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## SLATED TO WIN

Acting Mayor Robert Caliero (center) and members of the Continuing Economic Stability Party celebrate at the White Eagle Restaurant Niles. Callero was elected mayor of Niles with just under 50 percent of the vote. PAGE 7 (Rob Hart/Staff Photographer)

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**LIGHT FROM DARKNESS**  
Holocaust survivor Primo Fritzhall (left) and Gen. Colin Powell light a candle Thursday night during a short ceremony at the beginning of the Inaugural Gala for the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center in Chicago. The institution, which has attracted national and worldwide attention, opens April 19. See story page 6. (Dan Luedert/Staff Photographer)



MAINE DISTRICT 207

# 'In-house' choice tabbed for top spot

By TONY BERTUCA  
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Maine Township High School District 207 announced Monday that a familiar face would step in to take the reins as the new superintendent.

Dr. Ken Wallace, who has served as District 207 assistant superintendent for curriculum since 2005, will succeed Dr. Joel Morris and officially take over July 1, district officials said.

"As far as I'm concerned, this is as good as it gets," Wallace wrote in a statement sent to the media. "We have a great board, great teachers, great students and families, great communities and tradition, and it's the kind of place where a person can come in and be successful over the long run because of the type of support that District 207 offers. I feel very fortunate and blessed. It's on a short list of the best superintendent jobs available. If I have learned anything in my four years in 207, it's that you're only limited by your imagination. You can't say that about very many districts."

In choosing Wallace, a Park Ridge resident, for the \$195,000-a-year job, the district ends a three-month national search that drew more than 40 applicants from 10 states.

"We looked all over the country to find the best and brightest," Board of Education President Joann Braam wrote in a statement to the media. "It's no surprise that we

found that person right here in Maine Township High School District 207. We know him well. He is a bright, accomplished leader with a proven track record. He embraces collaborative decision-making and is passionate about making sure every student succeeds. We're very fortunate to have Ken as our new superintendent."

Before coming to District 207, Wallace worked for eight years as an assistant superintendent, high school principal and assistant principal in Indiana. His teaching background includes English, journalism, computer science, and stints as a head wrestling coach.

"I think people will have a built-in comfort level with me," he said. "They know I'm approachable, that I'm a good listener, that I take the welfare and benefit of the district very seriously, and they know my mission is to try to make District 207 a better place each and every day."

The district has several building projects lined up and Wallace said those would be a priority for him as well as ensuring the district spends wisely.

"We'll want to have a clear and articulate vision of how those things are going to be funded and how the funding of those projects is going to have an overall impact on the budget," he said. "One thing that we in District 207 have to do is to be a good steward for resources and make sure

that when we spend, we spend wisely and effectively and efficiently and that we are as efficient with every dollar we spend as possible."

When it came to academics, Wallace said District 207 would need to continue to respond to the educational needs of its diverse student population.

"One thing for sure is that we have a student population that is increasingly diverse and it's actually poorer than the student populations that have come before it," he said. "Either one of those alone generally has the impact of changing student performance. Those two things together almost certainly have the impact of changing student performance for a variety of reasons, but the research holds up from coast to coast. And so our great challenge, I think, is how to better meet the needs of an increasingly diverse population that has a variety of educational needs."

Again, the good thing we have going for us is that we have a board that's very sensitive to this issue and has a real commitment to do well for its students."

Wallace earned his Ph.D. in education from Indiana State University. He and his wife, Kristy, have three sons: Jesse, an Indiana University graduate; Gabe, a Maine South University student; and Dylan, a Maine South junior.

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# District 219 juggles bids for construction work

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The weight of construction which must be complete before Niles Township District 219 high schools open next fall ultimately persuaded a reluctant Robert Silverman to join his school board colleagues last week, and start the process to pre-approve 14 contracts before bids on them are opened later this month.

But Silverman persuaded them to make their vote contingent on successful bids getting another look by the board's facilities committee when it meets April 20. It was the one way, he said, that he could be comfortable with moves that could cost between \$3 and \$5 million.

A list of proposed 2009-10 capital projects which the board looked at in January included up to \$7.5 million in work, much of which administrators want to undertake over the summer.

Work covered by the 14 bids includes general construction, roofing and flooring, tile and carpeting work, painting, laboratory equipment, fire protection, electrical and plumbing, HVAC, electrical and technology work. Much of that will take place at Niles North High School.

"If it were a much lower dollar magnitude, I'd say go ahead, but an amount of that magnitude?" he asked, before threatening to vote against the recommendation by Paul O'Malley, the district's assistant superintendent for business.

The positive vote should allow the district to maneuver around the board's own schedule, and around project delays caused partly by illness at Legat Architects, which is handling the project.

Bids will be received April 16, reviewed by district, Legat and general contractor IHC officials, then given to the committee, with bid award rec-

ommendations. The board must still give final approval when it meets again April 28.

But waiting until that date to actually start the process would probably throw construction schedules into a cocked hat, Business Manager Paul O'Malley suggested, after board member Sheri Doniger asked how a delay might hurt the district.

For instance, multiple bids on the district's new STEM technology labs need to be coordinated, he said, which requires time. Work on installing new air handling units and chillers must also be done before school starts at Niles North, or school would begin without air conditioning, he said.

Silverman initially suggested that the vote exempt any single-source bids, or bids that weren't the lowest responsible bids, but agreed to routing all of them to committee.

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# Blase sentencing rescheduled to May 15

By TONY BERTUCA  
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The sentencing of former Niles mayor Nicholas Blase for federal charges of mail fraud and tax evasion has been rescheduled from April 9 to May 15,

according to court officials.

What prompted the change is unknown and attorneys in the matter could not be reached for comment.

Blase, 80, pleaded guilty Oct. 31 to one charge of mail fraud and

one charge of tax evasion in connection to his role in a scheme to steer Niles businesses to buy insurance from a Wheeling company that paid him \$420,000 kickbacks in return.

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The following incidents were listed in the official reports of the Niles Police Department. An arrest does not constitute a finding of guilt. Only a court of law can make that determination.

### DUI

■ Daniel Nagalski, 28, of 5409 W. Melrose St., Chicago, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol April 6 on the 7800 block of Milwaukee Avenue. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court April 27.

■ Gabriel Terrazas, 29, of 6186 N. Moody Ave., Chicago, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol April 5 on the corner of Milwaukee and Touhy avenues. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court May 14.

■ Laura Bachmann, 54, of 9785 Sumac Road, Des Plaines, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol April 14 on the 8500 block of West Golf Road. She was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court May 14.

■ Monica Majeski, 53, of 8809 W. Golf Road, Niles, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol April 4 on the 8500 block of West Golf Road. She was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court May 19.

■ Christian Walker, 30, of 1833 W. Messa Drive, Joliet, was charged with driving under the influence of drugs April 3 on the 8200 block of West Golf Road. He was released on \$3,000 bond and is due in court April 27.

■ Darius Shams, 23, of 7420 Camale Drive, Pensacola, Fla., was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol April 2 on the

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9000 block of North Milwaukee Avenue. He was released on \$3,000 bond and is due in court April 16.

■ Jose Patino, 44, of 8662 Gregory Lane, Des Plaines, was charged with aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol April 1 on the 8700 block of North Milwaukee Avenue. His bond was set at \$20,000 and he is due in court April 8.

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### THEFT

■ Jeremy Stom, 18, of 14 Jones Drive, Hawthorn Woods, was charged with retail theft April 3 after he allegedly stole \$168 of merchandise from a store on the 8500 block of West Golf Road. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court April 23.

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# Callero Niles' first new mayor in 47 years

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The Village of Niles has a new mayor for the first time in 47 years — Robert Callero.

"I'm not really a campaigner — I'm just a hard-working accountant," Callero said Tuesday night at his victory celebration at the White Eagle. "I'm excited about the next four years. I am already in mayor mode and I plan to keep on working to fix the village's flood problem, reforming our ethics policies, coming up with a comprehensive zoning plan, and taking care of our roads. It feels no different now than it did six months ago."

Callero was elevated from the post of trustee and named acting mayor in August after the resignation of long-time mayor Nicholas Blase. In his race for the mayor's seat he faced opposition from Trustee Kim Biederman,



Acting Mayor Robert Callero (second from left) stands with Louella Preston (center), Andrew Przybylo (second from right) and George Alpagianis (right) as they celebrate their victory in Niles with supporters at the White Eagle Restaurant. Callero was elected mayor of Niles and Preston, Przybylo, and Alpagianis all were elected to trustee posts. (Rob Hart/Staff Photographer)

newcomer Krzysztof "Chris" Hanusiak, cement worker Luigi Nitti, and real estate agent Carol Harczak.

With unofficial results from 96.97 percent of precincts reporting, Callero had 2,516 votes, Biederman was behind him with 1,387 votes, and Hanusiak had 1,034 votes. Nitti garnered 135 votes and Harczak had 106.

Other members of the Continuing Economic Sta-

bility Party, the slate composed mostly of incumbents that ran with Callero, were also victorious. (See related story.)

Callero acknowledged that the the campaign had grown tense and adversarial in recent months.

"I was ashamed at the way the campaign was run by certain candidates," he said. "But I am mayor now and I can work with anybody. I will work with anybody. I hope they

can work with me." Biederman and Hanusiak were seen as Callero's toughest competition during the campaign and were the only candidates to appear with him at two debates.

"It looks like Chris and I split most of the opposition," Biederman said. "There definitely is a huge portion of the village that wants a change and I hope people see that."

Biederman said she planned to continue to serve residents on the village board and pledged to work with Callero for the good of the community.

"I think I raised really important issues during the campaign about transparency and I plan to keep working for the residents," she said. "I think this race was very healthy for our village."

Hanusiak also said he planned to remain active in local politics.

"I plan on working with this government," he said.

### 2009 ELECTION RESULTS

Below are the unofficial vote totals in Niles contested races with the winners in bold. For more election stories and updates, visit [www.pioneerlocal.com/Niles](http://www.pioneerlocal.com/Niles)

<b>Mayor</b>		
Robert M. Callero	2,516	
Kim Biederman	1,387	
Luigi Nitti	135	
"Chris" Hanusiak	1,034	
Carol A. Harczak	106	
<b>Trustee (3)</b>		
Louella Preston	3,020	
George D. Alpagianis	2,788	
Andrew Przybylo	3,433	

Dan Ryan	1,553
Rosemary Palicki	1,935
<b>Niles District 71</b>	
Mary Krueger	951
Matthew Holbrook	774
Michelle L. Homme	731
Karen L. Johnson	841
Patrick Byrne	812
<b>Maine District 207 (4)</b>	
Margaret C. McGrath	12,507
Eldon E. Burk	9,030
Marijo G. Bustos	6,968
Edward B. Mueller	10,908
Jerry T. Kellogg	8,264
Eric Scott Leys	8,656

"I'm not going to fade into the landscape. We think we ran a quality race and we worked on things that we hope will continue to be talked about."

Prior to Callero's victory, Niles was presided over by ex-mayor Blase for 47 years. Blase pleaded guilty to federal charges of tax evasion and mail fraud in October and

is scheduled to be sentenced in May. He endorsed Callero in the race and gave him the support of many volunteers and precinct captains.

Callero said Blase visited the White Eagle Tuesday night to congratulate him.

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# Trustee slate featuring incumbents wins all three seats

By TONY BERTUCA  
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Three trustee candidates from the the Continuing Economic Stability Party, a slate composed mostly of incumbents, won election to the Niles village board Tuesday night.

Trustees Andrew Przybylo and Louella Preston, and restaurateur George Alpagianis, came out ahead of challengers Dan Ryan and Rosemary Palicki.

With unofficial results from 96.97 percent of precincts reporting, Przybylo received 3,433 votes,

Preston had 3,020, and Alpagianis had 2,788 votes. Palicki garnered 1,935 votes while Ryan's total came in at 1,553.

"I think people really saw the experience in our slate," Alpagianis said. "I truly believe that we can offer the stability the village needs right now. The

village has spoken."

But doubts persist regarding Alpagianis' political future and eligibility to serve. It was recently disclosed that Alpagianis has a felony record from his teen years and could be removed from office unless he is promptly pardoned by Gov. Pat Quinn.

If Alpagianis is removed from office his replacement will be named by Mayor Robert Callero, who also won election Tuesday night. Callero said he was not prepared to comment on the issue.

Alpagianis said he hoped anyone seeking to remove him would differ

from the wishes of the voters.

"The will of the people should stand," he said.

Meanwhile, candidate Ryan has said he has inquired with state authorities about filing a complaint against Alpagianis, but would not say if he planned to do so formally.

# Mueller, Leys, McGrath, Burk win in Maine Township District 207

By LYNNE STIEFFEL  
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Two of three incumbent board members were returned by voters to their seats on the Maine Township District 207 High School Board Tuesday.

Edward Mueller of Park Ridge and Eric Leys of Des Plaines will be joined by Margaret Mc-

Grath of Park Ridge, who was elected to her first public office, and Eldon Burk, currently a Des Plaines Library trustee.

Marijo Bustos, who had been appointed to the board in 2005, placed last among the six candidates on the ballot.

McGrath was the top vote-getter with 12,507 votes (with 98 percent of the vote counted). She at-

tributed her showing to a string of endorsements and name recognition from her work at the Center of Concern and at District 64.

"I've been out there getting my name out," she said Tuesday night. "I know people across all lines."

With Assistant Superintendent Ken Wallace named Mon-

day as the new superintendent, McGrath believes keeping the district's finances in good shape will be the board's main task.

"In the long term, a lot of the improvements (the board) has been making make sense," she said. "I want the school district to continue to move in the direction it is going."

As an attorney who ad-

vises employee pension funds, she'd like to investigate, however, whether the districts reserves ought to be invested a bit more aggressively.

Mueller, an eight-year incumbent, said he's learned a lot and "wanted to give it one more shot."

He said the board is already thinking ahead about its financial situation. A special meeting is

to be scheduled at the end of the month or in early May to head an update on financial projections.

McGrath, Mueller and Burk, who placed first through third, had been endorsed by the Maine Teachers Association and the District 207 Caucus.

Leys has been a board member since 2001.

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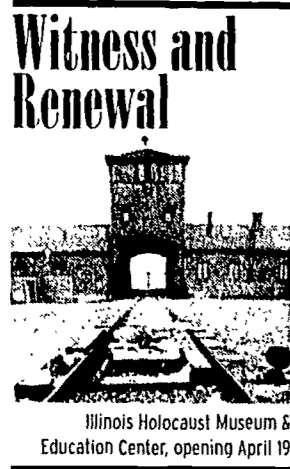
# Museum countdown begins with gala

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The six symbolic lights on top of the new Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Skokie lit up for the first time Thursday night, a reminder of the six million Jews who were killed during the Holocaust.

And that concluding gesture to a gala fundraiser on the museum grounds means that the countdown to the grand opening of the largest Holocaust museum in the Midwest is officially underway. On April 19, the long-anticipated opening of the museum will take place with thousands of people in attendance as well as dignitaries from across the country and even the world.

But Thursday night's event was special in its own right, the first tangible evidence for the public that what was once the impossible dream of a small



group of Holocaust survivors has become reality. The night opened with former secretary of state Gen. Colin Powell lighting a symbolic candle along with Holocaust Survivor Fritzie Fritzhall in an upper floor room of the museum building. They did so with two pieces of museum art in the background.

More than three hours later, Powell closed the evening by giving the keynote speech at a dinner held in an enormous tent across from the mu-



David Layman (center) of Glenview, seen here with Mary Elmers, designed the main exhibit at the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center in Skokie. Nearly 2,500 people turned out Thursday night for a fundraiser dinner to officially begin the countdown to the museum's grand opening on April 19. (Dan Luedert/Staff Photographer)

seum where nearly 2,500 people attended. At least half-dozen large monitors were scattered throughout the room, the only way this entire audience could see and hear Powell and the other speakers.

As powerful and eloquent as Powell's speech was, as special as it was to have Bill Kurtis emcee and Gov. Pat Quinn give

meaningful testimony to the importance of this new museum, the evening belonged to survivors or the museum planners who have worked with them for years.

Many of those people were there center stage Thursday; others did not live to see a day that they dreamed about for so long. And for everyone who was

there, this night was also about remembering those who did not survive the Holocaust but would now never be forgotten.

"The museum is an accomplishment that most of us never felt that we were going to see," said Aaron Elster, survivor and vice president of the Holocaust Memorial Foundation. "It's a great night, and it's a

monumental night for us. This museum is a learning institution, and it's a monument for people that we love and people that we lost because they have no cemeteries, they have no resting place. So this is a place where we can come to pay homage to them, tell them what they meant in our lives and tell them that our lives are basically empty without them. They have found a resting place."

Those in attendance Thursday were not granted a first-hand look at what this 65,000 square foot facility will offer — not yet anyway. But they sure got an enticing taste.

One of the brief films displayed over the monitors showed the inside of the museum, succinctly capturing world-class architect Stanley Tigerman's vision. He spent more than eight years shaping this timeless testament.

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# Gravity of event, new museum, not lost on attendees

"We need places like this. We must never forget. We must never, never forget. We need places like this to remember."

— Former Secretary of State Gen. Colin Powell.

By MIKE ISAACS  
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In the end, Thursday night's Inaugural Gala that

started the official countdown to the April 19 opening of the Holocaust Museum and Education Center was about people ... about people who lived through and died in the Holocaust, about survivors and their supports who banded together and committed themselves to making the museum happen.

Powell, the keynote speaker at Thursday's countdown event, recognized the gravity.

The facility, he said, is "a tribute to the millions of tragically lost souls that the building represents, for whom the building now bears witness to their loss and their sacrifice."

Powell called the Holocaust

"a colossal act of arson unprecedented in its scale with genocide its sole and evil purpose."

His eloquent and moving speech touched on larger issues of discrimination and the need for education. "We must take the memory of the Holocaust today and pass this on to our children and our chil-

dren's children," he said.

J.B. Pritzker, the project capital campaign chairman, said nearly \$40 million has been raised.

"How far we've come," he said. "Over 10 years, we've seen this museum sprout from an unlikely idea to an international institution. Survivors and their families, people of all

faiths and ages, corporate leaders and community activists are all committed to the same goal."

Holocaust Memorial Foundation President Sam Harris said he is one of many survivors who shared the same outlook in making the museum a re-

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# Movie theaters thriving in tough times

By LIZA ROCHE  
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That usual cold-weather get-away to Florida might have been a no-go this winter, but some local business owners — especially movie theater operators — say they are direct beneficiaries of those so-called "staycations."

For the past 10 weeks, box-office sales have been up over the same period in 2008 for Classic Cinemas, which operates more than a dozen theaters in the region, including the Lake Theatre in Oak Park and the York Theatre in Elmhurst, said Mark Mazrimas, the company's marketing director.

"Going to the movies is like taking a two-hour, sometimes plus, vacation," he said, adding it's escapism that is affordable.

Indeed, so far so good, said Andy DiOrto of AMC

Theatres, the chain that owns theaters in Skokie, Northbrook, South Barrington and Norridge.

"We've seen that when times are tough, basically guests may forego vacation or those long road trips, and instead turn to entertainment options that are closer to home," he said. "And movies are certainly right up their alley."

Overall movie box office admissions have increased in five of the last seven recession years, DiOrto said.

"As long as there's still good product to go see, guests still want that escape."

And local theater operators, who say their fate is largely determined by the quality of movies, say they're relieved that so far during this recessionary period, Hollywood studios have pumped out winners.

Academy Award winner "Slumdog Millionaire" is still playing in some of Classic Cinemas' theaters, said Mazrimas, adding that he is expecting a great start to the summer movie season.

He anticipates several hits, including the sequel "Night at the Museum 2," the prequel "X-Men Origins: Wolverine," and a new "Star Trek" movie that "could reinvigorate the franchise" in the same way the "Batman" franchise saw its star rise in recent years.

Instead of scaling back its business, Classic Cinemas has actually expanded it and increased investment, Mazrimas said. The chain has heavily invested in 3-D technology, with at least two 3-D screens in nine of its locations.

Dino Vlahakis, who operates Park Ridge's Pickwick Theatre, says he has a gut feeling that the

economy in general is going to improve sometime this summer, but regardless, movie theaters' biggest threat has never been hard economic times.

"The golden years of the theater was during the Depression," he said.

The biggest problem came several years ago during "the popcorn scare," when health experts gave out warnings about theaters' use of high-in-saturated-fat coconut oil for popping the familiar movie treat.

For longer than theater owners liked, nobody bought popcorn even though, Vlahakis said, a patron would have had to eat a "truckload" of popcorn to do real damage.

And even that crisis was averted. "We switched to canola oil," he said.

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winding hallways that will take visitors on unforgettable journeys to the quiet room with a dozen places for them to contemplate and reflect on what they have just seen, from the pronounced dark and light that will shape their experience there to dozens of

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### Holocaust

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ality. "We believed there was a way to overcome the past rather than let it overcome us," he said. "Tonight, we stand within reach of what seemed an impossible dream — the creation of a world-class Holocaust museum and education center. This marvelous facility holds our history, the fate of our families, our communities, and the world as we knew it. It shares history so completely and so compellingly that its relevance to the current day is unmistakable."

Harry Jelen, a member of the Foundation Board

and former president of the Second Generation group, remembered having to operate the Main Street museum on a shoestring.

"Here we are hopefully disseminating information to the world that the Holocaust did happen, unfortunately," he said. "It's wonderful to have a museum in Washington. It's wonderful to have a museum in Israel. But here for the Midwest, people will not go there but they will go here."

Richard S. Hirschhaut, executive director of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, has worked on the project for the last five years.

"We mark the many milestones leading to this long-awaited moment —

the opening our magnificent new museum," he said. "Never before have I been prouder or more humble. For as we gather this evening, we stand on the threshold of truly remarkable achievement."

David Layman of Glenview helped design the main exhibition in the museum.

"We're really excited about being able to see this whole thing come together," said Layman. "Everyone involved in this project have really been the salt of the earth. It's been for (survivors) that we've been pushing so hard to get this opened so quickly."

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# Opinion

## GUEST ESSAY

# Domestic abuse is defined by control

By **PHYLLIS A. DEMOTT**  
Rihanna and Chris Brown's relationship has been closely followed by the media recently. Unfortunately, not all of the information presented about violence in relationships has been accurate or unbiased. Some reports have even served to glamorize the abuse.

sive partner may become angry in public or with someone other than his partner, and these situations do not lead to immediate violent outbursts. Instead, an abuser will wait until he is alone with his victim before using physical violence. This shows clear control over his decisions.

to stay in a relationship, and returning does not excuse any future abuse.

**MYTH:** Both the abuser and the victim are responsible for the abuse in the relationship.

**FACT:** Responsibility and accountability should always be on the abusive partner. We don't blame a pedestrian for being hit by a drunk driver, nor do we blame the victims of identity theft. Battered women are victims of crimes perpetrated by their partners. Victims should never be blamed for the abuse they suffer.

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*Phyllis A. DeMott is executive director of A Safe Place*

It is common for victims to want the abuse to end, but not want the relationship to end.

As advocates for victims of domestic violence, A Safe Place hopes to open the discussion of domestic and dating violence and educate our whole community about the cycle of violence. Recent media reports state that the couple is back together. Here, we address commonly held myths about victims of domestic violence and offer the experiences victims face that make it so difficult to break free of their abusive partners.

**MYTH:** Victims must have done something to provoke or cause the abuse.

**FACT:** Nothing any victim may do excuses abuse. People outside the relationship may ask, "What did she do to make him hit her?" No one deserves to be beaten by anyone. Instead, the question should be, "Why does an abuser think violence is OK?"

**MYTH:** A victim is stupid or crazy for returning to the abuser.

**FACT:** On average, a victim will make seven attempts before successfully ending the relationship. The abusive relationship is cyclical, a constant circle of abuse, kindness, apologies, gifts, and forgiveness. It is common for victims to want the abuse to end, but not want the relationship to end. There are many reasons why a person would stay, including financial and emotional reasons. No victim should be judged or blamed for their decision

**MYTH:** Abuse happens when a person loses control or is angry.

**FACT:** Abuse is defined by control. Abusers manipulate their victims emotionally, financially and physically long before the first time they hit. Abusers make calculated choices about how to behave in a given situation to retain control over their victim. Abusers choose when and where to behave violently. An abu-

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# Spring ahead, fall slack



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"Pray tell, not another visit to the fast food fort."

"Well, the oxen are chewing cud and Styrofoam from McBugle's."

"What's that stump?"

"Johnny Applesseed sleeping off fermented cider."

Many years later, here at our little raised ranch on the prairie, I

peek out the window. The snow is gone. Birds are tweeting. The yard has formed a fossil layer of dog toys and mud.

Yes, spring brings sunshine, blossoms, warmer temperatures — and work.

Lots of work.

Our bodies emerge from hibernation. In less than two months, I face the horror of water parks and bathing suits. Other women will prance around in floral sarongs. My cover-up? Tarp from an airport hangar.

Elsewhere on the homestead, our vehicles are dusty with road salt. Ahh. My "Road Warrior" van. When I back out of our drive, a crazed Mohawk in chaps aims a flame-thrower at me.

Desperate for spring cleaning is our neglected garage, crammed with leftovers from a remodeling project.

"This has 'blowtorch' written all over it," mutters my husband.

"Look over there. The

boys' old crib," I say wistfully. "Oh ... and here's a photo from our honeymoon."

"And over here," he cracks, lifting wood planks, "Norman Bates' mother."

Wearing radiation suits, we begin to scrub with an arsenal of cleaners.

My eyes widen with excitement. "Wonder if we will find some rare gem and get rich on 'Antique Roadshow.'"

"Cheryl, Goodwill and Salvation Army wouldn't take this stuff. Even the Scrubbing Bubbles look hostile."

We finish the garage and return to our post-apocalyptic yard.

"That's not a yard, that's a meteor crater."

My husband hoists a rake. "Might as well get started."

I narrow my eyes. "What's that stump?"

"Kirby sleeping off Beggin' Strips."

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Noon - 3:00 P.M. Last Words  
Stations of the Cross - Small Church 3:00 P.M.  
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Holy Saturday, April 11th Easter Egg Hunt Back Yard 10:00 A.M.  
Blessing of the Easter Foods & Baskets - Small Church NOON  
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7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

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**Holy Thursday, April 9: 7:30 p.m.**

**Good Friday, April 10: 7:30 p.m.**

**Holy Saturday, April 11: 7:30 p.m.**

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**Holy Tuesday, April 7, 2009**  
7:00 p.m. Mass of Christ with Blessing of Holy Oils at All Saints Cathedral

**Holy Wednesday, April 8, 2009**  
7:00 p.m. Lenten Prayer Service

**Maundy Thursday, April 9, 2009**  
7:00 p.m. Commemoration of the Last Supper, Procession to the Repository Altar and Stripping of the Altars

**Good Friday, April 10, 2009**  
Our Cathedral will be open from 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**10:00 a.m.** Mass of the Pre-sanctified and Adoration of the Cross  
Opening of the Symbolic Grave of Christ

**3:00 p.m.** Walking the Stations of the Cross by families and youth  
7:00 p.m. Tenebrae and Lamentations of the Polish National Catholic Church

**Holy Saturday, April 11, 2009**  
10:00 a.m. Blessing of the new fire, the Paschal Candle and water  
11:00 a.m. Easter Food will be blessed after the service  
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3:00 P.M. Family Worship  
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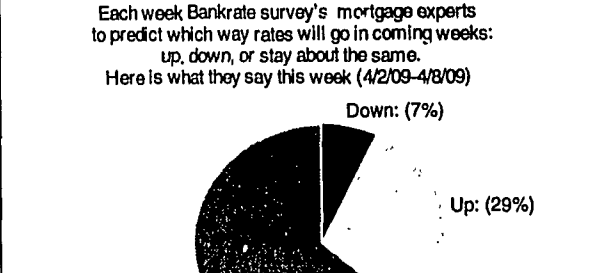
Here's what the monthly loan payment would be on a home mortgage loan using the following programs at prevailing interest rates

\$165,000 loan amount			
Loan Program	Rate	Monthly Payment	
1 yr ARM	5.21%	\$907.05	
5/1 ARM	5.23%	\$909.09	
15 yr fixed	4.73%	\$1,281.72	
30 yr fixed	5.13%	\$898.91	
\$435,000 loan amount			
30 yr jumbo	6.68%	\$2,801.19	

Source: Bankrate.com

	30 yr fixed	15 yr fixed	5 yr ARM
<b>This week</b>	5.13	4.73	5.23
Last week	5.19	4.80	5.21
<b>Last year</b>	6.12	5.70	6.04

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**MORTGAGE UPDATE**

**Mortgage rates drop to record low By Chris Kissell • Bankrate.com**

Mortgage rates dropped this week to their lowest level in the history of Bankrate's survey. The benchmark 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell 6 basis points, to 5.13 percent, according to the Bankrate.com's national survey of large lenders. A basis point is one-hundredth of 1 percentage point. The mortgages in this week's survey had an average total of 0.46 discount and origination points. One year ago, the 30-year fixed was 6.12 percent; four weeks ago, it was 5.41 percent. The benchmark 15-year, fixed-rate mortgage fell 7 basis points, to 4.73 percent. The benchmark 5/1 adjustable-rate mortgage rose 2 basis points, to 5.23 percent. Mortgage application activity ticked up just slightly for the week ending March 27, rising by a seasonally adjusted 3 percent compared with one week earlier, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association. Refinancing was up 3.7 percent while applications for new purchase rose by 0.1 percent. This week's readings show that activity remains strong one week after the MBA reported an increase of more than 32 percent in applications. Still, the MBA now forecasts 2009 mortgage originations to top \$2.78 trillion this year. That would make this year the fourth highest for originations, behind only 2002, 2003 and 2005, according to the MBA. Mortgage activity jumps. Lenders around the country say a "perfect storm" of record-low rates, government incentives and demand for refinancing has sparked a surge in mortgage activity.

Bob Moulton, CEO of Americana Mortgage Group in Manhasset, N.Y., says business has picked up dramatically in the past week. "When the media indicates that mortgage rates are in the 4s, it's a floodgate and the phones just ring incessantly," Moulton says. "We've been very, very busy. I haven't seen this type of volume probably in about five years." Steven Levitt, vice president of mortgage lending at Guaranteed Rate in Chicago, also says mortgage activity is "absolutely increasing." "I think we're actually experiencing the perfect storm right now," he says. Sue Woodard, a home loan originator for Lakeland Mortgage in Minneapolis, says, "Call volume is certainly very high." Chris Sipe, senior mortgage consultant at Mason Dixon Funding in Frederick, Md., says his office has been "swamped for months." Activity has increased so significantly that some lenders are struggling to meet demand. "The last two years have been pretty quiet, so (banks) laid people off," Moulton says. "Now, they have all this new volume and they don't have the staff to accommodate it." Refi mania All the lenders say refinances make up the bulk of recent mortgage activity. Dick Lepre says that "all the pickup is refi" at RPM Mortgage in San Francisco, where he is senior loan

officer. Meanwhile, Sipe says "refinance activity has been overwhelming." However, many lenders also report an increase in new purchase applications. "We're seeing a huge push right now on purchase transactions," says Levitt, who attributes the upswing to a combination of low rates and the arrival of the spring selling season. Jim Sahnger, a mortgage consultant with Palm Beach Financial Network in Stuart, Fla., says his office is handling more new purchases, a trend he expects will continue. "I see mortgage activity increasing for the next three to six months as more first-time homebuyers enter the mix," he says. Sipe says applications for new purchase also are up in Maryland over the past couple of weeks. But his optimism is measured. "The gestation period of a buyer in this market is similar to that of an African elephant: very, very long," he says. "There is a stockpile of buyers, but many are looking for something to pull the trigger." For these nervous buyers, rock-bottom prices -- not low rates or government stimulus -- remain the ultimate sales catalyst, according to Brian Peart, president of Nexus Financial Group in Atlanta. "It seems more foreclosure and deal-driven than rate-driven," he says. "The homes that seem to be moving on the market are the foreclosed ones. Buyers are only interested in deals."

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## Higher rates may be your 'reward'



STEPHANIE ZIMMERMANN

THE FIXER - Chicago Sun-Times

Dear Fixer: Please remind your readers to pay attention to the little extra pieces of paper that are being sent with their credit card bills. At first I heard about others having their interest rates inflated by as much as 10 percent — then it started to happen to me. My Bank of America credit card, my Chase credit card and my Discover card all sent notices that they were raising their rates on my balances. This is despite the fact that I have never been late with payments on any of these cards. True, they give you

the opportunity to "opt out" and close the account. I have done this with all three of these cards, but I am sure that some people never pay enough attention to these notices.

The only one who sent a separate notice by mail was Chase. All the others just sent a notice with the bill. When my daughter called to cancel one of her cards, she was actually told that the reason we have to pay higher interest rates is to offset those who are not paying their bills in these tough times. Sounds kind of silly, but this is the reward you get for paying your bills on time.

Peggy Sternal

Dear Peggy: Thanks for the heads-up. The Fixer has been hearing from other readers who've been surprised to find that the terms of their

credit cards have suddenly changed.

The good news is some of the most egregious credit card tricks would be banned under proposed legislation that's getting favorable treatment in the U.S. Senate and House. For more info, check out [www.creditcardreform.org](http://www.creditcardreform.org).

Getting the runaround about a consumer problem? Tell it to The Fixer at [www.pioneerlocal.com](http://www.pioneerlocal.com), where you'll find a simple form to fill out. If you don't have a computer, you can mail a brief description of your problem, along with your name, address and telephone number, to: The Fixer, 3701 W. Lake Ave., Glenview IL 60026. Don't send original documents. Because of the large volume of submissions, The Fixer can't make personal replies. Letters are edited for length and clarity.

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# Diversions

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A quartet of activities for the coming week.



Canadian Guitar Quartet

**1. The Canadian Guitar Quartet** performs as part of the Segovia Classical Guitar Series at 7:30 p.m. April 10 in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. \$11-\$24. (847) 467-4000 or [www.pickstaiger.org](http://www.pickstaiger.org).

**2. The Sassi Trio** and Andina & Rich perform at 8 p.m. April 11 at the Ethical Humanist Society Second Saturday Coffee-house, 7574 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. \$7. [www.ethicalhumanist.org](http://www.ethicalhumanist.org).

**3. The Montag Ensemble** performs "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Franz Joseph Haydn during an ecumenical service of music and meditation at noon April 10 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 205 N. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. Free-will offering. (847) 825-6659.

**4. "Dean Martin Songbook,"** starring Peter Oprisko, at 1:30 p.m. April 15 at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. (847) 677-7761 or [www.skokietheatre.com](http://www.skokietheatre.com).

## One man's valiant work to save Hal Foster legacy

**'A TRIBUTE TO HAL FOSTER'**  
Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday, through April 30.

By J.T. MORAND  
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Not recognizing Hal Foster for what he did for superheroes is like not recognizing what Henry Ford did for the automobile industry or what Bill Gates did for computers, insists Sid Weiskirch.

Foster was the artist who drew the Tarzan and Prince Valiant comic strips starting in the 1930s. But, since the comics were geared toward adults, they had more of a fine art and realistic quality to them, as opposed to anthropomorphised animals lampooning humans, such as Felix the Cat.

The quality of Foster's drawings, Weiskirch said, inspired other well drawn comic strips such as Buck Rogers, Flash Gordon, Superman, Batman, and the subsequent television cartoons and movies based on these characters and other superheroes.

"He started a trillion-dollar industry," Weiskirch said. "None of that would have happened without him."

Unfortunately, he

added, not many people know how significant Foster is.

Weiskirch hopes to change that with "A Tribute to Hal Foster," on display at the Lincolnwood Village Hall through April 30. Large copies of the comics Foster created along with informational material hang just outside the council chambers on the first floor.

Weiskirch, curator of the tribute and a Skokie resident, has been taking the exhibit to public galleries, such as village halls and libraries, for the past three years to educate the public about the artist, who lived in Evanston, Wilmette and Chicago, and to push for a permanent exhibit at one of Chicago's museums.

"No one ever gave him credit for what he did. That's the point of the exhibit," Weiskirch said. "Give him a permanent place because he deserves it."

Foster, he said, even helped save the newspaper industry during the Depression.

Joseph Neebe, an advertising executive at the Campbell Ewald agency, believed newspapers could sell ads on the comic pages if there was a strip that would attract adults. In 1929, Neebe convinced Tarzan author Edgar Rice Burroughs to



Skokie resident Sid Weiskirch, curator of the "A Tribute to Hal Foster" exhibit, hopes that Foster's work will one day find a permanent place in one of Chicago's museums. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)



Prints of artist Hal Foster's Tarzan and Prince Valiant (shown) comics are on display at Lincolnwood Village Hall through April 30. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)

feature his ape-man character in a strip, and artist Rex Maxon to do the drawings. But it wasn't until Foster took over as Tarzan artist that the strip really took off.

In 1937, Foster began drawing the Prince Valiant strip, which was hugely successful.

Today, Prince Valiant, drawn by Chicago-based artist Gary Gianni, is in 350 papers worldwide, Weiskirch said. Ironically, the strip isn't in any Chicago papers. The last time it ran in Chicago was 1974.

"There are two generations of people in Chicago who've never heard of him," he said.

But, some Lincolnwood residents are getting it.

One woman wrote on a legal pad left out for comments: "This is marvelous! I grew up reading Prince Valiant, and to know people still remember the part he played in comics history, and illustrations of all kinds, is wonderful. I hope to bring my husband, who loves Hal Foster, to see this exhibit."

Shirley Englestein, fine arts coordinator for the

Lincolnwood Village Hall, said she has seen people stop by to observe the exhibit. Speaking personally, she said, she wanted to display the exhibit because Hal Foster was an important part of her childhood.

"Lincolnwood people like comics," she said. "I like the idea of going back to my youth and sharing these things with my children and grandchildren. I really loved Prince Valiant. This was the beginning of the whole movement of superheroes."

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Curator Sid Weiskirch said Hal Foster created a trillion-dollar superhero industry with realistic drawings. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)



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HANNAH MONTANA: THE MOVIE

A teen pop star (Miley Cyrus) returns to her rural home town to reconnect with the simple things in life.

OBSERVE AND REPORT

A bipolar megalomaniacal security guard (Seth Rogen) clashes with a real-life detective (Ray Liotta) when a flasher targets the shoppers at his mall.

STILL PLAYING

ADVENTURELAND

An awkward, intellectually inclined college kid who had been planning to take a tour of Europe before going to grad school winds up instead working a nightmarish summer job at a cheesy Pittsburgh amusement park.

ALIEN TRESPASS

An alien and noted astronomer team up to capture a runaway monster in this sand-up of '50s sci-fi movies.

action and brief historical smoking.

FAST & FURIOUS

The cast of the original "The Fast and the Furious" street-racing undercover-cop saga (Vin Diesel, Paul Walker and Michelle Rodriguez) reunite to bust a heroin importer.

SIN NOMBRE

There's a slightly disconcerting strain of classic Hollywood in this story of love on the run in contemporary Mexico.

THE HAUNTING IN CONNECTICUT

A mother (Virginia Madsen) who relocates her ailing son to be closer to a hospital discovers she's sharing the house with unfriendly spirits.

MONSTERS VS. ALIENS

A monster-fied little girl helps a team of friendly monstrosities protect the Earth during an invasion from outer space.

12 ROUNDS

A detective (John Cena) must overcome 12 challenges to rescue his girlfriend from a man who kidnapped her for revenge.

DUPLICITY

A pair of corporate spies (Clive Owen, Julia Roberts) with a steamy past team up to con their bosses.

KNOWING

A professor (Nicolas Cage) deciphers a mathematical code from an unearthed time capsule that predicts future disasters.

I LOVE YOU, MAN

Realizing he has no one to ask to be the best man at his wedding, a groom (Paul Rudd) courts a new best-friend-forever (Jason Segel).

Rated R for pervasive language, including crude and sexual references.

SUNSHINE CLEANING

When she realizes her gifted/borderline-annoying son needs private school, a cash-strapped single mom (Amy Adams) goes into the lucrative (but extremely messy) crime-scene cleanup business with her slacker sister (Emily Blunt).

THE LAST HOUSE ON THE LEFT

Thugs who brutally assaulted two young women get painful payback at the home of one of the victims' parents in this remake of Wes Craven's 1972 shocker.

MISS MARCH

A young man who wakes up from a four-year coma discovers his former girlfriend is a Playboy Playmate - and decides to pick up where they left off.

RACE TO WITCH MOUNTAIN

A Las Vegas cab driver (Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson) assists a couple of kids with supernatural powers on a race to save the planet in this update of the '70s Disney adventures.

THE HORSEMEN

A grieving detective (Dennis Quaid) discovers a link between himself and a series of murders inspired by the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse.

CROSSING OVER

A "Crash"-like drama about immigrants of different nationalities who struggle to achieve legal status in Los Angeles.

CORALINE

Feisty, sassy, lonely little Coraline is feeling neglected in the new house her parents have

moved to, so she's receptive to the attentions paid to her by the seemingly perfect "Other Mother" and "Other Father" - until the ideal mom reveals herself as a nasty witch who collects children's souls by replacing their eyes with buttons.

FROST/NIXON

Screenwriter Peter Morgan adapted his Broadway play about the epic series of post-Watergate interviews between disgraced former president Richard Nixon and British chat show host David Frost.

PUSH

A group of young Americans with psychic and telekinetic abilities go on the run from a secret government agency trying to force them into service.

THE READER

Stephen Daldry directed the drama about the dour, distant Hanna (Kate Winslet), a woman with a couple of big-time secrets, who begins a summer-long affair with a bookish 15-year-old boy (David Kross).

TAKEN

A retired CIA field agent, who has given up the spy biz to be near his estranged teenage daughter, gets back in the game when she is kidnapped in Paris by white slavers.

THE WRESTLER

"The Wrestler" could have been a sentimental washout, with its story of a long-past-his-prime former superstar wrestler (Mickey Rourke) trying to find a way to fit into the straight world after a heart attack forces him out of the ring.

- Reviews by Bruce Ingram

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OBSERVE AND REPORT (R)

Fri-Thurs: 12:10-1:10-2:30-3:30-4:50-5:50-7:10-8:10-9:30-10:30

PARIS 36 (PG-13)

Fri-Thurs: 1:00-4:00-7:00-10:00

SIN NOMBRE (R)

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KNOWING (PG-13)

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# Shopping for justice

By BRUCE INGRAM  
Film Critic

## "OBSERVE AND REPORT"

★ ★ ★ 1/2

It's not much of a stretch to imagine a comedy about a security guard who thinks of himself as Dirty Harry while he patrols the mean mezzanines of a shopping mall. The concept becomes dangerously unstable, though, when it becomes apparent that our deluded hero also has a definite touch of Travis Bickle from "Taxi Driver" in his make-up — and a similar capacity for extreme violence.

Dangerously unstable, but fascinating in an easy sort of way. And occasionally very funny if

your sense of humor can accommodate some genuinely shocking breaches of movie propriety.

All of which is a roundabout way of saying that "Observe and Report" is not your typical mainstream, crowd-pleasing, cookie-cutter comedy. Like writer/director Jody Hill's debut film, the frequently excruciating indie comedy "The Foot Fist Way," it challenges you to accept an obnoxious, thoroughly unlikable main character in the role of the traditional underdog hero and makes you cringe almost every step of the way toward the ultimate triumph we've been conditioned to expect from such scenarios. In this case, Hill also makes it clear early on that there's no way to predict whether or not we'll eventually get there. And he

introduces the real possibility that the story could veer into truly dark, truly disturbing, even nightmarish territory.

"Paul Blart: Mall Cop," it's not. And it's worth a look, just for that reason.

Seth Rogen inverts his usual easy-going, gregarious, only intermittently obnoxious persona as Ronnie Barnhardt, the petty-fascist, megalomaniacal, seriously-out-of-touch-with-reality head of security for the Forest Ridge Mall. Ronnie lives with his sloppy-drunk alcoholic mother, pops bi-polar medication and nurses a crush for Brandi (Anna Faris in a courageously unflattering performance), a pre-blowy blonde bimbo who works in the mall at a department store makeup counter.

There's not much opportunity at the mall for



Anna Faris and Seth Rogen in "Observe and Report."

Ronnie to live up to his image of himself as "the only thing standing between the light and the darkness" and "the hammer in the right hand of all that is good" until a flasher begins to terrorize female shoppers by day and a serial burglar starts cleaning out the mall shops at night. Unfortunately for him, manage-

ment brings in a real-world detective (Ray Liotta) to work on the case and their jurisdictional clash leads to humiliation that threatens Ronnie's carefully constructed self-image — and places everyone around him, potentially, in serious danger.

There's definitely something to be said for a comedy that makes you

wonder halfway through if you're about to be plunged into a horror-show about a lone-psycho going on a murderous rampage.

There are plenty of comedies out there that might prompt a laugh or two. "Observe and Report" will make you laugh and squirm.

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## FAMILY FRIENDLY

# Dreams come true in 'Cinderella' at Stahl Family Theatre

By MYRNA PETLICKI  
Contributor

Every little girl dreams of being a princess one day, Katie Justice said. The actor is getting her chance as the title character in Chicago Kids Company's "Cinderella," April 14-July 16 at Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago.

Justice described Cinderella as "a dreamer. She's a nice person and everybody loves her — except her stepsisters and stepmother. She dreams about something different, about seeing the world and discovering things."

When Cinderella is told she can go to the Prince's Ball, it seems as if that "something different" is in her near future. Then her stepmother changes her mind and loads Cinderella with chores. "She's very upset," thinking her dreams won't come true,

Justice related.

A magical transformation allows her to attend that ball and meet the man of her dreams. "Here's this wonderful person who seems to like her just as much as she likes him," Justice said.

Cinderella's rags-to-riches wish comes true in Jesus Perez (adaptation) and Paige Coffman's (music) original rendition of the classic fairy tale. Little princes and princesses — and their families — will love it.

Tickets are \$10. For details, call (773) 205-9600.

### Swedish stay-cation

Make reservations soon if you want to join other families with children in kindergarten through third grade for Adventure Club "Travels to the Land of the Midnight Sun. The "trip" runs from 4-5 p.m. on Friday, April 17, at Skokie

Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. It's a chance to learn about one of the northernmost countries of the world.

For details, call (847) 324-3149.

### Explore science

Kids ages 10 and up, as well as adults, are invited to investigate The World of Nanotechnology, 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Registration is required for this program led by Dr. Sandra Bishoni, professor of chemistry at Illinois Institute of Technology. You will learn about the possible effects of nanotechnology on the environment.

For details, call (847) 965-4220.

### Dream job

Skeeter likes to tell his niece and nephew bedtime stories when he baby-sits

for them. But when they supply bizarre endings — that start coming true — he begins hoping they can create a happy ending for him in "Bedtime Stories." The 2008, 99-minute PG movie is being screened at 7 p.m. Friday, April 10, at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St.

For details, call (847) 324-3149.

### Start 'em young

It's never too early to introduce kids to the wonders of books. That's why the Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave. is launching its Beginning with Books program for infants to 2-year-olds, at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 16. Registration is required for this program of stories, songs and activities for kids and caregivers.

For details, call (847) 677-5277, Ext. 234.

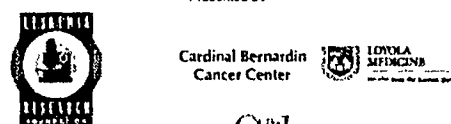


Cinderella gets put to work, but doesn't stop dreaming, in Chicago Kids Company's production of the classic tale at Stahl Family Theatre.

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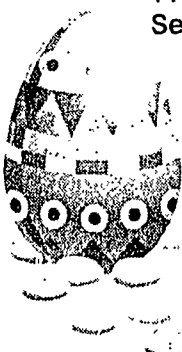
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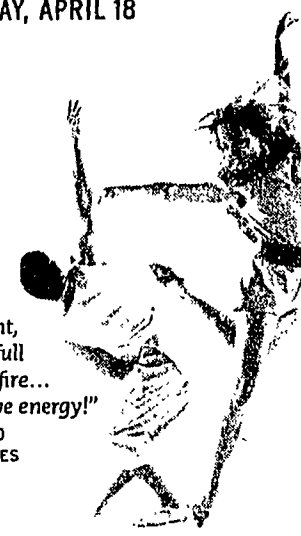
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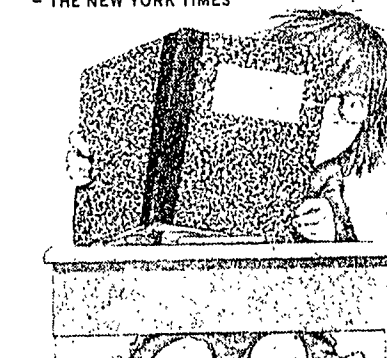


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"Altered State U" will be presented by Still Acting Up!, a senior adult performance troupe sponsored by the Skokie Park District, at 11:30 a.m. April 28 at the Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. (847) 929-5101.

"And Then They Came For Me... Remembering the World of Anne Frank," at 8 p.m. April 11 and 2 and 7 p.m. April 12 at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Tickets: \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokieitheatre.com.

"Arsenic and Old Lace," at 7:30 p.m. April 11 in the James Downing Theatre at the John Waldron Arts Center, 6740 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago. Tickets: \$15-\$20. (773) 792-3030 or www.edison-parkumc.com.

"Disappearing Acts: Stories By Nikolai Gogol," April 27-May 31 at Piven Theatre, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Curtain at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday: 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25; \$23 for students and seniors. Previews 7:30 p.m. April 25 and 2:30 p.m. April 26; \$15. Theatre Thursdays: \$5 tickets available, subject to availability. (847) 866-8049.

"The Illusion" at 8 p.m. April 24-25 and April 30-May 2, and 2 p.m. April 26 and May 3 in Northwestern University's Josephine Louis Theater, 20 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. An unyielding father is filled with regret after giving his son no alternative but to flee the family home. Through the help of a magician, he is allowed to view three scenes from his son's life. Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern.edu.

"Jesus Christ Superstar," starring Ted Neeley, at 8 p.m. April 30 and May 1; and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. May 2 at the Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets: \$35-\$69. Visit www.ticketmaster.com or call (800) 448-4848.

"No Laughing In the War Room: El Máximo and the Performance of International Threat in 1959," at 8 p.m. April 10 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. April 11 in Northwestern University's Annie May Swift Studio Space, 1920 Campus Drive, Evanston. Adapted from primary source texts and directed by performance studies senior Sydney Howe, this performance hour explores the origins of animosity between the United States and Castro's Cuba. General admission is \$5. Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern.edu.

Northminster Players will present two one-act French plays, "The Apollo of Bellac" by Jean Girardoux and "Cecile" by Jean Anouilh, in staged readings at 7:30 p.m. April 17-18 and 24-25 and 3 p.m. April 19 and 26 at 2515 Central Park Ave., Evanston. Tickets: \$10. Call (224) 545-1560.

"Rough Crossing," presented by Piccolo Theatre April 24-May 30 at the Evanston Arts Depot, 600 Main St., Evanston. Curtain at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25; \$20 seniors; \$15 students and children. Call (847) 424-0089 or visit www.piccolotheatre.com.

"The Shape of a Girl," presented through April 12 by Pegasus Players in the O'Rourke Center at Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson Ave., Chicago. Performances at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$17-\$25. (773) 878-9761 or www.pegasusplayers.org.

"Someone Who'll Watch Over Me," presented by Shapeshifters Theatre April 17-May 9 at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox, Chicago. The story unfolds as an Irishman, an English man and an American find themselves unwilling cellmates as they

**Leopold, Loeb's chilling words part of Northwestern exhibit**

**'THE MURDER THAT WOULDN'T DIE: LEOPOLD & LOEB IN ARTIFACT, FACT, AND FICTION'** through April 30 at Northwestern University Library, 1970 Campus Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-7658 or www.library.northwestern.edu.

By **ROBERT LOERZEL**  
Contributor

Hundreds of students walk into the Northwestern University Library in Evanston every day. As they enter the building, some pause to look at an exhibit about two young men from 85 years ago — a couple of bright guys who would have looked like honors students if you happened to see them sitting in a college classroom.

Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb might have appeared to be fairly normal youths, not all that

much different from the students you see walking around campus today, but there was something abnormal about them.

For reasons that still remain mysterious and almost unfathomable, in 1924 the two wealthy young geniuses from Chicago's Hyde Park decided to plot the "perfect crime," kidnapping a 14-year-old they'd chosen at random, Bobby Franks, smothering the boy and crushing in his head with a chisel. Despite their arrogant belief that they would avoid detection, Leopold and Loeb were arrested. Their case became one of the most famous in Chicago's history, often called "the Crime of the Century."

Leopold and Loeb's confessions, ransom notes and court transcripts ended up in the special collections at Northwestern's library, donated by an attorney and psychiatrist involved in the case. That's why Evanston is such an important destination for writers and researchers who want to know the facts about Leopold and Loeb.

And now, through April 30, anyone can take a look at some of those documents in display cases in the library's main lobby, along with blown-up photos of the killers, their victim and defense attorney Clarence Darrow, who successfully argued that their lives should be spared.

Nina Barrett, a writer for the library who curated the exhibit, says she was eager to show people a few examples of the many fascinating documents that are stored away at the library, available for inspection if you just know where to look.

It's like a big museum, but in a museum all the stuff would be out on display," she says, adding that she hopes the exhibit encourages students and visitors to seek out original documents on whatever topics interest them.

The library is where author Simon Baatz found much of the material for his recent book, "For the Thrill of It: Leopold, Loeb, and the Murder that Shocked Chicago." Barrett says. "His jaw dropped when he found out Northwestern had all this material," Barrett says. Barrett has read the typed transcripts that the Cook County State's Attorney's Office took when Leopold and Loeb confessed. "They're weirdly frank," she says. "These transcripts sound absolutely candid."

And disturbing. "There is just something about these artifacts that sends a chill up your spine," Barrett says.

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Nina Barrett, curator of the Northwestern University Library exhibit on the Leopold and Loeb murder case, stands at one of the display cases, with photos of Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb on the wall behind her. (Photo by Robert Loerzel)

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"Sunday in the Park with George," presented April 24-May 17 by Big Noise Theatre Company, a division of Winnetka Theatre, at The Prairie Lakes Theatre, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines. Performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$20; \$18 for senior citizens; \$12 for children 12 and under. Visit [www.big-noisetheatre.org](http://www.big-noisetheatre.org) or call (847) 604-0275.

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The Allegro Handbell Ensemble will perform at 3 p.m. April 26 at St. Mary of the Woods School, 7033 N. Moselle Ave., Chicago. The programs include sacred and secular music ranging from the 17th to the 21st century. Free-will donation. (773) 763-0206.

Allstate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or (312) 559-

1212; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The information line is (847) 635-6601. May 21, 7:30 p.m.: Violinist and conductor André Rieu and his Johann Strauss Orchestra. Tickets: \$50-\$159.

Ars Viva, conducted by Alan Heatherington, performs at North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. [www.arsviva.org](http://www.arsviva.org). Tickets: \$64 box seats; \$45 reserved; \$40 seniors; \$16 students. April 26, 4:30 p.m., and April 27, 7:30 p.m.: "Beauty & Brilliance." Liszt: Les Pretudes; Hindemith: Mathis der Maler.

Bach Week Festival, April 24 and 26 at the Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Will feature the Bach Week Festival Orchestra, chorus and soloists. April 24, 7:30 p.m.: Bach works for solo harpsichord, with Chicago keyboard artist David Schrader, including Prelude and Fugue in A Minor; Capriccio in B-flat Major; On the Departure of his Most Beloved Brother; Toccata in C Minor; Partita No. 1 in B-flat Major; Partite diverse sopra il Corale, "O Gott, du frommer Gott"; and Chromatic Fantasy and Fugue in D Minor. April 26, 7:30 p.m.: Works of J.S. Bach, including Cantata, BWV 51, Juchzet Gott in allen Landen; Concerto in A Major for Oboe d'amore; Motet, BWV 226, Der Geist hilt unsrer Schwachheit auf; Suite No. 1 in G Major for violoncello; and Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 in D Major. Tickets: \$25-\$35. Call (800) 595-4849 or visit [www.bachweek.org](http://www.bachweek.org).

Baroque Band, a period-instrument orchestra's performs in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Single tickets are \$30; \$27 senior citizens; \$15 students. Call (312) 235-2368 or visit [www.baroqueband.org](http://www.baroqueband.org). April 14: Han-

del's "Dublin" Messiah. June 6: "Reach for the Skies."  
Chicago a cappella performs in the Nichols Concert Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets are \$35 for preferred seating, \$28 for general admission, \$22 for seniors and students. Call (773) 755-1620 or see [www.chicagoacappella.org](http://www.chicagoacappella.org). April 19, 4 p.m.: "Chansons d'Amour: April in Paris," featuring 15th Century Parisian chansons to French Impressionist works of Debussy.

Chicago Chamber Musicians, (312) 225-5226. [www.chicagochambermusic.org](http://www.chicagochambermusic.org). Concerts are held at 7:30 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall on Northwestern University's campus, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Tickets: \$20-\$40. April 19: Beethoven: Piano Trio in D Major, Op. 70, No. 1; Sextet for Winds in E-flat Major, Op. 71; and String Quartet in C-sharp Minor, Op. 131. Chicago Master Singers, directed by Alan Heatherington, performs at Divine Word Chapel, 2001 Waukegan Road, Techny. For information, call (877) 825-5267 or visit [www.chicagomas- tersingers.org](http://www.chicagomas- tersingers.org). Ticket prices: preferred seating \$48, general seating \$38, side seating \$28; discounts available for seniors and youth/students. April 17, 7:30 p.m., and April 19, 7 p.m.: Schubert: Mass in A-flat; Lauridsen: "Lux aeterna," with the Ars Viva Symphony Orchestra. Soloists will be soprano Elizabeth Norman, mezzo-soprano Teresa Brancaccio, tenor Kurt Hansen, and bass-baritone Peter Van de Graaff. The Chicago Philharmonic Orchestra performs at 7 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall on the Northwestern University campus, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 866-6888. [www.chicagophilharmonic.org](http://www.chicagophilharmonic.org). Tickets are \$70 on the main floor; \$33 main front wings; \$60, \$33 and \$20 in the

balcony; \$20 obstructed view. Student tickets are \$10, available in the lobby before the performance. May 31: "The Emperor Reigns," with Jeffrey Siegel, piano soloist; Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 5 in E-flat Major, Op. 73 ("Emperor"); Shostakovich: Symphony No. 9 in E-flat Major, Op. 70.

Evanston Chapter, Lyric Opera of Chicago will present its annual spring musical program at 3 p.m. April 26 at Three Crowns Park, 2323 McDaniel, Evanston. Proceeds from the Lincolnwood Elementary School, Chicago Folks Opera! will present "Musical Bonbons," featuring arias and duets from early 20th century Viennese operettas with original translations. Cost is \$8 for members, \$10 guests. Call (847) 328-0158 or (847) 478-1100.

Evanston Symphony Orchestra performs at 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 864-8804. [www.evanstonsymphony.org](http://www.evanstonsymphony.org). Tickets in advance are \$25; \$20 for senior citizens; \$5 for students. Tickets at the door are \$28; \$23 for seniors; \$5 for students. May 2: "The Passionate Piano," with guest artist Cameron Smith. The program includes works by Brahms and Tchaikovsky.

Lullin Hall at Northwestern University, 700 University Place, Evanston. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public; senior citizens and NU faculty and staff; and student rate. (847) 467-4000. April 10, 7:30 p.m.: Faculty recital, James Giles, piano, and Ilya Kalev, violin. The program includes Schubert's Sonata in A Major, Brahms' Sonata No. 1 in D Minor, Bartok's Rhapsody No. 1 ("Folk Dances"), Ysaye's "Poeme elegiaque" and Paganini's "La Campanella." \$9/\$7/\$5. April 19, 3 p.m.: Samuel and Elinor Thaviv Endowed Scholarship Competition in String Per-

formance. Free. April 20, 7 p.m.: Richard Goode piano master class. Free. April 21, 7 p.m.: Richard Goode art song master class. Free. April 25, 3 p.m.: Thaviv-Isaak Endowed Piano Scholarship Competition. Free. April 29, 7:30 p.m.: Faculty recital, A Trio of S. No. 3; Ludwig Spohr. Performers will include soprano Pamela Hinchman, clarinetist J. Lawrie Bloom, horn player Gail Williams and pianist Alan Chou. The program will feature Ludwig Spohr's "Six German Lieder," Quintet in C Minor and "Tantaisie and Variations on a Theme of Danzi." \$12/\$9/\$6. May 4, 7:30 p.m.: Faculty pianist Elizabeth Buccheri and Sylvia Wang will present William Bolcom's "Abendmusik," Antonin Dvorak's "Legends," and Leonard Bernstein's "Symphonic Dances" from "West Side Story." \$9/\$7/\$5. May 7, 7:30 p.m.: The Chavivari Quintet and a group of Bienen School of Music woodwind students will appear in concert. The program includes Maurice Ravel's "Le Tombeau de Couperin" for woodwind quintet and harp, Carl Nielsen's Woodwind Quintet, and Emile Bernard's Offertorium for double woodwind quintet. \$9/\$7/\$5. May 9, 7:30 p.m.: The Bienen School of Music's Guitar Ensemble will perform a Suite from Georges Bizet's "Carmen," Dusan Bogdanovic's "Simple Polymeric Studies," the premiere of Matthew Finian's Concerto for Two Guitars and Guitar Ensemble, and trios and quartets by Filippo Gragnani and Luigi Boccherini. \$7/\$5/\$4. May 17, 3 p.m.: The Women's Chorus and the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Men's Chorus will present an afternoon of choral favorites. \$7/\$5/\$4.

Alice Miller Chapel at Northwestern University, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston. Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000. April 17, 7:30 p.m.: University Chorale and Baroque Music Ensemble, Bach's Mass in B Minor. \$12/\$9/\$6. May 17, 7 p.m.: The Alice Miller Spring Festival will feature a performance of Georg Philipp Telemann's "Der Tag des Gerichts." Performers include the Baroque Music Ensemble, the

North Shore Chapel Choir and soloists. Admission is a free-will offering. "Monday Music at Miller," a monthly music performance series, will be held from 12:15-12:45 p.m. May 4 and June 1 at Northwestern University's Alice S. Miller Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston. Free. Attendees may bring a sack lunch to eat inside the chapel. [www.northwestern.edu/chaplain/purpose.html](http://www.northwestern.edu/chaplain/purpose.html).

Musica of the Baroque performs at First United Methodist Church of Evanston, 1630 Hinman Ave., unless noted otherwise. (312) 551-1414. [www.baroque.org](http://www.baroque.org). Single tickets are \$30-\$75; \$25-\$30 students/seniors. May 17, 7:30 p.m.: "Musical Fireworks," featuring Music of the Baroque Orchestra, Nicholas Kraemer, conductor. The program includes Handel: Concerto a due cori No. 2 in F Major; Haydn: Symphony No. 80 in D Minor; Haydn: Symphony No. 92 in G Major (Oxford); and Handel: Music for the Royal Fireworks. \$15/\$10/\$5. May 31, 7:30 p.m.: "Musical Fireworks," featuring Music of the Baroque Orchestra, Nicholas Kraemer, conductor. The program includes Handel: Concerto a due cori No. 2 in F Major; Haydn: Symphony No. 80 in D Minor; Haydn: Symphony No. 92 in G Major (Oxford); and Handel: Music for the Royal Fireworks. \$15/\$10/\$5. May 31, 7:30 p.m.: "Musical Fireworks," featuring Music of the Baroque Orchestra, Nicholas Kraemer, conductor. The program includes Handel: Concerto a due cori No. 2 in F Major; Haydn: Symphony No. 80 in D Minor; Haydn: Symphony No. 92 in G Major (Oxford); and Handel: Music for the Royal Fireworks. \$15/\$10/\$5.

Northwest Symphony Orchestra, Paul Vermet, music director, presents concerts at 3:30 p.m. Sundays in the Theatre for the Performing Arts at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. Pre-concert commentaries by Carolyn Paulin, a staff member of radio station WFMT, begin one hour prior to each concert. Tickets: \$20; \$15 for seniors; \$10 for students. Children under age 14 are admitted free when accompanied by a paying adult. [www.northwestsymphony.org](http://www.northwestsymphony.org). May 31: Family Pops Concert with Allan Steele, cello. Offenbach: Ballet Parodies; Lloyd Webber: "Memory" from "Cats"; Williams: "E.T. (Nightmares); Williams: Pieces from "Schindler's List"; Dvorak: Cello Concerto.

The Orion Ensemble performs at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets are \$25; \$22 for senior citizens; \$10 for students. Free for children 12 and younger. (630) 628-9591 or [www.orionensemble.org](http://www.orionensemble.org). June 7, 7:30 p.m.: Featuring guest violinist Baird Dodge of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. The program includes John Williams' theme from "Schindler's List," Beethoven's Variations on a Theme from Mozart's "Don Giovanni," adapted for clarinet and piano by Simeon Belinson, and Liszt's Fantasy on Themes from Verdi's "Rigoletto" for piano.

Park Ridge Civic Orchestra presents concerts at the Pickwick Theatre, 5 S. Prospect, Park Ridge. Tickets are \$25; \$20 for students and senior citizens. Call (847) 692-PKCO or (847) 823-8861 or visit [www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org](http://www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org). April 26, 2:30 p.m.: The Spirit of Brahms: A German Requiem, with the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra Chorus, the Park Ridge Community Church Chancel Choir, the Music Institute of Chicago Chorale, Sarah Hubbard, soprano soloist, and Peter Van de Graaff, bass-baritone soloist.

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000. [www.pickstaiger.org](http://www.pickstaiger.org). Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public; senior citizens and NU faculty and staff; and student rate. April 9, 7:30 p.m.: TangoRhythmia. She-e Wu, marimba player, will join guest percussionist Bob Becker, bandoneon virtuoso Peter Soave and Northwestern's Percussion Ensemble in a program of tango-inspired music written by a variety of composers ranging from J.S. Bach to Astor Piazzolla. \$14/\$10/\$6. April 13, 6 p.m.: Northwestern Concerto/Aria Competition. Free. April 18, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra, "American Explorer," featuring pianist Sylvia Wang and horn player Gail Williams. The program includes Edward Joseph Collins' Piano Concerto No. 2 in A Minor (Concert Piece); Peter Liebermann's Horn Concerto; and the world premiere of Tom Pierson's Symphony. \$9/\$7/\$5. April 20, 7:30 p.m.: Movie Music Festival, Contemporary Music Ensemble. Free. April 21, 7:30 p.m.: Movie Music Festival, Stu-

dent Advisory Board Festival Orchestra. Ryan T. Nelson will conduct a program featuring music from "The Lord of the Rings," "The Pirates of the Caribbean," "The Dark Knight" and more. Free. April 22, 7:30 p.m.: Richard Goode, piano, performs J.S. Bach's "French Suite" No. 5 in G Major and Preludes and Fugues in C Major, A Minor and E Major from "The Well-Tempered Clavier"; Book II and Frederic Chopin's Scherzo No. 3 in C-sharp Minor, Polonaise-fantaisie in A-flat Major, two nocturnes, three waltzes and five mazurkas. \$22/\$20/\$10. April 24, 7:30 p.m.: Symphonic Wind Ensemble presents Francis Poulenc's "Suite Française." The program also includes Ned Rorem's Sinfonia for 15 Wind Instruments and Ravel and Hindley's arrangement of Modest Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition." \$7/\$5/\$4. May 1, 7:30 p.m.: Pianist Jeffrey Siegel will present a Keyboard Conversations performance titled "Musical Pictures." The program includes Rachmaninoff's "Etudes-tableaux," Debussy's "Preludes" and Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition." \$23/\$21/\$16. May 2, 7:30 p.m.: The Northwestern University Chamber Orchestra, with Ellen Huntling as flute soloist. The program will include Bernhard Romberg's Flute Concerto and Anton Bruckner's Symphony No. 4 "Romantic." \$7/\$5/\$4. May 9-10, 7:30 p.m.: The Northwestern University Symphony Choir and Symphony Orchestra will present Carl Orff's cantata, "Carmina Burana." Robert A. Harris and Emanuele Andrizzi will conduct, and Samantha Barnes will be the soprano soloist. Both concerts will also include Ottorino Respighi's "Pini di Roma" ("Pines of Rome") and Carlisle Floyd's "Ain't It a Pretty Night?" from his American folk opera, "Susannah." \$12/\$9/\$6. May 28, 7:30 p.m.: The Philharmonia, conducted by Robert G. Hasty and Ya-Hui Cheng, with flute soloist Elizabeth Delorit will present Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsody" No. 2 in D Minor, Mozart's Flute Concerto No. 1 in G Major, and Borodin's Symphony No. 2 in B Minor. \$7/\$5/\$4. May 29, 7:30 p.m.: The University Chorale, Chorus and Singers will perform during the Graduate Conductors' Concert. Adam J. Hightower, Nicholas McBride, Molbe Stone and Thomas Tropp will conduct a program of secular and sacred choral works. \$7/\$5/\$4. May 30, 7:30 p.m.: The Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra will present a "Sounds of Europe" concert. Victor Yampolsky will conduct a program that includes "Iberia" by Claude Debussy, "Le Roi Lear" ("King Lear") by Hector Berlioz, and Symphony in D Minor by Cesar Franck. \$9/\$7/\$5. June 4, 7:30 p.m.: Robert G. Hasty will conduct the Northwestern University Chamber Orchestra's "Music of Their Youth" concert. Featured soloists will include Northwestern saxophone professor Frederick L. Hemke and violinist Kristin Figart. Concerto for Saxophone and Viola by Samuel Foster Hall and Symphony No. 1 in F Minor by Dmitri Shostakovich are among works on the program. \$7/\$5/\$4.

Ravinia Festival, Lake Cook and Green Bay roads, Highland Park. (847) 266-5100. [www.ravinia.org](http://www.ravinia.org). Rising Stars concerts are held at 8 p.m. in Bennett-Gordon Hall. Tickets are \$20. April 17: Roberto Piano, piano. R. Schumann: Davidsbündertänze, Op. 6; Mozart: Sonata in B-flat Major, K. 333; Bartok: Sonata Sz. 80; Dohnányi: Concert Etude in B-flat Major, Op. 28, No. 4. April 24: The Harlem Quartet. Haydn: String Quartet in D Minor, Hob. III: 76 ("Fifths"); Ravel: String Quartet in F Major; Turina: La Oracion del Torero; Marsalis: At the Octoroon Baths; Ellington: Take the A Train. May 8: Musicians from Marlboro featuring Lily Francis,

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Centre East will present a performance by River North Dance Academy at 8 p.m. April 18 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. The program is an encore of the company's recent show at Chicago's Harris Theater including "Uhuru," "Beat," "A Mi Manera," "Pulse," "Train" and "Underground Movements." Tickets are \$46. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit [www.centreast.org](http://www.centreast.org).

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the TFB Band. **Wednesdays**, 5:30 p.m.: **North Shore Steppin' (DJ)**. **Wednesdays**, 10:30 p.m.: **John Nance Urban Dance Mix (DJ)**. April 9, 6:15 p.m.: **Afton Presents (rock)**. April 10, 5:30 p.m.: **The Sidemen Big Band Jazz**. April 10, 8:30 p.m.: **TRC Reggae Show**. April 11, 8:30 p.m.: **Lurie Bell Blues Band**. April 11, 11:30

p.m.: **TRC Events Presents (world music)**. April 12, 7 p.m.: **Lil Fest Presents (folk/rock)**. April 12, 10 p.m.: **L.O.D./G.R.G. Presents (hip-hop)**. April 16, 7 p.m.: **14 Miles To Empty (rock)**. April 17, 5:30 p.m.: **Prohibition Orchestra of Chicago Big Band Jazz**. April 17, 8:30 p.m.: **TRC Reggae Show**. April 18, 3 p.m.: **Afton Presents**. April 18, 8:30 p.m.: **Eddy Clearwater Blues Band**. April 18, 11:30 p.m.: **TRC Events Presents (world music)**. April 19, 7 p.m.: **Amy Speace (folk)**.

**The Celtic Knot Public House**, 626 Church St., Evanston. (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. No cover unless noted otherwise. **Mondays**, 8 p.m.-midnight: **Bluegrass and roots music with the Mudflaps**. **Tuesdays**, 7-10 p.m.: **Irish music session**. April 11, 10 p.m.: **Bluegrass Advocates**.

**Centre East** in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.centre-east.org. May 9, 8 p.m.: **The Rat Pack** is Back. \$58.

**Ethical Humanist Society** Second Saturday Coffeehouse, 7574 N. Lincoln Ave. (at Howard), Skokie. (847) 677-3334. www.ethicalhumanist.org. April 11, 8 p.m.: **The Sassy Trio** and **Andina & Rich**. Doors open 7:30 p.m.; no open mike this month to allow for longer concert. \$7 includes refreshments.

**Famous Freddie's**, 1799 S. Busse Road, Mount Prospect. (847) 593-2200. www.famousfreddiesroadhouse.com. Music at 9 p.m. **Fridays** and **10 p.m. Saturdays**, unless noted otherwise. April 10: **Hyperlio (rock covers)** with opening band **PUSH!** (classic to current rock). April 11: **7th Heitan (dance to alternative)**. April 17: **80's Proof (80s arena rock)**. April 18: **Bad Medicine (Bon Jovi tribute)**. April 24: **Lbido Funk Circus**. April 25: **C-Factor (classic to current pop rock)**.

**Irish American Heritage Center**, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. (773) 282-7035 www.irishamhc.com. April 24, 8 p.m.: **The Elders in Concert**, \$20.

**Morton Grove Public Library**, 6140 Lincoln Ave. (847) 965-4220. April 26, 2 p.m.: **Concert by Bossa Tres**, a trio of Brazilian musicians who sing and play guitars, mandolin, and a variety of percussion instruments.

**Music Institute of Chicago**, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 905-1500. www.musicinst.org. April 17, 8 p.m.: **The Lake-side Singers present "Celebration"**, a retrospective of music from the group's first 10 years, including classical, jazz, gospel, rock, folk, R&B and other genres. "Celebration" will include classical and folk songs from England, Germany, Finland and India as well as arrangements of "Midnight Train to Georgia," "Fields of Gold," "So Cool" and Stephen Sondheim's "Not Getting Married." Tickets: \$30; \$20 for senior citizens and students; \$10 for children under 12. For information, visit www.lakesidesingers.com.

**Myron and Phils**, 3900 W. Devon, Lincolnwood. (847) 677-6663. **Fridays**, through April 24: **Karaoke contest**. **The Park Ridge Chorale** will present its annual spring concert, "A Comedy Tonight," at 4 p.m. April 19 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 205 N. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. Tickets are \$14, \$12 for seniors, if purchased by April 12, and \$16, \$14 for seniors, at the door. Free admission for youth age 18 and under. For tickets, call Kyle Cartwright, (847) 825-5499, or Patti Bonk, (847) 825-2216.

**Pick-Staiger Concert Hall** at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public; senior citizens and NU faculty and staff; and student rate. Information: (847) 491-5448; tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. April 9, 7:30 p.m.: **Percussionists She-e Wu and Bob Becker**. Peter Soave and the Northwestern

**University Percussion Ensemble** will perform in "Tangorhythmia." The program will feature music ranging from Bach to Piazzolla. **5/4/SIX/56**. April 10, 7:30 p.m.: **The Canadian Guitar Quartet and DanceWorks Chicago** will present tango-inspired works by quartet members, as well as a Beethoven Minuet and Allegro. The dance company will join the guitar group for a world premiere work commissioned especially for this performance. \$24/\$21/\$11. April 11, 7:30 p.m.: **Chicago Jazz Orchestra** and guest artists **Victor Goines, Anthony Molinaro and Charley Harrison**. \$16/\$12/\$8.

**Prospect Heights Public Library**, 12 N. Elm St., Prospect Heights. (847) 259-3500. www.phpl.info. Registration for programs required, unless noted otherwise. April 26, 2 p.m.: **The Academy of Irish Music** will perform a variety of Irish music, from old harp pieces and clan marches to reels, jigs and other arranged pieces.

**Rosemont Theatre**, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559-1212; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100. **May 19-20 and July 7**: "An Evening with Il Divo." \$55, \$85, \$125 and \$150.

**Skokie Theatre Music Foundation** presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com. Concert tickets \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise. April 15, 1:30 p.m.: "Dean Martin Songbook" starring Peter Oprisko. \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Seniors and Niles Township residents, \$10 in advance or at the door. April 17, 8 p.m.: **Chuck Salvo**. April 18, 8 p.m.: **West End Jazz Band**. April 19, 2 and 7 p.m.: "Kale the Great: The Music and Times of Kate Smith," with Jeanne Scherkenbach, accompanied by Mark Burnell. April 22, 1:30 p.m.: **Peter Oprisko presents "The Music of Sinatra and Friends."** \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Seniors and Niles Township residents, \$10 in advance or at the door. April 24, 8 p.m.: "Cole Porter Made Me Gay - Again," starring John Van Keulen. April 25, 8 p.m.: **Charlene Brooks** presents original arrangements from George Gershwin and Stephen Sondheim. April 26, 2 p.m.: **Randy Sabien and Mike Dowling**. April 29, 1:30 p.m.: "Come to the Cabaret." \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Seniors and Niles Township residents, \$10 in advance or at the door. April 30, 8 p.m.: "The Andreas Kapsalis Trio." \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. **May 6, 1:30 p.m.**: "Music of the World" with **Guitars of Spain**. \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Seniors and Niles Township residents, \$10 in advance or at the door. **May 8, 8 p.m.**: "Gershwin's Greatest Hits" with **Elaine Dame**. **May 9, 8 p.m.**: "Be Good To Your Mother." **K1 McCammond** with **Bob Moreen**. **May 10, 2 p.m.**: "Because of You," a tribute to Tony Bennett starring Robert Whorton. **May 10, 7 p.m.**: "Steppin' Out," featuring "Jersey Boys" star **Michael Ingersoll** in concert. \$35 in advance; \$44 at the door. **May 20, 1:30 p.m.**: "Come to the Cabaret," starring **Heather Moran**. \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Seniors and Niles Township residents, \$10 in advance or at the door. **May 21, 8 p.m.**: **Megitza Quartet**. \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. **May 24, 7:30 p.m.**: "A Sunday Kind of Love." **May 27, 1:30 p.m.**: "Folk Songs of Illinois," with **Bucky Haller and Don Stenberg**. Free. **S.P.A.C.E.**, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 492-8860.

**www.evanstonpace.com**. April 9, 8 p.m.: **The Trews (rock)**. \$8 in advance.

**April 10, 8 p.m.**: **Todd Carey** with the **Peter Terry Band (pop/rock)**. \$10 in advance. **April 11, 8 p.m.**: **Liquid Soul (funk**

**jazz, soul)**. \$12 in advance. **April 15, 8 p.m.**: **Steve Forbert** with **Gordon Wright (folk/rock)**. \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. **April 16, 8 p.m.**: **New Riders of the Purple Sage (country rock)**. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. **April 17, 8 p.m.**: **Ellis Paul** with **James Curley (acoustic folk)**. \$18 in advance; \$22 at the door. **April 21, 8 p.m.**: **Doug Lofstrom & the New Quartet (jazz)**. \$10 in advance.

**April 23, 8 p.m.**: **Jefferson Starship**. \$35 in advance; \$40 at the door. **April 24, 8 p.m.**: **Amy Shoemaker & the Mighty Rhinos (pop rock)**. \$10 in advance. **May 1, 7 p.m.**: **Catie Curtis (folk)**. \$20 in advance. **May 1, 8 p.m.**: **Charlie Hunter Duo** featuring **Simon Lott (jazz)**. \$18 in advance. **May 2, 8 p.m.**: **Robbie Fuks and Friends: Acoustic Full Band Show (country/rock)**. \$18 in advance. **May 3, 7 p.m.**: **Paul Geremia** with **Jim Craig (folk)**. \$15 in advance. **May 5, 8 p.m.**: **Tristen and Caitlin Rose** with **Jordan Hull (indie pop/folk)**. \$6. **May 7, 8 p.m.**: **Eric Bibb** with **Diamond Jim Greene (blues/folk)**. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. **May 8, 8 p.m.**: **Brighton, MA and Halloween, Alaska (indie rock)**. \$10 in advance. **May 10, 7 p.m.**: **Tracy Grammer (folk)**. \$12 in advance. **May 13, 8 p.m.**: **BigTime: Tribute to Tom Waits (rock)**. \$10 in advance. **May 15, 8 p.m.**: **Wilfy Porter** with **Daphne Willis (folk/rock)**. \$22 in advance. **May 16, 8 p.m.**: **Kelly Joe Phelps** with **Luke Sayers (indie pop/folk)**. \$15 in advance. **May 17, 2 p.m.**: **Tellons CD release party**. \$10 in advance; \$5 for children. **May 21, 8 p.m.**: **The Spring Standards (indie rock)**. \$10 in advance. **May 22, 8 p.m.**: **Alfonso Ponticelli's Swing Gitano (gypsy jazz)**. \$12 in advance. **May 28, 8 p.m.**: **Come Sunday (gospel)**. \$10 in advance. **May 30, 8 p.m.**: **Sons of the Never Wrong (folk)**. \$15 in advance. **June 3, 8 p.m.**: **Piela Brown** with **Vandaveer**. \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. **June 13, 8 p.m.**: **Cary Pierce**. \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. **June 14, 7 p.m.**: **Carrie Rodriguez**. \$14 in advance; \$18 at the door. **June 19, 8 p.m.**: **An Evening with Michelle Shocked**. \$26 in advance; \$32 at the door. **June 26, 8 p.m.**: **Ralph Cover & the Bad Examples**. \$12 in advance; \$15 at the door. **July 8, 8 p.m.**: **Loudon Wainwright III**. \$26 standing room; \$42.50 for general admission seating.

**ART GALLERIES**  
**Block Museum of Art** at Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-4000. www.block-museum.northwestern.edu. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. **Tuesdays**: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. **Wednesdays**: noon-5 p.m. **Saturdays** and **Sundays**. Admission to the museum is free; unless noted, admission to all programs is also free. **April 26, 1-4 p.m.**: **Community Family Day**, featuring free art-making activities for families with children aged 6 and older. **April 24-June 28**: "Bare Witness: Photographs by Gordon Parks." **Gordon Parks (1912-2006)** began working as a professional photographer in the 1940s, documenting the urban and rural poor in the United States for the Farm Security Administration and other organizations. He also served as a staff photographer for Life magazine from 1945 to 1975. **April 23, 8 p.m.**: **Block Cinema** will screen Parks' semi-autobiographical 1969 film, "The Learning Tree." \$6. **May 7, 6 p.m.**: **Parks' son David** will speak on "Gordon Parks and His Artistic Process." **Photography, Film and Writing.** Free. **May 8, 8 p.m.**: **David Parks** will introduce a showing of his father's 1971 film "Salt" at **Block Cinema** and answer questions after the screening. \$6. **May 16, 2-4 p.m.**: Panel discussion, "Gordon Parks: A Renaissance Man." **May 28, 6 p.m.**: **Block Museum senior curator Debra Wood** will give a gallery talk of the exhibition "Bare Witness."

**Chicago Public Library**, Roden Branch, 6083 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago. (312) 744-1478. **Through April**: In celebration of Women's History Month, Valerie Alduen will display her mosaic artwork.

**Dittmar Memorial Gallery** at Northwestern University's Norris Center, 1999 Campus Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-2348. www.norris.northwestern.edu/dittmar.php. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Admission is free. **Through May & Robert Logan**, "Constructivists Chicago," featuring abstract large-scale photographs of man-made structures in and around Chicago's Loop by Robert Logan, a 90-year-old Highland Park-based photographer. **Through May & Iain Fraser**, "missed places," Canadian-born architect and St. Louis-based artist Fraser will exhibit his three-dimensional steel, glass and concrete constructions.

**Emily Oaks Nature Center**, 4650 Brummel St., Skokie. (847) 674-1500. **Through May 2**: Skokie Art Guild 2009 members' spring exhibit. "Nature's Palette."

**Lincolnwood Village Hall**, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **Monday-Friday**. Contact Shirley Engelstein, fine arts coordinator, (847) 674-3806. **Through April 30**: "A Tribute to Hal Foster" by Sidney Weiskirch, featuring artwork of heroes from Tarzan through Prince Valiant. **Mitchell Museum of the American Indian**, 3001 Central St., Evanston. (847) 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum.org. Admission to events is included with an entrance donation to the Mitchell Museum. Suggested donation is \$5 for adults; \$2.50 for senior citizens, students and children. Maximum admission per family is \$10. **Through April 19**: "Circle of Empowerment: Education, Language, Culture, Tradition," a traveling exhibit of award-winning artwork and writing by young Native Americans. The exhibit includes all 30 of the winning entries in the 2008 Native American Student Artist Competition, organized by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Indian Education.

**Morton Grove Public Library**, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove. (847) 965-4220. **April**: Photography by Green Briar Camera Club. **Oakton Community College**, Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. (847) 635-2633. www.oakton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. **Monday-Friday**: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. **Saturdays**: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. **Through April 23**: **OakArt 2009**, the annual exhibit of work by student artists, including paintings, drawings, sculpture, ceramics, digital art and photography. **Park Ridge Public Library**, 20 S. Prospect Ave. (847) 825-3123. **April**: "Photojournalism: People in Their Cars," photographs by Deerfield resident Abbe Sennell. The artist's mono-prints, paper sculptures and designer paper earrings will also be on display.

**Prospect Heights Public Library**, 12 N. Elm St. (847) 259-3500. www.phpl.info. **April**: Photographs by members of the Arlington Heights Camera Club. Reception at 7 p.m. **April 23**: **Skokie Art Guild** artists showing through April 30 include **Hope Salzmanoff** exhibiting her oil paintings at Bank of Lincolnwood, 4433 W. Touhy Ave., Lincolnwood; and **Claire L. Hirsch** exhibiting her oil paintings at the Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood St., Skokie.

**Open Studio**, 901 Sherman Ave., Evanston. Rehearsals are Saturday afternoons and performances are June 11-13. Those cast pay a \$200 fee. For an audition appointment, call Lisa Bany-Winters. (847) 337-9614, or e-mail info@playonit1.com.

**MUSICIANS**  
**Ma Mele Aloha Hawaiian** music club seeks musicians who play ukulele, upright string bass, keyboards, flute and violin. The group is open to all ages. Rehearsals are held from 7-10 p.m. **Thursdays** at Oakton Community College, 1500 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Call Earl Essig, (847) 272-0762, or e-mail earlessig@aol.com.

**SINGERS**  
**The Music Institute of Chicago** Children's Choir will hold auditions for the 2009-10 academic year from 5-7 p.m. **May 27** at the Evanston East Campus, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Parents/guardians of interested singers ages 7 to 18 should call (847) 448-8324 to schedule an audition.

**North Shore Harmonizers**, an independent women's barbershop chorus, invites women who love to sing a cappella four-part harmony to attend rehearsals at 7 p.m. **Thursdays** at St. Augustine's Church, 1140 Wilmette Ave., Wilmette. All voice parts are welcome. For information, call (312) 409-4215 or visit www.northshoreharmonizers.org. **Skokie Concert Choir** seeks male and female singers at any level of choral experience. No auditions are held. The choir performs a variety of music, from classical to Broadway, and performs two concerts annually, under the direction of conductor Michael Lewanski and with accompanist Adriane Metzger. Rehearsals are held from 7-9 p.m. **Mondays**, September through June, at Old Orchard Junior High School, 9310 Kenton Ave., Skokie. For information, visit www.skokiechoir.org or call (847) 674-3219.

**ARTISTS**  
Artists and craftspersons are invited to apply to participate in the 19th annual Arts & Crafts Adventure, to be presented May 9 in Hodges Park, Prospect and Vine streets, Park Ridge. Visit www.americancityofartists.org or call (847) 991-4748.

**Custer's Last Stand** is accepting arts and craft exhibitor applications for its 2009 festival of the arts, to be held June 20-21 in the Evanston Main Street Station Shopping District. For an application, call (847) 328-2204 or visit www.custersfair.com.

**Call for artists** for the Skokie Art Guild's 48th annual Art Fair, to be held July 11-12 on the Skokie Village Green, 5211 W. Oakton, Skokie. Prizes and awards. E-mail skokieart@aol.com or call (847) 677-8163.

**BENEFITS**  
**Spring Benefit Exhibition and Art Auction**, April 26-May 16 at the Evanston Art Center, 2603 Sheridan Road. The public can view and bid on paintings, drawings, photographs, ceramics, sculpture, prints and other artworks donated by more than 150 Chicago area artists. The preview exhibition and silent auction will begin with a reception from 1-4 p.m. April 26. The silent auction and exhibition will be free and open to the public until 5 p.m. May 16. The fund-raiser will culminate at 7 p.m. May 16 with a gala party featuring wine and refreshments, and a live auction of approximately 15 works. Proceeds from the sale of artwork will benefit the EAC's school, exhibition and outreach programs. Tickets are \$100 per person for the closing night event. Call (847) 475-5300.

**AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES**  
**STAGE**  
Play On will hold auditions for "Robin Hood" for grades K-8, on April 18 at

"A Magical Evening," the annual Ars Viva Symphony Orchestra benefit dinner, will be held at 5:30 p.m. **April 28** at the Exmoor Country Club, 700 Vine St., Highland Park. The evening includes a silent auction, dinner, performance by the Magical Strings of Youth, and the presentation of the Ars Viva 2009 Award for Excellence to Betty Haag-Kuhnke, director of the Betty Haag Academy. \$175 per person. To make a reservation or request an invitation, call (847) 615-1811.

"Dancing the Dream II: Kazuaria," 7 p.m. **April 30** at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. The Hadassah fundraiser will feature the Israeli dance company Ranana Raz. Tickets: \$36. Visit www.chicago.hadassah.org or call (847) 675-6790.

"Red Blues on Blue Monday," a concert featuring Al Jewer & the Native American Blues All-Stars, will be presented from 6:30-9 p.m. **May 4** at S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Proceeds will benefit Evanston's Mitchell Museum of the American Indian. Tickets are \$75 per person and include admission, pizza, salad and a beverage. Cash bar. Call (847) 475-1030.

**BOOKS & POETRY**  
**Irish American Heritage Center**, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. (773) 282-7035. www.irishamhc.com. **April 19, 3 p.m.**: Book launch and singing with **James B. Swan**, author of *Chicago's Irish Legion: The 90th Illinois Volunteers in the Civil War*. Swan will read from his book and sign copies, which will be for sale. **Great Irish American Books** and Authors book discussion group meets at 2 p.m. the second Sunday of the month, unless noted otherwise. The discussion is led by Virginia Gibbons, a teacher at Oakton Community College. **April 12**: *Roscoe* by William Kennedy. **May 3**: *The Snapper* by Roddy Doyle.

**Little City Foundation Used Book Sale**, June 5-16 at Westfield Old Orchard Shopping Center, 4999 Old Orchard Center, Skokie. Admission to the event is free, except on opening night, Friday, June 5, when a \$10 donation is charged. Hours for the event are 5-10 p.m. June 5; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. June 6, 12-13; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. June 7 and 14; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. June 8-11. Proceeds benefit the Palatine-based Little City Foundation, which provides programs for people with disabilities. Senior Citizen's Day is June 10. Children's Day is June 11, and Bargain Weekend is June 13-14. For details and schedule updates, visit www.LittleCityBooksSale.com.

**Morton Grove Public Library**, 6140 Lincoln Ave. (847) 965-4220. **April 16, 10 a.m.**: Discussion of *The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story*. April 26, 3 p.m.: Discussion of *The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch at Starbucks, 6763 Dempster. **April 28, 7 p.m.**: Discussion of *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan.

**Prospect Heights Public Library**, 12 N. Elm St., Prospect Heights. (847) 259-3500. www.phpl.info. Registration for programs required, unless noted otherwise. **April 14, 7 p.m.**: "The 25 Books that Most Influenced Western Civilization," presented by historian and bibliophile William B. Haase. **April 16, 7 p.m.**: Local authors **Lim Depriest** and **Joyce Elizabeth Norman** will discuss their book, *Growing Up Ebony and Ivory: A Conversation Between Two Women*.

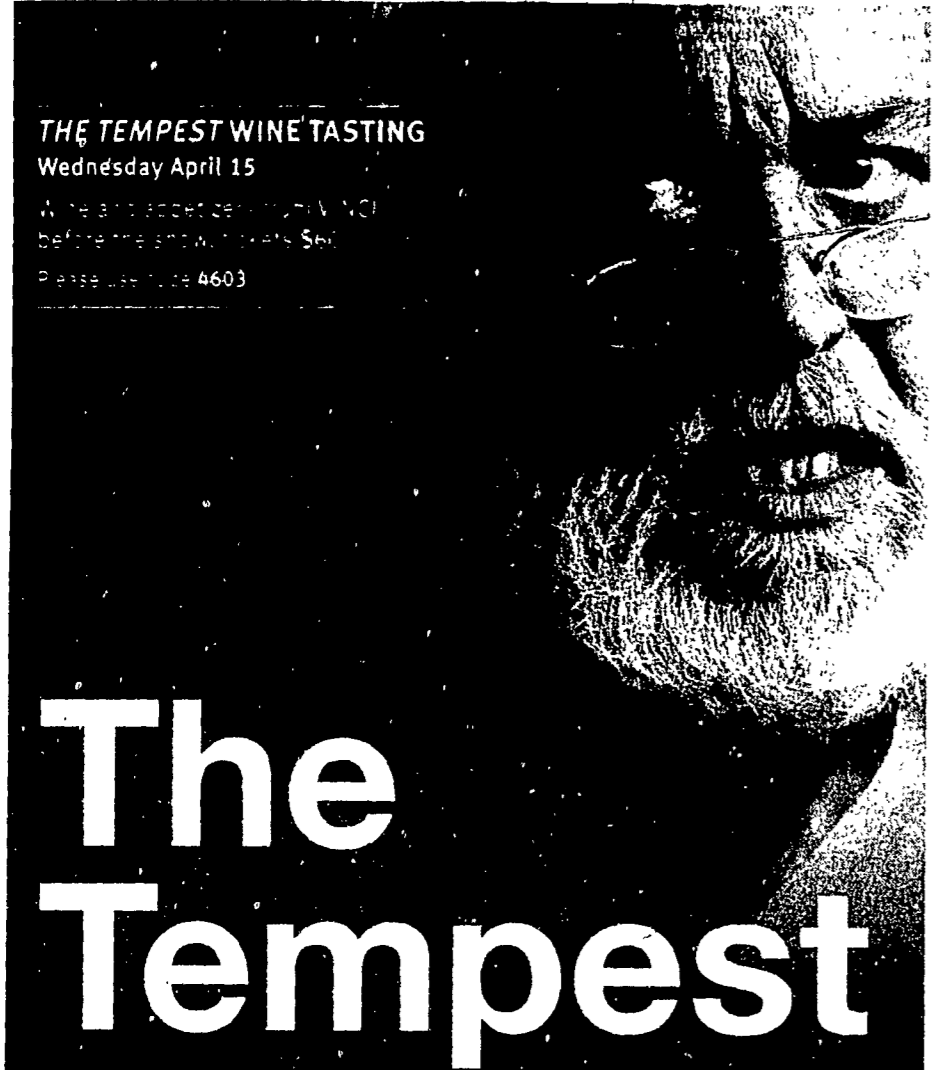
**CHILD'S PLAY**  
**Big Noise Theatre Company** presents an Especially for Kids production of "Cinderella." **May 27** at Prairie Lakes Theatre, 515 E. Thacker Road, Des Plaines. Suitable for children ages 3-10. Show times are 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. **Sat-**

**Urduys and 11 a.m.** **Sundays**. All tickets are \$10 and may be purchased by calling (847) 604-0275 or visiting www.bignoise.org.

**Centre East** in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.centre-east.org. **April 19, 1 and 3 p.m.**: **Junie B. Jones**. \$18.

"Cinderella" will be presented by Chicago Kids Company at 10:30 a.m. and noon **April 14-17, 20-24, 27-28, 30, May 7-8 and 22**: 1 p.m. **April 25, May 16 and July 11** and 10:30 a.m. **May 12, 14, 15, 21, 26-29, June 24-26, July 12 and 7-10** at the Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago. Tickets: \$10. Call (773) 205-9600 or visit www.chicago.kidscompany.com. **Evanston Ecology Center**, 2024 Mc-

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Cormick Blvd., hosts its annual Arboretum Egg Hunt on April 11. Choose from four "hunt" times: 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. Children search for eggs in the Ladd Arboretum and exchange them for small prizes. A special area is reserved for children age 1 1/2 to 4 years. Bring a basket or a bag to hold the eggs. Activities and a craft follow the egg hunt. Cost is \$4.50/person. Preregistration is required; call (847) 448-8256.

"How Can You Run with a Shell on Your Back?" will be presented at 7 p.m. April 10, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. April 11 and 2 p.m. April 12 in Northwestern University's Ethel M. Barber Theater, 30 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. The musical is based on some of Aesop's fables. Including "Tortoise and the Hare," "The Boy Who Cried Wolf," "Androcles and the Lion" and "The Ant and the Grasshopper." Tickets: \$20; \$18 for senior citizens; \$10 for children and full-time students. Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.ttc.northwestern.edu.

Light Opera Works is currently taking enrollment for its 2009 Musical Theater Summer Workshop. Students ages 8-15 will learn singing, dancing and acting in preparation for a public performance in a mini-musical. Four separate one-week workshops will be offered, based on a hit musical. Each workshop meets from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, with a final dress rehearsal at 1 p.m. Saturday, followed by the performance at 4 p.m. This year's workshops are Disney's "Beauty and the Beast," July 6-11; "Annie," July 13-18; "The Music Man," July

20-25; "Bye Bye Birdie," July 27-Aug. 1. There are no auditions for roles and every child enrolled in the workshop gets a part. Classes are held in Evanston. The fee is \$350 per student per workshop. Register online at www.LightOperaWorks.com or call (847) 869-6300.

Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston, (847) 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum.org. Suggested donation is \$5 adults; \$2.50 senior citizens, students and children. Maximum suggested admission per family is \$10. Kids Craft Mornings are offered from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Museum staffers and volunteers lead informal workshops where children learn to construct simple versions of traditional Native American objects and engage in other hands-on activities related to native culture. Admission is included with an entrance donation to the museum. Kids Craft Workshops are recommended for children ages 5 and up, but there is no minimum age requirement. Participants must be accompanied by an adult. No pre-registration is necessary. April 11: Ice fishing lures. April 25: Corn husk masks. May 9: Dreamcatchers. May 23: Talking sticks and coup sticks. June 13: Miniature woven rugs.

Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. (847) 965-4220. April 10, 4 p.m.: Screening of "Boh," rated PG. April 11, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Crafty Saturday. April 18, 10 a.m.: "Saturday Shorts," video adaptations of award-winning classic children's picture books. Recommended for ages 3-8. April 18, 3 p.m.: Beads for Teens and Chainmaille Jewelry. Supplies and instruction will be provided. For grades 7-12. April 24, 4 p.m.: Playing With Words: A Poetry Workshop, for ages 8-12. North Shore Dance Center, 8401 Crawford Ave., Skokie, (847) 674-2216.

www.northshoredancecenter.com. Saturdays, 11:50 a.m.-12:30 p.m.: Story Time Yoga for ages 3-7; parents welcome. \$260 for 20 weeks. Northlight Theatre Academy, at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, (847) 679-9501. www.northlight.org. Offering summer performing arts camps for students in grades 3-10; registration is in progress. Camps include Junior Camp for grades 3-6, June 15-July 10 and July 14-Aug. 7, featuring acting, improvisation and musical theatre as well as a swimming and field trips to Chicago area theatres. Senior Camp for grades 7-10, June 15-July 10 and July 14-Aug. 7, featuring ensemble-based acting, playwriting, comedy and improvisation, musical theatre and audition technique. Audition Workshop for grades 8-10, July 14-Aug. 7. Sesame Street Live "When Elmo Grows Up," 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. May 7-8: 10:30 a.m., 2 and 5:30 p.m. May 9; and 1 and 4:30 p.m. May 10 at the Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559-1212; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100, June 18-20, 8 p.m.: George Lopez: Tall, Dark & Chicano Tour. Tickets: \$59.50 and \$67. Skokie resident Debbie Sue Goodman will present a comedy performance based on her books, "Still Single and Still Dating." No cover. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets: \$15, \$20 and \$30, plus \$35 Gold Circle seats. For tickets, call (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com. S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, (847) 492-8860. www.evansonspace.com. April 19, 11 a.m.: Justin Roberts. \$15 in advance.

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Tickets: \$21 at www.ticketmaster.com or by calling (800) 745-3000; \$30 at the door. For information, visit www.comedycentralchicago.com. Every other Friday, 8 p.m.: "Un-Tied," improv by Annoyance Theatre. Performances in the Montrose Room for an open run. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559-1212. Pick a Cup Coffeehouse, 1813 Dempster St., Evanston, (847) 332-2834. April 25, 7:30-9:30 p.m.: Skokin resident Debbie Sue Goodman will present a comedy performance based on her books, "Still Single and Still Dating." No cover. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559-1212; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100, June 18-20, 8 p.m.: George Lopez: Tall, Dark & Chicano Tour. Tickets: \$59.50 and \$67. Skokie resident Debbie Sue Goodman will present a comedy performance based on her books, "Still Single and Still Dating." No cover. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets: \$15, \$20 and \$30, plus \$35 Gold Circle seats. For tickets, call (800) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com. S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, (847) 492-8860. www.evansonspace.com. April 19, 11 a.m.: Justin Roberts. \$15 in advance.

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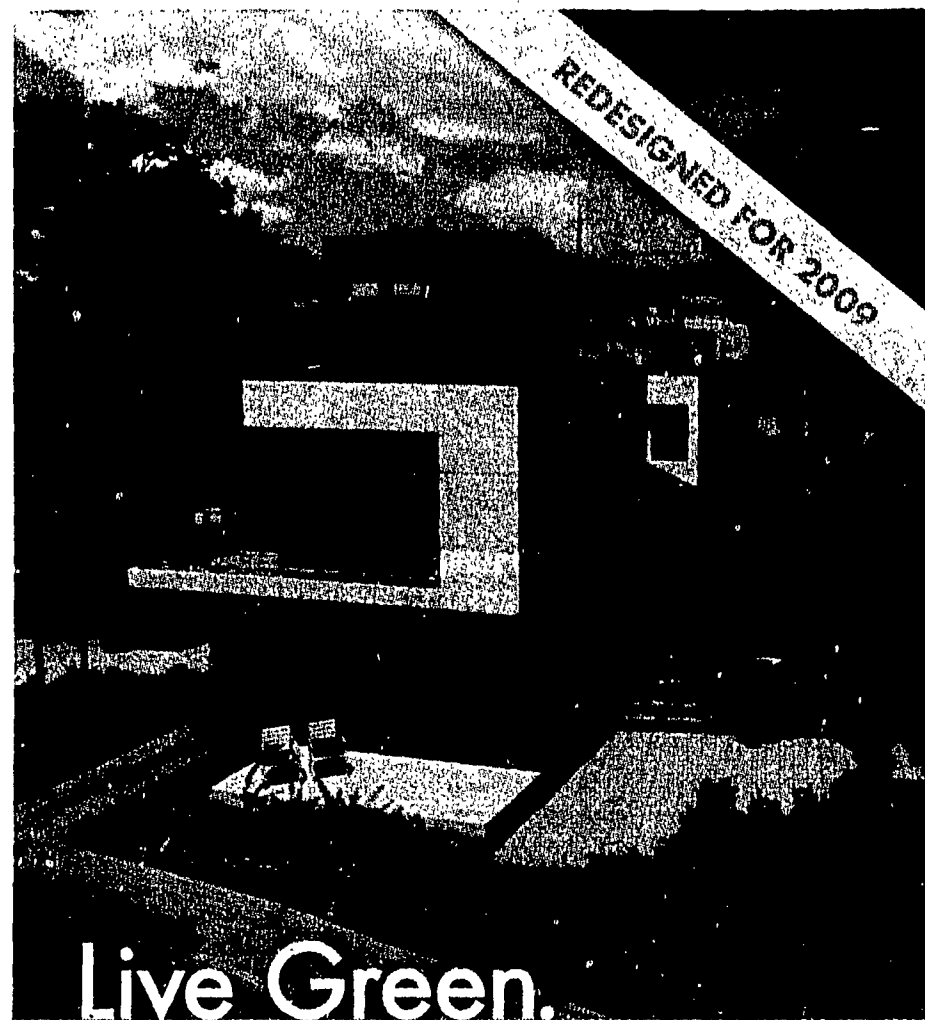
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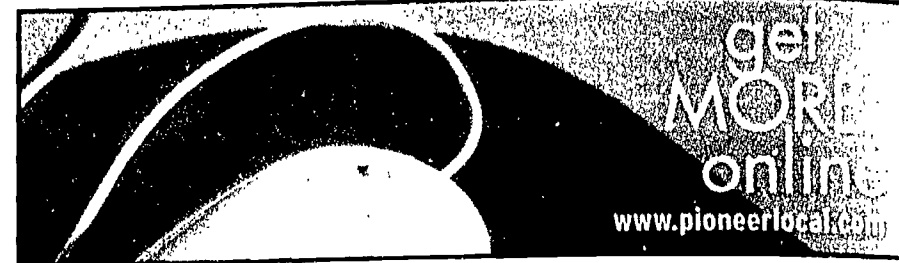
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**Spring Pub Crawl:** Join the Edison Park Chamber of Commerce members for networking at some of our well known establishments. Members of all local chambers of commerce welcome to attend. Go to our website, [www.edisonpark.com](http://www.edisonpark.com) or call Rita at (773) 631-0063.

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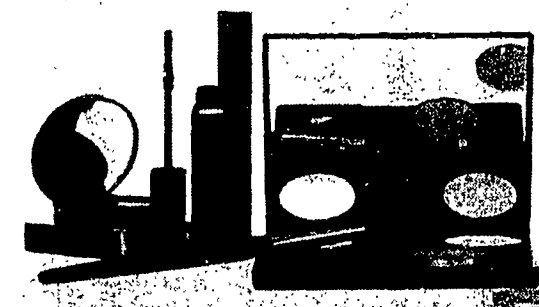


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DINING

Schaefer's, 9965 South Point Road, Skokie, (847) 673-5711. April 11, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.: Free wine tasting.

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

Family Fun Fair, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. April 18 at McCracken School, 8000 E. Prairie Ave., Skokie, featuring food, games, raffle, entertainment and a silent auction. Entrance and entertainment are free. Tickets can be purchased at the door for games, raffle and food. Proceeds benefit Skokie School District 73.5 district schools. Irish Earth Day Festival, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. April 18 at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox, Chicago. Vendors will display Earth-friendly products, conservation, recycling, sustainable agriculture and alternative energy. There will also be children's activities, live music and food for purchase. Free admission. For information, call (773) 282-7035 or visit www.irish-american.org. Spring Blast Outdoor Festival, 10 a.m.-

2:30 p.m. April 25 at the Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Games, music and activities for children and teens will be provided, and the Field Museum's Renewable Energy Vehicle, Science Chicago, First Robotics Illinois, Fermilab and Northwestern University will present science, robotics and "going green" exhibits. (847) 965-4220 or www.webrary.org.

FILM

Block Cinema, in the Pick-Laudal Auditorium at the Block Museum of Art, Northwestern University, 400 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, (847) 491-4000. www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu/block-cinema. Admission is \$6, \$4 for Block Museum members, senior citizens, and students with ID, or as noted below. All films shown at 8 p.m., unless noted otherwise. April 15: "Tears of the Black Tiger." The modern Western from Thailand celebrates and parodies Thai action melodrama of the 1950s and 1960s while suggesting Sergio Leone's stylish camerawork and Douglas Sirk's rich color palette. 1960s Godard series - April 10: "Pierrot Le Fou." Jean-Luc Godard's 10th feature film follows two lovers on a surreal road trip across France. April 17: "Contempt." Godard's farewell to classic Hollywood cinema is a film version of Homer's "The Odyssey." Biomimicry series - April 16: "XistenZ." Jennifer Jason Leigh stars as the world's leading video game designer, pushing the envelope of what is possible with her latest invention. April 24: "A Night of Digital Lust, featuring 'Demonlover' and 'I.K.U.: Not suitable for children. The Louis Family Nature Series - April 22: "The Life of Birds." Episodes 3 and 4. "The Insatiable Appetite" and "Meal Eaters." Gordon Parks series - April 23: "The Learning Tree." Released the year after Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated, Gordon Parks' film is based on his autobiographical novel of the same name. April 29: "Visions." Photographer, composer, poet, activist and film director Gordon Parks made this film about his imagery, words and music. April 30: "Half Past Autumn: The Life and Words of Gordon Parks."

Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., (847) 965-4220. April 16, 2 and 7 p.m.: "Happy-Go-Lucky," rated R. April 22, 2 p.m.: "The 11th Hour," not rated. April 29, 2 p.m.: "Australia," rated PG-13. Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge, (847) 825-3123. www.parkridgelibrary.org. Films @ the Library - No registration needed. Doors open for seating one-half hour before show time. April 9, 7 p.m.: "Nightmare Alley" (1947). April 14, 2 and 7 p.m.: "The Secret Life of Bees," rated PG-13. April 16, 7 p.m.: "A Double Life" (1947). April 23, 7 p.m.: "The Set-Up" (1949). May 8, 7 p.m.: "Crisis Cross" (1949). May 12, 2 and 7 p.m.: "Slumdog Millionaire," rated R.

MISCELLANEOUS

Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, (773) 282-7035. www.irishamhc.com. April 25, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.: In celebration of National Library Week, the Irish American Heritage Center Library will host the International Women's Writing Guild for a day-long women's writing workshop, "A Writing Life/A Creative Life: The Importance of Words," taught by Susan M. Tiberghien. Fee is \$80 for International Women's Writing Guild members; \$95 for non-members. A \$25 nonrefundable deposit is required. To register, call (773) 282-7035, ext. 19. Oakton Community College offers Alliance for Lifelong Learning classes. For information or registration, visit www.oakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888, press 3. Drumming Circle Experience (MUS B52-01) introduces percussion instruments from a variety of cultures, as well as basic playing techniques. Instruments are provided. Six-week course meets 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays, starting April 13, at Evanston Township High School, 1600 Dodge Ave., Evanston. Course fee is \$97. Oakton Community College Emeritus Program offers courses at its Skokie

ORGANIZATIONS

Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. New members are welcome. For information, call Margaret Newman, (847) 924-8952, or visit www.dpag.org. April 14: Wayne Atkinson will present a watercolor demonstration. May 12: Thelma Spain will present a watercolor demonstration. Park Ridge Art League meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Friday of the month in the South Park Fieldhouse, 833 Talcott Road, Park Ridge. Guest fee is \$3. Call Dorothy DuSole, (847) 825-3505. Skokie Art Guild meets at the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. Visitors welcome. For information, e-mail In-Marlowe@gmail.com. April 28, 7 p.m.: Jamie Thorne, book and papermaking. May 26, 7 p.m.: Leslie Riley, quilting. June 23, 7 p.m.: Members' critique and student awards. Skokie Festival of Cultures organizing committee meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Oakton Community Center, 4701 Oakton St., Skokie. November through February, and then every one to two weeks until the festival, to be held May 15-16. New members and cultural representatives are welcome. For information, call (847) 674-1500, ext. 2715, or visit www.skokieculturefest.org. Skokie Photographic Society meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Skokie Village Hall, 5127 W. Oakton St. All levels of photographers welcome. Call (847) 677-8324.

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campus, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. For information about the Emeritus Program, call (847) 635-1414 or visit www.oakton.edu/emeritus. Richard Widmark: The Face of Film Noir (HUM B49-71) examines the career of the prototypical Hollywood anti-hero. Appearing in more than 60 films, Widmark won an Oscar nomination for his debut role as the villainous Tommy Udo in Kiss of Death (1947). Six-week course meets 9:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Fridays, starting April 17. Course fee is \$100. RIMM/The Poetry Forum invites all poets to its Poetry Workshop & Peer Exchange, to be held from 1:30-4:30 p.m. April 26 in Room 108 of the Evanston Public Library, Church and Orrington. Attendees bring 15 copies of a poem to be critiqued, and participate in a discussion of poetry and poetics. No registration required. \$5 donation. The session will be led by C.J. Laity, publisher of ChicagoPoetry.com and editor of Poetry Ram, a free periodical chapbook anthology.

Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. New members are welcome. For information, call Margaret Newman, (847) 924-8952, or visit www.dpag.org. April 14: Wayne Atkinson will present a watercolor demonstration. May 12: Thelma Spain will present a watercolor demonstration. Park Ridge Art League meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Friday of the month in the South Park Fieldhouse, 833 Talcott Road, Park Ridge. Guest fee is \$3. Call Dorothy DuSole, (847) 825-3505. Skokie Art Guild meets at the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. Visitors welcome. For information, e-mail In-Marlowe@gmail.com. April 28, 7 p.m.: Jamie Thorne, book and papermaking. May 26, 7 p.m.: Leslie Riley, quilting. June 23, 7 p.m.: Members' critique and student awards. Skokie Festival of Cultures organizing committee meets at 7 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Oakton Community Center, 4701 Oakton St., Skokie. November through February, and then every one to two weeks until the festival, to be held May 15-16. New members and cultural representatives are welcome. For information, call (847) 674-1500, ext. 2715, or visit www.skokieculturefest.org. Skokie Photographic Society meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at Skokie Village Hall, 5127 W. Oakton St. All levels of photographers welcome. Call (847) 677-8324.

ET CETERA

"Dream: A Circus in One Act," April 24-May 17 at The Actors Gymnasium, located at the Noyes Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. The family-friendly circus production includes acrobatics, comedy and live music. Performances at 7:30 p.m. Fridays; 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays; and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$20; \$10 for children 12 and under. For tickets, visit www.brownpaperickets.com or call (800) 838-3006. International Quilt Festival, April 17-19 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, 5555 N. River Road, Rosemont. The show, sale and quilting academy features more than 1,000 quilts, textiles and wearable art on display; more than 100 classes, lectures and special events; and shopping in more than 450 booths selling quilts, fabrics, books, notions, crafts, patterns, antiques, sewing machines, sewing supplies and home decor items. Preview Night, 5-9 p.m. April 16. Regular hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. April 17-18; 10 a.m.-3 p.m. April 19. Admission: \$10; \$8 senior citizens and students. Children 10 and under admitted free with a paying adult. \$25 for a three day pass. Preview Night tickets are \$10 (no senior discount) and are good for one free additional day. www.quilts.com. Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge, (847) 825-3123. www.parkridgelibrary.org. May 14, 7 p.m.: "Alicia: Story of a Polish Heroine," presented by professional actor Betsy Means. May 19, 7 p.m.: "World War II Radio Hour." Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie, (847) 677-7761. www.skokiethatre.com. April 11 at 2 p.m.: Cirque Da Uno, featuring magic, juggling, puppetry, ventriloquism and more by Jeffrey the Great. \$15; \$10 for children 13 and under. "This American Life - Live!" Ira Glass, host of Chicago Public Radio's "This American Life," presents a live simulcast performance of the radio show at 7 p.m. April 23, originating from the Skirball Center for the Performing Arts, New York University. Participating movie theaters include the Niles Showplace, 301 Gill Mill Center, Niles. The evening's lineup will include Dan Savage, Starlee Kine, Mike Birbiglia, David Rakoff and Dave Hill, plus a cartoon by Chris Ware, additional visuals by Arthur Jones, and a special musical performance by Joss Whedon, creator of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer." Together they will perform a two-hour, live stage version of the radio show. Tickets are available at the theater box offices and online at www.fathomevents.com.

WORKSHOPS & CLASSES

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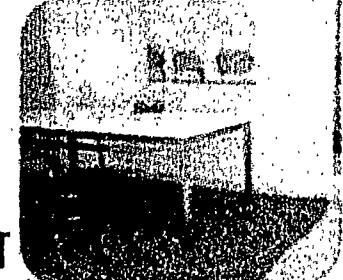
Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, (773) 282-7035. www.irishamhc.com. April 25, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.: In celebration of National Library Week, the Irish American Heritage Center Library will host the International Women's Writing Guild for a day-long women's writing workshop, "A Writing Life/A Creative Life: The Importance of Words," taught by Susan M. Tiberghien. Fee is \$80 for International Women's Writing Guild members; \$95 for non-members. A \$25 nonrefundable deposit is required. To register, call (773) 282-7035, ext. 19. Oakton Community College offers Alliance for Lifelong Learning classes. For information or registration, visit www.oakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888, press 3. Drumming Circle Experience (MUS B52-01) introduces percussion instruments from a variety of cultures, as well as basic playing techniques. Instruments are provided. Six-week course meets 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays, starting April 13, at Evanston Township High School, 1600 Dodge Ave., Evanston. Course fee is \$97. Oakton Community College Emeritus Program offers courses at its Skokie



# Spring decorating in full bloom

Spring is the season to break free from winter's doldrums and find inspiration in the return of green outdoors as well as inside the home. This year, bright has never been more in as spring fashions

influence fabrics and interior design gets infused with refreshing optimism.

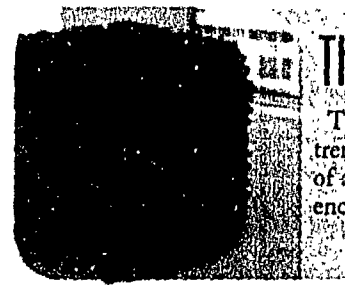


Consider influencing your décor with garden accessories such as tarnished old-fashioned watering cans, butterflies and frogs or even a coffee table book from a local botanical garden.

Shop for vintage-colored glass.

## Be bold and bright

Fashion trends are often a great indicator of emerging color palettes for the new interior decorating season. This spring, details reflect violets, bright citron greens, cornflower blues and fuchsias. While many homes have muted wall colors and upholstery, consider adding a color punch with accent pieces. "A great way to introduce spring is with color and texture," says designer Heidi Ruda of Chicago's Mobili Mobil. "You can find inspiration in simple, bright touches, like a painting on your wall." With intense colors, a little goes a long way. Consider living up a living room with a brightly colored accent chair or perhaps a dramatic



throw for your recliner. For a bolder change, Mobili Mobil offers plenty of furniture options with removable covers. Consider a spring like toile print with solid pillows or simply swap out darker winter shades temporarily.

Soft fabric pillows add light, tactile comfort and dimension.

"Make an old sofa brand new by replacing the pillows that come with it and adding larger, patterned or bright statement pillows," adds Mary Ann Beardman, owner of Bailey and Hart Interiors, Ltd. in Lake Forest. "It helps to add new comfort to a room where people tend to congregate." Fabric should reflect the warm-

ing temperatures, so replace heavy winter cashmere and wool quilted pieces with softer weights like silk and cottons. Soft fabric pillows, such as Mobili Mobil's poly-blended pebble shabby, add light, tactile comfort and dimension for the season.

Another runway lesson this season is the ability for designs to mix and match effortlessly. Select the color tone you wish to use for a room, perhaps a mixture of salmon, light pinks and leafy greens. Look for plaids, solids and textured fabrics that have different prints of the same color scheme and layer the patterns in a mix of upholstery, pillows and even lampshades for a multi-dimensional color impact.

The old becomes new. This year has seen the emergence of a trend that combines personalized, one-of-a-kind style with eco-friendly influences. Mobili Mobil's Ruda calls "up-cycling" the use of unique fabrics and upholstery made from manufacturer's scrap. Pillows might be made from bunches of old scrap from a manufacturer. The resulting pattern is utterly unique and sure to be a talking point when your guests arrive.

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## Simple changes, lasting results

After settling on a bright accent piece, a warm wall color and an armful of fresh blossoms to scatter throughout the home, consider small details that help set the tone. Lighting is often an important transitional element that influences interior design. Even with recessed lights, lamps can add tiers of light that improve the look of your furnishings. "Many people make the mistake of too small or too skinny lamps," says Beardman of Bailey and Hart Interiors. "Let your lamps provide enough light for reading and also enhance the design of the room." In a budget conscious world, small changes can mean big results, even if you're looking to update

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# Today's New Homes

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## Homes for families with changing lifestyles

By Josh Wolff  
SPECIAL TO SUN-TIMES NEWS GROUP

You've already owned a home or an apartment, but now have a couple children roaming around or one on the way. You probably need more space in your home to fit your growing family. These scenic and peaceful developments are the perfect communities for you moving-up families.

### The Hennings, near Huntley

Rock Creek Homes is building new, customizable homes in a new rural community near Huntley. With plans to build only 35 homes, each home will have bountiful space around the home to use as the owner sees fit. Many homes are built along lakes stocked with fish, the perfect location for people who enjoy fishing and the outdoors. For the golf fans, there are even four courses located within minutes of the development. Rock Creek Homes has blueprints for the homes, but is more than willing to make alterations to fit any owner's needs. No alteration is too complex for Rock Creek Homes.

"We match your lifestyle with one of our modified floor plans," said Ryan VanLue of Rock Creek Homes. These unique homes are available, ranging from \$489,000 to \$799,000. The Hennings is located on Church Road, east of Route 20 and less than a mile north of the I-90 Tollway. To set up an appointment, call 815-923-2717 or visit [www.the-henningsestates.com](http://www.the-henningsestates.com).

### Cambridge Lakes, Pingree Grove

Cambridge Homes is currently planning to build 165 Signature Series homes in the up-start community of Pingree Grove. Each home has a master bedroom with private deluxe baths, two- or three-car attached garages and sells for between



All of Cambridge Lakes' Signature Series plans include spacious kitchens with eating areas or breakfast nooks, luxury master bedroom suites with walk-in closets and private deluxe baths, large family rooms with available fireplace and entertainment center options, dining rooms, living rooms, main-level laundry rooms with convenient access from the garages, two-story or volume ceilings, and two or three-car attached garages.

\$309,000 to \$349,000. Cambridge Lakes is the perfect community for all families as it features three outdoor pools, a large community center and four baseball fields.

"Cambridge Lakes is designed as an enriched lifestyle community for all types of buyers to enjoy," said Paul Ivers, president of Cambridge

Homes. Also offered in the development are townhomes, starting in the \$160s, as well as other single-family homes, which start in the low \$200s. Pingree Grove is located approximately four miles southeast of the I-90 and Route 47 interchange.

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### A life on the lake

Want a vacation lifestyle in a waterfront community? Check out **Newport Cove**.

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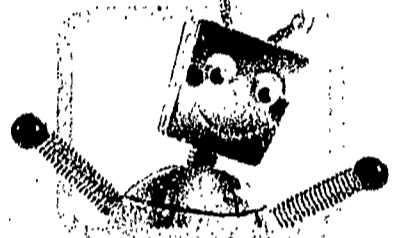
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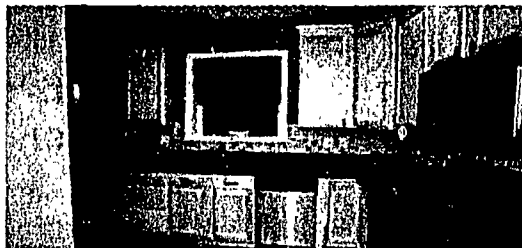
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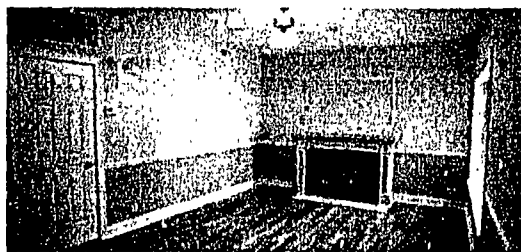
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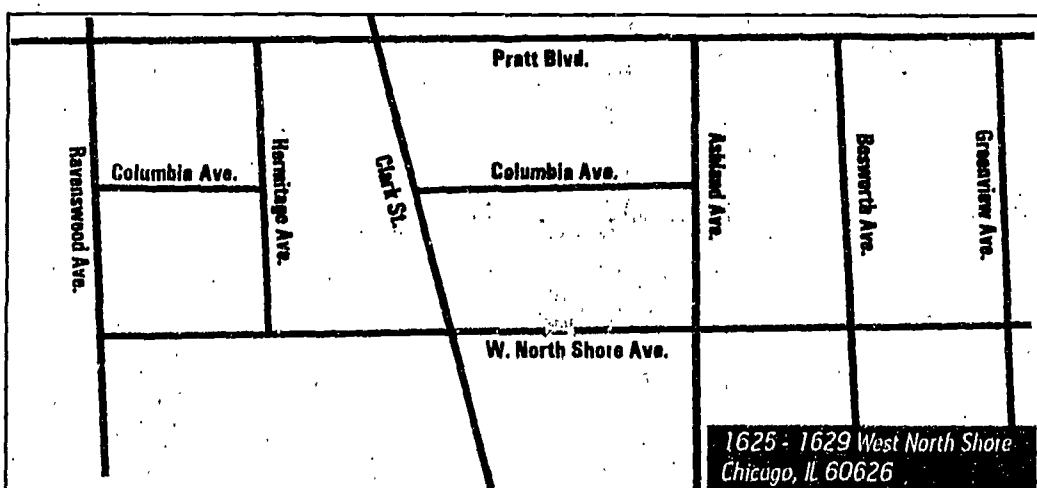
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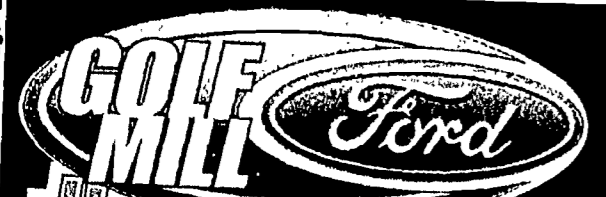
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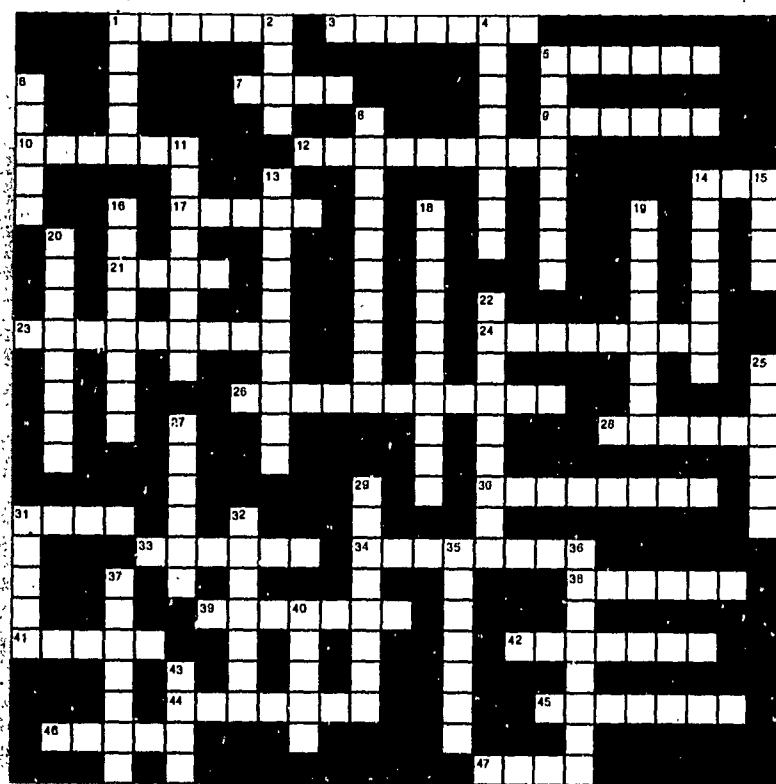
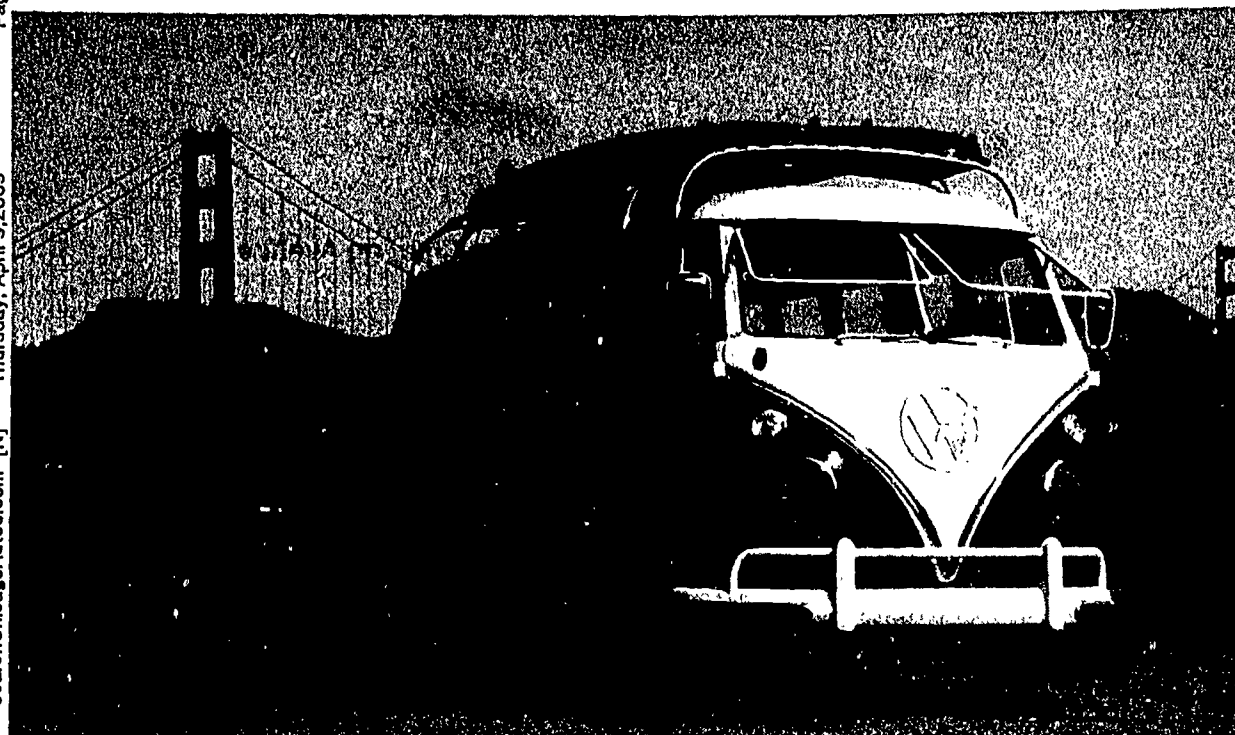
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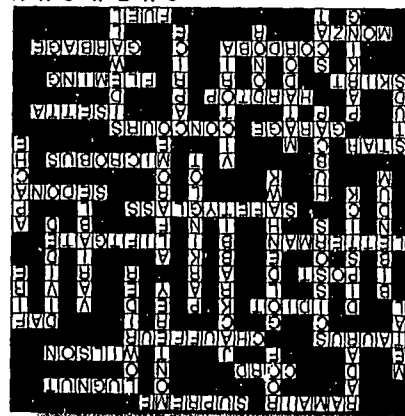
**DOWN**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ detector
2. Sun or moon
4. Mercury named for coastal town
5. Hydraulic-suspension car
6. Pedal to the \_\_\_\_\_
8. A jumpy start
11. Diablo door style
13. Sporty Slude
14. Highway type
15. Emergency truck
16. Measures oil level
18. "They paved paradise, put up a \_\_\_\_\_"
19. \_\_\_\_\_ cam timing
20. Michelin's mascot
22. Italian car company
25. '60s Chev pickup model
27. Small wheel covering
29. Model A Ford two-door
31. Added to snow tires
32. Full-size AMC model
35. Pricier than an Impala
36. Usually black or white
37. Hand- or foot-operated brake
40. a.k.a. parts car
43. Dodge's \_\_\_\_\_ Pack

**ACROSS**

1. Firebird power option
3. Top Outlass
5. Joins wheel to hub.
7. 1930s FWD car
9. Voice of Lightning McQueen
10. Sedan retired after 20 years
12. Professional driver
14. Dutch-built car
17. Slang for warning lights
21. Battery terminal
23. Talk-show host/race-team owner
24. Cargo door
26. Window breaks into tiny pieces
28. An Arizona Kia?
30. VW minivan
31. Mercedes-Benz three-pointed \_\_\_\_\_
33. Covered storage
34. Perfectly restored classic
38. BMW bubble car
39. Coupe or sedan less the side pillar
41. Wheel-arch cover
42. Chitty-Chitty-Bang-Bang author
44. '70s Chrysler coupe
45. Trash truck
46. Sporty Corvair
47. Line or pump

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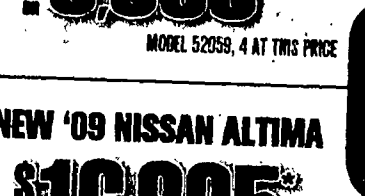
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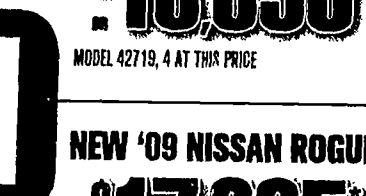
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## Kia offers 'new way to roll' with 2010 Soul



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It's nice to see a manufacturer that's doing something right in this slumping economy. And with the launch of its 2010 Soul, Kia is definitely doing something right.

This oddly shaped vehicle may not look like much at a glance, but I encourage you to look again. When you do, you'll see a nicely equipped vehicle with air conditioning, a total cargo volume (with rear seats down) of 53.4 cubic-feet, seating for five and standard safety that includes six airbags.

Oh, and did I mention that you can get all this for less than \$14,000?

Kia's tagline for the Soul is: "A new way to roll." The manufacturer has set out to create a cool vehicle that gives you everything you need and plenty that you want. The idea is to make consumers think differently about the Kia brand as well as provide a cost-effective ride that doesn't mean "cheap."

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**2010 KIA SOUL**  
 Engines: 122-horsepower, 1.6-liter, four-cylinder (base); 142-horsepower, 2.0-liter, four-cylinder (Sport)  
**TRANSMISSIONS:** five-speed manual, four-speed automatic  
**DRIVE TRAIN:** front-wheel drive  
**FUEL ECONOMY:** 26 city/31 highway (1.6-liter), 24 city/30 highway (2.0-liter)  
**BASE PRICING:** \$13,995 (base), \$15,645 (+), \$17,645 (I), \$17,645 (Sport)  
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The manufacturer has made no secret that the Scion xB is in its sights. Nor has Kia hidden the fact that it thinks the Soul will beat the pants off the new Nissan cube.

As far as the xB is concerned, my brief time behind the wheel of the Soul leads me to conclude that the Soul has far surpassed that previous trendsetter. Scion made a mistake with the second-generation xB, not only by creating a second-gen vehicle in the first place but also by making it bigger and more expensive.

The Soul has a base price that is a full \$2,000 less than the xB, and it is 7 inches shorter. Not to mention the fact that the quality of the Soul exceeds that of the xB, and the Soul is an overall tighter package with better handling.

I haven't yet had any seat time in the cube, so I can't make any direct comparisons in terms of quality or handling. But, on paper, cube offers only one engine choice, a base 1.8-liter, four-cylinder engine that delivers 122 horsepower, and it has a starting price that's just \$5 less than the Soul. Visually, I like the warped "wraparound" window of the cube, but overall I like the interior creativity of the Soul better.

One of the things I really liked about the Soul is the different levels with unique trims for each. The base Soul is pretty minimal with three exterior color options and one interior color scheme.

It is the only model that comes equipped with the 1.6-liter, four-cylinder engine that delivers 122 horsepower. Plus at this level there is one transmission (the five-speed manual), and the only option is floor mats (\$95). The entry-level Soul also includes a four-speaker audio system with AM/FM/MP3/SAT, USB and auxiliary jacks, 15-inch wheels, electronic stability control and tire pressure monitoring system. Base price for the Soul is \$13,995.

Upgrading to the + model keeps it close to \$15,000 with the five-speed manual transmission and the up-level 2.0-liter, four-cylinder engine that delivers 142 horsepower. This level adds standard features like three additional paint colors, 16-inch wheels, a six-speaker audio system and Bluetooth hands-free connectivity. Options at this level include the audio upgrade with subwoofer and speaker lights (\$400), floor mats (\$95) and power sunroof with fog lights (\$800). At this level you'll pay \$15,645 for the manual transmis-

sion and \$16,595 for the automatic.

The next level is I, and it adds other color choices. The I also takes the options from the + level and makes them standard. So you'll add \$2,000 to the price tag, and you get 18-inch wheels and \$1,200 in options. There are no options available at this level. For the I with the manual transmission, you'll pay \$17,645, and for the automatic you'll pay \$18,595.

The final level of the Soul is the Sport. It has the same pricing as the I model, but it has a few differences in equipment and colors. The sunroof becomes a \$700 option, but the Sport adds unique front and rear fascias, unique side sills and a rear spoiler.

There were no base models for us to test during the press preview, so we were only able to look at models with the 2.0-liter engine. While 142 horsepower doesn't seem like much in the modern world of 400-horsepower V-8s, I have to say that the Soul was well powered for an entry-level four-cylinder vehicle. I think a Chicagoan in need of those frequent quick starts and highway merges wouldn't be disappointed. Plus the mileage ratings for a vehicle of this size will be hard to beat. For this engine you're looking at city/highway Environmental Protection Agency estimates of 24/30 mpg. The 1.6-liter engine sees slightly better mileage estimates of 26/31 mpg.

My driving partner and I had the opportunity to drive a manual transmission Sport model and an automatic transmission + model. While I liked the manual transmission, this is one instance where I will tell you to pay the extra \$1,000 for the automatic - even if you are adept at driving a stick. The automatic transmission was so much better and incredibly well geared for those quick accelerations, that I couldn't do better myself with the manual. And, let's face it, in Chicago the automatic is typically the preference anyway with all that stop-and-go traffic.

I noticed that the suspension in the Sport model was a little stiffer than the +, but it was a minimal difference. Ride and handling was pretty steady in both vehicles, and I liked the stiff, responsive steering.

The interior of the Soul is simple yet attractive. I liked the red gauge lighting, and the controls on the center stack were intuitive and easy

to reach. The thing that really struck me about the interior, though, was the genuine quality. In addition to being attractive, nothing felt cheap or flimsy. Even the storage compartment at the top of the stack was solid.

Other standard features of note include the dual glove box that is large enough to hold a laptop computer, power door locks, power windows with driver's side auto down, rear window defroster and standard steering wheel audio controls and cruise control beginning at the + level.

As this was just a preview of the Soul, my time behind the wheel was brief. But my first impression of this hip urban vehicle is favorable. I liked the oddball looks and unique interior treatments depending on the trim level. I liked the ride and handling, and I really liked the four-speed automatic transmission. The Soul has a nice size and even better fuel economy, both of which are becoming increasingly important in today's society. So with its new "halo" vehicle, Kia presents what it calls: "The right vehicle at the right time." I think it's spot on.



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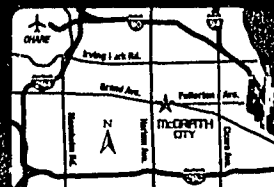


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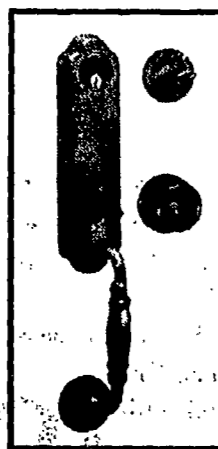
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## Outdoor floral decorating

Make the exterior of your house pretty for spring

by Erica Wort • Special to Pioneer Press

Nothing says spring like flowers in full bloom. A yard full of flowers can quickly erase any lingering winter blues, ushering in spring with color and vivacity. The trick to spring decorating is knowing how to utilize flowers to make the most impact — and the most bang for your buck.

Before you head to your local nursery, Cliff Miller, landscape architect of P. Clifford Miller Landscaping in Lake Forest, suggests getting on top of all of the prep work early.

"Wait until the hard frosts are gone, then cut the edges, where your grass meets planters, put a good spring fertilizer on the lawn and cut perennials back," Miller says.

Cristl Huhnke, garden buyer manager for Pasquesi Home and Garden Centers in Lake Bluff, agrees that clearing out what winter left behind is the first step to get-

ting the spring garden of your dreams.

"Start by doing a little clean-up," Huhnke says.

She recommends raking any remaining leaves and muck out of the grass first, then applying crab grass preventer on the lawn and using pre-emergent herbicide in the flowerbeds. If you have dogs, try a product such as Guard Dog, which helps wash the salt from their urine so the soil doesn't burn out.

"It's safe for pets and it greens up grass," Huhnke says.

She also suggests putting the bones of your garden back in, placing soaker hoses in beds and setting up cages for plants that need staking, such as your peonies or hydrangeas.

Once your lawn is in tip-top shape, it's time for the fun part — selecting flowers.

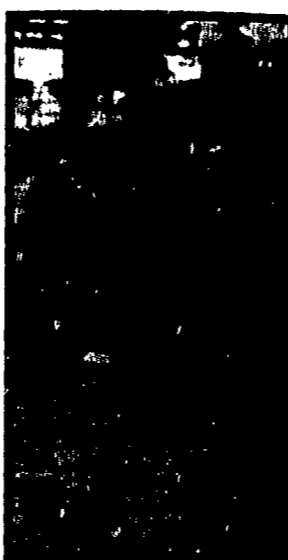
Early spring blooming perennials are a great choice, as they bring instant color at the start of the season. Try native columbine, rock cress or wild geranium for pops of color.

"Try something that blooms early spring then something that'll bloom a bit later," says Carole Wiegel of Pasquesi.

Wiegel also suggests using branches like curly willow, pussy willow or dogwood in container gardens to add accent, interest and height.

"Sometimes we'll put annuals and perennials in a planter together," Wiegel says. "The idea is always to have continuous color in that spot."

Annuals such as pansies, violas, snapdragons and ranunculus can tolerate cooler night temperatures and



mix well with perennials, but be sure to cover them at night when temperatures dip near 35.

If you don't want a lot of maintenance but are looking for a big impact, try a number of planting pots.

Place shrubs or evergreens in pots for some textural plays, or work with bright reds and yellows or black and blue salvia to attract butterflies and hummingbirds.

"The emphasis now is colorful foliage and perennials in pots," says Tony Fulmer, retail manager at Chalet Nursery & Garden Shop in Wilmette. "Try groupings of harmonious colored pots."

The trick is to choose different sized pots in the same color and let the individuality of your plants stand out. What's most important is creating a cohesive, interesting look.

"If you have a small area, the most impact is using the same color in various plants," Fulmer says.

Lastly, don't be afraid to experiment.

"Put color where you see it and where you live in it," Miller advises. • PP



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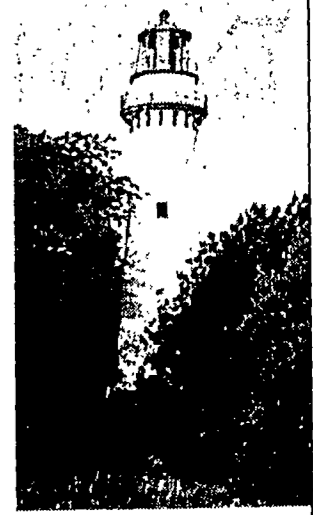
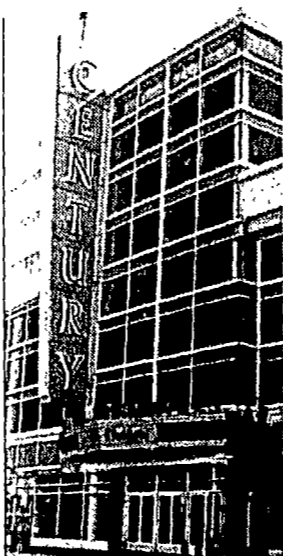
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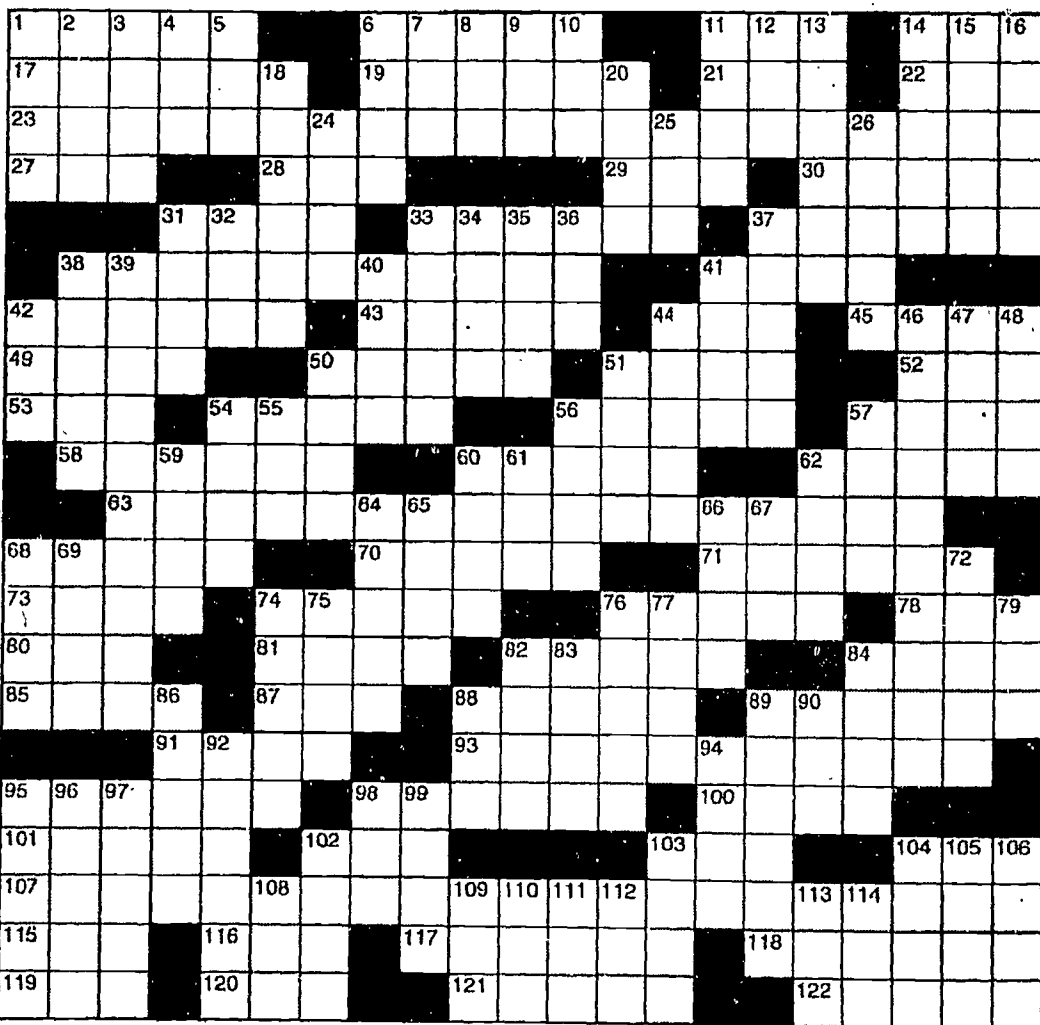
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Answers: Inside today's classified section



## Cats Can Get Heartworm Disease Too

By Joanne L. Carlson D.V.M.

Most dog owners are well aware of the deadly consequences a heartworm infection can have on their pet and strictly adhere to monthly preventatives. However, many cat owners are unaware that their pets are susceptible to these parasites as well, even if their feline friend lives only indoors. Because clinical signs of heartworm disease in cats are sometimes mistaken for other ailments, the disease may go undetected.

Feline heartworm disease is very difficult to diagnose, but easy to prevent. Because the disease is complex, testing for the parasites in cats can be confusing and, in most cases, more than one test is needed to make an accurate diagnosis.

Signs of heartworm disease in cats are somewhat nonspecific. Years ago the disease would have been diagnosed as feline asthma, but now veterinarians realize that cats can get heartworm disease, too. Coughing and difficulty breathing are two of the common symptoms. Unfortunately, acute death is also one

of the signs. Because the worms have a short lifespan of 2-3 years in cats, once they die this may cause an embolism resulting in immediate death.

Preventing heartworm disease is quite simple. Just as with dogs, there are monthly preventatives on the market you can get from a veterinarian. Because there is no treatment for the disease; prevention is the only cure. Feline heartworm preventatives also kill other internal parasites that would be harmful to your pet.

Mosquitoes transmit heartworms when they feed on an animal. The spring brings warm weather and a flurry of mosquitoes carrying many diseases. Monthly preventatives inhibit a certain stage of the parasite to prevent growth in the animal's heart and lungs. Although dogs are the preferred host of the heartworm disease, and cats are more resistant to the worms, our feline friends most certainly are not immune.

Data from the American Heartworm Society indicates that the disease is most prevalent in the southern United States and along the Mississippi River. Because the parasite is spread by mosquitoes, waterways are a highly endemic area.

Current research has also shown that the pathology of heartworm disease in cats is somewhat different than that in dogs. Despite being called "heartworms" the disease in cats mostly affects the lungs. In contrast to canine infections, data has shown that even immature worms can cause severe problems in the lungs of cats. Furthermore, when a common blood test indicates that worms are not present, the disease may still be ongoing, or in the early stages, and starting to damage lung tissue.

Talk to your local veterinarian if you have questions about placing your cat on preventatives. For more information you can visit the American Heartworm Society's Web page for cat owners at [http://www.heartwormsociety.org/article\\_1142.html](http://www.heartwormsociety.org/article_1142.html).

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**Limosani, Helena**  
Helena Limosani (nee Chockas), 81, of Morton Grove, passed away on Thursday, March 26, 2009 at Rainbow Hospice Ark. Helen was born on November 14, 1927 in Chicago. She worked as a receptionist at Northmore Country Club in Highland Park. She is preceded in death by her husband, Joseph A. Limosani, D.D.S. Mother of Judy (Donald) Mudd, Barbara Rizzo, Theresa (Carmen) Marzullo, Joy Ann Martin, the late JoEllen; sister of the late Peggy Popowski, and the late James Chockas; grandmother of Nick, Joe, Tony, Brandon (Natalie) Rizzo, Gina Birch, Aimee (Mike) Laroc, Deneen (Peter) Shank, Bret (Cher) Carrol, Christa Guerrieri, Shannon, Kira and Trevor Martin; great-grandmother of Samantha, Justin, Andrew, Brandy, Anthony, Brianna, Nadia, Devon, Zade, Destiny, Siree, Cole, Aubrey, Ethan and Austin.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., at All Saints Cemetery, 700 N. River Rd., Des Plaines. Memorial contributions may be made to Rainbow Hospice Ark, 1601 Northwestern Ave., Park Ridge, IL 60068. Arrangements by Skala Terrace Funeral Home, Funeral info: (847) 966-7302 or [www.skafuneralhomes.com](http://www.skafuneralhomes.com).  
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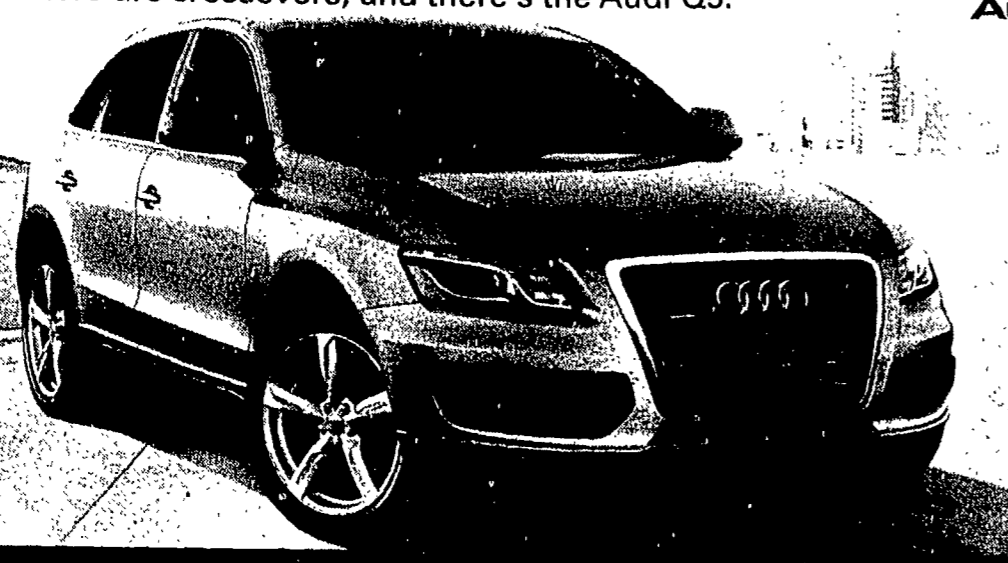
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Students and their parents will be able to discuss entrance requirements, special programs, admission procedures and course offerings with representatives from an array of colleges and technical schools. All Niles Township students and their parents are invited to participate, regardless of whether they attend a District 219 school. A detailed listing of all colleges represented will be available at [www.niles-hs.k12.il.us/west-Guidance/collegenight.htm](http://www.niles-hs.k12.il.us/west-Guidance/collegenight.htm). For additional information, call College and Career Counselors Daniel Gin at (847) 626-2682 or Donna Virkkan at (847) 626-2170.

Nine research papers by District 219 students entered into the 2009 Illinois History Fair have qualified for the state contest. This year's theme is "Individual in Chicago/Illinois History: Actions, Legacies". The following research papers were selected for the Illinois History State Expo held May 7 in Springfield. From Niles North: **Abby Harris-Ridker** for "Faith and Humanity: Hannah Solomon's Lasting Legacy," **Erick Noerts**, "Upton Sinclair: Victim of Government Complicity" and **Polina Titarenko**, "Mary Eliza McDowell: Chicago's Champion Reformer." From Niles West: **Carmin Beck** for "Frances E. Willard: Uncrowned

## SCHOOL DIGEST

Queen of Our Country," **Stefan Djordjevic**, "Rough and Tumble: Chicago in the Wigwag of 1860," **Alexa Edinburgh** for "Underwater Entertainment in Chicago," **Alicia Mendoza**, "Katharine Dexter McCormick" and **Zain Parekh**, "Louis Armstrong: A True Chicago Hero."

**Sarah Pauls** of Niles North High School was selected to be one of the 100 Golden Apple Scholars of the Illinois Class of 2009. The Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois is a highly competitive program that seeks the best and brightest of Illinois youth interested in a teaching career. More than 1,850 nominations were received for the program. Pauls and other Golden Apple Scholars will be honored at a reception May 2 at DePaul University.

Niles West High School student **Jorian Micor** earned "Top Vocal Percussionist" at the 2009 International Competition of High School A Cappella Midwest Semifinals in DeKalb recently. He was the only student in the Midwest to receive this award. He performed as a part of Niles West's male a cappella group Echo Effect, which competed against groups from Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan and Tennessee. The members of Echo Effect include: **Dan Aler, Daric Gulmary, David Nakic, Ravi Patel, Adam Gruezo, Elias Shilhaber, Kevin Galicia, Chris Nodarse, Chris Olivares, Patrick Cristl and Doug Vega, Jr. Amy Branahl** is the director of Echo Effect. The choreographer is **Patti-Anne Smith**.

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This has been an exciting year for WSJB. The majority of the eighth grade class has chosen to participate and has been reporting the news every Friday morning since September. The WSJB team has made the leap into cyberspace by being able to upload the Friday telecast to the school web site. This means you can view the WSJB news at [www.bjschool.org](http://www.bjschool.org).

Mrs. Guerrieri and Mr. Taylor have been diligently working to moderate each broadcast and assist the students whenever needed.

The students at St. John Brebeuf recently gathered for an all-school Mass to observe the Annunciation of the Lord. The sixth grade students sang in the choir and spread joy throughout the congregation with their songs.

**Ania Rostkowski** led the students, teachers, and parishioners in song and prayer, while **Ray Joseph and Mandy Aragon** prepared the readings. **Katharine Gittings and Tyler Vonder Heide** brought the gifts of bread and wine forward.

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BOYS AND GIRLS WATER POLO

# East improving despite lack of depth

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During last week's loss to Hersey, Scott Guilfoil sat on the pool deck and watched in envy as the Huskies coach Jeff Baker substituted full lines.

While the Maine East boys water polo team remains competitive with most teams early, the Demons wear down without the luxury of a deep bench.

"It's something we have to overcome and deal with," said Guilfoil, whose team is in its first varsity season. "Our younger players just have to develop faster, but we don't have many of them ready yet."

The 8-5 defeat to Hersey started an 0-3 week for East. The Demons entered this week 1-5 overall and 1-2 in the CSL. They also lost to St. Viator 11-5 on April 2 and Rolling Meadows 18-3 on



Maine East's Steven Tom (left) switched positions with Matt Wiegel to help the Blue Demons on offense. The Demons went 0-3, though, last week in the pool. (Joel Lerner/Staff Photographer)

Saturday. The Mustangs finished last week 11-1 and first place in the MSL East.

East trailed Meadows 2-0 after the first quarter but gave up 16 goals in the

final three quarters.

"The teams we are going up against right now are stronger than us," Guilfoil said. "A lot of our kids are looking at the other team and saying

how much bigger they are. But our biggest problem is we wear down."

Despite allowing 29 goals in their last two games, Guilfoil insisted the Demons are improving

defensively. A position switch between Steven Tom and Matt Wiegel has increased the team's offensive strength.

Guilfoil moved Tom from the point to driver

last week. Wiegel now directs the offense. Tom scored two of the team's three goals Saturday.

"This gives Tom a chance to take advantage of his shot," Guilfoil said. "He wasn't getting many shots at point, so this allows him more opportunities."

Guilfoil said he plans to continue experimenting with his lineup this week. East was scheduled to play New Trier, No. 12 in the latest Illpolo.com poll, Tuesday before visiting Wheeling today.

**GIRLS:** Since beating Maine South to start the season, the Demons lost their next four games. After losses to Northside and Riverside-Brookfield last week, East enters the week 1-4 overall and 1-2 in the conference. The girls were scheduled to play No. 9 New Trier on Tuesday before breaking for a week.

GIRLS BADMINTON

# Young Demons lineup gaining small victories early

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With the loss of the team's three best players from a year ago, Maine East badminton coach Jackie Arvidson qualified her expectations for this season.

But there are signs that the Demons are able to compete with most teams they go up against.

Despite losses last week to Maine West and Deerfield, the Demons gained small victories, including taking seven of the 15 matches against the Warriors to three games.

"Our scores don't re-

ally reflect how well we are doing," insisted the third-year coach, whose team entered this week 0-4 in duals but registered second place at Leyden's four-team tournament and fourth at Glenbard East's nine-team meet.

A year after playing No. 4 singles, Meeshali Gupta now anchors the lineup at No. 1. The senior teamed up with classmate Stephanie Peter on April 2 to defeat Maine West's No. 1 doubles team in three games.

"The biggest thing is both Stephanie and Meeshali are good friends," Arvidson said. "Meeshali

has all the strong shots, and Stephanie is good about thinking where she wants to put shots. You put those things together, and it works well."

Klaudia Bartyzel and Angle Lal combined for East's other win in the 13-2 defeat to District 207 rival West. Senior Humaira Khalid, Peter and Bartyzel — three of East's top five in singles — all took their matches to three games before losing.

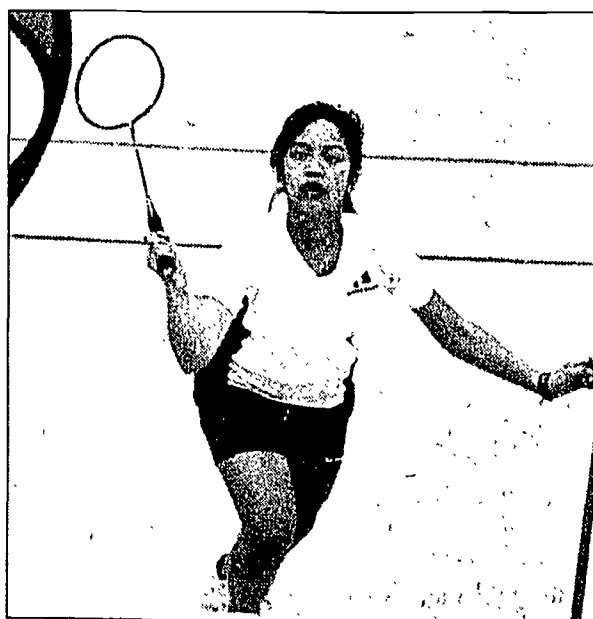
In the team's 15-0 defeat to Deerfield on March 31, Gupta and Peter each went three games as did the doubles team of varsity rookies Felice Chan

and Anne Carreon.

"All the newcomers are extremely dedicated," said Arvidson, who starts five first-year varsity players at singles. "They are there every day for practice, ready to run and sweat. They've stepped into the varsity positions well."

East, which was scheduled to play Glenbrook South on Monday, welcomes Waukegan to town today. The Demons then host Elk Grove on Friday before visiting Maine South for an invitational Saturday.

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Maine East No. 2 doubles team member Christy Manaois returns the birdie in Thursday's match with Maine West's Megan Wajda and Jackie Wijas. (Buzz Orr/Staff Photographer)

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

# Dons overcome nerves, start season with wins

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So far, so good for the Notre Dame boys volleyball team this season.

The Dons started the campaign 2-0 defeating Niles North 25-21, 27-25 April 1, before beating Fenwick 25-14, 22-25, 25-18 the following day.

Junior middle hitter Dan Podkowa turned in a strong effort in the opener, finishing with eight kills in 10 attempts. Setters John Jennings, a senior, and Dan French, a sophomore, also turned in solid season-opening performances, head coach Pat Cole said.

Notre Dame did struggle a little in the contest, including missing six serves, but Cole said he believes that was just opening day nerves.

"Both games were competitive and early on we struggled to get in the swing of things," Cole said. "We had way too many unforced errors, but those were first-game jitters and I take it with a grain of salt."

The Dons came out much stronger in the second match of the campaign.

"We came out and played almost to the level of what I expect," Cole said about his team's effort in the first game against Fenwick. "There were a few problems here and there. But offensively,



Notre Dame's Peter Maniscalco spikes the ball during Thursday's match with Fenwick. (C. Jason Brown/For STNG)

it was night and day compared to the opener. We came out firing on all cylinders. Every kill was a ball that we just basically obliterated."

But Notre Dame came back down to earth in the second game, missing serves and missing plays defensively.

Cole said team leaders Peter Maniscalco and Colin Kulasic helped the Dons get fired up again for the third game. With renewed enthusiasm, the team re-established its block and stopped making unforced errors as it pulled out the win.

"Maniscalco and Kulasic are two juniors who are on the varsity for a

third year," Cole said. "They have been in big matches, tight matches, they have played club ball and in the Junior Olympics. They helped us re-establish our energy in the third game."

In the contest, Maniscalco led the way with nine kills, Podkowa had eight kills and two aces and junior Ryan Ernst had six kills on nine attempts in the first game before leaving with an injury. French led the way with 19 assists.

The Dons have some time off before returning to action on April 16 at Maine East.

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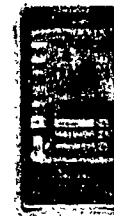
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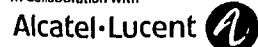
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