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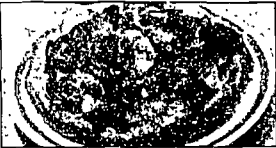
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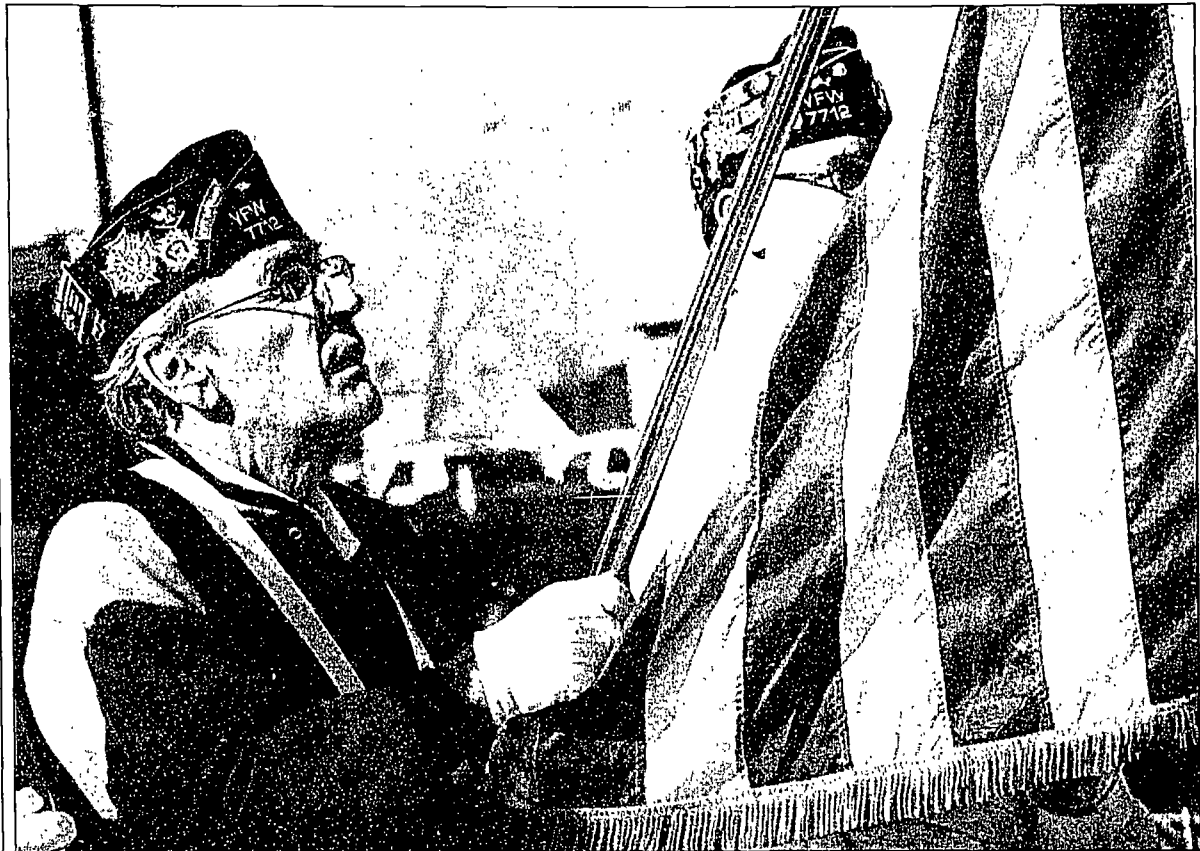
The animated family comedy "Planet 51" is featured in this week's Film Clips.
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FOOD



FLIPPING OUT

Tarte Tatin gives Thanksgiving a French flair.
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HOLD 'EM HIGH

Tom Davidson, of VFW Post 7712, waits for the start of ceremonies with fellow color-guard team member Larry Pike, as the village honored its veterans Nov. 8 with a parade to the veterans memorial outside the library.
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NEWS BRIEF

District 64 salutes School Board members

Park Ridge-Niles School District 64 is joined other districts across Illinois to observe School Board Members Day on Sunday.

As the community's elected representatives, District 64 School Board members provide leadership and oversight for about 4,300 students in grades kindergarten through eighth grade, and more than 600 staff members.

"They are the voice of the community, ensuring that decisions about local public schools are made by those who are most familiar with the needs of the community's children and families," Superintendent Sally Pryor stated.

She added: "We urge all members of the community to recognize and thank these seven dedicated individuals for their commitment and contributions to our public schools."

The current District 64 Board of Education includes: John Heyde, president; Genie Taddeo, vice-president; Eric Uhlig, secretary; and members Pat Fioretto, Russell J. Gentile, Sharon Lawson and Ted Smart.

Board members may be contacted via a special link on the District 64 Web site, www.d64.org.

Court date set in ex-trustee's attempt to expunge felonies

LAWSUIT

By TONY BERTUCA
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A court date of April 4 has been set in the civil suit of former Niles Trustee George Alpgogianis against Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez.

Alpgogianis and his attorney, Mike Lavelle, are seeking a declaratory judgment stating that Alpgogianis is not a convicted felon and is eligible to hold elected office.

Alpgogianis says he's not looking for money.

"This isn't about money," he said. "I don't want any money. All I want is my name cleared up and my family's

name cleared up."

It was revealed in February that Alpgogianis had a criminal record with six felony convictions for aggravated battery dating back to his late teen years in the mid-1980s. Illinois law states that convicted felons cannot hold elected municipal office.

The felony convictions in question stem from a melee in which Alpgogianis claims he was defending a girl who had been assaulted at a party. Alpgogianis, who was 19 at the time of the incident, admitted he pleaded guilty to the battery charges but claims his record was expunged after he successful-

ly completed probation.

Despite news of the felony convictions and doubts as to whether he could legally serve, Alpgogianis was elected to the Board of Trustees in April with the backing of Mayor Robert Callero and other candidates on his slate.

But Alpgogianis was later forced to resign from office when Alvarez's office declared he indeed had a felony record and would have to step down or face legal removal.

Alvarez's office has declined to comment on the lawsuit.

The preliminary hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.



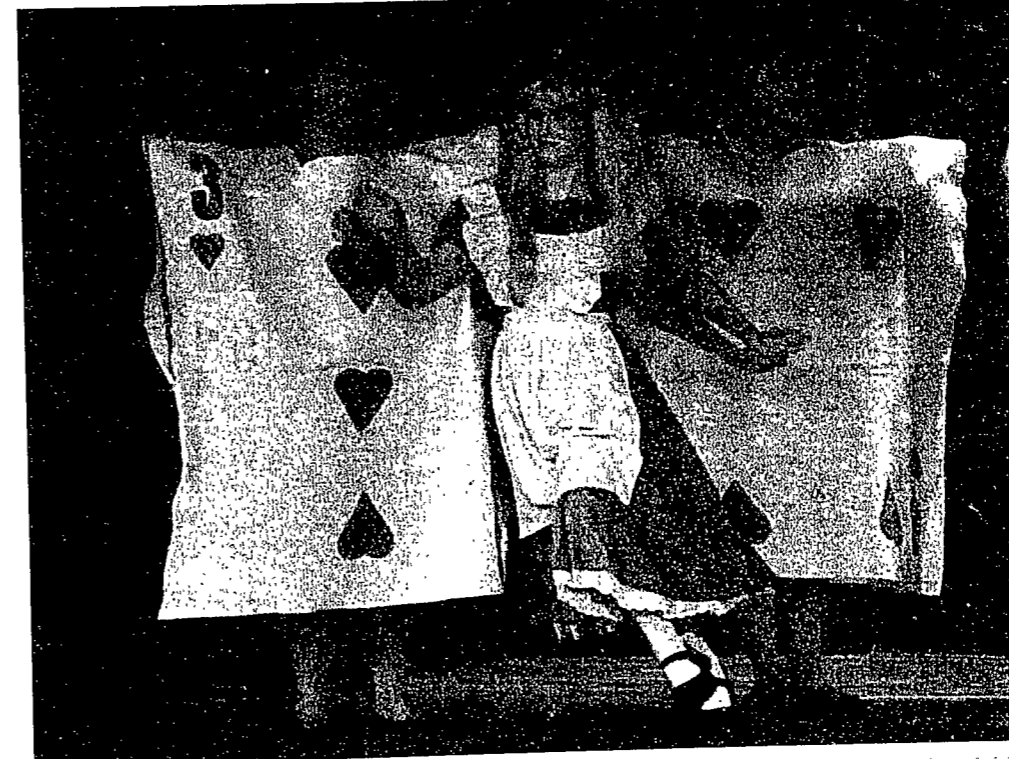
George Alpgogianis
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Greeting cards Alice (Abaigeal O'Donnell) looks for a safe place to hide from the Queen of Hearts in the opening scenes of Resurrection High School's production of "Alice in Wonderland" Nov. 7. (Allen Kaleta/for STM)

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TOP FIVE STORIES

1. Westchester man charged in murder of Niles man in Stone Park

A Westchester man has been charged with murdering a Niles man who was shot dead Nov. 4 in west suburban Stone Park. Nicholas Carrino, 30, of Westchester was charged with murder in the death of Daniel Kowalewski, according to police. The charge was approved at 11:15 p.m. Nov. 4.

2. Oops? Incorrect model of gov't assumed for half-century in Niles

The entire system of government in the village of Niles was thrown into upheaval this month when it was revealed that, for the past 47 years, the village has mistakenly operated under the assumption that it was a managerial form of government rather than an administrative form. Under a managerial form of government an elected board's power is purely legislative, except that it can approve expenses and liabilities. The manager, in that case, has power over hiring and firing personnel.

3. Two months after alleged DUI crash, 17-year-old dies

A Maine South High School senior who was seriously injured Labor Day weekend in a downtown Chicago car crash that allegedly involved a drunken driver has died, and her 19-year-old sister charged in the accident.

4. Wallace says District 207 will cut 'from every single thing we spend money on'

Ken Wallace became superintendent of Maine Township High School District 207 the past summer, unable at the time to predict that the district would be facing a \$17-million structural deficit.

5. Panel gets peek at new ethics code

The Niles Board of Ethics was presented with the first draft of a new village ethics code by the Citizens Compliance Plan Committee on Nov. 5.

The board agreed to carefully read the 21-page document and compile a list of questions to ask the citizen-led committee, scheduled to meet Monday for discussion.

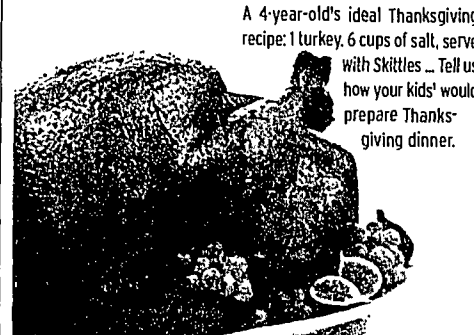
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TURKEY TROTS

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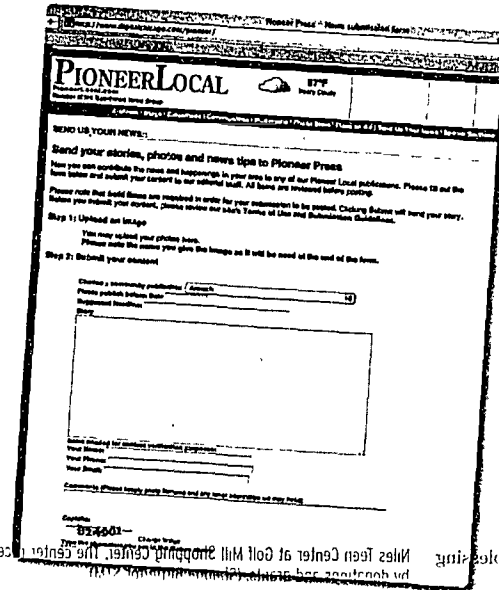
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NORTH MAINE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firefighters Pension Board fights \$37,000 fine by state

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The North Maine Fire Department's Firefighters Pension Board is disputing a \$36,800 fine imposed against the board by a state agency.

According to documents filed in Cook County Circuit Court, the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Department of Insurance, contends that North Maine's 2007 annual pension report was improperly filed. A report of the Aug. 4 Department of Insurance hearing states that North Maine's

pension report was missing a signature page, and that the document was not received in its entirety until 368 days after it was due.

As a result the North Maine Pension Board was fined \$100 for each day the report was allegedly late, plus a total of \$224.25 in additional costs. The North Maine Pension Board is now asking a Cook County Circuit Court judge to intervene and either reverse the order requiring the fine to be paid or grant a new hearing for the Pension Board to state its case before the Department of Insurance with an attorney present.

The Pension Board contends that the signature page was notarized and mailed Aug. 22, 2008, not Aug. 3, 2009, as the Department of Insurance claims. Court documents state that the secretary of the pension fund was not even made aware that the signature page was not received by the Department of Insurance until summer 2009.

"The chronic delays and oversights are evidence of a pattern of irresponsibility and a dereliction of the fiduciary duty of the Fund," Hearing Officer Louis Butler stated in his report of the Aug. 4 hearing.

Cary Collins, attorney representing the Pension Board, declined to comment on the lawsuit itself, but said the Pension Board should have been granted a continuance of the Aug. 4 hearing because the board was not represented by an attorney. He indicated he believes, however, there will be a positive outcome.

"We've had a conversation with the Department of Insurance and we're optimistic this will be reasonably resolved," he said.

The North Maine Fire Department serves unincorporated areas of Maine Township.

CRIMINAL CASE

Will Blase finally get sentence?

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A new date has been set for the criminal sentencing of former Niles Mayor Nicholas Blase, who pleaded guilty to federal charges of tax evasion and mail fraud more than a year ago.

Blase is scheduled to be sentenced Jan. 29 at the Dirksen Federal Building in Chicago.

The former mayor first pleaded guilty to the charges Oct. 31, 2008, but has been given four continuances for his sentencing date.

Federal prosecutors

have said the charges against Blase stem from a scheme to use his influence as mayor to steer local businesses toward Wheeling insurance agency Ralph Weiner Associates.

The agency paid Blase \$420,000 in kickbacks in exchange for the arrangement, which prosecutors have said lasted from 1997 to 2006.

One of Blase's co-defendants, Steve Wiener, has pleaded guilty to one count of fraud.

He received a continuance in October and has yet to receive a sentencing date.

GOLF MILL

Teen Center doubles in size, adds study room, computer lab

By TONY BERTUCA
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The Niles Teen Center hosted a "grand reopening" Saturday to showcase thousands of dollars' worth of renovations to its newly expanded facility.

The center, which serves 20 to 30 children each day at its Golf Mill Shopping Center home, has doubled in size since the expansion and now features an isolated study room and computer lab.

"There's so much more space for the kids and there's quite a bit less bickering," said Teen Center Director Mark Williams. "Now that I have this bigger space, I'll be able to schedule much more substantive programs and have more speakers and things like that."

Williams said the expansion would not have been possible without generous donations from the local business community. He estimated the center received more than \$50,000 worth of

labor and materials from Home Depot.

"They came in and did it for free when it would have been very expensive for me to bring a contractor in here," he said.

Wal-Mart also donated five flat-screen TVs and Niles Public Library provided 20 computers.

"We now have a good, isolated study area for the kids," Williams said.

Assistant Village Manager Steve Vinezeano said the center has been thriving under Williams' leadership.

"The only reason we were able to fund something like this in these trying economic times is because Mark was able to go out and work with the business community," he said. "I think it's really nice that people want to create an environment for the kids."

"It's important to find support for these things and we wouldn't be where we are today without Mark's leadership. He's been a blessing to the program."



Brendan Concannon, 12, and Alex Jasper, 12, play classic Nintendo on Saturday as other children play "Guitar Hero" and Wii at the reopening of Niles Teen Center at Golf Mill Shopping Center. The center recently took over a neighboring storefront to create an expanded games area funded by donations and grants. (Shauna Bittle/for STM)

DISTRICT 63

Elementary schools to get \$4.5M security upgrade at entrances

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The East Maine Elementary School District 63 Board of Education has approved a \$4.5-million plan to construct new entranceways at Mark Twain, Melzer, Nelson and Washington elementary schools in an effort to make them more secure.

Now, visitors entering each building must go to the second floors, where administration offices are, leaving them potentially unsupervised in student areas upon entering the front door.

District Superintendent Scott Clay said the construction is a necessary

safety measure to ensure visitors are properly supervised by school personnel.

"Once these additions are completed, visitors will enter the schools through secure office areas and will not have initial access to student areas," Clay said.

Construction at all four schools will occur simultaneously; work is scheduled to begin in March and end in July.

"District personnel have worked with our respective principals and those involved in the actual construction process to ensure the safety of students, staff, and visitors to the property during this time," Clay wrote in a note home to par-

ents. "Further, plans have been put into place to minimize the disruption of instruction.

"These plans may require some changes to school entry and exit procedures and routes. Fences and barricades will be utilized to secure construction areas. In some instances parking areas may be impacted."

Clay asked for patience from parents. "Each principal will notify his or her families of specific changes and plans that will occur at each individual school," he wrote. Clay said the construction schedule and plans will soon be available for viewing at www.emsd63.org.

PARK RIDGE

'New Moon' party plans wane

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A "New Moon" premiere party at Park Ridge's Piekwick Theatre, scheduled to feature two actors from the "Twilight" series film, has been canceled, Piekwick

owner Dino Vlahakis reported.

The event was to have included meet-and-greets and photo opportunities with actors Kellan Lutz, who plays Emmet Cullen, and Charlie Bewley, who plays Volturi guard member Demetri.

Vlahakis said the event was canceled due to one of the actors being unable to attend.

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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE

Suburban '08 crime rates hold steady

By LYNNE STIEFEL
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Just 700 fewer crimes were reported by law enforcement agencies in Illinois in 2008 than a year earlier, causing a slight decline in the statewide crime rate index, according to the latest Illinois State Police crime statistics.

During 2008, law enforcement agencies across the state reported a total of 456,359 crimes.

The Illinois crime rate fell 0.3 percent in 2008, with reports of arson showing the biggest decrease — by nearly 10 percent — but total numbers of burglaries, murders and robberies showing increases — at 4.3 percent, 3.4 percent and 3.8 percent, respectively.

The crime rate for all of suburban Cook County rose 1 percent in 2008 from 2007, but statistics for Chicago's individual northern suburbs were mixed.

The crime rates in Niles decreased in nearly every category in 2008, according to the Illinois State Police statistics.

There was, however, an increase in criminal sexual assault cases, with 12 incidents reported in 2008, up from 4 in 2007.

"We don't have a sexual predator running around," Niles Police Chief Dean Strzelecki said. "Most of the incidents occurred between people who knew one another and some turned out to be unfounded."

There was also an increase in aggravated assault and battery to 18 from 13 in 2007.

But theft — easily the No. 1 crime committed in Niles — saw a decrease to 767 in 2008 from 777 in 2007.

"Theft is a crime of opportunity and we have a lot of opportunities here in Niles because of our businesses," Strzelecki said. Burglaries



2008 uniform crime rate

The Illinois State Police has released 2008 crime rates for Illinois municipalities. The statistics of the most prevalent offenses in these communities were compiled from police department, sheriff's office and college and university law enforcement agencies. The term "n/c" in the chart indicates that a meaningful percentage change amount cannot be calculated.

	Year	Population	Rate Per 100,000	Total Crime Index	Murder	Criminal sexual assault	Robbery	Aggravated assault/battery	Burglary	Theft	Vehicle theft	Arson
Chicago (16th District)	2008	199,898*	2,762.9	631	3	36	237	186	771	3,721	553	16
	2007	199,898*	2,432.2	507	5	29	244	189	643	3,114	611	27
	% change	n/c	13.5	13.5	-40.0	24.1	-2.9	-1.6	19.9	19.5	-9.5	-40.7
Evanston	2008	75,905	4,001.1	3,037	2	8	124	164	638	1,963	126	12
	2007	75,543	4,112.9	3,107	2	12	141	127	861	1,827	137	0
	% change	0.5	-2.7	-2.3	0.0	-33.3	-12.1	29.1	-25.9	7.4	-8.0	n/c
Lincolnwood	2008	11,871	4,885.9	580	0	2	3	4	42	505	24	0
	2007	11,945	4,646.3	555	0	0	8	9	33	481	24	0
	% change	-0.6	5.2	4.5	n/c	n/c	-62.5	-55.6	27.3	5.0	0.0	n/c
Morton Grove	2008	22,507	1,866.1	420	0	0	3	11	81	295	23	7
	2007	22,462	2,034.5	457	0	1	3	3	95	335	19	1
	% change	0.2	-8.3	-8.1	n/c	-100.0	0.0	266.7	-14.7%	-11.9	21.1	600.0
Niles	2008	28,848	3,164.9	913	0	4	11	18	66	767	46	1
	2007	29,065	3,247.9	944	1	12	17	13	74	777	50	0
	% change	-0.7	-2.6	-3.3	-100	-66.7	-35.3	38.5	-10.8	-1.3	-8.0	n/c
Norridge	2008	14,031	4,347.5	610	1	0	8	7	45	520	29	0
	2007	14,046	3,865.9	543	0	2	9	7	35	465	25	0
	% change	-0.1	12.5	12.3	n/c	-100.0	-11.1	0.0	28.6	11.8	16.0	n/c
Harwood Heights	2008	8,079	2,797.4	226	0	0	0	1	36	171	18	0
	2007	8,125	2,683.1	218	0	0	0	2	16	186	13	1
	% change	-0.6	4.3	3.7	n/c	n/c	n/c	-50.0	125.0	-8.1	38.5	-100.0
Park Ridge	2008	36,843	1,845.7	680	0	2	6	12	132	509	14	5
	2007	36,887	1,569.7	579	0	4	6	16	109	423	21	0
	% change	-0.1	17.6	17.4	n/c	-50.0	0.0	-25.0	21.1	20.3	-33.0	n/c
Skokie	2008	66,659	3,270.4	2,180	0	13	41	90	386	1,530	109	11
	2007	66,659	3,217.9	2,145	0	10	40	99	387	1,498	96	15
	% change	0.0	1.6	1.6	n/c	30.0	2.5	-9.1	-0.3	2.1	13.5	-26.7

*From 2000 Census
Source: Illinois State Police

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also decreased in 2008 to 66, down from 74 the previous year. Strzelecki said residents were eligible to receive a free burglary assessment from the Police Department.

"I'll send somebody out to advise them on how they can prevent burglaries," he said. "They can cut trees or put in lighting or alarm systems."

Robberies were also down to 11 in 2008 from 17 in 2007. Niles had one murder in 2007 but none in 2008.

"A low crime rate is a community thing," Strzelecki said. "It's all about how people work together."

are a big part of it, but it's all about us working with the community. We can't do it alone."

As Pioneer Press reported in June, theft in Park Ridge increased by 20 percent in 2008, as did burglary. The city also saw increases in reports of criminal damage to vehicles and simple assault and battery. The city did see a 27-percent drop in criminal damage to property other than vehicles and declines in motor-vehicle thefts and alcohol and drug-related arrests.

Violent crime in Park Ridge also remained low

There were no murders in 2008, the number of reported criminal sexual assaults dropped from four to two, and aggravated assault and battery declined 29 percent, from 17 incidents to 12.

In total there were 1,931 criminal offenses reported in Park Ridge in 2008, a drop of 17 percent.

Despite large reductions in several crime categories,

NEWS BRIEF

Hospital alters visiting policy
Due to the increased incidence of H1N1 cases in the community, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital/Lutheran General Children's Hospital has temporarily revised the Visitor Guidelines Policy for the safety of patients, visitors and staff.

until further notice, children under 18 years of age are not allowed to visit the hospital's inpatient areas. In addition, visitors with flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, body aches) are asked not to visit patients.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, the H1N1 virus may cause a lot more people to get sick and die this season

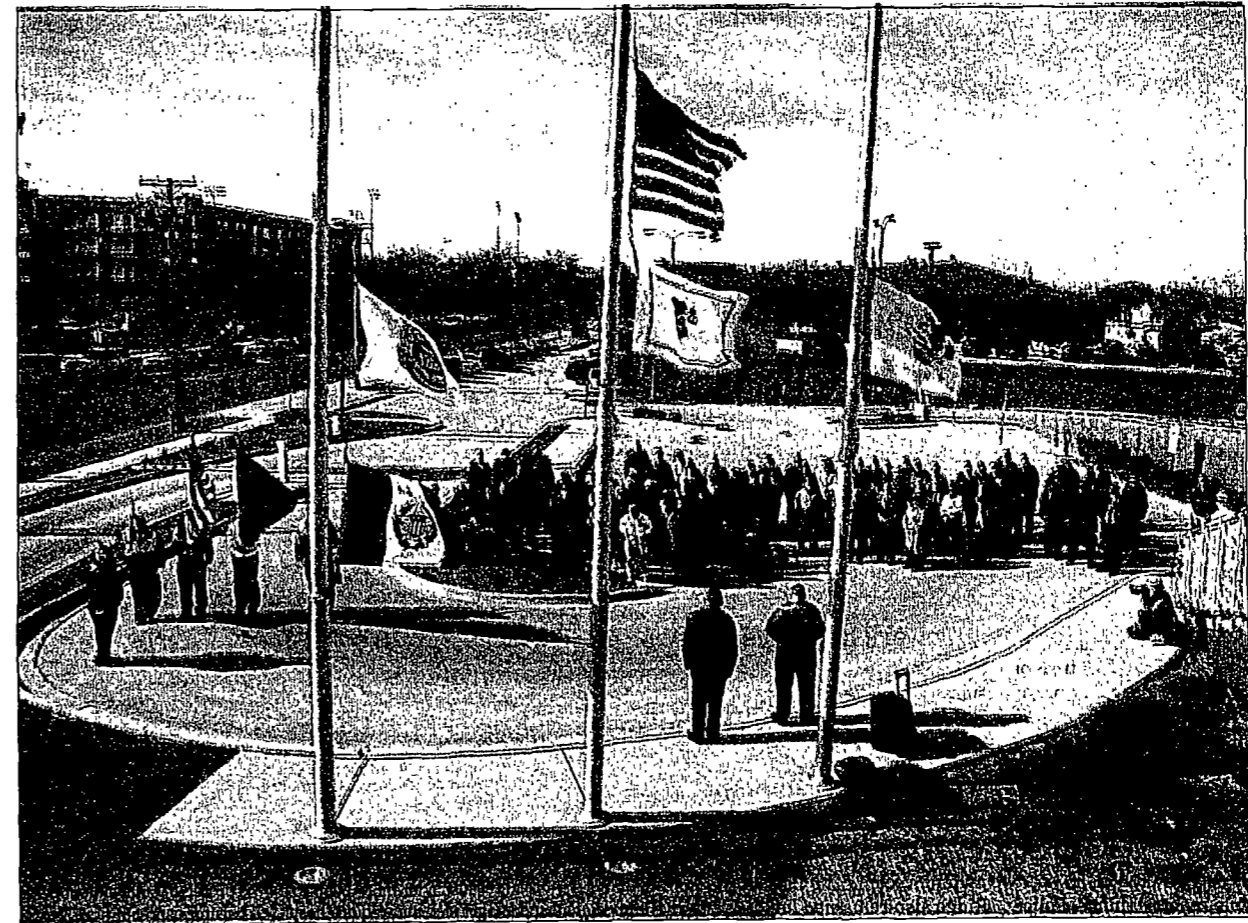
tization than during a typical flu season.

"The majority of those hospitalized will fall into the 5- to 18-year-old age group," said Linda Stein, manager of epidemiology and infectious disease at Lutheran General. "We are doing everything we can to be proactive in protecting our patients, our

Solemn salute



Color-guard team member Gene Corr, of VFW Post 7712, stands with his team Nov. 8 as the village honored its veterans with a parade to the veterans memorial outside the library. (Allen Kaleta/for STM)



Members of VFW Post 7712 salute during TAPS on Nov. 8 as the village honored its veterans with a parade to the veterans memorial outside the library. (Allen Kaleta/for STM)

VFW members and residents gather Nov. 8 outside the Niles Police Department as the village honored its veterans with a parade to the veterans memorial outside the library. (Allen Kaleta/for STM)

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POLICE BLOTTER

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.

DUI

Joseph Samaritano, 29, of 3210 W. Arthington St., Chicago, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Sunday on the 7300 block of North Waukegan Road. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 21.

Casey Mikos, 53, of 8654 N. Merrill Ave., Niles, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Sunday on the 8000 block of North Milwaukee Avenue. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 17.

Jeremy Kapusehinski, 18,

of 6829 W. Seward St., Niles, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Saturday on the 7100 block of West Seward Street. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 21.

Scott Braman, 43, of 8327 N. Waukegan Road, Niles, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Saturday on the 7200 block of North Waukegan Road. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 7.

Manuel Manago, 30, of 358 N. 3rd St., Des Plaines, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Saturday on the 8200 block of North Milwaukee Avenue. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 21.

Alan Oraham, 31, of 8001 Courte Drive, Niles, was

charged with driving under the influence of alcohol Nov. 12 on the 8700 block of North Milwaukee Avenue. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 10.

THEFT

Abida Alami, 31, of 168 W. Broadway St., Des Plaines, was charged with retail theft Friday after she allegedly stole \$312 worth of merchandise from a store on the 400 block of Golf Mill Center. She was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 17.

Maria Rodriguez, 22, of 10368 Michael Todd Terrace, Glenview, was charged with retail theft Friday after she allegedly stole \$248 of merchandise from a store on the 8200 block of West Golf Road. She was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 17.

INVESTIGATION

Prostitution bust nabs 4

Four people were charged Nov. 12 in connection with a prostitution investigation at a Niles hotel, according to police.

Jasmin Ramirez, 21, of 2959 N. Parkside Ave., Chicago, was charged with arranging a meeting for prostitution at Days Inn, 6450 W. Touhy Ave.

Denise Rodriguez, 20, of 5643 W. Fullerton Ave.,

Chicago, was also arrested and charged with soliciting prostitution.

Police said Rodriguez also had an outstanding arrest warrant.

Police also arrested Jim Sneluti, 33, of 6037 N. Sauganash Ave., Chicago, and charged him with arranging a meeting for prostitution.

Sneluti was also found in

possession of a small amount of marijuana, police said.

Carmen Tirillilli, 56, of 1517 Guthrie Drive, Inverness, was also arrested and charged with patronizing a prostitute.

All suspects were released on \$1,000 bond and are due in court Dec. 10.

— By Tony Bertuca
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WE SAY

Give thanks in meaningful ways

For many residents, next week's Thanksgiving celebration will be tempered mightily by the events of 2009: Record joblessness, H1N1 flu, cracked nest eggs, two wars. Insert your suggestion here — the year seemed to have it all.

Even so, many of us will gather with relatives and friends for a traditional feast of turkey, ham, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole and pumpkin pie. We'll give thanks for our families, for friendships we've cherished and, yes, for the bountiful food on the table before us that we can't wait to devour. Leftovers will be scrumptious the next day, too.

We'll also remember the less fortunate people in our midst, but those words will ring hollow unless we reach out to help those who have it far worse than we. To truly count our many

blessings this holiday season, we should vow to help others. This newspaper lists volunteer opportunities throughout the year. For the next few weeks, we will be collecting information on local charity organizations that need your help. Some require volunteer time; others require good such as clothing or food; still others could use your financial contributions.

In the weeks ahead, many local charities need extra volunteers, to serve meals or assemble and deliver food baskets. Consider helping those who are unable to shop for themselves for personal items, perfume, shaving cream, books, playing cards or board games to while away the time between chemotherapy treatments or during kidney dialysis sessions. Check with a shelter that serves homeless people —

Hilda's Place in Evanston readily comes to mind — to offer new pillows, blankets, clothing or other needs.

Thanksgiving is a harvest celebration, so food donations are usually welcome at this time of year. Food pantries welcome cans of fresh food and cooking staples, such as flour, sugar, coffee, bread, peanut butter, jelly or bottled fruit juices. Some organizations may have their Thanksgiving Day needs covered by now, but they still need food contributions for the cold winter months ahead.

Food pantries also welcome monetary donations, which help to extend the holiday generosity over several months, not just a couple of weeks. Still other organizations or associations welcome donations of children's coats, shoes, boots and mittens that are either new or are used but in good condition.

This Thanksgiving, do more than count your blessings. Multiply your good fortune through sharing. In doing so, you will help to build a stronger community. *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*

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Caring for ill parent is a job for the whole 'bunch'



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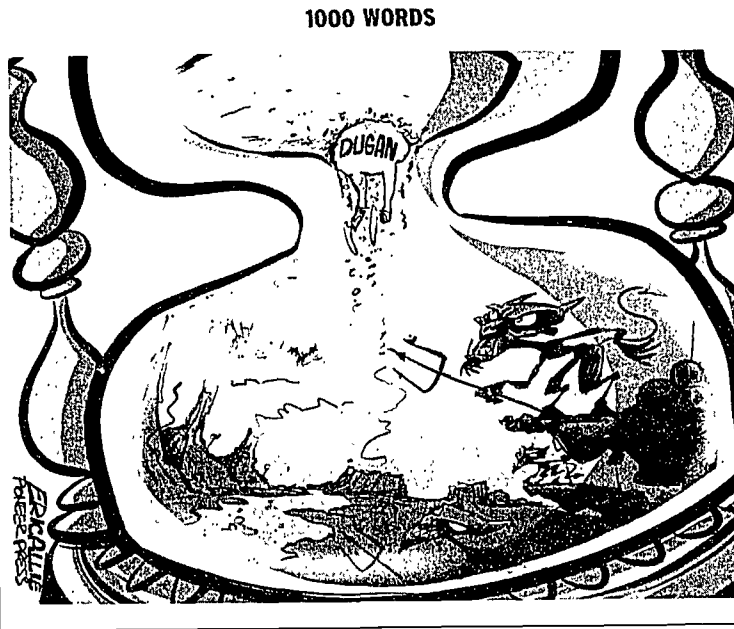
Dear Greg, Peter, Marcia, Bobby and Cindy,

Happy Thanksgiving! I hope this letter finds all of you well! We haven't had a family Thanksgiving in a long time. I have great memories of all of us living in that three bedroom house that Dad designed — so cozy! Right now it's just Mom and me in my two bedroom condo. Now that Mom has dementia there's too much coziness, if you get my drift.

I didn't realize how stressed I was as Mom's

sole caregiver until my last checkup. I was so rude to the doctor that he went over some basic symptoms frequently seen in caregivers. I had all the warning signs of caregiver stress — shortness of breath, knot in the throat, stomach cramps, chest pains, headache, compulsive eating, too much drinking and smoking, plus a lack of patience and a desire to strike out! Who would have thought I would turn out like this?

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1000 WORDS

And we thought 2009 was bad ...



CHERYL O'DONOVAN
VAN MOM STRIKES AGAIN

A few columns ago, I wrote about the movie trailer promoting "2012." Turns out, NASA set up a Web site to address the fears this has caused: www.nasa.gov/topics/earth/features/2012.html.

Likewise, we who struggle in this sputtering economy need a resource to air our fears and grievances.

The government might call it the Bureau of Total Chaos and Hokey, or BOTCH.

Hi, BOTCH: I was taxed for not having my hamster properly leashed. Is this legal? Signed, Taxed Back to the Stone Age

Dear Taxed: Depends on

which state you live in. If it's Illinois, yep, dude, it's probably "legit." Pay now before stiff penalties are assessed.

Hey, BOTCH: My inclination to slap that Balloon Boy's father still burns inside. Have any advice? Signed, Hates Reilly Shows

Dear Hates: Close your eyes. Envision the footage of that flying Jiffy Pop-ish silver balloon. Now imagine a photo of the dad superimposed on that balloon, and you aiming from the ground with a crossbow. Feel better?

Dear BOTCH: I used to live in a nice suburb. I lost my job and six-figure salary and appeared on Dr. Phil's show. He told me to toughen up and to take a minimum-wage job to "put food on the table." I took his advice. I briefly considered the lone drifter/ranch hand offer. When they told me to rope a dogie, I thought they meant the neighbor's Chihuahua. Then, I

luded employment as a greasy spoon waitress. I've scored myself on the coffee maker, caused a geyser when changing the CO2 unit on the soda machine, and wonder why they call their special a "Monte Carlo" sandwich, when this dive is as far from Monte Carlo as it gets. My varicose veins and phlebitis make my legs swell. Can you help? Dr. Phil won't return my calls. Signed, Limping In Suburbia

Dear Limping: You may be confusing the Monte Carlo sandwich with the Monte Cristo, which, in an economic downturn, can be improvised with Criseo and tree bark.

Oh, Dear BOTCH: Is it possible those Mayans got 2012 mixed up with 2010? This year peaked a wallop, but it looks like 2010's going to be even worse. Signed, Van Mom

I'm still waiting for an answer.

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Health

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My doctor referred me to the Family Caregiver Alliance (FCA www.caregiver.org), because he thought I needed some professional help before I snapped. I learned a lot — like taking better care of myself, seeking outside support, and most importantly, asking for help. I decided to start with the five of you first.

I know that all of you have busy careers in Hollywood, but that doesn't mean that your lives are more important than mine. I am as entitled to have a happy fulfilled life as you all are.

I visited the Center of Concern, (847) 823-0453, a nonprofit agency serving individuals of all ages living in northwest Chicago and its suburbs. Among many other services, the center helps people in crisis, following up with support services. There's a special

focus on assisting families as they cope with aging spouses and parents. That would be us for sure! The center can help me with finding a qualified caregiver who can stay with Mom while I go to work. If Mom gets lonely while I am working, they can also do daily reassurance phone calls. That gave me an idea: Why don't you take turns calling her daily to say hello? I am attaching a phone call schedule with this letter.

I got to wondering what else you guys could do in this day of instant communication. I met with Janet Ogle, the social worker at the center, and she gave me some great ideas.

Greg, you're so good with finance, you can manage mom's finances online and make direct deposits to her account (you got the money, bro!). And Marcia, you of Facebook fame, you can set up a Skype program in everyone's home. That way Mom can have virtual visits with you and all of her grandchild-

ren. Face it: Those annual soccer pictures just aren't doing it. Dr. Pete, you know those support staffers you have in your nip 'n' tuck practice? I am sure they can handle going over Mom's Medicare statements to make sure all her bills are being paid correctly. If not, I think your wife may be willing to assist in that regard.

And that leaves Cindy and Bobby. I know the two of you aren't as financially successful as the others. But last I heard, you were taking some pretty snazzy vacations. So I think the least you can do is spend part of your vacation time with Mom. You can either fly her out to California or come here for a week so I can go to a spa. It's my turn, and you owe it to Mom. XOXOXOXO

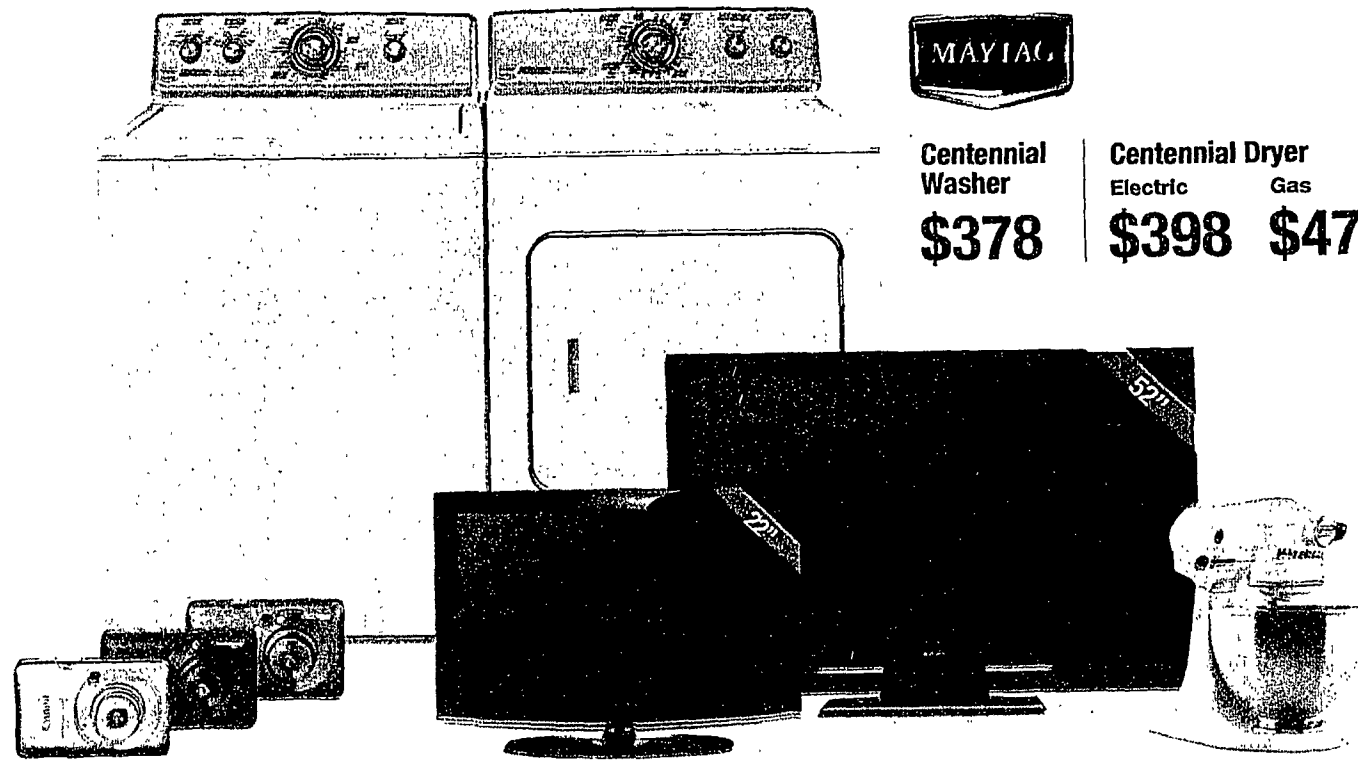
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NEWS BRIEF

Food program participation announced
 Advocate Lutheran General Hospital Older Adult Services announced its participation in the USDA's Child and Adult Care Food Program. The same meals will be served at no separate charge to enrolled participants at its site, 9375 Church St., Des Plaines. Hours of operation are 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 This program, administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the

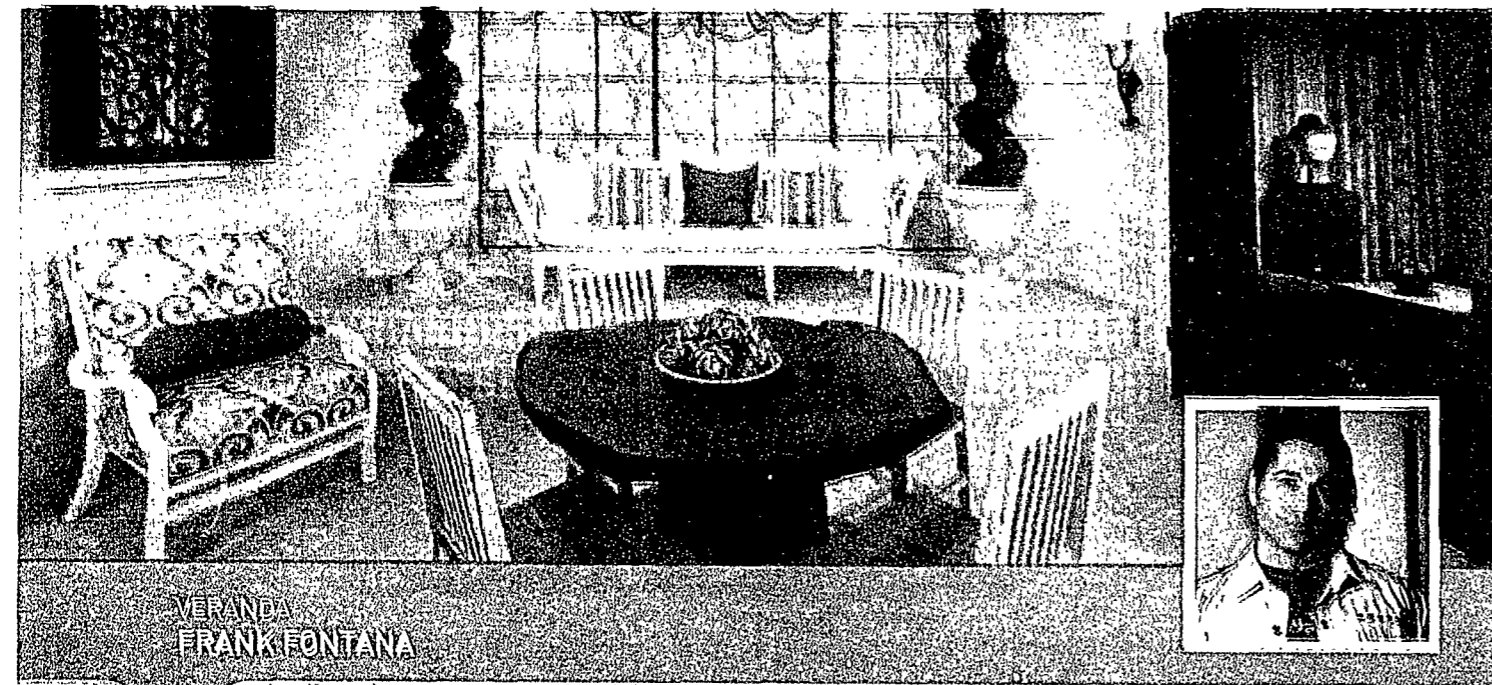
Illinois Department on Aging, gives financial assistance to adult day care service so that nutritious meals can be integrated with non-residential care services. The goal of the program is to improve the diets of participants. The meals and snacks served meet standards established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
 Listed below are the USDA Income Eligibility Guidelines which are effective July 1, 2009 through June 30,

2010. The amount of reimbursement received by Advocate Lutheran General Hospital Older Adult Services is based on the number of enrolled participants whose family income is at or below:
Free Meals: Household size of 1 - \$14,079 yearly or \$1,174 monthly or \$271 weekly; household of 2 - \$18,941 yearly or \$1,579 monthly or \$365 weekly; household of 3 - \$23,803 annually, \$1,984 monthly or \$458 weekly; household of 4 - \$28,665 an-

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tional household member add \$6,919 annually, \$577 monthly, \$134 weekly.
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NEWS BRIEFS

Additional doctors join Lutheran General

David A. Stark, president of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, has announced the appointment of nine physicians to the medical staff:

Dr. Seta Adhikari of Chicago specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Adhikari received her medical degree from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. She completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. A member of Advocate Medical Group, Dr. Adhikari has offices in Chicago and Park Ridge.

Dr. Ewa Bilinski of Niles specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Bilinski received her medical degree from Piaslow Slaskich Memorial Wroclaw Medical Academy. She completed a residency in family medicine at Swedish Covenant Hospital and another in obstetrics and gynecology at Saint

Joseph Hospital. Board certified in family medicine, Dr. Bilinski has offices in Chicago and Hickory Hills.

Dr. Mienela Della Torre of Chicago specializes in maternal and fetal medicine. Dr. Della Torre received her medical degree from the University Statale Di Milano, Italy. She completed a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Chicago Medical Center and a fellowship in maternal and fetal medicine at the University of Illinois Medical Center. Dr. Della Torre is board certified in obstetrics and gynecology. A member of Advocate Medical Group, she has offices in Chicago, Downers Grove and Park Ridge.

Dr. Chawki El-Zein of Palos Hills specializes in cardiovascular surgery. Dr. El-Zein received his medical degree from American University of Beirut where he completed his internship

and residency in surgery. He completed another residency in cardiovascular and thoracic surgery at the University Hospitals of Cleveland. Dr. El-Zein has offices in Chicago and Oak Lawn.

Dr. Erik Lowman of Chicago specializes in infectious disease. Dr. Lowman received his medical degree from Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He completed his residency in internal medicine at the University of Florida College of Medicine at Jacksonville. He also served a fellowship in infectious disease at Rush Medical Center. Dr. Lowman is board certified in internal medicine and has offices in Chicago and Niles.

Dr. Scott O'Donnell of Park Ridge specializes in pediatrics. Dr. O'Donnell received his medical degree from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. He completed his resi-

dency in pediatrics at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. Dr. O'Donnell has an office in Selma, Mo.

Dr. Kristina Patsavas of Palos Heights specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Patsavas received her medical degree from Rush University Medical Center where she also completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Long Island College Hospital. He also served a fellowship in maternal and fetal medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. A member of Advocate Medical Group, Dr. Steinberg has offices in Aurora, Downers Grove, Park Ridge and Winfield.

Dr. Susan Rim of Northbrook specializes in obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Rim received her medical degree from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. She completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. A member of Advocate Medical Group, Dr. Rim has offices in Chicago and Park Ridge.

Dr. Guy Steinberg specializes in maternal and fetal medicine. Dr. Steinberg received his medical degree from Israel Institute of Technology. He completed his residency in internal medicine at Rambam Hospital and Medical Center. Dr. Steinberg completed his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Long Island College Hospital. He also served a fellowship in maternal and fetal medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. A member of Advocate Medical Group, Dr. Steinberg has offices in Aurora, Downers Grove, Park Ridge and Winfield.

annual Readers' Choice survey for the Greater Chicago and Metro Areas of Wisconsin and Indiana.

Voting was open to RNs who ranked a selected hospital in areas that matter to nurses: quality of care, organizational culture, professional development, communication and retention efforts. Advocate Lutheran scored highly in all categories.

ADVANCE provided a list of nearly 272 hospitals in the region and invited readers to rank their facility by responding on a 1-5 scale to 10 statements in five different categories.

Nurses from across the region voted in the unscientific online poll, which was available on the ADVANCE for Nurses Web site from March through July. The Readers' Choice results were featured in the Oct. 12, 2009, issue. *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*

Specializing in maternal and fetal medicine. Dr. Steinberg received his medical degree from Israel Institute of Technology. He completed his residency in internal medicine at Rambam Hospital and Medical Center. Dr. Steinberg completed his residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Long Island College Hospital. He also served a fellowship in maternal and fetal medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. A member of Advocate Medical Group, Dr. Steinberg has offices in Aurora, Downers Grove, Park Ridge and Winfield.

ADVANCE for Nurses newsmagazine announced Advocate Lutheran General Hospital Children's Hospital, Park Ridge, has been selected among "top hospitals" in the magazine's third

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Note: The Center will be closed Nov. 26 and 27 for Thanksgiving. **Center counselors** also are available to help eligible residents apply for Illinois Circuit Breaker property-tax relief grants and license-plate discounts, Illinois Cares Rx (prescription-drug assistance), the senior-citizen real-estate tax exemption and deferral, the sen-

ior-citizen tax-assessment freeze, and the longtime-occupant-homeowner property-tax exemption.

Support groups for Alzheimer's caregivers, those suffering from grief and loss, and seniors seeking to improve their nutrition are available at the Center of Concern in Park Ridge. The center also offers affordable personal counseling to adults of all ages. Call center social worker Myrna Fogarty, (847) 823-0453. The center is at 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge. The center also offers housing counseling for seniors and others seeking affordable housing, programs designed to prevent homelessness, in-home health care referrals, friendly visitors for the homebound and volunteer opportunities in the office and in the field.

Center tax counselors are available to help eligible residents apply for Illinois Circuit Breaker property-tax relief grants and license-plate discounts, Illinois Cares Rx (prescription drug assistance), the senior citizen real estate tax deferral, and the senior citizen tax assessment freeze.

Employment counseling and preparation of simple wills and durable powers of attorney for health care and property also are available by appointment. All services are offered at the Center of Concern offices at 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, in Park Ridge. For services that require an appointment, call (847) 823-0453 weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Chamber

The Maine Township Food Pantry is in desperate need of nonperishable items, including: canned vegetables, canned fruit, jelly, peanut butter, ham-burger/chicken helper, cookies, crackers, spaghetti, rice and snack bars. Items may be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Niles Chamber of Commerce office, 8060 W. Oakton St., inside the NorthSide Community Bank building.

The Niles Chamber of Commerce. 8060 W. Oakton St., (847) 268-8180.

Clubs

Des Plaines Camera Club will meet at 7 p.m. Nov. 23 at Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. The meeting will feature a photo club competition: color and black and white, large and small prints and DPI images. November photo of the month is "Rose" by Gerald Ritchie. Call Cindy Uhlrig, (847) 682-4859.

Netura Hadassah will meet at 12:30 p.m. Nov. 24 at 6666 Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Ron Miller will speak on Dialogue in Troubled Times. Cost is \$3, non members Call (847) 945-1918.

The Niles Historical Society will present Karl Gates who will appraise the "wonders of your home" at 2 p.m. Nov. 22. There is a small fee (\$3) for each article to be appraised; guns, stamps and coins cannot be accepted. Since the Niles Historical Museum is still under renovation, the meeting

takes place at the Niles Park District Oasis Fun Center, 7877 Milwaukee Ave. Admission is free but donations are gladly accepted; plenty of free parking, and following a brief business meeting and the program, there will be refreshments. Space must be reserved in advance by calling (847) 390-0160.

The Henrietta Szold Group of Hadassah North Shore Chapter will celebrate Chanukah Dec. 8 at a member's home in Long Grove at 7:30 p.m. A fun evening is planned with traditional treats and a \$10 grab bag game. Mitzvah donations of toiletries for a Women's Shelter will be collected. Call (847) 205-1900 or e-mail: northshore@hadassah.org.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois will present the film "Maxwell Street: A Living Memory" at 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at Temple Beth Israel, 3601 W. Dempster St., Skokie. The film by Eshel Productions will explore the Jewish experience in Chicago. The JGSI meeting facilities will open at 12:30 p.m. to accommodate members/guests who want to use library materials, get help with genealogy Web sites on the Internet or ask genealogical related questions before the main program begins. For information go to www.jewishgen.org/jgisi or call (312) 666-0100.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7712 meet at 7 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Post at 7680

Caldwell Ave. (next to Tam Tennis in Niles on Howard Street). The Post is open also on Fridays from 7 p.m. until closing. All veterans from Vietnam, Gulf War, Afghanistan Korea and World War II are welcome. Call Bernard Beverly, (847) 966-5479, e-mail james-bond54762@yahoo.com or call (847) 470-9890.

The Korean War Veterans Association, Greater Chicago Chapter No. 25, meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Montclare-Leyden VFW Post, 6940 W. Diversey Ave. Call Joe Henmueller, (773) 774-9671. **I Chiacchieroni** Italian-language din-

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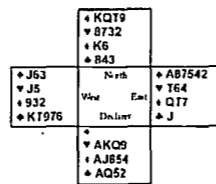
Bridge Bites

From the American Contract Bridge League

By BRIAN GUNNELL

Bridge has a number of exotic "coups" and for the next few weeks we'll look at some of them, starting with the aptly named Crocodile Coup. We'll spare you the auction and just say that American many-time world champion Bob Hamman found himself in a poor 6♦ contract after East had overcalled Spades. You are sitting West, try playing this out looking at just the N-W hands.

You lead the Spade Three. Dummy play the King, East the Ace and Declarer ruffs. Then a Diamond to Dummy's King, a Diamond to Declarer's Jack, and the ♦A. Partner follows with the Seven. Ten and Queen. With trumps drawn. Declarer now plays ♥A, ♥K, ♥Q, East playing the Four. Six, Ten.



Of course, while all this going on, you are busy counting the distribution, because that's what successful defenders do. Declarer ruffed the first Spade so East is known to have started with six Spades. Hearts? East played the Four and then the Six, and "low-high" shows an odd number, in this case three. Diamonds? East started with three of those also. That leaves just one Club with East. He started life with 6=3=3=1 distribution.

Next, Declarer leads a

low Club from his hand and you must avoid the temptation to win this cheaply with the Nine. If you do, East will be forced to overtake with the Jack, and will have to lead a Spade (that's all he had left), allowing Declarer's Club losers to go away on Dummy's Spades. Instead, you alertly squander the ♠K, swallowing Partner's Jack, and you return to the ♣T. Now Declarer never reaches Dummy's Spades, and eventually loses another Club. When this deal was played in the 2006 World Championships, West was caught napping and missed that Crocodile Coup.

Visit www.acbl.org to learn about bridge, or visit the Forest Glen Duplicate Bridge Club, meeting Thursdays at 6:45 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church, 121 E. First St., Hinsdale. (630) 279-0735.

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ner group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at Salerno's, 1716 E. Kensington Road, Mount Prospect. This is a casual evening of conversation in Italian. The next meeting will be Dec. 10. Call Gabriella. (847) 541-8524, or e-mail: ichiaccihieron@yahoo.com.

LeTip International, a business networking organization, recently opened a new local chapter. Area professionals seeking new leads, networking opportunities and valuable business tips are invited to join the group, which meets every Thursday at 7:01 a.m. at Omega, 9100 W. Golf Road in Niles. At each meeting, members exchange qualified business referrals, build professional relationships, create alliances, develop public speaking skills and take turns promoting their products and services. Also, in every LeTip chapter, each business category is represented by one member to prevent conflicts of interest (once you join, your competition cannot). To learn more, contact Janet Hansen, (815) 728-1483, or jvhansen@letip.com. For details on LeTip, visit www.Letip.com.

Join the Catholic Women's Bowling League for Ladies Night Out at Classic Bowl, 8530 Waukegan Road, Morton Grove. Fee is \$15 per week. All skill levels welcome. Call Deanne Drozd at (224) 628-4009 or

drozd@comcast.net.

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

The American Jewish Artists Club is accepting new members. The group, founded in the early 1920s, focuses on the broad aspects of artistic performance and serves to enrich the cultural fiber of the Jewish community. Call Lorre Slaw, (847) 272-0744, or e-mail: lslaw@oakton.edu

Audubon Society of Park Ridge meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month in the Maine Park Leisure Center, Forestview and Sylvia-wood. Guests of all ages are welcome. Call Roger Ginger, (847) 825-2982.

Niles Chapter Toastmasters meets at 7:15 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Morton Grove, 640 Lincoln Ave. Members learn how to feel comfortable and have self-confidence talking to an audience. Call (847) 583-9328.

Community

Shoestring Productions presents a holiday musical review, "Celebrate the Season," in an intimate cabaret-style setting at Stage One, 620 Lee St., Des Plaines. Performances are at 7 p.m. Sundays and 7:30 p.m. Mondays from Nov 29 through Dec. 28 (no performance Dec. 13). Tickets: \$10 which includes admission, dessert and beverage. Free parking. Call (847) 657-7688.

The Chapel at St. Matthew Center for Health, 1601 N. Western Ave., Park

Ridge, will feature an exhibit of more than 325 nativity scenes from around the world, "Room at the Inn," from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 5 and 6. The scenes are from the private collection of Oak Park resident Susan Greeley. Children will especially enjoy the "please touch" table and a chance to win a nativity set of their own. Free. Call (847) 825-5531 or visit www.St.MatthewCenter.org.

The Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, will welcome its second traveling exhibition, "Anne Frank: A History for Today," runs from Dec. 3-Feb. 28. Hours are: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Thursday; and 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The story of Anne Frank and her family is juxtaposed against world events before, during and after Adolf Hitler and the Nazi party's rise to power. Included are dozens of photographs of the Frank family and other occupants of the Secret Annex. The exhibition depicts those who chose to join the Nazi party, those who were bystanders and those who were willing to resist Nazi tyranny. It explores how racism, persecution and genocide were facilitated by political decisions as well as the actions of individuals. Call (847) 967-4800.

Lincolnwood Ballroom and Latin Social Dance will take place Nov. 20 at the Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave. Newly renovated, large dance floor, free parking lot. Comfortable atmosphere for singles, couples Ballroom, Swing, and a

healthy mix of Salsa/Latin. Doors open 7 p.m. Free lesson at 7:15 p.m.; dancing: 7:45-9:45 p.m. Cost is \$10. Co-hosted by Lincolnwood Parks/Recreation and Tina Mangos Dance. (773) 282-5108. www.tinamangosdance.com or www.lincolnwoodil.org.

Saint Andrew Life Center, 7000 N. Newark Ave., will host Breakfast with Santa for children of all ages from 9-11 a.m. Nov 21. Personal tours will also be given. Registration is required. call (847) 647-8332.

Spend \$75 at specialty retailers at Golf Mill Shopping Center now through Nov. 21 and receive one free admission to Kohl Children's Museum in Glenview. Purchases must be on same-day receipts and excludes department stores: JCPenney, Sears, Kohls, Value City Furniture, Target and Shop-N-Save. Enter for a chance to win a four-pack of Mitchel Musso meet-and-greet passes at the Magnificent Mile Lights Festival presented by Harris on Nov. 21, a one-night stay at the Best Western River North Hotel, and a \$100 Golf Mill gift card. Entry forms are available at Customer Service; no purchase necessary to win; must be 16 or under to be eligible. All entries must be submitted by Nov. 15. Radio Disney will be at Golf Mill from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Nov. 14 in Center Court to host a prize-filled show. Visit www.golfmill.com or contact Golf Mill Shopping Center, (847) 699-1070.

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friends to join them in a fun day of Zumba and Lunch at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 8 at the Northbrook YMCA Gym, 2705 Techny Road. A light lunch and conversation will follow. The cost is \$20. Contact the North Shore office, (847) 205-1900, or e-mail northshore@hadassah.org.

Shoestring Productions presents "Listen to My Heart," the songs of David Friedman, a cabaret-style presentation with complimentary dessert and beverage, at 7 p.m. Mondays through Nov. 22 at 620 Lee St., Des Plaines. The cost is \$10. For tickets call (847) 657-7688 or e-mail shoestringprod@sbcojbal.net.

Crafts

The Ladies Protopochos Society of the St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox Church, 7373 N. Caldwell Ave. in Niles, presents "The Symbols of Christmas" Bazaar and Holiday Bake Sale from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Nov. 20 and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 21. Featured will be Christmas treasures, crafts, gifts, floral arrangements, CD's, jewelry, raffle, a Coffee Shop, and homemade Greek pastries. A special visitor from the North Pole shows up on Saturday (10 a.m.-4 p.m.), so bring cameras. The Bake Shop will feature the church's famous homemade pastries, such as Baklava, Diples, Katalifi, Galaktoboureko, Kourambiettes and Melomakarouna

for holiday entertaining. Lunch will be served on both days from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and dinner will be served on Friday only from 5:30-9 p.m. No admission and plenty of free parking. Call ahead to place a pastry order and it will be ready for to pick up: (847) 647-8880.

Get into the holiday spirit with the Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 6. Mass will be celebrated in the auditorium at 10:30 a.m. with music provided by the Irish Heritage Singers; a traditional Irish breakfast follows. Cost for the breakfast is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. Reservations are required; call (773) 282-7035, Ext. 10. Holiday shoppers can browse the bazaar, where there will be a craft sale from Chicago artisans and an Irish-American quilt will be raffled off. There will be raffles and local Irish import stores. The Jolly Holly Bake Shop will sell homemade pies, bread, scones, cakes and cookies. Santa Claus will visit from 1-3 p.m. and children can have their photos taken with him for free. As a special treat, Dragoncello Theater Company and Shapeshifters Theatre will present an original, one-hour performance featuring the myths of ancient Ireland with live traditional Irish music, puppets, and eye-popping costumes. The performance is at 2 p.m. and tickets are \$5 for children and adults. Visit www.irish-american.org.

The Norwood Park Historical Society will hold its annual Victoria's Craft Boutique on Dec. 3, 4, 5 and 6 at No-

ble-Seymour-Crippen House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago. Admission is \$1. Boutique hours are: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Dec. 3 and Dec. 4; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 5; and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 6. The Norwood Park Historical Society runs this handmade-items-only sale as a way to celebrate the holidays and to raise funds to support Noble-Seymour-Crippen House. This year crafts include music boxes, soaps and lotions, stained glass, American Girl doll clothes, wreaths, quilts, ornaments, ceramics, and a variety of bakery items and foods. New this year is the nursery, where visitors can buy handmade infant toys, clothes and accessories for their young children. Visitors may also enjoy Holly Daze Cafe, which serves homemade soups, sandwiches, desserts and other light fare. Boutique attendees may also purchase holiday cookies. Tickets are available at www.norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org.

A Holiday Craft Fair will be held from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 21 and noon-5 p.m. Nov. 22 at St. Andrews Lutheran Church, 260 N. Northwest Highway in Park Ridge. Items include hand-crafted jewelry, doll clothes, sweaters, candles, chocolates, gift baskets, etc. In addition Pampered Chef, Avon and Simply Delicious representatives will also be featured. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Center of Concern, a nonprofit social service agency providing housing solutions, counseling and support services for seniors, disabled, and others in need. Contact Christine Perille, (847) 823-8755.

Fitness Center

Niles Family Fitness Center, 987 Civic Center Dr. Niles, (847) 588-8400 or www.nilesfitness.com. **Through Dec. 15** a savings of \$10 is available upon the purchase of three or more private or semi-private swim lessons. Private lessons are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Lessons are 30 minutes, with a three-lesson minimum. Fees are, for private lessons: \$20, members: \$25, nonmembers: \$16, nonmembers.

Pilates is a series of controlled exercises that engage the mind and body in developing strong flexible muscles without building bulk. Each movement begins with the abdomen, focusing on controlling core muscles. Routines alternate stretching with strengthening. Classes run 9:10-10 a.m. Mondays; 6:10-7 p.m. and 7:15-10 p.m. Wednesdays; 8:05-8:55 p.m. Thursdays; and 6:50-8:10 a.m. Saturdays. Classes run to Dec. 18. Drop-in fees: member \$9, nonmember \$12. Mat training, Reformer training and semi-private classes are available; call Danielle Desherow, (847) 588-8410.

Aqua Antics, 1-5 years: Play group in the pool. This non-instructional swim class is designed to help your child become comfortable in the water. Water toys will be available. Parent/child class.

Mini Picasso's, 18 months-3 years: A great place for your toddler to explore their creative side. They will enjoy painting, play dough, bubbles, and more. Class may be messy so please dress accordingly. Parent/child class.

Romp, Stomp & Roll, 10-20 months: This class is a social experience for both you and your child. Mats, balls, tunnels and age appropriate toys will be offered in this active free play class. Parent/child class.

Me Two, 2 years: This class is offered to ease fears and encourage independence. Semi-structured environment. Stories, music and art are included in each class. Child only class.

Mini Sportsters, 2-4 years: An introductory sports class for your active 2, 3- and 4-year-old. Try out a different sport each week. Parent/child class.

Tumble Bees, 2-4 years: Children will be introduced to basic tumbling skills by participating in activities that teach gross motor skills and organized movement. Class includes basic introduction to the balance beam, floor and horizontal bar. Parent/child class.

Just for Me, 3-4 years: This class is designed for those children who are ready to be on their own in a social preschool environment. Letters, numbers and colors will be taught through active play. Daily gym time and snacks are provided. Class will be offered with a continuing curriculum through spring 2009.

Breakfast Buddies, 3-6 years: In this pint-sized morning cooking class, kids will make and eat some of their favorite breakfast recipes, like pancakes and French toast. Class is offered one or two days a week.

Body Flex Kids, 3-6 years: Scheduled during adult Body Flex, this high energy exercise class will get your child moving and grooving. To cool down

we will end class with kid's yoga. Our instructor will escort your child to and from the Clubhouse.

Fantastic Friday's, 3-6 years: Children will play games, make crafts, go swimming and make new friends. Run errands with your "little helper." Kids must be toilet trained.

Playtime Picasso's, 3-6 years: Designed to explore your child's creative side. Arts and crafts, painting, play-dough along with age appropriate play will highlight this class. Class will be messy.

Recipe for Fun, 3-6 years: Learn to make simple recipes in this pint-sized cooking class. Measuring, mixing, pouring, and stirring are sure to keep your little chefs busy. Each chef will get to eat or take home their own creations.

Silly Science, 3-6 years: This hand's on science class is designed to combine learning and fun. With the use of everyday household items, become a silly scientist and create simple experiments.

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balance while taking cardiovascular drills that target glutes and thighs, and core strengthening exercises which challenge abs, back and waist. Intermediate to Advanced.

Butts, Guts and Step: A 30-minute lower body strengthening workout, including squats, lunges, and core strengthening, followed by 45 minute step workout, which includes high intensity step aerobics and a cool down stretch. Intermediate to Advanced.

Cardio Dance: High energy class with music. This 45-minute calorie burner followed by some work at the bar to stretch and work balance. Beginner to Intermediate.

Cardio Fusion: Cardiovascular workout with muscle shaping with interval Step, plyometrics, kickboxing or BOSU combinations with strength training. Finish with core work and stretch. Intermediate to Advanced.

Dance Aerobics: Includes a mix of dance, and aerobics, followed by an abdominal workout. Intermediate to Advanced.

Fantasy Fight: 60 minutes of choreographed low-impact simulated fight sequences derived from the martial arts, boxing and basic self-defense, designed to condition the heart, burn calories and improve self-confidence; handwraps required, available at the Membership Service Desk for \$5.

Heart Rate Up & Pump: Get heart rate up with this variety of high-intensity, low-impact cardiovascular routines with some muscle conditioning. Beginner to Intermediate.

Lite & Fit: Perfect for the mature adult. Work at your own pace - a combination of low-impact (with some high intensity) aerobics. May include basic step, stability ball work, body toning with ab and back strengthening. Beginner to Intermediate.

Step & Stretch: This 60 minute step class includes a warm-up, high intensity step aerobics, and a Yoga inspired stretch.

Yoga: Work the mind and body.

Food Drive

Village of Niles employees, Citibank and PNA Bank are partnering together for a food drive to ensure no person in Niles goes hungry this Thanksgiving and holiday season. Demand for assistance is rising due to unemployment, high food prices and utilities and a troubled economy. This community effort will be held through Dec. 10. Donations by the public are deeply appreciated. Donations of nonperishable food items may be dropped off at any of the following locations: Village Hall, 1000 Civic Center Drive; Family Services and Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive; Niles Fitness Center, 987 Civic Center Drive; Niles Fire Department, 8360 W. Dempster St.; Niles Police Department, 7000 W. Touhy Ave.; Niles Public Works, 6849 Touhy Ave.; Citibank, 8400 W. Dempster St.; PNA Bank, 7840 N. Milwaukee Ave.

Fundraisers

It is not too late to donate money to the annual Knights of Columbus Candy Drive to help mentally handicapped children. To donate, send tax-free donations to: KC Council 4338, c/o Ken Lee, 8307 N. Harlem Ave. Niles IL 60714.

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois present the annual Holiday Harvest dinner auction Nov. 21 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Plumbers and Pipefitters Union Hall in Aurora. Proceeds from this event benefit the outstanding programs for Girl Scouts in Northern Illinois. The theme for this year's Holiday Harvest is Hollywood Harvest. Highlights of the evening include a live and silent auction, cash bar, and sit-down dinner. Tickets are \$75 per person with \$40 of each ticket tax-deductible. Call the Sugar Grove Service Center, (630) 897-1565 or visit www.girlscoutsni.org.

The Morton Grove Group of Hadassah North Shore Chapter invites Hadassah members, associates and the public to a special luncheon at 1 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Golden Chef, 600 S. Milwaukee, in Wheeling. Guest speaker will be Ray Hanania, comedian, journalist, radio personality, and Pulitzer Prize nominee. Hanania, who has toured Israel, will present an unusual wit-filled and knowledgeable program about Israel-Palestinian relations. Admission is \$18 to benefit Youth Aliyah/Children at Risk. For information contact the North Shore office at (847) 205-1900 or e-mail: northshore@hadassah.org.

The Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, is offering a distinctive shopping experience this holiday season. For two days, the Legacy Shop International Holiday Boutique will offer shoppers one-of-a-kind gifts including books for adults and children, unique Judaica from around the world, handmade jewelry, stationery and museum merchandise. Many of the items in the Legacy Shop are not sold anywhere else in Chicago. The Legacy Shop also has an extensive collection of fair trade merchandise. For each fair trade item sold, a percentage is donated back to artisans in developing countries. The event which benefits the museum will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 22 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 23. Call (847) 967-4806 or visit www.ill-holocaustmuseum.org.

The Norwood Park Historical Society will hold its 26th annual Holiday House Tour from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 5. Six private homes, plus the landmark Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, will be on the tour. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The tour begins at Norwood Park Field House, 5801 N. Natoma Ave., Chicago. Guests may walk through the neighborhood to enjoy the homes, or may take the free shuttle bus from house to house. Children younger than 12 are not allowed; infants may be carried. Each house is decorated for the holidays, and a brief history of the home is offered for attendees. Tickets may be purchased by going to www.norwood-parkhistoricalsociety.org or by mailing a check and postage-paid envelope to: Attn: Holiday House Tour, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago IL 60631. The fundraiser is held in conjunction with Victoria's Craft Boutique, Dec. 3, 4, 5 and 6, at Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago. Admission to the boutique is \$1.

The Knights of Columbus Council 4338 is conducting a Wheelchairs for the Needy campaign. The public is in-

ited to help others by providing donations for a wheelchair. For as little as \$75, the needy can gain their mobility with a new wheelchair. Donations may be sent to: Wheelchairs for Needy, c/o KC Council 4338, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles IL 60714.

The Knights of Columbus are still distributing Tootsie Roll candy and banks with all profits given to mentally handicapped children. Tootsie Roll bars are available at 50 bars per package for \$6. The candy banks are \$2 each. Contact Ken Lee, (847) 967-6234. Send monetary donations to: KC Council 4338, c/o Ken Lee, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles IL 60714.

The Rotary Club of Skokie Valley will hold a holiday plant-sale fundraiser to support local area charities. As in years past the sale features poinsettias, azaleas, holiday wreaths and balsam ropes coming directly from a wholesaler's greenhouse. Plants may be picked up or delivered before Thanksgiving or anytime before Dec. 18 from an Evanston greenhouse. Prices start at \$8. For more details call Mark Schneiderman, (847) 933-4354.

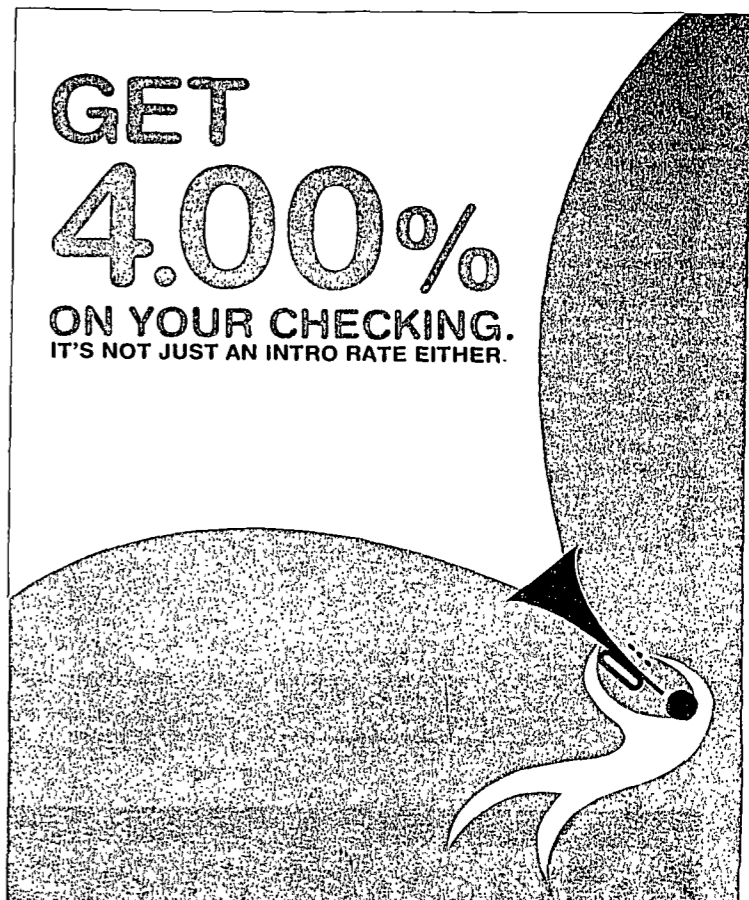
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Our Lady of Ransom Parish in Niles is selling Entertainment 2010 Books, \$20. The book offers a variety of values, mainly two-for-one deals at many restaurants and establishments. Discounts also cover travel, car rentals, movie theaters, hotel discounts and more. Proceeds benefit the parish. To order a book call Josephine Bax, (847) 823-2550.

Health

Saint Benedict Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 6930 W. Touhy Ave., will present, "Osteoporosis and Bone Density Testing: What You Need to Know" from 7-8 p.m. Dec. 2. This free, informative lecture by a Resurrection Health Care physician will describe the causes, effects and ways to prevent bone loss. A free bone density test, which is painless and uses small amounts of X-rays, will also be offered. Attendees should dress comfortably and do not have to remove any clothing. Refreshments will be served after the program. Space is limited and reservations are necessary. Call Saint Benedict Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, (847) 647-0003 by Nov. 30 for to reserve a space.

To focus a much-needed, objective light on the ethical concerns regarding the national debate on healthcare reform, the LIFE Institute of Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care will host a public forum on "Ethics and Healthcare Reform" at 7 p.m. Nov. 19 at Edison Park Lutheran Church, 6626 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago. AP-award-winner and Emmy-nominated Margaret Shortridge, FOX Chicago's former medical reporter of 10 years, will moderate the panel of four healthcare experts.



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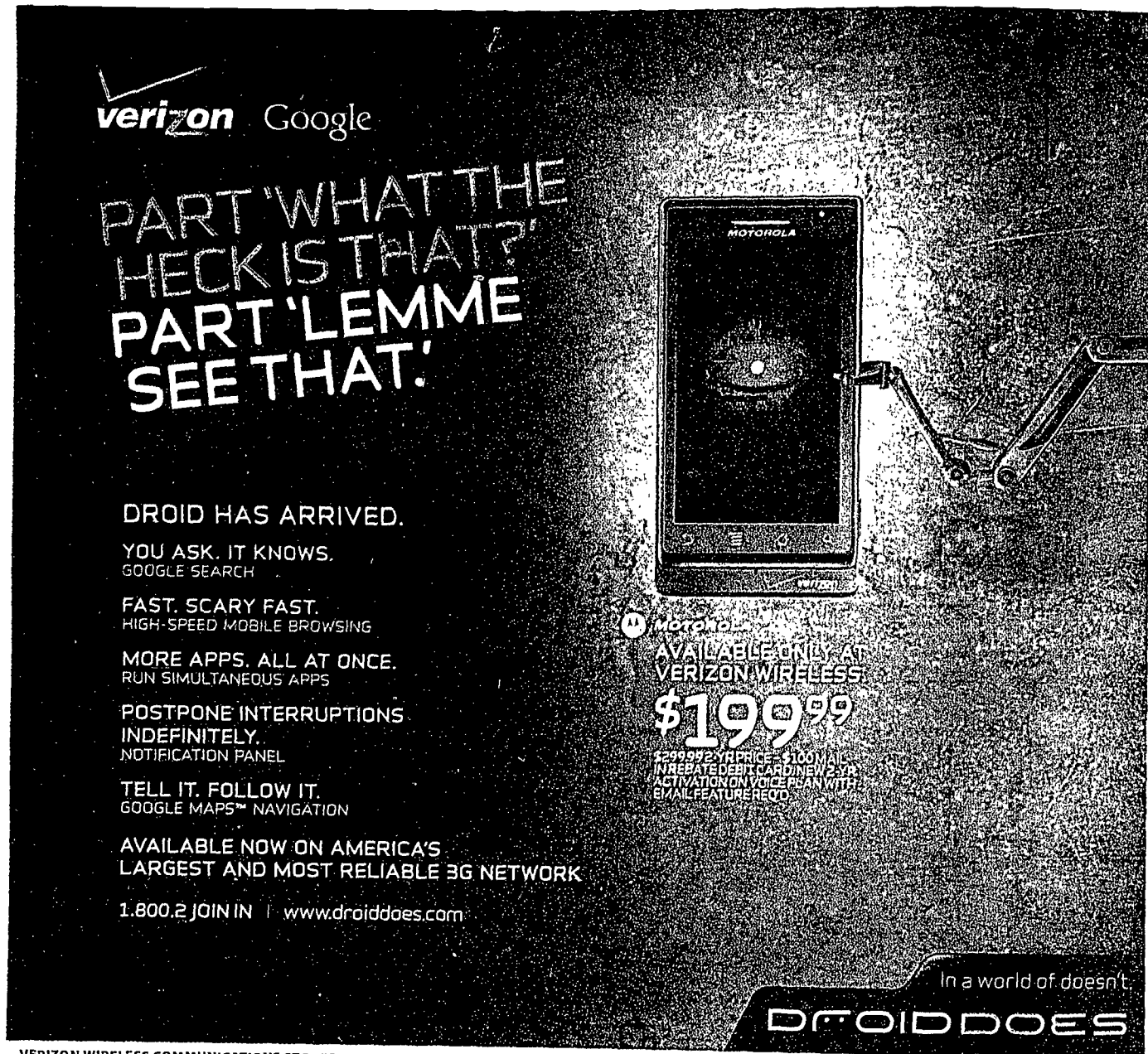
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4 For Your Consideration

A quartet of activities for the coming week



The Makem and Spain Brothers

1. Tommy Makem Tribute Concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, with performances by The Makem and Spain Brothers, The Larkin and Moran Brothers, The Chancey Brothers and others. \$35. (773) 282-7035 or www.irish-american.org.

2. Winter Arts + Crafts Expo, Nov. 21-Dec. 22 at the Evanston Art Center, 2603 Sheridan Road. Hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Saturday; noon-4 p.m. Sundays. Closed Thanksgiving. Special hours from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Dec. 21-22. Call (847) 475-5300 or visit www.evanstonartcenter.org.

3. Heather Moran presents "I Told Ya I Loved Ya, Now Get Out ... A Celebration of '50s Naughty Housewife Jazz," at 8 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. \$25-\$30. (847) 677-7761 or www.skokietheatre.com.

4. Northwest Symphony Orchestra performs at 3:30 p.m. Nov. 22 in the Theatre for the Performing Arts at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. The program includes portions of "The Nutcracker Ballet" and "Peter and the Wolf." \$10-\$20. www.northwestsymphony.org.

'South Pacific'

Tony Award-winning Broadway revival at Rosemont Theatre

'South Pacific'
7:30 p.m. Nov. 24, 2 and 7:30 p.m. Nov. 25, 2 and 8 p.m. Nov. 27-28, 2 p.m. Nov. 29 at Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road. \$39.50-\$79.50. (600) 745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com. www.SouthPacificOnTour.com or www.RosemontTheatre.com.

By **WYNN KOEBEL FOSTER**
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If the critics can be believed, area theatergoers can expect some enchanted evenings and a handful of rather spectacular afternoons in their immediate futures. The Lincoln Center Theater production of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's iconic musical, "South Pacific," is coming to the Rosemont Theatre for a limited, six-day run, Nov. 24-29.

The New York critics exhausted their supplies of superlatives on the Broadway show, calling it "beguiling," "wonderful," "overwhelming," "flawless," "rapturous" and "revelatory." Praise for the touring production has been equally effusive: "slimmering," "ravishing," "vibrant," "truthful" and "relevant." New York critic Michael Sommers predicted audiences will remember the Broadway show forever; the San Francisco Chronicle said the touring production was "the 'South Pacific' we've been waiting for."

The 2008 Tony Awards ceremony turned into a veritable "South Pacific" love fest. The sold-out show earned an impressive seven Tonys, including Best Revival of a Musical, Best Direction of a Musical (Bartlett Sher), Best Performance by a Leading Actor in a Musical (Paulo Szot as Emile de Becque), Best Scenic Design of a Musical (Michael Yeargan), Best Costume Design of a



Anderson Davis as Lt. Joseph Cable and Sumie Maeda as Liat in "South Pacific," coming to the Rosemont Theatre Nov. 24-29.

Musical (Catherine Zuber), Best Lighting Design of a Musical (Donald Holder) and Best Sound Design of a Musical (Scott Lehrer). Mezzo soprano Carmen Cusack as U.S. Navy nurse Nellie Forbush and internationally known bass baritone David Pittsinger as French plantation owner de Becque will headline the Rosemont production's cast. Chiengo area theater buffs will recall Cusack's memorable portrayal of Elphaba in "Wicked" — they just might not recognize her without the Wicked Witch's green makeup. Pittsinger, who will join the touring company before it reaches Rosemont, played

de Becque on Broadway during Szot's absence. More recently, he was seen in the role of Angelotti in "Tosca" at the Metropolitan Opera. The show's supporting cast includes Anderson Davis (as Lt. Joe Cable), Matthew Saldivar (Luther Billis), Keala Settle (Bloody Mary), Gerry Becker (Capt. Brackett), Peter Rini (Cmdr. Harbison), Sumie Maeda (Liat), Rusty Ross (Professor), Genson Blimline (Stewpot), Christina Carrera (Ngana) and CJ Palma (Jerome). "South Pacific" is based on author James Michener's Pulitzer Prize-winning "Tales of the South Pacific." The



Matthew Saldivar as Luther Billis and the Seabees of "South Pacific."



Carmen Cusack as Ensign Nellie Forbush in "South Pacific." (Photos by Peter Coombs)

musical's book was written by Joshua Logan and Hammerstein. Rodgers wrote the score; Hammerstein, the lyrics. The play contains a number of Broadway's most memorable songs — "Younger Than Springtime," "Bali Ha'i," "There is Nothin' Like a Dame," "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair" and "Some Enchanted Evening." The show is set on an island in the tropics during World War II. Central to the plot are two love stories: Forbush and de Becque, and Lt. Cable and

Bloody Mary's daughter, Liat, a beautiful native girl. Learned prejudices threaten both sets of lovers. And the war looms, never far from the foreground. Sher, the Broadway production's Tony Award-winning director, will also direct the Rosemont show. The show's scenic designer, costume designer, lighting designer and sound designer will reprise for the touring company the work on Broadway that earned them their Tonys. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

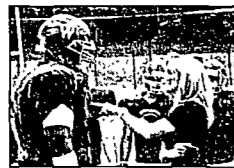
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BAD LIEUTENANT: PORT OF CALL NEW ORLEANS

Nicolas Cage stars in this remake of the 1992 cult classic about a corrupt cop doing his best to self-destruct. Directed by Werner Herzog ("Rescue Dawn," "Encounters at the End of the World"). Rated R for drug use and language throughout, some violence and sexuality.

THE BLIND SIDE

A well-to-do family led by a



"The Blind Side"

feisty matriarch (Sandra Bullock) takes in a homeless, uneducated teenager (Quenton Aaron), who becomes an All-American football player and a first-round draft choice. John Lee Hancock ("The Rookie") wrote and directed the sports drama. Rated PG-13 for one

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scene involving brief violence, drug and sexual references.

PLANET 51

In this animated family comedy, an American astronaut (voice of Dwayne Johnson) lands on a new planet only to find that the little green residents are terrified of alien invaders such as himself. Rated PG for mild sci-fi action and some suggestive humor.

TWILIGHT SAGA: NEW MOON

The second installment in the mega-popular supernatural teen romantic adventure features new dangers for Bella (Kristen Stewart) after she separates from her vampire heartthrob Edward (Robert Pattinson) and bonds with an even more risky love interest. Directed by Chris Weitz ("The Golden Compass"). (130 min.) Rated PG-13 for some violence and action.

STILL PLAYING

2012

This epic disaster movie depicts a global cataclysm and its survivors. Roland Emmerich ("The Day after Tomorrow") directed the adventure, featuring John Cusack, Amanda Peet, Woody Harrelson, Danny Glover, Oliver Platt and Thandie Newton. (158 min.) Rated PG-13 for intense disaster sequences and some language.

PIRATE RADIO

Sex? Check. Drugs? Check. Rock 'n' roll? Check. Degenerate behavior? Check. But all in disappointingly safe and relatively wholesome doses, buoyed by upbeat comedy and marshaled in the service of baby-boomer nostalgia. This love letter to the rebellious spirit of the '60s - and, specifically, the floating pirate radio stations that supplied England with rock music 24/7 during a period of government censorship - is a generally entertaining ensemble comedy featuring colorful performances by a group of A-list actors (including Philip Seymour Hoffman and Kenneth Branagh) playing two-dimensional characters with little to recommend them aside from some clever repartee from writer/director Richard Curtis ("Four Weddings and a Funeral," "Love, Actually," the great "Black Adder BBC comedy series). "Pirate Radio" is a lot of fun at times, but this is a story that could have profited from a more realistic approach. Curtis's vision of the era has all the grit and substance of a Disney theme park ride. (B) (135 min.) Rated R for language and some sexual

content including brief nudity.

THE BOX

A married couple (Cameron Diaz, James Marsden) face a moral dilemma when a mysterious stranger (Frank Langella) shows up at their door with a small wooden box and a message: Pressing the button on the box will get them a million dollars, but also cause the death of someone somewhere in the world. Hey, people die all the time, right? Richard Kelly ("Donnie Darko") wrote and directed the thriller. (115 min.) Rated PG-13 for thematic elements, some violence and disturbing images.



"Twilight Saga: New Moon"

DISNEY'S A CHRISTMAS CAROL

An animated retelling of the Dickens holiday classic, shot in the motion-capture style of "The Polar Express," featuring Jim Carrey as Scrooge and a half dozen additional characters. Adapted and directed by Robert Zemeckis ("Polar Express," "Forrest Gump"). (96 min.) Rated PG for scary sequences and images.

THE FOURTH KIND

For decades, people have been disappearing from Nome, Alaska. Could they be the victims of alien abduction? Did anyone ever think they just wanted to get the heck out of Nome? Milla Jovovich stars as a psychologist investigating the mystery. (98 min.) Rated PG-13 for violent/disturbing images, some terror, thematic elements and brief sexuality.

THE MEN WHO STARE AT GOATS

The main problem with this amusing, generally amiable, but ultimately frustrating offbeat comedy is that it can't quite decide which way it wants to go with its eccentric protagonists: Whether to hold them up to ridicule or salute them as right-thinking idealists who can't find their place in a cruel world. Ewan McGregor and George Clooney are an uneasy pairing as a fledgling war correspondent and a retired U.S. Army psychic spy run-

ning afoul of insurgents, kidnapers and American mercenaries in Iraq while the psychic tries to fulfill one final mission. "Goats" is lots of fun at times, with a fair number of entertaining moments in the quirky Coen brothers style, but debut director Grant Heslov seems to have only a fuzzy idea of where he wants the story to go (military satire? liberal anti-war tract?). As a result, it gets nowhere in particular. Based on a best-selling non-fiction book by English journalist Jon Ronson. (B) (93 min.) Rated R for language, some drug content and brief nudity.

ASTRO BOY

The Astro-great-granddaddy of all anime comes to the screen with a reasonable amount of entertainment value in this expensive animated family adventure, but with little of the eccentric imagination of the original 1963 Japanese TV series. When the young son of the Minister of Science (voiced by the oddly cast Nicolas Cage) in a floating, futuristic city dies in a lab mishap, his bereaved father uses his DNA to create a super-powered robot replica. The robot boy doesn't ease dad's grief, though, and he's forced to find his own lonely way in life (as a rocket-powered boy hero) after being spurned. There's a fair amount of fun in the new "Astro Boy," but some of its themes - death, abandonment, war, slavery - are surprisingly dark for a story that's clearly aimed at a very young audience. And while they're eventually balanced by more upbeat opposites - rebirth, reunion, peace and justice - it's still a bit of a wearisome slog. (B) (94 min.) Rated PG for some action and peril, and brief mild language.

CIRQUE DU FREAK: THE VAMPIRE'S ASSISTANT

It's nice to learn a trade, but being a plumber's assistant would be less dangerous. And maybe even more fun than this tepid adaptation of Darren Shan's popular kid-lit series. The scares are mild and the comedy is even milder in this collapsed version of the first three "Cirque du Freak" books about a young man named Darren (Chris Massoglia, uninterested and uninteresting) who runs away to join the freak show and finds himself in the middle of a war between the good vampires, who don't kill people, and the bad vampires, who do. Writer/director Paul Weitz ("About a Boy") establishes a reasonably spooky mood and keeps the slightly twisted humor flowing (at a dribble), but John C. Reilly provides the only real entertainment as Darren's sardonic, world-weary vampire mentor. (B) (108 min.) Rated PG-13 for sequences of intense supernatural violence and action, disturbing images, thematic elements and some language.

-Reviews by Bruce Ingram

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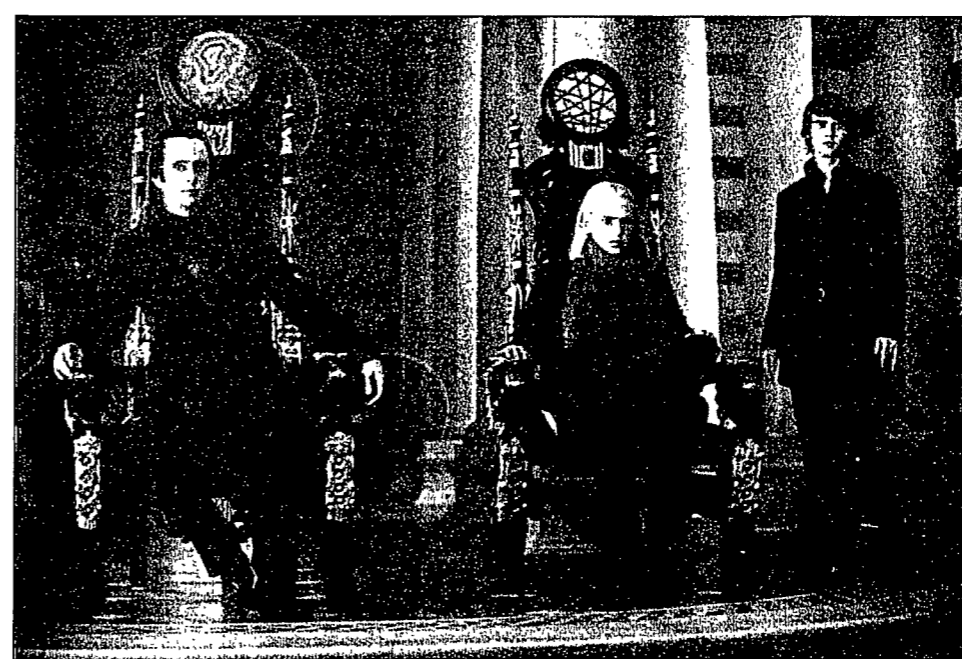
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Handel's "Messiah" will be performed as part of Northwestern University Choral's 70th annual Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5 and 3 p.m. Dec. 6 in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Conducted by music faculty member Robert A. Harris, the performance will also include members of the Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$12; \$9 senior citizens; \$6 students. Call (847) 467-4000 or visit www.pick-staiger.org.

"The Nutcracker" will be presented by The Civic Ballet of Chicago at 3 p.m. Dec. 12-13 at Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$35. For an additional \$10 per person, families can enjoy holiday treats, meet and take

photos with Santa and costumed characters from "The Nutcracker" during the Sugar Plum Parties immediately following each performance. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.centreeast.org.

"The Nutcracker," featuring the Ballet Chicago Studio Company and the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra, 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Pickwick Theatre, 5 S. Prospect, Park Ridge. Tickets are \$30; \$25 for students and senior citizens; \$15 for children. Call (847) 692-PRCO or (847) 823-8861 or visit www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org.

"Nutcracker on Ice," at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11; 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Robert Crown Center, 1701 Main St., Evanston. General admission tickets are \$8.50; reserved seats are \$9.50. Group discounts are available. For information, call (847) 448-8258.

"Family Nutcracker - Duke It Out: Ellington vs. Tchaikovsky," 10 a.m. Dec. 12 at the Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. The performance features Dance Chicago and guest soloists from the Moscow Ballet in a side-by-side comparison of the classical and jazz versions of the holiday favorite. Call (847) 905-1500, ext. 10, or visit www.musicinstituteofchicago.org.

"The Nutcracker," presented by the Jeffrey Ballet Dec. 11-27 at The Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University, 50 E. Congress Parkway, Chicago. Performances at 7 p.m. Dec. 11, 17-18; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 12, 19, 22-23; and 2 p.m. Dec. 13, 20, 24, 26 and 27. Tickets: \$25-\$100. Call (800) 982-2787 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

"A Nutty Nutcracker Christmas," presented by Emerald City Theatre through Jan. 2 at the Apollo Theater, 2540 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. Tickets start at \$15 for adults; \$12 for children. Call (773) 935-6100 or visit www.emeraldcitytheatre.com.

"Mrs. Claus: A Holiday Musical," presented by Chicago Kids Company at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 16-17 and 10:30 a.m. and noon Dec. 18 at the Copernicus Center, 5216 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. \$10. Call (773) 205-9600 or visit www.chicagokidscompany.com.

Christmas Bazaar, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 6 at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. Mass is celebrated in the auditorium at 10:30 a.m. and a traditional Irish breakfast follows. The Irish Heritage Singers will provide the music for the mass. Cost for the breakfast is \$8. \$4 for children, and reservations are required. The Jolly Holly Bake Shop will sell homemade pies, bread, scones, cakes and cookies, and Santa Claus will visit from 1-3 p.m. Dragonello Theater Company and Shapeshifters Theatre will present a one-hour performance featuring live traditional Irish music and puppets at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5. For information, call (773) 282-7035, ext. 10, or visit www.irish-american.org.

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Shedding light on schizophrenia with 'One Simple Life' movie

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By J.T. MORAND
 jtmorand@pioneerlocal.com

When the pedestrian passes Mark on the street, it sure sounds like the passer-by called the schizophrenic protagonist in "One Simple Life" a freak for no good reason. No wonder Mark unleashes a verbal assault on the stranger.

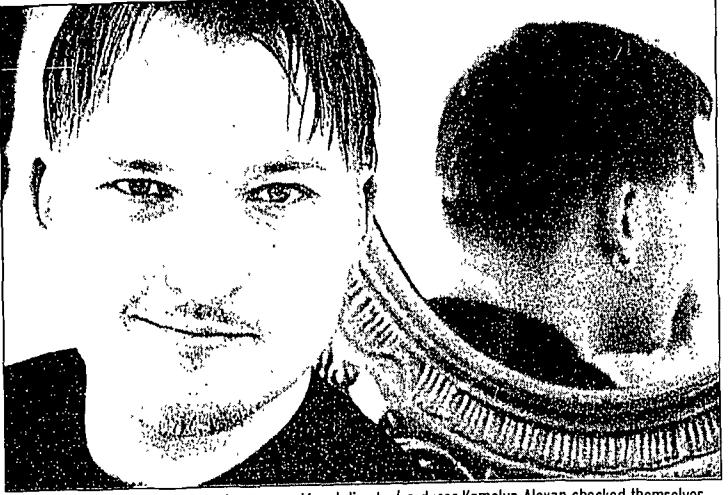
But then, Mark also welcomes with open arms a homeless man who jumps off a trash bin toward him in an alley.

It doesn't seem to make sense, but director/producer Kamelya Alexan, of Skokie, is hoping for some understanding about schizophrenia from the audiences that will see her 21-minute movie inspired by the plight of her cousin, who is living with the mental illness.

In "One Simple Life," six years after being diagnosed with schizophrenia, Mark, played by Brian Soszynski, tries to come to terms with the voices in his head, the hallucinations, the paranoia, the loneliness, the anxiety and the mysterious and voiceless girl.

Alexan had just finished working as a production assistant on "The Dark Knight" when she felt compelled to "make a movie on something that matters," she told partner Soszynski. She thought of her cousin and his father, who works overseas and doesn't understand what's happening to his son.

But, in developing the idea, she was careful to differentiate between people with multiple personality disorders and people with schizophrenia, two different conditions. She also said the story of Mark does not represent all people



Writer/executive producer/actor Brian Soszynski and director/producer Kamelya Alexan checked themselves into a rehabilitation home to learn more about patients with schizophrenia.

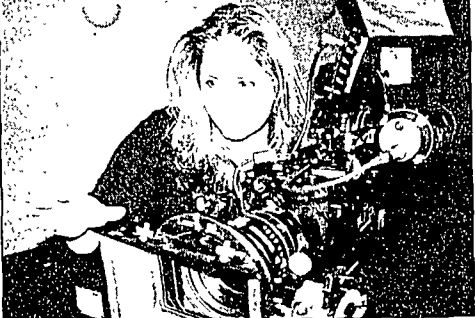
with schizophrenia. "This is one case of schizophrenia that people can relate to," she said.

She and Soszynski, who wrote the dialogue for the film, immersed themselves in the world of Alexan's cousin by checking themselves into the rehabilitation home where he lives.

Although they didn't experience all the symptoms people with schizophrenia endure, they did feel anxious and paranoid. "We became extremely depressed," she said. "We started asking ourselves if we were OK. You see life in a different way."

Alexan's cousin then fact-checked the script and offered suggestions on how to make the story more realistic.

For cast and crew, Alexan reached out to people she knew from her time at Columbia College and from her time on "The Dark Knight." She brought on George Hambach, who has had parts in more than 70 major motion pictures including "The Dark Knight," in which he played a detective. He also had a recurring role in the television show, "The Beast," which starred Patrick



Kamelya Alexan based "One Simple Life" on the struggles with schizophrenia her cousin deals with every day.

Swayze. In "One Simple Life," he plays psychiatrist Dr. James Schmidt.

For the part of the hapless pedestrian victim, she turned to high school friend Ken Stack, of Skokie, who didn't start acting until he was 20.

"When she told me about it, I thought it was a noble idea," Stack said. However, she was a little hesitant to cast her writer Soszynski in the lead role because she had never seen him do live action drama.

"But, he did an amazing job," she said.

Filming, with a budget of just \$3,000, took place over seven days in Chicago during the winter because

Alexan wanted a lonely and bleak backdrop to enhance Mark's experience as a schizophrenic.

"It was done in the winter to show the death of the city and the death of the character," she said.

While Alexan's primary goal is to raise awareness of schizophrenia, she also wants to cement her name as the first female Assyrian filmmaker. Filmmaking, she said, is not a common aspiration for Assyrian women, but she hopes "One Simple Life" will change that.

"It's about an Assyrian," she said. "And, I am Assyrian." Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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at 3 p.m. Dec. 5-6 in the Cindy Pritzker Auditorium at the Chicago Public Library, Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State St. Chicago. Gian Carlo Menotti's holiday favorite will be sung in English, with orchestra, and feature dancers from Ensemble Español Center for Spanish Dance & Music. A 20-minute program of Christmas carols, sung by a children's chorus, will begin each performance. Tickets: \$25; \$20 seniors and students; \$10 children 12 and under. Visit www.chamberopera-achicago.org or call (312) 951-7944.

"Christmas Follies" will be presented by the Chicago Gay Men's Chorus at 8 p.m. Dec. 11 and 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport Ave., Chicago. Reserved seats \$25-\$35. For tickets, visit www.ticketmaster.com or call (312) 902-1500. For information, visit www.cgmcc.org.

"It's a Wonderful Life. Live at the Biograph" presented by American Blues Theater Nov. 27-Dec. 27 at Victory Gardens Theater at the Biograph, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. Marty Higginbotham directs a new adaptation of the classic story based on the Frank Capra movie, performed as a period radio piece complete with commercial breaks. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursdays (except 7 p.m. Dec. 3), 8 p.m. Fridays (no performance Dec. 25), 5 and 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$32 for Thursday evening and Saturday and Sunday matinees, \$40 for Friday and Saturday evenings. Call (773) 871-3000 or visit www.victorygardens.org.

"Miracle on 34th Street" will be presented by Porchlight Music Theatre Nov. 20-Jan. 3, 2010, at Theatre Building Chicago, 1225 W. Belmont. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays; 2:30 and 8 p.m. Saturdays; and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$40, with discounts available for students and seniors. Call (773) 327-5252 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

"Mother Superior's Ho-Ho-Ho Night," 8 p.m. Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 28-Jan. 3, 2010, at the Royal George Theatre, 1641 N. Halsted, Chicago. Tickets: \$30, with group and student rates available. Call (312) 988-9000 or visit www.nuns4fun.com.

A Reasonable Facsimile Theatre Company's "Another Year Without a Willy Title Chicago Christmas Spectacular," at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 4-Jan. 9, at the Conservatory Theatre, 4210 N. Lincoln, Chicago. Tickets: \$15; \$12 for students and seniors. Visit www.artco.com or call (773) 418-4475.

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," 8 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 27-Dec. 18, and 2 p.m. Dec. 6, 13 and 20 at The Annoyance Theatre, 4830 N. Broadway, Chicago. Tickets: \$15; \$10 for children under the age of 12. Visit www.theannoyance.com or call (773) 561-4665.

"Exceedingly Dysfunctional Holiday Revue" will be presented by the Second City Nov. 27-Dec. 30 at the Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 111 W. Campbell St., Arlington Heights. Tickets: \$29.50; \$34.50 for stage tables.

Special New Year's Eve performances at 6 and 10 p.m. Dec. 31, including a champagne toast, party favors and, at the late show, a balloon drop. Tickets for the New Year's Eve shows are \$50, \$60 for stage tables. Visit www.metropolisarts.com or call (847) 577-2121.

Davenport's Piano Bar, 1383 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. Dec. 7-8, 7:30 p.m.: Chicago Cabaret Professionals presents A Holiday Cabaret 2009—Merry Measures. \$20. For reservations, call (773) 278-1830.

"A Smooth Jazz Christmas" with Dave Koz & Friends, featuring special guests Rick Braun, David Benoit, Brenda Russell and Peter White. 8 p.m. Dec. 5 at the Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University, 50 E. Congress Parkway, Chicago. \$87, \$62, \$47. For information, call (800) 982-2787 or visit www.auditoriumtheatre.org.

The Chicago Sinfonietta presents its annual holiday concert, "Global Holiday Celebration," at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 16 at the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, 205 E. Randolph Drive, Chicago. Joined by guest conductor André Raphael Smith, the concert will be celebration of music from all over the globe. Guest artists will include Taiko Drummers Asian Arts Midwest, bassist Tatsu Aoki, vocal quartet Stewart Wilson's LEVI, and the Chicago Community Chorus. General admission tickets are \$25; \$10 for children up to age 14. For tickets, call (312) 236-3681, ext. 2, or visit www.chicagosinfonietta.org.

"The Ha-Ha-Holiday Show," holiday-themed improv comedy, at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 27-Dec. 26 at Laugh Out Loud Theater, The Streets of Woodfield, 601 N. Martingale Road, Schaumburg. The 7:30 p.m. shows are appropriate for all ages, and 9:30 p.m. shows are geared more toward adults. Tickets: \$18; \$12 for children 18 and under; and \$15 for seniors and groups of 10 or more. Call (847) 240-0386 or visit www.lolltheater.com

"Home for the Holidays," presented by the Elgin Symphony Orchestra and featuring the Elgin Children's Chorus and the Elgin Choral Union, 3:30 and 8 p.m. Dec. 12 and 3:30 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Hemmens Cultural Center, 45 Symphony Way, Elgin. Tickets: \$19-\$62. Tickets can be purchased by calling the ESO box office at (847) 888-4000, online at www.elginsymphony.org, or by stopping by the ESO box office at 20 DuPage Court, downtown Elgin.

"A Proper English Christmas," presented by the Elgin Choral Union at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19 and 3:30 p.m. Dec. 20 at Elgin Community College's Visual and Performing Arts Center, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin. The program includes carols by English composers John Rutter, Gerald Finzi, Ralph Vaughan Williams and others. Tickets: \$22, \$17 seniors; \$14 students. Call (847) 622-0300 or visit www.elgin.edu/arts.

"Christmastide Carols," presented by the Elgin Children's Chorus at 3 p.m. Dec. 6 and 6 p.m. Dec. 6 in the Blizzard Theatre of Elgin Community College's Visual and Performing Arts Center, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin. Tickets: \$12; \$10 seniors; \$8 students. Call (847) 622-0300 or visit www.elgin.edu/arts.

"Holiday Traditions" will be presented by the ECC Concert Band at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9 at Elgin Community College's Visual and Performing Arts Center, 1700

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"Awake and Sing!" Jan. 21-Feb. 28, 2010, at Northlight Theater. Located in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. In a cramped Bronx tenement during the Great Depression, a working-class Jewish family copes with financial hardship even as they dream of a brighter future. Performances on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Jan. 26 and Feb. 9, 16); Wednesdays at 1 p.m. (except Jan. 27) and 7:30 p.m.; Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Fridays at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. (except Jan. 23) and 8 p.m.; and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. (except Jan. 31) and 7 p.m. (except Feb. 7 and 28). Tickets: \$35-\$50. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.northlight.org.

Cirque du Soleil presents "Banana Striped," Nov. 19-Jan. 3 at The Chicago Theatre, 175 N. State St., Chicago. The show blends comedy with tap, hip-hop, eccentric dance and slapstick, all linked by a narrative. Tickets: \$23-\$98, with Premium and Tapis Rouge VIP Experience tickets also available. Visit www.cirquedusoleil.com or www.thechicagotheatre.com

"Delta Dandy," 8 p.m. Nov. 20-21 in Northwestern University's Annie May Swift Studio Space, 1920 Campus Drive, Evanston. Part of the department of performance studies "solo/black/woman" performance series, visiting artist Sharon Bridgforth's "Delta Dandy" is a cacophony of monologue, chant, memory, dance and song. Admission is free.

"Footloose," presented by the Devonshire Youth Playhouse at 7 p.m. Nov. 21 and 3 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood Ave., Skokie. Retro '80s Dance Night following the performance on Nov. 21; teens in grades 6-8 can join the cast and dance along with D.J. until 10 p.m. Tickets: \$10; \$8 students and seniors; combo show and dance with SFO Teen ID, \$8 (with school ID only, \$10).

"Hairspray," through Dec. 6 at the Marriott Theatre, 10 Marriott Drive, Lincolnshire. The performance schedule is 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays; 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays; and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$45, excluding tax and handling fees. \$5 discount for students and seniors for all performances excluding Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. (847) 634-0200 or www.marriotttheatre.com.

Halcyon Theatre presents The Alcyon Festival 2010, Jan. 21-Feb. 27, 2010, at the Lincoln Square Theatre in the Barry United Methodist Church, 4754 N. Leavitt, Chicago. The festival celebrates the work of Maria Irene Fornés, and features "Letters from Cuba," "Manual for a Desperate Crossing," "Sariah," "Summer in Gossensass," "Tango Palace" and "What of the Night." Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays; and 6 p.m. Sundays. \$10-20 for single tickets; \$50 Festival Pass for entry to all shows. Performance schedule can be found at www.halcyontheatre.org/alcyon10. For tickets, call (773) 413-0453.

"Heroes," presented by Remy Bumpo Theatre Company through Nov. 29 in the Downstairs Mainstage of the Greenhouse Theater, 2257 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. It's 1959 and Philippe, Gustave and Henri, three veterans from World War I, keep each other company on the back terrace of a retired soldiers' home. The men's cantankerous camaraderie becomes strained as an expedition to Indochina, or at least as far as the poplar trees on the distant hill. Curtain at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$35-\$50. Student and group discounts are available.

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TRAVEL



Nicolas Rapp pulls down what will be his sleeping quarters during his drive around the world. He's hitting the road this month in New York, although some question his sanity. | NICOLAS RAPP-AP

DRIVEN TO YEARLONG ESCAPE

TRANS WORLD EXPEDITION | Art director puts his responsibilities in storage for 12 months of high adventure and blogging

BY NICOLAS RAPP

NEW YORK — This month, I'm quitting my job and heading out on one of the last true adventures left on Earth: Driving around the world.

I'll spend about a year on the road, starting and finishing in New York. When I can't drive, I'll ship the car by boat, then fly to the next stop.

The route is sinuous. Cross Central America, then head down South America to Buenos Aires. From there, I'll ship the car to South Africa, then drive north through Africa to Europe. I'm a native of France, so I'll stop in Paris to get some paperwork done, then go east through Eastern Europe, Turkey, Iran, Pakistan and India. I'll ship the car to Thailand, drive to Laos, Cambodia, Malaysia and Indonesia, and put the car on a final sailing home to the United States.

My blog about the trip, where I'll post updates from the road, is called "Trans World Expedition: The year of living dangerously." I hope it will be a good tool for people who want to do a similar trip.

It's scary to leave your girlfriend, career, apartment and people you know

to have a year of waking up in unfamiliar places. Many people think I'm insane to quit my job when the economy is so bad. But I'm 33 and I've worked since age 18. I came to New York as an artist and ended up as an art director. It's early enough in my life that I can take a year off, then come back, hopefully pick up my career and start a family.

I believe a trip like this is something many people dream of. When you're young and a student, you don't have money to travel, but when you're working and can afford it, you don't have time. I always thought I would buy a place in New York, but when you think about it, is there a better investment than traveling around the world? Wouldn't you be smarter after doing that? Wouldn't you have incredible stories to tell your kids and grandkids?

THE ROUTE: My path will change depending on places I discover, tips, climate, where I can catch a boat, driving conditions and visas. Staying out of trouble also will determine my route and how long I linger in one place.

Driving around the world may be

more difficult now than it was in the 1960s, even though cars are more reliable and roads are better. Wars and civil unrest have eased in Latin America, but crossing the Middle East is now a challenge. Here are some problems I'll face:

◆ **Darien Gap:** This 100-mile-long area of swamps and mountainous jungle separates Panama and Colombia. There is no road, no police or military. The inhabitants are tribes, guerrillas and drug traffickers. Solution: Ship the car from Panama to Colombia, and travel by small plane over the jungle. Pray that no emergency landings are required.

◆ **Africa:** Visas for Chad and Sudan are difficult to obtain, making west-to-east travel impossible. I'll need to get through Angola, but again, visas are hard to procure. In Nigeria, I'll have to worry about kidnapping, carjacking, roadblock robberies and other violent crimes. Solution: Obtain a visa for Angola in South Africa, my first stop on the continent, and get across trouble spots like Nigeria as quickly as possible.

◆ **Iran:** Once inside the country, no problem. Great place, nice people, few incidents reported by travelers. But I

worry about arguments between countries that could lead to border closings. Solution: Get my visa in order and hope my government doesn't get too excited about political events before I get there.

◆ **Pakistan:** Suicide bombings. Taliban insurgents. Imagine how much fun it will be to cross this country with New York license plates. Solution: Go as fast as possible, perhaps with the military escort some foreigners use when driving overland.

◆ **Asia:** China makes overland travel expensive by requiring you to hire a government-approved "guide." Myanmar's borders are closed to overland travel. Solution: Ship the car from India or Bangladesh to Thailand or Singapore.

ACCOMMODATIONS: In order to afford a year on the road, there's little choice but camping. I wish I could say I have no problem with scorpions in my shoes, and that whenever I catch a snake, I'm happy to have it for breakfast. But I can't. After some research, I discovered most overlanders in Africa use a rooftop tent. The cheapest are expensive at \$850,

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Artist quits job to follow his dream, with the details tightly scripted

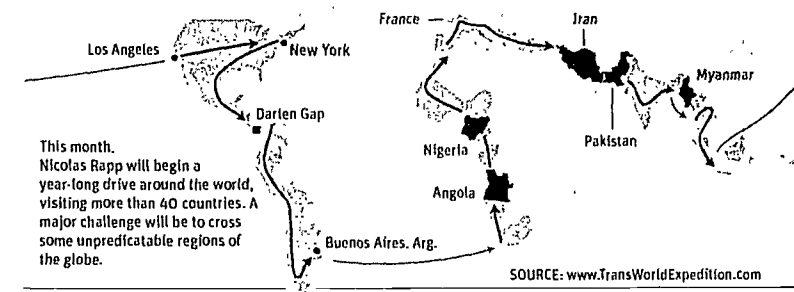
but they let you sleep anywhere — out of the mud — and they pop up in minutes.

THE CAR: There aren't many choices when it comes to choosing a car for such journeys. In my opinion, only two vehicles can make it, Toyota Land Cruisers and British-made Land Rover Defenders. Both are tough, and you can find spare parts on all continents. Others, including American makes, are good quality, but you can't find parts everywhere. I bought a clean 1996 LC with 92,000 miles for less than \$7,000.

I've given up counting how many hours I spent getting the LC ready. I upgraded the suspensions so the truck could handle difficult terrain and carry all equipment, including tools, extra battery, spare parts, cooking equipment, roof tent, water and gas cans, hooks and luggage. I installed a drawer system for storage. I upgraded the electrical system to run several devices for days before running out of juice.

Shipping a car is expensive. I'll have to do it at least five times, sometimes for 100 miles, some-

THE YEAR OF LIVING DANGEROUSLY



This month, Nicolas Rapp will begin a year-long drive around the world, visiting more than 40 countries. A major challenge will be to cross some unpredictable regions of the globe.

SOURCE: www.TransWorldExpedition.com AP

times between two continents. Shipping costs: around \$7,000, plus \$2,000 for my air travel while the car is at sea. Gas will range from 38 cents a gallon in Iran to \$7.40 a gallon in Portugal. Add \$5,000 for gas.

HEALTH CARE: This trip requires many vaccinations, some covered by insurance, many not. Getting them all in the States would cost more than \$600. So I'll get some of them in Mexico, my first stop, where it's cheaper.

Yellow fever vaccination is re-

quired for South America and Africa; in fact, you need proof of the shot to get through many borders. The same is true in some African countries for the cholera vaccine.

You need three shots for Japanese encephalitis, which is carried by mosquitoes in rural areas. Tetanus shots last 10 years, so you may need one of those, too. Your doctor will advise you to get a shot for rabies. If not, you can get immunized within two days of a bite.

I asked my doctor for a strong

antibiotic to take with me, and for a letter authorizing me to carry a syringe in case I need a blood test somewhere and the local needles look shady.

There is no malaria vaccine. Pills to prevent infection have side effects, but if you get infected, you can take a heavier dose of the same drug. I'll also take measures to avoid mosquito bites — repellent, net.

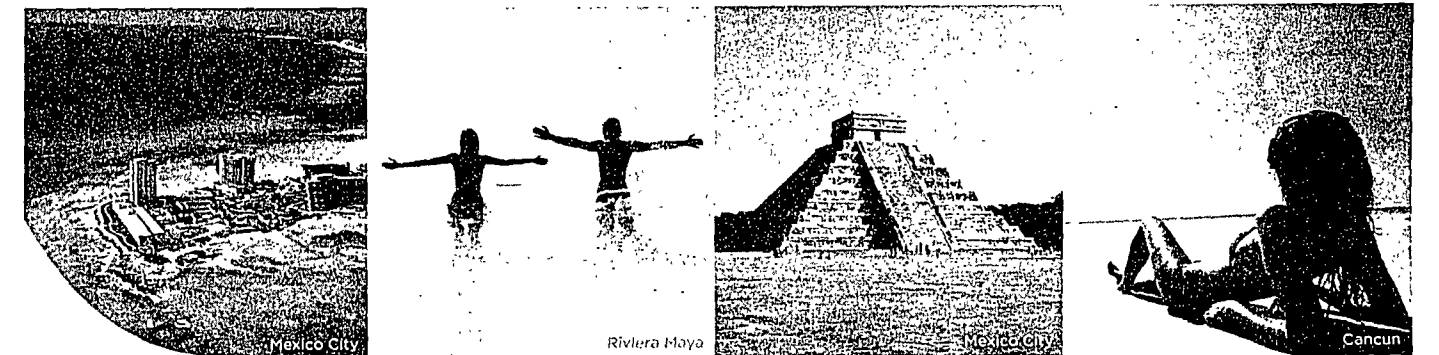
I have a first-aid kit and if I need medical care, I'll go to local doctors and hope it won't cost much. I bought insurance in case a super-

bad event requires evacuation. It would not be helpful to survive an accident only to have a heart attack when I receive a huge bill for evacuation home. I found a policy from InsuranceToGo.com that should run about \$600 for the year with a \$500 deductible.

BUDGET: My estimated total for the trip is \$46,000, including car and tent; shipping the car five times while flying myself; gas and repairs; insurance and vaccinations. Other costs include \$550 for visas, \$300 for maps and guidebooks, \$10 a day for food and \$4,000 for campgrounds and occasional nights in hotels. I plan on spending less, but prefer to take unforeseen events into account.

HEADING OUT: I've read about other people driving around the world, and their blogs and reports helped me prepare, especially with paperwork and vehicle modifications. Some of them got sponsors for their trips. But I didn't want to have to find a reason to be on the road, like fighting a disease. When it comes down to it, I'm just curious about the world I live in.

And that's it. I leave a week from today. I'm to start a new episode of my life. If you'd like to tag along, go to transworldexpedition.com.



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Traveling safely during flu season

H1N1 | Staying home won't protect you, so here's how to cope on the road

BY BETH J. HARPAZ

NEW YORK — Last spring, thousands of travelers canceled trips to Mexico after a swine flu outbreak there emptied beaches and resorts.

Staying home won't protect you from swine flu now. At least 46 states have reported widespread flu activity.

Here are some questions and answers about travel insurance, basic hygiene and other aspects of traveling during the swine flu outbreak.

Q. Is it OK to travel during the swine flu outbreak?

A. The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says "some travelers at increased risk of complications from flu may want to consider postponing travel." The agency identifies those in the high-risk categories as pregnant women, adults older than 65, babies and children under 5, and those with chronic illnesses. If you are in a high-risk category and must travel, the CDC recommends that you talk to a doctor about whether to take flu medications with you in case you can't get medical care right away. If you are sick, stay home.

For more information from the CDC, visit <http://www.cdc.gov/travel>.

Q. Will I face a health screening if I fly?

A. The United States is not screening either inbound or outbound air travelers, according to the CDC. But you may face screening in other countries, including having your temperature taken by a walk-by thermal scanner or with an oral or ear thermometer. For more information from the State Department, visit <http://travel.state.gov>.

Q. How can I protect myself against swine flu? Should I wear a face mask?

A. The CDC says there is little information on the effectiveness of disposable paper face masks. They are not recommended in most settings.

The most important thing you can do is to wash your hands frequently with soap and water, or use an alcohol-



Abdi Santoyo and son Kevin Solis wear protective masks as a precaution against swine flu contagion at a Cancun, Mexico beach. While Mexico fights to contain a swine flu outbreak, the tourism industry is hurting nationwide. | ISRAEL LEAL-AP

based hand rub. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. To protect others, use a tissue or cough and sneeze into your sleeve.

Frequent travelers have other rituals, too. Anne Banas, executive editor of *SmarterTravel.com*, says she cleans airplane tray tables with sanitizing wipes before using them, and she avoids putting items in the seatback pocket, where previous passengers may have stored dirty tissues.

Bill Miller, who handles

business development for *CheapOAir.com*, avoids drinking out of glasses in hotel rooms, using disposable cups and bottled water instead. He also tries to stay away from breakfast bars and other buffet meals where germs can spread.

Q. If I cancel a planned trip because of swine flu, will I get a refund?

A. Travel suppliers are not obligated to help, but it's worth asking. Last spring, when the outbreak was at its worst in Mexico, some travel

suppliers offered credits toward future trips. Some resort chains with hotels in Mexico and other locations allowed travelers to switch destinations if they had availability at hotels elsewhere, but travelers had to book new airfare.

Q. Should I buy travel insurance?

A. "We're telling our clients: 'Don't leave home without travel insurance,'" said Mike Weingart, president and managing director of Travel Leaders in Houston.

But traditional travel insurance only offers coverage if you become too sick to travel before departure or if you become sick during the trip.

Traditional insurance will not cover your losses if you cancel a planned trip simply because you are worried about exposure to illness, even if a pandemic is declared, said Judy Sutton, director of product management for Travel Insured International. To be covered in that case, you'd need a "cancel for any reason" policy, Sutton said. Be aware that "cancel for any reason" policies usually offer only a 75 percent reimbursement.

Q. What about cruises?

A. The cruise industry requires passengers to fill out

pre-boarding questionnaires screening for swine flu symptoms. Passengers who report symptoms or exposure to flu may face additional screening and could be barred from boarding.

Paul Motter, editor of *CruiseCritic.com*, points out that because of past out-

breaks of norovirus, which causes stomach flu, on cruises, "the newer ships already have hands-free lavatory facilities, with doors that open automatically and hands-free sinks and toilets, as well as procedures to isolate passengers who become sick." AP

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Royal Caribbean, Carnival top poll

PENNINGTON, N.J. — Royal Caribbean won the award for best family cruise line and Carnival won in the category of best for first-time cruisers in *CruiseCritic.com's* annual editors' picks awards.

Royal Caribbean's Freedom Class of ships also won the awards for best cruises for kids and best for teens. Holland America won in the best for cabins and best for activities categories,

while Carnival won for best night life.

Other honors included Princess winning for best weddings at sea, the Celebrity Solstice and Equinox sister ships winning for best new ship, Carnival winning for best main dining, Oceania for best specialty restaurants and Celebrity winning for best healthy dining.

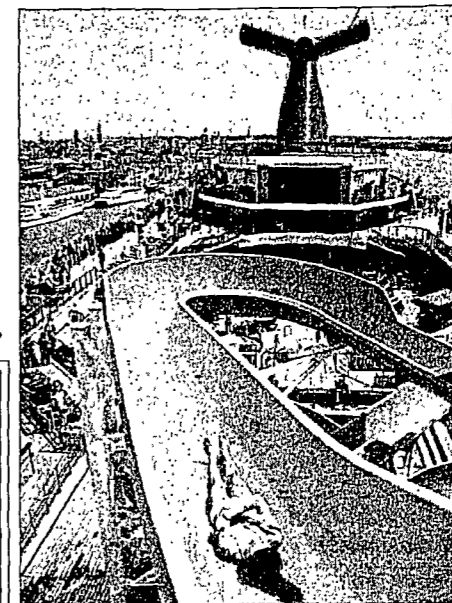
Best cruise for couples honors went to Azamara, while best for sophisticated

singles went to Cunard. Crystal won best luxury cruise line, while Princess won best for romance and Lindblad won best for adventure.

The award for best river cruise line went to Uniworld, while Windstar won for best sailing ship.

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'Star Trek,' 'Sister's Keeper' on DVD

By **BRUCE INGRAM**
Film Critic

NEW THIS WEEK

ANDY BARKER, P.I.: THE COMPLETE SERIES
★ ★ ★ 1/2

Conan O'Brien sidekick Andy Richter's tragically short-lived six-episode NBC comedy series has been resuscitated in fine style in this welcome release from the always reliable Shout! Factory. O'Brien produced the inspired sitcom featuring Richter as a floundering accountant who, out of desperation, takes the spill-over business that wanders into the office previously occupied by a now-retired hard-boiled private eye (Harv Presnell, who handles the tough stuff and basically steals the show). "Andy Barker" naturally works all the mild-mannered fish-out-of-water gags that are inherent in the concept, but it's also surprisingly smart, hip and sophisticated in its approach to comedy. Maybe that was the problem. Extras include a fascinating "Writers Class 101" feature about shaping the series. (BI)

BRUNO
★ ★ ★

Sacha Baron Cohen does what he does best, provoking outrage and thumbing his nose at propriety in this often funny, but occasionally tiresome follow-up to his 2006 sensation "Borat." There's a lot to make you laugh with delighted disbelief if you're so inclined (and plenty to make you recoil in horror if you're not), in this mock documentary about the travels of a fame-obsessed European fashionista who disgraces himself in his own country and travels to America for a shot at superstardom. But where "Borat" dealt with provocations on a wide range of topics,



"My Sister's Keeper"

"Bruno" is limited to one subject for the most part: The straight world's prejudice toward a man who is blatantly, flamingly, unapologetically Austrian. Yes, yes, that's the secret shame uncovered by Baron Cohen and director Larry Charles: The non-yodeling world's discomfort with and even hostility toward the Austrian accent, the way Austrians walk, even their native attire — with the tight shorts and the little hats cocked to one side. (BI) Rated R for pervasive strong and crude sexual content, graphic nudity and language.

THE GOODS: LIVE HARD, SELL HARD
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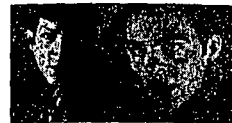
Jeremy Piven is terrific as Don Ready, a freelance, barn-storming car liquidator who's hired (with his degenerate crew) to save a struggling car dealership by selling 211 cars during a three-day Fourth of July sale. It's hard to watch this movie without comparing it unfavorably to Robert Zemeckis's much more genuinely anarchic and wickedly funny "Used Cars," but if you're looking for some easy, sleazy laughs and nothing else, this'll do the job. (BI) Rated R for sexual content, nudity, pervasive language and some drug material.

MY SISTER'S KEEPER
★ ★ 1/2

Feisty little Anna Fitzgerald (Abigail Breslin of "Little Miss Sunshine") takes 'tween angst to a new level when she hires Alec Baldwin as an attorney to sue Cameron Diaz and Jason Patric as her parents. Of course, she has a pretty good reason, having been biologically engineered to provide replacement parts for her mortally ill, cancer-afflicted sis. "My Sister's Keeper" was skillfully adapted from Jodi Picoult's best-selling novel by writer/director Nick Cassavettes, who first proved he could milk whole-fat emotion with "The Notebook." Here he squeezes every bit of heartbreak out of the scenario, which includes children with leukemia, a crumbling family and a case of tragic young love. If this one doesn't jerk a tear somewhere along the line, you've run out. (BI) Rated PG-13 for mature thematic content, some disturbing images, sensuality, language and brief teen drinking.

STAR TREK
★ ★ ★ 1/2

There's no denying that the dilithium crystals have long been running a little low in the creative engine of the Star Trek franchise. But producer/director J.J. Abrams (who created TV's "Lost" and directed



"Star Trek"

"Mission Impossible III") has successfully rebooted the series in a way that takes it back to before the beginning, reinvigorates and reintroduces the main characters, embraces the old Trek mythology with fresh new energy, and simultaneously sets the stage for an entirely new series of adventures. Here's the setup: Young Kirk and young Spock (Chris Pine and Zachary Quinto) meet at Starfleet Academy and naturally annoy the daylights out of each other before racing off on the maiden voyage of the starship Enterprise to combat a renegade Romulan (a seethingly vengeful Eric Bana) who wants to destroy every planet in the Federation. The casting is near ideal (particularly English comic actor Simon Pegg as Chief Engineer Scott), the action is spectacular, the story moves at warp speed from beginning to end and there are more than a few genuine laughs along the way. (BI) Rated PG-13 for sci-fi action and violence, and brief sexual content.

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(Left to right) Allison Sanchez, Esteban Andres Cruz and Krystal V. McNeil in Raven Theatre's "Patchwork U.S.A." (Photo by Michael Menendian)

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Three diverse stories told in 'Patchwork U.S.A.!'

By MYRNA PETLICKI
Contributor

Chicago has a diverse population so Michael Menendian decided, "We need to do something that speaks to the cultural diversity of our city." That's why the producing artistic director of Raven Theatre, 6157 N. Clark St., wrote a children's show called, "Patchwork U.S.A.!"

It consists of three short stories, which Menendian described as "a nice representation of the different cultures that exist in America. Of course, there are hundreds of stories like this."

An elderly black woman tells about her life and her struggle to get an education in "How I Love to Read." Menendian called it, "A compilation of fairytales and stories that I've read from a variety of authors." "Pepito's Story," Menendian said, "is a loose adaptation of a story of a young boy of Mexican descent who loves to dance. Because he loves to dance, he is considered weird in his little seaside village."

"The Happiest Day of My Life" is a semi-autobio-

graphical piece about "a young Armenian boy adjusting to the new life in America," Menendian said.

Performances are 1 p.m. Saturdays, through Dec. 12. Tickets are \$8. For details, call (773) 338-2177 or see www.raventheatre.com.

Fall harvest

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By DONALD LIEBENSON
 Contributor



Neva Rae Powers stars in the musical based on socialite Florence Foster Jenkins, who despite her poor singing voice (she was dubbed the Tone-deaf Diva), once sold out a concert at Carnegie Hall.

It's important right off that we establish Neva Rae Powers' music credentials. Powers, who stars in "Souvenir," the Tony-nominated musical that kicks off Northlight Theatre's 35th anniversary season Nov. 22, has appeared in four Broadway musicals, the touring company of "Little Women," and many regional productions. She was a theatre and voice major at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. Impressive on paper, but at the behest of her interviewer, she graciously obliged with an impromptu rendition of Jerome Kern's "All the Things You Are," which will never be erased from his recorder.

So, yes, Powers can sing, and sing beautifully. You might not get that impression if you see her in "Souvenir" as Florence Foster Jenkins, the New York socialite who wanted to sing in the worst way, and did so in legendary fashion. An infamously bad soprano (she was known as "The Tone-deaf Diva" and "The Terror of the High C's"), she remains a cult figure 65 years after her death in 1944 at age 76.

"Souvenir," written by Stephen Temperley and directed by Steve Scott, views Jenkins' incredible true story through the eyes of her pianist, the improbably named Cosme MeMoon (Mark Anders).

It takes real talent to portray someone with none. How hard is it to sing off-key when you've been trained your whole life to hit the notes?

It helps, Powers said, "to have a background in classical music so you know

these arias and what would make them funny if you don't sing them well."

What makes portraying Jenkins such a challenge is not the 13 costume changes and demands of the physical comic role, but fighting a self-corrective impulse. "An acquaintance was cast in a different production of this show and she couldn't do it," Powers said. "She could not bring herself to sing off-pitch. After all those years of training, it made her crazy."

As a child, Powers' mother, a music teacher, used to play one of Jenkins' albums for her music club as a gag. But "Souvenir" is far from a one-note laugh at Jenkins' expense. At the heart of the play is the genuine friendship that grows between Jenkins and MeMoon.

Jenkins' perseverance is what strikes a chord with audiences, Powers believes. She herself developed a great admiration for Jenkins as she researched her life for the role.

"She ran away from home when she 17 because her father would not support her music career," Powers marveled. "When he passed away, he did leave her and her mother his fortune, but by then she was in her 40s, and for 25 years, she had to

live by her own wits. She married a doctor but no one knows if they divorced or if she just left him. She loved music so much she gave up everything to pursue it."

Just before she passed away, Jenkins gave a sold-out concert at Carnegie Hall. The reviews were scathing, but one critic noted, "She was exceedingly happy in her work. It is a pity so few artists are. And her happiness was communicated as if by magic to her listeners." (Reportedly, her recordings are the third-most requested at the Carnegie Hall archives).

Today, Jenkins would probably find infamy as an "American Idol" contestant, but Powers believes that, to quote Brian Wilson, Jenkins just wasn't made for these times. "Our society is not polite anymore," she said. "People would be making fun of her and she would have been totally exploited."

And Jenkins had no inkling that she was a laughingstock? "As far as we know," Powers said, "she dismissed (her detractors) as jealous, or without an appreciation for music. But she did control who attended her recitals. My favorite quote of hers is, 'People can say I can't sing, but no one can ever say I didn't sing.'" Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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through Dec. 13 at Profiles Theatre, 4147 N. Broadway, Chicago. Performances at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$30 for Thursday; \$35 for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Call (773) 549-4815 or visit www.profiles theatre.org.

"The Message Is In The Music (God Is A Black Man Named Ricky)," scheduled for an open run at the Black Ensemble Theater, 4520 N. Beacon St., Chicago. Curtain at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. \$45, with discounts available for students, seniors and groups. Call (773) 769-4451 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" will be presented by Stage Wright Theater at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 19-21 and 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Wright College Events Theater, 4300 N. Narragansett Ave., Chicago. Tickets: \$10, \$8 for seniors, staff and students. Call (773) 481-8037 for tickets or information.

"Million Dollar Quartet," a new musical inspired by the 1956 recording session that brought together rock 'n' roll icons Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley, in open run at the Apollo Theater, 2540 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. Tickets: \$20-\$64.50 Call (773) 935-6100 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

"The Music Man," presented by the Rising Stars Theatre Co. at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 21 and 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Stahl

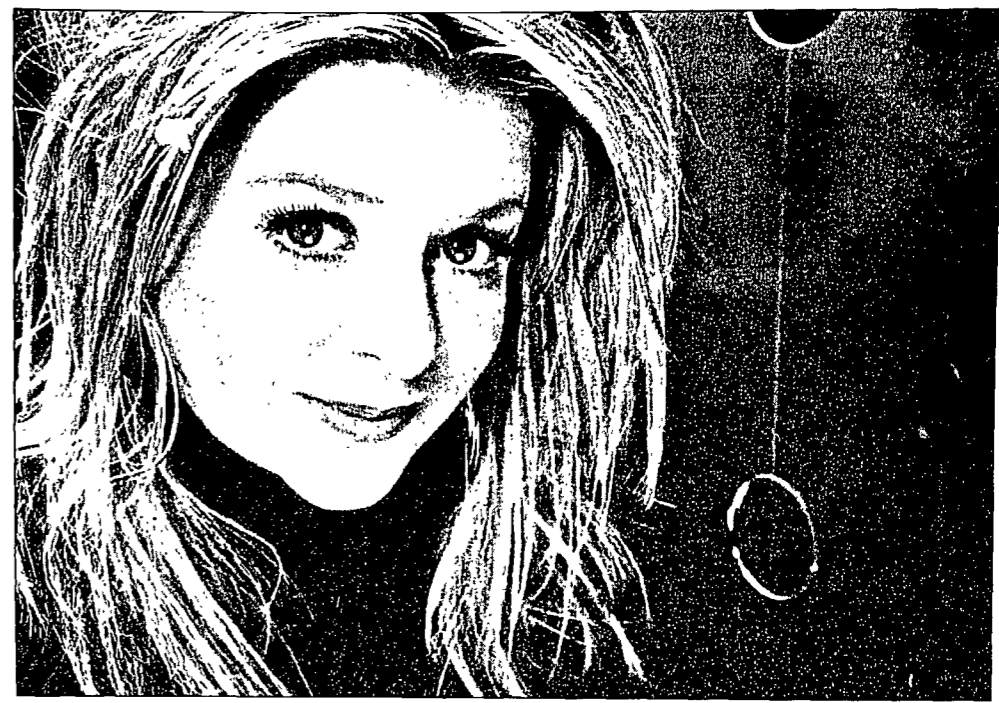
Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont, Chicago. Tickets: \$15, with discounts for seniors, children and groups. Call (773) 736-2490 or visit www.risingstarslc.org.

"Perseus & Medusa: Or It's All Greek to Me!" will be presented by Piccolo Theatre through Dec. 19 at the Evanston Arts Depot, 600 Main St., Evanston, in the Main Street METRA station. The theatre's seventh annual Holiday Panto is a story of monsters, gods and true love, in a world of slightly skewed Greek mythology. Show times are 7 p.m. Fridays; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25; \$20 for seniors; \$10 for students and children under 12. Family ticket (two adults and two children) is \$50. For reservations, call (847) 424-0089 or visit www.piccolotheatre.com

"Peter Gallagher. Don't Give Up on Me," a one-man musical by stage and screen actor Peter Gallagher, will play at 7 p.m. Nov. 22 and 29 and Dec. 13 and 8 p.m. Nov. 23 and 30 and Dec. 14 at the Drury Lane Theatre Water Tower Place, 175 E. Chestnut St., Chicago. The performance is a backstage glimpse of Gallagher's experience working with James Cagney, Jack Lemmon, Peter O'Toole, and others, accompanied by songs by Cy Coleman, Bart Howard, Lyle Lovell, Leon Russell, Burt Bacharach Dan Penn and others. \$55. Call (312) 642-2000 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

"Richard III," presented by Chicago Shakespeare Theatre through Nov. 22 at Navy Pier, 800 E. Grand Ave., Chicago.

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Heather Moran will present, "I Told You I Loved You. Now Get Out! A Celebration of '50s Naughty Housewife Jazz," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Vocalist Moran and some of Chicago's best young jazz musicians will delve into the tunes of jazz singer greats such as Julie London, Peggy Lee, Rosemary Clooney, Doris Day, Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday and June Christy. Tickets cost \$25/\$30. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com.

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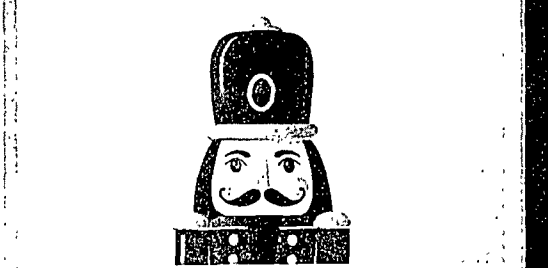
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go. Tickets: \$55-\$75. Call (312) 595-5600 or visit www.chicagoshakes.com "Smash," a play based on George Bernard Shaw's "An Unsocial Socialist," will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 19; 8 p.m. Nov. 20 and 21, and 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at Oakton Community College's Footlik Theater, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. The comedy follows the antics of a millionaire who abandons his new bride and goes into hiding at a girls' finishing school, hoping to radicalize the young students there. Tickets: \$12, \$10 for students and seniors; \$8 for groups. Call (847) 635-1900.

"South Pacific," Nov. 24-29 at the Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets start at \$39.50. Visit www.ticketmaster.com or call (800) 745-3000.

"Souvenir," through Dec. 20 at Northlight Theatre, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. The comedic and musical true story of Florence Foster-Jenkins, a New York socialite whose tin ear couldn't keep her off the stage at Carnegie Hall. Performances on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Dec. 15); Wednesdays at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Nov. 26); Fridays at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.; and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. (except Nov. 22) and 7 p.m. (except Nov. 22, Dec. 6 and 13). Tickets: \$35-\$50. Young adult tickets (25 and under) are \$10. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.northlight.org

"Stars in the Attic," presented by Project Theatre at 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Dec. 15, at Gorilla Tango Theatre, 1919 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. \$10. Call (773) 598-4549 or visit www.gorillatango.com.

"Summer People," through Dec. 13 at The Gift Theatre, 4802 N. Milwaukee. Chicago. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$20-\$25. Call (773) 283-7071 or visit www.thegifttheatre.org.

"Ten Square," presented by Ma'at Production Association of African Centered Theatre and Pegasus Players through Nov. 22 in the O'Rourke Center at Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson Ave., Chicago. Performances at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$17 for Thursday; \$25 for Friday and Saturday; \$20 for Sunday. Senior, student and group discounts are available. Call (773) 878-9761 or visit www.pegasusplayers.org

"Thoroughly Modern Millie," through Dec. 20 at Orrery Lane Oakbrook, 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace. The performance schedule is 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays; 7:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursdays; 8:30 p.m. Fridays; 5 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$29-\$38. Lunch and dinner theater packages range from \$43.75-\$61. Call (630) 530-0111 or visit www.drurylaneoakbrook.com.

"A Very Merry Unauthorized Children's Scientology Pageant," through Jan. 3 at A Red Orchid Theatre, 1531 N. Wells, Chicago. An anonymous company of merry children gather on a cold winter night to rejoice in telling the story of Scientology founder and hero L. Ron Hubbard. The satirical musical explores the magic of Dianetics, the fascinating E-meter, the immortal Theatans and the entrancing story of Xenu. Curtain at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$25; \$20 general public; senior citizens and NU faculty and students. For information, call (312) 943-8722 or visit www.a-redorchidtheatre.org.

"You Can't Take it with You," through Nov. 22 at Village Players Theater, 1010 Madison St., Oak Park. Curtain at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$25; \$20 for senior citizens and students. Call (866) 764-1010 or visit www.village-players.org.

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Chicago Cultural Center, Preston Bradley Hall, 78 E. Washington (at Michigan Avenue), Chicago, Dec. 7, 12:15-1 p.m.: The Chicago Chamber Musicians present an all-Baroque concert of works by Vivaldi, Hertz and Telemann. Free. Call (312) 225-5226 or visit www.chicagochambermusic.org.

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 Tickets are \$70 on the main floor; \$33 main front wings; \$60, \$33 and \$20 in the balcony; \$20 obstructed view. Student tickets are \$10, available in the lobby before the performance. March 14, 2010: "Tchaikovsky and Dvorak," with guest pianist Vladimir Ovchinnikov. The orchestra will perform Dvorak Symphony No. 6 and the Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto. May 2, 2010: "Blockbuster Beethoven's Ninth," presented with the North Shore Choral Society and the Ryan Center for Young Artists at Lyric Opera.

Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestras presents "Puppets and Puppeteers" at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 22 at Orchestra Hall, 220 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. The program includes Stravinsky's "Petrouchka" and John Adams' "Chairman Dances: Fox-trot for Orchestra." The concert will also feature Kevin Hu, violin, performing Dimitri Shostakovich's Violin Concerto No. 1 in A Minor, op.77, and Sophie Luo, piano, performing Franz Liszt's Hungarian Fantasy. Tickets are \$15-\$40. Call (312) 939-2207, ext. 31, or visit www.cyso.org.

Composer Sonata Trilogy, presented by Hershey Felder at the Drury Lane Theatre Water Tower Place, 175 E. Chestnut St., Chicago, through Dec. 6: "Beethoven, As I Knew Him" Dec. 9-20; "Monsieur Chopin"; and Dec. 23-30: "George Gershwin Alone." Tickets: \$55-\$60. The trilogy will culminate in two special New Year's Eve presentations of "The Great American Song Book Sing-A-Long": \$100 for the 7 p.m. performance and \$150 for the 10 p.m. performance. For more information, visit www.eightyheightentertainment.com.

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The Met Live in HD series, featuring Metropolitan Opera performances transmitted in high definition to movie theaters throughout the United States, including Miles Showplace, 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles; and Evanston 18, 1715 Maple Ave., Evanston. Each live performance will be transmitted live at noon Saturdays, followed by a pre-recorded encore presentation at 6:30 p.m. the third Wednesday after the live performance. Tickets are available at participating theater box offices and online at www.FathomEvents.com. Dec. 19 and Jan. 6, 2010: Offenbach's "Les Contes d'Hoffmann," conducted by James Levine, featuring Anna Netrebko as Antonia, Ekaterina Gubanova as Gulletta, Kate Lindsey as Nicklausse, Kathleen Kim as Olympia, and Alan Held as the four villains. Joseph Calleja stars in the title role of Hoffmann. Jan. 9 and 27, 2010: "Der Rosenkavalier," James Levine conducts Renée Fleming as the Marschallin and Susan Graham as Octavian. Jan. 16 and Feb. 3, 2010: Bizet's "Carmen" Feb. 6 and 24, 2010: "Simon Boccanegra," with Plácido Domingo in the title role. March 27 and April 14, 2010: Ambrose Thomas's "Hamlet," May 1 and 19, 2010: Rossini's "Armida," featuring Renée Fleming.

Mostly Music Chicago presents pianist Irina Feoktistova playing music of Chopin and Scriabin at 4 p.m. Nov. 22 at a private residence in Evanston. Tickets: \$25; \$15 students. For more information, visit www.mostlymusic-chicago.com or call (312) 287-5761.

Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston, (847) 905-1500. www.musicinst.org. Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m.: Diana Cohen, concertmaster of the Kalamazoo Symphony, is joined by Andrius Zlabyz, winner of the 2003 Cleveland International Piano Competition. \$20; \$15 seniors; \$7 students. Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m.: Aspen Ensemble Trio presents an all-Beethoven program. \$20; \$15 seniors; \$7 students. Dec. 12, 10 a.m.: Free children's concert featuring Dance Chicago and a guest soloist from the Moscow Ballet in classical and jazz versions of "The Nutcracker." Music will be performed by Axiom Brass and Quintet Attacca, with choreography by Lauri Stallings. Altin Naska and others. "Instrument petting zoo" opens at 9 a.m.

Northwest Symphony Orchestra, Paul Vermet, music director, presents concerts at 3:30 p.m. Sundays in the Theatre for the Performing Arts at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. Pre-concert commentaries by Carolyn Paulin, a staff member of radio station WFMT, begin one hour prior to each concert. Tickets: \$20, \$15 for

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By **BRUCE INGRAM**
Film Critic

BAD LIEUTENANT: PORT OF CALL NEW ORLEANS

Like Harvey Keitel's character in Abel Ferrara's cult-classic "Bad Lieutenant," Nicolas Cage's Lt. Terence McDonagh, in this very loose remake by the legendarily eccentric Werner Herzog, is a pretty seriously disreputable character. Yet, there's a line Lt. McDonagh won't cross. And it might even be argued that he's essentially, if not decent, at least devoted to his own brand of justice.

The point is, he may not be entirely bad news. Just don't try to tell that to the wheelchair-bound little old lady he threatens with a 44-magnum to get some information.

Herzog (whose most recent fiction film, "The Christian Bale POW escape drama "Rescue Dawn," was a reworking of his own documentary "Little Dieter Needs to Fly") has claimed that his "Bad Lieutenant" shouldn't be considered a remake because he never saw the original — and that's believable, considering the merely superficial similarity between the two films.

Where Ferrara's NC-17-rated "Lieutenant" was essentially a study of guilt and personal demons driving the protagonist toward self-destruction, Herzog's offbeat redo (starring little more than the same lead character with the same set of generally heinous behaviors) has little interest in morality. It's basically a straightforward, hard-core, hard-boiled detective story that simultaneously works equally well as a tongue-in-cheek sendup of the genre. Sometimes it's appalling; sometimes it's surprisingly funny in an exceedingly unwholesome sort of way. In other words, there's not much substance here, but if you



Nicolas Cage in "Bad Lieutenant." Port of Call New Orleans.

like your detective dramas served up with a generous side-order of weird, you won't be disappointed.

Herzog's "Lieutenant," which benefits from a wicked-out tough-guy script by TV cop-show writer William M. Finkelstein (who provides primo lines of dialogue such as "shoot him again, his soul's still dancing"), is set in the chaos of post-Katrina New Orleans. But that disorder is nothing compared to the evening craziness in the life of Lt. McDonagh, who's been promoted and decorated for an act of heroism in the opening of the film, but has also sustained a back injury that keeps him perpetually in a world of pain. When the Vicodin prescribed by his doctor fails to take the edge off of his suffering, McDonagh turns to cocaine, then heroin, then ill-advised combinations, resulting in behavior that grows increasingly bizarre and renegade, thanks to his basic fearlessness.

As played by Cage, who's clearly reveling in one of the most off-the-wall performances of his career (and that's saying something), McDonagh is hunched over with pain, with sallow skin and dark circles under his hooded eyes, looking remarkably like the vampire played by Klaus Kinski in Herzog's "Nosferatu." He's investigating the brutal slaying of a family of Senegalese immigrants who have encroached on the turf of a vicious drug lord named Big Fate (played with corporate savor: fair by rapper Xzibit) and he's very serious about seeing justice done, but that's reduced to the

status of a sub-plot in "Bad Lieutenant." Most of the film is devoted to McDonagh's never-ending search for drugs, which he requires by stealing from the evidence room and shaking down anyone he suspects of carrying. He also attends to his loving relationship with his high-priced hooker girlfriend (Eva Mendes) — even though she's deeply enamored of cocaine — while trying to dig himself out of deep gambling debt by placing larger and larger bets on his favorite team. Meanwhile, he revisits his past by checking in with his alcoholic former-cop dad and reminiscences about his most-beloved boyhood treasure — a rusty spoon. You can't accuse the man of having no finer feelings.

Throughout all of this strangeness (taking place over a much-too-long two hours) Herzog maintains an odd mood of melancholy, punctuated by characteristic surreal touches, including McDonagh's lengthy stared-out with a hallucinatory iguana during a stake-out (shaming his partner Val Kilmer, who plays a surprisingly thankless, non-descript role). If you haven't recoiled from this character long ago, you're likely to find yourself hoping things turn out well for him. After all, he doesn't approve of cold-blooded murder and he's very good at doing his job, even if he does cut a few corners here and there, by planting evidence, threatening to blow the heads off of witnesses and the like. Think of him as a pragmatist.

So, you're likely to be pleased when things start to resolve themselves into something resembling a conventional happy ending, then puzzled when a last-minute U-turn into something akin to moral uplift winds up feeling more downbeat than anything that's happened before.

In some cases, bad is better.

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seniors: \$10 for students. Children under age 14 are admitted free when accompanied by a paying adult. www.northwestsymphony.org. Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m.: Philharmonia, "Musical Gems of Europe." The program includes Johann Strauss Jr.'s "Die Fledermaus" Overture, Emmanuel Chabrier's "España" and Leo Delibes' "Sylvia" Suite, 7:30 p.m.: University Singers, the University Chorus, and members of the Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra present a choral concert featuring Francis Poulenc's "Gloria" 7:30 p.m.: The Orion Ensemble performs in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets are \$25; \$22 for senior citizens; \$10 for students. Free for children 12 and younger. (630) 628-9591 or www.orionensemble.org. Nov. 22, 3 p.m.: "Musical Connections." Soprano Alicia Berneche will join the ensemble to perform the world premiere settings of five Anne Sexton poems by New York composer Drew Hemenger, as well as Six German Songs, Op. 103 by Louis Spohr. Baird Dodge, principal second violin for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, will play Piano Quintet, Op. 1 by Hungarian composer Ernst Dohnányi. PianoForte Foundation, located on the eighth floor of the Fine Arts Building, 410 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. www.pianofortefoundation.org. The Experimental Piano Series showcases performances by innovators in today's world of piano, and includes approaches that are influenced and informed by jazz, "new music," classical music, world music, and other genres. Performances include solos and ensembles playing works that are both notated and improvised. All concerts are at 7 p.m. Fridays. Tickets: \$15; \$10 for students. Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Saxophone Ensemble, in a program including Igor Stravinsky's "Berceuse" from "The Firebird Suite" and Louis Andriessen's "Worker's Union." 7:30 p.m.: Rembrandt Chamber Players perform in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets: \$30-\$40; \$10-\$15 for students. (312) 360-3145. www.rembrandtchamberplayers.org. Dec. 6, 7 p.m.: "The End of '09: Messiaen, Telemann, Bach." Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. Sundays at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Tickets are \$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. Dec. 6 "A Season of Sweet Sunday Treats: Story Time." Britten's "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra," with Thomas Rosenwein narrating, will be performed. Also featuring the winners of the 29th Young Artist Competition — Meredith Crawford playing Martin's Rhapsody Concerto for Viola and Benjamin Lash performing Tchaikovsky's Variations on a Rocco Theme

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Patrol," featuring polonaises, waltzes and mazurkas. \$23/\$21/\$16. Nov. 22, 4 p.m.: Concert Band will present a program of band standards and musical favorites. \$7/\$5/\$4. Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m.: Philharmonia, "Musical Gems of Europe." The program includes Johann Strauss Jr.'s "Die Fledermaus" Overture, Emmanuel Chabrier's "España" and Leo Delibes' "Sylvia" Suite, 7:30 p.m.: University Singers, the University Chorus, and members of the Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra present a choral concert featuring Francis Poulenc's "Gloria" 7:30 p.m.: The Orion Ensemble performs in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets are \$25; \$22 for senior citizens; \$10 for students. Free for children 12 and younger. (630) 628-9591 or www.orionensemble.org. Nov. 22, 3 p.m.: "Musical Connections." Soprano Alicia Berneche will join the ensemble to perform the world premiere settings of five Anne Sexton poems by New York composer Drew Hemenger, as well as Six German Songs, Op. 103 by Louis Spohr. Baird Dodge, principal second violin for the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, will play Piano Quintet, Op. 1 by Hungarian composer Ernst Dohnányi. PianoForte Foundation, located on the eighth floor of the Fine Arts Building, 410 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. www.pianofortefoundation.org. The Experimental Piano Series showcases performances by innovators in today's world of piano, and includes approaches that are influenced and informed by jazz, "new music," classical music, world music, and other genres. Performances include solos and ensembles playing works that are both notated and improvised. All concerts are at 7 p.m. Fridays. Tickets: \$15; \$10 for students. Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Saxophone Ensemble, in a program including Igor Stravinsky's "Berceuse" from "The Firebird Suite" and Louis Andriessen's "Worker's Union." 7:30 p.m.: Rembrandt Chamber Players perform in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets: \$30-\$40; \$10-\$15 for students. (312) 360-3145. www.rembrandtchamberplayers.org. Dec. 6, 7 p.m.: "The End of '09: Messiaen, Telemann, Bach." Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. Sundays at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Tickets are \$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. Dec. 6 "A Season of Sweet Sunday Treats: Story Time." Britten's "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra," with Thomas Rosenwein narrating, will be performed. Also featuring the winners of the 29th Young Artist Competition — Meredith Crawford playing Martin's Rhapsody Concerto for Viola and Benjamin Lash performing Tchaikovsky's Variations on a Rocco Theme

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Allstate 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. The information line is (847) 635-6601. Dec. 11, 7 p.m.: 93XRT/Bud Light BIG Holiday Concert featuring The Flaming Lips, Phoenix and Pete Dinklage. \$40. Dec. 26, 2

p.m. and 7 p.m.: Trans-Siberian Orchestra. Tickets: \$58, \$48, \$38, \$26. Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University, 50 E. Congress Parkway, Chicago, (312) 902-1500. www.auditoriumtheatre.org. Nov. 21, 8 p.m.: John Fogerty in concert. \$69.50, \$57.50, \$47.50, \$37.50. Nov. 24-25: The Ten Tenors will present holiday classics and selections from their eighth studio album, "Nostalgica." Performances are at 8 p.m. Tuesday; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday; 8 p.m. Friday; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday; and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$40-\$70. Dec. 3, 8 p.m.: The Swell Season, featuring Academy Award winners Glen Hansard and Marketa Irglova. The concert will feature new tunes along with music from the "Once" soundtrack. Tickets: \$40, \$32.50. Dec. 4, 7:30 p.m.: Miracle Near State Street II, The Fray/Kris Allen. \$75, \$59.50, \$49.50.

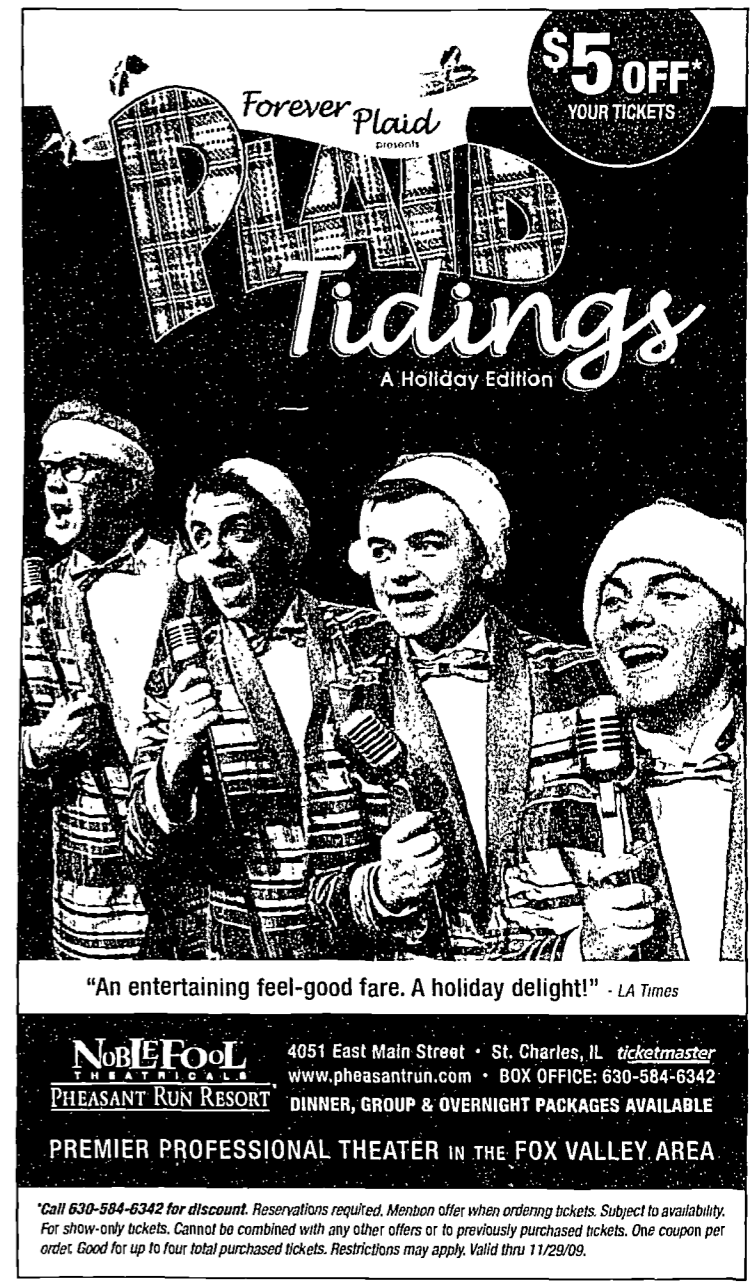
Blue Chicago, 736 N. Clark St. (at Superior), Chicago (312) 642-6261 www.bluechicago.com. Doors open at 8 p.m.; showtime 9 p.m. Admission: \$8; \$10 on Fridays and Saturdays. Mondays: Gram's Louise & the Troublemakers. Closed Tuesday-Thursday. Nov. 20-21: Tenry Johns Blues Band with Claudette. Nov. 27-28: Toronto Cannon Blues Band with Big Time Sarah. Blue Chicago, 536 N. Clark St. (at Ohio), Chicago, (312) 661-0100. www.bluechicago.com. Doors open at 8 p.m.; showtime 9 p.m. Admission: \$8; \$10 on Fridays and Saturdays. Sundays and Thursdays: The Shirley Johnson Blues Band. Wednesdays: J.W. Williams Blues Band with Patricia Scott. Nov. 20-21: The Shirley Johnson Blues Band Nov. 24: Linsey Alexander Blues Band with Nellie Travis. Nov. 26: Closed for the holiday. Nov. 27-28: J.W. Williams Blues Band with Laretha Weathersby. The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. No cover unless noted otherwise. Mondays, 8 p.m.-midnight: Bluegrass and roots music with the Mudflapps Tuesdays, 7-10 p.m.; Irish music session Thursdays, 8-10 p.m.; Irish music session. Nov. 28, 10 p.m.: Bluegrass Advocates FitzGerald's, 6615 Roosevelt Road, Berwyn, (708) 788-2118 www.fitzgeraldsnightclub.com. Tickets for most shows are available through Ticketmaster at www.ticketmaster.com; tickets are also available at the club. Tuesdays, 9 p.m. Open mike in the SideBar. Nov. 20, 9 p.m.: Savoy Brown (blues/rock). \$20. Nov. 21, 3 p.m.: Bervyn Cares Kids' Concert, featuring The Boogers and The Atomic Gumdrops \$10. Nov. 21, 9 p.m.: Yellowhammers CD release show with guest Jon Langford. \$10. Nov. 22, 6 p.m.: Chicago Grandstand Big Band, with special guests Gwendolyn Brooks and Percy Julian Jr. high school bands (jazz). \$10. \$5 ages 17 and under. Nov. 27, 9:30 p.m.: The Bottle Rockets CD release show (rock). \$15. Nov. 28, 9:30 p.m.: Brave Combo Holiday Show. \$15. Nov. 29, 6 p.m.: Ted Hogarth & the Muligan Mosaics Big Band (jazz). \$10; \$5 ages 17 and under.

Gibsons Bar & Steakhouse, 5464 N. River Road, Rosemont, (847) 928-9900. www.gibsonssteakhouse.com. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 7-11 p.m.: Lenny Capp. Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m.-midnight: Lenny Capp Trio.

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www.pickstalger.org. Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Jazz Orchestra. \$7/\$5/\$4. Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559-1212; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100. Dec. 17-19, 8 p.m.: Barry Manilow. \$261.62, \$235.65, \$156.73. \$141.26, \$73.65, \$12.37. St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 2120



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Lincoln St., Evanston www.stmatthewsevanston.org. Nov. 20, 8:30 p.m.: The Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band. \$25. Shoestring Productions offers weekly cabaret shows at 7 p.m. Sundays and 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Stage One, 620 Lee St., downtown Des Plaines. Admission is \$10. For reservations or information, call (847) 657-7688 or visit www.shoestringproductions.org. Nov. 22, 7 p.m.: "Listen to My Heart," the songs of David Friedman. The cast includes Kristen Calvin, Laura Lee Cornellison, Russell Ramstrom, Janet Reed and Randy Toelke. Nov. 29-Dec. 28: "Celebrate the Season." (No performance Dec. 13.) Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokiethatre.com. Concert tickets \$20 in advance. \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise. Nov. 20, 8 p.m.: Ron Hawkins' His Way Cabaret \$35 in advance; \$44 at the door. Nov. 21, 8 p.m.: Heather Moran presents "A Celebration of '50s Naughty Housewife Jazz." \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Nov. 22, 2 p.m.: Marianne Murphy Orland stars in "A Tribute to Karen Carpenter." Nov. 25, 1:30 p.m.: "Big Band Serenade" with Jack Muccio. \$10. Nov. 28, 8 p.m., and Nov. 29, 2 p.m.: Jim Post Birthday Concert. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door.

Dec. 2, 1:30 p.m.: "The '50s Songbook" with Marcus Gentry. \$10. Dec. 9, 2 p.m.: Frank Sinatra Birthday Tribute with Jack Muccio. \$10. Dec. 12, 8 p.m., and Dec. 13, 2 p.m.: Guitars of Spain. Dec. 16, 1:30 p.m.: "Silver Screen Crooners" with singer Tony Bernard. \$10. Dec. 31, 8 p.m.: "Stand By Me," music of the '50s with Marcus Gentry. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Dec. 31, 10:30 p.m.: "Turn Back the Hands of Time," hits of the '60s with Marcus Gentry. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. www.evanstonSPACE.com. (847) 492-8860. Most ticket prices listed in three categories; in advance; at the door; and reserved table seating. Nov. 19, 8 p.m.: The Northwoods with Luke Sayers (blues, folk, soul). \$8/\$12/\$18. Nov. 20, 8 p.m.: Willy Porter & His Band with Luke Doucet (acoustic folk). \$22/\$28/\$38. Nov. 21, 8 p.m.: Paul Wertico Trio. \$15/\$20. Nov. 22, 7 p.m.: Tony DoRosario and Mike Allemana Organ Trio (jazz). \$10/\$14. Nov. 25, 8 p.m.: Anna Ferlin's Trigger Gospel with June Carter Clash & the Tex Pistols (Americana/rock). \$12/\$15. Nov. 27, 8 p.m.: Glimary Doyle-Andrews and Mississippi Flanagan (acoustic folk). \$15/\$20. Nov. 28, 8 p.m.: Antje Duvekot, Anne Heaton, Meg Hutchinson and Natalia Zukerman (acoustic folk). \$15/\$20. Dec. 1, 8 p.m.: Jay Nash, Crosby Loggins and Caitlin Crosby. \$10/\$14. Dec. 2, 8 p.m.: Harry Shearer and Judith Owen's Holiday Sing-A-Long with The Bobs and Jim Peterik. \$30/\$35. Dec. 3, 8 p.m.: Issa (formerly Jane Siberry). \$20/\$24. Dec. 4, 8 p.m.: Hubert Sumlin & the

Nighthawks (blues/rock). \$24/\$28. Dec. 5, 8 p.m.: Susan Werner (folk/jazz). \$18/\$22/\$34.50. Dec. 7, 8 p.m.: Rosi Golan, Luke Brindley and Peter Bradley Adams. \$8/\$12. Dec. 9, 8 p.m.: Elizabeth & the Catapult with The Right Now (indie rock/soul). \$8/\$10. Dec. 10, 8 p.m.: "A Love Supreme" performed by Brian Gephart Group (jazz). \$10/\$15. Dec. 11, 8 p.m.: Leon Russell (rock, blues, country). \$30/\$35. Dec. 12, 8 p.m.: Garaj Mahal (rock/jazz). \$15/\$20. Dec. 17, 8 p.m.: Amy & the Rhinos. \$10/\$12/\$18. Dec. 18, 8 p.m.: Josh Hoge and Matt Duke with Amber Rubarth. \$12/\$15. Dec. 20, 8 p.m.: Hugo & Shanta Loecker (piano rock). \$8/\$12. Dec. 21, 8 p.m.: Foiled Again: Holiday Wish List and CD release party (cabaret/holiday). \$15/\$20/\$25. Dec. 31, 6 p.m.: Jill & Julia Show (comedy/music). \$17/\$20. Dec. 31, 10 p.m.: Beau Soleil avec Michael Doucet. \$45/\$50. Jan. 7, 8 p.m.: Songwriters Circle with Cathy Richardson, Ingrid Graudins, Liam Davis and Korby Lenker. \$12/\$15. Jan. 8, 8 p.m.: An Evening with D'Is Clay & his Band (R&B/soul). \$15/\$20. Jan. 13, 8 p.m.: Dave Spector's Adventures in Guitar with Jeff Parker of Tortoise (blues/jazz). \$12/\$15. Jan. 15, 8 p.m.: An Evening with Megan McDonough. \$15/\$20. Jan. 16, 8 p.m.: Paul Ceban's Tomorrow Sound (rock). \$12/\$15. Jan. 23, 8 p.m.: Jeff Coffin Mu'tet (jazz/funk). \$17/\$20. Jan. 29, 8 p.m.: American English (Beatles tribute). \$15/\$20. Jan. 30, 8 p.m.: Alfonso Ponticelli's Gypsy Sing-A-Long with Django Reinhardt. \$12/\$15. Feb. 11, 8 p.m.: Girlyman (acoustic folk). \$16/\$20. Feb. 18, 8 p.m.: Tony Furtado & Trina Hamlin

(folk/roots). \$12/\$15. Feb. 21, 8 p.m.: An Evening with Marc Cohn. \$36/\$42. Feb. 27, 8 p.m.: Red Stick Ramblers (Cajun/roots). \$20/\$25. Feb. 28, 8 p.m.: Terence Blanchard (Cajun/roots). \$30/\$35. ART GALLERIES Block Museum of Art at Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-4000. www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Admission to the museum is free; unless noted, admission to all programs is also free. Through Dec. 6: "Robert Motherwell: An Attitude Toward Reality. From the Collection of the Walker Art Center" offers an overview and introduction to the artist, spanning more than four decades of his career with more than 40 drawings, collages, prints and paintings. Nov. 19, 6-7 p.m.: Siri Engberg, curator of prints and editions at the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, leads an in-depth tour of the Robert Motherwell exhibition. Through Dec. 13: "Henry Moore: Elephant Skull." in the museum's Aldorf Gallery. Moore may be best known for his monumental bronze sculptures, but his creative output included drawing and printmaking as well. In the 1960s the artist became intrigued by the skull of an African elephant kept in a friend's London garden, examining the object's internal and external spaces in a series of etchings printed as an album in 1970. The exhibit includes all 28 prints Moore produced for the portfolio, along with his rare original vellum cover. Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Elinwood St. (847) 376-2787. www.dppl.org. Through Nov. 30: "I have a voice," a travelling photographic gallery celebrating the possibilities and joys of individuals with Down syndrome. Dittmar Memorial Gallery at Northwestern University's Norris Center, 1999 Campus Drive, Evanston. www.norris.northwestern.edu/dittmar.php. (847) 491-2348. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Admission is free. Through Dec. 6: "5+ Genres of Chinese Art: Traditional and Contemporary," featuring Chinese traditional painting, ink painting, folk art, photography and contemporary art by master artists in China. The exhibit celebrates the 60th anniversary of the People's Republic of China and the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the U.S. and China. 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." Based on the book Darfur: Twenty Years of War and Genocide in Sudan, by Leora Kahn, the exhibition features work by photojournalists Colin Finlay, Sven Torfinn, Pep Bonel, Ron Haviv, Lynsey Addario, Chris-Steete Perkins, Kadir van Lohuizen and Oliver Jobard. Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Gallery hours: 9

a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Contact Shirley Engelslein, fine arts coordinator, (847) 674-3806. Through Dec. 31: "The Magic of Art: The Discipline of Science, and the Love of Nature," photographs by Rich Fisher. Opening reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. Dec. 3. Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston. (847) 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum.org. Admission to events is included with an entrance donation to the Mitchell Museum. Suggested donation is \$5 for adults; \$2.50 for senior citizens, students and children. Maximum admission per family is \$10. Through Dec. 30: "7 Artists, 7 Teachings: Contemporary Great Lakes Native Art." The group exhibition explores the themes of truth, respect, love, bravery, honesty, humility and wisdom that are central to the ethos and worldview of the Anishinaabe tribes of the Upper Midwest - the Chippewa (Ojibway), Ojibwa and Potawatomi, also known as the Council of the Three Fires. Oakton Community College, Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. (847) 635-2633. www.oakton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays. Through Dec. 4: "10 Show 2009," works by members of the art faculty at Oakton Community College, including paintings, photography, ceramics and digital art. Seniors Action Service, 1123 Emerson, Suite 200, Evanston. (847) 864-7274. www.SeniorsActionService.org. Through Jan. 22, 2010: "Celebrating Experience: A Gallery of Art by Older Adults," featuring works by photographer Josephine Strong and painter Carol Reagan. Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. (847) 673-7774. www.skokieliibrary.info. Through Nov. 21: Skokie Art Guild 2009 Members' Fall Exhibit. Visit www.skokieartguild.org for information.

AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES MUSICIANS The Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra is holding auditions for principal bass, second clarinet, harp, and all string sections. Previous orchestral experience is highly preferred. The SVSO is a 60+ piece community orchestra that presents four concerts per year of demanding standard orchestral repertoire. Rehearsals and performances are at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings and remaining concerts will be Dec. 6, March 14 and April 25. Call Leshe Brodie. (847) 679-9501, ext. 3014, for audition repertoire and to schedule an audition. Skokie Park District-sponsored senior performance troupe seeks a pianist to serve as accompanist. No pay. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday afternoons, some Thursdays at the Oakton Community Center, Skokie. Performances and rehearsals held year around, except for January and July. Sight-reading a plus. For information, call (847) 998-8894. Na Mele Aloha Hawaiian music club seeks musicians who play ukulele, upright string bass, keyboards, flute and

SINGERS Bjornson Male Chorus invites male singers to join in four-part choral singing. They rehearse at 8 p.m. Thursdays in the Park Ridge VFW Hall, Higgins Road and Canfield Avenue, September-June, and sing American and Scandinavian selections at various locations. Call (847) 741-4210 or (847) 546-2050. Normennes Singing Society Male Chorus invites male singers to join the group in singing American and Scandinavian selections throughout the year, except for the months of July and August. Rehearsals are held at 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Estonian House in Lincolnshire. Call Thor Fjell. (630) 369-4233 or (630) 479-4233. The Northwest Choral Society invites experienced singers to audition for its 44th anniversary concert season. Auditions are held any Tuesday evening, through March 16, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 855 Lee St., Des Plaines. The ensemble offers a varied repertoire and strong vocal sections in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. The group presents three concerts each season, including an annual holiday concert of carols, spirituals and hymns, a winter concert that is more classical in nature, and a June concert of light classical music as well as folk songs, jazz, contemporary ballads and music from Broadway. To schedule an audition, call (773) 504-3426 or visit www.nwchoralsociety.org. Skokie Concert Choir seeks male and female singers at any level of choral experience. No auditions are held. The choir performs a variety of music, from classical to Broadway, and performs two concerts annually, under the direction of conductor Michael Lewanski, and with accompanist Adrian Metzger. Rehearsals are held from 7-9 p.m. Mondays, September through June, at Old Orchard Junior High School, 9310 Kenton Ave., Skokie. For information, visit www.skokiechoir.org or call (847) 674-3219.

ARTISTS 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). MISCELLANEOUS Skokie Festival of Cultures Planning Committee meets at the Oakton Community Center at least one Monday per month leading up to the 20th annual Festival of Cultures on May 22-23, 2010. To participate or for information, call Pamela Zeid, (847) 674-1500, ext. 2180. BENEFITS "Tea at the Cabaret," featuring Jenny Riddle, 12:15 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Park Ridge Country Club, 636 N. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. \$45 per person, with

proceeds to benefit the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra. Call (847) 692-PRCO or (847) 823-8861 or visit www.parkridge-civicorchestra.org. Tommy Makem Tribute Concert, 8 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. The concert will feature performances by The Makem and Spain Brothers, as well as several local bands - The Larkin and Moran Brothers, The Chancey Brothers, The Dooley Brothers and The Sullivan Brothers. \$35. Proceeds benefit the Tommy and Mary Makem Fund in support of pediatric brain tumor research at Children's Memorial Hospital. Call (773) 282-7035 or visit www.irish-american.org. "Empty Bowls at Oakton," 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Dec. 5 at Oakton Community Col-

lege, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Professional and student potters have contributed hundreds of bowls for the annual fund-raiser sponsored by the Ceramics Club. For a donation of \$12, participants select a handcrafted bowl that is theirs to keep, and receive a simple meal of soup and bread. The event includes a raffle drawing for ceramic art works and a silent auction of sculpture and jewelry. All proceeds benefit local food charities. For information, e-mail emptybowls@oakton.edu or call (847) 635-1699. North Shore Chamber Orchestra will present a benefit concert and reception at 3 p.m. Dec. 13 at Northwestern University's Alice Millar Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston. The program

includes Mendelssohn's Fingal's Cave Overture, Mozart's Symphony No. 40 in G minor, and Tchaikovsky's Variations on a Rocco Theme. Wendy Warner, cellist. Tickets are \$20 if purchased by Dec. 11; \$25 at the door. For information, call (847) 864-2288. Over the Rainbow Association benefit concert will be held from 4:30-6 p.m. Dec. 13 at Northwestern University's Pick Slaughter Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Opera singers Nancy Gustafson, Sylvia McNair, Denyce Graves, Richard Leech, Sam Ramey and others will perform classical, contemporary and holiday music. Proceeds will provide affordable, accessible housing and employment opportunities for adults with physical disabilities. \$75, \$150, \$250; \$25 for students

and children. For tickets and information, call (847) 328-1607. CHILD'S PLAY "And Time Runs On," a musical journey through Celtic mythology, will be presented with live traditional Irish music and puppets by Dragoncello Theater Company and Shapeshifters Theatre Dec. 5-13 at the Irish American Heritage Center Theatre, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. Performances are at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$5 for children and adults. Interactive craft activities will be available for children 20 minutes before each performance. Call (773) 282-7035, ext. 10, or visit www.irish-american.org

Creative Kids Corner, (847) 933-0672 or www.creativekidscorner.org. Jan. 4-March 9: "Cooking For Life," for ages 4-13 years, meets from 3:45-5 p.m. and 5-6:15 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays at Winnetka Covenant Church, 1200 Hubbard Road, Winnetka. Children will prepare complete meals and learn cultural and historical stories about the recipes. The program was created under the auspices of Kendall College. \$250 for the 10-week session. Jodi Koplin's Jigglejammer classes, for children ages 6 months to 3 years and their parents, feature guitar, percussion instruments and puppets to introduce children to music. Ongoing classes available in Northbrook and Park Ridge. Call (847) 236-9233 or visit www.jigglejamproductions.com.

Lifeline Theatre KidSeries presents "Dooby Dooby Moo," through Dec. 6 at Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood Ave., Chicago. Performances at 1 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sundays. The county fair is coming, and the grand prize in the talent competition is a trampoline. Duck wants that prize, but with Farmer Brown watching around every corner, how will he hold singing and dancing rehearsals for Cow, Pig and Ewe? The production is appropriate for children ages 5-10, and runs about one hour with no intermission. Tickets: \$12. Call (773) 761-4477. Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston. (847) 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum.org.

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2010 LX 570 defines luxury SUV cruising

BY JEFF TAYLOR
SearchChicago-Autos Correspondent

Technology and power continue to be driving factors in luxury vehicles. Manufacturers are upgrading power plants, adding new technology and new convenience features at a brisk pace. Increases in horsepower and improved ride characteristics have been embraced; the new technology upgrades are welcomed by some and complicate things for others.

For 2010, Lexus has upgraded the LX 570 luxury SUV with new navigation, audio, safety and entertainment systems and carried over the powertrain.

Technology enhancements are the main focus for 2010 with an upgrade of the navigation system, the addition of Lexus Enform, voice command and casual-language voice recognition and Bluetooth phonebook download. Additional upgrades include improvements to the optional wide-view front and side monitor screen. The Lexus navigation system comes available with XM NAV traffic/weather/sports/stocks functionality.

The Lexus Enform and Safety Connect response center operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Lexus Enform is only offered on navigation-equipped vehicles and offers Destination Assist and eDestination. Destination Assist operators are available via the onboard cellular equipment and can help you find a location, including Zagat-rated restaurants. They will send the directions to the navigation system for routing.

The eDestination function allows you to select and sort locations in advance online through LexusDrivers.com and save them in up to 20 folders with 10 destinations in each folder. You

2010 LEXUS LX 570

ENGINE: 383-horsepower 5.7-liter V-8

TRANSMISSION: six-speed automatic

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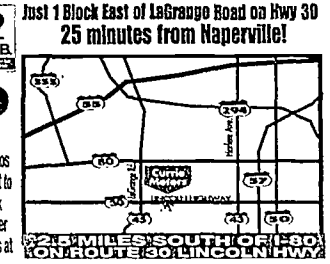
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2010 LX 570 pampers passengers

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send the locations to your vehicle, where you can then download the information into the navigation system and have it direct you to your destination(s).

Safety Connect is available on both mini-navigation and navigation-equipped vehicles and offers four safety and security features: automatic collision notification, stolen vehicle location, an emergency assistance button (SOS) and enhanced roadside assistance, which adds GPS data to the already included warranty-based Lexus roadside service.

Lexus Entune is a complimentary, opt-in service that provides vehicle audio casts enabling access in vehicle use and maintenance tips, even information and owners' benefits. Lexus says this feature enhances

the ownership experience. I think it's more of a commercial and more clutter vying for your attention.

Great sounds are part of the luxury experience with the Lexus Premium Sound System that features an integrated satellite radio receiver, iPod/USB connectivity and streaming music via Bluetooth. Cranking up the system I was able to use the quietness of the interior and crank up the well-balanced system and absorb the music.

If you travel with kids, I recommend the optional rear seat entertainment that adds 3-D icons and LED backlight to enhance display and layout. While this type of feature is not new, the new tweaks are welcome and it will help with kids and enhance the vehicle's resale value.

I — along with the family — found the interior to be luxurious and comfortable with great materials, fit and finish, but the vehicle did not really distinguish itself from the competition. There is enough room for eight, but like most third-row SUVs the rear seats are for kids. Headroom is decent but cargo capacity is lacking with only 83.1 cubic feet.

The LX 570 is a traditional body-in-frame SUV and its ride feels the vehicle's immense size. Body-in-frame platforms serve off-roadlers well but are usually not well suited for everyday on-road driving. Lexus strikes a balance with an electronic hydraulic system with a four-wheel active height control and an adaptive variable suspension. The system is immediate without any lag time so it adjusts to road conditions quickly in smooth things not for passengers. The technology in the LX's suspension system is a combination of sophisticated shocks, springs and tuning to help achieve comfortable travel over a variety of road surfaces.

The LX 570 greets the pavement with

20-inch alloy wheels shod with 285/50R20 rubber.

Lexus claims the LX 570 suspension system reduces body sway by more than 30 percent and suppresses dive and squat during cornering, braking or acceleration. I did not notice any of these during driving.

One standard feature drivers will appreciate is the adaptive variable suspension system, which reacts to variable road conditions by responding to different inputs and adjusts shock absorber damping force as conditions require. AVS provides three modes to control the spring rate and shock absorber damping force. The comfort mode returns a softer ride on harsh roads; normal and sport modes help provide progressively greater levels of control for driving. The sport mode works best on the new, smooth pavement that has been laid down on area roads earlier this year.

The brakes on a 5,995-pound vehicle need to be stout and they are on the LX, with good pedal feel. The steering is a fun over-hauled but reacts quickly.

Under the hood things are unchanged with the 5.7-liter V-8 delivering 383 horsepower at 5,600 rpm and peak torque of 403 pound-feet at 3,600 rpm. Power is good with tuning up to 8,500 pounds and good acceleration — the problem is fuel economy. With a six-speed automatic transmission the LX "achieves" mileage numbers of 12 mpg city and 18 highway — don't expect an improvement on those numbers much.

The 2010 Lexus added some technology in the LX 570 and only raised the base price by \$500 to \$76,405.



Automobile Magazine names 2010 VW GTI automobile of the year

HERRNDON, Va. — The all-new sixth-generation Volkswagen GTI has been named the 2010 Automobile Magazine automobile of the year. This marks the second time in its history that the GTI has won this prestigious award. In the magazine's 20-year history of awarding this honor, the Volkswagen GTI is the only make and model to win it twice.

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"Having our GTI named Automobile Magazine's automobile of the year once again is a tremendous honor for our brand," said Mark Barnes, chief operating officer, Volkswagen of America Inc. "We're thrilled that the staff of Automobile Magazine acknowledged that today's sporty car consumers are looking beyond horsepower and going fast; rather, they are looking for vehicles that are practical, fuel efficient and fast. The GTI truly embodies what the Volkswagen brand is all about — affordable, efficient, and fun-to-drive German engineering."

First introduced in the United States in 1983, the GTI drew admiration for its combination of sporty performance and practicality. The 2010 GTI is Volkswagen's definitive

return to its groundbreaking, hot hatch sports car, offering a modern and dynamic extension of the automaker's original "pocket rocket."

The 2010 GTI features Volkswagen's highly acclaimed 2.0-liter 16-valve DOHC turbocharged four-cylinder engine that produces 200 horsepower and 207 pound-feet of torque. It's available with an automated manual DSG transmission that uses direct shifting, which essentially automatically depresses clutch-shift points more efficiently and quicker than even a professional driver can. For driving enthusiasts who want the unique control of a clutch, the GTI comes with a standard six-speed manual transmission.

Top speed is electronically governed at 130 miles per hour in the United States. The 2010 GTI starts at \$23,490 and attains a fuel economy rating of 32/24 highway/city when equipped with the DSG transmission.

New for the 2010 GTI is a standard electronic limited slip system that Volkswagen has named XDS. The system electronically monitors input from various wheel sensors and, in the event of slippage, transfers extra torque to the wheel with wheels with the most traction.

The 2010 GTI also comes standard with numerous other safety features including a three-channel antilock brake system, an anti-slip regulation, an electronic differential lock, engine brake assist, a tire pressure monitoring system and an electronic stabilization program.

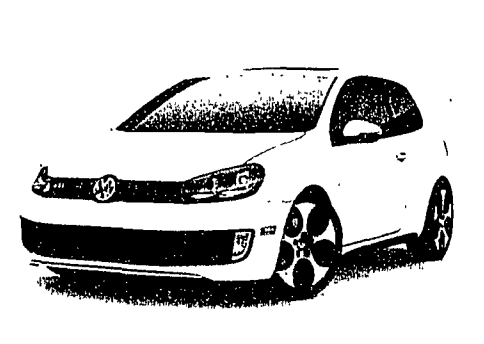
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So if you are planning to downsize into a townhome or want to purchase a home within the next year, now is a great time to start the process. Stop by Millbrook Pointe in Wheeling and tour three new exciting decorated townhome and rowhome models. Celebrating its grand opening, the community features luxurious all red brick and natural stone residences priced from \$299,900.

"Prices on the first phase construction have been drastically reduced to stay competitive in today's market place," said Gary Levitas, president of Northfield Group Ltd, the exclusive developer of Millbrook Pointe. "Buyers who take advantage of today's discounts combined with the government tax credits and special financing will benefit in the near future, once the second phase construction begins and prices go up."

"While incentives are certainly appealing, potential buyers will be impressed by our well designed floor plans," said Levitas. "Our spacious townhomes were crafted to feel like single-family homes."

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have an abundance of windows that let the outdoors in. Kitchens are roomy and accommodate center islands, while master bedrooms are quite sizeable and are separated from the other bedrooms for added privacy.

Choose from two upscale townhome plans. One offers four bedrooms and 3½ baths with a first-floor master suite. The other is a three-bedroom, 2½-bath traditional layout. Features include separate living room with a Juliette balcony, two-story great room, spacious kitchen with granite countertops and a center island, vaulted ceilings, outdoor deck, and 9-foot basement.

The 2,730-square-foot, four-bedroom Harmony model is a stunner with its octagonal living room crowned by an elegant coffered ceiling, while French doors open to a balcony. The sunny family room is surrounded by windows, has a fireplace and opens to the showplace kitchen with its cherry cabinets, stunning granite counters and breakfast bar. An arched entry leads into the separate dining room.

Elegant oak banisters have decorative wrought iron spindles and lead to the second level. A walk-out balcony graces the master bedroom suite, while the master bath has a two-bowl vanity with marble counters and floors, a large walk-in shower and separate soaking tub.

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Belgravia Group features rent-to-own offer on condos at 565 Quincy with just \$5,000 down.

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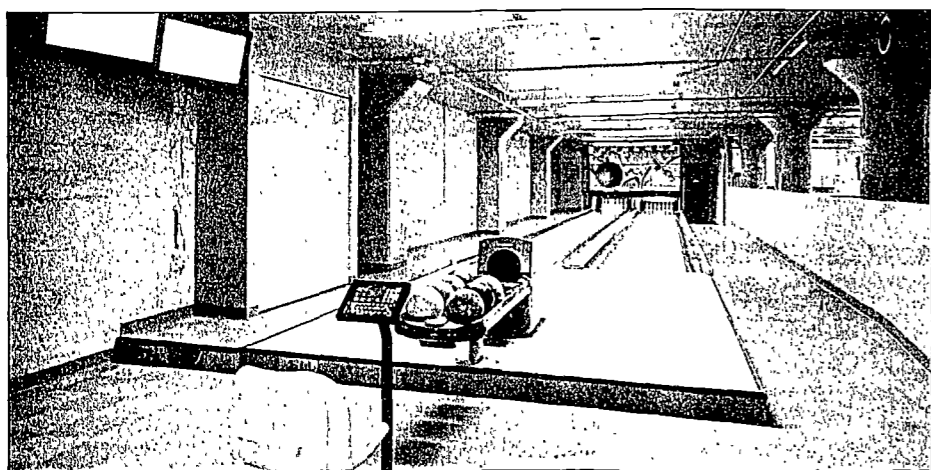
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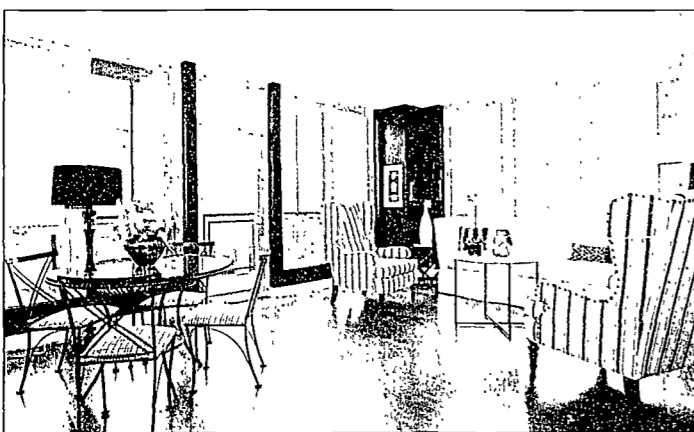
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At 565 Quincy in Chicago, owners enjoy the bowling alley in the Q-room which also has pool tables, a putting green, foosball, ping pong, a movie theater and a fitness center.

Belgravia Group features rent-to-own program

The Belgravia Group is offering a new twist on the old rent-to-own plan at 565 Quincy St., the new mid-rise building just completed in downtown Chicago. The developer is offering buyers the chance to move into their condominiums right after making an initial down payment of \$5,000.



Belgravia Group introduces its Better-than-rent-to-own program, which allows a buyer to own a home and move in with a \$5,000 down payment at 565 Quincy.

The "Better-Titan-Rent-To-Own" program has been designed for today's many buyers who are having difficulty coming up with the large down payments now being required by mortgage lenders.

Approximately 50 percent of their monthly rental fee can be applied towards the buyer's down payment. After one year or less, the buyer can use the equity built up by the monthly payments to complete their purchase at 565 Quincy.

"Our program has been designed to make it easier for someone to buy a quality condo of their choosing as opposed to jumping in because of price reductions alone," said Alan Lev, president of Belgravia Group. "The prices of condos in the city are now at a level that is attracting buyers, but many are having difficulty coming up with the higher down payments required by lenders. Our Better-Titan-Rent-to-Own Program makes it possible to buy for only \$5,000 down."

The building at 565 Quincy is a blend of old and new. It started with the renovation of a classic seven-story loft structure, which was followed by the addition of a new 11-story tower on top. Today, 565 Quincy consists of 241 one- and two-bedroom loft and condominium residences atop ground level retail space and a 4-story garage.

Millbrook Pointe

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Levin advises his visitors to take advantage of buying a new semi-custom townhome that is built especially for them, instead of purchasing a foreclosure or a short sale that can cause major problems later on.



Millbrook Pointe is a new community of brick and stone townhomes and rowhomes that have three to four bedrooms featuring three new decorated models.

Kitchens are fully appointed with stainless steel appliances and 42-inch designer cabinets adorned with granite countertops. Superior sound proofing and insulation help suppress noise between homes. Bringing an abundance of light into the 9-foot basements are oversized windows, while landscaped yards add curb appeal and an irrigation system makes upkeep easy.

Arranged in small clusters of elegant two-story townhomes and three-story rowhomes, Millbrook Pointe is situated along two interconnected private streets. Classic all-masonry exteriors boast charming entrances, multi-gabled rooflines and exciting facades featuring octagonal rooms and impressive balconies and terraces and all homes have two-car garages. Pedestrian-

friendly walkways crisscross the community, creating perfectly landscaped promenade dotted by three fountains and a central gazebo where neighbors can meet and relax. Lots of activity greets visitors at Millbrook Pointe because owners are enjoying their new homes and many homes are now under construction. For those who need a new home for the holidays,

Chicago-area housing market ready for long-awaited holiday cheer

Your holiday dream is to enjoy the warmth of a crackling fireplace with your family in your own home this Christmas, better go shopping right now for that single-family house, townhome, condominium or two-flat.



Don DeBat ON THE HOME FRONT

For Chicagoans who aspired to become homeowners in 2009, experts say it is likely that for would-be buyers who have a job and good credit the housing deals may never be better. Consider the following positives boosting year-end home shopping:

■ **The recession is ending.** Home and condo sales in the Chicago-area counties of Cook, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will totaled 21,298 units in the third quarter of 2009, up 2.4 percent from 20,802 units in the same period last year.

■ **Home prices are low.** The median home sale price in the nine-county Chicago area was \$205,000 in the third quarter of 2009, down 16.3 percent from \$244,900 during the same period last year. In Chicago, the median home sale price was \$230,000 in the third quarter, down 20.7 percent from \$290,000 in the third quarter of 2008, reported the IAR survey.

■ **In Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood** during the third quarter, 16 two-flat apartment buildings were sold at an average price of \$490,796, down 24 percent from a year ago. Three-flat sales were better. Thirteen were sold in Lakeview at an average price of \$758,384, down only 5 percent from the third quarter of 2008.

■ **Rock-bottom mortgages available.** Lenders were charging an interest rate of 4.98 percent on benchmark 30-year fixed mortgages in early November, down from 5.03 percent a week earlier, according to Freddie Mac. Last year at this time, the average rate on 30-year loans was 6.20 percent.

■ **Lower mortgage rates** should help homeowners lower their monthly payments and feel the ongoing recovery in the housing market," said Frank Notari, Freddie Mac vice president and economist.

■ **Help from Uncle Sam.** Congress recently extended the \$8,000 tax credit for first-time buyers through April 30 of next year for homes closed by June 30. The income limits were raised to \$125,000 for singles and \$225,000 for couples to broaden its impact.

In order to claim the credit, a home must be under contract by the end of April and closed by the end of June.

"A new provision, offering a credit of up to \$6,500 to existing homeowners who have owned their residence for at least five years, also will boost the local housing market," noted Jim Merrion, regional director of the RE/MAX Northern Illinois real estate network.

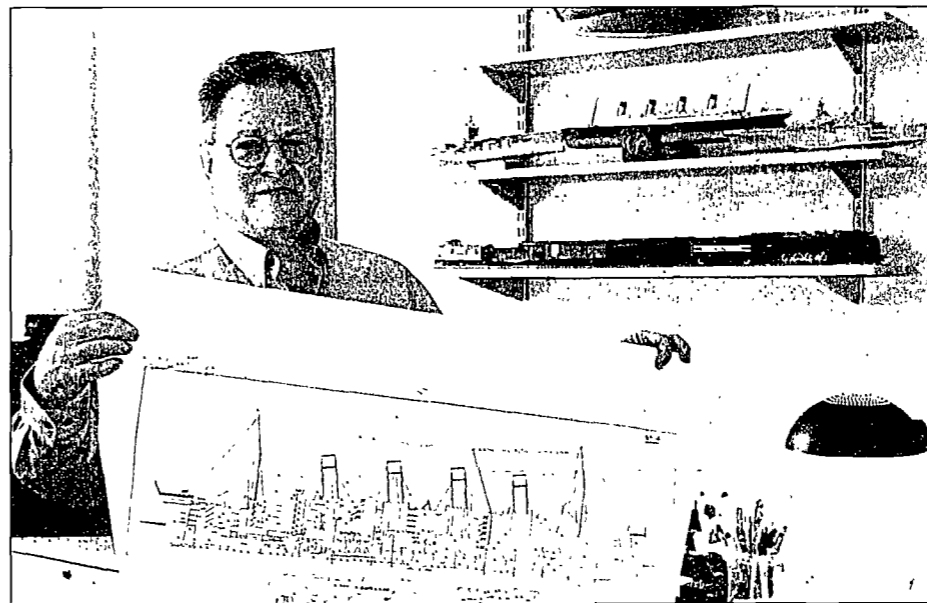
"By offering the credit to existing homeowners, we should get more of that entry-level housing on the market as existing owners move up to larger homes," Merrion said. "That beneficial impact should eventually work its way up to the higher priced segment of the housing market, where the pace of sales has declined markedly this year."

The first-time buyer tax credit boosted sales momentum in the third quarter. Home sales in the nine-county Chicago area marked the first positive year-over-year increase in more than three years while price declines moderated but continued to be influenced by entry-level and distressed sales, according to the IAR.

"The expanded and extended home-buyer tax credit will be critical to helping move buyers off the fence and into homes in Chicago," said Gene Birch, president of the Chicago Association of Realtors and a broker associate with Koenig & Strey GMAC. "There are great deals on the market for buyers across the board."

Mike Ororato, president of the IAR, said, "This stimulus measure has proven it works and the impact goes beyond the sale of a home. The home sale transaction spurs an economic boost for moving and storage companies, the home improvement industry, inspection and legal services."

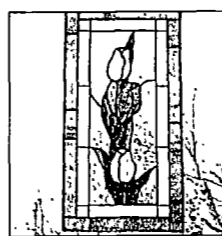
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Titanic enthusiast Sam Halpern uses the extra room in his condo for Titanic research.

A haven for hobbies

Active seniors follow their passions at Belle Plaine Commons



Barb and Joe Ketter (at right) were the first residents at Belle Plaine Commons. The den in their condo is dedicated to Joe's passion (above): making stained glass.

There is never a dull moment at Belle Plaine Commons, home to many active 55-plus residents who spend their free time on unique and compelling hobbies.

"Living a maintenance-free lifestyle is part of the attraction for many 55-or-better buyers at Belle Plaine Commons at 2335 W. Belle Plaine," said Reva Appel, development coordinator for North Center Associates LLC, the developer.

"Many of our buyers are looking to simplify their lives and move to a streamlined lifestyle. After shepherding their cumbersome single-family homes our residents are ready to take the time to explore their lifelong hobbies and dedicate space to a hobby room," she said.

At Belle Plaine Commons, an affordable leisure lifestyle beckons, with prices starting at just \$194,990.

Barb and Joe Ketter are passionate about their hobbies and love their new lifestyle at Belle Plaine Commons.

"For me, a hobby is a relaxing time where you can lose yourself in what you are creating," said Joe Ketter, a stained-glass maker. "You can come home from a hard day at work and be creative. It's calming and timeless. I can't wait to get home from work to start crafting a piece of stained glass."

Ketter has been a stained-glass hobbyist for more than a decade. In his former home, Ketter's stained-glass shop was in the basement. Now it's tucked away in the den.

"It all started when my friend from Belgium gave us a gift of stained glass one year and he told us he made it," Ketter said. "The next year he gave another gift and included a stained-glass class course. That's where I began to learn the mechanics and art of working with glass."

But Joe is not the only hobbyist at the home; his wife Barb, a former accountant, also has a few hobbies of her own. Barb is the treasurer for the condominium board at Belle Plaine Commons and also has a small collection of vintage dolls from her childhood.

"The Kettlers were the first residents to move into Belle Plaine Commons. They sold their two-flat where they had lived for 32 years just a mile away from Belle Plaine Commons and moved into their two-bedroom-plus-den, or 'hobby room,' condominium."

Sam Halpern, another Belle Plaine Commons resident, loves

researching the historical and technical aspects of the famed Titanic. Sam and his wife Juli recently moved to Belle Plaine Commons from New Jersey to be near their grandchildren.

"I have been following the Titanic for a long time; even while I was still working full time I enjoyed it," he said. "I just didn't have the time to dig into it more when I was working full time."

"Titanic has been my main passion, but I also have a few other interests, such as yacht design, the America's Cup, World War II fleet submarines and thermodynamics and steam engines. I am also a private pilot with more than 250 logged hours in the air," Halpern said.

Halpern was inspired in 1963, as were so many others, by Walter Lord's "A Night to Remember."

Halpern launched his own Web site — www.titanicology.com — to share many of his published articles and related work with other Titanic history buffs.

Doll collector Laura Gobenau is another resident who is a hobby enthusiast. She has more than 100 vintage porcelain and vinyl dolls in all sizes on display in the hobby room.

Gubenau and her husband, Jim, have lived at Belle Plaine Commons for more than a year. They bought a two-bedroom, two-bath condominium. The couple sold their single-family home just two blocks away from Belle Plaine Commons.

"I like to collect dolls and have been for many years," Gobenau said. "There was a store near our old home that I went to frequently. I started collecting smaller dolls and then larger dolls. I even used to sew outfits for some of the larger dolls that stood about four feet tall."

When the couple moved to Belle Plaine Commons they



Visit this community

The Belle Plaine Commons sales center and model are located in the building at 2335 W. Belle Plaine. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday through Wednesday. The center is closed Thursday and Friday. Prospective buyers may view floor plans and amenities at www.belleplainecommons.com. For more information, call 773-442-6995.

needed to downsize.

"Laura sold or upgraded some of her favorite dolls at that time. We have quite a collection of dolls — several worth more than \$500 each," Tim said.

Belle Plaine Commons' resident Heidi Braler's lifelong hobby is baking, especially for her grandchildren and her neighbors.

"I just have to be doing something in the kitchen all the time, so I get up my recipes and look for something to make," Braler said. "And, because I can't eat everything I bake, I share it with all of the neighbors. I also like to sew and do jigsaw puzzles as a hobby, too. But baking is the main hobby because it's child-legendary."

Braler has lived at Belle Plaine Commons for more than a year.

"I bought a small one-bedroom-plus-den condo at Belle Plaine Commons," she said. "I had a house just a few blocks away where I lived for 68 years. It was just too large and all the repairs and the yard work were too much for me."

Braler likes her new condo with a north-facing view. "The tree-lined streets and kids playing remind me of my childhood. I can also see my church, Queen of Angels, from my balcony," Braler said.

The 92-unit Belle Plaine Commons community anchors the five-acre North Center Senior Campus, bounded by Irving Park Blvd., Western Avenue, Oakley Avenue and Belle Plaine



Those who apply before Thanksgiving can take advantage of a no-out-of-pocket move-in for qualified buyers that can provide \$2,000 holiday cash back. The program applies to single-level, single-family homes, that start in the low \$100,000s, to Cape Cod-style homes (pictured) in the \$170,000s. Glenview schools, medical services, shopping, dining and an easy walk to Metra service to Chicago makes this community a great option.

Come home to Glenview for the holidays

Capital First community offers special program to help buyers

"We all want to build those happy holiday memories. A Christmas tree, the menorah or Thanksgiving dinner with family — whatever your family tradition happens to be; we want that for ourselves and for our loved ones. All of those memories revolve around the simple yet profound reality of home," said Linda Beem, project manager for Capital First Realty's Glenview office.

"Our 'Come home for the holidays, and have the presents, too' offer is a way that renters or others seeking a new home can make their dreams come true the easy way," she said.

"This is the most amazing opportunity our location has ever had, and it is perhaps the only one like it in the elite and desirable North Shore area," Beem said. "It begins with great homes."

"Picture a fine single- or two-level home with features such as 9-foot ceilings, crown molding, an Energy Star-rated builder and more. Then visualize a fine location in the prestigious and high demand Glenview school district with Glenview municipal services.

Then, for first-time home buyers — defined as those who haven't owned in the last three years or who have never owned — imagine being able to move into a new home for as little as \$2,000 down, in an area where the security deposit may be more than that on a rental unit. The balance of the normal investment of the down payment will come from the federal stimulus rebate for new homebuyers, but with this vital difference: we will let you have \$2,000 of that for Christmas.

"Thanksgiving or holiday gift giving for new items for your home or whatever it is that you want," Beem said.

"You are getting in for no net cash out of pocket. You'll have a home of your own, and in our case, that home is often tens of thousands under the price of a much older housing in the area. Own for less than area rent, build equity and get your home for the holidays and presents for under the tree, all in one beautiful package."

"The possibilities are numerous, and for prices below \$200,000. The more you see, the more you hear, the more you'll understand why 60 to 70 singles, couples and families a year choose this location for their first or next home and why the pace this year is hotter than ever," Beem said.

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ue, appeal and financing we offer. At all our metro locations, we are well under the market, but here in Glenview particularly so. The average housing unit here is some \$600,000, according to local demographic information.

"For example, we have finished two-level modern Cape Cod homes for as little as \$139,900, a 2,100-square-foot, three-bedroom, 2½-bath home with all the kitchen appliances, upgraded cabinetry and more. That price point, quality and appeal is what rings the bell, and allows us to sell, sell, sell when others in the local housing market are hurting for sales."

Beem said a reason is the advantage of high-tech modular-style construction, combined with volume that creates the advantages.

"We've redeveloped about 75 percent of this location in the last few years, taking out hundreds of older units in favor of these multi-generational mid-style homes. By building off-site in a controlled environment, we can save time, cut lost material — meaning we are 'greener' — (less damage and other costs, as well as labor savings; all while meeting strict federal construction guidelines. These are third-party-inspected homes that insure the same as other area housing because it's built to last for generations. In other words, the holiday and other event memories you build here can be as powerful for the next generation as it will be for you."

"Finally, we are a one-stop shopping experience. To understand the value, you have to step inside one or two homes; you'll rapidly see that this is quality," Beem said. "Then we outline the advantages of our SmartBuy program, and can provide you with insurance, etc. Bring two current check stubs, your recent addresses with landlord information, along with proof of identity (Social Security Card and driver's license) and you can be living in your new home in a matter of days, until the current inventory of models runs out."

Beem said the company can also custom homes to 3,100 square feet with such features as Corian or granite countertops, plank flooring, media center with built-in "surround sound" and more.

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Agents vote Cornerstone best eco-friendly development

Cornerstone, a new 19-unit condominium and town home development in Evanston, has been voted the Best Eco-Friendly Development in the suburbs by participating real estate agents in Chicago Agent Magazine's Agents' Choice Awards. Cornerstone received the award on Tuesday, Nov. 3 at a reception at the Merchandise Mart.

Designed by Nagle Hartray, the architect of the Evanston Library and Harpo Studios, Cornerstone offers a unique mix of location, architectural style and environmental friendly features that set it apart from other buildings.

Similar to the old courtyard buildings of Paris, Cornerstone offers more than what first meets the eye. Behind a row of redbrick townhouses, which face the street, you'll discover a four-story condominium with

articulated bays, hanging balconies and rooftop decks.

In spite of the surprising density, Cornerstone feels more like a home than apartment living. Each unit has an entryway, personal outdoor space and garage parking. All condominiums are corner units, with few if any party walls and multiple exposures that bring in plenty of light. All townhouses feature direct outdoor access on all four levels.

Planned with an eye toward comfort and efficiency, all units offer spacious floor plans with open kitchens and flexible space design — some with sliding glass partition walls — and eco-friendly features such as dual flush toilets and parking space outlets for the next generation of electric cars.

Other environmentally features include rooftop decks with optional raised planting beds,

energy saving double insulated cavity wall construction, high efficiency appliances and sound rated, double laminated insulated windows. Cornerstone is located just one block from the nearest Metra and El Stations, so owners can leave their cars at home.

Steve Lome, Eon Development Principle accepted the award thanking the agent community.

"Bringing environmentally responsible homes to consumers is very rewarding. It is especially gratifying that the agent community sees the unique value of the project and recognizes our deep commitment to sustainability."

Aaron Share and Jennifer Mills, agents at Koenig & Stray GMAC Real Estate's Webster Avenue location, list Cornerstone. Call 847-729-0330; visit www.ksgmac.com.



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TRANSACTIONS

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This list includes residential transfers by city, including street address and approximate purchase price of the property. There are many factors in the full cost of a home other than the transaction price. Realtors, who are involved in the housing market on a daily basis, are in a position to provide an accurate analysis of the value of your home or one you are considering. Many offer this analysis at no charge.

Barrington

936 Lakewood Dr: Liu, Jerry X & Wu, Claire H: \$760,000

Bellwood

3201 Wilcox Ave: Smith, Robert: \$144,000
 338 Bellwood Ave: Jones, Kevin & Adriana: \$170,000
 504 S2nd Ave: Torral, Khadijah M: \$145,000
 53 Marshall Ave: Baxter, Dwight: \$72,500

Broadview

2219 S 15th Ave: Taylor, Daniel M: \$75,000
 2222 S 11th Ave: Nelson, David G: \$65,500

Buffalo Grove

139 Forest Pl: Photopoulos, Andrew: \$195,000
 564 Park View Ter 564: Boaty, David T: \$227,000

Des Plaines

109 Princeton St: Carrara, Kevin M: \$250,000
 115 W Walnut Ave: Herron, Schuronda: \$180,000
 1185 S 2nd Ave: Korber, Cary & Edna: \$225,000
 1208 Harding Ave: Raymond, Jason J: \$313,000
 1254 Evergreen Ave 11: Tisler, Andrew D: \$266,000
 1275 S Wolf Rd: Rescobar, Jeremiah H: \$192,000
 140 E Northwest Hwy: Najafi, Mina & Saitarjaghdam, Bohnaz: \$105,000
 1425 Willow Ave: Bar, John & Alice: \$87,000
 1438 Pennsylvania Ave: Nolan, Kenneth J & Tracey: \$260,000
 1702 Mill St 304: Castaneda, Roberto: \$181,000
 1967 Birch St: Courtney, Jennifer A & Sheffield, Anne H: \$208,000
 1992 Welwyn Ave: Garcia, Mana C &

Eldia: \$155,500
 2007 Pine St: Huerta, Narcizo: \$144,000
 315 N 4th Ave: Patel, Hitesh & Karisha: \$125,000
 317 E Golf Rd: Loxau, John P: \$219,000
 367 N 4th Ave B: Bartz, Karin: \$160,000
 721 Elmhurst Rd F: Fraczak, Lukas: \$119,000
 752 Garland Pl: Messick, Jason: \$200,000
 8800 N Western Ave JE: Shah, Sureshbhai N & Jayshree S: \$70,000
 9421 Margail Ave: Vadakkokodavana, Hormoso & Colina: \$200,500

Elmwood Park

1634 N 74th Ct: Przychocki, David & Olga: \$250,000
 1641 N 74th Ct: Shahinpoun, Nayorh & Alshin: \$306,000
 1723 N 74th Ct: Nicosia, Gina M: \$220,000
 1813 N 73rd Ct: Kwasowczak, Katarzyna & Ogar, Konrad: \$200,000
 2557 N 73rd Ave: Harwell, Brandon & Robecca: \$137,500
 2802 N 72nd Ct 6: Mascarenhas, Lilydoss & Irone B: \$157,000
 2831 N 72nd Ave: Contino, Hector: \$410,000
 2217 N 75th Ct: Dyra, Michael P: \$147,000
 2936 N 76th Ave: Figueroa, Yadira: \$152,000
 7926 W Oakleaf Ave: Goiz, David: \$270,000
 7728 W Sunset Dr: Armstrong, Tony & Kashka: \$153,000
 7832 W Sunset Dr: Torres, Danello L & Marty: \$245,000

Evanston

1143 Hinman Ave 3: Ryan, Mark J: \$321,000
 1567 Ridge Ave 603: Sarraf, Shabnam: \$158,500
 1570 Elmwood Ave 1104: Tullman, Patricia L: \$471,500
 1570 Elmwood Ave 1106: Janssen, Judith M: \$736,500
 1612 South Blvd: Mohlis, Michelle Lynn & Papa, Christopher Anthony: \$145,000
 1800 Ridge Ave 202: Flores, Sandy M: \$279,000
 2317 Nathanel Pl: Pago, Votinda & Murphy, Kevin: \$225,000
 2459 Prairie Ave 3E: Homampour, Saan: \$135,000
 2530 Central Park Ave: Froum, Theodore E & Aryn G: \$550,000
 545 Sheridan Rd 3E: Groskopf, Anne M: \$176,000
 713 Custer Ave: Guorero, Rachelle: \$145,000

Franklin Park

2536 Ernst St: Santilago, Andreas & Maria Louisa: \$185,000
 2907 Scott St: Huerta, Albino & Tania:

\$185,000
 3338 Gustaf St: Pomilla, Camilo & Zhang, Li: \$175,000
 3543 Sunset Ln: Zar, Sandra: \$142,500

Glencoe

130 Euclid Ave: Suci, Jason C & Erb, Amy E: \$950,000
 446 Jackson Ave: Qu, Jianmin & Li, Qianqian: \$920,000

Glenview

1140 Washington St: Sprague, Brian: \$249,000
 1150 Willow Ln: Strakides, Dean & Dianna: \$1315,000
 1723 Grove St: Stukalov, Alexander: \$260,000
 1835 Tanglewood Dr G: Majchor, Halina: \$205,000
 1854 Admiral Ct: Jagolia, Rakesh: \$715,000
 2204 Henley St: Kim, Peter: \$710,000
 3616 Vantage Ln: Sander, Reinhard E & Brotz, Julio C: \$814,500
 412 Hazehool Ln: Mohammad, Saleem: \$96,000
 4712 Laurel Ave: Chuang, Eric & Helen: \$696,000

Harwood Heights

4435 N Sayre Ave: Makowski, Konrad P & Bogumila K: \$315,000
 4620 N Newland Ave: Homandoz, Jaime T & Gloria R: \$475,000
 4833 N Olcott Ave 404: Aitelhadi, Reda & Hamou: \$300,000
 4712 Laurel Ave: Chuang, Eric & Helen: \$696,000

Hillside

404 Geneva Ave: Falco, Jordan & April: \$166,000

Kenilworth

337 Raleigh Rd: Kellor Jr, Kenneth C & Kellor, Donna E: \$2,100,000

Lincolnwood

7140 N Karlov Ave: Shahid, Mohammad: \$289,000

Maywood

2007 S 8th Ave: Groom, Natalie: \$80,000
 2033 S 6th Ave: Hubbard III, Stanley A: \$118,000

Melrose Park

1011 21st Ave: Andrade, Victoria: \$155,000
 10618 Drummond Ave: Impastato, Dawn: \$150,000
 138 N 18th Ave: Dolgado, Benjamin: \$120,000
 10432 W Palmer Ave: Gribbons, Mariene A: \$175,500
 651 Winston Dr: Onoal, Carolyn L: \$207,000

Morton Grove

7814 Lotus Ave: Casas, Edward R: \$245,000
 8531 Grove St: Myzaleri, Moloq &

Miranda: \$320,000
 8904 Austin Ave: Papadopoulos, David: \$290,000
 9230 Oketo Ave: Murphy, Brandon & Tilling, Sarah: \$246,000
 9243 Harlem Ave: Blom, Danham James & Valerio A: \$240,000
 9345 Normandy Ave: Karagozian, Nersess & Sylvia: \$537,500

Mount Prospect

1011 N Greenfield Ln: Paulus, Bradley J: \$310,000
 1517 E Lowden Ln: Yang, Shu Qin & Chen, Wen Chen: \$290,000
 1710 W Lincoln St: Ono, H Irene: \$273,000
 1710 W Martin Ln: Szczeprek, Adam M & Agnieszka C: \$325,000
 1777 W Crystal Ln 303: Barycza, Grzegorz: \$70,000
 280 N Westgate Rd 223: Johnson, Linda Marie: \$130,000
 408 S Halles: Komor, Travis & Tracy: \$275,000
 414 S Wille St: Pahlke, Scott W & Stacey L: \$340,000
 920 S Lancaster St: Costa, Fay: \$285,000

Niles

7155 W Wright Ter: Sosa, Mario & Cecilia: \$215,000
 8151 W Elizabeth Ave: Darbar, Kaushik & Priti K: \$223,000
 8237 N Elmore St: Swoonoy, Brian & Ryan, Sara: \$230,000
 8728 W Stolling Rd: Patel, Jay K: \$362,500

Norridge

4404 N Redwood Dr: Foliciano, Roberto & Maria Elba: \$285,000
 4940 N Leonard Dr 2A: Spoldrich, Brian O & Jamie W: \$96,500
 5024 N Knight Ave: Murphy, Christopher J & Bernadette M: \$350,000

Northbrook

1 Court Of Hidden Bay: Nicholson, James F & Obrien, Judith A: \$350,000
 1719 Oak Ave: McClure, Matthew D & Mourouzis, Pamela M: \$360,000
 1721 Mission Hills Rd 404: Carl, Judy & Adam: \$215,000
 1737 Sunnyside Cir: Posni, Mitchell M & Arlene D: \$656,000
 2079 Avalon Ct: Baikov, Stella: \$345,000
 2112 White Oak Dr: Mollner, Igor & Svetlana: \$465,000
 2385 Castilian Cir: Yoon, Ihn Gi & Park, Young Ran Yoon: \$350,000
 2518 Audrey Ln: Loo, Howard & Jawon: \$775,000
 837 Bittersweet Dr: Szponar, Krzysztof: \$312,000
 989 Enfield Dr 11 B2: Kim, Christian Jinho: \$280,000

Northfield

353 Eaton St: Hagon, Dean T & Nancy

L: \$920,000
 Northlake
 132 Franklin Dr: Bakunowicz, Tadeusz: \$120,000
 33 Wagner Dr: Kruso, Deon & Aria M: \$142,000

Oak Park

1010 N Taylor Ave: Lomko, Peter & Johanna: \$356,000
 1130 Paulina St: Ball, Rowen B & Harris, Roberta A: \$575,000
 1130 Washington Blvd 3B: Schulte, Jamie L: \$245,000
 1234 N East Ave: Gancor, Peter: \$176,000
 218 N Oak Park Ave 1X: Brabander, Joseph & Wong, Kin Yan: \$169,000
 341 S Humphrey Ave 3: Gill, Adam L & Cathorne Alton: \$183,500
 546 N Marion St: McGrath, Thomas & Mills, Lee: \$595,000
 832 Home Ave: Hagan, Joshua M & Emily R: \$307,500
 901 S Kenilworth Ave: Loo, Ii, William H & Loo, Adalono: \$477,500
 929 Linden Ave: Doary, Christopher D & Joannio M: \$612,000
 932 N Lombard Ave: Snaknorborg, John B & Olwa, Sandra A: \$400,000
 938 Wisconsin Ave: Hirschman, Andrew J & Dwana L: \$352,000

Park Ridge

1301 W Touhy Ave 210: Elardo, James V & Heather L: \$159,500
 1408 S Fairview Ave: Nishi, Kun & Laura: \$475,000
 1521 S Fairview Ave: Durdov, David M & Vivian L: \$676,000
 200 Thames Pkwy 1 D: Torres, Marilyn O: \$117,500
 2120 Milton Ave: Liu, David L Y & Huoy Ma: \$755,000
 249 E Edgemont Ln: Dorosa, Chnsta A: \$400,000
 410 S Chester Ave: McGrath, Enda: \$360,000
 600 W Touhy Ave: Deasy, Patnck C & Babich, Ann M: \$281,000
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Pick-Stalger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000
www.pickstalger.org Kids Fare series, featuring hour-long concerts for children ages 3 to 8 and their families. All Kids Fare concerts begin at 10:30 a.m. Tickets: \$6; \$5 for senior citizens; \$4 for children. Jan. 9, 2010: "Powerful Pipes" at Alice Millar Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston, a program featuring the sounds of the chapel's organ and choir. Jan. 30, 2010: "Band-ing Together," featuring Northwestern University Symphonic Band's brass and reed players and percussionists. March 6, 2010: Robert G. Hasty conducts the Merit School Symphony Orchestra during a performance of Camille Saint-Saens' classic "Carnival of the Animals." The program also will include other works. April 24, 2010: "Percolating Percussion," a diverse assortment of percussion instruments will explore a variety of energetic musical styles. May 1, 2010: "Ivories, Buttons and Such" blends music, dance and song in a performance celebrating different keyboard instruments, including pianos, accordions, concertinas and melodions.

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. Nov. 21: "Super Power Music: A Journey of Uplifting Melodies," with Victor Pacini. "The Snow Queen," Nov. 30-Dec. 27 at Victory Gardens Theater, 2433 N. Lincoln Avenue, Chicago. Tickets: \$20-\$48; \$20-\$37 for previews. Nov. 27-29. Call (773) 871-3000 or visit www.victorygardens.org.

Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago. Nov. 20, 23-25, 10:30 a.m. and noon. Chicago Kids Company presents "Alice in Wonderland" \$10. Call (773) 205-9600 or visit www.chicagokidscompany.com.

Take Two Children's Theater presents "Jungle Book" at 7 p.m. Nov. 20 and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Nov. 21 at Weissbourd-Holmes Family Focus Center, 2010 Dewey Ave., Evanston \$10 general admission; \$8 for students and seniors. Call (847) 674-2216.

Take Two Children's Theater, 8401 N. Crawford Ave., Skokie. (847) 674-2216. www.skokiechildrenstheater.com. Dec. 28-30, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Mini Winter Theater Arts Camp, featuring games, acting, dance and crafts. \$100 for three days.

COMEDY

Chicago Sketch Comedy Festival, Jan. 7-17, 2010, at Theatre Building Chicago, 1225 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago. The festival will showcase more than 100 sketch comedy groups performing 150 shows over two weekends. In addition to these performances, there will be children's programming, workshops, networking opportunities and other special events. Tickets are \$12.50 for each timeslot; \$150 All-Festival Passes also available. Call (773) 327-5252 or visit www.chicagosketchfest.com.

Gorilla Tango Theatre, 1919 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. (773) 598-4549. www.gorillatango.com. Nov. 20-21, 8 p.m.: "Mrs. Gruber's Ding Dong School." Inspired by children's television shows of yore, as well as the ensemble's own skewed childhood memories, the show is taught by Mrs. Gruber, a good-intentioned but not entirely lucid schoolmarm, and touches on a multitude of coming-of-age topics, including death, racism, squirrel bites and laser fish. \$15.

The Improv Comedy Showcase and Restaurant, in Woodfield Mall, 5 Woodfield Road, Schaumburg. (847) 240-2001 www.improv.com. Showtimes at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays; 8 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. Fridays; 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Saturdays; 7 p.m. Sundays. Must be 18 or older. Nov. 19-22: Kevin Pollak. Nov. 27-29: Steve Byrne.

InterContinental Chicago O'Hare Hotel, 5300 N. River Road, Rosemont. www.ihohare.com/montrose_room. (847) 544-5300. Saturdays, 8 p.m.: ComedySportz Theatre, presented in the Montrose Room. Open run. \$21.

10's Cabaret Theatre, 3541 N. Clark St., Chicago www.10improv.com. Through Dec. 12, at midnight Saturdays: Improv troupe Blackout presents "White People" \$5. For tickets, call (773) 880-0199 or visit www.ticketweb.com.

Laugh Out Loud Theater, Streets of Woodfield Mall, Suite 171, 601 N. Martingale Road, Schaumburg. (847) 240-0386 www.loltheater.com. Performances at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. Each show is completely improvised, based on audience suggestions. The 7:30 p.m. performances are family appropriate. The 9:30 p.m. shows are geared more toward adults and usually tend towards a PG-13 rating. Tickets: \$18; \$12 for ages 18 and under. Group rates available. Nov. 19, 8 p.m.: "Instant Musical." Tickets: \$15. Nov. 25, 8 p.m.: Stand Up and Laugh Out Loud, featuring local stand-up comedians as well as veterans from comedy clubs around the country. The event will be hosted by "The Stand-Up Knights." Tickets: \$10.

Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit 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.: "Nuns'n'Fun," featuring Vicki Quade, co-creator of the Late Mite Catechism comedies.

Strawdog Theatre, 3829 N. Broadway St., Chicago. Through Dec. 5, 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays: Gay comedy troupe GayCo Productions presents "The Audacity of Nope or How I Fell for a Pansy Scheme," a sketch comedy revue. \$20 tickets can be purchased online at www.GayCo.com or by calling (800) 838-3006.

DANCE

PERFORMANCES

The Dance Center of Columbia College Chicago, 1306 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. *Family Dance Matinees*, featuring a special 45-minute family-oriented performance at 3 p.m., precede by a free workshop at 2:15 p.m. that encourages parents and children to move with the artists. Tickets: \$10; \$6 for children 12 and younger. Call (312) 369-8330 or visit www.colum.edu/dancecenter. Feb. 20, 2010: Jump Rhythm Jazz Project. April 3, 2010: Hedwig Dances.

2009 Dance Chicago Festival's 15th Anniversary Grand Finale, featuring ballet, tap, jazz, urban and contemporary dance. 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. \$25; \$20 students and senior citizens. For tickets, call (847) 905-1500, ext. 108, or visit www.musicinstituteofchicago.org. For information, visit www.dancechicago.com.

Harris Theater for Music and Dance Millennium Park, 205 E. Randolph Drive Chicago. (312) 334-7777. www.harrisatc.com. Nov. 28, 8 p.m.: "Fossil 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. Tickets: \$60; \$45 seniors; \$25 student. Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 905-1500. www.musicinst.org. Dec. 12: Dance Chicago 2009 performances, including Family Nutcracker (Duke It Out) Ellington vs Tchaikovsky at 10 a.m.; and Grand Finale at 8 p.m. For tickets, visit www.dancechicago.com.

Northwestern University Marjorie Ward Marshall Dance Center, 10 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Nov. 19-21, 8 p.m. and Nov. 22, 2 p.m.: Fall 2009 Dance Concert, an annual performance of student choreography produced by Northwestern's New Movement Project. Tickets: \$12; \$5 for children and full-time students. Call (847) 491-7282. Dec. 3-5, 8 p.m.: "You Can't Dance Out the Side of Your Mouth," by Chicago choreographer Jaema Joy Berry. The work will be performed by Berry and a small ensemble of contemporary, modern and tap dancers, including Northwestern Dance Program students and alumni. \$12; \$5 for students and senior citizens. For tickets, call (847) 491-7282.

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'End Days' tells a strange, and very satisfying, story

PLAY REVIEW

'End Days' through Nov. 29 at Next Theatre, 927 Hoyes St., Evanston. \$25-\$40. (847) 475-1875 or www.nexttheatre.org.

By **CATEY SULLIVAN**
Contributor

Laura T. Fisher could play a caecus and probably make the thing empathetic and emotionally complex. So it's no surprise that her depiction of Sylvia Stein, the pushy, abrasive, rigidly uncompromising and rabidly Evangelical Christian at the fractured heart of "End Days," comes across as an intelligent, multi-layered, flawed hero rather than a one-note stereotype feverishly skipping toward crazy town. Sylvia is at the heart of Deborah Zoe Laufer's eccentric family drama. Minus an actor who can portray a self-appointed savior with humanity, all you've got in "End Days" is story that's way too weird to relate to.

As it is, Next's production is compelling even in its most outlandish moments. And what with Stephen Hawking and Jesus Christ constantly coming and going, there are plenty of outlandish moments. Upping the oddness factor: The teenage Elvis impersonator next door, a high-strung adolescent whose nervous chatter loops and buzzes like a swarm of drunken bees.

Within this trippy atmosphere populated by misfits, director Shade Murray finds the story's deeply relatable human core, and makes it shine. Even in the most absurd scenes (Sylvia demanding the Rapture's precise timeline from a reluctant Jesus, Stephen Hawking helping Sylvia's daughter Rachel to remember her locker combination), things feel honest and true. "End Days" delves the



(Left to right) William Dick, Laura T. Fisher, Joseph Wycoff, Adam Shalzi in Next Theatre's production of "End Days." (Photo by Michael Brosilow)

profound disconnect among members of the Stein family in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks. Sylvia, her husband Arthur (William Dick) and daughter Rachel (Carolyn Faye Kramer) are as estranged from each other as they are from the world at large. While Sylvia has turned to Jesus, Arthur — who survived the World Trade Center attacks while all of his co-workers perished — has tumbled into a near catatonic depression. Rachel expresses her broken-hearted rage by stomping about in Doe Martins and painting her face ghost-goth white. In their own distinctive way, each of the Steins has given up on life on Earth — which makes the sudden arrival of Nelson (Adam Shalzi) all the more jarring. Despite having

survived tragedy on a par with the Steins, Nelson is as optimistic and life-affirming as his neighbors are life-denying. His only apparent damage is the Elvis jumpsuit he uses as a security blanket and a loquacious lack of social graces.

Within the small, ordinary parameters of the Steins' world — a living room, a kitchen, and a high school hallway — Laufer injects ideas as big as the universe with dialogue probing matters Biblical, astro-physical, religious and scientific. While Sylvia is fervently preparing for the Apocalypse and chatting up Jesus, Rachel is also pondering the mysteries of the space/time continuum with Hawking. Nelson and Arthur become similarly engrossed in matters far larger than the



Rachel (Carolyn Faye Kramer) tells her new friend, Stephen Hawking (Joseph Wycoff), about her concerns with her mom's fanaticism. (Photo by Michael Brosilow)

Earth's boundaries, bonding over the beauty and mystery of Nelson's Bar Mitzvah preparations.

Early in the second act, Sylvia gets a monologue that pierces straight to the heart while explaining her abrupt conversion from agnostic Jew to Born Again Christian. It's a passage that absolutely nails the unbearable fear of being separated from loved ones, be it during a terrorist attack or during the end of the world. Sylvia's utter anguish at the thought of being Raptured up to Jesus while her family is left behind is intensely believable. Christian, Jew, Hindu, Buddhist, Muslim or atheist — anyone who has ever feared the loss of a loved one will recognize themselves in Sylvia.

The rest of the cast is solid. Dick absolutely captures the shrugging despair (and the black humor) of major depression. Shalzi is convincingly guileless as a gawky boy who speaks unvarnished truth simply because he doesn't know how to filter his conversation to meet societal norms. Wycoff is appropriately beatific as Jesus and wryly brainy as Hawking.

A final key performer here: Nick Keenan's sound design, which merges Latin and Hebrew religious chants with Johnny Cash songs.

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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. Membership fee \$25. Upcoming dates include Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 (Christmas party, starting at 7 p.m.).

Chicago Dance Chapter of USA Dance, the national organization representing

amateur ballroom dancers. 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. For information, call (847) 577-9014 or visit www.usadancechicago.org. Dec. 5: Social dance at DuPage Dance Center, 1163 Ogden Ave., Naperville. Dec. 12: Holly & Ivy Hop, featuring a jive lesson, at The Centre at North Park, 10040 Addison, Franklin Park.

Evanston Scottish Country Dancers meet at 7:30 p.m. Fridays at the Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln, Winnetka. Beginners welcome. No kill required, just soft shoes. Fee is \$5 at

the door. For information, call instructor Frances Gillan, (847) 471-7924.

Happy Twirlers Dance Club provides round and square dancing at 7:30 p.m. the second Saturday of the month, through May 8, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Thacker and Lee streets, Des Plaines. \$6 per guest. For information, call (847) 698-5501 or (773) 685-8407. Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, (773) 282-7035. www.irish-american.org. Dec. 5, 8-11 p.m.: The Morris Ardoin Creole Quartet will play the December monthly dance sponsored by The Midway Ramblers Cajun Band. \$10. Dance instruction from 7:45-8:15 p.m. No partner needed. Kristine's Dance Party, 7:30-11 p.m. Thursdays at the Park Ridge VFW, 10 W. Higgins Road, Park Ridge. Open to sin-

gles and couples. Nightclub, swing, jitterbug, salsa, hustle, cha cha, fox trot and other music provided by a DJ. \$5 cover; cash bar. (773) 482-0642 or www.kristinesdanceparty.com.

Leikarringur "Helmingur" dancers welcome those age 16 and older interested in Scandinavian folk dance to join them from 8-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the First United Methodist Church of Des Plaines, 666 Graceland Ave. No prior dance experience or partner necessary. For information, call (847) 823-7596 or (847) 692-6616.

Lincolnwood Ballroom and Latin Social Dance. Nov. 20 at the Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln. Featuring ballroom, swing and salsa/Latin. Doors open at 7 p.m.; free lesson at 7:15 p.m.; dancing from 7:45-9:45 p.m. Open to singles and couples. \$10. Co-hosted by Lincolnwood Parks/Recreation and Tina Mangos Dance. For information, call (773) 282-5108 or visit www.linwoodmangosdance.com.

Spare 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. Dec. 6: Christmas dance, with music by Chuck and Friends. Dec. 20: Early New Year's Eve dance, with music by The Music Men.

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. For information, call (773) 775-9427 or (708) 442-8646. 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. Refreshments served and banner available through April 24. Admission: \$6. For information, call (847) 392-5512 or (847) 253-3206. Nov. 28: Dale McRoberts. Dec. 27: No dance. Dec. 31: New Year's Eve ticket dance with Wally Smulson and Howard Hoffman.

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Via Veneto Ristorante, 6340 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago. Nov. 20, 7 p.m., and Nov. 22, 3 p.m.: "Taste of Abruzzo Dinner," a celebration of the cuisine and culture of the Abruzzo region of Italy. Each evening will feature an authentic regional menu based on local specialties prepared by native chef Massimo Criscio and Dino Alberto Paganelli, chef at the Palazzo Tour d'Eau in Abruzzo. Regional wines have been selected to accompany the meal. Chef Criscio, who runs Abruzzo Cibus Culinary Tours, will introduce the courses and discuss the culture of the region and the tours he offers. \$65 per person includes tax and gratuity. For reservations, call (773) 267-0888.

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

"The Symbols of Christmas" bazaar will be held from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Nov. 20 and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 21 at St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox Church, 7373 N. Caldwell Ave., Niles, featuring crafts, gifts, floral arrangements, a coffee shop, and homemade Greek pastries. Free admission. For information, call (847) 647-8880.

A holiday craft fair will be held from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 21 and noon-5 p.m. Nov. 22 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 260 N. Northwest Highway, Park Ridge. A portion of the proceeds will benefit The Center of Concern, a nonprofit social service agency that provides housing solutions, counseling and support services for seniors, the disabled, and others in need. For more information, call Christine Perille, (847) 823-8755.

Winter Arts + Crafts Expo, Nov. 21-Dec. 22 at the Evanston Art Center, 2603 Sheridan Road. Hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Saturday; noon-4 p.m. Sundays. Closed Thanksgiving. Special hours from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Dec. 21-22. Call (847) 475-5300 or visit www.evanstonartcenter.org.

Holiday Boutique, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 22 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 23 at the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. Call (847) 967-4806 or visit www.ilholocaustmuseum.org.

FILM

Block Cinema, in the Pick-Laudati Auditorium at the Block Museum of Art, Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, (847) 491-4000. www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu/block-cinema. Admission is \$6; \$4 for Block Museum members, senior citizens, and students with ID, or as noted below. All films shown at 8 p.m., unless noted otherwise. *Mumblecore film series* - Nov. 19: "Present Company." *Ami'abih Bachchan film series* - Nov. 20: "Black." *Film Noir from 1955 to 1970 film series* - Dec. 2: "Underworld U.S.A." Dec. 3: "The Killers." Dec. 4: "Le Cercle Rouge."

Skokie Theatre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie, (847) 677-7761, www.skokie theatre.com. Nov. 27, 7 p.m.: "One Simple Life." \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door.

ORGANIZATIONS

The American Jewish Artists Club is now accepting applications for new

artist members. The club exhibits widely in the Chicago area in museums, public venues and institutions, synagogues and community centers. Members also participate in salon discussions and art critiques, plein air painting sessions, and other activities. For information, visit www.american-jewishartistsclub.org.

Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. New members are welcome. For information, call Margaret Newman, (847) 924-6952, or visit www.dpag.org.

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 DuSod, (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.

SINGLES

Jewish Senior Singles Social Club meets regularly for dinners and a variety of programs. For information, call (847) 676-2872.

Jewish Social Singles, for ages 21-plus. Cash payments only; activities are subject to change. Call (847) 757-1299 or (847) 331-1066. Nov. 21, 6:30 p.m.: Socialize over hors d'oeuvres and drinks at Gino's East, 1445 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield, \$30. Nov. 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. Dec. 20, 6:30 p.m.: Holiday party and gift exchange at Hackney's on Lake, 1514 E. Lake Ave., Glenview, \$30. Bring a \$10 wrapped, gender-neutral gift.

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TOURS & OUTINGS

Norwood Park Historical Society, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago, (773) 631-4633. www.norwoodparkhistoricalsociety.org. The Norwood Park Historical Society, a nonprofit organization, resides in the Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, Chicago's oldest home. Hours are noon-4 p.m. Saturdays, or by appointment. Admission is free, but donations are accepted.

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Oakton Community College offers Alliance for Lifelong Learning classes. For information or registration, visit www.oakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888, press 3. Dec. 1, 7-8:30 p.m.: America's Songwriter: Stephen Foster (MUS C50-01) meets at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton St., Skokie. Course

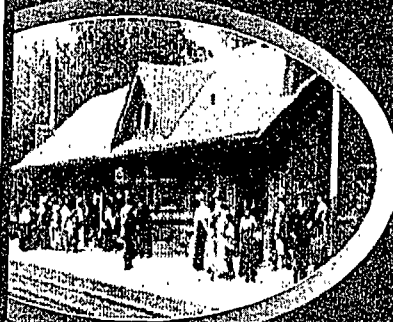
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The Norwood Park Train Station Foundation thanks all who participated and who sponsored the annual 5K Run/Walk fundraiser spearheaded by Corrine Schreiber, Sandy Abrajano and Bill Thom of RunRace.net All proceeds benefit the historic Norwood Park Train Station, its maintenance and upkeep. Parts of the proceeds go to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

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fee is \$22. Dec. 2, 6:30-8 p.m.: The Holidays with Bach, Handel, and Corelli (MUS X07-01), covering "winter music" composed by Baroque masters. meets at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. Course fee is \$19.

Oakton Community College Emeritus Program offers courses at its Skokie campus, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. For information about the Emeritus Program, call (847) 635-1414 or visit www.oakton.edu/emeritus. Dec. 2, 1-2:30 p.m.: Women Collectors and Their Museums (ART F11-61) explores five patrons of the arts, including Peggy Guggenheim, Isabella Stewart Gardner and Dominique De Menil. Course fee is \$20.

ET CETERA

The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston. (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. Nov. 29, 8 p.m.: Storytelling in the Snug with Michael Parent.

Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. [treeast.org. Nov. 28, 5 and 8 p.m., and Nov. 29, 3 p.m.: Cirque Le Masque. \\$35. Dec. 26, 7 p.m.; Dec. 27, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.; Dec. 28, 3 p.m.: "Aga-Boom," featuring performers from The Great Moscow Circus. Cirque du Soleil and Barnum & Bailey. \\$37.](http://www.cen-</p>
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China Friendship/Beijing Performing Arts Gala. 8 p.m. Dec. 4-5 at Northwestern University's Cahn Auditorium, 600 Emerson, Evanston, featuring vocal and opera acts, folk dances, acrobatic acts and instrumental performances by contemporary Chinese masters and performers from Beijing's China Conservatory, China National Opera Troupe, China National Symphony Orchestra, China Traditional Opera College, North Kunqu Troupe, Beijing Acrobatic Troupe and Beijing Dance College. General admission is \$12, with select seating priced from \$20-\$50. Call (847) 491-2305.

Nickey Chicago Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals. 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Nov. 21 and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 22 at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center, 5555 N. River Road, Rosemont. The event includes nearly 500 cars on dis-

play, live and silent auctions, and an indoor swap meet. Admission: \$15; free for children under 12 accompanied by an adult. www.mccan.com.

MUSEUMS

Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. www.illhoocaustmuseum.org. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Admission: \$8; \$5 for children ages 5-12; \$6 for students ages 12-22 and senior citizens. Special exhibitions are free with museum admission. Dec. 3-Feb. 28, 2010: "Anne Frank: A History for Today," a traveling exhibition sponsored by the New York-based Anne Frank Center USA, Inc. The story of Anne Frank and her family is juxtaposed against world events before, during and after Adolf Hitler and the Nazi party's rise to power. The exhibition includes dozens of photographs of the Frank family and other occupants of the Secret Annex.

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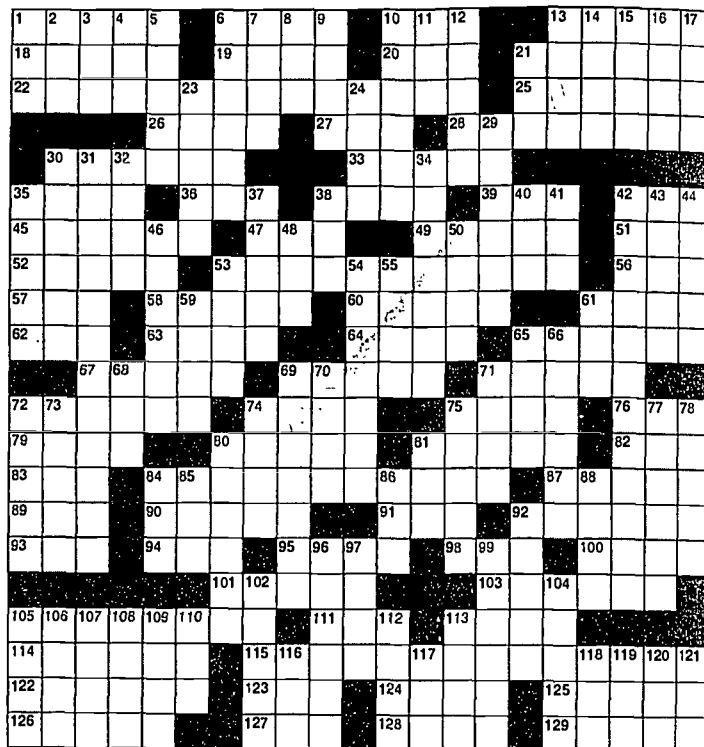
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Williamson of "Excalibur"
 - 6 The — Brothers
 - 10 Urban transport
 - 13 Get the lead out
 - 18 Haiden
 - 19 Stallion's son
 - 20 "Agnus —"
 - 21 Mason's tool
 - 22 Cat-show judge?
 - 25 Puts aside
 - 26 Carpenter's item
 - 27 Cavity
 - 28 Model boat?
 - 30 Degrades
 - 33 Mongoose's enemy
 - 35 Bungle
 - 36 One of the Maiches
 - 38 "If I — you..."
 - 39 White House gip.
 - 42 Beret kin
 - 45 Queen of mystery
 - 47 Tell it like it isn't
 - 49 Winter warmer-upper
 - 51 See 105 Down
 - 52 Sluggishly
- DOWN**
- 53 Dislike of a relative?
 - 56 Branch
 - 57 Swiss canton
 - 58 — Dawn
 - 60 Moving man?
 - 61 Strait-laced
 - 62 71 Across
 - 63 Support feature
 - 64 Not quite adult
 - 65 Kevin of "American Beauty"
 - 67 Renown
 - 69 Board game
 - 71 Casals' instrument
 - 72 Messenger
 - 74 "Younger — Springtime" (49 song)
 - 75 Exceptional
 - 76 Be a buttnsky
 - 79 So be it
 - 80 Wallace of "The Princess Bride"
 - 81 Type of orange
 - 82 Bray beginning
 - 83 Lion's lali
 - 84 A different place to get married?
 - 87 Newscaster Lesley
- SOUNDS RIGHT**
- 2 Shiba — (Japanese dog)
 - 3 Mxyzptlk
 - 4 Risk legend
 - 5 Bowk blows
 - 6 Charge
 - 7 Reforme
 - 8 Lilly oi
 - 9 Command at a corner
 - 10 Peary White, for one
 - 11 Meyerbeer's —
 - 12 Lucknow lute
 - 13 Art Deco name
 - 14 Carrot oi paisnip
 - 15 Crooked
 - 16 Trickle
 - 17 In addition
 - 21 "Foi shamal"
 - 23 "Sleeping with the —" ('91 film)
 - 24 Medite-anean port
 - 29 Foul
 - 30 Charm
 - 31 Aggressive-ness on Wall Street?
 - 32 Genesis figure
 - 34 Suits
 - 35 Disgusted
 - 37 Fills to the gills
 - 38 Moistn sail
 - 40 Letteis of despoia-ion?
 - 41 Machine part
 - 42 Kiemlin tomb?
 - 43 Hawk's home
 - 44 One of the Yokums
 - 46 "Swingin' School" singer
 - 48 Claire oi Balln
 - 50 — Impulse (suddenly)
 - 53 Landed
 - 54 Centipede's sensei
 - 55 Departs
 - 59 "My word!"
 - 61 Chum
 - 65 Medieval menial
 - 66 Kindly
 - 68 Pantry item
 - 69 Atlas oi Aznavou
 - 70 Actress Goldie
 - 71 Java joint
 - 72 Wore
 - 73 Abasive substance
 - 74 Bangkok native
 - 75 Poe crow engine
 - 77 Covei old ground
 - 78 Bellows
 - 80 Athlete's injury
 - 81 Triangulai sail
 - 84 Mimic
 - 85 Word with on or off
 - 86 — degjee (somewhat)
 - 88 Skater
 - 89 Lplinski
 - 92 Forms a dart
 - 96 Trudge
 - 97 Big rig
 - 99 Come to
 - 102 Employees
 - 104 Ms. Midlei
 - 105 With 51
 - 106 Lucy Lawless
 - 107 Shrewd
 - 108 Land in the ocean
 - 109 Action figure
 - 110 Greene's "The — of the Affair"
 - 112 Falco oi Adams
 - 113 Injury after-effect
 - 116 Heid word
 - 117 Significant yeais
 - 118 Gun the engine
 - 119 Nev. neighbor
 - 120 Decorative vase
 - 121 Tended a tot



Answers: Inside today's classified section

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HOROSCOPES

For the week of Nov. 23 - Nov. 29

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) While it seems that chaos is taking over, you get everything back to normal, even if it means being more than a little assertive with some people. Expect to hear more job-related news soon.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Expect to be able to move ahead with your workplace plans now that you have a good idea of what you might have to face. You also can anticipate a welcome change on the home front.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A quieter period settles in, giving you a chance to catch your breath, as well as allowing for more time to handle some important family matters. The arts dominate this weekend. Enjoy them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The frustrations of last week have pretty much played themselves out. You should find things going more smoothly, especially with those all-important personal matters.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Once again, you find a creative way to resolve a pesky problem in short order. However, a matter involving a possible breach of confidence might need a bit more time to check out.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Reuniting with an old friend could lead to the sharing of some great new experiences. But be careful you don't find yourself once again being super-critical or overly judgmental.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You should be seeing some positive results following your move toward repairing that unraveling relationship. There might be some setbacks, but staying with it ultimately pays off.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Encouraging a friendlier environment in the home could go a long way to help dissipate anger and resolve problems, especially those affecting children. It won't be easy, but you can do it.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A recent act of kindness is beginning to show some unexpected (but very welcome) results. On another note, expect to hear more about a possible move to another locale.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The good news is that the sure-footed Goat can rely on his or her skill to get around obstacles in the workplace. The not-so-good news is that new impediments could turn up later.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A change of pace is welcome but also confusing. Before you make decisions one way or another, be sure you know precisely what it is you're being asked to do.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Don't fret if you don't get the gratitude you think you're owed for doing a nice thing for someone. There might be a good reason for that. In any event, what's important is that you did it.

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Funeral services for Penny Piper, 83, were private. Penny was born July 6, 1926 in Detroit, MI, and passed away peacefully on November 8, 2009 at The Arlington Rehabilitation and Living Center in Long Grove, IL. Penny was very loved by her entire family and neighbors. Her passions included gardening, crocheting, upholstery and antiques. Penny was a true "People Person". She was hospice before hospice came about. Penny is survived by her loving children, Pamela (Richard) Farb, Patricia J. (Stephen) Kovac, Edward A. (Mariana) Piper II and Carol L. (Robert) Tortorello; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Edward A. Piper Sr.; her twin brother, Harry; and her sisters, Jackie, Donna and Patty. Memorials may be made to Advocate Condell Medical Center Hospice, 115 West Church Street Libertyville, IL 60048 appreciated. For information visit www.kristanfuneralhome.com or call 847-566-8020.

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Dolan, Frances M.

Frances M. Dolan (nee McNamee), beloved wife of the late William V.; loving mother of William Jr., Dave (Cate), Michael (Laurie), Mary Fran (Scott) Lange, Steve (Susan), Bob, Jim (Mary), Denise (Steve) Schinkel, John (Lorraine), Beth (Perry) Dazzo, and Julie (Hugh) Baldus; devoted grandmother of 36; great-grandmother of four; dear sister of Margaret McMenamin. Funeral, Friday, November 20, 9:15 a.m. from Ryan-Parke Funeral Home, 120 South Northwest Highway (two blocks South of Touhy), Park Ridge, to Our Lady of Ransom Church, Mass 10:00 a.m. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Visitation, Thursday, 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Misericordia/Heart of Mercy Center, 6300 North Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660.

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Hodel, Susan B. Anthony

Susan B. Anthony Hodel, 65, of Skokie, passed away November 11, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Gerald; loving mother of Jennifer and Bryan (Lauren); adored sister of the late Gail Anthony and Georgeanne Petersen; dear sister-in-law of Keith Hodel and Sharon Austin; loved daughter-in-law of Myrtle Greenland; cherished daughter of the late George and Blanche Anthony. A visitation will be held on Saturday, November 21, from 11:00 am until the time of memorial service at 12:00 noon at Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home, 1787 Deerfield Road, Highland Park, IL. Interment private. For service info please call Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home at (847) 831-4260 or www.kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com.

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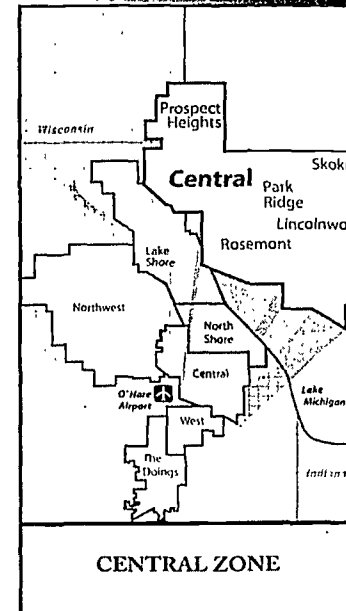
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VILLAGE OF SKOKIE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AMENDMENTS TO REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PROJECT FOR THE DOWNTOWN AREA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Notice is hereby given that on December 7, 2009, at 8:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, Council Chambers, 5127 West Oakton Street, Skokie, IL, a public hearing will be held to consider the approval of Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project for the Downtown Area Redevelopment Project Area (the "Redevelopment Project Area").

The Redevelopment Project Area consists of irregular boundaries and is generally bounded by Cleveland Street and the alley north of Oakton Street on the north, Floral Avenue and Lincoln Avenue on the west, Mulford Street and the alley south of Oakton Street on the south, and railroad right of ways on the east.

There will be considered at the public hearing, Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project for the Redevelopment Project Area. The proposed Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project were placed on file on or before September 10, 2009 and are available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 5127 West Oakton Street, Skokie, IL 60077. The proposed Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project revise the budget contained in the Redevelopment Plan and Project and make certain other plan revisions.

There will be considered at the hearing approval of the amended Redevelopment Plan and Project, and confirmation of the Redevelopment Project Area and tax increment allocation financing therefor. Pursuant to the amended Redevelopment Plan and Project, the Village proposes to allocate construction area conditions in the Redevelopment Project Area and to enhance the tax base of the Village and the taxing districts having taxable property within the Redevelopment Project Area by utilizing tax increment financing to fund various eligible project costs to stimulate private investment within the Redevelopment Project Area.

Prior to the date of the public hearing, each taxing district having property in the Redevelopment Project Area and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (IDCO), Illinois Department of Community and Community Affairs) may submit written comments to the Village, to the attention of the Village Clerk, 5127 West Oakton Street, Skokie, IL 60077.

There is hereby convened a Joint Review Board to consider the proposed approval of the Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan and Project. The Joint Review Board shall consist of a representative selected by each community college district, local elementary school district and high school district or each local community unit school district, park district, library district, township, fire protection district, and county that has authority to directly levy taxes on the property within the Redevelopment Project Area, a representative selected by the Village and a public member.

At the public hearing, all interested persons or affected taxing districts may file written objections with the Village Clerk and may be heard orally with respect to any issues regarding the approval of the Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project. The hearing may be adjourned by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village without further notice other than a motion to be entered upon the minutes of the hearing fixing the time and place of the subsequent hearing.

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THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION TO THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST HALF OF SAID LOT 1 AND LOT 8 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION.

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THENCE WEST ALONG THE JOG IN THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1 IN 8035 LINCOLN AVE RESUBDIVISION A DISTANCE OF 22 FEET.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN 8035 LINCOLN AVE RESUBDIVISION. ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 36 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 64272.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 36 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 36.

THENCE EAST TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11 IN EDWARD H. BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 4276165.

THENCE SOUTH TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6 IN SUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOT 2 OF THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH 105 ACRES OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21 RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 2572477.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6.

THENCE SOUTH TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN TOWN SQUARE OF SKOKIE CONDOMINIUM PLAT OF CONSOLIDATION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 97330040.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE JOG IN THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE JOG 10 FEET.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 1 TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1.

THENCE CONTINUING EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 1 EXTENDED TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 IN CLARA BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 13494312, ALSO BEING THE EAST LINE OF NILES AVENUE.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN THE EUGENE M. HAEGELE SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 9309941.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2 IN THE EUGENE M. HAEGELE SUBDIVISION AND THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN CLARA BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION; TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN CLARA BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID LINE 20 FEET NORTHEASTERLY OF THE CENTERLINE OF THE MAIN CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAIL ROAD TRACK TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBDIVISION.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBDIVISION TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBDIVISION.

THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ON A LINE PARALLEL TO THE CENTERLINE OF THE MAIN CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILROAD TRACK, ALSO BEING THE EAST LINE OF LOT 7 IN ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBDIVISION EXTENDED SOUTHEASTERLY TO THE EAST LINE OF BLOCK 4 IN SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH 105 ACRES OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF BLOCK 4 IN SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH 105 ACRES OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21 AND ITS EXTENSION TO A LINE 40 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, ALSO BEING THE SOUTH LINE OF A 40 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR OAKTON STREET.

THENCE EAST ALONG A LINE 40 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 28 TO THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 28.

THENCE CONTINUING EAST ALONG A LINE 40 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21 TO THE INTERSECTION WITH A LINE DRAWN FROM A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 21 A DISTANCE OF 85 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 21 TO A POINT 441.09 FEET SOUTH AND 161.66 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 27.

THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID LINE TO A POINT 441.09 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 21 AND 161.66 FEET EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 27.

THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY 100 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY AND THE SOUTH LINE OF HULL STREET IN SECTION 28 EXTENDED EAST.

THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE 100 FOOT CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET IN SECTION 28 EXTENDED EAST.

THENCE WEST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET EXTENDED EAST TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE 100 FOOT CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 21.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 21 TO THE NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET IN SECTION 28 EXTENDED EAST.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET EXTENDED EAST TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 25 IN BLOCK 8 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 8465869.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 25 THROUGH 31 IN BLOCK 8 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 31.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 32, 33 AND 34 IN BLOCK 8 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 34.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF HULL STREET EXTENDED EAST AND THE WESTERLY 100 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE CHICAGO NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE CHICAGO NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY TO THE SOUTH LINE OF KIRK STREET EXTENDED EAST.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF KIRK STREET, ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF BLOCK 1 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION, TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 18 IN BLOCK 4 EXTENDED SOUTH IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 6312113.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 18 IN BLOCK 4 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 18.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 18, 17, 16 AND 15 IN BLOCK 4 TO THE EXTENSION OF A LINE DRAWN FROM A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 4 IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER'S SUBDIVISION TO 18 FEET WEST OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2 TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 4, A DISTANCE OF 68.92 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2.

THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID LINE AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE SOUTH LINE OF BLOCK 3 IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER'S SUBDIVISION.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF BLOCK 3 TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 18 IN BLOCK 3 IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER SUBDIVISION 50.56 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 19 BLOCK 3 IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER SUBDIVISION.

THENCE NORTH ALONG A LINE 50.56 FEET WEST OF THE EAST LINE OF LOT 19 TO THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 18.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 11 THROUGH 18 IN BLOCK 3 TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11 IN BLOCK 3.

THENCE WEST TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 26 IN BLOCK 2 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOC 8465869.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 11 THROUGH 26 IN BLOCK 2 AND LOTS 6, 7 AND 8 IN BLOCK 1 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6 IN BLOCK 1.

THENCE CONTINUING WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 16 THROUGH 20 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 2524717 TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 1.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 1 TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOUISE AVENUE.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOUISE AVENUE TO THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28 TO A LINE 33 FEET SOUTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 6 AND 7 AND EXTENDED EAST IN BLOCK 3 IN NILES CENTER TERRACE. A SUBDIVISION IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN COOK COUNTY ILLINOIS, RECORDED JULY 14, 1924 AS DOCUMENT 859275.

THENCE WEST ALONG SAID LINE EXTENDED EAST 33 FEET SOUTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 6 AND 7 IN BLOCK 3 TO THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LINCOLN AVENUE.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LINCOLN AVENUE TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOTS 6 AND 7 IN BLOCK 3 EXTENDED EAST.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 6 AND 1 TO BLOCK 3 TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 3 IN NILES CENTER TERRACE SUBDIVISION.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT 7 IN BLOCK 3, LOTS 11 AND 24 IN BLOCK 2 AND LOT 4 IN BLOCK 1 AND THEIR EXTENSIONS EASTERLY AND WESTERLY TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 3 THROUGH 6 IN BLOCK 6 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 5713100.

THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID EASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 3 THROUGH 6 IN BLOCK 6 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 3 IN BLOCK 6 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF LOT 3 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 6, 5, 2 AND 1 IN GALITZ SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 112813.

THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 6, 5, 2 AND 1 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN GALITZ SUBDIVISION.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN GALITZ SUBDIVISION TO THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF LOT 1 IN COUNTY CLERK'S DIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 309147.

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF LOT 1 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 1 ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION OF LOT 9 RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 5713199.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION OF LOT 9 TO THE WEST LINE OF FLORAL AVENUE IN SECTION 21 EXTENDED SOUTH.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF FLORAL AVENUE EXTENDED SOUTH TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 16 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 64272.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 16, 18, 19 AND 20 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION AND THE EAST LINE OF LOT 2 IN JAMES ALLEN SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 25426694 AND THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 2 THROUGH 8 IN RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 21, 22, 23 AND 24 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 8986911 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2 IN SAID RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 21, 22, 23 AND 24.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 2 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 6 IN THE RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 10 THROUGH 17 OF RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 21, 22, 23, AND 24 OF PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 9620633.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 6 AND ALSO LOT 7 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 7 IN RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 10 THROUGH 17 OF RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 21, 22, 23 AND 24 OF PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 17 IN RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 10 THROUGH 17 OF RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 21, 22, 23 AND 24 OF PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 17, ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 25 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 25 TO A LINE NORTH ALONG A LINE THAT IS 148.40 FEET EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF LOTS 25 AND 26 TO THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 26 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION.

THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID LINE 148.40 FEET EAST TO THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 26.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 26 TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 9 EXTENDED SOUTH IN KLEHM'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 1072756.

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 9 EXTENDED SOUTH TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 9 BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPTING LOTS 34 THROUGH 45 IN BLOCK 2 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 57131200.

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SCHOOLS DIGEST

DISTRICT 64

Park Ridge-Niles School District 64 middle school student musicians were selected to participate in two annual regional events sponsored by the Illinois Music Educators Association (IMEA).

The IMEA District Festival was held Nov. 7 at Maine West High School.

Emerson Middle School students who participated were Alex Campbell, first chair trumpet; Ben Paoletti, trumpet; Sarah Jianu, flute; Conor Flynn, bass; Andrew Fox, cello; Elaina Frankos, violin; Ian King, violin; Emilie LeMieux, viola; and Greta Ramsey, first chair viola.

Lincoln Middle School students who performed were John Mangian, viola; Nicole Romano, flute; Kathryn Chiodo, flute; Megan Donnelly, trumpet; Andrew Groenewold, percussion; and chorus members Maria Beniaris, Erin Dunleavy, Lily Elderkin, Jenna Galuska, Sarah Beth Householder, Kim Kawezinski, and Alaina Pluhar-Schaeffer.

More than 800 of the finest band and orchestra students from over 60 junior high schools in the North Suburban area auditioned for a position in this all-star group. First chair designates the top student from all 60 participating schools.

On Saturday, Nov. 14, District 64 students will also perform in the IMEA Jazz Festival at Glenbrook North High School. Performers include Emerson Middle School students Alex Campbell, trumpet; Brad Kolar, trumpet; Tim Kvasny, trumpet; Ben Paoletti, first chair trumpet; and Lincoln Middle School students Sarah Beth Householder, piano, and Jack Carpenter, first chair trombone.

District 64 music instructors are Eric Bachmann, Brian Jacobi, Natalie Jacobsen, Dallas Klytta and Tami Nardi.

DISTRICT 207

Maine Township High School District 207 is well-represented this year by both staff and students in the Illinois Theatre Association's 2010 All-State production of the Tony Award-winning musical, "Urinetown."

This All-State production will be one of the many events featured at the 35th annual Illinois High School Theatre Festival, called "the largest high school festival in the United States" in a news release. The show will be performed Jan. 8 and Jan. 9 at Illinois State University for registered participants only. Produced by arrangement with Music Theatre International, "Urinetown" by Mark Hollmann and Greg Kotis, is a comedy. The All-State Festival brings together a company of students from all areas of Illinois.

Included in the "Urinetown" Company are Maine East High School students **Dylan Guzman, Selma Muminovic and Shivangi Patel**; and Maine South students **Jonathan Stevens and Noel Konken** in the east, and **Michael Melful and Lily Suwinski** in the crew.

Karen Hall, of Maine East, serves as this year's festival executive director, while **Mark Begovich**, of Maine West High School, serves as this year's executive producer.

This group of students and staff will put together the entire production in fewer than 20 rehearsals.

Maine South High School nurses **Kathy Tomassi** and **Peggy Kendrick**, in conjunction with Sodexo Inc., are organizing a school health fair, which will be all day Nov. 19 in the Maine South student cafeteria.

Sodexo, Maine South's food vendor, will provide black-bean salsa and healthy slushies. Students will be able to take an eight-question quiz testing their "nutrition IQ." A "Fit-o-Meter Calories Burned Calculator" from WebMD.com will be available so students can see how many calories they burn through various means of exercise.

There will be a YouTube loop explaining how laughter burns calories — showing that good emotional and physical health go hand-in-hand.

Students will be eligible to win prizes for participating in the health fair.



Choir concert Matthew Hanes acknowledges the chamber choir after a Nov. 4 performance at Maine South's Fall Choir Concert. (Suzanne Tennant/Staff Photographer)



Allison Hennessy performs a solo during the vocal jazz ensemble's performance at the Nov. 4 Maine South Fall Choir concert. (Suzanne Tennant/Staff Photographer)

hibit; the message is good physical and mental health; and the goal is to make it educational, interactive and fun," Tomassi said.

veloped when Tomassi went looking for help in making posters to publicize the event, South's first school-wide health fair in several years. Students in Mary

Moore's Digital Imaging class came up with posters to help publicize the event, and students in Sophia Pehinos' Art 3 and 4 classes

a contest. The artwork will be on display throughout the health fair.

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OAKTON BRIEFS

Hunger Issues locally and around the world are the focus of Empty Bowls at Oakton, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 5 at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. Professional and student potters from the Chicago area have contributed hundreds of bowls for this annual fundraiser.

For a donation of \$12, participants select a handcraft-

ed bowl that is theirs to keep, and receive a simple meal of soup and bread as a reminder that "someone's bowl is always empty." The event includes a raffle drawing for unique ceramic art works and a silent auction for select pieces of sculpture and jewelry. All proceeds go to local food charities.

Sponsored by the Ceramics Club at Oakton, Empty

Bowls is a nonprofit, global movement that has raised millions of dollars for food banks, soup kitchens and other meal programs. Entertainment will be provided by Patchouli, an acoustic duo whose songs about healing and compassion inspire the human spirit.

For more information contact emptybowls@oakton.edu or call (847) 635-1699.

Students Interested in pursuing a career in health care are invited to attend free information sessions during December at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines.

Sessions are designed to showcase Oakton's degree and certificate programs in a variety of disciplines. Faculty members are available to discuss course requirements and industry trends.

Scheduled sessions include: Pharmacy Technician/Aseptic Pharmaceutical Preparations, 6 p.m. Dec. 1; and Medical Laboratory Technology and Phlebotomy, 5:30 p.m. Dec. 3.

For more information go to www.oakton.edu or call (847) 635-1629.

Enroll in December courses offered by the Alliance for

Long Learning at Oakton.

Get the Most Out of YouTube (DAT E10-06) shows how to set up a YouTube "station" to post and share videos. The single session meets 7-8:30 p.m. Nov. 24 at Glenbrook South High School, 4000 W. Lake Ave., Glenview. The fee is \$10.

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RESURRECTION

The Senior Class and Student Council of Resurrection College Prep High School are sponsoring Night at the Movies, a fundraiser in support of the International Relief Fund for overseas disasters. Tickets are available by advance sale only and must be pre-ordered by Nov. 20. The ticket order form is available at www.reshs.org. For more information call Carol Marchetti, (773) 775-6616, ext. 112, or e-mail emarchetti@reshs.org.

The Resurrection College Prep High School Alumnae Association presents "Breakfast with Santa" from 9-11:30 a.m. Dec. 12 (breakfast is served from 9-10:30 a.m.) at the school, 7500 W.

Talcott Ave., Chicago. All are welcome to have breakfast with Santa, have your face painted, enjoy a theater production by drama students and make Christmas arts and crafts. Children and families can have their photos taken with Santa and each child will receive a special gift from Santa. Tickets for breakfast with Santa are \$8 per child in advance, \$9 per child at the door and \$5 per adult. Reservations are encouraged. To order tickets contact Stefanie Thorpe, (773) 775-6616, ext. 127, or sthorpe@reshs.org.

High School announces Earned honors for the first quarter of the 2009-10 school year: Students with a GPA of 4.51 or higher are recognized with first honors; those students with a 4.0 to 4.5 GPA are recognized with second honors.

First honors: **Danielle Babich, Therese Casey, Kristina Getty, Sarah Gross, Cassandra Hansen, Jennifer Johann, Sofia Lyskanowski, Annmarie Mahoney, Mary Topp and Diana Ziemba.**

Second honors: **Alexandra Aguirre, Amy Babich, Kimberly Davis, Katelyn Gipson, Giovanna Lawson, Sara Sanetra and Stephanie Pepin.**

Resurrection College Prep High School announces Park Ridge students who have earned honors for the first quarter of the 2009-10 school year: Students with a GPA of 4.51 or higher are recognized with first honors; those students with a 4.0 to 4.5 GPA are recognized with second honors.

First Honors: **Francesca Bianchini, Kathleen Clark, Colleen Coppin, Kristen Krawczyk, Corrine Mazzone, Jennifer Pavel and Colleen Santella.**

Second honors: **Katherine Angelini, Kristine Florentino, Hannah Lawson, Sara Sanetra and Hannah Zver.**

RESURRECTION

The dance program of Resurrection College Prep High School will present Winter Dance Infusion, a holiday dance show at 7 p.m. Nov. 21. The recital will feature the Resurrection Orchestra Dance Team and the accelerated advanced dance, advanced dance and intermediate dance classes. The program will include ballet, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical and modern dance. Tickets are \$3 and the performance will be held in the Resurrection College Prep High School Little Theatre, 7500 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago. Call (773) 775-6616, ext. 129.

CONGRATULATIONS to the 2009 McGuff® Coloring Contest Winners!!!

Thank you to everyone who participated!

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With utmost dexterity, language teacher Charlotte Laporte flips a Tarte Tatin on to a plate in the kitchen of the French Institute of the North Shore in Winnetka. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)

Flipping out

Tarte Tatin gives Thanksgiving a French flair

By VERONICA HINKE
Contributor

Thanksgiving dinner with a sweet French twist? The mere suggestion might have sent Julia Child into her signature cry — “Bon appetit!”

And as Kim Dorcas, new assistant director of the French Institute of the North Shore explained, had American history unfolded differently, we could be celebrating Thanksgiving with *Coq au Vin*, *Boeuf Bourguignon* or *poisson smothered in champagne sauce*.

The French connection

She said the first pilgrims to settle the New World actually came from France. A group of displaced Lutheran Protestants docked in Florida in 1564 to escape religious persecution. “One year later, they were massacred by the Spanish,” Dorcas said. “It makes you wonder: If that hadn’t happened, would we be a country that speaks mostly French and eats mainly French foods?”

Mais oui, bien sûr, at the French Institute, a cultural and language school in Winnetka, *cuisine de France*

is honored every day, regardless of what history books say.

Happy mistake

To make a favorite dessert recipe this time of year, *Tarte Tatin*, they follow a recipe that was the result of a happy mistake made at the *Hôtel Tatin* in France’s Loire Valley in 1898.

One of the Tatin sisters forgot to line her pie plate with crust when she was making apple pie. Dorcas said the resulting topless confection sent France’s culinary world reeling. Some believe the famed Maxims-de-Paris restaurant even dispatched spies from Paris to steal the recipe.

Timing paramount

Charlotte Laporte, a Parisian who arrived last month to teach at the French Institute as part of an exchange program, said making the caramel for *Tarte Tatin* requires the most attention. “You want it to be a deep honey-colored brown, but not too brown. It changes color very quickly, so you have to watch it carefully,” she said.

Timing is also a concern when flip-

ping the tart onto a plate. Laporte waits around 30 minutes, so it is still warm, but not too hot. “Otherwise, the caramel will stick to the pan,” she said.

Which apple?

Laporte uses Granny Smith apples. However, Bernard Cretier, chef at Lakemoor’s Le Vielyssois restaurant, prefers McIntosh. “I don’t like the consistency of Granny Smith,” he said. “It’s the worst apple for baking.”

Cretier, who has made hundreds of *Tarte Tatins*, said apples can be substituted with fruits such as pears, plums or peaches. He suggested serving *Tarte Tatin* with *crème fraîche* or ice cream, but insisted that “a good *Tarte Tatin* doesn’t need to be served with anything.”

Follow Laporte’s recipe to make a *Tarte Tatin* for guests at Thanksgiving, or for an at-home movie night: “Julie & Julia,” the film about Julia Child’s life in France, in which a *Tarte Tatin* played an Oscar-worthy supporting role, will be released on DVD on Dec. 8. Comment: pioneerlocal.com



Charlotte Laporte’s Tarte Tatin

9 medium Granny Smith apples (about 2 3/4 lb.)
8 T (1 stick) butter
1 C sugar
1 pinch salt
Caramel
3/4 C sugar
3 T water

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Peel, core and cut apples into halves. Melt 6 tablespoons of butter in a pan. Brown apples, ensuring they are tender throughout.

For the Caramel: On a very low flame, melt sugar in water in another pan on stovetop. Once melted, turn up the flame a bit, don’t stir, but tilt the pan and move it around from time to time. When syrup is a dark honey color; it has caramelized. Pour caramel sauce on bottom of first pan and let cool.

Arrange apples on bottom of pan. Sprinkle apples with remaining sugar and 2 tablespoons melted butter. Let cool.

Roll out your pie crust, using your favorite recipe or frozen pie crust. Place over apples.

Tuck crust under apples alongside the pan. (When tart is flipped after baking, the crust will hold apples in place.) Lightly press crust on top. Poke 5 air holes with toothpick. Bake for 25-30 minutes. Cool for 30 minutes. Slide knife along outer edge of the pie. Place serving dish over pan and quickly turn it over, containing.

Tarte Tatin will give credit to any American table this Thanksgiving. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)

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The panel includes a nationally recognized palliative care physician, hospice nurse, reverend and medical ethicist, and end-of-life care physician. Attendees are invited to engage the panel on the ethical and moral impacts of proposed federal legislation. Free and open to the public; no registration required. Call (847) 732-4554.

“Transition to Wellness,” a new educational series on positive aging, will be in November and December at Lieberman Center for Health and Rehabilitation, 9700 Gross Point Road, Skokie. Sessions begin at 7 p.m. except where noted. Classes are free and open to the public. Light refreshments follow presentations. For reservations call Lauren Galuszka, (847) 929-3229. Sponsored by CJE SeniorLife. The classes will kick off with “Dementia,” a four-part Monday series, including “It’s Not Always Alzheimer’s: Types and Stages of Dementia” Nov. 23 with speaker Dr. Herb Sier and CJE’s vice president of medical affairs; “Memory Support Programs, Activities and Resources” Nov. 30 with Deb DelSignore, creative arts therapist; “Ask the Doctor: Dementia Medications and What to Expect” Dec. 7 featuring Dr. Vadim Edelshtein; and “Dementia and Family Caregivers” Dec. 14 with Deb DelSignore, creative-arts therapist, and Peggy Best, MSW, LSW. Other talks include: “What is Sub-acute Rehabilitation?” Nov. 10, conducted by Ed Thelen; “Laughter Yoga” with Caryl Derenfeld at 10 a.m. Nov. 16; and “Managing Change as Your Parents Age” with Joan Richman Entle, LCSW, on Nov. 19, wraps up the lecture series.

Resurrection Medical Center, 7435 West Talcott, Chicago, will offer the following health programs. Advanced registration is required, unless noted

otherwise, by calling 1-877-737-4636. Free on-site parking is available.

Ongoing programs — *Moms In Motion*: Prenatal and postpartum moms are invited to participate in this land/water exercise program offered Mondays and Wednesday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at Club Res Fitness Center. Fee: \$5/class. Call 773-990-5600 for more information. *Yoga*: All levels are welcome. Classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9-10:30 a.m. at Resurrection Medical Center. Fee: \$8/class or \$75 for a 10 class punch card. Call the Health Management Department at 773-792-5022 for details.

Senior Advocate of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital offers free blood-pressure screenings from 10 a.m.-noon on the first Wednesday of every month at the hospital’s Patient Resource Center, 8820 W. Dempster St., Niles (across from the hospital). No appointment is necessary. Call (847) 723-7277.

Kids

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 this year’s contest. The topic for 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 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.

Library

Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., (847) 663-1234 or online at www.nileslibrary.org.

The Go Club for ages 6 to 12 usually meets the first and third Saturdays of each month on a drop-in basis.

Maine Township

Maine Township’s FISH (Friends Indeed Serve and Help) is in need of volunteer drivers to provide residents free transportation to medical facilities in and near Maine Township. Volunteers may choose how much time they wish to devote. Requirements include a current drivers license and proof of auto insurance. The program requires residents in need be mobile, or be able to use a cane or walker. FISH also asks that appointments be set three or more days in advance. To become a volunteer driver call Ed Oken, (847) 696-0761. To schedule a ride or for information call FISH coordinator Gloria Stepek, (847) 297-2510, Ext. 283.

Parenting

Boot Camp for Expectant Dads is taught by a certified master coach who equips expectant dads to confidently interact with their infant, support the new mom and build their fatherhood skills. The next class will be offered from 9 a.m.-noon Dec. 5 at Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge. To register, call

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French for Travelers (LFR E01-01) offers handy phrases for travelers and a review of French customs and traditions. The two-week course meets 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays starting Dec. 1 at Evanston Township High School, 1600 Dodge Ave., Evanston. The fee is \$49.

America’s Songwriter: Stephen Foster (MUS C50-01) shines a light on classic songs, including “Oh, Susanna” and “Camptown Races.” The one-session course meets 7-8:30 p.m. Dec. 1 at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton St., Skokie. The fee is \$22.

The Holidays with Bach, Handel, and Corelli (MUS X07-01) celebrates “winter

music” composed by Baroque masters. The one-week session meets 6:30-8 p.m. Dec. 2 at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. The fee is \$19.

For a complete Alliance for Lifelong Learning class schedule, including registration and fee information, go to www.oakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888, and press 3.

The Pan African Connection at Oakton Community College, an advocacy group for African Americans and others from the diaspora, is the recipient of the 2009 Innovation Award from the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators.

The ICCCA Innovation Award is presented to community colleges that make a difference in the lives of students with creative and

unique programs and services. The award will be presented Nov. 19 at the ICCCA’s annual conference in Springfield, Ill.

On Feb. 15, 2008, the Pan African Connection sponsored “One Voice, One Village, One Goal: Concerns of African Americans in Higher Education.” This summit allowed participants to share information about the status of African Americans at community colleges and best practices for retaining African-American faculty, staff, administrators and students.

The conference was made possible by a grant from the Oakton Educational Foundation.

For more information contact the Office of College Advancement, (847) 635-1806.

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Dear James,

After I saw this video of the African American teen getting beat to death, at first I felt really sad, but then I felt really angry. The reason I felt this way is because of the fact that it's black on black violence.

People in poor communities always wonder why people are always killing each other and express and when they witness people getting killed, they do things such as strikes and marches. When people in these types of communities get involved with such activities, sometimes their will be progress, but after a short period of time, violence starts right back up again. All I am trying to say is that their needs to be a better and more effective way to go about solving crimes and giving punishments. If we can somehow do this, then horrible crimes like the teenage beating, will eventually slow down or stop.

Uploaded by Allison Liffon:

The Lights Might Go On

When the Holiday season comes around, most people appreciate a little festivity. With that time of year fast approaching, one can't help getting excited about how great the town will look all decked out with the traditional Christmas lights. That is until I heard that the city wouldn't be paying to put up lights this year. There solution: have organizations throughout the community spend their time and resources to wrap the left over lights from previous winters around tree trunks. The lights just won't be as magical as years

past.

After all the work and money put into the uptown development, all to benefit and improve our city, deciding to save on the lights seems almost wasteful. Driving through town in the chilly winter and seeing the trees all lit up is absolutely beautiful, something more natural than spending an abundance of money on new buildings which have been put up with the new town development that "beautify our town" and yet can't seem to be filled.

Living in Park Ridge my whole life, I can't remember a time when the lights weren't all over the town during the holiday season. It's a way for the community to come together and celebrate that special time of year in a tradition that everyone can appreciate. I strongly advise anyone who feels as I do, to contact your aldermen. Let's ensure the survival of a beautiful tradition!

Uploaded by Mahek Gheewala:

Teenage Violence

October 21, 2009

Dear President

I am Mahek a residential in a small suburb in Chicago. Every day I hear and I see about violence near my area.

The worst thing I noticed is that students are not matured though they are above eighteen, and some of them are out of high school. Even Parents do not take care of them though they know that their children are taking drugs, smoke cigarette and take other alcoholic beverage. Whenever they pass by others house they swear, things are not going good in the city.

Thus, I would request you to

take some actions as quickly as possible. Therefore, those others can leave happy life.

Uploaded by Nidhi Shah:

Stop the violence

Dear Community, So many children are getting killed in gang violence. Only one killing stood out, Derrion Albert and now everyone is noticing the negativity in our community. So much gang violence is spreading so quickly. There needs to be an end to all of this. Parents don't want to see their kids dying.

If parents want to keep their kids in better schools let them. They should be given opportunities to make their lives better. Everyone needs to be aware of what's going on and stop it so we can all have a better future.

Everyone should use words rather than violence. Words are way more powerful than violence.

Uploaded by Becky Graf:

Maine South Diet Drinks Lead to Not So Healthy Lifestyle

In Maine South High School, there has been a recent change in the cafeteria products. The cafeteria has picked diet drinks as an alternative to selling regular sodas. The selling of diet soft drinks at Maine South High School is a false representation of students creating a healthier lifestyle. The connotation for the word diet is the idea that something is healthier and lighter. Yet, diet drinks are not any healthier than regular sodas and drinks. Diet drinks have certain artificial sugars that are more fattening than regular sugars in non-diet drinks such as splenda. According to a health study from the Texas Health Science Center, a group

of men and women who were split up into two groups, half and half, one group drinking diet sodas and the other drinking regular sodas, the group drinking diet sodas showed an increase in weight over a six month period.



Veterans Day was observed in Des Plaines at a 10:45 a.m. ceremony held at the Lake Park Memorial Pavilion, Touhy Ave. and Lee St., on Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009. Veterans, Des Plaines Mayor Moylan, local officials and guest speaker Major Matthew Tracy, Commanding Officer, United States Marine Corp (SMC), gathered at the ceremony which included the posting of colors, a rifle salute, the Glengael Pipes, the building of a war memorial, taps, and reflective commentaries.

Not only do diet soft drinks create weight gain, but they also contain sugars that erode your teeth. The pH level of diet Mountain Dew and Diet Coke is very acidic.

The selling of diet soda in the Maine South cafeteria may lead students to the assumption of

making healthier choices when buying the diet soda. When the students buy the diet drinks from the cafeteria, they will not be making healthier decisions. Drinking the diet soda will increase their intake of artificial sugars and increase their weight as well as erode their teeth.

Instead of Maine South selling diet soft drinks as alternative to regular soft drinks, which are worse for one's body and teeth, it

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HealthAdvisor at 1-800-323-8622 or visit www.advocatehealth.com. The reference code for this course is 8829. Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is offering a six-hour Baby Care and Development Class designed for couples who are expecting their first child. grandparents, childcare givers and adoptive parents. Topics include physical care, safety, sleep, common concerns, immunizations and development, birth through 12 months of age. The next class will be offered from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 21 at Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge. Fee is \$40 per couple or \$30 per couple if taken in conjunction with the Weekend Childbirth Series or Labor, Birth and Postpartum Class. To register, call HealthAdvisor at 1-800-323-8622 or visit www.advocatehealth.com. The code for this class is 8811.

Parks

Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation offers people with physical and mental challenges, behavior and learning disorders, hearing and visual impairments and emotional disabilities an opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreation activities. MNARS serves Des Plaines, Golf-Maine, Lincolnwood, Morton Grove, Niles, Park Ridge and Skokie. To receive a seasonal brochure, or to offer support for people with special needs by volunteering, call (847) 966-5522.

Niles Park District is accepting registration for its popular Small Shots Basketball Program for kindergartners and first- and second-grade girls and boys. This six-week class begins Dec. 5 with 9 a.m., 10:15 or 11:30 a.m. starting times. Participants will learn dribbling, shooting, defense and offense skills and play in game situations. All skill levels are welcome. Fees are \$57 for residents and \$71 for nonresidents, and include a T-shirt and basketball. Register at Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St. Call (847) 967-1529.

Niles Park District New 3's Preschool is offered for children who turned 3 after Sept. 1, 2009, missing the deadline for the regular 3-year preschool. Classes are held Tuesdays/Thursdays or Wednesdays/Fridays, from 12:30-2 p.m. at Howard Leisure Center. Session runs Jan. 5 to May 27. Call (847) 967-6633.

Niles Park District introduces a new camp called School's Out Sport Camp. The camp will be available on five school holidays. The main emphasis of the camp is to provide safe, fun-filled days of playing and learning sports. Campers should bring a sack lunch and beverage. Camp takes place at Grennan Heights on Veterans Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day and Pulaski Day. Fees are: residents, \$36; nonresidents, \$45 per day. Call (847) 967-1529.

Resident and nonresident registration for Niles Park District Bright Beginnings Preschool for 2009-10 is still taking place. Spaces are still available

in the morning and afternoon for 3- and 4-year-old classes. Registration is accepted at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St., until classes are filled. Call (847) 967-6633 to have information mailed.

Niles Park District is still taking registration for fall Dance classes. Classes include Budding Ballerinas for ages 2-3, Pre-Ballet for ages 3-5, Ballet & Tap for ages 4-9, Jazz for ages 6-12, and Hip Hop for ages 6-12. Classes for adults are also available. Call (847) 967-6633.

Niles Park District is offering private piano lessons (30-45 minutes) for beginning and intermediate students Wednesdays and Thursdays at Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St. Lessons will focus on the fundamentals of technique, music theory and good practice habits. Call (847) 967-6633 to reserve a lesson time.

Golf Maine Niles Park District has taken a new and innovative approach in raising much-needed funds for the park and spreading the word on energy efficiency. The district offers a selection of ENERGY STAR qualified compact fluorescent light bulbs for sale to the public from a Lights for Learning kiosk. Proceeds from the sale of every bulb will directly fund the scholarship program sponsored by the district.

The scholarship program allows children the opportunity to attend camp when they may not have the resources to do so on their own. The kiosk will also house the Lights for Learning teacher tool kits, designed for educators and organization leaders, to provide informational materials on the overall Lights for Learning Program, ENERGY STAR Activity Books for children, as well as ENERGY STAR home energy conservation and electronics information, will also be available. A recycling bin for used CFLs will also be available. CFLs may be purchased at Feldman Park, 8800 Kathy Lane, Niles, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Call (847) 297-3000.

The Golf Maine Park District offers the community an opportunity to recycle paper products. A recognizable green-and-yellow container supplied by Abitibi Bowater was dropped off in the Feldman Park lot, 8800 Kathy Lane, near the corner of Western Avenue and Kathy Lane. Products that can be recycled in this container include: newspapers, magazines, office paper (fax and copy), shopping catalogs, mail and envelopes, catalogs, folders, colored paper and shredded paper (bagged); no cardboard or phone books. All money raised will fund the scholarship program, allowing children to attend summer camp and other programs. Call (847) 297-3000 or go to www.paperrtretriever.com/.

Golf Maine Park District is taking registration for: Adult Bingo: 10 a.m.-2 p.m., first Wednesday of the month, split-the-pot bingo at the Feldman Recreation Center.

Preschool: Early registration is important to ensure child a space for the fall 2009 semester. A five-day morning program and a four-day afternoon program are offered for chil-

dren turning 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2009. Cricket: Dee Park now has a cricket pitch that will be ready for use this spring. Call the park district for rental fees or availability.



Golden anniversary Happy 50th Anniversary Maine West High School! Des Plaines City officials took part in the Maine West High School rededication this month. City Clerk Gloria Ludwig, First Ward Alderman Patricia Haugeberg, Mayor Martin J. Moylan, Assistant Principal Dave Matkovic, Assistant Principal Dave Berendt and Principal Audrey Haugan pose for a photograph as the 50th Anniversary cake is cut at Maine West High School. Tours of the school were given and a Decades Dance was held. Highlighting the Rededication Program was a special presentation entitled "50 Years of Warrior Pride" by Eldon Burke, retired Assistant Principal and School Board Member.

Visit one of the Park District offices, Feldman Recreation Center, 8800 Kathy Lane (one block south of Golf Road on Western Avenue), Niles or Dee Park at the corner of Dee and Emerson Roads, Des Plaines, or call (847) 297-3000.

Religion

St. John Brebeuf Adoration Chapel is observing its fifth anniversary. The chapel, in the Parish Ministry Center, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for spiritual devotion, prayers and meditation. Registrations for the St. John Brebeuf "Joy in Jesus" Sunday preschool program are being taken. The program is open to children ages 3 1/2 through kindergarten age. Classes are held during the 10:45 a.m. Mass each Sunday. Registration fee is \$40 and covers all materials for the year. Special emphasis is given to the development of self-awareness in the children and their place in the Christian community. The goal of the program is to provide a foundation for a future understanding of their faith. To register call Charlotte Lindquist, (847) 470-1434.

Immaculate Conception School on Talcott Avenue in Chicago is establishing an Alumni Association. In preparation for its 100th-anniversary celebration the school is searching for its missing alumni. If you attended Immaculate Conception School or know someone who did, e-mail ICalumni@ic-parish.net, or call the rector, (773) 775-3833. Alumni who prefer to reach the association by mail are encour-

dism and beginning adult Hebrew classes on Sundays and monthly Yiddish. Members and nonmembers are welcome. Call (847) 675-4141, or go to www.ehnl.org.

Reunions

St. John Brebeuf School in Niles is looking for graduates from the class of 1964. Contact Libby Ryder at lyrider@sjschool.org

Elmwood Park High School Class of 1970 is planning its 40th reunion for the fall of 2010. Classmates are asked to e-mail Christine Thomas Cowan (ct-cowan@sbcglobal.net) or Janice Ryder Oatton (deaton_janice@yahoo.com) to place their information on the contact list. St. John Brebeuf School alumni. Alumni should contact Libby Ryder, (847) 966-3266, or e-mail lyrider@sjschool.org, and submit their name, year graduated, address, phone number, maiden name (if applicable) and e-mail address, and may share a story or tell how St. John Brebeuf made an impact on their life.

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aged to send their first, maiden or last name, phone number, e-mail address, the year in which they graduated, along with their favorite IC memory and favorite IC teacher, to: IC Alumni Association, c/o Immaculate Conception Parish, 7211 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago IL 60631. Submissions may also be dropped off at the IC Parish Rectory during normal business hours or after Masses on Sunday.

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.

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.

Volunteer drivers are needed for FISH. If interested in providing transportation to township residents who need local rides to medical appointments, etc., call Gloria Stepek, (847) 297-2510, ext. 283

Maine Township is asking for assistance in locating good, reliable handy men in the area. If you know of someone and would like to submit a name, contact Therese Tully, (847) 297-2510, Ext. 260, and she will forward a form to complete.

Maine Township, in cooperation with the Cook County Sheriff's Office, is collecting used cell phones to be converted for emergency 911 use for seniors. Donate phones at Maine Town Hall.

Seniors

National Family Caregivers Association and Home Instead Senior Care will sponsor a free web conference, "The Best Care for Your Parents: Senior Care Solutions and Potential Pitfalls," at 6 p.m. Nov. 19. The 45-minute presentation is held in conjunction with November's National Family Caregiver's Month. Co-hosted by Suzanne Mintz, president and CEO of the NFCA and Home Instead Senior Care Co-Founder and CEO Paul Hogan. To register, go to www.caregiverstress.com.

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is offering a six-hour Baby Care and Development Class designed for couples who are expecting their first child, grandparents, childcare givers and adoptive parents. Topics include physical care, safety, sleep, common concerns, immunizations and develop-

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should be the students' job to go to the Health Board of the district with this problem.

Students should devote their time to creating the best situations for their health and contacting the Health Board in order to get rid of diet drinks.

Submitted by Irsal Jasebel:

Modern Slavery: Illegal Immigration

Economist Dr. Thomas Sowell once said, "Blacks were not enslaved because they were black, but because they were available." The same statement may be applied to illegal aliens. They are available and they are being exploited in the name of cheap groceries, in essence, making them corporate slaves. I was recently made aware of this by a CNN commentary

from a news radio host.

The framers of the United States Constitution had the preservation of life, liberty and property in mind, despite their Southern counterparts' hypocrisy of the situation. The fact of the matter is that the country will never be able to wholly consent on a certain matter, like slavery in the 18th and 19th century. Unfortunately, economic ease is more appealing to the Southern landowners, and presently, to the corporate elite.

There are over 20 million illegal aliens in the U.S., constituting approximately six percent of the population as of 2008. These aliens have no healthcare, no pension, no workman's compensation, no job security and no rights. They can just as easily be paid \$4.50 per hour for 15 hours regardless if they have worked for 20 hours or 60 hours. Likewise, they may very well lose an arm without proper compensation from their employers.

The question remains: Who is to blame? It is certainly not the corporations who exploit these humans, because they are simply practicing the free-market capitalist system currently in place. It cannot be the fault of those who assume these positions with hopes for a better future. The blame must be targeted to lawmakers. Regardless of the sharp partisanship observed in Congress, there is no question that the inhumane treatment of any individual within the land that promised liberty and justice must be mended, minimized and, if possible, abolished. Citizens must solicit a change through their legislators. There are solutions to this problem, solutions that will not detriment the economy.

Uploaded by Zach Eskew:

Phones: A Driver's Worst Nightmare

How many teens have you seen speeding down the street on their cell phones and wondered "is that safe"? Well I'm going to tell you the answer, no it is not. It distracts drivers from the road and causes the likelihood of an accident to skyrocket. I can say from personal experience that many teens think that it is safe to use their phone when they are driving.

They think that is the same level of distraction as the radio. This is false though, a July 2009 study done by the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute shows that just talking on your phone while driving causes the likelihood of an

accident to increase 130% over a person driving without distractions. Texting on the other hand, causes the likelihood of an accident 2302% over a person driving without distractions. What is needed is a change in our policy. We need accident victims who crashed while using their phones to come into schools and speak with students. As I can say from experience a real live person telling you their experience is much more convincing than a cheesy 1990's drivers education video that you tried not to laugh at. We also need stricter punishments for teens and

drivers in general who get caught using their phone while driving. They need to be ticketed on their first offense and have their license suspended for three months on the second offense. This may seem harsh, but would you rather have some not drive for three months or crash while on their phone and not drive for the rest of their life?

Uploaded by Sam Usher:

Blotter Madness!

Blotter Madness! Every Thursday afternoon we come home from school or job and open up the Herald-Advocate. And what is the first thing we open to? The police blotter. The blotter is a part of the newspaper that makes amusement at other people's expense. I will admit I am an avid reader of the blotter as well as a victim of its cruelty. I got off easy because the paper does not publish the names of minors in the blotter. In another case, a man was not so lucky.

Some time ago, a father was at his child's outdoor sporting event and had to use the bathroom. He walked over to the school in which the field his child was playing on belonged to. The doors to the school were locked so he proceeded to go to a secluded area, away from the game, where he could go to the bathroom outside. A police

officer walked by, charged the man with indecent exposure, and took him to the station. This story was later published in the blotter minus the part about the doors being locked, and the man being away from the game, and the fact that he was taking care of business. The only thing published was that "John Doe" was charged with indecent exposure.

Men, we have to admit we have all done this one time or another when we really had to go and there were no bathrooms in sight. Women, I can't say the same about you but I'm sure you've made mistakes as well at some point in your lives. I don't think any of us would want those mistakes to be exploited for the city of Park Ridge to see. Going to court and having to pay a fine seems like punishment enough. That is why I ask you, Park Ridge Herald-Advocate, to stop publishing the names of the people who have made these mistakes, because asking you to remove the blotter completely is a fantasy.

Uploaded by Claire Cohen:

Patriot Act

"Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism." The USA PATRIOT Act attempts to obstruct terrorism in all the wrong ways, and provides tools that surpass appropriate and become incongruous. Since this act was first established under the Bush Administration in 2001, I have taken particular interest in researching it. When enforced, this law not only subjugates our citizens to unwarranted searches of property, but it denounces the ideals laid out in the Constitution and Declaration of Independence, upon which our country was built. This law is unconstitutional because it defies the principles of liberty by allowing the government to listen to our phone conversations, read our mail, and obtain search

warrants without proper justification. What allows them to do this? Reasonable belief that the suspected person is a terrorist. And what defines reasonable belief?

Governmental officials decide that. Our government was created as one directed by the people, how can this idea be upheld with laws designed to inermine our citizens? Laws designed to violate our privacy? Above all, laws designed to strip the people of the United States of their basic rights. It doesn't come as a surprise to hear that the people who passed this bill admitted to not even reading the entire piece of literature. I ask these legislatures to work with the good of the people in mind. With all of the change Obama speaks about, this is one aspect of the United States that is begging to be transformed.

Uploaded by Jordan Reich:

School Food Revolution Necessary

The problem that students face each day in school is a dire one. It might seem as if everything is okay with them when you see them walk through the halls each day. They act as if nothing's wrong, but that's out of ignorance. They don't realize the unjustness they face each and every day, but I'm here to change that. Everyday thousands of students at Maine South buy from the cafeteria lines without even realizing what they're doing.

They are supporting a company whose products that use low quality ingredients and food that's just plain bad for them. I sit and watch as kids buy the same things everyday because there is such a lack of choices as well. The entire operation of our cafeteria attempts to be beneficial for the kids but they're not doing a good job. They try to make the choices healthy but then the quality of those choices decreases substantially. And when they don't try to make things healthier, the

food sits in pools of grease. I bring my lunch to school every day because I refuse to eat the quality of food that is served in our cafeteria. I just want to eat something that tastes good, that's also healthy for me but I can't get that from my school cafeteria. According to the John Hopkins News Letter we're eating the same food that's served to our prisoners across the country. Something needs to be done about this and I cannot do it alone. I need the help of you, the students of Maine South and members of the community, to call, write, or email your opinions against the quality of food in our school to Sodexo so that we can end this injustice that prevents us from being happier and healthier individuals.

Uploaded by Alicja Kukulka:

What Is Heard and What Isn't

In Park Ridge, it is a struggle to have a simple conversation. A struggle against the incessant drone of the 900 airplanes interrupting air waves daily. Well pretty soon, instead of being interrupted every six sentences of a conversation sitting at a table outside Starbucks, you'll be interrupted every three.

O'Hare wants to add flights for a grand total of 2000 planes daily. You may be thinking to yourself, who decided this? The Illinois General Assembly did not vote on it, and it definitely wasn't us. According to Rosemary Mulligan, State Representative of Des Plaines and Park Ridge, the area surrounding O'Hare, 90 percent of which is suburban, has no control over decisions of the City of Chicago concerning the airport. Mulligan has challenged this by addressing issues of expansion, such as non-stop noise and increase in emissions and fumes. (Why is she the only one?)

Sure, we can solve the noise problem by installing sound-proof windows. A project has started for this purpose, but it only covers a certain area of those most

affected by the noise. Apparently the volume isn't loud enough where we live. Darn!

I guess noise can be ignored. But cancer can't. Yes, cancer. That word spoken casually seems to mean less day by day. Everyone has a chance of getting it, the question is when.

Earlier than you think, my dear neighbors. A survey was released showing significant data of higher cancer rates in North Shore Communities along O'Hare flight paths. This information was not enough to earn the majority of votes at a hearing earlier this year for Mulligan's Environmental Safety and Trust Bill.

Maybe they were thinking, people who don't live near an airport get cancer too. True...the American Cancer Society states that about 40% of people will get cancer during their lifetimes.

Living near an airport does not guarantee you will get the disease, but we may be dooming ourselves by living in the path of toxic chemicals.

But standing idly by proves that we are already victims of the disease and of the administration.

We can endure interrupted conversation, clenched our teeth if we have to. But if the hazard of a life threatening disease isn't enough to persuade supporters of O'Hare expansion that we are at risk, I don't know what is.

Uploaded by Mary Dosek:

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Reader gets zip, until ZIP gets fixed



STEPHANIE ZIMMERMANN
THE FIXER - Chicago Sun-Times

Dear Fixer: I ordered several items from Taylor Gifts but never received the merchandise or a refund.

The items included a power strip for \$9.98, a touch-less soap dispenser for \$19.98 and a lighted cutting tool for making crafts for \$19.98. I paid with a check for \$61.91.

The check cleared on April 7. I called the company numerous times, but somehow they had no record of the check. So I sent a copy of the draft to them, along with a letter, but I never got an answer.

Boyd McIntyre

Dear Boyd: Well, you sure got a workout with the runaround you received after placing this order. This was a comedy of errors from beginning to end.

When Team Fixer first tried to shake loose your stuff, we were told by a Taylor Gifts customer service rep that the company had no record of your order, even though they had a record of you.

So we made a few more calls. Eventually, we found Stacy Leinweber in the company's credit department, who checked her records and found that your order did ship out — except it went to the wrong ZIP code. And when the products came back as undeliverable, Taylor Gifts sent the refund check to — the wrong ZIP code, too.

The good news is Leinweber immediately issued another refund check for

\$61.91, and she made sure the ZIP was correct this time.

Latest credit horror

Dear Readers: The credit card craziness continues, this time with a problem we hadn't heard about before, from Fixer reader Pat Murphy. Pat has a store-branded credit card with a \$700 limit — though in practice that limit is quite a bit lower. Read on:

"I pay the balance in full each month so I don't have to pay finance charges," Pat writes. "The problem comes when they don't increase my available credit when I make a payment. I can have a balance of \$489 and available credit of \$211 and make a payment of \$150, and my balance goes down but my available credit stays at \$211.

"Then, every time I make a purchase, my balance goes up and the available credit goes down, but the

payment I made doesn't immediately get reflected on my available credit."

So, using the above example of making a payment of \$150, Pat would have a new balance of \$339 and available credit of \$211. If Pat purchases something else for \$50, the new balance becomes \$389, and the available credit drops to \$161. If Pat shops again and spends \$75, the balance grows to \$464 and the credit shrinks to \$86.

And after putting all that money toward the bill, when it comes time to buy gas or groceries there's not enough usable credit on the card to help. One memorable time, Pat's available credit dropped to \$9.

Remember — Pat is no deadbeat and pays the bill in full each month. If the bank would just make more credit available as soon as the payments are processed, Pat would probably wind up using the card more.

Do you have a credit card woe? A shocking jump in your interest rate? A mis-

leading weekend due date? A sudden cancellation? If you've got a credit card horror story to share, please tell it in an e-mail to szimmermann@suntimes.com with the words "CREDIT CARDS" in the subject line. Thanks!

Looking for Good Guys

We know all about the rip-offs, scams and corporate cluelessness that plague consumers.

And we love to fix your problems. But once a year we also like to celebrate the good things that happen in Consumerland with "The Fixer's Good Guys," a feature that is exactly the opposite of the complaints we normally write about.

Previous Good Guys have included a mailman who rescued a beloved yellow lab after it became lost and a nurse who came in on her day off to sit quietly with the parents of a dying infant. We've heard about an auto body shop that

fixed a vandalized car for free and a cabbie who made a special effort to reunite a passenger with her lost wallet.

If you've got a story about a worker or business who did something extraordinary for you, please e-mail it to us at goodguys@suntimes.com. We'll print the best letters at the end of December.

— Thanks to contributor Jon Seidel.

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ment, birth through 12 months of age. The next class will be offered from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Nov. 21 at Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge. Fee is \$40 per couple or \$30 per couple if taken in conjunction with the Weekend Childbirth Series or Labor, Birth and Postpartum Class. To register, call HealthAdvisor at 1-800-323-8622 or visit www.advocate-health.com. The code for this class is 8811.

Jewish Senior Singles Social Club meets for dinner and a variety of programs Call (847) 616-2872.

The North Shore Senior Center, located in Northfield, is looking for volunteers to deliver meals to seniors living in Maine Township. Deliveries are made during weekdays. For more information on becoming a volunteer, contact Maura Rogan at (847) 784-6052 or e-mail mrogan@nssc.org.

Senior Center

The Niles Senior Center needs donations of items or gift certificates from various businesses for prizes for their "Picture This" photo contest. Any business that makes a donation will be mentioned in the newsletter, as well as on a certificate accompanying the photos. The photos will be on display at the Village Hall as well as at the Senior Center. To donate, call Kathryn Williams, program coordinator, Niles Senior Center, (847) 588-8420 or fax (847) 588-8455.

The Niles Senior Center offers free membership to Niles residents age 62 and older, and their spouses. Only center members may register for classes or trips, or purchase tickets. Drop by the Niles Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive, Niles, or call (847) 588-8420, for an application.

Support

The Advocate Addiction Treatment Program of Advocate Medical Group has formed an alumni volunteer group for former patients of the AMG-Parkside, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital and AATP programs. A "Meet and Greet Alumni Reunion" will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. Dec. 4 at 701 Lee St., Suite 800, Des Plaines. All former patients are invited. Mary Gallagher, intake counselor and continuing care counselor for AATP, will address coping and surviving the holidays. Suggestions and ideas on ways to deal with triggers, stress and anxiety during the holidays will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Reservations are required; call or e-mail Maureen Collins, (847) 795-3964, or Maureen.Collins@advocate-health.com.

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention hosts a Healing Confer-

ence at 11 a.m. Nov. 21 at the Renaissance Chicago O'Hare, 8500 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Chicago. This conference will begin with a lunch buffet and networking. Participants will join with survivors throughout the country to watch a nationally televised webcast to learn about coping with and healing from a suicide loss. Afterward, a panel of local survivors will share the various ways that they have worked through their grief. Small groups will follow and a meaningful closing ceremony will end the day. Cost is \$20 per participant. Visit www.alsf.org/illinois/SOS or call (847) 695-6799.

Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care's Bereavement Department offers a special "Grief & the Holidays" program to help explore positive alternatives during the holiday season. Dec. 3, 7:15-8:15 p.m.; Resurrection Retirement Center, 1262 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago. Call (847) 692-8884.

Good Mourning Program is a monthly support group of Rainbow Hospice for children, teenagers and families who have lost a loved one through death. It meets 6:45-8 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Lutheran General Family Care Center, 9375 Church St., Des Plaines. Call (847) 692-8884.

An Alzheimer's Caregivers support group, co-sponsored by Advocate Medical Group and the Alzheimer's Association, is offered monthly at the Nessel Pavilion on the campus of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. Meetings are 1:30-3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in the lower-level conference room of Nessel Pavilion, 1775 Ballard Road, Park Ridge. Meetings are free and no registration is required. Contact Sandy Guarise, (847) 318-2501.

A new bereavement program, created by Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, offers Polish-language support and resources to Chicago-area residents of Polish heritage as well as Polish-speaking immigrants grieving the loss of a loved one. Bereaved members of the community may call (847) 292-2342 at any time to talk with or leave messages for licensed Polish-speaking counselors and trained volunteers who can answer questions about the grief process, share information about how to help someone who is bereaved and to find assistance with culturally sensitive bereavement support. Along with the Polish Intake Line, the Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care Bereavement Program also offers a Web portal through www.rainbowhospice.org/polish with Polish-language resources about grief, children's bereavement and culturally based programs offered by Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care. Call (847) 732-4554 or Jokazaki@rainbowhospice.org.

The Neptune Society, the largest independent cremation company in the nation based in Des Plaines, is bringing comforting teddy bears to Chicago area children who are hurt, frightened or alone. The Neptune Society Teddy Bear Program names a teddy bear in honor of every person whose death care is handled by Neptune on the one-year anniversary of their death. The teddy bears are then donated to organizations such as Rainbow Hos-

pice in Park Ridge and local fire departments to be given to a child in need.

The Les Turner ALS Foundation Support Group meets from 7-8:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month at Temple Beth Israel, 3601 W. Dempster St., Skokie. For directions, call (847) 675-0951. Those attending are asked to notify Claire Owen, director of patient services, (847) 679-3311 or cowen@lesturnerals.org.

Grandparents As Caregivers, a program sponsored by Children's HomeAid, will offer grandparents an opportunity to meet other grandparents, share concerns and talk about interesting topics that will help them care for their grandchildren. Meetings are 10-11:30 a.m. the first Wednesday of the month at Niles Public Library, 6960 Oakton St. Free child care is available with 24-hour notice. Meetings are monthly. Call Linda, (847) 640-9590.

The Stroke Club of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital meets from 3-4:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Outpatient Therapy Center, Church and Potter avenues, Des Plaines. Call Megan Potterfield, (847) 723-6690.

Holding Onto Hope is a monthly daytime group for widowed people grieving the loss of a spouse. It meets from 1-2:30 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge. The fee is \$5 per session.

Life Transitions Group is an ongoing support group for anyone who, as a general guideline, has been widowed for one to four years, meeting 7-8:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of the month at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge. The fee is \$5 per session.

A Widowed Support Group is an ongoing support group that addresses losses faced by persons, as a general guideline, who have been widowed less than two years. It will meet at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, at Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Park Ridge. Cost is \$5 per session. Call (847) 685-9900.

Good Mourning Program will meet 6:45-8 p.m. every third Monday of the month at Lutheran General Family Care Center, 9375 Church St., Des Plaines. The program is a support group for children, teens and families who have lost a loved one through death. Preliminary interview is required before registration. To register, call Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care Bereavement Support, (847) 692-8884.

Weight No More, a friendly weight-loss support group, is welcoming new members. Discussions include weight-loss tips, recipes, contests and helpful ideas to help you reach your goal. Meetings are 9:30-10:15 a.m. Fridays at Howard Leisure Center, 6676 Howard St., Niles, lower level (elevator accessible). Weigh-ins are 9:15-9:30 a.m., meetings from 9:30-10:15 a.m. Cost is \$5 per month. Call (847) 679-4229.

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for Personality Disorders holds a monthly support group for people with loved ones suffering from borderline personality disorder or emotional dysregulation. The meeting is at Rush North Shore, 9600 Gross Point Road, Skokie, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month. E-mail rh5mail-tara@yahoo.com for the room number or more information.

Crohn's & Colitis Foundation support group meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. every third Thursday of the month at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Room 1063, Park Ridge. The focus is to assist patients with Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis, their families, significant others and friends in coping more effectively with the illness. Call (847) 827-0404. Resurrection Medical Center spon-

sors a variety of free cancer-support groups for both patients and their family members. All support groups are free and meet in the Cancer Conference Room (ground floor, Entrance C). Contact Carol Flanagan, (773) 792-5116.

The Cancer Support Group for cancer patients, families and friends meets monthly from 7-8:30 p.m. every last Wednesday.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Family Support Group for people with leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome, multiple myeloma, Hodgkin's Disease and their families meets every first Wednesday of the month.

The Butterfly Club is a support group for children ages 6 to 13 whose parent or caretaker has been diagnosed with

cancer. The group meets every first Wednesday of the month. Registration and parental consent are required.

The Us Too Prostate Cancer Support Group meets every second Wednesday of the month.

The Teen Cancer Support Group is for teens ages 13 to 18 whose parent or caretaker has been diagnosed with cancer. The group meets every third Wednesday of the month. Registration and parental consent are required.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets the last Saturday of each month in the Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. Call (773) 594-7856.

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Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Health Management Classroom. The session is free. Call Health Management, (773) 792-5022.

Afterglow Support Group for stroke survivors and their family and friends meets the second Wednesday of the month in the Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C.

Parkinson's Support Group meets the third Wednesday of the month from 7-7 p.m. at Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. Call (773) 594-7866.

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is forming a support network for women living with breast cancer. The Breast Cancer Networking Group will meet from 2-3 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month. The support group provides breast-cancer survivors the opportunity to share information and experiences with other women. The group will be at Lutheran General's Center for Advanced Care, 1700 Luther Lane, Park Ridge, in the ground-floor conference room G104. Call (847) 723-8130.

Families Anonymous is a free, 12-step, self-help support program for family members and friends who are concerned about the substance abuse or behavioral problems of a loved one. Families Anonymous meets weekly from noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays at the Park Ridge Community Church, 100 Courtland Ave., Park Ridge; use the side entrance on Butler Place. There are no dues or fees. First names only are used at the meetings to preserve anonymity. This is a nonprofessional and nonreligious program. Advance notice is not necessary. Visitors are always welcome. Call the church office, (847) 823-3164, or contact Families Anonymous, 1-800-736-9805, or www.familiesanonymous.org.

Butterfly Group for bereaved parents meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the St. John Brebeuf Rectory, 8307 N. Harlem Ave. All bereaved parents, family and friends are welcome whether their loss is recent or many years ago. Call Anna LaCorte, (847) 965-2771, or the rectory, (847) 966-8145.

Midwest Palliative & Hospice Care-Center grief support groups meet at various locations across its service area. Grief support groups are free; donations are accepted. Call (800) 331-5484 to register. The schedule for 2009 spring/summer includes: At 2050 Claire Court, Glenview - Adult Loss, 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays; Daytime Spouse Loss, 10:30 a.m. to noon Wednesdays; Evening Spouse Loss, 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays; Drop-in Group, first and third Fridays, noon to 1:30 p.m. at 6133 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago - Families with Children Loss Group meets every third Monday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., or in Glenview, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays.

formation call the church office. (847) 823-6984, between 9 a.m.-3 p.m. during the week.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness Cook County North Suburban invites the public to attend its Caring and Sharing monthly support group. This group is for family and friends of people with a mental illness and offers the opportunity to share problems and learn how others have overcome them. This program is free and meets from 7-8:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Kenilworth-Knox Conference Center (Rush North Shore Medical Center), 9701 N. Knox Ave., Skokie. Call MAMICUS, (847) 724-1460, or visit www.namicus.org.

Northwest Suburban Interstitial Cystitis/Painful Bladder Syndrome Support Group of Illinois meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month in Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge, Conference Room 1064. E-mail: bzarnikow@aol.com to be added to the e-mail list for meeting announcements.

The Maryville Crisis Nursery, 4015 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, offers a safe harbor for children 5 and younger when parents have nowhere to turn during a family or personal crisis. It is a free, center-based program where children may stay for as long as three days. Its goal is to prevent abuse and neglect of children and help a family stabilize its situation by providing support and resources. Examples of a crisis include domestic violence, parental stress, medical emergency or respite care. The 24-hour Help Line is (773) 205-3637.

An area Alzheimer's support group for caregivers and family members of people with Alzheimer's Disease meets at 10:30 a.m. every second Saturday at Central Baptist Village, the Commons Theater Lounge, 4747 N. Canfield Ave., Norridge. New members are always welcome. Call Jessi Lenth, group facilitator, (708) 583-8509.

Queen of All Saints hosts a weekly meeting for female survivors of sexual abuse. The meetings are from 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the Benedict Center Chapel, 6275 N. Ionia. To participate in the confidential, 12-step program, call Queen of All Saints Rectory, (773) 736-6060. Additional meetings are from 7-8:30 p.m. Fridays at St. Juliana Parish Center, 7200 Osceola Ave. Call Linda, (773) 271-2281.

Teen Center

The Niles Youth Council is a group of teens from sixth through 12th grade who provide support and advice on Teen Center programming, develop leadership skills and work to serve the Niles community. They meet the first and third Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Stop to check them out. Call (847) 375-8949. The Teen Center is located at 373 Golf Mill Center in Niles. **The Teen Center** is working with the Niles Senior Center to find teenagers willing to help senior citizens with leaf raking, snow shoveling and general yard work while earning money. Complete the Niles Teen Job Connection form available on the center Web site and return it to Mark at the center. Information will be shared with the director of the center and contacts will be made with residents in need of

services. **Register your bike** through the Niles Teen Center, Niles Police Department. Every year the Niles Police Department accumulates a number of lost or stolen bikes and is forced to sell them at an auction because their owners cannot be identified. By registering your bike, you are issued a Village of Niles Police Department sticker and your bicycle's information is entered into a national database allowing the Police Department to reconnect you if it is ever lost or stolen.

Volunteers

Many individuals have found themselves laid off or unable to find employment. Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care would like to respond by helping professionals stay current with their job skills (or gain experience if recently graduated) by offering professional volunteer opportunities. Possible opportunities include positions in medical records, human resources administration, community outreach, finance, marketing and admissions/customer service. Volunteers must have a willingness to make use of their professional skills and a positive attitude allowing them to take on a great deal of responsibility. Training and seminars for professional and personal development will be provided. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at (847) 685-9900, Ext. 3128, or rparrow@rainbowhospice.org. Visit www.rainbowhospice.org

Junior Achievement of Chicago is a nonprofit organization focused on inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in the global economy. Volunteers from businesses are trained and given materials to go into a classroom and teach students from kindergarten through high school about financial literacy and entrepreneurship-work readiness skills. Partnerships have been formed with some teachers at Niles North, Central and West High Schools for JA programs this school year. Volunteers are needed. Each program consists of five visits to the classroom for about 45-50 minutes each. If interested call Kristin Goodwin, operations manager, Junior Achievement of Chicago, (708) 456-1400, Ext. 245, e-mail kgoodwin@jachicago.org or go to www.jachicago.org.

The Men's Association of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital has recently expanded its role and membership base in the community and adopted a new name to reflect that change: The Men's and Women's Association of Lutheran General Hospital. The change will allow the nonprofit organization to sponsor more events, encourage greater participation in annual activities, such as the golf outing and fund-raising sales, expand opportunities for men and women to take on leadership roles, and increase collaborative efforts with the hospital's development office, Service League and the Advocate Charitable Foundation. The organization's donations have assisted Lutheran General in expanding its programs, purchasing state-of-the-art medical equipment and pursuing research and education efforts. Call (847) 723-6105

Submissions

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the fall of 2007. The Society ranks as one of the oldest and most prestigious national organizations for students.

The following sixteen students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on October 13: Kaitlyn Buss, Madeline Meloscia, Jillian Davis, Shaun Polakow, Michelle

Delana, Samantha Portera, Kevin Flaherty, Mary Sheehan, Jack Heidkamp, Erin Shiel, Michael Krzeczkowski, Patricia Stritzel, Karly McMorrow, Lilianna Trifilio, Kelly McMorrow and Hannah Zahn.

To be eligible for membership, candidates must have met high standards of scholarship, leadership, service, citizenship and character. Members of the seventh and eighth grade classes were evaluated and

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Submitted by Christine Rhodes:

Meeting
The Northeastern Illinois Section of the American Society for Quality will be meeting Thursday, November 19, 2009 at the Arboretum Club, 401 W. Half Day Road, Buffalo Grove, IL. A pre-meeting clinic on "Best Practices to Motivate Your People" will be presented at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Our main presentation on "World Class Employee Engagement Practices" will begin at 7:30pm. The meetings are always free - if you will be joining us for dinner, the cost is \$25. Please make dinner reservations at least 3 days prior to the meeting through asq1212reservations@yahoo.com. Phone Number Readers Can Call: 847-487-2184

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15 yr fixed	4.375	0.000	\$905	20%	4.457
10 yr fixed	4.250	0.000	\$905	20%	4.368
5/1 ARM	3.750	0.000	\$905	20%	3.814
marlin.maatta@bankofamerica.com (C) 954 Harlem Avenue, Glenview, IL 60025					

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Third Coast Mortgage LLC 847-580-5555					
30 yr fixed	4.875	0.000	\$1600	20%	4.960
15 yr fixed refi	4.250	0.000	\$1600	20%	4.395
5/1 ARM	3.750	0.000	\$1600	20%	3.609
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Program	Rate	Points	Fees	% Own	APR
United Home Loans 708-531-8317 http://www.UHLoans.com					
30 yr fixed	Call for Rates				
5/1 jumbo ARM	4.000	0.000	\$1195	20%	3.280
7/1 jumbo ARM	4.375	0.000	\$1195	20%	3.593
15 yr fixed	4.375	0.000	\$1195	20%	4.484
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30 yr fixed	4.875	0.000	\$850	20%	4.920
15 yr fixed	4.375	0.000	\$850	20%	4.452
5/1 jumbo ARM	5.000	0.000	\$850	20%	5.120
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Bank of America Home Loans 847-240-5007					
30 yr fixed	4.875	0.000	\$905	20%	4.923
10 yr fixed	4.250	0.000	\$905	20%	4.368
5/1 ARM	3.750	0.000	\$905	20%	3.574
30 yr jumbo	5.625	0.000	\$980	20%	5.646
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Program	Rate	Points	Fees	% Own	APR
Community Bank of Oak Park River Forest 708-660-7038 http://www.cbopr.com					
30 yr fixed	5.000	0.000	\$1110	5%	5.059
15 yr fixed	4.500	0.000	\$1110	5%	4.601
30 yr FHA	5.000	0.000	\$1110	4%	5.463
5/1 ARM	3.875	0.000	\$1110	20%	3.629
(C) 1001 Lake Street, Oak Park, IL 60301					

Program	Rate	Points	Fees	% Own	APR
Glenview State Bank 847-729-1900 http://www.gsb.com					
30 yr fixed	5.125	0.000	\$1800	20%	5.222
5/1 ARM	4.500	0.000	\$1800	20%	3.645
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2. Loyola (11-1)
3. Glenbrook South (9-3)
4. Notre Dame (6-4)
5. New Trier (5-5)

VOLLEYBALL

(Final)

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

GIRLS BASKETBALL

(Preseason)

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

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

FOOTBALL

Matt Perez, Maine South
Senior rushed for 311 yards on 22 carries and scored four TDs in 44-23 win over Glenbrook South.

Leo Sheridan, Loyola
Soccer-playing kicker booted five field goals to set a state record in team's 24-7 win over Mount Carmel.

SWIMMING

Natalia Bialecka, Maine East
Senior sprinter won the 50-yard freestyle in 24.44 at the Barrington Sectional and also qualified for the State Meet by swimming the 100 free in 53.72.

Sarah Thompson, Evanston
Junior freestyler won both the 200 and 500 freestyles at the Glenbrook South Sectional to advance to the State Meet.

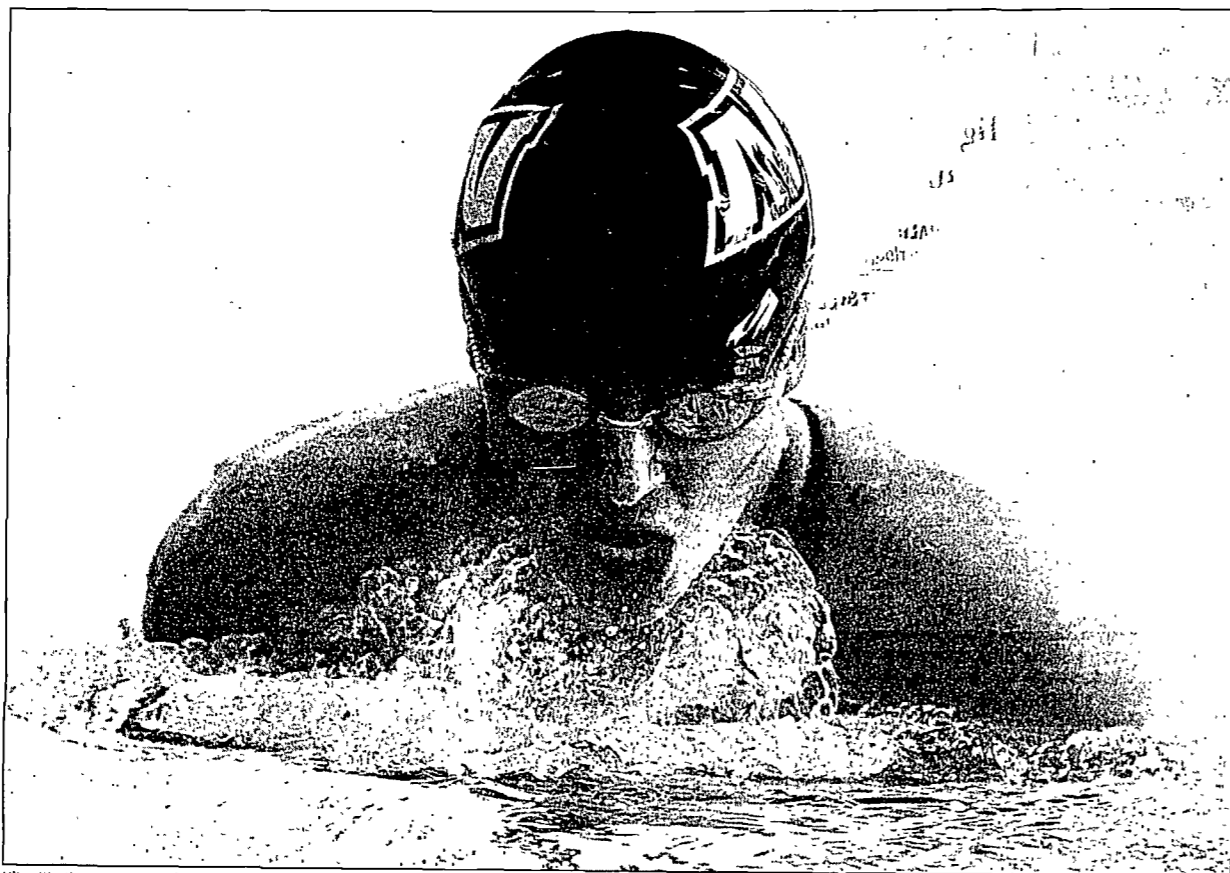
VOLLEYBALL

Colleen Brennan, Glenbrook South
Senior setter passed out 36 assists as the Titans beat Quincy in three sets to finish third at the Class 4A state tournament.

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Niles West's Deann Okrziesik, competing in the 200-yard IM at the CSL South meet, was one of many Wolves who clocked season-best times at Saturday's Glenbrook South Sectional. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)

Sarnecki and Fung punch tickets to State

Pair of Wolves make cut in diving

By DAN SHALIN
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GIRLS SWIMMING - One was dealing with a recent injury, the other was recovering from a more serious, long-term physical problem. But Niles West divers Nadia Sarnecki and Emily Fung overcame those challenges and punched their ticket to the 2009 IHSA State Meet in Winnetka. They were the only two Wolves to qualify for State. Sarnecki, a senior, reached her first State Meet by scoring 385.3 points to place fourth at Saturday's Glenbrook South Sectional. The performance came just four days after the diver had bruised her finger doing a reverse 1 1/2 somersault tuck.

The knock prevented her from practicing many of her dives in the days leading up to the sectional competition. But Sarnecki showed few signs of rust. The highlight was when she hit the same dive that caused her injury. "Holy Cow! I almost jumped out of my seat. It was awesome," exclaimed Niles West diving coach Louis Torres. "She hadn't thrown the dive the whole week. I was kind of amazed and impressed by her composure. She hadn't done any of those dives (in several days) and she came to the meet and did a nice job."

Fung, a junior, will be competing in her second straight State Meet. But the chances of her advancing seemed slim when she injured her knee during gymnastics season in February. "I had surgery the day before my birthday, and I knew from that point nine months ago that I had to prove I could come back," Fung said. "People said, 'Take your time, do what you can.' But I said, 'No! I had to make State, and accomplishing it made my year.'"

"A lot of athletes get nervous, but for me the whole reason I do the sport is because I love to compete," she said. "Making State was my goal, and I'm just glad I got to go and represent Niles West and prove myself. I don't know how I'll do, but I'll get up there and dive like I have all season."

The Wolves (62 points) finished seventh in the 11-team sectional. Among West swimmers with season- or lifetime-best swims in individual events were: Alexx Romanelli, Emme Deamont, Carolyn Masterton, Raquel Marcos, Holly Norberg, Jaci Moy, Jenny Lee, Alexis Yusim and Deann Okrziesik. "We had a pretty good meet. I'm very happy with it, across the board pretty good," said Wolves head coach Jason Macejak. "It was a good way to close out the (entire team's) season."

Top-ranked Wolves can't hide

Expectations high for Loyd and Co.

By DAN SHALIN
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GIRLS BASKETBALL - When Niles West head coach Tony Konsewicz handed out uniforms on Saturday, each had a number - and a figurative target - on the back.

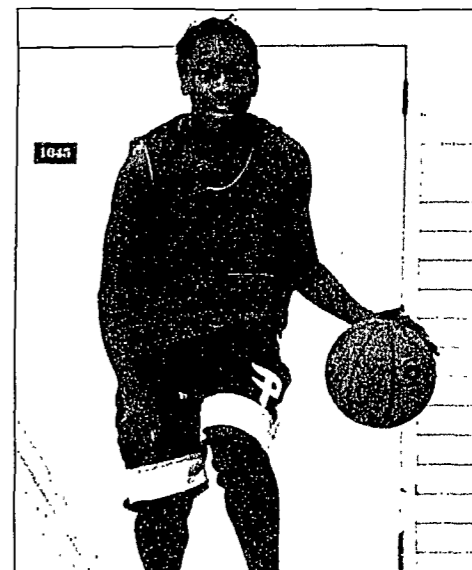
That's because the Wolves were ranked in the preseason Top 25 by the Chicago Sun-Times. Konsewicz expects his 2009-10 team to be good. The Wolves are coming off a 22-9 season and return several regulars, including super sophomore Jewell Loyd. But the inclusion in the polls ensures West will not be sneaking up on anybody this winter.

"It does put a bull's-eye on the back," the coach said. "Hopefully, it gives the girls some inspiration and makes them work a little harder and get after it a little more." By all accounts, the 5-foot-9 Loyd got after it in the weight room this summer - and on the court, playing

for the high school team, her AAU squad and at the U.S. U16 National Team tryouts. Loyd, who averaged 19.5 points and 7.1 rebounds as a freshman, did not make the national team, but still is considered one of the top sophomores in the state and the nation.

Konsewicz expects even more production than last year's 10 points per game from senior Jackie Gremley. The 5-10 forward can score inside and out. Gritty guard Kelly Kleppin can hit the jumper and leads by her sheer tenacity. "Kleppin is a hustler and a scrappy player. She has a lot of ability and just gets after it in practice and games," Konsewicz said. "(Other players) can't help but get excited to play when they see a kid put forth effort like that."

Senior off-guard Allie Guiang, a third-year varsity player, is a good ballhandler who likes to attack the basket. She is an intelligent player and a vocal leader. Senior Michella Poskrobko is one of the few players on the team who concentrates on basketball year-round. The 5-10 post used the off-season to get stronger, improve her hands and hone her ability to finish around



Niles West sophomore Jewell Loyd tried out for the U16 national team and already is on the radar screen of most top college programs. (Allen Kaleta/for STM)

the basket. The bench will feature senior guard Jenny DiJohn, who has good court vision and plays aggressive defense, and 5-8 junior Nicole Moy, who can play inside or out. There also will be a couple of younger siblings, junior Laurie DiJohn (Jenny's sister) and freshman Molly

Kleppin (Kelly's sis), in the playing mix. West faces nonconference tests against St. Ignatius Dec. 12, and participates in the City/Suburban Shootout in early January. The coach said that the Wolves are looking to make an impact in the CSL South race as well. "Not only are we looking

NILES WEST

2008-09 record: 22-9
Head coach: Tony Konsewicz (3rd year, career record 31-27)
Returning players: Jewell Loyd, Kelly Kleppin, Jackie Gremley, Allie Guiang, Michelle Poskrobko, Jenny DiJohn, Nicole Moy
Roster: Ashley Brandon (G, jr.); Jenny DiJohn (G/F, sr.); Laurie DiJohn (G, jr.); Ivana Gaddam (F/C, sr.); Denisa Gargovic (C, sr.); Jackie Gremley (F, sr.); Allie Guan (G, sr.); Maggie Kearns (G, sr.); Kelly Kleppin (G, sr.); Molly Kleppin (G, jr.); Jewell Loyd (G, soph.); Nicole Moy (F/C, jr.); Casey Nakawatase (G/F, jr.); Michelle Poskrobko (C, sr.)

SCHEDULE

11/17	HERSEY
11/19-28	@Deerfield Tourney
12/3	@Maine South
12/5	NILES NORTH
12/8	NEW TRIER
12/11	@Glenbrook South
12/12	@St. Ignatius
12/15	@Highland Park
12/18	@Evanston
12/19-28	Suburban Holiday Showcases (12/22 at NW)
1/5	GLENBROOK NORTH
1/8	WAUKEGAN
1/9	@Lincoln Park
1/15	NILES NORTH
1/16	@Deerfield
1/22	@New Trier
1/29	GLENBROOK SOUTH
2/4	EVANSTON
2/12	@Waukegan

to compete (in conference), we're looking to knock New Trier off that perch," he said.
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Dons predict addition by subtraction

Team berth Downstate goal of new coach

By DAN SHALIN
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BOWLING - Notre Dame may have lost its best bowler from last season, but the Dons appear to be better overall this winter. Gone is 2009 state qualifier Billy Kerber, who averaged 207 and twice rolled 287. Kerber graduated and made State. If we're out, we are bowling collegiately at

St. Ambrose University in Iowa. But even in Kerber's absence, the Dons have State aspirations. New head coach Dominic Catalano believes ND has what it takes to qualify its team for the 2010 State Meet, Jan. 29-30 in O'Fallon. "I like our depth and our consistency, one through five," said Catalano, a former assistant who replaced Bob Kostuch at the helm. "If we are consistent and bowl like we're capable, I don't see why (we can't compete with anybody

we bowl against." Leading the way for ND will be junior Justin Sanetra, who averaged 213 in the Dons' season-opening 18-7 victory over St. Pat's on Nov. 10. He traveled Downstate last year, but was little more than a spectator. "He went in order to get a taste of the event and give him something to shoot for (this season)," Catalano said. "We want to get it in their heads that we can get down there."

Senior Tony Olbeira should be the Dons' No. 2 player this season. He averaged 190 in the season's opening match. Sanetra and Olbeira are both lefties, but have very different personalities, according to their coach. "(Sanetra) is very consistent. He's not one to get fired up or show emotions. He is an even-keel kind of kid, who leads more by example," Catalano said. "(Olbeira) is the more vocal leader of this year's group. He's very vocal and leads that way. (Having those two personalities) is a nice balance."

Senior Rob Graff and junior Matt Schaefer also will be key contributors for the Dons. Talented sophomore Peter Velez is currently bowling for the JV, but Catalano expects that to change. "(Velez) has around a 180 average and he's knocking on the door of breaking into the top five." Notre Dame competes in the Chicago Catholic League North with the likes of St. Patrick, Loyola, Fenwick, Gordon Tech and St. Joseph. Conference matches are scheduled for almost every Tuesday afternoon at Chicago's Hubbard Bowl. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

GOLD LIST

BOYS STATE PLACERS

Tom Beddome (Loyola), 73rd
Nico Composto (Loyola), 30th
Curt Cudnowski (Maine South), 208th
George Davros (Niles West), 158th
Mark Donohue (Loyola), 11th
Dave Eckhart (Maine South), 50th
Will Edwards-Mizel (New Trier), 173rd
Mac Ford (Loyola), 61st
Noah Graboys (New Trier), 22nd
Will Hague (Loyola), 147th
Nick Hall (Glenbrook North), 120th
Luke Hutchings-Goel (New Trier), 174th
Nick Keenan (Maine South), 194th
Tommy King (New Trier), 21st
Leland Later (New Trier), 92nd
Mike Moore (Maine South), 52nd
Luke Rossi (Maine South), 77th
Jack Seeberg (Loyola), 15th
Sean Senf (Maine South), 96th
Patrick Smith (Loyola), 27th
Dylan Wallace (Maine South), 170th
Eric Zuckerman (New Trier), 111th

REGIONAL CHAMPS

Nico Composto (Loyola)

SECTIONAL CHAMPS

Nico Composto (Loyola)

CONFERENCE CHAMPS

Nico Composto (Loyola)
Thomas King (New Trier)

PIONEER AWARDS

RUNNER OF THE YEAR

Nico Composto, Loyola

COACH OF THE YEAR

Dan Seeberg, Loyola

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Patrick Smith, Loyola

2010 WATCH LIST

Evanston: Scott Klamn, Jr.; Ricky Sutherland, Jr.; Marlon Stoby, Jr.
Glenbrook North: David Baker, Jr.; Joe Poupard, Jr.; Max Lichtstein, Jr.
Glenbrook South: Brad Berg, So.; Drew Reynolds, So.; Dan Takaki, Jr.
Loyola Academy: Will Hague, So.
Maine East: Gathoon Garmois, Jr.; Jimmy Dickman, Jr.; Aaron Cristino, Jr.
Maine South: Curt Cudnowski, Jr.; Luke Rossi, Jr.
New Trier: Michael Quirk, Jr.; Danny Noren, Jr.
Niles North: Kosta Papazoglou, Jr.; Carltos Rangel, So.; Aaron Sebat, So.
Niles West: Mas Hoshi, So.; Marc Julien, So.; Zach Koukios, Jr.
Notre Dame: Tim Curley, Jr.; Greg Lelfel, So.; Matt Sommers, Jr.
St. Patrick: Charlie Labuz, So.; Steve Mendez, So.; Ricky Orozco, Jr.; Eric Villalpando, So.
Taft: Bart Lewandowski, So.

Composto passes baton to Ackerman

By DENNIS MAHONEY AND GEORGE M. WILCOX

CROSS COUNTRY — The Pioneer Press North Stars Runners of the Year for girls and boys cross country are at different stages of their prep careers.

Yet, they are similar in that there was no doubting their impact on the area cross country scene this season.

New Trier freshman Courtney Ackerman is just getting started, while Loyola senior Nico Composto now can look ahead to a promising collegiate career.

Ackerman became the school's top finisher in State Meet history by taking sixth (17:22) in the Class 3A race this month. She topped Annie Monjar's 13th place in 2004.

Composto dominated all season, before placing 30th (15:06) at the State Meet. He was a favorite to win Downstate, entering with five consecutive wins, including at conference, regionals and sectionals. He had clocked 14:32 at Deweller Park as a junior.

Composto, who uses an inhaler, was hampered by breathing problems during the 70-degree temperatures

NORTH STARS ALL-AREA CROSS COUNTRY GIRLS AND BOYS



New Trier freshman Courtney Ackerman posted the best finish in Trevians history when she placed sixth at the State Meet. (Suzanne Tennant/Staff Photographer)

in Peoria Nov. 7.

"What impressed me the most was his leadership ability in addition to his running ability," Loyola coach Dan Seeberg said. "Last year, he was sixth place individually. That might be the highlight of his cross

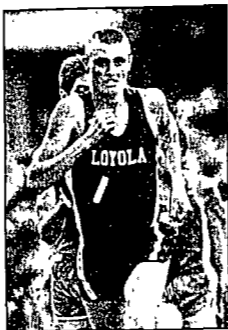
country career." Composto led Loyola to its first state trophy, second place behind Neuqua Valley.

"He's just a winner," Seeberg said. "He finds a way to win. He's always been like that his whole career."

When Ackerman decided last summer to trade in her soccer cleats for running shoes, no one could have predicted her impact. "I don't remember when we decided, but by the end of eighth grade my sister (Jessica) and I knew what fall sport we were going to do."

Ackerman didn't even start the season with New Trier's varsity. She was promoted after breaking a meet record at a freshman-sophomore meet at Hinsdale South. Ackerman, twin sister Jessica, Allison Crimmins and Kacie Swierk are four freshmen who will keep the Trevians at the top in coming seasons.

Courtney beat Jessica for



Loyola senior Nico Composto led the Ramblers to their first state trophy when they placed second this month. (Rob Dicker/Staff Photographer)

the CSL title by nine seconds at Glenbrook South. She later clipped eventual state champion Lavinia Jurkiewicz of Young by a half second to win at the Niles West Sectional. Ackerman was the first freshman to cross the finish line at the State Meet.

"Obviously what Courtney did at State exceeded our expectations," New Trier coach John Burnside said. "She left everything out on the course and ran a perfect race that day. It's a dream come true, and she deserved it for all the hard work she put in this year." Comment: pioneerlocal.com

GOLD LIST

GIRLS STATE PLACERS

Courtney Ackerman (New Trier), 6th
Jessica Ackerman (New Trier), 55th
Jessica Arneson (New Trier), 102nd
Carmin Beck (Niles West), 144th
Valerie Bobart (Glenbrook North), 38th
Amanda Bombard (Loyola), 176th
Slobhan Cooney (Loyola), 157th
Allie Coursey (Niles West), 192nd
Allison Crimmins (New Trier), 142nd
Ellie Heinrich (Regina), 99th
Megumi Hoshi (Niles West), 29th
Natalie Kaminski (Loyola), 44th
Lindsey Karp (Niles West), 211th
Michelle Karp (Niles West), 165th
Asha Mannacheril (Niles West), 207th
Rose McBride (Loyola), 153rd
Ann Marie McGuire (Loyola), 116th
Michelle McGuire (Loyola), 193rd
Ellen Pearlman (New Trier), 172nd
Rachel Price (Loyola), 95th
Jessica Sutfin (Niles West), 200th
Kacie Swierk (New Trier), 163rd
Katherine Weber (Glenbrook North), 30th
Kristen Zillmer (Maine South), 110th

REGIONAL CHAMPS

Courtney Ackerman (New Trier)
Kristin Bonsor (Glenbrook North)

SECTIONAL CHAMP

Courtney Ackerman (New Trier)

CONFERENCE CHAMPS

Courtney Ackerman (New Trier)
Natalie Kaminski (Loyola)
Courtney Ackerman (New Trier)

PIONEER AWARDS

RUNNER AND ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Courtney Ackerman, New Trier

COACH OF THE YEAR

John Burnside, New Trier

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Courtney Ackerman, New Trier

2010 WATCH LIST

Evanston: Elizabeth Sweeney, Jr.; Rachel Blechman, Jr.; Seesha Takashi, Jr.
Glenbrook North: Kristen Bonsor, Jr.; Ashley Kamin, Jr.; Cassie Bobart, So.
Glenbrook South: Danielle DeVita, So.; Katrina Schwab, Jr.; Haleigh Haifner, So.
Loyola Academy: Amanda Bombard, Fr.; Michelle McGuire, Fr.
Maine East: Aahuti Patel, So.; Angela Jones, So.; Isabel Ortigoza, Jr.
Maine South: Austen Beaugureau, So.; Kayla Trewartha, Jr.; Alexis Sammarco, Jr.
New Trier: Anna Berglund, So.; Ellen Pearlman, Jr.; Kacie Swierk, Fr.
Niles North: Katherine Belz, So.; Kimberly Carlson, So.; Kiana Foreman, So.
Niles West: Lindsey Karp, Jr.; Jessica Sutfin, So.
North Shore: Olivia Giampietro, Fr.; Lydia McCaleb, So.
Regina: Heather Bucher, So.; Alleen Campanaro, Jr.; Karina Kedo, Jr.; Micaela Schukies, Fr.
Resurrection: Francesca Bianchini, Jr.; Abby Witzak, So.
Taft: Meg Glowacz, Jr.; Jade Ivy, Jr.; Kristen Ivy, Jr.; Kassie Pruska, So.

Notre Dame goaltenders passing tough tests

Young Dons banged up on defensive end

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

HOCKEY— Though Notre Dame has not won many games, first-year head coach Claude Desgagne has seen signs of improvement from his young team recently.

The Dons, who have been plagued by injuries and other absences, dropped to

3-14 with Sunday's 3-1 loss to Benet. But the coach said the group is moving in the right direction.

"It's been pretty tough, but three weeks ago we turned a corner and started playing a lot better," Desgagne said. "We have a young team and they don't put the intensity in every game. But the kids are improving and playing the system better and understanding better."

Desgagne said the team still lacks leadership and has a hard time coming back in games when it falls behind early.

The Dons have been without a few key defenders recently, which has affected the squad at both ends of the rink. In the absence of the defenders, forward Micah Orchard has been forced play on the blue line.

"(Orchard) has really helped our defense, he's played tremendously," Desgagne said. "But he's a forward and losing a big forward player with great speed is tough."

The one constant for the Ice Dons has been their steady play in the net. Ryan

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Niles North's Kopylova determined for next year

Vikings junior just misses cut in breaststroke

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

SWIMMING— Niles North junior Xenia Kopylova was upbeat after Saturday's Glenbrook South Sectional, choosing to reflect on her season-best times rather than clocking a second shy of the state qualifying mark.

Kopylova finished 10th in the 100 breaststroke. Her time of 1:09.87 may have been her fastest this winter, but it did not eclipse the 108.49 state cut. But the swimmer was taking it all in stride.

"I feel good," Kopylova said. "Even though I missed it, I feel it's better to miss by a second rather than .7. I have next year."

Vikings coach Paul Torres said Kopylova had nothing to be disappointed about because she gave it every

thing she had. "I felt like she left it all out there," he said. "It wasn't like she made a big mistake and thought, 'I should have gone out faster.' She went out to get it and came up short. As long as you give it your best and leave it all out there, you let the chips fall where they may. I felt like she did that."

Torres said Kopylova became a serious contender for State because of her hard work in the offseason. Another winter, spring and summer of training should make the swimmer a virtual lock to reach the State Meet her senior year. Of course, she must stay healthy.

"Odds are that if she does what she did last summer, she'll be in a very good position for next year," the coach said.

Kopylova said she hopes to swim multiple events at State in 2010.

stroke, but in butterfly, too," said Kopylova, who came in 10th in fly (1:02.07) at the sectional.

"I worked hard in the off-season and got my best times this year. It was rewarding. I feel good and am excited for next year."

The Vikings scored 53 points and finished eighth at the sectional. Among other highlights were: the 400 freestyle relay team of Amber Martin, Meredith Naumiak, Loren Dutea and Kopylova coming just .10 shy of a school record; Naumiak breaking 1:00 in the 100 free (59.66); Trystin Moy dropping two seconds in the 100 backstroke (1:12.11); and Dutea swimming her season-bests in the 100 free (56.6) and 100 back (1:03.1).

"It was a great season," Torres said. "We demanded a lot from them and they put in the work. In the end, it all paid off. From the beginning to the end of the season, everybody got a lot of practice."

"In the offseason, I'm going to leave it all in the pool every day. I know I'll not just (qualify) in breast-

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Full speed ahead for smaller Vikes

Less height means more up-tempo style

By DAN SHALIN
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GIRLS BASKETBALL – The graduation of 6-foot-2 center Breannah Ranger (UW-Green Bay), coupled with current personnel, has led to a change in philosophy at Niles North.

Shorn of their most dangerous inside presence, the Vikings will lack height but feature a fair amount of speed in 2009-10. So head coach Dan Paxson has his team picking up the pace.

"Defensively, we're trying to play pretty aggressive, force the tempo and extend," said Paxson, whose Vikings finished 11-17 last season. "That's been the focal point in practice — everything is full court and full speed."

Depth is an important component on a team that likes to run, and the Vikings could be a deep team. Yet they will be shorthanded early in the campaign.

Talented sophomore Mariyah Brawner-Hensly, Ranger's cousin, is still recovering from shoulder surgery and is not expected back until mid-December or early January. She was a key contributor for the Vikings last season.

Paxson calls the 5-10 Brawner-Hensly a gym rat and said that she has added strength and improved her ability to step out and shoot the jumper.

"When Mariyah comes back, hopefully she'll be



Niles North guard Alissa Hirsch, competing in a summer observation tournament, will start at point guard for the Vikings. (Richard Bajjalieh/Staff Photographer)

healthy after the rehab and will give us a nice added boost," the coach said.

Senior guard Pearlane DeGuzman is energy personified. She may only be 5-2, but she is a fine on-the-ball defender who expects to contribute more offensively than in previous years. A shoulder injury also limited her participation over the summer, but she appears to be close to full health. If DeGuzman is the player who sparks the Vikings' defense, sophomore point guard Alissa Hirsch will be her counterpart for the offense. She became a regular starter early in her freshman campaign.

"(Hirsch) matured physically after spending some time in the weight room and has really been pushing (the

ball) in practice," Paxson said.

Senior Jenny Chacko is an in-between guard or small forward who can shoot the ball. She had a fine summer, and Paxson labels her as one of the team's most improved players.

Sophomores AnneMarie Reid, a guard, and Sorriyah Ranger, a 6-2 forward and younger sister of Breannah, will also see plenty of minutes. Senior guards Talya Logan and Vanessa Richardson are track athletes who are aggressive defensive players.

Paxson said that one of the team's main points of emphasis would be to limit turnovers, which plagued the Vikings for much of the 2008-09 campaign.

The coach said injuries

NILES NORTH

2008-09 record: 11-17
Head coach: Dan Paxson (2nd year, 14-40 career record)
Returning starters: Mariyah Brawner-Hensly, Pearlane DeGuzman, Alissa Hirsch
Roster: AnneMarie Reid (5-2 soph.), Mariyah Henley (5-11 soph.), Sorriyah Ranger (6-2 soph.), Jenny Chacko (5-7 sr.), Alissa Hirsch (5-5 soph.), Talya Logan (5-6 sr.), Pearlane DeGuzman (5-2 sr.), Kaitlyn Schlauder (5-2 jr.), Vanessa Richardson (5-6 sr.), Marla Accosta (5-5 jr.), Kumbi Adefeso (5-8 jr.), Nancy Harmon (5-10 sr.)

SCHEDULE

- 11/20 NN Tourney @ Proviso East
- 11/21 NN Tourney vs. WHEELING
- 11/24 NN Tourney vs. RESURRECTION
- 11/27 NN Tourney vs. FENWICK
- 11/27 NN Tourney vs. JOHNSBURG HIGHLAND PARK
- 12/4 @ Niles West
- 12/5 @ Glenbrook North
- 12/8 @ Maine East
- 12/11 REGINA
- 12/12 MAINE SOUTH
- 12/18 MAINE WEST
- 12/19 -12/26 Blue Devil Classic
- 1/8 DEERFIELD
- 1/9 IDA CROWN
- 1/15 @ Highland Park
- 1/16 @ Lane
- 1/22 GLENBROOK NORTH
- 1/23 LOYOLA
- 1/27 @ Gordon Tech
- 1/29 MAINE EAST
- 2/5 @ Maine West
- 2/6 @ Glenbrook South
- 2/12 @ Deerfield

over the summer and during the fall have made it tough to get an accurate read on his team's potential. But Paxson said he is optimistic North can be successful once his full squad is available.

"This summer, we didn't have any chemistry and were not able to put the pieces together," he said. "But our practices this season have been harder than last year. I like what I'm seeing. If that's any indication, I think we'll be better than we were last year."

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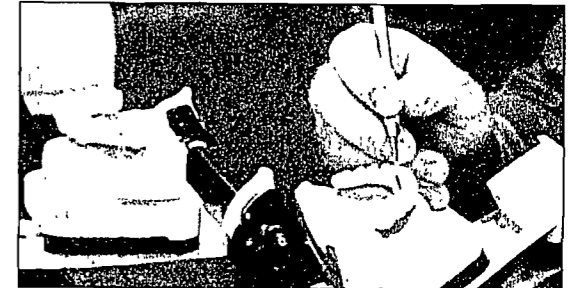
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Maize has been on top of his game all season despite facing 40 or more shots each outing. Backup Alan Johnson has also been solid in his occasional appearances.

"The goaltending has been terrific," Desgagne said.

Johnson was between the pipes for the defeat to Benet, a game where Notre Dame took 14 penalties.

Tim Vandermeir scored ND's only goal of the contest. On Saturday, Marist de-

feated ND 5-1. The contest remained close until the visiting RedHawks put the game away with three unanswered goals in the third period. Maize kicked away 35 saves.

Two days earlier, Notre Dame outshot Brother Rice 33-25, but the Crusaders came away with a 3-2 victory.

Ice Dons captain Ryan Zanon scored twice while Janos Vonaulock and Orchard had the helpers. Maize made 22 saves.

On Nov. 9, St. Ignace defeated Notre Dame 8-7. David Fabris had a hat trick for ND. Jeff Levar, Chet Polonitz, Zanon and Orchard also lit the lamp.



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