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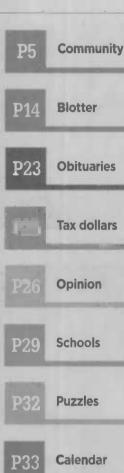
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Cover Story

Spooktoberfest draws crowd

BY TRACY GRUEN | Contributor

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Bart Simpson, Darth Vader, a butterfly, and a pumpkin were just a few of the attendees Saturday at the second annual Spooktoberfest at Pioneer Park.

Anne Gentile of Chicago brought her kids back this year after they enjoyed themselves last year. This year they were

dressed as a witch, police officer and Bart Simpson.

"It's a nice event," said Gentile, who said her kids had a great time playing games, mini golf and going on a hay ride.

Gentile said that her young son enjoys dressing up as a police officer "almost every day," and it was no different for Halloween.

Every year Gentile enjoys going trickor-treating with her family and putting up Halloween decorations around the house.

Karolina Zwierczyk,



Jacob Abbinante walks past a giant pumpkin at the Pioneer Park Spooktoberfest on Saturday. | DAN LUEDERT-Sun-Times Media

of Park Ridge, said she was happy and surprised that her 15-month-old daughter, Lilly, who was disguised as a pumpkin, won the costume contest for the girls. Her son, who attends preschool at Niles Park District, was a fireman for the day.

The family-friendly event included games such as Bozo buckets using Jack O'Lanterns, a bean-bag toss, mini golf for \$1, a hot dog lunch for a \$1 and free hay rides for the whole family.

"The parents love it," said Julene Valle, the facility manager at Pioneer Park. "They get so into it."

Valle said that last year the parents and kids both had a great time, so they wanted to expand the event this year.

"It's all about the kids," said Valle, estimating that about 80 kids attended this year's Spooktoberfest.

The event included a Halloween parade and a costume contest that even featured some pets dressed in costume.

Barbara Gomez of Chicago brought her two dogs, dressed in costume, to

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Lilly Zwierczyk, who won first in the costume contest, peers from under her cap at the Pioneer Park Spooktoberfest on Saturday. | DAN LUEDERT-

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Jacob Abbinante celebrates after playing games at the Pioneer Park Spooktoberfest on Oct. 20. | **DAN LUEDERT**-Sun-Times Media

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the event and they both won prizes in the pet costume contest. One of Gomez's dogs was dressed in a pumpkin outfit, while the other sported a costume with jail bars that said "Bad Dog." Gomez said she enjoys pumpkin carving and decorating her house for Halloween as well.

This year's most popular costume, according to a spokeswoman for the corporate office of Party City, are superhero costumes since movies such as "Spider-Man" and the "Avengers" were big hits this year. She said the superhero costumes are popular among boys, women and men.

The spokeswoman said that mixand-match outfits are also popular, especially among adult women.

These mix-and-match pieces allow people to accessorize a black dress they already have, without spending too much money on a Halloween costume.

An alternative to trick-or-treating on the streets, Golf Mill Shopping Center is once again offering trickor-treating at the mall from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 31.

"It's been consistently popular," said Golf Mill Marketing Director Monika Kalicki. "We get a lot of kids and families here."

"Parents have been very supportive of the program, because weather is not an issue and it's a very safe environment," she added.

For those who haven't found the perfect costume yet, Kalicki said that Toyland in the Sears wing offers a large selection of costumes. She said that recently opened Ross Dress for Less and Target are also places to check out Halloween costumes at Golf Mill.

The Niles Park District will also be hosting some fun family-oriented Halloween events in the days leading up to the holiday:

- Monsters Ball, Oct. 26 at Oasis Fun Center, 7877 Milwaukee Ave., from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Guests will enjoy dinner, a spooky firelight story, games and dancing to music. Registration is required.
- Halloween Parade and Party, Oct. 27. The parade kicks off at 10:30 a.m. and the party is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The parade will start at Oak Park (Main Street and Ottawa) and proceed to Grennan Heights where there will be games, treats and spooky surprises. Registration is required.
- Iceland Scary Skate, Oct. 28 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. There will be games on the ice, treats, a costume contest, prizes and more.



Event stresses need to keep kids safe

BY TRACY GRUEN | Contributor

NILES

Teens gathered at the Niles Teen Center at Golf Mill like they usually do after school, but this time it was a little different.

Teens, parents and community members attended a nationwide "Lights On Afterschool" event Oct.

18 outside the Teen Center. It was the second annual celebration held in Niles.

The goal of the event was to stress the importance of positive after-school programs and resources that keep kids safe after school.

"This after-school time, if used properly, can be the difference between success and failure," Mayor Robert Callero said during a rally that was part of the event.

Callero said that many adults did not have the opportunity to be involved in positive after-school programs when they were kids and he commended the Niles Teen Center for providing kids with a safe environment after school.

"Our lights have been on for 12 years," said Pam Surber, director of the East Maine School District 63 TLC, or Total Learning Community, after-school program. Surber said TLC brought about 70 kids from District 63 to participate in the Lights

on Afterschool event.

"I think they were very engaged," said Katie Levy, a District 63 teacher who attended the event.

Various youth-oriented businesses and organizations had booths at the event to provide parents and teens with information about their programs, including the Niles Public Library, Rhythm School of Music and Dance, the Niles Police Department, a martial arts studio and more.

"I think it was really good," said Tulshi Patel, a Niles teen who is a member of the Niles Teen Center. Her mom, Hema Patel, said she appreciates the Teen Center because it keeps her daughter busy. She said her kids get bored just sitting at home sometimes. "The teen center is a very important portion of the mall," said Golf Mill Director of Marketing Monika Kalicki.

Kalicki said that as part of the Lights on Afterschool program J.C. Penney, located in the mall, made a generous donation so that local children can design tiles that will be displayed next to J.C. Penney. She said they did the art tile project last year as well,

This year's event also included a dance demonstration, snacks and give-aways.

Showing true community involvement, The Leaning Tower monument at the YMCA in Niles has also been lit up with blue lights to commemorate the event.



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- Gov. Romney took troubled companies and turned them into successful enterprises, creating new jobs. He can apply his same expertise to our nation and rebuild it. He started STAPLES which now has 2,000 stores and 90,000 jobs.
- He was an unpaid volunteer for his father's gubernatorial campaign.
- He was an unpaid volunteer intern in his dad's governor's office for eight years.
- He was an unpaid bishop and state president of his church for ten years, truly a genuine Christian.
- He was an unpaid president of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee for three years.
- Gov. Romney gave his entire inheritance from his father to charity and went to Utah with his own money to prove to himself what he can do. His incredible skill at improving companies made him one of America's wealthiest self-made millionaires. In the year 2011 Gov. Romney gave over \$4 million to Charity, almost 19% of his income. This makes him a major unselfish contributor to society and someone we can be proud to have as a president. (By comparison Pres. Obama, who is worth \$10 million, gave 1% to charity and Biden gave \$300 or .0013%)
- Gov. Romney served as a missionary in France for 30 months and was a strong advocate for his church to allow blacks to become ministers, and when he finally heard it announced on his car radio he pulled over off the road and wept with joy for them. This needs to be brought out to everybody, especially the blacks.
- 10) At least we know what religion Gov. Romney is, and that he won't desecrate our flag, bow down to foreign powers or practice fiscal irresponsibility, and he can turn the financial debacle of the current administration into an economically stable one. If Romney wins the election, history will show him as one of our greatest presidents who saved our country.
- 11) He never smoked pot, took drugs, never got drunk, did not associate with communists and terrorists, nor did he attend a church whose pastor called for God to damn the U.S.
- 12) We see the election as almost being between good and evil, and how we are given a new leader who is a strong Christian and missionary with great integrity, and has a solid record of rebuilding broken companies, and even saved Massachusetts from bankruptcy — and he did it without accepting one penny for being its Governor. He is a highly skilled organizer and builder. This is what America desperately needs! Regarding Gov. Romney's Mormon faith, the Bible is perfect but churches are not, with 41,000 different Presbyterian denominations all for one God, which tells us that while the Bible is perfect, churches are not.
- 13) Meanwhile, President Obama presents a history of gross incompetence, cover-ups, lies and damnable lies, passing the buck, broken promises, non-transparency, cronyism, discouraging independence, promoting dependency, punishing success, disingenuous conduct and hypocrisy, demagoguery by turning his back on Christians and Jews while pampering, pandering and apologizing to the radical Muslims as they destroyed our embassy and killed our ambassador.
- 14) The last election proved that most American people are NOT prejudiced by voting in a black man as president, but in this election they must now prove that they are not foolish and gullible by voting him out!
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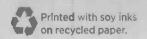
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IN PROFILE

Enjoying the journey

BY NATASHA WASINSKI | Contributor

If there's one thing Niles resident Pat Meyer knows, it's American Science & Surplus.

Last month the longtime employee of the educational supplies company became its newest owner.

"It's a big step for me but I haven't lost a whole lot of sleep," Meyer said.

Growing on the northwest side of Chicago Meyer lived a 5-minute drive away from American Science & Surplus. 5316 North Milwaukee Ave.

At 16 he began working at the store 10 hours a week, sweeping, dusting and cleaning.

Later he completed a few years at DeVry University, which helped with understanding purchasing and mechanical work, he said.

In his nearly three-decade career with the company Meyer worked his way up from clerk to manager to technical support to buyer.

"There's pretty much not anything I haven't done," he said.

Now the business' leader, Meyer plans to retain his title as top buyer, a position he has enjoyed, he said.

Because the purchase of the company came from within, he said the transition to new ownership has been smooth.

"The employees are pretty psyched," he said.



Pat Meyer of Niles is the owner of American Science and Surplus in Chicago which sells a unique mix of science, educational and novelty items, including police and military tools. The company's warehouse is located in Niles. | RYAN PAGELOW-Sun-Times Media

As a manager Meyer said he instilled in his staff an appreciation for customer satisfaction, a value he expects to maintain as

People skills go a long way in a business not based on necessity, he said.

"We're not the grocery store," he said. "No one needs to come

Odds and ends find a home at American Science & Surplus. Fake shrunken heads, fold-up wooden toilets and a giant suction cup used by the U.S. Navy are some of the more unusual

items on its shelves.

"Nothing is too strange or outrageous for us," Meyer said. "We've been called the last stop before the landfill sometimes."

He added: "At the same token, we're not a dumpster."

The store carries less quirky merchandise too, like learning materials and home and garden

"You can only sell so many widgets," Meyer said. "We do need to have a little bit of normalcy."

Now in its 75th year American to love it more and more."

Science & Surplus has retail locations in Chicago, Geneva and Milwaukee. Catalogue and online orders, which account for a large chunk of the business' sales, are processed in a warehouse in Niles.

Sometimes Meyer uses products from the store - like motors - to create animated holiday displays at his home.

Other than that he leaves inventing up to the customers and concentrates on the job.

"It's a very fun, cool place to work," Meyer said. "I've grown



Park district to consider allowing retired commissioners free access

BY TRACY GRUEN | Contributor

NILES

A proposal that would give free facility usage to retired Niles Park District commissioners is likely to move forward in November.

"I think the least we can do is let them have the use of the facilities once they've retired," said Board President Ray Czarnik, about the free lifetime memberships. Currently, active park board commissioners receive free memberships.

Czarnik said the park board discussed the proposal at the October board meeting and everyone seemed to support the idea of allowing former park board members to use various facilities such as the tennis club, ice rink and golf course, free of charge.

Czarnik said he came up with the proposal in light of the recent retirement of Chuck Barbaglia, and health-related issues of Bill Terpinas and Elaine Heinen. He felt it was a good

idea to give them that perk for all the time they've volunteered on the board.

Retired Niles park commissioners were previously given a lifetime membership, but it was discontinued several years ago.

Previously, commissioners were given credit cards and used to be able to charge food from the Niles Park District restaurant on their credit cards, explained Czarnik.

Czarnik said he doesn't believe in paying for the commissioner's meals, but he does believe in the lifetime memberships.

Czarnik said they have about \$2,500 in the budget per commissioner for them to use for a variety of expenses, such as seminars, but he said they've never used that money.

Also at the November park board meeting, an intergovernmental agreement with the Morton Grove Park District will be on the agenda. Czarnik said Niles residents can use the Morton Grove facilities at resident rates and if approved, the agreement would allow Morton Grove residents to also use the Niles facilities at resident rates as

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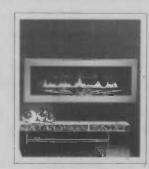
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Election officials hope you vote early

BY JON SEIDEL | jseidel@suntimes.com

Chicago and Cook County officials said they hope to see more than a quarter of this year's ballots cast before Election Day as they helped kick off early voting in Illinois on Monday, setting a goal to exceed numbers from 2008.

"In a perfect world, I would like to see half our voters use early voting and actually have their votes in before the actual Election Day on Nov. 6," said Chicago Election Board Chairman Lang-

A handful of voters also showed up at the Museum of Broadcast Communications to cast some of Illinois' first general election ballots. Several said they planned to be out of town on Election Day. Others said it was simply more convenient for them to vote early, and they had their minds made up.

In suburban Cook County, 44 early voting locations are open. They are listed at cookcountyclerk.

Voters can use any of the early voting locations and don't need to provide a reason for casting their ballots in advance. Early voting was first introduced in Illinois in 2006. The highest turnout was in Chicago ahead of the 2008 presidential election, when more than 260,000 voters or a quarter of the voters cast early ballots in the city.

People who voted Monday morning did so in advance of the third and final debate between President Barack Obama and Republican challenger Mitt Romney. A few voters said they did not expect the debate to change their votes.

"The debates are nice," said Ann Shorey of Chicago. "They're fun to watch and they're entertaining. But as far as the real facts, you have to look at the record and see what's actually happened."



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Niles

ENDANGERING LIFE OF A CHILD

Christine Ramos, 35, of 9132 Congress Dr., Des Plaines, was arrested on Oct. 16 in a parking lot at Golf Mill Shopping Center and charged with endangering the life of a child. Ramos said that she left her two 21-month-old children inside her car while she ran into a store to buy a new bath rug. Police said her car was left running and the driver's side door was left unlocked. She has a Nov. 3 court date.

RETAIL THEFT ARREST

Robert Khoshaba, 18, of 8025 Lyons St., was arrested on Oct. 16 at Golf Mill Shopping Center and charged with retail theft. A loss prevention agent for a retail store at the mall allegedly observed the subject remove three video games and one pair of headphones from a display shelf. The value of the items is \$119.

FRAUD

The complainant, a pharmacist, said that a 28-year-old man dropped off a fraudulent prescription for cough syrup and Amoxicillin at a retail store on the 6100 block of Touhy Avenue on Oct. 16. When the complainant called the doctor to verify the prescription, the doctor confirmed it was fraudulent.

THEFT

The complainant stated someone took a compounding machine from the rear

parking lot on the 7200 block of Harlem Avenue between Oct. 16 and Oct. 17. The value of the item taken is estimated at \$1,500.

BATTERY

A 55-year-old woman from Glenview reported that she suspected that a 76-year-old woman, the roommate of the victim's sister, of stealing the victim's sister's clothing at an assisted living facility on the 9700 block of Greenwood Avenue on Oct. 15. When the victim confronted the subject about a missing coat, the subject allegedly began pulling the victim's hair.

DETAIL THEET

A 22-year-old employee of a store on the 9600 block of Milwaukee Avenue said two teenagers entered the store on Oct. 15 and put make-up inside of their coat sleeves and then left the store without paying for the items.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

A 35-year-old man from Niles reported that someone shattered the driver's side window of his 1994 Honda four-door on the street on the 8000 block of Churchill Avenue between Oct. 14 and Oct. 15.

Evanston man charged, second suspect sought in Skokie burglary

BY MIKE ISAACS | Contributor

SKOKIE

An Evanston man was charged with residential burglary and fleeing and eluding police after coordinated efforts
among Skokie and
Evanston police and a resident, authorities reported.

Another Evanston man was being sought for questioning regarding his involvement in the incident.

Police said they responded at 7:51 p.m. Sept. 24 to a 911 call reporting a burglary on the 9600 block of LeClaire Avenue. They had already been investigating a report of suspicious activity on the 9300 block of Lavergne Avenue, police said.



Donald Chastang

Police were attempting to stop a silver Lexus believed to be involved in both incidents when the driver fled from them, police said.

The vehicle was registered to Rengay Frazier, 40, of 1904 W. Emerson, Evanston. A review of digital media obtained from the victim's security camera revealed Frazier's involvement and led to his arrest, police said.

Skokie police said they are still try-

ing to locate Donald Chastang, 56, whose last known address was in Evanston, for questioning about the incident.

Skokie police said they "applaud the keen observation and quick reaction of the resident," which they credit for the arrest.

Anyone who has knowledge of Chastang's whereabouts was being asked to contact the Skokie Police Department's Investigation Division at (847) 982-5958.





Get up and



Alejandro Orozco, Manuel Perez and Edgar Beltran hold donated guitars on Oct. 11 for a new music program at the jail using guitars called "Jail Guitar Doors." | BRIAN JACKSON-Sun-Times

Program brings music to county jail

BY MITCH DUDEK AND DIANA NOVAK | Sun-Times Media

CHICAGO

Call it Cook County Jail unplugged.

A program to teach inmates how to play guitar and channel their feelings into song writing kicked off earlier this month with an event at Cook County Jail's Division 11.

The program, which will take advantage of 10 donated acoustic guitars brought to the jail, provides group lessons to 10 detainees chosen from a pool of more than 300. All inmates at Division 11 are in minimum and

medium security while awaiting

"Hopefully this will help inmates turn their feelings into a tune instead of into a fight," said Cook County Sheriff's spokesman Frank Bilecki.

American rock guitarist Wayne Kramer of MC5 fame. who's done jail time for drug offenses, made the donation of the guitars through his organization, Jail Guitar Doors, which is also the name of a song the punk rock band The Clash wrote about Kramer's imprisonment.

Local musician Mike Vanier

has volunteered to instruct the weekly, hour-long classes, with the assistance of songwriter Steffen Keating.

Detainees chosen to participate had a demonstrated interest in music - along with higher bond amounts that could keep them around for the duration of the eight-week program.

The 10 future music students attended the event, along with about 25 more detainees who will serve as alternates in the program should any of the current members bond out. The students also got a chance to try out the instruments.

Kramer is passionate about using his guitar skills to help those currently incarcerated get out and stay out.

"He is trying to make sure these people stay on the straight and narrow," Bilecki said. "That's no different from what Sheriff Dart is trying to do."

Asked if the program would add additional costs to the jail, Bilecki said, "Taxpayers aren't spending a dime on this."

Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart has also created inmate garden, apiary and chess programs.

North Shore Scary Stories

Pioneer Press invited our young readers to send us the scariest story they could imagine for our annual Scary Stories contest.

Our third-, fourth- and fifthgrade writers didn't disappoint. They showed plenty of imagination and talent.

We read the stories and picked first-, second- and third-place winners in each grade.

We hope you enjoy them as much as we did.

THIRD GRADE

1st Place Billy and the Whitch

One evening there was a boy named Billy. He was left alone one night because his parents went out to a party. Then Billy slouched on the couch and turned on the TV... When he was watching the TV it started raining. It was a light rain, and it got heavyer ad heavyer till it was a thunder storm...

ZAPP!

...The power went off. Then Billy heard a creeking sound. Eee, err,eee,err. Billy got off the couch and tip-toed up the stairs to get his flashlight. As he got up the stairs the creeking got louder and louder. Billy figured that the sound was coming from his parents room.

Billy got his flashlight and headed up to his parents room. The sound was coming from the closet. Billy tiptoed as quiet as he could and opened the door and saw a witch.

Billy was scared as a shaking cat. The whitch was very



Julia Harron, Saint Joseph School Wilmette

ugly. She was green with a long nose and lots of warts. "You better get out of my house." Billy said trying to be brave. The whitch said nothing at first. "Now" Billy exclaimed. Now the witch got mad. "Be quiet little boy, or I will turn you into a frog" the whitch said nastily. Billy ignored the witch and was a blabber mouth. The whitch turned Billy into a frog with a snap of her fingers and

vanished into the thin air.

Billy heard the front door creek open. It was his parents. Billy was as nervous as a squirrel. Billy hopped down stairs to see his parents. When his parents saw him they freaked out. His mother nearly fainted. Billy told his parents what the whitch did. His parents under stood Billy. Billy and his parents did not know, but the spell lasted forever. And Billy

was a frog forever.

Maya Wallace

Dewey School

2nd place The Funnest and Scariest Halloween Ever

On Halloween night I was in my room getting dressed by my self. Then suddenly the lights went out. I was terrified! Once I got to the door it was locked. I tried to calm myself down but I couldn't.

When my mom got me out we saw a zombie. It wasn't so scary because it didn't have any pants! When we got outside we found out Sophie was still in the house. When I got her out Sophie was pale. I found out that she saw the zombie too. We tried to calm down by carving a pumkin but when we were done we saw a ghost.

The second I saw it I thought something was



wrong. I went up to it and ripped of the mask and it was my freind Harry! We cracked up but my mom was mad.

Two day went by and my mom called Harry's mom. Harry got in trouble but it was the funnest Halloween ever.

Kevin Hart Harper Elementary

3rd Place The Pumpkin

One night before Halloween, Oliver's mom told him to get a pumpkin from the store down the street. So Oliver went down the street to the store. When he got there he saw a white pumpkin. It was the only one of all the pumpkins. Since the cashier was his friend he let Oliver get it for free.

When he got home he put it on the basement windowsill. then, when he got the table ready, he went to get the pumpkin to carve it. But when Oliver got there the pumpkin was already carved. "That's weird," he said. But he brought it upstairs anyway. He put it on the table to get a better look at how it was carved. It had circle eyes and pointy teeth.

It was time for bed. While Oliver was in bed, he heard a THUMP, THUMP! He went downstairs to check it out. He slowly peeked around the corner. He saw the pumpkin and it was alive! "Uh oh," he thought. The pumpkin saw Oliver. It scared Oliver so much that he jumped out of his shoes and socks.

Oliver ran straight for the door but the pumpkin got there first. He tried to get out the back door but the pumpkin beat him. He went to the front door as fast as he could and this time he beat the pumkin. He got out of the house and ran down the street as fast as he could with no shoes or socks.

The End **Oliver Hawes** Harper Elementary

FOURTH GRADE

1st Place The Leaf Pile

One windy autumn day, Phil was outside raking leaves. There were so many leaves he decided to make a leaf pile. He has to run inside to go to the bathroom, and when he came back outside the pile had moved. When he looked more cosely at the pile he saw a pair of eyes. He shook his head and looked again and the eyes were gone. A really cold breeze blew and Phil went inside again to get his jacket, when he came back, the pile had moved again. Now Phil was scared, something or someone was playing tricks on him. He looked at the pile again ad he saw a big mouth with sharp teeth grinning at him. "Mommmmm" he yelled, "Come here, quick!" When he looked back to find his mom, the mouth disappeared. Mom came into the yard and said, "What is going on?" Phil explained that the leaf pile was moving, and had eyes ad a big mouth with sharp teeth. "You are acting crazy, leaf piles don't move and have eyes or a mouth." Mom said. She walked away shaking her head. As Mom left the leaf pile moved closer to Phil. Phil looked at it funny. he took the rake and stabbed it into the leaves. The pile made a screeching vell and began to pull the rake in. Phil was terrified at the site of the pile that had come to life. Phil pulled hard on the rake, but the leaf pile began to grow. Phil turned to call his mother again and the leaf pile pulled him in. As the wind began to blow away the leaves, Mom came back into the yard

looking for Phil. She saw the leaves blowing away but she couldn't find Phil. As Phil's mom turned to walk inside. She heard Phil's voice say "Mom!". She turned around looking for Phil, and the leaf pile winked at her as the last few leaves blew away.

Devin Thomas Field School

2nd place The Bride

It was the day before Halloween. Lachlan, Dylan, and I (Tejas) were all invited to a wedding at the Saint Athanaius Church. I really dont know why we were invited and why we even went. But we went any way. So there we were sitting in the pew just looking back at the bride in the back of the church. There was no man at the altar. We waited another half hour. We could see the bride getting very angry. We were just about when we herd a scream. "Hold it guys this is getting good," I said. We herd the bride getting steaming mad! Next thing we knew she was out the door yelling and screming. "I guess he never showed up," I said. "Let's follow her"! Said Lachlan. I wasn't so sure we should but we did. We ran as fast as we could! We followed her to our canal. "Hum.... thats funny why would she go to the canal"? I said. Just then we herd a 'SPLASH'! We ran over to the woods near the canal and saw her, drowning in the canal! "Whats going on"? I screamd. The bride was dead! After that we all went home. I had a very wierd day.

And to this day the third week before Halloween. She comes back and checks each neighborhood just looking for her man. So if you are a full grown man... BEWARE...

Tejas Baichwal St. Athanasius School



Libby Clark, Pope John XXIII Evanston

3rd Place The Clown and the Boy

What if you were at your house by yourself and all of a sudden the piano falls through the ceiling. You grab a knife out of the silverware drawer and you slowly start to walk up the stairs. BOO! A creepy clown with blood all over it's face pops out of nowhere. You get so scared you fall down the stairs and hit your head so hard you pass out. The clown yells "ha ha ha ha." The next thing you know, you

wake up in the hospital.. Your mom shows everything that happened on the security camera that the clown stole everything that your family had and then set the house n file. The cops found the clown and sent him to jail for the rest of his lie. Your insurance covered your family on the house. You live very nice for the rest of your life. Everyone who lives in this has to beware of this house and all clowns.

Thomas Ziprich

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St. Athanasius School

FIFTH GRADE

1st Place

It's been almost a year since my best friend died, but he's not a person. He's a dog. It was a rainy September morning when the vet decided Snowstorm was in too much pain and injected him with a needle that sucked his soul away. Snowstorm's white fur used to glisten like moonlight on the cold winter nights when Snowstorm seemed to be only mine and together we looked at the stars in the still, deep silence. The stars were like a friendship chain that connected us, and in it contained promises, secrets and memories. The new school year was about to start and all I could think about was Snowstorm. Everyone else was busy catching up with their friends, but mine was gone. My new pink sneakers squeaked across the crowded hallway like mice as I headed into room 121. When I got in, I found my new teacher. Mrs. Skeller, standing next to a tall, slender girl with long whiteblond hair. She must have seen the confusion on my face because Mrs. Skeller walked over to me and said 'Jaden, this is Beonca. She's new this year and you seemed lonely so I thought you could be her "buddy' for a while". I wasn't in the mood to be anybody's "buddy", but I knew that this was an opportunity to make a good impression on my teacher. "Of course", I replied in a voice that I hope sounded more enthusiastic than I felt. "Wonderful!" Mrs. Skeller replied. "You two will sit right over there," Mrs.



Katherine Bonaguro, Saint Athanasius School Evanston

Skeller said pointing to a pair of wooden desks in the corner of the room. After everyone was settled in their seats, began the lesson. Later on during Science class, I made an effort to get to know Beonca. "So where did you move from" I asked curiously. Her ice blue eyes seemed to stare right through me like I was invisible. Just when I assumed that she couldn't speak, I could feel her moist breath in my ear. "Snowstorm says hi."

Maya Epstein and Alexandra Chertok Wescott School

2nd Place The girl in the white dress

There once was a couple

named Bill and Cindy and they had triplets named Joseph, Ella, Kelvin and they were all three years old. So one night Bill and Cindy wanted to go out to dinner so they needed a babysitter. They called the mons niece and she said she will and she is 18 years old.

When the babysitter came to the house she promised that after they eat dinner and take showers they could have ice cram. So when Joseph, Ella, and Kelvin were all done with their showers and dinner the babysitter asked what kind of ice cream they wanted. Joseph wanted vanilla ice cream so the babysitter went down stairs to get the ice cream and out the

window she saw a girl with a white dress so she went back up stairs.

Ella wanted strawberry ice cream so the baby sitter went down stairs and again she saw a girl with a white dress but know she had a knife in her had so she quickly went back up stairs.

The last triplet Kelvin waned chocolate ice cream so the baby sitter went down stairs and again she saw a girl with a RED dress with a knife in her hand with BLOOD on it so she went back up stairs and she saw the three kids dead so she immediately called their parents.

When they came home they said what happened and the babysitter said well down stairs I saw a girl with a white dress with a knife out the window. The mom said out the window there are no windows downstairs there are only mirrors.

Cole Shane
Eugene Field Elementary
School

3rd place Scarv Story

Delilah was running. She was running for her life. Her little sister Ally was cradled in her arms crying. Hot salty tears stung Delilah's eyes as her pace slowed down. She had just found her parents car it was empty and on the hood in bright blue letters, it read: YTILL. It didn't make sense! She sat down on the curb and layed Ally on the sidewalk. She hadn't realized how far she had ran until now. A rusty street sign creaked in the Autumn wind. Some of the letters on the street sign were inelgable but she could make out a I and a L. She stepped forward to look closley at the sign... BAM!!! At the speed of light a flash struck the sky. "Hello," Delilah spun around and Ally cocked her head to get a better look from the

ground. The small remark came from a little girl about Ally's age. It was weird, Delilah hadn't seen the girl when she passed her before. The girl's blond, shoulder length curls bounced as she said, "Hello, I am Tilly." The little girl looked like an angel, pale skin, blond curls, blue eyes. She looked almost unearthly. Delilah took a step back and sheilded Ally from "Tilly." Tilly advanced forward, "Do not be afraid, I just want to pay with Ally." Delilah was so nervous she didn't realize the girl knew Ally's name. "Would you like to come in?" Tilly questioned, and she gestured to a house that was grey unlike the colorful houses on the block. A gleam sparkled in Ally's eyes and she stood up. "Fine," Delilah said. "We'll come in." "NO!!!!!." Tilly shreiked.

Then she said in a hissing whisper, "Just Ally." Before Delilah could say different the two little girls disappeared into the house. There was a buzzing and whiring and shreiking and laughing and beeping and screaming and snapping and popping. Delilah was scared. She ran into the house. No one was there. She heard Tilly laugh and Ally scream from upstairs. She raced upstairs but it was too late. Ally was gone. Painted on the wall in green letters was LYITL "ha." Delilah turned around. Tilly stood there clapping happily. "Tilly" Tilly said "Tilly, Tilly," It all made sense now. On the car ITILL: Tilly. On the street sign, IL: Tilly. In the house: LYITL: Tilly. Tilly got rid of her parents and Ally are now.....Tilly started laughing and cackling. She stepped closer to Delilah. She started clapping and her eyes turned red. The whiring started again. Tilly stepped forward. "Your turn."

Aubrey Nash Field School

Vote renders Skokie school skate park a half-pipe dream

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SKOKIE

Skokie School District 69 parents who believe school grounds are no place for a community skate park won a decisive victory last week when the School Board rejected a plan to build one outside Lincoln Junior High School.

The plan had been months in the making - a joint effort among the Village of Skokie, District 69 and the Skokie Park District, which has been looking for a skate park location for years. Village Trustees already approved an agreement to pay for some of the project, and the Skokie Park Board was scheduled to vote on the plan later this month.

However, the District 69 Board put a sudden halt to those plans.

A preliminary drawing of the proposed park was created after park officials toured other skate parks with avid skaters for advice.

Only one District 69 board member, Zachary Williams, voted Oct. 16 in favor of the park.

The board listened to almost an hour of comments from residents who packed Madison School, most of whom opposed the idea of building the facility on school property.

The vote came about two weeks after a public hearing on the skate park, which had the support of the Skokie Public Library, chamber of commerce and police.

Officials from those entities believed that a skate park would provide a venue for skaters who have been riding on streets, sidewalks,

parking lots and driveways. Parks officials have been fond of saying that when a community doesn't have a skate park, the community becomes the skate park.

Under the proposal, the school district would have provided the land and the Park District would have been responsible for the design, construction and all liability issues. The village would have contributed up to \$250,000 from its downtown tax increment finance fund.

For opponents, the issue came down to whether school property is the right place.

Michelle Novak, who used to live in the area where the park was proposed, said she favored a skate park for Skokie but not at Lincoln Junior

High. She said the park would not be able to handle the number of skaters using the park.

"I don't believe it can handle the influx of kids," she said. "It's not a place I'd want to take my kids."

Without Park District supervision, she said, school officials would end up having to handle injuries from the

"The school property is not really the place for it," Amanda Eckermann

Skater Jason Monk said the space at Lincoln near downtown Skokie is a good location for the park. He said skateboarders need a safe place to

"I just don't like the message we're sending," Monk said. "We've never had a place to skateboard."



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Passion for cars leads to American Dream

BY NICK KATZ | nkatz@pioneerlocal.com

In many ways Tony LaCorte is who people think of when they talk about the American dream.

In 1974, he emigrated from a town near Palermo, Italy, settled in Morton Grove, worked two iobs, built a successful auto repair business and put his two children through college.

"They say this is a great country, and it's true," LaCorte said. "It's been really good to me."

LaCorte, 55, trained as a mechanic in Sicily and now owns Leading Edge Automotive, a local shop that fixes any make of car.

Since opening in 1985 he has

built up trust among his customers, who come from nearby suburbs. He does little advertising, relying instead of word-of-mouth.

His shop was listed in 2006 by Chicago Magazine as one of the top 44 auto repair businesses in the Chicago area, a story he has hanging on the wall of his office.

LaCorte came to the United States - sponsored by an aunt with little but his knowledge of cars and a willingness to work hard

"When I came here I had nothing," LaCorte said, "My cousin bought me a wallet, put \$50 in it and I was on my own."

He worked days at an auto dealer and nights at Villa Toscano, a local restaurant, washing dishes. For a long time he commuted by

public transportation to a garage in Oak Park.

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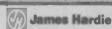


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Flinn, Roger Cushman

85, of Marco Island, FL, long time resident of Glenview, IL, died peacefully at the Summit of Park Ridge on October 15, 2012. He is survived by his children; Deborah Cassidy, Kathy (John) Clausen, Jeffrey (Sheila Robbins) Flinn, six grandchildren, Brian, Kevin, and Patrick Cassidy of Park Ridge, IL, Fric and Christine Clausen of Glenview II. Lauren Eric and Christine Clausen of Glenview, IL, Lauren Flinn of Spring, TX, his sister, Leslie Higgins, Fort Myers, FL. and his sister-and brother-in-law Annette and Harold Ramsdell of Long Island, New York. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Corinne.

Roger was born in Newton, Massachusetts on July 18, 1927. He was the only son of Leslie and Chess Flinn. He was a MP in the Army during WWII. After the war he went to Lawrence Academy

anniversary celebration.

purchased a home on Marco Island, Florida. They activities, including Ken's great interest in caring enjoyed traveling and spending time with their for orchids. many friends in IL and FL.

He served on the Board of Directors of the Island Country Club and Habitat for Humanity of

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Glader, Kenneth Charles

Died peacefully with family at his side at the Chateau at Moorings Park



Ken graduated from Northwestern University (Evanston, IL) and married his high school sweetheart, Margaret G. Davis. After

serving in WWII as a lieutenant in the army, Ken returned to Park Ridge to raise a family of three in Groton, MA. He then began his career in sales, primarily in the appliance business. After being transferred around the country with Corinne and his children, they settled in Glenview.

Girls (Sharon, Kay and Sue) and become a loving primarily in the appliance business. After being husband and father. Ken and Margaret created their own business selling tool steel, known as the K.C. Glader Company. After years of hard work and Roger soon started his own appliance parts creativity, the company grew to become the business, C & R Parts in 1962. That business soon largest tool steel distributor in the Midwest. Ken became Automatic Appliance Parts Corporation and Margaret were also involved as charter and has grown to 7 branches all over the members of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Chicagoland area. This year is AAP's 45th Church in Park Ridge, where Ken was active as a trustee and avid gardener

After retiring in the 1970's, Ken and Margaret moved to Naples, FL, where they became members of the North Naples United Methodist Church and After bringing some of the children into the the Country Club of Naples. They enjoyed their business, Corinne and Roger took up golf and years of retirement with many dear friends and

> Ken was preceded in death by his loving wife, Margaret (December 23, 2008) and dear daughter, Kay (January 14, 1979).

Coller County. He was very active in fundraising and home building.

Services will be held in Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Habitat for large and Paul Batchelor-Glader.

Survivors include two daughters, Sharon (Sig Paul) Kuzmenko and Sue (Bruce) Batchelor-Glader; four grandchildren, Chris and Katie Kuzmenko and Brain and Paul Batchelor-Glader.

A memorial service and celebration of Ken's life will be held on Thursday, December 27, 2012 at 11:00 AM at North Naples United Methodist Church, in the Village Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ken's memory may be made to North Naples United Methodist Church, 6000 Goodlette Frank Rd., Naples, FL, 34109. For online condolences, please visit www.fullerfuneralhome.com.

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Kapsa, Alice Ludwig

assed away on Tuesday, October 16th, 2012 at



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Home, 2121 Grand Ave in Des Moines and on (Evelyn) Oberlander. Monday, October 22nd, 12 noon to 1:30 pm. A in Des Plaines on Wednesday, October 24th.

were Ole and Gertrude (nee Anderson) Larson. A.G. Beth Israel www.ljcong.org or Na'Amat USA, Raised on a farm with her 4 sisters and one 10024 Skokie Blvd. Suite 216 Skokie, IL 60077, brother she was preceded in death by her twin www.naamat.org/areas/midwest-area would be sisters Annette (Mortensen) and Jeanette appreciated. Arrangements by: Chicago Jewish (Kletschke), one brother, Eldon Larson as well as Funerals - Skokie Chapel 847.229.8822, her parents. Two surviving sisters are Arlene www.cjfinfo.com. DeJong of Kennewick, WA and Eleanor Carlson of Meriden, Iowa,

Alice was married to Wallace Kent (1946-47) who died in an auto accident and to Benard \ "Bud" Ludwig for 29 years until his death in 1979. Alice was a devoted mother to Patricia Ann Baird of Adna, WA (61) and Steven Benard Ludwig of Waukee, IA (58). She was a loving grandmother to Jeffrey (Ashley), Erika and Emily Baird, son and daughters of her daughter Patricia and husband, Rob Baird. She will be missed by two great grand children, Kenwyn and Heather, and many nieces and nephews.

Alice enjoyed working and socializing with people. She was a talented sales clerk and buyer for Younkers-Davidson in Sioux City as a young woman. Later in life she worked in retail sales as a hobby. She was interested in golf and was an avid golfer for many years with her husband, Bud. They were members of the Park Ridge Country Club. Alice was an active Catholic and participated in Girl Scouts and St. Ann's Sodality at her church, Mary Seat of Wisdom. She was also involved in the church's bowling league and she and Bud loved to play couples bridge at MSW. Alice was adventurous and traveled to Europe when she was 66 as well as vacationing in Mexico and the Caribbean. In later life she passed the time working crossword puzzles, playing bridge and Wii Bowling at her independent living facility. She lived in Park Ridge from 1958 until 1981 and resided in the San Diego area during the '80s and '90s for 16 years until moving to Des Moines in 2005 to be near her son. Although Alice experienced much adversity during her life, she will always be remembered for her caring and positive attitude.

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Service Monday, 12 Noon at Lincolnwood private burial will be held at All Saint's Cemetery Jewish Congregation A.G. Beth Israel, 7117 North Crawford Avenue, Lincolnwood, IL 60712. Alice Betty Larson was born October 5th, 1926 on a farm south of Paullina, Iowa. Her parents memorials to Lincolnwood Jewish Congregation

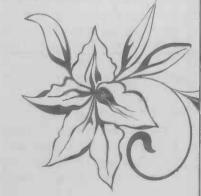
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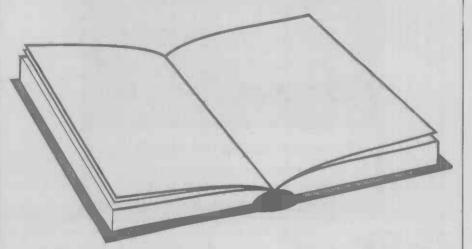
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Diane Barounis, Niles, Social Worker at Rainbow Hospice: \$100 (\$356 total)

Harry Johnson, Niles, Administrative Analyst at Village Of Skokie: \$100 (\$455 total)

Evaline Clanke, Niles, Retired: \$50 (\$250 total)

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Mixed reviews on cigarette tax

Cook County commissioners are offering mixed reviews of Board President Toni Preckwinkle's 2013 budget proposal to boost the cigarette tax by \$1 per pack, create a special violence tax — a nickel per bullet and \$25 per firearm - and charge an \$800 annual tax on every slot and video gaming machine in Cook County.

Board members are also studying Preckwinkle's proposal to have businesses and residents pay a 1.25 percent "use tax" on property that is not subject to legal ownership title - from lumber to televisions - that's more than \$2,500 and is purchased outside the county. Because businesses and residents would self-report and pay the tax, questions are being raised about enforcement.

Most commissioners interviewed by the Sun-Times praised Preckwinkle for holding the line on property taxes and making good on her promise to repeal the rest of an unpopular penny-on-the-dollar sales tax hike, but several questioned whether the cigarette tax would bring in the \$25 million Preckwinkle's budget office projected.

Lisa Donovan

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City to audit parking-meter deal, additional contracts

Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced that he's ordered an independent audit of long-term city contracts, starting with the widely criticized parking meter deal put in place by his predecessor, Mayor Richard M. Daley.

"To ensure we are responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars being paid to [Chicago parking Meters], it is imperative this administration vigilantly exercise due diligence while effectively managing each contract," Emanuel said in a written statement. "These comprehensive, regular audits will help ensure accountability,"

Emanuel noted that the audit team expects to interview Chicago Parking Meters' CEO, CFO and representatives from its principal investor, Morgan Stanley. The mayor's office pointed out that Chicago Parking Meters has submitted invoices to the city totalling \$50 million.

"This administration will continue to fight any charges sent by CPM that we feel are not accurate or justified," Emanuel said. "As I have said before, the city does not cut a check simply because we receive a bill.

The CPM audit is expected to begin in November, the mayor's office said, and it may be expanded to include "additional financial and operational processes."

SPRINGFIELD



Illinois to launch \$1 billion in wastewater, sewer projects

Illinois officials are poised to launch \$1 billion in statewide projects to improve water quality and fix outdated infrastructure such as wastewater treatment plants and sewers.

The entire initiative, which Gov. Pat Quinn previewed earlier this year in his State of the State address, is estimated to create about 28,500 jobs in Illinois, officials announced.

The money will be distributed through lowinterest and long-term loans to local governments and comes from a state program backed by federal money. State officials said that no new state money will be used for the projects.

The initiative also would clean up Illinois rivers

"Illinois is defined geographically and historically by waterways," Quinn said in a statement. "Our Clean Water Initiative will put thousands of Illinoisans back to work, protect and improve our drinking water, and preserve this precious, irreplaceable resource for future generations."

State environmental officials said more than 350 local governments have expressed interest in improving their water systems. To be a part of the program, they'll have to send applications to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Projects are expected to begin next year, officials said.

- The Associated Press

WASHINGTON



Corrective statements 'forced confessions,' says big tobacco

Tobacco companies are urging a federal judge to reject the government's proposed industry-financed corrective statements, calling them "forced public confessions."

The Justice Department countered that the statements need to be strong enough to protect people from future false statements made by cigarette makers.

U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler already has said she wants the industry to pay for corrective statements in various types of ads. Although she has not made a decision on what the statements will say, she said that she doesn't have to take the government's proposed statements word-for-word, and will come up with "modifications."

In 2006, Kessler ruled that America's largest cigarette makers concealed the dangers of smoking for decades. The proposed statements by the cigarette-makers would become the remedy to ensure the companies don't repeat the violation. In the 2006 ruling, Kessler wrote that the tobacco industry "survives, and profits, from selling a highly addictive product which causes diseases that lead to a staggering number of deaths per year, an immeasurable amount of human suffering and economic loss, and a profound burden on our national health care system."

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Boaters, fish gain when dams are removed

Years ago, numerous dams on the Des Plaines River created crossing points, provided water for pumping and kept the river from drying up in hot weather.

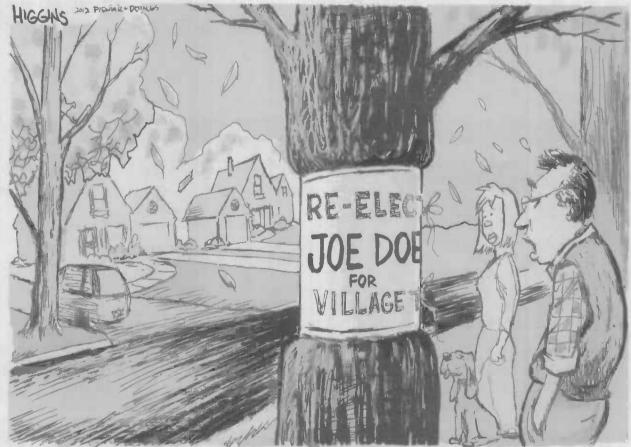
Today, bridges allow crossings, municipal systems provide water, and hard surfaces such as roads and parking lots channel enough water into the river to keep it flowing year round.

But the dams have remained, doing little but impeding fish and boaters and, studies show, degrading the environment.

Until now. The Hofmann Dam near Lyons recently was removed, and last week, conservationists toured other dams upstream to start the process of removing them as well.

Ten years ago, no one thought all the dams would go. Now, thankfully, it looks like that might actually happen.

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"YOU'RE RIGHT, THE ELECTION SEASON HAS GOTTEN WAAAY TOO LONG."

Time marches on as Newsweek fades to digital

Back in college, my roommate once penned a clever verse of satire:

"Newsweek folds, but Time marches on."

We had a good laugh late at night making fun of a college literary magazine full of esoteric drivel. I thought of that night and those words last week with the news that Newsweek, that venerable weekly news magazine, has decided to stop publication of its print edition.

Newsweek, of course, did not fold last week. It is transitioning to all digital. And why shouldn't it? That's the future of news, isn't it?

Recently, I had an example of how news I needed came to me digitally. There was a police standoff near my son's high school. I awoke to the news of the standoff on the radio in the morning. The school was on lockdown before it even started.

I checked Facebook and found many parents wondering why they didn't get a call from the school first thing that morning.

Later, checking Twitter, I got the news I needed. The school had Tweeted that there would be a late start. The buses would pick up students at their regular stops, but two hours later.

While my son was getting ready, another Tweet let me know that school would be closed.

News comes directly from the source these days and is delivered to



RANDY BLASER

those who need it.

But back to Newsweek.
As I thought about why
the magazine existed in
the first place, and the
ramifications of such a
landmark publication going completely digital,
I wondered about the
ramifications on other
publications.

I still subscribe to a daily newspaper and enjoy looking it over with my morning coffee. But that's about it. If it went away, would I miss it?

That thought also took me back to college days. My journalism professor subscribed to the old Chicago Daily News for one reason and one reason only: he loved reading Mike Royko. And to read Mike Royko, he had to get the Daily News.

When it folded, Royko moved to the Sun-Times, so he started reading the Sun-Times.

Today, he wouldn't need a paper to read his favorite columnist.

One of my favorite reads these past few years is a fellow named Andrew Sullivan. He's been online for 12 years.

My Facebook friends are posting reads they find interesting every day. Unfortunately in these past few weeks before the election, they are posting more and more political nonsense as if it is news, but that's OK.

What does it all mean? Nothing for the under-30 crowd who are connected to the Web by the hip. Dinosaurs like me who spent their lives devoted to newspapers will have to go all digital eventually.

As my roommate so eloquently said: "Time marches on."

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Term limits

I was scheduled to be unavailable, for personal reasons, to attend the Tuesday, Oct. 23 Village of Niles Board meeting.

I would like to make my position clear on the very important issue of term limits. As you know I not only signed the petition but also voted in favor of term limits in 2010 when the issue first came up. I have two clearly separate concerns with the recent proposed referendum.

I support term limits as follows: Trustees limited to 4 terms or 16 years. Mayor limited to 3 terms or 12

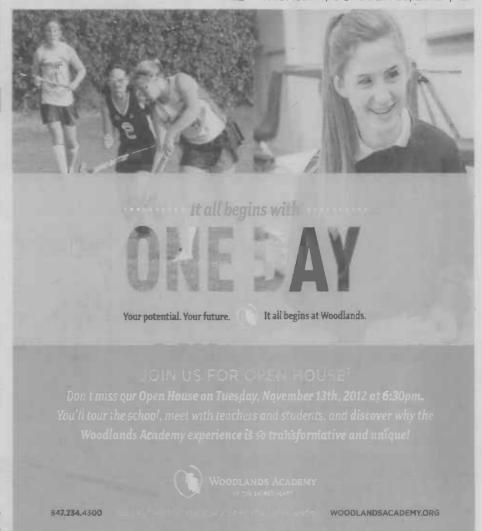
My reasoning is a newly elected Mayor can take office and have

available hold-over trustees to work with and bring the new mayor up on all current ongoing issues. I believe it would make for a more effective transition and be in the best interest of our community.

I strongly do not support a referendum that would eliminate the rights of people to be reelected who currently serve our community. The referendum results should be effective upon passage and the term limits should begin as of the day of adoption and not retroactive to any person's time serving prior to this referendum.

If the citizens want elected officials out for reasons of serving too long, there is a process in place called "your right to vote" available to all until the outcome of the referendum, exercise that right.

> Joe LoVerde Trustee

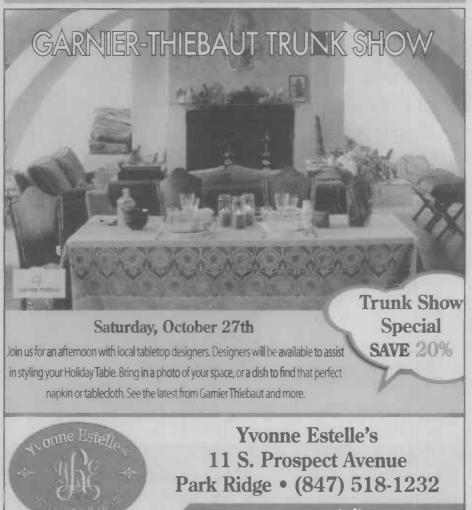






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Question of the Week



At East Prairie School in Skokie we asked, "What do you plan to dress up as for Halloween this year?"





"I will be the Mad Hatter from 'Alice in Wonderland."



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Brooke BrittonGlenview

"I will be a black cat."



A

Samantha Hayes Skokie

"I will be a princess with a purple dress with swirls."





Lisa Swift Chicago

"I will be a hot dog."

People Poll

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

"How much do the U.S. presidential debates affect how you vote?"

RESPONSE

1) A great deal: 9%

2) Somewhat: 60%

3) Not at all: 32%

THE WEEK'S OHESTION

"What do you consider the scariest move you've ever seen?"

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1) A Nightmare on Elm Street

2) Halloween

3) The Exorcist

4) Other

To respond to this week's People Poll question, visit niles.suntimes.com.



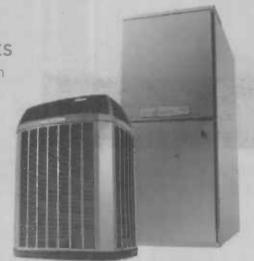
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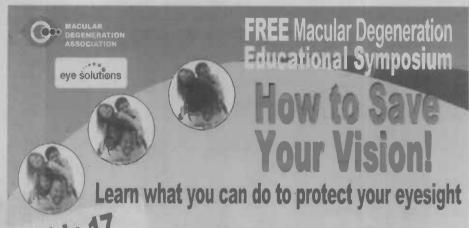


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Education in Focus

Whether to celebrate Halloween is mixed bag at local schools

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON | jjohnson@pioneerlocal.com

PARK RIDGE

At Maine South High School in Park Ridge you won't find students dressed as witches. superheroes or their favorite "Vampire Diaries" character this Halloween.

Since 2005 the school has had a ban on Halloween dress-up. The no-costume rule was the result of students choosing "inappropriate" ways to celebrate the holiday, namely female students wearing clothing that did not properly cover their bodies, Assistant Principal Rose Garlasco

"The one that stands out was a group of students who dressed as French maids," Garlasco recounted. "It was like, 'Wait a minute.' "

Now seven years into the ban Garlasco doubts there are any plans to reverse it anytime soon as such a discussion has not been pursued.

"I have a hunch we will stay with the rule of no costumes," she said.

But just a few miles away, at Maine East High School in Park Ridge, it's Halloween as usual, with students still allowed to tap into their inner-ghoul or most-admired celebrity.

"The only restriction at East is that they ask students to choose costumes that are in good taste and appropriate for a high school setting," said Dave Beery, spokesman for Maine Township High School District



Halloween celebrations differ from school to school in Park Ridge and Niles. | FILE

Masks or anything else obscuring a student's identity are prohibited, he explained.

That rule holds true for most schools which, across Park Ridge and Niles, generally decide without a district-wide mandate how their students will - or will not - celebrate

In Park Ridge-Niles School District 64, a ban on classroom treats and

snacks has removed candy from Halloween festivities for the past several years, but schools can choose engaging activities if they wish to acknowledge the holiday.

"The kids have responded to that really well. They like doing activities and things that keep them involved and moving around," Superintendent Philip Bender said.

Bender said each of the schools

can celebrate two of three recognized holidays each year. The choices are between Halloween, winter break and Valentine's Day.

At Field School, a Halloween costume parade has become a tradition. Principal Susan Walsh reported.

"The parents love it; the kids love it. Of course we hope for a bright, sunny day," she said, "It's short, but sweet, and it's been a long-standing tradition."

A costume parade is also planned at Carpenter School. Other schools, like Franklin and Emerson, host afterschool festivals planned by parentteacher organizations. Students at Franklin have also decorated pumpkins based on characters from books.

In East Maine School District 63 individual schools also determine how to acknowledge Halloween. At Apollo School in unincorporated Maine Township, for example, two celebrations were planned: a Parent-Teacher Association-sponsored Halloween party filled with games, dress-up and food on the evening of Oct. 24, and an opportunity for students to wear costumes and walk in a parade on the actual day of Halloween.

Healthy food, like fresh fruit, fruit snacks or vegetables, stand in for traditional candy.

The practice in Park Ridge and Niles area schools is in stark contrast to Skokie-Morton Grove Elementary School District 69 which ended the acknowledgement of Halloween this year by prohibiting costumes, parades, distribution of candy and any other type of celebration. Cultural sensitivity was stated as the reason behind the decision.

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Biology prof named Instructor of the Year

The Illinois Community College Faculty Association selected Nicole Perry, associate professor of biology at Oakton Community College, as its 2012 Instructor of the Year. Perry, who lives in Skokie, will receive her award at the ICCFA Conference in Springfield on Oct. 26.

Perry joined Oakton in 2006 as an adjunct and was hired as a full-time instructor in 2009.

The ICCFA award is presented to one Illinois community college faculty member each year who demonstrates teaching and learning excellence, while working actively with the Association.

Adult Education courses

The following courses are offered through the Oakton Alliance for Lifelong Learning:

Accounting with QuickBooks II (ACC A06-CO1) - Become familiar with the intermediate applications of QuickBooks software which includes inventory, budgets, account reconciliation, time tracking, customizing reports, and importing/ exporting files. Fiveweek course meets 6-9 p.m. Thursdays, starting Nov. 1 at Oakton's Des Plaines campus, 1600 E. Golf Road. Course fee is \$104.

Google Apps: A Quick Look (DAT E12-01) -Gain an introduction to some of Google's special online applications. Session meets 7-8:30 p.m.

Nov. 1 at Oakton's Des Plaines campus. Course fee is \$45.

MS Word 2007: Tips, Tools, and Timesavers. (DPR 002-01) - From basic to intermediate topics, students will become more proficient in applying word processing skills. Create professional looking documents for both business and non-business use. Session meets 8-10 a.m. Nov. 2 at Oakton's Skokie campus, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave. Course fee is \$30.

Payroll Tax Accounting (ACC A040-C01) - Become acquainted with the practical applications of payroll tax laws and requirements. Course also covers preparation of payroll records, FICA, unemployment taxes, payroll registers, tax forms, and deposit coupons. Four-week course meets 9 a.m.-12:40 p.m. Saturdays, starting Nov. 3 at Oakton's Des Plaines campus. Course fee is

Creating Web Pages. (HTML) (DPR A78-01) -Learn the basics of Web design. Explore free or low-cost Web marketing strategies and learn how to save time with an HTML authoring program. Five-week course meets 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, starting Nov. 3 at Oakton's Des Plaines campus. Course fee.is \$160.

All students will be charged an \$8 nonrefundable processing fee at the time of registration. For a complete Alliance for Lifelong Learning class schedule, including registration and fee information, visit www.oakton.edu/all, or call (847) 982-9888. press 3.

Emeritus classes

The following Emeritus courses meet at the Skokie campus, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave.:

The New Yorker (HUM E93-62) - Since its debut in 1925, The New Yorker has engaged readers with its sophisticated blend of short fiction, reviews, poetry, essays, cartoons, in-depth features and profiles. Join a peer-led group for stimulating weekly discussions. A subscription to The New Yorker is required. Six-week course meets 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays starting Oct. 29. Course fee is \$84.

The U.S. Presidency - A Report Card (HIS B17-61) - Who were the greatest presidents? Which ones were mediocre or weak? The passage of time gives us a chance to evaluate these men based on their accomplishments, failures, and character. Join a local historian as he analyzes the first 40 presidents, up through Ronald Reagan, and gives each a grade for his presidency. Five-week course meets 1-2:30 p.m. Mondays starting Nov. 5. Course fee is \$82.

For more information about the Emeritus Program, call (847) 635-1414 or (847) 982-9888, press 3. For a complete list of Emeritus classes and events, visit www.oakton.edu/ emeritus.



"Twelve Angry Women" staged at Resurrection

The drama department of Resurrection College Prep High School presents "Twelve Angry Women" by Sherman L. Segal.

The show is a stage adaptation of the made-for-television drama "Twelve Angry Men" by Reginald Rose.

Twelve jurors deliberate the fate of a young man accused in his father's murder. The cast of the Resurrection College Prep High School production include local northwest side of Chicago residents: sophomore Hannah Keller, sophomore Vanessa Komada, senior Abbie O'Donnell, freshman Lauren Kuszynski, sophomore Sydney Mercado, junior Natalie Chin, senior Danielle Malenock, sophomore Zahraa Jabbar, freshman Cristina Gamboa, sophomore Emily Schroeder, sophomore Mary Pat Hastings;

junior Katie Nicolay of Morton Grove, junior Sarah Thelen of Niles; senior Hannah Zver of Park Ridge; and sophomore Olivia Anton of River Grove.

Performances of "Twelve Angry Women" will be at the Resurrection Little Theatre, 7500 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago, at 7 p.m. Nov. 15, 16, and 17. Tickets are \$5 for the general public and free for Resurrection students; tickets are available in advance or at the door. For advance tickets call (773) 775-6616, Ext. 110, on school days between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Resurrection expands peer tutoring

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Members of the Resurrection College Prep High School National Honor Society have expanded their services to fellow students.

They've done so by staffing a new drop-in peer tutoring program. In the past, peer tutoring was available for students as ongoing, one-on-one tutoring sessions. The new tutoring program gives students an opportunity to get on-thespot help from their peers.

The program is designed to allow the

students the opportunity for assistance on a variety of subject areas, on their homework or for studying for exams and quizzes. Tutoring takes place each day during Seminar, which is a period built into the daily schedule that allows time for students to take care of student business. While teachers are available for assistance, National Honor Society member Kayla Albanese says "students like to get help from another student."





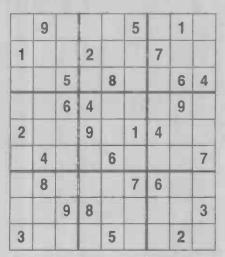
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BY LINDA THISTLE



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: *** (★: Moderate; ★★: Challenging; ***: HOO BOY!)

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For the week of Oct. 31 to Nov. 6

Your honesty continues to impress everyone who needs reassurance about a project. But be careful you don't lose patience with those who are still not ready to act.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

Pushing others too hard to do things your way could cause resentment and raise more doubts. Instead, take more time to explain why your methods will work.

Be more considerate of those close to you before making a decision that could have a serious effect on their lives. Explain your intentions and ask for their advice.

CANCER (June 2, to July 22)

You might have to defend a workplace decision you plan to make. Colleagues might back you up on this, but it's the facts that will ultimately win the day for you. Good luck.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

The Big Cat's co-workers might not be doing enough to help get that project finished. Your roars might stir things up, but gentle purrrsuasion will prove to be more effective.

VIRGO (Jugust 23 to September 22

Someone you care for needs help with a problem. Give it lovingly and without judging the situation. Whatever you feel you should know will be revealed later.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22

While you're to be admired for how you handled recent workplace problems, be careful not to react the same way to a new situation until all the facts are in.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

Rely on your keen instincts as well as the facts at hand when dealing with a troubling situation. Be patient. Take things one step at a time as you work through it.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December

Your curiosity leads you to ask questions. However, the answers might not be what

you hoped to hear. Don't reject them without checking them out.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

Be careful not to tackle a problem without sufficient facts. Even sure-footed Goats need to know where they'll land before leaping off a mountain path.

AG I RIUS Jan avy 20 to Februar I

Appearances can be deceiving. You need to do more investigating before investing your time, let alone your money, in something that might have some hidden flaws.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20

Your recent stand on an issue could make you the focus of more attention than you would like. But you'll regain your privacy, as well as more time with loved ones by week's

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living with diabetes

Calendar

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

CENTER OF CONCERN

Schedule



The Center of Concern: 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge, (847) 823-0453, calendar of events includes:

Mondays, through Oct. 29 - Employment counseling, by appointment.

Wednesday, Oct. 31 — Grief and loss support group (call first).

Saturday, Oct. 27 -Blood pressure and blood sugar testing, 10 a.m.-noon (no appointment needed).

Niles Township Clerk



Niles Township Clerk's Office is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays and evenings by appointment on the second and fourth Mondays of each month to accommodate residents with passport applications, voter registrations and temporary handicapped parking placards. To schedule

an appointment at Niles Township in Skokie, call (847) 673-9300.

CLASSES

Animal assisted therapy



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

Knights of Columbus

North American Martyrs Council Chapter. Niles, provides ways for members to help others in the community while trying to improve their family and spiritual lives. Call Bob Galassi, (847) 965-0920.

COMMUNITY

Program for vets



Veterans and guests are invited to a special Veterans Day Commemorative Program at 10 a.m. Nov. 9 at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave., Chicago. The program will include posting of the colors by Taft High School Navy Junior ROTC; pledge of allegiance led by Norwood Crossing resident Mary Cormack, former first vice president of VFW Post 1284 Ladies Auxiliary; invocation by Chaplain Lt. Col. Paul Pfeffer (Senior Army Reserve Ret.); individual recognition of veterans present; and a special veterans benefits presentation by Raymond Toczek, current Commander of American Legion Portage Park Post 183 and a retired benefits counselor from the Veterans Administration. Toczek will discuss various VA benefits pertaining to older adults. All active and non-active military personnel who are planning to attend the event are asked to complete a form upon arrival that lists their name, rank, military unit, service branch, armed conflict (if any), where served, and dates of service in order to be properly recognized for their service. Refreshments will be available. Veterans planning to attend should call Stan Banash, director of public re-

lations, at (773) 577-5324.

HEALTH

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Nov. 1.

Niles Public Library:

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(847) 663-1234 or online at www.nileslibrarv.org. Registration is required for most programs unless indicated otherwise.

Halloween Programs



Listen to spooky stories, eat a sweet treat, show off costumes and go

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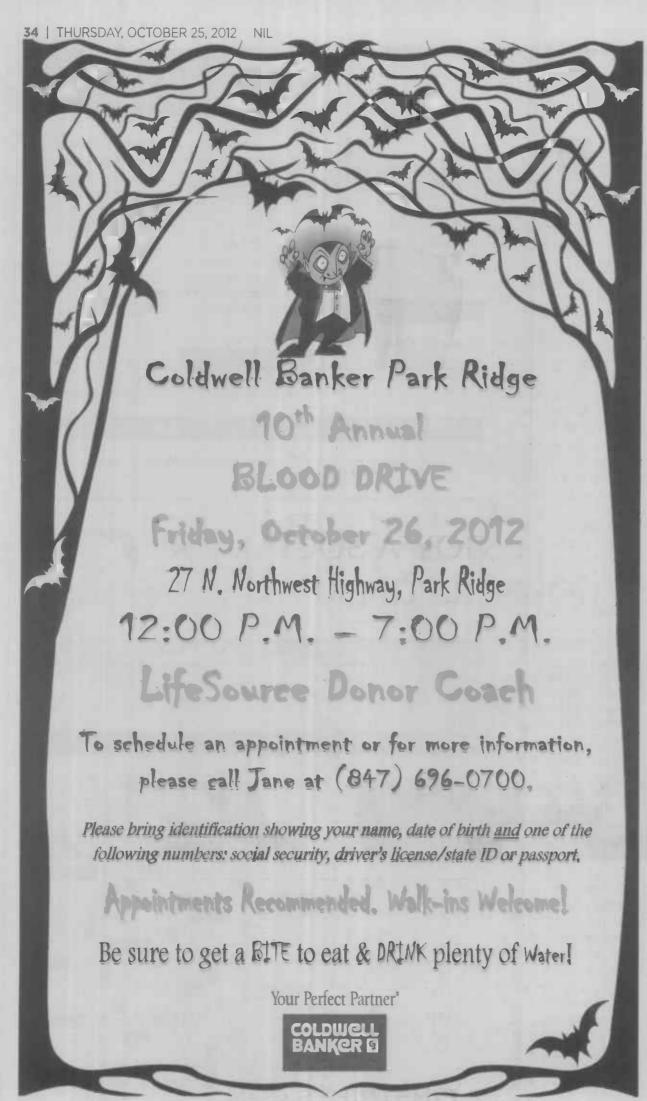
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PUZZLE ANSWERS

See page 32 for this week's Super Crossword and Sudoku puzzles.

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trick-or-treating in the library at noon Oct. 27; for kids in first through fourth grades.

Come to a program of stories, songs and Halloween crafts from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Oct. 29 or 3:45-4:45 p.m. Oct. 30; for kids ages 3 to 7 with an adult. Wear a costume (optional).

The Illinois Ghost Society will present "Ghost Hunting 101" at 3 p.m. Oct. 27.

Learn to make fake blood and scars from everyday household items at 2 p.m. Oct. 28 in "Monster Movie Makeup."

Jack Diamond, music historian, will talk about singer and jazz composer Mel Torme at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 30.

Expert needler Lauren Sanchez will answer questions or help with a difficult project from 3-4 p.m. Oct. 30.

RELIGION

Global Hunger Shabbat

18+ 65

A Food Justice Panel, a Global Hunger Shabbat Initiative will be presented at 7 p.m. Nov. 1 at Temple Judea Mizpah, 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie. Participants will include speakers from the American Jewish World Service, the Gan Project, and Mazon: A Jewish Response to Hunger. Open to the community, Call (847) 676-1566. Global Hunger Shabbat will be held Nov. 2. A Just Harvest Shabbat Dinner Experience takes place at 5:45 p.m. followed by a Shabbat service at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Judea Mizpah. Featured speaker will be the Rev. Marilyn Pagan-Banks. No charge for dinner. Reservations requested by Oct. 31. Call (847) 676-1566 or email TempleJM@aol.com.

NILES SENIOR CENTER

The center offers membership to Niles residents age 55 and older and their spouses. Drop by the Niles Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive, Niles, or call (847) 588-8420 for an application. Visit www.vniles.com, click on Departments and then Senior. Registration required for most programs.

Issues in the News

65+

Thursdays, 9:30-11:30
a.m. - This dynamic class
is led by Arlene Golub and
is filled with seniors from
all walks of life, retired or
not, who want to keep
abreast of a broad spectrum of what is occurring
locally and worldwide.
Issues for discussion are
brought up by class participants, and everyone's
opinion is valued.

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AARP Driver's Safety



This program is the nation's first and largest refresher course for drivers age 50 and over. It will be held from noon-4 p.m. Nov. 6 and 13. Both days are required to receive certification. AARP graduates may get an insurance discount. Cost is \$12, AARP members/\$14 nonmembers. Pre-registration required.

Chat with the Chiefs



In keeping with the community outreach philosophy, Police Chief Dean Strzelecki and Fire Chief Steve Borkowski, invite all residents and visitors, to join them at 2 p.m. Nov. 13. Bring all questions and issues.

Grandma's Garden Luncheon



Presented by Susite Stone, Lurvey's Garden Center, who will teach about different flowers and plants that you can buy throughout the year and how to maintain and care for them. Following her presentation, enjoy a chicken Caesar salad, roll and dessert from 10 a.m.noon Nov. 14; \$6 members. \$9 nonmembers.

Benefit Lunch



As a private, independent organization, Wright Way relies on individual donations to help save the

lives of homeless and abandoned dogs and cats both locally and throughout the Midwest. Lunch includes a hot dog, chips and cookie from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Nov. 5. Open to all; \$2 at the door.

Mather's-More Than

Mather's



a Cafe: Mather's, 7134 W. Higgins Ave., Chicago, (773) 774-4804. Mather's invites adults 55 and older to experience professionally taught, free-to-moderate-priced programs such as lifelong learning programs, fitness classes, free blood-. pressure checks and health screenings, free consumer seminars, special-interest workshops, special events and day trips - Hear spooktacular stories from Will Casey at 1 p.m. Oct. 31. Suggested donation is \$10; light refreshments will be served. Anette Isaacs will discuss the changing roles of women throughout the 20th century and share insights about women in today's German society at 1 p.m. Nov. 1. Suggested donation is \$10. Enjoy a piano concert by adult students of all levels, hear a spoken word performance by members of the Creative Writers' Group, view multi-media art, then join a reception, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

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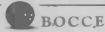
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Business

Business Profile

Health equals happiness at Niles infant clinic

BY TRACY GRUEN | Contributor

After working for more than 25 years in hospitals, Lisy Peters decided it was time to pursue a new career she truly loved.

Five years ago Peters, a registered nurse since 1983, opened Healthy Babies Happy Families Breastfeeding Clinic in Niles.

"This is my passion," said Peters about helping mothers successfully breast-feed their infants.

Peters spent the majority of her career in hospitals taking care of premature and special-needs infants in the neonatal intensive care unit. In this position Peters said she was able to get a first-hand look at all the positive benefits of breast milk.

A breast-feeding consultation at Healthy Babies Happy Families involves an assessment of the moms and infants, a detailed health and feeding history, weighing the infant after a feeding to assess weight gain/loss, observing a full feeding and hands-on assistance to make sure the mother and baby are comfortable during

"One time is not enough for most mothers," said Peters. "Breast-feeding really

Some common breast-feeding issues include problems with latching on and babies not gaining weight.

"You have to get the right help at the



Lisy Peters, right, a board certified lactation consultant, meets with Leah Mooney of Chicago and her son, Billy, at Peters' Healthy Babies Happy Families Breastfeeding Clinic and Boutique in Niles. | RYAN PAGELOW-Sun-Times Media

right time," noted Peters.

Peters said her clinic can provide at home consultations or as well. The initial consultation lasts between 60 to 90 minutes.

In addition to the clinic, Healthy Babies Happy Families features a boutique that offers breast-feeding items like breast pumps, breast-pump accessories, nursing pads, nursing bras and more.

The store also offers baby-care products such as cloth diapers, pacifiers, diaper-rash cream and baby food, and offers infant CPR training courses.

Peters has a masters degree in maternal/child nursing from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a post-masters certificate as a pediatric nurse practitioner from Rush University in Chicago.

In 2000 Peters obtained her certification as an international board certified

lactation specialist. She previously worked at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge and Resurrection Health System and taught at Harper College in Palatine as part of the adjunct faculty.

Peters, a resident of Des Plaines for 26 years, has been married to her husband. Joy, since 1986 and has two daughters.

Peters said local pediatric and obstetrician offices refer their patients to her and she is happy to provide attention and time to nursing mothers.

UP CLOSE

NAME: Healthy Babies ADDRESS: 8267 W. Golf Road, Niles SPECIALTY: Breast-feeding consultation WEBSITE: www. healthybabiesinc.com

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON | jjohnson@pioneerlocal.com

PARK RIDGE

Whole Foods Market is one step away from securing a liquor license for the company's proposed Park Ridge store, but several requirements now differ from what executives initially requested.

The Park Ridge City Council voted 4-2 on a first reading last week to grant Whole Foods a new Class M liquor license with modifications to what two members of city's Liquor License Review Board recommended.

If approved by aldermen Nov. 7, the license will limit on-premises consumption of alcohol to between 5 and 10 p.m. instead of between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m.; will prohibit open wine or beer to be taken from one location within the store to another; will require food be provided where beer and wine is served; and will prohibit a separate outside entrance to the indoor bar areas.

Whole Foods plans to build a store at the southeast corner of Touhy and Washington avenues, with beer and wine served at two locations inside the store and within an outdoor cafe.

The changes to the license were proposed by 2nd Ward Alderman Rich DiPietro, though he ultimately voted against granting the license, calling for the store to obtain an existing Class E license that groceries like Jewel and Dominick's currently possess.

Also voting against the license was 3rd Ward Alderman Jim Smith, who proposed his own amendment calling for retail establishments to be allowed to serve open beer and wine. The amendment failed to generate support from the five other aldermen present. First Ward Alderman Joe Sweeney was absent.

Sixth Ward Alderman Marc Mazzuca attempted to place a limit on the amount of beer and wine that can be consumed on the premises, but his motion also failed.

The Class M liquor license is unique because it allows for the consumption of beer and wine within a grocery store that measures at least 35,000 square feet.

Neighbors of the proposed Whole Foods, who have raised objections to the store since its inception, returned to City Hall to voice their opposition to the beer and wine sales and the store's proximity to St. Paul of the Cross School and single-family homes.

Resident Barbara Heerman said allowing alcohol to be consumed on an outdoor patio will make is possible for someone to supply a minor with an alcoholic beverage.

"Underage drinking is simply illegal, and it needs to be curbed, not encouraged, in Park Ridge," said Heerman, who was one of about a dozen residents in attendance.

Matthew Mell, a Whole Foods representative, said the company has had positive experiences with similar types of stores built elsewhere, but stressed that alcohol sales are not the main focus of the market.

"At the end of the day, we are a grocery store and not a bar," he said.

Mell said Whole Foods officials would discuss the liquor-license parameters passed by the City Council, but added that it was too early to say whether any changes will be sought before the Nov. 7 yote.

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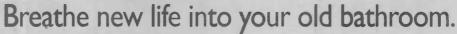












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Agent: Donna Urbikas, Prudential Rubloff Properties, 312-268-2732



PARK RIDGE

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Garage: 1967

Most recent available tax:

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Agent: Margaret Wilczek, Prudential Rubloff Properties, 312-264-1563



BUFFALO GROVE 39 W Fabish Drive, \$350,000

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Year built: 1985

Bedrooms: 4 Baths: 2.5 Garage: Two-car attached Most recent available tax:

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Year bullt: 1944

Bedrooms: 4 Baths: 3

Garage: Two-car detached Most recent available tax:

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728 Edgewood Ave., \$349,000

House size: 1,717 square feet Lot size: 10,890 square feet

Year built: 1957

Bedrooms: 3 Baths: 2

Garage: Two-car attached

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Homespun >



Mum's the word

Celebrate fall's bounty with pumpkin planters

As the bright red, yellow and orange of October settles over the city and leaves litter streets and sidewalks. memories of family traditions draw near.

The autumns of my youth were marked by the beginnings of school years, Friday night football games and our annual homecoming parade. In the week leading up to Halloween, my family would spread newspaper across our wooden front porch, tape patterns upon our big, round pumpkins and carve spooky faces into our jack-o'-lanterns, squealing with delight as pumpkin seeds squished through our fingers. Upon perfecting their toothy grins, we'd plunk a single tea light candle

into the center of each and cheer as they cast an eerie glow into the

I've grown past the high school rituals of my hometown, but now I move into my own traditions and seasonal markers. The change in KELLI WEFENSTETTE season brings for me a settling into home, a seasonal cleaning of windows and linens, blankets thrown

across every chair and couch for quick warmth when the temperatures suddenly drop. Many mornings are spent at the kitchen sink coring tomatoes and turning the harvests into sauce and juice and jam. Canning jars are retrieved from the cupboards to be filled with summer's bounty.

Bunches of basil line our dining room table, sacks overflow with hot peppers, and green tomatoes stretch out on every available windowsill. I plan these yearly rituals to identify the passage of time and the sacredness of the season.

As we ponder the traditions we hold most dear, I invite you to join me in a simple seasonal craft. Today I am sharing the instructions for pumpkin-potted mums, a sophisticated alternative to-carving. Set upon a burlap table runner or amidst a handful of gathered leaves, these pumpkin-potted mums are sure to be the center of any autumnal feast.

A quick jaunt to your local grocery store or a weekend outing to a pumpkin patch will yield the pumpkins and plants needed for this project. Look for pumpkins that have a broad base and will sit easily upon a flat surface to host a cheery flowering plant.



Pumpkin-potted mums combine the golden and orange hues of autumn for a seasonal craft project. Use chalkboard paint to write a message on the pumpkin. | PHOTO BY KELLI WEFENSTETTE

MATERIALS NEEDED:

Medium-size pumpkin

Potted plant

Potting soil

Sharp knife or carving kit

Permanent marker

Large spoon

Newspaper or cardboard, to work on Chalkboard paint, spray paint or can and foam brush

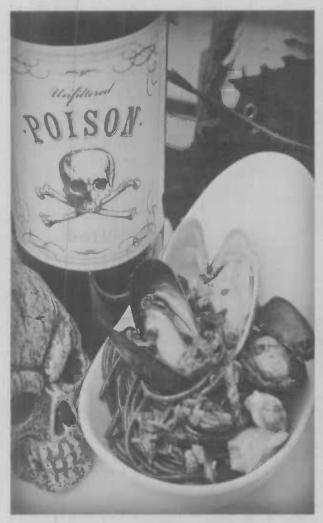
Chalk (optional)

- 1. Spread newspaper or cardboard across your work surface and place the pumpkin in the center
- 2. Use a marker to draw a wide opening around the pumpkin's stem.
- 3. Cut through the pumpkin using your marked circle. Remove the stem and cap. 4. Scrape away all seeds from the cap and the interior of

- your pumpkin by hand or with a spoon.
- 5. Line the interior of the pumpkin with a layer of pot-
- 6. Loosen the potted plant from its plastic base and place it inside the pumpkin.
- 7. Fill the remainder of the pumpkin with potting soil, patting it gently yet firmly into place.
- 8. Water your plant as instructed.
- 9. For an extra treat, paint a swatch of the pumpkin with chalkboard paint and let dry completely.
- 10. Once dried, roll a piece of chalk across the painted surface and wipe the dust away.
- 11. Write a special message for your friends and family

Decorate your table or your front steps with your newly potted plant, taking a moment to give thanks for this celebration of season - of traditions and family, of harvest and feast, of tucking in tight to home in preparation





Squid ink pasta has a shadowy color that is perfect for Halloween. Pair with shellfish and a bottle of vino turned poisonous with the help of printable wine bottle labels.

Squid Ink pasta can be found at finer markets. online and at Target under the Archer Farms label. Serves 4.

½ pound squid ink spaghetti 1 Tablespoon olive oil 1 shallot sliced into rings 1 garlic clove minced 1/2 cup port wine

6 littleneck clams, scrubbed 6 mussels, scrubbed and de-bearded

6 Tablespoons salted butter 1 Tablespoon fresh sage

1/4 teaspoon (or more to taste) red pepper flakes

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil and cook pasta for 10 minutes stirring occasionally until al dente.

Sauté for 2 minutes until fragrant and shallot begins to soften. Carefully add the port wine and bring to a boil. Add the clams to the pot. Cover and allow clams to steam for 3 minutes. Add the mussels and steam for about 2 minutes until all the shellfish have opened; discard any shellfish that don't open. While the shellfish steams, melt the butter and add the sage and red pepper flakes. Cook until butter browns and sage is crispy. Drain the pasta and portion into four bowls. Top with the shellfish and drizzle with the infused brown butter. Adjust seasoning and serve.

Meanwhile heat the olive

oil in a medium pot and

add the shallot and garlic.



Burratta cheese wih roasted carrots and black olives delivers on Halloween's black and orange color scheme. **PHOTOS** BY **MELISSA ELSMO**

Look for burrata cheese near the fresh mozzarella at finer grocery stores like Whole Foods or Italian specialty markets like Caputo's. Ras el Hanout is a savory sweet north African spice blend containing cardamom. cloves, cinnamon, chilies,

3 carrots, peeled and sliced 1-inch thick on the

turmeric, nutmeg and

cumin.

1 Tablespoon olive oil 1/2 teaspoon Ras el Hanout

¼ teaspoon kosher salt 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

1 Tablespoon honey 1 ball of fresh burrata cheese

½ cup assorted pitted black olives, quartered 1/2 cup Sicilian green olives, pitted and quartered

Kosher salt and crostini

Preheat the oven to 475 degrees. Toss the carrots with the olive oil, Ras el Hanout, salt and pepper. Turn the mixture onto a parchment lined baking sheet and roast the carrots for 20-25 minutes or until tender and browning in spots. Drizzle the hot carrots with the honey and allow them to cool to room temperature.

Place half of the cooled carrots onto a serving platter and carefully top with the burrata orb.

Sprinkle the cheese with the remaining carrots and the olives. Season with salt and serve with

Instruct guests to spread the burrata on the crostini and top with the olives and carrots.

Treat yourself to a ghostly — and grown-up - Halloween feast

In the frenzy of sourcing costumes, school snacks and trick-or-treat supplies for the little goblins in our lives, the grown-up side of Halloween can get lost in the murky mist.



MELISSA ELSMO

Dabbling on the dark side of holidays, however, "sn't something that should be solely reserved for candycraving children. Gathering a coven of comrades for a mysterious, memorable and mature Halloween feast will make a hair-raising holiday devilishly delicious.

Give your holiday an indulgent start by serving dry sparkling wine in flutes rimmed with black sugar or cover conventional wine labels with readily available printables. I found several haunting bottle labels on Ellinee Journal (www.ellinee.com) that allow creative

hosts to turn a typical Cabernet into servings of fresh blood, unfiltered poison or spider venom.

This year, my Halloween menu offers much needed quick cook convenience considering the holiday falls on a Wednesday. Ghostly burrata cheese, quick roasted carrots and raven-hued olives team up to turn predictable crostini into a textural revelation. Pearly white orbs of liquid-centered burrata cheese practically beg to appear as part of a spectral menu. Burrata, the lesser known cousin of fresh mozzarella, has a dairy-forward flavor and a hollow center filled with cream and rags of fresh mozzarella cheese.

Pairing pallid burrata crostini with an entrée portion of disturbingly dark squid ink pasta offers guests a coveted visual contrast on the table. Squid ink pasta is prized for its delicate flavor and unexpected color. Topping the black pasta with steamed clams and mussels yields a dish that looks like it could bite back before diners dig in, but savory autumnal butter spiked with chilies and sage adds a seasonal validity to an otherwise whimsical dish.

So light some candles and throw on a wicked looking cloak — it's time to conjure up a mysterious meal that elegantly celebrates the savory side of a decidedly sweet holiday.

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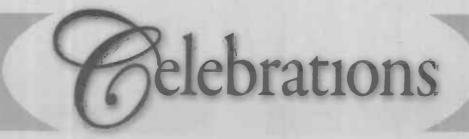
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Michael and Jane Bunnell of Clarendon Hills are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Natalie Ida, to Wesley Ben O'Dell, son of Jodie and Rayna O'Dell of Ravenswood, WV. The couple met in 2009 at their alma mater, Washington and Lee University, in Lexington, VA. The wedding was held at the Chapel of Clare College, Cambridge, England, on Friday July 13, 2012. A reception followed in the gardens and hall of Clare College, where the groom earned a Masters of Philosophy degree in History. The bride's attendants included her sister and maid of honor, Jacqueline Bunnell of Clarendon Hills, IL; childhood friend Stefanie Polacek of Hinsdale, IL; childhood friend Manasi Raveendran of Westmont, IL; and college friend Kelsey Wright of Charleston, WV. The groomsmen included best man and college friend Richard Cleary, Jr., of Louisville, KY; college friend Scott Centorino of Fort Lauderdale, FL; and childhood friend J. Zak Ritchie of Ravenswood, WV.

The bride recently received a Master of Arts degree in Art History from New York University and the groom is pursuing a PhD in Political Science from the Johns Hopkins University. The newlyweds currently reside in Baltimore, MD.

MUELLER/GALLAGHER Wedding June 30, 2012



Mr. and Mrs. Ronald James Mueller, Jr. of Northbrook are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Ashley Heather, to Brian Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Gallagher of Schaumburg. The couple met at Butler University in 2005 and got engaged in 2011.

Their fairy tale wedding took place at St. Norbert's Parish on Saturday, June 30, 2012. It began with a traditional Catholic mass. Family members, friends, and members of the community gathered in celebration of their union. A horse-drawn carriage escorted the couple to the reception immediately following the ceremony at Sunset Ridge Country Club. The night was filled with toasts, dinner, dancing, and a lifetime of great memories.

The bride is a graduate of Glenbrook North High School (*04). She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Butler University ('08). She is currently an Orthopedic Sales Representative for Biomet and the Ice Show & Competition Coordinator for the Northbrook

The groom is a graduate of Schaumburg High School ('03). He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Butler University ('07). He currently works as a Financial Analyst for Life Fitness, a Brunswick company. The newlyweds built a new home and now reside in Arlington Heights.

ROTH/FIUZA Engagement



Nancy and Don Roth of Lincolnshire announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn Suzanne Roth, to Pedro de Oliveira Fiuza, son of Sandra and An Cardoso and Marcelo and Monica Fiuza of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Carolyn and Pedro met in Rio de Janeiro, but reside in New York City. They enjoy spending time in Central Park and learning about each other's' football teams (the Chicago Bears and Flamengo, a Rio-based soccer club).

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Stevenson High School in Lincolnshire. Carolyn graduated from Dartmouth College, cum laude, in 2001 with a Bachelor of Arts in Government and received her MBA from Harvard University in 2006. Carolyn is the Director of Marketing and Investor Relations at Stone Lion Capital, a hedge fund in New York.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Coleglo de São Bento in Rio de Janeiro. In 2003, Pedro received a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from Pontifical Catholic University, also in Rio de Janeiro, where he graduated at the top of his engineering class. Pedro is a Vice President at J.P. Morgan in New York.

A June wedding is planned at the University Club in Chicago. Reverends Doug and Christine Meyer, the pastors from Carolyn's home church, the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit in Lincolnshire, will perform the marriage ceremony.

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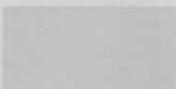














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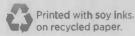
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Conductors choose chilling music

BY DOROTHY ANDRIES | Contributor

Halloween has become the second biggest holiday in the United States. so it is no surprise that symphony and choral conductors are tempted to program music that reflects the eerie nature of the holiday.

We polled some of our area conductors to ask them to pick their favorite "scary" music.

"'Symphony Fantastique' by Berlioz," replied Larry Eckerling, music director of the Evanston Symphony Orchestra, "and its 'March to the Gallows.' The subtext provides imagery which contributes to the scariness," he continued.

Berlioz's powerful work depicts a young artist, under the influence of opium, who dreams he is being taken to the guillotine after supposedly killing his beloved. It is packed with brass calls and swirling strings and finished with drum rolls and dense chords depicting the falling blade.

Allan Dennis, founder and director of Midwest Young Artists in Highwood, also cited Symphony Fantastique's "The Dream of the Witches' Sabbath."

He described the reaction of one of players in one of his youth ensembles. "I actually had an orchestra member leave rehearsal once because she was so frightened when



Larry Eckerling, music director of the Evanston Symphony Orchestra, lists "Symphony Fantastique" by Berlioz among the best of "scary" music.

she opened the page and saw the title," he said, adding, "(but) it might have been because it is so difficult to play as well!"

Both "Witches' Sabbath" and "March to the Gallows" are first on the list for Northwestern University faculty member Stephen Alltop, director of music for Alice Millar Chapel in Evanston and music director/conductor of the Elmhurst Symphony. He also mentioned "Gnomus" and "The Hut on Fowl's Legs" from Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition."

Dennis, Alltop and Francesco Milioto, conductor of the ment, are the same. Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra and the Highland Park Strings, all mentioned "Danse Macabre" by Saint-Saens as another chilling piece of music. It depicts the devil dancing at midnight with skeletons, whose clattering bones are represented by the xylophone.



Francesco Milioto, conductor of the Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra and the Highland Park Strings, was among those who named "Danse Macabre" by Saint-Saens as a chilling piece of music. It depicts the devil dancing at midnight with skeletons.

The "Dies Irae" from the Verdi "Requiem" owes no musical debt to the Gregorian chant used in the Catholic Mass for the Dead. But the Latin words chronicling the Last Judge-

"Hell fire, trumpets, swooping strings, bass drum," declared Milioto. "Excellent scary music."

Bernard Herrmann, Alfred Hitchcock's main composer, was cited by Dennis for his terrifying score for "Psycho," with strings screeching upward

again and again in the terrible shower scene.

"Certain harmonies make music scary," explained Eckerling. He mentioned diminished chords, in which the second note and third note in a major triad are each taken down half a step.

"The relentless use of diminished chords, which are not consonant and yet do not necessarily demand resolution, leaves the listener floating out in no man's land, which is unsettling," he declared.

Timm Adams, conductor of the Chicago Chamber Choir, spoke about the musical elements that contribute to a composition's fright quotient.

"Minor keys instead of major kevs, unresolved dissonance. with lots of minor seconds and tritones, diminished chords and other non-traditional harmonies," he explained. "And repetitive rhythmic or melodic gestures, and I mean repetitive to the point of playing with your mind. Think the theme from 'Jaws.'"

Allan Dennis recalls conducting a particularly affecting piece of music, "Threnody to the Victims of Hiroshima" by Penderecki. "I was doing this one summer with a 75-member Suzuki string orchestra in Stevens Point, Wis. on the 30year anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima.

"Remember this was the Japanese Suzuki Institute," he added. "I still get choked up thinking about it because when we finished, there were audible sobs throughout the room. It was scary because it depicted a horrible actual event."



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BY DAN CARNEY

Motor Matters

Government fuel economy requirements are driving renewed consideration of three-cylinder engines by carmakers. Improved technology will make them more acceptable to consumers.

We've seen relatively few cars with three-cylinder engines. The 1990 Suzuki Swift 1.0-liter 49-horsepower minicar was one. Based on Environmental Protection Agency fuel economy standards, the Swift would be rated today at 38 miles per gallon in the city and 45 mpg on the highway. The 1988 Subaru Justy with its 66-horsepower 1.2-liter engine was another threecylinder engine. The allwheel-drive model would score 26 mpg city and 32 mpg highway today.

There wasn't much other than fuel economy to recommend these cars. They were cramped, slow, noisy, rough riding and unsafe in a crash.

To succeed, such cars must offer competitive power and performance in a package meeting modern expectations for safety and comfort. Safety and comfort add weight, which dings both fuel efficiency and performance. Efficiency and performance

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can normally be traded one for the other so it's tough to have both, yet customers demand performance.

Turbocharging is increasingly a part of the answer—and it is the foundation of Ford's EcoBoost technology. We've seen convincing demonstrations of the muscle and economy of EcoBoost in brawny vehicles like the F-150 and Explorer, so we know that smaller-displacement engines can replace bigger ones while delivering fuel economy.

So when Ford introduced the tiny 1.0-liter three-cylinder EcoBoost engine, I was hopeful that it might actually deliver acceptable performance to go with its superlative efficiency.

To underscore this point, Ford attempted to establish new world speed records for the 1.0-liter engine category, with a record run at the CERAM test track north of Paris. The test car was a 125-horsepower Focus Eco-Boost 1.0, a configuration already for sale in Europe.

By setting the record with the bigger, heavier, roomier and more comfortable Focus rather than the Fiest, the likely candidate for the engine in this country, Ford underscored the point that the three-cylinder engine can

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propel a larger, more comfortable car at record speed.

While turbocharging is increasingly common and most drivers are getting comfortable with the idea of using speeding exhaust gas to spin a turbine that compresses air coming into the engine, Ford decided that the test would not only be one of speed, but also one of endurance.

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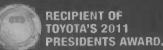
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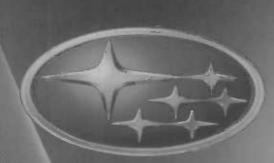




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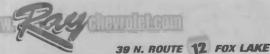
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Ready for the holidays

'Crossings' luxury rowhome the perfect stage for celebrations

f you are in the midst of searching for a new home and want to move in before the holidays, you're in hick.

Toll Brothers is now offering the final six stunning three-level rowhomes at its luxury rowhome community in Morton Grove, and they are available for December move-in.

And, with unbelievable pricing and today's historic mortgage rates, buyers can have it all for a monthly mortgage payment lower than typical city rent.

"Nowhere else can you buy new construction with three levels plus a full basement, a two-car attached garage, and a private rooftop deck located so close to downtown and within steps from the Metra at a price in the mid-\$300,000s," said Alison Keifer, sales manager for The Crossings at Morton Grove. "We have it all."

The Crossings at Morton Grove is an enclave of 64 three-level rowhomes, priced from \$351,995, within an established neighborhood in Morton Grove. Buyers are drawn to the stunning architecture and desirable location, just a few blocks from the Metra station and 20 minutes from O'Hare airport.

Each home includes a long list of features, from granite countertops, 42-inch maple cabinets, and Whirlpool Gold stainless steel appliances in the kitchen to hardwood floors, signature trim details, Kohler plumbing fixtures, and a washer and dryer.

Equally impressive are the 9-foot first-floor and



Solid look: The handsome brick and stone architecture is just one of the highlights of these stunning rowhomes by Toll Brothers. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

second-floor ceilings, expansive living/dining room, and the luxurious master suite with walk-in closet and a private bath with a soaking tub and separate shower. A two-car attached garage and a full basement are also included. Plus, owners enjoy an easy low-maintenance lifestyle with lawn care and snow removal provided by the homeowners association.

This is a rare opportunity to purchase a new home from the nation's leading luxury home builder and take occupancy so quickly.

"When a chance like this comes up, we know it won't last long," said Keifer.

It's no surprise The Crossings at Morton Grove is nearly sold out, she said.

"Our location draws potential buyers in and then they see the quality of our homes and they don't want to leave," Keifer said.

Visitors are invited to tour the final rowhomes now under construction as well as the model, which is also for sale. The sales center is conveniently open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week.

The area surrounding The Crossings at Morton Grove



Top home: Each rowhome includes a private rooftop deck at The Crossings at Morton Grove. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

features a variety of recreational opportunities. Lake Michigan is only 15 minutes away, offering boating and other water sports. Several local and state parks are nearby, including Harrer Park & Pool, the Linne

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THE CROSSINGS |

Woods and St. Paul's Woods Forest Preserve, which provides swimming, hiking, and picnicking for the entire family. Owners who enjoy a morning jog or a weekend bike ride will find the North Branch Bike Trail close by and all will enjoy an educational walk through the Botanic Gardens.



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To visit The Crossings at Morton Grove, from I-94 Edens Expressway, exit Dempster Street west, go ½ mile, turn left on Ferris Avenue, and go one block south on Hennings Court. For more information, call (847) 581-0888 or visit CrossingsatMortonGrove. com. For Facebook users, the community can be found by searching for "CrossingsAt-MortonGrove."

New Dawson Creek ranch ready before Thanksgiving holiday

Gerstad Builders has a new ranch model at Dawson Creek in Poplar Grove that will give a new homebuyer something to be thankful for.

Available for a new family to host a Thanksgiving celebration, the new 1,382 square-foot Biltmore ranch home is base priced at only \$139,900. Just like the family table on Nov. 24, the Biltmore home is filled with goodies, like a full basement. central air conditioning, white colonist doors/trim, upgraded carpeting and padding and GE appliances (gas range, microwave/range hood, garbage disposal and dishwasher).

Gerstad Builders is also reminding prospective buyers that mortgage rates are at a historic low of 3.5 percent for a 30-year fixed-rate loan. With mortgage rates this low, homebuyers can expect the monthly mortgage payments on the \$139,900 Biltmore home (assuming 25 percent down) to be as low as \$471 per month (does not include property taxes or insurance). Gerstad also has some financing options that would allow families with as little as 3.5 percent down to possibly qualify for a 30-year fixedrate mortgage.

"Even if you include property taxes and insurance into the monthly mortgage payment of \$471, the total would still be less than \$1,000.00 per month," said Roger Gerstad, company president. "With these numbers you can hardly afford to keep renting."

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With mortgage rates at a historic low, investing in real estate is making more sense as each day goes by. For parents or grandparents thinking about helping the next generation get a leg up on the benefits of home ownership, the time is perfect to move on those feelings.

Plus, it is worth noting that great room, nine-foot ceilings the federal government alin all other rooms and the elimination of unnecessary lows each parent or grandparent the opportunity to gift walls between the kitchen \$13,000 each to anyone they and great room, the feeling of choose. For example, Mom spaciousness is emphasized could gift \$13,000 and dad significantly. could gift \$13,000 to their son Although not available for

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The available Biltmore

model was designed to be

homeowner lifestyles. For

those with growing fami-

lies, it comes standard as a three-bedroom layout, but

one of the bedrooms can

be converted into a study.

plan eliminates the need

to climb stairs. The home

features a two-car garage,

steeply-raked rooflines and

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For empty-nesters, the floor

attractive to a wide range of

quick occupancy like the Biltmore model, Dawson Creek also offers a variety of ranch and two-story homes that typically feature vaulted ceilings (per plan) three to five bedrooms, two to three baths, living room, formal dining room, family room, professionally designed kitchen, breakfast area, basement and an attached two-car garage. These homes provide 1,567 to 2,929 square feet of living space that are base priced from \$147,990 to \$230,990.

All homes at Dawson Creek include furniturequality cabinetry, GE appliance package (stove, dishwasher, garbage disposal and range hood) Kohler bathroom fixtures and faucets, and a one-year warranty program.

Gerstad Builders also offers a variety of options, including skylights, three-car garages (per plan), woodburning fireplaces, additional volume ceilings, custom millwork, imported ceramic tile, Corian or granite counter tops, hardwood flooring, and English basements.

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Biltmore better: The 1,328-square-foot Biltmore ranch home at Dawson Creek in Poplar Grove is available for delivery before Thanksgiving for only \$139,900. This three-bedroom home, which can be configured to include a den in the place of one of the bedrooms, has two bathrooms, a basement, central air conditioning, GE appliances and an attached two-car garage. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

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West Town alive!

Wicker West 1555 showcasing special lifestyle, special area

The West Town community is a patchwork-quilt comprised of some of the Windy City's soon-to-be mined residential real estate gold. Woven into the community tapestry are some of the most affordable new-construction home and condominium bargains on the North Side, listed at half-off 2008 prices.

Home hunters will find vintage mansions, graystone and brownstone 2-flats and 3-flats, and multi-unit apartment buildings, all a stone's throw from community parks and West Town's green anchor, the leafy and lagoon-filled 219-acre Humboldt Park, a historic treasure

In the midst of this "living community" area is Wicker West 1555, strategically located between established Wicker Park and the airy, green recreational space of Humboldt Park.

The four-story elevator building, on the southeast corner of North and Talman avenues, features private decks showcasing sweeping views of Chicago's Loop. The property was recently purchased by Mosaic Development, LLC, a real estate investment firm, which is completing construction on the building and marketing the remaining units.

A chic, new professionally furnished and decorated contemporary-style model recently grand opened at Wicker West 1555. An "Open-House Tour" is scheduled from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Oct. 28. Pre-registered buyers who attend will receive \$17,800 in complementary upgrades, according to the brokers. Buyers who purchase during the grand opening weekend will receive a free indoor parking space valued at \$15,000, a free washer-dryer hook-up valued at \$1,000 and a free Maytag washer and dryer valued at \$1,800.



Custom chic: A chic, new professionally furnished and decorated condominium model recently grand opened at Wicker West 1555 in West Town. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

Most of all West Town is an anchored-community filled with young and old businesses ... ethnic restaurants, art galleries, churches, bakeries, music venues, saloons, avant garde coffee shops and design studios.

Veteran real estate investors say West Town, bounded by North Avenue, California Avenue, Kinzie Avenue and the west bank of the Chicago River, likely will be one of the first areas in Chicago to take off again when investment dollars start to flow.

Four two-bedroom and three-bedroom residences with two to three baths and 1,537 to 1,875 square feet of living area are now available for immediate occupancy, said Realtor Sara Benson, president of Chicago-based Benson Stanley Realty.

"The contemporarystyle masonry and concrete building, features a caisson foundation, rare for a fourstory building," noted John Miyares of Tuscany Builders, the general contractor for the project.

The development contains a total of eight residential units and one ground-floor commercial space.

Prices at Wicker West 1555 begin at \$329,000 for the most affordable two-bedroom unit and range upward to \$399,000 for the largest three-bedroom layout, including deeded garage parking.

Assessments on residential units are estimated to range from \$230 to \$270 per month, according to Mosaic Development. Parking assessments range from \$12 to \$24 per month.

When the project was originally launched in 2008, the previous developer set prices ranging from about \$480,000 to \$770,000, Benson said.

"Mosaic Development's current prices are 48-percent below 2008 prices and represent a bargain for such dramatic, contemporary-style units with unparalleled highend finishes," Benson said.

Unit 3E, the furnished and decorated model, is a two-bedroom, 2½-bath duplex penthouse condominium with 1,537 square feet of living area. It features a private roof-top deck with panoramic skyline views of Chicago's Loop. Although still on display, the model went under contract for \$329,000 within 48 hours of the grand opening, Benson said.

The model includes an entry gallery that opens to a spacious 21-by-18-foot living room with a gas fireplace showcasing a granite mantle and slate-tile surround.

The adjoining island kitchen is open to the living room.
The kitchen features custom

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Open House Sunday in West Town

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Rent increases expected in 2013

hicago's downtown apartment rental market may be on a roll, but tenants may see more conservative rent increases in 2013.

That's the forecast experts recently presented to members of the Chicagoland Apartment Association (CAA), which represents more than 4,000 apartment professionals who own or manage more than 735 properties and more than 141,000 apartments in the greater six-county Chicago area.

"New downtown rental buildings are getting fantastic rents and are leasing fast, but renters will not see double-digit rent hikes in 2013," predicted Ron Devries, vice president of Appraisal Research Counselors, a real estate appraisal and consulting firm.

"Strength in the apartment market is not coming from job growth," DeVries said. "It's simply that people want to live downtown for the quality of life."

With rentals on a robust growth curve and downtown rent increases averaging 8 percent in 2012, the CAA's recent "Preview 2013" event viewed the Chicago-area apartment market through rose-colored glasses.

DeVries reported rents for Class-A luxury rentals downtown have increased to \$2.57 per square foot in the second quarter of 2012, a 5.8 percent gain over a year ago.

Ten elite new buildings now are quoting average rents of \$2.82 per square foot and posting 96-percent occupancy. That translates to \$2,538 a month for a 900-square-foot apartment.

Top-of-the-market new buildings, such as Aqua on the New East Side, 1255 Old Town in the Gold Coast, Flair Tower in River North, and Alta at K Station in the West Loop, have a "wow-factor" showcasing upscale apartment design and amenities, DeVries said.

Class-B buildings downtown posted average rents of 2.22 per square foot in the second quarter of 2012, an increase of 7.25 percent over 2011.

Suburban apartment rents, which are more driven by the job market, are not increasing as fast, DeVries said. "Average rents in the suburbs are \$1.17 per square foot in the second quarter of 2012, up 1.2 percent from 2011. Apartments in northwest Cook County posted the strongest rent gains of 4.1 percent.

"Occupancy rates in the suburbs are vastly improved and averaged 95.2 percent in the second quarter of 2012," DeVries said.

Population growth downtown also is having an impact on rentals. With a gain of 48,000 residents in the Central Business District over the past decade, Chicago is gaining 3,200 new households per year.

One trend that could put a damper on future rent increases is a proposed glut of new apartment construction. "A total of 7,940 new apartment units are in the pipeline — either under construction or planned — in downtown Chicago between now and 2014," DeVries said.

"Renting is a life-style choice, and urban



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residents have no interest in moving to the suburbs," declared David Neithercut, president and CEO of Chicago-based Equity Residential. "A 30-something renter who may have a job change coming in two years is not in the market to buy."

Mark Segal, president and CEO of The Habitat Company, noted that Echo-Boomers, people born between 1982 and 1995, now total 80 million people in the U.S. "This demographic group—age 17 to 30 years old—most frequently choose to rent," he said.

"They want to be mobile and they are willing to pay the cost of mobility," Segal said. "Echo-Boomers want to move around the country or the world. They are not locked into one job for 20 years."

Segal said he expects tech companies such as Google and Motorola Mobility to have a major impact on the downtown and River North rental market in the near future. "We are excited about the relocation of tech jobs to the Central Business District because these companies need to hire people who live downtown," Segal said.

"Companies like Google will help drive rents going forward and help the marketplace," Segal said. "However, downtown rent increases in 2013 likely will be more conservative than the average 8 percent increases seen in 2012."

Hyde Park on the South Side is another attractive area for apartment investors, noted Eli Ungar, partner in Antheus Capital, which recently purchased Regents Park apartments and now owns 4,000 units in the neighborhood.

"We were drawn to Hyde Park because of the job-base created by the University of Chicago and the Medical Center," Ungar said. "A great job market is good for rentals."

Demand also is strong for investors to buy small apartment portfolios in the hot Lincoln Park and Lake View neighborhoods on Chicago's North Side and in popular north suburban Evanston

Jeffrey Elowe, president and CEO of The Laramar Group, recently purchased the Belden Stratford Hotel in Lincoln Park and converted it to rental apartments. The company also is introducing 4,500 to 6,000 new rental units downtown to meet pent-up demand for apartments in the next few years.

However, Elowe conceded that "wholesale conversion of apartments to condos will be a factor" in the marketplace in the future "when it makes more sense to own than rent."

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@properties hosts 'Friends and Neighbors' fundraiser

@properties Friends and Neighbors Community Fund recently hosted its third annual Chicago Revealed fundraising event Sept. 20, benefitting two local organizations, Off the Street Club and Community Partners for Affordable Housing.

More than 200 guests attended the event, which was held at The Standard Club in downtown Chicago. This year's theme was "Artists in the City." The evening featured silent and live auctions, a live art performance by "Artbeat Live!" and music by "Spoken Four." The works of local artists Matthew Lew, Josh Moulton, Sarah Raskey and Bryan Boomershine were also displayed throughout the evening. Sponsors included Guaranteed Rate and Burke, Warren, MacKay & Sernitella Law.

The @properties Friends and Neighbors Community Fund, a 501(c)3, was established by @ properties co-founders Thaddeus Wong and Michael Golden to inspire charitable outreach and to support local organizations with an emphasis



For Friends: Mike Golden, left, and Thaddeus Wong, @properties co-founders, conduct the live auction at a recent @properties' Friends and Neighbors Community Fund Chicago Revealed event. 1 SUPPLIED PHOTO

on education, youth development and housing initiatives.

This year's Chicago Revealed event co-chairs were Larry Giddings

of @properties and Talia Pines of Modern Luxury. The Friends and Neighbors Community Fund executive committee is headed by Kevin Van Eck, president, and Ann Caron, vice president, both of @properties. Tamia Scott, of Oh My Goodness Marketing, is the fund's executive director.

"It's exciting to be able to raise money for two very deserving organizations that do such great work for the community. Our agents and business partners are very charitable and really helped make this a successful event once again," said Thaddeus Wong.

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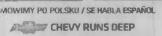
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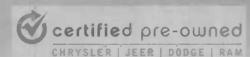
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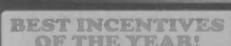
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PLAN YOUR WEEK

BY THOMAS CONNORS

'Charlie Brown and the Great Exhibit'

Oct. 25 through Feb. 18: Good grief! Who'd have thought the Peanuts gang would ever end up in a museum? In "Charlie Brown and the Great Exhibit." the Museum of Science and Industry gives these classic characters their due in this comprehensive show, where visitors will learn about the life of Charles M. Schulz, draw favorite Peanuts characters, create an animated



cartoon and play a Schroeder-inspired grand piano. Not included in general admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors and children 3 to 11. 57th and S. Lake Shore, (773) 684-1414, Msichicago.org.



'My Girlfriend's **Boyfriend' at Victory** Gardens

Oct. 25-29: A-contributor to NPR's "This American Life" and a regular on late-night talk shows, author/performer Mike Birbiglia has made a name for himself as a writer willing to riff on his own inadequacies. Neither snarky nor pathetic, Birbiglia blends an "everyman" essence with an ability to ponder human nature. In his one-man show, "My Girlfriend's Boyfriend" at Victory Gardens Theater (2433 N. Lincoln), he mines the inexhaustible mysteries of courtship. Tickets \$45.50. Call (773) 871-3000 or visit Victorygardens.org.

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Oct. 26: Since the 1950s, the Chicago Children's Choir has leveraged the power of song to unite kids and audiences of all backgrounds. Today, the organization serves thousands of children through Chicago Public Schools, after-school programs and it's internationally acclaimed Concert Choir. The group celebrates its 56th anniversary at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel (221 N. Columbus) complete with live auction, luxury raffle and, of course, some heavenly singing. Tickets start at \$500. Email Emily Hallock at Ehallock@ccchoir.org.



Hallowed haunts

Oct. 27: Symphony Center isn't usually a place for shenanigans, but when Dr. Metronome and the Orchestra of Doom set up shop, all bets serving up serious sounds (think Grieg, Prokofiev, Saint-Saëns, Berlioz and more), this 3 p.m. concert is the perfect prelude to a happening Halloween. Festivities get started at 1:30 p.m. with pre-concert activities in the Rotunda. Tickets \$13-\$60. 220 S. Michigan, (312) 294-3000 or visit Cso.org.

Westfield's Old Orchard **Harvest Festival**

Oct 27-28: This weekend, designer shops take a backseat to fall festivities during Old Orchard's fifth annual Harvest Festival. The free event is replete with arts and crafts, face painting, games and balloon sculptors, a Halloween costume contest for kids and trick-or-treating at participating retailers. The fun takes place at the north end of the mall near the koi pond from noon to 4 p.m. Old Orchard Center, Skokie Boulevard and Old Orchard Road, Skokie. For more information call (847) 673-6800 or visit Westfield.com/oldorchard.

The Chicago casting auction

Oct 27: The chance to land a role in a professional show is music to the ears of aspiring thespians - and those who've always dreamed of their turn in the spotlight. Bailiwick Chicago Theater banks on it with its latest fund-raiser, which auctions off roles in "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" to the highest bidder. Even if you're not interested in taking the stage, the lively evening includes drinks, bites and entertainment. Tickets: \$29-\$75. At the Dank Haus German American Cultural Center Grand Ballroom. 4740 N. Western. Visit Casting auction.com.



Oct. 28: Popular Boystown haunt Kit Kat Lounge pulls out the stops with its salute to the cultural vernacular. Dr. Frank N' Furter and the gang will glow from seven screens, and Kit Kat performer Diva Madam X will deliver her own renditions of the flick's classic numbers. In adsip specialty cocktails like the rocky martini and the riff raff. Costumes highly encouraged — and the best one walks away with a \$100 prize. Reservations recommended. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 3700 N. Halsted, (773) 525-1111,



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BY KATERINA BIZIOS

Hemphill-Netzky

Co-chairs of the Lynn Sage Cancer Research Foundation's luncheon — Andrea Gordon, Michelle Friedman and Ashley Hemphill-Netzky - proved on Oct. 17 that they know how to draw a crowd. For the seventh annual "Purse-sue the Cure" event, 800 guests filled the grand ballroom of the Hilton Chicago (720 S. Michigan). Attendees fawned over — and bid on — 150 up-for-auction bags by designers such as Yves Saint Laurent, Balenciaga and Chanel, plus a coveted, limitededition black crocodile Hermès Birkin (only one is made every two years). Also dazzling guests were actress and supermodel Brooke Shields, who delivered the keynote speech, and Sun-Times columnist Bill Zwecker, who emceed and encouraged guests to pull out their pocketbooks for the cause. Proceeds from the luncheon, which contribute to the \$27 million the LSCRF has raised in 27 years, will benefit breast cancer research, fellowships and education programs at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University.

The Sun-Times Foundation and the Chicago Community Trust will match donations to Lynn Sage Cancer Research Foundation up to a total of \$10,000, now through December 17, 2012. Donate now at: Suntimesfoundation.org/lynnsage

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DONA SCOTT in Carolina Herrera at the Field Museum

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ust in time for Halloween, bewitching black is making a surge on the gala circuit — not that it ever went out of style, Dresses embellished with studs or lace add a modern twist on the classic LBD. Paired with gold accessories, the ebony hue is simultaneously sexy and glamorous, making a powerful statement.

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A member of the Chicago-based Natya Dance Theatre performs a Bharata Natyam dance.



Edward and Elizabeth Ferguson and Teddy Verbockel

More than 800 guests filled the main hall of the Field Museum.

SO, SO SARI

BY ZAK STEMER

uests walked a marigold-covered red carpet as sitarists strummed in the background, offering a regal welcome to the Field Museum's Maharaja Ball. Celebrating the opening of the new "Maharaja: The Splendor of India's Royal Courts" exhibit, more than 800 e guests — including two princesses and His Highness Maharana Shriji Arvind Singh Mewar — filled the museum's lobby, which was transformed for the evening with brightly colored tents and rugs. Partygoers, many dressed in vividly colored and embellished gowns, got an exclusive first look at the exhibit, and watched a traditional Bharata Natyam dance by the Chicago-based Natya Dance Theatre, before storming the floor themselves and dancing late into the night. The event, presented by the museum's Women's Board and sponsored by BMO Harris Bank and Exelon, raised more than \$1.1 million for the Field Museum's research and educational programs.

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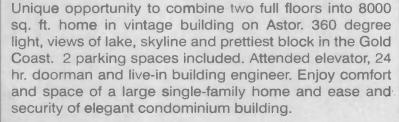
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2. Nordstrom: Animal scarf, \$54, 55 E. Grand; *Nordstrom.com*

3. Akira: Bri sunglasses in black, \$18.90, 2357 N. Clark; *Shopakira.com*

4. Alexander McQueen: Skull-clasp

clutch bag, \$1,845, Neiman Marcus, 737 N. Michigan; Neimanmarcus.com

5. Ela Stone: lion cuff gold, \$215; Sebastienjames.com

6. Just Cavalli: royal punk printed jeans, \$360, Saks Fifth Avenue, 700 N. Michigan; *Saksfifth avenue.com*

7. Claire's: flower, pearl and crystal stud earnings, \$8.50, 7601 S. Cicero; *Claires.com*

8. Ann Taylor: leather wide corset belt, \$69.99, 231 S. LaSalle; *Anntaylor.com*

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4. Neiman Marcus: purple Baroque-style mirror, \$495, 737 N. Michigan; Neimanmarcus.com

5. Modani: black Cassiopeia floor lamp, \$490, 1574 N. Kingsbury; Modani.com





Sparkle plenty

On Oct. 25 drop by Swarovski's Michigan Avenue boutique (540 N. Michigan) to cel-

ebrate the launch of Multiface(t)s, the new book from Swarovski creative director Nathalie Colin. The book. a collaboration with well-known stylists such as June Ambrose (star of VH1's "Styled by June"), showcases a range of ways to rock your jewelry for any event.



The Serena necklace is featured on the cover of Multiface(t)s.

Shining glory

To celebrate its 10th anniversary, plus-size clothing boutique Vive la

Femme (2048 N. Damen) teams up with fashion line Kiyonna for the Style, Sass and Sparkle Showcase on Oct. 25, which will also offers iewelry and accessories from Stella & Dot and 20 percent off all apparel. Can't make the soiree? Neighboring boutique Violette (2031 N. Damen) hosts a weekend-long Kiyonna pop-up shop.

Looking fine

Celebrity makeup artist Sam Fine (below), whose work has been seen on the pages of national magazines such as Harper's Bazaar,

Marie Claire and Cosmopolitan, will drop by Vertigo Lounge in the Dana Hotel (660 N. State) on Oct. 27. The author of Fine Beauty: Beauty Basics and Beyond for African

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Jenny makes a move

She surprised everyone when she made Chicago her home now **Jenny McCarthy** has more big news to share

STORY BY SUSANNA NEGOVAN
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A case for SPACE

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STYLE STARS

enny McCarthy has always been a newsmaker. But in the last five months, the outspoken author, actress and activist has been the subject of an above-average flurry of headlines. In that time she's moved from Los Angeles to Chicago, dated (and broken up with) a star Chicago Bears player, appeared on the cover of Playboy for the sixth time and courted controversy on the press tour for Bad Habits:

Confessions of a Reformed Catholic, her new book released Oct. 2.

And now, as she nears her 40th birthday on Nov. 1, she's going from being the news to making the news: McCarthy has signed on to be a six-times-a-week Splash columnist, a new platform that she hopes to make the anchor of a multimedia career based in Chicago. Starting immediately, McCarthy will debut a cheeky weekly advice column called "Ask Jenny" inside the Splash print edition, as well as a Monday-through-Friday blog on the Splash website (Splash.suntimes.com) about her life as a single mom.

From her home in the western suburbs she'll be "two-finger typing" daily, and she says she's chomping at the bit to get started. She'll tackle parenting ("like hiding in the closet hoping your kid can make his own dinner — things that all moms can relate to Send and giggle") and beyond, Jenny including dating and family questions issues. "I have to because at splash even though I'm a mom. @suntimes. I'm also a single mom and com. I'm also dating, and also have issues with my own family and my old mother-in-law," she says. "So, it's not just about keeping up with the Mommy Joneses, it'll also be interlaced with what we have to deal with day to day."

Her writing style, which is raw and unfiltered, matches her bombshell-who-belches persona. In her first book, Belly Laughs: The Naked Truth about Pregnancy and Childbirth, McCarthy cautioned newly pregnant women to not take hot baths in a chapter titled "I Think I Hard-Boiled My Baby." "People still come up to me who are pregnant, laughing, saying, 'I totally almost hard-boiled my baby until I read your book!" she says.

Additional best-sellers followed, including Baby Laughs and Life Laughs, and endeared her to a wide audience of moms. "People always come up to me with certain questions, and it's not the typical kind of celebrity ques-

tions," she says. "It's usually self-help. I feel like they can ask me more than they can ask their parent or their spouse because I kind of lay it all on the line."

She's been especially open about her 10-year-old son Evan's autism diagnosis and her controversial stance on its treatment, which was the subject of three of her books. She decided to move to Chicago in May to give him a more normal home environment. "I didn't want him to be a child of celebrity because it doesn't have a good outcome," she says. "I wasn't having any luck in the love department either, so all signs were pointing to move back."

She chose a neighborhood with "lots of kids" near her best friend.

"Most of the time he just wants to play with his new friends," she says. "He has about 12 kids that come over every day after school. I have a creek in my back yard and they catch frogs. He's having a ball."

He's also lost his autism diagnosis, she says. "He's

phenomenal — I can't even get over where he was and where he is now. I spent all of my time writing *Life Laughs* in the neuropsychology unit for autism watching him learn how to talk at age 3. Now he has a girlfriend and he's bringing her roses and stealing my jewelry and bringing it to her. I would say he's on the right path."

While McCarthy is currently filming a VH1 talk show that debuts Jan. 18, and recently signed on for another five years as co-host of ABC's "New Year's Rockin' Eve with Ryan Seacrest," she says that her role at Splash is particularly important to her. "I've signed contracts over the past 20 years that were multimilliondollar deals, but I am more excited about this one than anything I've done since my first deal at 'Singled Out,' " she says. "Not only is [the Sun-Times] something that I grew up



When she's in town, McCarthy will be in the office on Fridays.

reading, but I just feel honored. I actually feel like it's a privilege to do it."

Her new gig is more than a platform to share her opinions among a wide audience — it's validation of her skills as a writer. "I think people are still surprised, even with book eight, that I do write my own books," she says. "But you can tell from my writing that I don't write like an intellect. I just write like girlfriends talk."

In addition to making a career shift, McCarthy is hoping that she'll find love in Chicago, too. "When I come off this book tour I've got a couple of dates lined up that I'm excited about, because these guys seem really nice, but I'm also nervous because I'm hoping they see me for me. I'm hoping that I do get lucky in love. I'm looking for Mr. Big. I want the one."

And for that guy — and Sun-Times readers — she has a message: "Even though I like to wear a push-up bra and lipstick and eyelashes, I don't take it seriously at all. There's depth beyond that."

Starting today, it'll be on display six days a week.

'You can tell from my writing that I don't write like an intellect. I just write like girlfriends talk.'

Hair: Jen Bean Makeup: Julie Ribordy Stylist: Eric Himel

Left page: Diane von Furstenberg dress, \$445, and Stuart Weitzman pumps, \$365, both at Scoop NYC, 1009 N. Rush, Scoopnyc.com; Chanel glasses, \$400, Solo Eye Care and Eyewear Gallery, 1444 S. Michigan; Soloeyecare.com

Right page: Zac Posen dress, \$1690, Scoop NYC, 1009 N. Rush, Scoopnyc.com Interior designer and DIY Network star Alison Victoria turns her sledgehammer and eye for glamour to a historic Chicago brownstone

BY SHERRY THOMAS

Demolition CIVa rom a swanky Trump Tower apartment to the kitchens she crashes on the DIY Network, designer Alison Victoria brings an obsession with beauty, fashion and glamour to every project she touches. But what happens when the perfectionist takes on her own dream home?

It's complicated.

For as swiftly and seamlessly as she is able to transform bare walls and other people's blah kitchens into spaces to die for, Victoria says the 1902 Wicker Park brownstone she purchased in May has been more of a slow, meticulous, labor of love.

"This is my passion but it's also my home," explains Victoria, an interior designer of lavish residences from Las Vegas to Chicago and the first female star on DIY Network's "Kitchen Crashers," (which now also airs on HGTV). "It's much easier to design for someone else when you're listening to what they want. I'm a snap-judgment kind of girl, but when it's my own house, I tend to think about it for too long."

Then again, knowing what she wants and going after it has served the Chicago native well: It's what drove her to become the youngest designer at the posh award-winning Las Vegas design firm Christopher Homes, then quit that job at age 23 to open Alison Victoria Interiors Inc. and start her own line of modern luxury furniture.

See, once Alison Victoria has a vision, there's no stopping her.

Take the old walk-in vault she discovered in the Wicker Park brownstone, which was previously owned by a prominent Chicago jeweler. Located on the garden level of the house, initial thoughts had her designer mind fashioning it as a wine cellar.

Then she thought more about the space and how she would use that level of the house. The minute Victoria decided to designate the first floor as her ultimate master suite sanctuary, what to do with that old vault was obvious. "I thought, now I can make it my shoe and handbag closet!"

For a designer who has devoted a section of her website *Alisonvictoria.com* to covering the most stylish shoes to wear on construction sites, it was a perfect move. And with a little help from her "Kitchen Crashers" crew, she took a discerning eye to the rest of the house.

"I hired the crew from the TV show because, well, they're used to working fast," Victoria ex-





AFTER

The living room, one of the biggest projects, involved refinishing and restoring the home's original hardwood floors.



plains. She was able to move into the first floor 30 days after starting construction, and then start renovating the rest of the house.

That's when she got to put on her trendy (and always "girly") work boots and do what she's become famous for — crashing a kitchen. "In my show, that's what I do," she says. "The kitchen is huge, so I really wanted to do it right, right for me, right for everyone."

She kept the original look with white Shakerstyle cabinets, but took them all the way up to the height of the ceilings for maximum impact. For the countertops, she passed up the more traditional marble for the new Bianco Oro line. "I wanted to make sure mine was a little more durable," Victoria explains.

While it's still a work in progress, she's very pleased with her creation so far. "The backsplash is still not up, and the hood is not up, but I bought some amazing pendant lights. I wanted to make sure I was doing something that nobody else had, so I found these amazing vintage pendants at Store B [in Wicker Park]. I had been looking at them for four months."

Other projects on the second floor included a total refinish and restoration of the original hardwoods. Victoria also took great care to preserve an original vintage bathtub in the powder room. "You can tell the tub was placed in and the walls were built around it. I completely



Victoria made major changes to her kitchen (including replacing a window with more cabinet space), but kept the original white color scheme throughout the room.



restored that, with gold leafing on the feet."

Victoria, who spent her early years growing up in an apartment with three siblings on the 46th floor of the John Hancock building, says what she's doing with her Wicker Park house is, in some ways, a culmination of everything she's been dreaming of since childhood. While some like to talk about the time when she was 10 and asked to redecorate the basement of her family's Lincolnwood home, she likes to tell the story that came a year later, when she "crashed" her best friend's bedroom. "We were both 11, and all I wanted to do is clean their house up and help them redecorate," she recalls. "I would start moving things around; I would rip up carpet to get to the hardwood, and then started refinishing the furniture and repainting all the walls."

That space, and that moment, is one Victoria says she will never forget.

"Granted, we painted everything peach so it didn't really look pretty," she laughs, "but that's when I knew that I really wanted to do this for the rest of my life."

While she already owns a home in Las Vegas, when the opportunity came to purchase the house in Wicker Park for what she calls "the deal of a lifetime," Victoria seized her dream, way ahead of schedule.

"I've always imagined myself living in that big beautiful home in Lincoln Park or Wicker Park, but to be able to get into a house like this and be able to do what I want, the way I want, is definitely a dream come true," she says.

For more about Alison Victoria Interior Design, her blog and exclusive line of furniture, go to *Alisonvictoria.com*. For more about Kitchen Crashers, go to *Diynetwork.com*.

Shop like a pro

We asked Alison Victoria to share five of her favorite design sources in Chicago. She says the following shops offer an eclectic mix that inspires her in "different ways for different spaces." Check them out:

Store B: 1472 N. Milwaukee; Storebvintage.com

Stitch: 1723 N. Damen; Stichchicago.com

Home Goods: 2731 N. Elston; Homegoods.

Luminaire: 301 W. Superior; *Luminaire*. *com*

Holly Hunt at the Chicago Merchandise Mart: 222 Merch Mart Plaza Suite 1728/1844; Merchandisemart.com



Brikena Aliti and Sal Becovic

ou could call Brikena Aliti and Sal Becovic's trip down the aisle an international affair. The couple tied the knot Sept. 16 before 40 of their closest friends and family members, half of whom flew in from abroad — and the bride was no exception. She traveled from her former home in Oslo, Norway, to join her Chicago-based husband, who runs Red-Blooded Productions, after dating long distance for more than a year. Even Aliti's dress was from a different country; she walked down the aisle in a lace La Sposa gown, which she found while shopping in Barcelona. For Aliti, the connection with Becovic was instant. They met through mutual friends on Facebook, and their first date was a 12-hour romantic whirlwind in Oslo. "After our first date I called my sister and told her if we didn't end up together, something was wrong with the world," laughs Aliti. The couple's instant connection was based in part on their heritage - both are of Albanian descent — and they were married in a traditional Albanian Islamic service. "In our service, I proposed [marriage] and she had to accept all over again," says Becovic. "That's where I felt the most emotion." After the ceremony, the couple and their guests hopped on a trolley that carried them to the InterContinental Magnificent Mile, where 400 more friends were waiting to celebrate. Traditional Albanian dancing kicked off the fun and guests partied until after midnight. — Katerina Bizios

CHEERS!



Congrats to Michael Farah and Tanya Manoochehri on their recent engagement. Farah, a Chicago native who used to own Berry Chill, proposed with a 50-person flash mob that performed to the pop song "Gangnam Style." The duo recently relocated to Los Angeles, where she is a licensing coordinator for Guess and he is gearing up to launch Curbside Foodies, an app for the food truck industry.



We're thrilled for trainer and fitness blogger **Ashley Bond,** who appeared on the Oct. 17 episode of the NBC drama "Chicago Fire."

A round of applause to nominees and winners of the 2012 Equity Jeff Awards, which took place Oct. 15 at the Drury Lane Theatre. Top honorees included the Goodman Theatre's production of "The Iceman Cometh," which took home several awards, including best production of a play, best director for Robert Falls and best supporting actor for Brian Dennehy; and Chicago Shakespeare Theater's "Follies," which won best production of a musical and a best director, musical for Gary Griffin.





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Bargain bungalows

Affordable prices make it an ideal time to buy, but rental units sweeten the deal

BY LISA SKOLNIK

f you've been weighing the idea of investing in a single-family home, consider properties that are a bit outside the box and can generate some spare change with a rental unit. "Outside" is where many of the assets are on this updated, 1,600-square-foot, four-bedroom, twobathroom bungalow at 2138 N. Lawndale. Located in west Logan Square, it's priced at \$199,999 and includes a 750-square-foot, two-bedroom garden apartment which can command a sizable rent in this burgeoning neighborhood filled with gourmet restaurants, boutique shopping and plenty of green space. The charming façade boasts curb appeal, the lot has a small backyard and the porch-top terrace off the master bedroom maximizes outdoor space. Also outside, you'll find a five-year-old, extra-tall, two-car garage behind the house with doors and private entrances on both sides of the structure to access the alley and backyard. Built in 1898, the charming house underwent a total rehab 11 years ago and has new hardwood floors in most rooms, updated kitchens and restored original woodwork. It's owned by an empty nester who is scaling back, but it's an ideal spot to start — or add to — a real estate port-folio. Contact Baird & Warner broker Marie Mendoza, (847) 367-6279, Marie.mendoza@bairdwarner.com





This four-bedroom Logan Square bungalow at 2138 N. Lawndale includes a two-bedroom garden apartment that could be rented.



Other options

Another sweet deal in Logan Square is a four-bedroom, three-bathroom bungalow at 2442 N. Avers for \$199,000. It sits on a standard 25-foot-by-125-foot lot with a larger yard, a two-car detached garage, hardwood floors and a short, two-block walk to the Metra. The home has been split into two units, but can yield four thanks to a newly finished living space in the basement. Contact Molly Marino, Baird & Warner, (312) 282-6422, Molly.marino@bairdwarner.com

For a brand-new, beautifully executed total gut rehab of a 1901 bungalow, go northeast to 3410 N. Troy in Avondale. The three-bedroom, two-bathroom home with a snazzy eat-in kitchen, lower-level finished family room, hardwood and stone floors, two-car garage, new back deck and easy access to the expressway, bus and CTA Blue Line is \$310,000. Contact Mitch Gordon, Baird & Warner, (312) 339-9432, Mitch. gordon@bairdwarner.com



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DISPATCHES FROM OUR CHICAGOAN IN HOLLYWOOD, LIZ CROKIN

Mirror, mirror on the wall

manda Bynes has pleaded not guilty to two counts of driving with a suspended license. The girl may want to look in the mirror because the paparazzi clearly busted her driving sans a license. Oh wait, she can't! A source tells me that the "What a Girl Wants" star - who has exhibited increasingly bizarre behavior by locking herself in public bathrooms and dressing rooms had a meltdown with her mirror at her L.A. pad. Bynes, who ironically played Snow White in "Sydney White," told neighbors that she threw away her mirror because it was talking back to her. "Everybody in the building couldn't stop talking about Amanda's episode with her mirror," the source said. "It was a really expensive piece of furniture and she threw it out because she said she couldn't stop talking to it. It was then that we realized she truly has lost her mind and needs some help." Her strange behavior is well known among her neighbors and building manager, who were told to "keep quiet" about her constant outbursts and conversations with inanimate objects. Her mirror must have told her she's not the fairest of them all!



Girl Interrupted: Amanda Bynes got in a heated argument ... with a mirror. LAP, GETTY IMAGES



Kanye tightens the reins on Kim

Kanve West and Kim Kardashian had a run-in with Kim's ex, Reggie Bush, recently in Miami - and the Chicago rapper was not happy. The couple dined across the street from Reggie and his pregnant girlfriend and a paparazzi reportedly confronted Kanye about Kim's NFL star ex. Kanye is turned off by all the press his reality TV star girlfriend attracts, so he's laid down some ground rules with the media. "This

is not the kind of stuff he wants to be known for," the source said. "He does not want to get press for dining across the street from Kim's ex. He wants to be known for his fashion and his music. He doesn't need this kind of attention to be successful, unlike Kim." Kanye told Kim and her people to stop talking to the press about their relationship or else there will be lawsuits filed. "Kanye has told Kim and her camp to back off from the press," the source said. "Kim is listening to Kanye because she wants to make her relationship with him work."



His hit movie has taken the top spot at the box office for two weekends in a row, and Liam Neeson's lady fans can breathe a sigh of relief that no one has taken the No. 1 spot in his heart. The "Taken 2" star has been linked to a couple of women over the past year, but a source close to the actor tells me that he still holds a candle for his late wife, Natasha Richardson. "He's still in love with Natasha," the source said. "He thinks about her all the time and is very close with her family." The source says that Liam is not ready to get serious with any women since he still is not over the tragic death of his wife. "He never talks about other women," the source said. "He's just not ready to be serious with anyone else. He still talks about Natasha all the time."



A GrubHub STEAK-OUT



Chicago serves up a mean slice of beef, but you don't have to leave your home to have a true steakhouse experience. GrubHub, the Chicago-based food ordering service, rounded up a few of their favorite steakhouse picks, so satisfy your carnivorous craving with these area favorites:

Joe's Seafood, Prime Steak & Stone Crab • 60 E. Grand Ave. Joe's a-la-carte menu is a Chicago staple, and the 12-ounce Filet Mignon is as classic as it gets. Start your meal with a Colossal Lump Crab Cake and Caesar Salad, but don't forget to add an order of Jennie's Mashed Potatoes to complete your meal.

Fleming's Steakhouse • 25 E. Ohio St.

If you're looking for a modern take on the traditional steak and potatoes, look no further than Fleming's Porcini Rubbed Filet Mignon. This classic center cut of beef is grilled to your preference and served with high country asparagus spears and Gorgonzola cream sauce. And, don't forget to add a side of Fleming's Potatoes. This house specialty mashes potatoes with cream, jalapeno and cheddar cheese.

Rio's D Sudamerica • 2010 W. Armitage Ave.

If you're looking for an American classic with a Latin twist, try Rio's Filete de Tira de N.Y. con Papas Fritas. This char-grilled boneless New York strip steak is seasoned and aged in homemade Argentinian and house spices, and served with fried potatoes and grilled seasonal vegetables.

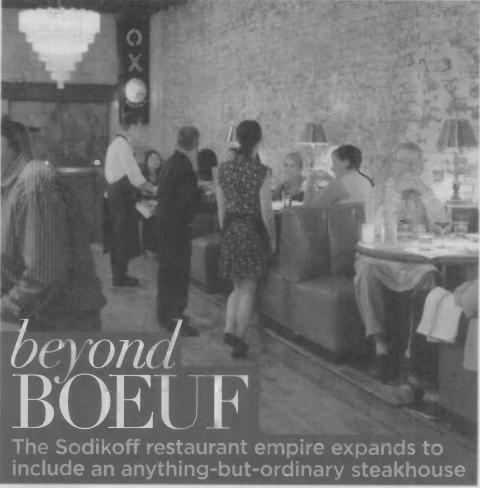
Reza's • 432 W. Ontario St.

Reza's gives traditional surf and turf the Mediterranean treatment with its Shrimp and Filet Mignon Steak dinner. One skewer of char broiled jumbo shrimp is served alongside a 6-8-ounce filet mignon topped with sautéed mushroom. The meal comes complete with braised vegetables and your choice of Mediterranean sides.



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sunday dinner



BY MADELINE SKAGGS

n the last two years **Brendan Sodikoff** hasn't stopped. Since launching Gilt Bar in 2010, the local restaurateur has opened three more thriving and distinctive culinary destinations: urban French spot Maude's Liquor Bar, the perpetually packed Doughnut Vault and upscale diner Au Cheval, which serves up a burger that was just named best in America by the editors of Bon Appétit. With his latest venture, a European-style steakhouse dubbed Bavette's Bar & Boeuf that opened in late summer, Sodikoff shows no sign of slowing down.

Located in River North, the two-story space pays homage to its former days as a vintage furniture store with eclectic sofas, tufted



Roasted bone marrow

leather booths, ornate Oriental rugs, exposed brick and oversized chandeliers, then gives it all a sexy sheen with dim lighting and candles. It's an ideal environment to imbibe in Bavette's retro drinks. The lengthy list includes classics like an old-fashioned, a mint julep, Champagne cocktail and a cognac sazerac.

As with other Sodikoff spots, a visit to Bavette's

Bar & Boeuf serves up much more than the standard experience. Chef Jeff Pikus (also the brains behind Maude's) has whipped up a menu that includes classic steakhouse options such as the signature dry-aged, bone-in ribeye with béarnaise and steak salt (\$56) or a double bone Berkshire pork chop (\$22). But there's also a slew of unexpected dishes as well. Dig into peppered duck and goat cheese terrine (\$11.95), beef tongue with horseradish sauce (\$16) and Southern-style fried chicken (\$17.95), plus the vegetarian-friendly crab-stuffed avocado with Bibb lettuce and Dijonsherry vinaigrette (\$18.95).

Like most of Chicago, we're eagerly awaiting Sodikoff's next move.

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mogul Donald Trump makes the most of his free time

ith the staggering amount of luxury real estate that bears his name — from hotels to high-rises to golf courses ound the world — you'd think Donald Trump wouldn't have the time to attend condo board meetings at the Trump International Hotel & Tower in Chicago (401 N. Wabash). But a half dozen times each year that's exactly what he does; he hasn't missed one since the 92-story building, which includes condominium residences and a hotel, was opened five years ago.

"I have many great buildings in New York and all over the world," said Trump. "But, as far as I'm concerned, this is one of the greatest buildings anywhere. It's one of the very serious jewels in the [Trump] crown."

The last board meeting in late September was attended by both condo tenants and the hotel's executive team, and Trump took a few minutes to tick off a list of the building's successes, including glowing reviews for its concepted fine-dining restaurant Sixteen and research that highlighted the hotel's skyrocketing revenue growth. "They're talking about the hotel all over the world," he said, beaming.

And when the meeting was over, the superlatives didn't stop. "One of the greatest men in business just bought a unit," crowed Trump, who still owns 50 percent of the building's condo-hotel units (which are rented to travelers like traditional hotel rooms, but owned by real estate investors).

Currently filming "Celebrity Apprentice: All Stars," Trump will be back to Chicago in December for another condo board meeting and, chances are, more pats on the back of his hotel's executive team. Here's a glimpse at his Chicago routine.



Trump wakes up in his suite on the 27th floor and starts his day reading several newspapers and flipping around political news shows like "Face the Nation" and "Meet the Press." "I love NBC because they treat me very well. 'The Apprentice' has been one of their great hits of the last decade."



8 A.M.

Trump and his wife. Melania, share a light breakfast of fruit and coffee in their suite.

10 A.M.

He sees Melania off to a hair appointment at Anthony Cristiano (above), which recently opened on the mezzanine level. Anthony himself (who also styles Trump's. daughter Ivanka's hair) gives her a blow-out.



NOON

Trump and Melania have lunch at the hotel's Sixteen restaurant. "I know Chicago is famous for steakhouses - and I'm an aficionado - but Sixteen has the best steak I've had."



New York.

A walk around the city with Melania. a 757 - back to "Chicago is possibly the city with the best architecture in the United States."

3 P.M.



A meeting with the hotel's Managing Director T. Colm O'Callaghan (right). "He's done a wonderful job and the hotel has received many accolades - all well founded."



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hen we think about "innovation," we don't usually think about banking. However, every innovator needs a little support. Whether it needs a loan to purchase new equipment or a line of credit to improve cash flow, a business could use some financial backing at times. That's how innovative ideas become a reality.

Although most banking companies seem to be more and more removed from the customer, business owners need to have a banking resource that is focused on relationships and the importance of understanding the needs of its clients. This is a rare concept now that big banks have become so com-

Wintrust Community Banks, spread throughout the Chicago area and southern Wisconsin, were

with their promises," said Veronica Cañete-Kwasigroch, owner of Dream Cakes I SUPPLIED PHOTO created as the local alternative to the big banks. As lending and banking decisions are made further and further away, Wintrust prides itself on being a local

Gratitude: "Northbrook Bank & Trust offers me and my business personal, convenient service, and they are able to follow through

company with the attentiveness and dedication to understand the needs of local businesses. Wintrust Community Banks have the depth of products to support the businesses that are working on new ways to thrive in their local communities. The company is a leader in SBA Lending and provides a range of loans and lines of credit, but many local businesses need more than just financial support.

"Serving the needs of small businesses is at the core of what it means to be community bankers, but it's about more than a checking account and a small business loan," said Matthew Doubleday, senior vice president of Wintrust Marketing. "It's about

being a genuine resource for local businesses. Fro networking, to problem solving, to providing custo solutions for each business, all of our bankers are committed to being the local resource for small bu nesses. When they do well, we all do well."

Entrepreneurs should have a network of allies invested in their success. While many of the larger banks don't have personal ties to local communities Wintrust Community Banks stand out as organizations that are part of the neighborhoods they serve They believe that when local businesses excel, the whole community benefits.

"When we opened, we were at a different bank, but it was very hard to get anything done," said Ve-

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Kate had been practicing physical therapy for 12 years on both a full- and part-time basis and also had assisted teaching classes at her alma mater, Northwestern University Medical School.

"I was always struggling to find that perfect balance between work and family life," Kate said.

When Kara and her business partner, Heidi Bartolotta, showed Kate what Moms Making Six Figures was all about, Kate immediately saw the potential for that balance she had always been looking for.

Founded three years ago in San Diego, Moms Making Six Figures now has a team of more than 50 women, all of whom work from the comfort of their own homes. The women come from a variety of backgrounds, from a CPA, a surgeon, to media executives and former pharmaceutical sales reps.

"The best way to describe Moms Making Six Figures is that we are a group of moms who created a marketing organization to represent one primary company," Bartolotta said. "Kate still has the ability to help people like she did in her previous role as a physical therapist, but now she controls both her schedule and her income potential."

In Chicago, just like many other areas across the nation, the past few years have been extremely difficult for many families. People are either out of work, making much less than before, or moms who had the luxury to stay home now have had to reenter the work force.

Through Moms Making Six Figures Shean, Guthrie and Bartolotta, sit down with interested women and discuss the specifics of the business.

"A typical work week is about 30 to 35 hours, but I plan those hours around my children's school and extracurriculars," Shean said. "There is no inventory, no party planning, no selling, and no risk, but you do have to be self motivated," she explained.

Provided by Moms Making Six Figures



Working mom: Kate Shean, pictured here with her children, was able to find a healthy work-life balance with Moms Making Six Figures. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

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ronica Cañete-Kwasigroch, owner of Dream Cakes and a Wintrust Community Banks customer. "What they said and what they did were two very different things. Northbrook Bank & Trust offers me and my business personal, convenient service, and they are able to follow through with their promises."

Norm Zienty, dealer principal of Fair Oaks Ford, Lincoln in Naperville, knew his local Wintrust Community Bank was the one to depend on Even before becoming a customer of Naperville Bank & Trust, Zienty noticed the bank's presence in the community.

"The more I saw, the more impressed I was," he said.

The bankers and staff at Naperville Bank & Trust have given Zienty the support to help his business grow and succeed. With the bank's services, Zienty was able to expand and move to a new location.

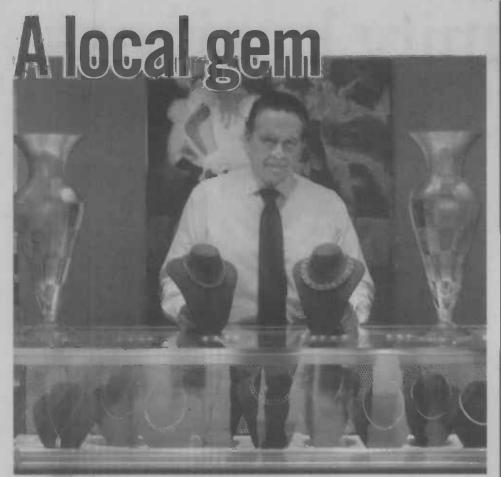
"We've got a great new facility on Ogden and Rickert along auto row, and we've added the Lincoln franchise to our dealership," he said. "Naperville Bank & Trust understands the community, and they understand my business."

A financial institution that does more than just banking can be a real asset to a local business. Wintrust Community Bank employees are members of local chambers of commerce, local government, and school boards, and they are active in local charities and community development activities. They also partner with organizations - including SCORE and the National Organization for Women Business Owners (NAWBO) - that offer seminars and consultations at the banks to assist local business owners. The company has even launched the first online community focused solely on businesses in greater Chicago, i-BusinessForum, for entrepreneurs to ask questions, get answers, and have conversations with other small business owners.

Part of what makes a local economy strong is having a network of people working together for shared success. As larger banks have become more prevalent, it's even more important to have a bank that is invested in the success of the community. Although, much of what Wintrust was founded on was a traditional idea of what a community bank should be, the company continues to find ways to think outside the box when it comes to supporting local businesses.

Business support is more than just a loan decision made from three states away. Just as companies have to become more creative in how they succeed during tough economic times, advocates for small businesses have to become more innovative in how they provide support.

Provided by Wintrust Community Bank



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Women Vetrepreneurship Program is a means to economic independence

BY KIMBERLY ELSHAM

For Sun-Times Media

In the Chicago area, several groups serve the growing population of female veterans and their specific needs: to help them navigate the maze of qualification, registration and utilization, and also to feel empowered to succeed.

Since 1986, the Women's Business Development Center has served more than 66,000 Chicago-area women. The center's next project, a partnership with the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs, will serve female vets to help them be financially independent through entrepreneurship. The Women Vetrepreneurship Program is still in its planning stages,

with a goal of launching in January.

In light of sometimes disappointing jobplacement statistics for female veterans, said WBDC Chief Development Officer Georgia Marsh, business ownership can be a good alternative. Women in this group have traits well suited to this endeavor such as leadership, perseverance, organization and dealing with uncertainty, she added.

In addition to WBDC's standard training in entrepreneurship and business mentoring, the program is working on adding a direct-lending component for female vets with entrepreneurial aspirations.

Interested vets and organizations can contact Marsh directly at gmarsh@wbdc.org for program updates.

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Equal-opportunity business

Hedy Ratner is committed to helping women entrepreneurs

BY TAMMY MATTHEWS

For Sun-Times Media

If you ever have a chance to meet Hedy Ratner, don't pass it up. At the very least, she will inspire you. At the most, she'll change your life.

Ratner, 71, is co-founder and president of the Women's Business Development Center. Headquartered in Chicago, it is the largest and most comprehensive women's business assistance center in the United States. Its programs are designed to help individuals in every phase of the business development and growth process. She said that the WBDC has experienced some major changes in the last year.

"First of all, we're restructuring," she said.
"I have a new chief operating officer. I have a

new chief development officer. And both have fabulous ideas."

"We've been in existence for 26 years. The climate has changed. The environment has changed. The nature of women business owners has changed and evolved," she said. "Now what we want to be is more cutting edge and also be responsive to the challenges and issues that the women business owners face."

One of the major WBDC initiatives is access to capital.

"We're looking at ways that we can help finance early-stage businesses, emerging businesses and help established businesses that are hurting that need a little help," she said.

"The issues around access to capital are even more difficult for small businesses and much more difficult for women-owned businesses in part because of the nature of their businesses, which is essentially service businesses," she said, and explained that, as services businesses don't technically have assets, access to money is especially difficult for them.

To combat this the WBDC-is working to become a loaning office.

"What we've been trying to do is look at

ways that we can provide direct loans through the Women's Business Development Center," she said. "I've done it from the very beginning, but I didn't do it as well and I didn't do it as much."

The WBDC is looking to be licensed as a CDFI, which is a community development financial institution. If this happens, the WBDC will be able to offer direct loans. The staff has also been trained on how to do micro-enterprise loans.

The WBDC is also finding appropriate mentors to help the more established small businesses grow. Ratner said she wants to, "get the right people with the right protégées and with the right resources."

Ratner said the WBDC is also coordinating a teaming program to help women business owners be more successful at doing business with corporations.

"Teaming is like a strategic alliance between companies that do have some synergy, so there will be an economy of scale when they are large enough that they can be competitive in the marketplace," she said.

Ratner used the example of a small design business. On its own, it doesn't have a chance to work with a corporation. However, if it teams up with printing and web design

Forward-moving life: "We want to be is more cutting edge and also be respon-

Forward-moving life: "We want to be is more cutting edge and also be responsive to the challenges and issues that the women business owners face," said Hedy Ratner, on the WBDC's future plans. I GIL LEORA ~ FOR SUN-TIMES MEDIA

— we need money for it and I'll think we'll get it — is for women veterans," she said. "What's horrible and horrifying is 37 percent of the women in the service that will return are unemployed. Thirty-seven percent."

"There are many, many veterans' programs, but very few that target women," Ratner said. "Finding a job is hard for them. They have skills. They have experience. They have edu-

"We're looking at ways that we can help finance early-stage businesses, emerging businesses and help established businesses that are hurting that need a little help."

Hedy Ratner, co-founder and president of the Women's Business Development Center

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companies, the chance that the team can be successful at competing for bids with major corporations is greater.

The challenges women business owners face in the boardroom are mirrored by the specific lifestyle issues — motherhood, nonnative speaker, sexual orientation or military service — that should not, but indeed does, affect a woman's ability to do business with certain companies. The WBDC addresses these issues as well. Ratner said it is continuing and expanding its programs in Spanish, including collaborating with several Latina nonprofits, and its child-care programs.

"Another program that we are just starting

cation. They have all the qualities that make them successful in the military."

Therefore, the WBDC is trying to help women veterans become self-employed while ensuring they have access to the city, state, county and federal social service programs that they are eligible for and to which they are entitled.

The good news is Ratner does feel the business environment has gotten better.

"I think the economy has improved," she said. "We've seen more starting businesses. We've seeing more of our established businesses surviving, where they weren't surviving before. They're still struggling."



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Century 21 agent closes more than 5,000 real estate sales in 36 years

You would think the most successful real estate agent is a slick, fast-paced, supercharged person under a lot of pressure to prove himself, sale after sale. This is not so with Larry Desmond, who is the number one agent at Waukegan's Century 21 Maki United. He is low-key, laid-back and never uses high-pressure sales tactics.

"I like to work close with people. I try to listen to what people are looking for and I never go over their bounds," said Desmond, whose voice is so soft that you know he will never try to sell you anything you don't really want or is beyond your means. "I don't think you can be successful that way."

He closed 71 transactions last year.

His record is not only local, but also of national proportions. He is, for instance: A 28-year recipient of the National Centurion award, which is the highest honor from Century 21, the international real estate firm.

- A Grand Centurion for the 14 years. This is the highest award in the Century 21 system a Century 21 agent can receive.
- The top agent in Illinois for 18 years.
- Inducted into the Century 21 International Hall of Fame in 1992. He's one of only 57 agents to ever receive this honor to date.
- Winner of the Association of Realtors award for 21 consecutive years.
- A top Century 21 agent in the United States in 1989 and one of the top 40 agents in 1990-2007.
- A closer of more than 5,000 real estate sales in the last 36 years.

While Desmond — a



Top agent: Larry Desmond, number one agent at Waukegan's Century 21 Maki United, said he gets great satisfaction in helping clients find and sell properties. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

teacher-turned salesman—
is low pressure, he said once
he knows what a buyer wants,
he will pursue it until he finds
the right property. In selling,
he would be aggressive
enough to give the property
the most possible exposure
through advertising, referrals
and listings. However, the
final decision is the client's,
he said.

"As in any business, only 15 percent of people are doing 80 percent of the business," he said. "I enjoy what I'm doing and get great satisfaction in helping clients find and sell properties."

What's the future for real estate agents in the area?

"Great! But a successful agent has to work hard," Desmond said.

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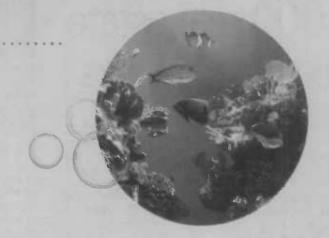
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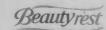
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s the health-care industry continues to adopt information technology in an effort to improve patient care, an increasing amount of Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree graduates and registered nurses (RNs) are seeking to acquire new skills and competencies in a field that is increasingly experiencing growth: nursing informatics.

In essence, nursing informatics integrates nursing science, computer science and information technology to help nurses more effectively acquire, store, retrieve and utilize the mass quantities of health information that are critical to properly work. Informatics is not confined only to nursing schools, either. Professional nurse informaticists are working in a variety of health-care settings, from clinical labs and physicians' offices to emergency rooms and operating rooms.

With the approval of the HITECH Act in 2009 and funding towards adoption of electronic health records (EHR) technology, the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology (IT) anticipates that 50,000 new health IT jobs, including nurse informaticist jobs, will be created within the next five years.

This rapidly evolving health-care environment requires nurses to possess the necessary training to leverage new technologies, better manage information and facilitate smarter decision-making.

vanced practice nurses in this field. Chamberlain College of Nursing offers a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree program with a nursing informatics specialty track for students interested in pursuing a career as a nurse informaticist. Chamberlain's online MSN Informatics specialty track allows RNs the opportunity to advance their careers with a specialized graduate degree in as few as six semesters while juggling responsibilities at work and home.

Upon graduation, the students can be prepared in both the tech-

To meet the demand for adnological side and patient side of health care: they can interpret, analyze and utilize innovative EHR technology and do so in ways that

> maticists, they should have acquired the skills and competencies necessary to apply for job openings in this growing field of health care. What are future informatics nurse specialists capable of delivering? They can:

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For more information on Chamberlain College of Nursing's MSN Informatics specialty track, visit chamberlain.edu/msninformatics.

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Newly trained nurse informaticists should have acquired the skills and competencies necessary to apply for jobs in this growing field of health care.



Progress: Nurse informaticists work at the intersection of health care and information technology to improve patient care. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

Right on target

Proton therapy center offers precise alternative to conventional radiation



Treatment begins: Meagan Sunde, of Huntley, is positioned for treatment in the Inclined Beam Line at the Proton Therapy Center in Warrenville. I NATHANIEL ANDREW ~ FOR SUN-TIMES MEDIA

For Sun-Times Media

Eleven-year-old Lizzie Pinion was diagnosed with anaplastic brain cancer on April 11.

Lizzie's mother, Donna Pinion, 42, of Sycamore, said her whole world changed when she found out her daughter had cancer.

"You take her into the hospital for headaches, and find out she's got a tumor," Pinion said. "The only thing I could concentrate on was doing what I needed to do for her, and doing it well."

Lizzie turned out to be the 500th patient to graduate from treatment at The Central DuPage Hospital (CDH) Proton Therapy Center, which offers an alternative, safer form of radiation for cancer

Partnering with ProCure Treatment Centers and Radiation Oncology Consultants Ltd., Warrenville's CDH Proton Therapy Center is one of 10 in the United States. Privately funded, the center uses a \$4.5 million Inclined Beam Line (IBL) to distribute treatment to most adult patients, and in cases of children a \$15 million to \$20 million full-gantry is used. The IBL provides 30- and 90-degree angles with complete flexibility in patient positioning while the fullgantry operates 360 degrees around the patient, and offers maximum access to

Dr. William Hartsell, medical direc-

BY NATHANIEL ANDREW tor of the center, has been a radiation oncologist for 25 years.

"It's safer because we have the ability to charge the proton in a way to make it stop at a certain distance," Hartsell said. "While typical radiation therapy is" still useful for a lot of cancer treatments, proton therapy is beneficial to children, brain and spine tumors because a lot less of the tissue is treated. If a patient has a tumor four inches in then we can treat it at that exact spot."

Proton therapy is largely accredited to Robert Wilson, the late-Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (Fermilab) director. He wrote of the therapy in a 1946 paper titled, "Radiological Use of Fast Protons."

The process begins with a 220-ton cyclotron. The cyclotron ionizes protons which gives them a charge or energy to go a defined distance. The protons attack the DNA of cancerous cells and do little damage to the surrounding tissue.

"It's similar to a magnet," Hartsell said. "If you roll a magnet down a row of opposing magnets it won't stop until it reaches its positive counterpart."

In the case of proton therapy, the protons are the magnets and they're traveling up to 400 million mph. It's because of this that each room goes through extensive testing before opening, and 14-inch thick concrete walls are done in a single pour for additional precautionary measures.

Hartsell said the center receives just-

under 100,000 applicants throughout the world for treatment a year, and only about 30,000 have access to a proton therapy center.

Lizzie went through six weeks of treat-

"It was kind of rocky at first, but once they got in the first three or four treatments she was fine," Pinion said. "Pro-Cure did a whole luncheon when she finished her last treatment. They gave her a plaque, and then a little boy gave her a coin following a presentation."

The CDH Proton Therapy Center has experienced a slow opening, and is currently operating at three-fourths of its capacity. In an average year, the center will receive 400-1000 patients.

'We have patients from almost every continent at this location," Hartsell said. "I would say 10 percent of our patients are radiation repeats, and 20 percent are children."

Meagan Sunde, of Huntley, said the center has brought her hope. Meagan is what Hartsell referred to as a radiation

Cancer is no stranger to Meagan's life. She was diagnosed at the age of 18 with breast cancer, and is currently taking treatment at the center for a reoccurrence of a lymph node.

"It is possible that the radiation [Meagan] received in the past could potentially be a reason for the reoccurrence," Hartsell said.

BY THE NUMBERS

40

Number of Proton Therapy Centers available in the world

2010

Year the CDH Proton Therapy Center opened its door to the first patient

60,000

Square-footage of the cancer treatment facility

\$4.5 million

Cost of the Inclined Beam Line used typically for treating adult patients

400 million

Miles the protons travel per hour during radiation



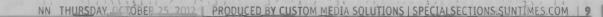
Leading the way: Dr. William Hartsell is director of the proton therapy center in Warrenville, I NA-THANIEL ANDREW ~ FOR SUN-TIMES MEDIA



Daughter and mom: Lizzie and Donna Pinion. I COURTESY OF PROCURE

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NASA to develop nasal spray for motion sickness

NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston and Epiomed Therapeutics Inc. of Irvine, Calif., have signed an agreement to develop and commercialize a NASA-crafted, fastacting nasal spray to fight motion sickness.

Under the Space Act Agreement, Epiomed will formulate the drug, called intranasal scopolamine, or INSCOP. Astronauts often experience motion sickness in space. As a result, NASA has conducted extensive research into the causes and treatments for the condition. Scopolamine is effective and can be administered as a tablet or injected. With a precise dosage, the NASA spray formulation has been shown to work faster and more reliably than the oral form.

"NASA and Epiomed will work closely

together on further development of INSCOP to optimize therapeutic efficiency for both acute and chronic treatment of motion sickness which can be used by NASA, the Department of Defense and world travelers on land, in the air and on the seas," said Lakshmi Putcha, developer of the innovative treatment strategy at Johnson.

A gel formulation of INSCOP was developed and tested under a Space Act Agreement between Johnson and the Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory in Pensacola, Fla. Results from that trial were published in the journal Aviation, Space and Environmental Medicine in April 2010 that suggest INSCOP is a fast-acting and reliable way to prevent and treat motion sickness.



Sharp shooter: Donna Allen-Sebok, left, poses with the SheForce team at a Sept. 23 paintball tournament fundraiser for the veterans and their families. The event was held at CPX Sports in Joliet. I SUPPLIED PHOTO

SheForce empowers female vets through fitness

BY KIMBERLY ELSHAM

For Sun-Times Media

AllenForce, spearheaded by certified therapeutic recreational specialist Donna Allen-Sebok, is a nonprofit created to help veterans transition to civilian life through fitness training and recreation. So far, Sebok's "Healthy Minds Healthy Bodies" fitness program for injured and disabled veterans operates in nearly 20 fitness centers nationwide.

SheForce, the newest initiative for the nonprofit, will cater to social and physical needs of female veterans by having female instructors in gyms, keeping the workout group women-only and by assisting with childcare.

The Department of Veteran Affairs projects that the number of female veterans in the United States will grow from the current 1.8 million to 2 million by 2020.

"We are filling a niche," said Allen-Se-bok, a single working mother.

She said AllenForce's networking events for vets and their families help bridge a domestic gap by seeing the vets interact with their comrades in a relaxed manner and "seeing them in their element, which may not happen at home."

SheForce's inaugural event will be a retreat in November in the western suburbs at an undisclosed location for privacy. The event will have a health and wellness focus for women and kid-related activities. Female veterans interested in the event can visit allenforce.org for updates and a forthcoming sign-up.

Helping homeless female veterans

Since 2005, the National Women Veterans United organization has assisted female veterans with navigating veteran services and has recently zoomed in on homelessness in female veterans.

Rochelle Crump, NWVU's president, is an Army veteran with more than 20 years of experience in veteran affairs through tenures at the federal, state and city level.

"The main advocate," she said. "I'm like the first responder because of my longevity in working in the different capacities and knowing a lot of the systems."

NWVU will host its second stand down for homeless female vets on Oct. 27 at the Montford Point Marine Association, 7011 S. Vincennes Ave., Chicago. The term "stand down" refers to a gathering of veterans to utilize services in a one-stop shop. It can serve as an annual medical and dental check-up. Some stand downs provide clothing, haircuts and financial planning. The Oct. 27 event will cater to women only.

Last year, 44 female vets attended, a success for the stand down's pilot. This year's edition will also be an occasion to survey homeless female vets.

"We want to ask them what the gaps in the services are and what would help them today, so I'm asking the question today," Crump said.

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— Kimberly Elsham, For Sun-Times Media

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Webcams link hospitalized preemies with their families

BY JANET MCCONNAUGHEY

The Associated Press

Corey Harrington spent the first month of his life in intensive care 150 miles from home, but his parents could see him any time thanks to a webcam in the premature baby's incubator in Little Rock, Ark.

They couldn't be there because they had another young child to care for and the father had used up his leave during the final weeks of the complicated pregnancy. So instead, Brandi and Charles Ray Harrington of Bentonville, Ark., used the device to further a bonding process that doctors say is crucial.

The importance of feeling close to babies - for the babies as well as their parents — has transformed newborn intensive care units around the country. Instead of brief visiting hours, for instance, many allow parents 24-hour access. The next step in the process involves webcam technology that has had applications ranging from peering into eagles' nests to linking soldiers in war zones with their loved ones back home.

Now parents, grandparents and friends can log in to babycams in hospitals around the U.S. and several countries. At least eight domestic hospitals have installed such systems, and several dozen others are testing trial setups.

Brandi Harrington said nurses at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences hospital often put notes on camera. She read from some that were captured in screenshots: "I'm now 4 (pounds) l oz. Woohoo!"

"Be back soon. Pooping on my own. Gonna try to breathe on my own too. Taking the breathing tube

The UAMS Medical Center in Little Rock was among the first to install webcams in neonatal intensive care units back in 2006, and it had to create its own system. Now, the chairman of the hospital's OB-GYN department has passed on his software to a Pennsylvania hospital, while at least two companies are selling contracts for similar systems.

At UAMS and Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas, a speaker inside each incubator lets parents coo, talk and sing to their babies.

That's not available through the 53 cameras recently installed at Ochsner Health System near New Orleans by Healthcare Observation Systems LLC of Louisville, Ky. Company owner Blake Rutherford says about 200 of the 600-plus NICUs caring for critically ill newborns

have asked for information; he has installed six systems and has trial setups at about 40 other hospitals.

The systems aren't used by doctors and nurses for clinical care in the U.S. The system made by Rutherford's company doesn't store any video. People watching a baby can take screenshot "photographs," but the video is gone as soon as it's transmitted, Rutherford said.

Parents use the U.S. systems for free, and they typically get a password - which they can share with family and friends — to log in to a secure server to watch their baby.

Developers of the systems say the systems could be adapted for use with different types of patients. For example, Rutherford said he's been asked about setting up webcams for nursing home residents but hasn't begun developing such

Laura and David St. Martin can see little Emily Jane in person every day, even though their home in La-Place, La., is only about a half-hour drive from Ochsner. She was born April 14 at 24 weeks, weighing 1 pound, 3 ounces. Still, they check on her regularly.



The miracle of technology: A webcam feed on an iPad shows four-month-old Emily St. Martin in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Ochsner Medical Center. Her parents, Laura and David St. Martin, with their daughter Jacqueline, 2, are able to watch her from their home in LaPlace, La by way of a webcam installed over her crib. I GERALD HERBERT ~ FOR AP PHOTO

It can offer a huge sense of relief, said David St. Martin: "If you wake up at 2 in the morning you're able to pull her up on the camera and see she's all right."

Sometimes nurses alert the St. Martins to events, such as when they took Emily Jane off a ventilator and substituted a nasal tube to an oxygen tank. "Right after they did that, Susie, her main nurse, called and said. You need to look at the camera," Laura St. Martin recalled. "I was at work. I looked at the camera and said, 'Oh, my god!'"

Doctors at the hospital in Little Rock say webcam monitoring of newborns in intensive care is more than a feel-good gimmick in an age of instant communication. Rather, they hope to reduce a number of problems that can occur when the babies go home by increasing bonding with parents.

Premature babies are more likely to be irritable or have physical or emotional problems, said Dr. Curtis Lowery, chairman of the OB-GYN department at UAMS. In turn, the tiny babies are more likely to be shaken or beaten - which doctors think can be avoided through greater bonding.

"If their parents haven't bonded with them, they'll have problems," Lowery said.

FDA task force will support innovation in antibacterial drug development



Creating new antibiotics: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has formed an internal task force that will support the development of new antibacterial drugs. Research and development for new antibacterial drugs has been in decline in recent decades. I FILE PHOTO

he U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced in September the formation of an internal task force that will support the development of new antibacterial drugs, a critical public health care goal and a priority for the agency.

As part of its work, the Antibacterial Drug Development Task Force will assist in developing and revising guidance related to antibacterial drug development, as required by the Generating Antibiotic Incentives Now Title of the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act, signed into law on July 9.

Research and development for new antibacterial drugs has been in decline in recent decades, and the number of new FDA-approved antibacterial drugs has been falling steadily since the 1980s. During this time, the persistent and sometimes indiscriminate use of existing antibacterial drugs worldwide has resulted in a decrease in the effectiveness of these

drugs. This phenomenon, known as antibacterial drug resistance or antibiotic resistance, has become a serious issue of global concern.

More than 70 percent of the bacteria that cause hospital-associated infections (HAIs) are resistant to at least one type of antibacterial drug most commonly used to treat these infections. In the United States, nearly 2 million Americans developed HAIs in 2002, resulting in about 99,000 deaths.

"The creation of this new task force comes at a critical time," said Edward Cox, M.D., M.P.H., director of the Office of Antimicrobial Products in FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) and co-chair of the task force. "Establishing new ways of developing safe and effective new antibacterial drugs is anjenormous challenge and not an effort that can be accomplished alone."

The Food and Drug Administration

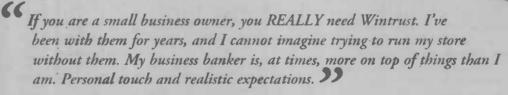
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'World of the **Weird Monster**

Show' screens "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" and "Shaun of the Dead" Oct. 26-27 at Wilmette Theatre. See wilmettetheatre.com.

Harvest Festival

takes place from noon to 4 p.m. Oct. 27 and 28 at Westfield Old Orchard in Skokie, offering crafts and games. See westfield.com/ oldorchard.

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of Skokie Northshore Sculpture Park is at 1 p.m. Oct. 28 on McCormick Boulevard between Howard and Touhy. See sculpturepark.org.

Music historian

Jack Diamond discusses jazz composer/singer Mel Torme at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 30 at the Niles Public Library. Call (847) 663-6405 or see nileslibrary.org. -

The movies that scared us silly

Everyone wants to be scared on Halloween, right?

Maybe, maybe not. We asked our staff: "What movie scared the living daylights out of you?" Some have fond memories of scary movies; others share tales of terror and how certain movies scarred them for life.

The scariest movie of my childhood was "Night of the Living Dead." As a kid from Pittsburgh, the intermittent news reports from actual local TV news anchors made the movie - which I've only ever seen on TV - almost too real. The idea of zombies out roaming the streets was wild stuff, and just creepy enough to be captivating. It's fun to watch the movie now, because its black and white composition and the complete absence of special effects is so vastly different from the horror movies of today.

- Chris Krug, Publisher

When I look back at my childhood, the movie I remember scaring me most was 1984's "A Nightmare on Elm Street." There is one scene in particular that made me scared to go to sleep: Johnny Depp's death in his bed. "Whatever you do, don't fall asleep," Heather Langenkamp tells him. Predictably, Depp falls asleep, and what ensues is the one horror film scene I will always remember. I didn't sleep well the night I watched

- Jason Schaumburg, Executive Editor

I gleefully scared the bejeebus out of myself countless times as a kid by watching horror movies. Some of my fondest childhood memories are of cruising the aisles of Blockbuster, admiring the covers of horror movies — from a noose-braided woman with a knife behind her back ("April

Fool's Day") to Linda Blair clinging to the gates of a creepy mansion ("Hell Night"). But one movie came close to beating me. I can still remember being my 10-year-old self hanging out in a park during the day with my family. and feeling queasy because it was starting to get dark and that meant closer to going to sleep and going to sleep meant dreaming and dreaming might mean "One, two, Freddy's coming for you..." "A Nightmare on Elm Street 3: Dream Warriors" (gorier than the original) literally made me terrified of sleeping for weeks. I spent a lot of nights trying not to think about Freddy Krueger using a guy's own tendons to puppet-walk him off a building.

- Jennifer Thomas, Features Managing Editor

I tend to stay away from the so-called horror movies out today. I can't handle torture and mutilation. I used to love slasher films like "Scream" and "I Know What You Did Last Summer." I tend to find psychological thrillers more scarv than horror fims. The Spanish film "The Orphanage" was one of the more recent films that kept me tense and on the edge of my seat. The atmosphere of the film plus the freaky child wearing a sack mask was totally scary.

- Heather Leszczewicz, News Producer: Digital and Features

When I was 6 or 7, I stumbled on "Psychomania," and it still gives me chills. It's a British flick from the '70s about a gang of zombie bikers. The scene I'll never forget was a daylight/funeral during which an undead Harley rider exploded out of the grave like a bat out of hell. Creepy.

- Richard Bird, News Producer



Linda Blair in "The Exorcist"

"The Shining" ... All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. All work and no play makes Jack a dull

- Matt Schmitz, News Producer

My mom took me to see "The Exorcist" when I was perhaps a shade too young to see it. I'll never forget her suddenly pressing her hand across my eyes during a particular scene. After we got home, my older brother crept up behind me and gutturally recited a line from the film. Him sneaking up on me like that probably scared me more than the movie.

- Cyndi Wyss, News Producer

As a kid, I was terrified of the "WIzard of Oz." Particularly the scene with the evil flying monkeys. Even

though it's not a scary movie, I think it scarred me and I haven't watched a scary movie since.

- Charles Berman, News Producer

I was about 7-years-old and all alone in the apartment on Churchill Avenue in Niles, and I wasn't supposed to be watching television. But I carefully turned on our fragile, used TV set - yes, there were such things in 1963 - and tuned in something British called "Horrors of the Black Museum." It started with hokey stuff about how the movie was in "Hypnovista" and I was supposed to be in the control of a limey who was going to murder people as an experiment. At my age, I half believed it. And then a pretty lady got a gift of binoculars, and put them up to her face. I can still remember

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thinking, "Come on, you're not going to do that to her," and they did it to her. Two big spikes shot into her eyes. I was hysterical. I barely slept for a week, and the scene kept replaying over and over in my mind after that - for at least 30 years. Stabbed in the eyes, stabbed in the eyes, stabbed in the eyes. Finally, I saw the scene again (accidentally; I would never have done so purposely). I saw the actress scream with her hands over her face, blood leaking between the fingers. Then, a shot of binoculars with bloody spikes. They never actually showed her getting stabbed in the eyes.

- Irv Leavitt, Staff Writer

I saw "The Exorcist" when it was replayed in a theater many years after it was first released. It spooked me for weeks, I've never watched it again and never will.

- Linda Blaser, Staff Writer

In high school my friend Kathy had a sleepover and someone forced us to watch "Lisa," a B-grade, 1990 horror flick starring Staci Keanan of "My Two Dads" fame. The movie basically revolved around a guy named Richard who would break into young girls' homes and leave messages on their answering machines, deadpanning, "My name is Richard, I'm in your house and I'm going to kill you." And then he'd jump out and fulfill his promise as soon as the unfortunate girl pressed the play button. The movie was probably more hokey than genuinely frightening, but when Kathy's doorbell rang in the middle of our viewing, every single girl in the dark living room screamed as though the psychopathic Richard had suddenly materialized on her Park Ridge doorstep with a hatchet and a huge Zack Morris-style cell phone.

- Jennifer Johnson, Staff Writer

"Tremors," as a kid it made me paranoid to walk on the ground, thinking some giant, underground monster was ready to come up and eat me. Now that I'm older I realize how cheesy-looking the entire production was and I can laugh at it. It's still one



Freddy Krueger in "A Nightmare on Elm Street 3: Dream Warriors."

of my favorite "bad" movies that I watch from time to time.

- Steve Schering, Staff Writer

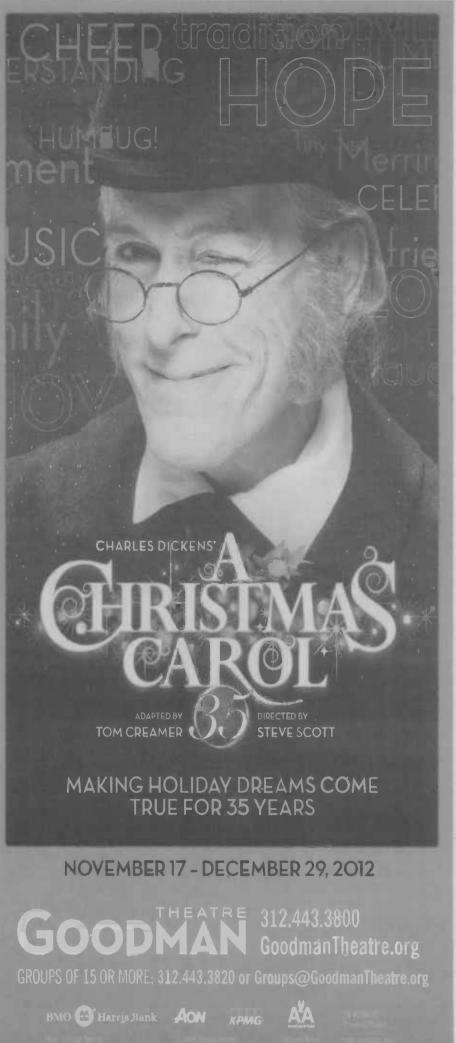
"Deliverance" ... It was the terror of being stalked by inhuman-like killers in the unknown wilderness, as well as the appalling Ned Beatty scene, that sent me reeling in high school. Also, the strange backwoods Georgia characters the four "city boy" friends meet along the way, such as the banjo-playing boy. Great acting, great novel and screenplay. I remember watching it in a downtown Joliet theater; it ended, and a full house sat motionless for 30 seconds or more.

- Todd Shields, Staff Writer

I still remember the day I saw Stephen King's "It." I was in high school and was supposed to do laundry that day while my mom was out shopping. Instead, I remained glued to the couch for a good hour, petrified of walking around any corner or into any dimly lit room. The washer and dryer were in the basement so obviously no laundry got done.

- Anna Tarkov, Staff Writer

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Photographer captures mystery of prairie fire

BY BRUCE INGRAM | Contributor

Jane Fulton Alt has been taking pictures of the annual controlled prairie burns in Lake Forest for the last five years.

Now the internationally celebrated photographer has accumulated a collection of those photos entitled "The Burn," which will be on display through Nov. 6 in Evanston's Noyes Cultural Center.

Alt, who grew up in Glencoe and graduated from New Trier High School in 1969 before moving to Evanston, made a career of clinical social work

while exploring various artistic outlets.

She switched from fiber-arts and quilting to photography nearly 20 years ago because she felt it had more potential for self-expression. Apparently so, since she has exhibited work all over the world,

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"Burn No. 20" | COURTESY OF JANE FULTON ALT

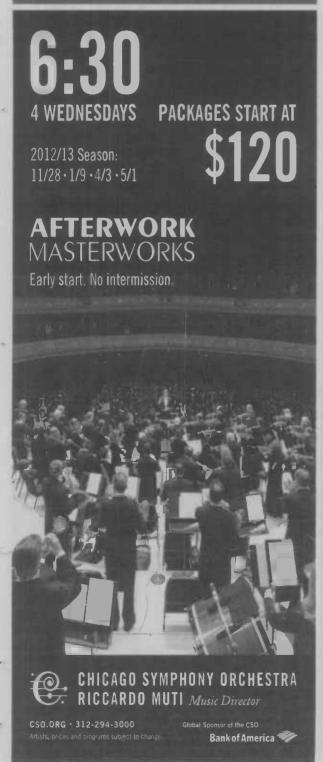




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and her photos are in prestigious permanent collections.

Pioneer caught up with Alt for a chat about photography and the way contolled burns simultaneously destroy and rejuvenate.

PIONEER: What appeals to you about photography as a medium?

JANE FULTON ALT: I don't really think of myself as a photographer. I use photography to try and understand issues about living. It's really been a tool for me personally.

I've been interested in the same issues from the very beginning. I've always gotten into anyplace I could where I could try to understand death and dying. I've documented home births and I've been to slaughterhouses and autopsies ... I'm interested in the essentials about how we come in and how we go out.

Q: So, you explore these issues by taking a close look at them through the camera?

JFA: Yes. It helps that the camera gives me permission and access to things I might not have seen, otherwise.

Of course, I've also been concerned or disturbed about other. more specific issues. I took photos after Katrina in New Orleans because I had gone down to the Ninth Ward as a social worker - but I felt more needed to be done. There are no people in those pictures, because people were returning to their homes for the first time and I really wasn't comfortable trying to capture all the cathartic stories I'd been hearing. I kind of felt like a walking container for all their grief and sadness and anger.

The "Burn" photos happened for a couple of reasons. I was doing a residency at Ragdale five years ago and I had the chance to observe controlled burns of the prairie lands up there. I was fascinated by them because they are so beautiful,



"Burn No. 50" | COURTESY OF JANE FULTON ALT

'The Burn'

First Floor Gallery of the Noyes Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noyes St., Evanston Through Nov. 6 Admission is free. Call (847) 448-8260 or visit www. cityofevanston.org/arts. For an overview of Alt's photographic work, visit www.janefultonalt.com

yet so destructive. Yet, they were constructive, also, because they cleared the land and made way for new growth. I also felt drawn to them because I started shooting the same day, almost the same hour, that my sister started chemotherapy after being diagnosed with cancer — a treatment with the same sort of destructive/regenerative nature. Every time I looked through the viewfinder, I thought about what was happening to her.

Q: Do you alter your photos in the darkroom? Or digitally?

JFA: Oh yeah. With each

photo, whether you're working in a wet or dry darkroom, you have to try to figure out how to make the image sing. Some are cropped, some are tinted. In the case of the "Burn" photos, the fire is sweeping so fast that you have to shoot really quickly and I can't always see what's going on. So, it's snap, snap, snap and then study at the pictures when you get back. A lot of work goes into figuring out where the magic is - or if there is any in the first place. I took so many pictures during the burns and most of them didn't mean anything to me when I looked at them later. For me there has to be some sort of metaphor or magic to the image for me to want to work on it and print it.

When I was looking through the burn photos, I was searching for clarity and a sort of misty quality. The smoke that obscures and reveals. That's what interests me the most, as well as how the sun is coming through, if it is.

Listen

Wilmette bassist back in S.P.A.C.E. with TR3

BY BRUCE INGRAM | Contributor

Bass player Mick Vaughn's double life as a musiciancum-tille-laver leads back to his old musical stomping grounds next week with Tim Reynold's TR3.

The power trio, fronted by Dave Matthews-Band guitarist Reynolds, will return to Space in Evanston Oct. 31 for a Halloween show. The last time the group played there,

in November 2009, the result was the live double-CD "From Space and Beyond."

"We always enjoy playing there," said Vaughn, who grew up in Wilmette.

Vaughn started playing jazz at New Trier, where he graduated in 1987, but he soon switched his emphasis to rock with a variety of bands during high school and later with professional groups such as Scott Bennett and The Obvious.

After playing trumpet during early school years, he tried the bass, which instantly felt right.

"I didn't feel like I had to be

a virtuoso," said Vaughn.

Vaughn has since played in rhythm sections with drummer Matt Walker in a variety of high school and professional bands including The Obvious.

"It was a lot fun, but I was never totally committed to getting into it at a level where I could support myself," said Vaughn, who decided to start working a trade as a tile installer around 1992. "I didn't want to struggle that hard. I was basically having fun with it. And I enjoy doing tile work."

Vaughn said he enjoys playing with TR3 because of TR3

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the group's kinetic energy. There's more room for him to "come at it with both barrels sometimes. We change it up a lot. We'll go from ballistic. machine-gun fire to a really poignant ballad and then turn around and get crazy again. It's a lot of fun."



Dan Martier (left), Tim Reynolds and Mick Vaughn of TR3.



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A Ghostly Get Together for kids in costume

BY MYRNA PETLICKI | Contributor

You don't need to go door-todoor to have fun on Halloween.

Your costumed kids can have a great time for free at a Ghostly Get Together, 4 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31 at Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave.

"We're going to have a fire pit on our patio," said Melanie Unterfranz, youth program coordinator for the Village of Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department. "The first 200 people who register will get a s'more pack to roast there and a glow-in-the-dark necklace."

There will be activities indoors and outdoors, including a storyteller, photo booth, hot

chocolate truck, pizza, Halloween music and havrides around

Unterfranz said the village runs this event each year, "to give back to the community." She encourages parents to wear costumes to the event, too. "Part of the fun of Halloween is dressing up and there's no better place than Ghostly Get Together to dress up in your costume."

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enjoy Boo Time with your kids, ages 3-7, at the Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St. at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29 or 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. Tuesday. Oct. 30. At each session there will be Halloween stories, songs and crafts. Kids are encouraged to wear costumes.

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

MORE TO EXPLORE

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BY BRUCE INGRAM | Film critic

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Rated

PG for thematic elements and some perilous action

Stars

Gerard Butler, Jonny Weston, Elizabeth Shue When a young surfer (Weston) learns about the existence of a legendary wave near his home, he enlists the aid of a veteran (Butler) to help him tame it. Michael Apted and Curtis Hanson ("Gorillas in the Mist," "L.A. Confidential") directed the true-life adventure.

*** Rated

R for violence, language, sexuality/nudity and some drug use

Stars

Tom Hanks, Halle Berry, Jim Broadbent

A variety of characters in six separate stories gradually connect over 500 years of history. Tom Tykwer ("Run, Lola Run"), Andy Wachowski and Lana Wachowski ("The Matrix") directed the fantasy adventure.

Rated PG-13 Stars

Victoria Justice, Chelsea Handler, Ana Gasteyer A high school girl's (Justice) dreams of an exciting Halloween are frustrated by her annoying little brother. Josh Schwartz ("The O.C.")

directed the teen comedy.

Rated

R for strong sexuality including graphic nudity and frank dialogue

Stars

John Hawkes, Helen Hunt, William H. Macv A poet and journalist (Hawkes) who has lived most of his life in an iron lung begins a relationship with a sexual surrogate (Hunt). Ben Lewin ("The Favour, the Watch and the Very Big Fish") wrote and directed the drama.

PLAYING

Rated

PG-13 for violence including disturbing images, sexual content, language, drug references and nudity

Stars

Tyler Perry, Matthew Fox, Rachel Nichols

After learning that a member of his family has been murdered, detective Alex Cross (Perry) vows to track down the killer. Rob Cohen directed the crime thriller. The movie is based on James Patterson's "Alex Cross" book series.

Rated

R for language and some violence/terror

Stars

Katie Featherston, Kathryn Newton, Matt Shively A suburban family notices strange goings-on when a mysterious woman (Featherston) and her spooky little boy move into the



Gerard Butler and Jonny Weston star in "Chasing Mavericks."

neighborhood. Henry Joost and Ariel Schulman ("Paranormal Activity 3," "Catfish") directed the latest installment in the horror franchise.

R for alcohol abuse, language, some sexual content and brief drug use

Stars

Mary Elizabeth Winstead, Aaron Paul, Octavia Spencer A married couple (Paul, Winstead) whose relationship is based on a mutual love of alcohol have a difficult time adjusting when the woman decides to give up drinking. James Ponsoldt ("Off the Black") directed the drama. which won a Special Jury Prize at the Sundance festival.

**** Rated

R for language and some violent images

Stars

Ben Affleck, John Goodman, Alan Arkin, Bryan Cranston When six Americans slip away from the American embassy during the Iranian hostage crisis, a CIA operative (Affleck) attempts to bring the escapees home by posing as a Canadian film producer and passing them off as members of his crew. Affleck also directed the espionage thriller.

**1/2

PG for bouts of MMA sports violence, some rude humor and language

Stars

Kevin James, Salma Hayek, Henry Winkler

A teacher (James) attempts to raise the money needed to save the music program in his high school by becoming a mixed martial arts fighter. Frank Coraci ("The Wedding Singer," "The Waterboy")

directed the comedy.

***1/2

IN B

Rated

R for strong violence, bloody images, pervasive language, sexuality/nudity and some drug use

Stars

Colin Farrell, Woody Harrelson, Sam Rockwell, Christopher Walken A blocked Hollywood screenwriter (Farrell) is caught in the middle when his best friend (Rockwell) steals the beloved dog of a brutal gangster (Harrelson) - who seeks violent retribution. Martin McDonagh ("In Bru-

ges") wrote and directed the

crime comedy.

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R for disturbing violent images and some terror

Stars

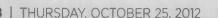
Ethan Hawke, Juliet Rylance A true-crime novelist finds footage that helps him realize how and why a family was murdered in his new home. but his discoveries put his entire family in danger.

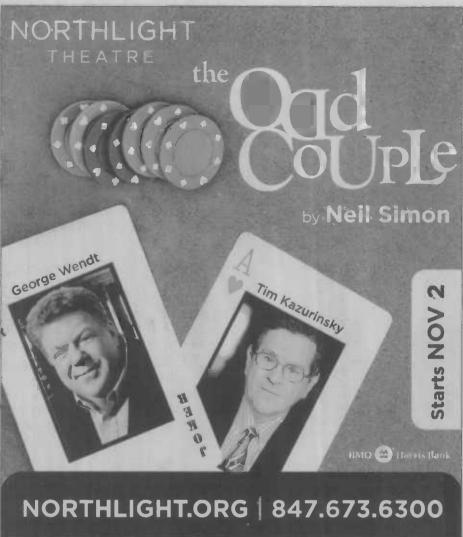
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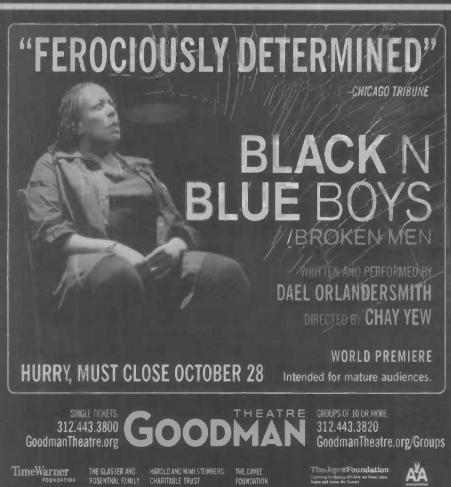
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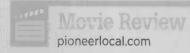
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Charlie Tahan, Martin Short, Martin Landau, Winona Ryder When a scientifically inclined boy named Victor Frankenstein (Tahan) loses his beloved dog Sparky in a traffic accident, he decides to bring him back to life monstermovie style. Tim Burton directed this 3D stop-motion animation version of his 1984 short film.









Star-studded 'Cloud Atlas' confuses impressively

BY BRUCE INGRAM | Film Critic

"Cloud Atlas"

Epic in scope yet superficial in emotional impact, well-acted vet oddly uninvolving, full of grand philosophical themes vet frequently incoherent, "Cloud Atlas" may be the most impressively frustrating film of the year.

Still, if you're a fan of "Matrix" creators the Wachowski brothers make that brother and sister after Larry's transgender transformation into Lana - or Tom Tykwer ("Run, Lola, Run") or wildly ambitious creative efforts in general, this timetwisting saga is well worth a look.

The film is based on David Mitchell's novel, which tells six loosely connected stories spanning 500 years. A young lawyer working for a slave trader in 1859 becomes involved with a runaway slave. A young gay composer in the 1930s becomes the secretary for a famous and corrupt composer. A female reporter in 1970s California risks her life to expose a dangerous corporate plot. A British publisher in present day attempts to escape from an oppressive retirement home. In 22nd-century Neo Seoul, a revolutionary commander rescues a genetically engineered waitress/ slave. In the post-apocalyptic 24th century, a tribesman reluctantly helps one of the remaining members of the technologically-advanced, pre-apocalvotic civilization.

The Wachowskis and Tykwer wanted to be as faithful as possible to the novel - hence the three-hour running



Post-apocalyptic romance: Tom Hanks and Halle Berry in "Cloud Atlas."

time. Hence, also, the decision to tell all six stories simultaneously, with the big-name cast including Tom Hanks, Halle Berry, Hugh Grant, Susan Sarandon and Hugo Weaving.

That's a fascinating, yet occasionally baffling, device. One that only begins to make sense gradually, as the various narrative strands reveal themselves, but that takes a long, long time. Even for the vague reincarnation theme, with only a recurring comet birthmark suggesting the development of one soul across centuries.

It helps that each of the stories looks great, and that many of the performances are compelling. Unfortunately, with all the jumping back and forth between stories and time zones, it's hard for emotional involvement in any of the stories to take hold.

Watching Tom Hanks return again to the old, scarred man he plays in the opening scene, telling a story that's meant to conclude all the previous stories, you're more likely to be thinking: "Wait, who was he again, how did he get here and what is he mumbling about?"

Movie theaters



William H. Macy and John Hawkes in "The Sessions."

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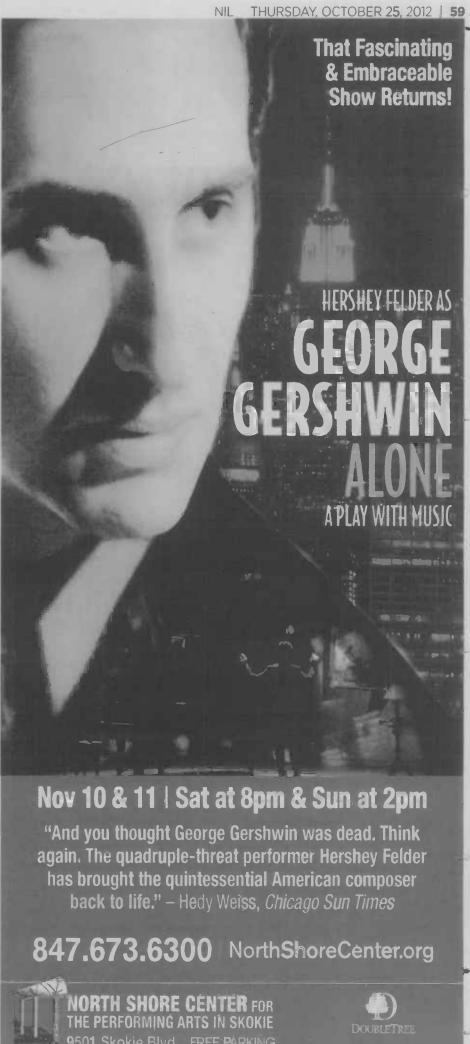
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Mark your calendar Your day-by-day guide to the biggest events of November

01 Thursday

Fine Art of Fiber -Showcase of Fiber Arts at Chicago Botanic Garden. Runs through Nov. 4. Go to chicagobotanic.org.

02 Friday

"The Odd Couple" opens at Northlight Theatre, Skokie. Runs through Dec. 9. Go to northlight.org.

03 Saturday

University Chorale performs at 7:30 p.m. in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, Evanston. Go to pickstaiger.org.

04 Sunday

Eastern European Folk Fest by the Northbrook Symphony Orchestra, Northbrook. Go to northbrooksymphony.org.

05 Monday

Schoolhouse Rock Live at the Winnetka Community House. Go to winnetkacommunityhouse.org.

06 Tuesday

07 Wednesday

"My One and Only" opens at the Marriott Theatre in Lincolnshire. Go to marriotttheatre.com.

08 Thursday

09 Friday "The Tale of Danny

Tanner: A Full House Musical" opens at Gorilla Tango Theatre, Skokie. Go to gorillatango.com.

10 Saturday

Hershey Felder as "George Gershwin Alone" at North Shore Center for the Performing Arts. Go to northshorecenter.org.

11 Sunday

Chicago Master Singers' Fall Concert, Divine Word Chapel, in Techny. Go to chicagomastersingers.org.

12 Monday

Matisyahu with The Constellations at Viper Alley, Lincolnshire. All-ages show. Go to viper-alley.com.

13 Tuesday

"The Letters" opens at the Writers' Theatre, Glencoe. Runs through March 3, 2013. Go to writerstheatre.org

14 Wednesday

Adler After Dark Flashback to the '70s for 21+, Adler Planetarium, 1300 S. Lake Shore Drive, Go to adlerplanetarium.org.

15 Thursday

16 Friday

Chicago Chocolate Festival runs through Nov. 18 at Navy Pier. Go to navypier.com.

17 Saturday

WarnerNuzova, 7:30 p.m., at Nichols Concert Hall in Evanston. Go to musicinst.org.

18 Sunday

Music of the Baroque Orchestra performs Bravura Bach. First Presbyterian Church, Evanston, Go to baroque.org.

19 Monday

"Simply Scotty: An Evening of Song & Cabaret," 7:30 p.m. at the Wilmette Theatre. Go to wilmettetheatre.com

20 Tuesday

21 Wednesday

22 Thursday

Gobble! Gobble! Eat up and give thanks. Happy Thanksgiving!

23 Friday

"Little Women" opens at the Citadel Theatre, Lake Forest. Runs through Dec. 30. Go to citadeltheatre.org.

24 Saturday

Lyric Opera Lecture Series, "Hansel & Gretel," 2 p.m. at 1703 Orrington Ave. Evanston. Go to cityofevanston.org.

25 Sunday

A Holiday Fantasea opens at the Shedd Aquarium, runs through Jan. 2. Go to sheddaquarium.org.

26 Monday

It's National Cake Day! Eat a slice for us.

27 Tuesday

Billy Martin & Wil Blades Duo, 8 p.m., at Evanston S.P.A.C.E. Go to evanstonspace.com.

28 Wednesday

"Madea's Big Scholarly Roundtable: Perspectives on the Media of Tyler Perry" Go to blockmuseum. northwestern.edu.

29 Thursday

"Skippyjon Jones," a children's musical, 10 a.m. and noon at Center Theatre, Skokie. Go to northshorecenter.org.

30 Friday

Lambs Farm Holiday Lights Gift & Craft Fair at Arlington Park In Arlington Heights. Go to lambsfarm.org.



This Weekend and Beyond | Get out and enjoy your community

THIS WEEKEND & BEYOND

A list of regional events for you to go out and enjoy

Haunted houses



Fear City Chicago Apocalypse and Hades Haunted House, 8240 N. Austin Ave., Morton Grove, Oct. 25-31. \$25 per haunt: \$35 for both haunts: \$10 VIP Fast Pass. Visit www.FearCityChicago.com.

The Haunted Hike



The Boy Scouts of Northwest Suburban Council/Order of the Arrow present their annual horror trail Oct. 26-27 at the Methodist Campground, 2000 East Algonquin Road, Des Plaines. Hours are a flashlight hike from 4-6 p.m. Saturday, followed by the normal hike until 10:30 p.m. Admission: \$7; \$6 for children 5-12 years; \$5 for Scouts in uniform. Visit www.nwsc.org.

"Roseannekenstein"



"The Ballad of Roseanne, as told by



Manny Schenk and Julie Mitre feud in a scene from "Squabbles," a comedy presented by James Downing Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26-27 and 1:30 p.m. Oct. 28 at the Edison Park United Methodist Church, 6740 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago. Tickets are \$20; \$15 for seniors and students. Call (224) 725-3696 or visit www. jamesdowningtheatre.touchpad.com.

Frankenstein's Monster." 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26-27 at Gorilla Tango's Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave. Skokie. \$15. Visit www.gorillatango.com.

"Ghost Hunting 101"



The Illinois Ghost Society presents a program at 3 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Niles Public Library, 7-10:30 p.m. Friday, with 6960 W. Oakton St. Visit www.nileslibrary.org.

Boo-tastic Bash



Halloween concert and party presented by Brickton Art Center 1-5 p.m. Oct. 28 at South Park Recreation Center. 833 W. Talcott, Park Ridge. \$15; ages 1 and under free. Visit www. bricktonartcenter.org.

Screams in the Park



Through Oct. 31 in the basement of the parking garage at MB Financial Park at Rosemont, 9703 Brvn Mawr Ave. \$15-\$20. Visit www.screamsinthepark.com.

Halloween Magic 2



Magician-illusionist Mark Kaschube performs at 3 p.m. Oct. 28 at Akoo Theatre at Rosemont. 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont, \$25-\$35; \$15 children ages 12 and younger. Visit www. rosemonttheatre.com.

Halloween Magic Show



Presented at 2 p.m. Oct, Ireland," featuring

28 at the Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave. Visit www. lincolnwoodlibrary.org.

"Hoots & H'owls" Halloween Fall **Festival**



Starting at 1 p.m. Oct. 27 at Randhurst Village, Rand and Elmhurst roads, Mount Prospect. Visit www.RandhurstVillage.com.

"The Dining Room"



Presented by The Saint Sebastian Players through Nov. 11 at St. Bonaventure, 1625 W. Diversey, Chicago. \$15; \$10 students; \$7 for children and seniors. Visit www.saintsebastianplayers.org.

"Dirty"



The world premiere of Andrew Hinderaker's "blend of humor, Hendrix and hardcore porn," through Nov. 18 at The Gift Theatre, 4802 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. \$25-\$30. Visit www. thegifttheatre.org.

"Music Mad"





"How Chief O'Neill Saved the Soul of

traditional Irish music. dance and storytelling. 4 p.m. Oct. 28 at Chief O'Neill's Pub & Restaurant, 3471 N. Elston, Chicago. \$25, \$15 for students and seniors. Visit www.musicmad.net.

"The Odd Couple"



George Wendt and Tim Kazurinsky star in Northlight Theatre's production of the Neil Simon comedy Nov. 2-Dec. 9 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd, Skokie. \$25-\$72: \$15 students: \$25-\$54 for previews, Nov. 2-8. Visit www. northlight.org.

The Shakespeare **Project of Chicago**



Presenting a theatrical reading of "Othello, The Moor of Venice" at 7 p.m. Oct. 26 at the Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St. Register by calling (847) 663-1234.

Ars Viva Symphony Orchestra



Performing at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$36-\$75, with discounts for seniors and youth. Visit www.arsviva.org. Nov. 4, 3 p.m.: The

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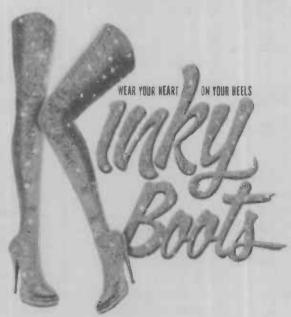
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Presenting "Reflections of the Spirit" at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 3 at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2012 W. Dickens, Chicago. \$20; \$15 seniors; \$10 students. Visit www.chicagochoralartists.org.

Chicago Philharmonic Orchestra

"A Musical Journey to Vienna," 7 p.m. Nov. 4 at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, \$25-\$75; \$10 students. Visit www.chicagophilharmonic.org.

The Lake Shore Symphony Orchestra

"Odds and Ends," 3:30 p.m. Oct. 28 at Northside College Prep High School, 5501 N. Kedzie, Chicago. The program includes works by Haydn, Gandolfi, Warlock and Wagner. \$20; \$15 seniors and students. www.lsso.org.

Music Institute of Chicago

Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. www.musicinst.org. Nov. 3, 7:30 p.m.: Cuban pianist Yleana Bautista performs sacred music by George Ivanovich Gurdjieff and Thomas de

Hartmann, \$25-\$30; \$15 students and seniors. Tickets at www.journeytickets.org.

The Musical Offering

743 Custer Ave., Evanston. www.themusicaloffering.org. Oct. 26, 8 p.m.: "Spirit of Gambo A Chicago Consort of Viols Mélange a Trois," featuring works from the 16th through 18th centuries, \$15.

The Newberry Consort



"La Harpe de Melodie: The Subtle Musical Art of France," 3 p.m. Oct. 28 at Northwestern University's Lutkin Hall. 700 University Place, Evanston, \$32 in advance; \$35 at the door; \$5 students. Visit www. newberryconsort.org.

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall

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At Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, www. pickstaiger.org. Oct. 30, 7:30 p.m.: Contemporary Music Ensemble, "Unlocking Cage," celebrating John Cage's centennial. \$6.

Skokie Valley Symphony **Orchestra**

13+ 18+ 65+

"The Russian

Symphonists," 3 p.m. Oct. 28 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$30-\$41: \$27-\$32 seniors; \$14 students. Free pre-concert lecture at 1:45 p.m. Visit www. svso.org.

Akoo Theatre at Rosemont



5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets available at www. ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000. Nov. 17, 8 p.m.: Australian Pink Flovd. Nov. 23. 8 p.m.: Leonard Cohen. \$27.50-\$250.

Allstate Arena



6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont, Tickets available at www. ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000. Parking is \$20, cash only. Nov. 29-30, 7:30 p.m.: The Who: Quadrophenia and More. \$39.50, \$59.50, \$80.50, \$129.50. **Dec. 8.** 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.: Trans-Siberian Orchestra presents "The Lost Christmas Eve." \$30, \$39, \$49, \$59, \$69.

Billy Strayhorn **Festival**



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at Nichols Concert Hall 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Screening of "Billy Strayhorn: Lush Life," 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26; \$10. The Terell Stafford Quintet performs at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 27, and with the MIC jazz studies faculty and special guests at \$ p.m. Oct. 28. Tickets to each concert are \$30; \$20 seniors; \$10 students. Call (847) 905-1500, ext. 108.

InterContinental Chicago O'Hare Hotel



Montrose Room, 5300 N. River Road. Rosemont, www.

montroseroom.com. Oct. 26, 8:30 p.m.: Live Jazz Series features quitarist Peter White and saxophonist Steve Cole. \$49, \$59; \$69:

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts



9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.northshorecenter. org. Nov. 10, 8 p.m., and Nov. 11, 2 p.m.: Hershey Felder as George Gershwin Alone. \$50, \$60.

S.P.A.C.E.



1245 Chicago Ave.,

Evanston, www.evanstonspace.com. (847) 492-8860. Shows at 8 p.m., unless noted otherwise. Oct. 26, 7 p.m.; Antie Duvekot (folk). \$12/\$15. Oct. 26, 9:30 p.m.: Red Wanting Blue (rock). \$15/\$18. Oct. 27: Singer-songwriter Tyrone Wells. \$15-\$35. Oct. 28, 7 p.m.: Sam Fazio CD release show (jazz). \$15/\$20. Oct. 29. 7 p.m.: John Fullbright and Matthew & the Atlas (Americana/ folk). \$10/\$12. Oct. 30: Milk Carton Kids (folk). \$13/\$15. Oct. 31: Tim Reynolds TR3 (progressive rock). \$17/\$20. Nov. 1: Anne Heaton CD release show. \$12/\$15.

Oakton Community College



Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road. Des Plaines, www: oakton.edu/museum. Through Oct. 26: "The Personal is Political: The Transformative Power of Women's Art."

Skokie Art Guild



"Members Only," on display through Nov. 17 at the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. Reception 3:30-6 p.m. Oct. 28. Visit www. skokieartguild.org.

Big Noise Theatre Company



Holding auditions, by appointment, for "Born Yesterday" from 7-9 p.m. Oct. 29 at Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln Ave., Winnetka. Production dates Jan. 18-Feb. 3 at Prairie Lakes Theater. Des Plaines. Call Peter Rasey, (773) 463-4180.

Barnes & Noble



55 Old Orchard Center, Skokie, www.bn.com. Oct. 26, 7 p.m.: The editors of The Onion present The Onion Book of Known Knowledge. Oct. 30, 7 p.m.: Lisa Lillien discusses and signs Hungry Girl to the Max.

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts



9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.northshorecenter. org. Nov. 14, 16 and 18: Chicago Children's

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Theatre presents "Harold & the Purple Crayon." Performances at 10 a.m. and noon Wednesday; 10 a.m., noon and 6:30 p.m. Friday; and 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday. \$16.50, \$27.50, \$37.50 and \$42.50.

COMEDY

Gorilla Tango's Skokie Theatre



7924 Lincoln Ave. Skokie. www.gorillatango. com. (773) 598-4549. Oct. 26, 9 p.m.: "Tri-State County Fair," a musical sketch revue

inspired by the trashy experiences of the southern gals of Hey Ladies. \$10. Through Dec. 29, 9 p.m. Saturdays, except show starts at 11 p.m. Nov. 10, Dec. 1 and 15: "Holy Bouncing Boobies! A Batman Burlesque." 18 and over. \$20.

Zanies Comedy Club



5437 Park Place, Rosemont. http://rosemont. zanies.com. Oct. 26: Tommy Johnagin. Oct. 27: Jake Johannsen. Oct. 31: Michael Palascak.

DANCE

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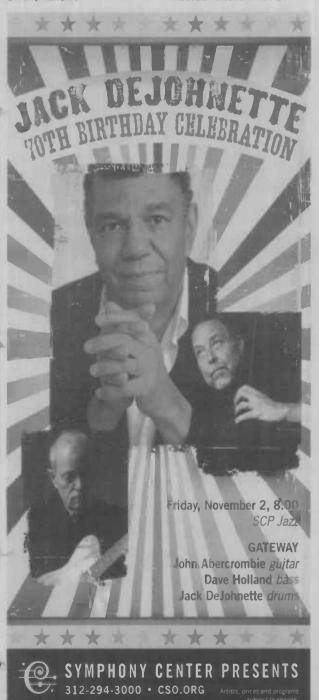
5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. www. rosemonttheatre.com. Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m.: So You Think You Can Dance — Live Tour 2012. \$30.50-\$66.50.

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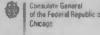
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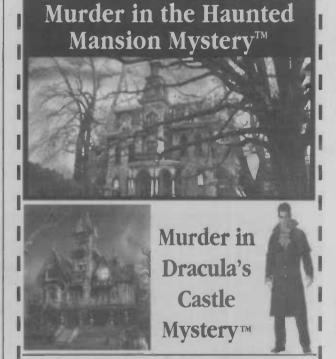
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Held 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 17 in a historic Evanston home, 1100 Ridge Ave. \$5 admission (can be applied to purchase). Visit www.artencounter. org.

Lincolnwood Public Library

4000 W. Pratt Ave. (847) 677-5277, www. lincolnwoodlibrary.org. Oct. 26, 1 p.m.: "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel." Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m.: "Seeking a Friend for the End of the World." Nov. 1, 1 p.m.: "The Wizard of Oz." Nov. 2, 1 p.m.: "Rock of Ages."

Gorilla Tango's Skokie Theatre

7924 Lincoln Ave. Skokie. www.gorillatango. com. (773) 598-4549. Oct. 30, 1'p.m.: "Irving Berlin: The Ultimate Jewish Immigrant," presented by musical theatre historian Charles Troy. \$12 in advance; \$14 at the door. Nov.

14, 1 p.m.: "The Creation of Fiddler on the Roof." presented by musical theatre historian Charles Troy. \$12 in advance: \$14 at the door. Dec. 5, 1 p.m.: "Making a List: The Secular Songs of Christmas," presented by musical theatre historian Charles Troy. \$12 in advance; \$14 at the door.

RHINO/the Poetry Forum

Fourth Sundays Poetry Workshop & Peer Exchange, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Oct. 28 in Room 108 at the Evanston Public Library, Church and Orrington streets. \$5-\$10 donation. Laura Dixon will present "Strangeness and Accessibility: The Poetry of Michael Burkard." Attendees are encouraged to bring 17 copies of a poem to be critiqued. Visit www. rhinopoetry.org.

Skokie Art Guild

Offering figure drawing workshops from 9 a.m.-noon Saturdays at the Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood, Skokie. Live models; no instructor. Fee per session is \$20; \$12 for members. Call Steve Gal, (847) 673-4450, or visit www. skokieartguild.org.

Illinois Holocaust Museum & **Education Center**

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Skokie. (847) 967-4889. www.ilholocaustmuseum.org. Admission: \$12; \$8 for students and senior citizens; \$6 for children ages 5-11. Special exhibitions are free with museum admission. Through Jan. 6, 2013: "Spies, Traitors and Saboteurs: Fear and Freedom in America," a creation of the International Spy Museum. The exhibit explores how the United States should balance civil liberties and individual rights during times of conflict, crisis and fear. At interactive stations following the themes of the exhibition visitors are able to record their opinions on issues of national security and civil liberties and compare their reactions to those of past Gallup polling results. Oct. 28, 1:30 p.m.: "Josephine Baker: Singer, Dancer, Spy," presented by Jonna Mendez, former CIA Chief of Disguise. Free with museum admission. Nov. 9, 10 a.m.: Program of Remembrance, screening "Names Not Numbers: A Movie in the Making," produced by the eighth-grade class of Hillel Torah North Suburban Day School. Free: reservations recommended. Nov. 10-11. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Annual holiday bazaar. Nov. 11, 1:30 p.m.: "Honoring

Rescuers, Remembering in Perilous Times." Ali-Kristallnacht." Featured speakers will focus on Greek Jewry, and the program concludes with remarks from November Pogrom survivor Ernest Fruehauf, who will recall the horrors of 1938. Free: reservations required. Nov. 15, 6:30 p.m.: "Civil Rights

son Cuddy, WBEZ's arts and culture reporter. discusses past and current civil rights challenges with Geoffrey Stone of the University of Chicago Law School. Free with museum admission: reservations recommended.



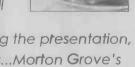
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The proposed amendment adds Section 5.1 to the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section would require a three-fifths majority vote to approve any pension or retirement benefit increase for public employees and officials. At the general election to be held on November 6, 2012, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIII OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

Section 5.1 — Pension and Retirement Benefit Increases

(a) No bill, except a bill for appropriations, that provides a benefit increase under any pension or retirement system of the State, any unit of local government or school district, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, shall become law without the concurrence of three-fifths of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly. If the Governor vetoes such a bill by returning it with objections to the house in which it originated, the provisions of Article IV, Section 9 shall govern the passage of that bill except that such bill shall not become law unless, upon its return, it is passed by a record vote of two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly. If the Governor returns such a bill with specific recommendations for change to the house in which it originated, the provisions of Article IV, Section 9 shall govern the acceptance of those specific recommendations except that such recommendations may be accepted only by a record vote of two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the General Assembly, regardless of the bill's date of passage or effective date

For purposes of this subsection, the term "benefit increase" means a change to any pension or other law that results in a member of a pension or retirement system receiving a new benefit or an enhancement to a benefit, including, but not limited to, any changes that (i) increase the amount of the pension or annuity that a member could receive upon retirement, or (ii) reduce or eliminate the eligibility requirements or other terms or conditions a member must meet to receive a pension or annuity upon retirement. The term "benefit increase" also means a change to any pension or other law that expands the class of persons who may become a member of any pension or retirement system or who may receive a pension or annuity from a pension or retirement system. An increase in salary or wage level, by itself, shall not constitute a "benefit increase" unless that increase exceeds limitations provided by law.

- (b) No ordinance, resolution, rule, or other action of the governing body, or an appointee or employee of the government or school district that provides an emolument increase to an official or employee that has the effect of increasing the amount of the pension or annuity that an official or employee could receive as a member of a pension or retirement system shall be valid without the concurrence of three-fifths of the members of that governing body. For purposes of this subsection, the term "emolument increase" means the creation of a new or enhancement of an existing advantage, profit or gain that an official or employee receives by virtue of holding office or employment, including, but not limited to, compensated time off, bonuses, incentives, or other forms of compensation. An increase in salary or wage level, by itself, shall not constitute an "emolument increase" unless that increase exceeds limitations provided by law.
- (c) No action of the governing body, or an appointee or employees of the State, any unit of local government or school district, or any agency or instrumentality thereof that results in a beneficial determination shall be valid without the concurrence of three-fifths of the members of that governing body. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "beneficial determination" means an interpretation or application of pension or other law by the governing body, or an appointee or employee of the governing body, that reverses or supersedes a previous interpretation or application and either (i) results in a person becoming eligible to receive a pension or annuity from the pension or retirement system. The term "beneficial determination" shall not include a beneficial determination mandated by a final decision of a court of competent
- (d) Nothing in this Section shall prevent the passage or adoption of any law, ordinance, resolution, rule, policy, or practice that further restricts the ability to provide a "benefit increase", "emolument increase", or "beneficial determination" as those terms are used under this Section. **EXPLANATION**

The proposed amendment adds, a section to the Illinois Constitution requiring a three-fifths majority vote to approve any pension or retirement benefit increase for public employees and officials.

The proposed amendment requires a three-fifths vote of each chamber of the General Assembly (the Senate and the House of Representatives) for a bill that provides a pension benefit increase, except for appropriation bills. "Benefit increase" means a change to any pension or other law that results in a member of a pension or retirement system receiving a new benefit or an enhancement, including any changes that (i) increase the amount of a member's pension, or (ii) reduce or eliminate the eligibility requirements or other terms or conditions a member must meet to receive a pension. It also means a change to any pension or other law that expands the class of persons who may become members of any pension or retirement system. An increase in salary or wage level, by itself, does not constitute a "benefit increase," unless the increase exceeds limitations provided by law.

The proposed amendment would also require a two-thirds vote for lawmakers to override a governor's proposed changes in a rewrite of pension increase legislation. Currently, it takes a three-fifths vote to override a veto and only a simple majority to accept a governor's changes.

The proposed amendment requires approval of three-fifths of the members of the governing body of a unit of local government or school district for any ordinance, resolution, rule, or other action that provides an enhancement or emolument increase to an employee or officer that has the effect of increasing the pension of that employee or officer. "Emolument increase" means the creation of a new, or enhancement of an existing, advantage, profit, or gain that an official or employee receives by virtue of holding office or employment, which includes compensated time off, bonuses, incentives, or other forms of compensation. An increase in salary or wage level, by itself, does not constitute an "emolument increase," unless the increase exceeds limitations provided by law.

The proposed amendment requires approval of three-fifths of the members of the governing body of a pension or retirement system for any action that results in a "beneficial determination." A "beneficial determination" is an interpretation or application of law that reverses or supersedes a previous decision if that interpretation or application (i) results in an increase in the overall amount of pension benefits received by a member or (ii) results in a person becoming eligible to receive a pension. "Beneficial determination" does not include a final decision mandated by the courts.

Voters that believe the Illinois Constitution should be amended to require a three-fifths majority vote to approve any pension or retirement benefit increase for public employees and officials should vote "YES" on the question. Three-fifths of those voting on the question, or a majority of those voting in the election, must vote "YES" in order for the amendment to become effective. Voters that believe the Illinois Constitution should not be amended to require a three-fifths majority vote to approve any pension or retirement benefit increase for public employees and officials should vote "NO" on the question.

FORM OF BALLOT Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

Explanation of Amendment

Upon approval by the voters, the proposed amendment, which takes effect on January 9, 2013, adds a new section to the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section would require a three-fifths majority vote of each chamber of the General Assembly, or the governing body of a unit of local government, school district, or pension or retirement system, in order to increase a benefit under any public pension or retirement system. At the general election to be held on November 6, 2012, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

If you believe the Illinois Constitution should be amended to require a three-fifths majority vote in order to increase a benefit under any public pension or retirement system, you should vote "YES" on the question. If you believe the Illinois Constitution should not be amended to require a three-fifths majority vote in order to increase a benefit under any public pension or retirement system, you should vote "NO" on the question. Three-fifths of those voting on the question or a majority of those voting in the election must vote "YES" in order for the amendment to become effective on January 9, 2013.

YES NO

For the proposed addition of Section 5.1 to Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution.

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call at the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, as set forth in House Joint Resolution 93 of the 97th General Assembly in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois. Done in the City of Springfield, this 18th day of June 2012.

Jesse White Secretary of State

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Small Business Advice: When Is It Time to Hire a Full-Time Employee?

By: Adam and Matthew Toren, authors of Small Business, Big Vision (Wiley, 2011)

The hiring process can be daunting as a small business owner. Before you embark on finding the perfect candidate, however, first consider some small business advice that will help you to assess when it's time to add a full-time position to your business.

When first starting out, most startups lack the capital to hire full-time employees; in fact the picture of the entrepreneur "wearing many hats" is so often sited, it's become almost cliché.

In many small businesses, the owner is the CEO, Accountant, Customer Service/Sales Rep, and Janitor - and that's just for starters. And that's the way it's supposed to be, right? Entrepreneurship is hard work, and that means doing anything to make your business successful, even if that means doing everything yourself.

And now for the aforementioned small business advice: there is a real danger to your business success within that mentality.

Doing It All Isn't the Answer

There comes a time in business when all the tasks that "need to be done" grow into a significant time commitment and crowd out the activities that truly make a difference in your business.

For example, if you're stuck making daily deliveries for your business, you're sacrificing time when you could be networking, making sales calls, planning for growth, or any number of other activities that are vital to keeping your business healthy.

Not only that, but chances are if you're an entrepreneur, you're probably less motivated by tasks that aren't creative or challenging. But it's not as though the deliveries and other such work isn't important. It needs to get done. So what's the solution?

How Can Hiring Help Your Business?

In our new book, Small Business, BIG Vision: Lessons on How to Dominate Your Market from Self-Made Entrepreneurs Who Did it Right, my brother and I talk about the power of time leverage, and how it can be used to increase your workplace and employee productivity, and ultimately your bottom line.

For instance, you might not think you can afford to hire a delivery driver, but it may very well be that you can't afford not to. Bring on someone to take over a task that is necessary for maintaining your business but not vital to your business growth.

This will help free your time to focus on those areas that fuel business growth and improve the bottom line. It's also very likely that those activities are the ones you enjoy most. So hiring the right people to leverage your time is not only constructive for your business, it can also have a positive effect on your mental state.

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Clients who comment on not seeing you as often as they used to or want to can also indicate that you need to focus on the core needs of your business. The bottom line? An entrepreneur's job

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Oct 27th 8am-1pm. Garage
8:30. 1948 Farmall Cub Tractor, beaufulu furniture, oil
paintings, royal Dotton china, oak desk cubicle, antique store desk, collectibles,
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VS.
FRANCIS ANTONIO AWA FRANCIS A. ANTONIO;
LOURDES C. ANTONIO; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON
RECORD CLAIMANTS;

Defendants, 90 CH 02224
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on August 20, 2012, Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street. Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property: P.I.N. 10-16-31-005. Commonly known as 9531 TERMI-

lowing described property:
P.I.N. 10-16-131-005.
Commonly known as 9531 TERMI-NAL AVENUE, SKOKIE, IL 60077.
The mortgaged real estate Is improved with a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgaged estal pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 25% down by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the premises after confirmation of the sale.
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CERTIFICATE HOLDERS CWALT,
INC., ALTERNATIVE LOAN
TRUST 2006-2971, MORTGAGE
PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES,
Plaintiff

V.
MOHAMMAD S. SAYANI A/K/A
MOHAMMAD SALIM SAYANI;
TRESSA SAYANI; MORTGAGE
ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC.; UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA,

Property Address: 9225 NORTH
SAYRE AVENUE MORTON
GROVE, IL 60053
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Fisher and Shapiro file # 10-034764
(It is advised that interested parties consult with their own attorneys before bidding at months of the production of the second of th

own attorneys before bidding at mortgage foreclosure sales.)
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 22, 2012, Kallen Reatty Services, Inc., as Selling Official will at 12:30 p.m. on November 27, 2012, at 205 W. Randolph Street, Suite 1020, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real property:
Commonly known as 9225 North Sayre Avenue, Morton Grove, It. 60053
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The mortgaged real estate is improved with a dwelling. The property will NOT be open for inspection.
The judgment amount was \$586,979.00. Sale terms for non-parties: 10% of successful bid im-

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/s/ Laurie J. Wasserman

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2012 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, 2012. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact

Norridge SD # 80
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SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year ent of Operations as of June 30, 2012

		Operations			Municipal Retirement				Fire Prevention
	Educational	& Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	& Safety
Local Sources	6 ,633,145	945,718	112, 996	71,881	204,368	0	179,258	105,227	1,022
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State Sources	1,032,641	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	400,137	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues	8,065,923	945,718	112, 996	71,881	204,368	0	179,2 58	105,227	1,022
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures	8,828,852	1,242,358	107,990	231,227	214,116	0		99,011	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2017	3,053,401	2,253,506	257,357	862,214	110,144	0	3,497,969	26,269	(71,992)
Other Changes in Fund Balances	0	0	0	0	0	0 '	0	0	Ó
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2012	2,290,472	1.956.866	262,363	702.868	100.396	0	3.677.227	32.485	(70,970)

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Kathleen Cahill-Sheridan; Salary Range: \$40,000 | Ross; Shanna Russell; Elaine Salapatas; Trisha Schultheis; Wendy Serwa; Wendy Shrake; Susan - \$59,999: Carolyn Young; Ellen Zywiciel; Sandra Trudeau-Matz; Rebecca Williams; Deidre Bergner; Stefanie Cohen; Danielle Geraty; Lynn Harczak; Charles Heinrich; Erin Hopkins; Elizabeth Jablonski; Patty Karanikolas; Brittany Kennedy; Ingrid Larson; Molly Marucheau; Tanya Mijajlovic; Angela Moragianis; Kathleen Pollock; Danielle Rubel; Colleen Shaunnessy; Lindsey Stein; Emily Kamien; Valerie McAuely; Salary Range: \$60,000 - \$89,999 Andra Amato; Jennifer Berggren Robert Biedke; Leah Brown; Christopher Bucaro; Erin Cellini; Barbara Chmura; Lucinda Collias Janice Craddock; Meg Fitzgerald; Vicki Fountas; Gino Gapastione; Julie Groth; James Gruszka; Michele Guzik: Wendy High: Eileen Hoban: Wendy Shrake: Susan Sturgulewski: Lori Moeller: Mary Mostyn; Jonathan Murphy; Denise Muscarello; Sarah Mysel; Anna Marie Peteck; Cynthia Piszczek; Jason Pomponi; Kristin Quitno; April Radzik; Judy Rodriguez; David Roselund; Brandy

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Sturoulewski: Nicole Tomasso: Cristina Zaiac: Meghan Zator: Salary Bange: \$90,000 and over: Mary K Dunne; Judith Figliuolo; Paul Frerking; John Jobe; Kerry Lelby; Victoria Morrone; Leslie Zurzolo Non-Certificated Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000: Wendy Anderson; Catherine Bellafiore; Santa DeAngelo; Kim Egan Woods; Janet Huebner; Salvator Ingratta; Debra Kasperek; Carmen Molnar; Maryann Redman; Sandra Striedi Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999; Kathleen Brosnan; Rita Calandrino; Tammy Dicintio; Ann Fish; Judith LaRue; Pataricia Lubash; Mary Macholl; Cynthia Work; Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999: Micahel Bruno; Sarah Buslik; Andre Gigflo; Donna Mendenhall; Salary Range: \$60,000 and over: John Skorodynski

Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries: A & B Bus, 37,046.00; ADT Securites, 11,540.00; Alliance Publishing, 2,592.50; Amber Mechanical, 56,418.72; Ameren Energy,

185,696.47; American Custon Silkscreen, 4,310.50; American Speedy, 4,109.42; Apple Inc, 35,683.90; Arthur J. Gallagher, 4,031.00; AT & T, 28,170.38; AVS Lawn, 9,050.00; Banner Supply, 5,421.87; BMO, 15,954.00; BR Bleachers, 5,815.00; Bullis Lock, 2,677.80; Call One, 5,950.66; Camelot Therapeutic School, 45,909.36; Case Lots, 23,402.97; CDW Government, 25,498.50; Ceres, 200,909.41; Chicago Filter Supply, 2,336.12; CLIC, 51,875.00; Coca Colà, 2,089.59; Comcast Cable, 3,801.60; Computer Logic Group, 5,400.00; Concept 3 Architects, 20,439.44; Constellation New Energy, 56,544.99; Cooperative Assoc For SP, 7,749.93; CSC Learning, 13,250.00; Cummins N Power LLC, 5,452.04; EDUC Benefit Cooperative Health & Dental, 705,249.60; EDUC Benefit Cooperative AD &D, 7,310.23; Fathorn Media, 85,025.00; Franklin Park SD #84, 37,319.60; Frontline Placement Tech, 3,159.60; Frostline, 4,599.97; Garaventa USA Inc. 8,819.15; GCA Services Group, 317,761.44; Giant Steps Illinois Inc. 35,326.04; Gov Connection Inc., 14,658.84; Groot Disposal Company, 11,220.82; Herff Jones, 4.526.55; Houghton Mifflin, 2.379.00; J.D.E.S., 9.500.09; J.A.S.B., 22,768.20; Illinois Dept of Revenue, 246,837.18; Illinois Municipal, 82,648.89; IRT Systems, 5,356.05; Klein Hall & Assolcates, 12,422.50; Konica Minolta, 21,547.59; Leyden Area Special Ed Coop, 158,359.01; Mannheim District # 83, 754,573.07; Marks Sewer and Plumbing, 7,372.00; Midland Paper, 12,705.00; Mighty Mites, 5,318.70; Nasco Inc, 3,484.43; NCS Pearson Inc, 10,800.00; Nicholas & Associates, 485,150.00; Pearson Education, 32,884.62; Pennoyer School, 30,177.68; Plaza Bank, 132,240.67; PMA Financil, 12,500.00; Prentke Romich Company, 7,710.00; Richlee Vans, 204,186.78; Rivera Industrial Supplies, 12,666.40; Robbins Schwartz Nicholas, 4,445.55; Ruth Kraus Phd. 4.950.00; School Specialty, 5.290.22; School Dude, 2.540.00; SELF, 55.694.00; Septran Inc, 20,270.83; Siemens, 10,599.66; Simplez Grinnell, 9,387.79; Specialized Data Systems, 9,813.00; Sraga Hauser LLC, 33,406.00; SuperValu, 2,361.24; Teachers Health Insurance, 76,310.81; Teachers Retirement, 495,050.38; Teachers Retirement, 250,617.31; Tonys Lawnmower, 3,783.99; Trane Chicago, 3,032.00; Trugreen Chemlawn, 4,870.50; TSA Consulting, 2,291.74; Van Gogh, 3,109.00; Village of Norridge Water, 3,711.02; Warehouse Direct, 3,159.80; Webster McGrath & Ahlberg, 9,925.00; West 40 Educational, 3,491.00; Windy City Connection, 14,040.00

AD#426029, Pub:10-25-12

In the matter of the estate of Eleanor M. Cemak, Deceased Case No. 2012 P 5376 PUBLICATION NOTICE
Notice is hereby given of the death of Eleanor M. Cemak of

death of Eleanor M. Cemak of Park Ridge, IL. Letters of office were issued on October 5, 2012 to Michael G. Cemak, 229 Su-therland Lane, League City, TX. 77573, whose attorney is John C. Haas, Haas & Haas, Attor-neys at Law, 115 S. Emerson Street, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056, 847-255-5400.

847-255-5400.
Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Room 1202, Richard J Daley Center, Chicago, Illinois 60602 or with the representative, or both, on or before April 18, 2013 which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is not filed within that period is barred. Copies of this claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the repre-sentative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been

/s/Fleanor M. Cemak Representative /s/ Edmund J. Wohlmuth Pub:10/18,10/25,11/1 422994

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

If you live in Niles Township and have a child in grades K-8 who is home-schooled or attends a is nome-schooled or attends a private school and you are concerned about their educational growth and development, please contact Niles Township District for Special Education, Tarin Kendrick, Executive Director. PH: 847-965-9040, 8701 Menard, Morton Grove, IL 60053

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Public Hearings

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that a public hearing will be held
before the Planning and Zoning
Commission on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.,
in the City Council Chambers of
Park Ridge City Hall, 505 Butter
Place, Park Ridge, Illinois, when
the following matter will be considered: Zoning Case Numbers
SU-12-05 and TA-12-07, and
SU-12-06:

Application by MSPPR, LLC for a special use, and consideration for any exceptions that may be requested as part of the proposrequested as par of the proposal, in accordance with the requirements of Sections 4.6 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Park Ridge, in conjunction with a text amendment to Section 8.3, Table 4 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a Medical/Dental Clinic as a special use in the 9.4 Library Consideration. section use in the B-4, Uptown Core Sub-District in accordance with Section 4.8 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Park Ridge; and also a special use, and consideration for any exceptions. that may be requested as part that may be requested as part of the proposal, in accordance with the requirements of Section 4.6 of the Zoning Ordinance, to allow a Professional Office (Ground Floor), at the following property: LOT 4 IN BLOCK 5 IN L. HODGES ADDITION TO property: LOT 4 IN BLOCK 5 IN L. HODGES ADDITION TO PARK RIDGE IN SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. The property is commonly known as: 28 Main Street, Park Ridge, IL 60068
All persons interested in the above described matter are in-

above described matter are invited to attend and will be

heard. The case file for this matter is available for review in the Department of Community Preser-



★ VOTE EARLY OR ON ELECTION DAY ★

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OCTOBER 22-NOVEMBER 3 EARLY VOTING

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NOVEMBER 6, 2012 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

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Public Hearings

Grove will hold a public sale to Loop, 601 W. Harrison St., Chiproperty, as described below,
pursuant to the Illinois Selfto withdraw any unit from sale.
Service Storage Facility Act Illinois Code 770 ILCS 95/1 to
95/7, at 1:00 PM on Thursday,
November 15, 2012, at
LifeStorage Centers of Morton
Grove, 6505 West Oakton:
Kay Thomas
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Street, Morton Grove, Illinois,
60053, 847-966-1899. Management reserves the right public from the service storage for motor vehicles
or registration.

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Life Storage Centers of Rogers
Park will hold a public sale to enforce a lien imposed on said property, as described below, pursuant to
the Illinois Self-Service Storage Facility Act, Illinois Code 770 ILCS
95/1 to 95/7, at 11:00 AM on
Thursday, November 15th, 2012,
at Life Storage Centers of Rogers
Park, 7524 N. Paulin St. Chicago, Illinois, 50626, (773) 381-1417
Management reserves the right to
withdraw any unit from sale. Registered or motor vehicles are sold
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Tenant Name:	Un
Kellie S Haberman	97
Dalvin Richards	85
Stanley Jones	88
Sandra Flannigan	84
Curtis L King	82
Curtis L King	81
Steven Ellis	70
Steven Ellis	66
Michael McCarthy	70
Marie Ferguson	58
Maria Ramos	51
Mary-Ann Pilet	47
Wyvetta A Westbrook	43
Munro Lewis	41
John Baker	35
Robert Headley	35
Gary Fort-Clark	27
Debra L Crestoni	22
Monyette Rochelle Milner	20
Shunda Nash	17
Jisselle Lopez	17
Ashli Serrano	16
Sharla Lopez	13
Stephanie Wynn	12
Christine D Sanders	11
Silas King	10
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Pub: 10/25,11/1 429337 Life Storage Centers of Hum-boldt Park will hold a public sale boldt Park will hold a public sale to enforce a lien imposed on said property, as described below, pursuant to the Illinois Self-Service Storage Facility Act, Illinois Code 770 ILCS 95/1 to 95/7, at 2:00 PM on Monday, November 12, 2012, at Life Storage Centers of Humboldt Park, 4014 W. Grand Ave, Chicago, IL 60651, (773) 235-2884.

Management reserves the right to withdraw any unit from sale. Registered or motor vehicles are sold "As Is / Parts Only," no

	Name	Unit
	Chiquita M Carroll	550
	Jose M Castellanos	14
	Dana Coleman-Newman	58
	Johnnie Dart III	344
	Sandra Figueroa	179
	Veris Hill	153
	Chamice M Jeter	21
	Shaun Johnson	494
	TunishaMcClendon-	
	Dawson	856
	Breeah Monday	502
	Benjamin A Nelson	504
	Michelle A Ortiz	314
	Joana Sanchez	63
	Gretchen Searcy	467
	The Lord of Host M.B. Ch	urch
	Victoria Stewart	105
	Tywana D Taylor	370
	Gregory Toney	24
	Christel Williams	983
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Hall.

Alfredo Marr, Chairman
Planning and Zoning
Commission
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NOTICE OF AUCTION
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1.800.680.2068 OR VISIT

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758061 UptownU-HAUL STORAGE AUCTION 2012 NOTICE OF SALE UNDER THE SELF STORAGE FACILITY ACT, ILLINOIS REVISE STATUTES,
CHAPTER 114, PARAGRAPH 301, ET. SEQ
Notice is hereby given that on November 8, 2012, U-HAUL Auctioneer, Executive Administrator, Storage Clerk for U-Haul Co. North Shore Chicago will be offering for sale under the Judicial Lein process, by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. U-Haul Co. of North Shore Chicago reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sales will be at the following location, 4055 N Broadway Street Chicago, IL. 60613 and will be at or after 4:15pm and continue day by day until all units are sold.

Broadway Street Chicago, IL. 60613 and will be at 4:15pm and continue day by day until all units are sold. Margarita Rojas- Chicago, IL. 60626
Unit 114- Sofa, TV, Bags & Misc. Items
Crucita Ugarte- Merritt Island, FL. 32952
Unit 211- Stereo, Luggage, TV & Boxes
Tamara Randall- Chicago, IL. 60647
Unit 330- Misc. Items
Richard Camp- Chicago, IL. 60645
Unit 391- Sofa & Bags
Pub: 10/25, 11/1 426838

758078 Westside
U-HAUL STORAGE AUCTION 2012 NOTICE OF SALE
UNDER THE SELF STORAGE
FACILITY ACT, ILLINOIS
REVISE STATUTES,
CHAPTER 114, PARAGRAPH 301, ET. SEQ

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Co. of North Shore Chicago reserves the right to refuse any
and all bids. The sales will be at the following location, 1700 N
Cicero Ave, Chicago, IL. 60639 and will be at or after 2:00pm
and continue day by day until all units are sold.
Valisha Haynes- Chicago, IL. 60622
Unit A113- Stove, Mattress, Bags & Misc. Items
Ruth Guider- South Holland, IL. 60473
Unit A117- Mattress & Bed Frame
Otis Ross- Chicago, IL. 60651

Unit A117- Mattress & Bed Frame
Otis Ross- Chicago, IL. 60651
Unit A121- Misc. Items
Cleophas Straughter- Chicago, IL. 60624
Unit B112- Misc. Items
John Losaolo- Chicago, IL. 60639
Unit B116- Misc. Items
Jamie Peters- Chicago, IL. 60644
Unit B140- TV, Toys & Bags
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758059 Lincoln ParkU-HAUL STORAGE AUCTION 2012
NOTICE OF SALE UNDER THE SELF STORAGE FACILITY
ACT, ILLINOIS REVISE STATUTES, CHAPTER 114,
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Co. of North Shore Chicago reserves the right to refuse any
and all bids. The sales will be at the following location, 1200 W
Fullerton Ave. Chicago, IL. 60614 and will be at or after
5:00pm and continue day by day until all units are sold.
Vincent Watts- Chicago, IL. 60625
Unit C156- Mirror, Picture, Boxes, Bags.
Enrique Herrera- Chicago, IL. 60622
Unit C396- Misc. Items
Cattlin Hauge- Chicago, IL. 60614
Unit D121- End Tables, Sofa, Microwave & Misc. Items
Mathew Eliscu- Chicago, IL. 60611
Unit E113- Misc. Items.
Adhenne Stanley- Chicago, IL. 60613
Unit F156- Misc. Items.
Adhenne Stanley- Chicago, IL. 60611
Unit F354- Misc. Items.
Adhenne Stanley- Chicago, IL. 60611
Unit F354- Misc. Items.
Ben Buckley- Chicago, IL. 60611
Unit G345- Luggage & Bags
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Storage - Legal	Storage - Legal	Storage - Legal	Storage - Legal	ii Storage - Legal	Storage - Legal	Storage - Legal	Storage - Legal 🧸
Life Storage Centers of South Loop will hold a public sale to enforce a lien imposed on said property, as described below, pursuant to the Illinois Self-Service Storage Facility Act, Illinois Code 770 ILCS 95/1 to 95/7, at 10:00 AM on Friday, November 16, 2012 at Life Storage Centers of South Loop, 2361 S. State St., Chicago, Illinois, 60616. Management reserves the right to withdraw any unit from sale. Registered or motor vehicles	kitles or registration. Name Kevin Sogor Cracey Adams Lashawn Johnson Jason Vuletich Gwendolyn Vann Carlisa Battles Elizabeth M, Beardsley Aunga Cohran Wauniece Cole Erika Edwards Scott Fullman Unit # Well # Unit # Well # Unit	Duana B. Holmes 3057 Amina Jackson 5021 Angelica James 3066 Louis Jenkins 2024 Werner Jeschonek 2166 Kevin Jones 3191 Eric Lewis 4120 Hochen Liang 4045 Anthony Lindsey 3161 George D. Lyles Jr. 4138 Brenda MacMillan 4134 Jacob McCord 1010 Donald Moore 3153	Roger Mosley	Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Illinois Self-Storage Facilities Act, a sale will be held on November 14th, 2012 11:00 Am., at LifeStorage Centers of Elgin, 450 Airport Rd, Elgin, IL 60123 (847)888-1834. The contents of the below spaces will be sold at a public sale for cash, credit card or certified funds. If there is no market value or no bids received, the goods will be otherwise disposed of. Barbara Fischer Unit #288 Barbara Fische Unit #291	Danne Burley Unit#310 Carlos Luque Unit#327 Diana Quesada Unit#406 Avion Energy Group Unit#787 David Manning Unit#787 Pub: 10/25, 11/1 426578 RENT YOUR APARTMENT WITH EASE IN THE CLASSIFIEDS. CALL 847-998-3400 TO PLAF YOUR AD		Tenant Name
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VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2012

Cash Account Balances as of April 30, 2012

General Fund		\$1,320,604
Water Fund		691,049
Emergency 911 Fund		65,047
Motor Fuel Tax Fund		250,828
Special Assessment Funds		98,892
Special Service Area Debt Service Fund		439,219
Grant Fund		330
Police Pension Fund (Cash & Cash Equi	valents)	14,546,871
GOB Debt Service Fund		254,963
Drug Enforcement Fund		15,317
		17,683,120
	Total	\$3,217,363

Revenues Including Transfers from Other Funds for Fiscal Year 2012

General Corporate Fund - \$7.022,922
Licenses-Business 75,317; Licenses-Liquor 34,040; Fines-Code Enforcement 2,075; Fines-Traffic 241,959; Fines-Overweight Trucks Licenses-Business 75,317; Licenses-Liquor 34,040; Fines-Code Enforcement 2,075; Fines-Traffic 241,959; Fines-Overweight Trucks 9,938; Fines-DUI 7,156; Permits - Overweight Trucks 5,679; Vacant Properties 3,600; Youth Fees 17,588; Fees-Hearing 4,505; Fees-Hearing Officer 700; Fines-Red Speed 118,431; Fines-Parking Tickels 239,184; Escrow Bond Forfeiture 21,573; Permits-Building 55,654; Permits-Sewer 1,175; Permits-Plumbing 3,665; Permits-Electrical 5,728; Inspections-Sign 200; Inspections-Elevator 1,850; Inspections-Building 10,600; Permits-Fence 650; Home Rule Sales Tax 878,474; Video Rental Tax 3,689; Sales Tax 1,038,604; State Income Tax 698,636; R/E Tax-Police Pension 507,119; Utility Tax 383,919; R/E Tax-Corporate 505,969; Replacement Tax 5,789; Use Tax 125,693; Telecommunications Tax 267,759; Franchise Fees 61,721; Interest Income 1,201; Police Reports 1,245; Dog Tags 272; Workers Comp Reimbursement 75,421; Rental Income 583; Pull Tab Tax 1,077; R/E Tax-Police Protection 333,199; Other Income 42,210; FEMA Reimbursements 24,052; Vehicle Licenses 127,682; Road & Bridge RE Tax 28,828; Real Estate Transfer Tax 218,696; Motor Fuel Tax 97,844; Permits-Perking 1,422; Cas Use Tax 91,181; Reimbursements 29,933; Reimbursements 2,7685; Personchis Motor Fuel Tax 87,844; Permits-Parking 1,422; Gas Use Tax 59,118; Reimbursements-Insurance 25,993; Reimbursements - Personnel 10,835; Reimbursements - Police 4,349; Fines - Compliance Tickets 8,036; Personnel Reimb (Cross Guards) 11,000; Self-Storage Tax 1,842; Vehicle Impound Fees 88,500; Credit Card Processing Revenue 2,368; Transfers In from Water 388,500; Transfers In from Grants 1,000; Transfers In from MFT 95,506; Police Revenue 4,050;

Water and Sewer Fund - \$1.452.671
Water Sales 1,109,459; Sewer Fees 236,915; Penalties 33,050; Water Taps 13,111; Meter Sales 26,331; Interest Income \$623; Miscellaneous Income \$3,355; Antenna Lease \$29,827.

Garbage Fund - \$409,267
Garbage Fee Revenue \$409,267
Emergency 911 Fund - \$105,974
Utility Tax Receipts \$105,833; Interest Income \$141

Offiny lax receipts \$105,833; interest income \$141 Motor Fuel Tax Fund - \$251,841 State Allotments \$251,560; Interest Income \$281 GOB Debt Sentce Fund (2003) - \$394,911 Real Estate Tax Revenue 394,902; Interest Income 9 Special Service Area Debt Service Fund - \$359,886 SSA Tax Receipts 358,283; Interest Income 1,603 Special Assessment Fund - \$191,000

Special Assessment Fund - \$191 Interest Income 191

Grant Fund - \$335,481 Grant Revenue 335,419; Interest Income 62

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Drug Enforcement Fund - \$9,354
Cniminal Seizures 9,349; Interest Income 5
Police Pension Fund - \$1,138,150
Real Estate Tax Levy \$507,119; Employee Contributions \$186,159; Investment Income \$444,872
Salaries for Fiscal Year 2012
Total Salaries - \$3,537,085

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Under \$25,000 – Ayres, Dorothy; Bilek, Sue J.; Bobula, Thomas F.; Bohman, Linda A.; Brutto, Eugene J.; Brzezniak-Volpe, Annette; Canepa, John Paul; Caporale, Richard; Casteel, Colleen A.; Christl, Carl J.; Colorato, Loretta; D'Argento, Savino; Dinola, Antonio B.; Dobrzycki, Mark S.; Feldiorean, Dorian; Fils, Madeline; Flores, Giovanni; Floudas, Demetrios; Gadzinski, Michael; Hancock, George; Hardy, Amy; Heinzinger, William J.; Holzer, Michael; Hood, John W.; Iaffaldano, Deborah A.; Koch, David T.; Kuhn, Bruce A.; LaCalamita, Victoria; Lemke, John H.; Lostumbo, Anan M.; Lostumbo, Antonio D.; Marquardt, Steve; Mazzulla, Raymond E.; McManaman, Robert; Mordan, Daniel; Mortakis, Sharon E.; Mougolias, Demetrios; O'Connor, Mary F.; Pecaro, Anthony J.; Pelarenos, Mary E.; Pollowy, Marcia L.; Rice, Kenneth; Rinaldi, Carmen; Rose, Frank J.; Royce-Plomin, Deborah; Russo, Joseph A.; Schuepfer, Therese; Schumacher, Ronald; Somers, Frank R.; Soriano, Gerard B.; Steiner, Lawrence R.; Szlendak, Lester; Szot, Lorraine; Volpe, Annette; White, Christopher L.; Wilczenski, Lisa; Wrona, Richard; Wyda, Steve J.

\$25,001-\$50,000 - Andrzejewski, Melissa M.; Baggetto, Brigette; Baggetto, James; Di Maso, Linda; Giolas, Elizabeth L; Hunt, Dennis R, Jezierny, Artene C; Kalradis, Michael; Kern, Donna J; Lazazzera, Maurizio N; Mendel, Natalle; Szczepek, Kamila; Tyrpak, Daniel J; Wright, Bridget.

Wngnt, Bridget.

\$50,001-\$75,000 - Assimakopoulos, George; Bellissimo, Bruno; Cusack, Brandon; Joris, Paulette A; Lamela, Carmen; Maslo Jr, Ronald P; Rafalzik, Mana A; Santoro, Carmine; Vanderpluym, Joseph; Vangeertry, Christine.

\$75,001-\$100,000 - Blagi, Steven; Blasz, James J; DeVries, John E; Hauptman, Gregory R; Helwink, Loren J; Henry, Robert J; Lymberis, John A; Maraviglia, Lawrence J; Mc Nally, Robert J; Miller, Karen A G; Miller, Michael G; Morawski, Scott; Olearczyk, Andrew M; Oltalano, Aaron J; Palazzo, Sebastian; Ricchio, Mario M; Smith, Edward R; Smith, Jolanta Z; Swartzendruber, Ryan; Vuich Jr, Joseph M; Wolfe, Thomas J. \$100,000-\$125,000 - Biagl, Frank; Nardulli, Joseph.

Cash Disbursements for Fiscal Year 2012

General Fund; Water and Sewer Fund; Garbage Fund; Emergency 911 Fund; Motor Fuel Tax Fund; Special Assessment Fund; GOB Debt
Service Fund; Special Service Area Debt Service Fund; Special Service Area Debt Service Reserve Fund; Grant Fund; Drug Enforcement

ASPHALT PAVING INC. 3437; ALLIED PLUMBING INC. 162; AMALGAMATED BANK OF CHICAGO 610819; AMERICAN DOOR AND DOCK 1742; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE 4073; AMERICAN MESSAGING 64; AMERICAN MORTUARY SERVICE OF C 900; AMERICAN 1/42; AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSURANCE 40/3; AMERICAN MESSAGING 64; AMERICAN MONTUARY SERVICE OF C 900; AMERICAN SPEEDY RINTING INC 662; AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATI B15; AMERICAN EAGLE 1100; AMIRA A. SILIC 10; AMSTERDAM PRINTING & LITHO 100; ANCEL, GLINK, DIAMOND, BUSH 187177; ANETA DLUGOPOLSCA 90; ANNLISA NARDULI 100; ANTHONY LAY COMMUNICATION DESI 675; APCO 92; APLUS BUILDING SERVICES 9790; ARC DISPOSAL & RECYCLING 3291; ARC DISPOSAL & RECYCLING 3291; ARC DISPOSAL & RECYCLING 3791; ARROW CONSTRUCTION 181069; ARROW ROAD CONSTRUCTION CO 1142; AT & T Service 18939; AT&T MOBILITY 732; ATLAS BOBCAT INC. 919; AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC. 11722; AZAVAR AUDIT SOLUTIONS 10438; B&H ANIMIAL/WILDLIFE CONTROL 1400; BACKFLOW SOLUTIONS, INC 6688; BALTIC RESTAURANT 80; BENI ORTIZ 5; BITA MAHANI 20;

BLITT & GAINES, P.C 7685; BOWERMAN DOORS INC 77; BRETT&JACQUELINE BALDUFF 2875; BRIAN OWEN 2550; BRUCE & PAT BLITT & GAINES, R.C 7685; BOWERMAN DOORS INC 77; BRETT&JACQUELINE BALDUFF 2875; BRIAN OWEN 2550; BRUCE & PAT SHERRILL 1500; BRUNO BELLISSIMO 2500; C BEYOND 17825; C.O.P.S TESTING SERVICE, INC. 4612; CANDIDA LAMASCESE 780; CARAHSOFT TECHNOLOGY CORP 699; CARMINE SANTORO 668; CAROL MCNAMARA 4200; CAROLINA WOLOSZYN 300; CDW-G 22516; CHICAGO COMMUNICATION SERVICE 181; CHICAGO COMMUNICATIONS LC 22629; CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS,L 275; CHICAGO METROPOLITIAN AGENCY 165; CHIEF 591; CHINA KING RESTAURANT 231; CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE 48987; CITY OF CHICAGO 603563; CITY OF CHICAGO SEWER ACCOUNT 167990; CLARK DIETZ, INC. 104200; CLARKE ENVIRONMENTAL MOSQUITO 10546; CMRS FRANCO POSTALIA 1000; COLOSIMO'S CONSTRUCTION 18775; COMCAST 126; COMMONWEALTH EDISON CO 22925; COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING FUND 12283; CONFIDENTIAL SERVICE PROGRAM 99; COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S TRAINNG 3850; CORRPRO COMPANIES 1923; COUNTY OF COOK ILLINOIS 1500; CRAINS CHICAGO BUSINESS 170; CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE INC 2091; CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCE, INC 91; CRITICAL REACH INC 265; CROWN TROPHY 384; CUCINA BIAGIO 339; CUMMINS NPOWER, LLC 3300; CURRENT TECHNOLOGIES CORP 21295; DANIEL TYRPAK 2249; DARIO DOBRIC 45; DATASOURCE, INK 3175; DAVID BELCHER 220; DEANNA TYRPAK 595; DELUXE BUSINESS FORMS & SUPPLI 883; DEREK MALAZDRA 2550; DI MAGGIO CAFE 166: DIGITAL ALLY, INC. 325: DON BURKHART 1500: DONALD BAMMANN 1500: E & D CITGO 55963: E & D CITGO 34309: EAGLE DAVID BELCHER 220; DEANNA TYRPAK 595; DELUXE BUSINESS FORMS & SUPPLI 838; DEREK MALAZDRA 2550; DI MAGGIO CAFE 166; DIGITAL ALLY, INC. 325; DON BURKHART 1500; DONALD BAUMANN 1500; E & D CITGO 55963; E & D CITGO 34309; EAGLE PRINTING CO INC 485; EARTH INC. 340; eCAFE'INC 198; EDUARDO DIAZ 5950; EDWARD R SMITH 2500; EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CORPORATION 8904; EVRIS AUTOMOTIVE INC. 4480; EXELON ENERGY COMPANY 57397; F.O.P. LODGE 172 570; FCL GRAPHICS 3200; FEDERAL EXPRESS 1158; FIRESTONE COMPLETE AUTO CARE 2044; FLOWER FANTASY 836; FORD CREDIT DEPT 67-434 34527; FOREMOST FASTENER CO. 338; FORWARD TELECOMMUNICATION SERV 4; FRANCOTYP-POSTALIA, INC. 2594; FRANK BIAGI 2005; FRANK CALE 1500; FREDRIKSEN & SONS INC 1520; GEIB INDUSTRIES, INC 411; GEORGE ASSIMAKOPOULOS 969; GEORGE ASSIMAKOPOULOS 100; GEORGE VELISARIS 1450; GFOA 170; GINA HENSEL 90; GIOVANNA IAFFALDANO 210; GLOBAL CONNECT 4570; GMS PLUMBING, INC 41650; GOOD PIZZA INC 540; GRAINGER 3287; GRANT SCALE COMPANY 983; GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORPA 432; CREAT AMERICA LEASING CAPECODY. GRECORY CREATER AMERICA LEASING CRECORY. 4570; GMS PLUMBING, INC 41650; GOOD PIZZA INĆ 540; GRAINGER 3287; GRANT SCALE COMPANY 983; GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORR. 433; GREAT LAKES FIRE AND SAFETY 1035; GREAT LAKES LANDSCAPE CO INC. 6790; GREGORY EVANS 1300; GREGORY KULASA 40; GRYPHON TRAINING GROUP 250; GUARDIAN CHOICE VALUE PLAN NAP 20730; H&H ELECTRIC CO. 3691; HAB. WATER METER SERVICE INC 960; HACH COMPANY 169; HARLEM FOSTER HARDWARE 2052; HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE CO. 39570; HARWOOD HEIGHTS AUTO BODY 743; HARWOOD HEIGHTS DELI 200; HARWOOD HEIGHTS POLICE DEPT 25; HARWOOD HEIGHTS SENIOR CLUB 2500; HARWOOD HGTS POLICE PENSION FU 170432; HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS 293350; HEARTLAND SERVICES 508; HENEGHAN WRECKING 4880; HIGHLAND PARK FORD 18120; HINCKLEY & SCHMITT WATER SUPPL 2146; HOUSEAL LAVIGNE ASSOCIATES 68936; HP PRODUCTS 3645; HUMANA 420408; IACP NET 800; ID NETWORKS 33893; IGFOA 145; ILEAS 100; ILLINOIS ASSOC. OF PROPERTY &E 25; ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF POLICE 200; ILLINOIS BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC 1381; ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF POLICE 400; ILLINOIS DEPT OF TRANS. 810; ILLINOIS DEPT OF TRANS. 876; ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF POLICE 400; ILLINOIS DEPT OF CENTRAL MANAG 400; ILLINOIS DEPT OF TRANS. 876; ILLINOIS COWERNENT FINANCE OF 25; ILLINOIS COWERNENT BULLE 100; ILLINOIS LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISS 375; ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 376094; ILLINOIS POLICE ASSOCIATION 75; ILLINOIS COWERNENT FINANCE OF 25; ILLINOIS COXEMENT BULLE 100; ILLINOIS PURPLY 380; ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 376094; ILLINOIS POLICE ASSOCIATION 75; ILLINOIS POTABLE WATER SUPPLY 380; ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 376094; ILLINOIS POLICE ASSOCIATION 75; ILLINOIS POTABLE WATER SUPPLY 380; ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 376094; ILLINOIS POLICE ASSOCIATION 75; ILLINOIS POTABLE WATER SUPPLY 380; ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 376094; ILLINOIS POLICE ASSOCIATION 75; ILLINOIS PORTABLE WATER SUPPLY 380; ILLINOIS WA OF TRANSPORATION O; ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECT 1000; ILLINOIS FIRE & POLICE COMMIS 9; ILLINOIS GOVERNMENT FINANCE OF 25; ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLE 100; ILLINOIS LIQUOR CONTROL COMMIS 0; ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE 376094; ILLINOIS POLICE ASSOCIATION 75; ILLINOIS POTABLE WATER SUPPLY 380; ILLINOIS RURAL WATER ASSOCIATIA 45; ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY AU 181; ILLLINOIS ASSOC OF PROPERTY & 25; INNOVATIVE SOFTWARE SERVICES, 1125; INTEGRY'S 15217; INTERNATIONAL ASSOC OF CHIEFS 120; INTERNATIONAL ASSOC DE CONTROL OF CON FOLDE ACADEMY 25; OLD WARSAW HESTAURAN) 227; O HEILT AUTO PARTS 187; OHKIN EAT HEMMINING 87:53; OSCAR HINKUOSE
1500; P.F. PETTIBONE & CO... 566; PACE VANPOOL 1200; PAN AMERICAN BANK 42638; PARKWAY BANK 159602; PARKWAY TOWERS
INSURANCE AGENC 123; PAULINA KOLOSA 50; PAYLESS AUTO BODY 882; PETER GALEK 750; PETER LA ROCCO 40; PETTY CASHOFFICE 2719; PETTY CASH - POLICE 904; PIONEER PRESS 1206; PITNEY BOWES 2739; PITNEY BOWES 557; POMPS TIRE SERVICE
669; PRO SAFETY 385; PUBLIC SECTOR SOLUTIONS, INC 14000; PULIC SECTOR SOLUTIONS 4000; QUALITY BACKFLOW TESTING
INC 750; QUILL CORPORATION 8486; RAYO'HERRON CO. OAKBROOK TERRA 3659; RDJ SPECIALTIES, INC 552; RED WING SHOE
STORE 0; REGIONAL TRUCK EQUIPMENT 402; RELIABLE LAWN SERVICES 3680; RICH VARELLA 10; RICHARD BIVINS 400; RICHARD
VARELLA 10; RICHARD BIVINS 400; RICHARD STORE 0; REGIONAL TRUCK EQUIPMENT 402; RELIABLE LAWN SERVICES 3680; RICH VARELLA 10; RICHARD BIVINS 400; RICHARD VARELLA 150; RICHARD VARELLA 150; RICHARD VARELLA 150; RICHARD VARELA 150; SALVADOR ALVACADO 1500; SALVADOR ALVACADO 1500; SALVATORE CALABRES 1500; SALVACOR ALVACADO 1500; SALVATORE CALABRES 1500; SALVACOR SALVACADO 1500; SALVATORE CALABRES 1500; SALVACOR SALVACADO 1500; SALVATORE CALABRES 1500; SALVACOR 1500; SALVATORE CALABRES 1500; SALVACOR 1500; SALVATOR 1500; SALVAT WATER SERVICE INC 500;

The foregoing, to the best of my knowledge, is a true and correct statement of the Village of Harwood Heights' Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2012, and the state of the Village's Treasury as of April 30, 2012. Subscribed and sworn to this _____ day of October, 2012.

Joseph Russo Treasurer

1, Marcia L. Pollowy, Clerk of the Village of Harwood Heights, Cook County, Illinois do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report of the Village of Harwood Heights for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2012.

> Marcia L. Pollowy Village Clerk

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JULIA L NISTLER 20; JULIANA A MALLER 1618.07; JULIE ANN GENUALDI 60; JULIE INC 6261.29; JULIE R HECKSEL 350; JUMPIN JOEY 515; K J ELECTRIC INC 120; KALO FOUNDATION OF PARK RIDGE 1004; KANE MC KENNA & ASSOCIATES INC 2900; KAPERNEKAS & ASSOCIATES LTD 37899; KARA COMPANY INC 103.18; KAREN NELSON 300; KARYN J SUAREZ 50; KASCO PRINTING 375; KATE M PORIRER 20; KATHERINE TRACY 29.55; KATHLEEN & SHAUGHNESSY 148.39; KATHLEEN M HENNELLY 450; KATHLEEN W BOND CSR LID 263; KATTEN MUCHIN ROSENMANN LLP 16500; KELLER HEARTT OIL CO INC 9868.05; KELLY DUROV 2928.1; KELLY KRIEG SIGMAN 500; KEN JOHNSON 912.19; KEN S POWER AND SAIL 490; KENNETH KING 200; KEVIN KING 400; KEVIN LDZIWLISKI 1150; KEVIN SCOTT PLACH 30; KGI LANDSCAPE INC 4842; KIKO S FLOWER & GIFTS 112.85; KILMURRY DEVELOPMENT 912.19; KING TRANSMISSION CO 4334.4; KINKO S INC STORE 3620 112.5; KINSALE CONTRACTING GROUP INC 2800; KIRK A ASHLEMAN 721.75; KIWANIS PARK RIDGE NOON 900.75; KLEIN THORP AND JENKINS LTD 329060.3; KRAV MAGA WORLD WIDE 1400; KRISTEN LEE ABBINANTE 80; KROESCHELL ENGINEERING CO 7315; KRYSTYNA RACZKA 50; KURT F SKINNER 20; KUSTOM SIGNALS INC 542.94; L MARSHALL ROOFING AND SHEET METAL INC 29000; LA PELUSA HOME IMPROVEMENT 1250; LACONI 269.5; LACONI OPP 15; LACONI TECHNOLOGY SECTION 40; LACONI YSS 30; LAKRESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS 371.02; LAMBDA ALPHA INTERNATIONAL 530; LAVORT 1427.54; LAW ENCORDENT RECORDS MGRS OF IL 25; LAWSON PRODUCTS INC 299.56; LEACH ENTERPRISES INC 9683.41; LEADERSHIP DIRECTORIES INC 1046; LEADSONLINE ILC 3468; LEARNING EXPRESS LLC 3285; LEARNING RESOURCES INC 19.99; LEE JENSEN SALES CO INC 107.926; LEE YELS BOO, LEIDAS CORDETT HAT STUDIO 250; LEONARD JOHNSON 75; LESUE EJLZABETH GOOD ARD 250; LECULAR WORLD AND ALCSW 450; LEXIS NEXTS ON 10.1926; LESULS BLZAGES INC 107.5; LIBRARY VIDEO COMPANY 451.13; LIGHTNING GRAPHIC SERVICES INC 3630; LIMPIA WATER INC 100; LIN MAR MOTORS INC 925.5; LINCOLN TRAIL LIBRARIES SYSTEM 417; LINDA EGEBRECHT 80; LINDA J LAZZARA 11.32; LINDA KUCZMA 900; LINDA LIND 24; LINDA ROSCOTT 12152; LIVDA COMPANTE SON Section Train, 17th, WARRES SWOOTH TH, THE ART SWOOTH AND SWOTH AN

12525.07; STANDARD INDUSTRIAL & AUTO EQUIP CO 409.83; STANDARD REGISTER CO 268; STANLEY JOHNSON 10; STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE 2286.72 STATE CHEMICAL MANUFACTURING CO 6178.38; STATE TREASURER 73832.05; STEINER ELECTRIC CO 976.88; STEVE BELLIVEAU 325; STEVE CUTAIA 45; STEVE F BEIL 300: STEVE JUSTMAN 150: STEVE KOLAR 45: STEVE MILLER 912 19: STEVE PIPER & SONS INC 324263 9: STEVEN FRENZEL 175: STEVEN J. HANDLER 11948.4; STEVEN J PIERSKI 460; STEVEN K TRACY 20; STEVEN STOPKA 589.54; STIPES PUBLISHING LLC 224.4; STUART HERTZBERG 300; SUBURBAN BLDG OFFICIALS CONF 950; SUBURBAN LABORATORIES INC 6328; SUBURBAN TREE CONSORTIUM 81568.15; SUMMERTIME BOOKS 20; SUMMIT SPECIALTEES 5487; SUN TIMES MEDIA 7918.5; SUNNYSIDE DESIGN GROUP INC 1426; SUNSET LOGISTICS LLC 40035; SUPERCIRCUITS INC 2563.36; SUPERIOR ROAD STRIPING INC 80582.39; SUSAN K FALTIN 900; SUSU SCIALABBA 150; SYLVIA KAZMIERCZAK 250; TAMMY SIDNER 75; TARGET SOLUTIONS INC 3600; TASK FORCE 1 INC 380 TCE BANK 9.9: TEALLI A 100: TELVENT DTN INC 1536: THE BOOK FARM INC 1050 1: THE FINNEY COMPANY 274 26: THE FITNESS MECHANIC INC 1882: THE FLAGSTAR BANK 126.74; THE FRAMER S ALLEY AND GALLERY LTD 74; THE GALLERY COLLECTION 137.98; THE ILLINOIS ST TOLL HWY AUTHORITY 253.46; THE LAKOTA GROUP INC 3232.59; THE LOCK UP STOREAGE 3023; THE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS 1225; THE PETERSON GARDEN PROJECT INC 200; THE RESPONSE NETWORK INC 3499.45, THE ROWMAN & LITTLEFIELD PUB CORP 176.5; THE SIDWELL CO 136.2; THE TRAFFIC SAFETY STORE 519.58; THE UPS STORE 1573 998.05; THE VERDIN COMPANY 375; THERESA BERG 55; THERMOWORKS INC 15.99; THIRD MILLENNIUM ASSOCIATES INC 33499.13; THOMAS FANNING 17.36; THOMAS P SWENDROWSKI 400; THOMAS R THOMPSON 460; THOMAS SISKA 500; THOMPSON ELEVATOR INSP SERV INC 21171; TIM DISPARTE 2946; TIME BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC 1847.5; TIMOTHY A SCHNEIDER 250.6; TIMOTHY E SCHWARZ 59; TIMOTHY J NORTON 732.94; TIMOTHY MC EWEN 321; TIMOTHY W SHARPE 2200; TKB ASSOCIATES INC 4379; TODAY S BUSINESS SOLUTIONS 12374.13; TOLLE LEGE PRESS LLC 13.75; TOM MICHAEL 150; TOMMY POLLINA LANDSCAPE COINC 185; TONY AND ANNETTE DEMARINIS 250; TONYAN BROS INC 10565.21; TORTORELLO S SPINKLING SYSTEMS INC 1878.38; TOTAL FITNESS 280; TRAFFIC & PARKING CONTROL COINC 4642.59; TRAFFIC CONTROL & PROTECTION INC 15202.4; TRAILCAMPRO 699.9; TREASURER ST OF IL 10; TRI ELECTRONICS INC 5999; TRIANGLE RADIATOR SERVICE INC 390; TRIANGLE SERVICE INC 3326; TRIBUNE INTERACTIVE 419; TRIBUNE MEDIA GROUP 2458; TROY VAN DEN BOSCH 79.71; TRUCK ALIGNMENT SPECIALISTS INC 982.11; TRUCK FARM CHICAGO 430; TRUGREEN CHEMLAWN INC 1335; TUGBOAT MUSIC LLC 280; TUMBLEWEED PRESS INC 267.33; TYLER M CONRAD 100; TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC 51693.71; U S CELLULAR 235.23; U S MESSENGER & LOGISTICS INC 55.94 U.S. POSTMASTER 7315: U.S. POSTMASTER PERMIT NO. 491 21010.81: U.S. POSTMASTER PERMIT NO. 647 795; ULINE INC. 57.62; UNDERWRITERS LABORATORIES INC 2912.5; UNIFIRST CORPORATION 5065; UNIFORMITY INC 1626.75; UNILOCK CHICAGO INC 560; UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO 4495.82; UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY 9655; UNION SPRINGS LLC 209.95; UNIQUE BOOKS INC 3280.15; UNITED DATA SERVICES CORP 2925.36; UNITED PARCEL SERVICE 4491.27; UNITED RADIO COMMUNICATIONS INC 6846.28; UNITED ROTARY BRUSH CORPORATION 5128.64; UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE 20370.87; UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO DISTR CT 51.51; UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS 3360; UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN 995; UPS FREIGHT 93; UPSTART 11.95; URBAN WORM GIRL 175; USA BILIFBOOK 226.37: USA MOBILITY WIRELESS INC 670.56: USA TODAY 190: UZ FNGINFERFD PRODUCTS 396.67: VAISALA INC 3237.11: VASSIL VAYRAKTARIA 912.19; VCG UNIFORM 18629.21; VERIFY 400; VERIZON WIRELESS 14902; VHPS 294.33; VILLAGE OF MORTON GROVE 80; VILLAGE OF NILES 556.5; VILLAGE OF ROMEOVILLE 320; VILLAGE OF ROSEMONT 4530; VLADIMIR LEYETCHKISS 250; VOLLMAR CLAY PRODUCTS CO 3331; VREJ KASPARIAN 45; VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY 24965.92; W COWAN 143.69; W S DARLEY & CO 12658.64; WALKENSHAW 56.43; WANDA PLACZEK 42.97; WAREHOUSE DIRECT INC 17447.94 WARREN COMMUNICATIONS NEWS 1095; WATER RESOURCES INC 63798.46; WATER SERVICES CO 20861; WAUKEGAN ROOFING CO INC 432: WAY KEN CONTRACTORS SUPPLY CO 412; WAYNE A ZINGSHEIM 92; WCS PHOTOGRAPHY 831; WEDGE C LAZENBY 20; WELLS FARGO BANK 3509013; WENDY D KRUG 92.7; WENTWORTH TIRE BENSENVILLE 4506.32; WESCO DISTRIBUTION CORP 107.04; WEST GROUP PAYMENT CENTER 1531.57; WEST PAYMENT CENTER 475.04; WEST uburban detectives association 75; white eagle remodeling 912.19; wholesale direct inc 2598.15; wide open west 5396.25; wilcor solid SURFACES INC 3730: WILDWOOD NATURE CENTER 105: WILLIAM BLAIR & COMPANY L.L.C. 19884-15: WILLIAM C PETERSEN 33: WILLIAM C SMAHA 30: WILLIAM E SCHOLZ 1150; WILLIAM J CAIRNS 111.36; WILLIAM PACK 300; WINNETKA NORTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY 7,95; WINTER EQUIPMENT CO INC 1756.92; WINTER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP INC 1876.44; WM J CASSIDY TIRE & SERVICE 5144.76; WOODLAKE TECHNOLOGIES INC 2197; WORLD BOOK SCHOOL AND LIBRARY 3100; WORLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIR 49; WORLD FUEL SERVICES INC 260127.4; WORLD POINT ECC INC 3073.35; WT COX SUBSCRIPTION INC 10577.9; XEROX CORPORATION 197.1; XPEDX 939.62; XPERT FIT 300.19; YAHOO INC 50.88; ZIEBELL WATER SERVICE PRODUCTS INC 6817.58; ZOLL DATA SYSTEMS 1320

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Niles North

Names in the Game

RANDY MORTELL

Noteworthy efforts: Mortell, a senior, finished in the top-10 at the Loyola Regional on Oct. 20 to help Niles North finish third in the 10-team meet and advance to Saturday's Niles West Sectional Mortell (15 minutes, 46 seconds) finished the race ninth, 18 seconds behind senior Micah Beller (fourth, 15:28) Mortell, Beller and senior lan Crane will lead the Vikings in their quest to qualify for state as a team for the first time since 2000

KRIS ACHIM

Noteworthy efforts: The senior ended his high school football career by running for three touchdowns In the Vikings' 48-7 victory over Maine West. Achim's touchdowns came on runs of 3, 9 and 2 yards. Achim wasn't the only Niles North senior who had a memorable offensive night as Vikings quarterback Billy Voitik threw three touchdowns Friday.

Quick Hits

Big Numbers

13 | The Niles North boys soccer team began its Niles North Regional semifinal against Evanston with a bang when Beto Thomas scored to give the Vikings a 1-0 lead 13 minutes into the first half. Evanston scored three unanswered goals, however, to win the match 3-1 on Oct. 16.

Sound Bites

"In a way, I think it's something we really needed. It's something to motivate us in the playoffs, and some teams might not have that going into the postseason. Of course it sucks, especially being a senior. We're not going to have that opportunity next year, but I'm really proud of these girls and I think, overall, that loss will help us in the postseason."

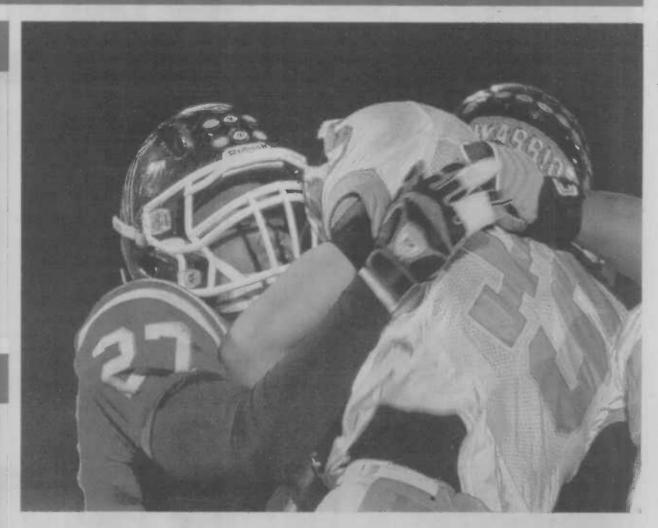
— Niles North senior Rachel Matthies on the disappointment the Vikings felt after falling 22-25, 25-20, 25-19 to Glenbrook North on Oct. 17. The Spartans won the CSL North conference title with the victory over Niles North, who could have shared the conference championship by defeating Glenbrook North.

Don't Miss

Saturday

Cross country: Niles North at Niles West Sectional, 1:30

The Niles North boys cross country team will be joined at sectionals by a pair of runners from the girls team. Jessica Brand (47th, 20 minutes, 40 seconds) and Trinette Lopez (49th, 20:51) each ran well enough at the regional to advance to Saturday's Niles West Sectional as individuals.



Vikings close out campaign with win

SKOKIE

Behind big games from Kris Achim, Billy Voitik and J.J. Myles, Niles North concluded its season with a 48-7 victory over CSL North foe Maine West.

Achim, a senior, rushed for 107 yards and three touchdowns Friday while fellow senior Voitik completed 13-of-18 passes for 151 yards. Myles, a junior, recovered a pair of onside kicks.

Niles North finished the season 4-5 overall and 2-3 in conference while Maine South finished 1-8 overall and 0-5 in the league. The Warriors didn't manage a yard on offense in the first half.

This Week Niles North

BOYS CRÓSS COUNTRY Saturday At Niles West Sectional, (B) 2:30 p.m., (G) 1:30 p.m.

GIRLS SWIM/DIVE Friday At Deerfield Dual Meet, 5

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Hosts Sectional Champs,
7 p.m.



Culture Grid: Rachel Matthies

The Morton Grove resident and senior libero on the Niles North girls volleyball team also is a member of the Vikings girls basketball and softball teams.

WHAT'S YOUR FA-**VORITE TV SHOW?** " 'Friends,' and I like the USA shows 'Psych' and 'Monk.' I

like 'Dexter,' (too)."

WHAT'S YOUR FA-**VORITE BAND OR** MUSICAL ARTIST? " listen to all types of music - from rock to country. Probably my favorite band would have to be Rascal Flatts, but also James Taylor."

WHAT'S YOUR FA-**VORITE JAMES TAY-**LOR SONG? " 'Carolina In My Mind,"

WHAT'S YOUR **BIGGEST FEAR?** "Drowning."



ABOVE: Niles North's Johnny Clanton absorbs a hit duțing Friday's game against Maine West in Skokie.

RIGHT: Niles North's Jarrett Kennedy looks to a make a tackle during Friday's game versus Maine West.

LEFT: Niles North's Malik Robinson makes a tackle during Friday's game against Maine West.



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Here are some NFL Hall of Fame stats to win bets on as of the start of the 2012 season. The most popular jersey number - 22, worn for all of part of the career of 11 enshrinees. The state with the highest percentage of members - Pennslyvania at 10.6 percent, 29 natives. And how about the draft class that produced the most Hall of Famers? It was 1964, with an incredible 10 - Roger Staubach, Carl Eller, Paul Warfield, Bob Hayes, Charley Taylor, Mel Renfro, Paul Krause, Bob Brown, Leroy Kelly and Dave Wilcox.

The Monday blues can apply to athletes as well as the rest of us. Entering the 2012 season, the Atlanta Falcons had the NFL's worst winning percentage on Monday Night Football -- .273 (9-24). The 2011-12 Montreal Canadiens were the first NHL team in four years to go wirless on Mondays, contributing to their first last-place conference finish since 1940. In baseball, Atlanta went almost a year without a Monday win - 0-16 from mid-2011 to mid-2011. And in the NBA, J.R. Smith of the Knicks averaged 4.3 points per game on Mondays in 2011-12, 13.2 on other days, the largest margin in the league.

Can you name the only quarterback in NFL history to throw for at least 4,000 yards and rush for at least 500 in the same season? Incredibly, the player was a rookie - 2011 Rookie of the Year Cam Newton of Carolina. Despite a lockout-shortened preseason, the former Heisman Trophy winner opened the season with back-to-back 400-yard passing games, and went on to set the single-season record of 14 rushing touchdowns by a QB.





BOYS CROSS COUNTRY SECTIONAL PREVIEW

Vaccaro sticks to plan

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SKOKIE

Jon Vaccaro didn't let the fast pace disrupt his game plan Saturday.

Even though Niles North's Micah Beller and Evanston's Carl Klamm broke free of the pack early, the Maine South senior stuck with his own strategy to earn the regional championship. Vaccaro clocked a 15:14.74 to oudistance New Trier's Ethan Kaplan by more than 7 seconds to help the Hawks to the team title with 31 points.

"They both went out so fast, and I was starting to think about running for second place," Vaccaro said of Beller and Klamm, an unlikely pairing. "Then me and Ethan kept gaining on them."

Vaccaro knows this weekend's race at Niles West is the big one. The Hawks are one of the favorites, along with New Trier, to be one of the five qualifying teams for the Nov. 3 state meet at Detweiller Park in Peoria.

"We are finally doing what I thought we could do at the beginning of the season," Maine South coach Greg Nordahl said. "We are starting to look like that team, but I still think we have a little more room for improvement. We still feel like we have a couple of races ahead of us, and we expect to do better."

Vaccaro said the Hawks are in position to peak the weekend of the state meet. All five runners were in the top 12 at Loyola's regional, including senior Robert Taylor (third, 15:24) and senior Kevin Dolan (fifth, 15:31)

"We have a talented group of guys," Vaccaro said. "Dolan's only gotten better as the season's gone on. Same with Robert.

"We are ready to go."

RAMBLERS ON THE RISE

Lovola continues to look like a team that can contend for a spot at the state meet.

After taking second place at the Catholic League meet behind St. Ignatius, the Ramblers finished fourth Saturday at their own regional at Harms Woods with 114 points.

Loyola was led by junior Matt Randolph, who crossed the line in 17th (16:01). Even the team's seventh runner - junior Matt Scherer - finished 36th (16:27).

"Yeah, I think we all were happy," said senior Chris Kelly, who came in 24th (16:09). "We are stressing (this weekend) more than anything, though. But if we want to get out of sectionals, we will need to run our best race. The regional was a tuneup, a prep race."

Loyola will be competing Saturday against the likes of Maine South, New Trier, Niles North, York and St. Ignatius at Niles West for a trip to the state meet.

Kelly and junior Teddy Brombach, who was 26th (16:11) last week, are the only two Ramblers with experience running at the sectionals.

"I hadn't raced at the sectional before last year, and I had my best race there," Kelly said. "I think everybody is going to be ready."

SUPER SOPHOMORES

Evanston earned the seventh and final spot out of Loyola's regional Saturday behind sophomores Carl Klamm and Estaban Escabar.

Klamm went out fast and briefly shared the top position with Niles North's Micah Beller before falling back to 15th (15:59). Meanwhile, Escabar took 23rd (16:08). Senior Jay Honnold (42nd, 16:44), senior Jame Grodzicki (51st, 16:55) and freshman



Maine South's Jon Vaccaro (419) takes the lead from New Trier's Ethan Kaplan (505) during the regional cross country meet at Harms Woods in Skokie on Saturday. | DAN **LUEDERT-Sun-Times Media**

Spencer Eanes (62nd, 17:20) rounded out the team's scoring.

"I was proud of myself and my team," Klamm said. "I am just a sophomore, but I know this meant a lot to Jay, our captain. It meant a lot to him to do this as a team."

Evanston, which took 10th at the regionals last season, is back at the sectionals as a team for the first time since 2008.

"We know it's going to be a really tough meet," Klamm said. "I do hope I perform well enough to make it to the state meet. I will run my best and see what happens."

LACE 'EM UP AGAIN

Maine East and Niles West each qualified two runners for Saturday's sectional at Niles West.

Senior Aayush Shah (27th, 16:13) and sophomore Anthony Misiak (37th, 16:29) advanced for the Demons. Senior Justin Atwal (32nd, 17:17) and senior Yandiel Cardenas (39th, 16:37) survived for the Wolves.



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY SECTIONAL PREVIEW

New Trier begins title defense in fine form

BY MATT HARNESS | mharness@pioneerlocal.com | @harnesspreps

SKOKIE

Senior Jessica Ackerman was a lot less emotional than twin sister Courtney when asked about competing in her final state series.

Jessica Ackerman doesn't want to think about anything other than running two more races and defending New Trier's state championship next month at Detweiller Park in Peoria.

She got off to a good start Saturday at Loyola's regional at Harms Woods, finishing first in 17 minutes, 23.09 seconds.

"It does feel strange that it's our last season," said Jessica, who has been a star, along with Courtney, on the Trevians all four years. "But I am treating it as another season. I don't want to invest that much time thinking about anything else right now. It just want to stay positive.

"I know it will all hit me when the season is over."

Courtney, who used Saturday's regional as more of a training day, finished fourth in 17:42.06. Sophomore Mimi Smith took third place in 17:37.47 as the Trevians won the team title with 33 points.

Freshmen Oona Jung-Beeman (11th, 18:55) and Kelli Schmidt (14th, 18:57) also contributed to the championship.

"Next week will be a lot better," Courtney said of the



Maine South's Emily Leonard (402) makes her way through Harms Woods in Skokie during the regional cross country meet Saturday. | DAN LUEDERT-Sun-Times Media

sectional race at Niles West. "There will be a lot more competition, and it will bring out the best in every runner. I love those kind of races."

Five teams will qualify out of the sectionals for the Nov. 3 state meet. In addition to the Trevians, Maine South, Loyola, Glenbrook North, York, Lake Park and St. Ignatius are among the other challengers.

SURGING SPARTANS

Glenbrook North's top three are hitting their stride at the home stretch of the season.

Saturday proved that. Senior Valerie Bobart, junior

Allie Herriott and senior Katherine Weber all posted top 10s at Harms Woods. Bobart ran with the lead pack and finished fifth in 18:10.

"It's obviously hard running against New Trier and Maine South, but I was happy with my time and place," Bobart said. "We are going to be fighting for that fifth spot next week, but we have been improving every week. We know we have a chance."

Herriott was eighth in 18:41, while Weber took 10th in 18:50.

Glenbrook North coach Bob LeBlanc said the rest of the runners - senior Briana Kaplunov, junior Ellery Marrinan,

sophomore Kiera Abramson, sophomore Dana Lee - need to get closer to the top three next week for the Spartans to advance to the state meet for the first time since 2010. Bobart, Weber and Marrinan all were on that team.

"There is work still to do." LeBlanc said. "We will go easier on them this week. We want them to be fresh for the weekend."

Any time Emily Leonard can beat one of New Trier's topthree runners, she's thrilled. That's why the Maine South

junior couldn't stop smiling Saturday at Harms Woods.

Leonard beat both Mimi Smith and Courtney Ackerman to take second place behind champion Jessica Ackerman. Leonard crossed the line in 17:30.20.

"I definitely was happy with my race," she said. "I went out under control, and I was able to surge past Mimi. I then kept Jessica in my sight.

"New Trier's top three is so good. To beat any of them is a good day."

Maine South coach Jeff Downing was pleased with the rest of his runners, too, especially Megan Lemersal. After battling an iron deficiency this season, the senior finished sixth in 18:32 to help the Hawks to second place behind the Trevians.

Junior Mirae Mastrolonardo also turned in a solid showing, coming in seventh in 18:33.

"It was a good team race," Downing said. "We have a lot o ability, but it's about keeping everybody as close together as possible. If they run together, they run harder.

LACE 'EM UP AGAIN

Both Maine East and Niles North got two runners through to the sectionals.

Demons sophomore Leslie Christiansen finished 44th (20:34) and Demons sophomore Jessica Cuevas was 50th (20:52). Vikings senior Jessica Brand qualified after taking 47th (20:40), while Vikings junior Trinette Lopez survived to another week by finishing 49th (20:51).

Notre Dame

Noteworthy efforts: The senior finished 12th (16 minutes, 48 seconds) to help the Dons place fourth at the St. Viator Regional cross country meet Saturday at Melas Park in Arlington Heights. Siemienowski finished one place and eight seconds behind teammate Mike Gibson. Notre Dame advanced to the Fenton Sectional

BRETT BARTES

Noteworthy efforts: Bartes, a senior forward of the soccer team, scored the only goal for Notre Dame versus St. Viator in the regional semifinals. St. Viator won 5-1. He "hit an absolute bomb of a shot from around 30 yards away," Dons coach Reggie Lara said.

Quick Hits

Big Numbers

8 | The boys soccer team finished with a 9-7-2 record this year and eight of their nine wins came via shutouts.

Sound Bites

"St. Viator was not overlooking us. They came out very aggressive; you could tell they wanted to score an early goal,"

- boys soccer coach Reggie Lara after his team lost to St. Viator 5-1 in the regional semifinals on Oct. 17

Don't Miss

Today

Hockey: Fenwick at Notre Dame, 8:15 p.m. After their first tie of the season against Oak Park-River Forest on Oct. 18, the Dons next face Fenwick. The Dons were 2-2-1 going into Sunday's game against St. Ignatius.

Friday

Football: Notre Dame at Grayslake North,

Notre Dame heads into their first playoff game despite their 20-13 loss at Carmel on Friday. The Dons failed to take advantage scoring opportunities early in the game against the Corsairs.

Names in the Game Dons look to snap streak

BY MARK PERLMAN | Contributor | @markdavidperlma

MUNDELEIN

While Notre Dame continues one streak, it will hope to break another when it faces Gravslake North at 7 p.m. Friday in the Class 6A playoff opener in Grayslake.

Notre Dame is making its seventh straight playoff appearance, but in the previous years the Dons have not advanced out of the first round.

Grayslake North was 8-1 on the season and went undefeated in winning the Fox Valley Fox Division. The Knights dropped their first game of the season to Lakes (8-1), and have since run off eight straight wins.

The offense is led by one of the area's top quarterbacks, A.J. Fish, who has run for more than 1,500 yards with 28 touchdowns and added another 13 touchdowns passing with 1,800-plus yards through the air. Friday he ran for four scores and 243 yards in a 35-29 victory over Woodstock North.

"He's as good, if not better a player than we've faced all season," Notre Dame coach Mike Hennessey said. "We're going to have to keep him off the field as much as we can."

"We've watched some film on him and he's an unbelievable athlete." Notre Dame defensive coordinator Dan DeFranza said. "He's a dual threat. If he sees an open lane he's gone and he can also put the ball right on the mark.

"We're going to have to swarm to the football."

Notre Dame has its own dynamic player on offense in Chris James. The highly recruited junior rushed for 1,416 yards and 18 touchdowns, while adding an additional



Carmel's Sean Brennan breaks a couple of tackles during the game against Notre Dame on Friday. | DARRELL HARMON-For Sun-Times Media

three touchdown receptions. He shared the honor of East Suburban Catholic Conference Most Valuable Offensive Player with Marist's Nic Weishaar this season.

"We're a good running team, but our offensive line will need to continue to get off the ball (Friday)," Dons offensive coordinator Kevin Stenson said. "We can also spread it out and pass. We've got our work cut out. They're an aggressive defense that's going to bring the pressure."

The Dons (5-4 overall, 3-4 ESCC) dropped their regular-season finale at Carmel 20-13 Friday despite James rushing for 111 yards on 28 carries with two touchdowns.

"We're going to come out ready to go," James said.

This Week Notre Dame

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY Saturday At Fenton Sect. (B) 11 a.m., (G) 10 a.m.

FOOTBALL At Playoffs - 1st Round vs. Grayslake N.

ICE HOCKEY Today Hosts Fenwick at Niles-Ballard, 8:15 p.m. Monday Hosts St. Viator at Niles-



Maine East

Names in the Game

DAVID PATYK

Noteworthy efforts: Glenbrook North defeated the Maine East boys soccer team 1-0 in their Class 3A Leyden Regional semifinal despite the best efforts of Patyk, a junior goalkeeper. Patyk made a trio of difficult saves in the Oct. 16 match, including two in the first half when the game's momentum was clearly in the Spartans' favor.

LESLIE CHRISTIANSEN

Noteworthy efforts: The sophomore was the Blue Demons girls cross country team's top runner at Saturday's Loyola Regional. Christiansen (20 minutes, 34 seconds) finished 44th overall and advanced to Saturday's Niles West Sectional. Christiansen and fellow sophomore Jessica Cuevas will represent Maine East at sectionals. Cuevas (20:52) finished 50th to earn a berth as an individual qualifier.



Big Numbers

3 | The Maine East girls volleyball team's regular season finale against Deerfield went to three sets, but the Warriors prevailed, 25-23, 22-25, 26-24. The Warriors also topped Maine East 25-17, 23-25, 25-10 on Sept. 27.

Sound Bites

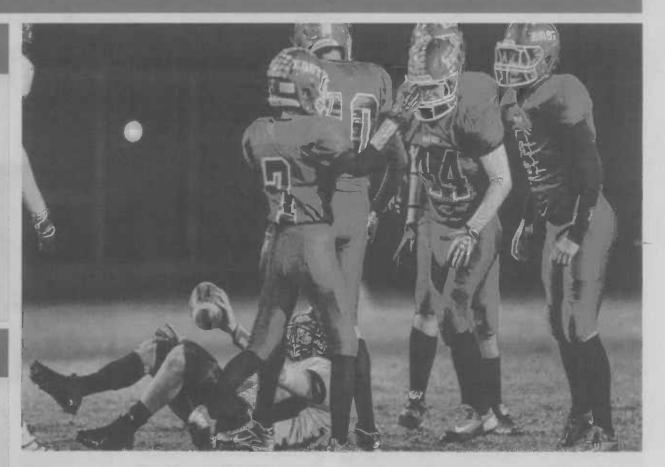
"I think winning the Lake Geneva tournament was a special moment. We had three very tough games up there. We really came together as a team. One of the (most memorable) moments was an individual moment at the end of the year, and it was Rami (Dajani) being selected all-state by the coaches. That was very special for him." - Maine East boys soccer coach Vic DiPrizio on the mo-

ments he'll remember most from the 2012 boys soccer season. Dajani set the school's scoring record with 88 goals in his Maine East career.

Don't Miss

Girls swimming: Maine East at Highland Park, 5 p.m. The Blue Demons girls swimming team concludes its regular season when it travels to Highland Park.

Cross Country: Maine East at Niles West Sectional, 1:30 p.m. The Maine East girls and boys cross country teams will eagh have two runners competing at Saturday's Niles West Sectional. The boys will be represented by senior Aayush Shah and sophomore Anthony Misiak, who qualified as individuals at Saturday's Loyola Regional. Shah (16 minutes, 13 seconds) finished 27th and Misiak (16:29) was 37th.



Lopsided loss ends season

PARK RIDGE

Maine East closed out its season with a 49-0 home loss to Glenbrook North.

The Blue Demons, who finished 1-4 in the CSL North and 3-6 overall, struggled to get anything going offensively Friday.

Their best drive came on thier final one of the game. With the clock continuing to run through much of the second half, the Blue Demons drove to the Spartans' 19-yard line, but they were not able to convert.

ABOVE: Maine East defenders celebrate after dropping Glenbrook North quarterback A.J. Spitz for a loss during Friday's game in Park Ridge. | DAVID **BANKS**-Sun-Times Media



Glenbrook North's David Burnside attemps to block a punt by Maine East's William Heines during Friday's football game in Park Ridge. | DAVID BANKS-Sun-

This Week Maine East

BOYS and GIRLS **CROSS COUNTRY** At Niles West Sectional (B) 2:30 p.m., (G) 1:30

GIRLS SWIMPDIVE Friday At Highland Park, 5 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Hosts Regional, 6 p.m. Tuesday At Niles North Sectional, 7 p.m. Thursday (11/1) At Niles North Sectional Champs, 7 p.m.

School Name

Names in the Game



JUSTIN ATWAL
Noteworthy efforts: The
Niles West senior finished
32nd as an individual at
the 3A Loyola Regional on
Oct. 20 and advanced to
the sectional meet. Atwal
crossed the finish line in 16
minutes, 17 seconds, earning himself the chance to
race on his home course
Saturday as the Wolves are
hosting the sectional.



YANDIEL CARDENAS
Noteworthy efforts: Cardenas will be the only Niles
West runner competing
with Atwal at the sectional
after the Wolves finished
ninth as a team at the
Loyola Regional. Cardenas,
a senior, secured the fifth
and final individual berth in
the sectional by finishing
39th (16 minutes, 37 seconds) at Harms Woods on
Saturday.

Quick Hits

Big Numbers

\$1,472 | The amount of money raised by the Niles West girls volleyball team through a 50-50 raffle held on Oct. 18 for the family of former player Cyril Onate. As detailed in Oct. 18 editions of Pioneer Press newspaper's, Onate's mom, Agnes, is paralyzed from the neck down. The Wolves suffered a 25-13, 25-9 loss that night to New Trier.

Sound Bites

"Maine South's a good team. They're a very deep team.
The effort was there. The times really weren't where they wanted (them)."

 Girls swimming coach Jason Macejak on his team's 126-60 loss Friday at Maine South

Saturda

Girls cross country: Niles West at Niles West Sectional, 1:30 p.m.

The Wolves placed sixth as a team at the Loyola Regional to advance to the sectional meet they re hosting. Sophomore Christine Mujica led the way on Oct. 20 with an 18th-place finish (19:13). Seniors Michelle Karp (25th, 19:39) and Rachel Bender (28th, 19:50) also finished in the top 30. Freshman Danielle Karp (32nd, 19:59) and junior Jamie Rohn (37th, 20:12) rounded out the team scoring.

Niles West gets 10th game

BY DAN SHALIN | Contributor | @danshalin

EVANSTON

After losing four straight games, Niles West may not be sweeping into the IHSA Class 8A playoffs on a wave of momentum.

The Wolves (5-4), who visit Palatine at 2 p.m. Saturday, are coming off a 28-21 loss to Evanston Friday. But just making the postseason represents a step forward for the Skokie program, which hasn't played a 10th game since current Pittsburgh Steelers running back Rashard Mendenhall wore the red and white in 2004.

"It's great for the kids," Niles West coach Scott Baum said.
"We've talked about playing a 10th game, and if you've ever been around the playoffs, it's such a cool experience. These kids have not had a chance to do it. But they do a lot of hard work during the offseason and the season, and it's nice to get rewarded."

Baum, in his fourth year at the helm, said his program has benefit-ted from the decision by the school and district a few years ago to appropriate more funds and lend more support to athletics.

"From the upgrades to our facilities to clinics for our feeder programs, District 219 has been proactive in the development of student-athletes," said Baum, who



Niles West's
Jake Glotzer (7)
leaps in the air
to avoid a tackle
by Evanston's
Dwayne Wade
(6) in Evanston
on Friday. | JON
DURR-For Sun-Times
Media

said athletic director David Rosengard, Principal Kaine Osburn and superintendant Nanciann Gatta have been instrumental in the process.

Although there might be plenty to celebrate this week at Niles West, the Wolves also must prepare for a Palatine team that many consider to be among the best in the state. The Pirates are 8-1, and their only blemish is a 40-37 overtime loss to Montini in the season opener.

Palatine lost star receiver/defensive back Cam Kuksa to a broken ankle early in that game, but he returned to the field in Week 8.

Niles West appears to be healthy



Culture Grid: Neda Esfahani

Esfahani is a senior captain on the Niles West girls swimming team who competes in the 200- and 500-yard freestyles:

WHERE DO YOU HOPE TO **BE IN LIFE IN 10 YEARS?** "Graduated from college and obtaining a career in the medical field."

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE **BOOK OF ALL TIME? " 'The** Twilight Saga.' I love romance novels."

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE **TOURIST DESTINATION IN** CHICAGO? "Probably the Willis (Sears) Tower. I love the view from the very top."

WHAT'S BEEN THE HIGH-LIGHT OF YOUR SWIMMING CAREER? "All the close friends

I made and getting the opportunity to be a captain this year. And of course my wonderful coaches who helped me throughout the past four years."

Rusek delivers under pressure

BY JONAH ROSENBLUM | Contributor | @Pioneer_PrepsJR

SKOKIE

Niles West's attack starts and stops with Olivia Rusek. Everyone knows that. Teammates and opponents alike.

"We knew that the ball was mostly going to be set to her so we were ready on defense, blocking," New Trier junior MC Magner said. "We were set up on her and we were just ready to get her."

On Oct. 18, Rusek started to feel that pressure as well. On a night when very few of her teammates could finish points against New Trier, Rusek felt the need to spike the ball from wherever she was. Ultimately, even her best effort wasn't enough, as the Wolves fell 25-

"There really was a lot of pressure, especially when they got on a run and we couldn't think of anything to stop them, so we'd have to set me back row or we'd have to change up the plays, and I felt a lot of pressure," Rusek said. "If someone missed it or missed it out or anything, we would all be down. We all knew we had to get it in and we had to be cautious about our hits."

The pressure on Rusek was exacerbated by teammate Krista Grunst's difficulties getting the ball past New Trier's tall blockers. The team's second-leading attacker. Grunst tried a variety of soft sets and spikes over the Trevians' front line with little success.

"They do have tall players and big blocks so it is kind of difficult to get the ball over the net sometimes," Grunst said. "I tried changing up the shots but it didn't really work."

So. Niles West looked toward its leader.

"Olivia's just like an amazing person," Grunst said. "She has such great character. She's such a good role model out there. She gives me energy. Having her on the team, it brings our energy up and it helps us pull ahead and get some wins out there."

While Rusek was unable to lead Niles West to an upset of one of the top teams in the state, it wasn't for a lack of big shots. In the second set, Rusek sent electricity sizzlina through the crowd when she gave the Wolves a 2-1 lead with one thunderous kill and sent

another hard kill off the back line to put Niles West ahead 4-3.

"A lot of our girls play with her, so we know that she's a great player, a great athlete, and that she's a threat from the front row as well as the back row." New Trier coach Hannah Hsieh said, "So, we tried to line up our blockers on her. We did a nice job. She still got her share of kills."

Indeed, Rusek tallied seven of Niles West's 12 kills while committing just three errors. Her kills alone accounted for nearly one-third of the Wolves' points on Thursday. Her teammates finished with 16 errors for a hitting percentage of -0.22.

And if New Trier's blocking and her teammates' struggles forced Rusek to put extra weight on her shoulders, it was a pressure that she not only

This Week Niles West

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Friday
At Playoffs - 1st Round vs.
Palatine

GIRLS SWIM/DIVE Hosts Glenbrook South, 5:30

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Today At Maine East Regional, 6 Tuesday At Niles North Sectional, 7 p.m. Thursday (11/1) At Niles North Sectional Champs, 7 p.m.

felt but embraced.

"I wasn't scared at all to hit." Rusek said. "I felt like when I went up there, I really wasn't worried about the block. I wanted to swing away. I knew I could hit over because of all the adrenaline from the game and everything."

entering the contest. Top players like junior safety/running back Nick Johnson, senior lineman Vaughn Monreal-Berner, senior lineman Dennis Gargovic and junior defensive back/receiver Garrett Iverson have battled injuries at times this season, but all have returned.

Baum has rotated two quarterbacks

all season, using sophomore Tommy Galanopoulos and senior Mike Mc-Givern, sometimes both on the same series. The coach said the two would continue to battle for playing time in practice this week.

Last Saturday night, many of the Wolves players got together to watch the IHSA playoff announcement on television, but Monreal-Berner was not among them. The senior said his team would have the same approach to the week regardless of the opponent.

"I wasn't watching (the announcement)" Monreal-Berner said. "I waited for teammates to tell me. ... To tell you the truth, I didn't really care who we have to play. It could be the best team in the state, we're still going to practice as hard as we can and we'll be looking to upset anyone in our path, make it to the next round and then go as far as we can."

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