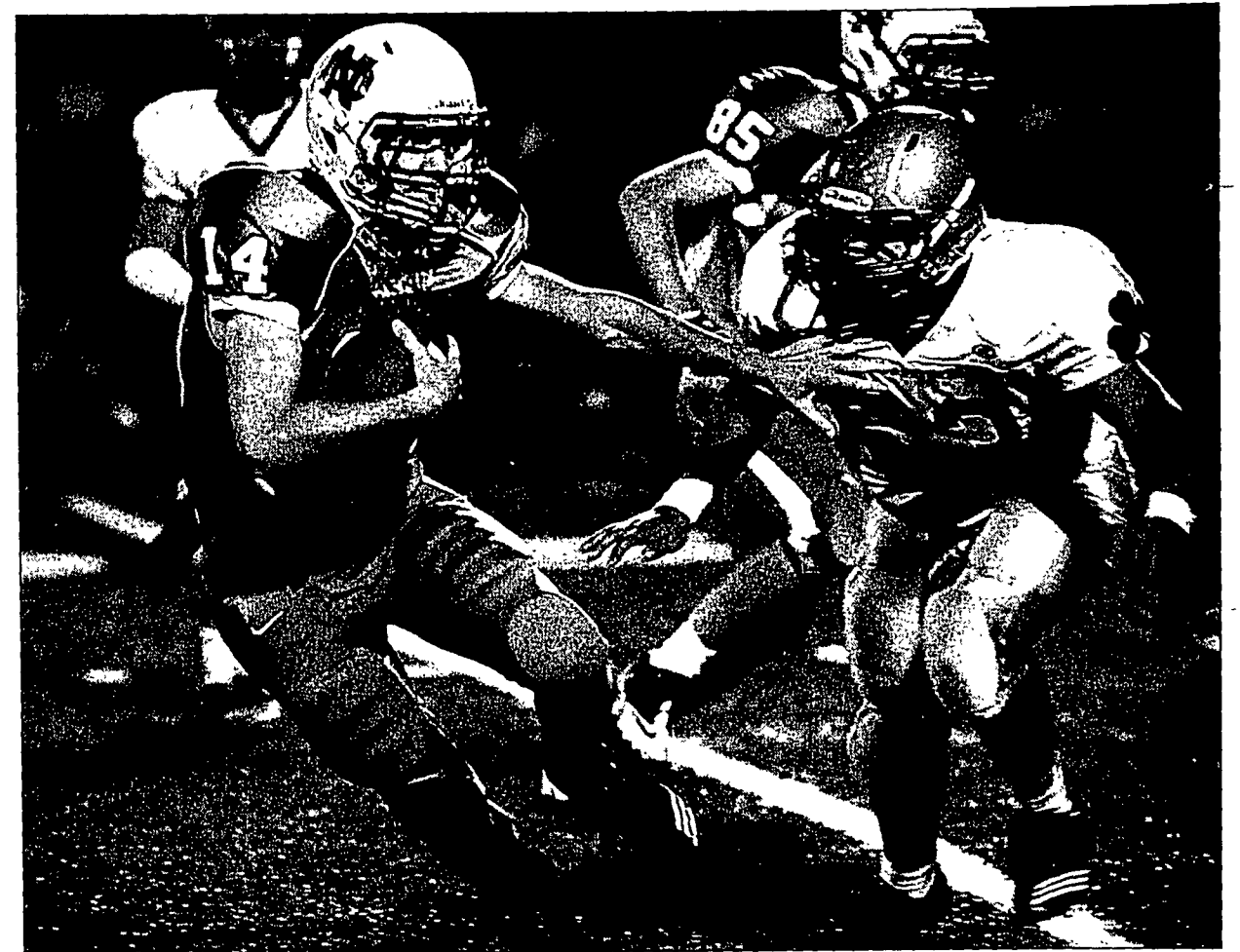
The Dons (4-2, 2-2) had a long kickoff return to start the game, and twice they forced — and recovered — fumbles on kickoffs. All led to touchdowns in ND's 28-20 win.

"It comes down to, we took advantage of some big plays, some turnovers that our defense needed to get," said Notre Dame head coach Mike Hennessey. "We called out our defense and felt we should have been getting some more turnovers. That probably was a little bit of a difference in the game."

Trailing 28-10 in the third quarter, St. Patrick (3-3, 1-3) mounted a comeback behind talented junior quarterback Ryan Tentler. However, the special teams mistakes ultimately were too much to overcome as the Shamrocks dropped their third straight game.

"(Notre Dame) earned some touchdowns; we gave them two. You can't do that," said Shamrocks head coach Dan Galante. "You take those two out of it, and it's an even game. (Mistakes and turnovers have) been a pattern for three weeks. You can't do that in this conference. Every team is balanced and you have to bring your 'A' game. The kick-return game is killing us."

ND set the tone immediately when junior Connor Thomas ran back the opening kickoff 68 yards to the St. Patrick 27-yard line. Thomas powered in from two yards out for the first of his two touchdowns. On the ensuing kickoff,



Notre Dame's Tim Whalen (left) darts to the outside to avoid a St. Patrick defender Friday in Niles. (Jason Brown/for STM)

GAME DAY

WEEK 7 MATCHUPS

Who: Notre Dame (4-2) at Glenbard South (2-4)
What: ESCC football
When: 8 p.m. Friday
Where: Hanson Stadium, 5501 W. Fullerton, Chicago
What to look for: St. Patrick has lost three in a row and must sweep its final three games to become playoff eligible. However, it will be the underdog against the Hilltoppers. The St. Patrick defense was better against Notre Dame than it had been in a few weeks. However, Pat's struggled on special teams, twice turning the ball over on kick returns. Joliet Catholic's only loss of the season was a 31-28 setback at Carmel in Week Four.

Notre Dame junior Rocco Fagiano forced a fumble and senior teammate Corner Gavin recovered at the St. Patrick 3-yard line. Three plays later, Notre Dame short-yardage quarterback Nick Pieruccini ran

it in from to put the home team up 14-0 before the visitors ever ran an offensive play.

When the Shamrocks offense finally took the field, Tentler hit junior Guy DiBalsamo for a 22-yard

touchdown. But the Dons restored their lead to 21-7 when Pieruccini ran the ball in from the 4.

A 31-yard field goal by St. Patrick's Michael Graf brought the Shamrocks to within 21-10 late in the second quarter.

But then it was déjà vu on the opening kickoff of the second half. ND senior Patrick Cook caused a fumble and senior Andrew Franzen fell on the ball at the St. Patrick 20.

A four-yard touchdown run by Thomas put his team up 28-10.

St. Patrick got another field goal (28 yards) from Graf and looked to make a game of it when DiBalsamo scored from two yards out with four minutes remaining. But with Pieruccini taking most of the snaps late in Notre Dame's "DonCat" offense, Notre Dame was able to run out the clock.

Junior Hector Trevino, junior Brian Canoy each had sacks for the Shamrocks. *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By DAN SHALIN
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NW BOYS SOCCER

Despite seeing its 10-game unbeaten streak come to an end, Niles West still earned the No. 1 seed in the upcoming regionals.

The Wolves surrendered a goal in the final minute to lose 1-0 to Taft on Sept. 28. West outshot Taft 28-6 in the contest.

But the defeat, West's first since a loss to Downers Grove North on Aug. 31, didn't hurt the Wolves in the eyes of the coaches who vote for sectional seeds. West learned that it will be the No. 1 seed in the IHSA Class 3A Maine South Sectional and will play in the Evanston Regional, where it could face the host Wildkits or Maine South in a final.

"We think our strength of schedule pushed us over the top," said West head coach Scott Ackman. "We have a target on our back (as the No. 1 seed) for sure. But we've had that for some time because of the winning streak." The Wolves (11-2-4, 1-0-2 CSL South) appeared headed for their first conference defeat after giving up two first-half goals at Waukegan on Sept. 30. But West got two second-half goals from Thomas Villamil to earn a 2-2 tie. David Dawood assisted on both. "We fought hard in the second half to get those two goals back, which is hard to do against Waukegan," Ackman said.

West was without a handful of regulars in Saturday's 1-1 tie with Deerfield. Villamil scored on a penalty kick for his team-leading 14th goal of the season.

NN VOLLEYBALL

Niles North split its two matches last week. But it was senior outside hitter Keiko Sugihara who collected the impressive prize.

Sugihara was honored at a dinner Sept. 30 as one of four Chicago area high school athletes to earn the Positive Coaching Alliance Scholarship for Exemplary Character.

Each winner exemplified Positive Coaching Alliances' model of the Triple Impact Competitor: showing personal improvement, displaying leadership and honoring the game. Sugihara, who also was awarded a \$1,000 college scholarship, is in her fourth year on the varsity volleyball team and is the captain. She also has been the top pitcher for the Niles North softball team.

Niles North volleyball coach Mike Cott said Sugihara is a worthy winner of the award. "Sugihara" is constantly trying to teach some of our young players and help them with their skills. But she always does it in a very positive way, a welcoming-type way," the coach said. "She's not threatening and it doesn't come out as being demonstrative. She's always very positive and her teammates look up to her and respect her saying what needs to be said."

Karin Wick, North's softball coach, said Sugihara was the "perfect" recipient of the award.

"She provides direction for her teammates by modeling what a student-athlete should exemplify: great effort, great grades, great work off the field," she said. "She plays the game the way it was intended."

The Vikings dropped to 16-9 overall, 3-2 in the CSL, North after losing 25-20, 25-19 to Deerfield on Sept. 30.

"They beat us in every area of the game," Cott said. "We have some improving to do in the second half of the conference if we want to accomplish all our goals. We need to be a little more consistently aggressive on the court. We can't play tentative. We have to be aggressive to beat the best teams."

Two days earlier, Sugihara had 14 kills in the Vikings 25-18, 25-16 win over Maine East. Senior Enela Palavra had four kills and three blocks for Niles North, and Cott said he was pleased with the serving and setting of senior Majda Jakupovic.

NW VOLLEYBALL

The Wolves fell to 17-8, 2-3 with a three-game loss to Glenbrook South on Sept. 29. The Titans won 18-25, 25-23, 25-18.

"The first game was the best single game we have played this season. Girls were focused and playing smart," West head coach Stacy Meloy said. "The second game our serve receive was off. The third game (GBS) outside hitter Ellen Chapman stepped it up."

The Wolves also defeated Waukegan 25-14, 25-11.

NW SWIMMING

The Wolves finished fourth in Saturday's nine-team Swim for a Cure Invite at Maine West.

Highlights for the Wolves included the team of Edan Scott, Jaci Moy, Holly Norberg and Alexis Yusim finishing second in the 200-yard medley relay (1:58.83); Scott winning the 100 backstroke (1:03.74) and placing in second in the 50 freestyle (25.59); Norberg finishing third in the 200 IM (2:32.89); Yusim placing third in the 200

freestyle (2:07.23) and fourth in the 500 free (5:42.79); and Moy coming in fifth in the 200 IM (2:33.42). The team of Yusim, Emme Deamont, Norberg and Scott finished third in the 400 free relay (4:01.53). West also had a good day on the diving board. Kelly Sanks took second (326.15), Jenny Marin was third (318.85) and Valerie Fung was fourth (303.95).

NN SOCCER

The Vikings defeated Loyola 3-1 on Saturday. Kevin Alvarez opened the scoring for North, and Will Braubach contributed two goals.

Maine East defeated the Vikings 2-1 on Sept. 30. Eion Ness-Cohn scored the lone goal for North. The Vikings learned that they earned the No. 11 seed in the upcoming Class 3A Maine South Sectional.

Niles North Swimming The Vikings finished sixth in Saturday's nine-team Swim For A Cure Invite at Maine West.

Highlights for Niles North were Alexandra Vlad winning the 200 IM (2:31.51); Xenia Kopylova finishing second in the 100 butterfly (1:03.39) and fourth in the 100 breaststroke (1:13.82); and the team of Vlad, Sonja Richter, Kopylova and Amber Martin placing third in the 200 medley relay (2:04.78).

Niles North Tennis The Vikings defeated Maine West 4-3 on Sept. 28.

Erika Markovitz won at No. 1 singles and Rupal Desai had a memorable comeback win at No. 2 singles, prevailing 6-6, 7-6, 6-0. Maddie Neuhaus and Krystine Hoang won at No. 1 doubles, and Olivia Altmyer and Clara Saliba won at third doubles.

Deerfield defeated the Vikings 7-0. *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*



Niles West's David Dawood contributed both assists last week during a 2-2 tie with Waukegan. (Michelle LaVigne/Staff Photographer)

GOLF

Park Ridge Country Club Varsity

Niles North 188, Maine East 210
Stat Highlights: for Maine East: Gian Reyes 43 (medalist), Matt Perchess 54, Soo Hun Lee 55, Peter Fox 58; for Niles North: Morgan Dasovich 44, Nick Christus 47, Dylan Chalem 48, Rico Lozano 49

Fresh-Soph
Niles North 176, Maine East 247
Stat Highlights: for Maine East: JJ Farley 55, Alex Kniazuk 57, Matt Doetsch 58, Tommy Dosek 77; for Niles North: Ross Drucker 39 (medalist), Zach Oppenheimer 45, Dan Ammer 46, Dan Wolf 46

SOCCER

EURO Girls U-17

Euro 7, McHenry 0
Stat Highlights: Rachel Hobert (goalie)

Euro 8, Chicago Powerstrikers 0
Stat Highlights: Jennifer Liberman (goalie)

EURO 5, Libertyville Black 2
Stat Highlights: Giron (2 goals), Rodriguez (goal), Engels (2 goals), Engels (assist), Theriault (assist), K. Paton (goalie)

Arlington Aces 1, EURO 0
Stat Highlights: K. Paton (goalie), S. Paton (goalie)

EURO 5, LASC 2
Stat Highlights: Giron (goal), Rodriguez (goal), Schneider (3 goals), Hickey (assist), Theriault (3 assists), K. Paton (goalie), S. Paton (goalie)

Palatine 4, EURO 2
Stat Highlights: Schneider (goal), Giron (goal, assist), Theriault (assist), S. Paton (goalie), Engels (goalie)

U-11

Mirage SC 3, LASC Twisters White 1
Stat Highlights: Meghan Martin (2 goals), Ariana Krbanjevic (goal), Kendall Oldham (assist), Meghan Martin (assist), Sabrina Lee (assist), Mary Clare Donnelly (assist)

Mirage SC 1, Grayslake Galaxy Green 1
Stat Highlights: Hailey Kraabel (goal), Ariana (assist), Krbanjevic (assist), Meghan Martin (assist), Mia Pitzferro

U-10 Premier

Euro Premier 3, Grayslake Galaxy 0

CLIMBING THE RANKS

Stat Highlights: A. D'Agaro (2 goals), D. Esquivel (goal), C. Rodgers (goalie), A. Etheridge (goalie), G. Eggemeyer (assist), E. Sheridan (assist)

Ela Blue 5, Euro Premier 1
Stat Highlights: T. Stefan (goal), C. Rodgers (goalie)

Boys U-12

PNC Patriots 2, EURO 1
Stat Highlights: San Roman (goal), B. Kelly (assist), SanRoman (goalie), Kramer (goalie)

EURO 2, FC Drive 1
Stat Highlights: Dettling (goal), J. Theriault (goal), Cleary (assist), SanRoman (assist), SanRoman (goalie), Felish (goalie)

AAC Eagles 5, EURO 3
Stat Highlights: H. Kelly (goal), Kleinberg (goal), Dettling (goal), Felish (assist), Cleary (assist), SanRoman (goalie), Kramer (goalie)

U-11

Trevian Blue 1, EURO 0
Stat Highlights: Defelice (goalie), Crawford (goalie)

Arlington Aces 3, EURO 2
Stat Highlights: J. Theriault (goal), Larson (goal), J. Theriault (assist), Defelice (goalie)

Arlington Aces 4, EURO 2
Stat Highlights: Theriault (goal), Curescu (goal), Defelice (goalie), Crawford (goalie)

U-10

EURO 2, Arlington Aces 1
Stat Highlights: M. Dettling (goal), Kelly (goal), Kelly (assist), Alex A. (assist), Crawford (goalie), Ibarren (goalie)

EURO 2, Arlington Aces 1
Stat Highlights: M. Dettling (goal), Kelly (goal), Kelly (assist), Alex A. (assist), Crawford (goalie), Ibarren (goalie)

Niles North Vikings Highland Park 28, Niles North 14, Glenbrook North 49, Niles North 7, Glenbrook North 34, Niles North 8

Stat Highlights: Bo Bradarich quarter back guided Niles North on an 11-play, 75-yd scoring drive in the fourth quarter. On 4th and goal from the Highland Park (3-3, 2-0) nine, Bradarich found Mike Henley in the front of the end zone: In the drive, Bradarich (14-27, 177 yards) was 6-8 for 55 yards. It was the first points Highland Park had allowed since week three, having shut out its last two opponents: Bo directed the team on a couple of very nice second half drives; Bradarich faced a 4th and 30 from

the Giants 39 yd line with 1:22 left in the game. Bradarich dropped back, avoided the pass rush and then flung the ball down the right sideline: Sunil Rehmani (picture-perfect spiral was hauled in at the back of the end zone, beating two Giant defenders. Rehmani had 12 catches for 138 yards); George Neuhaus (extra point made it 21-7); defense stellar plays: Sophomore defensive end Dan Fricano (two quarterback sacks and a forced fumble); Sam Sharples, Dan Egan, Eugene Edwards, Danny Khouri and Neuhaus had several stops on defense; Sharples (a leaping interception); Khouri (a quarterback sack and a fumble recovery, while led the Vikings with 9 tackles.)

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Lightweights 7/8 grades

Carl Barone's L.W. 18, Winnetka 12

Middlweights 5/6 grades

Bill Pabst's M.W. 39, Highland Park 7

Flyweights 5/6 grades

Evanston 18, Patrick Sherronke's F.W. 0

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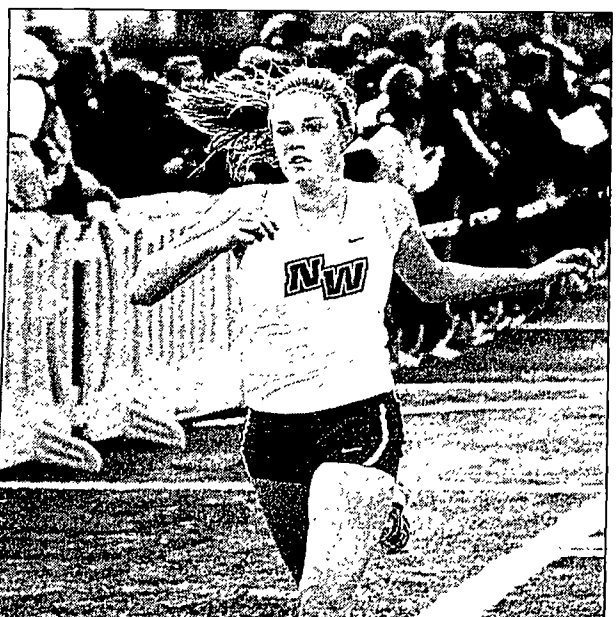
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Karp solid for Wolves at Pat Savage Invite



Niles West sophomore Michelle Karp takes 10th place overall Saturday at the Pat Savage Invite. (Shauna Bittle/for STM)

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CROSS COUNTRY — Niles West's Michelle Karp was disappointed that she didn't beat the 19-minute mark during Saturday's Pat Savage Invite at Niles West.

But the girls' team sophomore came about as close as one could come. West head coach Ann Heselton told Karp not to sweat it.

Karp ended up finishing in 19:01 to place fifth in the White Division and 10th overall.

"She hasn't been under 19 this year. But considering it was not the nicest day, I think she did pretty well," Heselton said. "She was a little miffed that she just missed it. But that happens.

She'll definitely get the time she's shooting for (soon)."

The Wolves, running on their home course, ended up finishing fifth in the White Division and seventh overall in the 39-team event.

Niles West junior Annie Goudes placed 23rd (20:09.86) and sophomore Rachel Bender was 30th (20:27.67) in a pair of personal-best times. Junior Jessica Sutfin finished 33rd in a slower-than-usual 20:33, but lost a shoe early in the race. Freshman Tayler Genis was 45th (21:08.86) and junior Maggie Swanson was in 50th (21:15.78).

Heselton said she's been pleased with how her runners in the back are gaining ground on the Wolves' leaders.

The Wolves will rest a week before hosting the CSL South meet on Oct. 16.

Niles West Boys

Junior Neal Omar finished in 16:30.82 to place 16th in the White Division Saturday.

It was a bit of positive news for the Wolves on a day when they struggled due to injuries. With three of its top five runners out or slowed by injury, West settled for eighth in the 21-team White Division.

The key absence was junior Marc Julien, who's recovering from a knee injury sustained in a bicycle accident.

Classmate Mas Hoshi did place 48th (17:10.33), but continues to be hobbled by

a hip injury. Senior Vishal Piryani is another West runner battling injuries.

Junior David Iverson came in 43rd (17:03.39) and junior Blake Helton was 44th (17:03.39).

Omar, who qualified for the state track meet in the 800, continues to turn in solid performances in his first cross country season. He finished first in a CSL South quad meet on Sept. 28 that also included Evanston, Maine South and Waukegan.

"He ran a good race (on Saturday). I'd like to see him run even faster," said West coach Vachee Loughran. "But he's trying real hard. He's a short-distance guy and is learning how to use his energy over three miles."

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Scores drop at right time

Wolves fire season's best at South meet

By DAN SHALIN
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GOLF — The Wolves boys shot a season-low 325, finishing fourth at the CSL South Meet Sept. 30 at Sportsmans Golf Course in Northbrook. West finished ahead of Evanston and Waukegan, two teams that had beaten the Wolves during the regular season.

West head coach Mitch Stern said his squad entered the conference meet off of some solid training.

"We had a couple of good practices in a row, not to say we weren't playing well in matches. But we had played a few practice rounds where we were scoring well and gaining some confidence. We came out firing," he said.

"That's the biggest thing for our guys, to have confidence stepping on the first tee. If they do that, then roll in some putts, then the confidence grows and it turns out to be a good round for them."

Junior Nick Hester led the Wolves with a 77 and finished ninth.

"Nick is staying positive and focused. He has shrugged off bad shots and started making putts. He had a good day," Stern said.

Freshman Nate Lee was 11th, shooting a 78. Ever-improving junior John Sullivan finished with an 83, his low round for the season.

"(Sullivan) has had a steady climb in his play in recent weeks," Stern said. "He was our seventh or eighth golfer and then stepped it up the last few weeks and played much better. I think he's moving in the right direction as we head into regionals."

West was scheduled to play in Tuesday's Loyola Regional at Wilmette Golf Course. The top three teams

GAME DAY BOYS GOLF

What: Mount Carmel Class 3A Sectional
When: Oct. 11
Where: Glenwood Golf Course, Glenwood
What to look for: The second step on the road to the state tournament starts here. Local teams that could still be alive: Evanston, Loyola, Maine East, Maine South, New Trier, Niles North, Niles West, Notre Dame and St. Patrick.

GAME DAY GIRLS GOLF

What: Nazareth Class AA Sectional
When: Oct. 11
Where: Links of Carillon, Plainfield
What to look for: The second step on the road to the state tournament starts here. Local teams that could still be alive: Evanston, Glenbrook North, Glenbrook South, Loyola, Maine South, New Trier, Niles North, Niles West, Regina, Dominican, Resurrection and Taft

and 10 players from non-advancing teams advanced to the Monday's Mount Carmel Sectional at Glenwood Golf Club in Glenwood.

Niles West Girls

Niles West's lone girls golfer, senior Claudia Mak, was scheduled to compete Wednesday in the Mount Prospect Regional.

Based on her performance at the Sept. 30 CSL Meet, Mak had a good chance of advancing to next week's sectional. At the conference meet at Sunset Valley in Highland Park, Mak finished fifth with a career-best 85. That was 12 shots better than her junior year at conference.

Mak plays in boys meets the entire regular season, and Stern said that's an advantage once she starts playing from the women's tees in the postseason.

"My assistant said she was



Niles West's Nick Hester taps a putt at Sportsmans during the Central Suburban South tournament. (Richard Bajjaleh/Staff Photographer)

just bombing drives off the tee," Stern said. "She's playing under 300-yard par fours and driving the ball 250 yards, leaving herself with a gap wedge onto the green instead of a seven or five iron. "Her biggest thing is to make some putts. If she can, I can see her doing better than an 85 (at the regional)."

Niles North Boys

The Vikings shot a 364 and finished fifth at the CSL North Meet at Glencoe Golf Club. Senior Dylan Chalem and freshman Rico Lozano each shot 87s, senior Nick Christus finished with a 93 and junior Morgan Dasovich had a 97.

"Dylan had a great start to his round and was beating two of the best golfers in the conference," North head

coach Ryan Geu said. "He had a couple of bad holes that hurt him. But overall, it was his best 18-hole tournament of the year."

Geu said Lozano could one day be among the conference's elite.

"He's been playing pretty well all year, especially for a freshman," the coach said. "He is pretty consistent. It has been great for Rico to get some varsity experience at such a young age. By his senior year, if he keeps up his work ethic, he could be one of the best in the conference."

The Vikings were scheduled to play in Tuesday's Loyola Regional at Wilmette Golf Club.

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Niles North begins to battle back

Score first points on HP in three games

By MARK PERLMAN
Contributor

FOOTBALL — Although Niles North lost its fourth straight football game, 28-14 Friday at two-time defending Central Suburban North champion Highland Park, the Vikings showed considerable signs of improvement.

In the prior two games, Niles North fell behind early and were routed, 49-7 to Glenbrook South and 34-8 against Glenbrook North. But this time, Niles North fought back from a 21-0 deficit.

There was no giving up by the Vikings (1-4, 0-2), as quarterback Bo Bradarich guided Niles North on an 11-play, 75-yard scoring drive in the fourth quarter. On 4th-and-goal from the Highland Park 9, Bradarich found Mike Henley in the

GAME DAY WEEK 7 MATCHUP

Who: Deerfield (4-2, 2-0) at Niles North (3-3, 0-2)
What: CSL North football
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday
Where: Pos Stadium, 9800 W. Lawler, Skokie
What to look for: Don't necessarily be fooled by the conference records. Niles North has lost to Glenbrook North and Highland Park, perhaps the conference's two best teams. Deerfield, meanwhile, has beaten Maine West and Maine East, who have a combined record of 2-10, and collected a forfeit victory over Julian. Deerfield and Niles North have two common opponents. Both were blown out by Glenbrook South. However, Deerfield lost to Evanston 39-10, while Niles North lost 38-37 to the Wildkats. In other words, this could be a very close game.

front of the end zone.

"I looked one way and then noticed that Mike was wide open," Bradarich said. "We started making plays that drive. Everything was flowing together."

Return of Ochoa provides offensive spark

By ELI KABERON
Contributor

FOOTBALL — An enthusiastic fan ran out of the stands at Niles West on Friday evening, streaking across the field in his underwear, carrying a flag, and halting the Wolves' game versus New Trier for a few seconds before he harmlessly sprinted off in to the distance.

The scene was similar to the home team's offensive output, which featured multiple big runs that left little impact on the final outcome.

Niles West (1-5, 0-2) fell in the Central Suburban South showdown 28-14, as the

Wolves allowed a deep pass early on and then failed to make key defensive stops when needed. Great play on special teams set up two early touchdowns, but the team couldn't make the plays on offense when needed down the stretch.

Trevian receiver Scott Sehoder hauled in the quick pass from QB Connor DeLoach 10 yards from the line of scrimmage and sprinted down the sideline 60 yards untouched, scoring with 11:04 left in the first to give New Trier an early lead. Niles West responded with a quick touchdown of its own, but the Wolves were unable to



Niles North receiver Sunil Rehmani (right) resists being tackled by Highland Park's Josh Kaitlin. (Dan Luedert/Staff Photographer)

The George Neuhaus extra point made it 21-7. In the drive, Bradarich (14-of-27, 177 yards) was 6-for-8 for 55 yards. It was the first points Highland Park (3-3, 2-0) had allowed since Week Three, having shut out its

previous two opponents. After Highland Park responded with a 34-yard scoring run by Nate Eeht, Niles North came right back. This time Bradarich faced a 4th-and-30 from the Giants 39-yard line with 1:22

left. Bradarich dropped back, avoided the pass rush and then flung the ball down the right sideline. The picture-perfect spiral was hauled in at the back of the end zone by Sunil Rehmani, who beat two Giant defenders.

"It was a great pass," Rehmani said. "It got there just at the same time as the defensive backs."

"We didn't want to give up," Bradarich said. "Sunil made a great catch."

Bradarich and Rehmani had plenty of other connections, as Rehmani finished with 12 catches for 138 yards. Highland Park just couldn't contain the fleet wide receiver. "Sunil had a great game," Niles North coach Scott Smith said. "He's a very good high school football player. Bo directed the team on a couple of very nice second half drives."

Even though Highland Park scored four touchdowns, the Vikings defense boasted a number of stellar plays. Sophomore defensive end Dan Fricano had two

quarterback sacks and a forced fumble. He helped limit the conference's top-rated passer, Cody Pantle, to just 6-of-15 for 77 yards.

"He's (Fricano) only been on the defensive line for two weeks," Smith said about his sophomore. "He made some really excellent plays."

Sam Sharples, Dan Egan, Eugene Edwards, Danny Khouri and Neuhaus recorded several stops on defense. Sharples made a leaping interception; Khouri had a quarterback sack and a fumble recovery, while leading the Vikings with nine tackles.

"They (Niles North) were a tough football team," Highland Park coach Hal Chiodo said. "They played very hard the whole game."

It doesn't get much easier for the Vikings next week, as Deerfield (4-2, 2-0), which is tied for first in the CSL North with Highland Park and Glenbrook North, pays a visit Friday night to Skokie. The Warriors have won two straight by a combined 83-7.

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GAME DAY WEEK 7 MATCHUP

Who: Glenbrook South (4-2, 2-0) at Niles West (1-5, 0-2)
What: CSL South football
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday
Where: Basrak Stadium, 5701 Oakton Street, Skokie
What to look for: Glenbrook South will be heavy favorites. But West did hang with New Trier last week before losing 28-14. Even in defeat, the Wolves have been capable of a few big plays every game. Unfortunately, they have had trouble stopping such plays. They don't figure to get much of a break this week facing the Titans' dangerous running back tandem of John Strickland and Kyle Kwasi-niewski.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

FOOTBALL

Matt Alviti, Maine South
Sophomore completed 18-of-21 pass attempts for 310 yards and four touchdowns in the first half as the Hawks beat Evanston 49-8 to win their fourth in a row.

Connor Thomas, Notre Dame
Returned opening kickoff 68 yards to set up his first of two touchdowns as the Dons beat rival St. Patrick 28-20.

John Strickland, Glenbrook South
Senior ran 17 times for 163 yards in the Titans' 30-0 win over Waukegan that moved them to 2-0 in the CSL South.

John Rushing, Glenbrook North
Sophomore rushed for 171 yards in 20 carries and scored three TDs as the Spartans beat Maine West 48-7 to maintain control in the CSL North.

BOYS GOLF

Ty Frost, New Trier
After shooting a 1-over 71 at Sportsman's Country Club, senior parred first playoff hole to win the CSL South's tournament over Glenbrook South's Quinn Prchal.

Brian Ohr, Glenbrook North
Freshman Spartan shot a 1-over 71 at the Glencoe Golf Club to capture the CSL North championship by one shot over teammate Nick Hardy.

GIRLS GOLF

Callie Nelson, New Trier
Sophomore shot a 2-over 74 at Sunset Valley to take the CSL tournament title.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Edan Scott, Niles West
Freshman won the 100-yard backstroke in 1:03.74 and placed second in the 50 free in 25:59 at Saturday's Maine West Swim for a Cure.

BOYS SOCCER

Alexis Chavero, Maine East
Sophomore scored four times Saturday as the Demons beat Oak Lawn 6-0 to stretch their winning streak to eight games.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Ellen Chapman, Glenbrook South
Senior knocked down 18 kills to help the Titans to a three-set win over Niles West on their way to 4-1 in the CSL South.

Vike runners get back into race

Sweep of North quad fuels NN confidence

By DAN SHALIN
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BOYS CROSS COUNTRY — After a rough outing at the Palatine Invite last month, Niles North has picked up its pace.

The Vikings emerged unbeaten in a CSL North quad meet in Deerfield on Sept. 28 and then finished second overall at Saturday's 39-team Savage Invite at Niles West.

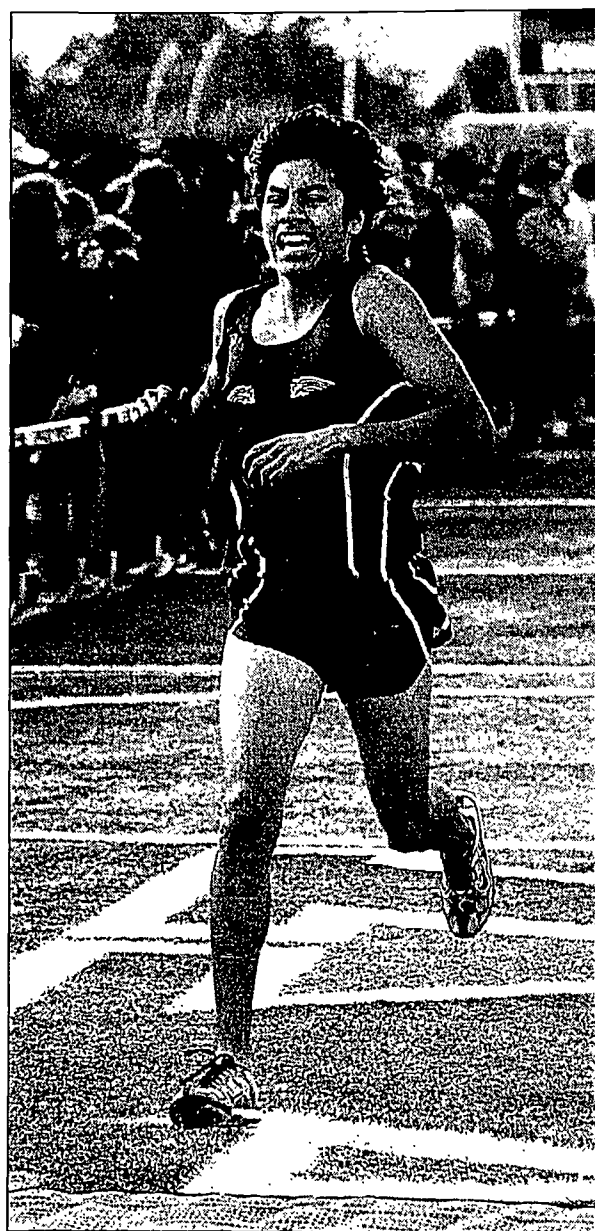
"We really had a nice bounce-back week," North head coach Dan Horyn said. "(At the quad) we ran with a lot of confidence and that's the exact same way we performed at Pat Savage."

In the CSL North, North defeated Deerfield, Maine West and Glenbrook North. Five Niles North runners finished in the top eight, and the Vikings' No. 5 runner finished ahead of each of the other teams' No. 2s.

North senior Kosta Papazoglou won in 15:54, junior Aron Sebhat placed third (16:09), junior Carlitos Rangel crossed fifth (16:17), sophomore Justin Suh came in seventh (16:32) and junior Tim Vazquez took eighth (16:33).

Horyn said Papazoglou's time was not one of his best, but he did a fine job executing the plan.

"He won the race. He was not blisteringly fast, but we ran the last mile under five minutes. That's what we wanted to work on," the coach said. "The third mile is not a weak point for him, but you can say it's one of



Niles North's Tim Vazquez crosses the finish line in 20th place Saturday at the Niles West Savage Invitational. (Shauna Bittle/for STM)



Niles North's Leah Wesolowski (left) comes in 28th Saturday at the Niles West Pat Savage Invitational. (Shauna Bittle/for STM)

the weaker points of how he races. But (the plan) paid off for us (at the quad) and on Saturday because he closed out well at Niles West."

On Saturday, Papazoglou came in third (15:32.54) in the White Division, Sebhat was 13th (16:25.69) and sophomore Justin Suh came in 17th (16:30.82).

Horyn is expecting big things from Suh late in the season.

"Justin has been very steady, running between 16:24 and 16:30," Horyn said. "Any time you have a runner that plateaus and has similar times over the course of several weeks, you expect to see a big time drop."

Additionally for North, Vasquez came in 20th (16:39.25), senior Muhammad Chattha placed 34th (16:54.35) Rangel crossed 35th (16:56.85) and sophomore Micah Beller finished 37th (16:59.31).

The Vikings return to action on Oct. 16 at the CSL North Invite.

"We have two weeks now with no competition, which will be great and allow us to do some high-quality training and be sharp and ready to go for the conference meet," Horyn said.

Niles North Girls

The Vikings finished sixth in the White Division at Saturday's Pat Savage Invite at Niles West.

Leading the way for North was junior Clara Williamson, who finished 12th (19:29). Senior Leah Wesolowski came in 28th (20:20), junior Katherine Benz crossed 43rd (21:04.66), freshman Brenda Vazquez placed 57th (21:29.65) and freshman Trinette Lopez took 60th (21:31.34).

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