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### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## Assi Plaza's \$80M plan to expand hits skids

Criticized by some, project called for hotel, spa, garage

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A hotly debated \$80-million expansion at Assi Plaza approved more than a year ago by the village of Niles has derailed due to internal conflict among owners of the site, according to Community Development Director Chuck Ostman.

Mayoral Luncheon. "There were some issues with the parties involved," he said in an interview. "They spent a lot of money on the property to begin with and even worked out a special parking situation with residents who lived nearby." The village approved the expansion, criticized by some because of its size, in July 2008. One of the owners of the site, real-estate developer Michael Kiin, had a one-year deadline to file paperwork with Cook County and failed to do so, Ostman said. Assi Plaza, bordered by Milwaukee Avenue, Dempster Street, Ballard Road and Washington Avenue, is now home to a Korean-themed grocery store and

several retailers. The proposed \$80-million expansion on the 12.1-acre site would have included a 200-room hotel, a 13,000-square-foot Korean family spa, a 13,000-square-foot retail building, a seven-tier parking structure and a 300-seat banquet hall. The village estimated the site would have generated about \$170,000 in annual sales-tax revenue. Ostman said the project could be resurrected, but would again have to go through the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Village Board. Attempts to reach officials from Assi Plaza Inc. were unsuccessful.

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### ETHICS BOARD

## Hiring practices come under fire

Mayor's office illegally took on powers of the village manager

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The Niles Board of Ethics convened a special meeting Oct. 6 to discuss the relationship between village hiring practices and political influence in the wake of incendiary statements from the village manager and a Herald-Spectator story.

The meeting revealed that past village practice of referring all final hiring and firing decisions to the mayor's office was in violation of state law. Officials said all such powers should lie solely with the village manager's office as Niles adopted a village manager form of government in 1962.

The Ethics Board also determined that the Niles village personnel manual, which states that all hiring and firing decisions rest with the mayor, is also counter to state law and must be changed. To add to the confusion is a village ordinance that describes the duties of the village manager and states that he or she will only "make recommendations" regarding hiring and firing of personnel.

**'State of confusion'** The Ethics Board voted unanimously to begin untangling the issue and to recommend to the Village Board that the personnel

handbook be changed to comply with state law — giving the village manager the final say in hiring and firing. Efforts will also be made to rewrite the ordinance that describes the village manager's powers. "There's a manual that runs contrary to state law, which could fall under an ordinance that is muddy," said Attorney Mike Siegel, who has been contracted by the village to advise the Ethics Board. "It's a state of confusion. The board does owe the village manager some clarification. It makes sense to amend anywhere it says the mayor has the final decision."

The issue was first reported in a Herald-Advocate story last week when Village Manager George Van Geem told the Ethics Board he did not feel there were enough safeguards in place to insulate his personnel decisions from political clout. "You have to at least recognize there's some confusion," Van Geem said. "Right now, it's not clear."

Van Geem has said the village has hired no new employees under Mayor Robert Callero's administration. But under the leadership of ex-mayor Nicholas Blase, who retired in August 2008 and awaits sentencing on federal corruption charges, it was the mayor who made all final decisions on hiring, firing and promotions with the exception of police and fire employees. "What the law and ordinance say is slightly different from what our past practice has been," Van Geem said. "Under the law, what do you think the speed limit is on Dempster

(Street)? The law says it's 35, but the speed is really north of 40. "In our organization, the common practice was that the mayor (had the power)." Callero has since issued a statement saying Van Geem would receive no interference from his office or the Board of Trustees with regard to exercising his powers as village manager.

**Change demanded** At the Oct. 8 meeting Trustee Louella Preston, a member of the Ethics Board, referenced the Herald-Advocate story about the hiring issue and said that ensuring village hiring decisions are protected from political clout had quickly become the most important issue in Niles.

"This is the hottest of all the topics," she said. "This is at the top of the agenda. If it wasn't before, it is now. Technically, somebody wasn't fired until the mayor said they were fired."

"This must be changed." Village Attorney Joe Annunzio said he believes the culture of the village has shifted and that Van Geem would be able to carry out his responsibilities without interference.

"The culture has already changed," Annunzio said. "George (Van Geem) already has the power. The board will back him 100 percent and if anyone tries to stop him, this board is going to get involved. "Right now, I believe there are enough safeguards in place that George can do his job."

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LAST WEEK  
TOP FIVE STORIES

1. Village manager seeks power to supersede political clout

The complex relationship between Niles' employment practices and political clout has long been a village issue, but it came to forefront earlier this month when Village Manager George Van Geem asked the Ethics Committee to consider granting him power to hire and fire employees regardless of political sponsorship. "Right now, we don't have the power to fire somebody we feel is redundant or not performing well if that person has political clout," Van Geem said. "Currently, there is no policy to ensure that. We should have something in place that clearly dictates that."

2. Callero fills board vacancies, readies chamber address

Niles Mayor Robert Callero has filled the gaps left at the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals after Commissioner James Hynes was named to the Board of Trustees.

3. Giants hang cloud on Vikings' homecoming

FOOTBALL - The broken record keeps spinning. Maine East did enough good things against Deerfield the night of Oct. 2 to prove the program is on the upswing, but the Demons continue to hurt themselves with turnovers and mistakes.

4. Embers to join parent 'roundtable' Oct. 24

On Oct. 24, Embers Elementary School in Park Ridge joins Northridge Prep to present an inaugural Parent University Roundtable.

5. LETTER: Another success for anti-crime event

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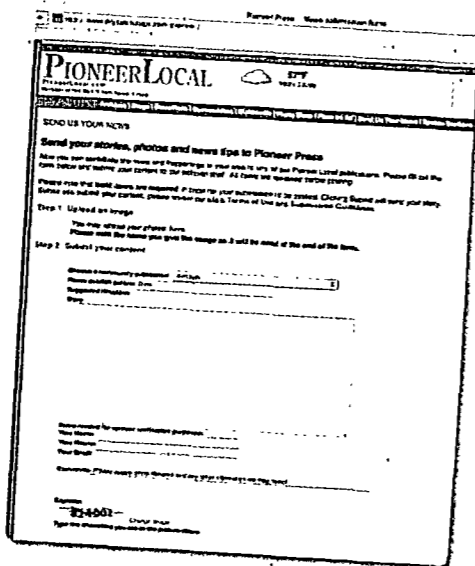
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### NILES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## Outlook optimistic despite mixed bag of economic news

### Campaign to tout village as prime spot for biz relocation

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The Niles Chamber of Commerce Mayoral Luncheon on Oct. 8 at Chateau Ritz offered an opportunity for local business owners to meet with village leaders and get an update on the state of the local economy.

Community Development Director Chuck Ostman told the audience that the past year has been challenging, but encouraging. "My department has been very busy sitting down and meeting with potential businesses wanting to come in," he said. "I'm very encouraged by the number of retail stores coming and not leaving."

Among the new businesses coming to Niles are a 102,000-square-foot Meijer store scheduled to open in 2010, and a Marshalls that is relocating from Morton Grove to Four Flags Shopping Center. "We make sure the big boxes get filled because they support a lot of smaller businesses," Ostman said.

A company that manufactures drink flavorings, Greenwood Associates, is also coming to the village and will be occupying a 50,000-square-foot manufacturing facility. But Ostman also had some sobering economic news.

A controversial \$80-million expansion approved by the village for Assi Plaza has fallen through due to

internal difficulties among the owners of the site, Ostman said.

Also, a vacancy previously occupied by Landmark Ford is likely to remain empty until 2013, when a lease on the property expires.

But Denise McCreery, a village economic development official, said Niles is in the early stages of a full-scale effort to promote the village as a prime place for companies to relocate operations.

That effort would include a promotional Web site with several streaming videos touting Niles' business-friendly attitude and high-traffic location.

McCreery also predicted the local business community would benefit greatly from Arterial Rapid Transit buses planned to begin traveling between Niles and the Jefferson Park Transit Station by 2013.

*"We encourage all businesses to open up in our community."*

Denise McCreery

*"This is the next best thing to having a rail system," she said.*

McCreery also reported on Niles' changing business demographics, an issue about which she said she is frequently asked.

"We've done a very informal study," she said. "We're looking at about a 30-percent amount of foreign-owned businesses in our community - predominantly Asian. We encourage all businesses to open up in our community. It makes us open and diverse."

While Callero could make no such claim, he did say the

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Niles Mayor Robert Callero made the annual mayoral address to the business community Oct. 8 at Chateau Ritz. Niles faces a \$1.5-million sales-tax shortfall. (Tamara Bell/Staff Photographer)

### VILLAGE ECONOMY

## 'We will weather the storm': Callero

### Despite cuts, tax shortfall, finances said to be healthy

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Mayor Robert Callero on Oct. 8 sought to reassure local business leaders about the economy.

"About 50 percent of you have your glasses half-empty," he told the audience at the Niles Chamber of Commerce Mayoral Luncheon at Chateau Ritz. "The other half have your glasses half-full, expecting me to tell you the recession is over."

While Callero could make no such claim, he did say the

village is in good fiscal health and promised to continue supporting local businesses.

"We will weather the storm," he said. "There is a light at the end of the tunnel. We will work to get both of us there."

Nick Katsoolias, president of the Niles Chamber of Commerce, said the annual mayoral luncheon is important to the local business community.

"It's an opportunity for people in the community to come out here and hear from the leadership," he said. "We have a new president; we have a new governor; we have a new mayor."

"We are still uncertain in terms of the economy. I think it's safe to say we have some questions."

During his speech Callero said Niles has taken posi-

five steps in the past year to improve the plight of village businesses experiencing an economic downturn.

"In the past year, we have used stimulus money to get our roads fixed," he said. "We have worked with property owners to fill vacant stores. We are creating a Web-site program to entice shoppers and shop owners to consider coming to Niles."

But Callero had sobering economic news, as well. Niles' sales-tax revenues are \$1.5 million less this year than last year and the village has been working to trim the budget to make up for the shortfall.

"We have cut expenses under budget (by) \$1.2 million," he said. "We have put a moratorium on hiring and have not replaced retired personnel except in the

most urgent positions."

But Callero said the village is trying to avoid cost cuts at the expense of services.

"We are not laying off personnel," he said. "Niles officials recently discontinued Saturday hours at the village Finance Department for an annual savings of about \$8,000. Some trustees opposed the change, saying it was too drastic."

But Callero in his speech compared Niles to Arlington Heights, which he said is facing a \$6-million deficit even after laying off more than a dozen employees.

"Whereas other villages are running deficits, Niles has a healthy balance sheet," he said. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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DISTRICT 207  
**Cuts, new fees mulled to narrow \$17M budget gap**

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*"...We will work with all of our employees to find ways to close the deficit."*  
 Ken Wallace

Maine Township High School District 207 announced last week that the district is facing a \$17-million budget deficit, citing the ailing economy and a lack of new revenue.

The deficit, according to a statement from the district, has been "created by various factors, including the most severe economic downturn in 80 years and virtually no new revenue due to the impact of a Consumer Price Index approaching zero."

District officials will host a series of meetings designed to provide information, answer questions and listen to ideas from community members.

Superintendent Ken Wallace and Mary Kalou, assistant superintendent for business, will make a presentation and then field questions Monday at Maine East High School and Wednesday at Maine West. Each session will run from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; all community members are invited to attend.

"Our Board of Education has always been a good steward for district taxpayers, and we will work with all of our employees to find ways to close the deficit," Wallace said.

Wallace assumed the office

of superintendent July 1. District administrators said they will continue to analyze possible solutions and will present the Board of Education with a proposed plan of action between November and February.

"Several factors have combined to flatten the District's revenue line," according to a statement issued by district spokesman Dave Beery. "Falling interest rates have reduced ... District 207's return on its invested fund balance, costing \$3.5 million in investment revenue during the past two years."

Beery also explained that Illinois' school funding formula ties districts' property-tax revenue directly to the Consumer Price Index, also known as CPI.

Under the current funding formula if the CPI rises by 2 percent during a calendar year, then a school district is permitted to collect an additional 2 percent in property tax the next year. Illinois places a 5-percent ceiling on districts' new property-tax collections but does not establish a minimum for new tax revenue in any one year.

With the 2008 CPI increasing only 0.1 percent, District 207 will receive virtually no increase in property-tax revenue in the 2010-11 fiscal year, according to calculations by Kalou, assistant superintendent of business.

Those dismal numbers also mean that any future revenue increases will be calculated starting with a much smaller base. Kalou estimates that 2008's 0.1-percent CPI increase will cost District 207 between \$15 million and \$20 million in revenue during the next five years.

Beery said the district is focusing on trimming costs. But revenue-raising options are the table.

"Currently, for instance, the district does not, as many districts do, charge fees for athletic participation," he said. "For another example, the district rarely charges fees for non-school groups to use District 207 facilities."

"... But it would be those types of fees — not higher taxes — that might be considered."

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Last go-round Kaitlyn Dutkin, 6, of Niles, rides the merry-go-round Sept. 26 at Kiddieland on the last weekend the fondly remembered amusement park was open to the public. (Dan Currier/Staff Writer)

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We expect the paper to return to its original one section format by the middle of January.



Adam Jepsen

### THEATER

## Maine S. grad off to be in 'Wizard'

N. American tour stops in Aurora in Nov.

Adam Jepsen, a 2007 graduate of Maine South High School, is appearing as the Searecrow in the National Tour of "The Wizard of Oz."

The musical will be performed at the Paramount Theatre in Aurora at 8 p.m. Nov. 27 and at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Nov. 28. Tickets are available by calling (630) 896-6666.

While a student at Maine South, Jepsen appeared in

school productions that included "Peter Pan," "Beauty and the Beast," "The Witches," "Hard Times for These Times" and "The Imaginary Invalid."

Jepsen also sang in the school's choirs.

In addition to Maine South, Jepsen attended Lincoln Middle School and Washington Elementary School. He took acting lessons at Piven Theatre in Evanston.

Jepsen will be on tour with the "Wizard of Oz" through June 2010, performing in 78 cities across the United States and Canada.



More than 80 Maine South High School students stayed after school Oct. 6 to give blood in honor of a classmate, senior Paige Dougherty, who was seriously injured in a traffic accident a few weeks ago. (Photo courtesy of District 207)

### MAINE SOUTH

## Students rally for injured classmate at blood drive

More than 80 Maine South High School students stayed after school Oct. 6 to give blood in honor of senior classmate Paige Dougherty, who was seriously injured in a traffic accident a few weeks ago, according to a news release.

So many students wanted to donate that the drive was

extended to the past Friday, giving more students an opportunity.

"It says a lot about the students that they were willing to do this, and it says a lot about Paige and how they feel about her," said South Principal David Claypool.

LifeSource worked quickly

to bring in enough workers and equipment to accommodate the crowd of students, who waited patiently for their turn to register and go through the screening process before rolling up their sleeves to donate.

An update on Dougherty's condition was not immediately available.

### ROAD PROJECTS

## Milwaukee Ave. work slowed by cutbacks

By TONY BERTUCA  
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Public Services Director Scott Joehim said a 12-inch water main has been installed between Albion and Neva avenues as part of the Milwaukee Avenue project.

Joehim, a featured speaker Thursday at the Niles Chamber of Commerce Mayoral Luncheon at Chateau Ritz, said the project suffered several delays the past summer, but he faulted the Illinois Department of Transportation.

"In this day of furloughs and layoffs, it's been taking a lot longer," he said.

Joehim said great deal of the Milwaukee Avenue project was expected to be completed in the spring.

Joehim also gave the audience a brief overview of road resurfacing that has been completed in the past year by the state and noted two new projects on the way.

The new road-resurfacing projects scheduled to begin soon include: Waukegan Road from Milwaukee Avenue to Dempster Street; and Ballard Road from Greenwood Avenue to Rand Road.

Several major streets have been resurfaced already include:

■ Touhy Avenue from Harlem Avenue to Central Avenue.

■ Oakton Street from Greenwood Avenue to Caldwell Avenue.

■ Dempster Street from Waukegan Road to Greenwood Avenue.

■ Harlem Avenue from Dempster Street to Oakton Street.

"The roads were a little beat up in 2009," said Village Manager George Van Geem. "Now, many of our arterials are shiny and new."

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# That's a lotta meatballs and spaghetti

By IRV LEAVITT  
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Spaghetti and meatballs is unlikely to be a featured challenge on Top Chef Masters.

Spaghetti. Meatballs. Sauce. You don't need Riek Bayless for that.

The difference between good spaghetti and bad rests mainly in whether it gets to the table hot enough so you can eat some before it turns into a congealed mass of sticky semolina and tomato goo.

So by that measure at least, Buca di Beppo's Large Spaghetti with

water again just before serving.

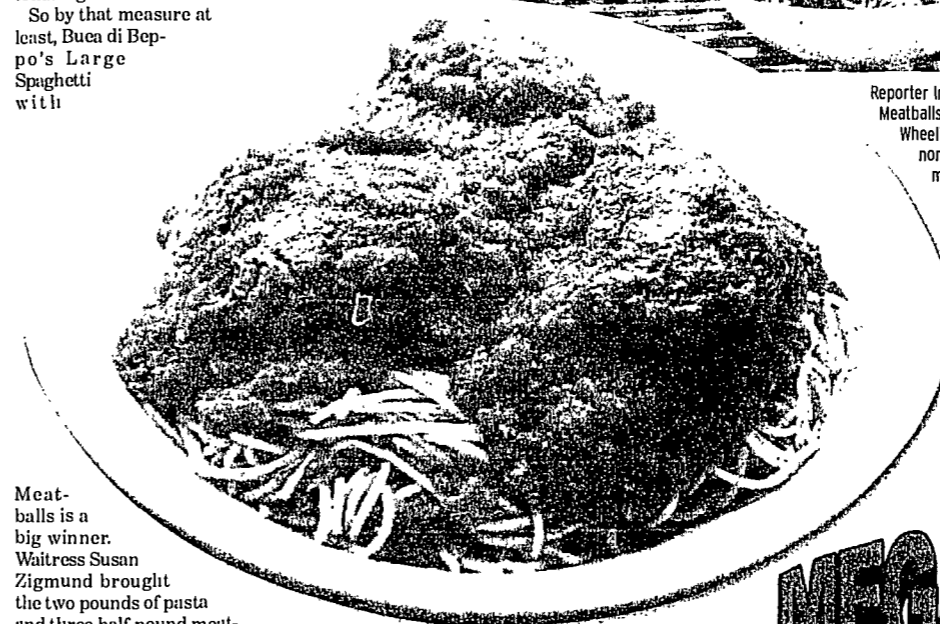
"This is pretty much a 3-second dish," general manager Jim Klene said.

He and I and Cathy Powers, head of the Wheeling-Prospect Heights Area Chamber of Commerce, shared the big bowl of pasta and meatballs, and Powers was the only one who didn't decorate herself with it.

Klene quickly nailed the right-side of his sport shirt, an off-white number he was pleased to hear looked like he had



Reporter Irv Leavitt regards Large Spaghetti with Meatballs, a \$26.99 offering at Buca di Beppo in Wheeling. The message painted on the wall, "Se non sopporta il calore vattone dalla cucina," may or may not be an Italian original. It means, a la Harry Truman, "If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen." (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)



Meatballs is a big winner.

Waitress Susan Zigmund brought the two pounds of pasta and three half-pound meatballs to the table trailing billows of steam that didn't entirely dissipate until after photographer Allison Williams finished taking pictures.

That's unusual for Mega Bites, where our motto is, "We Eat Cold Food, But the Pictures Look Hot."

It's not a big deal for the Buca staff at 604 N. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling, to make Spaghetti with Meatballs to order. The meatballs are pre-cooked and kept warm on the steam table.

The imported Rummo spaghetti is pre-cooked, too, and plunged into boiling

nicked it from the set of "The Sopranos" or "Mad Men," but really came legit from T.J. Maxx.

I followed with a spot dead-center on my understated Florida orange-colored \$6 Kmart shirt.

"Just move your tie in front of it," Power said, revealing the problem-solving ability that has made her organization great.

Klene said his embossed shirt helps him fit into the Italian village of the eye that is the Buca di Beppo in Wheeling and 85 other locations.

### Hole in the ground

Buca was founded in a Minneapolis basement in 1993 by Phil Roberts, the man behind Chino Latino, Oceanaire Seafood Room and Manny's Steakhouse, and Joseph Micatrotto, the then-CEO of Pauda Express and previously, Chi Chi's.

In Italian, the name of the restaurant basically means "Joe's hole in the ground," which refers to the founding restaurant's subterranean location. It also reflects the predilection of some Italian

mamas of the past to preserve their dining rooms as shrines, relegating actual family eating to the basement.

The Wheeling restaurant, like its brethren across the country, looks very Italianish, with walls covered with thousands of pictures evocative of Italy and people who lived there or just had names ending in vowels.

There's a niche containing a large photo of Frank Sinatra, with four rows of votive candles arrayed below.

One of the smaller Buca di Beppo dining rooms — in Wheeling or in Orland Park, Lombard or anywhere else — is known as The Pope Room, with a glass-encased bust of His Eminence enscathed in the middle of the central table.

Since Buca was founded, however, none of the popes have been Italian.

Neither are all but a handful of employees at the Wheeling restaurant, including Klene, who, like Pope Benedict XVI, traces his lineage to Germany.

"I have the spirit in my heart," he grinned, putting his hand over his embossed sport shirt.

Klene said his restaurant sells upwards of 800 meals on a busy Saturday night, but he doesn't know how they break down. A lot of them must be spaghetti and other pasta offerings, since they go through two 60-quart kettles of marinara sauce in a night.

The Large Spaghetti and Meatballs sells for \$26.99, which is fairly reasonable for 3.5 pounds of food.

"It's one of the best bargains around in eating out," Klene said.

He can do that, he said, because even imported Italian pasta and meatballs made with only a tiny amount of filler are pretty cheap.

"Look what's in it," he said. "You can't beat Italian or Mexican for margin."

After he and Powers and I shared the Large Spaghetti with Meatballs at lunch, I took home the leftovers, and three more of us had dinner.

But the big aluminum foil container still looked almost full. The contents just seemed to have moved around a little.

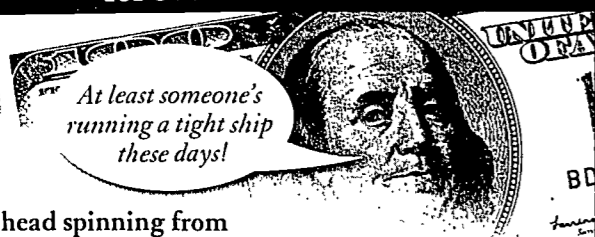
It was like Strega Nona's magic pasta pot in the children's book. Unless you blow three kisses, it will continue to refill itself until Milwaukee Avenue is covered with spaghetti.

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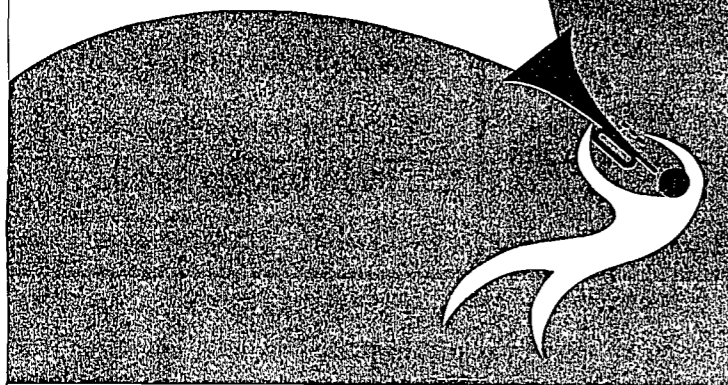
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**VANDALISM**

# Tires on 11 cars slashed

Niles police were investigating what appeared to be a spree of vandalism last week after the tires on 11 different cars were slashed, investigators reported.

Police said all of the incidents occurred the night of Oct. 5 on the 8100 block of North Octavia Avenue and the 8200 block of North Oconto Avenue.

It was not known if the crimes are all related, but police have grouped the incident reports together to be investigated.

— By Tony Bertuca

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**BURGLARY**  
The following incidents were listed in the official reports of the Niles Police Department. Readers are reminded that an arrest by police does not constitute a finding of guilt. Only a court of law can make that determination.

**BURGLARY**  
A car was burglarized Oct. 4 on the 400 block of Golf Mill Center. A Mexican passport and an MP3 player were reported stolen.

**DUI**  
Nasanjargal Dugarsuren,

50, of 616 Lake St., Maywood, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Oct. 7 on the 7500 block of North Harlem Avenue. He was released on \$3,000 bond and is due in court Nov. 12.

**THEFT**  
Maureen Messer, 9423 Bay Colony Drive, Des Plaines, was charged with theft Oct. 5 after she allegedly stole \$2,500 from a business on the 200 block of Golf Mill Center. She was released on \$2,500 bond

and is due in court Friday.  
Marwa Al-Kundi, of 7939 N. Octavia Ave., Niles, was charged with retail theft Oct. 3 after allegedly stealing \$356 worth of merchandise from a store on the 8500 block of West Golf Road. She was released on \$5,000 bond and is due in court Friday.

A car was stolen Oct. 1 on the 9800 block of Caravan Court.

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WE SAY

# Another Cook County debacle

Taxing bodies in Cook County used to be able to plan their revenue streams with some consistency. Receipts from property taxes showed up in March and October.

Everything worked almost like clockwork; the multiplier was announced in late summer. That meant the rates could be determined and applied against the equalized assessments. Tax bills would show up a few weeks later.

This year taxing bodies won't see any revenue from tax bills until probably early December. For governments which have multiple sources of income (such as sales taxes or user fees), this delay will be inconvenient but not critical. But for school districts, which rely heavily on property tax revenues to run their operations, this delay will be costly. Coupled with a shrinking tax base from foreclosures and assessment appeals, schools will be hard pressed to maintain business as usual.

Districts which have sufficient cash reserves will be able to survive without too much inconvenience although they'll lose the interest that money would have been earning. Districts which don't have enough

cash on hand will have to borrow against those tax revenues. That borrowing will add to the district's expenses.

In the past few years, county officials blame the almost regular delays in getting out Cook County tax bills on taxpayer appeals (almost 300,000 this year) which have to be decided before the multiplier can be determined. Those appeals were finished in late July.

But this year the county had another problem. For some reason no one can explain, Cook County computers failed to calculate automatic exemptions for some 80,000 taxpayers. The problem was caught before the 1.7 million Cook County tax bills were sent, but it meant that everything has to be recalculated: each government's tax base, every tax rate and every tax bill.

The second installment is particularly critical for taxing bodies because it's usually the bigger of the two, as the first bill is determined merely by dividing last year's property tax bill in half. The second bill reflects what is generally the bulk of any increase (or decrease) from the other half of last year's bill.

Next year should be easier for government bodies,

although not so good for taxpayers. A new state law, proposed by the city of Chicago and supported by the Taxpayers Federation of Illinois and the Illinois Property Tax Lawyers Association, will require taxpayers to pay 55 percent of the 2010 tax bill in the first installment in March. That will give taxing bodies some cushion to get them through the fall.

Ironically, most suburban taxpayers probably wouldn't be seeing much steeper shock next year because the 2009 tax cap is almost flat. Without any increase in the value of the tax base, taxing bodies won't be able to ask taxpayers for much more money.

Cook County taxpayers and taxing bodies have come to expect inefficiencies in their government. Other counties assess properties at market value, have little or no multiplier applied to balance skewed assessments and send and collect bills promptly. True, those counties have fewer properties, but they also have smaller staffs.

Unless something is done, taxpayers could be paying the second installment of 2010 taxes in 2011 while local governments are borrowing more money to pay for the county's inefficiencies.

YOU SAY

# Another success for anti-crime event

The goal of township government is to serve the residents and maintain close contact with them.

I cannot think of a better way to exemplify this objective than with the success of our annual National Night Out Against Crime celebrations. This year we "Kissed Crime Goodbye" in grand fashion and I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all those involved in the Aug. 4 event.

Township officials, led by Trustees Susan Moylan Krey, Walter Kazmierczak,

Laura Morask and Peter Ginalmas, along with Collector Mary Rhode and area volunteers, put together an exciting night. Trustee Moylan Krey was the chairperson for the evening and displayed great leadership in planning this very successful annual event. Her committee brought entertainment, family games, prizes, raffles and an insightful presentation on gang awareness by Trustee Morask. It was one-on-one interaction with township residents at its best.

Additional volunteers from the official National Night Out Committee, including Audrey Nankervis, Louise Friedenson, Lila Gardner, David Cowin, Steve Meineke, Rebecca Timowitzis, Lisa Graff, Youssi Daoud, Judy Singer, Denise Ginalmas, Dave Rolde, Kevin Krey, Rosalie Streng, Bill Gibson, Robert Prorak, Doriene Promik, Tony Brzezniak of the Cook County Sheriff's

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# Crashing into things



CHERYL O'DONOVAN

VAN MOM STRIKES AGAIN

My husband has the furnace turned so low, that penguins are molting under my feet. As I type on the keyboard, I can see my breath.

Later, during our family meeting, we discuss eliminating unnecessary costs. We're cutting out cable. No more Netflix. Kirby's canceling his subscription to "Better Bones and Gardens."

My husband gives me a solemn look. "This will teach the boys hardship. They'll appreciate things more."

I nod my head. "Cheryl, you'll learn to sew." I raise both eyebrows.

Stitching together even a measly potholder eludes me. I grit my teeth, inspired by Rosie the Riveter. If I had access to a welding tool in the 1940s, Roosevelt would have introduced a bill to ban me from all factories.

"What exactly is 'damning soaks'?" I wonder aloud. "I want to swear at them but say 'damn' instead?" My husband shakes his head, and then wheels in a used Singer sewing machine. Patting it, I murmur, "I've always wanted a bread maker."

Supposedly, our economy is in recovery, yet we know so many people out of work. Our friends are scared. We are, too.

But I'm also confounded. Last Friday, NASA engineers deliberately crashed an unmanned spacecraft into the moon. These were the same guys who hogged the Nerf blasters at my sons' last play date.

The moon crash cost \$79 million. Scientists wanted to find out whether there was any water under

the surface. Me, I think it aggravated the cheese out of the moon. Just wait until the next lunar cycle kicks in.

And didn't this crash feel like part of an ongoing series? The wild speculation crashed into Wall Street. Congress deliberately crashed the deficit into taxpayers. Now we're in a recession orbit.

On our home front, we hope to avoid a crash. My husband researches, considers changing careers. He leafs through brochures. "I'll retrain as an undertaker," he says.

While the temperature of our home may be conducive to such a profession, I try to talk him out of it. The boys would end up in one lifelong therapy session if he sets up shop downstairs. I might accidentally reach for the embalming fluid instead of the Clorox when doing laundry.

"Why?" I choke. He looks at me. "They can't outsource bodics." Comment: pioneerlocal.com

TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

# Inquiry starts intervention



TERRI SCHMIDT

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Department, and Paula Kurkind of the Golf Maine Park District, deserve great thanks for their efforts, as well.

We're so glad that a near-record crowd joined us to make a statement against crime this night. We all love our community and want to help keep our families and residents safe. Along with our previously mentioned

Barb and Brian thought the new school year started smoothly. Tim was entering his junior year in high school. They were starting to think about what colleges to visit during the year. All three of them expected that Tim would easily get into a Big Ten school. He had always had top grades, was very

involved in sports, and all of his friends were as motivated as he.

Things seemed different this year. Barb noticed Tim wasn't eating as much as he used to, and he frequently complained of fatigue. He seemed unusually moody, and that was

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elected officials, I'd also like to extend thanks to the Cook County Sheriff's Police, Golf Maine Park District, North Maine Fire Department, Maryville Academy, Neighborhood Watch groups and all other community businesses involved.

Carol A. Teschky  
Supervisor, Maine Township

Air Force pilot  
a proud example

It was great to read the article about Air Force

Capt. Brad Balazs in today's paper (Oct. 1). Thanks so much for printing a story about a young man who brings such credit to the city of Park Ridge. Along with his brave service to our country, I was inspired by his message for kids in school: work hard, go to college, get a degree and stay away from drugs and alcohol.

Brad Balazs is a Maine South graduate we can all be proud of.

Mark Anderson  
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uncharacteristic, as well. Barb took him for a complete checkup, and was relieved when Tim's doctor attributed everything to stress.

But then Barb noticed other things — Tim wasn't spending much time with his usual crowd, and he didn't bring any new friends home. His first progress reports were really bad, and Barb only knew this because she checked Tim's report on the school's online board. Last year Tim had proudly showed her his work, himself. Tim had also been pretty secretive about his social plans on the weekend, choosing to drop out of sports because "they took up too much time." He also started asking for extra money, just telling her that it now cost more to fill up his car.

Slowly, Barb began realizing things could be really serious. Some of her friends' kids were into drugs, and this was sounding eerily familiar. She discussed her concerns with Brian. Together they went over the questionnaire Barb had found online sponsored by the Partnership for a Drug-Free America (www.drugfree.org). They

were both stunned to realize Tim had many classic signs of a drug problem.

Now what? Several of their friends had told stories of drug interventions. There had even been a reality-TV show about interventions. Scary stuff. They did not want to go on a search-and-destroy mission in Tim's room or car. They were not interested in doing their own mandatory drug screening. Their family had always been close and respectful toward one another, and neither Brian nor Barb wanted to damage their relationship with Tim. But they didn't want to deny the probability of a drug problem either. So what exactly were their options?

Fortunate for Barb she had also obtained some ideas about doing a parental intervention (www.drugfree.org/Intervention). This concept appealed to both Barb and Brian because it was not a formal confrontation with a large group of people. Instead the focus was on a united front of both parents working together to influence a teenager to make healthier choices.

Brian and Barb both decided to talk together with Tim when he was in a calm mood. They would tell him how much they loved him and had always been

proud of him. Next they would explain how concerned they were for his safety and well-being and why they were worried about recent changes.

They would need to be extremely careful to describe the changes as objectively and calmly as possible. They knew they had to describe the results of the screening in terms that were accurate, objective and observable. Coupled with that they would also need to be good listeners, addressing Tim's concerns while remaining focused on substance abuse.

Barb and Brian knew their first intervention with Tim was very important. They decided they would need to get special training before doing anything else. They made an appointment to see a counselor within their behavioral health network.

If your family is considering the need for a substance-abuse intervention, several community resources could help you get ready. Maine Community Youth Assistance Foundation, (847) 696-1570, and Advocate Behavioral Health, (847) 795-3100.

— Terri Schmidt, a licensed clinical social worker, writes "To Your Good Health" for the Park Ridge Community Health Commission

## How Illinois lawmakers voted in Congress

Week ending October 9

### Major roll call votes in the Senate

**2010 Military Appropriations:** Senators approved, 93-7, a bill to appropriate \$636.6 billion for the U.S. military in fiscal 2010, including \$128.2 billion for war in Afghanistan and Iraq. While the House bill above authorizes the defense budget, this bill would actually spend the money. (HR 3326)  
Sen. Richard Durbin: Yes; Sen. Roland Burris: Yes

**Military Contracts:** Senators voted, 68-30, to ban contracts under HR 3326 (above) to firms that deny employees the right to sue over alleged work-place mistreatment. A yes vote would end the practice of contractors requiring workers to submit grievances to arbitration instead of the courts.  
Sen. Richard Durbin: Yes; Sen. Roland Burris: Yes

**CIA Climate Studies:** Senators defeated, 38-60, a bid to prevent funds in HR 3326 (above) from being spent on the Central Intelligence Agency's Center on Climate Change and National Security. A yes vote backed the amendment over arguments that global warming is a security threat.  
Sen. Richard Durbin: No; Sen. Roland Burris: No

### Major roll call votes in the House

**1. 2010 Military Budget:** Members approved, 281-146, the conference report on a bill to authorize \$680 billion for the military in 2010. The bill was opposed over its expansion of hate-crimes law to cover offenses based on gender, sexual orientation or disability. A yes vote was to pass HR 2647.

**2. Guantanamo Prisoners:** Members defeated, 208-216, a GOP bid for firmer language in HR 2647 (above) against the transfer Guantanamo Bay prisoners to the U.S. A yes vote backed an ironclad ban that went beyond wording in the bill allowing President Obama maneuvering room on the issue.

**3. U.S. Rep. Charles Rangel:** Voting 246-153, members sent the Ethics Committee a motion to unseat Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. A yes vote was to block a GOP attempt to immediately remove Rangel because of his tax and ethics problems. (H Res 805)

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Bobby Rush, D-1st	Y	N	Y	Deby Halvorson, D-11th	Y	N	Y
Jesse Jackson Jr., D-2nd	N	N	Y	Jerry Costello, D-12th	Y	N	Y
Dan Lipinski, D-3rd	Y	N	Y	Judy Biggert, R-13th	Y	N	Y
Luis Guterrez, D-4th	Y	N	Y	Bill Foster, D-14th	Y	Y	Y
Mike Quigley, D-5th	Y	N	NV	Timothy Johnson, R-15th	N	Y	N
Peter Roskam, R-6th	N	Y	N	Donald Manzullo, R-16th	N	Y	N
Danny Davis, D-7th	Y	N	Y	Philip Hare, D-17th	Y	N	Y
Melissa Bean, D-8th	Y	N	Y	Aaron Schock, R-18th	N	Y	N
Jan Schakowsky, D-9th	Y	N	Y	John Shimkus, R-19th	N	Y	N
Mark Kirk, R-10th	Y	Y	N				

### Key votes ahead

In the week of Oct. 12, the House will take up the final version of the 2010 homeland-security budget, while the Senate will debate the final version of the 2010 defense budget.

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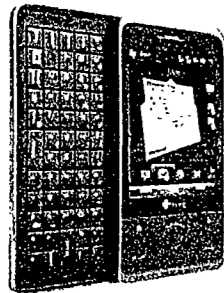
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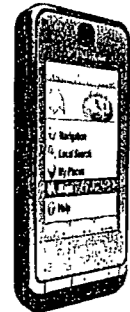
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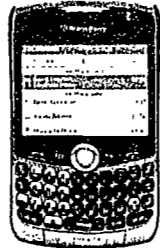
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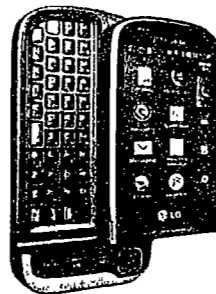
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### 4 For Your Consideration

A quartet of activities for the coming week



"Sleeping Beauty" cast members

**1. "Sleeping Beauty,"** presented by Big Noise Theatre at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Oct. 17 and 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Oct. 18 at Prairie Lakes Theatre, 515 E. Thacker Rd., Des Plaines. \$10. Call (847) 604-0275 or visit [www.bignoise.org](http://www.bignoise.org).

**2. Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra** presents "A Season of Sweet Sunday Treats: American Greats" at 3 p.m. Oct. 18 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. The concert of all-American music includes works by George Gershwin, Leonard Bernstein and Aaron Copland. \$22-\$30; \$9 for children. Free pre-concert lecture at 1:45 p.m. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit [www.svso.org](http://www.svso.org).

**3. Hogeve Folk Arts** presents Mustard's Retreat at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 17 at Lake Street Church of Evanston, 607 Lake St. \$15; \$13 for senior citizens; \$5 for students; free for children under 12. (847) 475-6165 or [www.hogeyefolkarts.org](http://www.hogeyefolkarts.org).

**4. Juried Fine Art and Crafts Fair**, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 18 at Skokie Valley Agudath Jacob Synagogue, 8825 E. Prairie Road, Skokie, featuring paintings, jewelry, porcelain, ceramics, photography, glass art, mixed media, fiber, digital media and woodwork. There will also be a children's art show and creative area.

## Park Ridge Orchestra does 'Brahms Double'

**Park Ridge Civic Orchestra** "Autumn Classics" at 7:30 p.m. Wed. Oct. 21 at Pickwick Theatre, 5 S. Prospect, Park Ridge. \$25 adults; \$20 seniors and students, free children under 18. (847) 692-7726 or [www.parkridge.il.us](http://www.parkridge.il.us).

By **DOROTHY ANDRIES**  
Contributor

When Chicago Symphony Orchestra violinist Edgar Muenzer established the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra in his hometown in 1994, he never dreamed it would become such a vital, thriving institution. Now retired after 47 years with the CSO, Maestro Muenzer is presenting a season of five concerts, and his orchestra is also playing for a holiday production of "The Nutcracker."

He'll be on the podium Oct. 21 to conduct one of the masterworks of the classical repertoire, Brahms' Concerto for Violin and Cello, featuring the orchestra's concertmaster Stephen Boe and its principal cellist Steven Houser.

### First time for double

It will be the first time the PRCO has played what is called the "Brahms Double," Muenzer said, adding, "But I know it well. I played it many times with the CSO. Twice I was a soloist with a colleague, one time with cellist Leonard Chausow and another with Gary Stueka."

This will be the first time Stephen Boe has played a solo since he joined the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra two seasons ago. "Though many pieces have concertmaster solos in them," he explained. He did conduct the piece once, at Indiana University, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees and later joined

the faculty as an assistant professor of violin. The Winnetka resident now teaches at the Music Institute of Chicago.

Steven Houser, principal cellist with the PRCO, studied cello at DePaul University in Chicago with Frank Miller, long-time principal cellist of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Houser is also principal cellist with the Lake Forest, Northbrook and Metropolis symphonies, as well as assistant principal cellist of the Ars Viva Orchestra. He is a member of the Ravinia Festival Orchestra and the Grant Park Symphony, which now plays in Millennium Park.

### Academic excellence

The opening concert of the season includes "Academic Festival Orchestra" by Brahms and Schubert's Symphony No. 5, which will both be conducted by the orchestra's principal trumpet and assistant conductor Victor Muenzer, the son of Edgar and his wife Nancy Muenzer. Victor, who is a Grammy Award winner, has conducted the PRCO's children's concerts in the past and produces and distributes three nationally broadcast radio programs: Indianapolis on-the-Air, Center Stage from Wolftrap, and On the Stage at the Library of Congress.

The Park Ridge Civic Orchestra's concerts continue at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 2 with "Holiday Pops & Sing-Along," "Opera Potpourri" at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 7, "A Shakespearean Dream" at 2:30 p.m. April 25. The orchestra will play for Ballet Chicago Studio Company's production of "The Nutcracker" at 7 p.m. Dec. 12.

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CAST: MARYBETH COOPER, JAMES CAAN, SHIA LABEUF, OLIVIA THIRBY, ELHAN HAWKE, CHRIS COOPER, NATALIE PORTMAN, ORLANDO BLOOM, AND ROBIN WRIGHT PENN. (110 min.) Rated R for language and sexual content.

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**OPENING**

**LAW ABIDING CITIZEN** ★ ★ 1/2  
A man (Gerard Butler) whose wife and daughter were murdered goes on a rampage against the justice system when their killer is given a light sentence. Jamie Foxx is featured. Rated R for strong, bloody, brutal violence and torture, a scene of rape and pervasive language.

**NEW YORK, I LOVE YOU**  
The producer of "Paris, Je T'aime" has organized another anthology of romantic vignettes, this time set in Manhattan, by a variety of directors (Brett Ratner, Yvan Attal, Mira Nair, Shekhar Kapur) featuring actors such as James Caan, Shia LaBeouf, Olivia Thirby, Ethan Hawke, Chris Cooper, Natalie Portman, Orlando Bloom and Robin Wright Penn. (110 min.) Rated R for language and sexual content.

**WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE**  
Spike Jonze ("Being John Malkovich," "Adaptation") co-wrote (with novelist Dave Eggers) and directed this adaptation of Maurice Sendak's classic children's story about a boy whose imagination takes him to a forest full of wild animals who make him their king. Rated PG for mild thematic elements, some adventure action and brief language.

**STILL PLAYING**

**AN EDUCATION**  
A teenage girl (Carey Mulligan) in early-'60s London becomes involved with a man (Peter Sarsgaard) who is twice her age. Nick Hornby ("About a Boy") adapted the drama from a memoir by journalist Lynn Barber. (95 min.) Rated PG-13 for mature thematic material involving sexual content, and for smoking.

**COUPLES RETREAT** ★ ★  
You might find this tedious romantic comedy just barely passable if you don't mind a transparently predictable plot, formulaic characters and half-hearted attempts at raunchy humor, simply because the cast (featuring Vince Vaughn, Jon Favreau, Jason Bateman, Kristen Bell, Faizon Love, Kali Hawk, Kristin Davis and Malin Akerman) is professionally likable. But it's a long, long way from "Swingers" for Vaughn and Favreau, who co-wrote the script with Dana Fox (who also wrote the painful "What Happens in Vegas"). A yuppie couple (Bateman and Bell) on the verge of divorce because they

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can't conceive a child convince one friend (Love) who's already divorced and dating a 20-year-old who calls him Daddy, a couple of friends (Favreau and Davis) on the verge of a breakup and another couple of friends (Vaughn and Akerman) who are reasonably happy together when this whole thing starts, to join them on an island paradise for a week of sun, fun and intensive marital therapy. Not your idea of a dream vacation? It's not very much fun as a movie, either. (B) (107 min.) Rated PG-13 for sexual content and language.

**FREE STYLE**  
A high-school BMX racer ("High School Musical" star Corbin Bleu) sets his sights on making the Grand National team in this sports drama. (94 min.) Rated PG for language, some sensuality and thematic material.

**GOOD HAIR** ★ ★ ★  
There's nothing in this informative and highly entertaining documentary to let us know whether the question of what drives the \$9 billion African American hair-care industry ever crossed the mind of comedian Chris Rock earlier in his life. But he says it was driven home with some force when one of his young daughters came home from school and asked, "Daddy, why don't I have good hair?" Rock and co-writer/director Jeff Stilson touch on the complex reasons so many people are willing to spend so much money to make their hair look as "European" as possible with a light touch and a humorous outlook, without skimping on the fascinating facts and figures or losing sight of the surprisingly big picture, which stretches from the neighborhood beauty salon to Hindu temples in India, where religious observances provide most of the world's second-hand human hair. Author and icon Maya Angelou has the sanest observation: "If you have it on your head, it's good; if you have it growing be-



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tween your toes, that's probably not so good." (95 min.) Rated PG-13 for some language including sex and drug references, and brief partial nudity.

**BEAU JEST** ★ ★ ★  
Playwright James Sherman's screen adaptation of his 1989 romantic comedy about a Jewish girl in Chicago who hires an actor to portray the perfect boyfriend she's invented to get her mother off her back was the most successful play in the history of Victory Gardens Theater when it debuted there (before going on to a two-year run Off Broadway) - and it retains all of its charm in this no-frills, but agreeable confection. It's a little stage-bound, perhaps, but nonetheless pleasant. (B) (98 min.) Rated PG for some mild thematic elements and brief language.

**CAPITALISM: A LOVE STORY** ★ ★ ★  
The latest pseudo-documentary about outrages in American society from Michael Moore ("Sicko," "Bowling for Columbine") tackles nothing less than its economic system, here characterized as inherently evil. "Capitalism: A Love Story" certainly has something to say and there's no question you'll walk out of the theater wound up one way or another and with plenty to talk about. But Moore's reliance on agit-prop and his generalities and fuzzy logic have never been more pronounced than they are here. Worth seeing for its handful of revelations, though, and the insurance company double-speak he dubs into an old film of Jesus healing the sick. (B) (120 min.) Rated R for some language.

**THE PROVIDENCE EFFECT** ★ ★ ★  
There's no denying the subject of this rather flat-footed documentary - civil rights veteran Paul J. Adams II's transformation of a failed Catholic school in one of Chicago's most impoverished neighborhoods into a model of success that routinely sends 100 percent of its graduates to college - is inspirational. Unfortunately, the endless talking-head testimonials from students, alumni, teachers and parents giving glowing reviews eventually turns in to a tough slog. Still well worth a look though, if only for the view of an educational model that works. (B) (92 min.) Rated PG for some mild thematic elements.

**THE INVENTION OF LYING** ★ ★ ★  
An unemployed screenwriter ("The Office" creator Ricky Gervais) of lecture films becomes the first human being to evolve the ability to lie - and naturally becomes rich and

famous. Essentially, "Invention of Lying" boils down to a brilliant sketch-comedy conceit stretched out to feature length and it eventually runs out of dramatic steam, but it's often extremely funny and more thoughtful than you might expect. In a society where everyone is genetically hard-wired to say precisely what's on their minds, the one thing you never hear is a kind remark. And one of the first lies our hero tells is an act of generosity. (B) (100 min.) Rated PG-13 for language including some sexual material and a drug reference.

**WHIP IT**  
Drew Barrymore makes her directorial debut with this comedy about a small-town girl (Ellen Page of "Juno") who becomes a roller derby queen. Rated PG-13 for sexual content including crude dialogue, language and drug material.

**ZOMBIELAND**  
A couple of freelance zombie killers (Jesse Eisenberg, Woody Harrelson) team up to help retire large numbers of the Walking Dead in this horror comedy. Rated R for horror/violence, gore and language.

**THE BOYS ARE BACK** ★ ★ ★ 1/2  
Scott Hicks ("Shine") directed this drama about the efforts of a single father (Clive Owen) to adjust to life without his recently deceased wife. (104 min.) Rated PG-13 for some sexual language and thematic elements

**I HOPE THEY SERVE BEER IN HELL** ★  
An adaptation of the raunch pseudo-memoir bestseller by Tucker Max (105 min.) Rated R for nudity, strong sexual content including graphic dialogue throughout, language and some crude material.

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Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra "American Greats" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$22-\$30; children \$9. (847) 673-6300 or svso.org.

By **DOROTHY ANDRIES**  
Contributor

Maestro Francesco Milioto is opening the Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra's 48th season with an all-American program that sweeps across the first part of the 20th century like a vast searchlight. He'll utilize all the players in the 60-plus community orchestra to illuminate such favorites as Aaron Copland's suite of music from Martha Graham's 1944 ballet "Appalachian Spring," and Samuel Barber's poignant "Knoxville: Summer of 1915," written in 1947 using text from a 1938 prose poem by James Agee.

Also on the program are Leonard Bernstein's Symphonic Suite from his 1954 film score for "On the Waterfront" and Gershwin's 1928 composition "An American in Paris." "These are challenging pieces," Milioto admitted, who is now entering his third year as the orchestra's music director and is also music director of the Highland Park Strings. "But nothing advertises the orchestra better than the quality of its work, and we believe the audience deserves a high quality concert." Rehearsals are all about instilling confidence in the players, he insisted. "The purpose is to build their confidence in me and mine in them." The conductor has plenty of confidence in his soloist, coloratura soprano Juliet Petrus, who will be singing

"Knoxville." He coached her for about six months during the period after she concluded her master's degree studies at Northwestern University with soprano Sunny Joy Langton. "Francesco took my singing to the next step," said Bel Canto winner Petrus. "I like to tell people he kicked my butt!" Her undergraduate work was at the University of Michigan, where she studied with the late Rosemary Russell. In fact, it was the connection with Russell that brought her to NU for her master's studies. "Bruce Hall, who is married to Sunny Joy, was Rosemary's first student and I was her last," she explained. "He is on the Northwestern faculty. That's what first drew me to the Chicago area and here I've stayed." The soprano did not hear

Barber's "Knoxville" until she was in college. "I thought it was so beautiful," she said, "and I hoped I could sing it professionally some day." The symphony orchestra's season continues Dec. 6 with Verdi's Overture to "Nabucco," Britten's "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra" and performances by winners of the orchestra's Young Artist Competition, violist Meredith Crawford and cellist Benjamin Lash. Subsequent concerts are March 14 with violinist Yuan-Qing Yu as soloist in Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons" and Brahms' Symphony No. 2, and April 25, with a French program including the Ravel Piano Concerto with Matan Porat as soloist and Saint-Saens' Symphony No. 3 in C minor ("Organ"). *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*

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"Ministry of the Macabre" will be held Oct. 30-31 at Edgebrook Lutheran Church, 5252 W. Devon Ave., Chicago. A Haunted Maze will be open from 7-10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; admission is \$5 (suggested for ages 8 and up; children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult). An all-ages Halloween party will be held from 7-10:30 p.m. Saturday, featuring a buffet and soft drinks, dancing, karaoke and a costume contest. Admission to the Halloween party is \$20 for adults; \$10 for children. Call (773) 763-2121 or e-mail office@edgebrooklutheran.org.

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"Honey Brown Eyes" will be presented Oct. 15-25 at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Curtain at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 2 p.m. Sundays. \$10 for general admission; \$8 for students and seniors; \$5 for the preview performance on Oct. 15. To reserve tickets, call (847) 635-1900.

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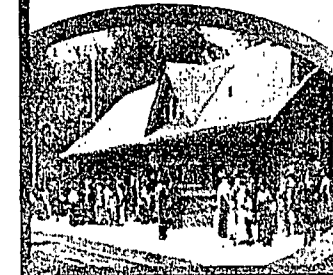
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"Rent," presented by Big Noise Theatre Company and Ouroboros Theatre Company at 8 p.m. Oct. 16-17 and 3 p.m. Oct. 18 at The Prairie Lakes Theater, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines. Tickets: \$20; \$18 for seniors. Visit www.bignoisetheatre.org or call (847) 604-0275.

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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. \$20-\$70. Student tickets are \$10, available in the lobby before the performance. Oct. 18: "The Three Concertmasters."

The program includes works by Mozart, Dvorak, Ravel, Kreiser, Massenet, Saint-Saens, Bizet and Vivaldi.

Evanston Chapter, Lyric Opera of Chicago hosts a presentation by Patrick Casali, professor emeritus of Humanities and Foreign Languages at Oakton College, at 3 p.m. Oct. 18 at a private home. Casali will compare "The Damnation of Faust" by Berlioz with "Faust" by Gounod. Cost is \$10 members; \$15 guests. Call (847) 328-0158 or (847) 478-1110.

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Music of the Baroque performs at First United Methodist Church of Evanston, 1630 Hinman Ave. (312) 551-1414. www.baroque.org. \$30-\$75. Oct. 18, 7:30 p.m.: Handel's "Acis and Galatea," with the Music of the Baroque Orchestra and Chorus. Jane Glover, conductor, and featuring Elizabeth Futral in the title role.

Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 905-1500. www.musicinst.org. Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m.: Ricardo Morales, principal clarinetist of the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the MIC Academy orchestra, Roland Vamos, director, present Copland's Clarinet Concerto. \$20, \$15 seniors; \$7 students. Oct. 18, 3 p.m.: Ricardo Morales, clarinet, and Amy Oshira, violin. Join members of the Vamos family and Lincoln Trio cellist David Cunliffe for a program of quintet works by Mozart and Brahms. \$20, \$15 seniors; \$7 students. Oct. 27, 7 p.m.: Meret Fon-Revutsky, flute, and Mary Drews, piano, perform works by Copland, Fauré, and others. \$20, \$15 seniors; \$7 students.

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# Program aims to give bats better name

By MYRNA PETLICKI  
Contributor

Defending bats — by dispelling myths about them and resewing them — is the mission of Ken O. Bowman, R.N. and his wife Barbara from Bat Conservation of Wisconsin Inc. The pair will talk about how bats are beneficial at the Eisenhower Public Library, 4613 N. Oketo, Harwood Heights, at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18. Registration is required for this program geared toward ages 3-12.

"We talk about bats of the world, then we focus on the bats we have in Wisconsin which are basically the same bats you have in Illinois," Bowman said. "We show people what we do as far as resewing and rehabbing bats. We try to get people not to

be afraid of bats because there's nothing to fear." The couple will bring two live big brown bats with them. "We've had them for several years so we know they're not sick because they die of rabies as quickly as we do," he reassured.

Kids will learn that bats aren't blind, they don't get caught in your hair and they don't attack people. "They'll only bite out of self-defense," Bowman explained.

For details, call (708) 867-7828.

**A day to remember**  
Families of three or four can work together on a craft project celebrating "Dia de los Muertos: Day of the Dead." 6-7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at Brickton Art Center, 306 Busse Hwy., Park Ridge. You'll

learn about the traditions of the holiday as you make paper flowers, sugar skulls and memory altars. Traditional snacks will be served. Cost is \$55, \$45 for member families.

For details, call (847) 823-6611.

### A real treat

Your kids can don costumes and join the trick-or-treat candy line at Fall Festival, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Emerson Street and Busse Avenue in Mount Prospect. There will also be live entertainment, craft projects and food for sale. Visitors are encouraged to bring a nonperishable food item for the Mount Prospect Food Pantry.

For details, see www.experiencemount-prospect.org.

### No tricks

"Houses" will line the hallways at Maine Park Leisure Center, 2701 W. Sibley Ave., Park Ridge, during Halloween Family Fun Fest, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 31. It's a safe way for your kids, ages 2-10 (accompanied by an adult), to trick-or-treat for candy and spooky toys. Registration is required by Oct. 24. For details, call (847) 692-5127.

### Guten tag

You'll have a "good day" at "Family Fun at Your Library: Let's Visit Germany-Oktoberfest," 4-5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, in the Petty Auditorium at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. Registration is required.

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360-3145. www.wembrandtchamberplayers.org. Oct. 25, 3 p.m.: "Celebrating the Season: Vivaldi, Dvorak, Saint-Saens." Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokiethatre.com. Oct. 25, 2 p.m.: The Luneta Duo presents "An Afternoon in Vienna," a concert program featuring pieces for flute and piano by favorite Viennese composers including Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Brahms and Strauss. \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door.

Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. Sundays at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$22-\$30; \$9 for children. Free pre-concert lectures begin at 1:45 p.m. For tickets, call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.svso.org. Oct. 18: "A Season of Sweet Sunday Treats: American Greats," featuring Juliet Petrus performing Barber's "Knoxville: Summer of 1915." The concert of all-American music also includes George Gershwin's "An American in Paris," Leonard Bernstein's "On the Waterfront: Symphonic Suite," and Aaron Copland's "Appalachian Spring: Suite."

S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 492-8860.  
www.evansonspace.com. Oct. 18, 3 p.m.: The Opera Company presents "The Food of Love" as part of The Mus-

### POP/FOLK/JAZZ

Alistate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim 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. Oct. 21, 7:30 p.m.: "Hit Man: David Foster and Friends," with guests Philip Bailey, Peter Cetera, Charice, Michael Johns, Ruben Studdard and Richard Marx. \$55-\$25. Oct. 22, 7 p.m.: Zac Brown Band. \$31. Oct. 29: Singer/songwriter/poet Leonard Cohen. Oct. 30, 7:30 p.m.: Celtic Thunder. \$99.50, \$49.50, \$39.50. Nov. 9, 8 p.m.: Don Henley. \$142, \$80, \$49. Dec. 17-19, 8 p.m.: Barry Manilow. \$261.62, \$235.65, \$156.73, \$141.26, \$73.65, \$12.37.

Shoestring Productions offers musical revues at 620 Le St., downtown Des Plaines. Admission is \$10. For reservations or information, call (847) 657-7688 or e-mail shoestringprod@sbcglobal.net. Oct. 18 and 25, and Nov. 1, 15 and 22, 7 p.m.: "Listen to My Heart," the songs of David Friedman. The cast includes Kristen Calvin, Laura Lee Cornelison, Russell Ramstrom, Janet Reed and Randy Toelke. Oct. 19 and 26, and Nov. 2, 9 and 16, 7:30 p.m.: "Cole" entertainment based on the words and music of Cole Porter, performed by Todd Bulmash, Karen Doyle, Harold LeBoyer, Beth Pauze, Aaron Rumack, Terri Ryan, Schlossberg, Kelly Schoulen and Kirk Swenk.

Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. (773) 282-7035. www.irish-american.org. Entertainment at 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays in the Filth Frivols Lounge, no cover - Oct. 16: Joe Cullen and Kathleen Keane. Oct. 17: Gerry Haughey. Oct. 23: Barry Faran's Band. Oct. 24: The Dooley Brothers. Oct. 30: Seamus O'Kane and Jimmy Moore. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River

door, Oct. 17, 8 p.m.: "I Was There When The Blues Was Hot," starring Fernando Jones. Oct. 18, 2 p.m.: "The Jews of Tin Pan Alley," starring Lil' Rev. Oct. 18, 7 p.m.: "From Beale Street to State Street," starring Jimmy Damon. Oct. 21, 1:30 p.m.: Chris Walz and Bucky Walker. "Nothing But the Blues." Free. Oct. 23-24, 8 p.m.: AC Rock presents a cappella rock 'n roll. Oct. 28, 1:30 p.m.: "The 50's Songbook" with Marcus Genry. \$10. Oct. 30, 8 p.m.: Chicago's Got Talent! Visit www.herbietunes.com for information. Oct. 31, 8 p.m.: "An American Trilogy," music of Bob Dylan, Pete Seeger and Woody Guthrie, presented by Bucky Walker. Nov. 1, 2 p.m.: Three Cat Media presents "Twentieth Century Hit Parade."

### ART GALLERIES

Brickton Art Center, 306 Busse Highway, Park Ridge. (847) 823-6611. www.bricktonartcenter.org. Through Oct. 27: A solo exhibition of drawings and paintings by Craig Blietz. Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, Special Exhibitions Gallery, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. Special exhibitions are free with museum admission of \$8; \$6 for students and senior citizens; and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Through Nov. 29: "Darfur: Photojournalists Respond."

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 Oct. 30: Se-

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www.oakton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. Through Oct. 16: "Gregory Orloff: Prints from the Great Depression." Featuring more than 60 lithographs, woodcuts and etchings. Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S Prospect Ave. (847) 825-3123. October: A display of the work of miniature modeler Dennis Garrison. Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. (847) 673-7774. www.skokieilibrary.info. Oct. 18-Nov. 21: Skokie Art Guild 2009 Members' Fall Exhibit. Opening reception from 4-6 p.m. Oct. 18. Visit the Web site. www.skokieartguild.org. for information.

**AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES**

Crafters are sought for the Christmas in Park Ridge Boutique and Craft Show, to be held from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 21 and noon-5 p.m. Nov. 22 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Park Ridge. Space rental is \$20-\$80 plus 10% of sales. Call (847) 823-0920 (evenings).  
The Norwood Park Historical Society is seeking crafters for the 21st annual Victoria's Craft Boutique, to be held

Dec. 2-6 at the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago. Crafters should offer handmade holiday and other items; jewelry makers will not be considered. Table space for crafters is \$55-\$75. A portion of the proceeds from crafters' sales will benefit the nonprofit organization. Crafters will be selected by jury based on uniqueness of their products. To be considered, e-mail complete contact information and photos of your craft items to info@norwoodparkhistorical-society.org.

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**BOOKS & POETRY**

Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 S. Emerson. (847) 253-5675. Oct. 16-18: Mount Prospect Friends of the Library fall book sale. Members Only sale will be from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday; individual \$5 memberships and family memberships available at the door. General public sale will be from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday and noon-4:30 p.m. Sunday.

**CHILD'S PLAY**

Centre East in the North Shore Center

for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.centreeast.org. Oct. 24, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.: Theatworks USA presents "If You Give a Pig a Pancake and Other Story Books." The 60-minute musical is recommended for ages 4 and up, \$18. Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. (847) 965-4220. Oct. 24, 10 a.m.: Wee Read Lapst Program, for children ages 0-24 months. Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com Fall youth programs, 1:30 p.m. Saturdays. Tickets: \$15; \$10 for children. All tickets available at the door only. Oct. 17 and Nov. 14: "One Song We Are Like Different Instruments. But When We Play Together, We Play One Song," with Victor Pacini. Oct. 24 and Nov. 21: "Super Power Music: A Journey of Uplifting Melodies," with Victor Pacini. Oct. 31: "Believe in Yourself: The Journey to Your Dreams," with Victor Pacini. Nov. 7: "The Artist Within Us: Creating a Masterpiece of Kindness & Respect," with Victor Pacini. "Sleeping Beauty," presented by Big Noise Theatre at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Oct. 17 and 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Oct. 18 at Prairie Lakes Theatre, 515 E. Thacker Rd., Des Plaines. Tickets: \$10. Call (847) 604-0275 or visit www.bignoise.org.

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InterContinental Chicago O'Hare Hotel, 5300 N. River Road, Rosemont. (847) 544-5300. [www.ichohare.com/mon-trose-room](http://www.ichohare.com/mon-trose-room). Saturdays, 8 p.m.: ComedySportz Theatre, presented in the Montrose Room. Open run \$21. Through Oct. 24, 10 p.m. Saturdays: The Annoyance Theatre presents "Annoyance: NSFW" in the Rosemont Room. Racy, uncensored, and certainly Not Safe For Work, the show features scenes, games and songs in an evening that is driven by audience suggestions. \$15. Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit [www.skokietheatre.com](http://www.skokietheatre.com). Tickets are \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. Unless noted otherwise. Dec. 26, 8 p.m., and Dec. 27, 2 p.m.: "Nuns4Fun" featuring Vicki Quade, co-creator of the Late Nite Catechism comedies.

**DANCE**

**PERFORMANCES**

Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. [www.centreeast.org](http://www.centreeast.org). Nov. 13, 8 p.m.: "Fosse Trilogy" by Thodos Dance Chicago. Broadway and film veteran Ann Reinking will collaborate with Thodos Dance Chicago to reconstruct a trio of short dances by Bob Fosse - "Cool Hand Luke," "Mexican Breakfast," and "Tijuana Shuffle." The program also features the Chicago premiere of Melissa Thodos' "Driven," as well as company premieres of three dances from Thodos Dance Chicago's New Dances 2009 choreography performance series. \$38.

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. [www.northshorecenter.org](http://www.northshorecenter.org). Dance Chicago 2009 performances include Dance Slam, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 30; Dance for Kids Too!, 1 p.m. Oct. 31; and Dance Chicago 15th Anniversary Spectacular, 8 p.m. Oct. 31. For tickets, visit [www.dancechicago.com](http://www.dancechicago.com).

**GROUPS & LESSONS**

Chicago Dance Club, (847) 622-4466. Dance to DJ music from the '50s to today from 7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturdays at American Legion Hall, 9757 Pacific Ave., Franklin Park. Mostly swing dancing, some ballroom, Latin and line dancing. Open to ages 21 and older. \$5 members; \$10 nonmembers. Upcoming dates include Oct. 24, Nov. 28, Dec. 12 (Christ-



Singer-songwriter Shawn Colvin will give a solo acoustic performance at 8 p.m. Oct. 24 at Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Tickets cost \$49-\$55. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit [www.centreeast.org](http://www.centreeast.org).

mas party, starting at 7 p.m.). Chicagoland Chapter of USA Dance. Lesson begins at 7:30 p.m.; dancing from 8:15-11 p.m. Admission: \$8 members; \$10 nonmembers; \$6 college students with ID. Dance music for all swing, Latin and ballroom dances. Partners not required - singles welcome. Beginning dancers encouraged. Call (847) 577-9014 or visit [www.usadancechicago.org](http://www.usadancechicago.org). Oct. 17: "Halloween Haunt" at The Centre at North Park, 10040 Addison, Franklin Park. Bolero lesson taught by Alex Arteaga.

Squares Sunday Evening Club holds ballroom dances from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the American Legion, 9757 Pacific Ave., Franklin Park. Admission is \$8 for members; \$9 guests. Oct. 18: Music by Chuck and Friends. Halloween costumes optional.

Square Spares & Pairs Square Dance Club, a club for couples and singles, dances the second and fourth Mondays of the month all year long at the Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge. Rounds start at 7:30 p.m., with squares from 8-10 p.m. \$5 for members; \$6 for guests. Call (773) 775-9427 or (708) 442-8646. Oct. 26:

"Ghosts & Ghouls" (costumes encouraged), Nov. 9; "Falling Leaves," Nov. 23; "Turkey Trot," Dec. 14; "Holidays and Happiness."

Square Wheels Square Dance Club dances the fourth Saturday of each month, September through May, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 304 W. Palatine Road, Prospect Heights. Round dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. with Howard and Anna Hoffman, and square dancing starts at 8 p.m. with guest callers. Admission: \$6. Call (847) 392-5512 or (847) 253-3206. Oct. 24: Steve Sullivan.

**DINING**

Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River 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. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100. Dec. 3: The Guy Fieri Road Show. Fieri, star of three shows on television's Food Network, including "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives," "Guy's Big Bite" and "Ultimate Recipe Showdown," presents an unscripted performance

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**FAIRS & FESTIVALS**

Juried Fine Art and Crafts Fair, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 18 at Skokie Valley Agudath Jacob Synagogue, 8825 E. Prairie Road, Skokie, featuring oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, jewelry, porcelain, ceramics, photography, glass art, mixed media, fiber, digital media and woodwork. There will also be a children's art show and creative area.

Wfamily Harvest Fest, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 24 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 25 at Westfield Old Orchard, Old Orchard Road and Skokie Boulevard, Skokie. Activities include carnival rides, corn maze, arts and crafts tent, face painters, balloon sculptors, children's entertainment and more. Free admission. Visit [www.westfield.com/old-orchard](http://www.westfield.com/old-orchard) or call (847) 673-6800.

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a.m.-9 p.m. Oct. 30-Nov. 1 at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox, Chicago. The event features book signings, panel discussions, art exhibits, lectures, theatre performances, live music and Irish dance by Irish and Irish-themed authors, artists and musicians. Admission is \$5; free for children 12 and under. Highlights include a black-tie optional dinner in the IAHC's Grand Ballroom on Friday, with entertainment headed by Malachy McCourt; cost is \$100 and reservations are required. On Saturday, New York City Irish rock band Black 47 performs at 7 p.m.; tickets are \$20, \$15 for IAHC members. On Sunday, Irish-born folk singer Maura O'Connell will perform at 7 p.m.; tickets are \$20, \$15 for IAHC members. (773) 282-7035 or www.irish-american.org.

### FILM

The Chicago International Children's Film Festival will present films Oct. 24-25 at the Bank of America Cinema, formerly the LaSalle Bank Cinema, 4901 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago. There will be four programs each day starting at 10 a.m. with "My First Movies" screenings for children ages 2-5. Programs for children 5-8 and 8-10 are scheduled at for 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. For a complete schedule and to purchase tickets, visit www.cicff.org. 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. Oct. 15, 7 p.m.: "Ramchand Pakistani." Oct. 22, 7 p.m.: "Vertical Limit." rated PG-13. Oct. 29, 7 p.m.: "Long Live Pakistan."

Skokie Theatre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. (847) 677-7761. www.skokie-theatre.com. Nov. 22, 7 p.m.: "One Simple Life." \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door.

### ORGANIZATIONS

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 DuSold. (847) 825-3505.

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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Jewish Social Singles, for ages 21-plus. Cash payments only; activities are subject to change. Call (847) 757-9299 or (847) 331-1066. Oct. 18, 6 p.m.: Dinner at Village Bar and Grill, 48 Raupp Blvd., Buffalo Grove. \$30. Carol Blauw-Smith will present "Finding Mr. or Ms. Right." Oct. 25, Nov. 8 and 22 and Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m.: Bowling at Brunswick Zone-Deerfield behind the Deerbrook Mall, 10 S. Waukegan Road. Bowling is \$20 for league members; \$25 for nonmembers. Socializers who cannot or prefer not to bowl are welcome to join the group for a \$10 cover charge. Nov. 15, 6:15 p.m.: Buffet dinner at Sonoya Restaurant,

8750 W. Golf Road, Niles. \$25. Single Gourmet Dining Club. (773) 772-3535. www.singlegourmetchicago.com. Oct. 24, 6 p.m.: Saturday Night Singles Dinner at Makisu Japanese Steak & Seafood, 7150 Carpenter Road, Skokie. \$55.

Young at Heart Singles Club sponsors ballroom dancing for all ages. Semi-dressy to dressy attire for women; jackets for men. No jeans or gym shoes. All dances are from 8:30-11:30 p.m. Admission is \$7 for members; \$9 for guests. Hotline is (630) 415-3449. Oct. 23: Dance at Bulger Park, 1601 W. Hirsch St., Melrose Park, with music by The Variety Pak.

### TOURS & OUTINGS

Skokie Northshore Sculpture Park, located along McCormick Blvd. between Dempster on the north and Touhy on the south. (847) 679-4265. www.sculpturepark.org. A series of free guided tours are offered on select Sundays through October, weather permitting. Oct. 25, 1 p.m.: Section IV.

### ET CETERA

Centre East in the North Shore Center, for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.centreast.org. Nov. 28, 5 and 8 p.m., and Nov. 29, 3 p.m.: Cirque Le Masque. \$35. Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts and programs in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokie-theatre.com. Nov. 13, 10:30 a.m.: Joe Wiegand presents "A Conversation with Teddy Roosevelt." \$20-\$25.

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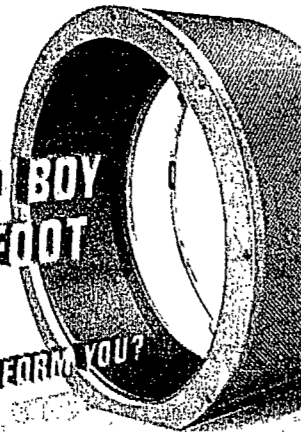
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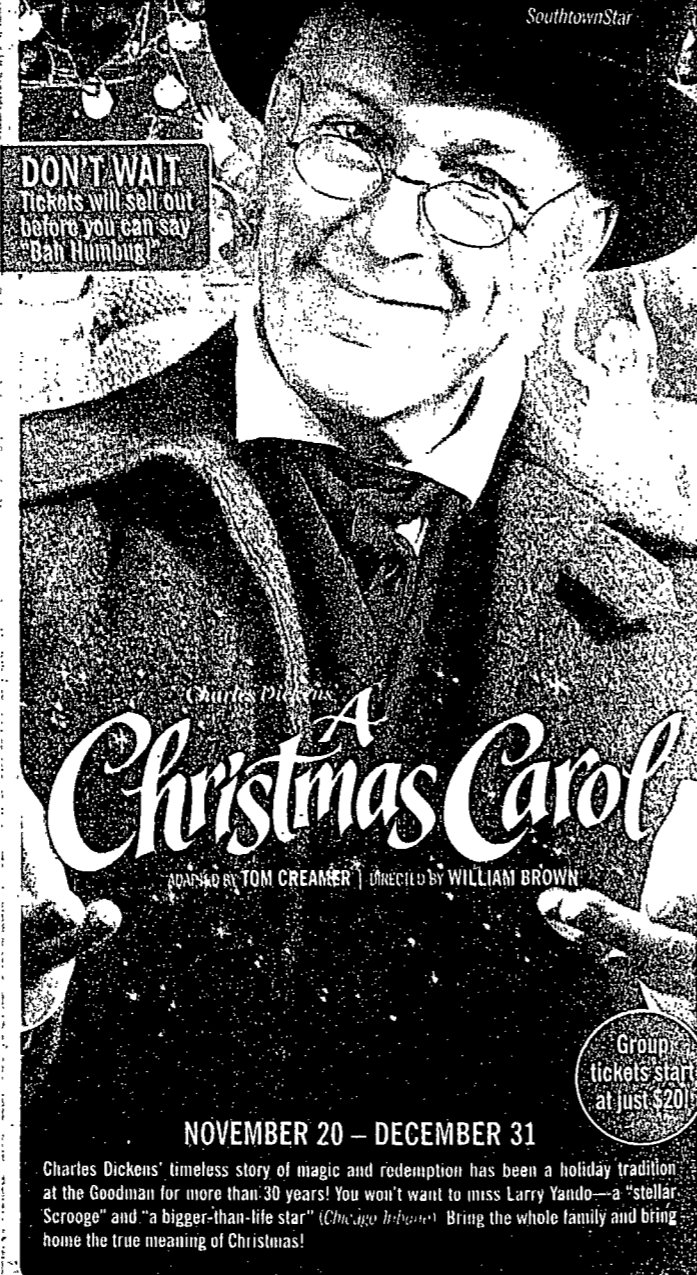
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BY JOHN STEIN  
SearchChicago-Autos Editor

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The new XC60 joins the Volvo XC70 and XC90 in rounding out the brand's non-car offerings. While the nomenclature might be a bit deceiving, the XC60 really falls between the 70 and 90. The XC60 cannot be mistaken for a wagon, which is the XC70's calling card. Likewise, it is clearly not a traditional truck-based SUV like the XC90. Both revelations are good things for the new XC60, which looks more like the recognizable crossover, raised-wagon design becoming wildly popular with consumers.

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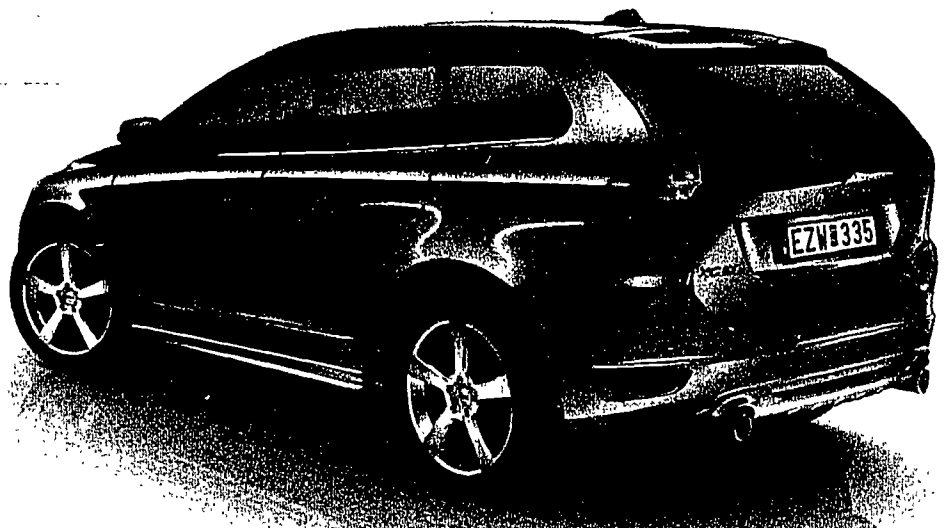
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## New Volvo crossover puts safety first

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Not to be outdone by others claiming simple, pedestrian safety features, my Volvo XC60 tester featured a completely new system called City Safety. Standard on all XC60 models, City Safety prevents collisions or minimize damage from collisions occurring at speeds of 19 mph or less.

Volvo says 75 percent of all reported collisions occur at speeds of less than 19 mph, and in half of these cases, the driver didn't brake at all. The Volvo system detects when a driver is about to impact another vehicle in front of it. If the system computes that the driver is not responding adequately then it automatically applies the brakes.

Based on the exterior styling of the XC60, one could add the new look to the list of safe, yet stylish features. Because it sits higher than a sedan and offers a steeply raked windshield angle, sightlines

are really good for the XC60. Volvo's new entry fashion cues are prevalent on the XC60 and the roofline gently flows from front to back and into a steep drop off at the rear end.

Getting most of the attention will be the classic Volvo egg-crate grille that ties in nicely with the sweeping headlights. Even with the attractive 18-inch alloy rims, the XC60 is not aggressive looking, but rather graceful and sophisticated.

Inside the cabin of the XC60 you will find a refined and fitted space suited for family and friends, clients and equipment. My tester featured an exquisite two-tone leather combo with light oak trim. Power-adjustable front seats and a tilt-and-telescoping steering wheel deliver perfect driving positions up front. In the rear, passengers will enjoy nice head and leg room. The XC60 can handle five adults.

I thought the visibility of all the gauges was

excellent. While most of the controls are easy to reach, I found the center stack buttons to be tiny, which made it difficult to hit the right one while driving. Helping to open up the cabin was an enormous panoramic glass roof.

My tester had a base price of \$37,200. A multimedia package, featuring an amazing Dynaudio Premium Sound with Dolby Pro Logic Surround Sound, a navigation system and the previously mentioned rear park camera, added \$2,700. A less indulgent, but no less essential, climate package added another \$1,000. Thus Chicago winter essential added front and rear heated seats (remember it's leather), heated windshield washer fluid, high-pressure headlight spray and an interior air quality system.

Larger cargo will fit in the back, where the XC60 offers a useful 30.8 cubic feet of space. That number expands to 67.4 cubic feet when you fold the back seats flat.

There is only one engine for the Volvo XC60, a turbocharged T6. This is a dependable 3.0-liter inline six-cylinder (281 horsepower and 295 pound-feet of torque) mated to a six-speed automatic transmission. The Environmental Protection Agency fuel economy estimates 16 mpg city and 22 mpg highway. While this is still going to keep you stopping at the pumps, these numbers are about the same as the best in this luxury class.

The XC60 is a hefty 4,174 pounds, which helps it stay planted, and safer, on the road. I enjoyed driving my tester around town and on the highway. Given the weight, the engine still snaps in attention and easily keeps up with the left lane on tollways. Towing capacity is 3,300 pounds and the new trailer stability assist feature offers the driver added control by slowing the swaying tendencies that can sometimes occur when towing.

Overall, the XC60 delivers exactly what you think you should be getting from a Volvo costing \$42,250. It is uncompromisingly safe, refined and classy while maintaining a newer, more contemporary exterior shape. Families looking for an upscale ride might not pass up the XC60.



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With new car sales down, consumers across the country are looking to get the most out of their existing cars and to save money whenever possible. However, spending a little more today on the right maintenance routine with quality products and trusted service technicians can help save money over the long run.

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- Keeping a vehicle on its proper preventive maintenance schedule will help keep it running smoothly. The minimal investment of an oil change (generally \$25 to \$35 for a chain oil service station change with conventional oil) can help drivers avoid potentially more costly repairs down the road.

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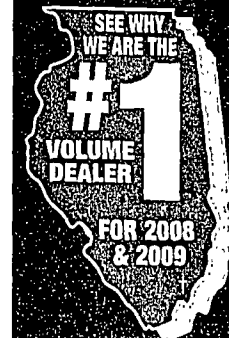
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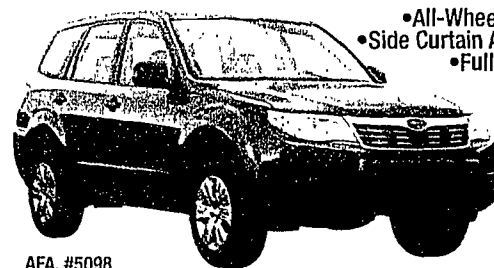
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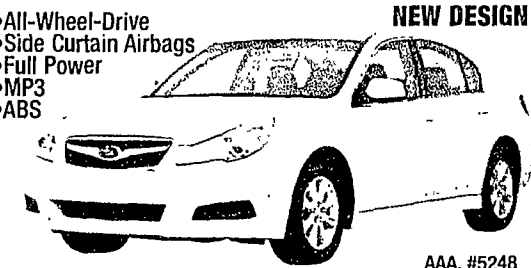
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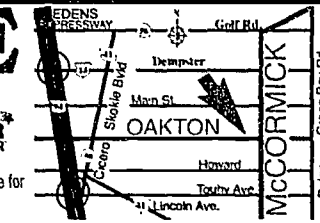
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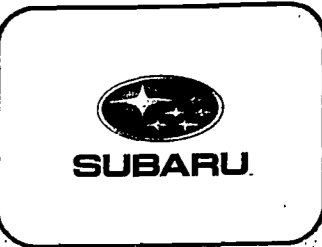
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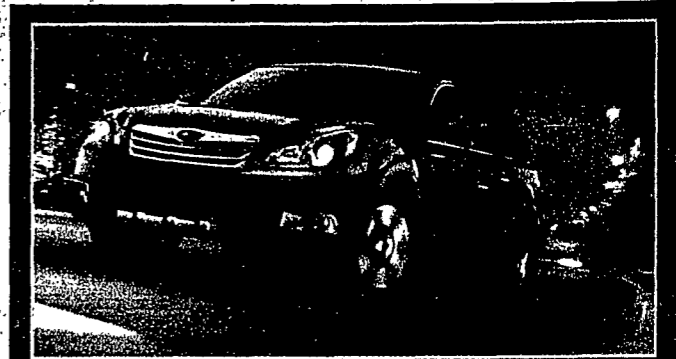


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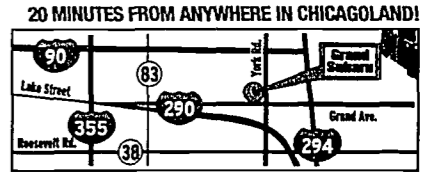
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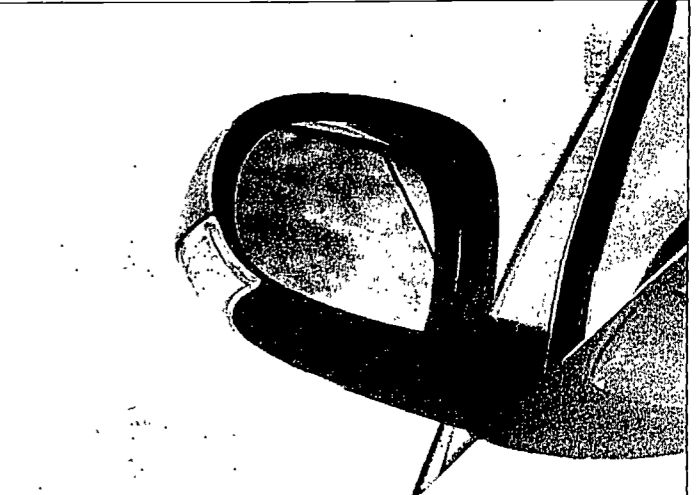
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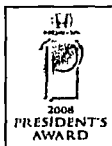
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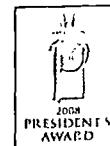
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Once upon a time, owning the American Dream—a home, townhome or condo—was all about enjoying family life, motherhood, apple pie and a warm, crackling fireplace in the holiday hearth.

However, in the past decade or two, the goal of homeownership shifted from putting a roof over the family's head to the greedy practice of "flipping," moving every few years to cash in on rapidly appreciating real estate values, housing analysts say.

With the housing market in a tailspin today, real estate flippers are flipping out, and so are those owners who have used their homes and condos as cash stations, refinancing often to pull out rapidly rising equity.

The simple truth is residential real estate likely is not going to be as good an invest-



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ment in the future as it has been, so don't expect to see double-digit price appreciation for awhile, experts say.

"The housing market in the Chicago area is far from robust," admitted David Hanna, president of the Chicago Association of Realtors.

Dragged lower by foreclosures and short sales, existing home and condo values are down substantially over

the past year in the Chicago area, although the number of home sales is improving every month, reported the Illinois Association of Realtors (IAR).

Snagging condo and townhome resale values were reported in Chicago. The median price—where half of the units sold for more and half sold for less—was \$271,000 for Chicago condos and townhomes in August, down 15.3 percent from a year earlier, the IAR reported.

This is a far cry from 2004, when Freddie Mac reported that home-resale prices appreciated 29.7 percent over the previous five years. During the frenzy, some American homeowners became feverish flippers. To keep up with the Joneses, the successful dream-home owner had to possess a larger, more impressive estate.

At the top of the hill was the multi-level McMansion, with

its five bedrooms, 5½ baths, a great room, three fireplaces, a media room with big-screen TV, lower level game and party room with wet bar, three-car garage and 5,000 square feet of rambling space set on a half acre of land in a gated community.

Back then, nearly 70 percent of the nation's households were homeowners and the number was rising, reported the National Association of Home Builders. However, the current recession, job losses and foreclosures have significantly reduced that percentage.

With the real estate boom over for a while, get-rich-quick appreciation is a phenomenon of the past. Now, it is time for every American homeowner to step back and look at the real benefits of homeownership. Ask yourself: Does an estate-size home really make life

worth living? Or, is homeownership really about enjoying family life?

For this writer, it was always about summer barbecues, and cutting the grass on Saturday while the kids ride their bikes to the nearby park to play softball.

It's also about sitting out on the deck at the end of the day with someone you love and watching the harvest moon rise, and sharing Thanksgiving dinner at home with your loved ones. And, it's about drinking hot chocolate with rosy-cheeked kids in front of the fireplace after shoveling snow during the holidays.

Fortunately, most Americans still believe homeownership is a fundamental first step to accumulating personal wealth, and is the primary source of a household's net worth.

Additionally, the annual tax advantages of homeownership

still exist, especially if you don't sell. At tax time, homeowners are eligible for some lucrative tax deductions for mortgage interest and property taxes. When you do decide to sell your house profits of up to \$500,000 on the sale of a principal residence are excluded from income taxes on capital gains.

So, let's forget the greed, enjoy life, smell the roses and move when your family circumstances require it.

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## Affordably efficient

Consumer demand expands for smaller new homes, compact condos

The days of the sprawling, energy guzzling McMansion are numbered in America, housing experts say.

As concerns over the housing market deepen and energy prices continue to rise, the size of the typical new U.S. home is shrinking, according to the American Institute of Architects.

"The recent weakness in the housing market forces households to be more sensitive to housing affordability concerns. Coupled with rising home energy costs, this encourages many to rethink their overall space needs," said AIA Chief Economist Kermit Baker.

The quarterly AIA Home Design Trends survey found that several interior spaces are shrinking in the typical American new home, from total square footage of living area to informal and open areas and volume spaces, such as cathedral ceilings. Living space allocated for finished basements and attics appears to be holding its own.

At Edgemoor Glen, a development of 64 luxury single-family homes at 5200 W. Armstrong Ave. in the Edgemoor/Forest Glen neighborhood on the Far Northwest Side, developer Paul Bertsche of C.A. Development recently introduced the two-story Linden, an efficient new model home.

"This home lives and feels like a residence that is much larger," said Bertsche. "By removing unnecessary hallways

and walls we were able to eliminate square footage and reduce construction costs while maintaining the features and room count of larger similar home designs priced \$50,000 to more than \$100,000 more.

At 2,748 square feet of space, Bertsche said the Linden has the room count and features of homes with 900 to 1,000 square feet more, and "it feels just as spacious." The Linden is base priced at \$575,000, but special incentives have reduced the price on the existing model to \$556,500.

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Condominium developers in Chicago also are offering more compact floor plans today, without skimping on the luxury amenities.

■ 235 Van Buren. CMK Companies recently unveiled a line of 14 minimalist models at the 46-story 235 Van Buren in the heart of the Loop's Financial District.

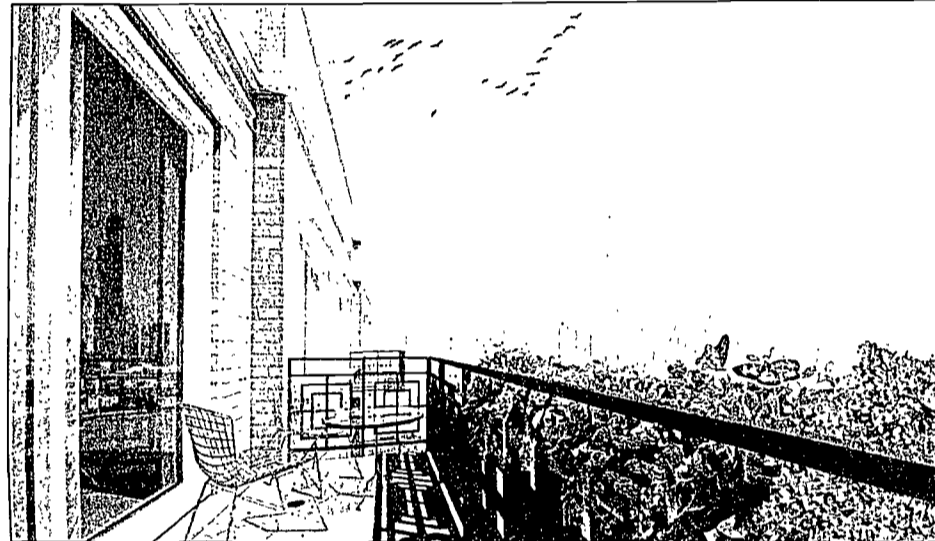
"This is a very intimate floor plan which is the perfect size for a young couple," noted Scott Hoskins, president and managing broker for CMK Realty, the exclusive sales and marketing agent.

Base prices range from \$199,900 for the most affordable studio with 522 square feet to \$399,900 for the most expensive two-bedroom, two-bath layout. There is also a selection of penthouses available, base priced from \$335,900.

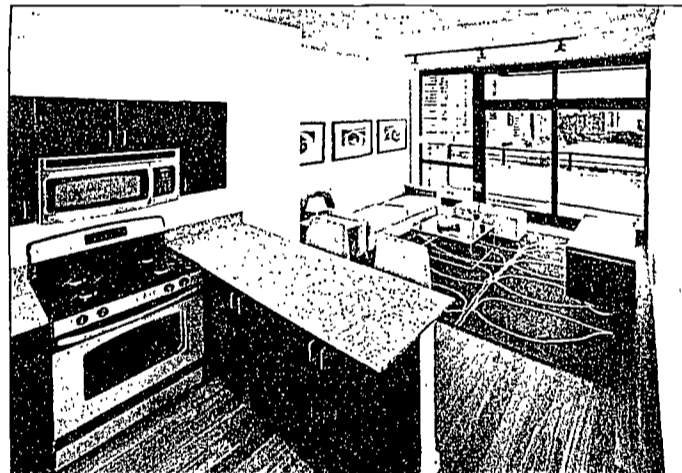
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■ Canal Crossing. Compact, affordable floor plans are the attraction at this 60-unit condominium development now nearing completion at 2318-2328 S. Canal in Chinatown.

"Canal Crossing is 80-per-



Canal Crossing condos features a living room with access to the private balcony with a spectacular view of Chicago's Loop skyline.



Every residence at 235 Van Buren has stainless-steel appliance packages, oak wood flooring, granite kitchen countertops and 10-foot ceilings. PHOTO BY GARRIS LEE HARRIS, PAOGETT AND COMPANY

cent sold, however a nice selection of available residences are priced from the low-\$200,000 bracket, and heated indoor parking is included," said See

Y. Wong, president of Wabash Development Group.

■ Eastern Tower. Affordable, compact two-bedroom, one-bath condos with 700 square feet of space are expected to be priced under \$200,000 at Eastern Tower, another Chinatown project planned by Wong. Two-bedroom, two-bath units with 800 square feet are expected to be priced in the mid-\$200,000 bracket.

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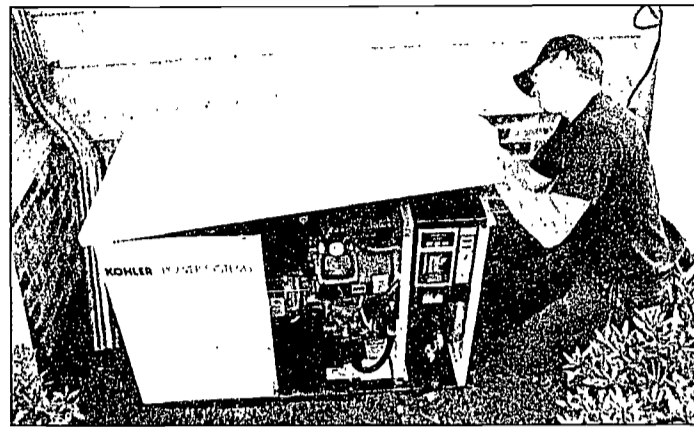
■ One Place Condominiums. At the 96-unit One Place Condominiums, a new-construction mid-rise development at 1 East 8th Street in Chicago's South Loop, two-bedroom, two-bath "split-floor plan" residences feature slightly less than 900 square feet.

Sales have been brisk at the affordably priced development, noted Karp. Prices on remaining one-bedroom, one-bath units start at \$195,000, while one-bedroom-plus-den terrace units start at \$315,000. Two-bedroom, two-bath residences start at \$259,000. Parking starts at \$35,000. Call 312-986-1111.

## Prepare your house for winter weather

With the winter weather slowly creeping in, it's time to get your house ready for snow, wind, ice, freezing rain and all the other potential bad weather that can cause damage to your property.

Don't wait until the first frost or snowfall to prepare your house for winter. One night with no heat or frozen water pipes can wreak havoc. Last year's ice and wind storms in the Northeast and across the Midwest left families without power for many days. Here is a checklist of items to help you make sure you're ready for winter.



Installing a reserve electric generator is a definite positive step toward keeping your home safe, secure and powered up during the coming winter months.

■ Outdoor plumbing. Start with the easy things by turning off and draining all of your outdoor plumbing. Go through everything at your house: hose connections, pool connections, sprinkler systems, etc. After you've turned off the water, leave all the faucets in the "on" position and remove any plastic components. If you suspect that the pipes might not be completely drained of liquid, compressed air can be used to purge water from the lines.

■ Gutters. As soon as all the leaves are off the trees, clean the gutters of any debris. Clogged gutters can cause ice buildup or ice dams on the roof. Also install gutter downspout extensions a minimum of four feet from the house for the winter months. This keeps the melting winter snow and ice away from the foundation.

■ Roof. Take a good look at the shingles. Make sure none are missing or curled up. Also check for signs of leaks - i.e., stains, cracks, damp spots - and make sure you seal the cracks. If you have an ice dam problem, install heated coils along the edge of the roof. They're easy

to install - just look them to the shingles with a few clips and plug the coil into a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter outlet. If you don't have a GCFI outlet, a qualified electrician can install one for you.

■ Driveways and sidewalks. Get out and seal any cracks on your driveways or sidewalks because the freezing and thawing temperatures will only make them bigger during the winter months. Use crack filler or hydraulic cement to prevent the cracks from growing.

■ Install a standby generator. When ice and wind storms hit your home, you don't want to be without power for very long. Winter is not a time to try and rough it with freezing temperatures. Plus, when the inside temperatures drop, you'll have

to worry about freezing water pipes. And frozen pipes lead to expensive plumbing repair work.

A standby generator runs on propane or natural gas and is connected to your home's existing gas lines. A transfer switch monitors electrical activity coming into the home, and when that activity stops due to a power failure, the transfer switch kicks in - in as little as 10 seconds - and the generator has your power up and running again.

"I tell people to get a generator that fits your lifestyle," says home improvement expert Ed Del Grande, master contractor/plumber known internationally as the author of the book "Ed Del Grande's House Call" and for hosting TV shows on Scripps Networks and HGTVPro.com.

"Any homeowner will want to make sure the heat stays on at all times for the safety of their families. Standby generators are a must-have for emergency situations such as storms."

It takes about a month to select, size, purchase and install a standby generator, especially since you'll have to work around electrical wiring and gas lines, which includes local codes and proper testing. It's better to get started earlier than later on this project. Once the ground is frozen, it might be too late.

By preparing your house for the winter season, you'll be able to spend the colder months sitting comfortably inside without worrying about water damage or cold temperatures.

## Simple cost-effective tips on winterizing

Each fall, the temperatures begin to drop and heating bills begin to rise, causing many homeowners to tighten their budgets. What many people do not realize is there are cost-effective ways of preparing a home for the winter, which will save money in the long run.

Autumn is a great time to begin projects that will increase the heating efficiency in the winter as well as the cooling effectiveness during the summer months. Gina Carlson, the Academic Director for the Interior Design program at The Art Institutes International Minnesota, offers these helpful and low-cost tips:

■ Close off any unused areas of the home so you don't waste energy heating unused space.

■ If you are sitting in a chair reading or working at a desk, use a blanket or a space heater and keep the rest of the home at a lower temperature.

■ Check the weather-stripping around the doors and windows. Leaky doors and windows are often the biggest culprits of heat loss.

■ Consider utilizing natural ways to heat in winter and cool in summer by using shade trees (deciduous) to cool the house from the intense summer sun and making the most use of large south facing windows to capture the winter sun.

■ Add humidifiers to the living areas as it makes the air feel warmer in the winter, and dehumidifiers will make a room feel cooler in the summer.

More expensive tips that will eventually save money for the future year-round include:

■ Check your foundation, and insulate the rim joists around the perimeter of the house (the space where the basement wall meets the underside of the floor joists above). This will help keep the heat inside the home.

■ Contact an HVAC professional to inspect your furnace and clean your heating and cooling ducts. Change your furnace filters once a month. This will help improve the efficiency of your furnace and extend its life.

■ If you have a standard thermostat, consider installing a programmable one. The heat should be used only when someone is home.

■ Replace leaky windows by investing in storm windows or install new thermal windows.

■ Check the insulation in the attic, and add more insulation to keep the heat in the home. Homeowners can also insulate their basement walls to avoid heat loss.

Making improvements to the home will eventually save money and cut the costs of wasted electricity. Currently, there are additional incentives to make these improvements to the home. In 2009, the government began offering income tax credits to homeowners who make qualified improvements or changes between Jan. 1, 2009, and Dec. 31, 2010. These changes and/or improvements can include replacing doors and windows and adding insulation, water heaters and furnace and/or fuel-efficient cooling systems. For more information about the income tax incentives, visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

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# Newport Cove opens new model

Cottages in lakefront community a big draw

A new model home is opening this weekend at Newport Cove on the Chain O' Lakes. The Highmeadow is a charming coastal-style ranch home featuring 1,670 square feet plus a white-railed front porch, large covered rear porch, oversized two-car garage and full basement with nine-foot walls. The Highmeadow is priced from \$365,000.

The floor plan offers two bedrooms plus a den (or three bedrooms), two baths, designer eat-in kitchen with breakfast bar, large open great room and many interesting architectural details. Both the master bedroom and great room open onto a large covered porch that, in the model, is shown as a screened porch.

Standard finishes include solid hardwood flooring in the public areas, solid-surface countertops, porcelain or stone tile in the baths, Kohler plumbing fixtures, stainless steel Whirlpool appliances, ample can lights, eight-foot-tall interior doors, a 42-inch front door, Pella windows, James Hardie concrete siding, Carrier HVAC system and professional landscaping.

The 42-acre Newport Cove sits high on a bluff overlooking Bluff Lake, one of the deepest lakes on the Chain (the address is rural Antioch). The offers

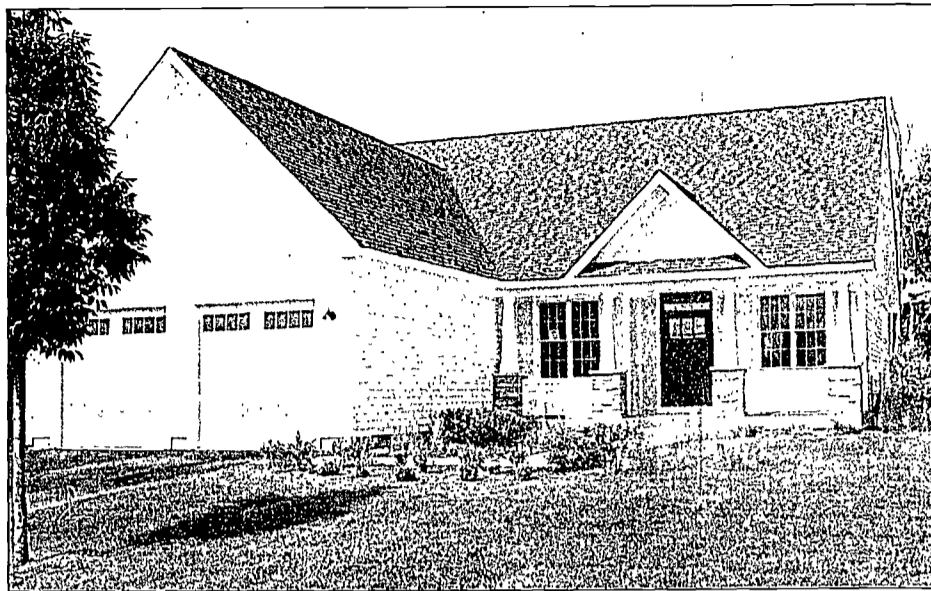
## Visit this community

Newport Cove's sales center and furnished models are open noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday or by appointment. To visit from Interstate 94 and Lake Cook Road, proceed north on I-94 approximately 23 miles to Route 173, west (left) about eight miles to Route 59, south (left) about two miles to Grass Lake Road, west (right) about one mile to Bluff Lake Road, north (right) to the sales center. For additional directions or more information, visit [www.newport-cove.com](http://www.newport-cove.com) or call 847-726-2727.

a private 130-plus-slip marina complete with water and electricity, a private eight-acre waterfront park with waterfront walkway, and paths for golf carts and pedestrians. Anchoring the park is a pavilion with kitchen and restroom facilities. Forty percent of the community is open space, much of it landscaped with native plants and wildflowers.

Zoned for 67 single-family residences, the community has three distinct neighborhoods. Award-winning builder New American Homes is selling residences priced from \$325,000 to more than \$1 million.

"Although we have a wide range of prices, all of our customers have the same goal:



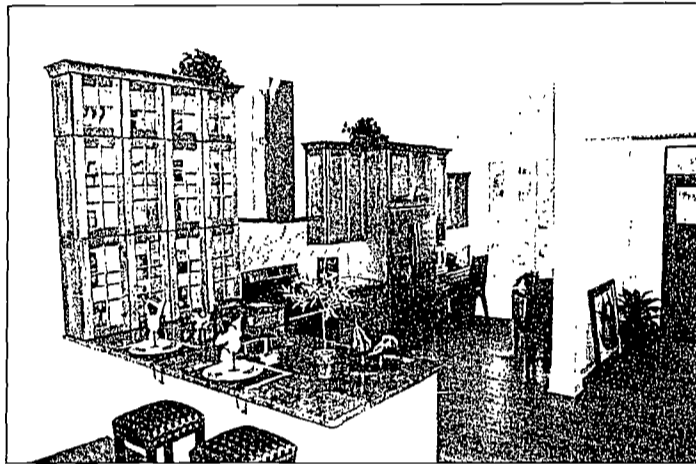
The Highmeadow, one of four Cottage models at Newport Cove, is a 1,670-square-foot two- or three-bedroom ranch home with two baths, large front room, eat-in kitchen, full basement and charming screened porch.

To live where they play," said Susanne Taulke, president of New American Homes. "We attract people who love the water. Some of our buyers boat in it. Some fish in it. Some just like looking at it."

The new Highmeadow model is in Newport Cove's cottage area, the development's most affordable neighborhood. The Cottages of Newport Cove include 31 homes. A homeowners' association takes care of grounds maintenance. The grass is mowed, landscape beds maintained, sidewalks shoveled and driveways plowed.

Sized from 1,500 to more than 2,400 square feet (plus full basements), the Cottages have first-floor master suites, large open living spaces with designer kitchens, two to four bedrooms and teal centers.

On the waterfront is a neighborhood of 21 sites designed



The kitchen of the Highmeadow has vaulted ceilings, hardwood flooring, a small eating space, a tech space, a breakfast bar, maple cabinets, granite countertops and stainless steel Whirlpool appliances.

Turn to NEWPORT COVE, 5

# Hawthorn Woods to host Family Fun Fest Oct. 24

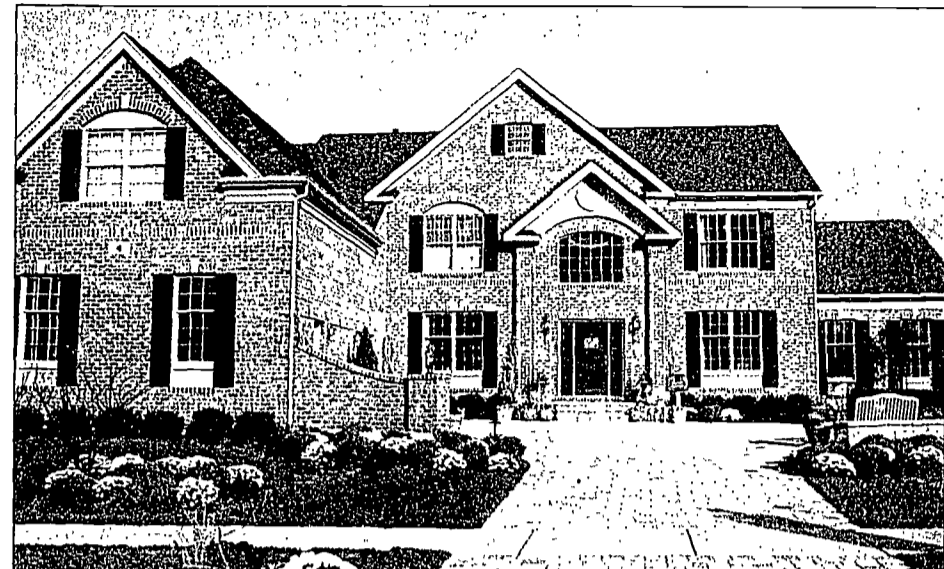
Includes hayride tour of spooky home decorations

Searching for some family fun and a way to enjoy the fall season? Mark your calendar for Hawthorn Woods Country Club's Fall Family Fun Fest on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The free event sponsored by luxury homebuilder Toll Brothers will include a petting zoo, a hayride tour to view the spooky decorations in the Parade of Haunted Homes, and free pumpkins while supplies last.

The event takes place within the Hawthorn Woods community at the Carmel model home, located at 4 Turnbury Court, also the location of the pumpkin patch and the pick-up and drop-off point for the hayrides. A map to four other decorated model homes will be available. Visitors are welcome to relax in the model home and enjoy baked goods and refreshments.

"We are proud to sponsor this event again and bring the community together for an afternoon of family fun," says Andy Stern, senior vice president of Toll Brothers' Illinois division. "This is a great opportunity to experience the country club lifestyle our homeowners enjoy at Hawthorn Woods Country Club."



A Family Fun Fest will be held at Hawthorn Woods Country Club on Oct. 24 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., including a "Parade of Haunted Homes." Pictured is Toll Brothers' Carmel model.

For those wanting to take advantage of the buyer's market, the builder is offering a special event incentive in the form of premium upgrades on this day only. Information will be available at each model home or call the sales team at 847-847-7048 for details in advance.

Hawthorn Woods Country Club is a private country club community nestled in the rolling countryside of Hawthorn Woods. The resort-class community features a host of amenities including the 18-hole Arnold Palmer Signature golf course, 21,000-square-foot clubhouse, separate pro shop,

swim and fitness center, traditional and heated platform tennis courts, and direct access to a 30-acre community park. Real estate opportunities are still available in this fast-growing community, which offers something for every home buyer. The largest residences, the Signature Collection of single-

family estate homes, feature picturesque 1/2-acre home sites and spectacular golf course or lake views, and are priced from the mid-\$600,000s to more than \$1 million. Visitors are welcome to tour the latest design trends in the impressive four-bedroom, 3 1/2-bath Carmel model.

Those looking for a carefree lifestyle can choose from a spacious townhome from the Tournament Collection or a low-maintenance single-family home from the Golf Villa Collection.

With three bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths, the low-maintenance townhomes feature spacious layouts with well-sized kitchens and impressive master suites, and are priced from the upper \$300,000s. Three lavishly decorated models are available to tour.

The Golf Villa Collection of single-family homes are unique in that they include lawn care and snow removal, providing exterior maintenance services traditionally found with condominiums. These homes offer three to four bedrooms, a minimum of 2 1/2 baths, and 2,600 to 3,500 square feet of living space. Golf view home sites are still available and prices start in the upper \$400,000s. To attend the event, from I-94, exit Route 22 West (Half Day Road), and travel 5 miles to Route 83 North. Turn right and proceed to Gilmer Road. Turn left on Gilmer and continue 4 1/2 miles to Selwerman Road. Turn left onto Selwerman Road and travel about three quarters of a mile. Turn right into Hawthorn Woods Country Club and follow the signs to the Carmel model. Call 847-847-7048 for event details. A map and additional community information can be found at [HawthornWoodsCountryClub.com](http://HawthornWoodsCountryClub.com).

## Newport Cove FROM PAGE 4

for custom, build-to-suit homes with walkout lower levels. Prices for the waterfront lots start at \$340,000. New American's waterfront home/lot packages start in the high \$700,000s.

Finally, a neighborhood of 15 estate

home sites is located just off the water. Prices for the estate home sites start at \$120,000; house/lot packages start in the \$400,000s.

While most houses on the Chain depend upon individual septic systems, Newport Cove has its own state-of-the-art community sewer system, ensuring a clean green environment for its residents. Water comes from individual wells.

"Newport Cove is committed to cre-

ating a pleasant, attractive environment for years to come," said Susanne Taulke, president of New American Homes.

"Strict architectural guidelines govern the building of each home. For example, all homes must have a coastal-style exterior design. All trim must be white and all roofs the same color. Coordinating landscaping, much of it featuring native plants and highlighted by white fencing and

stone walls, enhances the waterfront look."

The Fox River's Chain O' Lakes is the second largest inland water area in Illinois. It includes more than 7,100 acres of water with 10 lakes, 40 miles of river and 450 miles of shoreline. Boaters can easily travel from lake to lake via a system of canals.

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BERKELEY	5730 S. Charles	Gas St., Car Wash, Store	\$899,000	\$475,000*	Call for Open House dates
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LA GRANGE	319 Bluff	9 Flat	\$899,000	\$649,000**	OCT 20 & 22, 11am-2pm
LA GRANGE PK	1443 Homestead	10 Flat	\$999,000	\$799,000**	OCT 20 & 22, 11am-2pm
LYONS	8604 W. 47th St.	6 Flat	\$599,000	\$449,000**	OCT 20 & 22, 11am-2pm

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 AUCTION ... Residential Properties

CITY	STREET ADDRESS	PROPERTY	PREVIOUSLY PRICED UP TO	BIDDING INFO	OPEN HOUSE DATES & TIMES
DOWNERS GR	2236 Westfield Dr.	Single Family Home	\$399,000	\$125,000** (A)	Call for Open House dates
HINSDALE	535 N Walker Rd.	Single Family Home	\$1,975,000	Check back	Call for Open House dates

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CITY	STREET ADDRESS	PROPERTY	PREVIOUSLY PRICED UP TO	BIDDING INFO	OPEN HOUSE DATES & TIMES
AURORA	620 E. Ashland Ave	Commercial Building	\$650,000	\$150,000**	OCT 19, 28 & NOV 3, 10am-noon
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FOX LAKE	2 E. Grand	Commercial Building	\$1,500,000	\$500,000**	OCT 19, 28 & NOV 3, 2pm-4pm
HIGHLAND PK	1200 DS Skokie Rd	Commercial Building	\$6,000,000	\$1,250,000**	OCT 20 & NOV 4, 9:30am-11:30am
OAK PARK	910 S. Grove	Commercial Building	\$378,000	\$125,000**	OCT 20 & NOV 4, 1pm-3pm

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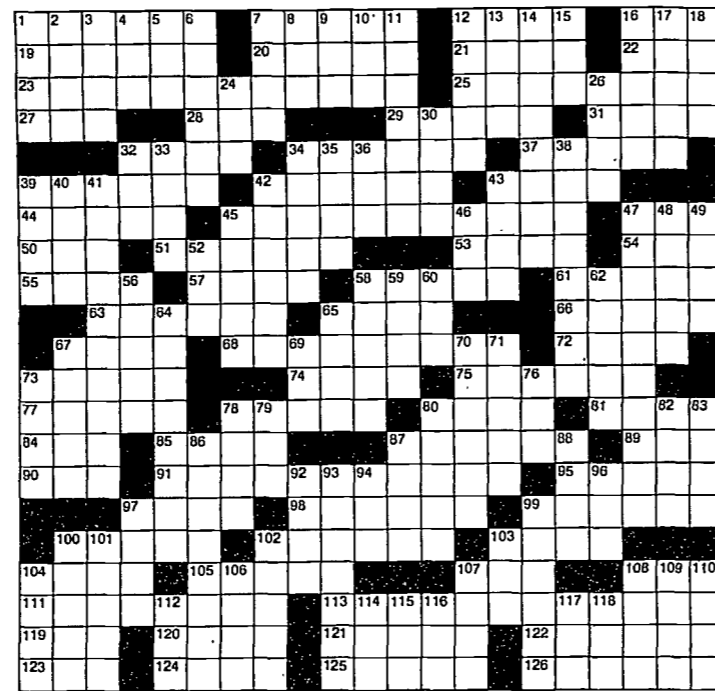
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# Super Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Yankee
  - 7 Pool shot
  - 12 Dictates
  - 16 Make cheddar better
  - 19 Diverted
  - 20 Cara or Castle
  - 21 Tennis pro
  - 22 New Deal
  - 23 SLOT MACHINES
  - 25 Traces
  - 27 Philozolic
  - 28 Aye opponent
  - 29 Remove
  - 31 Artist
  - 32 Prepare pancakes
  - 34 Sewed a toe
  - 37 Ruhr Valley
  - 39 Victorian ornaments
  - 42 Capitol gang?
  - 43 Loyal
  - 44 Maine town
  - 45 HMS
  - 47 PINAFORE
  - 48 Drill sergeant's shout
  - 50 "O Sole"
  - 51 Advantage
  - 53 Drainpipe part
- DOWN**
- 54 New Haven collegian
  - 55 Prohibits
  - 57 Coup d'etat
  - 58 Opening in fashion remark?
  - 61 Automaton
  - 63 Halloween decoration
  - 65 Content completely
  - 66 Let out the lava
  - 67 Comic
  - 68 Laurel
  - 69 DORMITORY
  - 72 Philosopher
  - 73 Got
  - 74 Commanded
  - 75 Lions and tigers and bears
  - 77 Concur
  - 78 Condescend
  - 80 Finish filming
  - 81 "Good gracious!"
  - 84 Woody herb
  - 85 Fiber
  - 87 Connected
  - 89 "pro nobis"
  - 90 Part of MPH
  - 91 ENDEARMENTS
  - 95 Snowy fisherman
  - 97 "vu"
  - 98 Stilted
- 8 White House spokesman**
- 9 Stimpny's pal**
- 10 "Johnny Note" ("37 song)**
- 11 Keepsake**
- 12 Enraged**
- 13 One of the**
- 14 Showy**
- 15 Jell**
- 16 Actress Harmon**
- 17 Word with tea or pepper**
- 18 — India**
- 24 Fool**
- 26 "— dixit"**
- 30 Swerve**
- 32 Marsh**
- 33 Crochet unit**
- 34 Resign**
- 35 Without — (darlingly)**
- 36 Brit. fliers**
- 38 Hold back**
- 39 Fowl**
- 40 "Turandot" tune**
- 41 ASTRONOMER**
- 42 "Pay hike?"**
- 43 "Comin' — the Bye"**
- 45 Prominent**
- 46 Missouri abbr.**
- 47 GEORGE BUSH**
- 48 Take the honey and run**
- 49 See 104**
- 52 Chianti**
- 56 Show**
- 58 "Surprise Symphony" composer**
- 59 Reason d'—**
- 60 August one?**
- 62 Spout like**
- 64 Beholden**
- 65 Forest**
- 67 Smooth transition**
- 69 Slugger's stat**
- 70 Edmond of "The Barefoot Contessa"**
- 71 Capital**
- 73 — seal**
- 76 "Tarzan" extra**
- 78 Actor**
- 79 Complete**
- 80 Lawrence's — in "Lovers"**
- 82 Olympic warmonger**
- 83 Base stuff?**
- 86 Tossed aside**
- 87 Jewelry material**
- 88 "The — Hunter" ('78 film)**
- 92 Actor**
- 93 More turbulent**
- 94 Scand. nation**
- 96 Wolmaraner's warning**
- 97 Clammy**
- 99 Abolitionist**
- 100 Disreputable**
- 101 Ersatz emerald**
- 102 It may suit you**
- 103 Ararat's grp.**
- 104 With 49 Down, "Spy Game" star**
- 106 Reside**
- 107 43,560 square feet**
- 108 Feudal superior**
- 109 List ender**
- 110 Vacation location**
- 112 Manipulate**
- 114 Ike's domain**
- 115 Sweater letter**
- 116 Sundown, to Shelley**
- 117 Comic Philips**
- 118 TV's "Scooby—"**



Answers: Inside today's classified section

## HOROSCOPES

For the week of Oct. 19 - Oct. 25

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** You could be caught in a torrent of advice from well-meaning friends and colleagues this week. But remember, Lamb, you are at your best when you are your own inimitable self.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Expect strong efforts to get you to accept things as they are and not question them. But ignore all that and continue your inquiries until you're sure you have all the answers you need.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Heavier than usual family and workplace duties compete for your time this week. Try to strike a balance so that you're not overwhelmed by either. Pressures ease by week's end.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** It's a good time for the Moon Child to show off your uniquely inspired approach to the culinary skills -- especially if they're directed toward impressing someone special.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** You might be happy about the re-emergence of a long-deferred deal. But don't pounce

on it quite yet. Time can change things. Be sure the values you looked for before are still there.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** Try to rein in your super-critical attitude, even if things aren't being done quite as you would prefer. Remember: What you say now could create an awkward situation later on.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Although you can expect on-the-job cooperation from most of your colleagues this week, some people might insist on knowing more about your plans before they can accept them.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Creating another way to do things is commendable. But you could find some resistance this week from folks who would rather stick with the tried-and-true than try something new.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** You usually can keep your aim focused on your goal. But you might need to make adjustments to cope with unsteadiness factors that

could arise over the course of the week.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** News arrives about a projected move. Be prepared to deal with a series of possible shifts, including starting and finishing times, and how much the budget will actually cover.

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** A new relationship needs time to develop. Let things flow naturally. It could be a different story with a workplace situation, which might require faster and more focused attention.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** Accept a compliment without trying to troll for any hidden reason beyond what was said. After all, don't you deserve to be praised every now and then? Of course you do.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You like to weigh all possibilities before making a decision. You would be a fine judge, or even be a star in a jury room.

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## Seniors Helping Seniors continues steady growth despite tough economy

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## Fuel fitness with milk

Award-winning swimmer and mom Dara Torres, 42, knows fitness is more than looking good in her swimsuit. After a strenuous practice, Torres said drinking nutrient-packed low fat milk is one of her secret weapons.

Inspiring women and moms everywhere, Torres got back into her racing swimsuit and won three silver medals in Beijing — at 41.

"Whether I'm in the pool, in the weight room or running after my daughter, I am constantly on the go," Torres said. "As I've gotten older, I need to stay focused on my overall health. It's not just about short-term benefits. Outside the pool, I make sure to include weight-bearing exercise and milk, which provides calcium for my bones and high-quality protein for my muscles."

Studies suggest that when consumed after

exercise, milk's mix of high-quality protein and carbohydrates helps refuel exhausted muscles. Moreover, the protein helps build lean muscle. Milk also provides fluids for rehydration and minerals such as calcium, potassium and magnesium recreational exercisers and athletes alike need to replace after strenuous activity.

The vitamin D in milk helps keep bones sturdy and strong. Women tend to lose muscle mass and bone density as they age. Daily exercise, along with adequate amounts of protein, calcium and vitamin D, can help.

Most Americans fall short of the recommended 60 minutes of daily moderate to vigorous physical activity. To help women jumpstart their fitness routines, Torres and her coaches created an exclusive workout on [www.whymilk.com](http://www.whymilk.com) featuring a handful of her most effective daily exercises that can be done at any fitness level, and at home with little to no equipment.

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## Remembrances



**Paluch, Margaret A. "Mickey"**  
Margaret A. "Mickey" Paluch, a dedicated servant of the church, passed away. The Paluch and Rafferty families, the J.S. Paluch corporate family, and the church, mourn the loss of Margaret A. "Mickey" Paluch. Early Thursday morning, October 8, 2009, Margaret, the beloved mother of nine; grandmother of 17; and chairman of the board of the J.S. Paluch Company, died after suffering a severe stroke on Wednesday evening. The wake was held Sunday, October 11, and Monday, October 12, at Ryan-Parke Funeral Home, Park Ridge, (847) 823-1171. The Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday evening at St. Paul of the Cross, Park Ridge. Burial was on Tuesday, October 13, at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. Mickey Paluch's personal lifelong commitment to the church has been inspiring and remarkable. In keeping with her spirit, the J.S. Paluch Company, a major national religious publisher providing the Catholic community with worship aids, inspirational music, Sunday bulletins, calendars and computer software, shares its resources with parishes across the country. The Paluch Family Foundation was established by Mickey in 1995 and funds liturgy, stewardship and vocations projects. Award recipients are chosen for their witness to the gospel and service to the church and their community. In particular, the area of church vocations held a special place in Mickey's heart and was a primary focus of her personal commitment. In 1985, she established the company's National Vocation Awareness Division, which supports vocation ministry in the church and underwrites an annual national vocation seminar. In recognition of her devotion to vocation ministry, the National Religious Vocation Conference (NRVC) presented its John Paul II Award to Mickey in 1987. In 1989, the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors (NCDVD) bestowed its Stewardship Award on Mickey and, in 1995, established the Margaret A. Paluch Award in her honor. This award is given to individuals who make outstanding contributions to vocation ministry. Mickey had been a member of FATICA, an organization that supports vocation ministry. She often contributed her time and resources to fundraising for the archdiocese and for religious orders, and had personally given financial assistance for seminary study costs. In 1991, Mickey established the Endowment for the Margaret and Chester Paluch Chair of Theology at the University of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein in support of that effort. In 2007, Mickey received the Pope John Paul II Seminary Leadership Award from the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) Seminary Department in recognition of her distinguished service to Roman Catholic seminaries in the United States and Canada. Marianist Brother Bernard F. Stratman, executive director of the NCEA Seminary Department remarked, "In presenting the award to a lay woman, the department affirms the qualities of creativity, leadership and service of individuals who contribute to the development of effective priestly formation programs in the U.S. This award honors the memory and the legacy of Pope John Paul II." The most durable of Mickey's legacies can be seen in the lives of her children and grandchildren. Mickey instilled a love and appreciation of music. In the words of her family members, "For most of her family and friends, the most vivid memory is Mickey with a microphone in her hand, poised in front of a piano, belting out 'Georgia.' Now, Mickey is singing in a more heavenly venue." In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Paluch Family Foundation, c/o Mary L. Rafferty, J.S. Paluch Co., Inc., 3708 River Road, Suite 400, Franklin Park, IL 60131. For more information about Mickey Paluch go to [www.ispaluch.com](http://www.ispaluch.com) and [www.wlpmusic.com](http://www.wlpmusic.com). For media inquiries, contact Dolores Orzel at (847) 233-2755 or e-mail [Orzel@ispaluch.com](mailto:Orzel@ispaluch.com).  
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## Moskal, David A.

Of Park Ridge, loving husband of Joan F. (nee Fairley); beloved stepfather of James D. (Susan) and John J. (Mimi) Fairley; proud grandfather of Lauren, Jimmy, and Johnny; dear brother of Stanley (Geraldine) Moskal and the late Geraldine Bringman; fond uncle to many nieces and nephews. Visitation was held Friday, October 9 at Oehler Funeral Home, Des Plaines, where Prayer Service was held Saturday. Mass was held at St. Paul of the Cross Church, Park Ridge. Interment private. Memorial gifts to Colorectal Cancer Coalition Lisa Fund, 1414 Prince Suite 204, Alexandria, VA 22314. Dave was active in sports since his youth on the South Side of Chicago where he was a star on championship baseball and softball teams. He even hit a grand slam to help St. Salomea capture the title in the Catholic A.A. Parish softball league. He was a park district checker, horseshoe and ping pong champion. Dave was proud to have been an altar boy while attending St. Salomea. In 1963, he graduated from Fenner High School. For more than 40 years, Dave was the owner and president of Fauld's Oven and Equipment, famous throughout Chicago and the Midwest for their bakery and pizza ovens. Dave was an avid numismatist and had a passion for trading and tracking the stock market. He was also a member of the American Legion, Billy Caldwell Post #806. Dave lived life to the fullest. He was charitable, enjoyed traveling and had a rich sense of humor. He also enjoyed talking with others in person or over the phone and was always ready to help his friends, family and customers. He most enjoyed playing with and watching his grandkids. (847) 824-5155.  
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## Paxson, Steven Edward

Age 60. Passed away on October 9, 2009 in his Park Ridge home after a short and valiant battle with Pancreatic cancer. He is survived by his wife Marianne (nee Hardwicke); two sons, Douglas Steven (Darsha) and Nicholas David; one grandson, Devin; two sisters, Janis (David) Bianchi and Kimberly (James Glascott) Paxson; one brother, Larry (Karen); one sister-in-law, Donna (Jerry) Bailey; two nephews, Kevin and Paul; one niece, Alissa. Funeral Thursday, October 15, 10:30 a.m. at the RYAN-PARKE FUNERAL HOME, 120 S. Northwest Hwy., (2 blks. S. of Touhy) Park Ridge. Interment Lakewood Memorial Park Cemetery, Elgin, IL. Visitation was on Wednesday, October 14. Past President and 25 year member of Snowhunters of Northern Illinois. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society of Midwest Palliative and Hospice Care Center.  
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## Remembrances



## Goldberg, Isadore "Izzy"

1927-2009. Philanthropist, leader of Chicago Nursing Home Industry. Isadore Goldberg was raised in the nursing home industry by his mother Pearl, a Russian immigrant who became a pioneer of nursing homes in Chicago in the early 1900s. Mr. Goldberg built on that legacy to become a foremost innovator and builder of nursing home care in Chicago while also becoming a prominent supporter of numerous Jewish charities. Pearl Goldberg had escaped the Bolsheviks of Russia and immigrated to Chicago, along with her husband and six children. As more émigrés came to the United States, many found their way to Pearl, who had a deep sense of responsibility for those less fortunate. After her husband became ill and unable to work, Pearl became the breadwinner of the family and eventually converted a two-flat into a home for 14 elderly people. She prepared all the meals, did all the housekeeping, found doctors to make house calls, ran to the drugstore for medicine, and gave residents chicken soup as added insurance that they would get better. Later on, son Isadore took the idea of a boarding house and made it much more sophisticated, building larger and more specialized skilled nursing facilities throughout Chicago, including Lakeshore Nursing, Lake Bluff Healthcare, California Gardens, Chevy Chase Nursing, Bryn Mawr House and Lake Cook Nursing Center. His leadership in expanding nursing home services was inherited by his son Arnold Goldberg who conceived and developed the world famous Wealshire in Lincolnshire which was the first facility in the nation devoted to advanced care of residents with Alzheimer's Disease. While building and serving at his nursing homes, and raising a family with five children, Mr. Goldberg thirst for finding a better way of doing things led him to attend college at night on a scholarship. He eventually earned business degrees from DePaul and Roosevelt University while also becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse. Earlier in his life, Mr. Goldberg graduated from Skokie Yeshiva where he learned Jewish law and achieved the title of Reverend. Known throughout the nursing industry as "Izzy," Mr. Goldberg was recognized by nursing home residents and their families as a real "people person," according to son Arnold. "He was typically seen making daily rounds to check on the well-being of residents and calling their families with updates. He was the ideal administrator, very compassionate, knew families, residents and every single employee by their first names, and was very honest and truthful with people. He was also very charitable and found it difficult to ever turn anyone down." Mr. Goldberg, 82, passed away in Skokie Hospital on October 7, 2009. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Hoda (Levin), daughters Roslyn Sugar and Shifra Kane and sons Arnold and Chaim Zev. He was also the father of the late David Goldberg. He will be dearly missed by sisters, Anne Horwitz (Phillip), Edith Solomon (Kahn), Marilyn Goldberg, and Celia Goldberg (Feldner); plus his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Goldberg was also the brother of the late Louis Kanefsky. Funeral services were held at Menorah Gardens in Broadview, IL. Donations can be sent to the temple Mr. Goldberg helped to build in Lincolnwood at Synagogue Bais Chaim David, 3462 W. Devon, Lincolnwood, IL 60712. Attention: Rabbi Twersky.  
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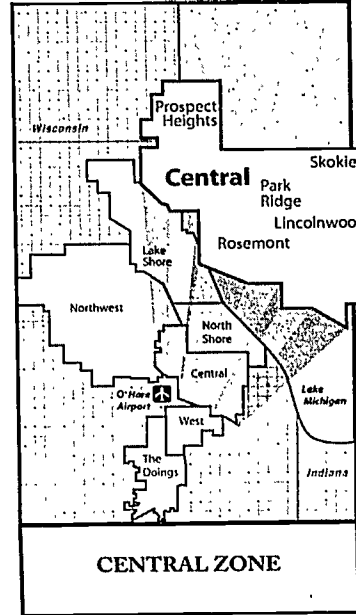
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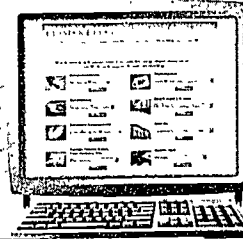
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<p><b>PROBATE</b></p> <p>State of Illinois In The Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois Probate Division In the matter of the estate of: Howard E. Hanson, Deceased Case No. 2009 P 006692 Publication Notice Notice is hereby given of the death of Howard E. Hanson, of Norridge, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on September 20, 2009 to Karen Polys, 1750 West Good Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois 60068, whose attorney is James Morino, 5521 North Cumberland Avenue, Suite 1109, Chicago, Illinois 60656, 773-775-0707.</p> <p>Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Room 1202, Richard Daley Center, Chicago, Illinois 60602 or with the representative, or both, on or before April 8, 2010 which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of this claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.</p> <p>In the matter of the estate of Helen E. Kupper Deceased Case No. 09 P 5525 PUBLICATION NOTICE Notice is hereby given of the death of Helen E. Kupper of Chicago, IL. Letters of office were issued on September 17, 2009 to both Kupper-Herr, P.O. Box 162, Kooswa, Hawaii 96730, whose attorney is Laurie J. Wasserman, 933 Lawler Avenue, Suite 122, Skokie, IL 60075, 847-474-7324.</p> <p>Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Room 1202, Richard Daley Center, Chicago, Illinois 60602 or with the representative, or both, on or before April 1, 2010, which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of this claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.</p> <p>Pub: 10/15/09 (1723403)C</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC NOTICES</b></p> <p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE OF TRADE PETITION CERTIFICATION</b></p> <p>Notice to all workers of Pioneer Press, Advertising Division, a subsidiary of Sun-Times Media Group, located at 3701 W. Lake Ave., Glenview, IL 60026.</p> <p>Workers involved in the production of providing advertising development and graphic arts services, and who have been separated after May 18, 2008, or will be separated before July 17, 2011, may be eligible for training, job search allowances, relocation allowances and other reemployment services. Weekly Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) may be payable to eligible workers following exhaustion of unemployment insurance benefits. 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Pub: 10/15/09 (1724578)C</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC NOTICES</b></p> <p><b>LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>Skokie Zoning Board of Appeals, Wednesday, November 4, 2009, Village of Skokie, 5127 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois 60077, at 7:30 P.M., to consider the following:</p> <p><b>NEW</b></p> <p>2009-252 - 3957 Greenwood Street A request by Tony Kochunasprabill for an exception in order to maintain a 5-foot tall solid fence approximately 70 feet in length in the east side yard rather than the 4-foot maximum height and 50% open minimum as required by Sections 18-80 (c) and 18-80(d)(1) of the Skokie Village Code in an R1 Single-Family district.</p> <p><b>FOR YOUR INFORMATION:</b> Plans and related documents are available at the Village's Community Development Department, Planning Division (847) 933-6447 Monday through Friday, from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.</p> <p><b>SPECIAL AID:</b> Available upon request for the disabled. Call (847) 673-0500 or TDD (847) 933-6455.</p> <p>Interested parties are invited to attend this meeting. This notice is for informational purposes only. Published in the Skokie Raylow on October 15, 2009. Ralph Klein, Chairman Pub: 10/15/09 (1728632) C</p>
<p><b>TO PLACE A HELP WANTED AD IN THE CLASSIFIEDS, CALL 847-998-3400</b></p>	<p><b>PUBLIC NOTICE MAGNET RECOGNITION PROGRAM SITE VISIT</b></p> <p>Advocate Lutheran General Hospital was designated as a Magnet organization in 2005 by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) Magnet Recognition Program. This prestigious designation recognizes excellence in nursing services. In November 2009, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is applying for re-designation. Patients, family members, staff, and interested parties who would like to provide comments are encouraged to do so. Anyone may send comments via e-mail, fax, and direct mail. All phone comments to the Magnet Program Office must be followed up in writing. COMMENTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL AND NEVER SHARED WITH THE HOSPITAL. IF YOU CHOOSE, YOUR COMMENTS MAY BE ANONYMOUS, BUT MUST BE IN WRITING. YOUR COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY Friday, October 23, 2009. Address: AMERICAN NURSES CREDENTIALING CENTER (ANCC) MAGNET RECOGNITION PROGRAM OFFICE 1500 Georgia Ave., Suite 403 Silver Spring, MD 20910-3492 Fax: 301-628-5217</p>	<p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b></p> <p>NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Monday, 02 November 2009, at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 4000 North Oak Avenue, in the Village of Norridge, to consider a petition requesting a Special Use under the requirements of Ordinance No. 1256 - "An Ordinance Amending the Text of Ordinance No. 267, the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Norridge, 1942, by Permitting Massage Establishments, and Massage Therapists as a Special Use within the B-3 General Business District" for the purpose of opening a massage establishment on the property described as follows:</p> <p>LOT 1 (EXCEPT THE NORTH 526 FEET THEREOF AND EXCEPT THE SOUTH 150 FEET THEREOF AND EXCEPT THE PART FALLING WITHIN THE EAST 50 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS) IN GERHARD H. FRANZEN ESTATE DIVISION OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.</p> <p>The property is commonly known as Suites 159 and 160 at 5050 N. Cumberland Avenue, in Norridge, Illinois. All interested persons should attend and will be given an opportunity to be heard.</p> <p><b>ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS VILLAGE OF NORRIDGE</b> By: Joseph G. Micok, Chairman Published by me this 15th day of October 2009 In the Pioneer Press/Norridge and Horwood Heights Journals Dunno Bernardi, Village Clerk Pub: 10/15/09 (1725114) C 3</p>	<p><b>LEGAL NOTICE</b></p> <p>NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Education of School District 207 in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, the 2nd day of November 2009, in the Board Room of the Board of Education, the Ralph J. Fors Administration Center, 1131 South Dee Road in Park Ridge, Illinois. The public hearing provides an opportunity to address the Board of Education regarding (1) a renewal application and plan seeking a waiver to continue to increase the Driver's Education fee; and (2) an application to seek a waiver of Illinois School Code 27-24.3 to cause Simulation hours to ward the six hour driving requirement.</p> <p>Pub: 10/15/09 (1728855)C</p>

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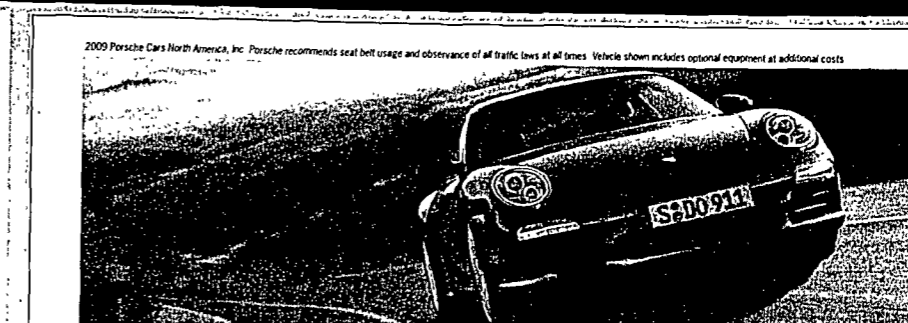
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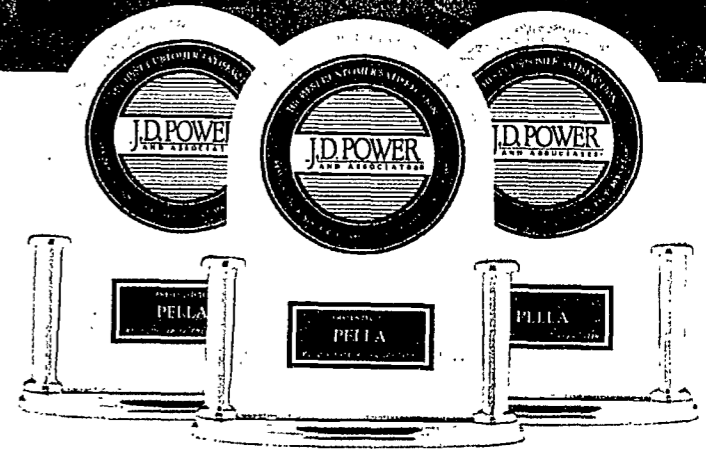
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# SUBURBAN HEALTH CARE

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## Fuel fitness with milk

Award-winning swimmer and mom Dara Torres, 42, knows fitness is more than looking good in her swimsuit. After a strenuous practice, Torres said drinking nutrient-packed low fat milk is one of her secret weapons.

Inspiring women and moms everywhere, Torres got back into her racing swimsuit and won three silver medals in Beijing — at 41.

“Whether I’m in the pool, in the weight room or running after my daughter, I am constantly on the go,” Torres said. “As I’ve gotten older, I need to stay focused on my overall health. It’s not just about short-term benefits. Outside the pool, I make sure to include weight-bearing exercise and milk, which provides calcium for my bones and high-quality protein for my muscles.”

Studies suggest that when consumed after

exercise, milk’s mix of high-quality protein and carbohydrates helps refuel exhausted muscles. Moreover, the protein helps build lean muscle. Milk also provides fluids for rehydration and minerals such as calcium, potassium and magnesium recreational exercisers and athletes alike need to replace after strenuous activity.

The vitamin D in milk helps keep bones sturdy and strong. Women tend to lose muscle mass and bone density as they age. Daily exercise, along with adequate amounts of protein, calcium and vitamin D, can help.

Most Americans fall short of the recommended 60 minutes of daily moderate to vigorous physical activity. To help women jumpstart their fitness routines, Torres and her coaches created an exclusive workout on [www.whymilk.com](http://www.whymilk.com) featuring a handful of her most effective daily exercises that can be done at any fitness level, and at home with little to no equipment.

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## Seniors Helping Seniors continues steady growth despite tough economy

Seniors Helping Seniors in-home services demonstrate that, with a powerful mission and strong values, anything is possible. Despite the turbulent economy and challenges facing the nation, Seniors Helping Seniors franchise organization continues its steady growth as it gears up for their biggest fall season to date.

The Seniors Helping Seniors mission is to provide seniors with the ability to choose an independent lifestyle in their own homes with the dignity and respect by finding caring seniors to help each other.

After years of providing Seniors Helping Seniors services in Berks County, Pa., co-founders Philip and Kiran Yocom extended their passion for helping others with the launch of Seniors Helping Seniors franchise organization in 2005. Kiran’s mission to help those who cannot help themselves combined with Philip’s more than 30 years of franchise development and management experience has proven a winning combination. The couple has successfully developed a franchise community of loving, caring, compassionate people to spread their Seniors Helping Seniors mission.

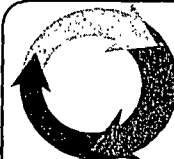
Seniors Helping Seniors CEO Philip said: “What began as a heartfelt mission to fill a need not being served by our community with our first center in Berks County, Pa., has turned into not only an incredibly rewarding

business but also a proven, affordable way to help seniors and caregivers across the country. We are helping thousands of older Americans remain in their own homes.”

Today, 10 Master License Owners and 70 Seniors Helping Seniors centers are in the United States. This fall is projected to be the largest growth period for the organization. Prospective franchise owners come from diverse backgrounds both personally and professionally, but they all share a passion for helping others. Seniors Helping Seniors services facilitate mutually beneficial relationships between receivers, providers and caregivers.

“[These franchises] are home-based businesses, require a reasonable investment and are easy to start. We provide extensive sales, marketing and administrative support to all of our franchise partners,” Philip said. “We want our Seniors Helping Seniors organization and our future franchise partners to be the first place that seniors requiring non-medical services and those seeking extra income call.”

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Stephanie Bergren, of Maine South; David Caruthers, of Maine West; and Cia Merin Mathew, of Maine East, were the students named "207's Best" for October. (Photo courtesy of District 207)

### DISTRICT 207

# October's 'Best' students named

Three seniors have been honored by Maine Township High School District 207 as "207's Best" for October.

According to a news release the honorees, cited for academic excellence and recognized during a board meeting Monday night, are Stephanie Bergren, of Maine South; David Caruthers, of Maine West; and Cia Merin Mathew, of Maine East.

Bergren, with a GPA of 4.957, ranks No. 1 academically in her senior class of 654 students. In addition Stephanie has been involved in numerous extracurricular activities, including Mathletes, audition-only jazz band, the Southwards student newspaper and the Tri-M Music Honor Society. She also has been a National Honor Society officer. In a letter to the board South Principal David Claypool quotes one of her teachers as stating that "Steph is an extremely talented young woman who holds herself to a very, very high standard. She is soft-spoken and humble, yet a powerful force in the classroom." Bergren told board members that she looks forward to a liberal-arts college education and hopes to study abroad.

Caruthers ranks No. 1 academically in his senior class of 507. His extracurricular activities include the Math Team, Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band, COACH tutoring and serving as trumpet section leader for the Marching Band. He is a National Honor Society board member. In a letter introducing Caruthers to Board of Education members, West Principal Audrey Haugan quoted Steve Venn, Caruthers' Accelerated Math teacher from last year as stating that he "has a real thirst for learning. He was always excited to learn something new. He was the type of student that would never give up on a problem." Science teacher Derrick Swistak described Caruthers as a "marvel of analytical thinking." Regarding his college plans Caruthers told the board that he plans to major in aerospace engineering.

Mathew, a senior, is ranked No. 1 in her class of 440. Active in East's Poetry Slam and Amnesty International, she is in the Lyceum Gifted Program and currently is enrolled in four Advanced Placement courses. In his letter to the board East Principal Steven Isoye quoted Judy Tyler, who directs the

Lyceum program, as stating that "(Mathew) is probably the kindest and most caring student that I have ever taught in my 21 years as an educator. She has a deep commitment to being the best she can be, but she is also completely committed in helping others be the best they can be." Biology Teacher Julie Basile refers to Mathew's "meticulous eye for detail and excellent problem-solving skills." Mathew told the board she plans to major in English and science, with an eye toward possibly attending medical school.

The "207's Best" program recognizes outstanding students each month during the school year. Academic achievement awards are given in five of the nine school-year months. Community service, improved performance, electives/performing arts and extracurricular honors are given one month each. Teachers nominate students, and an executive committee makes final decisions. Honorees are then recognized by the Board of Education, which instituted the program.

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### DISTRICT 207

**Maine Township High School District 207** will host a series of meetings designed to provide information, answer questions and listen to ideas from community members about the structural budget deficit now facing the district, according to a news release from the district.

Superintendent Ken Wallace and Assistant Superintendent for Business Mary Kalou will make a presentation and then field questions and ideas Monday at Maine East and Wednesday at Maine West. A presentation at Maine South was scheduled to have been Tuesday.

Each session will run 6:30-7:30 p.m. All community members are invited to attend. District 207 officials are working to resolve a structural budget deficit created by various factors, including "the most severe economic downturn in 80 years and virtually no new revenue due to the impact of a Consumer Price Index approaching zero," the release stated.

In a special Finance Committee meeting before the Oct. 5 regular meeting the Board of Education reviewed two five-year financial forecasts, one from Kalou and a second, independent forecast from PMA Financial Network, Inc., a company specializing in school finance. Both forecasts show district fund balances depleted within five years if the district does not take decisive action to reduce or eliminate the structural budget deficit.

In addition to formulating ways to increase revenues, the district must find a way to reduce expenditures for the 2010-11 school year to close an expected deficit of about \$17 million.

**Maine South theater** students will bring one of the best-known stories of fantasy and whimsy to the stage on Oct. 22, 23 and 24 as they present their own adaptation of "Alice in Wonderland."

Director **John Muszynski** and students have been busy rehearsing and creating a production to appeal to all ages. Stage crews, led

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by **Patrick Sanchez**, are using their skills to take a blank stage and create an intriguing environment in which the variety of characters can tell the story.

"Our production is unique in that it takes the stories of both *Alice in Wonderland* and *Through the Looking-Glass* and utilizes all those vibrant characters and language," Muszynski says. "The premise and structure is that we're adapting a conversation that happens between Lewis Carroll as a character and his niece, Alice, and creating a story that Alice then falls into. The rest of the cast are really parts of Lewis Carroll's imagination."

And, of course, everyone knows the characters: The Mad Hatter, Mareh Hare and Dormouse will be there, along with the Caterpillar, Cheshire Cat, The Duchess and Cook, the Mouse, the Lory and the Dodo and the Duck. Also, Tweedledee and Tweedledum, the Red Queen, the White Queen and the White Rabbit will be part of the proceedings, along with the Mock Turtle and the Gryphon.

There are many challenges inherent in changing a production concept that steps away from traditional storytelling. Artistic decisions about how to physically create characters using a number of actors have been the work of the ensemble throughout rehearsals.

The production boasts a enterpillar consisting of six actors moving together. The costume crew, headed by **Lauri McClenaghan**, uses technical designs and skills to take the visual elements of these characters and bring them to life.

All three shows — Oct. 22, 23 and 24 — will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Maine South's Clyde K. Watson Auditorium. Admission is \$6. Maine South is at 1111 S. Dec Road, Park Ridge.

### NORTHBRIDGE

On Oct. 24, Embers Elementary School in Park Ridge joins Northridge Prep to present an inaugural Parent University Roundtable.

Speakers will include educator Jim Stenson and Relevant Radio senior director,

the Rev. Francis Hoffman ("Father Rocky"). The program is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at Northridge Prep, 8320 Ballard Road, Niles.

Parent University aims to develop a collaborative relationship between parents and educators that fosters the virtue, faith and character formations of the maturing young man and woman.

Registration before Oct. 23 is \$20 a couple or \$15 a person, and may be made by calling Northridge Prep, (847) 375-0600. Walk-in registration will be \$30 a couple or \$20 a person.

### RESURRECTION

**Resurrection College Prep High School's** Orchestras Dance Team has been selected to participate with Disney Performing Arts and the Disneyland Resort at the Disneyland Park Plaza Gardens Stage in February 2010.

The Orchestras Dance team is a competitive dance ensemble. The dance team for the 2009-10 school year includes the following students:

Varsity Dancers: **Kirsten Larson, Chestine Limbo, Mary Ellen McLoughlin, Mary Mieszala, Ariel Orseno, Megan Peterson** (co-captain), **Violeta Podrumedic** (co-captain), **Nicole Ringfelt** (spirit leader), **Colleen Santella** (spirit leader) (Park Ridge) and **Alyssa Triptow**.

JV Dancers: **Amber Albin, Amy Babich, Bianca Baltazar** (Niles), **Annamarie Mahoney** (Niles) and **Alexandra Tkachuk**.

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**STEPHANIE ZIMMERMANN**

THE FIXER - Chicago Sun-Times

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While he was there, I returned the analog converter that I received because my son decided he didn't want to watch the analog TV anymore. The repairman did not give me a receipt for the return.

Fast-forward to August 2008. I noticed \$1.99 on my bill for "starter AO outlet."

I called Comcast and asked what it was for. It turned out that I was being charged for the analog converter I had returned.

They said they would investigate. After many calls, Comcast contends they cannot find the converter and they are continuing to bill me for it. So far, they have billed me \$1.99 a month for 23 months and it seems they will continue to charge me forever.

**Ron Spinabella,  
Mundelein**

Dear Ron: Too bad you didn't notice the charge earlier; though we can see how a little amount like \$1.99 could slip by. No matter, though; Team Fixer was happy to plead your case with Comcast. After we vouched for you, they looked into it and said you'll be refunded \$80 for the overcharges.

**The envelope, please**

Dear Readers: Thanks to everyone who submitted

ideas for The Fixer's cheap Halloween costumes contest. We were amazed at how creative some folks got with five bucks or less.

Choosing the winners was tough, but these entries had a little extra *je ne sais quoi*. The readers who submitted them will get a fabulous Chicago Sun-Times T-shirt and of course, the admiration of Team Fixer.

The best adult costume is the Incredible Hulk, submitted by Matt Petersen of Lake Zurich. Matt says all you have to do is cut up an old shirt and jeans and paint your entire body green. And, we suppose, hope for warm weather.

The best child's costume is actually a family costume — a family of superheroes, submitted by Anastasia Hinchliff of Chicago.

Anastasia's whole family dressed up using items they found around the house. First, everyone put on tights or pajamas, shorts and a plain white T-shirt decorated with permanent marker.

Then they added towels for capes; swim goggles, ski goggles or sunglasses for masks; rubber gloves held on with wrist bands (she cut off the fingers) for their hands; and big rubber rain boots decorated with duct tape for their feet.

No one leaped a building in a single bound, but they did look pretty cool and it was free.

The Fixer wound up creating a third category for last-minute, complete-desperation cheapo costumes, just so we could reward John Thompson of Wilmette, who told us he was driving to work one Halloween morning when he realized to his horror that he'd forgotten all about the company costume contest.

We'll let John tell the rest:

"I was wearing a three-piece suit (pants, coat and vest), and in the car's glove compartment were a pair of wrap-around sunglasses and some driving gloves. In my pocket, I had exactly \$2.97 with which to make a costume.

"Then came a flash of

inspiration. I drove to the nearest drugstore and bought a roll of surgical gauze for \$2.50 plus tax. When I got to work, I had a co-worker wrap my head in gauze; I put on the sunglasses and gloves and borrowed a hat from another co-worker.

"Wearing the suit, hat, gloves, gauze and sunglasses, I went as the 'Invisible Man.'"

The total cost was \$2.71, and John won first place in the office contest.

Now, here are a few Honorable Mentions for other creative costumes that cost little or no money:

■ Scarecrow (from Monica Bernier): Cut strips of different straw-colored felt and hot-glue them inside the sleeves of an old flannel shirt and the pockets of some old jeans or overalls (so it looks like straw peeking out). Add a floppy hat and you're good to go.

■ Christmas tree (from Carol Stephan): Dress in brown tights and a dark green, long-sleeved top. Put a Christmas tree skirt

around your waist; then decorate the rest of your body with ornaments, garland, a string of lights and an angel for your head.

■ Buccaneer (from Jill LeVine): Put on a pirate eye patch and attach a dollar bill to each earring. Get it, buck-an-ear?

■ Bunch of grapes (from Virginia Davis): Wear a purple turtleneck and purple tights and lots of inflated purple balloons.

Thanks again to all who e-mailed their ideas. Have a great Halloween.

— Thanks to contributor

Liza Roche.

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### Prassas - Kras Wedding

Julie Halpin Prassas and Sean Stephen Kras were married Saturday, July 11, at Sts. Faith, Hope and Charity Church in Winnetka. The Rev. Theodore Munz performed the Catholic ceremony. A reception followed at the Saddle & Cycle Club in Chicago.

The bride and bridegroom met when they were juniors at Loyola Academy, where they attended high school.

The bride, who grew up in Winnetka, is the daughter of Gail and Jerry Prassas. She graduated from Boston College, and received a master's degree in special education from Loyola University Chicago. Julie currently teaches third grade at Saint David's School in New York City.

Mr. Kras, son of Stephen and the late Margaret, grew up in Chicago. He received a bachelor degree in business administration from Loyola University Chicago. Sean also has a master's degree in finance from Vanderbilt University. He currently works in equity research at Stephens, Inc. in New York City.

The couple honeymooned in Italy, and reside in Manhattan.



### Oenning - Nichele Engagement

Philip and Colleen Oenning of Park Ridge are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly to Joseph Nichele. Joseph is the son of Ken and Terra Nichele of Homer Glen.

Kelly is a 2002 graduate of Maine South High School and completed her bachelor's and master's degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She works as a bilingual Speech-Language Pathologist in Des Plaines District 62 and at Lutheran General Hospital.

Joseph, a Lockport High School graduate, completed his bachelor's degree at Purdue University and received his law degree from Valparaiso University. Joe is a senior associate at Broida & Associates LTD. - Attorneys at Law in Naperville.

The two met at the Old St. Pat's Block Party in 2006 and will be married on July 17th, 2010 at Mary, Seat of Wisdom Church in Park Ridge, IL.



### Irene and Jack Budkowski 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Irene and Jack Budkowski of Skokie are celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. They will be joined by their daughters Carol (Dr. James) Milgram and Marla (Avi) Cohen along with their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Congratulations Irene & Jack!

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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## Benefits

**Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care** will host its annual Angels Ball celebration on Oct. 17 at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Rosemont. This year's Angels Ball will recognize the life and legacy of Dr. Harold and Shirlee Shafter. The late Shafter was a board member for Rainbow Hospice from 2001 to 2009 and a strong supporter of the mission and work of the organization. Shafter was also a highly respected member of Lutheran General Hospital. Among his many accomplishments at the hospital, Shafter established the first residency program for internal medicine and later went on to head their Cardiology Department. The event will include dining and dancing to the music of the Ralph Wilder Orchestra, a large silent auction of donated items and gifts, as well as a

program showcasing highlights from the year and future plans for Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care. Call Jeff Okazaki, (847) 292-2354, or e-mail Jokazaki@RainbowHospice.org. **Registration for the 13th annual Hurtle Up the Hancock!** begins at 8 a.m. Nov. 2 online and by telephone. The stair climb challenges participants to climb 94 or 52 flights of the John Hancock Building. Proceeds benefit Respiratory Health Association of Metropolitan Chicago's lung-disease research, education and advocacy programs. The event will be 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 28 at the John Hancock Center, Chicago. Register for the full or half-climb. Registration fee and pledge minimum are \$120 for the full climb, or \$110 for the half-climb. To register, go to [www.lungchicago.org](http://www.lungchicago.org) or call (312) 243-2000, ext. 200.

**Phi Beta Kappa Association of the Chicago Area** will hold its Annual Dinner and Scholarship Benefit honoring Rick Bayless, award-winning chef-restaurantier and founder of Frontera Farmer Foundation with the 2009 Distinguished Service Award Oct. 29 at Carnivale, 702 W. Fulton, Chicago. Reception starts at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is at 7:30, followed by a presentation of award and address by Bayless RSVP

by Oct. 23. Tickets cost \$150. For more information go to [www.pbkaca.org](http://www.pbkaca.org). **Entertainment Books** are available from the Knights of Columbus Council 4338 again. The 2010 edition only costs \$20. A wide selection of metropolitan areas to choose from are available. All proceeds benefit area charities. To reserve your book, call Mel Koenigs, (847) 966-2293.

## Center of Concern

**The Center of Concern**, 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge, (847) 823-0453, calendar of events includes: Tuesdays, Wednesdays (every week) - Employment counseling, by appointment. Tuesday, Oct. 20 - Medicare counseling, by appointment. Wednesday, Oct. 21 - Grief and loss support group (call first).

## Chamber

**The Niles Chamber of Commerce**, 8060 W. Oakton St., (847) 268-8180, Oct. 22, 3-6 p.m.: Multi-Chamber Biz-to-Biz Expo at Bristol Court Banquets in Mount Prospect. Take advantage of the opportunity to reach potential clients with product demonstrations, networking and giveaways. The event

is free to any visitor with a business card, plus visitors can enjoy the Taste of the Expo. Call the Chamber for an exhibitor form, (847) 268-8180.

## Clubs

**St. John Brebeuf Catholic Women's Club** will host its annual fall luncheon, "Stepping Out," on Oct. 24 at Wyndham Glenview Suites, 1400 Milwaukee Ave. Plans for the afternoon include lunch, fashions from Robin Elliott, Ltd. and Barth Wind Ean Furs, and entertainment provided by the Arthur Murray Dancers. Tickets are \$40 per person. Call (847) 966-8145

**The Holy Name Men's Club of St. John Brebeuf** is sponsoring a chili cook-off from 3-5 p.m. Oct. 18 in the Parish Ministry Center, 8305 N. Harlem Ave. All are invited to enter the contest. Spectators are welcome to attend and sample all chilis. Call (847) 966-8145.

**The Niles Historical Society** opens the fall/winter season with a program at 2 p.m. Oct. 25 at Niles Park District Oasis Fun Center, 7877 Milwaukee Ave. Capt. Dale Bennett will present stories, tales and the details of the sinking of Steamship Lady Elgin on its return trip

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Paul has a before- and after-school care program offered from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Contact Debbie Townsend, school principal, (708) 867-5044 for more information.

**Stephen Rogers**, St. Paul's full-time special education/resource teacher, works with students who have learning disabilities and mild behavior disorders in small groups and one-on-one. He also visits classrooms and consults with other certified classroom teachers. Rogers, an avid runner, coached St. Paul's cross-country team this fall with the motto: "Taking life one mile at a time."

For more information go to [www.stpaulwildcats.org](http://www.stpaulwildcats.org) or call (708) 867-5044.

**The Parent Teacher League** at St. Paul Lutheran School, 5650 N. Canfield Ave., Chicago, is hosting a square dance and hoedown from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 28 in the school gymnasium. Square dancing originated with the early settlers, who brought their traditional form of dance to the United States — often called folk dancing.

All are welcome to join the event. Family members are asked to participate so that everyone can learn how to cue, do, do, do, swing and promenade properly. Line dances also will be included. For more information go to [www.stpaulwildcats.org](http://www.stpaulwildcats.org) or call (708) 867-5044.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

**The Presidential Scholarship** is Dominican University's most prestigious scholarship. It is awarded to students who rank in the top 10 percent of their high school class with an ACT score of 28 or higher. Scholarship recipients will receive a \$15,000 award that is renewable until the student earns a bachelor's degree, to a maximum of three years after the initial year.

Recipients of Presidential Scholarships from Dominican University include the following Park Ridge students:

■ **Brian Hunt and Nicole Moersch**, graduates of Maine South High School.

■ **Theodore Weyna**, a graduate of Notre Dame High School for Boys. Weyna also received the Brechtel Scholarship, awarded to students who are majoring in chemistry or biology-chemistry. Scholarship recipients will

receive an average of \$7,500 a year for up to four years.

■ **Lauren Ricciardi**, a resident of Park Ridge, received the Skilling Scholarship from Dominican University. Ricciardi is a graduate of Resurrection High School.

The Alice Welsh Skilling Scholarship is a competitive award granted annually to first-year students or transfer students with evidence of good academic performance. Applicants must express a desire to pursue a bachelor's degree in art, art history, photography, design or art education and continue in that discipline until graduation. Recipients will receive a \$7,500 renewable scholarship for a total amount of as much as \$30,000 over four years for a freshman and \$15,000 for a transfer student. Recipients will be required to maintain a 3.0 grade point average.

Recipients of Presidential Scholarships from Dominican University of River Forest include the following local Chicago students:

■ **Daniel Dziarkowski**, a graduate of William H. Taft High School.

■ **Thomas Puhf**, a graduate of Notre Dame High School Boys.

■ **Briana O'Donnell**, a resident of the Northwest Side of Chicago and graduate of

Resurrection High School, has been awarded a \$3,000 scholarship as part of Citizens Financial Group's Scholars program. Her mother, Darlene O'Donnell, is a senior teller with Charter One, a subsidiary of Citibank.

O'Donnell is a freshman majoring in elementary education at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis. She is eligible to renew the scholarship for her remaining years of eligibility.

**The Niles Chamber** offers Dollars for Scholars Scholarship to students entering high school or college. Applicants must be a Niles resident, a chamber member employee or the son or daughter of a Niles Chamber member.

In this 2009-10 academic year three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating eighth-graders and three \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors. Applications are judged on service to the community and school, response to an essay, awards and honors, school transcripts and letters of recommendation.

For more information contact the Niles Chamber, (847) 268-8180.

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NILES FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Fifth-grader's fire-prevention slogan catches on

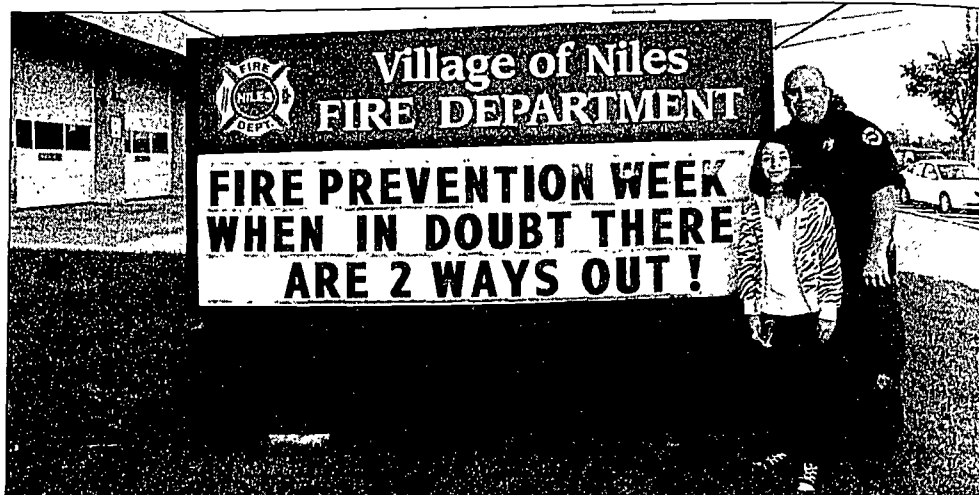
Danielle Ishak, a fifth-grader at East Maine School District 63's Nelson School, 8901 Ozanam Ave., Niles, was the winner of the Niles Fire Department's Fire Prevention Month slogan contest.

Danielle's winning entry appears on the department's marquee in front of Niles Fire Station No. 2 during the entire month of October.

The slogan is, "When in doubt there are 2 ways out!"

In an effort to raise awareness regarding fire safety, firefighter "Buzz" Leibach challenged all fifth-grade students in Niles to write a slogan promoting fire safety, according to a news release from Fire Chief Barry Mueller.

Comment: pioneerlocal.com



Danielle Ishak and firefighter "Buzz" Leibach stand in front of Danielle's winning slogan for Fire Prevention Month, recognized during October. (Photo courtesy of the Niles Fire Department)



Angie Fierro, of Chicago, is a sixth-grader at Norwood Park School. She played the role of Little Alice in "Alice in Wonderland" the past summer at the Virtuoso Performing Arts Center, 8321 W. Golf Road, Niles. This is her first year with Virtuoso.



Rhiannon Yalowitz, of Morton Grove, who had the role of the Doorknob in the summer finale show of "Alice in Wonderland" at Virtuoso Performing Arts Center, 8321 W. Golf Road, Niles, is a seventh-grader at Parkview School in Morton Grove. Her sister, Ryleigh Yalowitz, a fourth-grader, also at Parkview, played Lily.

### PERFORMING ARTS

## Virtuoso houses varied disciplines under single roof

Virtuoso Performing Arts, founded and run by sisters Carrie Polack, Annie Polack and Margaret Thompson, opened its doors nearly six years ago.

"In January 2004, they realized their dream of opening a studio where students of all ages could come to learn a wide range of the performing arts under one roof," according to the studio's Web site. "VPA proudly offers Dance, Acting, Voice and Music instruction to boys and girls, both recreational and pre-professional."

Virtuoso is at 8321 W. Golf Road, Niles. For more information call (847) 583-0740, or go to [www.virtuosoperformingarts.com](http://www.virtuosoperformingarts.com).

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from Chicago to Milwaukee; analysis of the wreck caused navigation rules to be changed across the world. Bennett holds a 100-ton U.S. Merchant Marine master's license, has been diving since 1973 and specializes in Advanced Wreck Diving. The family is invited. Admission is free but donations are gladly accepted; free parking is available; and following a brief business meeting and the program, there will be refreshments. The museum is still under renovation.

**On Oct. 18**, a 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification Ceremony for Knights of Columbus will be at St. Ferdinand Parish Hall, 5900 W. Barry Ave., Chicago. The ceremony will provide all 1st Degree Brothers the opportunity to progress in the Knights Order. For new candidates to the 1st degree an application is due no later than noon to review paperwork and a have short introduction. Participants are asked to be at the gym doors of St. John Brebeuf School, 8301 Harlem Ave., at 11:30 a.m. to join in the carpool. For existing 1st and 2nd Degree Knights there is no cost to attend. A meal is included in the package. Contact Bob Galassi, (847) 965-0920, or Mel Koenigs, (847) 966-2293, for reservations.

**The Real Estate Investment Association** will hold its annual "Chicago Real Estate Legends" cocktail/hors d'oeuvres party Oct. 15 at Maggiano's Little Italy, 11 West Grand Ave., Chicago. Join REIA for an evening of drinks, appetizers and real-estate nostalgia as they present Chicago Real Estate Legends Real-estate pioneers who have paved the way for those in real-estate careers will be honored. Learn from the experts how real estate firms, residential developments, condominium conversions, commercial developments and senior housing have evolved over the last 25 years. Cocktails/hors d'oeuvres will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$60 for members; \$75 nonmembers. For more information or reservations call (847) 676-0222, go to [www.reia.org](http://www.reia.org) or mail a check to REIA 6653 W. Howard St., Niles IL 60714.

## Community

Come meet **Buffy the Cat** from 1-3 p.m. Oct. 17 at European Imports & Gifts, 7800 N. Milwaukee Ave. Author Paul Smulson will sign copies of his book, *No Dogs Allowed*, which will be on sale. Call (847) 967-5253.

**The Niles Teen Center** will host its annual Haunted Garage from 6-10 p.m. Oct. 23 and 24, and 6-9 p.m. Oct. 25, at Niles Park District's Tam Golf Course Garage (below the Howard Street Inn) at 6700 Howard St. Bring family and friends to experience the frightening creatures, thrills and chills of the Halloween season. The Haunted Garage is designed, created and performed entirely by members of the Niles Teen Center. Admission is \$4 per person. Contact Mark Williams, (847) 375-8949 or (847) 408-0585.

**Congregation Kol Emeth**, 5130 W. Touhy Ave., Skokie, will present "An Evening with Sholem Aleichem," a cel-

ebration of the author's 150th birthday featuring readings of his Selected Stories performed by the Old World Theatre Company at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 19. The show is directed by Bill Raffled; refreshments will be available. All are welcome. Admission is \$10. Reservations are required. Call (847) 673-3370.

## Crafts

**St. John Brebeuf Catholic Women's Club** hosts annual Holiday Craft Fair from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Nov. 15 in the May Parish Ministry Center, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles. Any crafter wishing to receive an application for the event may call Judi Stephens, (847) 296-6421.

## Festivals

**A PolkaFest** will be from 2-6 p.m. Oct. 18 at Lone Tree Manor, 7730 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, featuring Lenny Zielinski's D Street (Division Street) Band plus dancing and prizes. The cost is \$10 per person. Call Zielinski, (312) 914-0680, or go to [www.dstreetband.com](http://www.dstreetband.com).

## Fitness Center

**Niles Family Fitness Center**, 987 Civic Center Dr., Niles, (847) 588-8400 or [www.nilesfitness.com](http://www.nilesfitness.com)

**Friday Night Fun** for ages 5-12 will be 6-9 p.m. Oct. 16 and includes swimming, gym, crafts and snacks. The cost is \$10 for members; \$15, nonmembers.

**A Halloween Party** for ages 1-5 offers games, crafts, songs and a costume parade from 10:11:30 a.m. Oct. 28. This is a parent/child event. The cost is \$10 for members; \$12, nonmembers. **Fall registration** is under way. Stop in and pick up a brochure or see [www.nilesfitness.com](http://www.nilesfitness.com).

**Private and semi-private swim lessons** are offered for people of any age. Private lessons cost \$20 for members; \$25, nonmembers. Semi-private: \$13, members; \$16, nonmembers. Call Allison, (847) 588-8413. **Group swim lessons** for members run Oct. 21 to Nov. 1. Lesson fees are \$50, members; \$66, nonmembers. Swim Club fee is \$90, members; \$110, nonmembers.

## Fundraisers

**Mission Green Light** is sponsoring a breast cancer benefit party from 5-11 p.m. Oct. 18 at Mango Restaurant, 8743 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles. Theme is "Let's Beat Cancer by Dancing." There will be dancing demonstrations, dance music from a disc jockey and speakers. Appetizers will be available. Tickets are \$25 in advance; \$5 for cancer survivors; \$35 at the door. See [www.missiongreentlight.org](http://www.missiongreentlight.org) or [alexandriabellydancer.com](http://alexandriabellydancer.com). The nonprofit Mission Green Light helps poor and uninsured Hispanic women with free breast-cancer screening. Learn belly dancing and Latin dances at 7 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday at Mango; the cost is \$5 per lesson.

**Entertainment Books** are available from the Knights of Columbus Council 4338. The 2010 edition costs \$20 each with a wide selection of metropolitan areas to choose from. All proceeds are donated to area charities. To reserve a book call Mel Koenigs, (847) 966-2293. **Our Lady of Ransom Parish** in Niles is selling Entertainment 2010 Books, \$20. The book offers a variety of val-

ues, mainly two-for-one deals at different restaurants and establishments. Discounts also cover travel, car rentals, movie theaters, hotel discounts and more. Proceeds benefit the parish. To order a book call Josephine Bax, (847) 823-2550.

## Health

**Golf Mill Shopping Center** is partnering with Walgreen's to host the 2009 Flu Vaccination Program. Get your flu shot at Golf Mill from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every Wednesday and Saturday in October in the Center Court. Shots are \$24.99; pneumonia shots are also available. Medicare Part B and Medicare will be directly billed. The 2009 seasonal flu vaccine will not protect against the H1N1 influenza virus; the vaccination for the H1N1 virus is expected to be released soon. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended a 30-day period between the two influenza immunizations. Call (847) 699-1070 or see [www.golmill.com](http://www.golmill.com).

**Resurrection Medical Center**, 7435 West Talcott, Chicago, will offer the following health programs in October. Advanced registration is required, unless noted otherwise. By calling 1-877-737-4636. Free on-site parking is available.

**Adult flu shots** (free with Medicare Part B card, \$25 otherwise) and adult pneumonia vaccinations (free with Medicare Part B card; \$50 otherwise), are available 8-10 a.m. Oct. 17, and 3-6 p.m. Oct. 20.

**Free Adult and Children Sleep Apnea/Sleep Screenings**, 5-7 p.m. Oct. 15 in the Blessed Alice Conference Rooms B & C. Expert sleep technicians and medical directors will be available to answer questions and perform screenings.

**Free adult hearing screenings** take place in the Resurrection Medical Center Audiology Department, from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 15. Hearing Aids: Understanding Higher Technology Better; audiologists will discuss the hearing-aid process and higher technology hearing aids from 1:30-3 p.m. Oct. 15 in the Health Management Classroom; free.

**Two-Part Cholesterol Screening**: A low-cost cholesterol screening will be 7:30-10 a.m. Oct. 19 in the Health Management Classroom. A 12-hour fast is required. Fee: \$15. Results will be given from 1-2 p.m. Oct. 26 at a seminar on how to lower your cholesterol through diet and exercise. Those who do not attend the lecture will have their results mailed.

**Making Waves to a Better You**: Club Res Fitness Center at Resurrection Medical Center, invites those who are unable to participate in traditional exercise programs to try the Making Waves to a Better You program, an eight-week lecture and aquatic exercise class for those who have difficulty exercising with gravity. The program meets 6-7:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Oct. 20. Physician clearance is required. Fee: \$96.

**Freedom from Smoking** - American Lung Association Smoking Cessation program takes a step-by-step approach to unlearn the automatic behavior of smoking. Relaxation techniques (one free massage is included).

tips not to gain weight and different ways to exercise are discussed. The program is eight sessions from 5:6:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning Oct. 27. Fee: \$150; a \$25 refund is given for attending all the sessions, whether or not quilting is achieved. Classes are in the Resurrection Medical Center Health Management Department.

**Joint Replacement**: Learn more about advancements in joint replacement surgery from Orthopedic Surgeon Dr. Richard Hayek from 6-7 p.m. Oct. 28 in the Blessed Alice Conference Room A. **The esophageal center** and pediatric therapists center at Advocate Lutheran General Children's Hospital will present "A Medical Team Approach to Pediatric Dysphagia" from 7 a.m. to noon Oct. 23 in Olson Auditorium, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge. The lecture and discussion is geared toward physicians, speech language pathologists, occupational therapists, residents and nurses. Participants will learn how to identify airway/respiratory/GI issues related to pediatric dysphagia, describe different types of evaluation procedures to identify feeding disorders and describe a collaborative approach to treatment plans for patients with feeding disorders. Continuing Medical Education and Continuing Nursing Education units will be awarded. Registration is free to Advocate employees; \$35 for others. To register call 1-800-323-8622 by Oct. 16.

## Kids

**Golf Mill Shopping Center** will host a Miss Sunburst Model Search and Baby Contest at 11 a.m. Oct. 24 in the Center Court. Parents may enter their children one hour prior to contest start time. Entries are now being accepted. Everyone will receive a trophy. The baby pageant is for boys and girls. The age groups are as follows: Baby - Under 1 year; Tiny - 1 year; LITTLE - ages 2 and 3. A king and queen will be chosen in each age group. They will receive a crown, trophy, banner and runners-up in each age group will receive a trophy. The model search is for girls ages 4-27 years old. The age groups are as follows: 4-6, 7-10, 11-13, 14-17 and 18-27. A winner in each age group will receive a crown, trophy and banner and runners-up will receive a trophy. Entry forms are available at [www.pageantinfo.com](http://www.pageantinfo.com) or the Mail Customer Service Center near JCPenney. Call customer service, (847) 699-9440.

**The Twenty-first Star Chapter** of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution announces the annual American History Essay Contest. All students in fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades in public, private or parochial schools, and those who are home schooled are eligible. This contest is conducted without regard to race, religion, sex or national origin. The Twenty-first Star Chapter of NSDAR is looking for students to compete in 2009-10 is "The Completion of the First Transcontinental Railroad." (Describe how you felt on May 10, 1869, when the golden spike was driven at Promontory Summit, Utah, to celebrate the completion

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# Weekly Worship



## EDISON PARK

**Edison Park Lutheran Church ELCA**  
6626 N. Oliphant Ave., 773-631-9131  
[www.edisonparklutheran.org](http://www.edisonparklutheran.org)  
Sunday Morning Worship Schedule.  
Liturgical Worship with  
Holy Communion 8 & 9:45 AM  
Contemporary Worship with  
Holy Communion  
11:00 AM. Adult Bible Study 9:45 AM  
Sunday School 9:45 AM.  
Attended Nursery for Sunday Services. ♿  
Handicapped Access from south parking lot

## NORWOOD PARK

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church**  
6240 North Avondale, Norwood Park, Illinois  
(773) 763-8845  
[www.saintalbanschurch.com](http://www.saintalbanschurch.com)  
Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 9:30 AM. The communities of St. Alban's Episcopal Church and St. Richard's Episcopal Church will combine their Holy Week services as follows: Maundy Thursday Agape Supper at 6:30 PM followed by church service - St. Richard's Good Friday service at 7:00 PM - St. Alban's Holy Saturday, Great Vigil at 7:00 PM - St. Alban's Easter Sunday, Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM - St. Alban's St. Richard's Episcopal Church is located at 5101 W. Oeuan, Chicago, IL 60646, Ph.: (773) 774-4519.

St. Alban's offers the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday school program, September thru May. It is a Montessori-based program that enriches your child's knowledge of the Holy Spirit through the presentations of Jesus' parables and liturgical elements. Your child is welcome to join us for morning song at 8:45 AM and class at 9:00 AM

## Norwood Park Lutheran Church(ELCA)

5917 N. Nina Ave. (at Nickerson)  
(773) 631-2860  
(Street level accessibility to main Church)  
Sunday Worship 10:00 AM. Holy Communion- 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays & Festivals  
Service of the Word-2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
Children's Ministry, Sunday School-Sundays, 9 AM (September-May) Confirmation Ministry-Sundays, 9 AM (September-May).  
Children's Sermon-2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 10 AM.  
Jazzercise-Tuesdays & Thursdays. Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts  
Rev. Robert C. Johnson, Pastor  
Joyce M. Kissenger, Minister of Music

## PARK RIDGE

**St. Andrew's Lutheran Church & School**  
260 N. Northwest Highway  
(847) 823-6656  
[www.standrewsparkridge.org](http://www.standrewsparkridge.org)  
Sunday Worship: September through May 8:30 & 11:00 AM, June - August 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM. Contemporary Worship: Saturday 5:00 PM  
Vespers: Monday 7:30 PM  
Sunday School & Adult 9:45 AM (September thru May). Christian Day School - Pre-Kindergarten thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

## St. Luke's Lutheran Church (ELCA)

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation  
205 N. Prospect Ave., (847) 825-6659  
[www.stlukespr.org](http://www.stlukespr.org)  
Email: [office@stlukespr.org](mailto:office@stlukespr.org)  
Sunday Worship:  
8:30 & 11:00 AM (School Year),  
8:30 & 10:00 AM (Summer) Thursday  
Worship (Summer) 7:00 PM  
Sunday - Christian Education for all ages.  
9:45 AM (School Year)  
Child Care Provided Rev. Dr. Stephen M. Larson, Lead Pastor. Rev. Kristina C. Weber, Associate Pastor. Rev. Dr. Malcolm Minnick, Jr., Pastor. Emeritus, Anne Krentz Organ, Director of Music Ministries Melinda Romseith Hailand, Director of Children's Choirs,  
Nancy Olson, Member Care Coordinator

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

306 S. Prospect Ave., (847) 823-4126  
[www.stmaryspr.org](http://www.stmaryspr.org)  
Sunday Services: 8:00 & 10:00 AM  
Wednesday Service: 9:00 AM. Sunday School & Nursery during worship,  
Youth Fellowship  
The Rev. Sarah D. Odderstad, Rector  
WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME!  
Check website for all activities.  
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## Park Ridge

**Presbyterian Church**  
1300 W. Crescent Ave., (847) 823-4135  
[www.parkridgepresby.org](http://www.parkridgepresby.org)  
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM  
Nursery care during service Children's Programming for Ages 3 - High School.  
Adult Education Rev. James P. McCracken

## PROSPECT HEIGHTS

**St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church**  
411 N. Wheeling Rd., (847) 255-7452  
[www.saintalphonsus.com](http://www.saintalphonsus.com)  
Worship Days & Hours: Monday-Saturday 8:15 AM Mass of Anticipation: 5:00 PM  
Saturday Sunday Masses: 8:30 & 11:00 AM  
Pastor: Rev. Curtis A. Lambert. Additional Information School: Pre-3 thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - Before & After School Care Ongoing Faith Formation - Kindergarten thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
High School Youth Ministry Program

## SKOKIE

**North Shore Center for Spiritual Living**  
Evanston Masonic Temple  
1453 Maple Ave. 847-492-0500  
Email: [revvarrot@aol.com](mailto:revvarrot@aol.com), [www.nscsl.com](http://www.nscsl.com)  
Sunday Celebration 10:30 AM. Healing Meditation 10 AM, Science of Mind classes, Monday eves. 6:30 PM. Revs. Bill and Elizabeth Arratt Spiritual Directors

## Lakeview Church

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie  
9501 Skokie Boulevard, Skokie, IL 60077  
847-480-2900, 847-480-2901  
[www.elakeview.org](http://www.elakeview.org)  
Sunday 10 AM - 11:15 AM, Joshua Kang - Lead Pastor. Herb Ahn - Worship Pastor  
Rosa Rosario - Kidsland Pastor, John Chai - Youth Pastor. Jana Haliday - Small Groups Pastor. Multi-ethnic ministry focused on Transformation through Making Disciples of All Nations. Contemporary service with biblical teaching and spirit-filled worship, Vibrant community with ministries for children, youth, college, singles and families

## Carter-Westminster United Presbyterian Church

4950 W. Pratt, (847) 673-4441  
[www.cmupc.net](http://www.cmupc.net)  
Sunday Morning Worship Schedule: 9:00 AM Contemporary Service, 10:00 AM. Sunday School (for all ages) 11:00 AM Traditional Service, 12:00 AM. Fellowship Hour.  
Michael Scott Parter, Senior Pastor Alex Wickell, Director of Youth Ministries Office  
Hours: Mon., Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

## SKOKIE

**Central United Methodist Church**  
8237 Kenton Avenue, (847) 673-1311  
[www.skokiecentralumc.org](http://www.skokiecentralumc.org)  
Sunday Worship 10:30, Sunday Summer Worship, 8:30 & 10:30 Sunday school 9:30 AM. Children & Adult Adult, Choir Practice 8:30 AM Sunday, Fellowship 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM.  
Pastor, Reverend David L. Haley  
Choir Director Joseph Paprowski  
E-mail: [SkokieCentral@UMCNI.org](mailto:SkokieCentral@UMCNI.org)  
Youth Choir 9:15 AM Sunday,  
Accessible Church Building ♿

## Temple Beth Israel

3601 W. Dempster St., 847-675-0951  
[www.tbiskokie.org](http://www.tbiskokie.org)  
Likrat Shabbat/Kabbalat Shabbat, first Friday of each month, 5:30 PM,  
Light Nash - 6:15 PM Kabbalat Shabbat service Shabbat Service, Fridays 8:15 PM  
Shabbat Service Saturdays 10:30 AM  
Shabbat Katan, third Saturday of each month, 10:00 AM for families with children under the age of five. Morning Minyan Monday - Friday 7:30 AM Religious School Pre-K - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Sundays 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. Hebrew School Grades 3 - 7 Sundays 11:10 AM - 12:10 PM and Wednesdays 4:15 PM - 6:00 PM  
Youth Groups Adult Education Kaleynu - Volunteer Choir High Holiday Services Rabbi Michael A. Weinberg Cantor Pavel Raytman Lori B. Sagarin Director of Congregational Learning

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

5201 Galitz Street, (847) 673-5030  
[web.mac.com/stpaulskokie](http://web.mac.com/stpaulskokie)  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM  
Saturday Evening Worship 5:00 PM  
Fellowship Hour, Sundays 8:45 - 9:45 AM  
Sunday School & Bible Study Class, Sundays 9:00 - 9:45 AM Rev.  
Matthew Conrad John Schuman, Minister of Music Dale Luksha, PK - 8 Academy Principal  
The Church is Handicap Accessible ♿  
Variety of Worship Formats, Small Group Ministry Adult Choir & Handbell Choir

## St. Peter's United Church of Christ

Oakton Street & Laramie Avenue,  
(847) 673-8166, [www.stpeteruccskokie.org](http://www.stpeteruccskokie.org)  
Sunday Worship 10:00 AM  
Sunday School 9:00 AM (September thru May)  
Rev. Richard Lanford. Childcare provided.  
Air Conditioned Sanctuary

## SKOKIE

**Congregation Bene Shalom**  
4435 Oakton, (847) 677-3330  
[www.beneshalom.org](http://www.beneshalom.org)  
Fridays 7:30 PM; No Shabbat Services during temple renovation. Please visit us again in the fall. Rabbi Dr. Douglas Goldhamer Asst. Rabbi Shari Chan Cantorial Soloist Charlene Brooks Choir Director, Nana Balk Interfaith Families. Welcome All services sign language and voice Handicap Accessible ♿

## Devar Emet Messianic Synagogue

7800 Niles Avenue, (847) 674-9146  
[www.devaremet.org](http://www.devaremet.org)  
Saturday 10:00 AM Shabbat Morning Services  
Wednesday 6:45 PM Midweek Religious Studies for Adults and Youth Wednesday 6:30 PM. Club Maccabee Children's Club. For K-5<sup>th</sup> Graders at Devonshire School in Rabbi Kirk Giebe Devar Emet, Messianic Synagogue is a community of Jews who believe and teach that Yeshua (Jesus) is the Promised Jewish Messiah.

## Temple Judea Mizpah

8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie, IL  
(847) 676-1566  
[templejm@aol.com](mailto:templejm@aol.com), [www.templejm.org](http://www.templejm.org)  
YOUR REFORM JEWISH HOME ON THE NORTH SHORE, Welcoming community of multi-generational families  
• Weekly Erev Shabbat service including: Monthly Contemporary Music service- 8:00 PM  
Monthly Family service - 7:00 PM  
Monthly Prayer Study service - 8:00.  
Monthly Choir Enhanced service  
• Weekly Shabbat morning Torah study minyan - 9:00 AM.  
Monthly Tat Shabbat - Saturdays- 10:30 AM  
• High Holiday and Festival Services  
• Prek K'anim Program twice per month  
• Religious/Hebrew School Grades K-12 Youth Group/Youth Choir  
• Adult Education/Adult Choir/Book Club  
• Theater outings and an annual unique congregational and community theater production\*\* Home Hospitality monthly.  
Open Shabbat Table Rabbi Amy L. Memis-Foler Cantorial Intern Beryl Bellows Education Director Sally Gold Executive Director Terry Kane

## The Edgebrook Church

6155 W. Touhy Avenue, (773) 631-1155  
<http://edgebrookchurch.org>  
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM  
Ensemble Practice, Wednesday 6:30 PM  
Praise, Prayer & Bible Study  
Wednesday 7:30 PM

## Bethel Community Church

7601 W. Foster Ave., (773) 775-2355  
[www.bethelcommunity.org](http://www.bethelcommunity.org)  
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 AM  
Encounter Gathering: Sunday 6:00 PM  
Sunday School &  
Adult Bible Study-9:45 AM  
Senior Pastor-Pastor Paul Jorden  
Associate Pastor-Pastor Rob Bukawski;  
Student Ministries-Pastor Shawn Clark

## St. Timothy Lutheran Church

9000 N. Kildare, (847) 676-1300  
[www.sttimothyskokie.com](http://www.sttimothyskokie.com)  
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM  
Bible Study, Monday 10:00 AM Rev.  
Erik Weber Birthday Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday of each month Accessible Building ♿



# Weekly Worship



## CHICAGO

**Edison Park United Methodist Church**  
6740 North Oliphant Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60631  
Phone: (773) 792-3030,  
Fax: (773) 792-3031  
[www.edisonparkumc.com](http://www.edisonparkumc.com)  
Email: [pastor@edisonparkumc.com](mailto:pastor@edisonparkumc.com)  
Worship Days & Hours  
Sundays, 10:30 AM,  
Pailuck, 11:30 AM  
Sunday School for Preschoolers & Nursery Age Bible Study,  
Thursdays, 10:30 AM & Fridays, 7:00 PM  
Youth (High School) Bible Study,  
Sunday 1:00 PM,  
Young Adults Bible Study,  
Sunday, 12:00 PM  
Chair Practice: Sundays, 9:30 AM  
Susannah Wesley Club (Women's Group)  
Meets once a month on  
4th Tuesday of the month. Youth  
Worship Sunday,  
3rd Sunday of every month  
Pastor, Rev. Jerry Miller Organist,  
Dana Samova Musical/Youth Director,  
Naralyn Baraja Senior Exercise Class,  
Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30 AM  
Fellowship Hall James Downing Theatre  
Performances. Edison Park United  
Methodist Church is a church with Open  
Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors. ♿  
Chair Lift Available Parking in Rear.

## Norwood Park Lutheran Church-ELCA

5917 N. Nina Avenue (at Nickerson)  
(773) 631-2860  
Sunday Worship 10:00 AM  
Holy Communion-1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays & Festivals  
Service of the Word-2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
Children's Ministry, Sunday  
School-Sundays, 9 AM (September-May)  
Confirmation Ministry-Sundays, 9 AM  
(September-May)  
Children's Sermon-2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 10 AM  
Jazzercise-Tuesdays & Thursdays  
Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts  
Rev. Robert C. Johnson, Pastor  
Joyce M. Kissenger, Minister of Music

## Our Lady Mother of the Church

8701 W. Lawrence Avenue, (773) 625-3369  
[www.ourladymotherchurch.com](http://www.ourladymotherchurch.com)  
olmotherchurch@aol.com  
Mass Schedule: Weekdays Monday through  
Friday 8:30 AM, Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11 AM, Sunday 11:00 AM  
Young People's Liturgy of the Word Holy  
Days 8:30 AM & 7:00 PM. Tuesday 9:00 AM  
Perpetual Help Novena Eucharistic  
Adoration First Fridays 9:00 AM-3:00 PM  
Saturday Confession 4:00-4:30 PM  
Baptism 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month  
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Bible Study, Monday 10:00 AM Rev.  
Erik Weber Birthday Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday of each month Accessible Building ♿

## CHICAGO

Music & Worship-Pastor Andy Clifton  
Childcare available for all services.  
Seniors & Women's Bible Studies  
September thru May.  
Call for information or see the website.

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Saturday Confession 4:00-4:30 PM  
Baptism 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month  
Rev. Richard J. Klobar, Pastor

## Our Savior Lutheran Church Norwood-Park LCMS

6099 N. Northcutt Ave.  
(at Nickerson & Hood Avenues)  
(773) 631-1100 & (773) 631-1606  
[www.osl3@sbcglobal.net](http://www.osl3@sbcglobal.net)  
Sunday Worship 9:00 AM. Sunday  
School and Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM  
Wednesday, Advent & Lenten Worship  
Services-Wednesday at 7:00 PM

## St. Eugene Catholic Church

7958 W. Foster Ave., (773) 775-6659  
[www.st-eugene.org](http://www.st-eugene.org)  
Daily Masses: Mon thru Fri-6:30 & 9:00 AM

## CHICAGO

Weekend Masses:  
Sat - 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM,  
Sun - 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 4:30 PM  
Confession: 4:00-5:00 PM Sat  
Baptism: 1:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the  
month, Rev. George Kaeune, Pastor;  
Rev. Jerome Twarog, Associate Pastor;  
Rev. Philip Grib, SJ, Resident  
**St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church**  
7033 N. Maselle, (773) 763-0206  
[www.snow.org](http://www.snow.org)  
Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30 PM  
Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM  
and noon Weekday Masses,  
Mon-Fri 6:30 and 8:00 AM.  
Confession Saturday 3:30-4:15 PM.  
Holy Days Vigil 7:30 PM  
Holy Days 6:30, 8:00, 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM  
Rev. Gregory Sackawicz, Pastor  
We have a Preschool (3 yrs. Old)  
through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade School. And offer  
wonderful programs of Religious  
Education for Children and adults.

## St. Monica Catholic Church

5136 N. Nottingham, (773) 763-1661  
[www.stmonicachicago.com](http://www.stmonicachicago.com)  
Daily Mass: Mon - Fri 8:00 AM  
Weekend Masses: Saturday - 4:00 PM  
Sunday - 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, and 12:00 PM  
Polish Liturgy Mass: Sunday - 1:30 PM  
Confessions: Saturday - 3:00 to 3:45 PM  
Baptism: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday and  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month  
Rev. Ted Schmitt, Pastor  
Rev. Andrew Izyk, Associate Pastor  
Fr. James O'Brien, In Residence  
Fr. William Halbrook, In Residence  
[contactparish@stmonicachicago.com](mailto:contactparish@stmonicachicago.com)

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

5650 N. Canfield, 60631, (708) 867-5044  
[www.stpaulcanfield.org](http://www.stpaulcanfield.org)  
Street Level, Air Conditioned  
Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45 AM  
Sunday School & Adult Bible 9:30 AM  
Saturday Worship 6:00 PM  
St. Paul Lutheran Christian Day School  
Pre-K-Grade 8

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

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[www.stpaulcanfield.org](http://www.stpaulcanfield.org)  
Street Level, Air Conditioned  
Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45 AM  
Sunday School & Adult Bible 9:30 AM  
Saturday Worship 6:00 PM  
St. Paul Lutheran Christian Day School  
Pre-K-Grade 8

## St. Michael's Orthodox Church

7313 N. Waukegan Road  
(847) 647-8398  
[www.stmichaelniles.org](http://www.stmichaelniles.org)  
Sunday Worship 10:00 AM.  
Discover the ancient faith  
and rich traditions of the  
Orthodox Church - the first  
Christian Church - founded.

## MORTON GROVE

**St. Luke's Christian Community Church**  
9233 Shermer Rd.,  
(847) 966-9233  
[saintlukesccc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:saintlukesccc@sbcglobal.net)  
[www.stlukesccc.org](http://www.stlukesccc.org)  
Robin Jones-Senior Pastor  
Jeff Nelson-Youth Pastor  
Sunday Worship-10:00 AM  
Sunday School, Bible Study-11:30 AM  
Korean Ark Covenant  
Sunday Worship - 1 PM  
Sunday 9:00 AM Bible Study  
Wednesday 7:30 PM-Chair Rehearsal  
Friday 8:00 PM  
Youth Group & KACC Worship

## Morton Grove Community Church

Presbyterian  
8944 Austin Ave., (847) 965-2982  
Sunday Schedule  
Adult Choir practice 9 AM  
Worship Service 10 AM  
Fellowship 11 AM  
Rev. Lally Daminski, Pastor  
Handicapped Accessible ♿  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

## NILES

## Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

8450 N. Shermer Rd. Niles IL, 60714  
(847) 965-8210  
Sunday (Sept.-June) 10:30 AM  
(June-Sept) 9:30 AM, 1st Sunday of  
Month. 7:30 PM - Jazz Vesper  
Service (Sept-June).  
Rev. Dr. Bruce T. Anderson - Pastor  
Carolyn N. Sanderson - Minister  
of Music A member congregation  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church  
in America

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## NILES

By the Lord Jesus Christ and  
described in the pages of  
The New Testament. Today her  
Apostolic doctrine, worship,  
and structure remain intact.

## NORRIDGE

## Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

8600 W. Lawrence Ave.  
Sunday Worship 9:30 AM  
Sunday School 10:35 AM  
Youth & Adult Bible Class  
Sunday 10:45 AM  
Midweek Bible Study -  
Wednesday 10:30 AM. Luther John  
Bajus, Pastor Communion service  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month Chair  
practice Thursday 7:00 PM  
708-453-3514, Fax 708- 456-8818  
[www.zionnorridgeil.org](http://www.zionnorridgeil.org)

## NORTHBROOK

## Temple Beth-El

3610 Dundee Rd., (847) 205-9982  
Fax (847) 205-9921  
[templebeth-el.org](http://templebeth-el.org)  
Friday Service Schedule:  
Sept. 4 & 11, 7:30PM Shabbat Service  
Sept. 25, 6PM Shabbat at Yeladim  
(Tot Shabbat)  
with a 5:30PM Pizza dinner  
Sept. 25, 8PM Traditional Shabbat Service  
Saturday Shabbat Morning Services:  
9:30AM Casual Shabbat Service  
& Torah Study  
Inspirational High Holiday Services  
call for ticket information  
Sidney Helbraun, Senior Rabbi  
Jeffrey Weill, Assistant Rabbi  
Victor Weissberg, Rabbi Emeritus  
Kim Harris, Cantor

## To List Your congregation please call

**Marsha Garrigan**  
630-978-8290  
email [mgarrigan@stng.com](mailto:mgarrigan@stng.com)

## Calendar

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of the first Transcontinental Railroad. Pretend you are either a settler planning to use the train to travel to your new home in the West, an Irish or Chinese worker who helped build the line or a Native American whose way of life was greatly affected by the railroad.) One essay at each grade level will be selected as the chapter winner and forwarded to the State American History Chairman for state competition. Deadline for submission is Dec. 1. Students interested are asked to contact Nancy Meyer for specific guidelines at (847) 824-1150.

### Religion

**St. John Brebeuf Adoration Chapel** is observing its fifth anniversary. The chapel, in the Parish Ministry Center, is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for spiritual devotion, prayers and meditation. To commemorate this occasion Bishop Joseph N. Perry will be the celebrant at Mass at 10:45 a.m. Oct. 18 at St. John Brebeuf Church, 8307 N. Harlem Ave.

### Reunions

The **June 1969** graduating class of Chicago's William Howard Taft High School will hold its 40th class reunion on Oct. 17 at White Eagle Banquets in Niles. Classmates will be charged \$45. Buffet dinner with cash bar; casual attire. Jeans are welcome. Still looking for some missing classmates. For

reservations contact the committee at tafth51969@gmail.com or call (847) 516-4717 or (773) 631-1104. 1969 Committee members include: Kathy Bickler Lesnak, Anne Lunde, Andrew Madsen, Larry Magill, Jenny Maleling Thomas, Peggy Roberts, Ro Sciortino Oslergaard, Valerie Stewart Sosnowski, Laurel Thoren Kaage and Tom Wolek.

### Rummage

The **St. Mary of the Woods** seventh-grade class is holding its first Rummage Sale from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 17 in the St. Mary of the Woods Parish Hall, 7033 N. Moselle Ave. The sale will feature quality clothing, toys, housewares, tools, jewelry, accessories, linens, books, sporting goods and electronics. Proceeds from the sale will benefit their eighth-grade class trip to

Washington, D.C. Contact Traci Laughlin, (773) 775-5830, or Linda Kramer, (773) 775-5248.

### Scouts

**Northwest Suburban Council** Boy Scouts of the Arrow are sponsoring Haunted Hike at Des Plaines Methodist Camp Ground, 2000 E. Algonquin Road, Des Plaines. Hours are 7:10-30 p.m. Oct. 23; and 4-6 p.m. and 6:10-30 p.m. Oct. 24. A live band will play both nights. The cost for scouts in uniform is \$4; for children ages 5-12, \$5; and for adults, \$6. Call (847) 726-2430.

### Maine Seniors

The **Maine Township** MaineStreamers program offers a variety of opportunities for residents 55 and older. Membership includes a free subscription to

the MaineStreamers monthly newsletter, which details activities for the upcoming month. Most activities are at Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge, unless otherwise noted. Contact the MaineStreamers, (847) 297-2510, or go to [www.maintownship.com](http://www.maintownship.com).

**Advocate Healthcare** will offer flu shots from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 23 and Oct. 25 at Maine Township Town Hall. There is no charge for those with a Medicare B card; otherwise the charge is \$30, payable by cash or check. To schedule a flu shot call the Advocate Hotline, 1-800-995-4267.

**Spend 10 nights** traveling the islands of Hawaii aboard the Pride of America from Jan. 20-30. The trip will consist of three nights in Honolulu and a seven-night Hawaiian cruise. The trip includes home pickup, round-trip airfare, all

meals aboard the ship, daily entertainment, shipboard activities and lectures, all transfers and baggage handling

### Seniors

**Sandy Rowe**, community-relations coordinator for Rainbow Hospice, will discuss "Five Wishes," an advanced directive legal document, at the Oct. 16 meeting of the Advocate Lutheran General Senior Breakfast Club, Five Wishes covers medical, personal, emotional and spiritual needs for end-of-life planning. The session will be 8:30-10 a.m. at the Old Country Buffet, 8780 W. Dempster St. (across from the hospital). A continental breakfast will be served. Reservations are required. To sign up call 1-800-323-8622, or go to [www.advocatehealth.com/lutheran](http://www.advocatehealth.com/lutheran) and enter class code 8520.

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1. Maine South (7-0)
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3. Glenbrook South (6-1)
4. Notre Dame (5-2)
5. Glenbrook North (5-2)

**SOCCER**

1. New Trier
2. Loyola
3. Evanston
4. Niles West
5. Maine South

**VOLLEYBALL**

1. Evanston
2. Glenbrook South
3. Loyola
4. Niles West
5. New Trier

**ATHLETES OF THE WEEK**

**FOOTBALL**

**Isaac Perlmutter, New Trier**  
Senior running back scored two touchdowns in a 27-0 victory over Evanston Friday night, the 100th meeting between the North Shore CSL South rivals.

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

**Ali Gossen and Maddie FitzPatrick, Evanston**  
Senior/junior hitting combo were named to the all-tournament team at Glenbrook North Saturday for the runner-up Wildkits.

**GIRLS SWIMMING**

**Kelly Hagerty, Glenbrook South**  
Senior won the 50-yard free style in 24.49 while both GBS and Evanston tied 93-93 in a dual meet.

**GIRLS TENNIS**

**Lindsay Fox, New Trier**  
She won the CSL South No. 1 singles championship with a 6-0, 6-0 victory against Glenbrook South's C.C. Hoogland Saturday.

**GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**

**Megumi Hoshi, Niles West**  
Senior placed seventh in the 5K Elite Division Saturday at the Walt Disney World Cross Country Classic in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

**BOYS GOLF**

**Michael Hermanson, New Trier**  
Senior shot a 1-under-par 70 to win the Class 3A New Trier Regional at Winnetka Golf Course.

**GIRLS GOLF**

**Kristin Wright, New Trier**  
Junior carded an 83 to earn medalist honors at the Class AA Loyola Regional at Glencoe Golf Club.

# Mameledzija keeps extending record

Learns from father who played pro ball

By **DAN SHALIN**

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**BOYS SOCCER** - Mahi Mameledzija's Niles West career began with three practices on the freshman team. He quickly was promoted to the Wolves varsity.

Though Mameledzija was used to playing up front, the NW coaches felt the youngster's technical ability could best be utilized in the midfield.

In the nearly four seasons since then, he has put together one of the great careers in school history.

Every time he finds the net, which he did three times in the 4-3 win over Glenbrook South on Oct. 6, Mameledzija is setting a NW career scoring record.

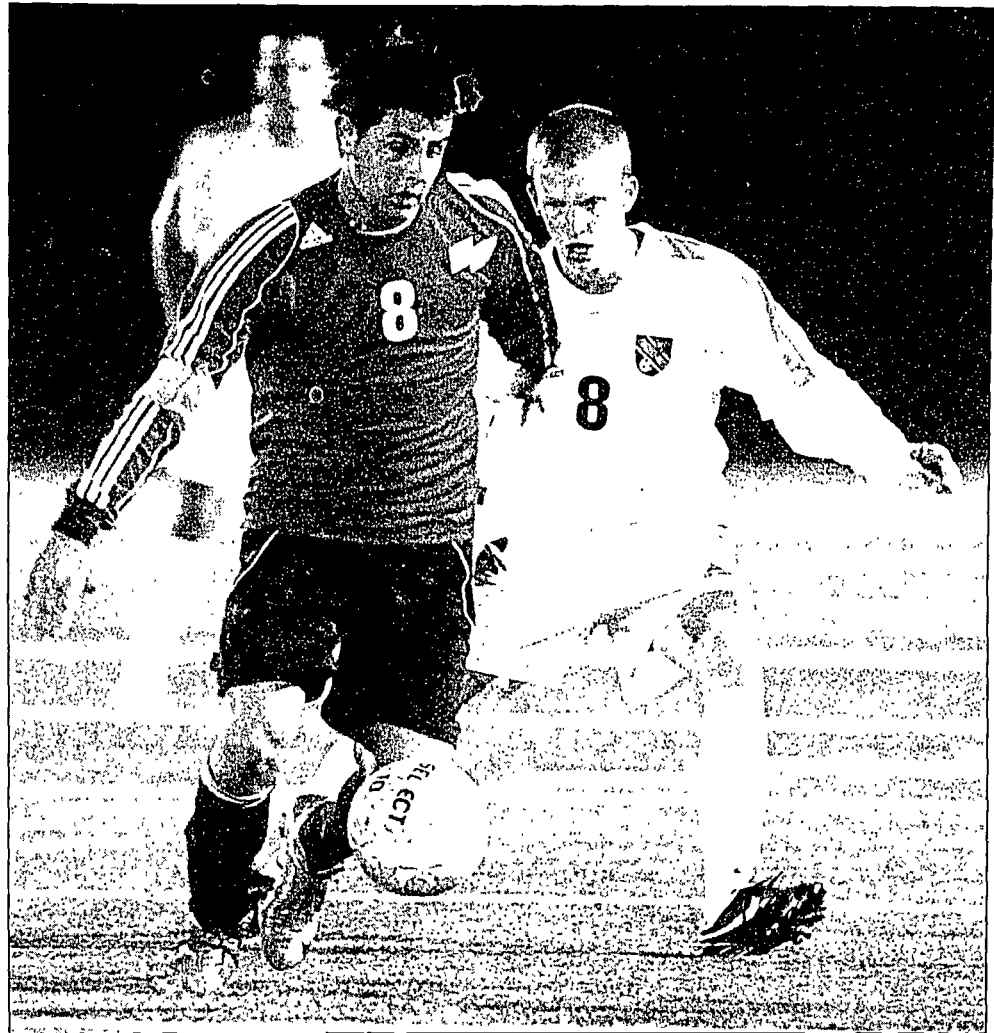
Earlier in the season, he broke the school's old mark of 36 goals, held jointly by Bruno Rasiech and Kamil Szezepanski. The hat trick against GBS brought Mameledzija's career total to 44 goals.

After earning all-sectional honors as a junior, Mameledzija, who through 17 games had 19 goals for the 9-6-2 Wolves, looks destined for the 2009 all-state team.

Though opponents design their defenses to stop him, Mameledzija moves around the field and has a knack for finding himself in the middle of the action. Niles West head coach Scott Aekman pointed this out after the senior scored a second-half equalizer in a 1-1 tie earlier this season at New Trier.

"He was right in the right spot. He always is. It's nice to have a kid like that," the coach said.

If it seems like soccer is in Mameledzija's DNA, it probably is. His father Ene played professionally for the Chicago Sting in the late



Niles West's Mahi Mameledzija (left) scored three goals against Glenbrook South last week to pad his school record to 44 during his stellar career. (Buzz Orr/Staff Photographer)

1970s, and for teams in France and the former Yugoslavia, the latter in the family's native Bosnia.

Mahi said his father, who still dominates over-40 men's leagues, remains his skills coach, physical trainer and personal motivator.

"A lot of parents criticize. But my dad sees another point. Even if I have the worst game, he sees some good stuff," said Mahi, about his father who once lined up against the likes of Pelé and George Best in the old

NASL.

"Honestly, through my whole life, he has brought me to this level."

There also has been plenty of hard work. Off the field, Mameledzija's fitness regimen has gone beyond running and lifting to include long-distance biking and even yoga.

And those free kicks, including two against GBS, don't just happen by chance.

"I stay an hour after practice three times a week and shoot. On weekends, I go to

the school and shoot," Mameledzija said. "No one knows that. They think it comes naturally. But I put a lot of work into my game."

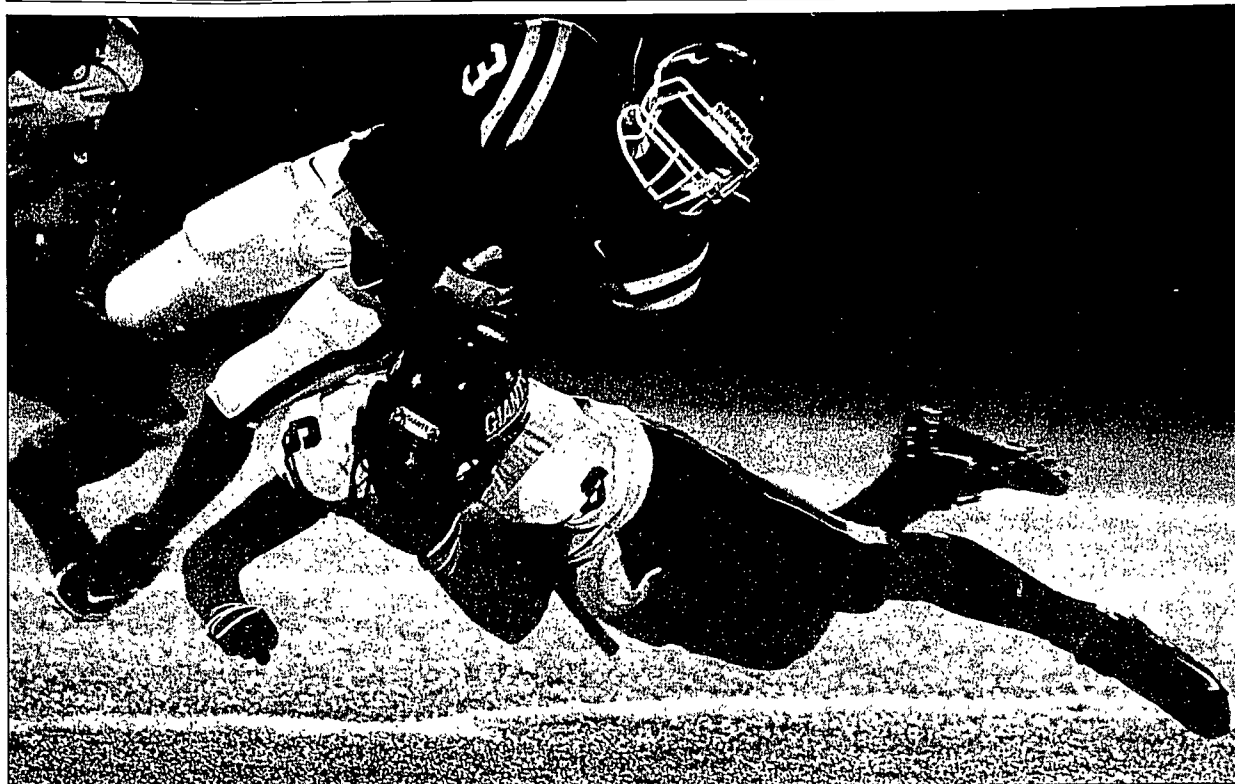
All that work will soon result in an opportunity to play college soccer. Mameledzija has been in discussions with Illinois-Chicago, a nationally ranked program in recent seasons, and the University of Chicago. Though he has long dreamed of a pro soccer career, he also has come to realize that becoming a den-

tist is probably a more attainable goal.

Though he may be known for using his feet, Mameledzija said his ability to work with his hands and a desire to make the dentist experience a pleasant one are behind his career choice.

"I've always dreaded going to the dentist," he said. "What I'm hoping to do is make the least amount of pain for a patient, so they don't dread it."

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Niles North's Sam Sharples (3) gets knocked off his feet by Highland Park's Jordan Reisner during the first quarter of the Giants' road victory. (Brian O'Mahoney/Staff Photographer)

## Loss eliminates Vikings from playoff picture

Postseason drought reaches 18 years

By DAN SHALIN  
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**FOOTBALL** — After Niles North's 26-13 loss at Deerfield on Friday, Vikings head coach Scott Smith sent his players to the locker room while he remained on the field.

The defeat, which dropped North to 2-5 (0-3), confirmed that the Vikings would not reach the playoffs this season, extending the program's playoff drought to 18 years.

Smith believed his 2009 squad had what was required to extend the season to a 10th game. Now, after losing on Deerfield's muddy pitch, the coach was composing his postgame speech.

"Now I have to think about how I get these kids motivat-

ed for the next two games, knowing we won't have a chance of going to the playoffs," Smith said. "That's why I was standing there and thinking before I talked to the kids."

The Vikings did not turn in a poor effort against Deerfield (5-2, 3-0), trailing just 14-7 at halftime. But North's offensive errors proved costly and its defense was unable to come up with the big stop on a few key fourth-down plays.

"There is no one person to blame," Smith said. "At North, we're trying to change the mentality. You have to finish, you have to play hard and you have to do everything 100 percent all the time. You can't let your guard down. Not that these kids did, but some bad things happened (Friday). Hopefully, we can come away with a couple more wins before the end of the year."

The mishaps started early for Niles North. After stop-

ping Deerfield on the game's initial possession, the Vikings gave the ball right back when they fumbled the punt. Soon after, Warriors' receiver Nate Scheek caught a nine-yard pass, his first of three TD receptions in the game.

Early in the second quarter, a North mistake on an attempted punt ended up with Deerfield getting the ball at the Vikings 12-yard line. A pass to Scheek covered the remainder of the yardage to the end zone to make it 14-0.

The visitors bounced back with a 65-yard scoring drive that included a Deerfield personal foul and a 20-yard run by North quarterback Mike Granato. Sam Sharples' one-yard plunge got Niles North to within 14-7.

The Vikings' halftime optimism quickly waned when they lost a fumble on the second play of the third quarter. It took Deerfield just five

plays to extend its lead to 20-7. Scheek's eight-yard touchdown entech was his second on a fourth-down drive.

In the fourth quarter, Deerfield quarterback Matt Healy's nine-yard run gave the home team a 26-7 lead.

Niles North's Chad Brown added a late touchdown with a one-yard carry.

"We had (costly turnovers). We gave them great field position numerous times. We come out after half and we fumble the ball," Smith said. "Those are the kind of things a good team shouldn't do, regardless of the conditions. Our defense played well at times, but we gave up two or three big fourth-down conversions, too."

Brown led the Vikings with 54 yards on 12 carries, Granato gained 49 yards on 12 rushes and Sharples carried 13 times for 42 yards. Defensively, Johnny Walker led North with 11 tackles and George Neuhaus added 10

### GAME BALLS

DEERFIELD 26,  
NILES NORTH 13

### STAR PERFORMANCES

**Chad Brown:** 12 rushes, 54 yards, TD  
**Sam Sharples:** 13 rushes, 42 yards, TD  
**Johnny Walker:** team-high 11 tackles

### GAME DAY

WEEK 8 MATCHUP

**Who:** Niles North (2-5, 0-3) at Maine West (1-6, 0-3)  
**When:** Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines

**What to look for:** The game will test both coaches' power of motivation. Maine West's only victory was a 35-13 triumph over currently winless Round Lake in Week 2. The Vikings' superior speed should help them halt a four-game losing streak.

stops. Zach Hess recovered a fumble.

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### SCHEDULES

#### NILES WEST

#### Friday

Girls tennis IHSA Sect. at TBD, 2 p.m.  
Girls swimming at Glenbrook South, 5:30 p.m.

#### Saturday

Boys cross country CSL South Invite at Glenbrook South, TBD  
Girls cross country CSL South Invite at Glenbrook South, TBD  
Girls tennis IHSA Sectional at TBD, 8 a.m.  
Girls swimming Relays at Glenbrook South, 9 a.m.  
Football hosts Evanston (Homecoming), 1 p.m.  
Girls swimming Relays at Glenbrook South, 1 p.m.

#### Monday

Girls volleyball hosts Maine South, 6 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Girls volleyball at New Trier, 6 p.m.

#### Thursday

Girls tennis IHSA State, TBD

#### NILES NORTH

#### Today

Boys soccer at Lake Community, 4:45 p.m.

Girls swimming Deerfield Dive vs. Highland Park at Niles West, 6 p.m.

#### Friday

Girls swimming Deerfield hosts Highland Park, 5 p.m.  
Football at Maine West, 7:30 p.m.  
Boys soccer Regionals, TBD  
Golf State, TBD

#### Saturday

Girls swimming Relays at Maine South vs. Highland Park, 11 a.m.  
Girls tennis Sectionals, TBD  
Girls cross country CSL North at Glenbrook South, TBD

#### Tuesday

Girls volleyball at Maine West, 6 p.m.

#### Thursday

Girls swimming vs. Highland Park, diving at Niles West, 6 p.m.  
Girls volleyball at Glenbrook North, 6 p.m.

#### MAINE EAST

#### Today

Boys soccer at Elmwood Park, 4:30 p.m.

#### Friday

Football at Glenbrook North, 7:30 p.m.

Girls tennis at Maine South Sectional, TBA

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

Girls volleyball at Maine West tournament, 5 p.m.

#### Saturday

Girls tennis at Maine South Sectional, TBA

Boys cross country at CSL meet at Glenbrook South, TBA

Girls cross country at CSL meet at Glenbrook South, TBA

Girls swimming hosts Demon invite, 9 a.m.

Girls volleyball at Maine West tournament, 9 p.m.

Tuesday

Boys soccer vs. Lane at New Trier Regional, 7 p.m.

# Latest loss leaves Wolves looking ahead

## Junior Loubriel gets feet wet at quarterback

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**FOOTBALL** — Niles West began looking toward the future Saturday at Glenbrook South.

Senior Tyler Rosell again started at quarterback, but on the Wolves' third play from scrimmage, the Seve Loubriel era began. Loubriel — a 5-foot-11, 175-pound junior — took the snaps for the first time this season and at times alternated plays with Rosell.

Loubriel's first call was a keeper to the right side for no yardage.

It was the latest attempt by first-year coach Scott Baum to spark the Wolves' offense. But it didn't matter who was quarterbacking Niles West during the Titans' homecoming game. The Wolves had their worst offensive performance of the season in a 54-0 defeat.

Niles West (1-6, 0-3 CSL South) gained only 22 total yards — 19 on the ground — as the Titans (6-1, 3-0) scored on their first eight possessions.

"We have struggled on offense, and Seve is a junior," said Baum. The quarterbacks split time

nearly evenly in the first half. Rosell ran 13 plays and Loubriel was in for 10.

"We've worked on it all season," Loubriel said. "(Saturday) was my time. I wanted to see what I could do out there."

Rosell took over for the entire second half, which was conducted with a running clock.

Loubriel's second snap from scrimmage turned into the lone highlight in what was an otherwise miserable game for the Wolves.

On 4th-and-5 from the Wolves' 25, Loubriel faked the punt and rumbled 15 yards up the middle. The play kept alive Niles West's first, and longest, drive of the game. With Rosell in for four plays and Loubriel for five, the Wolves drove 37 yards but were forced to punt. Rhan Olen's two-yard punt into a stiff wind landed near midfield.

That drive was one of the two times that the Wolves reached GBS territory. A Titans pass interference penalty brought the ball to the GBS 45. After a Niles West holding penalty, Dwight Smith rushed seven yards to bring the Wolves to the GBS 43.

Loubriel played quarterback for Niles West's freshman A and sophomore teams. The Wolves have not scored in three of their last four games.

"(Rosell) is more of a power runner and I'm an elusive runner,"

### GAME DAY

#### WEEK 8 MATCHUP

What: Evanston (3-4, 1-2) at Niles West (1-6, 0-3)

When: Saturday, 1 p.m.

Where: 5701 Oakton Ave., Skokie

What to look for: A pair of offenses suddenly, in reverse heading into this homecoming game. In their last two games, the Wildkits and Wolves have combined to score two points: an Evanston safety against Maine South. Three turnovers in the first half doomed the Wildkits in a 20-0 loss to New Trier last week. Niles West committed two turnovers in a 54-0 loss at Glenbrook South. The Wolves were ineffective on both sides of the ball, gaining only 22 yards of total offense while allowing 380. The Wolves' longest play from scrimmage was a 15-yard run on a fake punt. Niles West hopes to snap a four-game losing streak.

Loubriel said. "With two games left, and since he's a senior, he should get much of the snaps."

Loubriel did not attempt a pass. Rosell (2-of-4, 3 yards) completed a three-yard loss to Deondre Watkins late in the second quarter.

The Titans' defense gave up only 10 yard rushing in the first half.

"It was really tough," Loubriel said. "We played a good defense against Glenbrook South. It was hard to get things rolling."

Glenbrook South quarterback Mike Pullano (8-of-9, 126 yards) threw a career-high four touchdowns passes.



Niles West's Akeem Brackenridge stuffs Glenbrook South ball carrier Alex Garvey during the Titans' homecoming game on Saturday. (Dave Shields/For STNG)

# Doubles team gets experience for sectional

## Ahmad and Loyd will pair up again

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**GIRLS TENNIS** — Niles West likely would have earned more team points at Saturday's CSL South Meet if Uzma Ahmad and Jewell Loyd had played singles.

Instead, head coach George Bravos elected to play the pair at No. 1 doubles, a logical move designed to get the duo addi-

tional experience together before this week's Maine South Sectional.

At the conference meet, the Wolves ended up finishing fifth behind fourth-place Evanston. The Wildkits edged NW in total points 23-19.

Though West (13-9-1) finished in the same spot as last year, Bravos said there were clear signs of progress throughout the conference season and during Saturday's event.

"We were fifth last year and fifth this year. But (this year) we won more games, more sets and more matches," said Bravos. "(This year) we lost 3-4 (in a dual)

against Evanston. That could easily have gone 4-3 in our direction with a couple bounces one way or if balls were a quarter inch here or there. It was so close. We took some matches against Glenbrook South and some games against New Trier.

"I saw our girls playing better tennis, and I'm really quite happy with the way the season went overall."

On Saturday, Ahmad and Loyd finished second at No. 1 doubles. After a first-round bye, they defeated the Glenbrook South duo of Brittany Hughes and Alyssa Howland 6-1, 7-5 before losing to New Trier's

Taylor Hampshire and Emily Barretta 6-2, 6-0.

Bravos said the conference meet provided a good test for Ahmad/Loyd a week before they try to qualify for their second straight State Meet. The duo's solid performance also may have helped its seed at the sectional.

"I think it was a big challenge for them playing a very, very good Glenbrook South team. (Ahmad/Loyd) beat them early in the year, and those girls wanted to get revenge," Bravos said. "Losing to New Trier is nothing to hang their head over ... not losing to kids of that caliber, with that ath-

leticism and experience. Even though they lost, it gave us a good test for the upcoming (sectional) tournament."

All other Niles West entries came in fifth in their draw, each winning one match.

Michelle Lisica played No. 1 singles, Alexa Bits No. 2 and Kara Mui No. 3. The No. 2 doubles team was Danya Snowsky and Zoe Ljubic, Lexi Leftakes and Medha Patel played No. 3 doubles and Rieki Esses and Vicky Georgevich handled No. 4.

Sectional, lineups will include two singles and two doubles teams. Entering

the week, the Ahmad/Loyd first singles pairing appeared to be the only spot set in stone. Bravos said he was toying with the idea of using Bits at No. 2 doubles.

He planned to answer the remaining lineup questions on Monday with some good-old-fashioned challenge play.

"I think it's the fairest thing to do, to let the girls determine who plays (at sectional) based on their performances on the court," Bravos said.

"We've had so many matches and rainouts that we haven't had a chance to have our girls play against each other."

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# Demons whip old rival Maine West

## East piles up points in big victory

By **ROB VALENTIN**  
Contributor

**FOOTBALL** — In the first six games of the season, Maine East scored a total of 37 points. Against Maine West Friday night, the Demons eclipsed that total in the first half.

Maine East put on quite the show as it rolled to a 47-31 victory over the Warriors in a Central Suburban North matchup in Des Plaines.

The Demons racked up 231 yards of offense in the first half as they raced out to a 41-24 lead.

"We worked really hard and this is the outcome we deserve," said Maine East quarterback Andrew Lee, who was 7-of-13 for 147 yards and three touchdowns. "We believed, and coach (Gabe Corey) talked about taking it to them from the get-go and never giving up."

Despite an early 44-yard touchdown pass from Lee to Jeremy Umansky, the Demons (2-5, 1-2) found

themselves trailing 10-7 late in the first quarter. That quickly changed as Lee returned a kickoff 75 yards for a score.

"I'm not good in the open field but I just used my peripheral vision and just ran," Lee said.

Maine West (1-6, 0-3) answered with a touchdown of its own, but on the next play from scrimmage Maine East running back Nathan Cameau (8 carries, 172 yards) dashed 65 yards to the goal line, giving the Demons a 21-17 lead.

"We've had a rivalry with (Maine West) since freshman year and it feels good to finally beat them," Cameau said. "Everyone was intense for this game. In our other losses we put the other team on a pedestal. They weren't great teams. We should have been keeping our heads up."

Maine East got the ball back right back after a Warriors' fumble, setting the stage for a 36-yard pass from Lee to Xavier Levy two plays later.

The Warriors moved the ball and attempted a 26-yard field goal that the Demons blocked. Alex Umana picked up the ball

### GAME BALLS

MAINE EAST 47  
MAINE WEST 31

### STAR PERFORMANCES

**Andrew Lee:** 7-of-13 passing, 147 yards, 3 TDs; 75-yard kickoff return for TD

**Nathan Cameau:** 8 carries, 172 yards, TD

### GAME DAY

#### WEEK 8 MATCHUP

**What:** Maine East (2-5, 1-2) at Glenbrook North (5-2, 2-1)

**When:** Friday, 7:30 p.m.

**Where:** 2300 Shermer Road, Northbrook

**What to watch for:** GBN remains in the hunt for the CSL North Crown, behind undefeated Deerfield and Highland Park. Maine East is going for its third victory, which would be the team's most since finishing 3-6 in 2004.

and rumbled 90 yards to extend the lead to 34-17.

"I didn't even think I could run the ball until my coaches told me it was live," Umana said. "I just tried my hardest and ran my fastest. I got a great block from Nathan Cameau and I got a touchdown."

It was extra special for Umana because it was the first touchdown of his ca-



Maine East's defense blocks a Maine West field goal attempt that Alex Umana ran back for a touchdown during the Demons' victory on Friday. (Dan Luedert/Staff Photographer)

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The Warriors pulled within 34-24 before East scored on the final play of the half on a six-yard toss from Lee to Alex Journey.

A two-yard run by Uman-sky (18 carries, 115 yards), who also had an interception on defense, closed out

the scoring in the second half.

The victory was the first for Maine East since opening the season with a 19-9 win over Schurz to snap a 39-game losing streak.

"It was a long hard stretch and we really needed this as a team," Umana said.

They travel to Glenbrook North on Friday night before hosting Niles North in the season finale Oct. 26.

"We want to finish the season with big wins," Cameau said. "We have to play hard and have a lot of heart and have a great week of practice."

# Vikings finish fourth, prepare for sectional

## Young squad aims to pick up pointers

By **DAN SHALIN**  
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**GIRLS TENNIS** — Everything pretty much went according to form for Niles North at the CSL North Meet, which was held entirely on Saturday after Friday's rain.

The Vikings finished fourth and their players beat the opponents they

were expected to top and lost to the ones who were favored.

But in those results there were some signs of progress. The event also was another step in the maturation process of the young squad.

Sophomore Erika Markovitz finished fourth at No. 1 singles, beating a Maine West opponent, losing to highly rated Julia Fellerhoff of Deerfield and then falling to a girl from Highland Park 6-0, 7-5 in the third-place match.

Markovitz battled her HP opponent in the second set

after falling to the same player 6-2, 6-2 earlier in the season.

"(Erika) did play better (than in the previous matchup). In the second set she was right with her, and just a few points made the difference," NN assistant coach Rich Jaffe said. "She held her ground."

Niles North sophomore Maddie Neuhaus finished fourth at No. 2 singles. She opened with a win over Maine West but dropped her next two, including one to talented Deerfield freshman Alexis Casati.

But Jaffe said Neuhaus

will no doubt benefit from her run at No. 2 singles and he has been pleased with her improvement and demeanor.

"I would say it's been a good experience for her. She mostly played doubles last year," he said. "But she has been consistent and she competes well and tries her hardest. She always has a smile on her face, and she doesn't take the game too seriously. Win or lose, after the match she's back to being Maddie."

The other fourth-place finisher for Niles North was the No. 2 doubles team of

senior Colleen Hill and sophomore Jolene Strauss.

Niles North (6-9) will host this week's sectional, which includes New Trier, Evanston, Loyola and North Shore Country Day. Jaffe did not expect any Vikings to be seeded.

While stale berths remain unlikely, the assistant coach believes his team has made strides. The work is just beginning for returning players, who will be expected to put in a lot of time on the court and lifting weights over the coming months.

"The underclassmen

have played these good teams and seen what they're up against. They have to realize that the months between now and next season are (so important)," Jaffe said. "They need to get in the weight room, get in better shape and improve their shoulder strength."

"From a tennis standpoint, they need to add variety to their games, adding more slices and topspin. They have to get more aggressive, so they can dictate the action more."

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# Wolves top Trevians for first time in 14 years

Win also gives West better sectional seed

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**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL** — Niles West's victory over New Trier on Oct. 1 has become the win that keeps on giving.

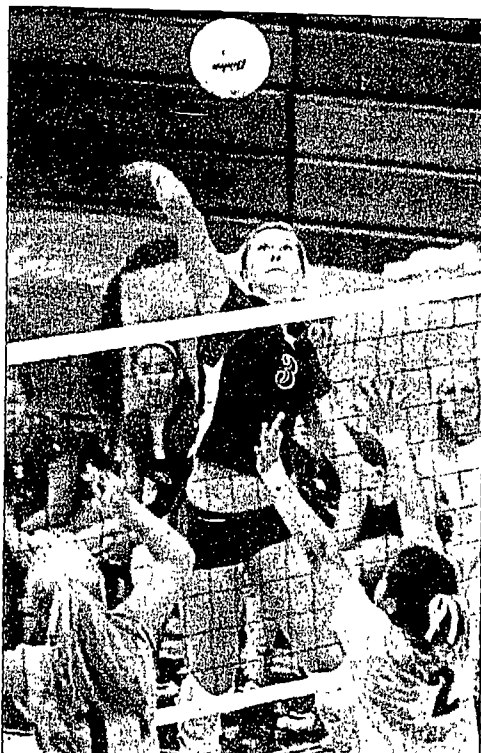
Not only was the 25-19, 25-18 triumph the Wolves' first over the Trevians since 1995, it also padded the West résumé just enough to help the Wolves earn a No. 4 seed — a spot ahead of New Trier — in the upcoming Evanston Sectional.

"We thought we would (get a No. 4 seed), given the teams we beat," said Niles West head coach Stacey Metoyer. "Beating New Trier made a big statement. We have a better record than New Trier and we beat them, and we were thinking we might get fifth because of that. It's nice to be one of the top four seeds because they get dispersed to different regionals. So, we'll not see one of the others until the sectional."

The Wolves, who entered the week with a 17-11 record, are scheduled to open Lincoln Park Regional play against the Lincoln Park-Mather winner on Oct. 28. Niles West could meet New Trier in the regional final Oct. 31.

Niles West had won 10 of its last 12 matches, though it had lost two of its last three. The Wolves fell to 2-5 in the CSL South after getting topped by Waukegan 25-17, 25-20 Oct. 8. The Bulldogs feature three NCAA Division I signees and a Division II recruit, and Metoyer said the home team played up to its reputation.

"(Waukegan) was digging everything, blocking and hitting. They were the bet-



Niles West's Lauren LaGioia (3), hitting over Niles North defenders Enela Palavra (11) and Seth Penafflorida, will be one of six Wolves honored on Senior Night next week. (Shaun Sartin/For STMG)

ter team that night," she said. "With four (college recruits), it seems like they should be difficult to stop. I know they have been frustrated because they were playing down to their competition earlier in the season. But they finally got over it."

Two nights earlier, Niles West earned a 25-16, 25-23 win over Regina. In front of an enthusiastic Junior High Night crowd, the Wolves earned their 17th win. One of the team's major goals is to top 20 wins for the first time since the 1990s.

"We had the junior high girls out watching our game. I told the (West) girls to play at a higher level because the kids idolize them and want to see how volleyball is played," Metoyer said.

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South defeated the Wolves 25-12, 25-11 Oct. 5. Despite the setback, Metoyer said that setters Tengan Smith and Olga Kutkovska have been playing well. Metoyer has also been pleased with the work of outside hitters Jordyn Toia and Lauren LaGioia.

Metoyer also lauded right-side hitter Denise Tossi, who's had an "amazing" second half of the season, the coach said.

The Wolves were scheduled to host Evanston on Tuesday. West will then welcome Maine South for Senior Night at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Colleen Galicia, Kelly Kleppin, LaGioia, Allison Guiang, Christine Ocampo and Jennifer DiJohn will all be honored before their final home match.

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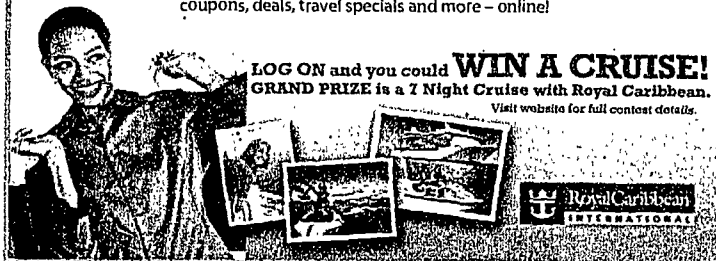
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# Manaois hoping for seed at Maine South Sectional

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**TENNIS** - For most members of Maine East's young team, this weekend's Maine South Sectional is another learning experience.

But for the team's top player, senior Christy Manaois, the sectional represents a chance to complete her fine career in style.

Manaois, who had a chance to earn a seed for the sectional, is hoping to play her way into next week's IHSA State Meet, or at least be in contention for that event. She'll have experience on her side.

"Christy has been on varsity all four years. She has had a great attitude and is

an extremely hard worker," Maine East head coach John Schwan said. "She's the captain and a team leader. She brings a lot of maturity, which you'd look for from a senior essentially playing their last bunch of tournaments."

Despite having a squad with just four seniors, Schwan said he's been pleased with his team's output this season, as the Blue Demons finished a respectable 9-7.

"We had a very young team, so our overall performance, having a winning record, bodes well for the future," he said. "Competing at conference and in sectionals will be beneficial for the girls coming back."

The Blue Demons finished sixth at Saturday's six-team CSL North Meet. Schwan's team had split with Maine West during the regular season and was hoping to finish ahead of the Warriors overall.

All three of Maine East's singles players picked up one victory and came in fifth in their respective draws: Manaois at first singles, junior Samantha Panganiban at second singles and junior Monica Dzierzanowski at third singles.

The ME fourth doubles team of juniors Aimee Sweet and Joanna Lyszkodski came in fourth.

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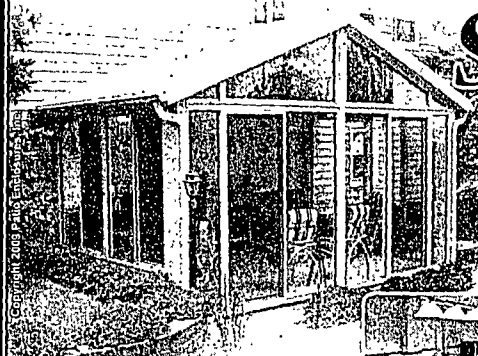
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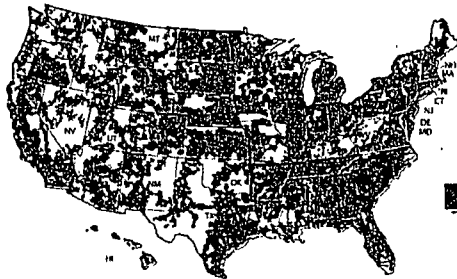
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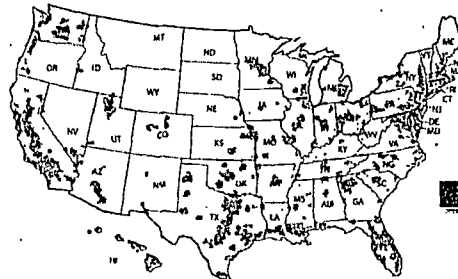
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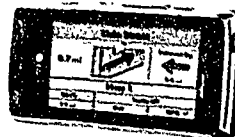
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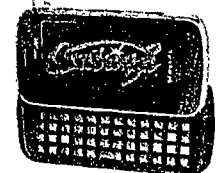
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