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Golden Globes
Sunday, June 2



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Niles Police bid farewell
to one of their own
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Reaching for the Stars

Kerasotes to open new theaters at Golf Mill this fall

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen

STAFF WRITER

Cinema buffs will be happy to know that a movie theater will make its way back to Golf Mill shopping center in Niles, most likely in November.

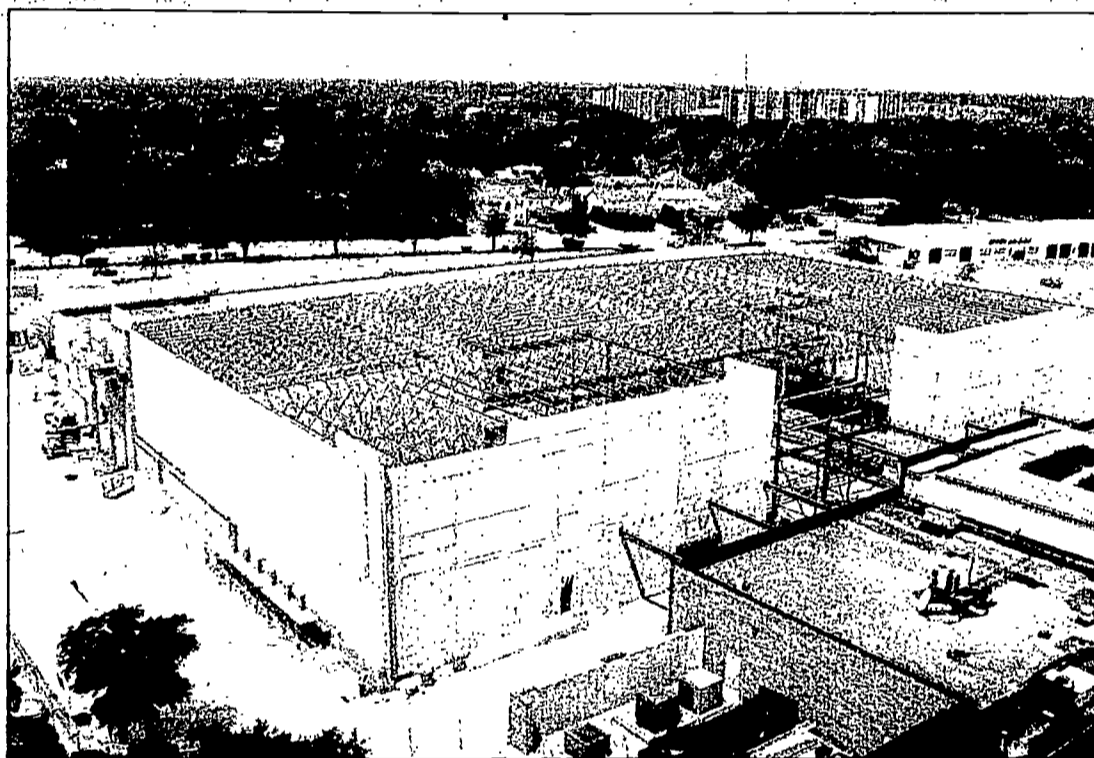
Dean Kerasotes, chief operating officer of Kerasotes Showplace Theatres, said that construction is going smoothly for the 12-screen movie theatre that will be located near JC Penney. Kerasotes said that the exterior and interior walls are up and the steel has been erected.

"It's such an ideal location," said Kerasotes, about the Niles location. "We had been looking at the area around the mall for some time."

Kerasotes said that the 12 auditoriums are very large and spacious, especially the two largest, which can seat close to 500 people.

"The building will be spectacular," said Kerasotes, who said the facility will be the best in the area, or at least rival the best.

Movie goers will be happy



An aerial photo of the Kerasotes Golf Mill Theaters currently under construction. The Company hopes to have the theaters open by November.

to know that the Kerasotes theatre will offer a free re-fill on soda and popcorn.

Kerasotes said they probably have the most comfortable seats around. He said they are unique and made out of a very soft material so that people can be very comfortable while watching their

favorite flicks. He also noted that the risers are 18 inches high, which he calls another very unique feature.

The Niles location will most likely have six managers and 125 to 150 hourly employees, depending on the time of year.

In 1909, his grandfather

started the business and opened Kerasotes' first theatre. His father and his brothers were the next generation in charge of the business and now Dean and his brother, Tony, run the operation that has 79 locations, with their newest that opened last week in Naperville, Illinois.

Dist. 64, teachers agree to contract

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen

STAFF WRITER

After nine straight hours of discussion, Park Ridge-Niles School Dist. 64 reached an agreement with its teachers for a new three-year contract at 4 a.m. on June 2.

The Park Ridge Education Association approved the contract on June 8 and the Board of Education approved the agreement at the board meeting on June 12.

"It was very positive," said Sandra Stringer, asst. superintendent at Dist. 64, about the process that began in February.

The contract includes a three percent increase to the base salary plus a step increase based on a teacher's education and experience that averages about two percent.

According to Bruce Martin, the director of finance for the school district, teacher contributions to health insurance will continue to increase, as a result of the continued rise in health care costs.

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Historical Society's Ice Cream Social

An Ice Cream Social and The North Wave Chorus was held at the Morton Grove Historical Museum on Wednesday, June 14.

The event was free to the public and featured the North Wave Chorus, which is a Barber Shop Chorus.

Families enjoyed ice cream sundaes and unique American folk music from the turn of the century.



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Martin said that last time they introduced the HMO plan and this year they introduced a higher deductible health plan as well.

Stringer said that the new

teacher contract is competitive with their other 23 comparable school districts that are in the north shore/northwest area.

Martin said that the parties involved in creating the new contract acted very professionally throughout the process.

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We are the Champions

After 20-some years of practice, trial and various other hardships, I have finally figured out how to win at golf: make sure the other players can't see the green.

Finally, a level playing field: I can't seem to be able to hit the broadside of an aircraft carrier, so playing at night really doesn't change anything for me. But for good players who are used to seeing their club heads and the green are really thrown off.

That's the only satisfactory way to explain how my father, brother and I won the "Night Golf Tournament" at the Cook County Forest Preserve's Indian Boundary Golf Course on the northwest side of Chicago last weekend.

For the uninitiated (I imagine there are a few of you reading) night golf is a really bizarre twist on the game. It's a scramble (that means everyone plays from the best shot) and a shot-gun start. Players compete on either the back or front nine. In order to see other players everyone has to wear one of those glow-in-the-dark necklaces and golf balls are transparent with a small glowing stick hammered into the



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center. Because the balls are not real golf balls they fly shorter distances and everyone plays from the red tees. The round also takes a lot longer than traditional golf; we started playing around 9 p.m. and finished at midnight.

It's interesting though: you walk from one tee to another with the only light coming from your glowing necklaces and tiki torches that are set up to mark each tee. The other players stand behind you to try and see where your ball will go and you take a swing and hit the ball (somehow).

The game also allowed me to be a hero a couple of times either by sinking a putt the other two missed or by putting a chipped shot within a few

feet of the hole. I was really feeling good about it (especially because I didn't know how I was doing it). We turned in par scores on two holes, birdies on five holes and eagles on the two par 5 holes.

So our final score was 9 under par after 9 holes (that's nine swings less than the course says you should be able to finish). The next-closest score was 6 under. We killed 'em.

I can't take all the credit (my little brother's good at that), it really was a team effort. But I'm saving my golf ball, a memento of the only time I'm ever going to beat all the other golfers in a tournament.

This variation on the game may always be a niche, but if it ever takes off, it's a great deal for golf courses. It would allow them to stay open during hours when the course has normally been closed. It also draws people who aren't necessarily there to play. The beer carts that are now ubiquitous on golf courses were cruising around all night and there was more than one group of golfers that was having trouble landing a ball on the green for reasons other than the dark.

Library parking rules change

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

The Village of Morton Grove board of trustees agreed to make a change in the parking restriction time on Georgiana in order to accommodate library patrons at the village board meeting on Monday, June 12.

Morton Grove Public Library Director Ben Schapiro

approached the village board at the meeting and told them that the trustees' approval of Trustee Dale Senesky's motion to change the parking restriction time on Georgiana from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. to 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. would negatively affect the library's ability to serve library patrons.

"This overlaps almost completely with the library," said Schapiro. He said that the library

is already short of parking and losing the spaces along Georgiana for even just an hour would have a negative impact on attendance at morning programs.

The village board listened to Schapiro's concerns and agreed to allow open parking after 9 a.m.

The library opens its doors to the public at 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday and youth or adult programs are regularly scheduled as early as 10 a.m. Schapiro said senior citizens and parents with young children are a large portion of the library patrons. In both of these cases, Schapiro said that walking to the library can be a real challenge.

Every year, about 178,000 visitors come to the Morton Grove Public Library.

The library is seeking a long-term solution that would help to create more off street parking.

Also at the board meeting, Theodore Sievert was appointed to the Traffic Safety Commission and Cheryl Gettes was appointed to the Economic Development Commission.

Police mourn passing of K9

Noah was Niles Police Department's first canine

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER



"We feel like we've lost an officer."

Charles Giovannelli
NILES DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

The Niles Police Department recently mourned over the passing of their beloved canine and partner in crime, Noah.

"We feel like we've lost an officer," said Niles Deputy Police Chief Charles Giovannelli. "He was involved in everything. You name it, he did it."

Noah, a 10-year-old yellow Labrador retriever was recently diagnosed with cancer, but continued to work and serve the police department and protect the citizens of Niles. Noah was the first canine of the Niles Police Department.

While off-duty with his handler, Niles Officer Marijo Zawilla, he passed away on Sunday, June 4.

"I couldn't have asked for a better partner," said Zawilla, who is still mourning over the loss of her partner and her friend. She said he was always

numerous criminals and was trained in tracking and narcotics searches. He was also involved in tracking lost subjects and performing article searches.

One of the four-legged crime fighter's favorite duties was to visit young students at various schools in the area and help inform them by performing his duties for them. Giovannelli said the kids in the community loved Noah. Marijo said that high school students remember Noah from past visits and have asked her how he's doing.

After his passing, flags at the police station were lowered and a special decoration was put up at the front door entrance.

Niles police officers are wearing black mourning bands over their badges for 30 days, which is a tradition that takes place when a fellow officer is lost.

Noah was treated and cared for by veterinarians at the Niles Animal Hospital.

Noah will be missed by the Niles Police Department and the people that he has touched over the years.

Niles Lions donate to Food Pantry



The Niles Senior Center held their annual flea market on Saturday, May 20. On this occasion Niles Lions club members, Norbert Johnson, Ingrid Kubitz, Phil Bergquist, Russ McAndrew and Randy Greco presented Director of Niles Family Service and Jaymi Ostman, program coordinator of the center, a donation for the Niles Food Pantry.

Park Ridge Garden Club Walk

Park Ridge Garden Club will host its 12th Annual Garden Walk on Sunday, June 25, 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. This year's Garden Walk features five beautiful gardens, including a local community garden. Tickets are \$10.00 (children under 10 free). Purchase tickets in advance at the following locations in Park

Ridge: Harris Bank at 615 Busse Hwy; Raffia's at 29 S. Prospect; Morningfield's at 800 Devon; "Across the Street" at 624 Devon; Lurvey's Garden Center at 2550 Dempster (at Potter). On the day of the Garden Walk, tickets can be purchased at 432 N. Prospect beginning at 2:00 p.m.

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Morton Grove purchases new breathing apparatus

A resolution authorizing the purchase of a new breathing air compressor for the fire department was presented at the Morton Grove Village Board meeting on May 22. The purchase of this equipment is important in order to provide more efficient use of existing breathing apparatus currently supported by the fire

department. The contract will also upgrade the existing self-contained breathing apparatus. The new air compressor has a storage cascade and a Mobile Air Cascade System as well. In September 2005, the department was awarded a grant for the purchase of the Self Contained Breathing

Apparatus equipment through the federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. The grant award provided \$43,460 of federal money and a matching department share of \$4,828. Air One Equipment of South Elgin is the vendor the village will go with. They are the lowest bidders at \$47,730.

Photo enforcement follies

The lawgivers in Springfield are at it again, this time passing a new photo enforcement law at railroad crossings. In the words of Governor Blagojevich, "Now that drivers know they'll be photographed if they go around lowered crossing gates, hopefully they won't do it." But, that is misleading. The law is written in such a way that it will snare innocent drivers. You will be ticketed for entering a railroad crossing. The railroad crossing does not start at the tracks themselves but at the indicator lines leading into



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a track. The purpose of this law is not to stop egregious violators who literally drive under lowered railroad crossing gates, but to generate revenue.

What is the problem with photo enforcement? Why is it unfair? The original law allowing a test site was written very strictly so as to not snare unsuspecting drivers or violate constitutional rights. The problem was in practice the law was ignored by the municipality issuing the citation, but worse the judges themselves ignored the law. Traffic court is the only court where you are presumed guilty until you prove yourself innocent. Traffic judges are not judges in the normal sense, they are grocery clerks tal-

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Stoesser honored

Morton Grove Mayor Richard Krier proclaimed June 4, May Stoesser Day in Morton Grove at the last village board meeting.

Stoesser, who is 90 years old, has resided in the Village of Morton Grove for more than 26 years and has contributed "humanitarian cooperation, strong family values and everyday humor with all those who come into contact with her," according to the proclamation. For 30 years, Stoesser was employed as a teacher for the Chicago Public School System.

She was also a member of the Edgebrook Women's Club and Delta Capa Gamma Sorority.

Stoesser loves visiting the Morton Grove Senior Center and taking trips with her friends.

Stoesser has four children, seven grand-children and two great-grandchildren.

"This year marks the 90th year in which May has embodied the moral character, human kindness and social cooperation her family and friends have grown to love and cherish," the proclamation stated.

MILITARY NEWS

Chamoun graduates from basic training

Air Force Airman Ninos Chamoun has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Chamoun is the brother of Ninawa Chamoun of W. Greenleaf St., Niles, Ill.

He is a 2004 graduate of Niles North High School, Skokie, Ill.

Kim graduates Basic

Air Force Airman Terry Y. Kim has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Kim is the son of Mi Young Shin of Morton Ave., Morton Grove, Ill.

The airman is a 2002 graduate of Niles West High School, Skokie, Ill.

SCHOOLS

Teacher Retires, Gets Wish



Second Grade Teacher Malia Hennessy recently retired from Park Ridge/Niles School District 64. There is a tradition at Roosevelt School for retiring teachers to arrive at school on their last day "in style". In the past, others have arrived by limo and fire engine. This year, Malia, the only retiree, got her wish to ride in a Rolls Royce.

Maine East holds Health Center plaque dedication ceremony

A plaque dedication ceremony was held at Maine East on May 12 to honor the memory of an outstanding Maine East alumnus, Dr. Harry Grossman. David Hiller, Publisher of the Chicago Tribune and also an alumnus of the Class of 1971, made a special presentation at the event. The commemorative plaque will reside outside the Maine East School-Based Health Center as a living tribute to Grossman's dedication to serving at-risk youth and will provide the opportunity for alumni and community members to indicate their support for the work of the School-Based Health Center to the Maine East student body.

The dedication ceremony marked the initiation of the Dr. Harry Grossman Society for the Maine East School-Based Health Center. The Health Center, a partnership between Maine Township 207 High Schools and Advocate Medical Group in affiliation with Lutheran General Hospital, provides on-site medical and mental health services for students at Maine East High School. Many of these students are under- or uninsured and the health center is often their only access to routine primary health care. This critical service is funded entirely by grants, and teacher, student, community and alumni contributions.

Boys State has begun at EIU

American Legion Premier Boys State at Eastern Illinois University at Charleston, IL. has begun. On June 10, 2006 at 1 P.M. over 600 boys who are among the best and brightest started arriving at EIU.

Boys State and is sponsored by the American Legion. This community along with all communities is proud to have someone chosen to go to Boys State.

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Help The Bugle celebrate its 50th!
Next year, 2007, is The Bugle's 50th year of publication in Niles. We are working now to mark this auspicious occasion and need your help. We know that The Bugle has been there over the years to cover the news that's important to our community. We're working now on special features for The Bugle's 50th and we'd like to make it even more special by providing a space for readers to share their memories.
Memories can be faxed to (847) 588-1911 or mailed to The Bugle, 7400 N. Waukegan Rd., Niles, IL 60714. Thanks in advance for all your help in making 2007 The Bugle's Golden Year.
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Celebrating 50 Years

SJB holds Award Day

The St. John Brebeuf Awards Day 2006 was truly a celebration of excellence. Parents, faculty and students assembled in church to honor those students whose hard work and dedication earned them awards of academic excellence.

This year the SJB School Community began a new tradition. We instituted a very special award to recognize students who have displayed Christian values, empathy, kindness, courage and understanding toward their fellow classmates and teachers. This

award is presented through student nomination and teacher choice to the student in each homeroom who exhibited characteristics of a peacekeeper each quarter of the school year. The Peacekeeper Award has been presented at our quarterly assemblies in which we celebrate service, as well as at our 2006 Awards Day. This is the most coveted award at St. John Brebeuf School because it celebrates the true spirit of Catholic Education.

The SJB 2006 Citizenship Award and American Legion

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Suspicious person opens side entrance door

MORTON GROVE

The following information was derived from official reports of the Morton Grove Police Department for the week ending Friday, June 16.

1 Suspicious Person Opens Side Door (7600 Enfield)

Police said the victim saw a female in her 40s sitting on a bench on the east side of his house, smoking a cigarette on June 14. The victim was getting ready to leave his home when he saw the lady start to open his side door. The woman reportedly seemed to appear disoriented and had a Polish accent. She reportedly left the property and walked north-bound on Ottawa. Police later found a woman who matched her description and she denied being near 7600 Enfield.

2 Latin King Gang Sign (5800 Dempster)

A five-point crown, reportedly a symbol of the Latin King street gang, was spray painted in black paint on a vacant building. It was reported to police on June 9, but police do not know how long it has been on the building.

3 Theft of Gas (7100 Golf)

Police said a man pulled into the gas station and pumped \$82.25 worth of gas in his vehicle and then fled east-bound on Golf Rd on June 10. The vehicle registration number led the police to a man, who said that he owned a Nissan Titan, but the license plates did not match. The man said that his front license plate was missing or stolen off his Ford van a few days ago. Police informed the man that a vehicle is using his plates in a theft of gas that occurred.

4 "Home For Sale" Signs Taken (9200 Major)

Sometime between June 1 and June 10, unidentified subject(s) removed two "Home for Sale" signs from the victim's yard, said police. On June 2 the first sign was missing and on June 10 the second sign was missing. The victim said he had an idea who may have taken them but refused to provide any other information. The two

wooden signs are worth \$300.

5 Theft from Locker (6800 Dempster)

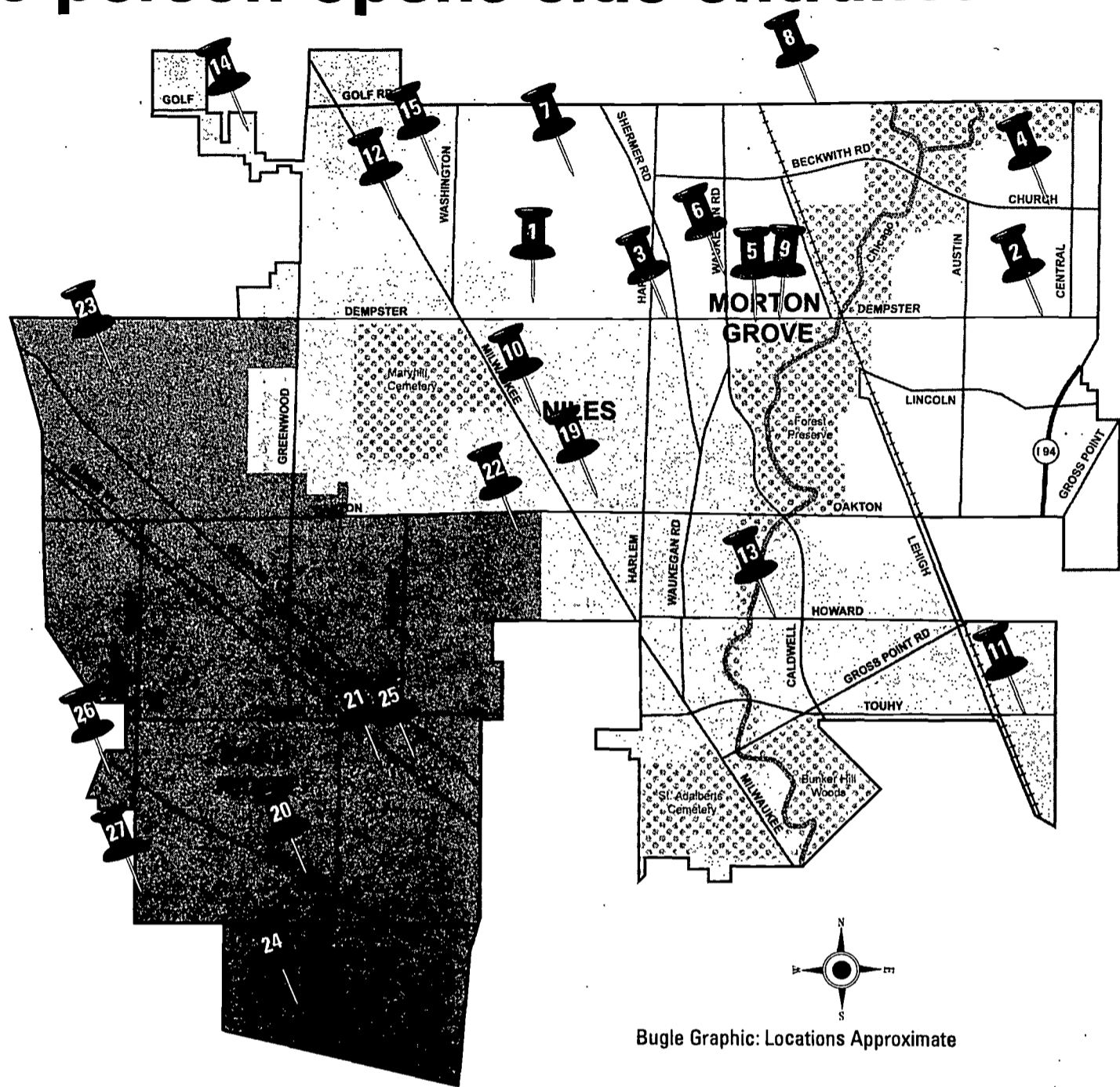
Police said unknown subject(s) stole a blue sports bag containing \$40 and a pair of \$30 pants from an unlocked locker on June 9.

6 Smashed Car Window (9000 Waukegan)

Unidentified subject(s) smashed the victim's driver's side rear view window on June 12. The car was parked in the parking lot. The security guard said an unknown elderly man came into the lobby and said he saw a male smash the window and then run away. The elderly man left no other information

7 DUI Arrest (9400 Oleander)

Police stopped a 35 year old man from Morton Grove after he was speeding 49 mph in a 35 mph zone on June 10. The man and quickly left the area, according to police. See Blotter, page 7



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was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a BAC of over .08, speeding and for having no valid insurance. Bond was set at \$1,000.

8 Suspended DL Arrest (Golf and Normandy)

Police said a 33 year old man from Morton Grove was arrested on June 12 for driving with a suspended license. The bond was set at \$1,000 and court date is July 19.

9 Arrest on Warrant (Birch and Dempster)

Police arrested a 66 year old man from Niles for an arrest on a warrant on June 12. The bond was set at \$575 and the court date is July 19.

NILES

The following information was derived from the official reports of the Niles Police Department for the week ending Monday, June 19.

10 Shooting Pellet Gun (8400 Ottawa)

Police responded to a disturbance when a subject was shooting a pellet gun in the park on June 15. The subject was turned over to his mother and issued a ticket.

11 Attempted Theft (5700 Touhy)

An unidentified male attempted to steal \$243.69 of Hennessy and Vodka from a store without paying on June 9, said police. The offender was confronted at the front door by the complainant and a struggle took place. Police said the unknown offender fled the scene in an automobile.

12 Theft/Credit Card Charged (9200 Milwaukee)

Police said unknown subject removed two credit cards from the victim's wallet that was inside of an unlocked locker on June 12. American Express informed the victim that \$2,500 was charged on the credit card at Cosco and Target in Niles. The victim cancelled his bank account.

13 Three Minors Consuming Alcohol (6700 Howard)

Three minors were issued tickets for the possession/consumption of alcohol on June 14. The minors were discovered to be drinking by a Niles park district park officer.

14 School Window Shattered (9400 Hamlin)

Police said unidentified person(s) used a rock or a similar object to shatter the lower, northeastern most window at the school sometime between June 9 and June 12. The win-

dow, worth \$350, is 3 feet, six inches by three feet.

15 Threatens to Light Car on Fire Over Ticket (8000 Lyons)

A subject came to the Village of Niles to ask about a letter he received in the mail about a ticket on June 14. The subject reportedly parked his vehicle in the alley of his building. The subject said he donated his vehicle to the Salvation Army, but they haven't picked up the vehicle yet. Police said the subject was very upset and said, "If I get one more ticket, I'm going to light the car on fire." He said he was not going to pay for the ticket and left the facility.

16 Retail Theft Arrest

A 41 year old Park Ridge man was arrested on June 8, with one count of felony retail theft and one misdemeanor count of battery. The man had a past Cook County Sheriff retail theft conviction. Bond was set at \$10,000, cash 10%.

17 Leaving Scene of Accident Arrest

A 54 year old man from Des Plaines was arrested on June 12 for leaving the scene of an accident that happened on June 11. The man struck a vehicle driven by a Niles resident. The bond was set at \$1,000.

18 Man Arrested for Jan 31 Burglary

A 20 year old Park Ridge man was arrested and charged with burglary on June 2 for a residential burglary that took place on Jan 31 at 8400 Greenwood. The man took a plasma television. The subject was in custody for a burglary in Highland Park when he was questioned and confessed to the Niles burglary. Bond was set at \$75,000.

19 Unlawful Use of Weapon Arrest (8200 Oketo)

A 15 year old male from Des Plaines was arrested on June 6 with one count of battery and one felony count of unlawful use of a weapon. The man punched the victim repeatedly in the face at the park using a pair of brass knuckles.

PARK RIDGE

The following information was derived from the official reports of the Park Ridge Police Department for the week ending Monday, June 19.

20 Subject Ejected from Vehicle (Talcott)

Police said a subject was traveling northwest bound on Talcott when the subject lost control of the vehicle, jumped the curb, struck a giant size

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Editorial

What's in a name?

Epecially when it's in the Police Blotter

There's been a lively debate going on at The Bugle's editorial board in the last few months: should we print the names of individuals who are arrested and charged with crimes in our Police Blotter?

As our readers know, we print a weekly summary of incidents that are released to us by the Police Departments. It has been the position of this newspaper that the news in that summary is the specific incident and not the person who is accused of perpetrating it.

We've also felt that reprinting the names of those who are charged with these crimes appeals to an instinct for gossip. Consequently, we've never printed the names released by the Police Departments.

"Would you like to see the names of those arrested reprinted in our newspaper? Or do you like our current policy of printing the incident but not the name of the individuals?"

However, in recent discussions the idea of printing those names with the incident reports has been up for debate. The news industry is an extraordinarily competitive arena and, some on this board have argued, if our competitors are printing those names, it means that our readers who want that information must go to another source for it.

It is our goal to be the best source of information for our communities and, so, we've been debating the idea of printing those names in our Blotter. But we haven't been able to reach a resolution on it.

So we decided to go to our best resource: our readers. We want to get a feel for what you want to read. Would you like to see the names of those arrested reprinted in our newspaper? Or do you like our current policy of printing the incident but not the name of the individuals?

The reason we are asking for reader opinion is because the newspaper is a public forum. Our obligation is to the readers and if the overwhelming opinion is print or not print it will help us to settle the discussion on the editorial board.

Please send your opinions on this and any other topics to editor@buglenewspapers.com. Responses to this question will only be printed at the request of the author. If you'd like your comments to appear in the paper please attach your name and a phone number (for verification purposes only).

Dubren unhappy about lack of re-appointment

Dear Editor,
My term on the Natural Resources Commission of Morton Grove expired this last June 12, 2006. I received no notice of reappointment, and was scheduled to deliver a special report to the commission on Monday June 19, 2006. I was told by the chairman of our commission that Mayor Krier had agreed to the reappointment with the chairman's approval, which he readily gave being satisfied with my service. The normal procedure in these matters is to receive a letter from the mayor officially stating the reappointment.

When I did not see the reappointment on schedule for the village board meeting of June 12, I called Mayor Krier on the phone asking about this matter. He gave me wrong information that the heads of the commission or the village administrator handle that. He also indicated his unhappiness with my letters to the papers criticizing the way the village was being

run. I followed up with a call to Joe Wade, the village administrator, who told me that the authorization must come from the mayor, and that he would talk to him. He got back to me that the mayor was still considering the appointment. At that point, I told the administrator that I could not continue serving on the commission without the proper authorization. All the mayor had to do was reaffirm the appointment to the administrator, as he had indicated in a previous email to the committee chairman. It was obvious to me that the mayor was being deliberately obstructive, most likely from his displeasure with my political attitudes. It seems like toeing the line with the mayor is more important than getting on with the business of the village. I have learned that the mayor has now put my reappointment up for the next village meeting. He did this knowing that I had already declined reappointment for lack of a confirmation from him.

Sherwin Dubren,
Morton Grove

Niles Chamber news & events

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, July 4
Fourth of July Parade - Walk with the Chamber.
Meet the Chamber between 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. at the Notre Dame High School Parking lot. T-Shirts will be given to all walkers, feel free to invite your families.

For more information contact

Brenda (847) 268-8180 or email brenda@nileschamber.com
Tuesday, July 18th
Annual Golf Outing @ Oak Meadows Golf Course, Addison.
11:30 a.m. Check In & Lunch
12:45 p.m. Shot Gun Start
5:00 p.m. One Hour Open Bar
6:00 p.m. Dinner.
Registration and sponsorship forms are available at the

Chamber Office. Don't miss this event. It sold out last year. There is still time to be a sponsor or sign up for . . . golf. Raffle Tickets Available. 200 Tickets are sold for the Reverse Draw Raffle, 40 Prizes given out and a chance to win \$5,000. Tickets are \$50. Call Brenda to purchase a raffle ticket (847) 268-8180.

Announcements

Open House - Oak Mill Imaging Thursday, June 22 @ 4:00 p.m. Join doctors and staff at Oak Mill Imaging to celebrate their first year at an open house, 7900 Milwaukee Ave., Suite 16A in Niles. Wine Tasting and hors d'oeuvres by Mario's Catering. Contact debbie@nileschamber.com.

Morton Grove Chamber holds golf outing

The 28th annual Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce and Industry's golf event and dinner took place on Wednesday, June 21.

The event took place at the Glenview Park Golf Club in Glenview.

Check-in was at 11 a.m., shotgun start was at noon and a dinner and raffle took place at 5:30 p.m.

There was a \$150 golf package that included lunch, a raffle ticket, two free drink tickets and dinner; or \$50 dinner only or \$100 for golf only (includes lunch.)

Tame your out of control equity now

By Lynn O'Shaughnessy
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

If you owe money on your home equity line of credit or if it feels like you have a gazillion payments left on an adjustable rate mortgage, you are probably feeling the pain of higher interest rates.

MONEY & YOU

Perhaps you obtained your loan when lenders were bragging that rates hadn't been so low since the Cuban missile crisis. Unfortunately, the kiljoys

swept up the confetti many months ago.

Yet many homeowners are surprised at how quickly their once-great loan packages have turned into aching charley horses. Someone who snagged a home equity line of credit with a 4 percent interest rate in 2004 could now be making payments with a rate that's doubled.

Not surprisingly, interest in refinancing has dropped as the rate miasma has repelled shell-shocked homeowners. But bunkering down in your overpriced tract home and adopting an attitude of abject hopelessness won't necessarily be your best

strategy. In some cases, you'll be able to shrink your monthly payments so that you'll be able to fill up the tank of your SUV.

This column provides strategies for those who have home equity lines; next time, I'll tackle the issue of refinancing a mortgage.

If you've got an out-of-control equity line, here's what you might want to do:

- Find a better home equity line of credit. Admittedly, many of you may rightly be perplexed about how you can locate a more attractive line of credit in this environment. These credit lines are tethered to the prime rate,

which is currently at 8 percent. When the prime rate rises, financial institutions quickly tighten their customers' tourniquets. I wonder if some bankers must skip their morning detour to Starbucks to make sure the home-equity rate hikes are implemented before the next day's rush hour begins.

What distinguishes all these credit lines is each one's starting position. If you obtained a line of credit a while ago, your rate is probably tied to a formula that adds one or two percentage points to the base prime rate. So if your line of credit requires you to

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BY JEFFREY CARDELLA
Special to The Bugle

Edward Jones

Unsettling Times Still Offer Opportunity for Investors

If you remember 1973, you know it was a difficult period for the United States. A series of events — including the Watergate scandal, the OPEC oil embargo, the Vietnam War and the resignation of Vice President Agnew — had shaken the public's morale. By November, President Nixon's approval rating stood at 37 percent — and presidential approval ratings tend to track the mood of the nation. Given all this, you might think that 1973 was not a good year in which to invest in the stock market.

But you'd be wrong. From Nov. 30, 1973 to Nov. 30, 1983, the S & P 500 recorded an average annual return of 10.9 percent. So, if you had invested \$10,000 in the market at the beginning of that period, it would have grown to \$28,139 by the end. And over the next 20 years, from Nov. 30, 1983 to Nov. 30, 2003, the S & P 500 returned, on average, 12.8 percent a year; consequently, \$10,000 invested in 1983 would have grown to \$111,219 in twenty years. (Keep in mind, however, that the S & P 500 is an unmanaged index, and you cannot invest directly into it. Also, as you've heard, past performance is not an indicator of future results.)

In short, if you had started investing in the troubled year of 1973, and you had kept investing, you would have probably done pretty well over the next three decades.

Now, let's look at what's happening in the country in 2006. We are facing global unrest, high gas prices and concerns about economic security.

Although there are some similarities between 1973 and 2006 — a controversial war, high gas prices, and political concerns — there are also some key differences. Perhaps most important, our economy today is much stronger than it was back then. And as an investor, you might be particularly interested in the following:

- *Interest rates are near a 40-year low.* When interest rates are low, it is less expensive for businesses to borrow money to expand their operations. And as businesses grow, so does their attractiveness to investors.
- *Corporate profits are growing rapidly.* Corporate profits have expanded at double-digit rates for ten consecutive quarters; profitability is one of the key fundamentals that drive a company's stock price.

So, despite the worried national mood, the investment climate of 2006 may actually be quite promising.

Don't Stop Investing

It's true that 2006 may be an unusually tense year for the country. But as we've seen, 1973 was also a difficult year — in fact, by some measures, considerably more unsettling than 2006 — and yet, many investors who had faith in the financial markets in 1973 were amply rewarded. Of course, you might not achieve similar returns going forward over the next few decades, because no one can predict the future course of the markets.

Nonetheless, don't let today's headlines keep you on the investment "sidelines." If you buy quality investments, diversify your portfolio and invest for the long term, you can design a strategy that can help you work toward your financial goals — in good times and bad.

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Professional Golf Tips With Tina Mickelson

Know your game

Before you can improve your game you must know where you are struggling. For example, I once had a student call me to schedule a lesson. I asked him what he was hoping to work on and he simply said he could not lower his score no matter how hard he tried. I asked him what area of his game he was struggling with, and all he could come up with was the fact he could not lower his score. So



before we put a lesson on the books I had him go out and play 10 rounds of golf without keeping score. His sole responsibility was to carry a notebook with him and take notes after absolutely every shot: how he hit the shot, where it went, etc. After 10 rounds we determined that he had indeed developed a pattern. All his approach shots were coming up short. I told him to go out and play another five rounds and the only change he was to make was to take an extra club on each approach shot. The very next time he went out he beat his all time best score by four strokes. All he had to do was be aware of his game and improvement followed. I can't guarantee that it will be that easy for everyone. But I can guarantee that before you can improve your game you must know where to start.

Copley News Service/Tina Mickelson, PGA

Photo by Paul Nasri

Niles West offers many summer athletic camps

More than 200 junior high and high school aged students are participating in this summer's athletic camps that are offered through the Niles West Physical Welfare Department.

The athletic camps help the students get exercise and stay in shape during the summer and also help prepare them for upcoming athletic seasons.

Some of the sports offered through the camps are boys and girls basketball, boys and girls cross country, boys football, girls volleyball, boys and girls gymnastics, boys and girls soccer, and boys and girls track and field.

Classes are taught by Niles West coaches and include the basics skills of the various sports.

Registration was previously done through the Skokie Park District, but it is now handled through the Niles West Physical Welfare Department.

Many of the camps are for students in grades 5 to 12. The participants include students from Niles North and Niles West High Schools and their feeder schools.

Rosemont sports collectibles show

The 9th annual Sportsfest Collectibles Show was held June 9 to June 11 in Rosemont.

The Sports extravaganza included former and current professional athletes signing autographs, such as current Defending World Series White Sox players, hundreds of local and national dealers selling and buying sports collectibles, a free appraisal booth, a paper airplane toss and more.

Among autograph guests at

the show were NFL first-round draft choices Reggie Bush and Matt Leinart; a large number of defending World Series champion White Sox players such as Joe Crede, Scott Podsednik, Paul Konerko and Mark Buehrle. Ben Gordon of the Chicago Bulls, former baseball greats Tom Seaver and Steve Carlton; Super Bowl XX Bears Otis Wilson, William Perry and Steve McMichael and Blackhawks player, Martin

Lapointe.

At the Muhammad Ali art exhibit, three Ali original oil paintings were on display. These paintings were signed by Ali and acclaimed painter, Stephen Holland.

The paper airplane toss contest gave two lucky winners two tickets to the Bears-Packers game at Lambeau Field on September 10, 2006. Money raised will go to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago.

Self-Taught Artist turns garage into gallery

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

People driving their cars down his street in Niles often make a pit-stop in front of his house to get a closer look at an interesting wooden statue and even take photos.

Carlos Luy Ken, of Peru, has carried his love of creating with him on his journey to the United States that he made last year. His backyard and garage in Niles may be mistaken for an art gallery or a mini-museum.

Luy Ken, a self-taught artist, began painting people on canvases for theater scenarios and festivals in Peru at the age of 17. Originally, he wanted to become a lawyer and attended the University of San Luis Gonzaga de Ica-Peru, but he decided that he needed to travel more, see different places, meet new people and experience more cultures. During this time, he spent time mining and farming.

"I did not learn art at any school other than life itself," said Luy Ken. "That is why I don't have rules nor limits."

Luy Ken works with metal,



wood, plaster and cement. Some of his sculptures are displayed on various town plazas in Peru.

"Art is a human and natural expression to see reality through different materials and perspectives," said the artist. "It's the

cultural expression of people or towns and to value the source of such a greatness, comforts the spirit and human sensibility."

In 1998, Luy Ken started the construction of an ethnic art gallery in Peru and has now

become a tourist establishment.

The walls and columns of the facility are decorated with Peruvian sculptures. In 1999, he was involved with an ecological movement and one of his sculptures, "The Huarango Scream"

was published in the "El Peruano," a newspaper in Peru.

Luy Ken has received a city medal and diploma as a special merit for working in cultural events in the community.

In 2004, he received the local press merit, "The Gold Hummingbird," for best artist and another award for educational promoter.

Half Chinese and half Peruvian, Carlos is a member of the Peruvian Chinese Association in Peru. He also belongs to The Peruvian Arts Society in Chicago.

Carlos will have an exhibition at the Daley Plaza July 26, 27 and 28.

Carlos lives with his wife, Rosario and two children, Sharon and Bryan. Sharon attends Maine South High School and Bryan is going to Emerson Middle School. Rosario is a huge supporter of Carlos' art work and his career.

"He lives in his own world," said Rosario, about her husband's strong passion for creation. Rosario said she enjoys painting also, but it's only her hobby.

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lyng your bill for the cashiers.

The first installation of photo cameras at railroad crossings was in Wood Dale on Irving Park Rd, activated in Dec. 1999, it generates \$250,000.00 in revenue for the village. 75 trains/day cross there and it has an average annual daily traffic count of 32,000 vehicles. The camera recorded 185 violations on average, but only 66 citations were issued.

You see, the law ignores corporate or municipal owned vehicles and out of state vehicles. So if a company or government owned truck or car violates the crossing laws, it results in no ticket. Isn't the law to be blind and shouldn't it be enforced fairly across all violators?

Illinois has more railroad track than any state but Texas. Chicago is the busiest rail gateway in the US and accounts for 1/3 of all freight traffic. As terrible as train fatalities are only 18 people in vehicles were killed at crossings in 2005, a slight increase over 2004. Nationwide the overall numbers of grade crossing collisions and deaths have been falling for decades. At just one crossing in Wood Dale 32,000 cars cross each day. It would appear that if all the grade crossings are

counted along with all the traffic less than .000015 crossings result in a fatality and that is not counting every crossing in Illinois while the amount of rail traffic is increasing.

The majority of accidents occur where there is no railroad crossing gates, just signs. So photo enforcement will not even affect these areas. Most of the reduction in railroad crossing accidents and fatalities have come from reducing the number of crossings, increasing the number of crossings with gates, and a shift in rail traffic. Photo enforcement doesn't even come close.

These cameras are not without their merit for fatal and serious collisions, modeling estimates a 10.4% reduction in such collisions due to cameras. So if every municipality at every railway crossing installs photo cameras 2 fewer people will die in train crossing accidents next year. That is a noble goal and every life saved is valuable. But if instead, every municipality installed railway crossing gates 9 people would be saved. So why are they pushing for photo cameras? Call me a skeptic, but railway crossing gates cost money and generate no revenue. Follow the money.

"We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office." -Aesop

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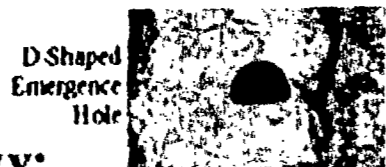
The emerald ash borer,

Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire, a beetle native to Asia, was first detected in Michigan in 2002. Evidence suggests that the beetle was established in Michigan for a number of years prior to its discovery. Emerald ash borer has since been detected in Ohio, Indiana, Virginia, Maryland, and Ontario, Canada. In addition to spreading by natural means, emerald ash borer can be transported to new areas in infested firewood, timber, and nursery stock. The beetle is responsible for the loss of more than 7 million ash trees in Michigan alone.



Larva

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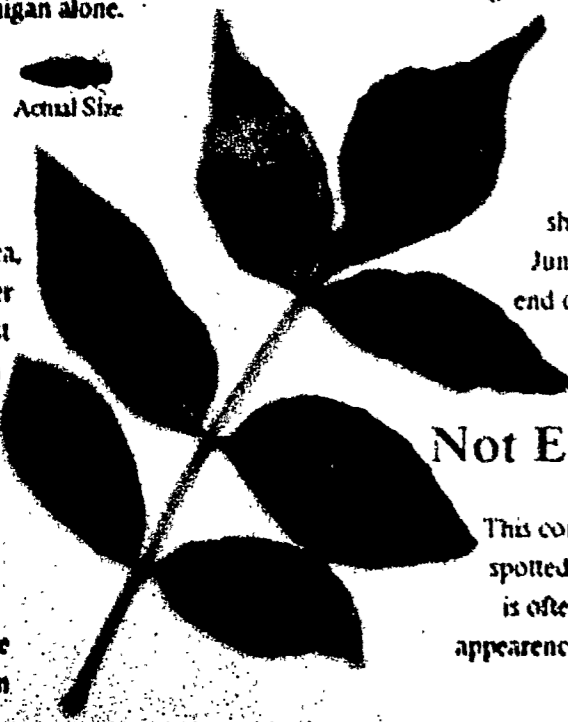
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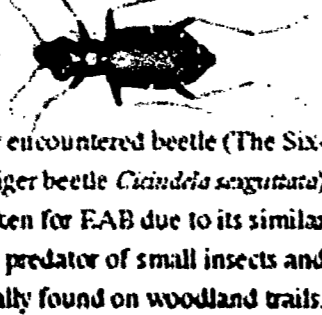
Eggs are laid between layers of bark and in bark crevices. Larvae hatch in about one week and bore into the tree where they feed on the inner bark and phloem, creating "S"-shaped galleries. The larvae go through three feeding stages, and then excavate a pupal chamber in the fall, where they will overwinter as prepupae. Pupation occurs in late spring, and adults begin to emerge through "D"-shaped exit holes in May and early June. Adults will remain active until the end of summer.

Host:

In North America, emerald ash borer is known to infest all species of ash (*Fraxinus* spp.). Ash can be recognized by the presence of compound leaves which are arranged opposite of one another on the branches.



Not EAB:



This commonly encountered beetle (The Six-spotted green tiger beetle *Cicindela sexguttata*) is often mistaken for EAB due to its similar appearance. It is a predator of small insects and is usually found on woodland trails.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service

Photographs: James W. Smith, David Cappert, www.invasive.org and PA DOWR

Signs and Symptoms:

New infestations are difficult to detect, as damage to the tree may not be apparent for up to three years. Signs of older infestation can include branch dieback in the upper crown, excessive epicormic branching on the tree trunk, vertical bark slits and woodpecker damage.



Dieback



Epicormic branching



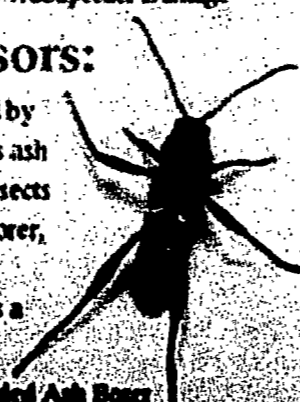
Bark Slits



Woodpecker Damage

Other Stressors:

Ash may also be stressed by drought, diseases such as ash yellows, and by native insects like the redheaded ash borer, *Necydalis acuminata*, (Fabricius) which creates a round emergence hole.



Redheaded Ash Borer

Ash Borer found in Northern Illinois

An entomologist at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle, Frederic Miller, was right on target when he recently told the Bugle Newspapers, "It's not here yet in Illinois, but it's pretty close by."

Miller was talking about the Emerald Ash Borer, a destructive non-native pest that destroys ash trees.

The Illinois Department of Agriculture announced on June 13 that a beetle found in the yard of a Kane County residence east of Lily Lake has been identified as an emerald ash borer.

"We are reviewing the situation and are making phone calls," said Scott Jochim, public works director for the Village of Niles. "We have our share of ash trees."

Jochim said that the village stopped planting Ash trees when they heard about the bug being discovered. There are currently 455 Ash trees in public parkways in Niles.

"We need everyone to keep an eye out," said Sarah Tien, of the City of Park Ridge forestry department. Tien said that if the pest made its way to Park Ridge it would have a "detrimental effect."

Tien said that about 10% of the parkway trees in Park Ridge are Ash trees. She said that residents should do their part by surveying Ash trees in the area and being on the look out for the emerald green colored pest that is about half the size of a penny.

For the past two years, a coalition of local, state and federal

What Can You Do?

- Purchase only locally-grown nursery stock
- Purchase only locally-cut firewood

Signs of Infestation

- Thinning and yellowing leaves
- D-shaped holes in the bark of the trunk
- Shoots growing from the base of the tree.
- Presence of metallic-green beetles about half the diameter of a penny on or around ash trees

agencies, including the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Forest

Service and Illinois Department of Agriculture, has been getting ready to react to the first emerald ash borer in Illinois.

Up to this point, the pest has been damaging and killing millions of Ash trees in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana.

The coalition will activate its response plan, with the first step being to conduct an extensive survey of ash trees in the area in order to determine the extent of the damage. The results of the survey will help to create boundaries for a quarantine that will put an end to the movement of wood that could be contaminated and nursery products and help prevent spreading the pest.

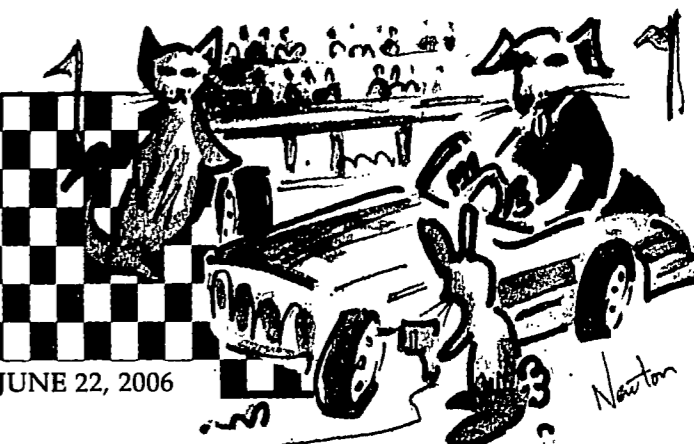
What can the public do to help prevent the movement of the pest?

People are advised to purchase locally-grown nursery stock and locally-cut firewood. They are also encouraged to watch for signs of infestation and report the signs as soon as possible.

Signs of infestation include the presence of metallic-green beetles about half the diameter of a penny on or around ash trees, thinning and yellowing leaves, D-shaped holes in the bark of the trunk or branches and shoots growing from the base of the tree. In most cases of infested trees, they must be removed.

Any one who suspects an infested tree should call their county extension office or the Illinois Department of Agriculture toll-free hotline at (800) 641-3934.

the PET STOP



Mobile grooming service comes straight to your door

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

Has your pet received spa treatment lately?

Anne Andrews started her Top Dog Mobile Pet Grooming Salon last May and she says it's been well received so far.

The traveling pet grooming salon comes straight to people's doorsteps in Niles, Morton Grove, Park Ridge and other surrounding suburbs. Andrews resides in Evanston and she travels anywhere within about a 30 minute radius to groom dogs and cats.

"It's a quiet and peaceful environment," said Andrews, about the mobile treatment. She said many dogs and cats enjoy the quiet atmosphere, as opposed to the barking and other noises they may confront at many groomers. She said the animals have her full attention the entire time.

Andrews was previously a research biologist in Florida, as well as a licensed wildlife rehabilitator for St. John's Wildlife Care. She has always enjoyed animals and working with her hands, so she decided to combine her interests and skills and start her own business.

The grooming services provided by Andrews include nails being trimmed and filed, ears cleaned and ear hair removed, a hydro-massage bath with Premier Natural Botanical Shampoo, warm air hand dried system, thorough brushing and hair

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Top Dog Mobile Pet Grooming Salon

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style, aromatherapy massage and coat treatment, anal glands expressed (upon request) and pets will head home with a new bandana or bow.

For more information on Top Dog Services, please visit the www.topdogmobile.com.

Morton Grove offers lifetime pet licenses

Along with its updated animal ordinance, The Village of Morton Grove has also made a switch from annual animal licenses to a lifetime animal registration fee for dogs, cats and ferrets.

Morton Grove residents who own a dog, cat or ferret more than six months of age are required to obtain a permit for the animal and residents will now buy an animal license for their pet that will be valid for the entire lifetime of the animal.

The lifetime animal registration fee for a dog, cat or ferret is \$50. Residents who provide documentation that shows the pet has been spayed or neutered will pay a reduced registration fee of \$25. Previously, the annual animal license was \$10 each time.

"It gives us a better record of animals in town," said Village Administrator Joseph Wade. He said that the key point is that there is national awareness about the importance of animals being spayed or neutered for various reasons.

Wade said that some animals are abandoned as a result of not being spayed or neutered. The village offers the reduced fee of \$25 in order to encourage pet owners to have their animals spayed or neutered. Wade said that the village still requires that animals receive rabies shots.

Upon registering the animal, the owner will receive a permit tag that must be attached to the

animal's collar and worn by the animal at all times.

Any ferret, cat or dog that is not wearing a tag while it is outdoors may be deemed to be a stray animal and could be impounded by the village.

The neighboring Village of Niles is in the process of reviewing their animal ordinance as well and animal control officer, Peter Babikan, said that they are thinking about creating a lifetime animal license with the incentive, just like in Morton Grove.

Babikan said for the past 10 years or more the village has offered free annual animal licenses, but this may change.

In order to make pet owners more responsible for their animals, Babikan said the village is considering making changes to its animal ordinance. He believes that if there is only a one-time lifetime fee, then owners would be more encouraged to register their animals, as opposed to annual registration.

In Park Ridge, the feeling towards a lifetime animal license is not so positive.

"I don't know why they would do something like that," said Brian Emanuel, environmental health coordinator for the City of Park Ridge. He said one of the main reasons they have annual animal licenses is to make sure pets receive their rabies shots and he believes this would be more difficult to

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Hey Readers! Like our "Pet Stop" Section?

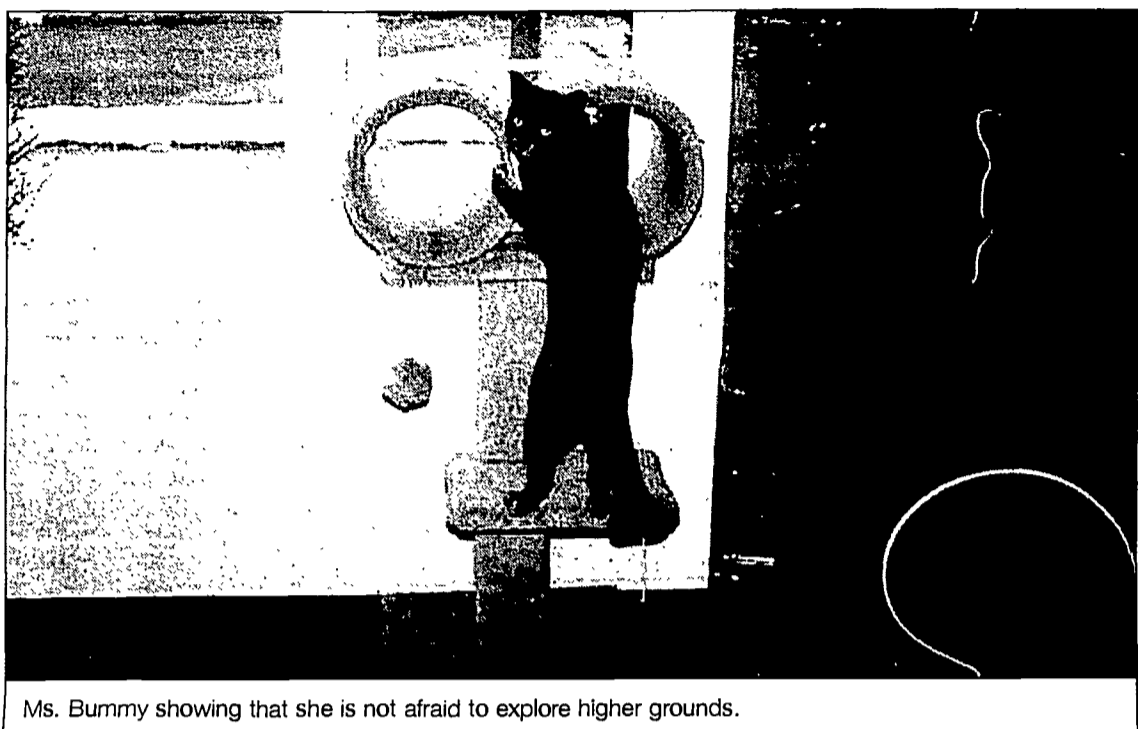
We hope you're enjoying our Pet Stop Section. Mr. Monster & Ms. Bummy are the Pets of the month this issue. If you think your pet is the most lovable, our next issue is July 28, so send or e-mail your photos to:

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Niles, IL 60714

Or e-mail: editor@buglenewspapers.com

Good luck!

Pets of the Month



Ms. Bummy showing that she is not afraid to explore higher grounds.

Mr. Monster & Ms. Bummy

Mr. Monster was adopted from an animal shelter in Arizona and currently resides in the Waintraub home of Niles, IL (with his sister, Ms. Bummy).

His long black and white fur covers his cute face, big belly, and every piece of furniture he touches. Mr. Monster enjoys chasing his sister, playing with sticks and escaping outside any time the door is opened. He understands both Spanish and English and also goes by the names: Monstro, Misters, and Fatso. He can usually be found lounging around the house or purring in the abandoned computer case he has made into a bed. He is a great friend and a happy pet.

Originally from Arizona, Ms. Bummy has become the lady of the Waintraub house in Niles where she lives with her brother, Mr. Monster. She enjoys talking to the birds outside, a good scratch, and acrobatically chasing shoe strings. Although very slender, she frequently meows for her favorite snacks and will eat her broth-



Mr. Monster taking a break under a ladder.

er's portion if possible. Also known as "Missy Bum-Bum", she is a wonderful reading companion with a propensity for lying on nylon material. Ms. Bummy has a wonderful smile to complement her gray fur and graceful movements.

If you would like your pet to be profiled as The Bugle's "Pet of the Month" send an e-mail with a short description to editor@buglenewspapers.com. Let us know what makes your pet special and they could be the next pet celebrity!

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system, thorough brushing and hair style, aromatherapy massage and coat treatment, anal glands expressed (upon request) and pets will head home with a new bandana or bow.

Andrews said the dogs enjoy the lavender aromatherapy oils that are used in the massage that produce a very natural, fresh

type of aroma.

The van contains modern equipment, such as a hydrotherapy bathing system that combines the therapeutic concepts of a whirlpool bath and a Jacuzzi spa, an advanced air circulation system, a stainless steel tub, a hydraulic table and a LIPSystem that provides support for geriatric dogs or dogs with hip problems.

Andrews said that different

breeds of dogs take different amounts of time to groom. For example, she said that the beagle in Park Ridge she was about to groom after the interview with the Bugle Newspapers would take about 45 minutes. However, a poodle she has booked for a grooming appointment may take a few hours. Andrews is also certified in animal CPR.

Visit the website www.topdog-mobile.com.

Dogs need blood transfusions, too

By R.G. Elmore
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q. Are blood transfusions routinely given to dogs as they are to humans? Our dog recently lost a large amount of blood following being hit by a car and required a transfusion. We had

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never even thought about this possibility until then. When given to dogs, is the blood screened for contagious diseases? We were very impressed by the diagnostic procedures and treatment given to our dog following his accident. We had not realized how similar veterinary medicine and human medicine are today.

A. As you have discovered, many of the diagnostic and treatment procedures used in humans and animals today are very similar. This includes the administration of blood transfusions whenever there are large losses of blood volume following accidents. In fact, it has been estimated that more than a quarter million blood transfusions are given annually to dogs in the United States. Although most veterinarians do not routinely screen blood for specific diseases before transfusing it into other dogs, most only use blood from known healthy donor dogs owned by the veterinary clinic or hospital. Veterinarians belonging to the American College of Veterinary Medicine have issued a blood transfusion statement regarding the screening of donated blood before using it for transfusions. This statement was developed to help veterinarians who collect, process, and transfuse canine blood know how to prevent accidental transmission of diseases during these procedures. While the spread of diseases due to blood transfusions in dogs has not been a problem, this statement was created to

raise awareness and to encourage adherence to safe blood handling techniques.

Most veterinary hospitals and clinics own several large blood-donor dogs. These dogs are usually practice pets and live very happy lives. A 30-pound dog can usually safely donate about one third of a pint of blood during each donation. Donations can be made about every two weeks from most donors. Your veterinarian can answer any specific questions about the blood given to your dog. You might even be able to meet the donor if you ask to do so!

Q. My veterinarian constantly talks to me about the importance of buying only high quality commercially prepared food for my cat. He knows that I sometimes feed table scraps to save a little money since I am on a fixed income. He often mentions that my cat needs some special ingredients that he might not get from my table scraps. Is my veterinarian being too insistent about this?

A. Your veterinarian is not being too insistent when advising you to feed your cat only high-quality foods manufactured and marketed by large commercial pet food companies regulated by federal and state laws. Most home diets for cats do not consistently contain adequate amounts of taurine, one of the many amino acids required to build proteins. Since cats cannot make enough taurine from the foods they commonly eat, this amino acid is added by cat food manufacturers to their complete and balanced diets.

You should follow your veterinarian's advice. Consistently feeding your cat properly now will help prevent future health problems and likely prolong his life. Spending a little more money now on high-quality cat food will likely prevent your spending money later to treat preventable health problems.

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check with lifetime animal licenses.

Emanuel said the purpose is not to make money, but it's to make sure the animals are vaccinated. He said that the city might even have to go through a revocation process as a result of a lifetime animal license, which would make it more

difficult.

Barb Kasan, of the City of Park Ridge, said that half of the people don't register their animals, especially the cats that generally stay inside.

Kasan does not believe it's a good idea to have lifetime animal licenses, because she says the city should continue its yearly flow of revenue of \$10 per year, as opposed to just a one-time revenue.

SENIORS

Niles Seniors join in village's 4th of July Parade

Men's Club Members Join in Village's 4th of July Parade

As in the past, Niles Senior Men's Club will be participating in the annual 4th of July Parade. Any Men's Club members who want to ride on the float, are asked to contact club president Tom Parala before June 27th.

Special Summer Evening Movie Schedule \$2.00 (with dinner)

This summer, join us for Niles Senior Center's weekly "Dinner and a Movie" featuring a broad spectrum of movie favorites from the 1930's to the present. Before the movie, enjoy the special \$2.00 Hot Dog Dinner (Hot Dogs - Pizza rotation starts in July) served at 5:00PM and then relax and enjoy the movie. **ADVANCED REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** if you are planning to join us for dinner. If you want to come for the movie only there is NO charge and you are not required to register in advance. Following is a list of upcoming movies:

June 28 ~ Casablanca (1942

PG) Humphrey Bogart (Hot Dogs)

July 5 ~ Eight Below (2006 PG) Starring eight brave sled dogs. (Hot Dogs)

July 12 ~ Some Like It Hot (1959) Jack Lemmon, Marilyn Monroe (Pizza Night)

July 26 ~ Mr. & Mrs. Smith (2005 PG13) Brad Pitt & Angelina Jolie (Hot Dogs)

August 2 ~ Little Women (1933) Katherine Hepburn, Joan Bennet (Pizza)

August 9 ~ Failure to Launch (2006 PG13) Matthew McConaughey (Hot Dog)

August 16 ~ Guys and Dolls (1955) Frank Sinatra, Marlon Brando (Pizza)

Lite Lunch and Movie

July 7th features KING KONG, (PG13) 12:00 - 4:00 \$4

Lunch served at noon will feature BBQ Chicken, cold slaw, and dessert then sit back and be ready to experience the fabulous special effects of Peter Jackson's new interpretation of the 1930's classic movie. You MUST register in advance if you are planning to join us for lunch. There is no fee if you want to "brown bag" and watch the movie.

Afternoon in Paris

Thursday, August 3, 12:00 - 2:00 \$12

Claudia Hommel is back to awe us with her cabaret show. Claudia and singer/pianist Bob Moreen will introduce you to "Marcelle" a Parisian cabaret owner who recounts through song and spoken word, the events of her life in France before, during, and after WWII. Tres Bien. Lunch served at noon followed by entertainment. Reservations required. For more information, contact Kathlyn (847 588-8420).

Hooked on Fishing?

Join us for a monthly outing. All Fishing Outings are open to residents and their non-resident friends. We meet at the selected site at 8:00AM. Cost includes bait, morning snack, lunch and prizes. And just in case you don't have a pole, we have a few that can be borrowed. A valid Fishing License is required. Call Mary Ann (847 588-8420) for more information.

Friday, July 21 is at the McHenry Dam on the Fox River - Shore Fishing \$12
Saturday, August 5th is at

Bangs Lake - on a boat \$15

NSC social Scrabble Group wants you

If you enjoy playing scrabble, this group is for you! We meet every Friday at 10:00AM in Room 231. We have the games, but we need the participants. Drop on by and get acquainted.

New Members

You are invited to get acquainted with the NSC
July 20th from 10-11:00AM
Newcomers are asked to call the Niles Senior Center to reserve a place at our July 20th Newcomers Meeting and Tour. Take a tour of our beautiful facility and meet members of our staff. 847 588-8420.

The Effective Communication Group

A supportive, informational group that deals with hearing loss issues and the latest in assistive technology. We welcome anyone with Hearing Loss issues to the Effective Communication Group, which meets the fourth Thursday of the month. If you have any questions or want to look at

assistive device catalogs, please contact Trudi Davis (847 588-8420)

NSC's Red Hat Society

Women members of the Niles Senior Center should call Kelly Mickle to register for the Red Hat Society. Your membership allows you to attend the club's monthly luncheons.

On June 27th, the Red Hatters are off to Rio De Churrascaria in Northbrook. For more information regarding this luncheon or Red Hatter Membership, please contact the Niles Senior Center (847 588-8420).

Lunch with the Red Hatters

The Niles Senior Center Red Hatters are off to several fine restaurants over the summer.

On Tues., June 27th, lunch is at Rio De Churrascaria, 3315 Milwaukee in Northbrook.

In July, we're off to Toscana, 4907 Oakton in Skokie. Please register at least one week in advance. Call Kelly for costs, car pooling and/or directions. Red Hats and Purple Outfit required.

Sister upsets pushy 60th birthday party planner

By Doug Mayberry
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: My sister plans to throw a big-time, hotel-type 60th birthday party for her best girlfriend

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and invite about 75 people. She assumed I would be as excited as she is about the party and penciled me in as her No. 1 assistant. Because I am not in

great health, my husband said that I shouldn't help with this party. I agree with him. I told my sister "No" and now she barely speaks to me. We have always loved each other, but I've created a rupture in our relationship and she will never get over it. Should I change my mind?

A: No. Unfortunately, your sister made the mistake of not asking you to participate before she made plans. Knowing you

are not feeling well, she should not have assumed that you would be available. Both family and friends make assumptions, which can become a bad habit. If you always say "Yes" to everyone, they will believe that you will always agree with and support them. It takes courage and risk to say "No."

You and your husband are right not to participate. Your well-being is the most important factor. Even though your

sister is disappointed, she will find a way to make her party happen. In time, she will realize you made the right decision. Then her healing will begin.

One of the big rewards of learning to say "No" is that the recipient will become less likely to ask you for future help!

Q: I am a 68-year-old widowed grandfather, and my loving 22-year-old granddaughter is preparing for her wedding

day. Because my granddaughter and I are very close, she has come to me and asked me about the real secrets to a successful marriage. I would like your opinion, as I may have missed some important reasons.

A: Overall, I believe some singles get caught up in distortions of make-believe created by television and movie screen writers, along with the

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Books add bang to Fourth of July celebrations

By Lee Littlewood
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

This Fourth of July holiday, surprise your kids with fascinating books about America. When they realize what it is they're celebrating with picnics and parades, they'll appreciate the party even more.

KIDS' HOME LIBRARY

"Gitchi Gume" by Anne Margaret Lewis; illustrated by Kathleen Chaney Fritz; Mackinac Island Press; 32 pages; \$18.95.

Gorgeous surreal paintings stare back at readers in this lovely poetic tale of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's beloved "Gitchi Gume." The American Indian phrase, which translates to "big

water," celebrates the splendor of the never-ending bodies of water - in lakes, rivers or oceans - so many of which are in America. Lewis' rhythmic story features a gentle, wise old face painted into the watery backdrops who gives advice and wisdom to beach visitors, sailors and ice skaters. Youngsters will enjoy spotting the sometimes nearly-hidden face in the waters, ice chunks and even billowing clouds of Fritz' spellbinding pages.

Certainly a lovely way to introduce children to our seas' many splendors and poetry's appeal, "Gitchi Gume" is a top-rate picture book for all ages.

"Yankee Doodle America" by Wendell Minor; G.P. Putnam Sons; 48 pages; \$14.99. After viewing an exhibition

of early inn and tavern signs, author/artist Minor was inspired to create his own signs to tell young readers the story of America during the Revolutionary War. Presented in alphabetical order - "A is for Acts, J is for Jefferson, V is for Valley Forge" - Minor's hand-painted signs make this historical book teem with creativity, intrigue and beauty.

The patriotic and artistic spirit of the Revolutionary eras rings through as Minor's easy-to-read text highlights events such as the Boston Tea Party and Paul Revere's ride, but also lesser-known documents, battles and heroes and heroines.

"Tour America" by Diane Siebert; illustrated by Stephen T. Johnson; Chronicle Books; 62 pages; \$17.95.

An entertaining journey through some of America's landmarks, "Tour America" offers a scenic collection of national imagery paired with evocative poems. Siebert's real-life travels around the United States inspired this book, and her devotion shows, from poems about Aurora Borealis in Alaska to the Badlands in South Dakota to North Carolina's Cape Hatteras lighthouse. But natural scenery isn't all that's showcased. Cape Canaveral in Florida and its space heroes are celebrated, as is the unusual artistic Cadillac Ranch in Texas, the El train in Chicago, Kentucky's derby, New York's architectural gargoyles and even Las Vegas, which shines with a zesty retro collage from Caldecott Honor-winning Johnson.

Additional facts about each site are listed, plus a list of the varied art media used, making this festive volume a gem for celebrating the fourth or for studying geography, art or literature.

"Sienna's Scrapbook: Our African-American Heritage Trip" by Toni Trent Parker; illustrated by Janell Genovese; Chronicle Books; 62 pages; \$15.95.

Designed like a colorful scrapbook and story book in one, Parker's vividly penned book is a virtual road trip down the East Coast with a young girl named Sienna, her brother and parents. First not excited about the educational summer trip her parents have

chosen, (to African-American historical sites), Sienna soon finds out how lively and fascinating the past was. Readers 7 to 12 will enjoy the jam-packed chronicle, with colorful characters, sights, sounds and even tastes throughout. Cultural tales of African-Americans throughout history seem to come to life in a manner that's inspiring, thoughtful, and even humorous at times.

"When God Made the Dakotas" by Tim Kessler; illustrated by Paul Morin; Eerdmans Publishing; 32 pages; \$17.

A beautiful picture book colored with the deep hues of nature, "When God Made the Dakotas" tells a legendlike tale of an American Indian Great Spirit and his dreams for creating America's Dakotas region. He learns from a Dakota medicine man that many of the things he imagined - vast forests, lakes and towering mountains - have already been given away. The way he fashions the area, however, far exceeds his expectations.

A gentle, wise lesson in finding the beauty and joy that surrounds each of us, Kessler's lovely tale celebrates a little talked about region of the U.S. Morin's breathtaking American Indian artwork invites readers of all ages to "visit" the Dakotas and the beauty within this book's pages.

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REAL ESTATE

One idea inspires another

By Rose Bennett Gilbert
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Q: I've always wondered where "new" ideas in furniture really come from. I've read that Martha Stewart and Oscar de la Renta were inspired by the furniture in their own houses, but isn't that just copying someone else's design?

DECOR SCORE

A: All furniture, like all clothing, has certain immutable characteristics in common. The shape of clothing is dictated by the design of the human body and the need to cover most of it body for either warmth or modesty. Once a fashion designer satisfies those criteria, there's every choice in the world of color, fabrics, drapings, zippings, buttons and other decorations.

Much the same applies to furniture. Chairs are to sit; tables, to eat on or work from; beds, to sleep - you see where I'm going. Satisfy these human needs, and then the creativity can begin.

But I submit that designs seldom begin in a vacuum, that every artist, composer and designer is inspired by something they've seen, known, or, in this case, lived with. Both Martha and Oscar say their furniture lines (respectively, for Berhardt, see www.bernhardt.com, and Century Furniture, see www.centuryfurniture.com) were inspired by furniture in their own homes. And since they are both persons of taste, why should the rest of us argue?

You'll get no argument from designer Jessica McClintock on this score. Originally known for her hippie dress designs for Gunne Sax (Hillary Rodham was married to Bill Clinton, wearing Gunne Sax linen), Jessica has gone romantic with the upholstery collection she introduced at the most recent Furniture Market in High Point, N.C. That's because it's based, she says, on the furniture in her own home, a three-story, 22-room Victorian in

"Chairs are to sit, tables, to eat on or work from; beds, to sleep - you see where I'm going."

San Francisco's Pacific Heights neighborhood.

As you see from the photo we show here, the house, which used to belong to Francis Ford Coppola of "The Godfather" fame, is now home to rooms of the traditional, romantic, decidedly ladylike furniture that inspired Jessica's collection for the C.R. Laine Furniture Co. See www.crlaine.com for more.

In another generation or so, Jessica's Laine Furniture will probably inspire another, younger designer, who will give it yet another twist, another tweak representing his or her own individuality - and so it goes. Hand-me-down ideas, yes, but with a fresh point of view for the next generation of home decorators.

Q: We visited a designer show house this spring and saw one room where the designer had used two patterns of wallpaper, a little check in the middle with a flower pattern around the edges (there was a narrow solid color border between them). This house was Victorian in style, which ours is not (a ranch). I'd love to do something like that on the ceiling of our family room, but is it OK for a more modern-style house?

A: First, the answer - yes! Then the caveats: low ceilings, as are so often found from mid-century forward, usually do not lend themselves to extroverted decoration. Time was when ceilings soared and absolutely demanded decoration. From the 16th century on, they were considered the "fifth wall" in a room and were painted, sculpted, coffered and gilded to attract as much attention as the four walls below.

That lasted through the Victorian era, when wall-papers took over the decorative

role. And how! It was not unusual to see a Victorian parlor done to the nines in almost as many different wallpaper patterns. There might be one design under the chair rail; another on the wall above; a border on the wall below the ceiling; a different border on the ceiling itself; a ground paper (often sprinkled with stars), and finally, a center medallion design from which hung the chandelier.

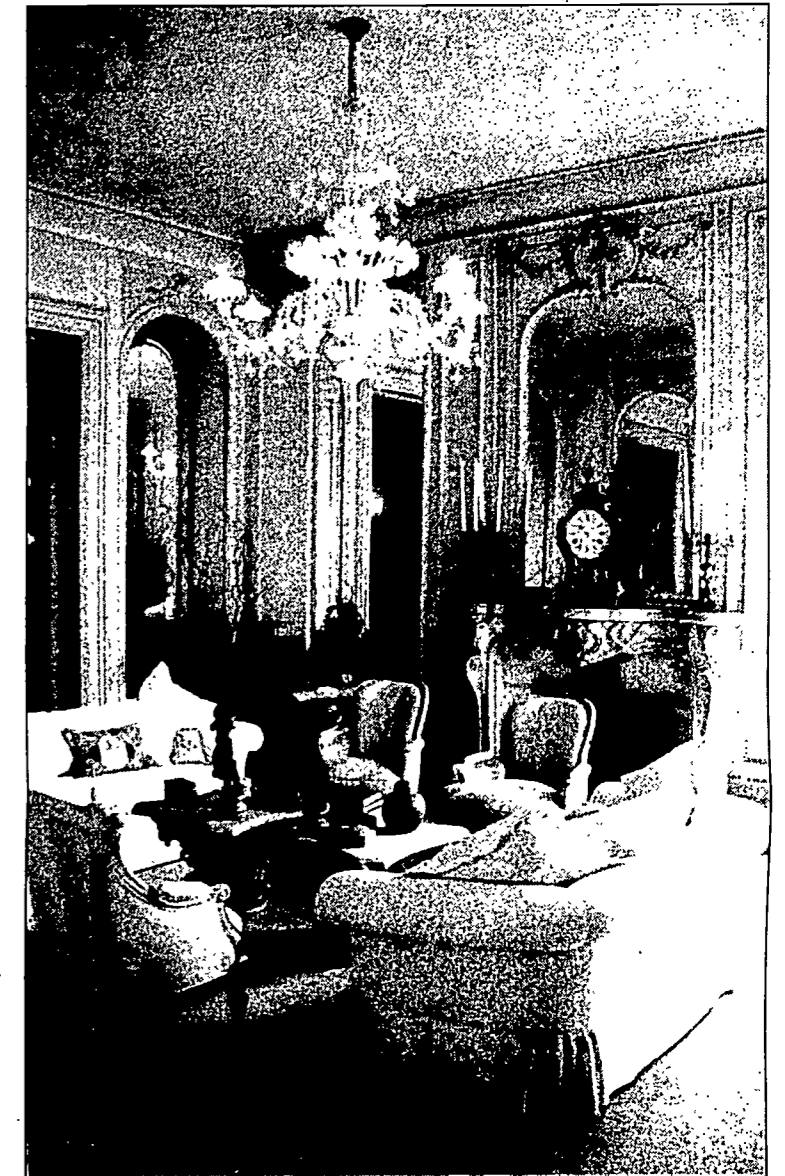
When ceilings came down, so to speak, all that pattern became oppressive, so we've basically been painting them plain white for the past 60 or so years.

Judging from some of the show houses I myself saw this spring, that's about to change. Designer Jamie Gibbs painted flowers all down the once-dull ceiling on a hallway at the Montclair-Newark, N.J., Junior League Showhouse. In the same show house, John Loecke covered his solarium ceiling in lattice wallpaper, and Donna Lombardi painted hers white with a deep blue border all around. Designers Andrew Colanino and Chris Fawcett striped their ceiling in a bathroom in blue-turquoise-green paint, and Diane Boyer covered her slanted attic ceiling in a patchwork of paint and cutout paper squares.

For idea-seekers, it was worth a crick in the neck. It would also put a big smile on the trademark-stubby face of noted designer Alexander Julian. Famed for his "Colours" collections, Alex has confided that the bedroom ceiling in his own Connecticut home is painted in a rich plaid of many hues "so when I wake up, the first thing I see are my favorite colors."

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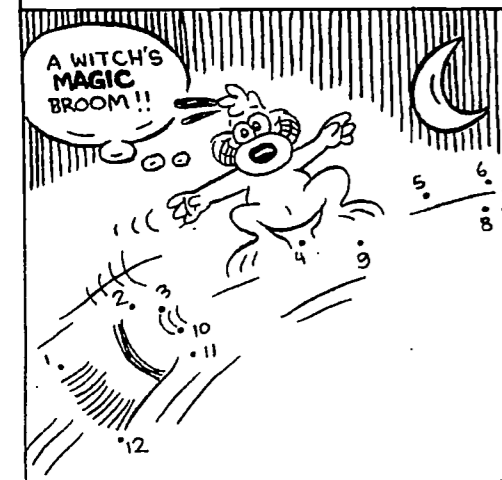
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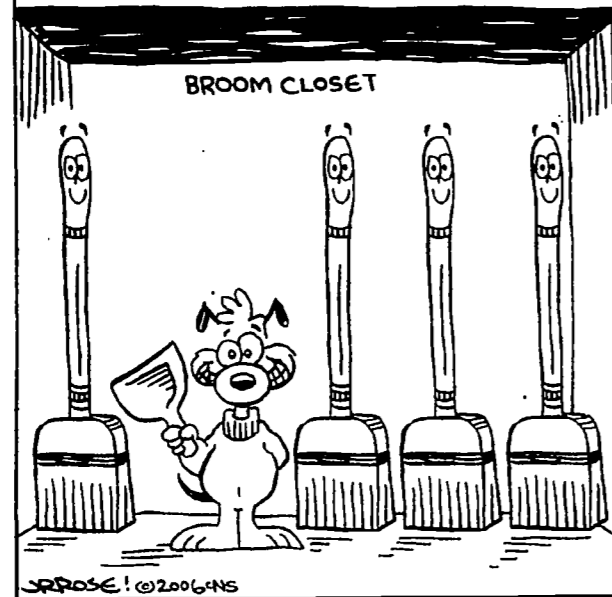
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WHAT DID THE MOP SAY TO THE BROOM?



June 19, 2006

Grammar Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saunier

Beside Yourself

Choose the correct answer in the sentences below.

- (Besides, Beside) me, no one wanted Thai food for dinner.
- Just put Jill's car keys (besides, beside) her purse.
- Margaret waits tables at night (besides, beside) going to school full time.

Answers: Beside means "next to." Besides means "in addition to."
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Starring role
 - 5 Chaos
 - 9 Small towns
 - 14 Peak
 - 15 Biblical giant
 - 16 Make recompense
 - 17 Midnight
 - 20 Age
 - 21 Eastern currency
 - 22 Black Sea port
 - 23 Accused spy
 - 24 Wild hog
 - 25 Almost no time
 - 29 Educational inst.
 - 32 Fortune, e.g.
 - 33 Alternatives
 - 34 Type of moss
 - 35 Very good reviews
 - 36 Noah's transportation
 - 37 Color rinse
 - 38 High cards
 - 39 Entertainment
 - 40 Steamer
 - 41 Advanced deg.
 - 42 Timed food
 - 44 Type
- DOWN**
- 45 Sermon
 - 46 Cease
 - 49 Choir member
 - 50 Texas coll.
 - 53 Very long time
 - 56 Ship's lower hull
 - 57 French river
 - 58 Monster
 - 59 Shade of blue
 - 60 British composer
 - 61 Prod
 - 18 Eye inflammation
 - 19 Middays
 - 23 Increases
 - 24 Supreme Court aspirant
 - 25 Throw out
 - 26 Take illegally
 - 27 Cared deeply for
 - 28 Horn-shaped part
 - 29 Present or past
 - 30 Capital of Crete
 - 31 Pursue stealthily
 - 34 Spicy sauce
 - 36 Relative
 - 37 He played Moses
 - 39 Estuary
 - 40 Dare
 - 42 Zero
 - 43 Oklahoma citizen
 - 44 Scorch
 - 46 Small amounts
 - 47 Give forth
 - 48 Only
 - 49 Way off
 - 50 Palm starch
 - 51 Pianist Hess
 - 52 Employed
 - 54 Explorer Johnson
 - 55 Pursue
 - 1 Former
 - 2 Reverberate
 - 3 Word of agreement
 - 4 Morning moisture
 - 5 French painter
 - 6 Sheathe
 - 7 Comedian Mort
 - 8 Boot type
 - 9 Iraqi city: var.
 - 10 King Arthur's father
 - 11 Aust. leapers
 - 12 Anjelopes
 - 13 Antitoxins

Last Week's Puzzle Answers

IN THE BEGINNING

WAGS	ALLAY	CITE
APOP	SEETO	ORAL
SPAR	EATING	DOGS
HEWAS	ANOLDMAN	
EARTH	TEA	CEE
DRY	ACES	REALMS
SKUNKS	LAMP	
MOTHERDIED	TODAY	
ASHE	STRAIT	
THELIP	SENT	PAS
HAS	TAN	LARCH
THIS	IS	AMERICA
SORA	CELLI	USER
AVIS	ACUTE	BONE
PIAPP	LEMON	ANTS

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Be the First to send in the answers to this week's crossword puzzle and your name will be listed in next week's Bugle.

This Week's Winner is... Lorraine Truskolaski

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06-ZP-13 – Tedeuse Baginski, 6816 Lexington Ln., Niles, requesting approval of Plat of Consolidation Baginski's Consolidation at 8221 Ballard Rd.

06-ZP-14 – Chester Suronka, 7901 W. Park Ave., Niles, requesting to reduce the non conforming corner side yard from 9.86" to 5.86" to construct roof extension for the front door entry at 7901 Park Ave.

06-ZP-15 – Julie Gamello, Verizon, 4240 N. Clarendon 201 South, Chicago, IL 60613, requesting a special use to co-locate antennas on existing monopole at 6849 Touhy Ave.

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