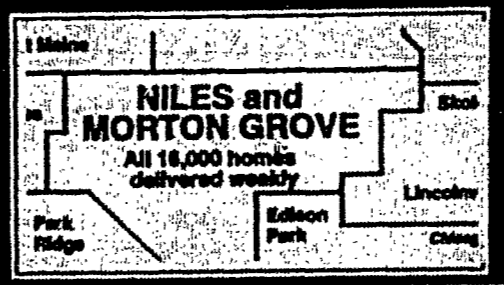




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From the Left Hand

by Bud Besser

While we're not about to start an anti-gambling crusade, Niles and Morton Grove officials who backed Rosemont's acquiring a gambling casino should read the National Gambling Impact Study Commission's findings which were released last week. Two-thirds of the recommendations in the report involve research and treatment for problem gamblers, who the commission accounted for 15 percent of the industry's gross income. Many states create a fund to address problem and pathological gambling. This might be somewhat of a stretch but if Niles and Morton Grove receive up to a quarter of a million dollars annually from the Rosemont revenue, is it so badly needed that it might

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Pro rating would allow reduced pool fees

by Lisa Ashkenz Croke

Efforts to correct the sight-line problem at one of Pioneer Park's baseball fields were discussed by the Niles Board of Park Commissioners at last Tuesday's meeting. "The first thing we're going to do is to extend the backstop out about 10 feet, and move the home plate up to see if that will alleviate the sight-line problem," said board President James Hynes. "If that doesn't work, then there's enough room to fit the bleachers behind the dugout."

Vandals strike Morton Grove parks

by Ryan Bergin

This month's meeting of the Morton Grove Park District began with a report of recent vandalism in the Village. At Oriole Park, two trees had their bark removed with a knife. Park District Officials said that this damage would ultimately kill the trees and that they would have to be replaced. Harrer Pool also had its deck furniture thrown into the water, and at Oriole Pool, cans of oil were thrown into the water. Officials reported that the cans had luckily not opened. Also, the

Library trustees vote against returning funds to residents

by Lisa Ashkenz Croke

The Niles Public Library District board of trustees discussed, and decided against a proposal to return surplus funds to village residents.

Trustee Richard Barnat said he thought that the suggestion was beneficial for the library's image, but as the surplus would only equal about \$2 per household, the proposal was impractical.

"I see what you're trying to do," said Barnat "but it would be a hell of a lot cheaper to put out an ad."

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Three charged in 1997 murder of Niles man in his Oak Park jewelry store

Woman pleads guilty in murder of Niles jeweler

by Rosemary Tirio

One of the persons accused of killing Niles resident Michael Feldman in his Oak Park jewelry store Dec. 18, 1997, has switched her plea from innocent to guilty and was sentenced to 45 years in prison.

Kimberly Britt, 24, one of three people charged in the case, apologized to the victim's family after switching her plea before Judge William Prendergast at the Cook County Courthouse in Maywood June 18.

Britt, who said she never intended to hurt anyone, walked into Feldman's store, American Jewelers, 205 N. Harlem Ave., along with her boyfriend, Tyrone

Fuller. The couple asked Feldman, 36, who himself was newly engaged at the time, to show them engagement rings.

As Feldman began to wait on the offenders, Fuller displayed a .25-caliber semiautomatic pistol

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Auto kills Park Ridge girl, 15, while rollerblading

by Rosemary Tirio

A 15-year-old Maine South High School student was fatally injured by a vehicle traveling eastbound on Oakton Street as she was attempting to cross at the intersection with Wilkinson Parkway around 5:05 p.m. June 16.

Anna Golec, 15, of the 800 block of Wilkinson Parkway was wearing in-line skates as she entered the intersection when the driver of a vehicle traveling eastbound in the center lane of Oakton stopped to allow her to cross.

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Maine South students win U.S. Civics contest



The students at Maine South High School, who are residents of the Village of Niles, were presented with Certificates of Achievement at the May Village Board Meeting for their outstanding performance in the "We the People... The Citizen and the Constitution" National Competition held in Washington, D.C. The team of 26 students from Maine South competed against 50 other teams and was awarded the national championship. Previously, Maine South had placed in the top ten for many years, and placed fourth in the past two competitions. See story on page 3.

Shown (left to right) are: Trustee Louella Preston, Beth Humbert, Julie Lucchesi, Mayor Nicholas B. Biase, and Young Song.

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Golf Maine Park District's 'Bazaar & Flea Market'

Reserve your space now! On Saturday, June 26, Golf Maine Park District will host a 'Bazaar & Flea Market' from 3 to 7 p.m. during their fourth annual 'Summerfest of Cultures' at Dec Park located at the corner of Dec and Emerson Roads.

Area residents are invited to participate in the 'Bazaar & Flea Market.' For \$5 (\$25 for commercial vendors), participants will be provided a 10' x 10' space to sell their old or new un-

used treasures (clothing, furniture, household items, crafts, etc.). Tables may be rented from the Park District for an additional \$5.

Plan to bring the whole family. In addition to the Bazaar & Flea Market, the fest will also include ethnic entertainment and food, and many other games and activities for the entire family.

To reserve your space for the Bazaar & Flea Market, call (847) 297-3000.

Last Fish Fry for the summer

The old adage "all good things must come to an end" applies to the Morton Grove American Legion Post #134 fish fry season. Every year the months of July and August are taken as a summer hiatus.

The last scheduled Friday Fish Fry will be June 25.

The meals, served at the Legion Memorial Home, 6140 Dempster, are available from 6-8 p.m.

Prices are nominal and the entrée is your choice of shrimp, perch, a combo, cat fish or one half chicken for those desiring

meat. The dinner is served with potato, cole slaw, roll and butter; and carry outs are also available.

There is a well stocked bar for those wishing liquid refreshments.

Plenty of free parking is also available and no reservations are needed for the Fish Fry.

The Legion will be back in business Labor Day; and the organization wishes the residents of the community a healthy and happy summer with thanks for their continued support of the program.

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55 Alive safe-driving course offered

Lutheran General Hospital's Senior Advocate program and the American Associate of Retired Persons (AARP) is offering 55 Alive, a two-session safe driving refresher course for experienced motorists 50 and older.

The eight-hour course is taught in two, four-hour sessions spanning two days. The sessions will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, July 17 and July 24, in Room 1043 West on the 10th floor of Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge. Participants must attend both dates to become eligible for a reduction in car insurance rates.

There is an \$8 fee for the program and refreshments are included. The class size is limited. To register, call HealthAdvisor at 1-800-5-ADVOCATE (1-800-323-8622).

The course helps drivers refine existing skills and develop

safe, defensive driving techniques. Topics covered include age-related physical changes (vision, hearing, reaction time) and ways to compensate for those changes, traffic safety rules of the road, new laws, hazardous driving situations, effects of medications on driving ability, and proper use and maintenance of vehicles.

Future 55 Alive sessions will be held at Lutheran General Hospital on August 21 and 28; September 18 and 25; and October 16 and 23.

The 55 Alive program, which was developed by the AARP in 1979, is the first and most recognized comprehensive nationwide course created especially for older drivers. Upon successful completion of the course, graduates of 55 Alive may be eligible to receive a state-mandated multi-year discount on their auto insurance premiums.

Golf Maine Park District's 'Bazaar & Flea Market'

Last minute plans are underway for Golf Maine Park District's 4th annual 'Summerfest of Cultures' to be held at Dec Park on June 26. The fest is from 3-7 p.m. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate.

In addition to food and ethnic entertainment, this year's activities include a flea market & bazaar, 'climbing wall,' 'moon-walk,' dunk tank, beer tent, baseball games, d.j., face painting, games, (watermelon eating contests) and much more. Bring the entire family! For info call (847) 297-3000.

ANONYMOUS

Mondays Co-Dependents Anonymous is a 12 step group that focuses moving beyond old patterns in relations with others meets weekly on Mondays Kenton Building, 9700 N. Kenton, Skokie, from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. 847-498-4864 free.

ARTS & CRAFTS

July 9-11 Michigan Avenue
Artists and crafters from 10 states across the country will join with talented area artists and crafters to participate in the 8th Annual Michigan Avenue Arts & Crafts Experience to be presented by American Society of Artists, a national membership organization, on the west side of Michigan Avenue between Monroe and Van Buren, Chicago. The show, which is supported by the Central Michigan Avenue Association will be held Friday through Sunday, July 9-11 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. all three days. Additional information may be obtained from American Society of Artists at (312) 751-2500.

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Des Plaines native participants in experiment for the 21st century



As the clock to Jan. 1, 2000, ticked away, Navy Fireman Richard G. Hartmann was not thinking about the Year 2000 debate, because the Navy has already taken steps to beat the bug. Instead, he was focusing on the Navy's capability to meet strategic requirements in the new millennium.

During a recent exercise in the California Bay Area, Hartmann, the 22-year-old son of Carmaine Hartmann of Des Plaines, helped members of the Navy's Maritime Battle Center (MBC) evaluate methods for carrying out future missions.

From March 12-18 the newly developed MBC, a part of the Naval Warfare Development Command and Naval War College in Newport, R.I., conducted Fleet Battle Experiment Echo (FBE-E), which tested Navy and Marine Corps assets using California sites in Monterey, Alameda, Oakland, and San Francisco.

"I feel exercises like this are important, because they allow us to keep better records of what we need to do to get a job done and what we need to have," said

Hartmann, a 1995 graduate of Glenbrook High School.

The seven-day experiment was coordinated from the San Diego-based USS Coronado, where Hartmann maintains equipment used to power the ship. The Coronado is a modified amphibious transport dock ship that serves as the headquarters for the Navy's 3rd Fleet.

FBE-E was the fifth experiment conducted by the MBC since the program's inception in March 1997. The vision of the echo experiment was to establish and test network-centric (netcentric) warfare systems in coastal environments. By using available netcentric technologies, participants exercised their ability to secure coastal areas and support and influence events ashore.

With the global environment in a constant state of flux, Hartmann recognizes the significance of establishing new tactics to

strengthen the Navy's forward presence, because a more capable force overseas is vital to achieving U.S. objectives.

"It is important to send ships overseas to keep up foreign relations," Hartmann said.

With 80 percent of the world's population and economic centers located within 300 miles of coastal waters, finding better ways for the Navy and Marine Corps team to conduct operations in littoral environments is a necessity.

Third Fleet commander, Vice Adm. Dennis V. McGinn, said the experiment allowed the Navy to "take advantage of current information technology to improve the accuracy and speed of command systems."

Information collected from FBE-E will be used to develop policies for the operation of naval forces in the 21st century. By studying netcentric technologies, the MBC also hopes to develop a new process of collecting information and providing data to naval combat forces with the push of a button.

Netcentric warfare has far reaching effects, not only for the Navy and Marine Corps, but for the other armed forces as well.

It is a change which Vice Adm. McGinn feels Hartmann and others should take to quickly, because he says they are already "21st century naval war fighters."

Attention vendors: Sell your merchandise at the Oakton Fall Bazaar

Vendors of new or craft items will have an opportunity to sell their fall merchandise at the upcoming Fall Bazaar at Oakton on Thursday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. The bazaar, sponsored by the Oakton Community College Annuitants Association, will be held at the Des Plaines campus, 1600 East Golf Road.

The Fall Bazaar will be a day of fun for vendors, students, faculty, college staff and members of the community. It is an opportunity for vendors to promote their seasonal merchandise (no "knock-offs" allowed). The proceeds of the fundraiser benefit the

Oakton Community College Classified Staff Association Service Award and the Annuitants Association for retirees.

Rental vendor space is available in two sizes, single and double. A single space (4x6) costs \$40. A double space (4x12) costs \$70. The Fall Bazaar committee reserves the right to choose vendors who best serve the image and quality of the event. Early registration is encouraged, as vendors will be allocated space on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information or to reserve vendor space, contact Bea Cornelissen at (847) 635-1812.

FDIC approves opening of Alliance, FSB

Alliance, FSB, a full service federal savings bank, announced that it received permission to open from the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Bank will be located at 7840 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Niles and anticipates opening on June 28, 1999.

"We plan to offer friendly, responsive and personal customer service," said Edward J. Moskal, chairman of the board. "We believe Niles is a great town where the Bank can grow and serve the needs of the community."

"Our goal is to offer a full range of banking services with lower fees and excellent service," said Lawrence Chlum, president of Alliance. "The Bank is going to offer various deposit accounts including a totally free checking account with no minimum balance and a high rate passbook savings account. The Bank will also offer NOW accounts, certificates of deposit and retirement accounts for both individuals and small businesses. We'll also have available a broad array of loans. The Bank will make home mortgages, home equity, automobile and small business loans, and safety deposit boxes will also be available."

"Many customers have seen their financial institutions purchased or merged into large nationwide banks. These larger banks are not as responsive to their customers needs, and tend to charge higher service fees," said Dan Bator, senior vice president. "As a smaller community bank, we'll be more suited to the customers who like highly personal-

ized service. To serve the needs of the Polish community in Niles, we are going to have Polish speaking tellers and personal bankers. We'll also have ATM machines with on-line instructions in both English and Polish."

As a federally chartered savings bank, each customer's deposits at Alliance, FSB, will be insured up to \$100,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Fri., July 9
Brookfield Zoo
 The third annual MS Family Day sponsored by the Chicago-Greater Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will be held at Brookfield Zoo on Fri., July 9. The program for families, friends and children of people with multiple sclerosis is intended to help families to better understand and cope with the disease. The morning program will feature an educational workshop for adults at 10 a.m. while the children meet separately in different age groups. Held in the Oak Grove picnic area near the park's south entrance, the official program will end at 1 p.m. after a picnic lunch. Families will then be encouraged to visit the attractions at the zoo. Zoo admission is from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; parking and a souvenir for each child as well as the lunch buffet will be included in the fees of \$10 per adult and \$3.50 to \$5 for children (3 years and older). Transportation and scholarships may be arranged. For MS Family Day reservations, call the Chapter Programs Department at (312) 922-8000 or 1 (800) 922-0484. Additional information also is available on

other chapter programs, volunteer opportunities and fundraising activities.

NETWORKING

Tues., June 29
Networking in the Community
 The new Northwest Metro Chapter of International Association of Administrative Professionals™ (IAAP™) is proud to announce its first official monthly meeting. It will be held at Northwestern Business College, 4829 N. Lipps, Chicago on Tuesday, June 29 in Room 206. Networking will take place from 6-8:30 p.m. We will have a presentation about Networking in the Community from 6:30 to 7 p.m. Feel free to join us and see what networking is all about.

SEMINAR

Tues., July 13
Home-seekers Seminar
 A free Home-seekers Seminar will be held on Tuesday, July 13, from 5-7 p.m. at Harris Bank, 111 West Monroe in the Presentation Room on the 20th Floor. The seminar is open to the public, but space is limited. Please call (312) 461-3363 for reservations. Attendees will learn about pre-purchase planning, establishing, maintaining and rebuild-

ing credit; low down payment mortgage programs; and, the responsibilities and benefits of home ownership. Harris was the first bank to hold on-site Home-seeker seminars.

SINGLES

Fri., June 25
Good Time Charley Singles Dance
 Fri., June 25, 8 p.m. Our "50s & 60s & Country" Hula-Hoop Hoe-Down Super Singles Dance at the Lexington House, 7717 W. 95th St., Hickory Hills, IL. Admission \$7.

Sat., June 26
Good Time Charley Singles Dance
 Sat., June 26, 8 p.m. New Faces New Places Singles Dance at the Elks Hall, 3580 W. 61st Avenue, Hobart, IN. VCR door prize. Ladies in for half price before 8:30 p.m. Admission \$6.

Sun., June 27
Good Time Charley Singles Dance
 Sun., June 27, 8 p.m. at BG Fellows, 5055 W. 111th St., Alsip, IL. Free Admission Singles Dance with a Free Meal Buffet.

Spare's Sunday Evening Club
 The Spare's Sunday Evening Club for Widowed, Divorced and Single Adults will sponsor a night of Dancing to live music by "The Melodaires." Join us

and bring a friend. Morton Grove American Legion Hall, 6140 Dempster, Morton Grove. 7:30-10:30 p.m. Music by "The Melodaires." Members \$6. Guests \$7. Contact (847) 965-5730.

Fri., July 2
North Shore Jewish Singles 50+
 5 p.m. Cocktail Time at Matty's Wayside Inn, 1727 Waukegan Rd., Glenview. Reservation a must. Call (847) 296-3985.

WORKSHOP

Mon., June 28
Investment Workshop
 "Wealth Building Strategies for the New Millennium" by Eric Wulf, Financial Advisor Morgan Stanley Dean Witter at Niles Public Library at 7 p.m. Please contact the library at (847) 663-1234 to register.

Finding the right pet for your family

Owning a pet is one of life's most rewarding experiences. It adds an element of fun to the household, teaches children responsibility and creates warm and lasting memories. By adopting a pet, pet owners can help save the lives of millions of animals each year.

However, owning a pet is a tremendous responsibility and requires careful thought and planning. Here are some pet adoption pointers for parents to ponder.

Consider several factors including the ages and activity levels of children before saying yes to a pet. How will the children interact with the pet? Do they recognize the difference between a stuffed animal and a real dog or cat that has feelings and a mind of its own?

"We believe that pets can be appropriate for all families, depending on the animal and its temperament. Some dogs are ideal around children and others are more suitable for an adult household. That's why it's important to speak with an adoption coordinator who can consider the circumstances of each pet and each family," said Joyce Briggs, director of PETS MART Charities, which works with animal shelters across the nation to find families for homeless pets.

Who will take care of the pet? Speak to your family about expectations. How much time will it take each day to feed and groom the animal? Where will the pet

sleep? What kind of cleanup is needed and how often? Who will do this and when? Discuss pet care and maintenance, which require a significant time commitment and might last 15 years or longer.

How to begin
 Once you've determined whether you'll be adopting a dog, a cat, a bird, or maybe starting small with a hamster or tropical fish, you may want to continue to narrow the list.

For dogs and cats, ask your family what size pet you want and determine what you have room for. Will excessive hair and shedding become an issue? Will it eat a lot and can you afford it? What about licensing and veterinary care?

Personality and temperament are equally important. How old is the pet? Is the pet playful? Will it be at home alone all day? What kind of toys will it need? Will housetraining or obedience school be necessary?

After you have asked the appropriate questions, you can decide if pet adoption is right for your family.

Center of Concern Calendar of Events

The Center of Concern has announced the following calendar for the month of July:

Mon., July 12, 19, & 26. Employment Counseling - by appointment only.

Mon., July 12, 19, & 26. Weight Loss Support Group. 10 a.m.

Tues., July 6, 13, 20, & 27. Medicare Counseling - by appointment only.

Thurs., July 1, Alzheimer Support Group, 11 a.m.

Thurs., July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29. Wills Counseling - by appointment only.

Thurs., July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29. Grief and Loss Support Group - 2 p.m.

Sat., July 10, 17, 24, & 31. Legal Counseling - by appointment only.

Sat., July 31. Blood Pressure Testing and Blood Sugar Screening. 10 a.m. to Noon. Appointment not necessary.

Special note: The Center of Concern will be closed on Saturday, July 3 and Monday, July 5, 1999.

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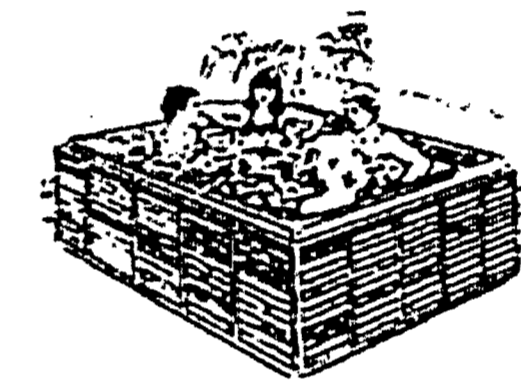
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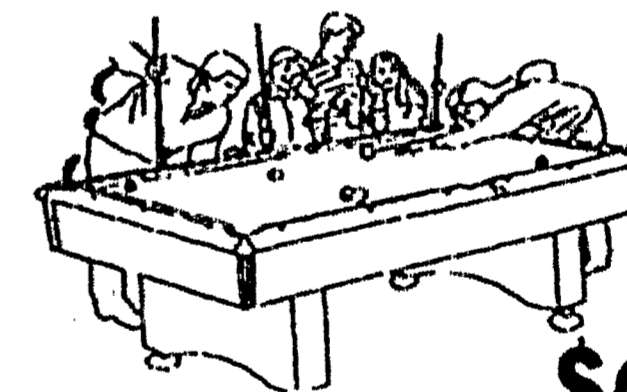
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cast. The George Burns and Gracie Allen show is the first in a series of three to be presented at Niles Public Library District on July 8 at 7:30 p.m. In this presentation, originally broadcast in 1944, George receives a telegram intended for Dinah Shore and heads to Kansas City. He thinks he has been named Singer of the Year.

To register for this program or for more information, call the Reader's Advisory Department at (847) 663-6613.

Check out O'Shanter's Food & Spirits

Bryan Shanahan, our new Executive Chef and Director of Food & Beverage Operations, invites you to enjoy a great meal at O'Shanter's Food & Spirits on the historic 'Tam Golf Course. We offer a wide variety of lunch and dinner specialties. We also have lots of appetizers to choose from if you need just a snack! O'Shanter's is open to the community seven days a week, rain or shine.

O'Shanter's menu is available for carry out for those who do not have time to sit down for lunch. Just call (847) 581-3120 to place your lunch order and pick it up at your convenience. You may also fax your order at (847) 967-1175. Our lunch menu has all-time favorites like nachos, burgers, chicken sandwiches as well as non-traditional daily specials!

Stop in on a Friday evening and enjoy our "All You Can Eat Friday Night Fish Fry" for only \$6.95.

If you would like to have your golf outing catered O'Shanter's can help. You can top off a great round of golf with a great meal! O'Shanter's is also a great place to host your next together. Baby or wedding showers, anniversary or birthday parties, whatever the occasion, we have the place and menu for you. Please call Pam Pawlowski, Catering Coordinator or Bryan Shanahan, Executive Chef and Director of Food & Beverage Operations at (847) 581-3120 for more information.

Irish American Heritage Festival set

Get ready for one of the Summer's most anticipated outside festivals. The Irish American Heritage Festival (previously known as Taste of Ireland) will be held over three days, July 9, 10 & 11, at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., on the Northwest side of Chicago.

The Irish American Heritage Festival celebrates Irish music, dance, literature, and community. Three different stages over three days provide the best Irish entertainment you will find outside of Ireland such as the The Prodigals, voted #1 by the Irish Echo, and the marvelous Makem Brothers. Some of the local groups scheduled to appear include the Muck Brothers, the Shannon Rovers, the Dooley Brothers, The Ride, McNulty Irish Dancers, Napper Tandy, the Chicago Celtic Pipe Band, Dyeed in the Wool, Bael Tinné and many others.

Stop by our newest attraction this year, the Irish Folk Tent, to learn a new song, step dance or join in a celi, Ireland's traditional folk dance. There will be Irish music demonstrations and sing-alongs for the children and adults with the help of the Old Town School of Music and the Irish Academy of Music. Also, there will be plenty of great food, children's games, Irish import stores, and cultural exhibits held throughout the festival.

The fun starts Friday, July 9 at 5 p.m. and goes until 12 midnight. On Saturday, July 10, doors open from 12 noon to 12 midnight and on Sunday, July 11, 12 noon until 11 p.m. Admission is \$8 presale, \$10 at the door, and children under 12 are free. To order tickets stop by the Center or call 773-282-7035. Visa and MC accepted. For more information, please call or visit our web site at www.irishamhc.com.

Make-A-Wish Foundation 7th Annual Golf Outing

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northern Illinois has announced that its 7th Annual Golf Outing Fund-Raising Event will be held on Monday, August 9, 1999 at Cantigny Golf & Tennis in Wheaton, Illinois. Cantigny Golf & Tennis is located at 27 W. 270 Mack Road in Wheaton.

This is the Foundation's second largest annual fund-raising event. Approximately \$100,000 will be raised at this year's golf outing to fulfill the wishes of children with life-threatening illnesses in the Northern Illinois area. The cost is \$300 per golfer (\$2,000 per foursome). The Foundation's good faith estimate of the value of such goods and services provided for this event is \$280 per person. Make-A-Wish is excited about its donor support this year. The following companies are sponsoring the event: Comdisco, Inc., Bill Kay Auto Group, American Airlines, The CIT Group, Cornerstone Partners, Klein Tools, Inc., Wittnauer International, Cozzi Iron and Metal, Inc., Finova Capital Corporation, Merchandise Mart Properties, O'Hagan Smith & Amundsen, Toyota Motor Distributors and V3-Jacquard Associates.

Golf enthusiasts rave that this is one of the nicest, well-run events in the city. Roughly 200 golfers will hit the links this year to make wishes come true for children. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and guests will be able to enjoy a barbecue lunch before teeing off. Following golf, there will be a reception and awards banquet with a raffle, door prizes, food and a chance to bid on exciting silent

auction items, including autographed sports memorabilia, golf packages and travel. For reservations call the Make-A-Wish office at (312) 943-8956.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northern Illinois is dedicated to fulfilling the favorite wishes of children between the ages of 2 1/2 and 18 years who are battling life-threatening illnesses. Make-A-Wish is the oldest and largest wish granting organization in the world. Founded in 1985, the Northern Illinois chapter has fulfilled the wishes of more than 2,500 children in the 24 northern-most counties of Illinois.

Oakton's Koehnline Gallery opens new exhibit

As the year 2000 approaches, people are spending more time examining the past. A new exhibit, Expressions Toward the End of the Millennium, at Oakton Community College's William A. Koehnline Gallery features six contemporary artists who dramatically express, in sculpture and on canvas, their visions of time.

The artists selected for this exhibit reflect various levels of neo-expressionism and differ from each other by their ethnic or cultural origin. The ensemble includes a Native American, an African-American, a Korean-American, a former member of an Israeli kibbutz and others of European origin.

For more information about the Expressions Toward the End of the Millennium exhibit, call (847) 635-2633.

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Enzo Incandela at the 1999 Leaning Tower Concert Series

The first free concert of the 1999 Village of Niles Leaning Tower Concert Series will be on Thursday, June 24 at the Leaning Tower Plaza, 6300 West Touhy in Niles. Enzo Incandela will delight you with his Italian music. He's delighted the crowd for three years and he's back! The audience can't resist singing, laughing, and clapping to the brilliant Italian music performed by Enzo and his assistant Al Anile. Enzo also performs at the LaVeranda Sicily Restaurant located at 9450 Lawrence, in Schiller Park.

The concert will be held at the Village of Niles Leaning Tower Plaza, located at 6300 West Touhy Avenue in Niles from 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, June 24, 1999. Please bring your own lawn chairs. All concerts are free and open to the public and will be held every Thursday night in the months of July and August. Please call the Village of Niles at (847) 588-8000 with any questions.

On Thursday, July 1, The Village of Niles will welcome The Connexion. The Connexion is a seven-piece band with two lead female vocalists, guitar, bass, drums, keyboards/trumpet and keyboards/sax. Do the electric slide, the macarena, and dance all night. Come out and join the fun.

for it or not.

Together, this cast shows you the poise, vitality, immensity, intensity and the infinite sweep of "Two People in Love." Jennifer Malenke and Nick Foster portray Lizzie and Danny, two college students who find themselves envisioning the traits of their future child, and "What Could Be Better Than" that? "Romance" is what Pam and Nick, performed by Jill Monaco and Greg Teghtmeyer, are struggling to find, when they realize just how much "sex by the book" can test a marriage. Candace Thomas and Howard Bluestone deliver the roles of Arlene and Alan, a couple in their forties presented with a fourth child that ask each other "And What If We Had Loved Like That."

Pheasant Run Theatre's pro-

duction of "Baby" is running through August 22, 1999. Dinner and theatre times are as follows: Fridays at 7 (dinner)/8:15 p.m. (performance); Saturdays at 4/5:15 p.m. or 8:30/9:45 p.m. and Sundays at 12:30 p.m. (Sunday Brunch)/2:15 p.m. or 5:45/7 p.m. Dinner theatre tickets start at \$38; show only tickets start at \$20. Group, children and senior discounted tickets available. Overnight packages are also available. Parking is free. Ask about our Smoke-Free Performances.

Tickets are on sale now! For reservations call the Pheasant Run box office at (630) 584-MEGA (6342) or Ticketmaster at (312) 559-1212. For overnight packages or further information about the resort call (630) 584-6300.

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Police News

Niles sewer lines being cleaned



Using one of the Public Services Department two Sewer Vacators, employees Chuck Nickerson, left, and Jack Grana help keep the sewer lines clean. In 1998, crews cleaned 179, 182 feet or 33.84 miles of sewer line, using televising equipment on 51,082 feet to complete an interior inspection of the sewer line and cleaned 337 different catch basins, valve basins and inlets in addition to other seasonal duties.

band later arrived home to find a west storm window pulled away from its mounting and the storm door and interior bedroom doors ajar. No property was reported missing.

Criminal damage to property

A 67-year-old resident of the 8200 block of Elmore reported that unknown offender(s) threw two flower pots at the front door of her home, causing her to wake up at about 1:15 a.m. June 21. The victim has no idea who could have caused the damage.

Assist other agency

Niles police arrested a 76-year-old Niles man living in the 7100 block of Lee Street and turned him over to Chicago police after a phone call was traced to his residence which was made at 4:30 p.m. June 18. The caller said, "If the planes at O'Hare airport don't stop, they will go down." The call was received by the O'Hare Noise Abatement department.

Structure fire

A concerned motorist advised police that he saw smoke emanating from the construction site at Touhy and Lehigh Avenues around 7:35 p.m. June 18. Police discovered a 4 ft. by 6 ft. section of wood flooring material on fire at the site. The Niles Fire Department was summoned and extinguished the fire.

Battery

A 17-year-old Park Ridge student reported that an unknown 18-year-old youth exited an unknown vehicle and started pummeling and kicking the victim in the 8200 block of Merrill around 12:15 a.m. June 19. The suspect left the area. Niles Fire Department paramedics treated the victim, who refused further treatment. Police said the victim's father will sign complaints.

Theft

The manager of an office supply store in the 5600 block of Touhy Avenue reported that sometime between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. June 19 unknown offender(s) cut the security cables on three display stents totaling a loss of \$349.97. Police are investigating.

Suspicious activities

A 54-year-old woman was asleep in the bedroom of her home in the 7900 block of Nora between 8:30 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. June 19 when an unknown subject opened the bedroom door. The victim, believing it was her husband, said, "Hi, honey," at which the subject closed the door. The woman's 54-year-old hus-

band construction company reported that person(s) unknown cut the lock off the rear door of a construction trailer parked in the

6900 block of Touhy Avenue sometime between 7 p.m. June 13 and 7:45 a.m. June 14 and removed a generator, a walker and two circular saws valued at a total of \$2,500.

Theft from truck

The foreman of an Odessa, MD, cable services company reported that person(s) unknown removed a lasher, a motorized tool that pulls cable, valued at \$3,000 from a white 1999 GMC C6500 truck owned by the company while it was parked in a motel parking lot in the 7100 block of Milwaukee Avenue between 6:45 a.m. and 7 a.m. June 18.

When reviewing a security tape, police observed a man walking from the south building of the motel into the parking lot where he took an item from a truck and walked back to the south building. After interviewing the motel clerk, police found that Room 21 was occupied by two workers from another cable company who were driving a red Bronco from Michigan. Both occupants were gone when police interviewed the clerk. The time of the theft recorded on the videotape was 7:17 a.m., police said.

Selling merchandise without business license

Police observed a Chicago

man and a Schaumburg man, both 19, in the 8500 block of Golf Road selling stereo speakers out of their vehicle around 3:55 p.m. June 18. They produced a valid receipt for the merchandise but did not have a valid business license. Police issued them a ticket for selling merchandise without a business license. Both offenders are employed by the same distributing company, police said.

Stolen auto

A white 1999 Ford Explorer brought into the car dealership in the 6200 block of Touhy Avenue for repairs June 16 was reported missing at 1 p.m.

The manager of an auto dealership in the 9400 block of Milwaukee Avenue reported that person(s) unknown removed a white 1994 Buick Century from the used car parking lot sometime between 10 a.m. June 4 and 4 p.m. June 8. The car was valued at \$6,000.

Deceptive practices

The manager of a craft store in the 5600 block of Touhy reported that between Dec. 15, 1998 and April 15 of this year, a 32-year-old Chicago woman purchased a total of \$918.79 in merchandise with 15 checks drawn on a closed account.

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School News

Summer computer classes still available

It's not too late to work on your computer skills this summer. The Alliance for Lifelong Learning (ALL) is offering a variety of non-credit computer classes at Oakton during the month of July.

Introduction to PC & Windows 95/98 (DPR A51) teaches students how their computers work, the differences between hardware components and software, and about spreadsheets, databases and word-processing software. The class meets on Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:30-6:30 p.m., from July 19-28 at the DesPlaines campus, 1600 East Golf Road. The cost is \$190.

Create and Design Your Own Web Page (DPR A78-33) teaches students to create a personal web page. The course does require Windows 95/98 or familiarity with Windows environment. The class meets on Mondays, 2-6 p.m., from June 28-July 26 at the Ray Hartstein Campus, 7701 North Lincoln Avenue, Skokie. The cost is \$190.

Other computer classes are being offered, including **Internet Made Easier**, **PowerPoint 97**, **Access 97**, **Part I & II**, **Excel Part I & II**, and **Word 97**, **Part I & II**.

Other literature credit classes

being offered this fall through the Emeritus program include **Introduction to Fiction and Creative Writing I and II**.

Students may register in-person for classes at the DesPlaines campus, 1600 East Golf Road, and at the Ray Hartstein Campus on Mondays-Thursday, from 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration can be made by FAX at (847) 635-1448. Faxing requires payment with a major credit card (Visa, MasterCard or Discover).

For more information on these and other Emeritus classes, call (847) 635-1414 or (847) 635-1416.

John LeVoy

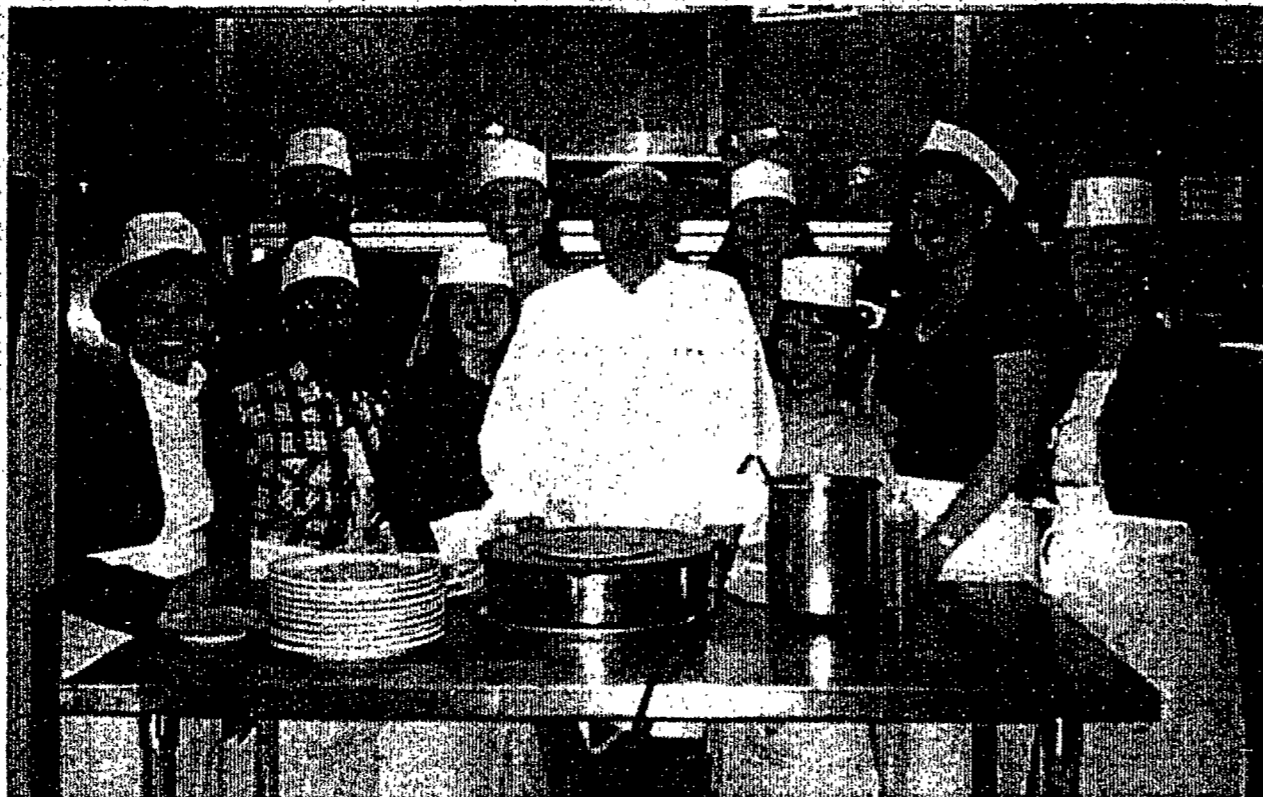
John LeVoy of Niles, recently graduated from Duke University in Durham, N.C.

John was an English major, and an active member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

John will be commissioned in July as an Ensign in the United States Navy, and will begin training in August in Pensacola, Florida as a Naval Flight Officer.

USE THE BUGLE

Students say 'Oui' to French Immersion Weekend



Students of French at Niles North and Niles West recently enjoyed the delights of French culture at the annual French Immersion Weekend at the Hotel Sofitel in Rosemont. Only French was spoken during the activities, which included cooking crepes with Chef Monsieur Gaborit. (Left to Right): First Row: Eileen Walvoord (Niles North French Teacher), Swapna Joseph, Gina Govostis, Chef Gaborit, Isabel Lazo, Miriam Sheinin and Maria Cowan (Niles West French Teacher). Second Row: Ramiro Nunez, Ashley Hodes, and Lauren Corday.

NEIU President Steinberg and Chinese University President Chen

In an historic meeting, the president and a delegation from Beijing Foreign Studies University (BFSU) in China recently visited Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) to discuss establishing a faculty exchange program. BFSU President Chen Naifang led the delegation that met with NEIU President Salmé H. Steinberg, Associate Provost Joyce Hieshima, and Mohan K. Sood, Dean of NEIU's Graduate College and Director of International Programs. President Chen is interested in having NEIU faculty members teach or conduct research at Beijing Foreign Studies University.

Beijing Foreign Studies University is the principle source of China's diplomatic corps, educating one hundred percent of the United States and eighty percent of all the ambassadors who serve worldwide, according to President Chen.

The delegation from BFSU also included Zhong Meisun, Vice President; Lou Guangqun, Dean of the Adult Education College; and Du Xuezheng, Chairman of the English Department. The delegation experienced a hands-on demonstration in NEIU's newly refurbished foreign language lab, discussed some meth-

odology for teaching English as a second language with NEIU professor Audrey Reynolds and faculty members in the Linguistics Program, and learned about NEIU's MBA program from the Dean of the College of Business and Management.

Northeastern Illinois University is a comprehensive state university serving more than 10,000 commuter students. It is located at 5500 North St. Louis Avenue in Chicago.

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Art Institute

The 4th graders enjoyed their field trip to the Art Institute of Chicago. April 27 after studying famous artists in our Art & Parade program. We saw many of the art works of Monet, Manet, Surra and Degas, to name a few.

Our tour, Stories in Art, included both real and imaginary tales. The students learned how artists used color, line, shape and texture from around the world to create a visual image.

A favorite exhibit for everyone was the Throne Miniature Rooms. The students were able to see 68 miniature rooms in a variety of historical styles and objects relating to that period of decorative art and architectural interiors from around the world.

Our Lady of Ransom holds graduation

Our Lady of Ransom School, 8300 N. Greenwood, Niles held its graduation ceremony for the 8th Grade on Wednesday, June 7. On a beautiful evening, the graduates nervously took their places for the graduation Mass and Diploma presentation immediately following. The 33 students referred to as "a great group that gelled extremely well" by school principal, Sister Geraldyn left the ceremony with tears and smiles. Graduating were Jeff Albert, Lana Avakian, Emanuel Ban, Aaron Beley, Eric Bendyk, Cassandra Bilson, Jamec Castillo, Mary

Chaharbakshi, Adil Chadhiwala, Genevieve Charet, Jeffrey Cichanski, Adam Cien, Steven Cielinski, Geline Goy, Nicholas Hehn, Mark Kaponek, Kevin Keane, Anna Lapinski, Brian Lesner, Robbie Manaus, Steven Murphy, Jaynee Lee Narrido, Nicole Nellessen, Jennie Ann Parungao, Lizette Penalber, Filomena Pepe, Joanna Perkowski, Jessica Romaniuk, Jason Rose, Danielle Searpaci, Michael Scipione, Christ Shahwan, Rosalbee Mae Solomon, Mark Sutor, Derek Zakowski.

School News

Maine South Constitution Team goes to Springfield



State Senator Dave Sullivan (R-Park Ridge) welcomed the Maine South High School Constitution Team to the Illinois Capitol in May. Joining the team in the Governor's office was Governor George Ryan and Lt. Governor Corinne Wood.

IWPA announces high school journalism contest winners

Two students from Niles North High School have won awards for their contributions to the North Star, the school's student publication. Eloit Hellman received Honorable Mention-Cartooning, and Jennifer L. Paracuelles received Honorable Mention-Editorial. The North Star was also a winner. The paper received First Place with Special Merit, from the Ameri-

IWU announces Spring 1999 Dean's List

The Dean's List for the spring semester of the 1998-99 academic year at Illinois Wesleyan University includes 706 students from 349 cities in 25 states and 16 countries.

The list was announced by Dr. Roger Schnaitter, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs.

Area students are:
DesPlaines

Osborn I. Lewis, Mary G. Lindgren, Alisandra Jezek and Kelly M. Buchholz.

Gleaview
Molly J. Carpenter, Elizabeth A. Dierbeck, Cathlene H. Hyun, Saeyal K. Lee, Dana N. Rebalchenko and Lauren L. Sopocy.

Niles
Erik S. Kruppe, Christopher James Stoll and Daniel E. Witte.

Park Ridge
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Skokie
Nicole M. Pfeiffer

can Scholastic Press Association, naming it an outstanding overall example of a scholastic publication in format, content, and presentation. Senior Gretchen Grabowski received Outstanding Front Page Design for the December 15, 1998 issue. The Illinois Woman's Press Association released results of this year's High School Journalism Contest at its recent Awards

Luncheon in Chicago. Forty-three out of 172 entries from all over the state received state awards in 10 categories. The contest's purpose is to encourage excellence in student work on school and community newspapers. It is also on the list of approved activities of the National Association of Secondary Principals.

Oakton professor named educator of the year

Oakton Community College Professor Thelma "Soda" Parker has been named the 1998 recipient of the Thomas A. Zimanzl Educator of the Year by the Community College Association for Instruction and Technology (CCAIT). CCAIT is an association that provides leadership, information and educational activities for professionals in instruction and media technology at two-year colleges.

Parker, a professor of student development, is faculty coordinator for Instructional Technology in the Teaching Learning Center. She has been instrumental in launching the distance learning program that Oakton now offers on the World Wide Web.

Parker received the award for her years of dedication and commitment in training faculty members to understand new technologies and for her goal to integrate technology into the classrooms in order to keep fa-

District 219 selected for national award

Niles Township High School District 219 has been selected, for the 1999 Eighth Annual School System "What Parents Want Award." SchoolMatch, an independent, nationwide service conducts educational effectiveness audits of school systems. They maintain information on every public school system throughout the nation and accredited private schools throughout the world.

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most often look for school systems that are: competitive in academic test scores and academically solid, accredited, recognized for excellence by a national foundation or by the U.S. Department of Education, competitive in teacher salaries, above average in instructional expenditures on a national percentile basis, above average in expenditures for library/media services on a national percentile basis, and known for small class size.

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Church & Temple News

OBITUARIES

IDA DOROTHY EHRlich
 Ida Dorothy Ehrlich, 97, of Skokie, died June 11 at St. Matthew Lutheran Home, Park Ridge. Beloved wife of the late Arnold Ehrlich. Services were held Monday, June 14. Arrangements handled by Simkins Funeral Home. Interment was in Mt. Emblem Cemetery, Elmhurst. Memorials to: Frank Hren Foundation, P.O. Box 1485, Morton Grove, IL 60053.

JERINE A. SPALLA
 Jerine A. Spalla, 61, of Morton Grove, died June 10 at Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge. Beloved wife of the late Leonard Spalla. Beloved mother of Anthony Spalla, Debra Siler, Kenneth A. Spalla, Diane Gardner, Daniel Spalla, Linda Spalla, and the late Barbara Spalla. Grandmother of 5. Sister of Harold Enerson, and the late Richard Enerson and Mary Gane. Services were held June 14. Arrangements handled by Simkins Funeral Home. Interment was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

IRENE J. ASIEN
 Irene J. Asien (nee Kunz), 75, of Niles, died June 11, at Methodist Hospital, Houston, TX. She was born March 19, 1924 in Chicago. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Asien, Jr. Beloved mother of Ronald J. (Mary Nain) Asien, Janice R. Asien (Robert LaRosa) and the late Cynthia Ireen Asien. Grandmother of Sarah and Joy. Sister of the late Jacob Kunz, Jr., Lorraine Bartlett and the late Eleanor Meier. Aunt to many nieces and nephews. Services were held June 16 at St. John Lutheran Church, Niles. Arrangements handled by Oehler Funeral Home. Interment was in Montrose Cemetery, Chicago.

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Five students complete Clinical Pastoral Education program at Holy Family



Shown left to right: (back) Sister Patricia Ann, President/CEO of Holy Family, Deacon Ed O'Leary, Joseph Kara, Deacon Donald Wehling, Reverend Donald Stiger (supervisor of the program); (front) Arline Dante and Sister Pancreatia Zuczek.

Holy Family Medical Center is proud to announce the first five students who received certificates for successfully completing the Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program at the Medical Center. The CPE program offered at Holy Family is an interfaith education program which helps to prepare individuals for parish ministry, chaplaincy, lay ministry, teaching and counseling. It serves as the standard education-

al program required for certification in the National Association of Catholic Chaplains and several other professional pastoral care organizations. Direct patient care is at the heart of this program, with students actively engaged in providing pastoral care services throughout the Medical Center. A number of projects included an all day retreat/seminar at Mundelin Seminary and a seminar provided by Harvard Medi-

cal School. Besides attending classes, the students completed extensive research and participated in patient visitation and on-call duty in the Medical Center. The students participated as chaplain interns in the CPE program at Holy Family. Two students, Sister Pancreatia and Deacon Ed O'Leary are employees of Holy Family's Pastoral Care Department. Arline Dante and Joseph Kara are Ministers of Care volunteers from neighboring Catholic parishes. The fifth student was Deacon Don Wehling from Holy Family Health Center. Reverend Donald Stiger was the supervisor of the program and is certified by the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education. Reverend Stiger also serves as the Director of Specialized Pastoral Care and Clinical Education for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Holy Family Medical Center is a non-for-profit community health care facility accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations. The Medical Center, located on the corner of Golf and River Roads in Des Plaines, is a Level II Trauma Center and a member of the Rush System for Health.

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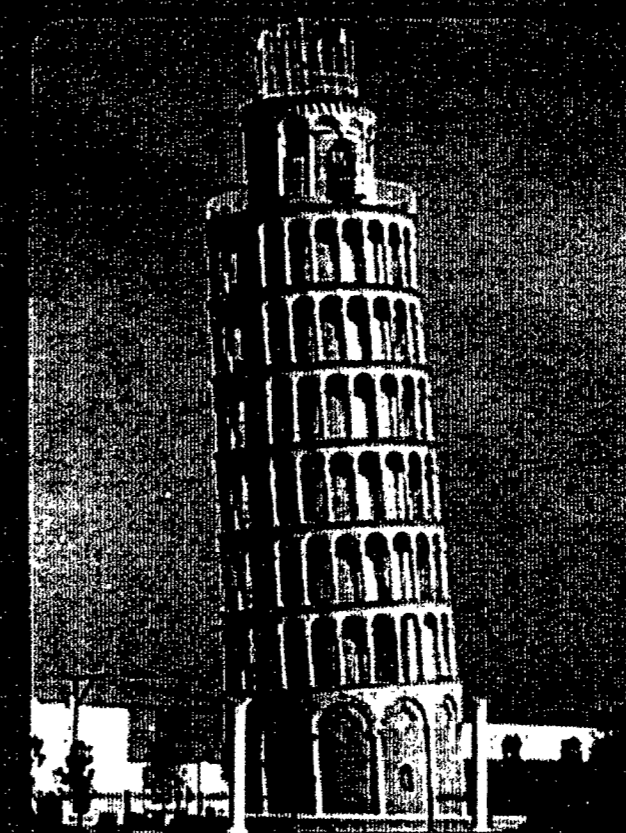


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PLR Family Fun-Fest '99

Our Lady of Ransom announces its annual Family Fun-Fest, the parish's biggest fund raiser. Activities include carnival rides, games, Children's raffle, Bingo (air conditioned), live entertainment, food court, beer garden and lots more. Admission and parking are free. The schedule are as follows: Wednesday and Thursday (23rd & 24th) 6-11 p.m.; Friday (25th) 6p.m.-Midnight; Saturday (26th) 1 p.m.-Midnight; Sunday (27th) 1 p.m.-10p.m.

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News From The Village of Niles

'Designing to meet the needs of Niles'

Unlike many municipalities who contract out all of their engineering services, the Village of Niles has a full service Engineering Division within the Department of Public Services. Staffed by a Superintendent of Engineering, two Civil Engineer II and one Civil Engineer I, the Engineering Division performs many vital functions in the Village, and at a savings to residents when compared to the cost of a private engineering firm. The Engineering Division's main functions are project management, inspection, capital improvement planning and Geographic Information System (GIS) maintenance.

Project Management

As a full service division, the division designs, bids, and oversees the construction of improvements to the Village's infrastructure, including street, water, sewer and sidewalk projects. Notable recent projects include:

Water

New watermain was installed on Madison Drive, Normal Avenue, Bruce Drive, Lincoln Avenue and Knight Avenue in the Ransom Ridge area in 1998. Following this improvement the streets were resurfaced as well. In 1999, preliminary plans call for the replacement of watermain on Oriole Avenue, Oleander Avenue, Olcott Avenue and Osceola Avenue from Main Street to Dempster Street, and on Oketo Avenue from Main Street to Greenleaf Street. Additionally a watermain improvement on Touhy Avenue east of Lehigh Avenue is being completed as part of the Halo/Centerpoint Properties development.



Civil Engineer II Mousa Nazzal completes survey work.



Civil Engineer I Oscar Valeroso.

Sewer

Sewer mains continue to be rehabilitated by lining the mains with "cured in place pipe." By lining the sewers, we are able to make old sewer mains like new again at a fraction of the cost. Since little if any excavation is required with this type of construction, disruption to neighborhoods is kept to a minimum. In 1998 the Village spent \$500,000 to improve sewer lines and help reduce sewer backups.

Street/Alleys/Sidewalk

Fourteen streets, just over two miles in total length, were resurfaced in the summer of 1998, and five alleys were reconstructed. In 1999 fourteen streets again will be resurfaced, however the total length will be over five miles! Seven alleys in various locations throughout the Village will also be replaced in 1999. The annual sidewalk replacement program replaces those sidewalks in need of repair. This year \$200,000 will again be spent on the program.

Inspection

The Engineering Division reviews construction plans and inspects projects during construction for those items having an impact upon public utilities. This includes work completed by a homeowner, business, or other governmental agency. Care is taken to ensure development of a property does not negatively impact surrounding properties, with drainage of storm water a main concern.

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The Connexion visits the Leaning Tower

The Village of Niles Leaning Tower Concert Series continues on Thursday, July 1, 1999 with The Connexion. The Connexion is a seven-piece band with two lead female vocalists, guitar, bass, drums, keyboards/trumpet and keyboard/sax.

The Connexion has been performing in and around Chicago for over 15 years and they strive to entertain everyone by playing a variety of music such as rock, Motown, retro 70's and 80's, and current top 40. Do the electric slide, the macarena, and dance all night. *Come out and join the fun!* The Leaning Tower Concert Series is free and open to the general public. The concert will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Food will be available from Riggio's in Niles. *Please bring your own lawn chairs.* If you have any questions, please call the Village at (847) 588-8000.

Centennial History Books and t-shirts are on sale!

Capture the History of the Village of Niles with a Niles Centennial History Book. Red, White and Blue Centennial T-shirts are also available. The shirts have a three-color Centennial logo on the front.

The books and T-shirts are now on sale at the Niles Administration Building. Please call the Village at 588-8000 for more information.

Niles Centennial Celebration Schedule

The Village of Niles has begun plans in celebration of the community's 100th birthday. This historical milestone is truly a special occasion. Our Centennial year will be a tremendous success and we look forward to a year filled with reflection, tradition, and teamwork.

Below is a list of activities and programs that will be planned throughout the year. Mark your calendar and look for more information in the local newspapers and announcements throughout the community.

Thursdays, June 24 - Leaning Tower Concert Series August 26

Sunday, July 4 Independence Day Parade and Festivities.

*Tuesday, August 17 Village Board Meeting Open House Celebration, Niles Administration Building

Sunday, August 29 Centennial 5K Fun Run/Walk Niles Fitness Center - Start and Finish

Friday, October 1 Senior Center Dinner and Dance.

Saturday, October 16 Grand Finale Centennial Celebration Dinner and Dance, Przybylo's House of the White Eagle. Coordinated by the Village of Niles.

Saturday/Sunday October 23, 24 Centennial Tea sponsored by the Niles Historical Society. 2:00, \$10 per person. Call 390-0160 for information.

If you have any questions about the events for the Village of Niles Centennial Celebration, please call the Village of Niles at (847) 588-8000.

* Please note the change in date of the Open House Celebration to Tuesday, August 17.



Leonid Malitsky, Civil Engineer II assists with survey work.

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Planning

The Engineering Division is the principal Village agency charged with developing a long term capital improvement program. For example, a ten year street resurfacing plan developed by the Engineering Division was adopted by the Village Board in 1995. This Village-wide plan details when each street in the Village will be resurfaced. Because it is known when street resurfacing will take place, other utility projects such as water or sewer main repair can be coordinated to occur at the same time, saving time, money and reducing resident inconvenience.



Supt. of Engineering Scott Joachim, oversees the division.

Geographic Information System (GIS)

The Engineering Division has been working towards implementation of a Geographic Information System, better known as GIS. This type of computer program has the ability to link graphics and data concerning utilities and property within the Village. In the click of a button, information can be obtained to provide timely and accurate information concerning public improvements.

Over time, all public improvements, including water mains, sewer mains, streets, signs, streetlights, traffic signals, manhole locations, valve locations, parkway tree inventory, etc., will be stored on the GIS. Information concerning maintenance schedules or repairs, exact locations or type of utilities will easily be obtained using this system. Since information can easily be updated once compiled, a more accurate record of all public utilities will be maintained, which will also assist us design improvements more efficiently. Additionally other departments, such as Police, Fire and Code Enforcement, will be able to access this information to aid their departments. Overall, GIS gives the Engineering Division the ability to complete work much more efficiently.

The Niles Public Services Engineering Division - designing to meet the needs of Niles now and into the future!

Bicycle Registration

Bicycle stickers are available free of charge. The application serves as proof of ownership and is kept on file with the Niles Police Department in case of theft. To register a bicycle, stop by the Police Department, 7200 N. Milwaukee, or contact the department at 588-6500.

Niles Family Fitness Center

The Surgeon General's Report on Physical Activity and Health outlines evidence that people who are inactive are at increased risk for certain diseases. The report advises that significant health benefits can be obtained by including a moderate amount of physical activity on most, if not all, days of the week. Through a modest increase in daily activity most Americans can improve their health and quality of life. Additional health benefits can be gained through greater amounts of physical activity including reduced risk of premature mortality, coronary heart disease, hypertension, colon cancer and diabetes.

The Village of Niles and the new Family Fitness Center facility look forward to assisting residents in the adoption of a "new lifestyle" that contributes to the improved quality of life referred to by the Surgeon General's report. Certified fitness trainers assist members in the development of comprehensive training programs utilizing our full line of fitness equipment, gymnasium, aquatics, and track facility providing for a comprehensive physical fitness program. For more information contact Teena Mackey, Director of Family Fitness at (847) 588-8402.



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Niles Senior Center monthly Sunday and Evening Programs

Starting in June, the Niles Senior Center is open one Sunday every month, and one evening every month through October. All Niles seniors are welcome. We're also hoping that those who can't come to the Senior Center

during our regular hours will join us on Sunday or in the evening. As Sunday and evening times catch on, more will be added. Niles Seniors: We'd like to invite you all to our July and August events listed below. Please

Traffic Safety - Sharing the Road with Trucks

In an effort to reduce fatal crashes between trucks and other vehicles, a study was conducted by the Illinois Department of Transportation's Division of Traffic Safety to identify when most fatalities occur and under what circumstances. Here are the results of that study:

- On Tuesday through Friday, between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., when the weather is clear and dry.
- Due to speed or improper lane use.
- When the truck driver is between 28 and 43 years of age and the driver of the other vehicle is between 20 and 30 years old.
- When the driver (of the truck or the other vehicle) has fallen asleep or has been drinking.

Niles Fire Department Paramedics

Niles Fire/Medics are cooperating with St. Francis Hospital to test new technology that will help diagnose heart attacks in minimal time. The new portable blood test kit being used by paramedics in the field can quickly indicate if a person is having a heart attack. The early detection of heart attacks is essential for immediate proper treatment at the hospital. Early detection of heart attacks can mean the difference between life and death. The program is being conducted under the direction of Dr. Glen Aldinger, chairman of the St. Francis Hospital Department of Emergency Medicine and Director of the EMS Region overseen by the hospital. The test uses a few drops of blood to detect enzymes released by damaged heart muscle cells in the early stages of a heart attack.



BY JEFFREY CARDELLA
Special to The Bugle

Edward Jones: The Secrets of Warren Buffett's Success

Attention, all Warren Buffett fans: You can read about this financial guru's investing strategies in the book, "Buffettology: The Previously Unexplained Techniques That Have Made Warren Buffett the World's Most Famous Investor." Written by Mary Buffett and David Clark, the book contains interesting and insightful information. Buffett's investing philosophy corresponds with that of Benjamin Graham. Graham's financial text, "The Intelligent Investor," is probably the best investing logic between two covers. Buffett has used Graham's philosophies to

achieve remarkable success. Here's what Buffett looks for before he buys:
1. Industry leaders that market essential products. He likes companies with almost a monopoly on consumer loyalty.
2. Strong companies that consistently beat the stock market's long-term annual return of 10 percent.
3. Aggressive companies that seek new opportunities and use earnings to expand.
4. Sound companies that are conservatively financed.
5. Consistent companies

with histories of steadily increasing earnings.
6. Value companies selling at discounted prices because the general public thinks their best days are over. For example, Buffett bought Coca-Cola at a bargain price in the 1970s when investors thought it had lost its appeal.
If this sounds like a lot of work and research, it is. Buffett takes a long time to buy part of a company, but when he does, he buys a lot and he buys for the long term. Buffett invests in remarkably few companies for a billionaire

investor. He is secure enough in his selections (and strong enough in assets) that he's willing to take major positions with the plan of owning his investments for years, if not a lifetime.
Buffett also likes companies that pay few dividends, because receiving dividends means paying taxes. Buffett prefers companies that use profits for growth rather than dividends. This tax philosophy is said to have contributed to about 40 percent of Buffett's amazing returns. His Berkshire Hathaway has compounded at about 23 percent an-

nually. Had it paid dividends instead of reinvesting for capital growth, the return would have been less than 16 percent.
Buffettology might fly with a billionaire, but most investors require more diversification along with a few dividends. However, his ideas on what makes a good stock investment can be helpful to everyone. "Buffettology" makes interesting reading that might even provide a few pointers along the way.
Jeffrey Cardella can be reached at Edward Jones, 8141 N. Milwaukee, Niles, 470-8953.

PUBLIC SERVICE ADVERTISEMENT

Centennial 5K Fun Run and Health Fair

On Sunday, August 29, 1999, the Village of Niles Family Fitness Center will be the site of its first 5K Run starting at 8 a.m. Please call the Fitness Center at 588-8400 for more information.

The Niles Healthy Community Partnership is sponsoring a health fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be stations to check vision, blood pressure, and many other medical services. Drawings and raffles will be held throughout the day. For more information, contact Niles Family Services at 588-8460.

Watering restricted

In Niles, outside watering is not permitted between 12 p.m. (noon) and 6 p.m. every day of the week from May 15 through September 15. Niles residents are urged to follow the sprinkling restrictions. This will help maintain adequate water pressure for fire fighting as a protection for your home or business. In addition, watering during the day can be detrimental to the health of your lawn.

Community Safety Day

Community Safety Day will be held on Sunday, August 22, 1999 at Golf Mill Shopping Center. Fire, Police and other community helpers will be on hand to teach and display important safety issues. More information will be published in local newspapers.

Save the date

Sunday, August 29, 1999 at 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Niles Community Health Fair. Sponsored by Village of Niles and Niles Healthy Communities Partnership. Place: Niles Human Service and Family Fitness Building, 999 Civic Center Drive. For further information, please call Marty Friedman at 588-8460.

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News From The Niles Park District

Message from The Executive Director...



by Joseph LoVerde
Exec. Director, Niles Park District

Dear Niles Residents, Summer is here! It is now time to hang the summer calendar of events on the refrigerator door! WOW! It seems there is something going on every day at all different times. Dad plans to take Johnny to his baseball game and Mom will take Susie to her dance lessons. Then Dad remembers he has a meeting so that plan will not work. Mom then calls a family friend to help out. Does this sound familiar to you?

Summer offers a wide variety of activities and often changes the normal schedule of the entire family. Summer also means that kids are out of school and home alone since in many homes both parents work. Allowing youth the opportunity to keep busy through programs and jobs has proven to reduce the risks of delinquent activities. I encourage parents to call the Howard Leisure Center at (847) 967-6633. Our staff can tell you about our summer camp programs and let you know what summer job opportunities are available at Niles Park District. Kids are invited to get their friends together and come to any of our facilities to find out how we can fill their free time with recreational fun.

Thank you for your continued support and remember to put some quality family time on that busy summer calendar! Have a safe and fun summer!

Sincerely,

Joseph V. LoVerde, Jr.
Executive Director

Commissioner Val Engelman donates to the Niles Park District Scholarship Fund



At the May Board Meeting, departing Park Commissioner Val Engelman presented the Niles Park District with a check for \$400 to the Scholarship Fund. This amount symbolizes his 4 year anniversary as a Park Board Commissioner. Val hopes this money will help needy children participate in wonderful Niles Park District programs. He said "Board members may change but the needs of some of our residents do not. This is where our scholarship fund comes into play." Niles Park District sincerely thanks Val for his generosity. It is because of people like him that the Scholarship Fund is possible. Shown: Resident Charles Barbaglio; Departing Park Commissioner Val Engelman.

Niles Park District

Millennium 4th of July Post-Parade Celebration

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Join Grennan Heights Fitness Center today

What's the best kept secret located right within your own neighborhood? Niles Park District Grennan Heights Fitness Center, 8255 Oketo in Niles. If you're looking for a fitness center that offers a variety of machines and body strengthening equipment to get you in shape, look no further than the Grennan Heights Fitness Center. You can work out in air-conditioned comfort. The hours are Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until 9 p.m. Daily and Annual Passes are available. Residents receive a discounted rate with proof of residency.



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Niles Park District 4th of July Post-Parade Celebration!



You are invited to attend the '99 Niles Park District Millennium 4th of July Post-Parade Celebration at Grennan Heights Park, 8255 Oketo. This exciting event will take place on Sunday, July 4 from noon until 7 p.m. Since this is a Millennium year and the Village of Niles 100th Anniversary, we have worked hard to plan an unforgettable day. We have extended the day and added many new and exciting attractions for the whole family to enjoy. There will also be lots of food and drink. Be sure to stop by our children's carnival games for a chance to win a prize. Also, don't miss out on the challenging family games we have planned.

Our Main Stage will feature two different musical bands during the day. The "Fabulous Murray Brothers" will have you dancing in the park from Noon until 3 p.m. Their acts include the Blues Brothers, the Village People, Elvis, John Travolta & Satchmo! The MLC Band will have you singing along to your favorite rock tunes. They will light up the stage from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. This is only a brief description of what we have planned; you'll have to come find out the rest! This will be a celebration to remember - don't miss out! Call (847) 967-6633 for more information.

Cool off at Oasis Waterpark & IceLand Pools!

Looking for somewhere to go on a hot summer day? Visit Oasis Waterpark at 7877 Milwaukee Avenue or IceLand Pool at 8435 Ballard Road. Here are the pool hours for both the Oasis Waterpark and IceLand Pool:

Oasis Waterpark
Adult Lap Swim: Everyday from 11 a.m. - noon
Open Swim: Mon - Thurs. from noon to 9 p.m.; Fri., Sat., Sun. from noon to 8 p.m.
IceLand
Early Lap Swim: Mon - Fri. from 6-9 a.m.
Parent-Tot Swim: Mon - Fri. from noon - 1 p.m.
Adult Lap Swim: Mon - Fri. from noon - 1 p.m.
Open Swim: Mon. - Thursday from 1-4:45 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.; Fri. from 1-9 p.m.; and Sat., Sun. from noon - 8 p.m.

*Early lap swimmers will share pool-time with swim-teams from 7:30 a.m.
If you are interested in a Seasonal Pool Pass, stop in the Ho-

ward Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St. Aquatic coupon books are also available and on sale at the Howard Leisure Center. Residents can purchase a book of 10 daily admission coupons for \$25 and non-residents can purchase the book for \$50.

Book your next party at Banquets at Tam

Banquets at Tam is located on the beautiful Tam Golf Course. Banquets at Tam not only offers an exquisite view, but a memorable dining experience. Planning a party is simple with our new Catering Coordinator, Pam Pawlowski and Executive Chef and Director of Food & Beverage Operations, Bryan Shanahan. Pam or Bryan can help you plan a party in the banquet rooms or at O'Shanter's Food & Spirits. Whether you choose a semi-private party at O'Shanter's or one of our wedding packages at Banquets at Tam, you can be guaranteed that you will receive excellent food, superior service and a one-of-a-kind view. We cater parties up to 150 people. Plan on hosting your next company party with us. We offer nine golf outing packages which include golf and food. It is sure to be an event that your employees will not forget! If you are looking for a local place to have a business conference we offer meeting and conference rooms. We invite you to stop in for view our beautiful facility. For an appointment or more information about Banquets at Tam, O'Shanter's or our great golf packages, please call Pam Pawlowski or Bryan Shanahan at (847) 581-3120.

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News From The Niles Park District

Pioneer Park...A Place To Explore



Niles Park District Pioneer Park is now open seven days a week from 10:30 a.m. until 10:30 p.m., weather permitting. Summer hours are in effect until Sunday, August 22. We invite you and your family to come and explore our park which features two baseball fields, seven batting cages, miniature golf, concessions and a playground surrounded by beautiful landscaping and a tree lined walking path.

Pioneer Park is a great place for parties and family outings. Watch for our special events! Pioneer Park is located at 7135 N. Harlem Avenue (just south of Touhy). For more information, call Juliana Valia (847) 647-9092 or (847) 967-6633 extension 103.

Check out what is happening at IceLand...

All Star Weekend Skating Exhibition
On Friday, July 9 at 7 p.m. come watch our local skaters show off their best. Admission is free.

All Star Hockey
On Saturday, July 10 come watch the best of the Adult Hockey League. Two skaters per team will make up this All Star Hockey Team. They will be skating against Park Ridge Park District. The Skills Competition is at 5:10 p.m. and the Game will be at 6:30 p.m.

Rat Ice
IceLand offers Rat Ice for the Mite and Squirt levels on Saturday mornings from 11:20 a.m. until 12:50 p.m. Fee is \$10. Resident Discount \$9.

Public Skating
Cool off this summer at our

Public Skating Sessions. Saturday 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Ice Rentals Available
Looking for something different to do with your family and friends? How about renting out IceLand Ice Arena. You can skate, play hockey, play broomball and even have a party in one of our party rooms.

Summer Classes
IceLand offers summer skating classes for all levels and ages. We offer both figure and hockey skating classes.

For additional information on any of these programs, please call Niles Park District IceLand at (847) 297-8010. Stop by IceLand at 8435 W. Ballard and be part of the fun!

Be part of the action this summer!

Don't miss the fun this summer! Sign up today for one of the following summer athletic activities that take place at Grennan Heights Gymnasium, 8255 Oketo.

Our staff is ready to introduce your child to various sports in a manner that will promote good sportsmanship, creativity and positive self-esteem. The last week of sports camp is August 2 through August 6. Summer Sports Camp takes place Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. The camp is designed for kids in grades 1 through 3 and grades 4 through 6.

Summer Sports Mini-Camp takes place Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until Noon. This camp is designed for kids in grades 1 through 3 and grades 4 through 6.

Your child can learn and improve his or her basketball skills at our Basketball Camp. Basketball Camp takes place Monday through Friday from August 9 through August 20. The times are as follows: Grades 3 through 5 from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m.; Grades 6 through 8 from Noon until 2 p.m.

Please stop in the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard Street to register for any of these sport camp programs.

Tennis Anyone?

Niles Park District is offering tennis lessons this summer at Grennan Heights Park, 8255 Oketo. Youth Tennis Lessons will take place on Fridays from July 16 until August 6. The following is a program schedule:

Youth Tennis Lessons
Beginner, 8 - 12 years from 8-9 a.m.

Beginners/Intermediate, 8 - 12 years from 9-10 a.m.

Jr. Tennis, 13 - 17 from 10-11 a.m.

Tiny Tennis, 5 - 7 years from 11 - 11:30 a.m.

The following is a program schedule for Adult Tennis Lessons:

Adult Tennis
Beginners, 18 & Older on Mon. & Wed. from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. July 12 - August 4

Intermediate, 18 & Older on Saturday from 10 - 11:30 a.m. July 24 - August 14

To register for one of these programs please stop in the Howard Leisure Center at 6676 W. Howard Street

Niles Community Directory

News From The Niles Park District

Oak Park Summer Concert Series

Niles Park District will be offering free family concerts at Oak Park located at Lee & Ottawa on Tuesday evenings. Children's entertainment begins at 5:30 p.m. with main stage performances at 7 p.m. Pack up the lawn chairs or blankets and bring the whole family out to enjoy the sounds and the beautiful summer nights. Banquets at Tam will provide light food for the events at a minimal charge. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on park grounds.

Tuesday, August 3
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Children's folk singer and storyteller Lee Murdock
7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Popular music performance by Breezin

Tuesday, August 10
5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Children's Educational Presentation by Cold Blooded Creatures (live animals)
7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Spectacular Barefoot Hawaiians Musicians, Dancers and Fire Dancers

Tuesday, August 17
5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Storyteller and puppeteer Marilyn Price
7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Sounds of Bill O'Connell Band

All concerts will be relocated to the Recreation Center, 7877 Milwaukee Avenue, Niles (upper level) if the weather conditions are unsuitable for outside performances. For more details, please call (847) 967-6633.

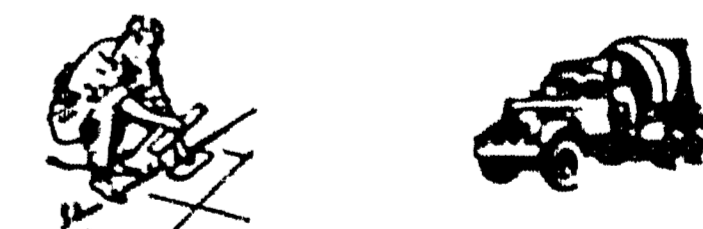
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sponsor a free community lecture entitled "Exercise and Health" on Thursday, July 1 describing the value of a regular exercise routine. The program will be held at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center, 199 N. First Street in Wheeling from 1-2 p.m.

Speaking at the lecture will be Paul Bergman, MS, CSCS, CDE, exercise physiologist, and super-

visor of Holy Family's Cardio-pulmonary Rehabilitation Program. He will present practical information about how to safely benefit from a medically prescribed exercise program. A question/answer period will immediately follow the presentation.

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LGH Senior Breakfast Club meeting

The Lutheran General Senior Breakfast Club will present a program from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Friday, July 16, on "Dementia and Alzheimer's" featuring William Rhoades, D.O., geriatrics specialist at Lutheran General Hospital.

Club meetings, sponsored by Lutheran General Older Adult Services, are held once a month in the 10 East cafeteria of the hospital, and feature presentations by health care professionals, free continental breakfast and social time. Seating is limited and reservations are required. To sign up, call 1-800-3-ADVOCATE (1-800-323-8622). Upcoming topics in the 1999 Senior Breakfast Club series include: selecting a doctor (primary care and specialists) on August 20; understanding hospice on September 17; aging eyes on October 15; caring for the caregiver on November 19; and the breakfast club's annual holiday celebration on December 17.

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NILES SENIOR CENTER REGISTRATION
The New Niles Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive, behind the Village Hall, serves residents of the Village of Niles age 62 and over, and their younger spouses. To register for classes, trips, purchasing tickets, etc., you need to be a member of the Niles Senior Center. If you are interested in obtaining additional Senior Center information, or you wish to become a member, please call or visit the Center and be placed on the mailing list. Membership is FREE.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The Niles Senior Center will be closed for the Independence Day Holiday, Monday, July 5.

TOUR OF THE NEW CENTER
If you are interested in touring our Center, please call Mary O. at 588-8420.

MEALS ON WHEEL DRIVERS NEEDED
Volunteer drivers are needed to deliver meals to Homebound Niles residents. Volunteers can volunteer as much as once a week or as little as once a month. For more information, contact Kelly Mickle at 588-8420.

NEW - MONTHLY SUNDAY AND EVENING PROGRAMS
The Niles Senior Center is now open one Sunday every month, and one evening every month through October. All Niles seniors are welcome. We're hoping Niles seniors who can't come to the Senior Center during regular hours will join us on Sunday or in the evening. Call to register so we know how much food to order.

July 18 - Sunday at the Center at the Center is 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lite Lunch followed by the movie, *I Never Sang for My Father* (1970, PG) starring Gene Hackman as a man faced with the problem of caring for his elderly father (Melvyn Douglas). Discussion of the film and issues led by Jim Slavish, Senior Center Director. Cost: \$2. Center is also open for cards, billiards, socializing, and more.

July 22 - Evening at the Center - Card Party and Pool Tournament is Thursday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy a light summer meal followed by an evening of Pinochle, Bridge, Poker, Uno, and Bunco. Join in our first pool tournament at the new Center. Cost: \$6 includes meal, games, and prizes.

JULY TICKET SALES
July Ticket Sales are on Friday, July 2 at 9 a.m. (Doors open at 8:30 a.m.) Tickets are sold to all senior registrants on a first-come-first-served basis.

July Lite Lunch & Movie is Friday, July 23, 12 noon to 3 p.m. Bring grandchildren for hot dog lunch, Bingo and movie, *The Parent Trap* (1998, PG), \$2.

Sunday at the Center - Polish Fest is Sunday, August 8, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy lunch of Polish Sausage, Chicken and mushroom sauce, Sauerkraut, Kluski noodles and Kolachky. Entertainment by Li'l Richard & The Polka Stars. \$7.

Fisherman's In/Riverboat Trip is Thursday, August 19, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Buffet lunch - Fisherman's Inn. Relax on St. Charles Belle Riverboat on Fox River. \$26.50.

Evening at the Center - Ice Cream Social & Bingo is Wednesday, August 25, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy ice cream sundaes with all the toppings followed by an evening of Bingo with fabulous prizes. Cost: \$2.50.

JUNE FRIDAYS AT THE MOVIES
Baseball is the theme for the June Fridays at the Movies. Show time is 1 p.m.

June 25, Eight Men Out (1988, PG) starring John Cusack. Detailed period piece about the infamous 1919 "Black Sox" World Series.

PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT
Pinochle Tournament is Friday, June 25, 1 p.m. (Arrival: 12 noon). Enjoy a three-handed Pinochle Tournament, refreshments, and prizes. Cost: \$3.50.

MEN'S GOLF OUTING
18-Hole Golf Outing is at Bristol Oaks in Bristol, Wisconsin on Monday, July 12. Enjoy 18 holes of golf, cart, prizes and your choice of Chopped Sirloin or Baked Chicken. Cost: \$38. For more information, contact Mary Oleksy at 588-8420.

HEALTHY SUMMER COOKING CLASS
Join Bonnie Kimoto, Registered Dietician as she teaches you how to prepare healthy summer dishes from BBQ to Salads on Tuesday, July 13 to August 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Cost \$15 includes recipes and food sampling.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
Walk in at 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14. Niles residents only.

Morton Grove Senior Citizens

470-5223

MALL SHOPPING
Seniors wishing to join shoppers on a trip to Golf Mill Mall on Tuesday, June 29 should call today to reserve a seat on the Morton Grove Senior Center. Home pick-ups begin at 10 a.m. with arrival at Golf Mill around 11 a.m. Shop and browse for three hours until the bus returns shoppers home at 2 p.m. Mall trips are scheduled on the last Tuesday of every month at no cost. Call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 470-5223 to make a reservation.

"SINGIN' IN THE RAIN" SHOW
The audience will be tapping and sloshing along with the energetic cast of "Singin' in the Rain" on Thursday, July 8 at the Drury Lane Oakbrook Theatre. The classic MGM musical about Hollywood in the 20's as silent pictures give way to "talkies" includes some of America's best-loved comedy routines, dance numbers and love ballads. Lunch menu choices include Orange Roughly and Chicken Breast Marsala. Depart from the Prairie View Community Center at 11:15 a.m. and return at approximately 4:30 p.m. The fee is \$46 for residents and \$53 for non-residents. For more information or to register, call Catherine Dean at the Morton Grove Park District, 965-1200.

THE ODYSSEY, A PREMIER LAKE MICHIGAN EXPERIENCE
Join suburban Senior Centers for this cruise of Lake Michigan on Thursday, July 22. *Odyssey II* is the largest fine-dining cruise ship on the Great Lakes with an atmosphere reminiscent of classic ocean liners. Enjoy live entertainment, one complimentary soft drink served in an Odyssey tumbler and unlimited coffee, tea, and iced tea. Depart from the Prairie View Community Center at 9:30 a.m. and return at approximately 3 p.m. The fee is \$50 for residents and non-residents. For more information, or to register, call Catherine Dean at the Morton Grove Park District, 965-1200.

HOME AND YARD CHORES
Morton Grove's home and yard "Chore Program" links senior homeowners with youth and young adult workers. Seniors who need help cutting grass can have a neighborhood worker come by to assist. There are also individuals who can perform minor odd jobs. Seniors must provide equipment and negotiate the fee to be paid to the worker. Call Bud Swanson at the Morton Grove Village Hall Senior Center, 965-4100, ext. 6110.

LENDING CLOSET WHEELCHAIRS
The Morton Grove Lending Closet has a variety of mobility assistance equipment available for Morton Grove residents for up to one year. With the exception of wheelchairs, the equipment is loaned at no charge to people with temporary or permanent disabilities. Availability of items in stock is by first-come-first-served and are not delivered but must be picked up at the Morton Grove Village Hall. Wheelchairs are loaned at a rate of \$10 per three months, for a maximum of 12 months. This fee goes toward the service and repair of the wheelchairs. The Closet also accepts donations of items in good condition. For more information, call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 470-5223, weekday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

MEALS-ON-MEALS
The Village of Morton Grove together with Bethany Terrace Nursing Centre, provides homebound and medically qualifying residents with hot home delivered meals. Seniors who feel they need such a service should contact Nancy Reynolds at Morton Grove's Department of Health & Human Services (470-5246) to learn more about applying.

The wonderful thing about Morton Grove's Meals-On-Wheels program is that some very caring people serve as volunteers to deliver the meals each week day. There are three routes within Morton Grove and a volunteer delivers on the same day to the same route each week. Individuals who are interested in volunteering should also call 470-5246. Deliveries involve about an hour's time at mid-day, and travel consists of about five miles within Morton Grove. Mileage reimbursement is available for volunteers.

For more information about these senior services and recreation programs, call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 470-5223, or the Prairie View Community Center at 965-1200. To receive the "Seniors in Morton Grove" newsletter, Morton Grove residents can send \$3, and non-residents send \$4 to the Morton Grove Park District, 6834 Dempster Street, Morton Grove, IL 60053.

Plan now for Emeritus Fall Credit Classes

Register now for a wide variety of credit courses offered this fall through Oakton Community College's Emeritus program. Classes begin the week of Aug. 23 and run through Dec. 17. Several literature courses are available for the discriminating reader.

Introduction to Fiction: The Mirror and the Lamp (EGL 115-004) is a three-credit course exploring the power of a story. Students will analyze the relationship between literature and culture in a selection of short stories and novels by such authors as Emily Bronte, Virginia Woolfe, Ernest Hemingway, William Faulkner and Toni Morrison. The course meets Thursdays from 1-3:50 p.m. at the Ray Hartstein Campus, 7701 North Lincoln Avenue, Skokie, and is taught by Joe Kraus, assistant professor of English at Oakton.

The Dream of the Nightmare (EGL 290-001) is a three-credit course exploring outlooks for the future held by different authors. The class will start by studying short stories, satires and novels by authors such as Plato, Swift, More, Atwood and Huxley. The course meets Thursdays from 9:11-50 a.m. at the Ray Hartstein Campus and is taught by Beverly Friend, Oakton professor emeritus of English.

Students may register in person for classes at the Des Plaines and Ray Hartstein campuses on Mondays-Thursdays from 8:15 a.m. - 5 p.m. Registration can be made by Fax at (847) 635-1448. Faxing requires payment with a major credit card (Visa, MasterCard or Discover).

For more information about these and other All classes, including prerequisites and fees for the on-line courses, call (847) 982-9888, press #3.

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Desire to move grows in intensity

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Immediately? More than a year? Somewhere in-between? Based on one sampling, people seem to be getting antsy about moving.

At least that's the picture you draw from a survey of buyers and prospective buyers at one North Shore housing development.

"One of the things we ask visitors is their desired moving date," explains Cynthia Lee, sales manager at Lincoln Ridge, Robin Construction Corp.'s master-planned community on the edge of Lincolnwood in Skokie.

"Based on the date we've received, there seems to be a higher level of interest in moving among our visitors so far this year than has been the case for the previous year. For example, about 10 percent of recent visitors said they would like to move immediately. That's a significant jump, percentage wise, over the 5.7 percent in the group of nearly 5,000 respondents who said they would

like to do so," said Lee.

There also was a significant increase among those in the current group who would like to move to their new home in three to six months - 37.4 percent compared to 23.9 percent previously.

But the biggest change is among the shoppers wanting to move in six to 12 months, or longer. While 52 percent of 1999 shoppers are prepared for such a delay, 70 percent of the larger sampling was willing to wait.

"There are many possible reasons for this shift in sentiment," suggests Lee. "For one, there is about 50 percent more renters (33 percent) in the current sampling than in the larger group (22 percent). That might explain why we have a higher incidence of people wanting to move more quickly. Economics still make this a great time to buy a new home, whether you are renting or already own a home, which so many of our buyers do."

"Or maybe it's just the tempo of our times," she continues. "There are so many demands on our time

and energy that we just want to get on with it to make time for other matters that occupy us."

Lincoln Ridge is situated on a nine-acre site approximately two blocks north of Touhy Avenue and just east of the intersection of Skokie Boulevard and Lincoln Avenue.

The \$40 million complex will have a total of 188 residences, including 60 one- and three-bedroom residences in each of two six-story masonry condominium buildings, and 68 carriage homes. The carriage homes are being built in clusters of 17 buildings, designed in the style of single-family homes, each of which has four two- and three-bedroom, single-level residences.

Prices run from approximately \$139,500 to \$247,500 for Phase II condominiums and from \$246,900 to \$294,900 for carriage homes. Prices and availability are subject to change without notice.

A new lineup of condominium homes now being offered in the

second condominium building have from approximately 979 square feet in the one-bedroom, one-bath units to approximately 1,796 square feet for the larger three-bedroom, two-bath designs. One-bedroom plus den, 1-1/2-bath plus have 1,222 square feet with a balcony while two-bedroom homes have one, 1-1/2 or two baths and range from approximately 1,214 or 1,455 square feet. Each residence has a balcony with sliding doors and screens.

Kitchens include a cozy breakfast area, a full-size pantry in most residences, a choice of designer cabinetry and no-wax vinyl flooring. White-on-white General Electric appliances include frost-free refrigerator with icemakers, built-in dishwashers, continuous-clean gas ranges and waste disposers. Corner units have a window above the sink for natural light.

Each condominium residence has a spacious laundry. Standards also include plush carpeting in living areas, individually con-

trolled heating and air conditioning, lever handle door hardware and a large walk-in closet. Ceiling heights in all living areas of the condominiums are approximately 8-1/2 feet, adding wall space and heightening the experience for volume.

Each residence is sprinklered, as are all public areas, and each building has an intercom system with a TV camera in the lobby.

As part of the purchase price every owner will have one heated indoor parking space and an individual storage locker adjacent to the parking space.

Carriage Homes feature four units in each building; two on the first floor and two on the second floor. They have similar interior appointments, notably spacious kitchens with large breakfast areas opening a deck or patio through glass sliding doors that flood the area with natural daylight. Elegant bathrooms feature European-style vanity cabinets, cultured marble vanity tops with two integral bowls, full-width

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- **Outlets**
 Check for outlets that have loose-fitting plugs, which can overheat and lead to fire. Replace any missing or broken wall plates. Make sure there are safety covers on all unused outlets that are accessible to children.
- **Cords**
 Make sure cords are in good condition - not frayed or cracked. Make sure they are placed out of traffic areas. Cords should never be nailed or stapled to the wall, baseboard or to another object. Do not place cords under carpets or rugs or rest any furniture on them.
- **Extension Cords**
 Check to see that the cords are not overloaded. Additionally, extension cords should only be used on a temporary basis; they are not intended as permanent household wiring. Make sure extension cords have safety closures to help prevent young children from shock hazards and mouth burn injuries.
- **Plugs**
 Make sure your plugs fit your outlets. Never remove the ground pin (the third prong) to make a three-prong plug fit a two-conductor outlet; this could lead to an electrical shock. Never force a plug into an outlet if it doesn't fit. Plugs should fit securely into outlets. Avoid overloading outlets with too many appliances.
- **Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs)**
 GFCIs can help prevent electrocution. They should be used in any area where water and electricity may come into contact. When a GFCI senses current leakage in an electrical circuit, it assumes a ground fault has occurred. It then interrupts power fast enough to help prevent serious injury from electrical shock. Test GFCIs regularly according to the manufacturer's instructions to make sure they are working properly.
- **Light Bulbs**
 Check the wattage of all bulbs in light fixtures to make sure they are the correct wattage for the size of the fixture. Replace bulbs that have higher wattage than recommended; if you don't know the correct wattage, check with the manufacturer of the fixture. Make sure bulbs are screwed in securely; loose bulbs may over-heat.
- **Circuit Breakers/Fuses**
 Circuit breakers and fuses should be the correct size current rating for their circuit. If you do not know the correct size, have an electrician identify and label the size to be used. Always replace a fuse with the same size fuse.
- **Water and Electricity Don't Mix**
 Don't leave plugged in appliances where they might come into contact with water. If a plugged-in appliance falls into water, never reach in to pull it out - even if it's turned off. First turn off the power source at the panelboard and then unplug the appliance. If you have an appliance that has gotten wet, don't use it until it has been checked by a qualified repair person.
- **Appliances**
 If an appliance repeatedly blows a fuse, trips a circuit breaker, or if it has given you a shock, unplug it and have it repaired or replaced.
- **Entertainment/Computer Equipment**
 Check to see that the equipment is in good condition and working properly; look for cracks or damage in wiring, plugs and connectors. Use a surge protector bearing the seal of a nationally recognized certification agency.
- **Outdoor Safety**
 Electric-powered mowers and other tools should not be used in the rain, on wet grass or in wet conditions. Inspect power tools and electric lawn mowers before each use for frayed power cords, broken plugs, and cracked or broken housings. If damaged, stop using it immediately. Repair it or replace it. Always use an extension cord marked for outdoor use and rated for the power needs of your tools. Remember to unplug all portable power tools when not in use. Since metal ladders conduct electricity, watch out for overhead wires and power lines.
- **Lighting**
 During an electrical storm, do not use appliances (i.e. hair-dryers, toasters, and radios) or telephones (except in an emergency); do not take a bath or shower; keep batteries on hand for flashlights and radios in case of a power outage; and use surge protectors on electronic devices and appliances.
- **Space Heaters**
 Space heaters are meant to supply supplemental heat. Keep space heaters at least 3 feet away from any combustible materials such as bedding, clothing, draperies, furniture and rugs. Don't use in rooms where children are unsupervised and remember to turn off and unplug when not in use.
- **Halogen Floor Lamps**
 Halogen floor lamps operate at much higher temperatures than a standard incandescent light bulb. Never place a halogen floor lamp where it could come in contact with draperies, clothing or other combustible materials. Be sure to turn the lamp off whenever you leave the room for an extended period of time and never use torchiere lamps in children's bedrooms or playrooms.

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Subscription for the program is \$10. Send your name and mailing address, along with a check made payable to University of Illinois to: Lawn Challenge, University of Illinois Extension, 3807 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL., 60655. After completing the program, you'll be all set to have a great looking lawn in 1999!

Home Style

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One of the first things you'll notice is that a quality latex paint will not spatter much, saving you a lot of time on cleanup or touch-up later on. High quality interior paints also go on smoothly and evenly, so that brush and roller

marks "flow out" and become virtually unnoticeable.

Something else is apparent as you apply a quality latex paint - what the experts call "sag resistance." Sagging occurs when a paint droops between the time it's applied and the time that it dries, leaving an uneven coating with a thick lower edge that can make the job look sloppy. Quality paints contain special ingredients that minimize this sagging tendency.

High quality interior latex paints tend to hide well, so you can frequently get away with just one coat, instead of two or more, as are often needed when working with lower quality paints. As a result, even though better quality latex paints cost more per gallon, you might actually spend less on the job - and save time and labor - by applying a costlier, higher quality coating.

As time passes, you'll appreciate the fact that quality latex paints - especially those with higher sheen or gloss - are better at resisting dirt and stains. And they tend to better maintain their color, even after repeated washing or scrubbing.

How do you determine which interior latex paints are top quality products? If you aren't a paint chemist, just look for the best grade of paint in the manufacturer's line of interior latex coatings. This will normally be the most expensive paint in the line...and generally will provide the best long-term value compared with economy grades, according to experts at the Paint Quality Institute.

For more information on paints and painting, visit the Paint Quality Institute's Web site at www.paintquality.com

Steps to ladder safety offered by UL

All across the United States, people will be climbing ladders to spruce up the exterior of their homes, examine gutters, paint walls, and perform other tasks associated with spring cleaning. On average, about 145,000 people make emergency-room visits due to ladder mishaps each year. To avoid becoming an emergency-room casualty, the safety experts at Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) would like you to be aware of basic safety guidelines for proper ladder use.

The first "step" to using any ladder safely is to carefully read the instructions included in the manufacturer's use and care booklet, according to John Drengenberg, Consumer Affairs Manager at UL. The manufacturer's instructions contain guidelines that can help consumers use ladders more safely and effectively and also contain important guidelines for weight and height limits.

"Consumers should choose the proper ladder for the intended task. For example, if the ladder will be used near electrical sources, consumers should use a non-metallic ladder to reduce the possibility of electrical shock," says Drengenberg.

Another crucial "step" is to al-

ways inspect the ladder before stepping on the first rung, Drengenberg adds. "Make sure the ladder has been well maintained, that the rungs are clean and all parts are intact - never climb on a slippery or shaky ladder."

Setting up the ladder correctly may help prevent falls. "When planning the base of any ladder, place all feet on a firm, level surface, not on rocks or boards. Spreaders, the devices that hold the front and back sections of a step ladder in an open position, should be completely open and locked before any weight is placed on the ladder. If using an extension ladder, don't place the ladder at too extreme an angle.

Remember, different ladders have different safety considerations," Drengenberg advises.

Finally, UL recommends that consumers follow several precautions to help prevent ladder accidents.

"Always look for the familiar UL Listing Mark before purchasing a ladder. The UL Listing Mark on a product means that representative samples of that product have been tested to nationally recognized safety standards with regard to safety hazards.

Ladders, like any other household tools, need to be maintained and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Following these precautions may help you enjoy longer, safer use of your ladder and keep you and your family safe during spring cleaning season. For more information on the safe use of spring cleaning tools, such as mowers and lawn and garden equipment, visit UL's Web site at www.ul.com, or call UL's fax-on-demand line at 1 (800) 473-4766.

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Village of Niles Leaning Tower Concert Series

The Village of Niles Summer Concert Series begins tonight at the Leaning Tower Plaza. Each Thursday evening through the end of August, a different band will play a different style of music. These concerts are free and open to the public. There will be vendors selling food from various area restaurants at most concerts. Area businesses will be giving free food at the remaining concerts.

The Niles Leaning Tower has a long history, dating back to the 1920's when Robert Ilg built a 22-acre park on the current Leaning Tower site at 6300 West Touhy Avenue, then called Mechleneger Road. Ilg had a water tower in the park to service two swimming pools and constructed the leaning tower to conceal the water tower.

The Niles Leaning Tower was complete in 1934, exactly 600 years after the Leaning Tower of Pisa was completed. It is a one-half size replica of the tower in Pisa, Italy, one of Niles' sister cities.

When Ilg died in 1964, he left the Tower and the land to the nearby YMCA, who had helped him earlier in his life. A condition of the donation was that the Tower was to remain standing until 2059 with at least \$500 a year

spent on maintenance and upkeep, or Ilg's heirs would inherit the land.

In 1995, Mayor Nicholas Blase and the Board of Trustees began a plan to renovate the Tower. The improvements on the structure, facade, and surrounding plaza area were completed in 1996. The Leaning Tower Plaza area now has four fountains, a 30-foot reflecting pool, and landscaping.

At the dedication ceremonies in 1997, the Village of Niles hosted a concert featuring Italian musician Enzo Incandela to celebrate the new look of the Leaning Tower. There was great response, so the Village decided to host three more concerts in 1997. The Maxwell Street Klezmer Band and the Steve Meisner Band performed and Enzo Incandela finished the August Concert Series with an encore performance.

The 1998 Leaning Tower Concert Series highlighted nine (9) concert events. The acts ranged from the Italian orchestra, jazz, big band music, German waltzes, and many others.

The 1999 Concert Series is bigger and better than ever. This year, ten (10) concerts are scheduled. Many of 1998's favorites are returning, along with some exciting new additions.

- July 1: The Connexion (returning)
- July 8: Mr. Myers (first appearance in Niles)
- July 15: Waterloo German Band (returning)
- July 22: Buffalo Shufflers (returning)
- July 29: Meisner Magic (returning)
- August 5: Two one-hour concerts: (1) Andy Head, (2) AC Rock (first appearance for both acts)
- August 12: Joel Daly and the Sundowners (first appearance)
- August 19: Maxwell Street Klezmer Band (returning)
- August 26: Battle of the Bands (first event of this type)

June 24: Enzo Incandela (returning)

Illinois Children's Burn and Fire Victims Memorial Quilt

After a tragic house fire claimed two small children in his community, Firefighter Bill White read an article about the national AIDS quilt which gave him the idea of this quilt project.

This is a memorial to all the young victims of fire or fatal burns in the State of Illinois. Fire Departments are asked to contact families of victims throughout the state that have experienced such a loss. Respective participants then sew the name, age, date of fire, cause of death, and department/city to a quilt square. Finished squares are sent to Bill White at the Niles Illinois Fire Department, who has the quilt assembled.

This is an ongoing project that

can be added to if more tragic accidents should occur.

The memorial quilt is used as a traveling wall hanging to promote fire safety awareness.

The project is a joint effort of Bill White at the Niles Fire Department with assistance from Barbara Knapp of the Knapp Burn Foundation.

Quilter: Assembled by Sister Juanita, Convent of the Holy Spirit, Techney, Illinois

Caretakers: Bill White, Niles Fire Department and Barb Knapp, Knapp Foundation.

Pattern: Square upon Square. Date: Idea was originated in 1993, to date there are seven quilts starting with the year 1990.

Illinois Arts Council Grant

The Village of Niles has been awarded a grant to help fund the "Maxwell Street Klezmer Band's" performance on August 19, 1999. The Illinois Arts Council offers grants for not-for-profit organizations so that they may offer educational and diverse musical acts. The Illinois Arts Council is an agency of the State of Illinois. As a condition of the grant, we are required to credit the Illinois Arts Council on materials that advertise the event.

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The Illinois Delegation to Team U.S.A. will leave on June 25 from Central Illinois Regional Airport in Bloomington-

Normal (Image Air terminal) at approximately 12:30 p.m. and return on Monday, July 5. The Airlift - the largest peacetime airlift in the world - will originate from 28 states and carry 2,000 athletes to the games, donating aircraft, pilots and fuel. Four to seven athletes and coaches will ride in each plane. The first Citation Airlift was in 1987 to World Games in South Bend, followed by St. Paul in 1991 and Hartford in 1995. The enthusiasm and support of Cessna and the companies who own Cessna Citations continues to grow. Area companies donating planes, include: C.C. Industries/

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The Phoenix Support Group invites all separated, divorced, and widowed persons to meet on Friday, July 9th in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church's McDonnell Hall, Grove and Church streets in Glenview, at 7:30 p.m. for an Ice Cream Social. A donation of \$5 is requested. Direct inquiries to (847) 673-3411.

Income tax credit for education

Governor George H. Ryan signed legislation creating an income tax credit for families who spend more than \$250 a year in fees, expenses or tuition for the education of their children.

"Fairness and opportunity means extending a hand to all children in private and public schools and this bill does that by giving parents more of an opportunity to send their children to the school of their choice," Ryan said.

"More than 300,000 children now enrolled in private schools. We need to help these children and their families get a quality

education. This new tax credit will be available to families who send their children to public and private schools."

The new tax credit is calculated as 25 percent of the qualified expenses, with a maximum credit of \$500 per family. In order to qualify for the full credit, a family would have to incur education expenses of \$2,250 in a year.

It is estimated that the education tax credit will save all parents between \$50 million and \$60 million annually.

The new tax credit takes effect immediately.

Hot Weather Information

Periods of extremely hot weather - heat waves - can cause serious health problems for everyone. In fact, among weather-related events, heat waves are a leading cause of death. Illinois experienced this first hand in July 1995, when extreme heat contributed to the deaths of more than 700 people in the Chicago area. The following are commonly asked questions about heat-related conditions and how to safely cope with them.

Why do high air temperatures affect the body?

Normally, the body cools itself by sweating. If temperatures are extremely high, however, sweating is not enough to maintain the

body's normal temperature. When this happens, blood chemistry can change and internal organs - including the brain and kidneys - can be damaged. Heat also can be stressful if the temperature changes suddenly, since it usually takes several days for the body to adjust to heat.

What are some of the most common heat-related conditions?

The most common heat-related conditions are heatstroke, heat exhaustion, heat cramps, sunburn and heat rash. Heatstroke and heat exhaustion are the most serious conditions.

What is heatstroke?

Heatstroke occurs when the body becomes unable to control

its temperature: the body's temperature rises rapidly, the sweating mechanism fails and the body is unable to cool down. Body temperature may rise to 106°F or higher within 10 to 15 minutes. Heatstroke can result from over-exposure to direct sunlight, with or without physical activity, or to very high indoor temperatures. It can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.

What are the symptoms of heatstroke and how are they treated?

Symptoms of heatstroke include an extremely high body temperature (above 103°F, orally); red, hot and dry skin; rapid

pulse; throbbing headache; dizziness; nausea; confusion; and unconsciousness.

If symptoms of heatstroke are present, find a cool place, preferably an air-conditioned indoor setting. Outside, find a spot in the shade. Put the person in a semi-sitting position. Loosen his or her clothing and bathe the head and body with COLD water. Seek medical attention immediately.

What is heat exhaustion?

Heat exhaustion can result when too much time is spent in a very warm environment, resulting in excessive sweating without adequate fluid and electrolyte (salt and minerals) replacement. This can occur either indoors or

outdoors, with or without exercise.

What are the symptoms of heat exhaustion and how are they treated?

Symptoms of heat exhaustion may include dizziness, headache, nausea, abdominal cramps, shallow breathing, cool and clammy skin, muscle tremors and heavy perspiration.

A person suffering from heat exhaustion should be moved to an air-conditioned environment if possible. If outside, move the person to a shady spot. Loosen the person's clothing and encourage him or her to drink cool, non-alcoholic, decaffeinated beverage.

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Q: Is bottled water safer than tap water?
A: Not necessarily. Municipal water supplies are tested every day for disease-causing bacteria and chemical contaminants. Bottled water, which is regulated by the Food and Drug Administration, may or may not ever be tested. According to the American Dietetic Association, 25 percent of all bottled water is municipal water. Some people worry about chlorine in city water supplies, but most scientists discount the extremely low levels as being insignificant. Choose bottled water if you prefer the taste, but if you have children be sure to consider whether it contains fluoride or whether you need to ask their doctor for fluoride supplements.

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The Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation (M-NASR) announces receipt of a check for \$2,600 from the Junior Women's Club of Des Plaines. These funds will be used for Adapted Sports, a program that M-NASR is initiating with a free Wheelchair Sports Jamboree for all ages to be held on September 18 at the Weber Center in Skokie. Adapted sports necessitate the use of equipment that is often prohibitively expensive for individual athletes to provide for themselves. M-NASR's goal is that every person with a disability who wants to compete in an adapted sport will not be prevented by lack of proper equipment or staff support. The check was presented by Club President, Candl Messerschmidt, who, in remarks made at a recent M-NASR board meeting, outlined the Junior Women's Club's admiration for and desire to support the high quality of M-NASR's services to people with disabilities. Ms. Messerschmidt also spoke of and her own and other club members gratifying personal experiences with family who have participated in M-NASR programs. If you or a family member can use M-NASR's services or would like to help please call Sarah Trembly at 847-966-5522, ext. 3025.

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Maine East Cheerleaders Take Second

The Maine East High School varsity co-ed cheerleaders took second place at the Illinois Cheerleading Coaches Association State Championships on Sunday, March 14 at Springfield. Led by captains Erika Jedrzejek, Tim Karth, and Melissa Noparstak, the cheerleaders became the first co-ed squad to finish in the top five in the state four years in a row. The Demons won the state championship in 1996 and finished 2nd in 1997 and 5th in 1998. Glenbard East High School took the 1999 championship by edging out Maine East by only three points, while Stevenson High School finished third.

Maine East's accomplishments in 1999 show what a productive year it was for the cheerleaders. After winning the 6th Annual Six Flags Great America Midwest cheerleading competition in September, the Demons

won four trophies at the "Best of the Midwest" Cheerleading and Dance Team Championships at Northwestern University in December. In regional competitions, Maine East took second at Rolling Meadows High School (where they also qualified for state) and first at the prestigious Stevenson Regional. Maine East also had five cheerleaders named All-American.

The Maine East Cheerleaders are:

- DesPlaines**
Karlo Familara, junior;
Cathy Glinka, senior;
BJ Jurdzeleza, junior.
- Glenview**
Tim Karth, senior;
Heather Velen, senior.
- Morton Grove**
Mattea Cirriacione, senior;
Emily Hovus, senior;
Monica Manastis, junior;
Anne Mann, junior.
- Niles**
Colleen Bercyn, junior;
Dante Castillo, sophomore;
Erika Jedrzejek, senior;
Melissa Noparstak, senior.

Jeff Ocampo, senior;
Mike Rodriguez, junior;
Jeff Tackes, junior;
Lisa Yee, junior.

The Maine East All-American cheerleaders are:

- Mattea Cirriacione, senior, Morton Grove;
- Karlo Familara, junior, Des Plaines;
- Melissa Noparstak, senior, Niles;
- Jeff Ocampo, senior, Niles;
- Heather Velen, senior, Glenview.

Niles West Science Olympiad Team

The Niles West Science Olympiad Team that recently earned first place honors in state competition has once again triumphed. The team finished in the top ten, claiming eighth place at the national competition held in Chicago. This is the first time in the team's six-year history, that Niles West has competed nationally. In

addition, sixth place honors went to Jeff Olsen and Luka Bacal for their "Bungee Egg Drop" and also Jenny Lee and Alex Ho for "Science Clue." In addition to these students, other team members are: Eric Hsiao, Mike Baffes, Melissa Quinn, Janice Hsu, Kiran Madhav, Priya Khalkhale, John Arends, Amy Gullen, Jessica Kreisach, Karen Olsen, Jessica Song, Payal Menda, Jason Grover, Ricky Jakob, Josh Berger, Jacob Hsiao, Robert Yavitch, Mike Hua, Mike Hsu, and Ronvon Yong.

Oakton Kids' College Summer Classes

Register now for classes offered by Kids' College, the summer enrichment program for children grades K-8 at Oakton Community College. Lasting one week, sessions meet in the afternoons on Mondays - Thursdays at the DesPlaines campus, 1600 East Golf Road. Three sessions

will be offered in July. The first session meets July 12-15; the second session meets July 19-22; and the third session meets July 26-29. All classes are three hours long.

Children entering grades K-1 this fall can enjoy classes in reading, writing, math and science. *Archaeology and Number Explorations*, among others, are offered for children in grades 2-3. Those in grades 4-5 can also choose from a variety of classes, including *Liquid Chemistry, Extreme Art, Geometry and Animal Predators Without Backbones*.

The cost for one course is \$95, the cost for two courses is \$179, and the cost for three courses is \$259. The deadline registration falls two weeks prior to the start dates for each one-week section. For information about registration and applicable fees, call (847) 982-9888 and press option #3.



Hot weather . . .

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es. Keep the person quiet. It may be necessary to seek medical attention if symptoms worsen or last longer than one hour or if the person has heart problems or high blood pressure. If left untreated, heat exhaustion may progress to heatstroke.

How can I avoid heat exhaustion and heatstroke?

Try to keep cool during extremely hot weather. Stay in a cool environment (preferably air conditioned), drink plenty of fluids - such as water, fruit juices

or fruit drinks - and use common sense. Heat injury may develop with or without feelings of discomfort.

What if I do not have an air conditioner?

Seek out the nearest facility that is air conditioned, such as a cooling shelter, a senior citizen center, a church, the local YMCA or a center designated by your community. Even short periods of time in a cool environment will lessen the risk of heat injury. Fans alone will not effectively cool an overheated person when air temperatures are above 100°F.

In the wake of the 1995 heat wave in Chicago, many older persons reported being afraid to open windows or to venture out of their homes to go to cooling centers. In these situations, people may want to contact the local police, their church or a community group about being escorted to the nearest cooling center.

What is "plenty if fluids"?

"Plenty of fluids" means at least 1-1/2 to 2 quarts of fluids daily. This can be water, fruit juice, or fruit-flavored or carbonated drinks. Since aging can

cause a decreased thirst sensation, elderly persons should drink water, fruit juices or other fluids at regular intervals during the day, even if they do not feel thirsty. Avoid alcoholic beverages and those containing caffeine. Salt tablets are not substitutes for fluids.

What are some good tips on how to avoid heat-related problems?

- Use a buddy system. If you are working in the heat, check on co-workers and have someone else do the same for you. If you are at home and are 65 years of age or older or have a chronic health problem, ask a friend, relative or neighbor check on you at least twice a day, even if you have air conditioning.
- If you know someone who is 65 years of age or older or who has a chronic health problem, check on them at least twice a day.
- Limit outdoor activities. Try to plan activities for the coolest times of the day - before noon and in the evening. When physically active, rest frequently in the shade.
- Drink plenty of fluids. During hot weather, you will need to drink more liquid than your thirst indicates. Even if you remain indoors and limit your activity, your body still needs to replace lost fluids, salt and minerals. Make an extra effort to drink a minimum of six to eight 8 oz. glasses of cool fluids daily. During heavy exercise in a hot environment, drink two to four glasses of cool fluids each hour.
- Parents should be sure young children get sufficient fluids. If you are on a special fluid-restricted diet or if you take diuretics, ask your physician about fluid intake during hot weather.
- Protect your body. Wear as little clothing as possible when indoors and wear light colored, loose fitting clothing outdoors. When spending time outdoors, avoid direct sunlight, wear a hat and use a sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) greater than 15 to protect yourself against sunburn.
- Never leave children, the elderly or pets in a parked car, not even for just a few minutes. The air temperature inside a car rises rapidly during hot weather and can lead to brain damage or death.
- A final reminder - take care of your pets. In many ways, dogs and cats react to hot weather as humans do. Offer pets extra water and be sure to place the water dish in a shaded area if outdoors. Make sure pets have a protected place where they can get away from the sun.

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jeopardize up to 15% of its citizens who get hooked on casino gambling?

There's nothing like a non-expert throwing his/her opinion around without a scintilla of expertise on what is being written. But there seems to be something a bit awry about the city of Des Plaines proposing to spend \$19 million to upgrade its downtown area. A few years ago its attempt to upgrade this same area resulted in building a huge garage-parking area on the west side of its main downtown street. It literally destroyed the last hope of resurrecting the downtown area.

The invasion of the shopping malls have taken away retail shopping from most of our communities. Upgrading these areas may be aesthetically pleasing but it does little to improve retail business. Downtown Skokie on Oakton Street went down the drain years ago when Old Orchard Center became viable. Niles' Milwaukee Avenue and Morton Grove's Dempster Street likewise suffered from the neighboring shopping centers. Both towns have few if any soft goods stores on these main streets. Most stores on these main thoroughfares are service stores.

Oak Park tried to combat Oakbrook Shopping Center by closing off its downtown Madison Street to traffic. It became a walking mall and it proved unsuccessful and has been re-converted to auto traffic again, not dissimilar to Chicago's downtown State Street. Michigan City, Indiana followed the same route and now has re-opened its main Franklin Street. In each case the competition from shopping centers destroyed the local shopping.

Interestingly, the North Shore suburbs, as well as

Park Ridge, seem to retain their local downtown shopping areas which continue to be supported by local residents. While they all seem to manifest a healthy economy we're sure Old Orchard in particular has taken away much business from the North Shore shops.

The past 40 years have led us into the era of the shopping mall and the oncoming years will likely see more and more centers, including discount malls, which will gobble up our greenbacks that formerly were spent in downtown local areas.

Rosemont's money hunger never ends. The 18,000 seat Rosemont Horizon is being re-named the Allstate Arena for a sizeable amount of shekels. The insurance company will pay the village \$1 million for the first year the name is used. Beginning with the second year the payment will rise 3% for the following nine years and Allstate will then have first option on renewing the lease. A proposed huge rooftop sign for aerial TV shots and for viewing by passing airline passengers may be placed atop the stadium.

The city of New York is experimenting with a "Muni Meter." Replacing parking meters, they are installing eight foot high munis. The car parker may have to walk past five or six parking spaces to the muni, deposit money for parking and then receive a receipt which must be placed on his/her dashboard and can be read by a passing parking meter person. The meter accepts cash and credit cards. By displacing the old parking meters it opens curb parking for up to 15% to 20% more space. The electronic meters may be wired so drivers can use a parking pass for future use.

Girl ...

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Another eastbound vehicle traveling in the curb lane struck the girl.

The victim was treated at the scene by the Park Ridge Fire Department paramedics and was transported to Lutheran General Hospital where she later died.

The cause of death, pending the Medical Examiner's report, was listed as severe head trauma. Officials said the victim's manner might not have been fatal had she been wearing a helmet.

The driver of the striking vehicle, Laura Rios, 25, of Chicago, said she did not see the girl crossing at first, but when she did observe her in the intersection, she

applied the brakes in an unsuccessful attempt to stop her vehicle.

After the State's Attorney's review of the case, Rios was charged with failure to exercise due care. There was no evidence of alcohol or drug impairment, police said.

"At this time, we do not anticipate further charges," Park Ridge Deputy Chief Jeff Caudill said June 17.

An investigation by the Park Ridge Police Major Traffic Investigative Team is continuing.

Anna Golec is survived by her parents.

Pool fees ...

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bleachers in an aesthetically pleasing, but impractical location.

Hynes said that the board was not aware of the problem until construction was completed, but that the situation will be remedied in the next several weeks without disruption to upcoming games.

"No one likes this to happen, we were disappointed that it happened," said Hynes, "but in any major construction, you're bound to run into something like this."

In the attempt to maintain revenues from pool passes throughout the summer, the Board of Park Commissioners gave permission for pool staff officials to develop a separate policy for passes purchased later in the season.

Although 686 passes have been sold to date (over 60% above sales for the same time last year), board president James Hynes, said that sagging revenues from pool passes (which inevitably occur as the summer progresses) prompted the board's support of a late-season pass policy.

"The sale of pool passes goes down precipitously by the end of June and beginning of July," said Hynes. "What we (the board) said is that the pool staff can go ahead and implement what they think is appropriate to maximize revenues. Then at the end of the year, the board will take a look at the books."

Proposals being discussed by pool officials include a pro-rated discount for passes purchased after a certain date, and selling full-rate passes that would be valid into the beginning of the next year's season. A third proposal calls to leave the fee structure alone and focus on increasing the sale of coupon books.

The board's executive director Joseph LoVerde, who will be meeting this week with recreation personnel to discuss the proposals, said he hopes to implement a new policy by July, and that he favors a plan to pro-rate fees.

"I think pro-rating would be more than fair," said LoVerde. "It would allow the residents to purchase a pool pass at a reduced rate in July and August. They might give buying a pass more consideration if we properly pro-rate it."

Regarding a different pool policy concerning minors, LoVerde told the board that he'd received requests from parents who wanted to give pool staff written permission for under 18-year-old children to oversee younger siblings.

The district's current policy states that minors under the age of eight must be accompanied by an adult.

"We don't allow our staff to accept letters from parents saying that a 13-year-old can watch the little ones," said LoVerde.

President Hynes agreed, saying that from a safety standpoint, revising the rule would be "inappropriate." The policy remains unchanged.

Library ...

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Trustee Jack Sugar disagreed telling the board that residents would remember such a "move of goodwill," making it easier to appeal for future funds.

Irene Costello, the board's secretary, said that she opposed returning the minimal surplus because "people think it's worth it" to have a state-of-the-art facility.

"Having more costs money, and people want more," said Costello.

Regarding the scheduled vote on the library district's five-year budget plan, after the board's finance committee reviewed costs for purchases the library plans to make through the 2000-2004 fiscal years, board president Tom Przybylo, suggested tabling the vote.

The total cost for the 42 items listed is approximately \$231,000 with all of the expenses budgeted for the year 2000.

According to the budget, \$88,240 in purchases (including \$29,050 for a pickup truck for plowing snow and spreading salt) are planned in an effort "to provide a comfortable, attractive and well-maintained setting for efficient provision of library services."

The budget also calls for \$142,000 in various computer equipment, so that the library may "respond to changing technological developments required for provision of optimum library service."

While not opposed to the appropriations as a whole, Przybylo said that he wasn't comfortable with the board committing such large amounts of money now without the option of properly researching future purchases.

Przybylo proposed that before a large purchase is made, the

board be granted "a one-month notice in order to give us the chance to discuss it," and that the words "upon investigation" be printed aside each provision listed in the budget.

The trustees agreed to postpone the budget vote until the July 28 board meeting when the revised plan will be presented.

The board did vote to adopt the tentative ordinance appropriating funds for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. A public hearing regarding the proposed budget will be held at the August 18 library district board meeting.

Finally, the State Gift Ban Act was adopted by the district board, who, on the advice of council, decided to exempt themselves from coverage.

Effective January 1, the Act is a state-wide measure affecting all elected and appointed officials who receive a salary. There are almost two dozen exemptions in the Act, including one which allows officials not receiving a salary (such as Niles Library district trustees) to exempt themselves.

The Act has been considered controversial since its introduction to the Illinois House of Representatives. Jim Farelo, an attorney from Klien, Thorpe, and Jenkins (the legal firm representing the Niles Library district) told the board that the constitutionality of the bill is in question, and expectations are that it will soon be reviewed by the Supreme Court.

"I think the motivation behind this law was a good one, but why expose ourselves?" said board president Przybylo, who suggested that the board re-address the issue "once the law is made stronger."

Vandals ...

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furniture at Harrer Pool was retrieved without any damage. Appropriate reports and investigations into the vandalism have been started.

In other news, it was reported that the Park Police had participated with Village of Morton Grove Police in a Bike Rodeo that was held in front of the pavilion at Harrer Park. There were 40 participants at the event which served as a good opportunity for both departments to work closely together and also plan for an expanded event next year.

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), also approved a pedestrian signal for the intersection of Church and Mansfield at Mansfield Park. This would be a pedestrian activated signal and would have traps to activate light in the street for those vehicles heading North on Mansfield. However, the signal would not be put in place until Church Street has been renovated next year.

The evening's final important piece of news was the announce-

ment of four neighborhood meetings that would be held this fall as a means of gathering public comment on current park conditions, security and safety. The dates of the meetings were set for September 21, 23, 28, and 30. It was hoped that the meetings would be held at each of the field houses at Austin, Mansfield, National, and Oriole Parks. More information about the meetings can be found through the Park District.

Kagan Home for the Blind Reunion Dance

Kagan Home for the Blind, 3525 W. Foster Ave., is having a reunion dance for the blind and visually impaired community. Join us Sunday afternoon, July 11, 2 to 5 p.m. for a terrific party featuring dynamic DJ, LANCE HARMELING. This will be a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new friends. Refreshments will be served.

Letters to the Editor

In defense of District 71's Art teacher

Dear Editor:

I am a 1991 Culver School graduate who is currently attending the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine. I was looking through the Niles Bugle and was astonished to read the June 17 Editor's Note slamming Niles Elementary art teacher Carol Romanoski. I remember Ms. Romo's art classes as if they were yesterday - and I recall that everyone not only liked her, but loved her. How a parent could call her class "goof-off time" is beyond me. I am not sure what some parents think is supposed to happen in a junior high art class, but I know that Ms. Romo did a wonderful job introducing us to the fun as well as the educational aspects of all sorts of arts and crafts. I also think some time spent learning from an interactive teacher like her is a welcome change for students sitting through long school days full of lectures and studying. I certainly wasn't the best painter or artist around, but Ms. Romo always made me feel proud of my work. Sometimes it was displayed at the art fair, and sometimes it wasn't. I didn't take it personally, and accepted the fact that each student excels in different areas. If the Culver parents have extra energy to expend, they should direct it towards improving the students' academic excellence rather than continuously attacking a beloved and respected art teacher.

Why draw unwanted attention to District 71's lackluster academic performance, as well as its nasty disposition, by repeated attacks on teachers and workers (as if the despicable past treatment of volunteers who dared to make changes for the good of the children was not enough)?

To Irene Jacob, who said our district's spending is "outrageous", you are correct. Please do not vote for current spendthrift board members. Run for the position yourself, and make a difference.

To Debbie Zielke: you do not represent even a "good portion" of the parents that we have known. We are too busy volunteering our time and resources to support our teachers and any progressive programs offered!

To District 71 board president and members: heed the wishes of the taxpayers who fund this district and its considerable amenities - which are enjoyed by only a select few. You have been legally admonished to drop this vendetta and allow Ms. Romanoski to resume her life, and share her talents elsewhere with students who have the good fortune to live anywhere other than Niles.

Tracy Nicole Frey Niles, IL

Editor's Note: There was no Editor's Note in the June 17 edition of the Bugle regarding Debbie Zielke's letter as referenced above.

Dear Editor:

With regard to District 71's beleaguered, unfairly maligned art teacher, Ms. Carol Romanoski. Enough! Please stop the vicious mob mentality begun years ago by a vindictive board member... an administration seemingly jealous of a beloved teacher... and parents who encourage the "dumbing down of our schools" by unfairly labeling their own kids as "only average," yet still expect undeserved accolades.

Parents are not trained to hire, evaluate, reward or remediate teachers, and have no business attempting to dictate policy concerning same. This power is given to the school board, and obviously has been abused. As PTA Co-President, we witnessed board meetings that seemed more like unsubstantiated witch-hunts directed at Ms. Romanoski, in spite of the fact that the unfurlingly donated her time and considerable talents to every school function. She had enjoyed a fine reputation, commendations and excellent reviews for many

problems before they entered grade school, so they didn't disrupt the class. Teachers are wasting precious class room time disciplining ill-mannered children and parents always blame the teacher for the problem rather than correcting the children. The spending of well over \$103,000 (as of 4-30-99) tax payers money on lawyers should be grounds for dismissal of the supt., principal and school board members who keep approving these expenditures. Maybe Ms. Zielke wants to keep spending this enormous amount of money on lawyers, we do not.

We can understand why the teachers are in a union, having to deal with administrators and a school board that appear to be incompetent. This incompetency was displayed during the Culver school addition, which took twice as long to complete and was way over budget. It is time to call for an accounting of the people running District 71.

Sincerely, Patel and Park Families

Dear Editor:

I was reading the letter written to you by Debbie Zielke and found that it sounded as if it was written by a principal and not a parent. I'm a senior and am not commenting on the art program but on the information that this parent had. I find it strange that Debbie Zielke knew how many candidates were interviewed by the principal. What principal would share this with a parent? Is this principal really so wonderful or was the letter written by the principal with Debbie Zielke's name on it?

Ralph Colby

Dear Editor:

In response to the letter written by Debbie Zielke concerning the support of the teachers of District 71 of a fellow teacher by wearing green ribbons. I think Ms. Zielke should quit slamming a teacher that she obviously doesn't know. Ms. Romanoski was supported by teachers, parents, and students as well. Having 100% of her colleagues wearing green ribbons sends a powerful message. By the way Ms. Romanoski is a wonderful, well-respected and loved teacher who deserves her job back!

Mrs. A Kim

Mr. and Mrs. J Frey Niles, IL

Dear Editor:

Read letter from Debbie Zielke about School District 71 firing of art teacher and spending over \$103,000 in legal fees fighting the law suit, which the District lost. Ms. Zielke seems to have her priorities backward. The 3R's are what is important for children to learn in school, not art which is much lower on the list of subjects taught in school.

Niles Public Elementary and Culver Schools have had a fine art program over the years, with numerous articles in our local papers. Art is not structured like math or science. Students do not always remain at their desk during the class, they are standing and working on projects. If there was a discipline problem in Ms. Zielke's child's class, maybe she and the other parents should have taken a more active role correcting their children's behavior.

"What's the problem with Dist. 71 Board?"

Dear Editor:

My friends and I attended the Niles Elementary School Sale. We purchased a few sale items and paid for them. We overheard a man talking about the Board Members and all of the items they had gotten "free."

Is this fair to all the people who

paid for items purchased? What is the "Problem" with District 71 Board Members. Do they think they own District 71 Schools and the contents of the schools.

Upset Taxpayer Robert J. Anderson

Knightly News & Views

The Brothers of N.A.M. Council proudly announce the newly installed officers for the 1999-2000 fraternal year.

Grand Knight - Rich Zaprzalka; Deputy G.K. - Don Kajtust; Chancellor - Joe Taitkowsky; Warden - Mel Koenigs; Advocate - Adrian Galassi; Financial Secretary - Ken Lee; Inside Guard - John O'Keefe; Treasurer - Ted Stzewic; Trustees - Bill Chase, Bob Galassi & Andy Beierwalles.

The Brothers with Grand Knight Rich Zaprzalka the best of luck and pledge their support throughout the upcoming year. They also thank him for the many successes of the previous year.

May God bless you and keep you and your family healthy! Grand Knight Rich Zaprzalka would like to thank everyone that attended the Council's Installation of Officers, on Saturday, June 12, 1999 in Flanagan Hall. Eighty people watched Rich installed to a second term as Grand Knight. Rich especially wants to thank everyone that worked hard to make that special night a success.

District Deputy Bob Galassi announced that he will be stepping down as our D.D. as of 6/30/99, in an effort to spend more time with his family. Bob con-

gratulates the Council for the many great programs to help the youth and people of our community. He wishes the members and their families the best of health in the future. He would also like to remind everyone to always look for new members!

The Officers of N.A.M. invite all Brothers to participate in the Niles Independence Day Parade, held on Sunday, July 4. This year the Council will be the 2nd group in the parade, allowing for our traditional float and a special honor guard. With Niles celebrating its 100th anniversary, we had hoped to have a large group of Brothers for the guard and others to hand out candy along the route.

Please help us make this a special day by showing your support. All Brothers are invited!!! For more information - contact Ken Lee at 847-967-6234.

Please pray for our sick & distressed and especially Gene Zaprzalka and Diane Zagnoli, daughter of Adrian & Leona Galassi. May God bless you both and help you to good health very soon!

Join the Knights of Columbus. We can use your help as we continue to help our fellow man. For information on the Knights and how to join this great organization - call Bob Galassi at 847-965-0920.

Cruise to Mackinac Island with the travel club

Join the Prairie View Travel Club as we journey to Mackinac Island August 14 to August 17. You will be picked up at home and we will head to Manistowic, Wisconsin where we will board the SS Badger Carryfer for a trip across Lake Michigan. We will spend the night in Manistowic, Michigan and the next day have an escorted tour of the Sleeping Bear Dunes followed by a visit to the Music House, which features an extensive collection of fine, rare automated musical instruments. Then we are off to Mackinac Island via the hydroplane ferry ride across the straits.

Lodging is at the Lake View Hotel in the heart of downtown. The third day features an island tour aboard horse drawn carriages and a delicious buffet lunch at the Grand Hotel. The cost of the tour is \$595 per person for a double room and \$699 for a single.

Please register at Prairie View Community Center, 68 34 Dempster Street. Call Catherine at 965-1200 for further information.

Social Security 1999 Update

Tuesday, June 29 from 2 to 3 p.m. Large Meeting Room. Limit 120 people. Call 847-863-1234 to register.

Learn about Social Security for 1999. There will be a 45 minute presentation with a 15 minute question and answer time afterward.



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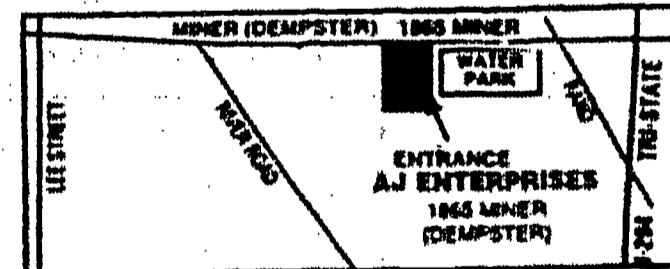
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