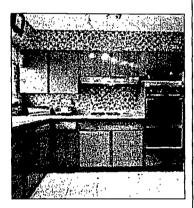
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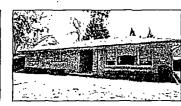
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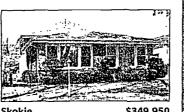
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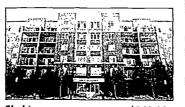
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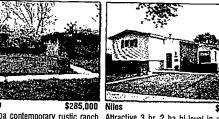


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Mulroe wins 10th state senate seat

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In one of the Northwest Side's most intense electoral battles in recent mem- bus stop. We didn't miss any ory State Sen. John Mulroe opportunity," said Kilmer, emerged victorious.

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cast, or 55.7 percent, to op-; earlier this year. ponent Brian Doherty's 22,668 votes, or 44 percent. prised.

Shortly after 9 p.m. — ` early by election-night standards - Doherty called learning that the Associated Press had just called the race, with unofficial figures.

pared to move on to Black-

polling place covered, every speaking for Mulroe, who With 186 of 192 precincts had been serving as inter-28,449 of the 51,117 votes : resignation of James DeLeo

Doherty said he was sur-

"We really didn't see this politics, as in everything Mulroe to concede after else, the Lord closes one door and opens a window." Doherty plans to finish out

his aldermanic term and Needless to say, the mood work to get Maurita Gavin pared to adjourn to the was euphoric as Mulroe's (one of his longtime staffers) campaign workers pre- elected the next alderman. block.

Devon, said Mulroe the first political defeat of spokesman Owen Kilmer. his life, Doherty said: "After all, we had every "Nothing. We did all the right things. We have nothing to regret."

Ironically, the two sons of Irish immigrants had known each other since growing up reporting, Mulroe had im state senator after the on the West Side together. Their paths diverted as Mulroe became a lawyer and CPA and prosecutor, and Doherty became a Golden Gloves champion and served coming," he said. "But in as 41st Ward alderman for more than 20 years.

> Doherty said the mood at his campaign headquarters was somber, but not morose as his supporters pre-Emerald Isle Pub down the

Asked what he might have Comment: pioneerlocal.com



State Sen. John Mulroe greets a crowd of his supporters at the Blackthorn Manor after poll results had shown he was victorious in his campaign. | Vincent D. Johnson~Sun-Times Media.

Mulligan walks to victory | Silvestri keeps 9th Cook seat for her 10th term in 65th

By JENNIFER JOHNSON iiohnson@pioneerlocal.com

State Rep. Rosemary Mulligan will hold on to her 65th District seat for a 10th term after sailing to victory over Democratic challenger Wendy Gruen on far as the budget goes and Tuesday night.

With 80 of 83 precincts reporting, unofficial vote totals showed Mulligan with 68 percent of the vote.

Mulligan celebrated her victory at her campaign headquarters in Park Plaza.

"This was a pretty easy one," she said of the race mary, she started late and she didn't do much. I think she didn't have the under- Task Force. standing of who I am as a

legislator or who I am in challenges in her new term the community."

Mulligan, a resident of Des Plaines, was first elected state representative in "I have an expertise that

most people don't have as the General Assembly," she said during a September interview with Pioneer

Mulligan has served on the Illinois House Human Services Appropriations Committee for 16 years, in Ridge's Renaissance Office addition to committees focused on Medicaid reform and health care.

She has also served on against newcomer Gruen. the Immigrants and "She didn't run in the pri-Refugees Task Force, the Early Intervention Task Force and the Elder Abuse said. "It's going to be tough

One of Mulligan's biggest

will, once again, be working on the state's budget.

Mulligan predicts next year's budget "will be the worst budget we have ever had," due to the ever-growing state deficit.

While some state leaders have eyed income-tax hikes to generate new revenue, Mulligan has expressed opposition to raising taxes and believes a state audit is something that should be considered.

She said the term she is about to begin will be a difficult one for her because of the state's financial prob-

"I don't think the economy's going to pick up over the next budget year," she vear.'

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By CATHRYN GRAN cgran@pioneerlocal.com

Cook County 9th District voters have rewarded the incumbent commissioner with a fifth term.

Republican Peter Silvestri of Elmwood Park received about 55 percent of the votes to beat Democratic challenger R. Cary Capparelli of Chicago, who received about 36 percent, according to unofficial vote totals. Green Party candidate Brock Merck won

With all but two precincts in Tuesday night, preliminary numbers are 46,244 votes for Silvestri, 30,267 votes for Capparelli, and 6,907 for Merck.

about 8 percent of the vote.

"I am very, very pleased with the results," Silvestri said, noting his strong vote totals not only in the suburbs but also in the city. "It's a great accomplishment. And I appreciate the votes."

Silvestri already has

plans for what he would like may have a lot of people four years.

"I will continue to fight the oppressive taxes," he said. "I will oppose increas- bad guys locked away" and es in taxes or creating new

"I will continue to fight for ethics reform and to re- itizing county programs, inform hiring practices to do vesting more in those at the away with cronyism and pa- top of the list, and getting tronage."

Silvestri said the board does not need to raise rev-

gave were giving the Office ployees to do more." of the Inspector General more power to effectively initiate change, prioritizing the list and cutting from inefficient ones, and get politics out of the process.

Silvestri said the county has been too quick to raise taxes as opposed to cutting down on the number of outside contracts.

And while the district

to accomplish in his next who do not use the county health system or corrections, Silvestri said the county still must "keep the "take care of those who need health care services."

Silvestri suggested priorpolitics out of the process

"We need to consolidate," he said. "We can cut midenue; it needs to cut costs. management and outside Among the examples he contracting, and ask em-

He also suggested a greater co-operation among local, state and fedcounty programs to invest eral governments to receive more in those at the top of better pricing on materials and reduce duplication of

> Attempts to reach Capparelli were unsuccessful.

Capparelli ran on a platform that called for cutting the county budget of "social welfare" programs.

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Swift sings praises of reading, learning on live webcast

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It's cool to be smart and it's smart to be cool.

That was four-time Grammy Award winner Taylor Swift's message to about 300 Resurrection High School students during a live webcast Oct. 27 promoting Scholastic publications' global literacy campaign.

The Northwest Side Catholic girls college-preparatory school was one of a select group of schools around the world plugged into the live half-hour program hosted by actor/musician and "America's Got Talent" host Nick Cannon.

The 20-year-old singer, who cut her first album when she was 15 and just released her latest, "Speak Now," doubts she could have had such a stellar career without a love of reading that began with Dr. Seuss and grew with To Kill a Mockingbird.

"I wouldn't know how to paint pictures with words," to write songs she said are largely based on her life's experiences starting when she was 12 and now as a young adult, "when life gets more complicated.

"Now the albums are all about how to figure out what love is all about and how to be 20 in the right way."

One of the good parts about getting into the reading habit, she said, is "You don't have to start with a big, scary book. You can begin with a short story, a newspaper. You can start by letting yourself become part of a little story once and awhile."

It also helped to discipline herself to study hard enough to get good grades even when she didn't always feel like working at it. Swift said, promising the "Res" girls: "You're going to look back

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literacy program. Resurrection High School students watched the webcast during lunch hour in the library. | Tamara Bell-Sun-Times

and realize it was all worth the effort. You can have a life and you can have friends, and at the same time throw yourself into learning all you can so you have that much more to offer the world."

Asked what she thinks makes her songs so popular with everyone from preteens to adults, Swift said it might be that, "when I'm writing a song, I'm thinking only about the person I'm writ-

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ing that song about, not the people who might hear that song and what they would think about it."

Her message wasn't lost on either the students or the teachers who arranged to bring the program Resurrection.

"She made the idea of reading more entertaining. She gives a whole different perspective," senior Emily Garcia said.

"I liked it that when she starts

writing a song, it's as if she's writing a letter to someone," added Gina Colucci, another senior.

As far as Resurrection librarian Teresa Hamlin was concerned, Swift's most important message was that reading is supposed to be fun.

"I'm hoping our circulation will skyrocket over the next few weeks," she laughed.

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Schakowsky wins 9th handily

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U.S. Rep. Janice Schakowsky of Evanston hasn't faced a serious challenge in her 12 years in the 9th District seat, and she's had the luxury of spending most of her campaign cash to get other candidates elected.

But Republican challenger Joel Pollak, a 33-yearold Harvard Law School graduate, gained enough traction and campaign cash in a year of anti-Democrat sentiment that Schakowsky stepped up her bid for reelection. With 91 percent of the Chicago and suburban precincts counted Tuesday, Schakowsky was winning by a 2-to-1 margin. She was carrying the Chicago por- returns came in Tuesday tion of the district 74 to 22 night. "I feel very gratified percent and winning in the that it looks like a very desuburbs 61 to 37 percent. cisive victory of just about The suburban portion of the 2-to-1 in the district. I am district stretches from

"I feel very gratified that it looks like a verv decisive victory of just about 2-to-1

U.S. Rep. Janice Schakowsky

in the district.

Green Party candidate Simon Ribeiro was coming

in at 3 percent. "This was clearly the most vigorous opponent that I've had and he ran a very strong campaign. We, in turn, took nothing for granted," said Schakowsky as the looking forward to contin-Evanston to Park Ridge. uing to represent one of the

most progressive districts in the country and standing up for our values in the face of what may be a difficult environment in Washington right now," said Schakowsky.

Addressing a gathering of party faithful in Evanston Tuesday night, Schakowsky pledged to "continue to stand up for the values of this district, for health care, for protecting Social Security and Medicare."

"We have much to celebrate," Pollak told supporters Tuesday night. "We smashed all previous fundraising efforts in our district by nearly 10 to 1. We recruited more volunteers and built a bigger online campaign than any campaign had done here before, Most of all, we provided a real choice to the people of our district — and a real voice. We spoke directly to the the local media would not convey our message."



elected in the 9th Congressional District. | Suzanne Tennant-Sun-Times Media

By LISA DONOVAN and SALLY HO Sun-Times Media

County assessor, political

With 79 percent of Berrios had about 47 percent of the vote, compared County Commissioner For-Sharon Strobeck-Eckersall had about 18 percent and the Green Party's Robert Grota received nearly 3 percent.

of a long trip," said Berrios, the powerful head of the ning as an Independent — Cook County Democratic Party. "We were beat up, we were knocked on, you they call themselves here breaks to commercial

ers and taxpayers of Cook County saw through that."

After winning his party's nomination in the Febru-In the nasty, David-ver- ary primary, Berrios sus-Goliath race for Cook seemed likely to sail in to the job of county assessor, heavyweight Joe Berrios which sets the value of real carried the day Tuesday. estate for taxing purposes.

But Claypool — retiring reporting, from his seat on the county board and seemingly politics — came charging with chief rival and Cook in to the assessor's race this spring saying he rest Claypool's 32 percent. specifically wanted to knock Berrios, whom he described as a "machine" Democrat, out of contention.

In the months leading up "Today is the culmination to Tuesday's election, Claypool — a Democrat runrepeatedly accused Berrios of using his seat on the Cook County Board of Recan take every newspaper view, which hears proper-fice, the homeowner's of-- major newspapers if ty tax appeals, to give fice for each and every one in Chicago - but the vot- property owners repre- Comment: pioneerlocal.com

sented by clout-heavy at-

Editorial boards at newspapers joined the chorus, hitting Berrios hard for stacking his board of review office payroll with rel-

But Berrios worked to clean up his image — even shedding 150 pounds with the help of gastric band surgery. And he pushed back against the criticism, saying campaign contributions weren't a factor in deciding to give a property owner a break on their as-

Both Berrios and Claypool tried to position the other as an enemy of the

During his victory speech, Berrios vowed to "make sure the assessor's office is the taxpayers ofof them."

Berrios elected Cook assessor | Preckwinkle wins board president While her rivals in the

By LISA DONOVAN and MONIFA THOMAS

Pledging "it's a new day in Cook County," Ald. Toni Preckwinkle declared victory Tuesday night, becoming the first woman elected Cook County Board Presi-

"I'm proud to stand here as your next County Board president," the Democratic alderman told her supporters in a banquet room at the Chicago Holiday Inn Mart Plaza.

Preckwinkle had 62 percent of the vote, steamrollering former Republican state legislator Roger Keats. who had 27 percent, with 79 percent of the precincts tal-

Before Preckwinkle took to the stage to declare vicing board president Todd tory shortly after 9 p.m., a Stroger and hated by votrecording of "Celebration" by Kool and the Gang played as the crowd cheered.

announced: "We're going to

cut taxes, we're going to clean up county government by ending patronage and doing everything in our power to root out the waste and fraud that have cost

taxpavers millions." Savoring the history-making win will be short-lived. Preckwinkle must get to work immediately dealing with the headache ahead of her: a looming February deadline to close an estimated \$300 million budget gap to keep the local courts and jail open along with the health and hospital system serving the poor and unin-

In doing so, she'll have to chart a course toward eliminating the remaining half cent on the dollar sales tax hike championed by outgoers. The tax increase likely who is awaiting trial on tanked Stroger's political aspirations, as he lost his The applause and shouts bid for re-election in the Deof praise grew louder as she mocratic primary to Preck-her own firms.

race — Keats and Green Party candidate Tom Tresser - said the half penny could be rolled back immediately and the budget still balanced, Preckwinkle insisted it's not fiscally responsible to lose the revenue stream right now as the county prepares to write a big check to settle a jail strip-search lawsuit and not to mention meeting pension and union contract obligations. She predicts the rollback will happen in 2012.

Beyond the budget. Preckwinkle takes the reins of a scandal-plagued office in need of an image makeover. She's expected to send out a flurry of pink slips to Stroger's political appointees — several with ties to his ousted deputy chief of staff Carla Oglesby. public corruption charges for allegedly steering nobid contracts to pals and

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NILES POLICE

Deep-rooted grudge cited in man's alleged attempt to kill his neighbor's trees

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A tempestuous relationship between two Niles neighbors that has reportedly spanned a quarter of a thrown on two trees and a century led to a disorderlyconduct charge for one man last month after he allegedly poured a chemical on his neighbor's trees.

Niles police said 77-year-7200 block of West Lill Court, tossed a flammable liquid on his next-door neighbor's backyard trees the evening of Oct. 22.

old man, contacted police after he smelled a "gas-like" odor in the yard, and officers determined some type of substance had been fence that bordered Petkov's property, according to a police report.

Petkov allegedly denied knowing how the chemical had spilled on his fence and old Volcho Petkov, of the trees and reportedly told police he had been changing the oil in his car.

According to police a 1gallon can of a flammable liquid was found inside

Petkov's garage and Petkov's The neighbor, a 61-yearpants had stains on them that bore the odor of the same liquid.

Police said both Petkov and his neighbor admitted that for the past 25 years they have "been at odds with one another" and the neighbor stated that Petkov has often complained about the trees on his property..

Petkov was issued a local ordinance citation for disorderly conduct and was advised by police to avoid future confrontations with his

Parking lot flooding targeted

Contributor

Four Park Ridge-Niles District 64 schools may get makeovers next summer to ect is approved. fix continual water-drainage problems.

The Board of Education GreenAssociates, a firm specializing in architecture and construction services for schools, to proceed with design plans for exterior improvements at Emerson, Jefferson, Franklin and Carpenter schools.

The estimated total cost is \$1.51 million, which is consistent with our general level of spending," said Business Manager Rebeca Allard at the regular board meeting Oct. 25.

"We're taking the construction projects outside instead of inside," she said.

The labor-intensive work would include removing and replacing asphalt of parking lots and sidewalks and underground stormwater piping.

and granted Superintendent Philip Bender authority to act on the Carpenter School plan on the condition that a government proj-

The district currently has a grant request pending with the Federal Aviation passed a motion to allow Administration and Chicago Department of Aviation for Carpenter School. If approved, stormwater improvements and bioswale/retention near the west playground could be included in the project

> Allard said there is no indication whether the grant hands.' would cover this aspect of the project and could not confirm when a decision will be announced.

Board member Eric Uhlig asked whether the all projects fit within the district's priorities like complying with the state Health/Live Safety Code.

"The condition of the asphalt at Jefferson (school) is a Health/Live Safety issue," Allard said. "And you The board approved con- can't go in and fix that as- the greatest need and will struction at three schools phalt without fixing some

of the drainage problems." Allard said the four projects address public-safety concerns in areas around the schools that flood in

The entire faculty parking lot at Franklin School floods and there have been related minor injuries of staff, Allard said.

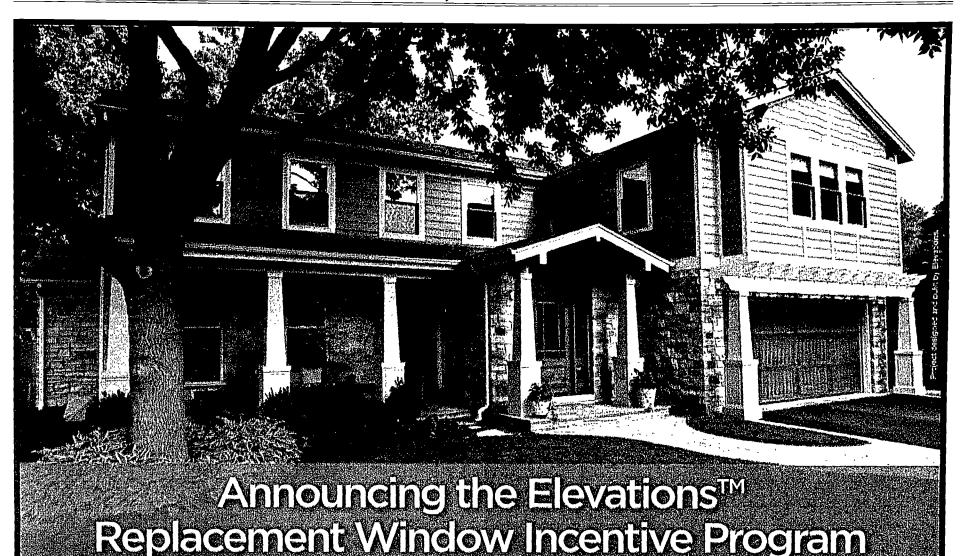
heavy rain.

Member Sharon Lawson said that when the sidewalks flood around Washington School, which is not one of the four schools included in the 2011 construction schedule, "it's like taking your life into your own

"I've seen grandmothers go down; I've seen children go down, because there's no drainage and the sidewalks are covered with ice," she

Lawson added: "When you see people trying to walk on the that ice, it's pretty scary. We don't need to have people breaking their hips.'

Allard said the district assessed which buildings had



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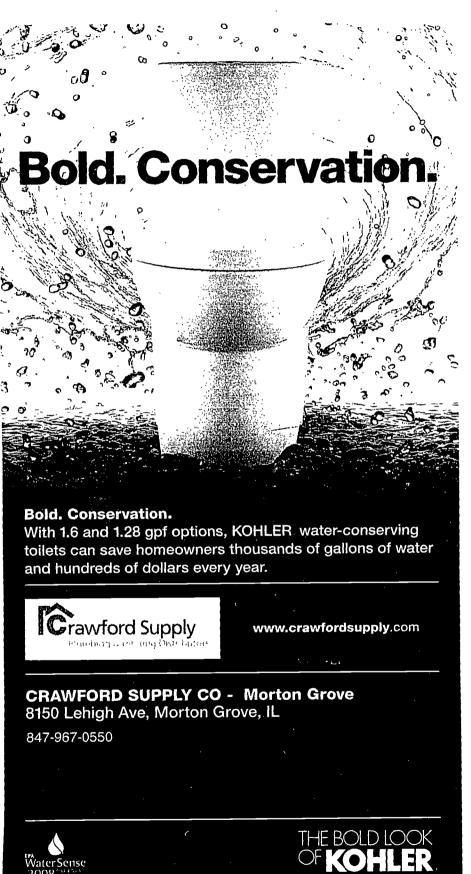


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German exchange student Eva Wagner, 16, takes a photo of a fire truck during a tour of the Skokie fire station Oct. 18. The 29 students from Germany are part of a foreign exchange program at Niles West. I Suzanne Tennant~Sun-Times Media

DISTRICT 219

Students from Germany make 'electrifying' visit to schools, Chicago area

By PAT KROCHMAL pkrochmal@pioneerlocal.com

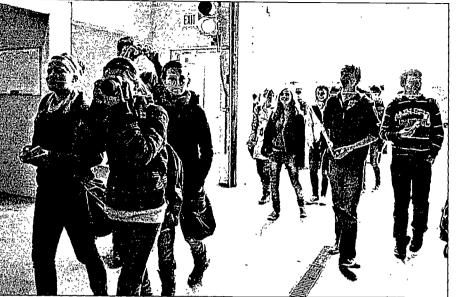
The teenagers came Oct. 15 from Bruchsal, where Twenty-nine students they attend the Schönborn from Germany have been Gymnasium (similar to a return in the summer of soaking up American cul- high school) at the invitature while living in the tion of Niles Township High homes of Niles North and School District 219 as part Niles West families the last of an exchange program

Teens here who study German visited Bruchsal in the summer of 2009 and will

The visitors began by touring downtown Chicago and Skokie to get a look at



Skokie firefighter Kevin Finley shows German exchange students one of the fire trucks during a tour of the Skokie station Oct. 18. | Suzanne Tennant~Sun·Times Media



firefighters. | Suzanne Tennant~Sun-Times Media

They visited cultural destinations throughout Chicago such as the Museum of

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They stopped at Skokie's Village Hall, where they met system. Mayor George Van Dusen

American communities. them to the community. taking them to the schools' station and the library.

The German students also Contemporary Art, the attended a day of classes at John Hancock Building and both Niles West and Niles dropped in Oct. 18 at Centhe Chicago Board of Trade. North so they could experite ral Park Skokie Fire Staence an American school

They also visited the police homecoming activities, but also to probably their first Halloween costume party.

When the visitors tion 17, they also got a look at American technology And the district planned through an introduction to

reated to the firefighters' famous "fireman dogs and chili" lunch.

That is when they shared their impressions of the area that they had so far. "When we went to down-

town Chicago, we had never seen anything like that before. Skyscrapers everywhere - and so expansive!" said Felix Buehler, a 16-yearold exchange student.

"I live in an area where there are five villages together, totaling about 46,000 people. We don't have any skyscrapers, just a few buildings with second and third floors," he added.

Verena Bitterle, a 15-yearold who was amazed at how friendly everyone was, said that she was making lasting contacts here.

But she really wanted to see if the high school students here actually had the kind of after-school parties depicted by the Hollywood movies she had seen.

German teacher chaperoning the group, said one of who told them about the vil- to give them a real Ameri- fire fighting and rescue the students' greatest benlage's history and welcomed can send-off, not only by equipment. They also were efits from the trip is that

lish, since they are im- the Bruchsal school since mersed in it and must speak it here. But they also must North and Niles West Gerprepare a presentation about the culture they've mayer, Lydia Ronning, Sara observed when they return home, so they will absorb

that too, he added. Christiana Welz, another German teacher chaperoning the group, said the ex- area in Germany and were change visits were fostering real German-American relationships.

"American and German mothers have been on the phone getting to know each other;" Welz said.

"American students who have stayed in Germany have even returned on their change," she added.

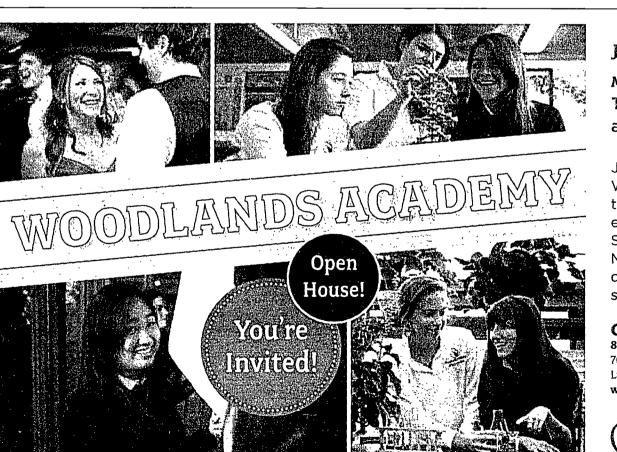
becoming closer through dents to the mayor of Skokie, Welz noted.

the district has enjoyed a students.

they will improve their Eng- reciprocal exchange with 2006, because of Niles man teachers Josef Neu-Shuster, Natalie Bartl and Caroline Ahearn.

"The students were very excited to be here. They come from a more rural in awe of downtown Chicago when we took a bike tour along the lake," said Josef Neumaver, a Niles West German instructor.

"And like typical teenagers, they just love to shop, so they shopped along Michigan Avenue. Some even brought an extra suitown to visit the families they case, because things are stayed with during the ex- cheaper here, even with our 9.5 percent sales tax. In Ger-And though Skokie and many, sales tax is 20 per-Bruchsal are not sister cent," he added. Neumayer cities, the communities are said that the visit was so "electrifying" that he would gestures such as the mayor like to an add an extra day of the German town send- to the Germans' next visit Wolfgang Schneider, a ing a letter with the stu- to allow them to mingle with students who are not involved with the exchange, Perhaps that is because therefore benefiting more



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Schools fail to meet federal standard for 4th year

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Illinois School Report Cards show all three schools in Maine Township High School District 207 failing to make annual yearly progress for the fourth consecutive year, with the total

in reading and math actually dropping in comparison to last year's scores.

As benchmarks increase each year of the federal government's No Child Left Behind program, District 207, like nearly every high school district in the state, has found it increasingly diffinumber of students meet- cult to make annual yearly ing or exceeding standards progress, or AYP.

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husband's needs and mine too. "

"It's a system that has take the exam, including been doomed to fail from students with limited Engthe beginning," said Barbara lish proficiency and those Dill-Varga, District 207's as- with learning disabilities. It sistant superintendent for

curriculum. students were required to achieving AYP a challenge meet or exceed standards for school districts, as those in reading and math on students are required to their junior-year ACT exam. meet nearly the same stan-All students are required to dards as their mainstream

is the performance of students in those two sub-In 2010, 77.5 percent of groups that has made

> Dill-Varga called the task "impossible," especially for a school as diverse as Maine East, where more than 50 languages are spoken among a student body that consists of many recent immigrants who may not have the vocabulary skills or academic background to fully comprehend all they are being tested on.

> counterparts, Dill-Varga

By 2014 the AYP benchmark is 100 percent for all

"It's the same story we've been saying for the past in both reading and math. many years — it's kind of an The "all students" group, as idealistic goal that, practi- well as white students, lim-

ble to accomplish," Dill-Varga said.

Even New Trier High

School, which has traditionally been a top-performing school in the state, failed to make AYP in 2010 due to the learning-disabled subgroup not making the reading and math benchmarks, Dill-Varga pointed out. Maine South High School failed to make AYP because students with disabilities and a subgroup of Hispanic students failed to meet the AYP benchmark in reading. This is the first year Maine South has had a Hispanic subgroup, meaning there are at least 45 Hispanic students tested.

The school last made AYP in 2006 Maine East High School, which is undergoing academic restructuring re-

dards in reading and math fell between 2009 and 2010, quired under No Child Left according to the official Behind, failed to make AYP school report cards.

At Maine South, 75.7 per-

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2010 high school report card

The figures below show the percentage of lith-grade students per school in high school districts serving the north suburbs of Chicago who met or exceeded learning standards, according to recently released figures from the Prairie State Achievement Examination. The composite ACT scores for the schools also are

1995年的基本不多數學	Reading	Math /	Science	ACT composite
Evanston District 202	•		•	
Evanston	62.1	65.2	57.6	23.5
New Trier District 203				
New Trier	89.6	89.7	89.7	27.2
Maine Township District 207			ya.	
Maine East	47.8	61.8	54.3	20.8
Maine South	75.7	81.5	82.9	24.6
Maine West	56.7	60.0	59.8	21.4
District average	61.2	68.5	66.9	22.5
Niles Township District 219				
Niles North	59.0	60.1	59.9	22.6
Niles West	55.2	66.0	63.2	22.2
District average	56.9	63.2	61.6	22.4
Glenbrook District 225		× -		
Glenbrook North	83.1	87,1	83.3	25.2
Glenbrook South	74.3	82.2	78.9	24.5
District average	78.4	84.5	81.0	24.8
Township District 113				San Anglish Congress
Deerfield	90.5	90.8	88.6	26,3
Highland Park	80.1	79.7	80.4	25.2
District average	85.2	85.1	84.3	25.7
Stevenson District 125				
Stevenson	81.1	85.2	82.0	26.2
State average	54.0	527	52.4	205

Fail

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cent of students met or exceeded standards in reading in 2010, compared with 82.8 percent in 2009. In math, 81.5 percent of student met or exceeded standards in 2010 while 82.1 percent did the same in 2009.

At Maine East, 47.8 percent of students met or exceeded standards in reading, and 61.8 met or exceeded standards in math in 2010, compared with 52.2 percent and 62.7 percent, respectively, in 2009.

At Maine West, 56.1 percent of students met or exceeded standards in reading, and 60 percent met or exceeded standards in math in 2010. In 2009, 60.2 percent of students met or exceeded standards for reading, and 62.1 percent met or exceeded standards in math.

Dill-Varga said the decline could be due to a new group of juniors taking the test and changing demographics in the schools. She added that it is more important to look at trends over time rather than a twoyear comparison of scores.

"You want to take a five- to 10year look, or at least a three- to fiveyear look, to see how you are doing," Dill-Varga said.



Food fright Costumed students from Stevenson School bring food items for the township food pantry during "trick-or-treating" at Maine Township Town Hall on Friday.



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VILLAGE OF NILES

Comprehensive planning to begin at Nov. 16 workshop

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nity workshops, question-

naires are available for both

businesses and residents on

www.vniles.com, with trans-

lation services available. A

special link identified by the

comprehensive-plan logo,

"Niles 2030, Comprehensive

Plan." will lead viewers to

the interactive website de-

signed to maximize partic-

ipation and communication

with the community. The

survey, key planning com-

ponents, meeting updates

and summaries, and draft

documents will be also be

A comprehensive plan

serves as the village's offi-

cial guide for land use, phys-

ical improvement and de-

velopment — a "road map"

— for the future. It provides

posted on the website.

village website,

Village residents and busiveloping a comprehensive nesses are encouraged to plan for Niles. participate in two upcoming community-wide workshops, one for businesses and one for residents, as part of the village of Niles comprehensive planning process, according to a news release.

The business workshop will be at 8 a.m. Tuesday at Village Hall, 1000 Civic Center Drive. A light breakfast will be served.

The community-wide workshop be at 7 p.m. Nov. 16 in the Community Room at the Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive. Led by the village's consultant, Houseal Lavigne and Associates, participants will be engaged in a series of workshop exercises focused on planning for the future of Niles. This workshop will be one of several over the next year with the purpose of de- long-range policies for elect-

ed and appointed village officials to plan for the related factors that will affect growth and change in Niles. These factors include: land use and development, transportation and circulation, community facilities and infrastructure, open space and sustainability, and com-

design. The comprehensive plan also provides a framework that will be used to evaluate development proposals and direct the village's growth in the context of 15 to 20 years.

munity character and urban

"Most importantly the comprehensive plan allows residents and Niles decision makers to identify and respond to changing community needs and desires in a thoughtful, rather than reactive, way," the news release stated.

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VILLAGE BOARD

Trustees reject property tax hike

Contributor

Niles village trustees reected a staff proposal to increase the 2010 property- funded. The pensions are tax levy by 9.78 percent at the village pre-board meeting on Oct. 26.

If the proposal had been approved the average resident would have seen a \$20 to \$30 annual increase and \$425,000 would have been generated for the village of Niles. Staff recommended

a total tax levy of \$5,237,019. Trustees said they did not see a reason to increase taxes for residents when there's a \$24-million fund

balance in the general fund. "I think we should use some more of our fund balance," said Trustee Joseph LoVerde. "The fund balance

Village Trustee Louella going to solve the problem."

Palicki agreed with the village board's decision to look into whether money from used to help with pension challenges. "I think the way they resolved it was right," she said.

lice Deputy Cmdr. Anthony Brzezniak said the 18-yearold girl was walking about 7:30 a.m. through the Robin driving a blue van began speaking to her. The student reported that the man told him she did not speak to leave her alone, Brzezniak said.

As the student walked trols and made notification onto Bobbie Lane the man to our gang unit," he said reportedly began speaking Friday, referring to the

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that affects a person's abil-

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comes with sensory chal-

lenges, such as hypersensi-

tivity to light or sound, and

By JENNIFER JOHNSON

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A student at Maine East

High School in Park Ridge

was reportedly the victim

of an attempted abduction

while walking to school Oct.

Part 1" at 10 a.m. Nov. 20.

on a monthly basis.

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COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE

Patrols stepped up after

attempted abduction of

Maine East student

In order to provide a more

to the student again before grabbing her wrist with his left hand and pulling her toward the van. When the girl began to scream, the man let go of her wrist and drove away, Brzezniak said. The student reported the incident when she arrived at Cook County Sheriff's Po-school, he said.

According to an alert issued to elementary school parents by Park Ridge-Niles School District 64, the sus-Drive subdivision just north pect is described as a Hisof Maine East when a man panic man with black hair, brown eyes and a mustache.

Brzezniak said Cook County Sheriff's police inspoke only Spanish and she creased their presence in the neighborhood after the the language and asked him attempted abduction was reported.

"We have stepped up pa-

Cook County Gang Crimes Unit, which is active within the unincorporated area, particularly the Robin Drive and Dee Road neighbor-

Brzezniak added that investigators were "trying to follow up on all the leads we have on the vehicle."

Park Ridge Police Cmdr. Lou Jogmen said his department was notified of the incident and informed the area schools in Park Ridge. There were no plans for Park Ridge to supplement the sheriff's department with increased patrols within the unincorporated area, Jogmen said.

Anyone with information should contact the Cook County Sheriff's Department, (708)-865-4700.

AMC theaters to provide 'sensory friendly' movie screenings AMC Entertainment by autism may not under- dience is questioned. Tick- autism spectrum disorder, billion a year. Though there (AMC) and the Autism So-stand the social boundaries ets can be purchased on the

> day of the event. Participating theaters in the area include: ■ AMC Northbrook 14,

1525 Lake Cook Road. Northbrook, IL 60062 ■ AMC Showplace Galewood 14, 5530 W Homer St,

Chicago, IL, 60639 ■ AMC Village Crossing 18, 7000 Carpenter Rd, Skokie, IL, 60077

■ AMC Showplace Niles 12, 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles, IL 60714

A list and map of participating theaters is available www.autismsociety.org/sensoryfilms. This nationwide event has 124 participating theaters

in more than 50 markets. An estimated 30 million people in the world have an

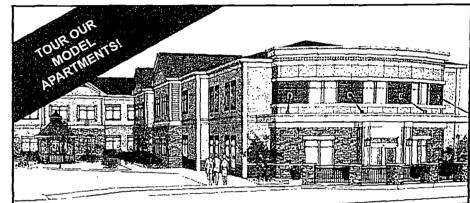
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that make autism a nation-

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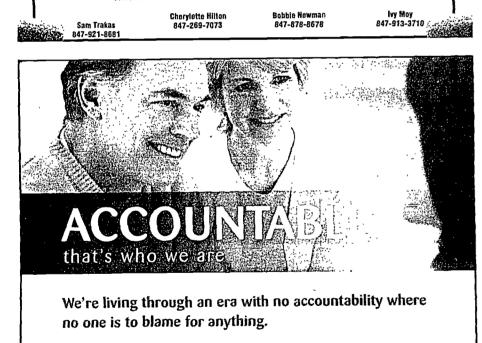
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is continuing to grow."

village staff proposed the tax-levy increase was to Preston said: "Taking more help pay down the village's out of the reserves is not pension obligation, which is about \$41 million under-

required to be 100-percent funded by 2033.

LoVerde questioned why money couldn't be used from the fund balance to help pay the police and fire pension obligations as opposed to raising taxes for the residents during a tough

Village Manager George Van Geem said that the fund balance "is there to get us through the type of economy we've had."

Trustee Andrew Przybylo disagreed with the need to have a \$24-million fund balance.

"I'm really tired of the scare tactics," said Przyby- no increase from 2004 to One of the main reasons lo, in response to Van Geem. 2006.

Niles resident Rosemary

the fund balance could be

Finance Director Scott Neukirch said that in order to address the pension problem it often takes "very significant cuts" in expenses or a property-tax increase. "It's not specifically addressing the liability," he said. There was a propertytax increase of 9.78 percent in the tax year 2009; no increase in 2008, a 4.9-percent increase in 2007; and

Foreclosure filings not likely to slow soon: report

enced a 62 percent increase:

40 percent rise; Mundelein,

Evanston, a 32 percent in-

In Park Ridge, 12 homes

sold at auction during the

third quarter of 2010, with

number of auctions actual-

ly dropped nearly 37 per-

cent since 2009. In neigh-

boring Niles, there have

been 89 foreclosed homes

Smith predicts concerns

over documentation and

lender moratoriums on fore-

closure auctions could bot-

tleneck the process in the

That means more homes

could remain vacant for

longer periods, and signifi-

cant jumps in foreclosure

fourth quarter

sold at auction this year.

By LYNNE STIEFEL Istiefel@pioneerlocal.com

Even though foreclosure activity looks to be slowing in a few suburbs, rates are increasing in most others, leading the Woodstock Institute to conclude that the crisis hasn't yet bottomed out in the six-county Chicago region.

"Concerns about underwater homeowners aren't likely going to go away," Woodstock Senior Vice President Geoff Smith said Oct. 26. "Our expectations would be that the underlying conditions of economic distress haven't changed third quarter of 2010 comand will remain high in the pared to a year earlier, by fourth quarter."

foreclosure filings from July through September indicated the rate increased from the same period last year in nearly all suburbs, collar wood. counties and Chicago neigh-

northwest Cook County, at nearly 50 percent, and southwest Cook County. Northern Cook County saw gains of almost 24 percent, and west Cook County, almost 29 percent.

51 foreclosure filings within the third quarter of 2010, and a total of 170 so far this year. That is a 21-percent increase in foreclosures since

There were bright spots, however. The number of foreclosure filings actually decreased by nearly 18 percent in Hinsdale in the 6.5 percent in Wilmette and The institute's report on by 3 percent in Highland

> And increases were in single digits for Lake Zurich, Libertyville, Niles and May-

That would seem to indi-

Increases were highest in communities, Smith said, Oak Park, which experibut not an overall trend.

"Some (suburbs and Franklin Park, which saw a Chicago neighborhoods with stable real estate mar- a 34 percent increase; and kets) are fairly well positioned to recover," he said. But "We haven't hit bottom In Park Ridge, there were yet. We have a little time to go before we do that."

Suburbs notably seeing a total of 57 for the year. The increased foreclosure filings include Oak Park, which experienced a 62 percent increase in the third quarter of 2010 from a year earlier; Grayslake, with a 62 percent increase; and Arlington Heights, Elk Grove Village and Rolling Meadows, all with increases of more than 40 percent.

Foreclosed homes sold through auction jumped 45 percent for the six-county Chicago area in the third quarter compared to the same period a year earlier. auctions in 2011.

Highest rates of increase in communities covered by cate stabilization in a few Pioneer Press included

Suburban foreclosures climbing

New foreclosure filings in the six-county Chicago region grew 28 percent in the third guarter of 2010 from the third guarter of 2009, according to an analysis by the Woodstock Institute of new foreclosure filings and completed foreclosure auctions.

Note: The Woodstock Institute compiled figures only for the 100 most populous Chicago region Census places, which included these North Shore and north suburban suburbs and Northwest Side of Chicago neighborhoods covered by Pioneer Press.

Community:	nly Spil	Year to	July-Sept.	Year to date	Percent
	102	278	62	211	31.8
Evanston		194	82	167	16.2
Glenview	54		57	140	16.4
Morton Grove	61	163	57 59	155	9.0
Niles	62	169			
Northbrook	60	165	37	116	42.2
Park Ridge	51	170	63	140	21.4
Skokie	148	431	131	358	20.4
Wilmette	16	58	26	62	6.5
Chicago neight	orhoods				
Edison Park	11	33	12	25	32.0
Norwood Park	62	163	51	140	16.4
Source: Woodstock Ir	istitute				Pioneer Press

can't understand why banks short sales, which allow gages.

and lenders are making it owners to sell deeply deval-Meanwhile, real estate so difficult for properties to ued homes for less than agents and homeowners sell, particularly through what remains on their mort-

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ILLINOIS STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Despite ISAT success, District 64 fails to hit mark for the first time

Math subgroup of students with disabilities was problem

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By NATASHA WASINSKI Contributor

Since 2004, Park Ridge-Niles School District 64 students have excelled at the Illinois Standards Achievement Tests (ISAT), typically scoring at least 10 percentage points higher than the state average in all subjects and across all grade levels.

The 2010 ISAT administered to the schools' thirdthrough eighth-graders the past March yielded similar results — overall, 93.7 percent of students performed at the level of "meeting or exceeding" the Illinois Learning Standards for math, science, and reading -- vet the district did not meet an Illinois benchmark to satisfy federal goals.

"Students with disabilities improved but we fell short of state standards," Diane Betts, assistant superintendent for student learning, told the Board of Education at its meeting Oct. 25.

Betts presented the results to the board in anticipation of the release of statewide ISAT data on Friday by the Illinois State at least 45 students and, Board of Education.

According to a report prepared by Betts, ISAT scores schools is students with disare used as the sole indicator to comply with the No Child Left Behind Act of progress with kids with dis-2001 that requires all third- abilities," Betts said. "It's through eighth-grade stu- just the way the formula

dents be tested annually in reading and math.

Under this law, states must measure public school and district performance and establish annual 2014 every student in every public school is expected to meet or exceed their state's learning standards.

In 2010 the state board set the goal that 77.5 percent of all students must score in the combined "meets or exceeds" category on both math and reading exams in order to make "adequate" academic standards. If they yearly progress," or AYP. According to Betts the target score in Illinois increasgrams, he said. es every year by 7.5 percent Bender predicts that so that by 2014, 100 percent

standards for schools to achieve AYP. Though the overall results of District 64 hovered in the 90th percentile, the district did not make AYP for the first time based on a subgroup's score in math. The students with disabil-

ities subgroup scored 72.1 percent in math, just shy of the 74.7 percent needed to qualify for AYP under a "safe harbor" provision, which was modified this year, Betts said.

of students must meet state

Federal law requires schools to distinguish and determine the performance level of subgroups in addition to measuring student performance as one aggregated total, Betts reported. Subgroups must consist of typically, the only qualifying subgroup in District 64

abilities. "We're still making good

perintendent Philip Bender downplayed this missed mark given the district's strong performance overachievement targets. By all. Districts and schools are not penalized unless scores remain critically low for consecutive years, both confirmed.

> In some ways the subgroup standard does not make sense. Bender said, as students with disabilities aren't necessarily expected to meet, let alone exceed, did there would be no need for individual education pro-

> other well-performing districts will experience similar problems in complying with the demands of the No Child Left Behind Act, especially if federal lawmakers do not address education reform and the benchmark for academic improvement inches closer to 100 percent of students meeting state standards.

"Districts are going to stand back and say, 'Wait, something is not right,' ' when they are told that, as a district, they are not making progress despite consistently high scores, Bender Said

Betts said that, technically, on micro level, all schools in District 64 obtained adequate yearly progress but a reporting error caused Franklin School to miss the target.

"If the correct number of students (in the disabilities subgroup) had been reported. Franklin would not have had a 45-student subgroup and would have made AYP," she said.

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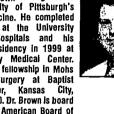
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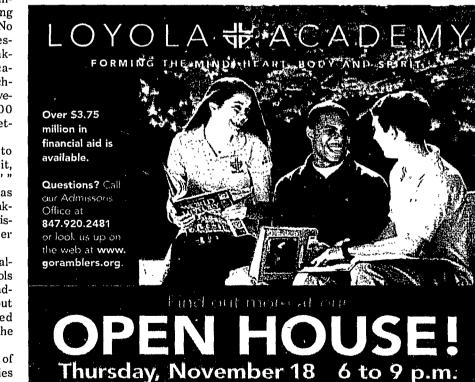
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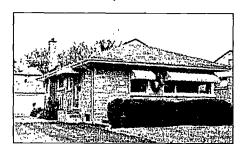
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DATA POINT

MORTON GROVE REAL ESTATE BY THE NUMBERS

The number foreclosures Morton Grove in 2007, far fewer than the 43 so far in

Financial consultant buys in Niles Merten has been an as-

By David Lister

An executive with a consulting firm that serves health care companies has purchased a home in Niles.

Darren Merten and Jessica Kieberg bought the four-bedroom, two-bath home at 8306 N. Osceola Ave. for \$370,000 on Aug. 11. The 1,673-squarefoot home in the Grennan Heights subdivision was built

sistant vice president at Kaufman, Hall and Associates, a Skokie-based consulting firm that also provides health care software. Earlier, Merten was an executive with Ziegler, a financial services company.

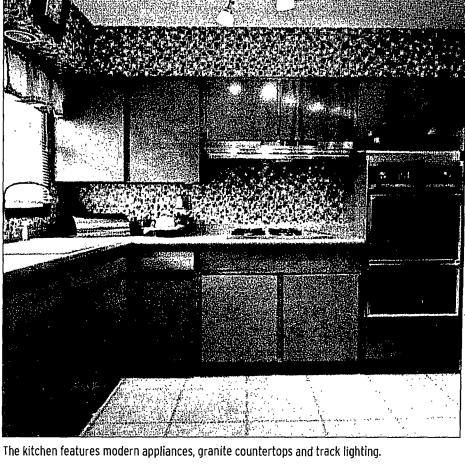
Merten attended Marquette University Law School and Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Manage-

MARKET WATCH AS OF MONDAY

in 1945.

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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BUSINESS BRIEF

according to the brothers, Niles natives open rapidly becoming a house-Logan Square pizzeria hold name. Papa Ray's Pizza & Wings,

located at 2551 W. Fullerton

in Logan Square, was start-

ed by brothers George and

John Rayyan who grew up

in the Northwest suburb of

Niles. With another location

opening this month at 4757

N. Sheridan in Uptown, and

at least three locations slat-

ed to open in 2011, this fami-

ly-run neighborhood spot is,

Michael Stephenson, 26,

Maine Township, was

charged with one count of

burglary Oct. 28 after he al-

Value Food and Liquor, 9570

eral bottles of alcohol. Ac-

cording to police an officer

BURGLARY

Twenty-two-year-old George and 27-year-old John developed an interest in the food business at a young age in an extended family of restaurateurs. Prior to opening Papa Ray's first location, George

and John gained industry

experience as partners in

the popular Pinocchio's Piz-

za eateries. In 2010, the

who line the single-seat stools and review the daily newspaper page inserts posted along the walls. For more information on Papa Ray's, visit www.paparayspizza.com. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

brothers opened Papa Ray's,

a namesake of their father

Ray, and have quickly posi-

tioned it as a go-to place in

1,200-square-foot space, the

brothers say, attracts locals

Logan Square. The quaint

SHERIFF'S REPORTS

The following incidents in un- the store and fled through incorporated Maine Town- the rear alley. Police canship were compiled by the vassed the area and report-Cook County Sheriff's De- edly located a man, later identified as Stephenson, partment. Readers are rehiding in some brush at minded that an arrest does 9401 W. Golf Road. Police not constitute a finding of said Stephenson was in posguilt. Only a court of law can session of a duffel bag filled make that determination. with alcohol taken from Extra Value Food and

of the 10000 block of Linda ported stolen from the Lane, unincorporated

A theft from a vehicle was legedly broke into Extra reported the evening of Oct. 18 on the 9400 block of Sumac Road. Potter Road, and stole sev-

Liquor. Nothing else was re-

BURGLARY TO VEHICLE

On Oct. 23 a resident of witnessed a man dressed in the 9500 block of Sumac dark clothing exiting the Road discovered his credit liquor store through the card, debit card and drivfront door about 3 a.m. ers license missing from his he reportedly re-entered phone call from his bank re- Church Street.

made to one of the cards. PROPERTY DAMAGE

garding suspicious charges

Windows were smashed on several vehicles parked outside residences overnight between Oct. 19 and Oct. 20. The incidents occurred on the 8700 block of Ballard Road, the 9400 block of Hamlin Avenue, the 9000 block of Emerson Street, the 9000 block of Terrace Place, the 9100 block of West Oaks Avenue, and the 9400 block of Park Lane. Similar incidents were also reported overnight between Oct. 19 and Oct. 20 on the northeast side of Park Ridge.

A vehicle was reported damaged on the night of When the man saw police vehicle after he received a Oct. 24 on the 9100 block of

POLICE BLOTTER

The following incidents were upstairs and looked through According to police a listed in the official reports of dresser drawers in a bedthe Niles Police Department. room. When the husband 50 and 60 wearing a black Readers are reminded that an asked the men why they fur coat had used the cart arrest does not constitute a finding of guilt. Only a court of law can make that determination. of the report.

BURGLARY

A man reportedly entered an elderly couple's Park Lane home without their consent Oct. 26 after stating he needed one of them to show him where the backyard property line was located. While the woman took the man into the back yard three other men reportedly entered the house and talked to the woman's Osco, 7900 Milwaukee Ave., husband before they walked

A burglary was reported the night of Oct. 27 on the enue. A bedroom window gain entry. No further details were provided.

THEFT

cart belonging to Jewelwas reported stolen Oct. 24.

woman between the ages of were in his bedroom they to do her shopping before quickly exited the house, po- she rode out of the store lice said. Nothing was re- with it and disappeared ported missing at the time about 8:50 a.m. The cart has a reported value of \$3,000.

A gum-ball machine was reported stolen Oct. 25 from 8000 block of Ozark Av- Jerry's Fruit Market, 7901 Milwaukee Ave. The owner was reportedly broken to of the machine told police he came to service the machine when he discovered it was missing. The employees of the store could not A motorized shopping tell the owner what had happened to the machine,

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Blotter

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which is believed to have been stolen between Oct. 6 and Oct. 8, police said. The gum-ball machine was valued at \$625 and contained between \$200 and \$250 in change, according to the po-

A 51-year-old man who identified himself as homeless told police that on Oct. 25 someone stole his duffel bag while he slept behind a gas station on the 8500 block of Golf Road. The bag reportedly contained the man's birth certificate, his passport, a digital camera, a laptop computer and medication.

A wallet containing credit cards and identification was stolen between 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Oct. 24 from a man's locker at XSport Fitness, 9210 Milwaukee

An iPhone was reported morning of Oct. 23 reportstolen Oct. 24 after the edly caused damage to Spir-

owner reportedly left it un- it Halloween, 5631 W. Touhy 7246 Crain St., Niles, was port Fitness, 9210 Milwau-

Susan Panico, 54, of 7429 W. Mulford, Niles, was charged with theft Oct. 29. Police said Panico failed to pay a Park Ridge taxi driver the \$43 she owed him. Bond was set at \$1,500. She has a Nov. 29 court date.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY

A resident of the 7500 block of Neva Avenue called police after hearing a noise coming from the back of her home the night of Oct. 27. Police discovered the rear door wide open and part of the door frame broken. The resident told police she did not see anyone enter the house.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

On Oct. 22 a swastika was found painted on the hood of a vehicle parked in an alley on the 8800 block of North Grand Avenue.

A man in his 30s on the

banner at the front of the The man then left the area.

Between Oct. 24 and Oct. 27 someone stole the housenumber sign off a lamp post on the 8200 block of Monroe Street, police said.

BURGLARY TO VEHICLE

An iPod and cigarettes outside Wal-Mart, 5630 Touhy Ave.

A \$150 GPS device was stolen between 9:30 p.m. Oct. 26 and 12:44 a.m. the following day from a vehicle parked on the 9100 block side window was broken to gain entry.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION

Julio C. Sanchez, 30, of

attended in the gym at XS- Ave., after he was told the issued a local ordinance cistore had a no exchange pol-tation for public intoxicaing and swearing at employ- to police Sanchez was obees before pulling down a served falling down while attempting to walk at 10:06 store, causing a downspout p.m. near Dempster Street to separate from building. and Oketo Avenue. He was transported to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital.

RETAIL THEFT

Niles Terrace, Niles, was issued a local ordinance citation for retail theft Oct. 23. An employee at JCPenney, Golf Mill, told police Cayas were reported stolen Oct. was seen placing an \$18 ring legedly stole \$109 worth of 23 from a vehicle parked on her finger and exiting the store without paying. A fine at Golf Mill. She paid a fine was paid at the scene and she was released.

Edelynn Cayas, 19, of 6915

Aktaben Shah, 26, of 9371 Hamlin Ave., unincorporated Maine Township, was is- charged with retail theft sued a local ordinance cita- Oct. 25. According to police of Golf Road. The driver's- tion for retail theft Oct. 24 an employee at Meijer; 9000 after she allegedly exited Kohl's, Golf Mill, without place two DVDs in his paying for \$175 worth of shorts and exit the store pants and costume jewelry. without paying. Garcia re-port. Bond for Arriaga was A fine was paid at the scene mained in custody at Cook

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Byambajav Bor, 47, of icy. According to police the tion and cost of emergency 9978 Holly Lane, unincorman allegedly began shout- services Oct. 22. According porated Maine Township, was issued a local ordinance citation for retail theft Oct. 24. According to police Bor attempted to leave Wal-Mart, 8500 Golf Road, without paying for an electric razor valued at \$45. He paid a fine at the scene and was released.

> Simone Whitton, 40, of 2100 Windsor Mall, Park Ridge, was issued a local ordinance citation for retail theft Oct. 25 after she almerchandise from Kohl's, at the scene and was re-

> Carlos Garcia, 26, of 10405 Dearlove, Glenview, was Golf Road, observed Garcia

County Jail. He was set to have appeared in court Monday.

Jose Ugalde-Resendiz, 22, of 5844 N. Harlem Ave., Chicago, was charged with felony driving under the influence, driving without a valid license and failure to signal Oct. 23. Ugalde-Resendiz was taken into custody on the 6800 block of North Harlem Avenue. Bond was set at \$5,000. He had a Wednesday court

Angel Arriaga, 27, of the 7900 block of North Caldwell Avenue, Niles, was taken into custody on a DUI warrant Oct. 24 after police responded to a domestic dispute at his residence. According to police a woman said Arriaga began arguing with her because he felt she had bought too much pizza. Both allegedly admitted to pushing each other, as well, according to the police reset at \$40,000.

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WE SAY

Can't we all just get along?

Elections have grown nastier and nastier over the past few years.

This year, probably because some high-profile races were undecided right up until Tuesday's election, the mud seemed denser and dirtier than usual.

And that's pathetic because, lost among the nastiness were some legitimate issues that many candidates failed to address: the state's massive budget woes and the country's unemployment situation, to name just two.

Many pundits predicted that this mid-term election would go negative. With nearly every local race contested and some prime races without an incumbent, candidates defined the race by the supposed flaws of their opponent. Even incumbents who had been elected several times found themselves challenged relentlessly by newcomers who immediately took the low road.

Judging by many of the attack ads, neither choice in a contest seemed worthy of a voter's time in the voting booth. Candidate A is a bald-faced liar while the challenger keeps company with crooks.

It's so much easier for candidates to sully an opponent, after all, than to define themselves by solid positions on important but complicated issues. Instead of educating voters, candidates relied on half-truths, omissions of fact, distortions or even outright lies. Those on the receiving

end of these nasty ads would then turn around and give as good as they

As a result, many voters held their noses with one hand while casting their ballots. Other citizens may well have been turned off by the intense mudslinging and skipped the election process altogether:

And the sad truth is that negative campaigning works. Rod Blagojevich coasted to a second-term win not by highlighting accomplishments in his first four years but by dumping on his opponent.

Fueled by money from special interest groups, political parties, legislative leaders and millionaire business executives, negative ads threatened to take over prime time television as the time allotted to ads seemed longer than what had been devoted to programming.

As we reported last week, the cash was flowing too quickly to analyze who was bankrolling whom.

Here's hoping that all those winners who defined their election campaigns by negative ads — while praising their opponent on election night — will spend as much fervor tackling the huge issues confronting Illinois and our nation.

And we also hope they will come up with workable solutions that both sides can support in a truly bipartisan effort to move the country and our state in a positive direction. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

1000 WORDS BY JACK HIGGINS



'NO. I AM NOT BURNING LEAVES. I'M JUST EXORCISING MY FRANCHISE."

Always something that doesn't work



CHERYL O'DONOVAN

VAN MOM STRIKES AGAIN

Everyone's familiar with Frank Capra's classic, "It's a Wonderful Life," the scene where George Bailey strides up his stairs and the newel post knob plops off the second he touches it. George pauses, resists hurling it.

Well, most every household has a newel post knob or two, those trouble items

Typing, for example, on my laptop, the T key won't capitalize properly. I must press, hold, and chant to the silicon gods before it kicks in.

Our kitchen telephone and cord are temperamental, too. If the cord is pulled a certain way bammo, disconnection

With our luck, the oncein-a-lifetime call would happen. "You've won \$2 million. Here's all you need to ... "

Click My husband untangles the long cord, grunts. "I'm the only one who ever does

Uh-oh. His tone on the kids' Doppler indicates a potential F-5 grouch storm. so they scramble, take cover, which leaves me and the dog to bear the Potterinspired lecture. The dog eliminates himself as a suspect, barks he never uses the phone, flashes his new iPaw.

"We could buy a new one," I suggest. My husband looks at me.

So help me, if he pulls out tin cans and string. "This phone is fine," he insists.

"It's old."

"What, four or five years?" "Alexander Graham Bell used it to summon Watson.' So we endure the thing that half-works. A lot of folks do, due to this Great Recession.

Downstairs, we've replaced two drvers and

darned if that electric dryer doesn't take an epoch to dry three towels. I have a hideous feeling all that lint's escaping somewhere.

I imagine a future discussion among medical professionals.

"Most confounding thing, this x-ray of Van Mom. This substance throughout her lung tissue. Dr. Oz, what do vou make of it?" "Trans fats? Something

hydrogenated?" "No, docs," I explain. "It's

dryer lint. Our duct never has worked properly." "Hmm." One doctor frowns. "What's this myste-

rious ailment called?" "Newel post knob syndrome," I say. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

Are schools really preparing students? required number of stu-



RANDY BLASER

What should schools be teaching students and how do we know whether schools succeed at teaching it? Those are key questions

about education. The state has standards as to what schools should

be teaching; you can find them on the state's Board of Education website. And the state conducts

annual testing to measure how well schools teach the standards. That's the annual report card that was recently released for all schools.

After it is released, you'll hear of schools touting how they surpassed the standards, or explaining why they failed to have the

dents meet the standards. But can't there be a

simple system that tells vou how well schools do at teaching what is essential? How about the ACT test?

Students take this test in high school, and the scores determine not only where a high school graduate will go to college but also whether a student will go to college.

Should that be a quick and easy method to determine how successful a school is at teaching what's necessary?

If that's the case, I'm not so sure schools are doing that great of a job.

Because I get regular emails from my school advising me to enroll my student in special classes regarding the ACT. These classes are taught by outside companies, not the school, and they charge a fee.

In other words, the school admits that it may have not prepared students to take the most important go to college and if so, where, so I better pay someone else to help them.

Shouldn't the schools erly for this test? A friend recently told me

Am I the only person wondering why after 12 years of school, my friend has to spend thousands of dollars for his student to get the education he needs to move on from high school?

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exam of their lives, the test that determines if they can

have prepared them prop-

for his student to raise his

Doesn't that tell us more

he spent thousands of dollars for private tutoring ACT score. It helped, he told me, because his student had a low score initially on the test, a score that would have sent him to a community college. After the tutoring, he got a score that helped him get into a major state school.

about education in Illinois than the mountains of data they release in the socalled report card?

YOU SAY

Escaping the ordinary is allure of Halloween

ours has ball-and-chained

adult confusions and con-

us to such excruciating

Why, we wonder, has Hal- increasing numbers are loween become second only getting into the act. Masks, to Christmas in modern America's decorations and fascinations?

Is it possible - like Christmas — Halloween whooshes us into the enigmatic realm of the unlikely? Of the deliciously impossible? Is it that it pulls and tugs us out of our everyday comfort zone, compelling a confrontation with things that don't quite compute? In other words, is it possible that this neatly rational century of ours occasionally enjoys

When kids get this way, it's written off as, well, as kiddish. However, adults in

Out of the pape

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and into your

hands.

giving way to witches.

and all things not of this

world?

spirits, skeletons, vampires

costumes, frights and parties are no longer just consternations awaiting us. for the kids. I mean, why should they have all the fun pretending to be something they're not? A privilege lost with maturity, now fondly re-wished for. Especially when this maturity of

sternations. What can be so wrong with a little October escape from them?

It's not likely the escape will be all that successful. But even prisoners welcome their daily walk under the sun. In the case of Halloween, it's not the sun so much as the moon. Halloween traditionally is

among all things nightly. Time enough to wake up again to the confusions and

In the meantime, take a closer look at those moms and dads escorting their costumed kids to your front door. Is that a wisp of envy you see in their eyes? I know you'll find it in

> **Jack Spatafora** Park Ridge

Violent video games do not beget violence

As a fun pastime, video games have entertained us since their inception. Yet, some fear their power to influence young,

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Moving on after hideous campaigns



PAUL SASSONE

My ears bleed. My eyes burn. My head throbs. That — metaphorically

speaking — is how I feel after the beating I've taken from political commercials. For the last several

months I have been slapped, punched, kicked and gouged by these nasty TV machine gun bursts that denounce men and women running for high and significant political office as crooks, hypocrites, incompetents, traitors, liars, tax cheats, frauds, totalitarians of the left, totalitarians of the right, and just plain bad people.

The object of TV political advertising is to smear. It

must work. Otherwise, political candidates and their supporters wouldn't spend millions of dollars on these commercials.

And TV news is no antidote for TV commercials. TV practices what I call game-based journalism. TV news treats politics as a contest, a game. You seldom see stories about issues. solutions and implications.

We also have to take a lot of the blame for the shambles of American politics.

As Cassius says of Julius Caesar, "I know he would not be a wolf. But that he sees the Romans are but sheep.

We let the candidates spew forth these characterassassination noncampaigns. We don't set the bar very high for political candidates.

Now here is where I insert a commercial of my own for journalism in general and newspapers in particular. Real journalism is done by people trained in gathering facts and evidence, and

who have a commitment to fairness and informing the public. It is from journalists that the public can learn about the issues and where each candidate stands.

Journalism is necessary to the functioning of democracy. That's why the Founding Fathers put the press into the Constitution. It's good to remember this

in the wake of this year's

hideous political campaigns. It's good to remember this in an era when so many are welcoming the decline in newspaper readership without yet having any-

thing else to replace news-

papers' necessary function. When I look through the smoking ruin of this year's campaign, the one bright spot I see is how newspapers have presented the issues and where the candidates stand on those issues.

We read, become informed and elect the better candidates. That's how it is supposed to work. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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A quartet of activities for the coming week

1. "Hairspray" will be presented by The Rising Stars Theatre Co. Nov. 6-21 at The Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont, Chicago. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. \$16, with discounts for seniors and children. Visit www.risingstarschicago.com or call (773) 736-2490.

2. The Chicago Philharmonic Orchestra presents "Masterworks by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Franz Schubert" at 7 p.m. Nov. 7 at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall on the Northwestern University campus, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. \$20-\$75. Call (847) 866-6888 or visit www.chicagophilharmonic.org.

3. Hogeye Folk Arts presents Cindy Mangsen and Steve Gillette in concert at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at Lake Street Church, 607 Lake St., Evanston. \$15; \$13 for senior citizens; \$5 for students; free for children under 12. Visit www.hogeyefolkarts.org.

4. Ethnic Fest: The Many Faces of Lincolnwood, 1-4 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., featuring international cuisine, cultural entertainment by Valeriy Beludzhey, Character Fleadh, Lamajamal, Patchouli, Natraj Dance and Special C Revival, and activities for all ages. For information, visit www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org.

Time for 'Little Shop of Horrors' 7 p.m. Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sundays Nov.

2400; www.skokieparkdistrict.org. By MYRNA PETLICKI

Contributor

Greenwood St., Skokie. \$10, \$8 stu-

dents and seniors. (847) 674-1500, Ext.

There will be two rare sights onstage during Devonshire Playhouse's production of "Little Shop of Horrors": a plant that grows to gigantic size and Elizabeth Yerkovich.

That plant is brought into Mushnik's Skid Row Florists by a nerdy clerk named Seymour, who names it Audrey II after his adored co-worker Audrey.

Yerkovich, who usually directs and choreographs at Devonshire, couldn't resist the opportunity to play Audrey - one of her dream roles.

That switch worked well for Dana Omar, who primarily directs Devonshire's children's shows.

"We had talked before and I knew one of her dreams was to direct 'Little Shop," Yerkovich said.

"It's been my favorite musical for a very long time." Omar concurred. "The music is fantastic. I also really like the comedic side of it. The characters are honest and entertaining to watch onstage."

Jessica Sawyer is musical director of the Howard Ashman (book and lyrics) and Alan Menken (music) musical, which has a 1960s vibe.

Yerkovich revealed that she watched the movie version of "Little Shop of Horrors" over and over again when she was a child.

"I fell in love with the character of Audrey. She comes off as somebody



(From left) Edith Lee, Grant Pritchard, Rhiannon Yalowitz and Emma Sheffey in "Little Shop of Horrors," on stage Nov. 6-21 in Skokie. | Dan Luedert~Sun-Times Media



(Left) Nicholia Eason plays Chiffon and Zandra McGee is Ronnette in the macabre, funny and touching musical, "Little Shop of Horrors." | Dan Luedert~Sun-Times Media

who may be a little bit ditzy and may not be really smart and may not have a lot going for her," Yerkovich said. "But this character really does have a lot of depth to her."

Audrey has had a hard life. Raised on Skid Row, she has a boyfriend who

"She really is the leader of the pack when it comes to Mr. Mushnik and Seymour," Yerkovich said. "But her self-esteem is so low that her smarts and

second fiddle." Seymour's adoration. makes Audrey believe "that she could get out of Skid

her business savvy take



Devonshire Playhouse's production of "Little Shop of Horrors." | Dan Luedert~Sun-Times Media

Row. That she could be in a healthy relationship," Yerkovich said. "To watch her grow and see her selfesteem build because of this one little geek who madly fell in love with her is really a fascinating story.

That "little geek" is played by Grant Pritchard,

who has been doing theater since he was 6 in his native Tennessee. Pritchard described Seymour as "the lovable nerd. Nothing ever goes right. He's clumsy, He always messes everything up. He understands why everything goes that way, and he accepts it."

In Seymour's eyes, Audrey is the girlfriend he would have if he were "cool." Pritchard said. His feelings about Audrey's namesake plant change drastically as it grows bigger and bigger, and Seymour is forced to satisfy Audrey II's macabre dietary demands.

"I don't think he likes the plant at all," Pritchard said. "But without the plant, he's nobody again."

For Pritchard, the best part of being in the show is the songs. His favorite number is "Now (It's Just the Gas)," which he sings with the dentist Orin. played by Jimmy Hoppers. The song is both serious and hysterical as the dentist is about to expire from inhaling too much

Omar reported that she is "working the show around the color green. Green means something different to each of the characters. It will come out in the set and the costume design also."

The biggest challenge Omar is facing might be described as plant management - showing Seymour's care and feeding of the ever-growing Audrey II, with its voracious appetite for blood. Omar revealed her clever solution. But we're keeping her secret. We don't want to anger that plant. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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Her classmates mock Wanda for wearing the same dress to school each day. But she tells them that she actually has 100 dresses at home.

"Whether she has them or she doesn't have them is open to interpretation," said DeGuilio, a Wilmette native.

The actress said the play "teaches kids how to be more accepting and open when something is unfamiliar" and to stand up for

Tickets to the Ralph Covert and G. Riley Mills musical, based on Eleanor Estes' children's novel, are \$36, \$26 for ages 17 and vounger.

For details, call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.northshorecenter.org.

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"The Hundred Dresses" is on stage through Dec. 2 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie. | Photo by Michael Brosilow

spectacular movie effects. For details, call (847) 965-4220 or visit www.webrarv.org.

Author shares secrets Tom Lichtenheld, author

and illustrator of picture books such as Duck! Rabbit!, will explain to kids in first grade and older (and their parents) how he comes up with ideas and creates illustrations from 7 to 8 p.m. Nov. 8 at the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. You can buy his books and have them autographed at the event. Registration is required.

For details, call (847) 673-7774 or visit www.skokielibrarv.info.

Show of 'Hans'

Shadow puppetry will be used to tell the Grimms

hog" at the Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., for its 2nd Sunday Special from 2 to 3 p.m. Nov. 14. Sea Beast Puppet Co. will enact the story of a boy who is very different. Nonresidents can call to reserve tickets starting Nov. 5.

For details, call (847) 663-1234 or visit www.nilesli-

Time for tots

Toddlers and preschoolers will have fun exploring during Discovery Days at the Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. Prospect Ave. The next session of the monthly parent-child event is 10 to 11:30 a.m. Nov. 12. There will be age-appropriate craft projects and activities at this drop-in session.

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ets: \$30-\$35. Optional dinner package. \$50-\$55. New Year's Eve package. \$100. Visit www.theoubique.org or call (800)

"A Civil War Christmas: An American Musical Celebration," Nov. 11-Dec. 19 at Northlight Theatre, located at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, Performances are Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. (Nov 23 30 and Dec. 7 only); Wednesdays at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (except Dec. 1): Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Nov. 25): Fridays at 8 n.m.: Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. (except Nov. 13) and 8 p.m.; and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. (except Nov. 21. when the show starts at 6 p.m., and Dec. 5 and 12). Tickets: \$45-\$55: \$35-\$50 for previews, Nov. 11-19, Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.north-

"Defamation" by Evanston resident Todd Logan, will be presented at 7:30 n m. Nov. 5 at Unitarian Church of Evanston 1330 Ridge Ave., Evanston and 7:30 p.m. Nov. 6 and 3 p.m. Nov. 7 at Beth Emet. The Free Synagogue, 1224 Demoster St., Evanston, Race, class and religion collide when a South side Chicago African-American business woman sues a Jewish North shore real estate developer. At the production's

end, the audience becomes the jury. The show is for ages 14 and up. \$20. For tickets, call (800) 838-3006 or visit www.brownpapertickets.com. For more information, visit www.defamationthe

"Entertaining Guests," a one-woman play presented by Spider Saloff, 3 p.m. Nov 7 at the Wilmette Theatre 1122 Central Ave., Wilmette, General admis sion \$25; \$20 for seniors Call (847) 251-7424 or visit www.wilmettetheatre.com. "A Flea in Her Ear" will be presented

by the Performing Arts at Oakton through Nov. 7 at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Convinced that her husband is having an affair. Madame Chandebise sets ut a trap at a hotel of questionable repute. Mayhem ensues when the invita tion is misinterpreted and her husband instead sends an amorous friend. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Thursday: 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Tickets: \$12: \$10 for students and seniors, Call (847) 635-1900 or visit www.oakton.edu/tickets.

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

"Hairspray" will be presented by The Rising Stars Theatre Co. Nov. 6-21 at The Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Bei mont, Chicago, Performances are at 7:30 n.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sun days. General admission is \$16. with discounts for seniors 60 and up, children 12 and under, and groups. For tick-

"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, Call (847) 869-6300 or visit www.LightOper aWorks.com. "Little Shop of Horrors" will be pre-

sented Nov. 6-21 at Devonshire Playhouse 4400 Greenwood St. Skokie Performances are at 7 n.m. Saturday: and 3 p.m. Sundays, For tickets, call (847) 674-1500, ext. 2400.

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ingstarschicago.com or call (773) 736

"The Lonesome West," Nov. 4-Dec. 19 at The Gift Theatre. 4802 N. Milwauke Ave., Chicago. Showtimes at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25-\$30, Call (773) 283-7071 or visit www.thenifttheatre.org.

"The Music Man" through Jan 9 2011 at the Marriott Theatre 10 Marriott Drive. Lincolnshire. The performance schedule is 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednes days; 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays: and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$45-\$48, plus tax and handling fees. Discounts available for students and senior citizens Dinner/theatre tickets available Wednesdays and Thursdays for \$55, Call (847) 634-0200 or visit www.marriotttheatre.com.

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"Rohin Hood: The Panto," presented by Piccoln Theatre Nov. 12-Dec. 19 at the Evanston Arts Denot, 600 Main St., Evanston, Everything seems to be going well after Robin rescues Marian from the evil Sheriff. But Robin's cousin Scarlet finds a magical book and the spells start flying, Performances at 7 p.m. Fridays: 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturdays: and 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25: \$20 for seniors: \$10 for students: family ticket \$50 (two adults two children) For reservations call (847) 424-0089 or visit www.pictheatre.com.

"She Loves Me." through Nov. 21 at Writers' Theatre, 325 Tudor Court, Glencoe. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays: 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays: 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays. Added matinee at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, No 6 p.m. show on Nov. 21. Post-show discussions held every Wednesday, Tickets: \$45-\$70, Call (847) 242-6000 or visit www.writerstheatre.org.

"Sleepwalk," by William Mastrosimone, will run Nov. 6-21 at The James Downing Theatre in the Edison Park

Olinhant, Chicago, Show times are 7:30 n m. Fridays and Saturdays: 1:30 p.m. Sundays, Tickets: \$20: \$15 for senior citizens and students: \$13 per person for groups of 10 or more. Visit www.iamesdowningtheatre.tynepad.c

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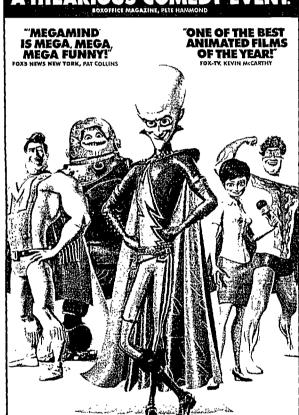
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An excitable expectant father (Robert Downey Jr.) is forced to hitch a ride on a cross-country trip with a flaky actor (Zach Galifianakis) to make it home in time for the birth of his child. Todd Phillips ("The Hangover") directed the comedy. (100 min.) Rated R for language. drug use and sexual content.

FAIR GAME * * * 1/2 Serious and straightforward right

down the line, this engrossing politi-

treatment of a key moment in re-

13 for some language.

STILL PLAYING:

HEREAFTER

* * *

Clint Eastwood's latest film isn't

so much a drama, complete with

conflict, resolution, etc., as it is a

mood piece. Unfortunately, it's the

sort of mood you typically en-

counter in funeral homes. "Here-

after" is a serious piece of work

about the most serious of subjects

but it takes itself so unrelievedly se

riously that it comes close to flat-

lining on a number of occasions.

cent history. (BI) (104 min.) Rated PG-

MEGAMIND

cal drama is a surprising change of "Due Date" pace for director Doug Liman ("Swingers." "The Bourne Identity." Matt Damon plays reluctant psychic "Mr and Mrs Smith") whose previ-George Lonegan, who tries to turn ous forte was stylish action and stylhis back on his gift for communicatish comedy, or a combination of the ing with the dead, but keeps getting two. Sean Penn and Naomi Watts are pulled back in. A la "Crash." the plot nicely matched (as they were in "21 involves George and two unrelated Grams" and "The Assassination of characters, a French TV news anchor Richard Nixon") as retired ambassa-(Cécile de France) and one of a set dor Joe Wilson and his wife. CIA of twin boys (newcomers George agent Valerie Plame, who was outed and Frankie McLaren), who have had by the White House in 2003 to disshocking encounters with death. The credit Wilson after he challenged the usually dazzling Peter Morgan ("The existence of weapons of mass de-Queen." "Frost/Nixon") wrote the struction in Iraq. Liman manages to surprisingly bleak screenplay, perkeep things tense, despite the age haps to show that he can be as and familiarity of the story, and to dreary as anyone in the husiness. wring a fair amount of sympathy (BI) (129 min.) Rated PG-13. from the ensuing marital conflict based on books written by both CONVICTION Plame and Wilson. The politics might * * * 1/2 he a little hard to handle but that's mainly due to the way Penn's role

fits his personal political agenda. All in all, this is a satisfyingly dramatic

A woman (Hilary Swank) decides to put herself through law school (and college) to help her wrongfully imprisoned brother (Sam Rockwell) prove his innocence. Tony Goldwyn ("A Walk on the Moon") directed the drama Rated R

JACKASS 3D

When the super-villain Megamind More self-destructive hijinks from (voice of Will Ferrell) conquers his do-gooding nemesis Metro Man the Jackass crew - this time in (Brad Pitt), his existence suddenly three dimensions. Rated R for male seems empty and meaningless. (96 nudity, extremely crude and dangermin) Rated PG for action and some ous stunts throughout, and for lanlanguage. Tom McGrath ("Madagascar") directed the animated comedy.

RED

* * 1/2

Growing old definitely isn't for sissies in "Red," which features Bruce Willis as retired CIA black-ops expert Frank Moses, who's called back into action when a South African hit squad tries to gun him down - with a reluctant lady (Mary-Louise Parker) dragged along for the world's most dangerous first date. Director Robert Schwentke ("The Time Traveler's Wife") begins promisingly and for the first hour. handles things with energy visual flair and an agreeably light touch.

Unfortunately, the contrived plot, involving a murdered New York Times reporter, a list of soon-to-be-dead people, and evil arms dealer Richard Drevfuss eventually devolves into a predictable, tedious thriller. On the plus side, there are Moses' fellow Retired Extremely Dangerous pensioners: John Malkovich, Morgan Freeman and Helen Mirren Who cares about the plot, really, in a movie that includes the sight of Mirren in a ball gown working out with a heavy machine gun? (BI) (111 min.) Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of action violence and brief strong

FILM CLIPS

LIFE AS WE KNOW IT

language

After settling on mutual dislike after a disastrous blind date, a man and a woman (Josh Duhame) 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.

SECRETARIAT

* * 1/2 An uninspired inspirational horse-

racing drama, which trails behind the 2003 hit "Seabiscuit" in all respects. Director Randall Wallace ("We Were Soldiers") adopts an awed attitude toward the superstar stallion - who created a national sensation in 1973 after winning the Triple Crown - and tries to whip up a similar reaction in the audience with tons of thunderous horse's-eve-view hirf-cam footage. But it's not a good sign when you start wondering how long your stale Milk Duds have been in storage during the running of the Kentucky Derby. "Secretariat" balances the track action with the empowering story of Penny Chenery (Diane Lane), the '60s housewife who inherits the champ and guides his

career despite interference from sexist ierks on all sides. John Malkovich is a plus as the eccentric trainer she hires, muttering imprecations in French and sporting flambovantly tacky outfits of fluorescent pink nurple and green. (BI) (116 min.) Rated PG for brief mild language.

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.

SAW 3D

Yet more grisly horror in the vein of "Saw." "Saw 2." "Saw 3" and ... you get the idea. This time the gore splats in three dimensions. Just in time for Halloween. (90 min.) Rated R for sequences of grisly bloody violence and torture, and language.

THE SOCIAL NETWORK * * * *

"I don't want friends," says Face-

book 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 hit 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 hack 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") 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

WAITING FOR SUPERMAN A group of promising young students are tracked through a public educational system that inhibits rather than encourages them. Davis Guggenheim ("This Might Get Loud") directed the documentary. (102 min.) Rated PG for some thematic material, mild language and incidental

- Reviews by Bruce Ingram

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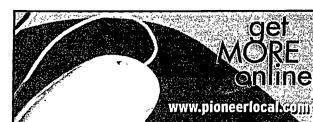
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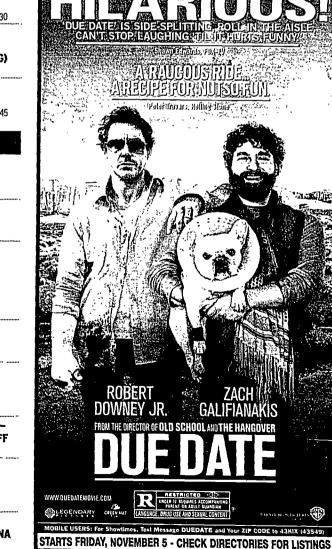


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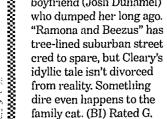
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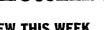
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the Dead") revels in a FILM COLLECTION dynamic visual (and narra-An 18-disc box set featurtive) style that owes much ing the director's best films, to video games in addition including "A Tree Grows in to comic books, action Brooklyn," "Gentleman's films, sitcoms, music Agreement," "Panic in the videos, etc., all sampled Streets," "A Streetcar with a knowing hipster sen-Named Desire," "Viva sibility. The upside of all Zapata," "On the Waterthat nonstop pop-cultural front," and "A Face in the input is that "Pilgrim" is Crowd." Extras include a never lacking for style. The Martin Scorsese documen downside is that so much tary on Kazan. (Sony) emphasis is placed on spectacle that emotional involvement and character development are given

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married owners (Joe Pesci and Helen Mirren) of one of Nevada's first legalized brothels and a heavyweight boxer. Taylor Hackford ("Ray") directed the drama. Rated R for sexual content. pervasive language and some violence.

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choir.org or call (312) 409.6890. Chicago Chamber Musicians, (312) 225-5226, www.chicagochambermusic.org. Concerts are held at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall on Northwestern University's campus. 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, Tickets; \$20-\$40 for general admission; \$10 for students. Nov. 14; "Honoring Schumann." The program includes works by Schumann and Bruch, and Dohnanyi's

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Evanston Chamber Music Group will present a free concert at 2 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Evanston Masonic Temple, 1453 Maple Ave. The program includes a variety of classical and contemporary se-

Evanston chapter, Lyric Opera of Chicago, will host a presentation by Patrick Casali, professor emeritus of humanities and foreign language at Oakton College, on "A Masked Ball" by Baroque Music Ensemble, the Dunbar Festival Orchestra and the Alice Millar Chapel Choir in a performance of Monteverdi's "Vespers," the largest-scale religious composition of the pre-Bach era. The performance includes solos and duets as well as complex 10-part choruses and the early music instrumental sounds of cornetti, sackbuts

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First United Methodist Church of Evanston, 1630 Hinman Ave., unless noted otherwise. (312) 551-1414. www.baroque.org, Tickets are \$38, \$45, \$60, Nov. 7, 7:30 p.m.: "Glorious Chorus Vivaldi and Handel.

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www.northshorechoral.org. North Suburban Symphony, conducted by Ron Arden, (847) 234-4150. http://northsuburbansymphony.art.officelive.com. Performances are at 4 p.m. in the Gorton Community Center. 400 E. Illinois Road, Lake Forest, unless noted otherwise. Tickets: \$18: \$10 students and seniors; children 12 and under free with a paid adult, Nov. 21: "It's Classic - Because it Lasts," The program includes Rossini's "William Tell" Overture: Debussy's "Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun": Sibelius' "Finlandia"; Saint Saen's "Danse Macabre; and Rachmaninoff's "Vocalise." Northbrook Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Lawrence Rapchak, performs at 4 p.m. Sundays at Sheely

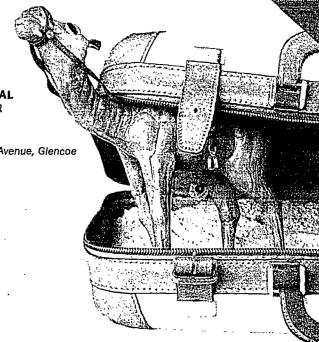
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Northshore Concert Band performs at 3 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, unless otherwise noted. Tickets \$18; \$13 seniors; \$7 students and children. ww.northshoreband.org. (847) 432-2263. Nov. 7: Fall concert, conducted by artistic director Mallory Thomoson. Guest artists include Barbara Butler and Charles Gever, professors of trumpet at Northwestern University, who will perform Georges Bizet's Carmen Fantasia for Two Trumpets. The second half of the concert features Northwest ern University's Symphonic Wind Ensemble joining the NCB for performances of Morten Lauridsen's "O Magnum Mysterium" and "Dionysiagues" by Florent Schmitt.

Northwest Symphony Orchestra, Paul Vermel, music director, presents concerts at 3:30 p.m. Sundays in the Theatre for the Performing Arts at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. Pre-concert commentaries



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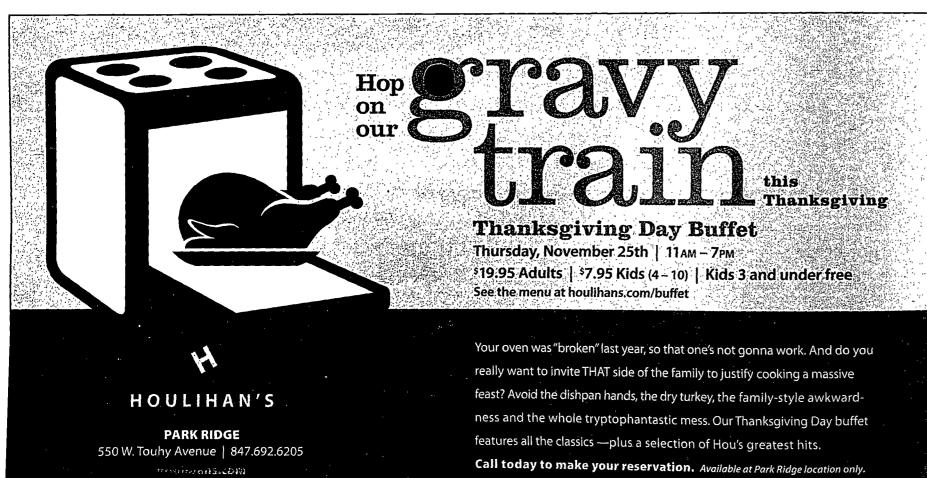
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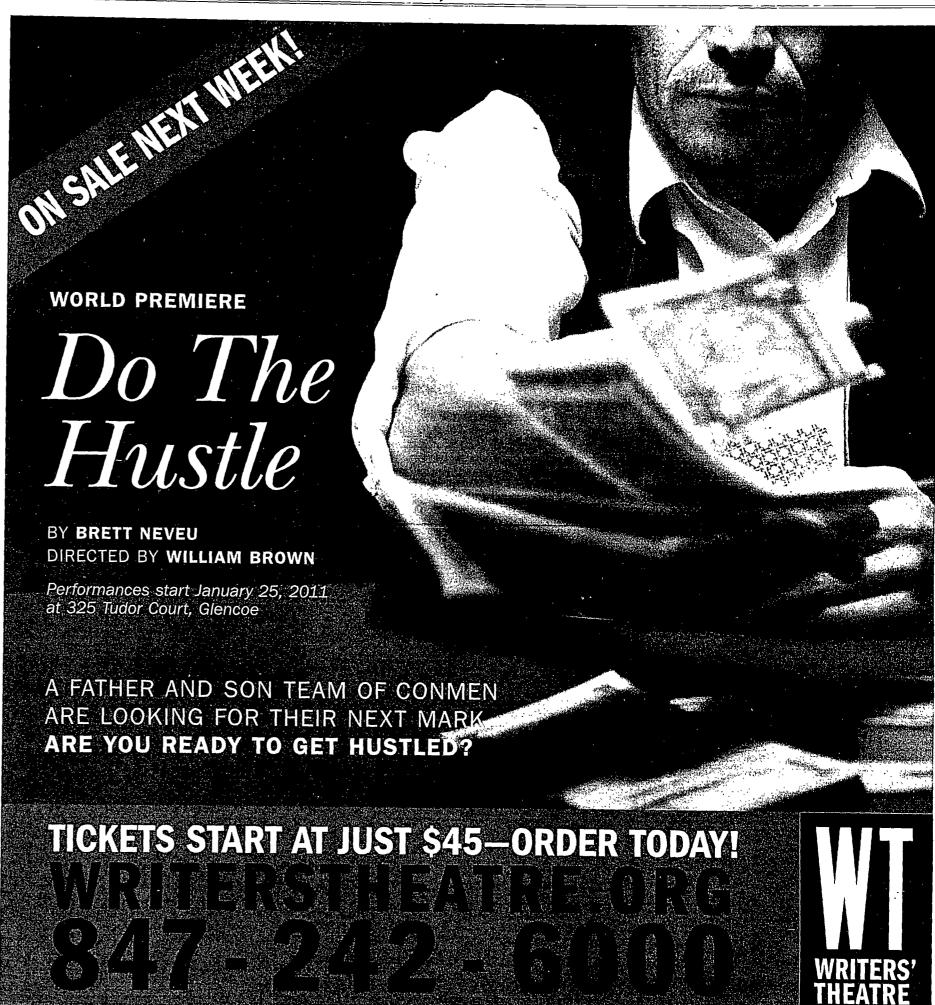
by Carolyn Paulin, a staff member of radio station WFMT, begin one hour prior to each concert. Tickets: \$20: \$15 for seniors; \$10 for students. Children under age 14 are admitted free when accompanied by a paying adult.

www.northwestsymphony.org. Nov. 14: "Romance of the Harp," with soloist Nuiko Wadden, principal harpist of the Pittsburgh Symphony. The program includes Gliere's Harp Concerto in E-flat

Major; Liszt's "Les Preludes"; and Schu-Jr.'s Emperor Waltz. April 10, 2011: "Russian Triumph," featuring bassoonist William Dawson. The program includes Mozart's Concerto in B-flat for Bassoon and Orchestra: Debussy's Pe-Daniel Gingrich, the Chicago Symphony tite Suite; and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5 in D minor, May 22, 2011; Pops concert, showcasing military, opera and Broadway themes. Featuring

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'Sleepwalk' for troubling teenage times

7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. 1:30 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 6-21, James Downing Theatre in the Edison Park United Methodist Church, 6740 Oliphant Ave... Chicago, \$15-\$20, (224) 725-3696;

By J.T. MORAND itmorand@pioneerlocal.com

"Sleepwalk" could

perhaps not be performed at the James Downing Theatre at a more poignant time with so many teen suicides grabbing local and national headlines recently.

Five suicides in nearly as many years have occurred in Barrington and suicides by youths who were bullied or taunted for being gay have been reported nationwide, prompting President Barack Obama to comment on the events.

"Sleepwalk," by William Mastrosimone, is about a teenage boy named Dillon, who becomes deeply depressed after his idol, a rock guitarist named Rock Star, commits suicide. Dillon begins to consider killing himself, but Rock Star appears to Dillon in a dream, trying to convince the boy not to take his own life.

The Chicago production is directed by Tom Akouris.

"It's very much a timely piece," Akouris said. "It's an important piece."

It's so important that he decided to step out of his comfort zone of directing large, light comedies to take on "Sleepwalk," which has a young cast of only nine. It's also short, running about an hour. He most recently

Came to Dinner" at Theatre Nebula in Palatine in 2009 and "Get Smart" for the Elgin Theatre Company in 2007

"I've never done this type of piece before," he said. Playwright Mastrosi-

mone, Akouris said, interviewed several psychiatric professionals who work with suicidal teens to gain insight into troubled youth before writing the play, which debuted in 2005. Mastrosimone often writes about tough issues teenagers have to deal with.

"It gives you this intimate look inside the head of a suicidal teenager;" Akouris said. "Where else are you going to get a look like

He added, "It's almost like a secret."

The play, although intended to shed light on teen suicide, is not like a public service announcement, director and actors

Akouris said there's entertaining dialogue between teens and humor is sprinkled throughout the show But, most important and convincing is the allteenage cast.

Anisha Pashaj, 18, of Elmwood Park, plays May Flowers, Dillon's good friend who had been hospitalized for an eating disorder. Dillon was the only one who wrote to her in the hospital. She can tell there's something wrong with Dillon, but she doesn't know

he's suicidal. Pashaj said she can relate



Dillon (Stephen E. Fenstermacher, right) is worried about issues in his life, and would like to confide in his favorite teacher (Jessica Perelman, left) in "Sleepwalk," a play about teen suicide.

to at least some of the feelings Dillon feels.

Earlier this year, her beloved grandmother died, which was a tremendous loss for the Northeastern Illinois University student.

She had a decision to make: Either slip into depression or add over-coming grief to her repertoire of strengths.

Pashaj chose the latter: "I could kind of relate to it," she said. "It's why I wanted to audition for this play. This is a great thing to do and a great way to learn more about (suicide)."

The characters, she said,

are well developed and the play will give pause to vouths and adults alike.

"It could be happening to my own best friend," she said teens might think. "Or, parents could think, 'This could be happening to my own child."

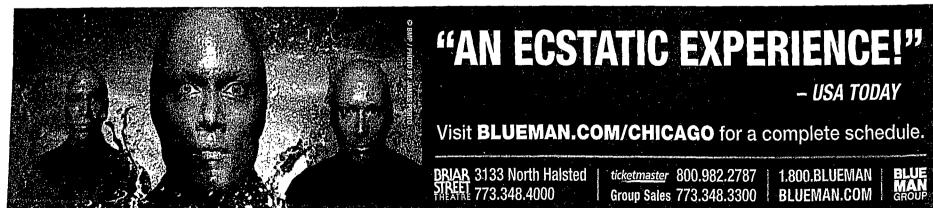
Akouris is looking forward to the Q & A sessions after each show. He hopes the conversation continues long after the house lights are turned off and the doors are closed.

"If it does anything," he said, "it should inspire dis-

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Dillon (Stephen E. Fenstermacher, right) imagines jamming with his favorite musician, Rock Star (Erik Enberg, left), who took his own life. Dil-Ion struggles with going down the same path in "Sleepwalk."



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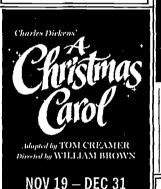
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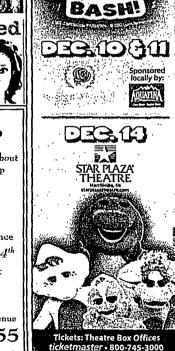


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Park Ridge Civic Orchestra presents oncerts at the Pickwick Theatre, 5 S. ospect. Park Ridge. Tickets are \$25; 861. Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m.: "Holiday Pops." conducted by Victor Muenzer, with

Park Ridge Civic Orchestra Chorus. The program includes Prokofief: "Lieutenant Kiji": Tchaikovsky: "Nutracker Ballet Suite: Solstice - Fantasy on Old English Carols by Bill McGlaughlin: and Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at North-

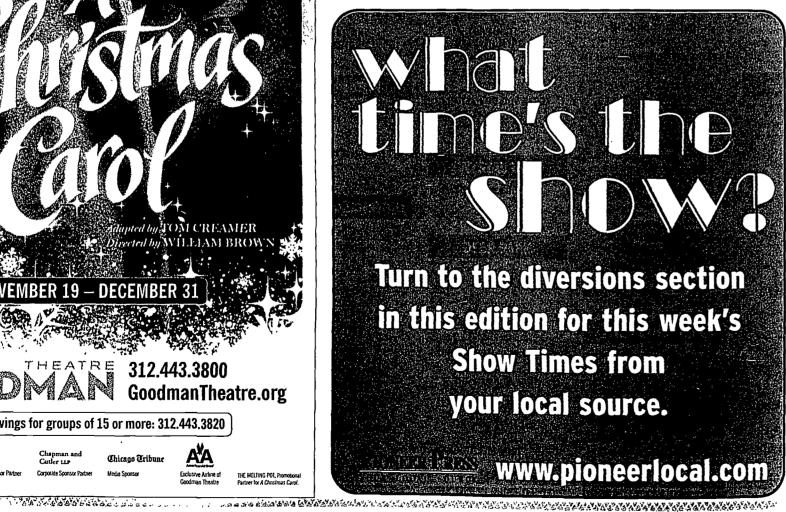
western University, 50 Arts Circle Dri-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public: senior citizens and NU faculty and staff; and student rate. Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m.: Symphonic Wind Ensemble and the Northshore Concert Band present a full-instrumentation performance of Florent Schmitt's "Dionysiagues." The program also includes Eugene Bozza's "Children's Overture": selections from Tielman Susato's "The Danserve": Arthur Bliss' "Investiture Antinhonal Fanfare": and Morten Lauridsen's "O Magnum Mysterium " \$7/\$5/\$4, Nov. 6 7:30 p.m.: "NU Voices: A Choral Showcase, Op. 25," featuring the University Chorale, University Singers, Alice Millar Chapel Choir, University Chorus and University Women's Chorus. \$12/\$9/\$6. Nov. 9, 7:30 p.m.: "Evening of Brass." Faculty member Gail Williams will conduct the Brass Ensemble in a program Gabrieli and others. \$7/\$5/\$4. Nov. 12, Schumann's "Fantasy Pieces," Op. 12, including "Dream Visions" and "Soar-

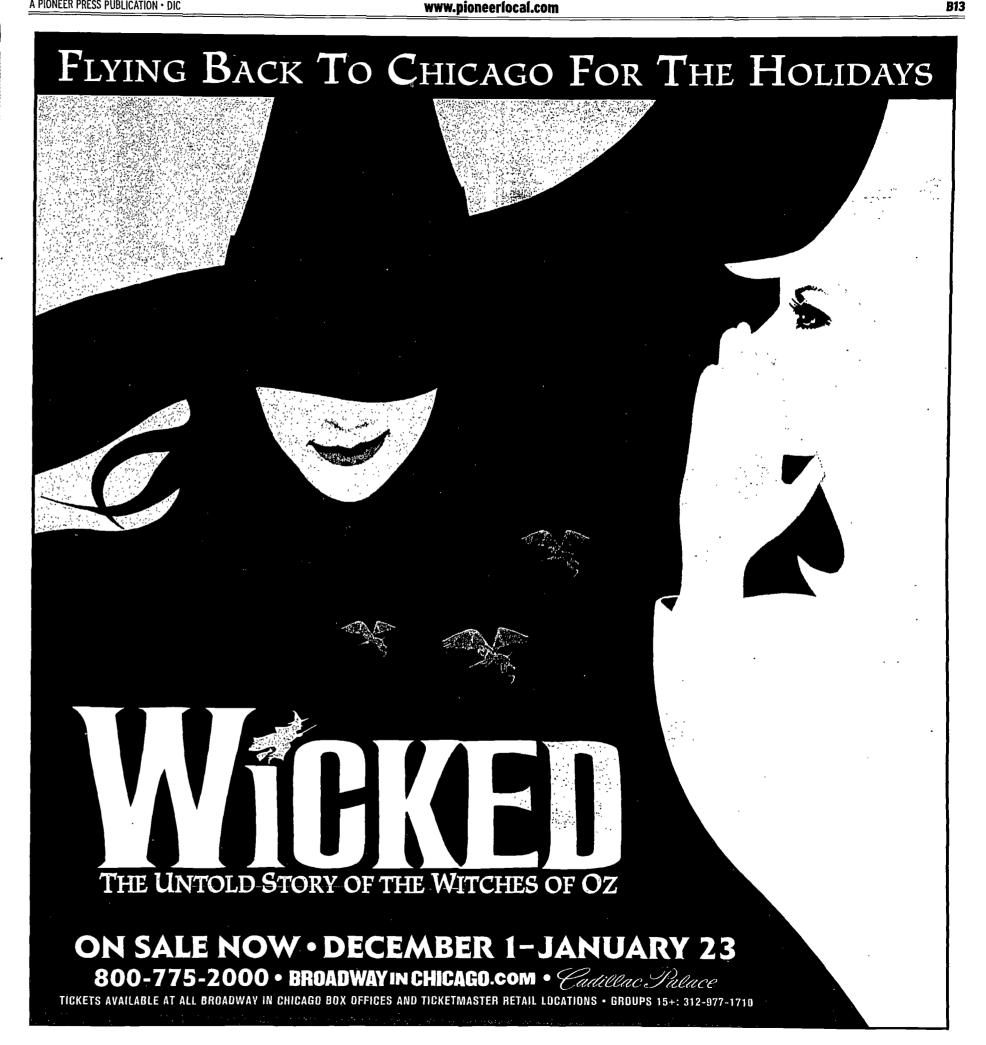
ing," and "Symphonic Etudes," in a con-

Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra presents "Music from Kiev: A Festival of Ukrainian Composers," featuring cellist Russell Rolen. The program will include Pilyutikov's "Colors and Shadows." Lyashenko's Cello Concerto and Silvestrov's Symphony No. 5. \$9/\$7/\$5, Nov. 21, 3 p.m.: Concert Band presents band standards. \$7/\$5/\$4. Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m.: Philharmonia performs Dvorak's "Slavonic Dances," Op. 46, Nos. 1-8, and Rimsky-Korsakov's "Dance of the Tumblers" from "The Snow Maiden."

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St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 306 S. Prospect Ave. Park Ridge. www.stmaryspr.org, Nov. 7: The musicians of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. under the leadership of Kevin McKelvie will present the Requiem by John Rutter throughout the 10 a.m. Sunday worship service in celebration of All Saints Day The Rutter Requiem will be oresented in its chamber orchestra version, which includes choir, vocal





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From left) Saren Vofs-Snyder, Ravi Batista and Joanne Underwood star as the titular sisters in Sara Ruhl's adapation of Anton Chekhov's "The Three Sisters'

'Three Sisters' is solid, but needs more vibrancy

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By CATEY SULLIVAN

With "The Three Sisters," Piven Theatre Workshop tackles one of the 20th century's inarguable masterpieces, Anton Chekhov's difficult comedy of longing in Moscow's distant hinterlands. Much of its intricacy — and difficulty — lies in the fact that this is a drama driven more by internal longing than outward events. Physical stasis the literal inability to move to Moscow — dictates the emotional lives of the titular siblings as they yearn for a change that never arrives. The stage is a place of feeling rather than doing, and that makes "Three Sisters" a formidable challenge.

Directed by Joyce Piven, Three Sisters" locates the vibrant heart within the playwright's dialogue occasionally. There's a stiffness to the young ensemble; the staging often has the feeling of a carefully arranged still-life rather than spontaneously lived real lives. Sarah Ruhl's new adaptation (based on a literal translation by Elise

Thoron with Natalya Paramonova and Kirstin Johnsen-Neshati) brings a vibrant clarity to the dialogue. But as Masha, Olga and Irina ache to escape the monotony of their lives over the course of two hours and 40 minutes, the sisters of "Three Sisters" become numbing rather than empathetic. At the core of the 14-

member cast are Joanne Underwood (Olga), Saren Nofs-Snyder (Masha) and Ravi Batista (Irina), a trio of women too educated for their provincial surroundings and each chafing at the bit of life in the sticks. As Olga, Underwood is prone to rolling her eyes skyward and waving her hands dismissively, creating a character too often defined by overly repetitive gestures. A school teacher, Olga's journey deep into a mediocre career she never intended is a harrowing example of how the cold, practical responsibilities and inevitabilities of the daily grind can turn youthful dreams into the harsh compromises of middle age. Nobody sets out to be a bureaucrat in an undistinguished school out in some nonentity of a suburb.

As Masha, Nofs-Snyder brings a pent-up, dark-eyed anguish to the middle

the doting but utterly uninspiring Kulygin (Brent T. Barnes, quite effective as a fellow whose slavish, needy niceness is both cloying and annoying) is a death by-a-thousand-cuts torment. The joy-todespair trajectory of her affair with the dashing Lieutenant Vershinin (Daniel Smith, nicely capturing the vivacious idealism of the unhappily married soldier) provides the production's strongest cord of emotional truth. Batista's plucky take on the youngest sister Irina injects a sparkle of optimism into "Three Sisters," and a noteworthy sense of hope to the sisters' final tableau. But it isn't one of the

sisters who is the most intriguing of "Three Sisters" — it's Amanda Hartley-Urteaga as their bossy, insufferably selfabsorbed sister-in-law Natasha. From quavering, insecure peasant to imperi ous domestic tyrant, Urteaga's Natasha commands her every scene. But it's not Natasha's play - the piece should belong to the sisters. By only intermittently showing their restless hearts, the Piven production falls short. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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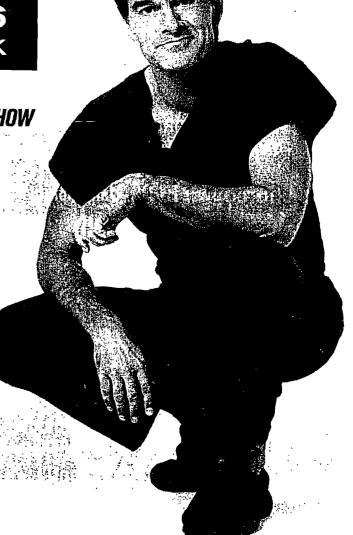
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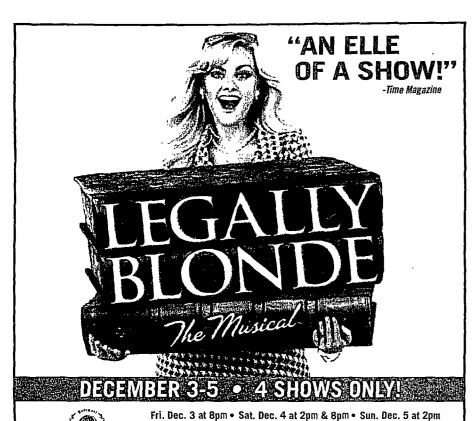
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soloists, flute, oboe, cello, harp, timpani, glockenspiel and organ. Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. Sundays at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Tickets are \$23-\$37; \$10 for children. Free preconcert lectures begin at 1:45 p.m. For tickets, call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.syso.org. Dec. 12: "Rachmaninoff Puccini and Wagner," including a semistaged performance of the third act of "La Bohème." The concert also features Kate Liu, second prize winner of the orchestra's Young Artist Competition, performing Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2. The program also includes Wagner's Overture to "Rienzi." Feb. 27, 2011: An all-Beethoven program featuring the Symphony No. 3 (Eroica) and Symphony No. 8. May 15, 2011: "Strauss and Tchaikowsky," including

Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave. Wilmette, (847) 251-7424, www.wilmettetheatre com. Opera in Cinema series features performances from opera houses throughout the world. Tickets are \$20 unless noted otherwise Nov. 11. 7 p.m., and Nov. 13. 2:30 p.m.; "Carmen." by Georges Bizet, from the Gran Teatre del Liceu Barcelona Snain Sung in French with English subtitles. Nov. 18. 7 p.m., and Nov. 21, 2:30 p.m.; "Cosi Fan Tutte," by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, from the Royal Opera House,

the Pathétique Symphony.

London, England. Sung in Italian with English subtitles.

POP/FOLK/JAZZ

Allstate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com.or (800) 745-3000: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The information line is (847) 635-6601, Nov. 26, 3 n.m. and 8 p.m.: Trans-Siberian Orchestra. Tickets are \$25-\$61, Dec. 4, 8 p.m.: Michael Bublé, \$49.50, \$75, \$95. "Bon Jovi-The Circle Tour," featuring

footage shot at the band's performances at New Jersey's New Meadowlands Stadium in May, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 8 at Showplace Niles 12, 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles, and Evanston 18, 1715 Maple Ave., Evanston, The event will kick off with a sneak preview of Bon Jovi's new music video, "What Do You Got." Tickets are available at theatre box offices and online at

The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston. (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. No cover unless noted otherwise. Mondays, 8 p.m.midnight: Bluegrass and roots music with The Mudflapps. Tuesdays, 7-10 p.m.: Irish music session. Nov. 7 and 21, 5-8 p.m.: Eric Lugosch. Nov. 13, 10 p.m.:

Ethical Humanist Society Second Saturday Coffeehouse, 7574 N. Lincoln Ave. (at Howard), Skokie, (847) 677-3334, www.ethicalhuman.org. Nov. 13: Folk and popular music of the '60s and '70s with David and Gail Hardesty, Lisa Crowe and others, \$8 donation in

cludes refreshments

Gibsons Bar & Steakhouse, 5464 N. River Road, Rosemont. (847) 928-9900. www.gibsonssteakhouse.com. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8 p.m.-midnight: Lenny Capp. Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m.-midnight: Lenny Capp Trio. Hogeye Folk Arts hosts concerts at Lake Street Church, 607 Lake St Evanston. All concerts start at 7:30

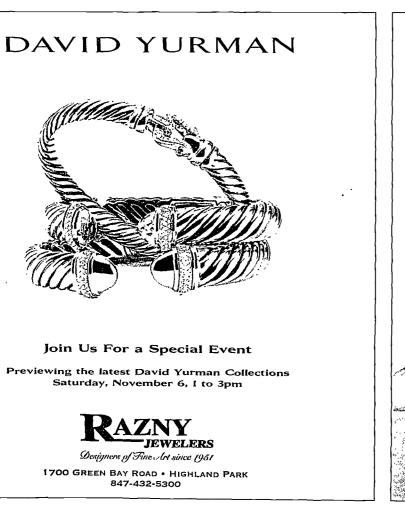
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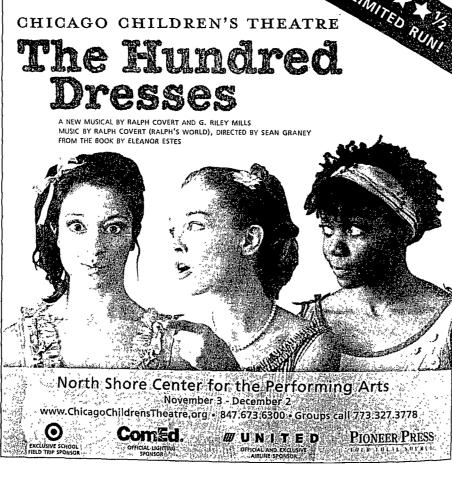
p.m.; doors open at 7 p.m. \$15 general admission; \$13 for senior citizens; \$5 for students; free for children under 12. dmission may be paid at the door in cash or by check, or by credit card in advance from www.brownpapertickets.com. For information, visit www.hogeyefolkarts.org. Nov. 6: Cindy Mangsen and Steve Gillette. Nov. 20: Andrew and Casey Calhoun.

Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. (773) 282-7035. www.irish-american.org. Nov. 5, 8 p.m.: The Four Courts in concert, featuring Paddy Homan, Jimmy Keane, Maurice Lennon and Jimmy Moore, \$15. Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W

Pratt Ave. (847) 6777-5277, ext. 236. Nov. 7. 1:30 p.m.: Character Fleadh, a traditional Irish acoustic instrumenta group, will perform as part of the library's Ethnic Fest. Free.

Mayne Stage, 1328 W. Morse Ave. in Rogers Park, Chicago. (773) 381-4554. www.maynestage.com. Nov. 4, 8:30 p.m.: Rough Cut (pop/rock and blues). \$10. Nov. 11, 8 p.m.: Johnny Flynn, \$15. Nov. 19, 9 p.m.: JT & the Clouds. The Lowdown Brass Band, a nine-piece, horn-driven ensemble, opens. \$12. Nov.







You need heart to capture essence of Neil Diamond

He answered a newspa-

and when he auditioned he

nailed the song "America."

But, this wasn't to be just

some half-baked Diamond

tribute band. Richards

said they were to perfect

the Diamond catalog, so

they rehearsed every

Sunday for two years

before playing their first

him and the power in my

voice," Richards said.

ally incorporate other

big names into his reper-

toire — Elton John and

Garth Brooks - but he

particularly enjoys doing

Diamond, especially the

when he performs.

reactions he gets from fans

He said "Sweet Caroline"

is the song audiences enjoy

"I sounded so much like

Richards would eventu-

per ad looking for a Neil

Diamond impersonator

'An Evening with Neil Diamond starring Steve Richards' 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at Skokie The atre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. \$20-\$25. (847) 677-7761; www.skokiethe-

By J.T. MORAND jtmorand@pioneerlocal.com

Neil Diamond fans don't have to wait long to hear his new songs performed

His album "Dreams" dropped Nov. 2, but Steve Richards, who calls himself the next closest thing to Diamond, will perform some songs from the album Nov. 7 at the Skokie Theatre, as well as many of Diamond's old fan favorites, such as "America," "Cracklin' Rose," and "Solitary Man."

"You have to have the heart and soul of what Neil does," Richards said. "I really relate to those songs."

Richards, of Chicago, has been performing as Diamond since 1986, after he gave up impersonating Elvis Presley because the tribute world was oversaturated with The King wanna-bes wrong with that."

"It got to be disrespect-However, he doesn't have ful," Richards said. "Elvis a favorite Diamond song. was more than just He compares Diamond's sunglasses, jumpsuits library to a beauty pageant. and 'Thank you very "It's hard to say which is your favorite," he said.

> Diamond is also harder to impersonate than the others, Richards said. "Getting the message

> across is so important." he said. "They're part of his life. If you walked in his shoes, you can put your own feelings into it." Richards, who gave his

age as between 35 and 50, dabbled in writing his own music for a while. But, when he saw the adoration these popular singers were receiving, he wanted a piece of the action.

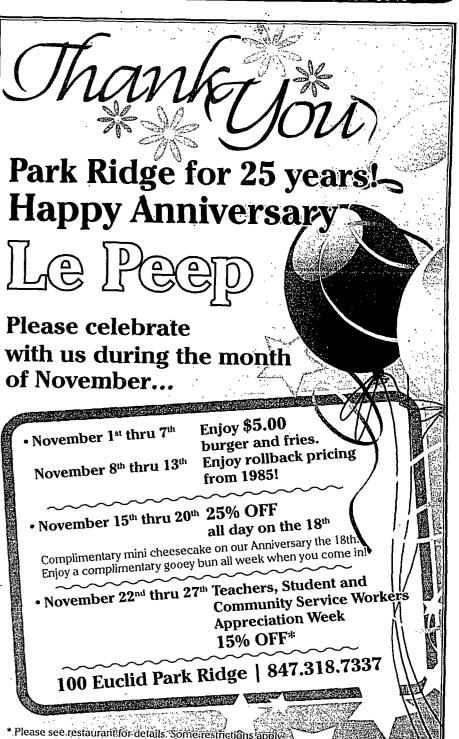
"I admire these people so much," he said. "This is

But, he's writing some of his own music again, and a certain influence can be heard in it.

"It's Diamond-esque," he said. "It's soul-touching

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21, 8 p.m.: Singer/songwriter Bleu. \$10. Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m.: Indie band Seryn. The Numbers, a Bolingbrook based al-Nov. 24, 9 p.m.: Family Groove Compa and rock. \$10. Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m.: Asian American singer/songwriter BettySoo (folk-rock). Singer/songwriter Imelda de la Cruz opens, followed by Sarah Vonderhaar, \$10, Dec. 2, 8 p.m.: Shannon McNally and Hot Sauce (rock and Americana). \$10 in advance: \$12 at the door. Dec. 7, 8 p.m.: Singer/songwriter Darrell Scott, \$20 in advance: \$25 at the door: \$40 for VIP seating, Dec. 8, 8 p.m.: Eastern Blok plays world music. \$15. Dec. 9. 8 p.m.: Geoff Muldaur and Jim Kweskin (folk and Americana). \$20

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www.pickstaiger.org. Nov. 13, 7:30 p.m.:
"An Evening of Jazz," with Patricia Barber and Kenny Werner. \$18/\$15/\$8.
Regenstein Recital Hall at Northwestern University, 60 Arts Circle Drive,
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"Music of Northwestern Jazz Studies Students." \$7/\$5/\$4. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com.or (800) 745-3000: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100 or visit www.rosemonttheatre.com, Nov. 16: The Australian Pink Floyd Show, featuring Pink Floyd's greatest hits, \$25, \$35, \$45, \$55. Skokie Central Traditional Congrega tion, 4040 Main St., Skokie, Nov. 14, 7 p.m.: Maxwell Street Klezmer Band, featuring tenor Pavel Roytman, Tickets: \$25: \$10 for children under 16. Call (847) 674-4117. Skokie Theatre Music Foundation

uity and staff; and student rate. Nov. 17,

7:30 p.m.: Small Ensemble Concert,

presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie, For information, call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com. Tickets are folk), \$10/\$12, Nov. 15: Melissa Manches-\$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, unless ter. \$25/\$30. Nov. 16, 8 p.m.: Bobby noted otherwise. Nov. 6, 8 p.m.: Char-Long. \$12/\$15. Nov. 18: Guitarist Pete Huttlinger. \$15/\$20. Nov. 19: Bill Frisell's Iene Brooks presents "Confessions of a Disfarmer Project (jazz/guitar). Cabaret Cantor," Nov. 7, 7 p.m.: "An Evening with Neil Diamond," starring \$15/\$20. Nov. 21: Isaac Russell. \$8/\$12. Steve Richards. Nov. 10, 1:30 p.m.: Jack Nov. 25: Dave Specter's Adventures in Miuccio's "Forever Frank" (Sinatra). Guitar with Mark Wydra. \$12/\$15. Nov. Nov. 14, 2 p.m.: Bounding Main. Nov. 14, 26: American English (Beatles tribute) \$17/\$20. Nov. 27: Andrew Ripp. \$10/\$14. 8 p.m.: Sarah Marie Young. Nov. 19, 8 Nov. 28, 7 p.m.: Paul Geremia and Jim p.m.: SamaSama Project presents "Sar-Craig (folk). \$12/\$15. Dec. 1: Jenny suela Ni Lola" ("Grandma's Musical") (Filipino folk fusion), Nov. 21, 2 p.m.: Scheinman with Nels Cline, Jim Black and Todd Sickafoose (Americana). \$25/\$30. Dec. 2-3: Hot Buttered Rum Nov. 21, 7 p.m.: Ron Estrada and Rick and The Lee Boys (bluegrass). \$20/\$25. Hunt perform songs by Frank Sinatra, Dec. 8: Jeffery Foucault. \$12/\$15. Dec. 9: Dean Martin, Tony Bennett, Tom Jones Lucy Kaplansky (folk). \$17/\$20. Dec. 11:

Joe Krown Trio with Walter Wolfman Dorn's "Got Gershwin." S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Washington and Russell Batiste (New Orleans/funk). \$15/\$18. Dec. 15: Josh www.evanstonspace.com. (847) 492-8860. Shows at 8 p.m., unless noted Hoge and Todd Carey, \$12/\$15. Dec. 17: otherwise. Nov. 4: Jay Farrar with Bob-Girlyman (folk/rock) \$20/\$25 Dec. 30 Ezra Furman: Solo Acoustic, \$10/\$12 by Bare Jr. (rock). \$20/\$25. Nov. 5, 7 Dec. 31. 6 n.m : Jill Sobule and Julia n.m.: Pineton Perkins with the Willie Sweeney, \$20/\$25, Dec. 31, 10 p.m.; She "Big Eves" Smith Band, \$22/\$25, Nov. 5, mekia Copeland (blues). \$40/\$45. Jan. 10 p.m.: Honey Island Swamp Band 14, 2011: Eddy "The Chief" Clearwater (bayou funk), \$12/\$15, Nov. 6, 7 p.m.: (blues), \$15/\$20. Jan. 18, 2011: Guitarist Corky Siegel's Chamber Blues featur-Charlie Hunter. \$18/\$22. Jan. 21, 2011: ing Rollo Radford (blues), \$25/\$30, Nov. Leo Nocentelli's The Meters Experience 6. 10 p.m.: Peter Rowan Bluegrass Band. (soul), \$20/\$25. Jan. 30, 2011: Freedy \$20/\$25, Nov. 7, 7 p.m.; Kat Eggleston Johnston and Oarden Smith. \$17/\$20. and Kate MacLeod (folk), \$12/\$15, Nov Feb. 12, 2011: James Hunter (soul). 8. 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.: Dr. John & the \$24/\$28. Feb. 18, 2011, 7 p.m.: Rory Block Lower 911 (funk/jazz), \$30/\$35, Nov. 10: (blues). \$15/\$18. Green River Ordinance (rock), \$12, Nov. Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave. 11: TFDI: Tony Lucca, Jay Nash, Matt Duke, \$12/\$15, Nov. 12: Mindy Smith Wilmette, (847) 251-7424, www.wilmet tetheatre.com, Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m.; (country), \$18/\$22, Nov. 13, 7 p.m.: Ellis Cabaret at the Mette presents "Broad Paul (folk). \$20/\$25. Nov. 13, 10 p.m.: Tab way with Bob and Kat." starring Kat Benoit (blues/rock). \$20/\$25. Nov. 14: Taylor and Bob Moreen, \$20: \$15 for The Chapin Sisters and The Pines (indie students and senior citizens, Nov. 21.

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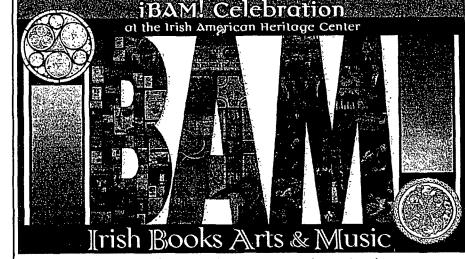
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Admission to the museum is free; unless noted, admission to all programs is also free. Through Dec. 12: "Leon Golub: Live & Die Like a Lion?", featuring late drawings by the American artist. in the main gallery. Nov. 11. 6 p.m.: Gallery Talk. Brett 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, Nov. 13, 2 p.m.: "Art and Oppression: Leon Golub and Shirin Neshat " Eduardo Cadava, professor of English, Princeton University, and Ranianna Khanna. Margaret Taylor Smith

Director of Women's Studies, Duke University discuss the treatment of oppression in the artwork of Golub and Neshat Nov 17 10 a.m.: Educating the Eve series, "Barbara Crane and Brad Temkin: Choices in Contemporary Photography." \$10; free for Block Museum members. Reservations are required: call (847) 491-7540 Dittmar Memorial Gallery at Northwestern University's Norris Center.

1999 Campus Drive, Evanston. www.norris.northwestern.edu/dittmar. nhn. (847) 491-2348. The gallery is onen from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Admission is free Nov 4-Dec 9: "Intense Brightness" works by Licha DeLaPena. Chicago-based artist DeLaPena creates textured vibrant acrylic paintings inspired by her Logan Square neighbor hood. An opening reception will be

held from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 5. Evanston Art Center, 2603 Sheridan Road www.evanstonartcenter.org (847) 475-5300. Gallery hours: 10 a.m. 10 n m Monday-Thursday: 10 a m -4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays: 1-4 p.m. Sundays. Through Nov. 7: "Through the Looking Glass."

Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Gallery hours: 9 a m -5 n m Monday-Friday Contact Shirley Engelstein, fine arts coordina tor. (847) 674-3806. Through Nov. 5: "A Passion for the Fine Arts," works by Robert G. Lyon. Lyon's work is inspired in part by photographs taken locally and while traveling in the United States and overseas. He reflects his interests in subjects as varied as dancers, musicians, landscapes and portraits.

Northwestern University's Frances Searle Building, 2240 Campus Drive. Evanston, Through Dec. 6: "Stroke and Beyond," works by Len Upin. The collection of portraits and personal stories shows how lives are changed due to a stroke.

Noyes Cultural Arts Center Gallery 927 Noves St., Evanston, (847) 448-8260. Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sundays, Admission is free. Through Nov. 30: "Life After." works by Nnenna Okore, a

Nigerân-born sculptor working with woven fiber and recycled materials. Oakton Community College. Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road Des Plaines. (847) 635-2633. www.oakton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays. Through Nov. 6: The Women's and Gender Studies Program at Oakton presents "No Place Like Home: Examining Changing Landscape in Our Lives," a juried exhibition featuring works by more than 60 women

Perspective Group and Photography Gallery, 1315-1/2B Chicago Ave., Evanston, a not-for-profit, communityoriented cooperative whose purpose is to promote photography as fine art. Gallery hours are noon-6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday: noon-5 p.m. Sundays. Visit http://perspectivegallery.org or call (224) 200-1155, Nov. 4-28: "Reflect tions," photographs by Mark Kaufman and "Imagined Landscapes," photographs by Bob Tanner, as well winning photographs from the sixth annual Faces of Evanston contest. Opening re ception from 5-8 p.m. Nov. 6.

Seniors Action Service, 1123 Emerson, Suite 200, Evanston. (847) 864-7274. www.SASlathome.org. Gallery hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays or by appointment. Nov. 14-Feb. 11. 2011: "Celebrating Experience: A Gallery of Art by Older Adults," with works by Diane Fite. Patience Kramer and Baila Miller. Artists' reception will be held from 2-4 p.m. Nov. 14.

Simply Chicago Art, 1318 Oakton St.. Evanston. (847) 864-0716. www.simplychicagoart.com. Gallery hours are 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturdays; 1-5 p.m. Sundays. Through Nov. 21: "A Sick Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste," works by Steve

Skokie Art Guild's 2010 Members Only Fall Exhibit will be showing through Nov. 20 at the Skokie Public Library 5215 Oakton St. Visit www.skokieart auild.org.

AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES

MUSICIANS Canzonetta Youth Orchestra is seek-

ing players for the 2010-11 music season. Directed by Hilel Kagan. Canzonetta is a chamber orchestra that offers instruction for children interested in developing their orchestral skills. Training orchestra. for 7- to 10-yearolds with beginning orchestral experi ence. meets from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturdays. The Intermediate orchestra, for 10- to 13-year-olds with more advanced training, meets from 3-4:30 p.m. Sundays. The Senior orchestra, a high school group for advanced musicians meets from 1-3 p.m. Sundays. There will be at least four concerts throughout the year. All orchestras meet at the Wilmette Recreation Center, 3000 Glenview Road. For audition information, call Helia Schramm, (847) 328-0570. Music Institute of Chicago is sponsoring the Generation Next Young Composer's Competition. Prizes range from \$75 to \$350 and include a concert of the winning works, a CD recording of the performance, and scholarships to participate in MIC's Composer's Lab.

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Skokie Concert Choir seeks male and female singers at any level of choral experience. No auditions are held. The choir performs a variety of music. from classical to Broadway, and performs two concerts annually, under the direction of Candice Crane, with accompanist Adrian Metzger. Rehearsals are held from 7-9 p.m. Mondays, September through June, at Old Orchard Junior High School 9310 Kenton Ave. Skokie. Visit www.skokiechoir.org or call (847) 674-3219.

Seeking vendors, artists and craftsmen for a holiday boutique to be held from 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Nov. 11 at Ezra Habonim the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie. Call the synagogue office at (847) 675-4141 or e-mail Judy@tc-

The Christmas in Park Ridge Boutique. sponsored by The Center of Concern. seeks participants for its boutique and craft show to be held Nov. 20-21 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Park Ridge. Space rental is \$20-\$80, plus 10% of sales, Call (847) 823-0920 (evenings) Application deadline is Nov. 12.

BENEFITS

Singer-songwriter Mark Cleveland and his Mark Cleveland Band will present a benefit concert for Evanston's Mitchell Museum of the American Indian from 6:30-9 p.m. Nov. 4 at Prairie Moon restaurant, 1502 Sherman Ave. Evanston, Tickets are \$60 per person. which includes entertainment appetizers and one beverage. A split-the-pot cash raffle will be held, with raffle tick ets costing \$5 each or six for \$25. The winner need not be present. For information_call (847) 475-1030 or visit www.mitchellmuseum.org.

Saint Scholastica Academy's Alumnae Board presents award-winning Broadway and Hollywood composer Marvin Hamlisch in a program at 8 p.m. Nov. 6 in the school's Patricia G Nolan Center for Arts Auditorium 7416 N. Ridge Blvd. Chicago, Tickets are \$65 and include a recention at 7 n.m. For information call (773) 764-5715, ext. 360, or visit www.scholasticacommunity.us

The Chicago Stereo Camera Club will host its 62nd annual "Chicago Lighthouse International Exhibition of Stereo Photography" at 2 p.m. Nov. 20 at Oakton Community College, Hartstein Campus Room A151, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave. Skokie. The international iuried exhibition features 3-dimensional photographic slides viewed through polarized glasses, set to a musical background, and 3-dimensional cards and anadyph prints to be viewed during the intermission. A minimum donation of \$6 is requested at the door. Proceeds benefit The Chicago Lighthouse for People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired For information visit http://chicagostereocameraclub.org/l

Tamar-Modin Hadassah presents Jew ish a cannella ensemble Shircago in concert at 7:15 p.m. Nov. 20 at the Win-

netka Community House, 620 Lincoln Ave. Winnetka, Tickets are \$20 in advance: \$36 reserved section: \$25 general seating at the door Proceeds ben efit Hadassah Medical Organization. For tickets, call (847) 675-6790.

The Musical Offering of Evanston will hold a benefit from 2-4 p.m. Nov. 21 at SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. The day includes crafts and activities for children, food and drinks, a silent auction and a performance of "O Saci," a musical theater piece. Tickets: \$15: \$10 students and seniors. Visit www.evanstonspace.com or call Rick Ferguson, (847) 866-6260.

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the Ceramics Club at Oakton Community College, will be held from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Dec. 4 at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Professional and student notters from the Chicago area have contributed hundreds of bowls for the fund-raiser which benefits local food charities. For a donation of \$12, participants select a handcrafted bowl that is theirs to keep, and receive a simple meal of soup and bread. The event includes a raffle drawing for ceramic art works and a silent auction of sculpture and jewelry. Entertainment will be provided by the acoustic duo Patchouli. For information, call (847) 635-1699.

BOOKS & POETRY

Borders Books and Music, 1700 Maple Ave. Evanston, (847) 733-8852, Oct. 29 5-7 n.m.: Robert McClory will discuss and sign Radical Disciple: Father Pflener St Sahina Church and the Fight for Social Justice, Nov. 7, 3 p.m.: Irving Cutter will present a reading and slide show and sign copies of his latest book Chicago's Jewish West Side, Nov. 19. 7 p.m.: Skokie resident Debbie Sue Goodman will discuss and sign her books. My Husband the Stranger, Still Single and Still Dating.

Borders Bookstore, 2817 N. Clark St Chicago (773) 935-3909, Nov. 5, 7 p.m. Skokie resident Debbie Sue Goodman will discuss and sign her books My Husband the Stranger. Still Single and Still Dating.

Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave. (847) 677-5277. www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org. Nov. 8, 1 p.m.: Discussion of Let the Great World Spin by Colum McCann.

BROADCAST

Quartet Danae, an ensemble comprised of Chicago teens that study at the Music Institute of Chicago in Evanston, will appear on the NPR radio program "From the Top" at 7 p.m. Nov. 7 on WFMT 98.7. Quartet Danae includes violinists Zachary Spontak. 18. from Fairbanks Alaska, and Sophia Cho. 18, from Park Ridge; violist Leal Ferguson, 17. from Wilmette; and cellist Ben Fried, 17, from Highland Park.

CHILD'S PLAY

The Book Stall at Chestnut Court. 811 Elm St., Winnetka. (847) 446-8880. www.thebookstall.com. Nov. 19, 4:30 p.m.: "Pajama and Teddy Bear Storytime" will feature picture book writer Carolyn Crimi reading from her new book, Principal Fred Won't Go to Bed.

Children ages 3-7 are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to the storytime Free

Kids Fare series, featuring hour-long concerts for children ages:3 to 8 and their families, are held at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern Universiv 50 Arts Circle Drive Evanston unless noted otherwise. Information: (847) 491-5441: tickets: (847) 467-4000 www.nickstaiger.org. All Kids Fare concerts begin at 10:30 a.m. Tickets: \$7: \$5 for senior citizens: \$4 for children. Nov. 6: "Rebellious Rhythms." The Northvestern University Percussion Ensemble will showcase the diversity of musical instruments such as drums and rattles, Jan. 22, 2011: "Banding Together." Brass and woodwind players and percussionists from Northwestern's Sym

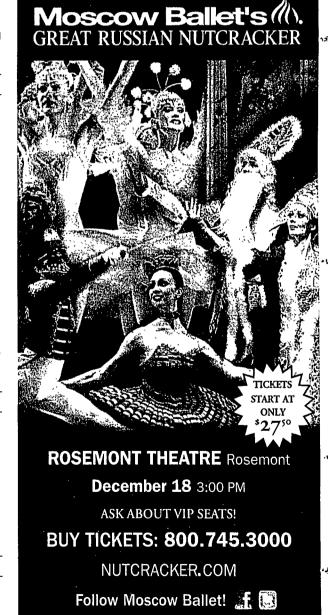
phonic Band will perform band music. Feb. 12, 2011: "Sing a Song, Sing Along." Vocalists from folk music to opera singers will perform. March 12. 2011: "Jump That Rhythm." Dance company Jump Rhythm Jazz Project performs to an array of music. April 23, 2011: "Pluck Those Strings." A celebration of string instruments by the Northwestern Uni versity Guitar Ensemble will feature quitars banios lutes mandolins. harns, halalaikas, ukuleles and more. May 7, 2011: "Charming Chamber Music "featuring string woodwind and - ** brass instrumentalists and small en-

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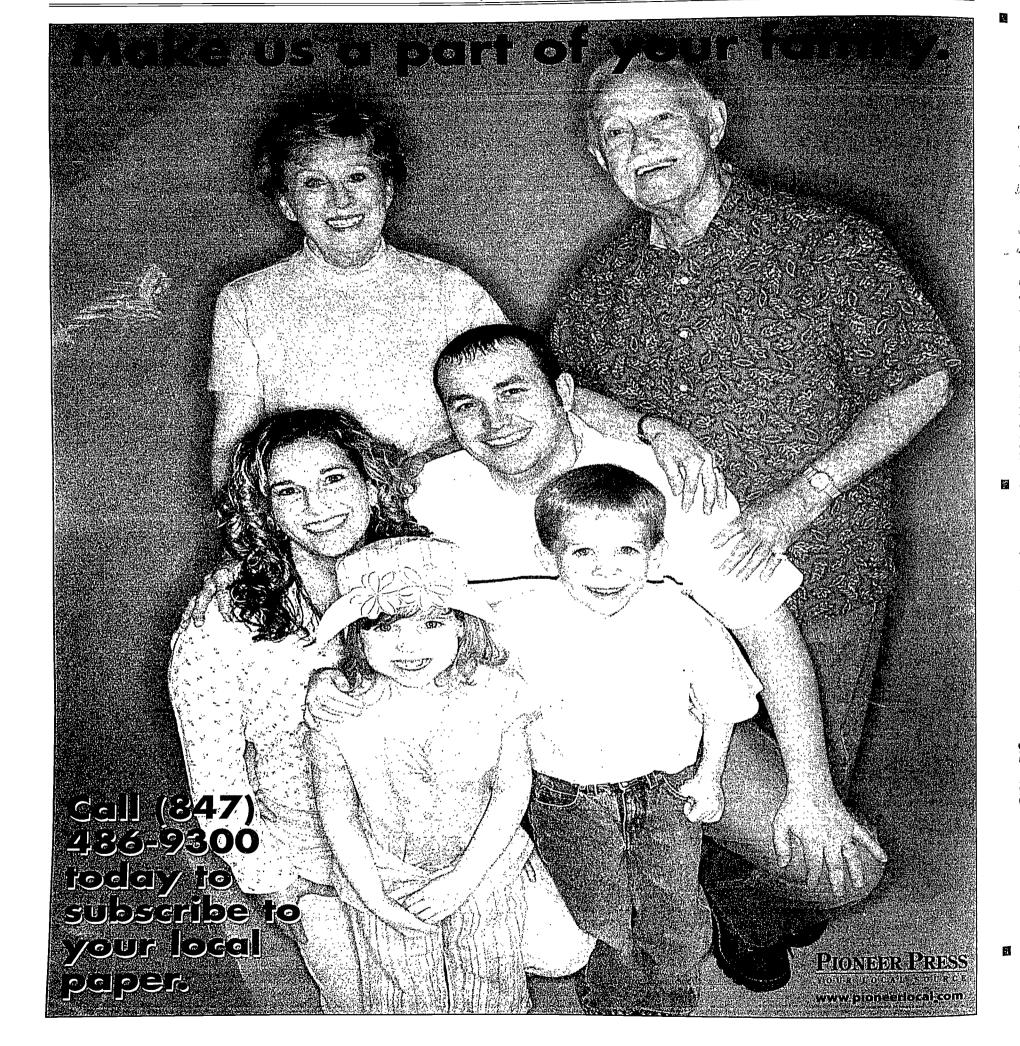
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21, 8 p.m.: Singer/songwriter Bleu. \$10. Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m.; Indie band Seryn. The Numbers, a Bolingbrook-based alternative country band, opens. \$10. Nov. 24. 9 p.m.: Family Groove Company (funk/iazz). Thinner Teed opens. presenting lazz, funk, blues, reggae and rock, \$10, Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m.: Asian American singer/songwriter BettySoo (folk-rock). Singer/songwriter Imelda de la Cruz opens, followed by Sarah Vonderhaar, \$10. Dec. 2, 8 p.m.: Shannon McNally and Hot Sauce (rock and Americana). \$10 in advance: \$12 at the n.m.: Eastern Blok plays world music. \$15. Dec. 9. 8 p.m.: Geoff Muldaur and Jim Kweskin (folk and Americana). \$20 in advance: \$25 at the door.

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Orive. Evanston, Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public: senior citizens and NH faculty and staff: and student rate. Information: (847) 491-5441: tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org, Nov. 13, 7:30 p.m.: "An Evening of Jazz." with Patricia Barber and Kenny Werner. \$18/\$15/\$8.

Regenstein Recital Hall at Northwestern University. 60 Arts Circle Drive.

ulty and staff; and student rate. Nov. 17 7:30 p.m.: Small Ensemble Concert. "Music of Northwestern Jazz Studies Students," \$7/\$5/\$4

Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater. call (847) atre.com. Nov. 16: The Australian Pink greatest hits. \$25, \$35, \$45, \$55. Skokie Central Traditional Congrega tion, 4040 Main St. Skokie, Nov. 14 7 p.m.: Maxwell Street Klezmer Band, featuring tenor Pavel Roytman. Tickets: \$25: \$10 for children under 16, Call

Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts in the Skokie The-Benoit (blues/rock), \$20/\$25, Nov. 14: atre 7924 Lincoln Ave. Skokie For information, call (847) 677-7761 or visit The Chanin Sisters and The Pines (indie folk), \$10/\$12. Nov. 15: Melissa Mancheswww.skokietheatre.com. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, unless ter. \$25/\$30. Nov. 16. 8 p.m.: Bobby Long. \$12/\$15. Nov. 18: Guitarist Pete noted otherwise, Nov. 6, 8 p.m.; Char-Huttlinger \$15/\$20 Nov 19 Bill Friselt's Jene Brooks presents "Confessions of a Cabaret Cantor." Nov. 7, 7 p.m.: "An Disfarmer Project (jazz/quitar) \$15/\$20, Nov. 21: Isaac Russell, \$8/\$12. Evening with Neil Diamond," starring Steve Richards, Nov. 10, 1:30 p.m.: Jack Nov. 25: Dave Specter's Adventures in Guitar with Mark Wydra, \$12/\$15, Nov. Miuccio's "Forever Frank" (Sinatra). Nov. 14, 2 p.m.: Bounding Main, Nov. 14 26: American English (Beatles tribute). 8 p.m.: Sarah Marie Young, Nov. 19, 8 \$17/\$20. Nov. 27: Andrew Ripp. \$10/\$14. p.m.: SamaSama Project presents "Sar-Nov. 28 7 p.m.: Paul Geremia and Jim suela Ni Lola" ("Grandma's Musical") Craig (folk). \$12/\$15. Dec. 1: Jenny (Filipino folk fusion). Nov. 21, 2 p.m.: Scheinman with Nels Cline, Jim Black and Todd Sickafoose (Americana). \$25/\$30. Dec. 2-3: Hot Buttered Rum and The Lee Boys (bluegrass). \$20/\$25. Dec. 8: Jeffery Foucault. \$12/\$15. Dec. 9:

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Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave., Wilmette. (847) 251·7424. www.wilmettetheatre.com. Nov. 15. 7:30 p.m.: Cabaret at the Mette presents "Broad way with Bob and Kat." starring Kat Taylor and Bob Moreen, \$20: \$15 for students and senior citizens, Nov. 21. 7:30 p.m.: "interFRIENOtions," an evening of friendship in song, with Joanie Winter, Sharon Carlson, John Eskola and Patricia Rusk, \$20: \$15 for students and senior citizens.

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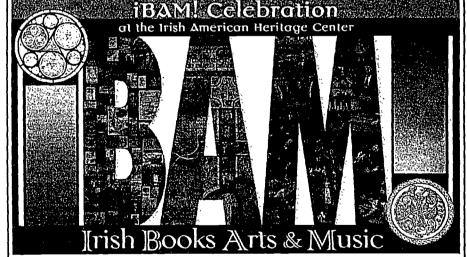
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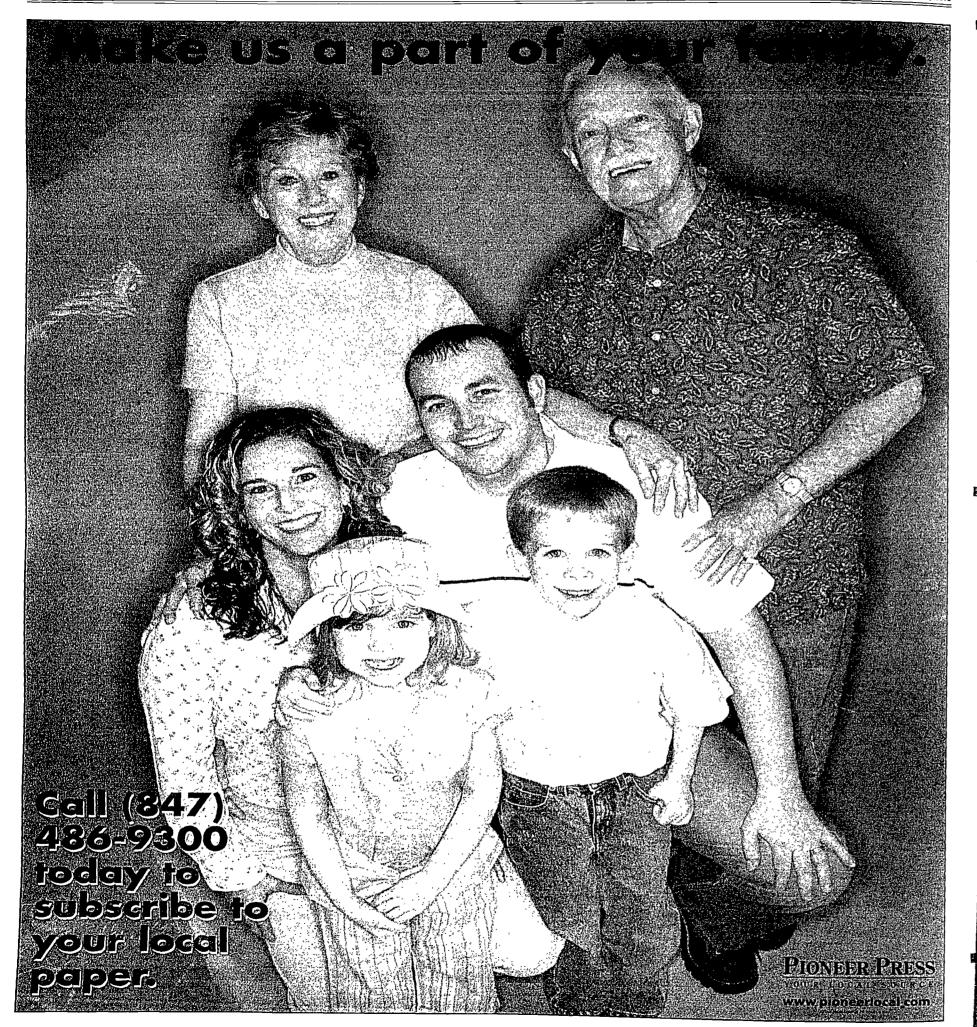
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Open its doors and Panamera reveals beauty

BY REX ROY

ntroduced in the summer of 2009, Porsche's Panamera sedan caused quite a stir. It was Porsche's first sedan.

Now that we Americans have had almost a year to get used to Porsche's first sedan, and the furor over its introduction has passed, it's time for a fair evaluation.

The best way to introduce yourself to the Panamera is from the inside out. The reasoning: The Panamera isn't a beautiful car from the outside. While it has some proper Porsche cues, its athletics aren't in the same league as the Maserati Quattroporte, Aston Martin Rapide or even the Mercedes-Benz CLS.

However, if you're in the market for this kind of exceptional vehicle, letting the exterior stop you from discovering all that the 2011 Panamera Turbo offers would be a tragic mistake.

While Audi is properly recognized as being an innovator in interior designs, the Panamera's interior is one of the most beautiful in all of

autoSPECS

2011 PANAMERA TURBO

ENGINE: twin-turbo 500-horsepower

4.8-liter V-8

TRANSMISSION: Porsche-Doppelkupplungsgetriebe

DRIVETRAIN: all-wheel drive

FUEL ECONOMY: 15 city/23 highway

BASE PRICE: \$135,300

AS TESTED: not available

WEBSITE: www.porsche.com

autodom. The layout, materials and overall environment are among the best of the best.

Regarding layout, the Panamera is not a two plus two with limited room in back. A long wheelbase of 114.9 inches stretches out the distance between the front and rear seats. Rear-seat passengers enjoy surprising room that provides ample space for those as tall as 6 feet 2 inches.

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New pricing, low rates spark a surge at The Glen

Patriot Commons at The Glen has sold four more townhomes and secured deposits or sold five of the final 13 final condominiums available in the current building. The builder's new pricing and today's historic mortgage rates have created a window of opportunity, and buyers clearly have noticed.

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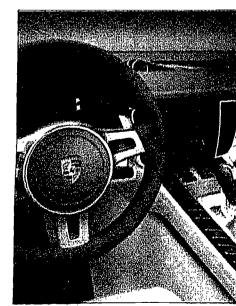
2011 Panamera Turbo creates a stir

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Headroom for all seats measures 38 inches or greater, which is slightly more generous than the front headroom in the full-size Mercedes-Benz S-Class. To ensure that all occupants can get comfortable, front seats feature 18 adjustments, while the rear features eight.

Soft leathers and impressive use of polished metals come across as elegant and functional. Porsche also refused to cave in to the trend of providing a convoluted interface device such as BMW's iDrive. Porsche stayed with an arrangement of well-organized buttons, switches and knobs that are easily navigated and understood.

Highlighting the Panamera's sports car DNA, the driving position is nearly identical to a Porsche 911's in terms of height and placement. This low and dynamic seating arrangement immediately lets the driver know he's not behind the wheel of a normal sedan - as if the 500 horsepower waiting under the hood weren't a reminder



Unlike the sporty 911, Caymen and Boxter, the Panamera has its engine up front. The fabulous 928, 944 and 968 models should erase any doubts as to whether Porsche is capable of engineering a front-engine sport car.

This top-of-the-line Panamera Turbo boasts a twin-turbo 500-horsepower 4.8-liter V-8. While other Panamera models are offered in rear- and all-wheel-drive configurations, the Turbo comes only with AWD so drivers can safely manage its power.

The Turbo's 500 horsepower and heady 516 pound-feet of torque come from a proven 4.8-liter V-8 that has been the mainstay of the Cavenne SUV since 2001. With two small turbo chargers, there is virtually no meaningful turbo lag. The engine now uses efficient direct fuel injection and auto stop, a feature that can shut down the engine while the car is at rest at traffic lights, train crossings, etc.

Porsche offers only one gearbox in Panameras headed for the United States - the double-clutch transmission Porsche-Doppelkupplungsgetriebe (PDK). Even though it functions like a traditional automatic, this transmission is really a sophisticated manual gearbox with no clutch pedal. All clutch work is done inside the gearbox automatically and faster than even the quickest race driver could manage. While Porsche has used this technology for two decades in racecars, this is the first highvolume production installation of the gearbox.

The gearbox helps the powerful V-8 achieve 15 mpg city, 23 mpg highway. Economy is good nough that the feds don't stigmatize the Panamera Turbo with the anti-green gas guzzler tax.

While today there are plenty of cars with 500 horsepower that aren't genuine sports cars, the Panamera Turbo is most certainly a sports car. Its low center of gravity and the excellent adaptive air suspension with Porsche dynamic chassis control (optional) make this car drive like no other fourdoor you've driven.

Because it was designed to be a sports car - and not a sporting version of a larger, taller sedan - the Panamera simply handles and drives with superb alacrity. While you can feel the personality of the chassis on nearly any road, driving all out at places like Joliet's Autobahn Country Club or Wisconsin's

Road America highlights the Porsche's spectacular

On the race track, with the Porsche active suspension management set on sport plus, the suspension stiffens and the PDK delivers nearly instant shifts at just the right place on the track. It's as if a Le Mans driver were remotely selecting the shift points and beaming them to your car. Stability at speeds exceeding 140 mph elicits a kind of calm that defies reason.

Its top speed is 188 mph, while 0-60 mph is dispatched in around four seconds.

If you see a Panamera next to a 911, you'll note some interesting physical characteristics. The family resemblance up front is unmistakable. The Panamera is longer and wider, of course, but it's not much taller. A tall Porsche sedan would never do.

Another comparison helps size up the Panamera: It's actually wider than a full-size Mercedes-Benz S-Class sedan. This substantial width enabled engineers to package the four exceptionally comfortable bucket seats within the Panamera's swoopy shape. The aforementioned ample rear headroom and a useful 15.7 cubic feet of trunk room necessitated the humpback shape at the rear of the car.

For those who don't like the exterior, give it some time. It may grow on you. This could be a car somebody chooses because of its interior and performance, not its styling.

Starting around \$135,000, the 2011 Panamera Turbo isn't priced exorbitantly given all that it offers. If, however, somebody wants the looks and cache of the Panamera in a less powerful and costly package, the new 300-horsepower Panamera V-6 is

With a top speed of approximately 160 mph and quick sub-six-second 0-60 mph sprint, it is still a true Porsche. Now in dealerships, the base Panamera starts at \$74,400.

Rex Roy is a Detroit-based automotive journalist and author. He can be reached at www.RexRoy.uet.

Electric Vehicle Tour," which kicked off at Portland State University in Oregon last month, is visiting 14 key cities to promote Ford's electric vehicle strategy as well as educate consumers about what to expect from electrified automobiles and what is needed from the public and private sector to support this new technology. Chicago and Detroit are the only two Midwest cities

Over the next two years, Ford will inroduce the Transit Connect Electric small commercial van (2010), Focus Electric passenger car (2011), two third-generation ithium-ion battery hybrids (2012) and a plug-in hybrid (2012).

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Ford works

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Last week Ford Motor Co. convened key experts from the city of Chicago and ComEd to examine critical issues related to consumer adoption of electric vehicles. Ford has been working to engage utilities, city and state governments and infrastructure providers in efforts to promote the commercialization of electrified vehicles to reduce CO2 missions and increase energy security.

"Ford has an aggressive plan to bring

ive new electrified vehicles to market over the next two years, including the Transit

Connect Electric (below) later this year and the Ford Focus Electric in 2011," said Sherif Marakby, director of Ford's electri-

ication program and engineering. "There s incredible excitement for electric vehicles in the Chicago area. To support the rollout

and acceptance of these vehicles in Chicago and across the country, it is critical to work with local utilities and cities to make sure the necessary electric infrastructure and grid is

ready for both vehicles and consumers."

Ford plans to work with utilities as well

as state and local officials to address issues

related to the permitting and regulations

that can support electric vehicle infrastruc-

ture. An easy charging station permitting

process is considered an important element

for electric vehicle acceptance in the Chi-

cago area, Illinois and across the country.

"Electric vehicles will be a key new

technology in helping to reach the goals of

the Chicago Climate Action Plan," said Sa-

zanne Malec-McKenna, commissioner of

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New pricing, historic low rates spark a surge

Sales up at The Glen's new condo, townhome community

The Glen's hottest new condo and townhome community is seeing a surge in sales.

In the post few weeks, Patriot Commons at The Glen has sold four more townhomes and secured deposits or sold five of the final 13 final condominiums available in the current building.

The builder's new pricing and today's historic mortgage rates have created a window of opportunity, and buyers clearly have noticed.

"We have the amazing location and walkable lifestyle that buyers are looking for," said Nicolle Bastian-Gardiner, the community's senior sales manager.

"When they find out we also have prices they can't best and then feetor in an unbelievable mortgage rate, they can't walk away."

Buyers can own an impressive

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"For those ready to move now, we have a few townshomes available for immediate occupancy so they can enjoy the holidays in their new home," said Bastian-Gardiner.

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A few townhomes like the one pictured are ready for move in at Patriot Co at The Glen, so home buyers can enjoy the holidays in a new home.

market rate programs and long-term rate locks only available through TBI Mortgage.

All are welcome to visit and tour the decorated townhome model as well as other townhomes and condominiums at various stages of construction. The community is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Maps and directions can be found at PatriotCommon-AtTfreGlen.com.

The spaceous low-maintenance townhomes offer three or four bedrooms and 2½ hoths with .550 to 1700 square feet of one- or two-level living. Three spaceous and unique designs feature high-end finishes like granite countertops. Kohler fixtures and rich hardwood hooring, plus tall cellings, in-home storage space, two private baleonies and an attached two-ear ga-

rage.
Also available are the popular condominiums. One-bedroom, two-bedroom, but one-bedroom, two-bedroom, and two-bedroom, but one-bedroom, but one-bedroom, but one-bedroom, but one-bedroom, but of living space with 1½ to two baths. Each residence has a private baleony and many offer breathtaking golf course views.
Interiors include 9-foot ceilings, hardwood floors and a complete stainless steel appliance package including a refrigerator, range, dishwasher, microwave, washer and dryer. Condominium owners enjoy elimate-controlled indoor heated parking, the convenience of two elevators per building, a secure storage area and a common entertainment room.

Town Center featuring fine dining first-class shopping, everyday conveniences such as the drycleaner and bank, as well as entertainment venues and lots of nightlife. Commuters will enjoy access to The Glen's own Metra station.

Year-round recreational activities

Year-round recreational activities are steps away at The Glen Town Center along with world-class amenities such as The Glen Club, an 18-hole championship golf course nestled alongside the community.

Sports enthusiasts will be enthralled by Gallery Park featuring playgrounds, gardens, athletic fields, tennis courts, walking and biking trails and plenic areas, all located adjacent to the community. In addition, Glen Park Center boasts a fitness center, indoor swimming pool, jogging and walking track and gymnasium.

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Chicago market offers distressed property bargains

The Great Recession has put for-sale signs on a large number of distressed properties in the Chiego area, and as a result this could also be the year of unusual real estate bargains, experts say.

The RE/MAX Northern Illinois real estate



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The RE/MAX Northern Illinois real estate network reports that the average price paid for those homes that changed hands in September in the metro Chicago real estate market was \$238,562, down
4.6 percent from the average price a year earlier.

"Home prices are still under pressure from the large number of distressed properties on the market," said Jim Merrion, regional director of the RE/MAX Northern Illinois. In September, distressed properties accounted for 2,239 sales in the metro Chicago area, or 42.5 percent of all closed sales.

"That is the highest percentage of distressed sales, relative to total sales, that we have seen since March and helps explain why prices looked softer in September than in August," said Merrion.

He noted that for detached homes the percentage of total transactions represented by properties selling for less than \$160,000 rose to 38 percent this September from 32 percent a year earlier.

The high percentage of distressed sales and the large number of homes changing hands at the low end of the price range, "suggest that investors, who are aften attracted to these types of properties. were quite active in September," Merrion said.

Year-to-date home sales in the metro area through September remain 14 percent higher than during the first nine months of 2009, a 24-percent decline that is quite similar to sales levels seen in July and August.

"We believe that over the next several quarters the metro Chicago real estate

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The architecturnily distinctive condominium building overlooking the Harms Woods forest preserve is the ideal solution for buyers who are attracted to sophisticated eity amenities and the serene benuty of nature. The strategie loention of Optima Old Orehard Woods is one of many factors that have made it one of the fastest-selling communities of its type on the near North Shore.

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"Rarely has a condominium community offered such diversity to buyers," said Dwid Hovey, president of Optima, Inc., the developer and antionally neclaimed rehiteet. "Not only does the location provide necess to every kind of recrention but the building itself offers a variety of sizes, price ranges and views to appent to every taste and budget."
"This is an ilfestyle community where residents ean enjoy freedom from outside maintenance chores and concentrate on family, friends, eareers and recreation. The building also has unique signature features such as the green roof sky gardens, landscaped terraces and baleonies that are not only beautiful but also environmentally friendly," he said. "Depending on location, buyers can choose plans that overlook the forest preserve, the North Shore or the downtown elty skyline."

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Woods offers a winning combo for condo living

Do you enjoy the benuty of nature, long walks in the woods, golf just minutes nawny yet without the upkeep of your own yard? Do you dolight in eity nightlife, world elass shopping and a high-style residence with

"Optimo Old Orehard Woods has an exceptional environment and loention, so buyers don't have to ehoose between leaving eity jobs and amenities behind in order to connect with the serenity of nature that is important to so many people today." Eric Richards, sales and marketing manager. "Many residents enjoy traveling downtown for plays, concerts and special events, just 20 minutes away vin public transportation or the Edens Expressway, while at the same time they may bicycle, like, play golf or ride horses in Harms Woods just neross the street. Shoppers are just three blocks nway from Old Orehard Shopping Center, and residents who are athletes or who just enjoy hiking or bicycling enjoy the 2c-mile North Branch Traif that ends at Chiengo Botanie Gardens in Gleneoe."

The main attraction at Optima Old Or-

enjoy hiking or bieyeling enjoy the 20-mile North Braneh Traif that ends at Chiengo Botnnie Gardens in Glenecoe."

The mnin nitraetion nt Optimn Old Orehard Woods is the building itself and the condominium plans and indoor amenities. The residences bonst floor-to-eeiling windows that frame the views, and luxury is built into ench flexible floor plan. Residents will be plensed to have hardwood flooring in the living areas, kitehens with stainless-steel appliances, designed enbinetry and granite countertops, luxury baths, stainless-steel meshers and dryers plus window treatments. Fireplaces and other extra necents are available.

The luxurious lifestyle also includes indoor, secure hented parking and convenience shopping including a gourmet greener, coffee shop and dry eleaner with delivery service. The pet-friendly building has a designated dog park.

In addition to outdoor recreation, the



City chic and country charm abound at optima old orchard Woods in Skokie, overlooking

building fentures n pool and two spas in n room with floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking the woods. A sundeek, inviting party room and work-out rooms on the penthouse floor of eneh tower and a separate two-story, glass-enelosed entry for eneh tower enable residents to live large in elegant surroundings.

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'Painted Ladies' take center stage

On Oct 28, the "ladies" were honored at a special dinner celebration in Schaumburg.
They were clad not in flowing gowns but pictured in coats of paint, and the event was hosted by the Chieago Paint & Coatings Association.
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Association.

The event marked an honor paid to "Chiengo's Finest Painted Ladies," a "beauty contest for houses" saluting the area's most colorfully painted homes, business buildings and other structures that in many ways beautify their neighborhoods.

This unusual beautification project for homes originated in Chiengo and has received national attention. Seven houses have been featured in the book "Painted Ladies, U.S.A." by Larsen & Pomada.

This team's competition placed.

at attention. Seven houses have been featured in the book "Paint-ed Ladies, U.S.A." by Larsen & Pomada.

This year's competition closed on Labor Day, and the the entries were judged not only on the beauty of the craftsmanship of the paint application, but how well they complement the structure.

Winners were selected based on a variety of categories, Among the winning entegories were Best Use of Color Combinations, Best Use of Color Combinations, Best Use of Color for Multiple Surfaces. One Grand prize winner was selected from all entries for both professionally painted and non-professionally painted in orente more opportunities for homeowners and businesses to enter the context beyond just traditional Painted Ladies," said Bill Heiden, chairman of the context. "Changes in home and business renovation, restoration and construction create new challenges and opportunities to use paint and coatings," he said. "Yet it is the use of paint and epoch the treates interest and appeal to the public and the surrounding homes and businesses in a rea. We hope our contest now and in the future will inspire homeowners and businesses in an area. We hope our contest now and in the future will inspire homeowners and businesses and other related structures were optically and the proposition of the context."

ers and business of many styles to be creative."

Homes, Businesses and other pointed structures were consid-ered for the contest. The style, size or age of the property were not actors in selecting the win-ners, and although the contest was open to homes and commer-cial properties all over the Chica-go area, one was a winning entry from Walworth, Wis.

Information may be obtained from the Chicago Paint & Coat-ings Association by calling 847-



Winner, Best Professionally Painted Home, entered by James McAuley for 1333 Church St., Evanston



240-0102 or visiting the Web site at www.chicagopaint.org. The CPCA office is at 1701 Woodfield Road Suite 205, in Schaumburg. This year's winning entries by category were:

***Grand Prize, Best Craftmanship of Paint Application, Ame Bird, 268 Sences St., Eigin, The painter was Homework Construction, Inc.

***Best Professionally Painted.

James McCauley, 1333 Church St., Evanston. Painter was Louis Perlia.

St., Evanston. Painter was Louis Perlia.

Best Non-Professionally Paint-cd, Don Cole, 418 Walnut Stt., Batavia.

Best Use of Detail, Jim Sosnos-ki and Patricia Harkin, 1005 N.

Spring St., Elgin. Pointing was by Quality Pointing and Carpentry.

Best Use of Color for Multiple Surfaces, Carol McCullough, 1220
Elmwood Ave., Evanston. Painted by Thomas J. Dewey & Company.

Best Use of Color Combinations To Enhance Details, Jim and Janice Gleason, 18 Spring St., Cary. Painted by Swanson Painting.

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Best Use of Color For the Style of the Structure, Jed and Cindy Mundell, 9601 S. Damen Ave., Chicago. Painted by Chicago Stucco Company.

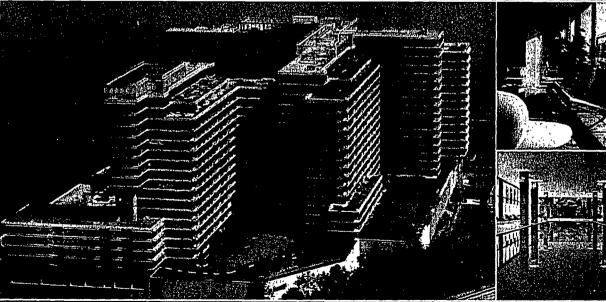
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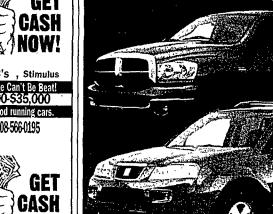
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Admission to the museum is free: unless noted, admission to all programs is also free. Through Dec. 12: "Leon Golub: Live & Die Like a Lion?". featuring .late drawings by the American artist. in the main gallery. Nov. 11. 6 p.m.: Gallery Talk. Brett 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 nhotographer, video artist and filmmaker, in the Alsdorf Gallery, Nov. 13, 2 p.m.: "Art and

Onnression: Leon Golub and Shirin Neshat." Eduardo Cadava, professor of English, Princeton University, and Ranlanna Khanna, Margaret Taylor Smith Director of Women's Studies, Duke University, discuss the treatment of onpression in the artwork of Golub and Neshat, Nov. 17, 10 a.m.: Educating the Eve series, "Barbara Crane and Brad Temkin: Choices in Contemporary Photography." \$10: free for Block Museum members. Reservations are required:

call (847) 491-7540. Dittmar Memorial Gallery at North western University's Norris Center. 1999 Campus Drive, Evanston,

www.norris.northwestern.edu/dittmar php. (847) 491-2348. The gallery is open from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Admission is free. Nov. 4-Dec. 9: "Intense Brightness," works by Licha DeLaPena.

Chicago-based artist DeLaPena creates textured, vibrant acrylic paintings inspired by her Logan Square neighbor hood. An opening reception will be held from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 5.

Evanston Art Center, 2603 Sheridan Road, www.evanstonartcenter.org. (847) 475-5300, Gallery hours: 10 a.m. 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays: 1-4 p.m. Sundays. Through Nov. 7: "Through the Looking Glass."

Lincolnwood Village Hall. 6900 N. Lincoln Ave.. Lincolnwood. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Contact Shirley Engelstein, fine arts coordinator. (847) 674-3806. Through Nov. 5: "A Passion for the Fine Arts," works by Robert G. Lyon. Lyon's work is inspired in part by photographs taken locally and while traveling in the United States and overseas. He reflects his interests in subjects as varied as dancers, musicians, landscapes and portraits.

·Northwestern University's Frances Searle Building, 2240 Campus Drive. Evanston. Through Dec. 6: "Stroke and Beyond," works by Len Upin. The collection of portraits and personal stories shows how lives are changed due to a stroke

 Noyes Cultural Arts Center Gallery. 927 Noyes St., Evanston. (847) 448-8260. Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Sal urday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sundays, Admission is free. Through Nov. 30: "Life Af ter." works by Nnenna Okore. a Nigerân-born sculptor working with woven fiber and recycled materials. Oakton Community College, Koehn

line Museum of Art. 1600 E. Golf Road. Des Plaines. (847) 635-2633. www.oak-

ofchicago.org.

es at 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays at Sokol Community Center, 4855 N. Elston Ave. Chicago, New members welcome, Call (847) 208-6055 or visit chicagometro chorus.com. Skokie Concert Choir seeks male and

female singers at any level of choral experience. No auditions are held. The choir performs a variety of music from classical to Broadway, and per forms two concerts annually, under the direction of Candice Crane with accompanist Adrian Metzger Rehearsals are held from 7-9 n.m. Mondays Sentember through June at Old Orchard Junior High School, 9310 Kenton Ave. Skokie. Visit www.skokiechoir.org or call (847) 674-3219.

ARTISTS

Seeking vendors, artists and craftsmen for a holiday boutique to be held from 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Nov. 11 at Fzra Habonim the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Demoster St., Skokie, Call the synagogue office at (847) 675-4141 or e-mail Judy@tc-SCOFD.com.

The Christmas in Park Ridge Boutique. sponsored by The Center of Concern. seeks participants for its boutique and craft show, to be held Nov. 20-21 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Park Ridge. Space rental is \$20-\$80, plus 10% of sales. Call (847) 823-0920 (evenings). Application deadline is Nov. 12.

Singer-songwriter Mark Cleveland

ent a benefit concert for Evanston's

and his Mark Cleveland Band will pres-

Mitchell Museum of the American Indi-

an from 6:30-9 p.m. Nov. 4 at Prairie

Moon restaurant, 1502 Sherman Ave.

Evanston. Tickets are \$60 per person,

ers and one beverage. A split-the-pot

ets costing \$5 each or six for \$25. The

winner need not be present. For infor-

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Hamlisch in a program at 8 p.m. Nov. 6

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Chicago, Tickets are \$65 and include a

reception at 7 p.m. For information, call

The Chicago Stereo Camera Club will

Stereo Photography" at 2 p.m. Nov. 20

at Oakton Community College, Hart-

stein Campus. Room A151, 7701 N. Lin-

ish a cappella ensemble Shircago in

concert at 7:15 p.m. Nov. 20 at the Win-

host its 62nd annual "Chicago Light-

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(773) 764- 5715, ext. 360, or visit

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mation, call (847) 475-1030 or visit

www.mitchellmuseum.org.

which includes entertainment, appetiz-

cash raffle will be held, with raffle tick-

BENEFITS

Through Nov. 21: "A Sick Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste," works by Steve Skokie Art Guild's 2010 Members Only Fall Exhibit will be showing through Nov. 20 at the Skokie Public Library.

5215 Oakton St. Visit www.skokieart-

ton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10

a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday: 11 a.m.-4

p.m. Saturdays. Through Nov. 6: The

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Visit http://perspectivegallery.org or

call (224) 200-1155, Nov. 4-28: "Reflec

and "Imagined Landscapes," photo-

photographs from the sixth annual

ception from 5-8 p.m. Nov. 6.

Faces of Evanston contest, Opening re

Seniors Action Service, 1123 Emerson,

Suite 200, Evanston, (847) 864-7274.

www.SASiathome.org, Gallery hours

are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fri-

days or by appointment. Nov. 14-Feb. 11.

2011: "Celebrating Experience: A Gallery

of Art by Older Adults." with works by

Diane Fite. Patience Kramer and Baila

Miller. Artists' reception will be held

Simply Chicago Art, 1318 Oakton St.,

Evanston, (847) 864-0716, www.simply-

chicagoart.com. Gallery hours are 11

a.m.-7 p.m. Saturdays: 1-5 p.m. Sundays.

from 2-4 p.m. Nov. 14.

tions." photographs by Mark Kaufman.

graphs by Bob Tanner, as well winning

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Gallery, 1315-1/2B Chicago Ave..

Canzonetta Youth Orchestra is seek ing players for the 2010-11 music season. Directed by Hilel Kagan, Canzonet ta is a chamber orchestra that offers instruction for children interested in developing their orchestral skills. Training orchestra. for 7- to 10-yearolds with beginning orchestral experience, meets from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturdays. The Intermediate orchestra, for 10- to 13-year-olds with more advanced training, meets from 3-4:30 p.m. Sundays. The Senior orchestra, a high school group for advanced musicians meets from 1-3 p.m. Sundays. There will be at least four concerts throughout the year. All orchestras meet at the Wilmette Recreation Center, 3000 Gler view Road. For audition information, call Helia Schramm. (847) 328-0570.

coln Ave., Skokie. The international ju ried exhibition features 3-dimensiona photographic slides viewed through Music Institute of Chicago is sponsorpolarized glasses, set to a musical background, and 3-dimensional cards ing the Generation Next Young Comand anaglyph prints to be viewed durposer's Competition. Prizes range from \$75 to \$350 and include a concert of ing the intermission. A minimum dona the winning works, a CD recording of tion of \$6 is requested at the door. Prothe performance, and scholarships to ceeds benefit The Chicago Lighthouse participate in MIC's Composer's Lab. for People Who Are Blind or Visually Application deadline is Dec. 15. For in-Impaired, For information, visit formation, visit www.musicinstitutehttp://chicagostereocameraclub.org/l Tamar-Modin Hadassah presents Jew

Chicago Metro men's chorus rehears-

netka Community House, 620 Lincoln Ave., Winnetka. Tickets are \$20 in advance; \$36 reserved section; \$25 general seating at the door. Proceeds ben efit Hadassah Medical Organization. For tickets, call (847) 675-6790.

The Musical Offering of Evanston will hold a benefit from 2-4 p.m. Nov. 21 at SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. The day includes crafts and activities for children, food and drinks, a silent auction and a performance of "O Sacia musical theater piece. Tickets: \$15: \$10 students and seniors. Visit www.evanstonspace.com or call Rick Ferguson, (847) 866-6260. Empty Bowls at Oakton, snonsored b the Ceramics Club at Oakton Communi

> ty College, will be held from 10:30 a m -2 p.m. Dec. 4 at Oakton Community Col lege 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Professional and student notters from the Chicago area have contributed hundreds of howls for the fund-raiser which benefits local food charities. Fo a donation of \$12, participants select a handcrafted how that is theirs to keen, and receive a simple meal of soun and bread. The event includes a raffle drawing for ceramic art works and a silent auction of sculpture and iewelry. Entertainment will be provide

formation, call (847) 635-1699.

BOOKS & POETRY

Borders Books and Music, 1700 Maple Ave., Evanston, (847) 733-8852, Oct. 29, 5-7 p.m.: Robert McClory will discuss and sign Radical Disciple: Father Pfleger, St. Sabina Church, and the Fight for Social Justice, Nov. 7, 3 p.m.: Irving Cutler will present a reading and slide show and sign copies of his latest book, Chicago's Jewish West Side, Nov. 19, 7 p.m.: Skokie resident Debbie Sue Goodman will discuss and sign her books, My Husband the Stranger, Still Single and Still Dating.

Borders Bookstore, 2817 N. Clark St., Chicago. (773) 935-3909. Nov. 5. 7 p.m.: Skokie resident Debbie Sue Goodman will discuss and sign her books, My Husband the Stranger, Still Single and Still Dating.

Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W Pratt Ave. (847) 677-5277. www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org. Nov. 8, 1 p.m.: Discussion of Let the Great World Spin by

BROADCAST

Quartet Danae, an ensemble com prised of Chicago teens that study at the Music Institute of Chicago in Evanston, will appear on the NPR radio program "From the Top" at 7 p.m. Nov 7 on WFMT 98.7. Quartet Oanae includes violinists Zachary Spontak, 18, from Fairbanks, Alaska, and Sophia Cho, 18, from Park Ridge; violist Leah Ferguson, 17, from Wilmette; and cellist Ben Fried, 17, from Highland Park.

CHILD'S PLAY

The Book Stall at Chestnut Court. 811 Elm St., Winnetka, (847) 446-8880. www.thebookstall.com, Nov. 19, 4:30 p.m.: "Pajama and Teddy Bear Story time" will feature picture book write Carolyn Crimi reading from her new book. Principal Fred Won't Go to Bed.

Children ages 3-7 are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to the sto-

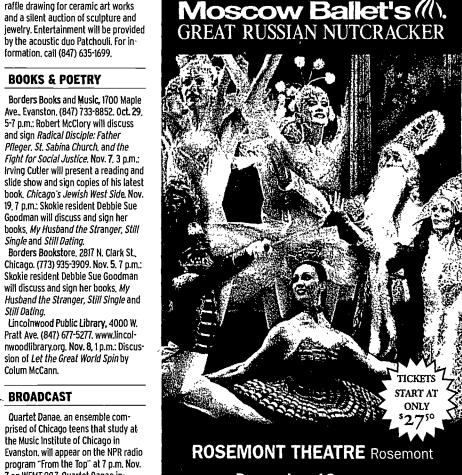
Kids Fare series, featuring hour-lonconcerts for children ages:3 to 8 and their families, are held at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern Universi ty, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, unless noted otherwise. Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets; (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. All Kids Fare concerts begin at 10:30 a.m. Tickets: \$7: \$5 for senior citizens: \$4 for children. Nov. 6: "Rebellious Rhythms." The Northvestern University Percussion Ensemhie will showcase the diversity of musical instruments such as drums and rattles, Jan. 22, 2011: "Banding Together." Brass and woodwind players and percussionists from Northwestern's Syn

versity Guitar Ensemble will feature guitars, banjos, lutes, mandolins. harns halalaikas ukuleles and more May 7, 2011: "Charming Chamber Music." featuring string, woodwind and brass instrumentalists and small en-Jodi Koplin's Jigglejammer classes, for children ages 6 months to 3 years

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Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave. (847) 677-5277. www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org. Nov. 9, during library hours: Diary of a Wimpy Kid event, featuring trivia and prizes. Nov. 9-0ec. 14. 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays: Stories & More, an interactive storytime for children ages 3-5. Nov. 10-Dec. 15. 10 a.m. Wednesdays: Beginning with Books, featuring stories, songs and activities for infants



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senior citizens, students and children. Maximum suggested admission per family is \$10. Kids Craft Mornings are offered from 11 a.m.-noon. Museum staffers and volunteers lead informal workshops where children learn to construct simple versions of tradition al Native American objects and engage in other hands-on activities related to native culture. Admission is included with an entrance donation to the museum. Kids Craft Workshops are recommended for children ages 5 and up, but

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ances and refreshments. Tickets are

(847) 673-6300. www.northshorecen ter.org, Through Oec. 2, 1 p.m. Satur days and Sundays: The Chicago Children's Theatre presents "The Hundred Oresses." Additional performances at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Nov. 26 and 7 p.m. Nov. 27. Tickets: \$26-\$36. On Saturday, Nov. 6, following the 1 p.m. performance. Ralph Covert and G. Riley Mills, the authors of Chicago Children's Theatre's The Hundred Oresses," will participate in a free post-show discussion about the creation of the musical. After the discussion, Chicago Children's Theatre will host a reception with the cast and crew. While there is no charge for the talk back, there is a surcharge for the party. The enhanced package is \$45 for

adults; \$30 for children. To order tickets, contact Maria Gray at mgray@chicagochildrenstheatre.org or (737) 227-0180

Northbrook Musical Theatre for Young Audiences, Northbrook Leisure Center, 3323 Walters Ave., Northbrook. (847) 291-2367. www.northbrooktheatre.org. Through Nov. 20, 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturdays: "Snoopy!!! The Musical." All seats are reserved and priced at \$8 in advance or \$10 online and at the door, with group discounts and party packages available Noves Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noves

St., Evanston. Nov. 13, 3-5 p.m.: Professional magician Sean Masterson presents a magic workshop for children ages 7-12. \$45. For information, visit www.actorsgvmnasium.com

Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100 or visit www.rosemonttheatre.com. Oec. 10, 7 p.m., and Oec. 11, 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.: Barney Live in Concert - Birthday Bash! Tickets: \$15, \$25 and \$35. A limited number of \$45 Gold Circle Seats also available.

"The Secret Garden" will be presented

at 8 p.m. Nov. 12, 18-19; 2 and 8 p.m. Nov. 13 and 20; 2 p.m. Nov. 14 and 21 in Northwestern University's Cahn Audi torium, 600 Emerson St., Evanston, A musical adaptation of the classic novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett, "The Secret Garden" tells the story of Mary Lennox, an orphan sent to live in a haunted English manor, Tickets, \$25; \$20 for seniors; \$10 for students, Imagine U family program. "Stories from the Garden," 10 a.m. Nov. 6 in the Hal and Martha Hver Wallis Theater, 1949 Campus Drive, Evanston, In this inter active session, "The Secret Garden" director Rives Collins and cast members will present a program for children ages 5-10 and their family members. Tickets are \$5, Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern.edu.

COMEDY

Alistate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (800) 745 3000: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The information line is (847) 635-6601. Nov. 19, 8 p.m.: Jeff Foxworthy, Bill Engvall and Larry the Cable Guy. Tickets are \$25, \$39.50, \$59.50.

DANCE

PERFORMANCES

Northwestern University Mariorie Ward Marshall Dance Center, 10 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Nov. 18-20, 8 p.m.: Fall Dance Concert, the annual performance of student choreography produced by Northwestern's New Movement Project, Tickets: \$10: \$5 for students. Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern.edu.

GROUPS & LESSONS

The Centre at North Park, 10040 Addison Ave., Franklin Park. Nov. 14: Sunday dance will be sponsored by Ballroom-Chicago.com, Lesson from 2-2:30 p.m.; open dancing from 2:30-5:30 p.m. \$12 per person, For information, call (847)

Chicago Barn Oance Company sponsors contra dancing from 8-11 p.m. Nov. 22 at S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, with live music and calling. No partner is needed, and there is a lesson at 7:30 p.m. \$7; \$5 for students. Visit www.chicagobarndance.com. Happy Twirlers Oance Club provides round and square dancing at 7:30 p.m. the second Saturday of the month, through May 14, 2011, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Thacker and Lee streets, Des Plaines. \$6 per quest, For information, call (847) 698-5501 or (773) 685-8407

Square Spares & Pairs Square Oance Club, a club for couples and singles. dances the second and fourth Mondays of the month all year long at the Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge. Rounds start at 7:30 p.m., with squares from 8-10 p.m. \$5 for members; \$6 for guests. For information, call (773) 775-9427 or (708)

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

iBAMI a celebration of Irish books. arts and media, will be held from 11

a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 6-7 at the Irish Ameri-Women Architects in the Studio of can Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox, Frank Lloyd Wright" and "Regular or Chicago, More than 100 Irish and Irish Super: Views on Mies van der Rohe themed authors, artists and musicians Nov. 12: "The Fountainhead." Nov. 18: "Infinite Space: The Architecture of will narticipate, including broadcaste and author Frank Delaney and The John Lautner," Nov. 20, 2 p.m.: Free matinee of "Building Blocks: Architec-Boaside Artists from Oerry, Northern ture Shorts." Revivals and Rediscover-Ireland. The event includes a "live" mural painting, book signings, panel disies series - Nov. 17: "Poto and Caben cussions, workshops, a poetry compe-""Bon Jovi~The Circle Tour," featur tition, art exhibits, lectures, theatre ing footage shot at the band's perperformances, live music and Irish dance, and children's activities. Admis formances at New Jersey's New Meadowlands Stadium in May, will be shown

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han's new documentary. "Her Majesty.

'da Queen." a backstage look at the an-

nual Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade

Queen Contest. The screening will be-

screening party in the Fifth Province

gin with introductory remarks by

Houlihan and wrap up with a post

p.m.: World premiere of Mike Houli-

"What Oo You Got." Tickets are avail-

at www.fathomEvents.com.

The event will kick off with a sneak

12, 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles, and

tickets, call (773) 282-7035 or visit www.irish-american.org. St. Mary Of Providence Craft Faire will be held from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 6-7 at the church, 4200 N. Austin Ave., Chicago. Free admission. For information. call (773) 545-8300.

sion is \$10 for one day; \$15 for both

bers and children 12 and under. For

days Admission is free for IAHC mem-

Ethnic Fest: The Many Faces of Lincolnwood, 1-4 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., featuring international cuisine cultural entertainment by Valeriy Beludzhev. Character Fleadh, Lamaiamal Patchouli, Natrai Dance and Special C Revival, and activities for all ages. Call (847) 677-5277 or visit www.lincolnwoodlibrasy.org

noon-4 n.m. Oec. 5 in the Mitchell Mu

seum of the American Indian's 3009

Central Street building, next door to

the Evanston museum. Native artists

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ceramics and baskets to jewelry, bead-

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Block Cinema, in the Pick-Laudati Au-

Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle

www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu/

block-cinema. Admission is \$6; \$4 for

zens, and students with ID, or as noted

below. All films shown at 7 p.m., unless

noted otherwise. Nov. 19: "Hugh Hefn-

er: Playboy, Activist and Rebel." Ameri-

Nov. 5; "Strangers When We Meet," Lar-

ry Coe (Kirk Oouglas) is an ambitious

nodern architect who's building a

home for the arrogant, best-selling

p.m.: "A Girl is a Fellow Here: 100

novelist Roger (Ernie Kovacs). Nov. 6, 2

can Architect in Focus film series -

Block Museum members, senior citi-

ditorium at the Block Museum of Art,

Orive, Evanston. (847) 491-4000.

visit www.mitchellmuseum.org.

FILM

Norwood Park Historical Society will Pub Tickets are \$10 host Victoria's Holiday Craft Routique Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. and Café Oec. 2-5 at the Noble-Sev-Pratt Ave. (847) 677-5277, www.lincolmour-Crippen House, 5624 N. Newark nwoodlibrary.org. Friday Films at 1 n.m. Ave. Chicago, Hours are 11 a m -7 n m ~ Nov. 5: "Dear John " Nov. 12: "The Thursday and Friday: 7-10 n m Friday Ghost Writer" Nov. 19: "Green Zone" for the Girls' Night P.J. shopping party Morning Matinees at 10:30 a.m. Thurs 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday: and 10 a.m.-4 days – Nov. 11: "The Back-up Plan." Nov. p.m. Sunday. \$1 admission fee: partici-18: "Letters to Juliet." nants in the society's Dec. 4 Holiday House Tour will be admitted at no extra

Mayne Stage, 1328 W. Morse Ave. in Rogers Park, Chicago. (773) 381-4554. charge with their tour ticket. For inforwww.maynestage.com. Nov. 16, 8 p.m. mation, call (773) 631-4633 or visit Movies at Mayne Stage presents "Anwww.norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org chorman," starring Will Ferrell. \$5. Native Arts Holiday Bazaar will be held from 10 a m -5 n m, 0ec, 4 and

ORGANIZATIONS

The American Jewish Artists Club is now accepting applications for new artist members. The club exhibits widely in the Chicago area in muse ums, 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.americanewishartistsclub.org.

Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the second Friday of the month at he Prairie Lakes Community Center. 515 Thacker St., Oes Plaines. New members are welcome. For more information, visit www.dpag.org, Nov. 12: Brian Sauerland will present a pastel demon-

Skokie Art Guild meets on the fourth Tuesday of March, April May June and September at the Skokie Public Library 5215 Oakton St. Visitors welcome For more information, visit www.skokieart auild.ora.

SINGLES

ComboSingles, open to singles 21plus. RSVP two days before dinners. For information about the group and upcoming events, call (847) 757-1299 or (847) 331-1066, or visit www.combosingles.org. Nov. 13, 6:30 p.m.: Dinner at Booby's Charcoal Rib. 8161 N. Milwau

kee Ave., Niles. \$10 cover per person; cost of dinner and tax on your own. Nov. 14 and 28, Dec. 12, 6:15 p.m.: Bowling at Brunswick Zone, 824 E. Rand Road, Mount Prospect, \$20 league members; \$25 non-league members. Socialize without bowling for \$10. No advance reservation required. Jewish Senior Singles Social Club meets regularly for dinners and a variety of programs. For information, call

(847) 676-2872. Spares Singles Sunday Evening Club holds ballroom dances from 7:30-10:30 n.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. Nov. 7: Music by The Music Men. Nov. 21: Turkey Trot Oance 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 Oevonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood St. Skokie, Fee is \$12 for memhers: \$20 for nonmembers. Visit www.skokieartquild.org.

Boocoo Cultural Center and Café, 1823 Church St. Evanston (847) 864-8164. www.honcon.org. Nov. 20, 1-2:30 p.m.: Reggae Rhythms Workshop II for professional or novice musicians/drummers, \$10.

Oakton Community College Emeritus Program offers courses at its Skokie campus 7701 N. Lincoln Ave. Skokie. For information about the Emeritus Program call (847) 635-1414 or visit www.nakton.edu/emeritus_lewishness in the Arts (HIJM \$18-61) examines core moments in Jewish arts by such performers as Benny Goodman, Sarah Silverman, Arthur Miller and Mel Brooks. Six-week course meets from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, starting Nov. 10.

Course fee is \$126. Open Studio Project, 903 Shermar Ave., Evanston, (847) 475-0390 www.openstudioproject.org, Nov. 10, 6-9 n.m.: Introduction to the OSP Process. Participants will learn to combine uninhibited art-making with thoughtful writing and reflection. Fee is \$65: \$55 for members, Nov. 12-14: Weekend workshop on creative expression with Debbie Purdy. Hours are 2-9 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday Fee \$295

North Shore Art League, located on the second floor of the Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln Ave., Winnetka. www.northshoreartleague.org. Nov. 6-7, 12:30-4 p.m.: "Glorious Fall . Trees and Skies," a watercolor class with Fran Vail featuring demonstrations, critique and one-on-one coaching. \$80 for one day: \$130 for two days Nov. 7 and 14, 1-4 p.m.: Monotyping workshop with Judith Hladik-Voss, using both oil and water-based monotype techniques. Suggested for teens and adults, \$125 for two days, Nov. 13-14. 12:30-4:30 p.m.: Color Revealed: The ory and Practice with Nina Weiss Through experimentation and discussion, students will gain an understanding of color theory that is applicable to

all visual arts practices \$125 for two

days, Nov. 20-21, 1-4 n.m.: Translating

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fundamentals of plein air (outdoor) painting with the utilization of photos. computer images and sketches to create small, medium and large paintings in the studio. Suggested for acrylic and oil painters of all levels, \$125 for two days, Dec. 4, 1-3 p.m.: Photography for Artists with Brad Schade, an intensive two-hour workshop to help artists learn about photographing their sub iects for later use in painting and drawing in the studio \$50.

Piven Theatre Workshop, 927 Noves St. Evanston (847) 866-6597 www.niventheatre.org Nov. 9-Dec. 14: Piven Technique for the Actor: Chekhov and Ibsen Scene Study (intermediate/ advanced Piven) with Joanne Underwood, \$200. Dec. 4 and 11, 9 a.m.-noon: Monologues for the Stage for Teens. \$95. Dec. 4 and 11, noon-2:30 p.m.: Audition Technique Intensive, for sixththrough eighth-graders. Students will experience the entire theatre audition process, from the general audition to booking the role. Rvan Kitley will guide students through mock audition situa tions as both actors and casting direc tors. Students will also learn about au ditioning for television and film. \$95. Dec. 11-12, 2-6 p.m.: Audition Technique weekend workshop for adults with Erica Daniels of Steppenwolf. Topics include monologues, cold readings and sides, \$150.

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The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston. (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. No cover unless noted otherwise, Nov. 14, 8 p.m.: Storytelling in the Snug with Sandi Sylver, No cover.

Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave. (847) 677-5277. www.lincolnwoodlibrary org. Nov. 21, 2 p.m.: Live@Lincolnwood Library presents "The Showtimers' Musical Magic," fea turing Julia Harris. Bernice Linkoff and Ron Pregozen.

Mayne Stage, 1328 W. Morse Ave. in Rogers Park, Chicago. (773) 381-4554. www.maynestage.com, Nov. 17, 8 p.m.: Fifth House Ensemble presents "The Weaver's Tale: Of the Fearless Boy and Loveless Girl" The Chicago-based Fifth House Ensemble performances highfight relationships between classical music and art forms as diverse as film. dance gourmet food, theater, wine making and visual art, as well as creating new sounds through collaborations with artists of other music genres. \$25 for VIP reserved seating in advance; \$20 for general admission in advance: \$25 at the door Dec. 6.8 p.m.: WildClay Theatre's Deathscribe 2010: Third Annual International Horror Radio Festival. The evening features five original horror plays, selected from nearly 1000 submissions, \$20. For information, visit www.wildclawtheatre.com. Noves Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noves St., Evanston, Nov. 6, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.; "Circus in Progress," a showcase of talent by professionals from the Chicago are a circus community and advanced students from The Actors

Gymnasium, \$10, For tickets, visit

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(800) 838-3006, Nov. 13, 7 p.m., and

Nov. 14, 3 p.m.: Magician Sean Master

son presents "Vaudeville Magic," a the

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tor Mallory Thompson (pictured) conducts. Guest artists include trumpet virtuosi Barbara Butler and Charles Geyer, professors of trumpet at Northwestern University, who will perform Georges Bizet's "Carmen Fantasia for Two Trumpets." Northwestern's Symphonic Wind Ensemble will ioin the Northshore Concert Band on Morten Lauridsen's "O Magnum Mysterium" and "Dionysiaques" by Florent Schmitt. Tickets are \$18, \$13 for seniors, \$7 for students and children. Tickets are available at the door or at www.northshoreband.org or (847) 432-2263. traditionally charged with healing and sleight-of-hand manipulation, audithe public good, used science to help ence participation and levitation. \$10. legitimize persecution, murder and, ul-Tickets are available at www.brownpanertickets.com or at the door. Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie, Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com, Nov. 5, 8 p.m.:

The Northshore Concert Band will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday. Nov. 7. at

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\$25 at the door. Nov. 26-28, noon, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.: The Amazing Acro-Cats. Tickets are \$15 in advance; \$18 al the door; \$10 for children.

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MUSEUMS Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Orive, Skokie. (847) 967-4889, www.ilholocaustmuse um.org. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Admission: \$12; \$8 for students and senior citizens: \$6 for children ages 5-11. Special exhibitions are free with museum admission. Through Jan. 2, 2011: "Oeadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race," an exhibition about the role of science in Nazi ideology. Produced by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, O.C., the exhibit examines how the Nazi leadership, in collaboration with individuals in the professions timately, genocide. Nov. 9, 6:30 p.m.: Special commemoration of Nov. 9, 1938, remembered as Kristallnacht, or "Night of the Broken Glass," when the Nazis destroyed thousands of Jewish husinesses and houses of worship, and also arrested and killed many Jewish mon Fifty-one years later on Nov. 9. 1989 the Berlin Wall was torn down. symbolizing the end of the Cold War and freedom for millions. Free admission: reservations required. Nov. 11, 6:30 p.m.: Inaugural Pfeffer Family Lecture, "The Holocaust: Myths and Misconceptions." Free with museum admission, Nov. 18, 7 p.m.; "Nazis and Medical Ethics: Context and Lessons," a lecture and discussion exploring ways in which physicians became complicit in the crimes of the Holocaust and how that experience continues to influence modern-day medicine and medical ethics, Reservations required. Nov. 21, 1:30 p.m.: "In Conversation With ... The Authors of In Our Voices." A group of local Holocaust survivors participated in an 18-month writing workshop to explore ways to express episodes of their experiences. They will discuss the effects of the workshop and publication of their efforts. A book signing follows

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HOROSCOPES For the week of Nov. 8 — Nov. 14

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Getting a relationship that's been stuck in a rut up and running again depends on how far you want to run with it. Be honest with yourself as you consider which de-

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be wary of rumors that seem to be coming from everywhere this week. Waiting for the facts before you act means never having to say you're sorry you followed the wrong lead.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A difficult personal matter might prompt you to turn to a trusted friend to help you sort through a maze of emotional conflicts. The weekend should bring some wel-

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some of the new people coming into the Lion's life could play pivotal roles in future personal and professional matters. Meanwhile, an old friend might have an important

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A delay in getting things moving on schedule

can be a blessing in disguise. Use this extra time to do more research so you can buttress any of the weaker points with solid

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might need to get involved in a personal matter before it becomes a serious problem. Also be wary of someone offering to mediate unless you can be sure of his or her motives.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Taking sides in a workplace or domestic dispute could prolong the problem. Stay out and stay cool. Then you can be friends with both parties when things settle down.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friendship has the potential to become something more, and with this week's aspects favoring romance, you might feel that this possibility is

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The new job you want might require you to relocate. If so, keep an open mind and weigh all the positives and negatives before making your

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new relationship seems to be everything you could have hoped for. Congratulations. Meanwhile, it's not too early to get some feedback on that new project you're working on.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might have decided to get out of the fast-moving current and just float around hither and yon for a while. But you might find that the new opportunity is too tempting to turn down.

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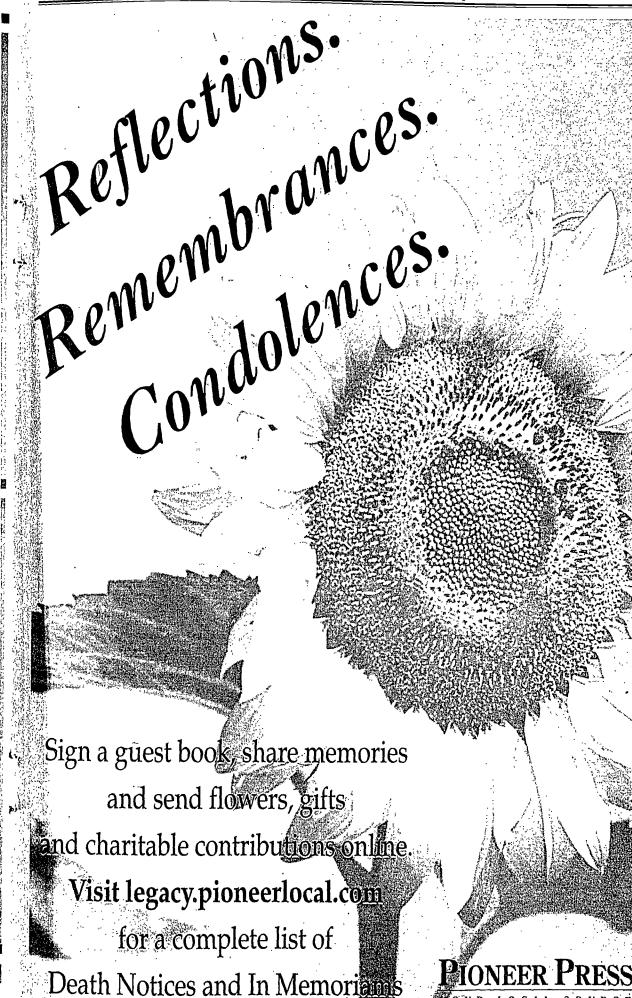
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Remembrances

Ganter, Avelina Julia Avelina Julia Gantner, resident, died peacefully on October 6th in Tampa, FL. Born November 20, 1914 in Chicago, Avelina married Andrew Gantner in 1937 and later resided in: Park Ridge, IL; Rye, NY; and Sarasota, FL While in Park Ridge, Avelina was active with St Paul of the Cross and Mary, Seat of Wisdom guilds Since 2008, she resided at Emeritus Assisted Living, Tampa. Avelina is preceded in death by parents Michael and Anna Bodnar, brothers Emil parents Michael and Anna Bodnar, brothers Emil and Frank and her dear husband Andrew. She is survived by children Andrew Gantner, Jr. (Gretchen), Pasadena, CA.; Carolyn Gantner, Madison, WI; Joanne Gantner Tapella (Bill), Tampa, FL.; eight grandchildren and eleven greatgrandchildren. A Memorial Mass will be held Saturday, November 6th, 10 AM, Mary, Seat of Wisdom Church, Park Ridge. Donations may be made to Lifepath Hospice, 12973 Telecom Pkwy. Suite 100, Temple Terrace, FL 33637.

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Nudera, Ardeth (Schanel)
Of new Smyrna Beach, FL (formerly, Park Ridge, IL) passed away on October 26, 2010 at age 91.
Ardeth was the daughter of Danish immigrants and grew up on a farm in lowa. She was the youngest of five children born to Anton and Louisa lossen Ardeth was a successful business owner in Jensen. Ardeth was a successful business owner in Park Ridge. Her clothing stores Jr. Attitudes and Pizazz served many clients. She was preceded in death by two husbands, William Schanel and George Nudera; also four brothers, Harry, Parvin, George Nudera; also four brothers, Harry, Parvin, Ralph and Glenn Jensen and their wives. She is survived by her son, Brian Schanel (wife Myra) of Sanford FL; and her daughter, Ardeth Jokisch (husband David) of Carlinville, Illinois; grandsons, William Schanel, Anthony Schanel, Derek Jokisch, Matthew Jokisch; and granddaughter, Ashley (Schanel) Stewart; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. A private celebration of life will be held by her family next to the ocean she felt a part of all her life. If you wish to make a donation in her her life. If you wish to make a donation in her memory, Ardeth was fond and proud of the Park-Ridge Library.

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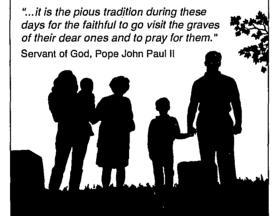
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condition of the property. Prospective bidders are odmonished to check the court file to verify all information. If
this property is a condominium unit which is
part of a common interest community, the purchaser of
the unit at

LINCOLNWOOD
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
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ILLINOIS COUNTY OEPARTMENT CHANCERY OIVISION
THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS SUCCESSOR TO
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Notice of SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 2, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on Ocember 6, 2010, of the The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Orive 24th Floor CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sall of public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly Namy Marka Ganser 1, 45000, sall of public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly Namy Marka Ganser 1, 45000, sall of public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly Namy Marka Ganser 1, 45000, sall of the highest bid by certified funds at the clase of auction in the bolones, including the Judicio sale fee found of the highest bid by certified funds at the clase of auction the bolones, including the Judicio sale fee found, which is colculated of the rate of 131 for a 151 for a 151 for markate 1, 151 for a 1

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS COUNTY OEPARTMENT CHANCERY OIVISION
CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC
Pigintiff,

MIROSLAW GRYC, et al

BUFFALO GROVE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT CHANCERY DIVISION

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GELENA MUZIKANT, et ai

Plontiff, V-YGELENA MUZIKANT, et al
Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 1, 2010, on agent of The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on Oecember 3, 2010, of the The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Orive-24th Floor CHICAGO, ILL 60606, sell at public auction to the Nighest bidder: as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 625 MAYFAIR LANE, BUFFALO GROVE; IL 60009 Property index No. 30-35-411-039 The real estate is improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is colculated the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate (and is offered for sale without any representation so to quality or quantify of lifte and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" candition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. If the sale shall be entitled inly to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall now no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Maryagoe or the Mortgage's attorney. Upon payment in tuil of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certification Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real state of the will be purchaser of the condition of the property. Prospective sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium property Act. 765 ILCS 6057(9) (1) and (9) (4). If this property is a condominium hit which is port of the omodinium property Act. 765 ILCS 6057(9) (1) and (9) (4). If this property is a condominium property Act. 765 ILCS 6057(9) (1) and (9) (4). If his property is a condominium property Act. 765 ILCS

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MORTON GROVE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS COUNTY OEPARTMENT CHANCERY DIVISION
BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. F
COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. P
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MARCEL V. SABIO A/K/A MARCEL SABIO, et ol

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above
couse on August 25, 2010, an opent of The Judicial Sales
Carparotion, will at 10:30 AM on Oecember 1, 2010, at the
The Judicial Sales Carparotion. One South Wacker Orive24th Floor CHICAGO, IL, 6806, sell at public ouclion to
the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 8725 AUSTIN AVENUE, MORTON GROVE, IL 68053 Property index No. 1020-200-201 The real estate is improved with a residence.
Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
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CHANCERY OIVISION
Plaintiff,

MARY KOGUT, et al Oefendant

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-v.MARY KOGUT, et al
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NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and Saie entered in the above
cause on August 30, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales
Carporotian, will at 10:30 AM on Oecember 2, 2010, at the
The Judicial Sales Carporation. One South Wacker Drive24th Floor CHICAGO, IL, 6606, seli of upblic auction to
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Index No. 10-19-109-044-1038 The real estate is improved
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
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DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS
F/K/A BANKER'S TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE
ANO CUSTODIAN FOR GSAA 2006-2 BY: SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., FK/A MERITECH MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., AS ITS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT,
ASSIGNEE OF ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY,
L-L.C Plaintiff,
-V.-

MARGARET J. KHIO, et al

L.L.C Piaintiff,
-v.
MARGARET J. KHIO, et al
Oefendant

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NOTICE OF SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and Sole entered in the obove
cause on January 19, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales
Corporation, will of 10:30 AM on November 29, 2010, at the
The Judicial Sales Corporotion, One South Wacker Drive 24th Floor CHICAGO, IL, 6606, sell at public ouction to
the highest bidder, as set forth below the following described real estate: Commonly known as 6621 NORTH
HAROING AVENUE, Lincolnwood, IL, 6072 Property Index No. 10:35-310-032 The real estate is improved with a
single family residence. The ludgment amount was
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT.
CHANCERY DIVISION Pub: 10/28, 11/4, 11/11/10 (1804617)C Plaintiff,

IRENA HAREZGA, et al

Oefendant

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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above
corse on August 31, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales
Corporation will all 0:30 AM on Oecember 2, 2010, at the
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS COUNTY OEPARTMENT.
CHANCERY OIVISION
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERG-ANICE E. HORWITZ A/K/A JANICE HORWITZ, et al Oefendan's

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Soale entered in the above cause on August 16, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales Corporation, on South Wacker Orive-table the Highest bidder, as Set forth below, the tollowing described real estate; on the Highest bidder, as Set forth below, the tollowing described real estate; of the Highest bidder, as Set forth below, the tollowing described real estate; of 16, 70, property Index No. 10-28-210-46-1030. The Colory Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the publicaser not to exceed \$300. In certified funds, is due within Inventy-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to confirmation by the fund without recourse to property is subject to confirmation by the fund. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the fund. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the fund. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the fund. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the fund. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the fund. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the subject in the sale is further subject to confirmation by the subject in the sale is further subject to confirmation by the fund of the property will not the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale thad will entitle the open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representa -v.-JANICE E. HORWITZ A/K/A JANICE HORWITZ, et al Gefendant Piaintiff.

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Oefendant

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
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FOR THE STRUCTUREO ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN
TRUST, 2005-7 NORRIOGE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT JPMORGAN CHANCERY DIVISION
Plaintiff,
Plaintiff,

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Plaintiff,

-V.

ARTUR OEREN, et al

Oefendant

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 8, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on Oecember 10, 2010, at the The Judicial Sales Corporation, one South Wacker Orive-24th Floor CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described reol estafe: Commonly known as 4348 N. OKETO AVENUE. NORRIOGE, IL 60706 Property Index No. 12. 13-400-927 The real estafe is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The belance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject on general real estafe taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levided against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to auality or quantify of little and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS Iscondition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagor, the Mortgage or the Mortgagor or the Mortgagor, the Mortgage or the Mortgagor or the Mortgagor or the Mortgagor or the Mortgagor or the Mort ARTUR OEREN, et al

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in pursuonce of a
Judgment heretofore entered
on April 28, 2010.
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Commissioner for this court
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Information contained in this Notice will be provided. Edward Grossman Special Commissioner 1315988 Pub: 10/21, 10/28, 11/4, 11/11/10 (1803142)C

NORRIDGE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, 1LLINOIS COUNTY OF CHARCERY OIVISION ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING AND SOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE TOOK AND THE COOK OF COOK COUNTY, 1LLINOIS COUNTY, 1LLINO

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ANORZEJ SLOWINSKI, et al
Defendant
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PROSPECT AVENUE,
NORRIGGE, IL 60706 Properry Index No. 2:11-418-004,
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Plaintiff,

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ALLA KHARON, et al

Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

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Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above
cause on September 2, 2010, an agent of The Judicial Sales
The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Orive2th Floor CHAGO, IL, 6086, sell at public auction to
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FOR WAMU MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATE FOR WMALT SERIES 2007-0A3
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GUY MICHEL JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Defendant

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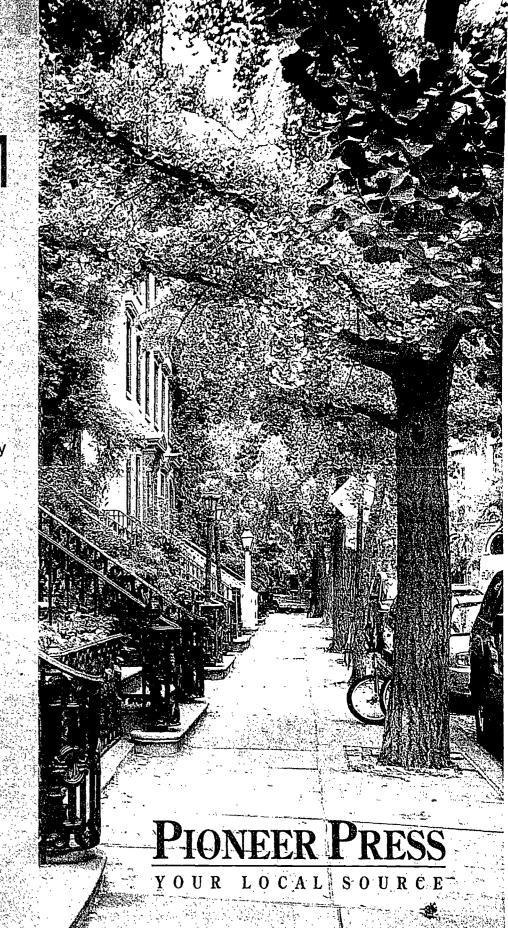
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Instructor to head state teachers union

By PAT KROCHMAL pkrochmal@pioneerlocal.com

eran English teacher at Niles North High School in Skokie, is the new president for me to leave teaching. I of the Illinois Federation of Teachers.

Montgomery, who lives in Evanston, won the group's election unanimously by ac- in my life that I haven't been clamation last month. He happy and excited to go to requested and received Monday a three-year leave of absence from the Niles Township School district board of education to tem- bashing going on and talk porarily trade his teaching about problem teachers. duties for the union's lead- One of my goals is to try to ership.

The Federation repressation and focus on the good sents more than 103,000 things that we can do for teachers and paraprofes- kids. Bashing teachers and sionals in kindergarten to bashing teachers' unions

grade 12 school districts does not help one kid learn gomery said. throughout Illinois, as well anything," Montgomery as faculty and staff at the said. Dan Montgomery, a vet- state's community colleges and universities.

> "It is going to be very hard get choked up when I think about it. I have loved every minute of being a teacher. There has never been a day work," Montgomery said.

"But it's a very difficult time for all teachers in the U.S. There is a lot of teacher change that public conver-

Montgomery, who grew up in suburban Detroit. Mich., earned a graduate degree at the University of Michigan, then a masters degree in education at Northwestern University.

His first job was working as an English teacher at Niles North, which he has continued to do for the last 17 years.

"When I started here, I shared an office with a wellknown union leader, Jim Sweeney, who was also an English teacher, and he got me interested in unions. They were always so professional and so good at what they did that I just kind of got involved," Mont-

Montgomery also taught at the City Colleges of lustrator; and their chil-Chicago and Northwestern University. And his teaching expertise earned him a place as a member on the board of directors of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

He has served as president of the North Suburban Teachers Union, Local 1274, for nearly 10 years, and was a vice president on the IFT Executive Board from 2002 until his election to the IFT presidency

He also has been active at the national level. He currently co-chairs the American Federation of Teachers Kindergarten to Grade 12 Program and Policy

Montgomery is celebrat-

wife Patti, a professional ildren, Elinor, 11; Peter, 9; and

Superintendent Nanciann Gatta said she and Montgomery first met 15 years ago, when they were both English teachers. They both worked on campaigns for several local politicians and for school referenda, as well as being active in the union. "Through all those expe-

riences. I've come to count on Dan. I think we take for granted what that simple phrase means. It means the person has both the character and the competence to help — and a consistency in attitude and response," Gatta said.

She also told Montgomery that she was very proud of



Dan Montgomery

his accomplishments. "For me, it's not surpris-

ing that you have made it to this point. I believe that success is not something you run after, but something you attract by the person you are," she added. "And Dan, this is a huge success!" Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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Eighth grade Leadership Day held for 2nd year

row 12 Catholic schools with ilies in need and ways they more than 500 eighth-grade students from the city and surrounding suburbs gathered together for a leadership day.

This year's theme was "The Sum is Greater than 🥆 the Parts."

The morning started off with a prayer. Andi Wadas from the Ronald McDonald - House was the guest speaker. She spoke to the students about how the Ronald

For the second year in a McDonald house helps famcan help

> After the speaker, participants broke out in smaller groups and discussed how they can go back to their schools and get them involved in helping the Ronald McDonald House.

At the end of the day they attended Mass, which was celebrated by many of the pastors where the children attend school.



For the second year in a row 12 Catholic schools with more than 500 eighth-grade students from the city and surrounding suburbs gathered together for a leadership day. | Contributed photo

quiry and Research (SIR) The Niles West bands, uncourse debuting in 2009-10 taught students to develop der the direction of William Koch, presented a spooky and test hypotheses in many disciplines and opened up and spirited fall concert the opportunity to build col-Wednesday in the Auditorilaborative relationships with um at 5701 Oakton, Skokie. researchers and scientists This free concert featured the Marching Band, Concert across the globe. The success of the SIR class is evi-Band, Symphonic Band and denced by the award-win-Symphonic Wind Ensemble. ning projects that The Concert Band played "Pandora" by Randall Stand-Naughton's scientists presented at an International bridge, an intense work that Science and Engineering conjures the story of Pandora's box, "Midnight Escape" Fair, as well as the "best in by Larry Neeck and "Hauntcategory" commendations that were garnered at last ed House" by John Prescott, vear's Illinois Junior Science with sounds and effects like the soundtrack to a scary Academy competition. movie. The Symphonic Writes Pazin, "Thanks to Jacklyn Naughton, the sci-Band performed "Ghost ence experience at Niles Fleet" by Robert Sheldon, North will never be the "Through Darkened Sleepy Hollow" a piece inspired by Stacy (Albrecht) Metoyer, Ichabod Crane's chase by Niles West High School the Headless Horseman, and physical welfare teacher,

envisioned. The STEM In-

"Thriller" by Michael Jackwas inducted into the North son, arranged by Jay Bocook. The Symphonic Wind Park University (NPU) 2010 Ensemble played "March of Hall of Fame at a ceremony the Trolls" by Edvard Grieg, held during the school's arranged by Brian Beck, Homecoming festivities Oct. 2. A total of seven individu-"Rondo" from Mozart's "Horn Concerto No. 3 in Eals and two North Park Academy teams were honflat," arranged by Robert J. Bardeen, and "The Witch ored at the presentation cerand the Saint" by Steven Reineke. All bands combined with the Marching Band for a rousing performance of

"Fiddler on the Roof." Jacklyn Naughton, a Niles North High School Science teacher, was featured as the Association of Women in Science (AWIS) Chicago Chapter Scientist of the Month for October. The Scientist of the Month honor acknowledges the contributions of an area scientist who has promoted the advancement of women in the fields of science, technology and engineering (STEM). Naughton was nominated for the accolade by former student Marina Viktoria Pazin, an AWIS Chicago since 2001. She is also Head staff writer who wrote. "Jacklyn's passion for re-Coach of girls' volleyball and Junior Varsity softball search is reflected in the curriculum she has developed at Niles North over the past twenty years. As soon as she was hired she began to mandate independent research...." In the fall of 2009 District 219 unveiled stateof-the-art STEM labs for the

course that Naughton had

emony. Inductees received a plaque of recognition, a North Park Vikings blanket and were acknowledged at half-time during the Homecoming football game. Metoyer, who graduated from NPU in 2000, was the first multi-sport athlete to earn 12 letters and start in three sports for four years (volleyball, basketball, softball). She was voted NPU's Female Athlete of the Year in 2000. She holds school records that still stand: single game record holder in basketball for steals (8) and record holder for consecutive free throws made (21). Metover has been employed as a physical welfare and health teacher at Niles West

The Illinois Teachers of Bilingual Education will hold a Fall Workshop from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at Niles North High School, 9800 Lawler Ave., Skokie. The event is organized by Gevik Anbarchian, District 219

the changing role of the spe-

development chair of Illinois Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Bilingual Education. The event Plenary is Dr. William Stone, an associate professor in the Teachers of English as a Second Language program at Northeastern Illinois University

English Language Learner

teacher and the professional

You're Not Learning." For more information contact Gevik Anbarchian at prof-develop@itbe.org.

and his presentation is "If

You're Not Having Fun,

Niles West High School Director of Student Activities Jessica Ogulnik was scheduled to present "Tangoing through Neuroscience" at the 2010 Professional Development Conference for the National Association of Biology Teachers on Nov. 1 in Minneapolis, Minn. Ogulnik, their daughter for high who spent last summer in school and beyond. The con-Buenos Aires, will discuss ference is free, but parents the research she conducted must register online by Oct. there as a recipient of the Fulbright Distinguished Teaching Award.

The names of approximately 16,000 semi-finalists in the 56th annual National Merit Scholarship Program were announced recently. Alison Rosenblum from Niles West High School was named as a 2011 Merit Scholarship Semi-finalist. She has the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 8,400 Merit Scholarship awards that will be offered next spring. Semi-finalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the finalist level of the competition. About 90 percent of the semifinalists are expected to attain finalist standing, and approximately half of the finalists will be awarded a National Merit Scholarship.

Iris Kerbis Cantor of Niles North High School, will give a special presentation along with Beverly Johns, adjunct faculty of MacMurray College at the Illinois Council for Exceptional Children Fall Convention held in Lisle, from Nov. 4-6. The session, titled "Critical Issues Impacting Teachers: Elementary Workload/Class Size, Role Ambiguity, Differentiat-

Special education teacher

cial educator and how state and federal initiatives are impacting the classroom.

All fifth- and sixth-grade girls who want to learn how math and science can make a difference and change the world should register for the Girls Empowered by Math & Science (GEMS) Conference held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton, Skokie. The GEMS Conference, Niles West's second annual Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) conference, is open Niles Township resident who are fifth- and- sixthgrade girls along with their parents. Girls will attend science/math sessions with fun hands-on activities while their parents will attend sessions on how to prepare

https://sites.google.com/a/d21 9.org/2010gems. Each girl will receive a bag of science

tion will be "Hot Science in Cold Place," a lecture about ANDRILL Antarctica Research. Other session pre-

fun. The keynote presenta-

senters will be from Northwestern University, American Red Cross, American Chemical Society's Polymer Ambassador Program and Koppers, Inc. For questions, contact Ami LeFevre at amilef@d219.org or (847) 626-2771. **English teachers Sharon** Swanson and Lisa DeNapoli of

Niles West High School have been invited to speak at the Journalism Education Association/National Scholastic Press Association's Fall National High School Journalism Convention will be held Nov. 11-14 in Kansas City, Mo. Swanson and De-Napoli's topic is "Power+Empower=Success" and they will discuss how the close bonds formed while putting together the school's yearbook enabled them to develop a successful product. Approximately 14 Niles West high school journalists will also attend the

A revitalized Niles West De-

bate Team, under the coaching of teachers Eric Oddo and Matt Fahrenbacher, competed in its first tournament of the season at Glenbrook North High School on Oct. 2. Twenty policy debaters from Niles West competed against. teams from Glenbrook North, Glenbrook South, Homewood-Flossmoor, Maine East and New Trier. The 2010-11 debate topic is "Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce its military and/or police presence in one or more of the following: South Korea, Japan, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Iraq, Turkey." The tournament was a four-round scrimmage with no elimination rounds and teams only debated one side of the topic (either Affirmative or Nega-

Niles West freshman Kris Trivedi was the ninth-place speaker among all Affirmative debaters in the tourna-

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ment (out of approximately

50 Affirmative debaters).

Niles West teams that will

compete at the New Trier

Season Opener next week-

and Fiona Mohan, Rimsha Baig

and Jerry Varghese, Breana

Brill and Alyssa Guzman, and

Jessie Amgalanjargal and Sana

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CHINESE BUFFET CREATOR CONTINUES TO INSPIRE

By VERONICA HINKE Contributor

For Evanston resident Constance Chang, life's been a smorgasbord experience. Long before globetrotting was as common as it is today, Chang had already sampled distinctly different cultures, living and working in three countries.

Born in Shanghai, she has lived in the United States since 1994, when she moved here with her husband from Tokyo. There she introduced Japan and ultimately the world — to _the wildly popular all-you-caneat Chinese buffet.

The world's first such spread, an introduction by sampling of Chinese foods like teasmoked duck, lemon chicken or beef stir fry, debuted in 1959 at Chang's storied Peacock Hall, her restaurant in the Tokyo Hotel. It was among four Chinese eateries through which Chang familiarized foodies with

in Japan. "When we arrived, most people only knew about a few Chinese foods, like spring rolls and sweet-sour pork," she said. Her guests, including Japan's Emperor Hirohito and 100 celebrants from his 60th birthday in 1962, were eager students and helped to popularize Chinese

Chinese cuisine during the 42

years she and her husband lived

Constance Chang's Shredded Beef with Onion and Green Pepper

Pointers from the master From left) Mather culinary staff member

Antonio Cyprian gets a few pointers from resident Constance Chang while prepar-

ing Sweet-Sour Cabbage. | Eric Davis~for

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1/2 lb. beef tenderloin 1 large bulb onion 3 pieces green bell pepper 1 T sake 2 T soy sauce 1/2 T sugar 1/2 T baking powder 1 tsp. garlic, minced 1/2 tsp. salt Ground pepper, to taste

Shred beef, onion and green pepper. Mix 2 tablespoons oil, sake, baking powder, soy sauce, sugar and garlic in large bowl, and marinate beef in mixture for at least 30 minutes.

Heat 3 tablespoons oil in cooking pan. Add salt. Stirfry onion for 2 minutes. Add peppers and continue to stir-fry. Remove pepper and onion from pan. In same pan, heat 3 tablespoons oil. Add the beef and stir-fry until color changes. Add ground pepper to the beef. Add pepper and onion, and stir-frv

Constance Chang's Sweet-Sour Cabbage

1/2 head green cabbage 3 red bell peppers 1 green hell nenne 3 T vinegar 3 T vegetable oil 3 T sugar 1 tsp. salt

Shred cabbage and peppers. Heat oil in cooking pan. Add salt. Stir-fry cabbage and peppers. Add vinegar and sugar.

kitchen, appropriately clad

Crocs. "They're comfortable,"

is new evidence of how Chinese cuisine in

to inspire: 527 Café, a sandwich, salad and pasta eatery, opened at 527 Davis Street on Oct. 4. The Asian infusion menu whimsically mixes teriyaki with guacamole (Salmon Teri Taco); Mongolian marinade with Philly-style cheese steak (Mongolian Cheese Steak) and bok choy with spaghetti pasta (Shrimp Pasta). The Asianinspired smorgasbord continues

Mather, the continuing care retirement community in Evanston where Chang lives, "She's Japan's Julia Child," referring to Chang's Julia-esque resume, which includes writing cookbooks, establishing a culinary school and, yes, even hosting a cooking TV show in Japan.

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Chang, 93, continues to sample new ways to enjoy life: She leads chair aerobics exercise classes every morning, shops her way through Chicago's Chinatown and teams up with fellow Mather residents to play games such as mahjong. She's even been known to step up to the stir-fry pan over a high flame in the

> in bright pink-colored Chang said of her Mario Batali-like foot gear.

One block from The Mather, there

Corey Nagel and the Matrix Dance Company. Nineteen another kitchen continues out of the 24 members of Auroris took part in the dance clinic and learned various exercises, acrossthe-floor combinations, center combinations and improvisation games. According to Auroris Dance Company Director Deanna Sortino, the students had an amazing time, as many of them had never taken a dance class before and this allowed them to learn new

amazing opportunity for Niles West students to grow as debaters. The Niles West Debate Team includes: Sarika Malani, Fiona Mohan, Kris Trivedi, Liam Walters, Ari Hoffman, Jonass Placticis, Lia Isono, Amanda Muir, Justin Kang, Art Siriwatt, Breana Brill, Alyssa Guzman, Rimsha Baig, Jerry Varghese, Theo

as debaters.

Dance Company participated

in an Oct. 3 workshop with

techniques as well as experi-

Milwaukee Ave., Niles. The school originally Noparstak, Vinay Patel, Jessie opened in September 1910 Amgalanjargal, Sana Kahn, through the efforts of the Kathy Mirza and Taleen Poladi-Rev. Felix Ward, C.P. and Julia Mahoney, its first princi-Policy debate is a repal, and the Sisters of Provisearch-based style of debat-

dence, who arrived in 1911. ing, sometimes called Cross-Today, Immaculate Con-Examination or CX, in which ception is part of a pilot protwo teams either advocate gram to provide Inquiry or oppose a resolution that Based Learning to its stuasks for a change in U.S. dents. They are the only policy. Policy debaters often school in the Norwood Park use a rapid-fire delivery in area to provide this type of giving their arguments in educational experience. Toporder to provide as much ics such as persuasive writevidence as possible within ing, the Constitution, weaththe allotted time frame. er, space and the Revolution-High school policy debaters ary War will be explored by are often highly sought-after the students through trade for college scholarships due books, discussion and reto their policy debate experisearch. Students in fifth ence. Former policy degrade have been given iPads baters have achieved sucwith which they will conduct cess in virtually every field research, take notes and exdue to the skills they honed plore relevant educational videos The Niles North Auroris

Current school families, alumni and friends may purchase tickets for the luncheon by contacting Bernadette Felicione at (773) 775-0545, Ext. 214. Tickets are \$60 for adults, \$50 for seniors and \$15 for children. The event will feature cocktails, lunch and music by various members of the I.C. community. Tickets will not be available on the day of the event.

NOTRE DAME **COLLEGE PREP**

Notre Dame College Prep will host an Open House for

lege Prep will help imaginations fly with their rendition of "Willie Wonka and the Team members include Chocolate Factory" performed Nov. 4-7 in the school's Little Theater, 7655 W. Dempster St., Niles. Tickets are \$10 for adults. and \$5 for students/seniors. and are available at the door

tbeattie@ndhsdons.org. Showtimes for the public are 7 and 9 p.m. Nov. 5; 2, 7 and 9 p.m. Nov. 6 and 2 and 7 p.m. Nov. 7. Grammar school children will see the performance on Nov. 4.

or by reservation. To re-

director Tyler Beattie at

serve tickets, e-mail Drama

grammar school boys and

p.m. tonight (Nov. 4). The

Open House includes per-

sonal tours, meeting staff,

and learning about curricu-

lum opportunities. Contact

LaVerne Bontempo at (847)

779-8615 or lbontempo@nd-

dons.org or visit www.nd-

dons.org. Notre Dame Col-

lege Prep is at 7655 W.

The Jugglers Theater

Troupe at Notre Dame Col-

Dempster St., Niles,

their families from 5:30-8:30

Notre Dame College Prep invites junior high school boys to Science League Challenges on Nov. 17 and Dec. 1. All of the challenges begin at 4 p.m. in the George Holley Science Center, 7655 W. Dempster St., Niles. The Science League Challenges provide great opportunities for students to show off their scientific knowledge and to learn about science also. For more information or to RSVP, call Paul Tokarz, Director of Enrollment, at (847) 779-8616 or e-mail ptokarz@nddons.org.

REGINA DOMINICAN

Regina Dominican will hold an open house from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday and from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 14. For more information, call Patricia Fuentes, admissions director, at (847) 256-7660 ext.

ST. PATRICK

On Nov. 17 from 6-8 p.m. Saint Patrick High School, 5900 W. Belmont Ave., will host an Open House for prospective students. Other events for prospective eighth-graders include: Shadow Days (Nov. 11, Nov.

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LEFT: Stir-fry dishes such as Constance Chang's Shredded Beef with Onion and Green Pepper helped popularize the Chinese Buffet. RIGHT: Constance Chang's Sweet-Sour Cabbage is simple to prepare - and healthy. Photos by Eric Davis~for Sun-Times Media

Sake's a must

Chang was, in turn, influenced by Japanese cuisine. She incorporates such regional ingredients as sake into her marinades. "You must have sake," she said, explaining that the flavorful rice wine intensifies taste and removes odors

from beef and fish

until beef is fully cooked.

Not on the menu at Chang's Peacock Hall: Fortune cookies. which she clarified as a legendary myth of Chinese cuisine. "We don't have fortune cookies in China," Chang pointed out. "When I came to America and saw them, I thought: 'That's a good idea."

But for more authentic Chinese desserts, try almond cookies, steamed sweet rice pudding or sweet dumplings stuffed with a red bean paste. walnuts and sesame seeds.

Japan's Julia Child

For Chang's friend Jamie Merrell, a facilitator at The

Washington, OC." An election of the

chapter's nominating committee will

woman 18 years or older, regardless

ground, who can prove lineal decent

from a patriot of the American Revo-

lution, is eligible for membership. The

OAR recognizes patriots as not only

soldiers but also anyone who con-

tributed to the cause of American

freedom. To fearn more about the

Daughters of the American Revolution

or to attend a meeting, contact Sec-

The North Suburban Genealogical

gram at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 13 at Glenview

Golf Club, 800 Shermer Road, Glen-

view. Robin Seidenberg will discuss

'The Kissing Blonde: Researching a

Suburban Genealogical Society, and

sent to Barb Garrison, 48 Knox Circle

Evanston IL 60201. Contact Jim Boyle

http://winnetkalibrary.org/research/NS

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at (847) 401-2579; e-mail

NSGenSoc@gmail.com; or visit

Family Scandal." Cost is \$27 before

ond Vice Regent, Betty Borman at

of race, religion, or ethnic back-

take place following the program. Any

Letters

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impressionable adolescents, and believe video games sow the seeds of violence. But do video games really make teenagers run wild on a rush of aggression? I, a local teenager of Park Ridge, disagree. as he was quoted in the No matter how violent International Journal of

video games may be, they rarely equate to violence in the real world. Most violent games are completely unrealistic. "World of Warcraft," the "Halo" series. and "Left 4 Dead" all involve violence toward invented creatures: mythical races, space aliens and zombies. There are no humans involved in the fic--tional carnage. Even a more life-like game, "Grand Theft Auto," does not depict realistic violence. Few people would be able to single-handedly throw someone out of a moving car and steal said car.

Moreover, video games actually reduce anger in

teenagers. Statistics show violent crimes caused by Submissions for Community adolescents have Calendar are required 14 days decreased dramatically in preceding the date of publicorrespondence to the rise cation. Send to: Niles Managof video games. In 2005, ing Editor, Pioneer Press, there were over 100,000 3701 W. Lake Ave., Glenview less violent crimes than in IL 60026. Information may 2004. The statistics have be faxed to (847) 486-7495 or convinced many, even Proe-mailed to mbottari@piofessor Patrick Kierkegaard neerlocal.com. of the University of Essex.

Liability and Scientific

epidemic of violence.

Instead, violence has

declined."

Enquiry as saying, " ... the

world should be seeing an

The aforementioned evi-

dence validates my earlier

statement. Video games do

not encourage violence. If

anything, they help reduce

it. So for those who believe

video games inspire vio-

lence, please reevaluate

your stance, and leave

video-game companies

alone. Stop protesting

them, and stop hassling

Steven Lim

The NAMI Advocates (National Alliance on Mental Illness) for patients of Chicago Read will host an Open House FUNdraiser from 1-3 p.m. Nov. 13 at Chicago Read Mental Health Center, 4200 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago. The event will include entertainment by Sheryl & Tom Ouet & Friends, a display of patient-produced arts and crafts, and refreshments from Fli's Cheesecake. Admission is free, but 100 percent of all contributions are tax deductible and will go to benefit individuals with mental illness. Pledge forms are also available for those who cannot attend. The Advocates fund "extras" for patients, such as: recreation equipment; winter hats and gloves; music and a captioned television for their recreational room; pizza parties; Christmas or birthday gifts; stress management resources. Call Jay at (847) 692-6476.

Center of Concern

The Center of Concern, 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge, (847) 823-0453, calendar of

COMMUNITY CALENDAR events includes: Monday, Nov. 8 Alzheimer's Caregivers support group,

Tuesdays, through Nov. 30 -Employment counseling, by appoint-

Tuesday, Nov. 16 - Medicare counseling, by appointment Wednesday, Nov. 17 - Grief and loss support group (call first). Saturdays, Nov. 6 and 20 - Legal counseling, by appointment Saturday, Nov. 20 - Blood pressure and blood sugar testing, 10 a.m.-noon, (no annointment needed) Saturday, Nov. 20 and 21 - Holiday Boutique, St. Andrews Lutheran Church 260 N. Northwest Highway Park Ridge; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday

The Center Of Concern sponsors an "Autumn Leaves" brunch from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Hyatt Rosemont Hotel, Oevon Avenue and River Road in Rosemont. There will be a breakfast buffet with cash bar and raffle. Musical Entertainment will be provided by Bill Froula, a soloist offer ing memories of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Elvis. Cost is \$40. Register before Nov. 1. Call Oawn, (847) 823-0453, Ext. 123.

Bunko and Lunch Party to benefit the Center of Concern will be held from noon-3 p.m. Nov. 12 at the South Park Recreation Center, Talcott Road and Cumberland Avenue, Park Ridge. Tickets are \$15 and include bunko games and prizes, choice of a hot beef sandwich or mostaccioli with

The Maine Township Neighborhood

Watch meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first

marinara, dessert, coffee and tea. Wine, beer and pop will be available for purchase. Call Nancy at (847) 318-1008 for reservations Center counselors also are available to help eligible residents apply for Illi-

Center of Concern also offers housing

seeking affordable housing, programs

designed to prevent homelessness,

friendly visitors for the homebound,

fice and in the field. See www.cen-

A representative from the Niles

Township Clerk's office will be avail-

evenings by appointment on the sec-

able 9 a.m.-5 n.m. weekdays and

ond and fourth Mondays of each

month to accommodate residents

with passport applications, voter reg-

istrations and temporary handicapped

parking placards. To schedule an ap-

pointment at Niles Township in Skok-

ie, call (847) 673-9300.

terofconcern.org.

and volunteer opportunities in the of-

Civic

counseling for seniors and others

Wednesday of every month in the basement of Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road in Park Ridge. Meetings address issues within the unincornonois Circuit Breaker property tax rerated area of the township and all lief grants and license-plate disresidents are invited. Reports from the Cook County Sheriff's Police, counts, Illinois Cares Rx (prescription: drug assistance) the senior-citizen North Maine Fire Department, and the real-estate tax exemption and defertownship's Code Enforcement Departral, the senior-citizen tax-assessment ment are shared, and residents are freeze, and the longtime-occupantinvited to ask questions and report omeowner property-tax exemption any concerns or problems in their Preparation of simple wills and durable powers of attorney for health Classes care and property also is available by Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy appointment. For services that require an appointment, call (847) 823-Inc., is now offering "Introduction to 0453 9 a.m. 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The Animal Assisted Therapy," don train-

(773) 736-9021, for schedules and lo-

ing classes at various locations, in-

cluding 6042 W. Oakton St., in Mortor

Grove. The fee is \$60, Contact Oorida

King at dhking4@vahoo.com or call

The Park Ridge Catholic Woman's Club will attend 11 a.m. Mass on Nov. 8 for deceased members at Our Ladv of Hope Church in Rosemont After Mass, a meeting will be held at the Park Ridge South Recreational Center 833 W. Talcott Road, beginning at 12:15 p.m. The Rev. Michael Bradley will be the program speaker. A mini-lunch

The Twenty-first Star Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will mee

at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 10 at the Park Ridge ing homes, retirement facilities and Country Club, 636 N. Prospect Ave., charitable organizations, meets the Park Ridge. Lunch will be served at first Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Rosenberg Auditorium of noon, with a meeting and program to follow. Hostesses for the day are: Bet-Ezras Israel, 7001 N. Ćalifornia Ave., tv Borman, Pat Gould, and Mary K. Chicago. Those who enjoy singing are welcome to join. Call the Ezras Israel Redmann, chairman, IV District Director, Valerie I. Vover Perron, will presoffice at (773) 764-8320. ent her program, "Quilts at the OAR in

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 nm until clos ing. All veterans from Vietnam Gulf War, Afghanistan Korea and World War Il are welcome. Call Bernard Beverley, (847) 966-5479, e-mail jamesbond54762@yahoo.com or call (847) 470-9890.

The Korean War Veterans Associa tion, Greater Chicago Chapter No. 25, meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesda of each month at the Montclare-Lev den VFW Post, 6940 W. Diversey Ave. Call Joe Henmueller. (773) 774-9671. I Chiacchieroni Italian language din-

Society will hold a luncheon and pro-Nov. 1 or \$30 afterward or at the door. Checks should be made out to North

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Illinois Holocaust Museum & Edu-

Skokie, will host the following events

cation Center, 9603 Woods Orive,

Call (847) 967-4889. "Special Com-

memoration: November 9, 1938

1989 and Today" will take place at

6:30 p.m. Nov. 9. The program will

mark Kristallnacht, or "Night of the

Broken Glass," when the Nazis de-

stroyed thousands of Jewish busi-

nesses and houses of worship, and al-

so arrested and killed many Jewish

men in Germany Austria and the

Sudetenland. The Illinois Holocaust

geous acts of rescuers during the

Holocaust with a brief ceremony of

dedication at the Museum's Ferro

Fountain of the Righteous Following

the dedication, Frank Stern, a Holo-

Kristallnacht, will share his perspec-

they are perceived today. There will

also be remarks from the museum's

two interns from Germany and Aus-

tria. Free admission, Call to reserve a

tive on these historic events and how

caust survivor and evewitness of

Museum will pay tribute to the coura-

dience. Call (847) 583-9328.

ner 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 Nov. 11. This is a casual evening of conversation in Italian. Call Gabriella, (847) 292-0089, or e-mail: ichiac-

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

American Martyrs Council, Niles), pro-The 2010 Inaugural Pfeffer Family vides ways for members to help oth-Lecture: the Holocaust: Myths and ers in the community while trying to Misconceptions will be held at 6:30. improve their family and spiritual p.m. Nov. 11. Professor Haves will dislives. Call Bob Galassi, (847) 965-0920. cuss "consoling fallacies" that have Niles Chapter Toastmasters meets developed in popular understanding at 7:15 p.m. the second and fourth of the Holocaust, Free with Museum admission. Free for members. Call to Wednesdays of the month at the Morton Grove, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Members reserve a seat. learn how to feel comfortable and

The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County has established local tions for residents to drop off electronics on a weekly basis at no cost Sites are the Glenview Transfer Station, 1151 N. River Road, 9-11:30 a.m. Saturdays; and the Public Works of Morton Grove, 7840 Nagle Ave., 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays and 10 a.m. noon Fri days. Under the new Electronics Products Recycling and Reuse Act (SB2313), only the following items will

be accepted: Computers - PCs and laptops, scanners, computer monitors. mobile phones, peripherals - mice. keyboards, zip drives, MP3 players televisions, POAs - printers, VHS players, fax machines, DVD players, video game consoles, and DVR/cable boxes. Electronics from businesses, institutions or schools will not be accepted. Visit swancc.org.

In recognition of America Recycles Oay 2010, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital/Advocate Lutheran General Children's Hospital will sponsor a free electronics and appliances recycling program from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 17 and 18. A collection truck located in the parking lot at the northeast corner of Demoster Street and Luther Lane will be available for easy dropoff. All members of the community are invited to bring no-longer-wanted

electronics and appliances to the hosprovides an opportunity for taxpayer to pay certain outstanding tax liabilipital campus for recycling at no cost. All electronic equipment and many ties and to have penalties and interappliances - large and small - will be est waived for taxes paid in full duraccepted, including computers, coming the amnesty period. To participate, residents should make full pay puter monitors, keyboards, printers. cell phones, radios/stereos, DVD/CD ment of eligible tax liabilities by Nov. players, Walkman's, clocks, televisions 8. Those who failed to file a tax re-(including large screen), and small apturn or incorrectly reported liability pliances (hair dryers, microwave due on a previously filed return for ovens, etc.). Larger electronics and taxes due between June 30, 2002 and appliances (washers, drvers) may also July 1 2009 are eligible Individuals be dropped off, but advance notice is who only owe a penalty and interest

requested, for planning purposes. Call

Northwest Highway, Chicago, is again

www.osotil.org, an organization of vol-

unteers aiding in shipping these items

to Iraq in time for Christmas and the

Jerky/Slim Jims, chap-stick, lotion for

New Year, Items are crackers, Beef

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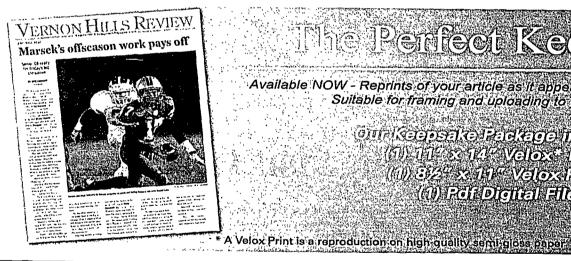
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oram Visit http://tax.illinois.gov/Amnestv.htm. The Northwest Choral Society invites experienced singers to audition for its 45th anniversary 2010-11 season, which will include three exciting concert programs. Recently appointed Music Oirector Alan Wellman will conduct the Northwest Choral Society this season, with pianist Lori Lyn Mackie serving as accompanist, Audi tions are held every Tuesday evening before rehearsals 7-7:30 p.m. at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 1095 Thack er, at Oempster St., in Oes Plaines, Be prepared to discuss prior musical experience and vocalize. Bring a prenared audition niece 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 Oec. 7. The program line up will feature the annual holiday concert, scheduled for Dec.

however, do not quality for this pro-

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U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, right, speaks during an economic roundtable with state Sen. John Mulroe at the Motion Picture Mechanics Union hall on Oct. 22. | Suzanne Tennant~Sun-Times Media.

Durbin talks economics during visit to N.W. Side

By PATRICK BUTLER pbutler@pioneerlocal.com

U.S. Sen. Richard Durbin stopped here long enough to discuss grassroots economics, endorse State Sen. John Mulroe, D-10th and stress the importance of voting in what he called a "crucial" the past Tuesday's election.

"Sometimes off-year elections are just as important as a presidential election. and this is one of them," Durbin told about 50 local residents and Democratic party volunteers during an Oct. 22 pep talk at the Motion Picture Studio MechanNorthwest Highway, in Chicago's Norwood Park community.

Without enough Democratic and progressive Republican votes in Congress, a bill extending credit to small businesses would never have reached President Barack Obama's desk recently, Durbin said.

originally destined for Wall Street and redirecting it to community and local banks to be leveraged into \$300 billion in local loans," Durbin said.

Though the Obama-initiated bill had the support of the U.S. Chamber of Com-

ics Local 476, 6309 N. merce and the National Federation of Independent described as "two very conservative groups," the measure would never have passed if one Republican

hadn't tired of all the infighting and cast the one vote it still needed for passage. Durbin said it was just the kind of bipartisan coopera-"We're taking \$30 billion tion Mulroe said he hopes

to bring to Springfield. "We need to stop the blame game that's been going on. The work's not getting done," said the former state's attorney's pros-

> During a Q-and-A session Durbin and Mulroe fielded

concerns ranging from the years ago. People's checks outsourcing of jobs overseas would have been cut by 30 Businesses, which Durbin to the future of Social Se-

Durbin said he finds it Durbin said he'd also like "frustrating to go into store to change the bankruptcy after store and not find anylaw that allows a court to thing marked 'Made in help a bankruptcy petition-USA," and said Congress iter to save his summer self is partly to blame. home, but not his primary "We're giving tax incen-

"There's no rationale for

it. It's just the law," he ex-

He added that bankrupt-

"Foreclosures are an ex-

pensive loss for banks,

about \$50,000. And bankers

plained

tives to companies to move to China. What's wrong with this picture?," Durbin said.

He noted that "fewer and fewer people have company pensions. Now some people want to privatize Social Security. Can you imagine what would have happened to people if we had privatized Social Security three aren't very good at cutting he said.

grass. Property often goes downhill when it's in bankpercent," as the market colruptcy," he said.

"As a state we're doing a very poor job of funding education," he said. "And without a strong education program, we're doomed."

Mulroe said he's been seeing his share of people who cy reform is in the interests of the banks as well as the are increasingly frustrated and angry.

"I tell them I understand. That's why I got in involved in politics in the first place,"

At or near the top of Mulroe's list of concerns are what he considers the sorry state of education funding

Working the four corners of indecision

Somewhere in your town, there's probably an old-timer who may be the only thing between your kid and The Great Nevermind.

Walt Welninski, 70, the retiree who tried to teach me how to be a crossing guard, looked down on me from all of his 6-foot-3 and made sure I under-

If a car looks like it has a kid's number on it, "You step in front of that car to save that kid."

Fortuitously, my day last month crossing Prospect School kids at Norfolk and Prospect in Clarendon Hills did not involve throwing myself in front of any bumpers to save a member of Generation Z. Everybody survived; otherwise, you would have read about this sooner.

ileavitt@pioneerlocal.com

Today, when so many kids are driven everywhere as if their feet are made of pudding, dozens walk to Prospect School, many with their mothers. About half the kids look up and say, "Thank you, Mr. W" as they cross a street.

They did the same thing for me. Thank you, thank you, thank you. It got embarrassing after a while.

"No, thank YOU," I answered one cadre of kids. "Thank you for thanking

(I didn't get any laughs. No George Carlin fans here.)

They are all very well trained. They wait for you to cross them at a line painted on the sidewalk about 8 feet back of the curb.

Welninski told me that's where I should wait, too, when there are no kids. If you wait near the curb, drivers see you and stop for no reason, because they think you're going to do some-

It's bad enough as it is, Welninski said. Drivers "don't understand the rules of the road at a four-way

Key rules: Pedestrians always have the right of way. Those drivers arriving first get to proceed first, if possible. If two got there at once, the driver on the right goes

"I call it The Four Corners of Indecision," Welninski

"There's a temptation to go out there and direct traffic," Clarendon Hills Police Sgt. Ric Talerico told me. "Don't do that."

So how do you stop the cars from driving over you like a big speed bump? As soon as they stop at the stop sign, you walk to the middle of the street with your own stop sign up. In my one-day experience, that always worked.

You also have to keep the cars from making a right or left turn into your clutch of kids. Eventually, I did that the same way a shortstop keeps a runner from scoring while he throws to first: Just as he "looks the runner back" to third, I looked the driver back to the stop line.

Very few drivers display bad citizenship at Welninski's crossing, because there's usually a cop parked in sight for the 15 minutes or so he's out there.

"If there's nothing else going on, that's a good place for (an officer) to be," said Chief Patrick Anderson, former head of the Deerfield Department. "It does keep everybody on their best be-

When all the kids were safely in school at 8:45, I accepted Anderson's offer to use his station's roll-call room, where I worked on Pioneer's Suburboddity funny-news column.

I have always found it difficult to be funny in a police station, however.

After we finished crossing a dozen kids going home for lunch at 11:35, Welninski led



Pioneer Press' Irv Leavitt, crossing school kids at the corner of Prospect and Norfolk avenues in Clarendon Hills, has put his sign down in the absence of cars, but he should probably be less confident and keep it up. | Tamara Bell-Sun-Times Media

The afternoon is a much

more perilous time.

to cross, if applicable.

which way are they going? I

the other one!



A Pioneer Press reporter tries someone else's job for a day PLACE: Prospect School, Clarendon Hills

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me to his own favorite lunch spot, daughter Katherine Schilder's house, a half block from the corner

"This is the best part," he

said - lunch every day with his grandchildren. So we all sat down: Sarah, 2; Brian, 7; Ben, 10, and Welninski's son's boy, Andrew,

Then the alarm clock rang signaling noon, and we went back to work.

We finished the lunch

appointment to see a guy in Naperville that I hadn't seen in more than 30 years.

It only took 20 minutes to get there. But it took considerably longer to drive back. don't know where they live. Traffic! I pulled into a parking space at 3:05 on the dot. with Welninski and the chief, too, watching me.

Then I remembered that my car clock is consistently two minutes slow.

"I knew you'd be here," I lamely told Welninski, who walkers at 12:20, and I was was looking at me darkly. "I free until 3:05. I had made an knew somebody was respon-

other's territory. "You can't ever be late," he

I think I could have done it alone; Welninski certainly could have. In fact, Anderson told me. Welninski can han-In the morning, you can dle it all from one point, by always tell which way the directing the kids with voice kids are going: They're going and motions.

to school. They cross one I crossed my last couple of street, and you accompany kids, turned my back and them around the corner to walked across the street.

the second street they have "Hey," Welninski said. "Behind you." I saw a young And they come in dribs woman with a stroller with and drabs over a 15-minute a kid of about 8, and he was pushing an empty stroller. In the afternoon, they all They were both crossing the leave the school at once, and street because they thought they want to go home. Now. I still had the traffic stopped. I crossed some in one di-

rection, and thought, now I ran back into the street with my sign in the air. I don't think they noticed that And now there's a bunch I almost failed them.

waiting on that other corner. A few minutes later, one And the one I just left. And last kid appeared on a corner, one where Anderson But the kids are calm, the was alone. The 6-year-old parents are calmer, and looked up at the chief of pothey're all behind the stop lice and decided not to lines. And Welninski is out

Mr. W came up, and he We split the crossing up, crossed the street.

flowing in and out of each Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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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 concert-

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master will accompany the chorus. The final concert of the season, Cele brate Americana will be held June 4 and 5, with selections from Copeland's "Old American Sonos" 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. This year the Maine South Athletic Pass, entitling bearers to admission to all home football and basketball games (except IHSA games), is avail-South Athletic Boosters for \$30. See

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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 athletics.

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

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631-6230.

St. Mary of Providence, 4200 N. Austin Ave., Chicago, presents a Craft Faire from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 6 and 7. Crafts, vendors, food and bakery goods. Free admission. Call (773) 545-

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, 5650 N. Canfield Ave., Chicago, will host its annual Hofiday Vendor and Craft Fair from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 13 in the school gymnasium. The event will feature holiday craft and decorations, candles, homemade papercrafts, pillows, blankets, Tupperware, Tastefully Simple, PartyLite, jewelry, toys. White Elephant Table. homemade baked goods and more. Food and refreshments will be available throughout the day for purchase. liew www.stpaulcanfield.org for details or call (708) 867-5044.

The Ladies Philoptochos Society of the St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox Church, 7373 N. Caldwell Ave. in Niles, slates "The Spirit of Christmas is Love" Bazaar and Holiday Bake Sale Nov. 19 and 20. Hours are 9 a m -9 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m.-5 n.m. Saturday. The bazaar will feature Christmas treasures, crafts, gifts, floral arrangements, CDs, jewelry, raffle, a Coffee Shop, and homemade Greek pastries. A special visitor from the North Pole comes from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (for a Christmas photo). The Bake Shop will feature Greek Pastries, such as Baklava, Diples, Kataifi, Galaktoboureko, Kourambiethes and Melomakarouna Lunch will be served both days from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., and dinner will be served Friday only from 5:30-9 p.m. Call ahead to place a pastry order and it will be ready for pick up. There is no admission and plenty of free parking. Contact the church office,

Resurrection College Prep High School, 7500 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago, dving. The songs are generally traditional or simple rounds, chants, lullawill host its annual Arts & Craft Fair bies and hymns that can be chosen to respond to musical taste and spirifrom 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 13. Get in the tual direction. Singers go through paholiday spirit while shopping for unique hand-crafted gifts, seasonal tient care volunteer training, but there are no auditions; only require and holiday items, housewares, jewel ry and tasty treats. Admission is \$3 ments are a love of music and a defor adults; \$1 for seniors; children un-

sire to serve others. Avenues Thrift Shoppe offers great der 10 are free. Call (773) 775-6616, prices and specials on gently used Ext. 129, or go to www.reshs.org. clothing for infants, children and St. Thecia Woman's Council annual adults..shoes, household items, books Craft and Gift Show takes place from and small furniture. On Wednesdays. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 13 in Falcon Hall. seniors 60 years and older receive 10 6725 W. Devon Ave., Chicago, Handpercent off all regularly priced items. made crafts and lewelry, vendors rep-The main shop is located at 7710 W. resenting Avon, Tastefully Simple. Touhy Ave. in Chicago, and the "bou-Thomas the Tank Engine, and others tique" shop at 7700 Touhy Ave. feawill be featured, Entertainment Books tures upscale clothing, outerwear, colwill be available for purchase; snack lectibles and finer merchandise. bar, hourly raffles and bake sale. Call

Bernie, (773) 774-6897, or Terri, (773) 631-0215. The Norwood Park Historical Soci ety will host Victoria's Holiday Craft Boutique and Café at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House at 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago, Dec. 2 to 5. Hours are: 11 a m -7 n m. Thursday and Friday plus 7-10 p.m. Friday Special Girls' Night P.J. shopping party: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. There is a \$1 admission fee; participants in the society's Dec. 4 Holiday House Tour will be admitted at no extra charge with their tour ticket. teer, contact Michael Frustini, (773) The Holiday Café will serve soup.

sandwiches, and other lunch fare, homemade desserts and pastries and hot and cold drinks. Call (773) 631-4633 or e-mail info@norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org. 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, afghans, 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 he Ministry Center, (847) 823-2550. Women's Club will hold its annual Hol-

St. John Brebeuf's Catholic iday 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.

Fitness Center

Niles Family Fitness Center, 987 Civic Center Dr. Niles, (847) 588-8400 or www.nilesfitness.com. Niles Family Fitness Center offers Lil' Pilgrim Party for ages 1 to 5 from 10-11 a.m. Nov. 23. Parents and children are invited for a special Thanksgiving celebration with crafts, games stories and more. Cost is \$10, members; \$12, nonmembers.

Parent Tot Yoga, ages 2-5, is offered from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Fridays, Nov. 5 to Dec. 17; \$36, members; \$46, nonmembers. Youth Yoga, ages 5-9, runs from 4:15-5 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 4 to Dec.

Mike Ipjian 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. 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 exnerience recommended). Core Blast Fxpress 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

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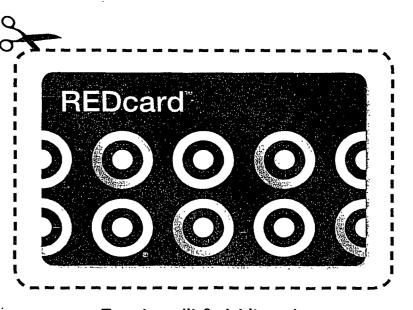
The Maine Township Food Pantry is in desperate need of nonperishable items, including: canned vegetables, canned fruit, jelly, peanut butter, hamburger/chicken helper, cookies, crackers, spaghetti, rice and snack bars. Items may be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Niles Chamber of Commerce office, 8060 W. Oakton St., inside the North Side Community Bank building.

The St. John Brebeuf Gala Benefit, "Teaming Up for a Retter Tomorrow."

will be held Nov. 6 in the St. John Brebeuf Parish May Ministry Center, 8305 N. Harlem Ave. Tickets are \$65 per person and include cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, live and silent auctions, live entertainment, and dancing. The \$10,000 Gala Grand Raffle prize will be awarded this evening. Raffle tickets may be purchased for \$25 each or five for \$100 by calling Maureen Polcyn at (847) 583-8821. All proceeds benefit the St. John Brebeuf Parish School. For ticket sales, contact Jackie Ermilio at (773) 677-1727 or Les Seitzinger at (847) 966-6733. 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 the-

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aters, 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 Gen eral 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) 723-8518; Steve Radakovic at Like New Auto Spa, (847) 823-9274; or visit www.likenewautospa.com. The fundraising program is featured on the homepage with a link to a more detailed fiver containing the discount and donation matrix. This offer is not valid with an outside wash only, or any other promotion/program.

Individuals can take advantage of free, confidential memory screenings and educational materials sponsored by Senior Helpers of Niles-Lincolnwood as part of National Memory Screening Day, an annual initiative of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America. to promote proper detection of memory problems from noon-2 p.m. Nov. 16 at the Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave., Evanston. No charge. Call (847) 679-7900.

The District 63 Health and Wellness Fair takes place from 6:30-8 p.m. Nov. 4 at Washington Elementary School, 2710 Golf Road, Glenview. The district has invited local businesses, professionals, teachers and volunteers to give health and fitness demonstrations and presentations. Highlights will include: helmets on sale; Walgreen's will provide flu shots - call (847) 657-9863 for pre-registration presentations on home fire safety/prevention, dental hygiene dance classes, how to find reliable health information on the Internet.

autism awareness and education and Women age 35 and older are invited to participate in a national research study of the Hologic, Inc. tomosynthesis 3-D mammography system. The study is conducted at the Advocate Lutheran General Center fo Advanced Care, 1700 Luther Lane, on the campus of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge. This is the only site in the Chicagoland area selected to conduct this multicenter clinical trial. The principal investigator for the study at this site is Dr. Sarah Friedewald, section chief, breast imaging and co-medical director of the Caldwell Breast Center at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, The study is being done to see how breast tomosynthesis mammography, a 3-D im-

tional digital 2-D mammography exam. Women ages 35 and older who are planning to have a routine mam mogram may be eligible to participate in this research study. Participants will have additional 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional views taker of the breast. The study will take about 15-30 minutes, which includes the time it takes to read and complete a consent form. If interested in participating in the research study. call HealthAdvisor, 1-800-323-8622)

and mention Code 8W35. There is no cost to study participants. Pediatric developmental screenings offered at no cost. LYNX Therapeutics, 9436 Ozark Ave., Morton Grove, provides specialized occupational therapy services and learning instruction programs to children with physical, social, emotional, and learning difficulties. Contact: Inorid Kenron at (847) 791-1631 or (847) 966-1505. A local dialysis clinic, Fresenius

Medical Care Niles, 9371 N. Milwaukee Ave., has started a new night-time program for dialysis patients. The new service allows patients to receive treatments in the clinic at night, for eight hours, while sleeping or resting usually three times a week. In addition to having their days free for other activities, patients often report having more energy and better dialy sis results. Medicare-certified Fresenius Medical Care Niles is now accept ing new dialysis patients. Call (847)

Senior Advocate of Advocate Luther an General Hospital offers free bloodpressure screenings 10 a.m.-noon on the first Wednesday of every month at the hospital's Patient Resource Center, 8820 W. Dempster St., Niles (across from the hospital). No appointment is necessary. Call (847)

Historical Society

The Niles Historical Society, 8970 Milwaukee Ave., is hosting another High Tea to celebrate its new look from 2-4 p.m. Nov. 7 and 14, As usual hats and gloves are requested. Seating is very limited and tickets are available by calling (847) 390-0160 or contacting any member of the historical society.

The Twenty-First Star Chapter of

NSDAR (National Society Daughters of the American Revolution) is looking for students to compete in this year's annual American History Essay Contest. All fifth- through eighth-grade students in a public, private, or. parochial school, and those who are home schooled are eligible. This con test is conducted without regard to race, religion, sex, or national origin Topic for 2010-11 is "Memoirs of Paul Revere" in celebration of the 275th anniversary of the birth of Paul Revere. (Pretend you are Paul Revere writing your memoirs: relate various accomplishments for which you wish to be remembered in the annals of American History.) One essay at each grade level is selected as the chapter winner and forwarded to the district American History chairman for further competition. Judging will be based on historical accuracy, adher-

ence to topic, organization of materi

al, interest, originality, spelling, grammar, punctuation and neatness, (Pictures, maps, drawings, graphics and other such additions will not be considered in judging and should not be included.) Deadline for submission is Dec. 1. Contact Twenty-first Star Chapter Historian Nancy Meyer at (847) 824-1150 or nwmeyerinv@aol.com for specific guidelines for this year's con-

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Library

Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., (847) 663-1234 or online at www.nileslibrary.org. Registration is required for most programs unless indicated otherwise Youth programs on a drop-in basis -

Babytime: 11 a.m. Mondays, for babies age 2 and under. Continuous yearnd drop-in program for children with an adult. Includes stories, songs, fingerplays and extended playtime at terward. Rise & Shine Storytime: 10 a.m. Thursdays, ages 2-6 with caregive er; enjoy stories, songs and more.

Maine Township

Maine Township's FISH (Friends Indeed Serve and Help) is in need of volunteer drivers to provide residents free transportation to medical facilities in and near Maine Township. Volunteers may choose how much time they wish to devote. Requirements in clude a current drivers license and proof of auto insurance. The program requires residents in need be mobile. or be able to use a cane or walker. FISH also asks that appointments be set three or more days in advance. To become a volunteer driver call Ed Oken, (847) 696-0761. To schedule a ride or for information call FISH coordinator Gloria Stepek, (847) 297-2510, Ext. 283.

"What's a Parent to Do? The Facts About Teen Drug and Alcohol Use," a free parent seminar, will be held from 7-9 p.m. Nov. 4 at Maine Township Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge Guest speaker is Dr. James Guidi, li censed psychologist and CEO of the Youth Campus in Park Ridge, Also highlighted will be "Stay Out of My Room!" – step inside a typical teen's bedroom and look for clues of alcohol or drug use, hidden in plain sight. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. This semina is sponsored by the Maine Community Youth Assistance Foundation. Registration is requested by calling (847) 297-2510 x271 or go to www.mainetownship.com/services/mainestay/com

Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation offers people with physical and mental challenges, behavior and learning disorders, hearing and visual impairments and emotional disabilities an opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreation activities, MNASR serves Des Plaines, Golf-Maine, Lincolnwood, Morton Grove, Niles, Park Ridge and Skokie. To receive a seasonal brochure, or to offer support for people with special needs by volunteering, call (847) 966-5522.

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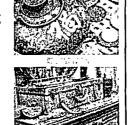
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Resident and nonresident registra tion for Niles Park District Bright Re ainnings Preschool for 2010-11 is still being accepted. Spaces are still avail able in the morning and afternoon for 3- and 4-vear-old classes. Registration ~is accepted at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St., until classes are filled, Call (847) 967-6633.

Niles Park District New 3's Preschool is offered for children who turned 3 after Sept. 1, 2009, missing the deadline for the regular 3-year preschool, Classes are held Tuesdays/Thursdays or Wednesdays/Fridays, 12:30-2 p.m. at Howard Leisure Center. Cali (847) 967-6633.

Niles Park District is offering pri vate piano lessons (30-45 minutes) for beginning and intermediate students Wednesdays and Thursdays at Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St. Lessons will focus on the fundamentals of technique, music theory and good practice habits. Call (847) 967-6633 to reserve a lesson

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Visit one of the Golf Maine Park District offices. Feldman Recreation Center, 8800 Kathy Lone (one block south of Golf Road on Western Avenue), Niles: or Dee Park, at the corner of Dee and Emerson Roads, Des Plaines; or call (847) 297-3000;

Tiny Tots Open Gym - Parents may drop in and supervise their 1-5 yearold any Wednesday or Thursday from 9-11:30 a.m. for a variety of gym oames at Dee Park

Parent's Night Out - Parents can eniov a "night off" Saturday, Nov. 20 from 6-9:30 p.m. Staff will supervise children in grades K-6. Includes dinner, games, sports and arts and crafts; Feldman Park.

The Art of Mehndi - One day workshop on the ancient artform of Mehndi. Students receive instruction, supplies and a small tattoo design; 2-4 , Dec. 4; Feldman,

Jelly Bean Sports - Classes are geared for children ages 2-3 and in clude soccer, T-ball and sport shorts Class days and times vary but next session begins the week of Nov. 6 Dee Park and Feldman Park.

Ballet & Tan - Veteran instructor Sandria Daiani instructs a variety of classes for ages 3 years to adult. Next session begins the week of Nov. 16: Feldman and Dee Parks.

Belly Dance - Participants age 16 and up can study under the expert quidance of world renowned instruc tor, Jasmin Jahal; Feldman Park. Mad Science Children in third through sixth grades will experiment with chemistry and the science of molecules and matter on Nov. 23:

Thanksgiving Arts & Crafts - Create a beautiful centerpiece for the holiday table. Materials included; Nov. 23, Dee Park

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Religion Lutheran Church of the Resurred tion, 8450 N. Shermer Road, Niles, presents Jazz Vespers at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 7 with the John Moulder Trio. A portion of offerings for concerts goes to LSS/Augustana Ministries, Chicago. aiding severely handicapped children.

Call (847) 965-8210 Registrations for the St. John Brebeuf "Joy in Jesus" Sunday preschool program are now being taken. The program is open to children ages 3 and one-half through kindergarten age. Classes are held during the 10:45 Mass each Sunday, Registration fee is \$40 and covers all materials for the year. Special emphasis is given to the development of self-awareness in the children and their place in the Christian community. The goal of the program is to provide a foundation for a

register, call Charlotte Lindquist, (847) 470-1434 Theology of Park Ridge's fall series, "The Mystery of Life Unfolds," meets 9:15-11:15 a.m. Wednesdays in Our Lady of Hope Church, 9711 W. Devon Ave., Rosemont, Nov. 10: Pauline Viviano. Ph.D, associate professor, Old Testament, Loyola University Chicago, "For Everything There Is a Season." Men

and women are invited. To register for

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phone books. All money raised will payable to Theology of Park Ridge fund the scholarship program, allowwith name, address and telephone ing children to attend summer camp and other programs. Call (847) 297-

number to Mary Lou Murphy, 5813 N Nicolet Ave., Chicago IL 60631, Single session is \$10. Call (773) 774-4421. Messiah Lutheran Church, 1605 Vernon Ave., Park Ridge, holds a Christian-education hour at 9 a.m. each Sunday, with worship service at 10:15 a.m. During the hour, Sunday school is in church parsonage; children from preschool-sixth grade welcome. Childcare services are available during

worship, Call (847) 823-6984. St. John Brebeuf Adoration Chapel in the Parish Ministry Center, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., is open 24 hours a day. seven days a week, for spiritual devoprayers and meditation. Call (847) 966-8145.

Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempste St., Skokie, offers Introduction to Judaism and beginning adult Hebrew classes on Sundays and monthly Yid dish, Members and nonmembers are welcome. Call (847) 675-4141, or go to www.ehnt.org.

Guerin College Preparatory High School, River Grove, continues its tra dition of inviting alums from both of its foundation schools – Holy Cross and Mother Theodore Guerin high schools – to an annual reunion Nov. 6 at Embassy Suites, 5500 N. River Road, Rosemont. This year also marks the reunion for the first Guerin College Preparatory graduating class the class of 2005. Those honored from Holy Cross and Mother Gueria

High Schools include the classes of 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995 and 2000. The reunion begins at 6 p.m. and includes a buffet dinner and open bar (6-10 p.m.). Cost is \$75 per person with an Oct. 25 deadline for reservations. Complimentary valet parking. Register online at www.guer inprep.org/alumni.html call Tina Lilly director of alumni relations.

The 1966 Class of Ridgewood High School is planning a reunion and looking for graduates. Anyone with information concerning alumni is asked to e-mail havdeliu@comcast.net or call (217) 352-7254.

St. John Brebeuf School in Niles is looking for graduates from the class of 1964. Contact Libby Ryder at Iry-

St. John Brebeuf is looking for all St. John Brebeuf School alumni. Alumni should contact Libby Ryder, (847) 966-3266, or e-mail Iryder@sjbschool.org, and submit their name, year graduated, address, phone num ber, maiden name (if applicable) and e-mail address, and may share a story or tell how St. John Brebeuf made an impact on their life.

Maine Seniors

The Maine Township MaineStreamers program offers a variety of opportunities for residents 55 and older Membership includes a free subscrip tion to the MaineStreamers monthly newsletter, which details activities for the upcoming month. Most activities are at Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge, unless otherwise noted. Contact the MaineStreamers

(847) 297-2510, or go to www.maine-

township.com. Maine Township is asking for assistance in locating good, reliable handymen in the area. If you know of someone and would like to submit a name, contact Therese Tully, (847) 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

Senior Center

The Niles Senior Center offers 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

The Polish National Alliance North Side Seniors will meet at 10 a.m. Nov. 10 at the home office, 6100 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. The agenda will focus on "Thanksgiving" and special announcements of upcoming events to the rest of the year and the Christmas luncheon to be held in December. All seniors ages 55 and over (members and nonmembers) are encour aged to join. Refreshments will he served, Call the PNA (773) 286-0500. Ext. 316, or visit www.pna-znp.org and click on "Events."

ty, 7262 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago, will host a free Resurrection Education Day from 9-11 a.m. Nov. 5. Learn about Resurrection's large array of services, including Resurrection Medical Center. Resurrection Ambulatory Care, Resurrection Home Health Care and Home Medical Equipment, and Resurrection subacute therapy services, provided by six area rehabilitation and nursing centers. Attendees will enjoy free health screenings, refreshments and niveaways. To schedule a personalized tour of Resurrection Retirement Community, call (773) 792-7930.

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 onsored 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

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throughout the year every month on the second Wednesday. Call the Golf Mill management office, (847) 699-Senior Link Alliance in collabora tion with the City of Chicago Depart ment on Aging, offers a free Home Repair Referral Service to all seniors

723-4765 Catholic Charities of the Archdio cese of Chicago invites those who one to suicide to participate in its of prescreened qualified handymen or office, 1717 Rand Road, Des Plaines.

ing, painting, gutter cleaning and repair, electrical work, roofing, washing windows, errand running, yard work snow removal, furnace repairs, wall papering, tuckpointing, tiling and more. Call Carol McDavid, (773) 777-

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tions for its Robineau Residence, 7550

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Super Seniors, a Jewish Seniors group for people older than 60, meets 3-4:30 p.m. the first and third Sun days 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 The National Alliance on Mental III

ness-Cook County North Suburban will feature Albert J. Pizza discussing "New Hope for Those with a Mental Iliness: Mental Health Courts" from 7 8:30 p.m. Nov. 8 at the Kenton-Knox Conference Center 9701 N Knox Ave. Skokie. Pizza is a clinical supervisor for the Cook County Mental Health Court Program. Call (847) 716-2252. Life after Loss is a six-week suppor group for widowed persons 55 years of age or younger who have beer widowed for less than two years. It meets from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays Nov. 23. Dec. 14 and 28. Jan. 11 and 25. at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care. 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge; \$40 for the six sessions. Call (847) 692-8884 or visit www.rain

bowhospice.org. Widowed Support Group is an ongoing support group that addresses losses faced by persons, as a general quideline, who have been widowed less than two years. This group meets from 7-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Hwy., Suite 145, Park Ridge; \$5 per session. Call (847) 692-

The Lutheran General Hospital Stroke Club for stroke survivors and their caregivers meets from 3-4:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month (except January and July) a the Outpatient Therapy Center, 9375 Church St., Des Plaines; use south en trance. Contact Meg Potterfield, (847)

have experienced the loss of a loved Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) meetings at its Northwest

or, to find another local chapter, visit The minimum age for the monthly www.tops.org or call 800-932-8677. meetings or eight-session groups is MOMS Club of Northern 18-years-old. If possible, call the LOSS Chicagoland holds weekly activities office, (312) 655-7283, for an initial in (such as playgroups, outings, musetake before the first meeting or visit

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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 sit uations. 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 serv ices. 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.

205-3600. The National Alliance on Mental IIIness, Cook County North Suburban, invites the public to attend its "Family Support Group" for families of individ uals with a mental illness. Program is free and meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Nesset Center 1775 Ballard Road. north of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, Free parking

For additional information, call (773)

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 ac cessible). 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-The Depression and Bipolar Sup-

port Alliance-Greater Chicago has free support groups for people with mood disorders and support groups for their families. Meetings take place 6:30-8 p.m. on the first Monday of every month at Evanston Hospital, 2650 Ridge, Evanston, in Rooms G952 and 954. Call Elaine at (847) 674-6376 An Alzheimer's Caregivers suppor group, co-sponsored by Advocate Medical Group and the Alzheimer's Association, is offered monthly at the Nesset 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 Nesset Pavilion, 1775 Ballard Road, Park Ridge. Meetings are free and no registration is required. Contact Sandy Guarise, (847) 318-2501,

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The Stroke Club of Advocate Luther an 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.

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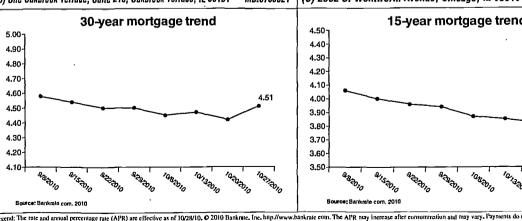
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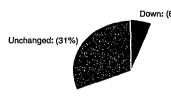
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Meyer, ND humbled by Maine South

Dons drop sixth straight playoff game

BV MATT HARNESS mharness@pioneerlocal.com

FOOTBALL - Jack Meyer lost his neighborhood bragging rights on Saturday.

A 47-0 loss to Maine South, his hometown school, will do that.

Meyer lives in Park Ridge, but the junior attends Notre Dame. The two schools played for the first time since 2002 in the first round of the IHSA Class 8A playoffs at Maine South.

The two-time defending Class 8A champs scored on their first two possessions and led 32-0 at the half. Three Notre Dame turnovers in the first five minutes of the second half left the Dons in a 47-0 hole with 10:03 to go in the third quarter.

"We were feeling pretty good going in," said the



Notre Dame running back Jeremy Burgos (33) tries to slip the tackle of Maine South John Ferro, with Hawks teammate Doug Rogers closing quickly, Saturday during Maine South's Class 8A playoff victory. | Kevin Tanaka~for Sun-Times Media

preparation. This is pret- a row. ty difficult. At least I know I have next season."

Meyer caught three passes for 26 yards.

: ··Cross prior to Notre Dame. hard-hitting Hawks, who the first half came after in the second half.

The Dons, who ended their season at 5-5 following three consecutive de-

"We had a good week of won for the eighth time in quarterback Tom Whalen's 29-yard pass to Brian Fitzsimmons to Maine South's 14-yard line.

Whalen finished 8-for-19 feats, managed only 150 passing for 76 yards with No part of Notre Dame's yards of offense. The clos- an interception that was tended St. Paul of the offense worked against the est they got to scoring in returned 36 yards for a TD



Notre Dame's Connor Thomas (5) knocks the ball loose from Maine South's Jimmy Frankos. | Kevin Tanaka~for Sun-Times Media

n't any better. Six runners totaled 74 vards.

Jeremy Burgos, whose brother Julian was a star running back for the Dons in 2009, led the backfield with 33 yards on six carries. Connor Thomas ran eight times for 16 yards.

"A lot of good stuff hapball," said Meyer, who played football with several of Maine South's juniors team.'

on the Park Ridge Falcons Comment: pioneerlocal.com

ND's running game was- during seventh grade. "We weren't able to get it to him

Notre Dame extended its streak of first-round playoff losses in the to six. The Dons haven't won a playoff game since 1998.

anything special," Meyer said of the Hawks, who pens when Connor gets the have won 36 of 38 games over the last three seasons. "They are a beatable

West rookie Omar makes State in first try

said. "He's just gotten pro-

gressively better and bet-

ter and better. He's such an

unbelievable competitor

and he sees a race as an op-

portunity to beat people,

and that's how he goes out

Julien (31st, 15:57.88) nar-

and does it."

started his push.

Teammate Julien narrowly misses cut

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By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

CROSS COUNTRY — On the eve of Saturday's IHSA Class 3A Niles West Sectional, Niles West boys head coach Vachee Loughran mentioned to juniors Neal Omar and Marc Julien that each had a chance to reach State. However, the coach reassured the runners that if they didn't make it this year, there would always be next year.

Omar was having none of it. Though competing in just his first year of cross country, the junior insisted that he would, in fact, run at State this year.

He backed up those words , placing 25th in 15:50.27 to grab one of the final spots "Unbelievable," Loughran plished the feat last year; Vishal Alex Zasso each of the two (93rd,17:08.11). years prior to that; and Ryan Leyba in 2006. Loughran insisted that

after the excitement of sectionals, anything Omar accomplishes Saturday at tional. State, at Detweiller Park in Peoria, would be icing on the cake. "Just getting there for a

rowly missed on his bid, but played an important role as a pace-setter for Omar. The kid who never has run cross two ran together before country, didn't run all sum-Omar, who also qualified for mer and really just made it the state track meet in the by determination and ath-800-meter run last spring, leticism ... it's not an easy thing to do, especially out "The first lap I was work- . of this sectional," he said. ing with Marc and I got out "It just goes to show what

in 5:12," Omar said. "The an athlete he is." second lap we pushed it Omar expects to play basmore and came back in ketball this winter but said 10:22. The last lap, I knew his success in track and what was at stake and coach cross country would push (Loughran) kept telling me him to continue training guys I had to pass. I just during the hoops season. kept kicking as hard as I Niles West (281) ended up

ninth at the 19-team meet, Niles West has advanced drawing points from junior a runner to the State Meet David Iverson (72nd, in five straight years: 16:50.24), junior Mas Hoshi (77th, 16:54.07) and senior George Davros accom-

was West's top finisher; placshe followed head coach Ann Heselton's race plan, though admitted there were areas where she could have improved.

race, pushing the second mile more. That was the coach's strategy for me. She want to catch those girls," Karp said, "That's what I did, but I guess not as hard as I should have."

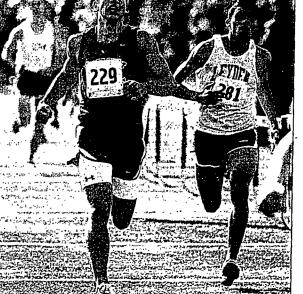
Heselton said she's always been pleased by Karp's ability to execute a race plan.

"(Karp) is tough, and she's one athlete who always, when you tell her to do

On the girls side, the Wolves (276) finished 10th at Saturday's 18-team sec-

Sophomore Michelle Karp ing 31st (19:09.66). She said

"I felt good during the said, 'Keep pushing the second mile, that's where you



Niles West's Neal Omar finishes ahead of Leyden's Fabian Cabrerra at the Niles West Sectional to earn an at-large bid to the State Meet. Jerry Daliege~for Sun-Times Media

try and do it regardless of how she's feeling," the coach said. "She actually converts what you're saying into race strategy. I kept pointing out specific girls whom she needed to beat, and she

you say to that? She works

Also at the sectional, Wes 60th (20:10.6), junior Jessica Sutfin placed 64th (20:16) passed them. So, what do and freshman Taylor Genis

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Bastian represents Dons at Niles West Sectional

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

CROSS COUNTRY - Notre Dame's Andy Bastian started out well, but couldn't maintain his pace during Saturday's IHSA Class 3A Niles West Sectional.

"The gun went off and I tried to go out fast and stay with the front pack," Bastian said. "But the (last) two miles, I just couldn't stay with

The senior ended up finishing in 17:54.74 and, even though he was a disappointed with his time, Bastian still was pleased with his accomplishments this fall, which in- illnesses and injuries that inflictcluded representing ND on Sat-

.. "I didn't do as well as I thought I would do. But overall, I'm prethis hip. Everyone was getting hurt ty satisfied with the season," Bas-

tian said. "It was a great way to to have anything bad happen to end senior year. I never expected to be at sectionals this year. It was a great feeling."

Bastian said competing in sectionals felt odd because he ran without his teammates for the first

"It was different. They were (on the sidelines) cheering me on, at least. I had that to look forward to," said Bastian, who trained for the meet with classmates Tim Curley, Todd Brady and Matt

He considered himself fortunate because he was not affected by the ed many teammates this fall.

"There were people sick this year with pneumonia. Brady hurt this year," he said. "I was lucky not

Dating back to last year, Notre Dame head coach Mike Jankowski has raved about the camaraderie on his team. Bastian also saw the squad's cohesion.

"We just love each other. We get along so well and have fun together," Bastian said. "It makes it a lot easier to train when you really like everybody on your team and have such a great time (training) with

Bastian's prep running career has one more chapter and he's looking forward to track season in the spring.

"I've run 10:30 in the 3200, and my goal is to run a sub-10," he said. "I want to run a 5:30 in the 1600. Hopefully, I can get that done if I train hard over the winter."



Notre Dame senior Andy Bastian finishes the Niles West Sectional in 17:54.74. | Jerry Daliege~for Sun-Times Media

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Papazoglou grabs Vikes' Ist state berth in 8 years

North girls end 5 year sectional drought

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

CROSS COUNTRY — After a poor sectional run last fall. Niles North's Kosta Papazoglou enjoyed some redemption when he qualified for the State Meet in track.

The Vikings senior then put last year's disappointment firmly in the past with a state-qualifying performance at the Niles West Cross Sectional on Saturday.

Papazoglou posted a time of 15:39 to finish 13th overall and earn the second of five individual spots for the Class 3A State Meet in Peoria on Saturday. Papagzoglou became the first Niles North runner to advance for State since Roenen Ben-Ami in 2002.

"I dropped the ball last year. It feels like huge redemption to finish in the top 20 and be the first from Niles North to qualify in eight years. It's awesome," Papazoglou said, "Other than the wind, it was a great day to run. I felt great all

Niles North head coach Dan Horyn said he had been concerned after Papazoglou struggled down the stretch during the previous week. But Papazoglou thrived during that portion of the race Saturday.

"(At the regional) he looked kind of broken down in the third mile," Horyn said. "This week, he was 14th or 15th at the two-mile mark, and he found a kick. He had a real nice 800, caught a few guys and finished with authority.

"He looked good, ran with here." confidence and seemed un-



Niles North's Muhammad Chattha places 44th Saturday during the Niles West Sectional. | Jerry Dallege~for Sun-Times Media



Niles North's Clara Williamson finishes first among Vikings runners at the Niles West Sectional. | Jerry Daliege-for Sun-Times Media

thing from last week and State at Detweiller Park. last year. It helped him to have a great sectional race in track, and it made him feel he could do it in cross

Inspired by the strong daunted by the competition. performance, Papazoglou is I think he learned some- setting his sights high for

"I'm going to go out there and place top 25 and make all-state. That's the goal,"

Papazoglou said. Horyn believes the runner is capable.

"(Sectional) will be a real nice confidence booster for knowing the quality of the sectional and beating a couple of guys who beat him (at the regional)," Horvn said "All-state is his goal and it's my goal for him as well."

Niles North finished seventh at the sectional (236) points) behind sixth-place Maine South (183). The top five teams advanced Down-

North senior Muhammad Chattha capped his career by placing 44th (16:19.26) at Niles West. Sophomore Micah Beller finished 58th (16:35.45), junior Carlitos Rangel came in 65th (16:44.21) and sophomore Justin Suh placed 68th (16:45.61).

Girls

The Vikings (409) finished 15th at the 18-team Niles West Sectional, Head coach Lauren Stump said just advanciing out of regionals was reason to celebrate.

"We're happy overall how everyone ran," Stump said. "This is the first time we've made it to sectionals in five years. That was our goal. We're really happy how things went."

The Vikings lose only one of their top-seven runners, another reason for opti-

Junior rookie Clara Williamson was North's top. finisher, coming in 51st (19:49.98).

"Overall, the season was good," Williamson said. "I wasn't too happy with (the sectional). It was windy and my muscles were tight. But I'm just happy about the season. Pretty much each meet, I've lowered my time."

Senior Leah Wesolowski finished 57th (20:07.47), freshman Trinette Lopez came in 110th (21:24.07), freshman Brenda Vazquez ice at West. placed 118th (22:06.69) and "He'll be remembered for a crater to fill." junior Katherine Betz was

119th (22:07.10).

Wolves' season like dust in the wind

Conditions play havoc with game plan

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By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

SOCCER - Normally, the team with the wind at its back holds an advantage.

But with the presence of near-gale force conditions for the Oct. 26 Maine South Sectional semifinal, playing with the wind turned out to be the kiss of death for Niles

The No. 1 seeded Wolves (16-3-4) took a 1-0 lead over Mather into the break, but sti uggled in the second half as the weather forced them to alter their usual shortpassing style. Seventh-seeded Mather scored twice in the final 15 minutes and advanced with a 2-1 upset win.

"The second half, we had the wind, and that's what really hurt us," West head coach Scott Ackman said. "We stopped playing our game, and started playing (long ball) and fell apart. I don't think we connected three passes until the final minute. We would have been better against the wind."

Senior Thomas Villamil opened the scoring with a first-half penalty kick fol-

last game," he said. "If we fielder Arek Solowa, senior lowing a Mather hand ball. had played well and lost, Mather answered with that would be fine."

two picture-perfect goals. "If one was an inch to the left or right, the defender has it. If the other one was an inch lower, the goalkeeper has it," Ackman said.

Rozen (17), I Buzz Orr~Sun-Times Media

The coach said the biggest source of disappointment was not the loss, but just how poorly the team per-

"It was the worst game we played all year and it's the

Niles West's Thomas Villamil (center) points after scoring the first goal of the Wolves' 2-1 loss to Mather in the

Maine South Sectional semifinal. Joining in the celebration are teammates David Dawood (8) and Daniel

The Wolves put their names in the book after registering the most wins in program history.

Villamil, who led the team with 16 goals, was an IHSS-CA All-State selection and joined his central midfield partner, David Dawood (4 goals, 5 assists), on the allsectional team. Villamil, Dawood, senior defender/midgoalkeeper Danny Niedzielski, junior defender Michael Taber and junior forward Jaime Zepeda (9 goals, team-high 8 assists) were all-conference picks.

The Wolves will return seven starters, including Zepeda and his striker partner, up-and-coming freshman forward Dzenan

Replacing Niedzielski,



sectional semifinal action at Maine South. | Buzz Orr-Sun-Times Media

net this season, Villamil and Dawood will be the biggest challenges, Junior back-up keeper Dange Gillespie will get the chance to succeed Niedzielski.

Sophomore Robert Urosev and juniors Danny Heller and Daniel Rozen. role players this season, hope to fill the holes in the

Good leaders."

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At the Next Level: Niles

West 2009 graduate Mahi

Mameledzija just finished

his freshman season at Lake

Forest College. The forward

scored a team-high 13 goals

with six assists for a

Foresters team that went

West's Torres coaches final home diving meet

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

SWIMMING — The Niles West swim program said goodbye to one legendary Friday's dual meet against Evanston.

laying down the law, bad

Macejak, a former West swimmer: "Actually, he'll be remembered for state qualifiers, too many to count. He final time Friday, as at the CSL freshman meet. coach and seven seniors at took kids who were just Evanston prevailed 126-59. learning to dive as freshmen and developed them into Diving coach Louis Tor- state qualifiers. He even had res was in charge for the one state champ (Dan Rylast time at a home meet balko, in 202). He left his and will be retiring after mark in diving. Whoever 50 free (24.96) and was day. more than 20 years of serv- comes after him will not just third in the 100 butterfly have huge shoes to fill, but

music and bad jokes," joked

Seniors Jaci Moy, Alexis Emina Dielovic and Emme

head swim coach Jason Norberg, Emily Fung, their strong recent form. DeAnn Okrzesik, and Heather Funai also were competing at West for the

> Yusim won the 500 free (5:37.44) and remains a few seconds off the school- and 300 free. record time. Freshman Edan Scott took first in the (1:23.33), while Funai topped diving (206.3). Juniors

Yusim, Emma Capps, Holly Deamont also continued

On Saturday, freshman Scott captured the 50 freestyle and 50 backstroke Diver Valerie Fung finished second and Estee Cramer came in eighth in the 50 fly

Evanston will host the CSL South meet on Satur-

At Niles North

The Vikings lost 104-81 to 100 fly (season-best 1:03.01) Glenbrook North in Friday's

"(The meet) went really

Torres said seniors Sara Karnes and Kelli Streicher well. It was a good meet and a nice time for the nine senhave been turning in strong iors," NN head coach Paul performances, as well.

Torres said. "They are a re-Niles North honored nine ally good group of girls. seniors on Senior Night: Vlad, Martin, Kopylova, Senior Alexandra Vlad Karnes, Streicher, Hiba won the 200 IM (season-Ahmed, Justine Viloria, best 2:29.15), senior Amber Christina Rouhotas and Martin had her fastest time Reny Mathew.

in the 100 backstroke (2nd, The Vikings will compete 108.66) and senior Xenia in Saturday's CSL North Kopylova took second in the Meet at Maine West.

and in the 100 breaststroke Comment: pioneerlocal.com Managing Editor: Rich Martin

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OF THE WEEK

Matt Alviti, Maine South sopho-Quarterback wins first playoff start by passing 15-for-19 for 277

yards and three touchdowns in 47 0 win over Notre Dame. Tyler Fahey, Maine South junior

fensive effort with his 36-yard interception return for a touchdowr early in the third quarter. John Strickland, Glenbrook South senior

Running back carried 26 times for 142 yards and scored two touchdowns as the Titans shook off a shaky end to the regular season with a 35-28 playoff win over Bar-

Mark Sullivan, Loyola senior The CCL Blue defensive player of the year recorded two sacks in Ramblers' 42-0 victory over Young in the first round.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Taylor Tashima, New Trier

Rookie impresses in two wins as Trevians capture a regional title. She had four kills and two aces in final against Maine South. Nicole Moy, Niles West senior Outside hitter puts down nine kills as the Wolves beat Von Steuben to

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Courtney Ackerman, New Tries

No signs of slowing down as she won the sectional title over sister Jessica, crossing the line in 17:26

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Kosta Papazohlou, Niles North

Finished 13th in 15:39 at the Niles West Sectional to earn an at-large bid to the State Meet.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Madeline Klichowski, Loyola

The MCAC Senior Swimmer of the Year led the Rambiers' 200-vard medley relay to its first victory over defending state champion Rosary in team history. Loyola's quartet was clocked in 1:47.67, onehundredth faster than the conference mark set by Rosary in 2006 and the fastest time in the state

NW takes notes before sweep

three games two days ear-

But in the final, West

jumped out early on Von

Steuben and never let up

during the 25-15, 25-11 win.

first regional since 2006 and

advanced to the Niles West

Sectional semifinal sched-

"We watched (Von

uled for Tuesday.

Advances to own Class 4A sectional semi

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

may not have seemed monumental at the time, Niles West head coach Stacy

Niles West's Nicole Mov lines up a kill during the Wolves win over Von

Steuben in the regional finals. | Vincent D. Johnson-for Sun-Times

Metoyer said junior Milena straight upset, after taking Zalloni's kill to open the sec- down No. 5 NIles North in ond game of Saturday's Class 4A regional final was important to her team's vic-

The No. 4 Wolves won the first game handily, and Zallonis' smash off a pass from senior Jordyn Toia sent a message that West was not going to let No. 12 Von Steuben back into the game at Lincoln Park High

Von Steuben had come in looking for its second

Steuben) against Niles North; even though they lost that first game, they came back strong that second game and were able to hang. They just don't give up," Metoyer said. "But I think us dominating from the beginning was important, and us starting with the momentum in game two and jumping on them early there was Senior Nicole Moy led

Niles West with nine kills, Zalloni added seven, sophomore Molly Kleppin collected a team-high nine digs and senior Teegan Smith

"It was an allaround team win."

Stacy Metoyer,

West (22-11) captured its dealt 14 assists.

Metoyer said West's performance was a true total

she said. "Our hitters put the ball away, our setters mixed up the sets, our back row passed excellent on serve receive and our libero (Kleppin) did a great job passing the ball up to the net. Everyone just did their job. It was an all-around team win."

In the regional semis Oct. 28, the Wolves were shaky early before defeating No. 16 Lincoln Park 25-18, 25-20.

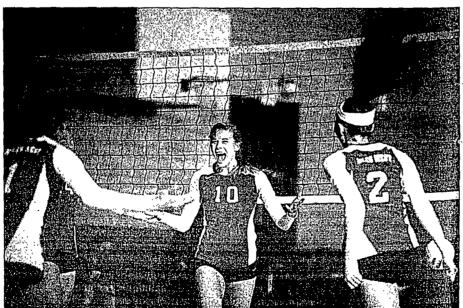
The Wolves were slow to shake early playoff jitters and adapt to the bandbox

"We were adjusting to the gym, the lights, the space. It was tough. But we were ... playing a team we could handle, so we had time to adjust. Then, we could come here (for the sectional) and take care of business."

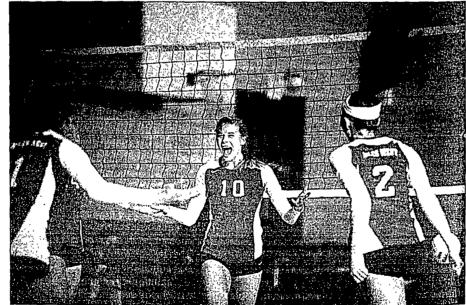
The Vikings' loss to Von Steuben meant North ended the season 21-15 and with the second-highest win total in school history.

Head coach Mike Cott said his team was solid in game one, but inconsistent thereafter in a 17-25, 25-20, 25-23 defeat,

"We lost our energy and Von Steuben seized the momentum and carried it through the rest of the match," he said. "We were able to recover and play more spirited toward the end of game two and in most of game three, but untimely errors and a few tough breaks were too much for



Niles West's Milena Zalloni 10 celebrates with her teammates after making a big play during the second game



of their 4A regional victory over Von Steuben. | Vincent D. Johnson-for Sun-Times Media

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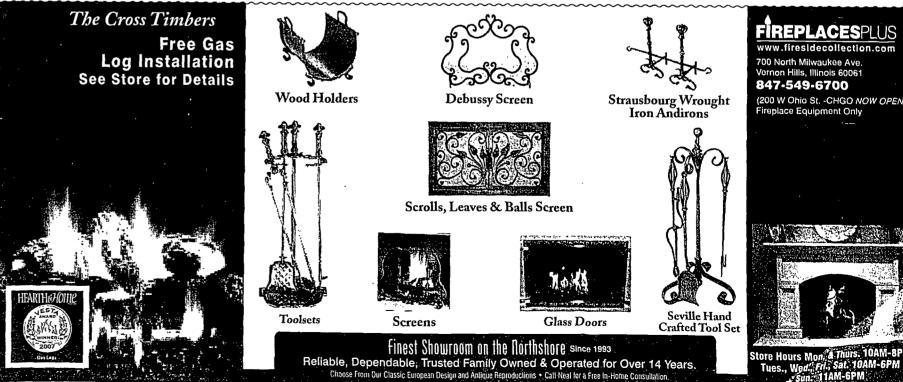


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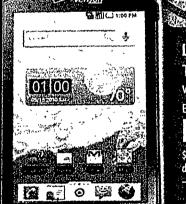
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