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Kindergarten student Jesse Koppe helps decorate the "Big E" mascot at the family art night Nov. 19 at Nelson School in Niles. PAGE 5. (Allison Williams/Staff Photographer)

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Skeletal remains found in north suburban woods

Forest preserve workers "badly decomposed" skelein Niles discovered human tal remains. Cook County Examiner's office respondremains Saturday afternoon in a wooded area of the north suburb.

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In the early afternoon workers at Bunker Hill Woods, near Harts Road and Touhy Avenue, found a sleeping bag that contained

Forest Preserve District po- ed to the seene and will liee spokesman Steve Mavberry said.

Due to decomposition, the age and gender of the remains were "impossible" to determine upon discovery for Sunday. Mayberry said.

work to identify the remains and determine the person's eause of death. Mayberry

The Cook County Medica

An autopsy is scheduled

FINANCE COMMITTEE

New fees, bill collections mulled

By TONY BERTUCA

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The Finance Committee voted Nov. 18 to send several new ordinances to the full Village Board, including ment fees and a measure to it." collect unpaid bills from nonresidents who receive transportation in village ambulances.

Among the first fees discussed were those for fire costs. and ambulance reports.

Currently the village does not charge a fee for the reports and Fire Chief Barry Mueller suggested that it was time to start

"We really just want to recoup the costs," Mueller

The Niles Fire Department only receives between 20 and 25 fire report re- \$25 for nonresidents. It was quests each year and between 100 and 125 requests for ambulance reports. mostly from insurance companies or attorneys, Mueller said. He recommended that all nonresidents requesting the reports be charged \$5. a similar fee to what neighboring communities charge. Mueller also suggested

that the village begin charging fees for CPR classes taught by Fire Department personnel, which are eurrently free. The Niles Fire Department offers one class every month at Station 2. at 8360 W. Dempster St., but rides from nonresidents department employees also whose insurance doesn't

at local businesses, incur- ly Niles accepts insurance ring six hours of overtime pay in the process.

"We need to recoup some of our costs for manpower." Mueller said. "We don't several new Fire Depart- want to make money off of The Finance Committee

voted to recommend to the Village Board that all offsite CPR classes be given at a fee of \$250 to recoup

"This is a real service to eations, the village stops businesses," said Trustee James Hynes, a member of the Finance Committee. "If they hired a private organization to do it, they would charge a lot more than \$250

All other CPR classes taught at the fire station will charge \$15 for residents and initially suggested that the village charge \$30 for residents, but Mayor Robert Callero, who advises the Finance Consmittee, said keeping the service elicap is in the best interest of publie safety.

"The more people who know CPR, the better off we are." Callero said.

The Finance Committee also voted, at Mueller's request, to recommend to the Village Board that Niles begin working with a collection agency to begin recovering costs of ambulance

go off-site to teach classes fully cover the bill. Current payments for village ambulance rides from residents as payment in full regardless of whether a resident's insurance company pays the

entire bill. Nonresidents who received rides in a village ambulance, however, are billed for whatever portion of the service their insurance company does not cover. But if payment is not received after three notifi-

pursuing the matter. Mueller said ignoring the nonpayments eost the village between \$158,000 and \$180,000 in new revenue for 2008. But working with a eollection agency could help the village recover about

\$20,000, he said. Callero said he would favor a one-year pilot progrant in which the village would work with a colleetion agency to recover the payments.

"If someone owes a bill and they think we're not going to chase them, it's not proper," Callero said. "They should pay bills like everyone else.

Mueller also told the board it would be a good idea to begin considering charging fees for false fire alarms if a situation has been deenied "abusive" and lins been falsely triggered three times, for instance. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

'JEOPARDYI' CONTEST WINNER

Niles woman returns from trek with Trebek to Galapagos Islands

By TONY BERTUCA

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Barbara Groshon, a financial planner from Niles, recently returned from a 10day eruise around the Galapagos Islands.

The trip would be remarkable enough for all of the opportunities it offered to view natural wildlife. but Groshon got to take the journey for free and in the company of Alex Trebek. the host of TV's "Jeopardy!"

Groshon was one of 25 winners in a nationwide contest who got the chance to take the trip with Trebek aboard the National Geographic Endeavour. The contest received 2.5 million entries

"It was incredible. Groshon said. "There are no words to describe the beauty there."

Groshon was accompanied by her sister. Donna O'Malley, and the two beeanic close friends with Trehok and his wife and remain in contact via the Internet. Groshon said. "It was really great," she

said. "They were both very brilliant and had great pernice. The erew was also wonderful . The trip was the first of

ts kind offered with Tre-"I had a lot of fun sharing

the incredible natural wonders of the Galapagos with some die-hard 'Jeopardy!' fans," Trebek said in a written statement. "This was the kind of adventure that most people never get to experience, and I was glad to be a part of it."

The travelers aboard the ship were also accompanied

Niles resident Barbara Groshon, "Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek and Don na O'Malley Grosbon's sister, stand together during their cruise around the Galapagos Islands.

there to answer questions lands about animals and their habitats

"There were just all these intellectual, fascinating people everywhere." Groshon said. "They were all just sonalities "

known as the "Land Of Darwin" because naturalist Charles Darwin conceived his "theory of evolution" after a voyage there.

Groshon says she remains undecided regarding the theory of evolution for religious reasons, but said her conversations with the naturalists aboard the ship helped her learn more about the issue

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The Galapagos Islands are

Groshon said slie was also

"I did see some forms of

evolution there," she said. "It all had such beauty and was so moving. All these animals ended up on these islands for some bizarre reason. The nearest place is Equador and (those animals that could not swim or fly) somehow floated there or downed trees or driftwood 600 miles."

Groshon said she was par ticularly moved by the sight of a large sea turtle that had no fear of humans

"Seeing the sea turtles up close was the most exciting." she said. "I looked at it and I just had tears in my eyes. Then, I looked over and saw Alex Trebek standing next to me and he was liaving the

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1. Prostitution bust nabs four

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

2. Niles motorist slams into tree, flips vehicle

An allegedly drunken motorist from Niles is in police custody at an Evanston hospital after report edly stealing a station wannn and plowing into a tree so hard it uprooted and came to rest 12 feet away early Nov. 18 in Chicago, po-

3. Niles driver who crashed into tree notches third arrest of month

Before his Nov. 18 arrest, a Niles man was arrested Nov. 1 in Niles and charged with criminal trespass after allegedly walking around naked in the 6700 block of Howard Avenue. He was also arrested for trespassing at 5224 S. Rutherford Ave. on Chicago's

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

A Westchester man has been charged with murdering a Niles man who was shot dead Nov. 4 in west suburban Stone Park.

5. Will Blase finally get sentence?

A new date has been set for the criminal sentencing of former Niles Mayor Nicholas Blase, who pleaded quilty to federal charges of tax evasion and mail fraud more than a year ago. Blase is scheduled to be sentenced Jan. 29 at the Dirksen Federal Building in Chicago. The former mayor first pleaded quilty to the charges Oct. 31, 2008, but has been given four continuances for his sentencing

Federal prosecutors have said the charges against Blase stem from a scheme to use to his influence as mayor to steer tocal businesses toward Wheeling insurance agency Ralph Weiner Associates The agency paid Blase \$420,000 in kickbacks in exchange for the arrangement, which prosecutors have said lasted from 1997 to

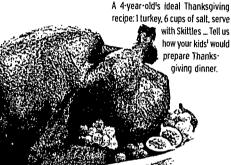
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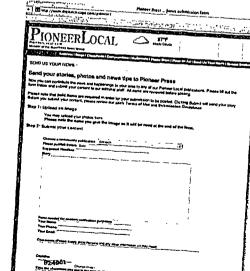
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NELSON SCHOOL FAMILY ART NIGHT

Artists paint school red (and yellow, green, blue ...)

people gathered Nov. 19 at Nelson School, 8901 Ozanam Ave., Niles, for Family Art Night. Parents and students spent the

evening from 6:30-8 p.m. making artistic creations together in the Nelson School gymnasium.

The event was billed as a fun-filled evening during which participants could explore different art techniques and learn something new, together.

Children were required to be accompanied by an adult familv member.

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Students reach for balloons covered in paint to roll onto paper in the balloon-painting section of Family Art Night at Nelson School in Niles.

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Students write their definitions of art on a piece of paper at Family Art Night on Nov. 19 at Nelson School in Niles.

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NILES POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officers honored for service

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On Nov. 16 the Niles Police Department held its second annual awards luncheon at Lone Tree Manor to honor officers and citizens who had performed meritorious

The honorees included:

■ Michael and Sandra Bartley and Michael Colbert, who received the Chief's Citizen's Award, and police officers Michael Oraeion and Rodney Whiteman. who were awarded the Chief's Award of Valor for their actions in helping reseue a trapped Niles officer from his burning squad ear after it was struck by a drunk driver Feb. 7 at Milwaukee Avenue and Howard Street. The officer. David Pekosh has recovered from his injuries and is back at work.

■ Division Cmdr. Dennis McEnerney, who received prevent a bank robbery

Michael Colbert, of Chicago, talks with officer David Pekosh during the Niles Police Department awards Juncheon at Lone Tree Manor, Cobert was recognized at the lunch for assisting Pekosh in February. (Brian

the department's Distin- from occurring in Niles. guished Duty Declaration for his actions March 14, which directly led to identifying a bank robber and Declaration for defusing a then helped clear 10 bank robberies in Illinois and Missouri, and likely helped

Police. PAGE 13

Cmdr. Kenneth Sall.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009

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Things moved fast, Isa-

bella Garfias, 5, got a brain

freeze, said Ow, and kept

going with hardly a beat

As soon as they finished

one cupful, they reached out

more, more," rumbling lowly

for another the words "More.

42 scoops? No match for 18 hungry kids

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have had the experi watching our children stare at us like we're mentally unfit for asking them to do something as outlandish as eleaning their own rooms or brushing their

But say the words "ice eream." and they suddenly regard us as if we're the biggest geniuses at Fermilab.

So one telephone call casily brought 18 local kids to The Cooling Station in Highwood, to eat The Avalanche. a \$59.99, 42-seoop eandyand-syrup-festooned ice eream monstrosity, so we wouldn't have to.

I learned that day that ice eream ean be serious business to the short people.

As they gathered in the front of the store that afternoon. I asked - unnecessarily trying to drum up enthusiasm — "Do you know what you're here for?"

Total silence. It was an uncomfortable silence, reflecting incipient kiddie anger:

I looked in at least a dozen pairs of eyes and saw the same accusation in each.

You rat, the eyes said. You better not say you have tricked us.

But little Nora Blount, 5. stepped Spartaeus-like out of the crowd and pronounced, beaming, "We're gonna eat ice creani!"

and so are all your little buddies, so kindly unclench those tiny fists of fury.

The object of the exercise was earefully borne from The Cooling Station freezer by its creator. Lito Ampon. The Avalanche is an unusu-

you the best of the biggest restaurant food. We're looking for other big eats to feature. Contact us with your suggestions, (847) 486-7389 or ileavitt@pioneertocal.com. and we'll check it out.

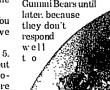


EATIN' BIG IN THE 'BURBS

What and where WHAT: The Avalanche HOW MUCH: \$59.99 HOW MUCH GOOD STUFF: 42 scoops of ice cream plus

solo in 30 minutes WHERE: The Cooling Station. 315 Waukegan Ave., Highwood WHEN: No walk-ins through winter: available only at prearranged parties until March 15

after every few layers. pings like M&M's and Gummi Bears until



Of course you are, darling,

Tell us your Mega Bite

Mega Bites is hungry to bring



freezing he said. This is a seignee I tell For our visit, Ampon left the top four of eight levels off

so we could photograph him

putting them on. He

braced the board

supporting The

Avalanche atop

the barrels of

ice eream be-

hind the

counter and

half the

kids lit-

pressed

HOW TO GET IT FREE: Fat it

ally difficult-to-handle example of oversize ice eream erally art because of its verticali-

Ampon said he found out noses early on that the only way to to the



pack the stuff on, adding erumbled Oreos and cake eones and other sweet erunely stuff between stra-When he was finished with

construction, the kids followed him, like snakes stalking St. Patrick, to a table. where he poured chocolate syrup, rainbow sprinkles. elioeolate iimmies Gummi Bears. M&M's. erumbled sugar eones, whipped eream and chocolate chips all over his little mountain

> thickly with all lanelie. I told him. those goodies Avalanche sounds better Park kids were loaded for tumbling he said. off the ice The Avalanche was born Go. But their monis wouldn't eream. about five years ago when a allow a full-frontal attack on Looks couple of Glenbrook North the mountain by their kids more like a High Selicol alumni wanted voleano something big for a homecoming party. Before long. wife Holly secoped it into Anipon announced that any-foain cups for them.

The base of the Lazy

Susan was covered

"The guy who got farthest got toward the last layer and gave out in 25 minutes." Ampon said. "Oh yeah, he

body who could cat an Ava-

lauche solo in a half hour-

Staff Photographer)

Perhaps the fastest finishfrom all around the two baners were a couple of quet tables. guvs who killed it in 9 minutes.

Clark Tibbens, 7, and Sam Falberg, 9, watch Frankie Pecaro, 7 (center)

catch some whipped cream falling off The Avalanche. (Joel Lerner/

It was all over in 14 minutes. All that was left were three little spots on the tableeloths. Every little face was clean, though I didn't see a single kid use a nap-

1. too, had joined the kids for a cup of ice cream. seconed from a dozen or so flavors made by Wilmette's Homer's and Wisconsin's Cedar Crest. I couldn't tell you ou a bet which flavors I ate, but I learned something the kids knew all

The more stuff you put on ice cream, the better it

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The Avalanche's penultimate stage of construction: Chocolate immies and other solid decor go on, before the whipped cream and chocolate gravy. (Joel Lerner/Staff Photographer)

Give thanks for these crafts



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BETH ENGELMAN

MOMMY on a SHOESTRING English and Post and a second

Story Bracelets



Beth Engelman creates Thanksgiving story bead bracelets using different colored beads. (Ruthie Hauge/Staff Photographer)

dren string their bracelets according to the story of Thanksgiving. • String 1 bead (any color) to represent the Pilgrims leaving England.

· String 1 white bead to represent the white sails on the Mayflower. • String 3 blue beads to represent the long trip over the

• Add 1 green bead to show when the Pilgrims saw land. • The Pilgrims' first winter was long and snowy, so add

3 white beads to represent winter. • String 1 green bead for the arrival of spring.

• String 1 yellow bead to represent the warmth of the

• Add one bead (any color) to represent the Native Americans who helped the Pilgrims.

 Add 4 beads to represent the food the Pilgrims and Native Americans enjoyed together on Thanksgiving which includes:

1 red bead for eranberries.

1 yellow bead for eorn.

1 brown bead for turkey.

1 orange bead for pumpkin

Once the beading is complete, twist the ends of the pipe cleaner together to make a bracelet.

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and her blog.

Ramblings of a

Crazy Woman,

for inspiring this

You will need:

■ Colored beads

■ Pipe eleaners

Have your chil-

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Create a family heirloom with this charming craft

You will need: ■ Small tree branch (eleaned and dried) ■ Vase

■ Paper (cut into leaf shanas) ■ Markers and/or eray-

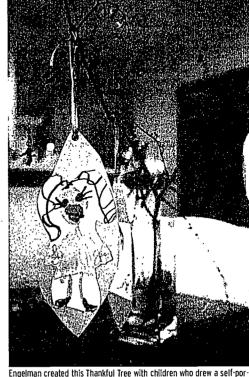
■ Hole-punch ■ Ribbon

Place tree branch in vase. If necessary, use stones or acorns to anchor the branch in place.

Ask each guest to write or draw one thing for which they are grateful. On the other side of the. paper, have them draw a self-portrait and write their name and age.

Punch a hole at the top of each leaf and hang then on your "tree" with

When the holiday is over: keep your leaves in a seeure spot so you ean hang them on your tree next year, being sure to add "new" leaves as well. In years to come your tree will be full of leaves as well as reminders of holidays past.



trait and wrote something they are thankful for onto a paper leaf. (Ruthie Hauge/Staff Photographer)

Unscramble Place Cards

If you or your elildren love puzzles, this elever DIY place eard eraft is for you.

You will need:

■ Apples and/or pears ■ Colored eardstock or index eards

■ Markers

■ Sharp knife

Make the name eard holder by cutting a slit at the top of each piece of fruit. Make the name eards by writing the scramble letters of each guest's name on a small piece of eard stock.

Place the scrambled name eards in the fruit holders right before the guests come to the table to ensure the paper doesn't get too soggy. When your guests arrive at the table, ask them to unseramble each name to find their seat.

Flower Topped Cake

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decorated this store-bought cake using fresh flowers and the Cake Vase. (Ruthie Hauge/Staff Photographer)

Table play

If you are in search of an icebreaker or need an activity the whole family can enjoy, try one of these Thanksgiving games that come courtesy of Mary Giles, executive editor of Disney FamilyFun magazine.

Chopstick Pass

This game keeps restless kids engaged and entertained between courses.

Object: To pass a set of items (almond, acorn, crauberry and nea) around the table using chopsticks (or a small spoon) without dropping them. You will need:

Chopsticks or spoons ■ Almond

■ Acorn

■ Cranberry ■ Pea

■ Small plate

Each player gets either a set of chopsticks or a small spoon (perfect for younger players). Place the almond. acorn, eranberry, and pea on a small plate. Place the plate next to the oldest player who will begin the game by passing each item to the person on his right, who will receive it with chopsticks and pass it along to the next player. The game continues until all the items have been passed around the table.

Turkey Eag Hunt

Object: Find the hidden turkey egg using the following elues:

"Gobble, gobble" = you're getting closer to the egg. "Giblet. giblet" = you're moving away from the egg.

You will need: ■ One hard-boiled egg

Choose one player to leave the room while the "turkey" egg is hidden. When the player returns, the others will eall out "gobble, gobble" or "giblet, giblet," to help the seeker find the egg. Once the egg is found, a new seeker is named, and the game

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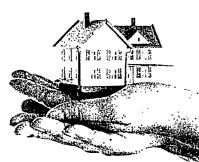
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The Rev. Stanley John Grueliot, 89, retired priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, died Nov. 12 :t St. Andrew Life Center in Niles, where he was a resident.

A mative of Chiengo, Gruchot was a graduate of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Elementary School, Quigley Preparatnry Seminary North, and the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary. He was ordained on Feb. 24. 1945, by Bishop Bernard Shiel.

Gruchot's first assignment in 1945 was at St. Andrew in Calumet City, where he served as assistant pastor for seven years, From 1952 to 1959, he was assistant pastor at St. Camillus Parish on Chieago's Southwest Side. In 1959 he was named assistant pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help, the same parish where he received his grannar school education, and where From 1964 to 1970, Gruehot thr from 1982 to 1986. He John, survive Gruehot.



The Rev. Stanley J. Gruchot

was named assistant pastor of St. Mary Magdalene, on Chicago's South Side. He served for one year, 1970 to 1971, at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish in Calumet City, returning to the parish where he had begun his voention.

he served for five years, the served as assneiate pas- Thaddeus, Aloysius, and

eiate pastor to Holy Rosary Parish in North Chiengo (now closed), where lie served for five years from 1986 to 1990. In 1990, he was named eliaplain at the St. Andrew Life Center, until his retirement from netive ministry in 1991.

"He was a figliter, even when he got sick. He insisted on eelebrating Mass until lie was no longer able to." said Sr. Kathyrn Wojeik. from the St. Andrew Life Center where Gruehot resided for nearly 20 years.

Three brothers, Thaddeus, Aloysius and John, survive Gruehot.

The wake was held Nov. Gruehot left the parish on 16 at St. Andrew Life Cena leave of absence and was ter. The Most Reverend eventually laieized in De- Thad Jakubowski, retired cember 1972. On Jan. 9. Auxiliary Bishop of Chica-1982, Gruchot was reinstat- go, was the main celebrant ed to the priesthood. His at a funeral Mass that was first assignment after being held Nov. 17. Burial was at reinstated was to St. Anas- Resurrection Cemetery in tasia in Waukegan, where Justice. Three brothers,

NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR GOLF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67

A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy for Golf School District No. 67 for 2009 will be held on December 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Board of Education Meeting Room, 9401 Waukegan Road, Morton Grove, Illinois 60053.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Mrs. Lisa De La Fuente at (847) 966-8200. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for the year 2008 were \$6,509,483.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2009 are \$7,160,431. This represents a 10%

increase over the previous year. The property taxes extended for debt service for 2008 were \$471,760.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service for 2009 are \$444,350. This represents a 5.8% decrease over the

The total property taxes extended or abated for 2008 were \$6,981,243.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2009 are \$7,604,781. This represents an 8.9% increase over the

The taxing district has estimated its equalized assessed valuation to secure new growth revenue and must adhere to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL or "tax cap" law). PTELL limits the increase over the prior year in the property tax extension of the taxing district to the lesser of 5% or the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI)

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Mulligan eyes committeeman, **House seats**

By JENNIFER JOHNSON ijohnson@pioneerlocal.com

State Representative Rosemary Mulligan is looking to retain her place in Springfield for another in the suburbs." two-year term, but she is new role as well.

In addition to filing petitions for a tenth term as Maine Township Town state representative of the 65th district, Mulligan, of Des Plaines, is hoping Maine Township voters will eleet her committeeman of the township's Regular Republican Organization during the Feb. 2 primary.

Mulligan, who is running unopposed for state representative but will face ineumbent Mark Thompson in the Republican committeeman race, said she is hoping to improve the organization which she claims has "gone downhill" during Thompson's eightyear lendership.

"I'm just appalled at the lack of organizational skills at this point," Mulligan said, "Mark has had eight years to put something together, but there's nothing there."

Mullig:111 s:11d the township has lost many precinct tive. captains and active members while failing to supic opponent in 2008, "I just don't find his style of leadership successful and there me a lot of people unhappy with him," Mulligan said.

Thompson, however, feels the organization has weathered "tough election cyeles" where Democrats swept many state and national offices, and although it has lost members, new members have also joined, he said.

"We still have a good organization," Thompson, a Des Plaines resident, stat- can primary. ed. "We are still able to do Comment: pioneerlocal.com

things. We swept the township nffices (in April), we have elected other Republie in candidates and we're in a lot better shape than a lot of other organizations

Fnr several years, howevalso looking to take on a er, relations between Thompson and the predominantly Republican Board have been strained. with Thompson putting up his own slate of candidates and running for tnwnship supervisor in 2005, During the last election, however, Thompson did give his support to the incumbents.

Thompson elains Mulligan is interested in the committeeman seat beeause she plans to retire before her term in the state house is up and, as committeeman, slie would be able to appoint her successor. "This is what she's after controlling who will suceeed her." Thompson said. "I think it's pretty unfortunate she's taken that positinn near the end of her career."

Mulligan has denied this, saying it is actually Throupson who wants to appoint himself state represent:

"I'm not spending the time and the money to get port her in her candidacy reelected state represenagainst a thugh demnerat- tative and retire," Mulligan said, adding that when she does decide to leave office, it will be at the end of a

On the Democratic side, Laura Murphy, committeeman of the Regular Maine Township Democratic Organization, is running unopposed for re-election. Thompson, meanwhile, is

also imping to unsent Cnok County Commissioner Elizabeth Doody Gorman in the 17th district. He has filed petitions for the Republi-



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Niles driver notches his third arrest of month in tree crash

torist from Niles is in po- vidual recognizance bond lice custody at an Evanston at 5:40 a.m. Nov. 17. hospital after reportedly stealing a station wagon to rest 12 feet away early curb and erashed head-on Nov. 18 in Chicago, police said.

The motorist was identified by Chicago Police as Steven Casey, 19, of the 7000 block of West Fargo Avenue in Niles.

Before early Wednesday's arrest, Casey was arrested Nov. 1 in Niles and charged with criminal trespass after allegedly walking around naked in the 6700 block of Howard Avenue. He was also arrested for trespussing at 5224 S. Rutherford Ave. on Chicago's Southwest side at 10:35 p.m. Nov. 16.

Casey was released from the Chicago Lawn District

An allegedly drunken mo- police station on an indi-

In the Nov. 18 incident, officers were notified at 3:15 and plowing into a tree so a.m. that a Subaru Legahard it uprooted and came cystation wagon jumped a into a tree at 5515 N. Franeiseo Ave., Lineoln District police Sgt. Patrick Barker

> Police learned that before the wreck Casey allegedly stole the vehicle near North Rockwell and West Ainslie streets - about a mile south of where the wreek occurred.

"He uprooted one tree completely out of the at the accident, but it was ground and sent it 12 feet into the middle of the street," Barker said. The vehicle flipped and

gers, Barker said. The police Major Acciwas left lying on its side between the tree and a dent Investigation Unit is wrought iron fence he dentinvestigating. ed near someone's lionie,

NI - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2009

Casey was conscious and

talking after the crash de-

spite being extricated from

the crumpled vehicle by

firefighters using the "jaws

of life," said the sergeant,

who added the Subaru

looked like a "piece of sliop

Casey, who was alleged-

ly drank and speeding, was

taken to St. Francis Hospi-

tal in Evanston, where he

is on a ventilator and has

head injuries, said Barker,

who added the man would

be placed in custody at the

not immediately known

how Casey took the vehi-

ele, which had no passen-

The vehicle's owner was

inetal."

hospital.

- STM reports

without incident. ■ Officers Gene Krause

Police

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et with a knife Oct. 1, 2008.

The subject surrendered

and Vince Lombardo, who received the department's Distinguished Duty Deelaration for responding to u 911 call on Oct. 3, during which they found a man down and not breathing. They immediately started CPR and continued until paramedies arrived. Med-

eers saved the man's life. ■ Detectives Sgts. John Huinker and Joseph O'Sul-

of North Milwaukee Avenue.

He was released on \$1,000

bond and is due in court

Joel Steinbreacher, 39, of

3321 W. Catalpa Ave., Chica-

go, was charged with driv-

Nicholas Beyer, Thomas Fragassi, Jerry Mercado and Nicholas Zakula, who were awarded Department Commendations for their work in solving the February 2007 murder of a 28year-old Niles man during

■ Detective Nicholas Beyer, who was awarded tliree Department Coinmendations for clearing the victims. ical personnel said the offi- cases including a Septem-

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ber 2008 armed robbery, a kula, who was awarded two were awarded Department May 2009 robbery and multiple thefts and burglaries livan, along with Detectives at a health club in Niles be-Alexopoulos, tween 2006 and 2008, recovering nearly \$33,000 in property.

block of North Caldwell Av-

enue. He was released on

\$1,000 bond and is due in

Mike Yen, 37, of 6350

Skokie Blvd., Skokie, was

charged with driving under

the influence of alcohol Fri-

day on the 6900 block of

West Dempster Street. He

eourt Dec. 10.

ing under the influence of was released on \$1,000 bond

alcohol Friday on the 6800 and is due in court Dec. 21.

An offender was identified ■ Detective Thomas Fragassi, who was awarded two and charged. additional Department officers Roy Balsamo and Commendations for elearing a May 2009 robbery and awarded Department Coma 2007 ease, which led to the arrest and prosecution of a subject for felony theft and growing marijuana plants home-repair fraud in which an elderly Niles couple were

■ Officers Pater Daoud ■ Detective Nicholas Zaand Danielle Helma, who

at his residence.

eero, was charged with theft of merchandise from a store Nov. 19 after allegedly stealing \$425 of merehandise from a store on the 5600 block of Old Orchard Road. He was held on \$50,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 21.

Stephany Powell, of 1655 Felton Road, Aurora, was eharged with theft Nov. 17 after allegedly stealing \$352

in two other jurisdictions.

needed psychological help

and called for assistance

and may have prevented a

leased on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Dec. 21. A fire-hose connection valued at \$500 was stolen Nov. 13 from a business on

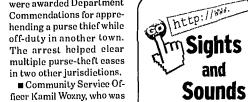
on the 900 block of Civic

Center Drive. She was re-

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Park Avenue.

the 7500 block of North Oak



■ Sgt. Michael Boba and awarded a Department For enhanced coverage of Commendation for his efpeople and places in your forts Dec. 27 when, during community, check out a parking-lot motor-vehicle Pioneer Press' videos at aecident, he recognized that www.pioneerlocal.com. one of the people involved



MAINE TOWNSHIP

Residents allege profiling

By JENNIFER JOHNSON jjohnson@pioneerlocal.com

The gas station at Dee and Golf Roads is just blocks from Betty Cruz's home, but the unincorporated Maine Township resident has grown wary of purchasing gas there - at least, when Cook County Sheriff's police officers are present.

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> shortly after: Nine other residents, including Cruz's husband and teenage son, also attended the meeting, saying they, too, have been unfairly targeted by Sheriff's police.

for serious offenses like suspected drunken driving, Cruz feels police are unfairly ticketing Hispanie driv-"We get stopped just by ers for minor offenses and

lice Commander Tony Brzezniak, who attends the monthly Neighborhood Watch meetings at Maine Town Hall in Park Ridge, said he would investigate Cruz's complaints.

to stop," Brzezniak said.

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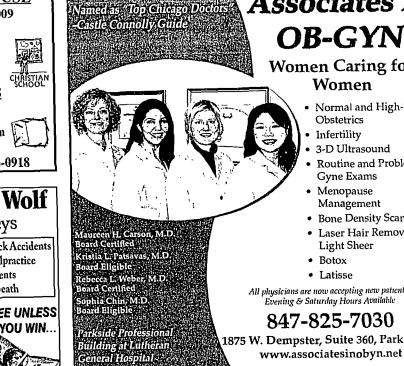
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the way we look," Cruz said,

adding that she has been targeting them for traffic pulled over three times stops because of their race. after leaving the gas station. She also objected to drivers

During one stop, Cruz said the officer told her she had a rear light that was burned out, but when Cruz asked to see it, the officer said "never mind," and she was not ticketed. Cruz insists the light was not burned out.

Another time, Cruz says she was issued a ticket for hanging a Rosary from her rearview mirror, Another resident said her husband also received a ticket from Cook County Sheriff's Police for the same reason, and a man said he, too, was tieketed for having an object

lianging from his mirror. While she agrees that drivers should be stopped having their vehicles towed if they do not have a drivers Cook County Sheriff's Po-

Brzezniak also defended his police officers, saying they follow a state law that requires them to have probable cause before conducting a traffic stop. An obstructed windshield or liceuse plate, or a burned out headlamp or taillight are legitimate reasons for a traffic stop, he said.

"If the law's on the books and that's what you're getting a ticket for, that's not profiling. It's probable cause

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Many reasons to shop locally this holiday season

Friday marks what used to be the start of a month of rushed. shopping frenzy.

But retailers have lowered their expectations this year as the economy continues to resist efforts to bring it back to life. The reality is that most of us will be spending less this year on holiday gifts.

Shoppers have already been courted with intriguing promotions in malls or substantial discounts by chain stores.

But for most of us, there's a better option right down the street.

Local stores offer shoppers something you're not likely to find at other stores: personal service.

Everything's more personal when you shop locally. Many of the sales staff are local residents, folks you may know. Their job is to help you pick out the perfect gift, not ring up as many sales as possible. The

Local merchants say they work hard to stay in tune with the needs of their local customers, and so stock items important to them. They want you back, so they're more likely to order items you actually want to

Many stores extend their hours during December. making it more convenient to shop in town. Moreover. shoppers save gas by not having to drive further just to get to a mail

Many local shops offer eomplimentary gift wrapping and gift boxes, which are becoming an endangered species at many chain stores. Local salons and restaurants offer gift certifi-

Parking is easy and inexpensive and shopping can take minutes, not hours.

Shopping locally is one way to thank merchants for

their generosity. Many willingly donate both goods and services for charity fundraising auctions or school events. They hand out candy to local children on Halloween and allow their display windows to serve as bulletin boards for local events. Many also support youth sports.

> There's also another great reason to shop locally every local sales tax dollar they collect stays in town. and every property tax dollar paid by a business building's owner means local homeowners will have less to pay on their property

A thriving business distriet often defines a commuuity. But those local shops need a steady reliable base of eustomers to continue to

This season, shop at your sense of community and holiday spirit.

local stores, and enjoy that

CHERYL O'DONOVAN

Earlier, I zipped over to

the History Channel site to

discovered many faseinat-

Myth: The Pilgrims ate

Fact: After a frothy Tar-

nation Instant Breakfast.

the biggest meal of the day

for the colonists was eaten

at noon, called a "noon-

meat" or dinner. The Pil-

changed since the 17th

eentury, because my chil-

dren eat with their fingers

the purpose of a napkin.

and have to be reminded of

Myth: The Pilgrims wore

buckles on their hats, gar-

ments, and shoes. "Bad-

grims didn't use forks; they

ate with spoons, knives and

their fingers. Not much has

with fancy cutlery.

research the Pilgrims. I

ing tidbits.

VAN MOM STRIKES AGAIN

Blessings of new runway counted

Since the O'Hare Airport North Runway opened earlier this year, a signifieant effect on the quality of life has occurred in parts of far northwest Chicago. Park Ridge and Niles. The relative peace and tranquility in some parts of these residential neighborhoods has been shaken. There are, however, some things to be thankful for.

I now have a common bond with all my neighbors. We all communicate more often about the noise, when we can hear each other talk and despise those responsible for allowing this runway to operate adjacent to residential neighborhoods.

I save on sales taxes by not buying in Chicago or

had allowed me to work at home occasionally in order to be more productive and not waste gasoline. With the aircraft noise affecting telephone conversations, I

Cook County. My employer

travel more to the office in Lake County and buy my gasoline and other goods there at a much lower tax

Kids in the neighborhood have less of a chance of getting hurt in the parks. Mothers keep them home more often to watch TV and play video games to avoid the jet noise out-

I'm not as disappointed when the Cubs. Sox. Bulls, Wolves or Hawks lose. I miss half the sports scores on the radio when a jet

I now understand the concept of a Black Hole. This is what happens when you call the Aircraft Noise Complaint line. Calls go in and nothing ever comes

I don't need an alarm eloek to get up on weekends. The gentle roar of an early-morning jet passing overhead awakens the entire neighborhood.

I found religion. Daily I face east and pray for an easterly wind, which minimizes the air traffie over

Have a Happy Thanksgiving, as I will. I'm leaving

Steve Lushniak Edison Park | boy" Pilgrims flaunted buckle tattoos and low-rise breeches. Fact: Buckles did not.

1000 WORDS

come into fushion until later: Black and white were worn on Sunday and formal oceasions. Today, buckles on belts often burst after a Thanksgiving pig-out, and have been replaced with elastic waists and expandable NFL jerseys.

Myth: Pilgrims flavored their bland food with varnish from the Mayflower. Fact: They used many

spices, including cinnamon ginger, nutmeg, pepper and dried fruit. Herbs and seasonings included olive oil. leeks, dried currents and parsnips. When my family and I reenacted the first Thanksgiving, my husband kept it real. He didn't ask for the salt, but said. "Please pass the liverwort."

Myth: Pilgrims were enthusiastic adopters of the metric system.

Fact: Puritan cooks did not have teaspoons or measuring devices. They improvised, which is why the grog was such a hit.

Myth: Pilgrims ehowed on turkey and Guy Fieri

Thanksgiving myths & facts Fact: Pilgrims ate wild turkey, goose, duck, erane. swan, partridge, eagle. venison and seal. Pets took chances if they stayed in the backyard overnight.

Myth: Pilgrims enjoyed pumpkin pie.

Fact: Pilgrims had no access to sugar. When Aunt Mildred sent over a dessert from England, oxen were dispatched to drag the fruiteake to the Pilgrim pienie tables.

Myth: Pilgrims were humorless workaholies who'd harness their own grandmothers to the

Fact: The stoic stereotype is unfair. Pilgrims often laughed, belted out tunes from Broadway musicals and Twittered their followers. Historians recently unearthed a hidden stash of DVDs. including "Weekend at Bernie's" and outtakes from "Colony's Funniest Home Videos," as well as a "Settler" magazine featuring the Sexiest Pilgrim Alive, Myles Standish.

Have a wonderful holiday. everyone. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

counseling for seniors and others

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

The Polish National Alliance is sponsoring its annual drive of new toys. games and monetary donations for local needy children at Christmas. There will be a collection box in the front lobby of the Polish National A liance Home Office, 6100 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago, and the PNA Bank, 7840 N Milwaukee Ave Niles for the toy donations until Dec. 11 bring unwrapped toys for boys and girls up to age 16. After the deadline, the donat ed toys will be delivered to the Shriner's Hospital in Chicago, in time for Christmas Monetary donations will be collected from Vice Presiden Paul C. Odrobina's Office, where the money will go to purchase additional toys and gifts for the children in the name of the donor. Call the Polish National Alliance, (773) 286-0500, Ext. 316 or visit www.nna-znn.org.

Center of Concern

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

Tuesdays, Wednesdays (every week) - Employment counseling, by appoint

Monday, Dec. 14 - Alzheimer's caregivers support group, 10 a.m. Tuesdays, Dec. 1 and 15 - Medicare Tuesday, Dec. 8 - Annual Holiday Party, 7:30 pm., Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave . Park Ridge. Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 16 and 30 - Grief and loss support group (call first). Saturdays, Dec. 12 and 19 - Legal counseling by appointment. Sat., Dec. 19 - Blood pressure and blood sugar testing, 10 am. noon (no annointment needed). Note: The Center will be closed Nov. 26 and 27 for Thanksgiving The Cener will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 and

will close at 1 p.m. Dec. 31. Center counselors also are available to belo eligible residents annly for Illinois Circuit Breaker property-tax relief grants and license-plate discounts, Illinois Cares Rx (prescription drug assistance), the senior-citizen real-estate tax exemption and deferral, the senior-citizen tax-assessment freeze, and the longtime-occupanthomeowner property tax exemption. Support groups for Alzheimer's caregivers, those suffering from grief and loss, and seniors seeking to improve their nutrition are available at the Center of Concern in Park Ridge. The center also offers affordable personal counseling to adults of all ages. Call center social worker Myrna Fogarty.

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N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park

Ridge The center also offers housing

seeking affordable housing, programs designed to prevent homelessness, in home health care referrals, friendly visitors for the homebound and volunteer opportunities in the office and Center tax counselors are available to help eligible residents apply for Illinois Circuit Breaker property tax relief grants and license plate dis-

counts Minois Cares Rx (prescription drug assistance), the senior citizen real estate tax deferral, and the senior citizen tax assessment freeze. Employment counseling and prepa powers of altorney for health care and property also are available by appointment. All services are offered at the Center of Concern offices at 1580 N Northwest Hinhway Suite 310, in Park Ridge For services that require an appointment, call (847) 823-0453 weekdays. 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Chamber

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

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Students create, donate portraits of Ugandan orphans

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Niles North art students recently gave something personal and unique to orplians in far-off Uganda -portraits of the orphans traits do research on the themselves to have.

created by about 20 North body will research the edstudents from photographs of the orphans, were done ehildren, the conditions for for the Memory Project, a high selicol and college art initiative that North has that being in a suburban four years.

give an orplian who basical- in touch with how fortunate ly has no belongings or a they are," Real said. record of their history They're poor, deprived, a lot of them are sick and a lot of acrylic or mixed media. them go through a lot of trauma," said Lori Real, a ereated by Madison, Wis., Niles North fine arts in- resident Ben Schumaker in structor.

In past years. Niles North unteer in Guatemala and art students have erented discovered people who portraits for orphans in were orphans didn't have Nicaragua, Haiti and

dents who produce the porcountry and what we do is The students' portraits, break it down where someuention, the conditions for women, education level, the climate and what I hope is good school, they have par-

> The students rendered eil, paint, watercolor,

The Memory Project was 2004, who traveled as a vol-

personal belongings from their youth. "I usually have the stu-

"He was traveling around to these orphanages and found out that they don't have any images of themselves - so it's to brighten their lives and give them something tangible that's only theirs that they get to keep. It's just to make them feel important and make them feel probably seen and participated in for the past school where they're in a to show people care," said Real. Schumaker takes plio-"The purpose of it is to ents that care, that they get to s of the orphans and sends them to high schools and colleges for art students to create portraits something special for them. the portraits in colored penthat will be given to the chil-

> For more information about the Memory Project visit www.themeinorypro-

> > Comment; pioneerlocal.com



Niles North art student Jonathan Leithold Pratt created this portrait of a Ugandan orphan for North's contribution to the Memory Project. (Photos courtesy of Lori Real)

Henmueller, Desiree

GUERIN

Guerin College Preparatory High School, River Grove, has named 323 students to the honor roll for the first quarter of the 2009-10 school year.

First Honors

Norridge: Sarah Dee. Karolina Cieslak, Agnes Galej, Rebecca Hufnus and Patricia Radon.

Antipas, Ellen Benson. Adam Fawell, Sylvia Goezol, Miehelle Karaskiewiez, Margaret Obacz, Andrew Rangel, Natalie Shaver, Oliver Sitkowski, Elizabeth Szmkowski, Elaisa Vargas and Daniel Wente.

60631: Andrea Bielieki and Dana DeRaimo.

60634: Kaitlyn Adrian, Katia Aiello, Matthew

Chicago 60630: Christie John Mariane Gianna Paul, Samantha Pucci, Derek Rogoz, Megan Romberg, Abigail Sawal

Babitseli, Jackqueline Bartnieki, Jordyn Black, Anisa Bravo, Jilian Burns, Victoria Davila, Yadira Diaz. Caitlin Flanagan, Adriana Flores, Victoria Giannini. Therese Golemo, Natalie Gwizdz, Amanda Holden, Stefan likovits, Christina Karahalios, Mary Kasza, Dennis Kelly, Paula Kopee, Anna Kross, Kevin Kross, Klaudia Kupinska, Geena Lardino, Filip Latocha, Jessica Lisak, Amara Loconti,

Marzee, Kristine MeInerney, Rebeeea McManamon, Melanie Niepsuj, Alexandra

Nicole Shouse, Marco Silva, Nieholas Siman, Christina Steffy, Jaelyn Story, Michael Strnad, Kel-

ly Tansor, Alina Thomas, Lauren Tisza, Crystal Vargas, Danielle Wade, Camila Waksmanski, Danielle Walezak, Dominica Walezak, Mareie Wiklanski, and Do-

minika Wroblewska. 60639: Natalie Carraseo, Jeanette Fonseea, Will Torres and Mayra Zamorano. 60641: Jessiea Arroyo,

Gypsy-Lee Bilenda, Melissa Cyrwus, Iwona Lazarz, Diana Lukasik, Diana Meo, Monica Puciaty, Natalia Skrzyniarz, Karina Villanueva, Paulina Wojtach and Martha Zinkiewiez.

60656: Panagiotis Alexopoulos, Jonathan Cabai

SCHOOLS DIGEST Marie DiGiaeomo, Eryn Fallon, Andrew Hayes, Ryan Kurtz, Mark Martin, James Nasiri, Frances Pla-

in, and Prisco Sinfuego. Second Honors Norridge: Vada Beeker. Samantlia Duda and An-

thony Huspen 60630: Benny Barrios, Rebeeca Benavides, Frank Benitez, Danielle Giegoldt, Giov:nni Palonino, Dan Joseph San Buenaventura and Rachael Santos.

60631: Elizabeth Bieliek. 60634: Sara Altman, Natalia Cieeinski, Caitlin Crawford, Kyle Doherty, Patricia Doyle, Brad Erlenbaelı, Jeremy Falugario. Robert Fitzgerald, Alyssa Giovenoc, Ann: Gurgul, Mark Henmueller, Matthew

Irizarry, Brittany Jurasz, Vincent Kachler, Jessica Kalin, Kyle Klasen, Natalia Koziol, Natalie Kulaeli. Benj:min Lenvy, Steven Legacki, Savorio Loconti. Kevin Maalıs, Gioia Marzulio, Angeline Motzny Michael Nec, Anthony Norman, Gianna Parlich, Grace Pflaumer, Daniela Rodriguez, Kiara Rosado, Peter Sampson, Aliein

Stevens, Melanie Thurman, Gabriella Valdez, Rebecca Vargas Alan Velasquez. Emilia Walasik, Judith Wrobel and Cara Yacobue-

60639: Alexia Brown, llinna Carcanaquez, Justine Fonseca, Sara Fonseca, Natalie Lezama, Rudy Melgar,

Janalee Monroig and Rhiannon Taylor.

60641: Alex Carrizales. Jack Cicciura, Emmanuel Perez, Elizabetlı Pin:ı, Aslıley Sanchez and Charles Thomas

60656: Gianna Annunzio, Peter Kozela and William

Honorable Mention

Norridge: Mieliael Briglio, Stephanie Rizos and David Zingia

60630: Alekhine Aguilos, Joshua Ortega and Jesenia Roman; 60631: Kevin Rice: 60634: Patricia Biernacki. Brandon Blieharz, Mackenzie Clark, Suzanna Deneen, Nicole Ffrench, Dan Gepolio, Eric Giovenco, Danielle

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Joseph Wilson. 60639: Mary Jo Caballero, Jim Jawicki, Adrian Jozefik, Adriana Rodriguez and Jocelyn Zavala; 60641: Elizabeth Andrews, Renee Cardenas China Carrasquillo, Jerrell Danner III, Samantha De-La-O, Deyanira Garcia, Otto Perez and Jaime Santana; 60646: Christine Wenzl: 60656: Anthony Affrunti. Melissa DiGiacomo. Hersi Kotori, Vito Manzella and Thomas MeIntyre.

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and part-time preschool and kindergarten classes. Spanish language instruction, departmental classes for fourth to eighth grades, technology, physical education, music, a library and art. A wide variety of aftersehool programs including: sports, journalism, art, seience, band, string instruments, drama, chess, Tac-Kwon-Do, student council, cooking Junior National Honor Society, and dance are also offered. Extended day care services are also available for enrolled stu-

In 2007, the sehool was named a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.

Best Wishes for A Happy Holiday Season

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NORTHRIDGE PREP

Northridge Prep performed well at the first High School Illinois Math League Contest held Oct. 20. While several schools tied for the first four places, Northridge finished fifth out of the 79 all-division high schools who participated in the contest

The ton scorer with a perfect score of 6 was Jimmy Snitzer. Other top scorers with a score of 5 inelude Matthew Badyna, Larry Bilello, John Birmingham, Wonjik Chun, John Romano. John Sander, Ben Sturgeon, Mark Williams, and Kang Yeo! Youn.

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The New Notre Dame High School for Girls, 3115 N. Mason Ave., will hold an Open House on Dec. 9. It. .. will run from 6-8:30 p.m., with the last tour taking place at 8 p.m., and is open

to all seventh- and eighthgrade students and their parents.

Contact Julie Raino, president of Development at (773) 622-1541 for more nformation or to reserve a spot. Reservations not re-

Five Notre Dame High School seniors, all Chicago residents, have been awarded large scholarships to the colleges of their

Maria Cueva - Awarded the Presidential Scholar. ship at Aurora University for \$38,000 over four

years.; also awarded the Fitzpatrick Scholarship at Lewis University for \$40,000 over 4 years.

Victoria Salas - Awarded the Dean's Scholarship at Elmhurst College for \$60,000 over 4 years.

Carolina Gutlerrez -Awarded \$38,000 over 4 years in Academic Scholarships to Aurora University.

Irma Torres - Awarded \$44,000 over 4 years in Academie Scholarshins to Concordia University.

Amanda Martinez - Awarded \$26,000 over 4 years in Academic Scholarshins to

Concordia University. The National Honor Society

is a nationwide organization established in 1921 to recognize outstanding high school students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of leadership, service, and character. The 2009 Notre Dame High School National Honors So ciety members are: Jesenia Arce, Heidi Billingham, Taina Cailgas, Jennifer Casper, Melissa Corado, Maria Cueva. Carolina Gutierrez, Katherine Guitierrez, Yuliya Ralko, An-

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Thanksgiving Day Worship - 10:00 A.M.

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of fellowship and pie.

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nelica Richardson, Victoria Salas, Irma Torres, Chandrea Chaivarat, Rosey Kurian, Magda Martinez, Kassandra Pacheco, Elizabeth Rodriguez and Dolores Santiago.

REGINA DOMINICAN

Regina Dominican seniors Demetra Londos and Syra Vasquez along with local Chicago band, Cavashawn, organized a "Rock for Charity" event held at St. Martha's Church in Morton Grove. The concert, which included five local bands, took place on Nov. 7 and benefited the organization, To Write Love on Her Arms, a teen suieide prevention nonprofit organization. Londos and Vasquez received help from Regina's Senior Peer Leaders and by holding bake sales, selling tickets and accepting donations

designed to encourage and foster the spirit of social entrepreneurship among they raised \$2,679 for the high school students organization through well-executed ben-On organizing the event efit concerts. It is a means

an event that everyone

could get involved in."

The local bands that

Londos and Vasquez re-

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Web site about the event

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The event was part of

The Just Because Initia-

Cavashawn. It is a venture

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Kidnap in Color and Devon

thought it was a lot of fun, for student leaders to work together with bands, because I really believe in supporting TWLOHA. I artists, and music industry professionals to plan and don't think it gets enough recognition. I think the execute a benefit concert concert was a fun and difthat raises money for a cause of the students' ferent way to put on a charity event versus a bake sale or walk. It was

Londos and Vasquez hope to organize another "Rock for Charity" event. in the spring.

NI • THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2009

RESURRECTION

In anticipation of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception celebrated each year on Dec. 8, Resurrection College Prep High School is honored to weleome Bishop John Manz, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, who will bless and dedicate a statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Nov. 30 at an all-school prayer service at 10 a.m. The statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be placed in the Peace Garden inside the school. The statue is a gift from the families of two current Resurrection seniors, Lucina Diaz and Nicxie Mazon.

The community is wel-

Cakes, 3100 Dundee Road. Northbrook, Course fee is

rolling in Alliance for Lifelong Learning continuing education courses at Oakton Community College. Are You Compatible? Insight From Handwriting Analysis (COM M05-04)

shows how graphology, often called "brain writing" can provide insight into whether or not you and your partner are compatible. Two-week course meets 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays starting Dec. 2 at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines, Course fee is \$49.

The Talking Farm: The Farm with Something to Say (BOT E93-03) examines the benefits of urban farms. The Talking Farm is a nonprofit organization that provides access to fresh and locally grown food. One-week session meets 7-8:30 p.m. Dec. 7 at Niles North High School, 9800 Lawler Ave., Skokie. Course fee is \$5.

Holiday Cookie Exchange (HEC F42-01) offers professional tips and recipes for making several kinds of holiday cookies to take home and eat. One-week course meets 7-9 p.m. Dec. 7 at Dream

LIFE HAS

ITS MOMENTS...

Understanding Fibromyalgia (HEA C21-01) looks at

treatments for this chronic eondition characterized by widespread pain in muscles. ligaments, and tendons. Oneweek session meets 7-8 p.m. Dec. 7 at Maine West High School, Course fee is \$5.

Self Defense/Rape Prevention Seminar (PED E32-02) includes awareness training, how to use your voice as a weapon, and self-defense techniques. One-week eourse meets 7-9 p.m. Dec. 8 at Maine East High School. 2601 Dempster St., Park Ridge. Course fee is \$5.

For a complete Alliance for Lifelong Learning class schedule, visit www.oakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888, press 3.

Learn about therapeutic benefits of voga by enrolling in a fitness course offered by the Emeritus Program at Oak-

Yoga in the Middle (PED SII-62) demonstrates breathing, relaxing, and gentle stretches. The class, taught by an instructor certified by the Himalayan Institute, will

help improve balance, strength and flexibility. Fiveweek course meets 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays starting Dec. 9 at Oakton's Skokie campus, 7701 N. Lineoln Ave. Course

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

Ring in 2010 on a California getaway offered by Oakton. This special five-day tour is scheduled to depart Dec. 29.

Travel to Pasadena for "Bandfest" and other Rose Bowl activities. Enjoy the Crystal Cathedral's amazing "Glory of Christmas Show." After a gala dinner dance, take a reserved seat for the Tournament of Roses Parade a New Year's Day tradition since 1890.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement ad to review this Angual Statement of Affairs should contact: 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Also by January 15, 2010 the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.lsbe.net Statement of Operations as of June 30,2009

			Operations			Municipal				Fire
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Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		5.754,935	1.070.981	460,068	227.392	162.401	0	63.595	13.247	0
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		6.400.143	1.092,603	445.415	187,224	215,805	0		95,563	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		856,850	0	0	-800,000	0	0	-56,850	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2008		443.298	201,881	308,255	958,782	64.145	0	1,609,596	0	0
Other Changes in Fund Balances		-671,752	0	0	0	0	0	0	671,752	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2009		-16.812	180.259	322,908	198.950	10 741	n	1 616 341	589 436	n۱

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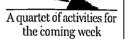
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2. "Celebrate the

Season," a holiday eabaret, will be presented by Shoestring Productions at 7 p.m. Sundays and 7:30 p.m. Mondays, Nov. 29-Dec. 28, at Stage One, 620 Lee St., downtown Des Plaines. \$10. Call (847) 657-7688 or visit www.shoestringprodue-

3. Cirque le Masque pres ents "Carnivale," a European-style circus, at 5 and 8 p.m. Nov. 28 and 3 p.m. Nov. 29 at Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$35. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.eentreeast.org.

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4. Holocaust survivor Rita Lurie and her daughter; Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, will discuss their new book Bending Toward the Sun: A Mother and Daughter Memoir, at 7 p.m. Dec. 3 at the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. A dessert reception and book signing follows. \$30 for museum members; \$35 nonmembers. Reservations required; call (847)

The holidays 'pop' in Park Ridge **'Holiday Pops'**by the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra and
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Company and the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra, 7 p.m. Dec, 12 at the Pickwick Theatre, \$30: \$25 for students and

corchestra.org. 'The Nutcracker.'

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Park Ridge eelebrates Christmas in a big way, with two live classical inusical programs set for December at the Pickwick Theatre, the city's 1,450 seat Art Deco movie

The Park Ridge Civie

Orehestra will present its annual Holiday Pops program at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2 at the Pickwick Theatre, Conduetor will be Vietor Muenzer, principal trumpet and assistant conductor of the orchestra. The program features the 40-voice Park Ridge Civic Orchestra's Chorus, which is directed by John Goodwin. The chorus has performed numerous works with the orehestra. including Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, "Carmina Burana" and the Brahms "Requiem."

The concert opens with the overture to Offenbaeh's "La Belle Helene," but after that the music takes on a decidedly Christmas spirit. The oreliestra and ehorus will present the "Carol Sympliony," a suite of four choral preludes based on such favorites as "The First Noel." Written in 1927, it is the best known work of Victor Hely-Hutchinson, a South African-born British composer, who was also a conductor and BBC adminis-



Choral director John Goodwin

"I heard the 'Carol Symphony' on WFMT and liked it." said Edgar Muenzer, founder and artistic director of the orehestra, who was a member of the violin section of the Chicago Symphony Orehestra for 47 years, "I got the music from England this year. We have never played it and I wonder if it has ever been played in this area."

Singer Cheryl Wilson, a violist in the oreliestra, will present her own arrangements of four seasonal songs, including "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" by Hugh Martin from the 1944 movie "Meet Me in St. Louis," and a salsa version of "We Need a Little Christmas," by Jerry Herman from the 1966 Broadway musical "Mame"

As in the past, the evening will include a holiday sing-along. The



Salute." "Audience members who have served in the military tell me they look forward to standing up every year when their service song is played," Muenzer said. "We didn't play it one year and I heard about it right away. It has become a

popular "Armed Forces

On their toes

The Ballet Chicago Studio Company will return to the Pickwick for the fourth year at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12 to present one performance of the beloved holiday ballet "The Nuteracker." The Tehaikovsky score will be played by the Park Ridge Civie Orehestra.

Daniel Duell, artistic director of Ballet Chicago, and the production will be directed by Patricia Blair, both of whom are dedieated to the legacy of the great chorcographer

Choreography is by



Soprano soloist Cheryl Wilso

George Balanchine, "We teach the Balanchine technique in our school," Blair said, "and we are licensed to perform Balanchine ballets."

At holiday time, however, the nearly 70 dancers at the Pickwick will follow the flowing choreography of Duell. "Except," Blair said, a smile in her voice, "for the pas de deux, which is done by guest artists following Balanchine's choreography."

That pas de deux is famous for its athleticism and its downright daring moves. For example, as the music accelerates, the female dancer comes running up from behind her male partner and leaps onto his shoulder. Then she runs back and does it all over again.

Guest artists will be Hamilton Nieh, a member of the Luna Negra Dance Theater, and Ballet Chicago alum Ted Seymour, who dances with

the Suzanne Farrell Ballet. They will partner ballerinas who are advanced members of the Ballet Chicago Studio Company.

Established in 1995. Ballet Chicago now teaches nearly 200 students and 40 of their former students are members of professional ballet companies. ineluding Balanchine's own New York City Ballet, Miami City Ballet, founded by Balanchine dancer Edward Villella, and the Suzanne Farrell Ballet in Washington. D. C., founded by one of the choreographer's muses. Alums also dance in Chicago-based Luna Negra Dance Company and River North Dance Company and in companies from the Pacific Northwest to Houston, Nashville and the East Coast.

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THE ROAD * * *

Viggo Mortensen stars in an adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's Pulitzer Prize-winning post-apocalyptic drama. (319 min.) Rated R for some violence, disturbing images and fan-

A young ninja who's very good at

his job (South Korean actor/dancer

Rain) turns his back on the clan that

raised him and plots revenge for the

death of a friend. James McTeigue

("V for Vendetta") directed the mar-

tial-arts actioner. (99 min.) Rated R

for strong, bloody, stylized violence

OLD DOGS

ners (Robin Williams and John Tra-

volta) unexpectedly find themselves

caretakers of 7-year-old twins Walt

Becker ("Wild Hoos") directed the

comedy, (88 min.) Rated PG for

some mild rude humor.

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* * * Werner Herzog's offheat redo of Abel Ferrera's 1992 cult classic "Bad Lieutenant" which charted the downward spiral of a corrupt New York detective played by Harvey Keitel, has little interest in the moral issues of the original. It's basically a straightforward, hardboiled detective story that works equally well as a tonque-incheek/cocaine-un-the-nostril sendup of the genre. Sometimes it's appalling; sometimes it's surprisingly funny in an exceedingly unwhole some sort of way. In other words. there's not much substance here. but if you like your detective dramas served up with a generous side-order of weird, you won't be disannointed, Nicolas Cage, in one of the most off-the-wall performances of his career (and that's say ing something), plays the drug-addicted detective whose life starts to unravel while he investigates a brutal murder case, (BI) Rated R for drug use and language throughout. some violence and sexuality.

THE BLIND SIDE

A well-to-do family led by a feisty matriarch (Sandra Bullock) takes in a homeless, uneducated teenager (Quinton Aaron), who becomes an All-American football player and a first-round draft choice. John Lee Hancock ("The

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Rookle") wrote and directed the tense disaster sequences and some and sexual references.

like the monster from "Alien." Despite a fair amount of action, slapstick and general silliness, "Planet 51" is still unrelievedly tedious. (BI) (91 min.) Rated PG for mild sci-fi action and some suggestive humor. TWILIGHT SAGA: NEW MOON * * * After barely surviving the first in-

stallment of the "Twilight" trilogy. awkward, repressed young Bella (Kristen Stewart, unaccountably alluring to teenage monsters) finds herself in an even more alarming situation: a love triangle with a vampire (Robert Pattinson) and a werewolf (Taylor Lautner). After tormented, tragic brooding, perhaps clinically depressed 109-year-old vampire boy Edward dumps her for her own safety, wolf boy Jacob moves in setting the scene for mucho danger and emotional whipsawing, "New Moon" offers a little more action and a little less romance than the first installment. but it's still laboratory-grade catnip for girls - a welcome change from the usual testosterone-drenched teen fare. Director Chris Weitz ("The Golden Compass"). taking over from "Twilight" helmer Katherine Hardwicke, places an emphasis on mood and even achieves something akin to eeriness from time to time and the audience only burst out into unintended laughter once: When Edward and Bella romp in slow motion through a sylvan glade. (BI) (130 min.) Rated PG-13 for some violence and action.

2012

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

THE MEN WHO STARE

Sex? Check, Drugs? Check. Rock 'n' roll? Check, Degenerate behavior? Check, But all in disappointingly safe

THE BOX A married couple (Cameron Diaz, message: Pressing the button on the box will get them a million dollars. but also cause the death of someone somewhere in the world. Hev. people die all the time right? Richard Kelly ("Donnie Darko") wrote and directed the thriller, (1)5 min) Rated PG-13 for thematic elements. some violence and disturbing im-**DISNEY'S A CHRISTMAS**

CARGI

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

THE FOURTH KIND

For decades, people have been disappearing from Nome, Alaska. Could they be the victims of alien abduction? Did anyone ever think they just wanted to get the heck out of Nome? Milia Jovovich stars as a psychologist investigating the mystery, (98 min.) Rated PG·13 for viothematic elements and brief sexuali-

AT GOATS

* * 1/2 The main problem with this ambling, generally amiable, but ultimately frustrating offbeat comedy is that it can't quite decide which way it wants to no with its eccentric protagonists: Whether to hold them up to ridicule or salute them as rightthinking idealists who can't find their place in a cruel world, Ewan McGregor and George Clooney are an uneasy pairing as a fledgling war correspondent and a retired U.S. Army nsychic sny running afoul of insurgents, kidnappers and American mercenaries in Iraq while the psychic tries to fulfill one final mission. "Goats" is lots of fun at times. with a fair number of entertaining moments in the quirky Coen brothers style, but debut director Grant Heslov seems to have only a fuzzy idea of where he wants the story to go (military satire? liberal anti-war tract?). As a result, it gets nowhere in particular. Based on a best-selling nonfiction book by English journalist Jon Ronson. (BI) (93 min.) Rated R for language, some drug content and brief nudity.

PRECIOUS * * * 1/2

A triumph of talent over dubious raw material "Precious" based on the novel "Push." by a one-time New York City teacher/social worker, could so easily have turned into outrageous melodrama, that its artfulness and emotional nower is all the more impressive. Precious (newcomer Gabourey Sidibe, impassive yet heartbreaking) is a 16-year-old African-American girl living in Harlem in 1987, Illiterate, obese. pregnant for the second time with a child from her father, Precious has been hideously abused her whole life by her monstrous mother (stand-up comic Mo Nique in a scathing, award-worthy performance). She's almost unreachable until finding a dedicated teacher (Paula Patton) and a social worker (an almost unrecognizable Mariah Carey) who decide to help. Oirector Lee Daniels has such a skillful touch and has selected such a fine cast, that "Precious" somehow maintains itself well above the level of bathos and voyeuristic hand-wringing. "Precious" may not be a pleasant prospect, but it's well worth a look. (Bi) (IIO min.) Rated R for child abuse including sexual assault and pervasive language.

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Chicago Studio Company and the Parl "Mrs, Claus) A Holiday Musical," pre-Ridge Civic Orchestra 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at sented by Chicago Kids Company at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 16-17 and 10:30 a.m. and noon Dec. 18 at the Conernicus Center. children, Call (847) 692-PRCD or (847) 5216 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, \$10. Call (773) 205-9600 or visit www.chicagokids.company.com.

> "Hollday Cabaret" will be presented by The James Downing Theatre at 7:3D p.m. Dec. 5 at the John Waldron Arts Center, housed at Edison Park United Methodist Church 6740 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago, The show features live

dy skits, a silent auction and more. Tickets: \$20; \$15 for senior citizens and students, Call (224) 72-JDOWN or e-mail

"A Christmas Carol" storytelling ber efit, 2:30 p.m. Dec. 5 at The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston, with afternoon tea served at intermission. \$20 per person reservations reguired. Half of the ticket price will be onated to The Campus Kitchen Project. Call (847) 864-1679 or visit www.celticknotoub.com

at the Irish American Heritage Center. 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, Mass is celebrated in the auditorium at 10:30 a.m. and a traditional frish breakfast follows. The Irish Heritage Singers will provide the music for the mass. Cost for the breakfast is \$8, \$4 for children and reservations are required. The Joily Holly Bake Shop will sell homemade nies bread scones cakes and conkies and Santa Claus will visit from 1-3 p.m. Dragoncello Theater Company and Shapeshifters Theatre will present a ne hour performance featuring live traditional Irish music and puppets a 2 o m. Tickets are \$5. For informatio call (773) 282-7035, ext. 10, or visit

www.irish-american.org.
"Celebrate the Season." a holiday cabaret, will be presented by Shoestring Productions at 7 p.m. Sundays and 7.30 p m. Mondays, Nov. 29-Dec. 28. at Stage One, 620 Lee St., downtown Des Plaines No performance Dec. 13. Admission is \$10, which includes dessert and a beverage For reserva tions or information call (847) 657-7688 or visit www.shoestringproduc tions.ora.

"Holiday Pops" will be presented by the Park Ridge Civic Orchestra and the Park Ridge Civic Drchestra Chorus at 7.30 p.m. Dec. 2 at the Pickwick Theatre 5.5 Prospect Park Ridge Tickets are \$25: \$20 for students and senior citizens Call (847) 692-PRCO or (847) 823-8861 or visit www parkridgecivi-

"In the Frosty Air," the Lakeside Singers' Christmas concert, will be presented at 8 n m. Dec. 4 at the Music Institute of Chicago, 149D Chicago Ave. Evanston. The program includes classi cal music, carols from around the world, music from the movie "Polar Express" and holiday favorites in blues. jazz, pop and gospel arrangements, along with an audience sing-along \$30: \$20 students and senior citizens Call (847) 382-5085 or visit www. lake sidesingers.com. "Holiday Classics," a collection of

great operatic moments that capture the holiday season, starring Jeanne Scherkenbach and Carolyn Webner with special quest John Trybus, 2 p.m Dec. 6 in the Skokie Theatre 7924 Lin coln Ave. Skokie, Tickets: \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door, Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts in the Skokie The atre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie, Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokieth atre com. Concert tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise, Dec. 4, 8 p.m., and Dec. 20, 2 p.m.: Ron Hawking. "Impressions of Christmas." \$35 in advance; \$44 at the door, Dec. 5, 12 and 19, 10:30 a m 1 lod

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such "Snow." "Most Wonderful Time of the Year" "Oreidel Dreidel Dreidel" and "Carol of the Bells," as well as clas sical works from "La Boheme," "Gianni Schicci" and "Candide." Dec. 13. 7 p.m.: The Latino Doera Hour presents "Hom for the Holidays with Luis and Roy." Buffalo Grove Symphonic Band will Christmas Bazaar, 9 a.m. 3 p m. Dec. 6 present free holiday concerts at 4 p.m. Dec. 6 at Lutheran Church of the Good Shenherd, 1311 N. Elmhurst Road. Prospect Heights; 3 p.m Dec. 13 at St. Mary's Church, 50 N. Buffalo Grove Road, Buffalo Grove; and 7 p.m. Dec. 1

> "An Evanston Symphony Christmas," 3 n m. Dec. 6 in the auditorium at Evanston Township High School 1600 Dodge Evanston Featuring the

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Evanston Symphony Festival Chorus, Christmas carolers an audience sing along and Handel's "Hallelujah" cho rus, Tickets: \$23; \$1D for children. Call (847) 864-8804 or visit www.evanston "A Midwinter Garland." multicultural

music of Christmas presented by Bella Voce at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 616 Lake St., Evanston. The a cappella choral ensemble will sing works by Brahms. Britten Holst, Vaughan Williams and others. Tickets: \$38 premium: \$28 general admission: \$15 students, Call (312) 479+ 1096 or visit www.bellavoce.org.

"Holiday Divas," 8 p.m. Dec. 7-8 in Northwestern University's Ethel M. Barber Theater, 30 Arts Circle Drive. Evanston. The cabaret will feature Chicago music theatre performers in cluding Ross Lehman, Susan Moniz and Hollis Resnik, performing holiday classics. Tickets: \$30: \$22 for seniors, Call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern edu.

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and Saturdays, 5:30 p.m. Sundays. brough Dec. 13 at The Gift Theatre 4802 N. Milwaukee, Chicago \$10 Call (773) 283-7071 or visit www.thegiftthe

"Rejoice." the Park Ridge Chorale's annual Christmas concert, will be ore sented at 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Park Ridge Presbyterian Church 1300 W. Crescent Ave., Park Ridge, Tickets in advance are \$14, \$12 for senior citizens. Tickets at the door are \$16, \$14 for seniors. Free admission for children and students. Call (847) 825-5499 or (847) 825-2216.

Hanukkah Celebration, featuring the Robyn Helzner Trio, will be held at 4 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Jewish Reconstruc tionist Congregation, 303 Dodge Ave. Evanston IRC's adult and youth choirs will join the trio in the holiday concert for all ages. Free, www.irc+ evanston org.

The Jamle O'Reilly & Anne Hills Christmas Show with Paul Amandes, 7-10 p.m. Dec. 13 at S.P.A C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave. Evanston. The program includes "The Gift of the Magi," performed as a radio

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"Woody Guthrie's Happy Joyous Hanukkah." presented by The Klezmat• ics at 8 p.m. Dec. 19 at Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 950) Skokie Blvd., Skokie \$48 Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.centreeast.orn Coriolis, an a cappella chamber choir,

(312) 409-6890,

will present a holiday concert at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19 at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 939 Hinman Ave., Evanston. The program includes seasonal pieces by Wilicocks. Tavener, Applebaum. Holst. Davies and others, as well as arrangements of holiday favorites by Parker/Shaw. Maddux and Humphris \$15: \$10 for students under 19 Tickets available at the door only. For information, call (847) 869-0223. "Christmas Around the World" will be

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orium, 1200 W. Algonquin Road, Palatine. Tickets are \$15-\$22, and are available at the door or in advance by contacting Julie Struck at julieastruck@yahoo.com or calling A Christmas concert will be presented by the combined choirs of Lake Street

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Church and the North Shore Harmonizers at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 20 at Lake Street Church, 607 Lake St., Evanston, The program includes five selections from "The Messiah" by Handel featuring minique Frigo, alto, Carol Watkins, soprano, and Ron Watkins, baritone, with chorus, plus a variety of carols and anthems for mixed choir women's choir and men's choir. Free-will offering, Call (847) 864-2181 for information.

Evanston Children's Choir Holiday Concert 2009 will be presented at 4 p.m. Dec. 20 at Northwestern University's Alice Millar Chanel 1870 Sheridan Road Evanston featuring music of Christmas Hanukkah and Kwanzaa with guest artist Soul Creations, Freewill donation. www.evanstonchildren-

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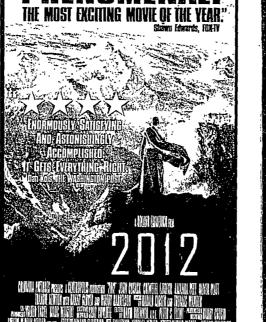


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"The Christmas Sweater - A Return to Redemption." based on Glenn Beck's best-selling book, will be screened at 7 p.m. Dec. 3 and 10 at the Niles Showplace, 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles, \$20. Tickets available at the theater hox office and www.FathomEvents.com.

"Chad Morton's TV Christmas Miracle." a musical comedy set in a television studio during the 1968 holiday season, will be presented Dec. 5-20 at Village Players Performing Arts Center 1010 W. Madison, Oak Park, Curtain at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays: 3 p.m. Sundays, with previews at 8 pm Dec. 3-4 Tickets: \$25: \$20 for seniors and students. Holiday parties centered around a performance of "Chad Morton's TV Christmas Miracle" will be held at 5:30 p m Oec. 10 and 17, featuring food and entertainment for local offices Reser vations are \$35 per employee. Call (866) 764·1010 or visit www.village-

Handel's "Messiah" sing-along, presented by the Chicago Chamber Orchestra at 3:30 p.m. Oec. 13 at the Uni ed Methodist Church, 325 N. Dak Park Ave., Oak Park. Free. Call (312) 357-1551 or visit www.chicagochamberorches-

Handel's "Messiah." performed by the Riverside Festival Chorus, orchestra, and soloists Theresa Ludden-Wold Frika Morrison Wayne Parham and Pete 'ohlhammer. 4 p.m. Oec. 13 at Riverside Presbyterian Church, 116 Barrypoint Road. Riverside. Wassail Bowl reception follows. Free-will offering. For more information, contact Sally Sloane at (708) 447-1520 or

musikhse@comcast.net "Yule Be Swingin" ... " will be presented ov New Beginnings Chorus at 8 p m. Dec. 17-18 at the Church of the Incarna-

tion, 330 W. Golf Road, Arlington Heights. Tickets are \$10 in advance; \$12 at the door, Call (847) 593-2954 "A Christmas Carol" will be presented Nov. 27-Dec. 24 at the Metropolis Per-

forming Arts Centre, 111 W. Campbell St. Arlington Heights, Tickets: \$28.50 \$15.50 for ages 12 and under. Visit www.metropolisarts.com.or.call (847) 577-2121.

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

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

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"Holiday Traditions" will be presented by the ECC Concert Band at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9 at Elgin Community College's Vi sual and Performing Arts Center, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin, Tickets: \$9: \$7 students and seniors, Call (847) 622:0300 or visit www.elain.edu/arts "A Proper English Christmas." pre-

sented by the Elgin Choral Union at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19 and 3:30 p.m. Dec. 20 at Elgin Community College's Visual and Performing Arts Center. 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin. The program includes carols by English composers John Rut ter, Gerald Finzi, Ralph Vaughan Williams and others, Tickets: \$22: \$17 seniors, \$14 students, Call (847) 622-0300 or visit www elgin edu/arts Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 11 W. Campbell St., Arlungton Heights www.metropolisarts.com (847) 577 2121, Oec. 7, 8 p m : "In the Frosty Air." The Lakeside Singers present holiday music from traditional carols and hymns to modern-day tunes \$35; \$25 for seniors and students. Dec. 20, 7:30

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

"A Christmas Carol" will be presented through Oec. 21 at Orury Lane Oakbrook, 100 Orury Lane, Qakbrook Terrace. \$10. Dinner and breakfast buffet available for select performances. For reservations, call (630) 530.0111 or visit www.drurylaneoakbrook.com. "Florida Oevereaux Ooes the Holi-

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"Holiday Short Shorts," two original one-act plays. will be presented at 8 p.m. Thursdays, Dec. 3-17, at The Annoyance Theatre, 4830 N. Broadway. Chicago. \$10. Call (773) 561-4665 or visit www.theannovance.com

"Miracle on 34th Street" will be presented by Porchlight Music Theatre through Jan. 3 at Theatre Building Chicago, 1225 W. Belmont, Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays: 2.30 and 8 p.m. Saturdays; and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$40. with discounts available for students and seniors. For tickets. call (773) 327-5252 or visit www.TicketMaster.com.

"Mother Superior's Ho-Ho-Holy Night," 8 p.m. Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 28-Jan. 3, at the Royal George Theatre, 1641 N. Halsted, Chicago. Tickets: \$30, with group and student rates available, Call (312) 988 9000 or visit www.nuns4fun.com A Reasonable Facsimile Theatre Company's "Another Year Without a Witty Title Chicago Christmas Spectacular: at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 4-Jan. 9, at The Cornservatory Theatre

4210 N. Lincoln, Chicago, Tickets: \$15: \$12 for students and seniors. Visit www.arftco.com.or.cal! (7/3) 418-4475 Victorian Christmas Tours and free Family Fun Days, 9-11 a m. Dec. 12 and 19 at Frank Lloyd Wright's Home and Studio. 951 Chicago Ave., Oak Park, Families are invited to enjoy a morning of free holiday events. including a special tour of the home, hot chocolate and festive holiday music. Children are also invited to play with Froebel blocks, the blocks Wright used as a child that helped propel him into architecture Victorian Christmas Tours are led by Junior Interpreters, specially trained fifth- through 10th-grade students, and highlight the decorated home and 12foot Christmas tree that adorns Wright's famous playroom. Guests are treated with stories of how the Wright children celebrated the holiday at the turn of the 20th century. No tickets are necessary. For more information, visit

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

www.GoWright.org or call (708) 848-

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

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." 8 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 27-Oec. 18, and 2 p.m. Oec. 6, 13 and 20 at The Annovance Theatre, 4830 N. Broadway, Chicago, Tickets: \$15: \$10 for children under the age of 12. Visit www.theannoyance.com

or call (773) 561-4665 Oavenport's Piano Bar, 1383 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Oec. 7-8, 7:30 p.m.: Chicago Cabaret Professionals presents A Holiday Cabaret 2009 -Merry Measures. \$20. For reservations. call (773) 278-1830.

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

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"The Addams Family." through Jan. 10 at the Ford Center for the Performing Arts, Oriental Theatre 24 W. Randoloh St., Chicago, Tickets; \$28-\$105, Call (800) 775-2000 or visit www Broadway InChicago.com.

"Awake and Singl", Jan. 21-Feb. 28 2010, at Northlight Theatre, located in the North Share Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. In a cramped Bronx tenement during the Great Depression, a working class Jewish family copes with financial hardship even as they dream ot a brighter future. Performances on Tues days at 7.30 p.m. (except Jan. 26 and Feb. 9, 16): Wednesdays at 1 p m. (except Jan. 27) and 7:30 p m : Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Fridays at 8 p.m.: Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. (except Jan. 23) and 8 p.m.: and Sundays at 2:30 pm. (except Jan. 31) and 7 n.m. (except Feb. 7 and 28). Tickets: \$35-\$50, Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.northlight.org. Cirque du Soleil presents "Banana Sh-

peel," through Jan. 3 at The Chicago Theatre, 175 N. State St., Chicago, The show blends comedy with tap, hip-hop, eccentric dance and slapstick, all linked by a narrative. Tickets: \$23-\$98. with Premium and Tanis Rouge VIP Ex perience tickets also available. Visit www.cirquedusoleil.com.or www.thechicagotheatre.com.

"Oamien." a one-man play starring Wayne Messmer. 8 p.m. Oec. 12 at the Winnelka Chapel Theatre, Pine and Lin coin streets. Winnetka, The play tells the story of the Relaium-born priest who ministered to the lepers of the Hawaiian island. Molokai. before dying of leprosy in 1889 at the age of 49. \$20. (847) 398-3392 or www.damienplav.com

"Gypsy" will be presented by students from the Actors Training Center's Professional Performance Troupe at noon Oec. 6 and 7 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave., Wilmette, \$10. Call (847) 251-7424 or visit wwwwil mettetheatre.com.

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

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"Icarus," Dec. 5-Jan. 24 at Lookingglass Theafre Company, located inside Chicago's historic Water Tower Water Works 821 N. Michigan Ave. at Pearson Performances at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays Thursdays and Fridays; and 3 p.m. and 7:30 pm. Saturdays and Sundays No glasstheatre.org or call (312) 337-0665

"leeves in Bloom." adapted by Margaret Raether from the short stories of P.G. Wodehouse, will be presented by First Folio Theatre Jan. 27-Feb. 28, 2010, at the Mayslake Peabody Estate 31st Street and Route 83, Oak Brook. Curtain is at 8 p.m. Wednesdays Fridays and Saturdays: 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$28-\$30: \$23-\$25 for students and seniors: \$18 for previews, Jan 27 29. Call (630) 986-8067 or visit www.firstfolio.org.

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"Little Women" through Jan 24 2010 at Circle Theatre 7300 W. Madison St. Forest Park Performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays: 3 p.m Sundays: with additional performances at 3 p m Saturdays. Nov. 28-Dec 19. No shows Dec. 25-Jan. 3. Tickets: \$18-\$24, Call. (708) 771-0700 or visit www.circle-the

"Man of La Mancha." presented by Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre Nov. 29-Dec. 20 at No Exit Café, 6970 N. Glenwood Chicago, Performances at 8 p.m Fridays and Sahurdays: 7 n.m. Sundays Tickets: \$30-\$35. Optional dinner package, \$53. For tickets, visit www.theoubigue.org or call (800) 595-

"The Man Who Came to Dinner" will be presented by Theatre Nebula at 8 p.m. Nov. 27-28, and 3 p.m. Nov. 29 at the Cutting Hall Performing Arts Centre. 150 E. Wood St., Palatine, Tickets: \$8-\$14 in advance: \$10-\$16 at the door. Call (847) 202-5222 or visit vww.palatineparks org.

"The Mercy Seat." by Neil LaBute through Dec. 13 at Profiles Theatre 4147 N. Broadway. Chicago. Performances at 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 7 pm Sundays, Tickets: \$30 for Thursday: \$35 for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Call (773) 549-1815 or visit

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"My Fair Lady." Oec. 9-Feb. 14 at the Marriott Theatre 10 Marriott Drive Lincoinshire. The performance schedule is 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays: 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays: 4:30 n.m. and I pm Saturdays, and f pm, and 5 pm Sundays. Tickets are \$45, excluding tax and handling fees. \$5 discount for stu dents and seniors for all performance excluding Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p m. (847) 634-0200 or www mar-

"My Three Angels." through Dec. 20 at Attic Playhouse, 410 Sheridan Road Highwood, Curtain is at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays: 3 p.m. Sundays, Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$22 at the door, with discounts for senior citizens, students active duty military and groups Call (847) 433-2660 or visit www.atticplay house.com.

"Oh Coward"," celebrating the words and music of Noël Coward, will be presented through March 21, 2010. at Writers' Theatre. 664 Vernon Ave.. Glencoe. Curtain times are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Feb. 3. March 9 and 16, 2010): Thursdays and Fridays at 8 p.m. (except Nov. 26, Dec. 24, 25 and 31, and Jan. 1, 2010) : Saturdays at 4 p m. and 8 p m ; and Sundays at 2 p m, and 6 p.m (except Dec. 13 and Jan. 10 and March 21, 2010). Tickets: \$40-\$60. Call (847) 242-6000 or visit www.riterstheatre.orn

"Perseus & Medusa: Or It's All Greek to Mel" will be presented by Piccolo Theatre through Dec. 19 at the Evanston Arts Depot, 600 Main St Evanston in the Main Street METR/ station The theatre's seventh annual Holiday Panto is a story of monsters gods and true love, in a world of slightly skewed Greek mythology. Show imes are 7 p.m. Fridays; 2 p.m. and 1 p m, Saturdays; and 2 p m Sundays Tickets: \$25: \$20 for seniors: \$10 for students and children under 12. Family ticket (two adults and two children) is \$50. For reservations, call (847) 424-0089 or visit www.piccolotheatre.com.

"Peter Gallagher, Don't Give Up on Me." a one-man musical by stage and screen actor Peter Gallagher, will pla at 7 p.m. Nov. 29 and Dec. 13 and 8 p.m. Nov. 30 and Oec. 14 at the Drury Lane \$48 on New Year's Eve. Ages 21 and Theatre Water Tower Place, 175 E. younger are half-price at family mati-Chestnut St., Chicago. The perform nees. Call (847) 869-6300 or visit ance is a backstage glimpse of Galwww.lightoperaworks.com. lagher's experience working with "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are James Caoney, Jack Lemmon, Peter

Dead." through Dec. 6 at Writers Theatre. 325 Tudor Court, Glencoe, Curtain at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays: 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays: and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays. No performance Nov. 26 no 6 p.m. performance Dec. 6. Preshow discussions 30 minutes before curtain every Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday, Tickets: \$40-\$65, Call (847) 242-6000 or visit www.writerstheatre.org.

"South Pacific," through Nov. 29 at the Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont, Tickets start at

call (800) 745-3000.

"Souvenir," through Dec. 20 at Northlight Theatre, 9501 Skokie Blvd. Skokie the comedic and musical true story of Florence Foster-Jenkins, a New York socialite whose Im ear couldn't keep her off the stage at Carnegie Hall, Per formances on Tuesdays at 7.30 o.m. (except Dec. 15): Wednesdays at 1 p.m. and 7.30 n m : Thursdays at 7:30 n m (except Nov. 26); Fridays at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. and 7 n.m. (except Dec. 6 and 13). Tickets, \$35-\$50. Young adult tickets (25 and under) are \$10. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.north-

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

"Thoroughly Modern Millie," through Dec. 20 at Drury Lane Oakbrook, 100 Drury Lane. Oakbrook Terrace. The per ormance schedule is 1.30 p.m ednesdays; 1:30 p.m. and 8 p m. Thursdays: 8:30 p.m. Fridays: 5 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays: and 2 p.m. and 6 n.m. Sundays Tickets: \$29-\$38 Lunch and dinner theater packages range from \$4375-\$61. Visit www.drurylaneoakbrook.com.or.call

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Canzonetta Youth Orchestra plays at 7 p.m. Dec. 8 at the Wilmette Communiy Recreation Center, 3000 Glenview Road, Wilmette, The string orchestra, under the direction of Hilel Kagan, will perform works by Copeland, Dragoneti. Wiren and Purcell, Tickets will be sold at the door for S5 per person Chicago Cultural Center, Preston

Bradley Hall, 78 E. Washington (at

Michigan Avenue), Chicago, Dec. 7. 12:15-1 p m.: The Chicago Chamber Musicians present an all Baroque concert of works by Vivaldi. Hertel and Telemann. Free. Call (312) 225-5226 or visit

www.chicagochambermusic.org. The Chicago Philharmonic Orchestra performs at 7 p.m. Sundays at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall on the Northwest ern University campus. 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 866-6888. www.chicagophilharmonic.org. Tickets are \$70 on the main floor; \$33 main front wings: S60. S33 and S20 in the balcony. S20 obstructed view Student tickets are SIO available in the Jobby before the performance. March 14. 2010: "Tchaikovsky and Dvorak." with quest pianist Vladimir Ovchinnikov. The orchestra will perform Dvorak Symphony No. 6 and the Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto, May 2, 2010: "Blockbuster Beethoven's Ninth." presented with the

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Composer Sonata Trilogy, presented cellos, Handel, Suite from "Water Muby Hershey Felder at the Drury Lane sic": Vivaldi: Gloria: Vivaldi: Concerto Theatre Water Tower Place, 175 E. for 2 Violoncellos: Vivaldi: "La Folia" Chestnut St., Chicago Through Dec. 6: variations: and Handel: "Royal Fireworks Music." March 27-28, 2010: "Beethoven, As I Knew Him" Dec. 9-20: "Monsieur Chopin": and Dec. 23-30: "Beethoven 7," with Jaime Laredo, con "George Gershwin Alone." Tickets: \$55ductor and viola, and Isabella Lippi, vi-S60. The trilogy will culminate in two olin. Mendelssohn: "A Midsummer special New Year's Eve presentations Night's Dream": Overture: Mozart: Sinof "The Great American Song Book fonia Concertante: and Beethoven: Symphony No. 7. April 30-May 2, 2010: Sing-A-Long", \$100 for the 7 p.m. performance and \$150 for the 10 n m, ner "Exiles in Hollywood," with Robert Han son, conductor, and Jennifer Frautschi. formance. For more information, visit www.eightyeightentertainment.com. violin. Rozsa: Overture to a Symphony

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Waxman: Sinfonietta for Strings and are at the Hemmens Cultural Center. 45 Timpani: and Strauss: "Suite from "Der Rosenkavalier," June 11-13, 2010: "Symphonie Fantastique." with Robert Hanson. conductor, and Stewart Goodyear piano. Daugherty: "Red Cape Tango": Liszt: "Totentanz": and Berlioz, "Symphonie fantastique

Elgin Symphony Orchestra Pops Series – Performances are held at the Hemmens Theatre, at 1:30 p.m. Fridays 8 p.m. Saturdays and 3:30 p.m. Sundays. Feb. 19-21, 2010: "Stay Tuned." with Robert Hanson, conductor, and Five by Design. April 17-18, 2010: "FSO Goes to Hollywood," with Robert Hanson, conductor, and planist Kevin Cole Elgin Symphony Orchestra Schaumburg Sen'es - Performances are held at Prairie Center for the Arts in Schaumburg. 201 Schaumburg Court, at 8 p.m. Fridays, Jan. 8, 2010; "Brahms & Shostakovich, Tania Miller, conductor March 26. 2010: "Beethoven 7." with Jaime Laredo, conductor and viola and Isabella Lippi, violin, April 16, 2010 "ESO Goes to Hollywood," with Robert Hanson, conductor, and pianist Kevin

Elgin Symphony Orchestra Family Fun Series - Performances are held at the Hemmens Theatre at 3:30 p.m. preceded at 2 p.m. by activities Jan. 24 2010 "Around the World With Percussion" featuring the ESO Percussion Ensemble. April 17. 2010: "Mickey. Yoda, Robin Hood: The Magic of Movie Music." Randal Swiggum, conductor,

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Contemporary Music Ensemble in a with quests Gregory Shifrin and Irina Kottvar duo nianists and Mark Maxwell, quitar. The program includes Liebeslieder Walzer by Johannes Brahms: Romancero Gitano by Mario Castelnuovo Tedesco: and Spanisches Liederspiel by Robert Schumann. Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Ceda Lane, www.northbrook info, (847) 272 6224, Dec. 6, 2 pm : Violinist Oliver Colbentson will perform works by Franc. Brahms, Schubert and Grieg. He will be "William Byrd Suite": Benjamin Britten's "Courtly Dances" from his opera "Glo-

accompanied by Jimin Yun. piano. Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road Des Plaines (847) 635-1900 Dec. 5. 7 p.m.: Under the direction of Fileen Rerman, solo vocalists and duets will present "Winter Recital" at Studio One, Admission is free, Dec. 10, 8 n.m.: Oakton Community Choir presents selections from "Rent." "Miss Saigon" and other Broadway shows, a well as compositions by Schubert and Dvorak, in the Footlik Theater. Admission is free. Dec. 13. 2 pm. Guitar instructor Tom Clippert and the Oakton Guitar Ensemble present an afternoon of stringed music in Studio One. Admission is free

PianoForte Foundation, located on the eighth floor of the Fine Arts Building 410 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago. www.planofortefoundation.org. The Experimental Piano Series showcases nerformances by innovators in today' world of piano. and includes approaches that are influenced and informed by jazz. "new music." classical music.

Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, Tickets are \$22-\$30: \$9 for children. Free preconcert fectures begin at 1.45 p.m. For tickets, call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.svso.org. Dec. 6: "A Season of ten's "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra," with Thomas Rosenwein nat rating, will be performed. Also featuring the winners of the 29th Young Artist Competition - Meredith Crawford playing Martinu's Rhapsody Concerto for Viola and Benjamin Lash per forming Tchaikovsky's Variations on a Rococo Theme. 2010 Winter Chamber Music Festival.

unique piano style, with Zivad on ve cals and Godston on trumpet. Feb. 12, 2010: Planist and lecturer Adam Marks presents a program centered around music for vocalizing planist that will include speaking, breathing whistling and singing in addition to piano playing. CUBE members Janice Misurell-Mitchell, flute/voice, and Larry Axelrod, piano, will play works of their own and others, April 9, 2010; Dutch pianist/composer Sebastian Huydts

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will play George Crumb's "Gnomic Variations" and music by Henry Cowell. Violinist/violist Renee' Baker leads TUN-TUI. with Donald Mead. piano. William Porter, cello, and Karl E H. Seigfried,

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University. 50 Arts Circle Drive. Evanston, Information: (847) 491-5441: tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public: senior citizens and NU faculty and staff: and student rate. Dec. 1.7:30 n m University Singers, the University Chorus, and members of the Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra present a choral concert featuring Francis Poulenc's "Gloria" S7/S5/S4 Dec. 2. 7:30 n m : "Vox Moderno," featuring the

program of music by Ryan Carter, Mor ton Feldman and others, \$7/\$5/\$4 Dec. 3.7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Chamber Orchestra presents "A Taste of Russia." a performance featuring cellist Judith Manger. The program wil include Nikolai Miaskovsky's Concerto for Cello and Orchestra. Vassili Kallinikov's Symphony No. 1 in G Minor and Alexander Glazunov's "Spring." Onus 34, \$7/\$5/\$4, Dec. 4, 7,30 n m Symphonic Band presents "The Brits." a program featuring Gordon Jacob's

riana": and Ian Krouse's "Variations on a Theme of Benjamin Britten." Rembrandt Chamber Players perform in Nichols Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago. 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets: \$30-\$40, \$10-\$15 for students. (312) 360-3145, www.rembrandtcham berplayers org. Dec. 6.7 p.m.; "The End of '09" Works include Messiaen's Quar tet for the End of Time: Telemann's

Quartet in D Minor and Concerto for vi ola, flute, and oboe d'amore; and Bach's Concerto in D for harpsicliord and strings. RCP members Yuan-Oing Yu. violin: Barbara Haffner, cello: Robert Hanford, violin; Sandra Morgan flute: Robert Morgan, oboe: J. Lawrie Bloom, clarinet: Collins Trier, bass; and David Schrader, piano and harpsichord, will be joined by quest artist Catherine Bruhaker viola

Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 pm Sundays at the

North Shore Center for the Performing Sweet Sunday Treats: Story Time " Brit-

ern winds and percussion with a presented by the Northwestern Univer sity Henry and Leigh Bienen School of Music Jan. 8-24 in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall 50 Arts Circle Drive Evanston All concerts are at 7:30 p.m. Subscription nrices for the six-concert series which

includes prime reserved seating, are S122: S116 for senior citizens and Northwestern faculty and staff: \$54 for full time students Single ticket prices are listed in three categories: general pub lic: senior citizens and NU faculty and staff, and student rate. To order tickets or for information, call (847) 467-4000 or visit www.pickstaiger.org. Jan. 8: The Evanston Chamber Ensemble (vio linist Blair Milton cellist Stephen Balderston and pianist Andrea Swan) will be joined by six Bienen School of Music faculty members. The program includes Gabrieli's "La Spiritata," 'Sonata Pian' e Forte" and "Canzona Noni Toni": Stravinsky's Octet for Wind Instruments: Crusell's Clarinet Ouartet No. 3 in D Major, Op. 7. and Schubert's Trio No. 2 in F-Flat Major, Op. 100. S22/S20/S10 Jan. 10: Cellists Lynn Har rell and Stenhen Ralderston, violinists Robert Chen and Blair Milton and violists Roger Chase and Yukiko Ogura wil perform Brahms' String Quintet No. 2 in G Major, Op. III and String Sextet No l in B-flat Major, Op. 18, \$30/\$26/\$14. comprised of flutist Gretchen Pusch. oboist Gerard Reuter, clarinetist Jerry

Kirkbride, bassoonist John Hunt and hornist Karl Kramer-Johansen, will per form with violinist Gerardo Ribeiro and nianist Alan Chow Their program includes Ligeti's Six Bagatelles for Wood wind Ouintet: Schubert's Fantasie in C Major for Violin and Piano, Op. 159: Mordechai Rechtman's arrangements of Bach's "Christ lag in Todesbanden and Fugue in G Minor; and Gould's Con certo Concertante. S22/S20/S10. Jan.17: Pianist Lori Kaufmann, violinist Ilya Kaler, violist Rami Solomonov, cellist Ken Olsen and clarinetists J Lawrie Bloom and Steven Cohen will perform Stravinsky's "Suite Italienne": Martinu' Serenade for Violin, Viola, Cello and Two Clarinets: and Tcharkovsky's Piano Trio in A Minor, Op. 50. S22/S20/S10. Jan. 22: The Jupiter String Ouartet. comprised of violinists Nelson Lee and Megan Frewogel, violist Liz Frewogel and cellist Daniel McDonough, will perform Havdn's String Quartet in F Minor Op 20, No. 5, Janacek's String Quartet No. 1 ("Kreutzer Sonata"): and Beethoven's String Quartet in F-flat

Major On 127 S24/S22/S12 Jan 24: The

Lincoln String Quartet (violinists Lei

Hou and Oing Hou, violist Lawrence

Neuman and cellist Stephen Balder

School of Music faculty will perform Boccherini's String Quartet in B-flat Major, Op. 58, No. 3; Stravinsky's Three Pieces for String Quartet: and Schubert's Octet in F Major for Strings and Winds, Op. 166. S22/S20/S10.

POP/FOLK/JAZZ

Allstate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559-1212: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The information line is (847) 635-6601, Dec. 11, 7 n.m · 93XRT/Bud Light BIG Holiday Concert featuring The Flaming Lips. Phoenix and Pete Yorn S40 Dec 26.2 n m and 7 n m · Trans-Siberian Orchestra. Tickets: \$58, \$48, \$38, \$26,

American Legion Music Hall, 1030 Central St. Evanston (847) 573-0443 www.chicanobluegrass.com_Bluegrass Legends Concerts - doors open at 7 p.m., show at 8 pm. Admission: S20: SI5 for senior citizens and children. Dec. 11: Mountain Heart.

Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University, 50 E. Congress Parkway, Chicago. (312) 902-1500. www.auditoriumthe atre.org. Through Nov. 29: The Ten Tenors will present holiday classics and selections from their eighth studio album, "Nostalgica," Performances are at 8 p.m. Friday; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday; and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: S40-S70. Dec. 3. 8 p.m.: The Swell Season featuring Academy Award winners Glen Hansard and Marketa Irglova. The concert will feature

new tunes along with music from the "Once" soundtrack Tickets: SAO \$32.50. Dec. 4. 7:30 p.m.; Miracle Near State Street 11. The Fray/Kris Allen. \$75. \$59.50 \$49.50

Blue Chicago, 736 N. Clark St (at Superior), Chicago. (312) 642-6261. www.bluechicago.com. Doors open at n.m : showtime 9 n.m. Admission: \$8 S10 on Fridays and Saturdays, Mon days: Grana' Louise & the Troublema ers. Closed Tuesday-Thursday. Nov. 27-28: Toronzo Cannon Blues Band with Big Time Sarah.

Blue Chicago, 536 N. Clark St. (at Ohio), Chicago. (312) 661-0100. www.bluechicago.com. Doors open at 8 p.m.: showtime 9 p.m. Admission: \$8

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FAMILY FRIENDLY

By MYRNA PETLICKI

double feature of live theatre when the Northlight Theatre Academy performs at Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., 6 p.m.

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She believes parents will ations."

Musical."

"We wanted to do a musical because the Northlight Theatre has three

de Mayo said. "We try to make the student shows reflect the mainstage in some way. Doing a brand

new play next to a big mainstream musical feels like the same sort of atmosphere that Northlight creates with its mainstage programming."

For details, call (847) 965-4220.

Tinker's magical mission

Peter Pan is nowhere in sight in "Tinker Bell and the Lost Treasure." Tinker Bell enlists a lightning bug named Blaze to help her find a new moonstone, the source of the mystical dust used by pixies. The Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St., is screening the G-rated, 76-minute film at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28.

For details, call (847) 324-3149.

Tinker here, too

You can also see "l'inker Bell and the Lost Treasure" at 2 p.in. Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St. Refreshments will be served at this drop-in event in the large meeting room A and B.

For details, call (847) 663-1234.

The color purple

A young boy wrestles with frustration, loneliness and such questions as "Where does the rain come from?" in "Harold and the Purple Crayon." The film will be shown in the Grant Room at Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2. It's part of the "Tot Flick" series of short films based on popular children's books. For details, call (847) 677-

A winter wonderland

Some 750,000 lights will glow during Wonderland Express, Friday, Nov. 27-Sunday, Jan. 3, at the Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road. Glencoe, Inside the Regenstein Center, there's a 10,000-square-foot exhibition in which garden-scale trains ride past 80 miniature versions of Chicago landmarks. Trees and wreaths decorated by local designers and retailers are showcased. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for children and seniors, \$2 less for members. Exhibit admission is free Tuesdays through Christmas. For details, call (847)

835-5440. Comment: pioneerlocal.com



Get a double dose of theatre in Morton Grove

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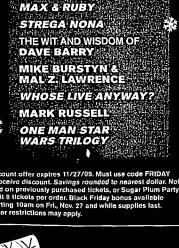
Families can enjoy a Monday, Dec. 7.

The evening begins with "The Skokie Detective Charter School," performed by the Junior Company, a dozen third-through sixthgraders, "It was written specifically for our students so it's a world premiere," said Devon de Mayo, director of arts education for Northlight Theatre. "It's really funny and super playful."

love the show as much as their children do, "They'll be getting different jokes," de Mayo said. "But I think it appeals across the gener-

After a 15-minute intermission, the Senior Company, featuring 15 young people in grades seven through 12, will present "Seussical: The

plays with music this year,"



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MOVIE REVIEW

A long, hard 'Road'

waste to the planet

eomet? We're never told ...)

what life might have been

He does remember his mother (Charlize Theron)

though, who abandoned

less. He misses her and

sometimes thinks of dying

so he can be with her. So

does his father, who's tor-

tured by dreams of everyday life with her, which now

seem like brightly colored

paradise, in stark contrast

to the dismal, nurelieved,

monochromatic reality of

his current existence. They

travel south carrying a gun

with two bullets - one for

him, one for the boy if the

cannibals get too close -

and the Man teaches the

his mouth and pull the

Boy how to put the gun in

viving finally seemed point-

By BRUCE INGRAM Film Critic

THE ROAD

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"You don't know what's down the road," says The Man to his young son at one point in this almost overwhelmingly bleak adaptation of Cormae McCarthy's Pulitzerwinning post-apoealyptic novel, perhaps intending to impart some shred of hope to the lad. Or, at least, a motivation to keep on trudging through the

wasteland. tie films, there are no The trouble with his reazombies, no vampires, no soning and the main ear chases, no snappy problem with this devastating, but also strangely monotonous film, is that you pretty much do know bling across the blasted what to expect; More of the terrain, seavenging for food same. There are plenty of and pushing a shopping cart loaded with his few desperate, despairing and even occasionally susbelongings, now barely penseful incidents in "The noticing the corpses they Road" (directed by Ausfind in abandoned houses. tralian filmmaker John either killed in the initial Hilleoat, who also made the ealamity or later by their ultra-bleak "The Proposiown hand. The Boy (young tion"), but they're all more Australian actor Kodi Sınitor less leading nowhere. McPhee) was born after the There's only one meager unnamed disaster that laid chance of an improvement (Nuclear war? Stray in their situation and that's just to keep on moving, heading south towards the and has no conception of equator and hope that things will a little less horlike before the entaclysm. rific there, or at least a little warmer. them one night when sur-

That's not much of a hope to hang onto when you're starving to death and being chased by cannibals and everything around you is either long-dead or dying. It's not much of a hope to hang a movie on, either, but it's all you're going to get - unless you're willing to accept that merely surviving is reason enough to keep on struggling and to keep a story going.

Is mere survival enough? You'll have to make do with whatever philosophical ruminations arise during "The Road," because there's definitely not much in the



way of entertainment value. trigger if need be. Unlike most post-apoealyp-In the old days, dads could count on the Boy Scouts to teach those essential eamping skills, repartee, Instead we have but those days, alas, are Viggo Mortensen, looking long gone ... haunted and haggard, sturn-

The Man also teaches The Boy "to keep earrying the fire" and to be "one of the good guys," though he does his best to break the child of his natural impulses toward kindness, trust and mercy whenever they happen upon other people in need of help. Survival, in his view, is a grim business and charity today might mean starvation tomorrow.

It's only natural that people will watch "The Road" and get through its horror and hopelessness by placing some faith in a happy ending, but it seems only fair to point out that. for the most part, that's a misplaced faith. Unless you think of the journey in this story about family that's decidedly not familyfriendly less as a quest for survival and more as a quest for humanity. There's no clear reason given for the father's determination to keep his son alive when there seems to be absolutely no chance for a life that's not filled with unspeakable misery. But there's a hint, a suggestion, at the end, that his son inight indeed be carrying a fire that went out in him long ago - and that he inight not be alone. Comment: pioncerlocal.com





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\$10 on Fridays and Saturdays. Sundays and Thursdays: The Shirley Johnson Blues Band, Wednesdays: J.W. Williams Blues Band with Patricia Scott Nov 26: Closed for the holiday. Nov. 27-28: J.W. Williams Blues Band with Laretha Weathershy

The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston, (847) 864-1679, www.celticknotpub.com. No cover unless noted otherwise. Mondays, 8 p.m. midnight: Bluegrass and roots music with the Mudflapps. Tuesdays, 7-10 p.m.; Irish music session. Thursdays 8 10 p.m.: Irish music session. Nov. 28 and Oec. 12, 10 p.m.: Bluegrass Advocates, Oec. 13, 5-8 p.m.; Eric Lugosch

FitzGerald's 6615 Roosevelt Road Berwyn. (708) 788-2118, www.fstzgeraldsnightclub.com. Tickets for most shows are available through Ticketmaster at www.ticketmaster.com.or (312) 559-1212; tickets are also available at the club. Tuesdays. 9 p.m.: Open mike in the SideBar, Nov. 27, 9:30 p.m.; The Bottle Rockets CD release show (rock), \$15. Nov. 28, 9:30 p m.: Brave Combo Holiday Show. \$15. Nov. 29, 6 p.m.: Ted Hogarth & the Mulligan Mosaics Big Band

(jazz). \$10: \$5 ages 17 and under. Gibsons Bar & Steakhouse, 5464 N. River Road, Rosemont. (847) 928-9900. www.gibsonssteakhouse.com, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 7-ft p.m : Lenny Capp. Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m.-

midnight: Lenny Capp Trio. Harlem Avenue Lounge, 3701 S. Harlem Ave., Berwyn, (708) 484-3610. www.HarlemAvenueLounge.com. Shows are blues style music unless otherwise specified. Music at 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (no cover) and 9 30 n m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$6 cover) Thursdays, 8:30 p.m.; Open Mike Blues Jam (no cover). Nov. 27: J.B. Ritchie Power Blues. Nov. 28: Jimmy Burns Band.

Harris Theater for Music and Dance in Millennium Park, 205 E. Randolph Orive, Chicago, (312) 334-7777, www.harristhe aterchicago.org, Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m: "Honoring 1959: The Music of John Coltrane, Ornette Coleman and Miles Davis," presented by the Chicago Jazz Ensemble with guests David Sanchez tenor and soprano saxophones, and Steve Wilson, alto saxophone, Tickets: \$15-\$45: \$5 for students

The Hemmens Cultural Center 45 Symphony Way Elgin, (847) 931-5900. www.hemmens.org. Dec. 4. 8 n m - An Evening with Rick Springfield Tickets: \$75 premium: \$60 main floor: \$40 balconv. Oec. 19. 8 p.m.: An Evening with The Oak Ridge Boys \$75 premium: \$50 main floor; \$45 balcony.

InterContinental Chicago O'Hare Hotel, 5300 N. River Road, Rosemont. www.icohare.com/montrose_room. (847) 544-5300. Friday Nights Live, featuring music at 8:30 pm. in the Montrose Room. \$5 cover, Nov. 27: Xristo & Caison (R&B/hip-hop/rap), Qual Impact (pop/rock) and Heroes of Eden.

Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, (773) 282-7035. www.irish-american.org. Entertainment

Fifth Province Lounge no cover - Nov. 27: Seamus O'Kane and Jimmy Moore. Nov. 28: Ocoley Brothers, Dec. 4: Ceili Dancing with Ceoltoiri Chicago, Dec. 5: Paddy Homan CO release party, Oec. 11: Matt Stedman Rand, Oec. 12: Opolev Brothers Dec 18: Ine McShane Dec 19: Mulligan Stew. Dec. 26: Boxing Day narty with Brendan Louinbrey from BlueStack, Dec. 31.8 n.m.; New Year's Eve

with Joe McShane and Joe Cullen, \$25.

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party favors and appelizers. Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, III W. Campbell St., Arlington Heights. www.metropolisarts.com. (847) 577 2121. Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.; Michael Ingersoll and the Mulligan Mosaics Big Band. \$40: stage tables \$45.

North Central College will present its annual Jazz Faculty Concert Series in Wentz Concert Hall, located on the college campus at the corner of Chicago Avenue and Elisworth, Naperville. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$15: \$12 for students and senior citizens. For tickets, call (630) 637-7469. For information visit www.northcontraicollege edu/show tan 13 2010: An Evening with Jazz Vocalist Janice Rorla. Feb. 3, 2010: An Evening with Jazz Trumpeter Doug Scharf Feb 24 2010: An Evening with Jazz Trombonist TS Galloway, April 14, 2010; An Evening with Jazz Saxophonist Mitch Paliga Dakton Community College, Footlik Theater, 1600 E. Golf Road, Oes Plaines.

(847) 635-1900, Dec. 1), 8 p m.; The Dak-

ton Jazz Band, directed by Robert

Evans, presents music by Duke Elling-

ton, George Gershwin, and Horace Silver during "Jazz Invasion." General admission is \$5 senior and student tickets are \$3

Rosemont Theatre 5400 N River Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com.or (312) 559-1212: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100, Oec. 17-19, 8 p.m.; Barry Manilow \$261.62 \$235.65 \$156.73 \$141.26 \$73.65 \$12.37

Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre 7924 Lincoln Ave. Skokie Call. (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com. Concert fickets \$20 in advance \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise, Nov. 28, 8 p.m., and Nov. 29. 2 p.m.: Jim Post Birthday Concert. \$25 in advance: \$30 at the door. Dec. 2, 1:30 p.m.: "The '50s Songbook" with Marcus Gentry, \$10, Dec. 4, 1:30 p.m.: An American Trilogy, Dec. 9 2 p.m : Frank Sinatra Birthday Tribute with Jack Minccio S10. Dec. 12, 8 p.m., and Dec. 13, 2 p.m : Guitars of Spain. Dec. 16, 1:30 p.m.: "Silver Screen Crooners" with singer Tony Bernard \$10. Oec. 20, 2 p m : Lesley Goodman presents "From the Moulin Rouge to Broadway," Dec. 31, 8 p.m.; "Stand By Me." music of the '50s with Marcus Gentry, \$25 in advance: \$30 at the door, Oec. 31 10:30 n m : "Turn Back the Hands of Time "hits of the '60s with Marcus Gentry, \$25 in advance: \$30 at the door

S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave. Evanston www.evanstonspace.com. (847) 492-8860. Most ticket prices listed in three

categories; in advance; at the door and reserved table seating, Nov. 27, 8 p.m : Gilmary Doyle-Andrews and Mississioni Flanagan (acoustic folk). \$15/\$20. Nov. 28, 8 p.m.; Antje Ouvekot Anne Heaton, Med Hutchinson and Natalia Zukerman (acoustic folk), \$15/\$20. Dec. 1. 8 p.m.: Jay Nash, Crosby Loggins and Caillin Crosby, SID/SI4, Dec. 2, 8 p.m.: Harry Shearer and Judith Owen's Holiday Sing-A-Long with The Bobs and tim Peterik \$30/\$35 Dec. 3 8 n.m.: (ssa (formerly Jane Siberry), \$20/\$24. Dec. 4.8 p.m. Hubert Sumin & the Nighthawks (hlues/rock) \$24/\$28 Oec 5 8 n m · Susan Werner (folk/iazz) \$18/\$22/\$34.50 Oec. 7. 8 n.m.: Rosi Golan Luke Brindley and Peter Bradley Adams, \$8/\$12, Dec. 9, 8 p.m : Elizabeth & the Catapult with The Right Now (indie rock/soul), \$8/\$10, Dec. 10, 8 p.m.; "A Love Supreme" performed by Brian Gephart Group (jazz), \$10/\$15, 0ec. 11, 8 p m.; Leon Russell (rock, blues, country), \$30/\$35, Dec. 12, 8 p.m : Garaj Mahal (rock/iazz), \$15/\$20, Dec. 16: Screen ing of the documentary, "The Mississippi Blues Experience," at 7 p.m. fol lowed by a performance by Johnny Orummer and Rob Stone at 9 p.m. \$15: \$10 for Front Row Music Television members. Visit www.frontrowmusic.tv. Dec. 17, 8 p.m.; Amy & the Rhinos \$10/\$12/\$18, Dec. 18, 8 p.m.: Josh Hoge and Matt Ouke with Amber Rubarth. \$12/\$15 Dec. 20, 8 p m.: Hugo & Shanta Loecker (piano rock), \$8/\$12, Dec. 21, 8

10 p.m.; Beau Soleil avec Michael Ooucet. \$45/\$50. Jan. 7. 8 p.m.: Songwriters Circle with Cathy Richardson Ingrid Graudins, Liam Davis and Korby Lenker. \$12/\$15. Jan. 8, 8 p.m.; An Evening with Otis Clay & his Band (R&B/soul), \$15/\$20, Jan. 13, 8 p.m.; Dave Specter's Adventures in Guitar with Jeff Parker of Tortoise Evening with Megon McDonough. 8 p.m : Jeff Coffin Mu'tet (jazz/funk). Tribute to Diango Reinhardt, \$12/\$15 Be the Band (Talking Heads tribute). \$12/\$15, Feb. 18, 8 p.m.: Tony Furtado and Trina Hamlin (folk/roots), \$12/\$15. Feb. 19. 8 p.m : An Intimate Evening with Allen Toussaint (jazz/R&B). \$38/\$76. Feb. 21. 8 p.m ; An Evening with Marc Cohn. \$36/\$42, Feb. 25. 8 pm.: The Twilight Hours with Frishie \$10/\$14 Feb. 26. 8 p.m.: Catie Curtis with Ingrid Graudins (folk/pop). p.m: Terence Blanchard (Cajun/roots).

(blues/iazz). \$12/\$15. Jan. 15, 8 p.m : An \$15/\$20. Jan. 16. 8 p.m.: Paul Cebar's To morrow Sound (rock), \$12/\$15, Jan. 23. \$17/\$20. Jan. 29. 8 p.m.: American English (Beatles tribute). \$15/\$20. Jan. 30. 8 p.m.: Alfonso Ponticelli's Gypsy Jazz Feb. 9, 8 p.m.: Joe Firstman and Ernie Halter, \$10/\$14. Feb. 11, 8 p.m.: Girlyman with Lucy Wainwright Roche (acoustic folk). \$16/\$20. Feb. 13. 8 p.m.: This Must \$18/\$22. Feb. 27. 8 p.m.: Red Stick Ramblers (Cajun/roots), \$20/\$25, Feb. 28, 8 Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave. Wilmette, (847) 251-7424, www.wilmettetheatre.com, Oec. 13. 7 n.m.: Singer/songwriter Janis lan in concert \$48,50, Dec. 21, 7.30 p.m: "It's A Jolly

\$15/\$20/\$25, Oec. 31, 6 p.m.: Jill & Julia Show (comedy/music), \$17/\$20, Dec. 31 Chamber Gian Carlo Menotti's treasured Chicago Chicago holiday tradition for all ages! Directed by Francis Menotti, son of Gian Carlo. Sung in English with Orchestra, featuring dancers from Ensemble Español Center for Spanish Dance and Music and a Children's Chorus. Saturday, December 5 at 3:00pm • Sunday, December 6 at 3:00pm Performance Location: Cindy Pritzker Auditorium at the Chicago Public Library, Harold Washington Library Center, 400 South State Street First rate.... The parting of mother and son at the work's close was moving indeed."

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The Art Center Highland Park, 1957 Sheridan Road, Highland Park, (847) 432-1888. www.theartcenterhp.org. Oec. 3, 7-9 p m.: "Ladies Night Out," featuring a male model for figure drawing. painting and sculpting; henna applications; and wine and cheese. An instructor will provide figure drawing guidance for both novice and advanced As You Like It Gallery, 825-B Chicago

3101, www.asvoulikeitsalon.net

by Evanston artist Amy O. Woodbury.

Museum northwestern.edu. Open 10

Nednesday Friday; 10 a.m. 5 p.m. Sat-

a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

noted, admission to all programs is

Motherwell: An Attitude Toward Reality.

From the Collection of the Walker Art

Center" offers an overview and intro-

duction to the artist, spanning more

than four decades of his career with

prints and paintings. Through Bec. 13:

"Henry Moore: Elephant Skull" in the

museum's Alsdorf Gallery, Moore may

bronze sculptures, but his creative out-

Dut included drawing and printmaking

as well. In the 1960s the artist became

intriqued by the skull of an African ele-

phant kept in a friend's London garden.

examining the object's internal and ex-

printed as an album in 1970. The exhibit

includes all 28 prints Moore produced

original vellum cover. Jan. 15-March 14

Bloomsbury Artists in American Collec-

tions" will explore the connections be-

tween visual art literature and social

reform during the Bloomshury erallt

will feature more than 150 objects that

reflect the creative vision and collabo-

rations of the Bloomsbury group, a col-

lective of British artists and writers ac-

tive during the first half of the 20th

century. Included will be oil paintings.

watercolors, drawings, books, decora-

tive art objects and designs by Virginia

Roger Fry, Oora Carrington and others.

Woolf, Vanessa Bell, Ouncan Grant

Des Plaines Public Library, 1501

Ellinwood St. (847) 376-2787.

for the portfolio, along with its rare

2010: "A Room of Their Own: The

ternal spaces in a series of etchings

be best known for his monumental

more than 40 drawings, collages.

also free. Through Oec. 6; "Robert

Iniversity 40 Arts Circle Drive

ton Ave. (847) 866-0300, www.epi org Through December: "An Imaginary L brary: Children's Books That Oon't Exist Yet," paintings, sketches and drawings by 70-olus artists from 30 countries. Ave., second floor, Evanston. (847) 864-Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, Special Exhibitions Galler Through January: "People Places and 9603 Woods Drive Skokie Special exhi-Things," an exhibit of acrylic paintings bitions are free with museum admission of \$8; \$6 for students and senior Block Museum of Art at Northwestern citizens: and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Through Nov. 29: "Darfur: Photoiour Evanston, (847) 491-4000, www.blocknalists Respond." Based on the book Darfur: Twenty Years of War and Genocide in Sudan, by Leora Kahn, the exhibition features work by photojournalurdays and Sundays. The museum will ists Colin Finlay, Sven Torfinn, Pep be closed Dec. 14 through Jan. 14. Ad-Bonet, Ron Haviv, Lynsey Addario mission to the museum is free; unless Chris-Steele Perkins, Kadır van Lohttizen and Oliver Johard

a voice," a travelling photographic

gallery celebrating the possibilities

Dittmar Memorial Gallery at North-

western University's Norris Center,

www.norris northwestern edu/dittma

php. (847) 491-2348. Gallery hours are

10 a.m.-10 p.m daily. The gallery will be

closed from Oec, 7 through Jan, 5, Ad-

mission is free. Through Dec. 6: "5+

Genres of Chinese Art: Traditional and

Contemporary "featuring Chinese tra-

ditional painting, ink painting, folk art,

photography and contemporary art by

master artists in China. The exhibit cel-

ebrates the 60th anniversary of the

People's Republic of China and the

of diplomatic relations between the

U.S. and China.

30th anniversary of the establishment

Evanston Public Library, 1703 Orring-

1999 Campus Orive, Evanston.

Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Gallery hours: 9 a m.-5 p m. Monday-Friday Contact Shirley Engelstein fine arts coordina tor, (847) 674-3806, Through Dec. 31: "The Magic of Art, the Discipline of Science, and the Love of Nature," photographs by Rich Fisher. An opening reception for the artist will be held from

5-7 p.m. Dec. 3. Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston. (847) 475-1030, www.mitchellmuseum.org. Admission to events is included with an entrance donation to the Mitchell Museum Suggested donation is \$5 for adults: \$2.50 for senior citizens, students and children. Maximum admission per family is \$10. Through Dec. 30: "7 Artists, 7 Teachings; Contemporary Great Lakes Native Art." The group exhibition explores the themes of truth. respect, love, bravery, honesty, humility and wisdom that are central to the ethos and worldview of the Anishinabe tribes of the Upper Midwest - the Chinnewa (Ouhway) Ottawa and Potawatomi, also known as the Council

of the Three Fires Noves Cultural Arts Center Gallery 927 Noves St. Fvanston (847) 448-8260. Open 10 a m.-7 p.m. Monday-Sal urday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sundays, Through Jan. 10, 2010: "Somatic," artworks relating to the human body, by Loni Diep, Lindsey Obermeyer and Renee Prisble

Dakton Community College, Knehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road.

www.dppl.org. Through Nov. 30: "I have Oes Plaines (847) 635-2633, www.oakton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday: 11 a m -4 and joys of individuals with Down synp.m. Saturdays. Through Dec. 4: "ID Show 2009," works by members of the art faculty at Dakton Community College, including paintings, photography,

ceramics and digital art Seniors Action Service, 1123 Emerson Suite 200, Evanston, (847) 864-7274. www.SeniorsActionService.org.

Through Jan. 22, 2010: "Celebrating Ex-Perience: A Gallery of Art by Older Adults," featuring works by photographer Josephine Strong and painter Simply Chicago Art, 1318 Oakton St.,

Evanston. (847) 738-0716 www.simplychicagoart com. Nov. 28-Dec. 20: Holiday Boutique. featuring works by more than 30 local artists, including jewelry. glass, wood, etchings, paintings, photographs, sculpture and more. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Sundays: 5-9 p m. Thursdays and Fridays; 11 a.m. 7:30 p m. Saturdays.

AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES

MUSICIANS

Skokie Park District-sponsored senior performance troupe seeks a pianist to serve as accompanist. No pay Rehearsals are held on Tuesday after noons some Thursdays at the Oaktor Community Center, Skokie, Performances and rehearsals held year around except for January and July Sight-reading a plus. Call (847) 998

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

SINGERS

Bjornson Male Chorus invites male singers to join in four-part choral singing. They rehearse at 8 p.m. Thursdays in the Park Ridge VFW Hall Hingins Road and Canfield Avenue, Sentember-June, and sing American and Scandinavian selections at various locations, Call (847) 741-4210 or (847) 546-2050

Normennenes Singing Society Male Chorus invites male singers to join the group in singing American and Scandi navian selections throughout the year except for the months of July and Auoust. Rehearsais are held at 8 p m. Tuesdays at the Estonian House in Lincolnshire. Call Thor Fjell. (630) 369-4233 or (630) 479-4233 The Northwest Choral Society invites

experienced singers to audition for its 44th anniversary concert season. Auditions are held any Tuesday evening. through March 16, at Immanuel Luther an Church, 855 Lee St., Des Plaines, The ensemble offers a varied repertoire and strong vocal sections in a friendly supportive atmosphere. The group presents three concerts each season. including an annual holiday concert of carols, spirituals and hymns, a winter concert that is more classical in na-

ture and a June concert of light classical music as well as folk songs, lazz, contemporary hallars and music from Broadway. To schedule an audition call (773) 504-3426 or visit www nwchoralsociety.org.

Skokie Concert Choir seeks male and female singers at any level of choral experience. No auditions are held. The choir performs a variety of music. from classical to Broadway, and performs two concerts annually under the direction of conductor Michael Lewanski and with accompanist Adrian Metzger, Rehearsals are held from 7-9 n m Mondays Sentember through June, at Old Orchard Junior High School, 9310 Kenton Ave., Skokie, For information, visit www.skokiechoir.org or call (847) 674-3219.

ARTISTS

Custer's Last Stand Festival of the Arts will be held June 19-20, 2010 in Evanston's Main Street Station Shop-Ding District, Booths for arts and crafts exhibitors are \$250-\$275. Applications are now being accepted. Download or apply online at www.custerfair.com. Application deadline is May 1, 2010

MISCELLANFOUS

Skokie Festival of Cultures Planning Committee meets at the Dakton Com munity Center at least one Monday per month leading up to the 20th annual Festival of Cultures on May 22-23, 2010. To participate or for information, call Pamela Zeid, (847) 674-1500, ext. 2180

BENEFITS

Cabaret Night Community Fundraiser. Dec. 3 at the Woman's Club of Evanston 1702 Chicago Ave Evanston featuring singers Renee Black Julie Chernoff, Jennifer French and Leigh Anna Reichenbach, Musical selections will range from Broadway and blues to contemporary favorites. Tickets are \$25; premium four-seal tables available for \$140. Cash bar. For tickets, email Claire Caragher at wcofe@sbglob

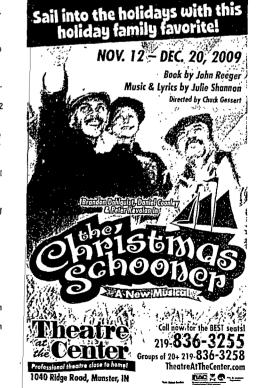
"Empty Bowls at Oakton." 10:30 a m -2 p.m. Dec. 5 at Dakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines Professional and student potters have contributed hundreds of bowls for the annual fund-raiser sponsored by the Ceramics Club For a donation of \$12 participants select a handcrafted bowl that is theirs to keep, and receive a simple meal of soup and bread. The event includes a raffle drawing for ce ramic art works and a silent auction of sculpture and jewelry. All proceeds benefit local food charities. For information e-mail

emptybowls@oakton edu or call (847) 635-1699 North Shore Chamber Orchestra will

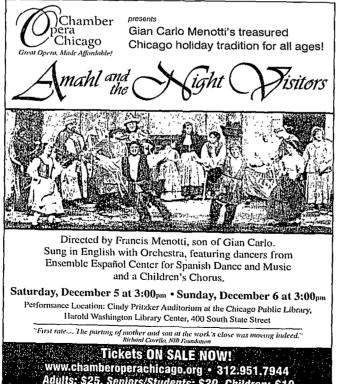
present a benefit concert and reception at 3 p.m. Dec. 13 at Northwestern University's Alice Millar Chapel 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston, The program includes Mendelssohn's Fingal's Cave Overture, Mozart's Symphony No. 40 in G minor, and Tcharkovsky's Variations on a Rococo Theme, Wendy Warner, cellist Tickets are \$20 if purchased by

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Dec. 11: \$25 at the door. Call (847) 864-Over the Rainbow Association benefit

concert will be held from 4:30:6 p.m. Dec. 13 at Northwestern University's Pick Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, Opera singers Nancy Gustafson, Sylvia McNair. Denyce Graves. Richard Leech. Sam Ramey and others will perform classical, contemporary and holiday music. Proceeds will provide affordable, accessible housing and employment opportuni--ilide for adults with physical disabilities STS S150 S250 S25 for students and children. For tickets and information, call (847) 328-1607.

Evanston-based Glordano Jazz Dance Chicago will hold a benefit from T p m.midnight Jan. 30 at Park West. 322 W. Armitage, Chicago. The evening will feature a short performance by Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago, a silent auction and more. Business attire. Tickets start at \$250. Call (847) 866-6779 or visit www.giordanodance.com.

BOOKS & POETRY

The Book Stall at Chestnut Court, 811 Flm St., Winnetka, (847) 446-8880 www.thebookstall.com, Dec. I, 7 p.m.: Evanston photographer Richard Mack will discuss and sign his new book. Great Smoky Mountains National Park Thirty Years of American Landscapes Dec. 12, 10 a.m.: Ginger Kathrens and James Kleinert, Emmy Award winning filmmakers, discuss their book, Cloud: Challenge of the Stallions, and their work with The Cloud Foundation, dedicated to the preservation of wild hors-

es on America's public lands. Centuries & Stouths Bookstore, 7419 W Madison St. Forest Park (708) 771-1243, www.centuriesandsleuths.com. Dec. 5. 2 p.m.: Helen Osterman will discuss and sign Stranger in the Opera House and Notes in a Mirror, Dec. 6, 2 p.m.: Clio's Chroniclers (The History Discussion Group) will discuss Mozart's Women His Family, His Friends, His Music by Jane Glover. Dec. 18, 7 p.m.: Suzanne Martinson will discuss and sign Fallingwater Cookbook: Elsie Hen derson's Recipes & Memories, Dec. 19. 2 p.m.: Mystery Discussion Group will discuss Storm Front by Jim Butcher, Jan. 9, 2010, 2 p.m.; G.K. Chesterton Society will discuss The Illustrated London News 1906 by Chesterton, Jan. 23, 2010. 1 p.m.: Barbara D'Amato, Mark R. Zubro

Jodi Koplin's Jigglejammer classes. for children ages 6 months to 3 years has each liw email Mannage has and their parents, feature quitar, persign Foolgroof. Illinois Holocaust Museum & Educacussion instruments and puppets to intion Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie. troduce children to music. Ongoing www.ilholocaustmuseum.org. Dec. 3, 7 classes available in Northbrook and Park Ridge. Call (847) 236-9235 or visit n.m.: Holocaust survivor Rita Lurie and her daughter. Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, will www.jigglejamproductions.com. discuss their new book, Bending To-"The Last of the Dragons," based on the classic fantasy story by Edith Nesward the Sun: A Mother and Daughter Memoir. A dessert reception and book

son Drive Lincolnshire, Dec. 2, 7-9 n.m.:

(847) 967-4505.

bit, will be presented Jan. 3-Feb. 21 at signing will follow the discussion. S30 Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood Ave. for museum members; \$35 for non-Chicago. Performances are at I p.m. members. Reservations required; call Saturdays and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sundays, with previews at 1 p.m. Jan. 2 and Stevenson High School. One Steven-II a.m. Jan. 3. The production, appropri-

Wally Lamb, author of The Hour I First Believed, She's Come Undone and I Know This Much Is True, will discuss and sign his new book. Wishin and Hopin': A Christmas Story. The event sponsored by the Vernon Area Public Library District, will be held in the school's West Auditorium. Tickets are required for entry. Register online at www.yapld.info or call (847) 634-3650.

CHILD'S PLAY

Banks by E. Lockhart.

6.15 p m Mondays and Tuesdays at

Winnetka Covenant Church, 1200 Hib-

hard Road Wilmette. Children will pre

al and historical stories about the

der the auspices of Kendall College.

\$250 for the 10-week session.

St. Evanston, (847) 763-1229

pare complete meals and learn cultur-

recipes. The program was created un-

Everybody Move, Inc., 1934 Dempste

www.evervbodymoveinc.com. Offering

early childhood movement and music

classes for children 6 months to 4

vears. A new session begins Dec. I.

Blvd., Glenview, (84T) 832-6600.

Kohl Children's Museum 2100 Patriot

www.kohlchildrensmuseum.org.Hours

9:30 a.m.-noon Mondays: 9:30 a m.-5

p m Tuesday-Saturday: noon-5 p m.

Sundays, Special members-only hours

from 9-9:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday, Ad-

mission \$750; \$650 for senior citizens;

free for children under I. Through Jan.

10, 2010: "Little Builders" exhibit The

new science exhibition uses activities

and construction scenarios to teach

ate for children ages 5 to 10, features a

children about building

a trampoline, Duck wants that prize. but with Farmer Brown watching around every corner, how will he hold singing and dancing rehearsals for Cow, Pig and Ewe? The production is "And Time Runs On" a musical jourappropriate for children ages 5-10, and ney through Celtic mythology, will be runs about one hour with no intermispresented with live traditional trish sion. Tickets: \$12. Call (773) T61-4477. music and puppets by Dragoncello Theater Company and Shapeshifters Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston, (847) Theatre Dec. 5-13 at the Irish American Heritage Center Theatre, 4626 N. Knox 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum org. Suggested donation is \$5 adults: \$2.50 Ave. Chicago, Performances are at 2 senior citizens, students and children. n.m. and 6 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Maximum suggested admission per Sundays. Tickets are \$5 for children and adults. Interactive craft activities family is \$10. Kids Craft Mornings are will be available for children 20 minoffered from 10:30 a m.-noon. Museum staffers and volunteers lead informal utes before each performance. Call workshops where children learn to (773) 282-7035, ext. 10, or visit www.irish-american.org. construct simple versions of tradition al Native American objects and engage Chicago Public Library, Roden Branch. in other hands on activities related to 6083 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago. native culture. Admission is included (3)2) T44-14T8, Dec. 14, T p.m.: Teen Vol ume, a book discussion group for with an entrance donation to the museum. Kids Craft Workshops are recomyouth ages 14-19, will discuss The Dismended for children ages 5 and up, but renutable History of Frankie Landau there is no minimum age requirement Creative Kids Corner, (847) 933-0672 Participants must be accompanied by or www.creativekidscorner.org. Jan. 4an adult. No pre-registration is necessary. Nov. 28: Coup sticks/talking March 9: "Cooking For Life," for ages 4-13 years, meets from 3.45-5 p m, and 5sticks, Dec. 12: Loom beading, Dec. 26:

giant dragon puppet, operated by mul-

tiple actors. SI2. Call (773) 761-4477.

Lifeline Theatre KidSeries presents

"Dooby Dooby Moo." through Dec. 6 at

Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood Ave.,

Chicago. Performances at 1 p.m. Satur-

grand prize in the talent competition is

days and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sundays.

The county fair is coming, and the

Dreamcatchers. Music Together of The Music Institute of Chicago, for children from birth through kindernarten is a curriculum that builds musical skills and a love of music through singing, playing instruments and moving to music. The winter session begins Jan. 4, 2010, with classes offered in Lake Forest, Lake Riuff Libertyville Northbrook and Highland Park, Class schedules and on fine registration can be found at www.lfsmusictonether.com_Free demonstration classes will be held the mornings of Dec. 10 and 15 at the Lake Forest campus, 40 E. Old Mill Road, Call

(841) 448-8344 to register. Pheasant Run Resort, 4051 E. Main St. St. Charles (630) 584-6342, www.ticketmaster.com Noble Fool Theatricals 2009 Children's Theater Series - Nov. 28. Dec. 4-5. 12. 19. 10:30 a.m. and Dec. 13. 7 p.m.: "Sleeping Beauty." presented by the NFT Youth Ensemble, S15. Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive. Evanston, Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000.

www.pickstaigerorg, Kids Fare series. featuring hour-long concerts for children ages 3 to 8 and their families. All Kids Fare concerts begin at 10:30 a.m. 7ickets: \$6: \$5 for senior citizens: \$4 for children, Jan. 9, 2010: "Powerful Pipes" at Alice Millar Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston, a program featuring the sounds of the chapel's

ing Together," featuring Northwestern

6, 2010: Robert G. Hasty conducts the

Merit School Symphony Orchestra dur

ing a performance of Camille Saint-

Tickets are \$44-\$48. Chicago Sketch Comedy Festival, Jan. Sketch 2009," SI2. organ and choir, Jan. 30, 2010; "Band-

The Improv Comedy Showcase and Restaurant, in Woodfield Mall, 5 Wood field Road, Schaumburg. (847) 240-2001. www.improv.com, Showtimes at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays: 8 p.m. and 10.15 p.m. Fridays: 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Satur-University Symphonic Band's brass and reed players and percussionists. March 6: Al Madrigal, \$17-\$19, Dec. 8 and 10: Rocky LaPorte, Dec. 17-20: Alonzo Bod den. Dec. 26-27; "The Ha-Ha Holiday Show" with Michael Palascak and Brian

Aldridge. Dec. 31: Billy Gardell. Saens' classic "Carnival of the Ani-InterContinental Chicago O'Hare Homals." The program also will include tel, 5300 N. River Road, Rosemont. other works. April 24, 2010: "Percolatwww.icohare.com/montrose_room. ing Percussion." A diverse assortment (847) 544-5300. Saturdays, 8 p.m.; of percussion instruments will explore ComedySportz Theatre, presented in a variety of energetic musical styles. the Montrose Room, Open run, S21, May 1, 2010: "Ivories. Buttons and Such" io's Cabaret Theatre, 3541 N. Clark St., blends music, dance and song in a per-Chicago, www.ioimprov.com, Through formance celebrating different key-Dec. 12, at midnight Saturdays: Improv board instruments, including pianos, troupe Blackout presents "White Peoaccordions, concertinas and

melodeons. "The Snow Queen," Nov. 30-Dec. 27 at Victory Gardens Theater, 2433 N. Lincoln Avenue. Chicago. Tickets: \$20-\$48; S20-S37 for previews. Nov. 27-29. Call (773) 871-3000 or visit www.victorygar-

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

"Thoroughly Modern Mille Jr." will be presented by Northbrook Theatre Children's Company at 12:30 and 4 p.m. Dec. 5-6 and 12-13 at the Northbrook Theatre, 3323 Walters Ave. Tickets: \$8 in advance: SIO at the door Visit www.northbrooktheatre.com or call (841) 201-2361

Wilmette Theater, 1122 Central Ave.. Wilmette (847) 251-7424 www.wilmet tetheatre.com. Through Dec. 5: "Alice in Wonderland," presented by the Chicago Kids Company, Performances at 10 a.m. Saturdays (No performance on Nov. 28), S12.

COMEDY

Centre East in the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300 www.cen treeast org. Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m.; Jan. 22, 8 n m.: Jan 23 5 n.m. and 8 n.m.: and Jan. 24. 3 p.m.: The Capitol Steps presents political and current events satire.

7-17 at Theatre Building Chicago, 1225 W. Belmont Ave. Chicago. The festival will showcase more than 100 sketch comedy aroups performing 150 shows over two weekends. In addition to these performances, there will be children's programming, workshops, networking opportunities and other special events. Tickets are \$12.50 for each timeslot: SI50 All-Festival Passes also available, Call (773) 327-5252 or visit www.ChicagoSketchFest.com.

Gorilla Tango Theatre, 1919 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, (773) 598-4549. www.gorillatango.com, Dec. 2-16, 9.30 p.m. Wednesdays: "Slippery Handles." presented by an all-female improv troupe, SIO, Dec. 13. 7 p.m : "Salsa-

days: 7 p.m. Sundays. Must be 18 or older, Nov. 27-29: Steve Byrne, SIT. Dec. 3-

8330 or visit www.colum edu/dancecenter, Feb. 20, 2010; Jump Rhythn Jazz Project, April 3, 2010: Hedwig

2009 Dance Chicago Festival's 15th Anniversary Grand Finale, featuring ballet, tap jazz, urban and contemps rary dance, 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert S20 students and senior citizens. For

Laugh Out Loud Theater. Streets of Woodfield Mall, Suite 171, 601 N. Martinevery Friday and Saturday, Each show is completely improvised, based on audience suggestions. The T:30 p.m. perormances are family appropriate. The 9:30 p m. shows are geared more toward adults and usually tend towards a PG-13 rating. Tickets; S18; S12 for ages 18 and under. Group rates available. Skokle Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., www.skokietheatre.com. Tickets.are S20 in advance: S25 at the door, unless noted otherwise. Dec. 26, 8 p.m., and Dec. 27. 2 p m : "Nuns4Fun." featuring Vicki Ouade. co-creator of the Late Nite

Adlai Stevenson High School Performing Arts Center, I Stevenson Drive. Lincolnshire. Jan. 30, 7:30 p m.: The Second City Touring Company presents improvisational comedy. Tickets: \$15: SI2 students and senior citizens. Call (847) 415-4121. Strawdog Theatre, 3829 N. Broadway for students and senior citizens. For

ple." S5. For tickets, call (773) 880-0199

gale Road. Schaumburg. (847) 240-

0386. www.loitheater.com.Perfor-

mances at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p m.

Skokie, Call (847) 677-7761 or visit

Catechism comedies.

or visit www.ticketweb.com.

St., Chicago. Through Dec. 5. 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays: Gay comedy troupe GayCo Productions presents "The Audacity of None or How Fell for a Pansy Scheme," a sketch comedy revue. \$20 tickets can be purchased online at www.GayCo.com.or by calling (800) 838-3006.

Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave., Wilmette. (847) 251-7424, www.wilmettetheatre.com, Dec. 3, 8 p.m.; "Cochran on Comedy." WGN radio host Steve Cochran and Patti Vasquez present stand-up comedy, \$20. Zanies Comedy Club, 230 Hawthorn

Village Commons, Vernon Hills. (847) 549-6030, www.zanies.com, Nov. 27-28: (evin Bozeman, Dec. 3: Dwayne Kennedy, Dec. 4: John Caponera, Dec. 5: Gilbert Gottfried. Dec. 10-12: Dobie Maxwell, Dec. 17-19: John Roy, Dec. 23-26: Closed. Dec. 29: Jimmy Pardo Dec. 30: Claude Stuart. Dec. 31: New Year's Eve with Heather McDonald. S30 for 8 p.m. show; \$40 for 10.30 p.m. show. which includes party favors and a champagne toast at midnight.

DANCE

PERFORMANCES

The Dance Center of Columbia Coltene Chicago, 1306 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, FamilyDance Matinees, featuring a special 45 minute family-oriented performance at 3 p.m., preceded by a free workshop at 2:15 p.m. that encourages parents and children to move with the artists. Tickets: \$10: \$6 for children 12 and younger. Call (312) 369-

Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston, \$25: lickets, call (847) 905-1500, ext. 108, or visit www.musicinstituteofchicago.org. For information, visit www.dancechica-

Harris Theater for Music and Dance in Millennium Park, 205 E. Randolph Drive. Chicago, (312) 334-7777, www.harristhe aterchicago.org, Nov. 28, 8 p.m.: "Fosse Trilogy" by Thodos Dance Chicago. Broadway and film veteran Ann Reinking will collaborate with Thodos Dance Chicago to reconstruct a trio of short dances by Bob Fosse - "Cool Hand Luke," "Mexican Breakfast," and "Tijua na Shuffle." The program also features the Chicago premiere of Melissa Thodos" "Driven," as well as company premieres of three dances from Thodos Dance Chicago's New Dances 2009 choreography performance series. Tickets: S60: S45 seniors; S25 students Northwestern University Marjorie Ward Marshall Dance Center. 10 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, Dec. 3-5, 8 p m: "You Can't Dance Out the Side of Your Mouth," by Chicago choreographer Jaema Joy Berry. The work will be per formed by Berry and a small ensemble of contemporary, modern and tap dancers, including Northwestern Dance Program students and alumni. S12: S5

GROUPS & LESSONS

tickets, call (847) 491-7282.

Chicago Dance Club, (84T) 622-4466. Dance to DJ music from the '50s to to day from 1.30-tt-30 p.m. Saturdays at American Legion Hall, 9757 Pacific Ave Franklin Park. Mostly swing dancing. some ballroom. Latin and line dancing Open to ages 21 and older, \$5 memhers: \$10 nonmembers, Membership fee S25. Upcoming dates include Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 (Christmas party, starting at 7 p.m.).

Chicago Dance Chapter of USA Dance the national organization representing amateur ballroom dancers Lesson begins at 7:30 p m.; dancing from 8.15-11 n.m. Admission: S8 members: S10 non members: S6 college students with ID Dance music for all swing. Latin and ballroom dances Partners not required singles welcome. Beginning dancers encouraged, For information, call (847) 577-9D14 or visit www.usadancechicago.org Dec. 5: Social dance at DuPage Dance Center, 1163 Ogden Ave., Naperville. Dec. 12: Holly & Ivy Hop. featuring a jive lesson, at The Centre at North Park, 10040 Addison, Franklin

Evanston Scottish Country Dancers meet at 7:30 p.m. Fridays at the Winnetka Community House. 620 Lincoln. Winnetka, Beginners welcome, No kilt required, just soft shoes. Fee is \$5 at the door. For information, call instructor Frances Gillan, (847) 471-7924. Giordano Dance School, 614 Davis St. Evanston. (847) 866-9442. www.giordanodance.org. Dance and fitness classes offered for age 2 through adult in pre-dance, ballet, jazz, hip-hop, musical theatre, tap, modern and more, All levels. Also, wedding dance and/or bridal party lessons in any style. Single class SI6. Class cards available or pay by the class. Youth spring classes begin Jan. 4.

Happy Twirlers Dance Club provides

round and square dancing at 7.30 p.m. the second Saturday of the month. through May 8, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Thacker and Lee streets, Des. Plaines. S6 per guest. For information call (847) 698-5501 or (773) 685-8407. Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave , Chicago. (773) 282-7035. www.irish-american.org. Dec. 5, 8-II p.m.: The Morris Ardoin Creole Quartet will play the December monthly dance sponsored by The Midway Rambiers Cajun Band. SIO Dance instruction

from 7:45-8.15 p.m. No partner needed. Kristine's Dance Party, 7:30-II p.m. Thursdays at the Park Ridge VFW, 10 W. Higgins Road. Park Ridge. Open to singles and couples, Nightclub, swing, jit terbug, salsa, hustle, cha cha, fox trol and and other music provided by a DJ. \$5 cover; cash bar, (773) 482-0642 or www.kristinesdanceparty.com.

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

Sheila Tully Academy of Irish Dance teaches tots through adults, beginners through championship dancers, in Evanston, Glenview and River Forest. (847) 998-0066 or www.tullvirishdancers com.

Spares Sunday Evening Club holds hallroom dances from T:30-IO 30 p.m. at the American Legion, 9757 Pacific Ave, Franklin Park, Admission is \$8 for members: S9 quests, Dec. 6: Christmas dance with music by Chuck and Friends, Dec. 20: Farly New Year's Eve dance with music by The Music Men. Jan. 3: Music by Chuck and Friends. Jan 17: Music by The Music Men

Square Spares & Pairs Square Dance Club. a club for couples and singles. dances the second and fourth Mondays of the month at the Park Ridge Senior Center 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, Rounds start at 7:30 p.m. with squares from 8:10 p.m. \$5 for memhers: S6 for quests. For information. call (773) 775-942T or (708) 442-8646 Dec. 14: "Holidays and Happiness." Square Wheels Square Dance Club dances the fourth Saturday of each month September through May at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church 304 W. Palatine Road Prospect Heights, Round dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. with Howard and Anna Hoffman, and square dancing starts at 8 p m, with quest

callers. Refreshments served and ban-

ner available through April 24. Admis-

sion: S6. For information, call (847)

392-5512 or (84T) 253-3206, Nov. 28:

3t New Year's Eve ticket dance with

Wally Smulson and Howard Hoffman

Dale McRoberts, Dec. 27: No dance, Dec.

DINING

Rosemont Theatre, 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559 1212: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100. Dec. 3: The Guy Fieri Road Show, Fieri, star of three shows on television's Food Network, including "Diners. Drive-ins and Dives." "Guv's Big Bite" and "Ultimate Recipe Show down," presents an unscripted performance complete with interactive cooking stations, demonstrations, behind-the-scenes stories and more. Tickets: \$47.50, \$35 and \$25.

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

Native Arts Holiday Bazaar, 10 a.m.-5

p.m. Dec. 5 and 10 a m.-4 p.m. Dec. 6 at the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston, More than 20 Native American exhibitors from throughout the Chicago area and beyond will offer authentic, handmade. traditional and contemporary art and craft items, including paintings, ceram ics, baskets, inlaid silver jewelry, beadwork, clothing, feather work and more. The featured artist is Marcie McIntire (Oiibwe) of Grand Portage, Minn. best known for her traditional floral-pattern beadwork. Besides exhibiting her work McIntire will give presentations about Oithwe culture at 2 p.m. both days. Access to the bazaar is included with museum admission, which is \$5 for adults \$2.50 for seniors, students, teachers (with valid school LD.), and children Maximum admission per family group is \$10. Visitors can also view the musi um's temporary exhibits. "I Artists. I Teachings" and "Raskets at Work" as well as its permanent nalleries and other attractions. For information, call (841) 475-1030 or visit www.mitchell-MUSEUM.OFG.

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

FILM

Block Cinema, in the Pick-Laudati Auditorium at the Block Museum of Art Northwestern University 40 Arts Circle Drive Evanston (847) 491-4000. www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu/ block-cinema. Admission is \$4-\$6. All films shown at 8 p.m., unless noted otherwise Film Noir from 1955 to 1970 film series - Dec. 2: "Underworld U.S.A.," Dec. 3: "The Killers," Dec. 4: "Le Cercle Rouge.

Wilmette Theatre, 1122 Central Ave., Wilmette, (847) 251-7424, www.wilmet tetheatre.com. "Politics at Play" film series, followed by discussion led by Jane (Schwalbach) Atlas and Raissa Landor. S12 per movie. Dec. 9. 10 a.m.. and Dec. 10. 7 p.m.: "All the President's

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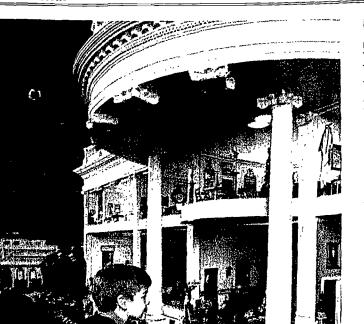
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Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Solf Road, Oes Plaines, Dec. 6, 2 p.m.: Storytellers: We Have More in Common Than You Think" will be presented by Arif Choudhury, artist-in-residence et Oakton, Choudhury, a stand-up comic, storyteller and filmmaker, will share his experiences growing up in a Bangladeshi Muslim family in Chicago. General admission tickets are \$5. Call (847) 635-1900.

ORGANIZATIONS

The American Jewish Artists Club is now accepting applications for new artist members. The club exhibits widely in the Chicago area in muse ums. public venues and institutions synagogues and community centers Members also participate in salon discussions and art critiques, plein air painting sessions, and other activities. For information, visit www.american-

Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 pm. on the second Tuesday of the month at the Prairie Lakes Community Center. 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. New members are welcome. For information. call Margaret Newman. (847) 924-8952. or visit www.dpag org. Park Ridge Art League meets at 7:30

p.m. the third Friday of the month in at the American Legion Hall, 9757 Pathe South Park Fieldhouse, 833 Talcott cific, Franklin Park, with music by The Music Men. Dec. 11: Dance at the Ameri-Road, Park Ridge, Guest fee is \$3. Call Dorothy DuSold. (847) 825-3505. can Legion Hall. 9757 Pacific. Franklin Skokie Photographic Society meets at Park, with music by The Ed Clark Trio. 7:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each Dec. 18: Dance at the American Legion month at Skokie Village Hall. 5127 W. Hall. 9757 Pacific. Franklin Park, with Oakton St. All levels of photographers music by Ken Jandes. welcome. Call (847) 677-8324. **TOURS & OUTINGS**

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ety of programs. For information, call

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1299 or (847) 331-1066. Dec. 13, 6:30

p.m.: Bowling at Brunswick Zone-Deer

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Nov. 27: Dance at the American Legion

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

nations are accepted.

WORKSHOPS & CLASSES

Oakton Community College offers Alliance for Lifelong Learning classes. For information or registration, visit www.pakton.edu/all or call (847) 982-9888. press 3. Dec. 1. 7-8:30 p.m · Amer ica's Sonowriter: Stephen Foster (MUS C50-01) meets at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton St., Skokie, Course fee is \$22, Dec. 2, 6:30-8 p.m.: The Holidays with Bach Handel and Corelli (MUS X07-01), covering "winter music" composed by Baroque masters, meets at Maine West High School 1755 S Wolf Road, Des Plaines, Course fee is \$19 Oakton Community College Emeritus Program offers courses at its Skokie campus, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave. Skokie

music by The Variety Pak. Dec. 4: Dance Stores of Wonder, Stores of Light in Downtown Evanston Downtown Evanston offers a unique blend of one-of-a-kind local merchants and national retailers. Extend your day and make it an evening getaway enjoying our fabulous restaurants and hotels. PARK FREE from November 26th thru January 2nd. Weekdays from 5PM to Midnight and Saturday and Sunday all day in our three main self-park garages: Sherman Plaza, Maple Avenue, and Church Street. Or take convenient Metra and CTA. EVANSTON DOWNTOWN.COM For information about the Emeritus Program, call (847) 635-1414 or visit www.oakton.edu/emeritus. Dec. 2, 1-2:30 n m : Women Collectors and Their Museums (ART FII-61) explores five natrons of the arts. including Peggy Guggenheim, Isabella Stewart Gardner and Dominique De Menil. Course fee is

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The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston. (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. No cover unless noted otherwise. Nov. 29, 8 p.m.: Storytelling in the Snug with Michael Parent, Dec. 6, 8 p.m.: Storytelling in the Snug with Patrick Ball.

Centre East in the North Shore Center

for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300, www.centreeast.org, Nov. 28, 5 and 8 p.m., and Nov. 29, 3 p.m.: Cirque Le Masque in "Carnivale," a European-style circus. \$35. Dec. 26, 7 p.m.; Dec. 27, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.; Dec, 28. 3 p.m.: "Aga-Boom." fea turing performers from The Great Moscow Circus. Cirque du Soleil and Barnum & Bailey. \$37.

China Friendship/Belling Performing Arts Gala. 8 p.m. Dec. 4-5 at Northwest ern University's Cahn Auditorium. 600 Emerson. Evanston. featuring vocal and opera acts, folk dances, acrobatic acts and instrumental performances by contemporary Chinese masters and performers from Beijing's China Conservatory. China National Opera Troupe, China National Symphony Orchestra. China Traditional Opera College. North Kungu Troupe. Beijing Acrobatic Troupe and Beijing Dance College. General admission is \$12, with select seating priced from \$20-\$50, Call (847) Sears Centre, located in the Prairie

Stone Complex on Interstate 90 beween the 1-59 and Beverly Road exits. loffman Estates. (888) 732-7784. www.SearsCentre.com. March 3-7, 2010: 'Alegría." a Cirque du Soleil touring production. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday: 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 1 and 5 p.m. Sunday. \$35-\$95: \$28-\$76 for children 12 and under: \$31.50-\$85 50 for military, senior citizens and students. To order tickets visit www.cirquedusoleit.com/alegria.or.call

MUSEUMS

Evanston History Center, Charles Gates Dawes House, 225 Greenwoo St., Evanston. (847) 475-3410. ww.evanstonhistorycenter.org. The tion Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie house is open for tours from 1-4 p.m. www.iiholocaustmuseum.org. Hours: 10 Thursday-Sunday. Tours begin on the a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays. Tuesdays, hour and the last tour begins at 3 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays;; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays and Tours are \$10 per person: free for EHC members. The Evanston History Center Sundays. Admission: \$8: \$5 for children Research Room is open from 1-4 p.m. ages 5-12; \$6 for students ages 12-22 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and and senior citizens. Special exhibitions Saturday. There is a \$5 fee to use the are free with museum admission. Dec. 3-Feb. 28, 2010: "Anne Frank: A History Research Room; free for students and EHC members, E-mail for Today." a traveling exhibition sponsored by the New York-based Anne evanstonhs@northwestern edu to make a research reservation. Through Frank Center USA, Inc. The story of

Anne Frank and her family is juxta-December: "Daniel Burnham's posed against world events before. Evanston," an exhibit that focuses on during and after Adolf Hitler and the he work and legacy of architect and urban planner Daniel H. Burnham, who Nazi party's rise to power. The exhibimade Evanston his home from 1886 up tion includes dozens of photographs of the Frank family and other occupants til his death in 1912. Illinois Holocaust Museum & Educa-

of the Secret Annex. Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St. Evanston. (847) 475-1030, www.mitchellmuseum.org. Admission to events is included with an entrance donation to the Mitchell Museum, \$5 for adults: \$2.50 for senior citizens students and children Maximum admission ner family is \$10. Through Dec. 30: "Baskets at Work: Utilitarian Baskets from the Mitchell Collection." On display are 22 baskets dating from the late 1800s to the late







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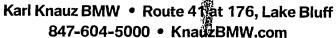
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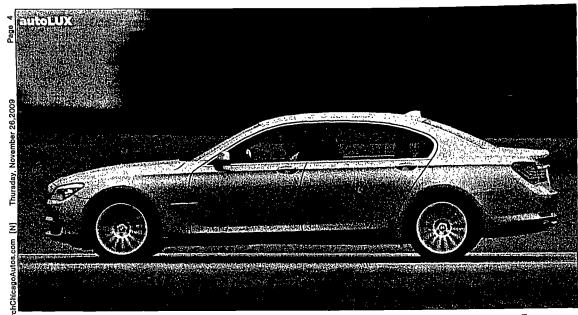


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Signature eues are more pronounced in the from with the huge BMW grille serving as the center of attention while the rear exhaust diffusers in back him at the power available on demand. Both elements are functional components that feed and service the heavy-hitting twin-turbocharged horsepower hidden under the hood.

The 7-Series has one engine, a twin-turbocharged 4.4-liter V-8 offering 400 horsepower and 450 pound-feet of torque. The power plant is mated to an electronic six-speed automatic with manual shift modes.

The twin-turbo V-8 exhibited a little bit of lag off the line, but it is nothing to dwell on - this sedan will pull up 10 and pass just about anything out there. Certainly most anything with four doors. As technology often does, the new 7-Series offers

more by offering less - weight that is. Because of aluminum in the front fenders, doors and roof, this new version is only a few pounds heavier than its predecessor while being a whole lot faster.

Let's see, more powerful engine, similar weight - this is going to be fun.

Inside, the 750i is lush and consfortable. The quite cabin elicits feelings of safety from the extenor elements while the interior materials surround driver and passengers in warmth and a willingness

The interior design is stark, but not without thoughtful application to the complete control of the driver. Ergonomies are vastly impraved over the previous model and the movement of the shifter back to the center console is much appreciared. It is a uny shifter that is more a reminder of the high-teelt stratosphere this 7-Series reaches rather than the power under the hood.

Gauges and the dash are presented for funeuonality first and foremost. The big 10-inelt sereen

in the center stack is easily seen and, thanks to the "adjusting" of the new iDrive operating system.

As someone who has been critical of the iDrive system. I think it has come a long way from the previous models. I sull struggle a bit using it while keeping my attention on the road, but I'm certain over the time period afforded an owner (or lessee). I'd have it down quite nicely. One of the best parts of the change was the climination of the climate controls from iDrive. They are now located conve-

bolstered to hold passengers in place when the capable BMW slakums down mountain roads at higher-than-expected speeds. Of course, this may simply equate to great handling in the grocery store 94 ramps. Fither way, this 750i is made to accelerate and accommodate passengers in alisolute comfort.

Ride quality is curstanding. The 750i is firm and hig sedan that at times feels as sprite as the 5-Series. That's impressive. This is the first non-crossover BMW to use a mululink from suspension (all previous sedans used a strut-type front suspension).

BMW where it needs to be: to the top of the class.

There is no denying this is an expensive vehicle for an exclusive level of buyer. Premium fuel feeds the twin-turbocharged engine that allows for a driving experience that one would expect to be at the top of the food chain. For my \$94,270, this is a wonderful

easy to interface with.

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WARWICK, R.I. - In recent months, texung while driving has received a great deal of attention and with good reason: Keeping your eyes on the uny keyboard in from of you instead of the highway ahead is a

sure way 10 head down the road 10 disaster. Unfortunately, texting is just the latest in a long line of distractions that have deadly consequences on America's roadways -

with more than 37,000 lives lost each year. "Distracted driving is increasingly having an impact on lives lost and property damaged," said Bill Moore, president of MeiLife Auto & Home, "Safe driving is really about focus. Every day, our claim department receives reports of claims that could have been avoided had the basic principles of defensive driving and driver menuveness been observed. To help avoid being "driven to distrac-

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Are you driving or daydreaming? It's easy

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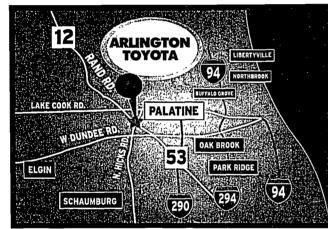
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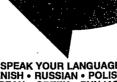
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Lennar Chicago encourages potential buyers: don't miss tax credit extension. expansion

There's a tax credit for everyone this time around and the Chicago division of Lennar, one of the nation's leading home-builders, wants to make sure every prospective homebuyer takes advantage of this historic opportunity.

The new legislation signed into law provides an extended and expanded version of the homebuyer tax credit opportunity that was previously scheduled to end on Nov. 30. First-time homebuyers now have through April of next year to take advantage of the up to \$8,000 tax credit. Plus, the new legislation also includes existing homeowners who can receive a tax credit of up to \$6,500 provided that they have owned their current home for at least five consecutive years during the last eight years prior to the new home purchase.

"We are thrilled that this new leg-

home purchase.
"We are thrilled that this new leg-"We are thrilled that this new neg-islation includes not only first-time homebuyers but also existing ho-meowners," said Dong Bober, Vice President of Operations for Len-nar's Chicago division. "Any pro-



spective buyer that wants to own a brand new home needs to act now and take advantage of this historic time in the real estate market.

The Chicago division of Lennar offers a variety of homes from town-homes, duplex homes, rauch villas and row homes in the most desired locations in the Chicagoland area. Homes are strategically located near the Metra Transit System, CTA Transit System, O'Hare Inter-

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INSIDE Carefully

After an intensive two months of house-hunting. couple selects home in Foxmoor in Montgomery.

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Congested roads and high gas prices have some wondering if it's time to rethink how much we drive and the way we plan our communities.

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Downtown condomiumiun construction is slow, but there are many completed

units available. and price cuts are helping close sales.

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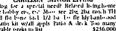
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What's your tipping point?

hat's the big question that home sellers, transportation experts and planner types are starting to ask now that Auericans are getting religion about our houses, our neighborhoods and our care.

houses, our neighborhoods and our cars.
Back in 2000, gas was about \$1.57 a gallon. Throughout metropolitan Chicago, people spent about the same amount o nioney on gasoline, no matter where they lived. Exceptions were people in Chicago who could ride the CTA and spend less on gas, and people out in Kendall County, who spent nore to live in a gueral area.

nore to live in a rural area. Fast forward to 2008, We'll never forget those gas prices \$4.30 and up. On a set of side system and up. On a set of state by-side maps of Chicagoland at the Center for Neighborhood Technology web site (www.ent. org), the 2008 map turns bright red as the average household spent \$3,600 or more on gasoline (compared to \$900 to \$1,800 in comparable dollars in 2000)

000). When gas was \$1.57 a gallon. When gas was \$1.57 a gallon, few people considered the price of gas as part of their home costs. But at \$4.30, suddenly houses that were close to work or a train line became more valuable. They also save their owners valuable time; car commuters lose more than an hour a week to traffic jams.

A survey released last month by RE/MAX of Northern Illinois has found that in the past year, home buyers and sellers may have decided that homes near train stops are worth more

year, home buyers and sellers may have decided that homes near train stops are worth more than they used to be. Even though gas prices are back down below §3 a gallon, last year's memories have tipped some of us over into the "drive less" mindset. While regional home prices overall were down 19 percent in the first six months of 2009 compared to the same period

compared to the same period in 2008, the towns served by Metra trains saw average de-



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come by, even in a year of stag-nant sales. The Metra towns had 19.2 percent fewer homes change hands compared with all suburbs, which had 15.6

percent fewer homes sell,
"We suspect the spike in gas
oline prices that occurred last year may have increased home buyers' interest in being close to commuter train service," said Jim Merrion, regional said Jin Merrion, regional director of the RE/MAX northern Illinois real estate network, "which could have helped home values in the Metra communities. A more difficult question is why the number of units sold declined in transit-served communities."

nunities,"
He thinks the reason is that
those who live close to a Metra
line liked their location and didn't want to move. And with fewer homes for sale, the prices would be more resistant to

lownward pressure, Meanwhile, metropolitan planning officials are trying to figure out what to do about the fact that traffic congestion is costing our region more than 87 billion a year. "Places that have transporta-

"Places that have transporta-tion and housing choices are more desirable," said Kristi DeLaurentiis, a local govern-ment and community relations manager for the Metropolitan Planning Council. "That allows the resident the ability to not have two, three or four cars and reduces their household costs

ontside the lane.
Other solutions include cucouraging employers to provide
assistance to employees who
buy or rent near work, supporting development near transit
lines, telecommuting, van pools
and more public transportation
options for suburban residents,
to name a few.
Some solutions are low-cost,
Others are luge investments.
A recent Senate bill, 5.1619,
the Livable Commanities Act
of 2009, aims to provide federal
incentives for 21st Century
communities. Introduced by
Sen. Chris Dodd (D-Conn.),
the bill is languishing in the
Senate Committee on Banking,
Housing, and Urban Affairs,
but it is at least on the right side
of history, given the predilections of the Obama administration, which has shown considerable interest in improving the
nation's metropolitan areas.
The bill would create an
Office of Sustainable Housing
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Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities to encourage sustainable development, coordinated regional planning, energy efficiency, transit-orient ed development, coordination between agencies, more and better public transportation, the preservation of open space and a lot more. All those things are good for our region, good for our

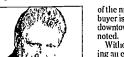
All those things are good for our region, good for our home values and good for our families. If you're tired of sitting in traffic, let Illinois Senators Dick Durbin and Roland Burris know you've reached your tipping point and that it's time to get the Livable Communities Act out of committee.

New condominium price cuts help absorb inventory in downtown Chicago

Interconstruction craine may be constructed and conditions. A few years ago, with a frenzied condominium boom in full swing, downtown visitors spent time gawking at dozens of construction cranes perched on the tops of high-rises. Current estimates indicate that about 4,000 condominium units now are being completed and ready for occupancy in downtown Chicago and 64 percent of these residences already are under contract or sold, according to Appraisal Research Connsciors' Downtown Benchmark Report for the third quarter of 2009.

Benchmark Report for the third quarter of 2009. "Inventory of completed, misold new condominions downtown now totals 3,225 units," said Gail Lissner, vice president of Appraisal Research Counselors.

president of Appraisal Research Counselors.
Between 2006 and 2009 about 18,000 units were completed in downtown Chicago, a pace of about 4.500 units per year, according to the new Appraisal Research report.
"Very little construction activity is expected to be completed in 2010, with only 900 units under construction and slated for delivery." Lissner said. "Only one building with 86 units is projected for completion in 2011."
Many developers were busy in marketing developer-owned units at deep price discounts in 2009.
"A total of 1.372 closings for developer-owned units have taken place through the end of the third quarter." Appraisal



Don DeBat ON THE HOME FRONT

Research reported.
For example, Kargil Development slashed prices by as much as 25 percent at Prairie District Lofts in the South Loop. The \$499,800 price tag on a four-bedroom, two-bath loft with 1,915 square feet of space wa cut to \$379,800, a savings of

S120,000.

Despite the construction slowdown, things are much better in the Windy City condo market than in 2008, when 20

market than in 2008, when 20 condominium projects with 3,800 units either were formally canceled or closed down marketing operations.

"There have been substantially fewer projects shut down during 2009." Lissner said.

There is some positive new in Appraisal Research's generally gloomy report:

gloony report:

Condo closings are on the rise, The total number of new rise. The total admoor of new developer-owned condominium closings has risen each quarter this year, from 357 closings at the end of March, to 383 closings at the end of June, to 632 closings at the end of September, according to public records.

First-time buyers are enjoying a bounts.

ing a bonanza.
"As the strongest segment

noted.
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Without the worry of selling an existing home, wise novice purchasers are tapping the \$8,000 first-time beyer tax credit and pairing it with low-down-payment FHA financing, There is an FHA financing conneback. The rise of Federal Housing Administration-insure home loans has helped condo buyers obtain financing with rs obtain financing with

buyers obtain mancing with low 3.5 percent down payments.

Special financing packages abound. Construction lenders such as MB Financial have been effective 95 percent financing. such as MB rinancial nave offering 95 percent financing at below-market rates in some developments it financed to help facilitate closings at such downtown projects as Silver Tower in River North, SoNo in Lincolp Park, and CA23 in the West Lone.

Lincoln Park, and CA23 in the West Loop.
Forecasting the future, an optimistic Lissner said the downtown condo market is returning to construction levels reminiscent of the early to mid-1990s, when there was very little new condo development activity.
"As the unsold inventory gets absorbed and the economy improves, pent-up demand will be evident again. This lull in new development activity will set the stage for a new development cycle within the next several years," Lissner said.

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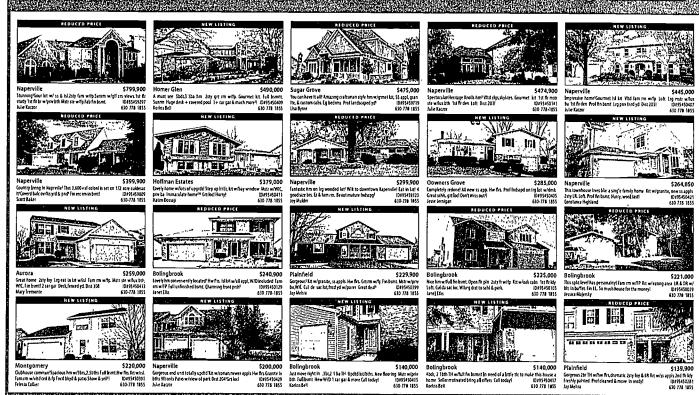
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What has drawn national attention for Capital First began earlier this decade, when Klarchek and his senior executives made the decision to redevelop aging mobile home parks into modern subdivisions featuring the latest in factory building techniques. By removing hundreds of old mobile homes in stages; where old eyesores once existed, these properties now feature hundreds of brand new one- and two-level homes, from three-bedroom,

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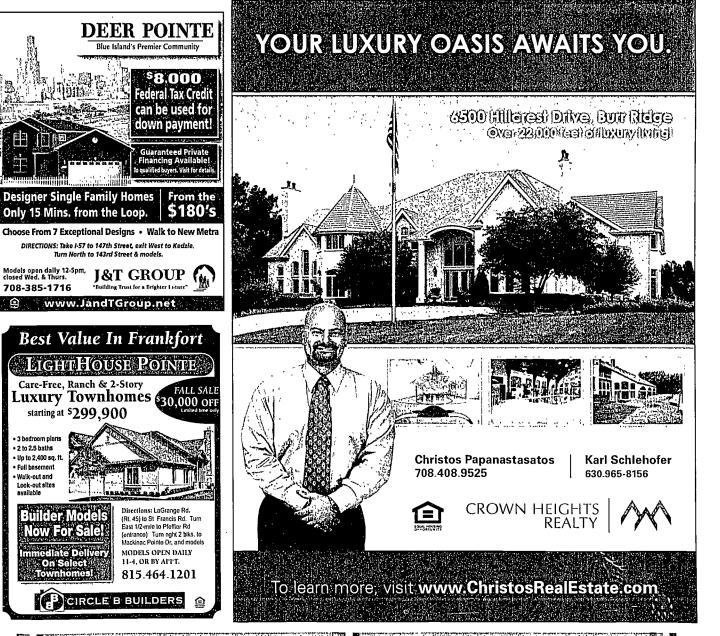
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like getting paid to buy. It's a great concept for the holidays. Plus, for those now renting, they can start gaining the benefits of tax write offs that their tax advisers can use to reduce their taxes and get more cash back every year. It just makes sense to own instead of rent," Klarchek said.

"While everyone wants to see the real estate market stabilize — and there are signs of improvement out there — the facts say that conventional loasing still hasu't hit bottom." he said. "According to the lat-

sores once existed, these properties now feature hundreds of brand new one- and two-level, four of five-bedroom, two-bath ranch models that start in the \$80.000 range to large one- and two-level, four of five-bedroom, two-to three shall homes that range up to 3.100 square feet in size, priced at construction standards, are erected on concrete foundations by an Energy Star-rated builder. The homes boast 9-foot ceilings, crown modifing. The homes boast 9-foot ceilings, crown modifing, transm windows, tray ceilings and a variety of upgrade cabinetry, designer colors and floor coverings. They are residential in living, quality and style at prices often 50 percent



Nine waterfront homes remain at Erin Hills

to natural beauty

Erin Hills, an upscale com-nunity in a peaceful country setting in Homer Glen, has only nine homes/homesites re-maining for sale with views of beautiful ponds and wetlands, announced Finnegan Con-struction.

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These environmentally-friendly ponds, surrounded by natural grasses, blend seamlessly with the Homer Glen Marsh on Long Run Creek.

Combined, this 24½-scree constraint area serves as a sense. Combined, this 24%-acre conservation area serves as a sanctuary for birds, plants and other wildlife. Available homesites in Erin Hills range from a third-to a half-acre in size, and luxury homes set on waterfront lots start at \$550,000.

homes set on waterfront lots start at \$550.000.

Although the two ponds are man-made, you wouldn't be able to convince the fish swimning in the sparkling water of something to the contrary.

"We knew when we started sculpting the land for these two ponds that certain things need to be taken into account to support the wildlife that would ultimately take up residence here, said Mike Finnegan, founder of Finnegan Construction. Both of these ponds have shallow shelf areas for frogs, turtles and wetland plants to take root to provide beds for fish to spawn in. To make sure the circle of life doesn't come to halt during the cold Illinois winters, we dug some deep pockets for fish to hang out in until spring arrived."

Although nature in its infinite creativity put fish in Erin Hills ponds. Finnegan Construction gave a helping hand by stocking it with large-month bass, and the young angler's perenial favorite, bluegills.

For these exquisite homesticts, Finnegan Construction ofers a line of value driven senii-

custom and custom homes that are attracting homebuyers from many parts of the Chicagoland area. According to Finnegan, families are attracted to Erin Hills because its brick homes are loaded with amenities like fireplaces, central air conditioning, basements, state of the art kitchens, three-car garages and 9-foot first-floor ceilings.

Besides homes filled with upgraded amenities, Erin Hills also offers discriminating homebuyers a final opportunity to own a customizable home with exacusite views overlookom and custom homes that

ected conservation area along long Run Creek. Although in the future

ome in the future.

These vast, partially wooded xpanses of nature provide esidents of Erin Hills with a picturesque setting in which to raise their families. For long, lei-surely strolls, this ever-chang-ing landscape that is home to colorful butterflies and numer-



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luxury homes in its 40 years of operation, is also willing to set aside its library of designs, and create homes from a blank

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"The majority of the water-front lots offered in Erin Hills allow for walk-out basements." Finnegan said. "Thus, a finished basement will feel like the rest of the home with the vast amount of natural light flowing inside, and tranquil views of mother nature outside."

The community's traditionally styled ranch and two-story residences have exciting extent of the form will front entrances and eye-catching offsets.

Erin Hills offers homebuyers interested in spacious luxury homes an extensive selection

of blueprints they can modify to meet their lifestyles. But Finnegan Construction, which are downtown Chicago has built hundreds of custom and other regional attractions the community. The new 1-355 described in the community of the community. The new 1-355 described in the community of the community of the community. The new 1-355 described in the community of the community of the community. The new 1-355 described in the community of the comm

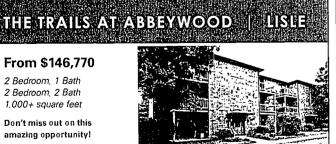






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estate the that is seldom recog-nized by consumers.

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Ohio, where a typical home costs \$121,885. Next was Muncie, Ind., where the typical price was \$144,996, followed by Ann Arbor, Mich., where the price was \$148,000.

Further research indicates that the charm and affordability of collows towns is appeal.

that the charm and affordabil-ity of college towns is appeal-ing to more than just students. College markets have long been one of the real estate industry's best kept secrets," said Jim Gillespie, Coldwell Banker's president. "People have been investing in college towns for years, often purchas-ing homes for their children who attend college in the agea. vlio attend college in the area

health care systems, culture and overall quality of life that college towns offer." he said.

Q: Are FHA mortgages really stable in today's market?

A: FHA mortgages are in a financially strong and stable position. That was confirmed in a recent audit showing that the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) had about \$31 billion in total reserves. It will certainly not need any special support from taxpayers.

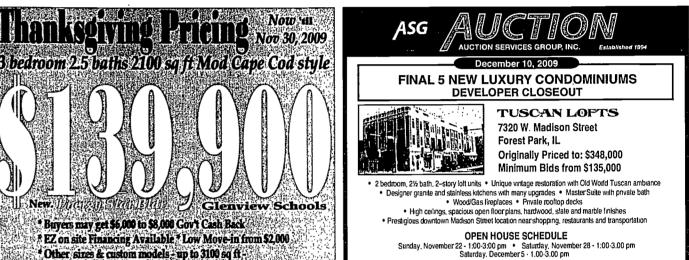
"As private lenders tighten their credit standards and capital sources are diminished.

capital sources are diminished FHA continues to fill the void in the market by insuring single- and multi-family loans to qualified buyers who might not otherwise be able to secur a loan at a reasonable cost," sa

Conrad Egan, president of the National Housing Conference. "Almost 50 percent of all first-time home buyers in the housing market used an FHA loan in the second quarter of 2009." FHA has quite a history in helping families attain a home of their own. The agency has proved this type of support to the nation's housing markets over its 75 years of service. resulting in a positive return for taxpayers, Egan noted. Of course, with an increased FHA role there is initial financial agency-insured borrowers has gone from an average FICO score of 633 two years ago to 693 today, making the loans that FHA is insuring now less

risky.
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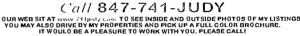
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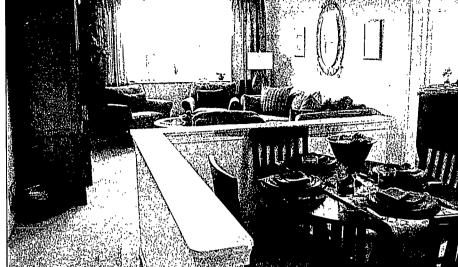
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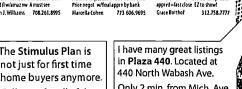
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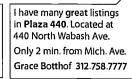
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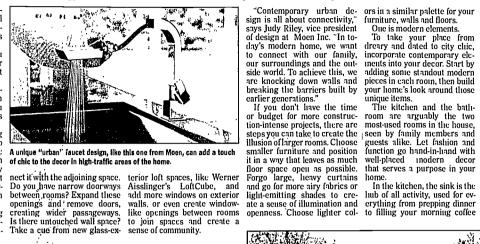
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City chic: Incorporate urban style into your Main Street home

When you look out your window, what do you see: the cool gray steel of high-rise buildings ... or vast, open expanses of green land? You don't have to stick to an interior style that mimics your surroundings. especially if it doesn't suit your taste.

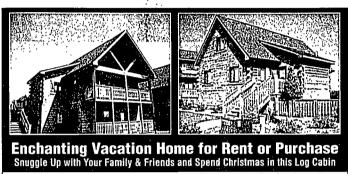
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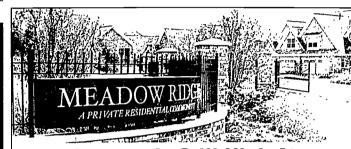


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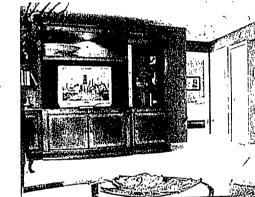


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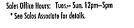
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Cambridge Homes' Foxmoor in Montgomery a top pick

If you're looking to buy your first or second home, where do you start? How do you learn where the best values are, what location is best for you and what priority features you can get for your purchasing dollars?

Ravi and Asmita Vaghani recently purchased a new home at Foxmoor, the Cambridge Homes single-family community in southwest suburban Montgomery.

ontgomery.
They looked at homes in-usively for more than two onths, worked with a real es-te professional and really did

We even bid on a foreclosure ome, and negotiated on other onies too. But in the end, we

investment,"
"We lind several requirements and we concentrated or nents and we concentrated on tomes and areas that would need our needs. These requirements included a single-family nome of at least 2,000 square feet, close to the Metra train because I work downtown, with good schools and priced within



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\$192.490 with the generous Cambridge Homes incentives."
"We researched Cambridge Homes on the Internet and learned the company has been in business for many years and is stable and well-respected. We believe Cambridge will stand behind its homes. We visited other Cambridge Homes communities to get a good sense of the type of communities Cambridge Homes builds, and we stopped and asked residents if they were satisfied with their homes. They said they certainly were." he said.

The Vaghanis selected the

Montgoinery, we liked the area because it is close to shopping and other conveniences, yet it has a more uncongested, country feeling. Also, we have found a place where we can buy a fourbedroom home for less than \$192,490 with the generous "We researched Cambridge Homes necentives."

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Homes commandiate walk-in pantry. As for the kitchen to the garage.

Upstairs, a private master bath with soaking tub rots as well as cable outlets and paghanis selected the

rough-ins for ceiling fans.

"We appreciated the fact that the Cambridge Homes staff was so helpful to us, especially when it came to finding the right site for our home." Vaghani said. "We wanted a corner lot, and it is part of Vastu Sastra which Hindu believe that a home should face to the east so, as the sun rises in the mornings, it will shine on the front of the house. Our sales consultant was able to find us a location that is perfect for our needs. We are looking forward to moving into our home in Foxnoor, and we are pleased that we bought from Cambridge Homes."

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land schools, and the community includes more than 50 acres of open space, a nine-acre stocked lake with a fishing pier, a gazeho with benches and an asphalt walking and biking trail that winds through the neighborhood and joins a natural conservation area.

The 14 floor plans in the Cambridge Homes popular Prairie Series range from 1.572 to 3.100 square feet and include a ranch and unnerous two-story plans with partial or full basements and two-car attached garages, with prices starting as low as \$192,490. A selection of homes is available for quick delivery, and a variety of financing programs make the homes at Foxmoor even more attainable. FHA and VA loans with low or no down payments are available for qualified buyers. In addition, qualified buyers an benefit from the extension of the \$8,000 tax credit and the recent aumonneement of a \$6,500 tax credit for move-up buyers. To visit foxumor take Inter-

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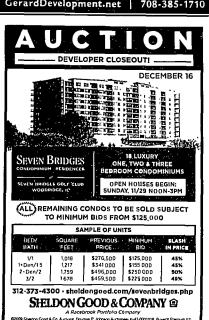


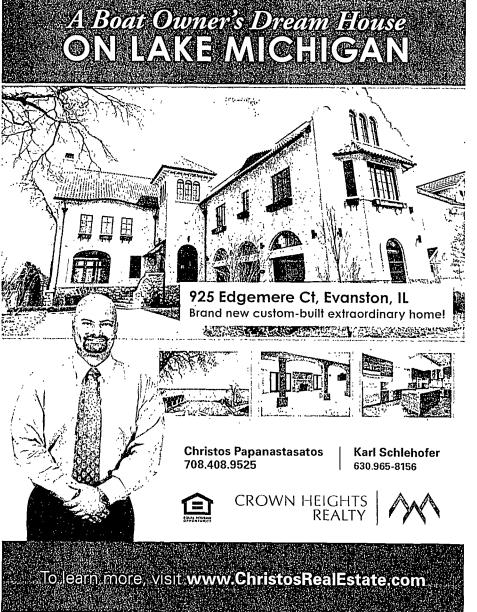
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Pent-up demand and tax credit drive October home sales rally

Illinois home sales took a doible-digit jump in October as buyers took advintage of unprecedented buyer-narket conditions with record low mortgage interest rates, affordable home prices and the federal first-time home-buyer tax credit.

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wide total lidine sales (WEFAL (which include single-family and couldoniniums) in October 2009 reached 10,986 homes sold, up 24.2 percent from October 2008 sales of 8,846. The Illinois median price in October 2009 was \$157,000 down 7.6 percent from \$170,000 in October 2008. The median is a typical market price where half the homes sold for more half sold for less

"October's extraordinary sales totals reflect home purchases by many buyers who were sitting on the sidelines of the housing market waiting out the economic downturn as well as more home sellers coming to terms with accurate pricing given the market conditions, said Realtor Mike Onorato. GRI. president of the Illinois Association of Realtors.

"The first-time homebuyer tax credit clearly was a motivating factor and an effective market stimulus to reduce inventories and help stabilize prices. The good news is that the credit has been extended through April 2010 and expanded to now include potential move-up buyers who have owned

span during the last eight years."

In the Chicagoland Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA), year-over-year home sales were positive for the fourth consecutive month, up 33.3 percent to 7,286 homes sold (single-lamily and condominiums) in October 2009 compared to 5,467 homes sold in October 2008. The median home sale price for the Chicagoland PMSA was \$190.000 in October 2009, down 15.6 percent from \$225,000 in October 2008.

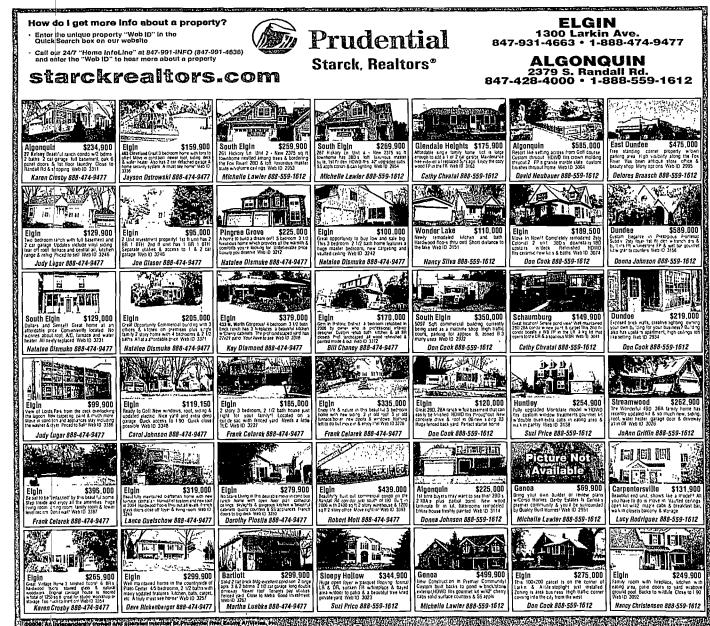
The inonthly average commitment rate for a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage for the North Central region was 5.0 percent in October 2009, down from the 5.06 average rate during the previous month, according to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation. Last year in October it averaged 6.25 percent.

Sales continue to offer some encouraging news and there is an early indication of a cessation of price declines in Illinois," noted Dr. Geoffrey J.D. Hewings, director of the Regional

tors on a monta-to-monta basis striumakes it difficult to detect a longer-term trend."

"We are seeing increased movement in both the single-family unattached homes, as well as in Chicago's condo market," said Genie Birch, president of the Chicago Association of Realtors and a broker associate with Koenig & Strey GMAC, Chicago, "The first-time homebuyer tax credit has created a great incentive for buyers on the fence who are ready to invest in real estate. We are hopeful that the remainder of 2009 with the expanded and extended credit will continue to positively increase home sales in our market, however continued review of lending policies is also necessary, in order to





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result. New job, fresh out of the military ... what are the chances someone like this

chances someone like this fine person gels conventional financing? But we are proud to give this solider who fought for us the quality new home he deserves and the loan that makes it happen." Klarchek said.

The trade journal article "Time for a Cool Change!" which featured Capital First's bold redevelopment vision was published in the November 2009 issue of Home Marketing Sales Management, and revealed the record numbers of buyers who have re-

How to decorate a child's room, and love the results

Parents and children rarely have the same decorating tastes when the time comes to redo a child's room. But don't worry. With a few tricks, you can create a stylish bedroom that is fun and functional for your child.

"Your child's bedroom is the one room in the house they call their own," says Jeff Nokkeo, academic director for Interior Design at The Art Institute of California, San Francisco. "Allowing your child to create a sense of identity and personal space will help both of you to love the new decor."

Here are some decorating tips that will help keep the whole family happy:

Talk to your child about his or her vision for the room. Then select a color palette and theme together. What are her likes and dislikes? Does he have a favorite hobby or activity he likes to do? Incorporating some of

and utsinkest Does he have a havorite hobby or activity he likes to do? Incorporating some of the child's design ideas into the room will help make it feel like his or her own.

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his favorite professional logo on them, such as a bedspread or poster. If your son isn't a sports nut, you can incorporate any interest into affordable decor that will personalize the room. For example, if your son loves to play Army, add some cannouflage curtains. Does le like science? Add a wall mural of the solar system.

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Here's a look at some of the shortest trends for children's bedrooms.

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It's all about bright colors for girls, from purple to lime green

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"Compromise by using a neutral wall color in the room and adding punch and color with accessories and accents like bedding, lantps, wall art and other decorations." Nokeo suggests.

■ Likewise, keep window shades neutral, but add a fun.

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that will keep your daughter cozy while sleeping, enjoying a book, or simply lounging around her room. The set inchudes a throw (49-by-60-inch) that's soft plush on one side and stilky smooth on the other and a matching 15-inch square pillow. Adding items that can be personalized with a name or favorite phrase, like this blanket, is a way to make your or favorite plirase, like this blanket, is a way to make your child feel like the room truly is her special place. Choose pink with black embroidery or black with pink embroidery. The throw is machine washable, a good thing to note when choosing items for a child's room since little lands can be messy. For boys

If your little guy loves sports, choose accessories that have his favorite professional logo on them, such as a bedspread or

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to accommodate people with physical disabilities. Midway Village Condominiums sets the stage for those looking for an independent senior lifestyle and facilities than provide opportunities for socializing. With more than 25,000 square feet of professionally landscaped gardens and parks, Midway Village condos are conveniently located near shopping centers (Ford City Mall). transportation opportunities and additional parks. Each condo also has access to a secure storage room and a deeded parking space in the building's heated garage.

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part of this self-contained community and has access to the health and fitness center, library, computer lab/business center and numerous educational programs and emertainment opportunities. Midway Village also features a beautifully appointed restaitrant, game room and an arts and crafts room.

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of the everyday lumpy, space-logging recliner, try a contemporary lounge chair. Rather than massive entertainment centers and bookshelves, try a langing storage center that adds color and light to your room without taking up precious floor space. Or, try bookshelves that are built into the wall - housed between studs or simply on wall mounted shelving units that allow for use of the floor space beneath.

Another way is to design "clean spaces."

Your average city-dweller doesn't have the time or the space to accumilate home-cluitering extras.

"The city is full of noise and disorder." Riley says. "Modern urban home design calls for a separation from the busy-ness of the outside world."

Tomimic this minimalist approach in your own home, consider the number of extra gadgets that clutter your

kitchen. For instance, do you really need a handheld blender, a counter-top blender, a margarita maker and smoothie maker? When was the last time you used your fondue pot, quession space long, and bloor and cabine space? If so, long on to freecycle.org and give the mused items away to someone who may actually use them.

Once you've removed what you don't need, you can create the attention and openness that your modern decor deserves. Treat your home as an art gallery, where the spolight is on a small number of contemporary statement pieces, not scattered among an over-abundance of objects.

You don't have to pack up and feeling in your home decor. Think open, "modern" and "sleek," and open is a metropolitan vibe, no matter how far from the city you choose to live.

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help FHÅ come out of the current housing crisis positioned to continue its mission of promoting more affordable mortgage credit for borrowers.

Q: What's the prognosis for home sales in 2010?

A: The outlook appears to be very healthy for residential sales in the coming year. Home sales will increase by 15 percent to about 5.7 million units, predicted by Lawrence Yun, chief economist for the National Association of Realtors.

One key factor in spurring sales projections is the extended and expanded home-buyer tax credit. This will have a particularly strong impact in the lower-end of the housing market, bringing up to 400,000 first-time buyers into the market who wouldn't have bought a home otherwise, Yun noted.

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This will tighten inventories of starter homes

and will shore up prices, thus reducing home-owners' fears of further price drops, Yun added.

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dominium, filled with an abundance of natural light from the condominium owners, and the oversized windows, potential buyers will find custom hardwood cabinetry, individually controlled heating/air consolled heating/air

keting Sales Management. and revealed the record numbers of buyers who have responded to this revolutionary change in these properties quality and appeal.

"We won't predict the final tally for 2009, but in 2008 we closed 212 at our Willow Springs schools location alone, and some 900 contracts including neighboring states, and demand is even higher this year. We've had as many as 111 calls from none shoppers in a single day at this one property last summer," Klarchek said. "In today's world, people vote with their time, feet and wallets. In this economy, when lundreds of singles, couples and families call, come, see and buy, you know there are good reasons for it."



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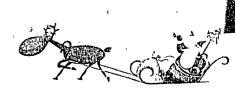












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'End Days' tells a strange, and very satisfying, story

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Arthur (William Dick) and

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

Laura T. Fisher could play

By CATEY SULLIVAN Contributor

a cactus and probably make the thing empathetic and emotionally complex. So it's no surnrise that her depiction of Sylvia Stein, the mishy, abrasive, rigidly uncompromising and rahidly Evangelical Christian at the fractured heart of "End Days," comes across as an intelligent, multilayered, flawed hero rather than a one-note stereatype feverishly skipping toward crazy town. Sylvia is at the heart of Dehorali Zoc Laufer's eccentric family drama. Minus an actor who can portray a self-appointed savior with humanity, all you've got in "End Days" is story that's way too weird

to relate to. As it is, Next's production is compelling even in its most outlandish moments. And what with Stephen Hawking and Jesus Christ constantly coming and going, there are plenty of oatlandish moments. Unning the oddness factor: The teenage Elvis innersounter next door, a highstrung adolescent whose nervous chatter loops and buzzes like a swarm of drunken bees. Within this trippy atmos-

phere papulated by misfits. director Shade Murray finds the story's deenly relatable human care, and makes it shine. Even in the most :ibsurd scenes (Sylvia demanding the Ranture's precise timeline from a reluctant Jesus, Stenhen Hawking helping Sylvia's daughter Rachel to remember her locker combination), things feel honest and true.

"End Days" delves the profound disconnect among members of the Stein family in the wake of the Sept. II



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

daughter Rachel (Carolyn Faye Kramer) are as estranged from each other as they are from the world at large. While Sylvia has turned to Jesus, Arthur who survived the World Trade Center attacks while all of his co-workers perished - has tumbled into a near catatonic-depression. Rachel expresses her broken-hearted rage by stomping about in Doc Martius and painting her face ghost-goth white. In their own distinctive way. each of the Steins less given un on life on Earth - which makes the sudden arrival of Nelson (Adam Shalzi) all the more jarring. Despite having survived tragedy on a par with the Steins. Nelson is as optimistic and life-affirming as his neighbors are lifedenying. His only apparent damage is the Elvis jumpsuit he uses as a security

lack of social graces. Within the small, ordinary naranicters of the Steins' world - a living room, a kitchen, and a high school hallway - Laufer injects ideas as hig as the universe with dialogue prohing nutters Biblical, astro-physical, religious and scientific. While Sylvia is fervently preparing for the Apocalypse and chatting un Jesus. Raelicl is also pondering the inysteries of the space/time continuum with Hawking. Nelson and Arthur become

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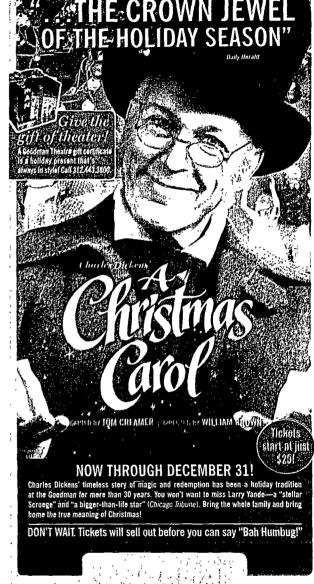
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Mitzvah preparations. Early in the second act. Sylvin gets a monologue that nierces straight to the heart while explaining her abrupt conversion from agnostie Jew to Born Again Christian, It's a passage that absolutely mails the unbearable fear of being separated from loved ones, be it during a terrorist attack or during the end of the world. Sylvia's utter inguish at the thought of heing Runtured up to Jesus while her family is left hehind is intensely helievable, Christian, Jew. Hindu, Buddhist, Muslim or atheist - anyone who has ever feared the loss of a loved one will recognize themselves in Sylvia. The rest of the cast is

solid. Dick absolutely eaptures the shrugging despair (and the black lunnor) of major depression. Shalzi is convincingly guileless as a gawky boy who speaks mivarnished truth simuly beeause he doesn't know how to filter his conversation to meet societal norms. Wycoff is appropriately beatifie as Jesus and wryly brainy as Hawking.

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

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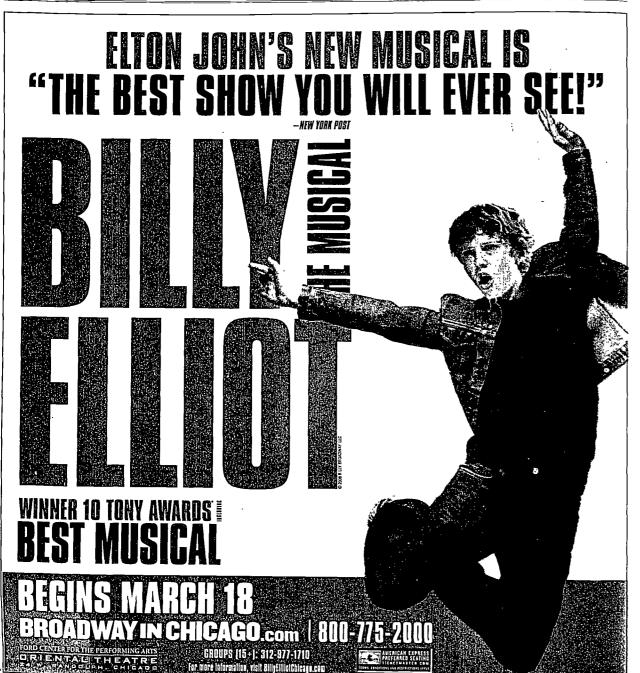
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A new relationship might not be responding quite as quickly as you'd hoped. Could you be expecting too much too soon? Try to ease up and let things happen at their own pace.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) As we approach the frenetic pace of pre-holiday planning, take time out now to reconnect with the wonderful people who share your life, especially the one who also shares your dreams

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A misunderstanding should be resolved before you get caught up in the flurry of holiday preparations Set your pride aside and deal with it, regardless of who might have hurt whom first. LEO (July 23 to August 22)

Being told that a colleague might have been trying to undercut

comes to doing the "wisdom thing," you do it so well. CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Budget your time so that you can handle both your workplace duties and your personal holiday planning - including travel arrangements without burning out on either

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You might find that you still need to firm up one or two of those still-outstanding decisions so that you can finally move forward as you had planned. Weigh the facts, then

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You usually don't carry grudges, but you might feel this is one time when you're justified in doing so. But aren't you spending too much energy holding onto it? Let it go and move on. BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of using your quiet strength to persuade people to follow their better instincts and do the

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Fay, Patricia H.
Patricia H. Fay, 85, 52 year
resident of Park Ridge, passed
away November 19, 2009. She
was born in Milledgeville, IL and
was raised in Oregon, IL.
Beloved wife of the late Richard;
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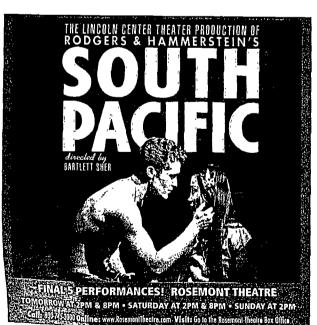
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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A family member's actions continue to surprise you. but this time with positive results. Could be your wise counsel finally got through. It's like having an early holiday gift.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your reluctance to act in a current situation could be traced to your inner self advising you to take more time to study its complexities before you attempt to deal with it Good luck. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Soothing hurt feelings before they can ignite an angry outburst is the wise thing to do. And. of course, when it

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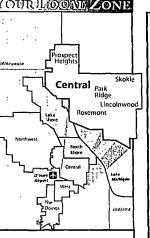
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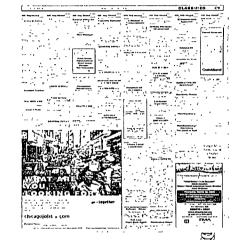
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THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE WEST LINE

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 2T TO THE NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET IN SECTION 28 EXTENDED FAST. THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET EXTENDED EAST TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 25 IN BLOCK 8 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS OCCUMENT 8465869,

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 2S THROUGH 31 IN BLOCK 8 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST Corner of Lot 31.

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

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

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

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THENCE WEST TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 26 IN BLOCK 2 IN HORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOC 8465869. THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 1T THROUGH 26 IH BLOCK 2 AND LOTS 6, T AND 8 IN BLOCK 1 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDINISION TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6 IN BLOCK 1.

THENCE CONTINUING WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 16 THROUGH 20 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 2ST24TT TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 1. THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 1 TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOUISE AVENUE,

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

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Finally, Apple gecks will be happy to see yet another incarnation of the iPod eliminating the click wheel altogether in favor of a touch screen. The new iPod will also include Wi-Fi access.



Video games are popular for teens and even the young at heart. Look for the third edition of Guitar Hero that now offers a variety of performance venues as well as guitar battle mode.

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For the youngest on your gift list, the nostalgie-brand Radio Flyer recently announced a new EZ-Rider scooter. The extra-wide wheels and low deck allow for optimum balance and steering. The model also features an adjustable three-height handle bar perfect for ages ranging from three to eight. Most local Target stores earry the brand as well as local toy stores such as Foster Toys in Hinsdale.



For a Cause:

Consider shopping for gifts at a fair trade retailer such as Ten Thousand Villages that has locations nearby in towns such as Evanston and Oak Park. Its goods support the livelihood of artists in countries as far reaching as the Middle East, Asia and South America. Fifty percent of an order is sent upfront to struggling artists to help cover difficult costs such as labor and materials. The goods range in cultural influence and style, and they are ideal to include in stocking stuffers or grab bags. The store stocks unique jewelry, candles and soaps, as well as exotic fabric purses and desk adornments, sure to make a statement both in appearance and meaning. For the Fashionista:

For Your Cubicle Mate:

Orer Martin The office grab bag is a tricky assign-Class by Lolita ment. Whether your office pals listen to your coffee break confessions or just take your coffee order, a small token of recog-

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nition is a must during the giving season. Check out F.U.N Cards & Gifts in Glenview for the perfect variety of gift ideas, with many under \$20. "We're value-driven," says the owner, Rob Oswald. "Everyone can find something magnificent within their

Look for universally popular gifts such as Lolita hand-painted martini or pint glasses, holidayinspired seemed votive candles or the ever-popular photo album to capture holiday memories. Oswald says the store's monogram services, often available on a same-day or next-day basis, give stationary and other desktop musts that special touch,

"This season its all about glitz!" says Lena Litrie, owner of ENAZ boutiques in Highland Park and Northfield. "Adding a little sparkle to your wardrobe is a great way to dress up any outfit."

Slic suggests sharing gifts your loved ones can use to update their winter wardrobes or holiday party attire. Avora's rhinesione cuffs and glittery bangles are some of her top picks. She says metallic cosmetic bags and clutches can update an outfit with bold style.

For a stylish yet practical gift, clothing designers have turned to the great outdoors for inspiration. Luric recommends T-shirt searves with touches of gold or fringe from designers such as Michael Stars.

Feeling generous? Give your stylish friends or siblings a fabulous sweater coat or even a pair of colorful rain boots with toasty liner socks from Hunter. Even bad weather won't stand in the way of a night on the







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Putting a good spin on a bad habit

By SARA BURROWS Contributot

Snacks happen.

No one knows this better than America's food industry, which obligingly offers citizens an array of sweets and savories in small, far-too-easy-to-eat por-

And Americans are eating those snacks in growing numbers. According to "A Look into the Future of Enting," a study released by the NPD Group's Rosemont office, snacking is on the rise. In home snacking will increase by 19 percent over the next deende.

Yet it's hard to get through the day without those mid-morning, mid-afternoon, late-night noshes.

So what's an increasingly health-conscious population to

Think about it

"It's a matter of planning." said Teresa Uemura, a registered dictition at West Suburban Medical Center in Oak

Park. Ideally, she continues snacks should add nutrition, as well as satisfaction, to your diet.

Apples or bananas trump chips and cookies every time. And those 100-enlorie packs often backfire, says Uemura. "They don't satisfy, so people eat two or three."

She also recommends that people consider why they're snacking. At work, she says, "People sometimes ent because they're bored." That eandy bar helps relieve the tedium of hours at a keyboard, but do you need it?

However, at-home snacking can be the real pitfall for most people, especially in the evenings. After-dinner nibbles are expected to increase 15 percent in the next deende. necording to the NPD study.

"That was prohably the most difficult time," said Judy Roman of Glenview, As children, her two now grown-up daughters did most of their between-menl for:iging in the evenings, and she and her husband still like a little something with their TV.

Snack-time at the Libertyville Cooperative Nursery School is part of the learning ex-

perience. Making their own treats, as Hailee Giordano is, gets youngsters interested

in good nutrition. (Joe Cyganowski/For STM)

keep a lid on sweets. "I give my daughter a treat once a day," she said. "It's not that we don't have a nackage of cookies in the house, but we try to have them in moderation.

Both women say that it's important to educate a family on sensible enting. because both of them developed good eating habits before they

Start young

At the Libertyville Cooperative Nursery School, snacking is

kids at that age, says Carol



ery School, where kids often make their own healthy treats for the day. (Joe Cyganowski/For STM)

Her solution is to offer veggies and dips, or chips - baked, not fried — and salsa. "And fruit is always available. We keep very few sweets around the house."

Lisa Safron of Buffalo Grove says after school is a hungry time for her daughter. So she makes sure there's something ready that's substantial and nourishing. Payorites, she says. are "A piece of pizza, or a peanut hutter sandwich."

Like Roman, Safron tries to

were grown.

"My parents got on the healthy eating bandwagon when I was a tecnager, so that's where I got it," said

on the schedule every day.

It's a matter of good health for

Boyce, director of the school. "Their stomachs are so small, they can't get all the nutrients they need at meals. So it's important that snacks are health-

sees

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nity to teach

kids to make the

nutritious choices

that will serve them well

Vicki Egler, a teacher at the Libertyville

learn the concept of sometime foods versus anytime seliool. Any time a ehild asks mom for an apple, he or she is likely to get it. But sweets like cookies and eandy are treats for special occasions. "Kids really understand that," said Egler. "They know there are

in the future.

"Never tell a fi-year-old Cookies and eandy are bad for you." she said. "You're sure to lose eredibility, because cookies and eandy aren't bad. They taste very good."

She proposes that kids

certain foods they can't eat

It's a concept that would serve

adults well, too, said Uemura.

"But bad eating habits are hard

all the time."

foods.

These programs do not include the City of Chicago Cook County Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

PURPOSE:The Cook County Community Dovelopment Advisory Council will held a Performance

Hearing to review the progress and performance of program activities for the 2008 Community Development Block Grant Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program and Emergency Shelter

Grants Program for the 2008 Program Year (October 1, 2008 through September 36, 2009).

The Cook County CAPER will be available for public review on December 3, 2009, Cook County will accopt commons on the toport from Docombor 3 through Docombor 17, 2009 The report can be viewed at the Cook County Department of Planning and Development 69 Wost Washington, Sulto 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, (312) 603-1000.

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from 13 pm, and children can have

their photos taken with him for free

As a special treat, Dragoncello The-

aler Company and Shapeshifters The

atre will present an original, one hou

performance featuring the myths of

ancient Ireland with live traditional

costumes. The performance is at 2

p.m. and tickets are \$5 for children

The Horwood Park Historical Soci-

Hoble Seymour Crippen House, 5624

N Newark Ave. Chicago Admission is

1. Boutique hours are 11 a m 7 p m

PERFORMANCE HEARING

Thursday, Decombor 3, 2009

County Building - Room 567

6:00 p m.

PLACE: Cook County Board Room

Chlcago, IL 60602

ety will hold its annual Victoria's

and adults. Visit www.itish-

american or

Irish music, puppets, and eye popping

handmade-items-only sale as a way to celebrate the holidays and to raise funds to support Noble-Seymour-Crip-Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale at pen House. This year crafts include the Irish American Heritage Center music boxes, soaps and lotions, 4626 N Knox Ave . Chicago, from 9 stained class American Girl doll am 3 nm. Dec 6 Mass will be celeclothes, wreaths, quits, ornaments brated in the auditorium at 10 30 a m ceramics, and a variety of bakery with music provided by the trish Heritems and foods. New this year is the stage Singers, a traditional Irish nursery, where visitors can buy hand breakfast follows Cost for the break made infant toys, clothes and acces fast is \$8 for adults and \$4 for chilsories for their young children. Visidren Reservations are required; call tors may also enjoy Holly Daze Cafe (773) 282 7035, Ext. 10, Holiday shopwhich serves homemade soups, sand pers can browse the bazaar, where wiches, desserts and other light fare there will be a craft sale from Chica Boutique attendees may also purgo artisans and an Irish American chase holiday cookies. Tickets are quilt will be raffled off. There will b available at www.norwoodparkhisto raffles and local Irish import stores calsociety ora The Jolly Holly Bake Shop will sell Food Drive homemade pies, bread, scones, cakes and cookies Santa Claus will visit

Village of Niles employees, Citibank and PHA Bank are partnering togeth er for a food drive to ensure no person in Riles goes hungry this Thanks giving and holiday season. Demand or assistance is rising due to unem ployment, high food prices and utilities and a troubled economy. This community effort will be held through Dec. 1D Donations by the public are deeply appreciated Donations of nonperishable food items may be dropped off at any of the following lo cations' Village Half, IDDD Crvic Center Drive. Family Services and Senior Craft Boulique on Dec 3, 4, 5 and 6 at Center, 999 Civic Center Drive, Niles Fitness Center, 987 Civic Center Drive Niles Fire Department, 8360 W Demp-

ster St., Hiles Police Department, 700

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COOK COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

W. Touhy Ave.; Niles Public Works. 6849 Touhy Ave: Citibank, B4DD W Dempster St., PNA Bank, 1840 N. Mil-

5-9 pm Dec. 4 Four residences are

each decorated with their own style

of holiday tradition. Tickets are \$20 in

advance or \$25 purchased on day of

event. Each ticket holder will receive

a Baked by Betsy cookie. Raffle tick-

ets are \$2 each or six for \$1D Tickets

may be purchased at the following

Park Ridge locations Maine Center.

Maine Center is hosting its annual Park Ridge Christmas Housewalk from

www.pioneerlocal.com

819 Busse Highway. MB Financial bank, 1014 Busse Highway: New Prospects, 11D S. Prospect Ave: Park Ridge Commundy Bank, 626 Talcott Ave: Park Ridne Park District 2701 Sibley Ave. Raffia Gifts. 29 S Prospect Ave Proceeds will benefit community behavioral health programs. Call Royane Fupco. (847) 696 157D, Fxt. 309 As a special fundralser and to celebrate the almost complete installation of an elevator, the tirles Historical Society is participaling in Shop and Share Days with all Jewel/Osco Stores Hov 29 and Dec. 1 and 2 For those who do not have an identification slip. they are available from every member of the Society, or at the Museum, by calling (847) 390 0160 or (847) 967 9849 Be sure to have one as you prepare to do your holiday shopping It is not too late to donate money to the annual Knights of Columbus

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Ress Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John Ress would like to wish their daughter Georgia and their son in law Gregory. son of Mr. and Mrs. loannis Raphael, a Happy Anniversary. We wish you many years of health and happiness. Congratulations on your new home in Glenview as well. God bless you both.



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Graduations

PIONEER PRESS The Doings

Triebel – Bello Engagement

Melissa Triebel and James Bello of Peoria, IL are pleased to announce their engagement. Melissa is the daughter of Karen Calder. stepdaughter of John Calder and the daughter of the late Thomas Triebel. James is the son of John and Nancy Bello, of Park Ridge, 1L. The groom and bride

completed their high school diplomas in 2001. James graduated from Maine South High School

and Melissa from Metamora High School in Peoria, IL.

Both James and Melissa accomplished bachelor degrees from Miami of Ohio University in 2005, his in finance, and hers in marketing; however, first meet while employed at Target Corporation located in Minneapolis, Minnesota,

The couple will marry this February in Peoria, IL. The twosome's first journey, as husband and wife, begins in April when they take off to Milan, Italy. James has been accepted at the University of Bacconi and will be pursuing his MBA, while Melissa already has professional opportunities awaiting her.

NILES FAMILY FITNESS CENTER

your herald-spectator The Niles Family Fitness St. John Breheuf, Gemini Ju-Center and The Niles Cham-nior High, Clarence E. Culver

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Maine South grad joins Philharmonia Orchestra

Fisher accented an offer from the Philharmonia Orchestra, based in London. England, to become a memher of its viola section.

This culminated a trial period lasting over one year in which she uracticed and nerformed concerts with this archestra throughout Great Britain, in many other European countries, and in Japan. She has been living in Landon since May.

A native of Park Ridge. Gwendolyn began violin at the age of 5. After hearing the Chicago Symphony Orchestra nerform when she was 8 years ald, she declared, "I want to do that," With the encouragement of her teacher, Desirec Ruhstrat, she switched to viola as a teenager.

Graduating from Maine South High School in 2001.

she received Maine South's has also participated in Le highest award for orehestra players. She carned her Music Festival in Quebee. Bachelor of Music degree and in the IMS Prussia in 2005 from the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore. studying under Victoria Chiang, and hegan graduate studies at the New England Conscruatory in Baston under Martha Katz In 2006 she moved to

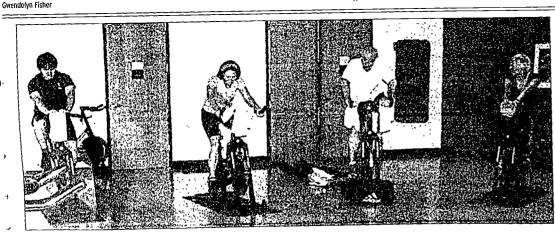
Salzburg, Austria, to study under Thomas Richl, an internationally renowned viola teacher, at the Mozarteum University. In Novem- Switzerland. her 2008 she completed a master's degree in viola performance, graduating

Gwendolyn is a several year fellow of the Asnen from Maine South High Music Festival and School in Aspen, Colo., and has nal defense attorney in worked with the Singapore Portland. Symphony Orchestra, She

Domaine Forget Chamber Cove Master Classes in Cornwall, England, Performing regularly with chamber ensembles and orchestras chamber throughout Europe, Gwendolyn has worked with the Alesi Ensemble in Lerici. Italy, with the Camerata Salzburg in Istanhul. Turkey, and with the Salzburg Chamber Soloists at the Touhalle in Zurich.

Gwendolyn is the daughter of Claire and Perry Fisher, longtime Park Ridge residents. Her older brother. Graham, who graduated School in 1996, is a crimi-

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Indoor Cycling Marathon

The Niles Chamber of Commerce and the Niles Family Fitness Center Indoor Cycling Marathon

Indoor cycling marathon raises \$3,800 for scholars

second annual Indoor Cycling Marathon on Oct. 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 o.m. at the Niles Family Fitness Center.

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Nine teams participated. raising \$3.848 for the Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Pro-

According to a news release the Niles Chamber Dol. lars for Scholars Charter is an all-volunteer committee dedicated to community youths. This 2009-10 academic year, three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating cighth-grade students and three \$3,000 schularshins will be awarded to cradunting high school seniors. service to the community and school, response to an essay, awards and honors, school ommendation.

from local schools including: ars.

ber of Commerce held the School St. Inliana Maine West High School Niles North High School, Niles West High School Notre Dame High School, St. Mary of the Woods, Resurrection High School, Maine East High School and Lavola Academy.

Scholarships have also been granted to the children of cmployees and chamber members including: Ed Garvey & Co. St. Renedict Nursing & Rehab Center, Fifth Third Bank, Professional Eve Care Center, Niles Public Library. Golf Mill Shopping Center. Niles Family Fitness Center and the Village of Niles.

Each year organizers are able to increase the number Applications are judged on of scholarships and the amounts, thanks to business donations from local commanies, fundraising activities transcripts and letters of ree- like the Annual Dollars for Scholars Spring Raffle and Past recipients have been Annual Spinning for Schol-



Niles Chamber of Commerce and Niles Family Fitness Center hosted the second appual Indoor Cycling Marathon Oct. 24

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009 will be available for oxible it to review this Annual Statement of Atlans should contact Morton Grove School District 70 6200 Late St., Morton Grove, IL, 60053

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Candy Drive to help mentally handicapped children. To donate, send taxfree donalions to: KC Council 4338, c/o Ken Lee, 8307 N. Harlem Ave.

The Norwood Park Historical Society will hold its 26th annual Holiday House Tour from It am to 4 pm Dec. 5. Six private homes, plus the landmark Noble-Seymour-Crippen House, will be on the tour. Tickels are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The tour begins at Norwood Park Field House. 5801 N. Natoma Ave., Chicago, Guests may walk through the neighborhood to enloy the homes or may take the free shuttle bus from house to house Children younger than 12 are not atlowed, infants may be carried Each house is decorated for the holidays. and a brief history of the home is oflered for attendees. Tickels may be purchased by going to www.norwood parkhistoricalsociety org or by mailing a check and postage paid envetope to Attn Holiday House Tour. 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago IL 60631. The fundraiser is held in conjunction

House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago Admission to the boulinge is \$1 The Knights of Columbus Council 4338 is conducting a Wheelchairs for the Needy campaign. The public is invited to help others by providing donations for a wheelchair. For as little

with Victoria's Craft Boulique, Oec 3.

4.5 and 6. at Noble-Seymour-Crippen

as \$75, the needy can gain their mobility with a new wheelchair, Oona. tions may be send to: Wheelchairs for Needy, c/o KC Council 4338, 8307 N Harlem Ave., Niles IL 60714.

> The Knights of Columbus are still distribution Toolsie Roll candy and hanks with all profits given to mentally handicanned children Tootsie Roll bars are available at 50 bars per package for \$6. The candy banks are \$2 each Conlact Ken Lee. (847) 967-6234. Send monetary donations to KC Council 4338, c/o Ken Lee. 8307 N

Harlem Ave., Niles II, 60714.

The Rotary Club of Skokie Valley will hold a holiday plant-sale lundraiser to support local area charities As in years past the sale features poinseltias, azaleas, holiday wrealhs and balsam ropes coming directly from a wholesaler's greenhouse Plants may be picked up or delivered anytime before fler 18 from an Evanston green. house Prices start at \$8 For more delails call Mark Schneiderman, (647) 933 4354.

Entertainment Books are available from the Knights of Columbus Council 4338. The 2010 edition costs \$20 each with a wide selection of metropolitan areas to choose from All proceeds are donated to area charities. To reserve a book call Mel Koenigs, (84T)

Our Lady of Ransom Parish in Niles is selling Entertainment 2010 Books. \$20 The book offers a variety of values, mainly two for one deals at many reclaurants and establishments Discounts also cover travel, car centals. movie thealers, holel discounts and more Proceeds benefit the parish To

order a book call Josephine Bax. (847) 823-2550.

Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St. (847) 663-1234 or online at www.nileslibrary.org The Go Club for ages 6 to 12 usually meets the first and third Saturdays of each month on a drop in basis

Parenting

Boot Camp for Expectant Dads is taught by a certified master coach who equips expectant dads to confidently interact with their infant, support the new mom and build their fa therhood skills. The next class will be offered from 9 a m · noon Oec. 5 at Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Demoster SI. Park Ridge. To register, call HealthAdvisor at 1 800-323-8622 or visit www.advocalehealth.com. The reference code for this course is 8829

Parks

Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation ofters people with physical and mental challenges, behavior and fearning disorders, hearing and visual impairments and emotional disabilities an opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreation activities MNASR serves Des Plaines, Golf-Maine, Lincolnwood, Morton Grove Miles Park Ridge and Skokie To receive a seasonal brochure, or to offer support for peonie with special needs by volunteering call (841) 966 5522

Niles Park District is accepting registration for its popular Small Shots Basketball Program for kindergartners

Library

times Participants will learn dribbling. shooting, defense and offense skills and play in game situations. All skill levels are welcome fees are \$57 lor residents and \$71 for nonresidents, and include a 7-shirt and baskelball

Register at Howard Leisure Center. 6676 W. Howard St. Call (847) 967-1529. Niles Park District New 3's Preschool is offered for children who turned 3 atter Sent 1 2009 mission the deadline for the regular 3-year preschool. Classes are held Tuesdays/Thursdays or Wednesdays/Fridays, from 12.30-2 pm at Howard Leisure Center, Session runs Jan 5 to May 27. Call (847) 967-

and first- and second- grade girls and

with 9 am, 10 15 or 11.30 am, starting

boys. This six week class begins Dec. 5

Nites Park District Introduces a new camp called School's Out Sport Camp The camp will be available on five school holidays. The main emphasis of the camp is to provide safe. Inn filled days of playing and learning sports Campers should bring a sack lunch and beverage Camp takes place at Grennan Heights on Veterans Day. Martin Listher King Day, Presidents Day and Pulaski Day Fees are: residents. \$36; nonresidents, \$45 per day, Call (RAT) 967-1529

Resident and nonresident registration for Niles Park District Bright Be ginnings Preschool for 2009-10 Is still laking place. Spaces are still available in the morning and afternoon for 3and 4 year old classes. Registration is accepted at the Howard Leisure Cen-Jer 6676 W. Howard St., until classes are filled. Call (847) 967-6633 to have information mailed.

Niles Park District is still taking registration for fall Dance classes Classes unclude Buddon Ballerinas for ages 2 3. Pre Ballel for ages 3.5, Ballet & Tap for ages 4-9. Jazz for ages 6-12. and Hin Hon for ages 6-12. Classes for adults are also available. Call (847)

967-6633 Hiles Park District is oflering private piano lessons (30.45 minutes) for beginning and intermediate students Wednesdays and Thursdays at Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St. Lessons will focus on the fundamentals of lechnique, music theory and good practice habits, Call (847) 967-6633 to reserve a lesson time

Golf Maine The Goff Maine Park District has taken a new and innovative approach in raising much needed funds for the park and spreading the word on enerefficiency. The district offers a setection of ENERGY STAR qualified compact fluorescent highl bulbs for sale to the public from a Lights for Learning kinsk Proceeds from the sale of every but will directly fund the scholarship program sponsored by the district The scholarship program allows children the opportunity to attend camp when they may not have the resources to do so on their own The klosk will also house the Lights for Learning teacher tool kils, designed for educators and organization leaders, to provide informational materials

on the overall Lights for Learning Pro-

gram ENERGY STAR Activity Books for

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able A recycling bin for used CFLs will

also he available. CFLs may be ou chased at Feldman Park, 8800 Kathy Lane, Niles, from 8.30 a m ·10 30 pm Call (84T) 297-3000 The Golf Malne Park District offers

the community an opportunity to re cycle paper products. A recognizable en and vellow container supplied by Abilibi Bowaler was dropped oil in the Feldman Park lot, 8800 Kathy Lane near the corner of Western Av enue and Kalhy Lane, Products that can be recycled in this container in clude, newspapers, magazines, office paper (fax and copy), shopping calalogs, mail and envelopes, catalogs, folders, colored paper and shredded naner (bagged), no cardboard or phone books. All money raised will fund the scholarship program, allow ing children to allend summer camp and other programs. Call (847) 297-3000 or go

lowww.paperrelriever.com/. Golf Maine Park District is laking registration for:

Adult Bingo: 10 a m.-2 p.m. first Wednesday of the month, solitthe pot blingo at the Feldman Recreation Center.

Preschool: Early registration is impor tant to ensure child a space for the fall 2009 semester. A five day morning program and a four-day afternoon program are offered for children lurn ing 4 years old by Sept 1 2009 Crickel: Dee Park now has a crickel nitch that will be ready for use this soring Call the park district for rental foos or availability Visit one of the Park District Offices. Feldman Recreation Center, 8800 Kathy Lone (one block south of Golf

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Attains for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009 will be available for public inspection in the school district your agreement administrative office by December 1, 2009 Ind viduals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact 8,00 a.m. · 4,00 p.m. 6901 W. Catton St., Niles, Illinois 60714 Hilles Elementary School District 71

Also by January 15, 2010 the detailed Annual Statement of Attairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009, will be posted on the filmois State Board of Education's website@ www.labe.net. SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the School district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year

1	Statement of Operations as of June 30,2009									
		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retxement / Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
	Local Sources	6,215,470	897.287	918.465	192,087	142,725	0	101,715	0	0
ł	One District to Another District 2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ı	State Sources	311,779	400	ŏ	98.552	a	0	0	0	0.
1	Federal Sources	168,495	0	Ď	0	Ö	0	0	0	0
1	Total Direct Receipts/Revenues.	6,695,744	897,687	918,465	290,639	142.725	0	101,715	0	0
ļ	Total Direct Disbursemants/Expenditures	6,347.182	960,626	858.347	252.938	166.334	0		0	8
Į	Other Sources/Uses of Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2008	655.895	1,355,355	874,459	75.076	88.214	0	1,682,914	0	0 '
	Other Changes in Fund Balances	D	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Ending Fund Balances Juna 30, 2009	1.004.457	1,292,416	934.577	112.777	64.605	0	1.784.629	0	D
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SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED Beverly, Glaser, Maria S; Hirsch, Alan S; Keily, Eleni, Leimer, Pamela Salary Ranne; \$25,000 - \$39,999 - Solriu, Denise M, Tripkos. PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Niles Elementary School District 71

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GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Mary Ann. Han. Kathleen, Heilig, Mark J. Heitz, John C; Henry. ładelne M. Hrobsky, Emily, Junto, Lucian, Karabatsos, Dexi, Kim. Young Mi, Kruzel, Pamela, Larson, Candace, Lichtenstein, Richard f. Mason, Joy. McEnery, Elizabeth; Neison, Lindsey; Oconnor feresa; Okeefe, Colleen, Panke, Kathleen; Popowych, Olga T, Sabia, Dana, Smentek, Kengeth J. Spadoni, Robin, Weyna, Patricia

Salary Rango, \$25,000 - \$39,999 -- Sldhpura, Kiran

Salary Range, \$40,000 - \$59,999 - Autenrieth, Tina: Baum, Michelle, Bohn, Elaine E; Cannella, Marghertte; Frias, Erika, Hackett, | Enka; Marma, Layla, Mayer, Hilary: Mendez, Jeanette; Pantazi, Kathertne, Murphy, Charlotte, Newton, Kelly, Palazzolo, Tony, James C, Philips, Laura, Radko, Maria; Richards, James, Ranzer, Abby, Ross, Joanne.

H. Lindemann, Hans. Maniscalco. Peggle, Mc Garry, Katherine. Meyers, Gabrielle, Montcalm, Rartiara: Mueller, Mary Eilen, Nelson, Christine M. Oh, Joann; Paisley, Jill C; Parisi, Mary Joy, Ranalli Catherine, Schlessinger, Fred.

Salary Range: \$90,000 and over — Blangin, Helene, Brogni Maureen, Farlee, Ann. Feldheim, Linda, Funk, Fern, Geisheker Salary Bange: Less Than 325.000 — Ahmed, Rugayya N. Angelo, i Maureen, Tarkee, Ann, Feldheim, Unda, Funk, Fern, Gelsteker, Salary Bunge: \$60.000 and over — Ferdinand. Susan, Malacha (Imberly, Baker, Ricole; Capsay, Terry, Carl, Maria; Clair, Ann, Fay, Janice C, Kruppe, Amy, Mc Shane, Patricia; Ninni, Kristen, Perez. Chester: Rybicki. Edwin Jr. Nancy: Petitt. John J; Pilati. Maria Lind. Potratz, Roberta, Richards Kathy, Romanoski, Carol A; Santana, Sarah J

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000 — Alossa, Anthony, Babikan Mary E. Coluns, Susan; Damsa, Floria, Fleming, Jili, Geraci Adrianne, Gimenez, Maniou; Guziec, Barbara; Hanson Braman, Nature, Holstein, Kimberly, Ignotto, Marion, Jensen, Joan, Juris Ken, Krone, Sharon, Latessa, Diane; Lightner, Kathryn: Louise Razzer, Abby, Ross, Joanne.

Salary Bango: \$60,000 - \$89,999 — Acciarl, Katherine L; Buhler.

Diana L; D'Annballe. Mary Caren: Dworak, Christine, Feldmann.

Denise A; Wengerski, Jake

Salary Rango: \$40,000 • \$59,999 — Clacolo, Leah M. Harnesheimer, Lynda J. Herr, Ronald, Jordan, Debra, Marcus ate, McEnemey, Laura: Rosado, Gina; Uhie, Daniel, Wrzesinski

VENDOR PUBLICATION LISTING SCHOOL DISTRICT 71 Nites Elementary School District 71

14-018-0718-02

Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries.

A And It Plumbing And Heating Inc., 27,300 00. Alan Hirsch. America Leasing, 4,787 84, Bob's Dairy Service, 10,338 30, Br | Zaner-Bloser, 3,261,98-Bleachers, 2,860 00. Brite Inc/Us Markerboard, 2,525 28, C E

Crowley & Assc Inc. 31,516 59, Clinico Communications Inc. 2.993 9D. Cliffs & Cables, 2.804 00. Color Portraits Inc. 3.965 00 Complete Communications Inc. 6,000 00, Skokle School District 69, 20,473 65, Educational Tours Inc. 5,884 00, Axa Equitable Life Insurance Company, 217,791.74, Evans, Marshall And Pease, Pc, 6,800 00, Exelon Energy Inc. 234.315 62, Cole Taylor Bank, 692,606 97, Cole Taylor Bank, 116,156 12, Follett Library Resources, 6,512 to. Fox River Foods, 43,910 43, fron Placement Technologies, 5,408 00, Globalcom Inc. 12.214 29, Groot Recycling & Waste Services, Inc., 6,903 05, Harvard aintenance Inc. 120,060 00, Niles Elem School District # 71. 37 416 68 Home Denot Credit Service, 6 558 50, Houghton Millin Co., 18,933 99, Houghton Millin Hartcourt. 4,577 21. Houghton Millim Harcourt, 2,574 39, Illinois Assn DI School Boards, 4 756 00, the Wonder Bread, 4 529 11, Ultimois Business Systems, Inc. 5,707 49, III Dept Of Employment Security, 9,602 89, Minois Municipal Retirement Fund, 90 460 D1: Minois Paper Company, 7,641 00, Iron Oaks Adventure Center, 2,760 00, Kelis Inc. 20,669 00, Kristen Ninni, 5,689,13, Arny Kruppe, 7,260 00. L Marshall Roofing & Sheet Metal Inc. 8,000 00. Madl Phillips. 3,014 04, Sra/McGraw-Hill, 7,270 36, Mnj Technologies Direct Inc. 41,235 55, National City, 23,244.78, Neison Fire Protection, 24,804 00. Nextel Communications, 3,347.84. Niles Township District For Special Educ. 321.119 24: Nues Township School Treasurers Office, 22,791 00, Niles Township School Credit Union 90,189 00, Nifes Twp Property Tax Appeals Coop, 4,317 88, North Suburban Teachers Union, 38,789,72: North Town Mechanic Services, 4.287.62, Educational Benefit Cooperative, 867.719 04 Ntdse. 86.177 76, Office Depot Inc . 13,392 06, Palos Sports Inc., 4,799 19, Pearson Education, 8,430 00, Peggy Maniscalco 2,752 00. Positive Connections, 242,245 90, Powercom Corp 6.400 00, Scariano, Humes & Petrarca, 23,609 25; School District #71 Imprest Fund, 5,798 75, School District 68, 27,873 34, School Specialty, 11,533.70, Simplexprinnell Lp. 2,981 25; South Side Control Supply Co. 4.548 20, Sscip. 22,150 00, Syet Dahlquist Architecture, Inc., 38,323 84; Teachers Retiremen System Of Illinois, 425,893,94; Teachers Health Insurance Security, 60,610.92. Top Line Fence Co. 2.830 00, United Business 2.752 00. Alpha Prime Communications. 4.267.75. American Solutions. 4.562 55. United Dispatch. 1.0077.00. United States Aed Inc., 2.772 50, American Drapery Cleaners & Flameprooter, Postal Service. 5.000 00. Urban Elevator Service, 3.026 24. Ing. 4,255,10, Alson American Linen, 2,556 54; Amsan Lic. 16,210 92. Life Insurance And Annuity Co., 22,285 74; Velocity Financia Anderson Lock Co. Ltd. 2,519 18: Audio Visual Systems. Inc. Group Inc. 3,360 00. Vertran Wireless. 3,467 55; Village Of Niles. 20 827.00. Axa Equitable Life Insurance, 22,042 44: Banc Of 5,111 54, Grainger, 4,601.54; Walliam H. Sadler, Inc. 5,230 66

Road on Western Avenue) Niles: or Dee Park, at the corner of Dee and Emerson Roads, Des Plaines, or call (847) 297-3000

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Religion

St. John Brebeuf Adoration Chapel is observing its lifth anniversary. The Chagel in the Parish Ministry Center. 8307 N Harlem Ave. is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week for spiritual devotion, prayers and meditation

Registrations for the St. John Brebeul "Joy in Jesus" Sunday preschool program are being taken. The program is open to children ages 3 1/2 I hrough kindergarten age Class es are held during the 10 45 a m Mass each Sunday Registration tee is \$40 and covers all materials for

Reunions St. John Brebeuf School in Hiles is

www.ehnl.org

the year. Special emphasis is given to the development of self-awareness in the children and their place in the Christian community. The goal of the program is to provide a foundalion for a future understanding of their faith. To register call Charlotte Lindouist, (847) 470 (434 Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster SI. Skokie, ollers Introduction to Judaism and beginning adull Hebrew classes on Sundays and monthly Yiddish Members and nonmembers are welcome Call (847) 675 4141, or go to

looking for graduates from the class of 1964 Contact Libby Ryder at try-

der@subschool.org Elmwood Park High School Class of 1970 is planning its 40th reunion for the fall of 2010 Classmates are asked to e-mail Christine Thomas Cowan (cłcowan@sbcglobal nel) or Janice Ryden Oealon (dealon_jan ice@yahoo com) to place their information on the contact list St. John Brebeuf is looking for all SI John Brebeuf School alumni Alumni should contact Libby Ryder, (84T) 966-3266. or e mail tryder@sjbschool org, and submit their name. year gradualed, address, phone num ber, maiden name (if applicable) and e mail address, and may share a sto-

Immaculate Conception School on Talcoll Avenue in Chicago is estab-

lishing an Alumni Association In preparation for its 100th anniversary celebration the school is searching for its missing alumni, If you allended Immaculate Conception School or

know someone who did, e mail (Calumni@icparish net. or call the rectory (113) 115 3833 Alumni who prefer to reach the association by mail are encouraged to send their first, maiden or tast name, phone number, e mail address, the year in which they graduated, along with their favorile IC memory and favorile IC leacher, to, IC Alumni Association, c/o Immaculate Concention Parish 7211 W Talcott Ave. Chicago Ji ry or tell how St. John Brebeul made 60631 Submissions may also be an impact on their life dropped off at the IC Parish Rectors during normal business hours or af-

ter Masses on Sunday.

Maine Seniors

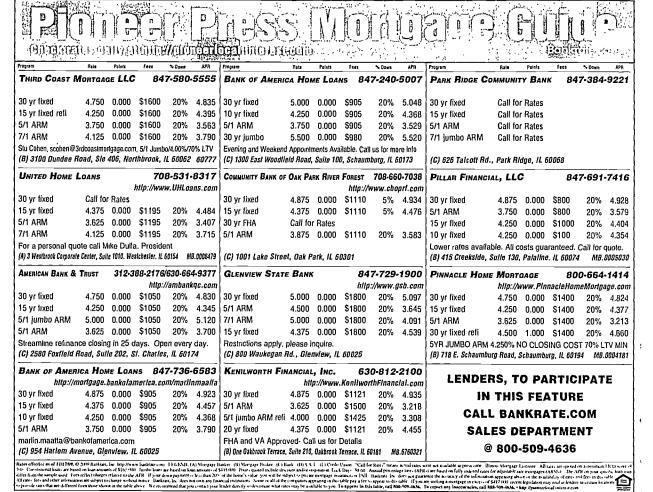
The Maine Township MaineStream: ers program offers a variety of opporunities for residents 55 and older. Membership includes a free subscription to the MaineStreamers monthly newsletter which details activities for the upcoming month Most activities are at Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road Park Ridge, unless otherwise noted Contact the MaineStreamers. (B4T) 29T-2510, or go to www.mainetownship com

Spend 10 nights traveling the islands of Hawaii aboard the Pride of America from Jan 20:30 The Irip will consist of three mahts in Honolulu and a seven night Hawasian cruise. The trip includes home pickup, roundtrip airfare, all meals aboard the ship, dady entertainment, shinboard activities and fectures, all transfers and baggage handling

Volunteer drivers are needed for FISH If interested in providing transportation to lownship residents who need local rides to medical appoint ments, etc., call Gloria Stepek, (847) 297-2510, ext. 283

Maine Township is asking for assistance in locating good reliable handymen in the area If you know of someone and would like to submit a , name, contact Therese Tully, (847) 297-2510, Ext. 260, and she will forward a form to complete

Maine Township, in cooperation with The Cook County Sheriff's Office, is collecting used cell phones to be con verled for emergency 911 use for sen lors Donate phones at Maine Town





Our Savior Lutheran Church

Norwood-Park LCMS

6099 N. Northcott Ave.

(at Nickerson & Hood Avenues)

CHICAGO

Edison Park United Methodist Church

6740 North Diphont Avenue Chicogo, IL 60631 Phone: (773) 792-3030 Fox: (773) 792-3031

www.edisonparkumc.com Email:pastor@edisonparkumc.com Worship Doys & Hours Sundovs 10:30 AM Porluck, 11:30 AM Sunday School for Preschoolers & Nursery Age Bible Study. Thursdays, 10:30 AM & Fridays, 7:00 PM Youth (High School) Bible Study. Sundoy 1:00 PM. Young Adults Bible Study.

Sundov. 12:00 PM Choir Proctice: Sundays 9:30 AM Susannoh Wesley Club (Women's Group) Meets once a month on 4th Tuesday of the month, Youth Worship Sundoy. 3rd Sunday of every month

Pastor, Rev. Jerry Miller Organist, Dano Somovo Musical/Youth Director Noralyn Baroja Senior Exercise Closs. Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30 AM Fellowship Holl James Downing Theatre Performances. Edison Pork United Methodist Church is a church with Open

Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors, Chair Lift Available Parking in Rear. The Edgebrook Church

Confirmation Ministry-Sundays, 9 AM 6155 W. Touly Avenue, (773) 631-1155 http://edgebrookchurch.org Children's Sermon-2nd Sunday, 10 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Jozzercise-Tuesdays & Thursdays Ensemble Proctice, Wednesday 6:30 PM Rev. Robert C. Johnson, Postor

Proise, Prayer & Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 PM

Postor Scott Stevens **Bethel Community Church** 7601 W. Foster Ave., (773) 775-2355

www.bethekommunity.org Sundoy Worship 8:30 & 11:00 AM Encounter Gothering: Sunday 6:00 PM Sunday School & Adult Bible Study-9:45 AM Senior Postor-Postor Paul Jorden Associate Postor-Postor Rob Bukowski Student Ministries-Pastor Shown Clark Music & Worship-Postor Andy Clifton Childcore available for all services.

Seniors & Women's Bible Studies

September thru Mov.

Coll for information or see the website.

CHICAGO

Congregation Shagre Tikvah B'nai Zion 5800 N. Kimboll, Chicago, IL 60659

773-539-2202 Robbi Dennis Katz Contar Jacob Reiss (773) 631-1100 & (773) 631-1606 Weekly Soturdoy morning services 9:30AM www.oslc3@sbcalobal.net Followed by complete Kiddush Lunch Sunday Worship 9:00 AM, Sunday Hebrew School Sunday Only 9AM-1PM School and Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM Bor and Bat Mitzyah Tutorina & Wednesday, Advent & Lenten Worship Ceremony Book Club on Monday Evening

from 12-1PM. Followed by games and

prizes. Family Hanukah Porty Saturday

Evening December 12, 6PM, Supper

Candle Lighting and games sponsored by

Men's Club and Sisterhood and Hebrew

School Non-members welcome to oil

activities. Phone Synogogue to be on our

mailing list. Honukah Porty Donation:

Adults \$10 Younsters \$5 Reservations

773-539-2202

Norwood Park Lutheran

Church-ELCA

5917 N. Nina Avenue (at Nickerson)

(773) 631-2860

Sunday Worship 10:00 AM

Holy Communion-1", 3" & 5" Sundays & Festivals

Service of the Word-2nd & 4th Sundays

Children's Ministry, Sunday

School-Sundays, 9 AM (September-May)

(September-May)

Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts

Joyce M. Kissenger, Minister of Music

"Our Lady Mother of the Church

8701 W. Lawrence Avenue, (773) 625-3369

www.ourladymotherchurch.com

almotherchurch@aol.com

Mass Schedule: Weekdays Monday through

Friday 8:30 AM, Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11 AM, Sunday 11:00 AM

Young People's Liturgy of the Word Holy

Days 8:30 AM & 7:00 PM. Tuesday 9:00 AM

Perpetual Help Noveno Euchoristic

Adoration First Fridays 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

Saturday Confession 4:00-4:30 PM

Boptism 2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month

Rev. Richard J. Klajbor. Pastor

Services-Wednesday of 7:00 PM of 7PM of What's Cooking Restourant in Lincoln Village. Coll for Synogogue St. Eugene Catholic Church schedule, Sisterbood Hanakah Boutique 7958 W. Foster Ave. (773) 775-6659 and meeting on Monday December 7. www.st-eugene.org Traditional Honukoh, Refreshments served

Onily Musses: Mon thru Fri-6:30 & 9:00 AM Weekend Masses: Sot - 8:30 AM & 5:30 PM. Sun - 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM & 4:30 PM Confession: 4:00-5:00 PM Sot Boptism: 1:00 PM 1# & 3rd Sunday of the month, Rev. George Koeune, Postor: Rev. Jerome Tworog. Associate Postor: Rev. Philip Grib, SJ, Resident

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church

7033 N. Moselle (773) 763-0206 www.smow.org Soturdov Viail Moss 4:30 PM Sundoy Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM and noon Weekday Mosses. Mon-Fri 6:30 and 8:00 AM. Confession Soturdov 3:30-4:15 PM. Holy Doys Vigil 7:30 PM Rev. Gregory Sackowicz, Postor

Halv Dovs 6:30. 8:00. 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM We have a Preschool (3 yrs. Old) through 8th Grade School. And offer wonderful programs of Religious Education for Children and adults.

St. Monica Catholic Church 5136 N. Nottinaham, (773) 763-1661 www.stmonicachicago.com

Doily Mass: Mon - Fri 8:00 AM Weekend Masses: Saturday - 4:00 PM Sunday - 7:30, 9:00. 10:30 AM, and 12:00 Pi Polish Lituray Moss: Sunday - 1:30 PM Confessions: Soturday - 3:00 to 3:45 PM Boptism: 1º Soturday and 3rd Sunday of the Month

Rev. Ted Schmitt, Postor Rev. Andrew Izyk, Associate Postor Fr. Jomes O'Brien In Residence Fr. William Holbrook, In Residence contactparish@stmonicachicago.com

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St. Paul Lutheran Church 5450 N Confield 60631 (708) 867-5044

www.stpaulcanfield.org Street Level, Air Conditioned Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible 9:30 AM Saturday Worship 6:00 PM St. Paul Lutheran Christian Day School Pre-K-Grode 8 SHARING GOD, TOUCHING LIVES.

EVERYWHERE MORTON GROVE

St. Luke's Christian Community Church 9233 Shermer Rd (847) 966-9233 saintlukesccc@sbcglobal.net www.stlukesccc.org Robin Jones—Senior Postor Jeff Nelson---Youth Postor Sunday Worship-10:00 AM Sunday School Bible Study-11:30 AM Korean Ark Covenant Sunday Worship - 1 PM Sundoy 9:00 AM Bible Study

Wednesday 7:30 PM-Choir Rehearsol Friday 8:00 PM Youth Group & KACC Worship Morton Grove Community Church

Presbyterion 8944 Austin Ave., (847) 965-2982 Sunday Schedule Adult Chair practice 9 AM Worship Service 10 AM Fellowship 11 AM Rev. Lolly Dominski Postor Hondicopped Accessible

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

8450 N Shermer Rd. Niles 11, 60714 (847) 965-8210 Sunday (Sept.-June) 10:30 AM (June-Sept) 9:30 AM, 1st Sunday of Month 7:30 PM - Jazz Vesper Service (Sept-June). Rev. Dr. Bruce T. Anderson - Pastor Carolya N. Sanderson - Minister of Music A member congregation of the Evangelital Lutheron Church in America

St. Michael's Orthodox Church 7313 N. Waukeaan Road (847) 647-8398 www.stmichaelniles.org Sunday Worship 10:00 AM. Discover the ancient faith

and rich traditions of the Orthodox Church -the first Christian Church - founded. By the Lord Jesus Christ and described in the pages of The New Testament, Today her Agostolic doctrine, worship and structure remain intact.

Norridge

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Norwood Park 8600 W. Lowrence Ave.

Sunday Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:35 AM Youth & Adult Bible Class Sunday 10:45 AM Midweek Bible Study

Wednesdov 10:30 AM, Luther John Boius Postor Communion service 3rd Sunday of every month Chair proctice Thursdoy 7:00 PM 708-453-3514, Fox 708- 456-8818 www.zionnorridaeil.ora

Northbrook Temple Beth-El

3610 Dundee Rd. (847) 205-9982 Fax (847) 205-9921

www.templebeth-el.org Join us for Shobbot services every Friday evening and Saturday marning. We hold a variety of services each month geared towards specific groups, os well as people of all ages. These include musical, family, tot and more. Call for details or log on to our website. All ore welcome! Temple Beth-El: A Reform Congregation Comfortable with tradition. Senior Robbi Sidney Helbroun Assistant Robbi Jelfrey Weill Robbi Emeritus Victor Weissberg

To List Your congregation please call Marsha Garrigan 630-978-8290 email maarrigan@stng.com

Contor Kim Horris

NILES

St. Alban's Eniscopal Church 6240 North Avandale, Horwood Park, Illinois

(773) 763 8845 www.saintalbanschutch.com Holy Euchaust: Sundays at 9:30 AM. The ommunities of St. Alban's Episcopal Church one St. Rithard's Episcopal Church will combine their Holy Week services as follows: Moundy Thursday Agape Supper at 6 30 PM followed by church service - St. Richard's Good Friday service at 7:00 PM - St. Alban's Holy Saturday, Great Viail at 7.00 PM - St Alban's, Easter Sunday, Holy Eucharist of 9:30 AM - St. Alban's. St. Richards Episcopal Church is located at 5101 W. Beyon, Chicago, 11 60646 Ph (773) 774-4519

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EDISON PARK

Edison Park Lutheran

Church ELCA

6626 N. Oliphant Ave., 773 631-9131

www.edisonparklutheran.ora

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule, Liturgical Worshi

with Holy Communion B & 9 45 AM

Contemporary Worship with

Hely Communion

11 00 AM Adult Bible Study 9 45 AM

Sunday School 9 45 AM

Handicapped Access from south parking for

Attended Hursery for Sunday Services

St. Alban's offers the Cotechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday school program, September thru May, It is a Mantessori-based program that enriches your child's knowledge of the Holy Spirit through the presentations of Jesus' parables and bturgical elements. Your thild is welcome to join us for morning song at 8:45 AM and class of 9.00 AM

Norwood Park Lutheran Church(ELCA)

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

PARK RIDGE

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church & School 260 N. Northwest Highway (847) 823-6656

PARK RIDGE

www.standrowsparkridae.org Sunday Worship: September through May 8:30 & 11:00 AM. June - Avoust 8 30 AM & 10:00 AM. Contemporary Worship: Saturday 5:00 PM Vesners: Monday 7:30 PM Sunday School & Adult 9:45 AM (September thru Moy), Christian Day

School - Pre-Kindergarten Ihru 8th Grade St. Luke's Lutheron Church (ELCA) A Reconciling in Christ Congregation 205 N Prospect Ave. (847) 825-6659 www.stlukespr.org

Email: affice@stlukespr.org Sunday Worship: 8:30 & 11:00 AM (School Year). 8 30 & 10:00 AM (Summer) Thursday Worship (Summer) 7:00 PM Sunday - Christian Education for all ages. 9.45 AM (School Year) Child Care Provided Rev. Dr. Stephen M. Lorson. Lead Pastor, Rev. Kristino C. Weber, Associate

Pastar, Rev. Dr. Malcolm Minnick, Jr., Postor. Emeritus, Anna Krentz Organ, Director of Music Ministries Melinda Romseth Hotland. Director of Children's Choirs, Nancy Olson, Member Care Coordinate

St. Mary's Episcopal Church 306 S Prospect Ave . (847) 823-4126

www.stmaryspr.ora Sunday Services: 8:00 & 10 00 AM Yednesday Service: 9.00 AM, Sunday School & Nursery during worship. Youth Fellowship The Rev. Sorob O. Odderstol, Rector WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME! Check website for all activities. Hondiron Arressible

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

Prospect Heights

St. Alphonsus Liquori Catholic Church

411 N. Wheeling Rd., (847) 255-7452 www.saintalahonsus.com Worship Days & Hours, Monday Saturday 8:15 AM Mass of Anticipation, 5.00 PM Soturday Sunday Masses: 8 30 & 11:00 AM Postor: Rev. Curtis A. Lombert. Additional Information School: Pre-3 thru 8th Grade - Before & After School Care Ongoing Foith Formation - Kindergorten thru 8th Grade High School Youth Ministry Program

SKOKIE

Weekly Worship

Ezra-Habonim, the Niles Township Jewish Congregation

Your home for Jewish Learning. Living and Loving. 4500 Demoster St. Skokie, IL 6007 847-675-4141, Fax. 847-675-0327 eekly Shabbat Services Fri 8 PM & Sat 9:30 Ah Minyan Mon-Thurs 7 PM Sai & Sun 6 PM Monthly Shabbat dinners at 6:30 PM Religious School Wed & Sot: Youth group. Early childhood services full & half day. Rabbi Janathan H. Ginsburg Cantor Benjamin Warschowski Rubbi Neil Brief, Emeritus

North Shore Center for Spiritual Living

Evanston Masonic Temple 1453 Maple Ave. 847-492-0500 Email:revarrott@aol.com, www.nscl.com Sunday Celebration 10 30 AM. Healing Meditation 10 AM, Science of Mind classes, Monday eyes, 6 30 PM Revs. Bill and Elizabeth Arrott Spiritual Directors

Lakeview Church

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie 9501 Skokie Boulevard, Skokie, 1L 60077 847-480-2900, 847-480-2901 www.elakeview.ora Sunday 10 AM — 11.15 AM, Joshua Kana -Lead Postor, Herb Ahn - Worship Postor Rosa Rasaria - Kidsland Pastar John Choi - Youth Pastor,

long Haliday - Small Groups Postor, Multi-ethni ministry focused on Transformation through Making Disciples of All Nations. Contemporary service with biblical teaching and spirit-filled worship. Vibrant community with ministries for children youth, college, singles and fomilies

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4. Notre Dame (6-4)

5. New Trier (5.5)

GIRLS BASKETBALL

1 New Trier

2. Lovola

3 Niles West 4 Maine South

5. Glenbrook South

BOYS BASKETBALL

1. Glenbrook North

2. Maine South

3 New Trier n 4. Glenbrook South 5. Evanston

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

FOOTBALL

Tyler Benz, Maine South Senior quarterback accounted for all three TDs in the team's semifinal win over Lovola last weekend. He passed for 120 yards and ran for another 73.

Mike Divito, Maine South Senior defensive back's interception in the end zone ended Lov-Ola's scoring threat late in the fourth quarter and secured the Hawks a trip to the state champi onship game.

New Trier's 400-yard free relay

Maddy Urban, Megan Marchuk, Morgan Scott and Samantha Jones sped to state championship in 3:27.63 and helped the Trevians to second place behind Rosary, which won its four state title in a row.

Urban also contributed by finishing seventh in the 50 free and second in the 100 free. The senior also swam on the 200 medlev team that finished fifth.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Abbey Schmitt, New Trier Junior scored 18 points and grabbed 12 rebounds in teams 64-48 win over rival Loyola.

Vikings victim to lopsided losses early

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GIRLS BASKETBALL - Some teams like to load up their own taurn:ments with apponents who are ensily beatable

Niles North has not done that with their season-onening event. which includes traditional powand strong programs like Praviso East and Resurrection.

The Vikings, who sturted the sensan 0-2, also entered the Niles North Tournment with an understrength squad, as talented sonhomore Mariyah Healey continues ta recover fram shaulder surgery.

tle more intensity.

The Vikings opened with a 75-29 and lost 63-33 to Wheeling the next evening

"We had too many mental lapses and the intensity is not where it had some good practices. But (in the opening games) it didn't seem like it was there."

The coach did feel his team made some improvements in the second game, especially in the transition

"(Agniust Proviso Enst) were not

thought we did a better job of that (neainst Wheeling)," he said.

One positive for Niles North was the performance of innor Knitlyn Schlauder, who led the team with If points in the opener.

"She played really well hath nights for us." Paxson said. "She hit a few shots on Friday, and we've erhanses Wheeling and Fenwick encouraged her to shoot more, She's a very unselfish player maybe to a fault. She's definitely a summt player. Defensively, she showed she could stand up to those terms. She's sa smart, she knows how to position herself to help defensive-

With a busy week of games and So, there always was a chance the Thanksgiving holiday, the Niles North would struggle in its Vikings will have few apportunionening games, However, Vikings ties to practice in the next week, hend coach Dan Puxson said he ex- So. Paxson is hoping his team will pected his tenm to play with a lit- make the most of its aff-the-court instruction.

"We're going to try to fix some defeat to Proviso East on Friday things we've identified. But we don't have a whole lot of time" the conch said. 'So, the girls are going to have to lock in. We're going to witch film and teach them through needs to be right now," Paxson said. film. It will be up to them to lock in I thought it would be there. We und correct things because we won't have a lot of floor time."

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Pearlane DeGuzman and Niles North opened the season with consecutive losses. (Richard Baijalieh/Staff Photographer)



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Talent to keep Torres on deck for another year

tle margin for error.

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

GIRLS DIVING - Niles West veteran eoneh Louis Torres said he was proud of how junior Emily Fung and senior Nadia Sarnecki performed at Friday's IHSA State Meet at New Trier.

Fung had a five-dive total 161.1 and finished 23rd, four spots higher than her seed suggested. Sarneeki (135.95) finished 43rd.

"I'ın proud of them. They set a good example for the underclassmen to follow: that hard work pays off, and they have worked hard," 1/2 summersault pike, Torres said.

The coach said Fung's finish was special because the diver was just nine months with the level of competiremoved from knee surgery. tion at state, there was lit-"To not only come back

and dive, but to take 23rd at state, that's a testimony to (Emily's) grit," the conch Torres said. "It was a tough said about the two-time state, the toughest in state qualifier. "She's tough. When she got hurt, she said she was going to (return to state), and she did. I expect her to come back next year

and be a little better." solid except for her back 1

plagued slightly by inexpewhich she missed, earning seores in the 3.5-4.0 range. Torres pointed out that diving competitively for two sensons.

Surknecki will graduate. But Torres has high expec-"(With five dives) if you tations for next season. miss one dive, you drop," Fung will be eloser to full strength and he is expecting big things from fellow awhile. The girls were all junior Heather Funni good divers. Mine were Funai laid been the team's

good, but the others comtop diver for much of the ing up, holy cow! It was senson, before Fung and Sarnecki edged her out for Torres said Surneeki's a sectional spot bused on All of Fung's dives were performance was solid, their performances at the though she may have been conference meet.

Torres, who has coached rience. It was her first state for 35 seasons, said he put meet and she only has been off retirement until after next senson in order to coach Fung, Funni and a couple of other tulented youngsters one last time. "I'm excited about next

year," Torres said. "It will be my last year and I want to go out with a bang. I want to see (Fung) finish strong. I think she can finish in the top 12 in the state. That's our gonl, to work hard and finish in the top 12. She's a

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Coach: Huev Crawford (1st year)

2008-09 record: 19-9 overall (7-3 in CSL North, 2nd place)

INFORMATION

Returning starters: Nuse Khan (PG)

Aaron Shannon

Jigar Patel Lorenz Arce

Tim Bauer Nikhit Desal Tony Enwiva Nigel Milosevic

Ossama Anis Willy Gandy Jahde Smith Michael Szcapa

The Demons got off to a good start under first-year coach Huey Crawford by having successful summer. One of the highlights was winning St. Patrick's shootout's Good news is the leam's best player and leading scorer is back in senior point quar Nuse Khan, Bad news is the Demons lost lour starters off last year's leam & S East's projected starting lineup will inclu Khan, quard Jigar Palet, Jorward Nigel M

STRENGTHS

without a doubt. The Demons are gluded by Khan and his leadership, But the rest of the team is awfully guick and could earn some surprise wins simply with histle and determmation. Khan was one of the best guards last sea

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PROFILE AMOUNT EOST DEMONS

Khan can't do it all himself

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Nuse Khan doesn't much like to talk. The Muine East senior prefers to let his play speak for him.

But the Demons are going to usk Khun to shoot his mouth off this season.

After both Charles McKinney and Abdel Nader decided to play somewhere else. Khan is the only returning starter and his leadership on the court will determine how the Demons do this winter.

First-year conch Huev Crawford knows this, and he snent time getting Khun to

"One of the biggest things with him was be wisn't as vocal us I think a point guird should be," said the coach, who believes Khun should be attracting more interest from colleges, "It took time, and it's a work in progress.

"I think he's accented that rale."

The 6-foot guard led the Demons in scoring a year ago as ended up with a 19-9 fluish, second in the CSL North at 7-3. He showed his character in the team's final lass of the season, a 57-52 hearthreaker to Gleubrook South in the regional final, u game Maine East for nearly 17 minutes.

Despite hurting his buck in the fourth courter. Khan manuged to return to the game us the Demons tried to rally back. He finished with 13 points.

When news came this fall that Charles McKinney and Abdul Nader weren't going to play for the Demons this season, Khan's role increased even more. McKinney and Nader would have helped take off some pressure from Khun.

"There could be same problems us he tries to do too much." Crawford said. "Any good player tries to do too much. That only will be a detriment if he doesn't pace himself throughout games.

"But he has a great haskethall IQ, and he makes everyhody better around him."

Crawford wanders which players will sten un and give Khan an assist this winter, Senior Jigar Putel and suphomores Xuvier Sullivan and Aaron Shannon all will share the backcourt with Khan. No one in that group has significant experience.

"The question is who is going to sten up and fill that secondary role," Crawford said, "We need some of these newcomers to step up. If they don't, we are going to struggle. t's going to be interesting to see what their progression is over the season."

In the frontcourt, Crawford expects three



Maine East point guard Nuse Khan will have four new faces with him in the starting lineup this season. (Jerry

Anis, senior Al Nagode and junior Nigel Milosevic will get apportunities early. At 6-3. Anis is Maine East's tullest player.

"We are going to have to do some things to disguise our luck of height," Crawford tremely athletic. He has the jumping phility and the quickness. I think he will be

new starters to contribute. Senior Ossama unde to match un with most of the taller kids because of his athleticism. It's the heavier kids he may have some trouble

The Demons opened their season Monday against Vernau Hills at the Battle of said. "Ossanni's a great kid, and he's ex- the Ridge. The tour nament concludes Sat-

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Coach: Bob Williams (1st season) ast year's record: 9-17 overall ig starters: Lorenzo Fiol, Boris avemitte Podney Metallus

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F	Russell Robinson So. 67

AD David Rosengard pulled oil one of the coups of the offseason by hiring Williams. who had recently stepped down at Schaum ourg. Williams won close to 400 games with he Saxons, whom he led to a state title in: quarterfinals in 2006. He is a taskmaster and is not alraid to raise his voice in order to push his players out of their comfort zone. The Wolves are still getting used to hi style. But results are results, and Williams has been one of the states top coaches ov

than many of his Schaumburg squads, Bo Rodney Metellus and Boris Cayemitte are top class lumpers on the track team Lore zo Fiol is the player with the most prover basketball ability. He started at the point last season and will see time at the two-guard this winter when Donte Logan han the ball, Ramsan Younatham, who is injure to start the season, and Chils McMichols ca both shoot the ball. Transfer Lauris Herth Tony Pierce and Zaln Parekh provide some more Russell Robinson, who is 7 is an intriguing prospect.

CONCERNS

he team lacks much in the way of an inside ice. Players like Metellus and nitte will be asked to out leap taller op thedule is not easy. West opens against ood teams from Lake Forest and Glenbroo North in their own Thanksgiving tourney, will see quality competition at the Pontlac Holl-Tournament and will play non-confer-

PROFILE West WOLVES

Cayemitte reaching beyond limitations

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Niles West senior Boris Cavemitte can't belp but chuckle a bit when he explains he needs to get rebounds this season "being one of the big guys."

Listed last year at 5-foot-10. Cavenuitte has grown, whether physically on simply in the team program, to 6-1 this winter.

That he considers himself one of the big guys says something about Niles West's lack of height and something about Cavemitte's athletic ability. A long jumper who nearly made it to the state track meet as a junior. Cavenitte will have to show be ean also leap high to pull down earoms this

That's just one of the many things new Wolves head coach Bob Williams will be hoping to get from his No. 23. But the coach said he was impressed by Cavemitte's versatility when he worked with him over the

"On defense, he's got a great knack for anticipating where the ball is going, which will be helpful to us if he can keen getting in those passing laues." Williams said. "He's tremendous taking the ball to the hoon. and in the summer he worked hard on his outside shot. He's a hard-working kid and one of those quiet leaders who just (sets an example) by his actions rather than

Expectations are not too high for the Wolves this senson based on their personnel. But many Illinois high school basketball observers will be paying attention to see how Williams fares in his first season in ehurge.

After nearly two decades of success at Schnumburg, Williams takes over a prograin that has struggled in recent seasons and will often find itself as an underdog against powerhouse conference foes like New Trier, Glenbrook South and Evanston.

Williams is looking to build the program using the same principles of hard work and accountability that he preached at Schaumburg. Cavemitte, who averaged five noints per game as a junior, admitted the coach's style has taken some getting used to.

"Some players are still not used to it," Cayemitte said. "He pushes us mueh hurdor and makes us do what he wants us to do and not what we think is comfortable.

"But it gives us motivation. He's been successful and we know we can be something good, so we should listen to what he's tryng to tell us."

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Despite his 6-foot-1 size. Boris Cayemitte will be asked to be one of the team's top rebounders this winter, (Joe

Coach: Tom Les (3rd year, 34-20) 2008-09 Record 20-9

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Returning Starters: Shawn Wallace (62, Sr.)

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OUTLOOK

During last yea's 20-9 run, Les went with an all senior starting live, led by all-confer-ence point guard Mike DiGregorio. While that experience and leadership is gone, the cupboard is not have Shawn Wallace was an a onference selection last winter, leading th showed flashes of stardom last season and has expanded his shooting range. Meanwhile seniors Matthias Trizna, Matt Moser and Phil Kerber were part of last year's 10 man rotation, while Evanston transfer Rod ney Pryor, junior Ross Langlois and soption mores Ryan Tompkins and Joe Fertici should be in the mix.

STRENGTHS

Wallace will be the team's star and is com ing off a fine summer with the Dons and o he AAU level. He's athletic, can take the: ball to the hole and shoot from the outsid He'll be asked to assume some of the ball handling duties. Hirsch, Chievous, Trizna, Moser and Kerber all impressed in spurts last season. The squad should be deep and have decent size.

CONCERNS

ballhandling and the leadership provide tast year's seniors. Les admitted he me the Lane Tournament against the likes of Oak Park River Forest, Zion Benton and games against Morgan Park and Lincol

PROFILE DOING DONS

Hirsch veers from grid to hoops

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A handful of seniors on this season's Notre Daine team are going to be usked to step up - on and off the court.

Players like Tim Hirseli, Phil Kerber, Matt Moser, Matthias Trizna und Mark Rubel must prove they can handle expanded playing time and help carry the Dons. Their leadership abilities will also be crit-

Some of the players may take time to ndiust to the new role. But for Hirsch, the transition should be smooth. After all be was an ull-conference wide receiver and leader for the Dons' football team, which finished 6-4 after losing to Glenhrook South 28-27 in a first-round playoff thriller.

'I've already gone through one season as a senior athlete with football, and all the other guys have basketball, and that's ." said the 6-foot-6 Hirseh, who finished with 34 eatches for 417 yards and six touchdowns this fall. "I know what to exneet and how to deal with it. I should be able to bundle the load

Hirsely an Edison Park native, said the confidence he gained on the football field should help him on the haskethall court. Actually, he said he got a hoost over the summer when ND head couch Tom Les told Hirseli be would no longer be just an inside player.

"In summer ball, my confidence shot up when coach (Les) told me that I could play (any position), one through five, that I should learn every position," Hirsch said. "I have been working on my shooting beeause I used to be a big mun."

Les raved about Hirseh's summer work ethic and how the player balanced his time between basketball and footbuil. Though Hirsch's minutes were limited hist season, esnecially late in the eampaign, Les expects the versatile wing to have a brenkout eampaign

"He's a great complement to Shuwn (Wallace) at this point," Les said. "He's got some size, length-wise, he can put the bull on the floor and is a mismatch for some

Hirseli suid his toughest challenge early in the season has been getting back into baskethull shuue.

"It's a different (type of) shape than football," he said, "In faothall, you go far four to six seconds and then take a 30-second break, In busketbull, it's non-stop, and eoach likes to run the fast brenk."

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Notre Dame senior Tim Hirsch will be used at a variety of positions this season. (Joel Lerner/Staff Photographer)

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Leave it to Beaver:

By DENNIS MAHONEY

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BOYS SOCCER -- Any time senior forward Ben Benver had a big game — and there were plenty of those this fall - New Trier head soceer eoach Craig Fairleirn usually had a three-word response when asked to deseribe Beaver's efforts. Hard to guard.

That's a simple way to explain how Beaver set the seltool's single-season scaring record, led the Trevians back to the Final Four in what figured to be a rebuilding year, and earned Pioneer Press Player of the Year honors.

Beaver racked up 40 goals and 10 assists and was named an All-Ameriean by the National High School Soceer Conches Association. He was almost unstoppable in the postsenson, piling up 13 gouls in seven tourney cames against defenses focused mostly on the 5-foot-11 speedster.

Beaver broke the single season Trevian scoring record of 39 goals and 16 history of his own.

goals and 34 assists in

give it up to him.

Beaver scored what turned out to be the gamewinning goal for the Trevians as a junior in the state changionshin contest last year, He had no trouble picking up where he loft off even though he was surrounded by eight new starters after the graduation of the best class in school history.

FIRST TEAM

in 1999. He finished second to Metzeer on the school's all-time scoring list with 70 three varsity sensons.

"Ben Benver's the real deal," said Evanston coach Franz Calixte after his team was burned for three goals by Benyer in the Chass 3A sectional anener, "He scored some quality goals against us and I've got to

"He's the real deal, a ulayer's player. We had our fastest and strongest guys on him, but his lateral movement is as good as his vertical movement, and he's always dangerous beenuse of the way he can cut

This year he made some "His ability to read the



New Trier's Ben Beaver set a program record by scoring 40 goals this season, (Rob Hart/Staff Photographer)

game and the defense in on-1. He'll use a little subthe middle of the play is the change of speed, a little but we've never had anywhat's really amazing," said shoulder fake, just a little Fairbairn. "We could put a shake to get you aff-balhighlight clip of Ben togeth- anee. Then, he's gotcha! er to show other players how to take on someone 1-

Northbrook

Ridge Niles

change direction with the hall like that. "Because of his ability, we

"I've seen him turn defenders completely around. didn't always have to play

He's always had that sneed. well as a team to still have a chance to win. We didn't one with the ability to have to be perfect all the

That's because Beaver was pretty close to perfect. Camment: pioneerlocal.cam

Senior was a top-class defensive midfielder,

JOHN SECARAS, New Trier Senior had a 16 goals against average for a Trevians squad that went 19-7-3 and finished third in . the state

DEFENDERS

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CODY BUSIC, Lovola Junior was an honorable-mention all stater for a

Rambler team that finished 14 5-2. IAN MCGUIRE, Maine South Senior was an all CSL backliner who was voted MVP

of the 12-9 4 Hawks SHAWN MICHOLS, Glenbrook South Senior was team captain and honorable mention all-sectional fie was a rock on defense even though

his team struggled MIDFIELDERS

MATT HICKEY, New Trier

Senior had eight goals and an impressive 25 assists for the Trevians, who came close to repeating as state champs

MAHI MAMELEOZIJA, Niles West

Senior scored 22 goals, breaking the school's single-season record of 19. Also became the school's career goals

JACK SHERIDAN, Loyola Senior was an all state midfielder for a Rambler squad that won a fourth straight conference crown

FORWARDS

BEN BEAVER, New Trier

KRIS DUDEK, Maine South Senior was an all-conference forward who finished with 16 goals and 4 assists

KAMIL LASZCZKOWSKI, Maine South Senior was an all-sectional player who finished with nine goals and 16 assists

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Junior was an all-state performer for the 9 8-1 Eagles, who lost to New Trier in the regional final.

GOALIE

Winnetka North Shore Glenview Country Day .94/ Wilmette Senior had eigh shutouts for a 10 5 2 squad

Evanston DEFENDERS Eric Greve. Maine South

Senior and a team captain was an all conference performer who had a goal and an as-

Michael Tabar, Niles West Sophomore was a steady backliner for a Wolves squad that finished 11-9-3

Josh Swoboda, Maine East One of only three senior starters, he was a top defender and leader for the 11-8 4 Blue Demons.

MIOFIELDERS Mike Henry, Notre Dame

quality midfield that also included Jack Sheri-FORWARDS Kevin Alvarez, Niles North Junior led the young Vikings with 11 goals

Jason Rodriguez, St. Patrick

team scored the previous season,

Junior's 15 goals were more than the entire

SECOND TEAM

who often provided cover for the backline Had

Junior had nine goals and nine assists for the

Senior was one of the area's most dangerous

Junior was a co captain who had eight goals

Senior was an all-sectional player and part of a

Alex Johnson-Bice, New Trier

Jordy Metter, Evanston

Nick Olsen, Glenbrook North

and nine assists for the Spartans

Matthew Sullivan, Lovola

players on the wing

Carlos Arias (Niles North)

Alex Block (North Shore

Country Day), Tommy Cro Jones (Evanston), Thomas eter Lind (New Tries), North), Eric Murillo (Maine ast). Flan Ness-Cohn (Niles North), Ivan Ramir uth), Claran Re (Notre Dame), Thomas Villamil (Niles West), Michael

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ALL-AREA GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Chapman gets a little help from her friends

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GIRLS VOLLEYBALL - There were so many factors that led to the success of Ellen Channan this

She was surrounded by a veteran team of seniors, including a pair of Division 1 signees in setter Colleen Breunan and middle hitter Emani Sims, Sims deflected defenses from keying on Chapnum, and Brennan was talented enough to set Chapman anywhere on the court, even the back row.

Nearly half of Brennan's assists this season went to Channan, a 6-foot-4 junior headed to Wisconsin. Chapman finished with 463 kills. She entered the state tournament with the highest amount of kills among all 16 teams, topning Harvard's Ashleigh Fisher (414 kills).

With the right personnel, Chanman did the rest. The farmer middie hitter played on the outside for the first time

"It's not normal for a person of her height in high school to play that position," GBS coach Katie Hoover said.

Chapman's best match was a career-high 21 kills in the Class 4A sectional semifinal win over New Trier, The Titans (37-5) finished third at state behind Chapman's taurnament-high 18 kills against

After beating Lake Zurich in the supersectional, Brennan raved. 'How about Ellen Chanman? She's just great."

Chapman, the defending Class 3A state chammion in the high jump, learned to play a full rotation as a new outside hitter and improved her serve enough to finish with 28 aces, ranking third on

"Ellen is a smart attacker and is lethal from the back row and heind the service line," Hoover said.

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Glenbrook South junior Ellen Chapman helped the Titans to third place in the state. (Joel Lerner/Staff Photographer)

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

ELLEN CHAPMAN, Sr., Glenbrook South

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

KELSEY KELLY, OH, Jr., Loyola

FIRST TEAM

COLLEEN BRENNAN, Glenbrook South

The Columbia-bound senior came within one assist equaling her career high with 36 against Ouincy in the state tournament games to finish with 807 on the season rennan was all-tournament at the Wheaton Classic.

MADDIE FITZPATRICK, Evansion

The perfect complement to Ali Gossen helped the Wildkits (32-7) to back-to-back 30-win seasons and trips to he sectional final in the regular season, the 6.2 junior middle hitter led the team in blocks (26) and was secon n kills (153).

ALI GOSSEN, Evanston

After a state trip in 2008, the Western Michigan bound ight-side hitter led her team in kills (291) and was secand in blacks (20) and third in ares (27). The 6-fant son or had 191 digs and hammered a career-high to kills. against Lyons.

HAILEY MERK, Lovola

The Ramblers' captain, senior outside hitter and threeyear starter ranked second in kills (194) and was among the team feaders in dins (357). She also added 36 aces he all-GCAC pick was all tournament at Stevenson and

EMANI SIMS, Glenbrook South

The 5-11 senior middle was the hitting percentage leader (513) among all 16 teams at the state tournament. The M ami (Fla.) signee had 23 of her 248 kills at state and led the Titans with 68 blocks.

ALLIE ROEMER, Glenbrook South

The senior libero returned to state after qualifying for the three-point showdown in basketball Roemer led the Titans with 196 digs and was lons in serving with 40 aces

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Last season's shortfalls serve as motivation for Dons

Depth and experience kevs to success

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

Dame coach Augie Genovesi was a little disappointed last season when his team won 22 duals and had five regional champs but was not renresented at the individual or team state meets.

With several accomplished returnees and a basis. Heading that senior number of talented young- group is Matt MeNulty, a winter, was a regional the offseason. sters. Genovesi expects re- 140-pounder coming off a

the 2009-10 season renelies its elimax in mid to late

to get anybody down (last season). We had guys who were capable," he said, "I think, potentially, we can (reach dual team State this season). Once we get down to our correct weights. it's to the University of Chicagoing to be a good team and a fun year.

Genovesi is excited about his team's depth and its experience. He expects to gional champion and nationhave four or five seniors in the lineup on a regular

"He's the real deal. He's pretty good," Genovesi said about McNulty, one of the team eaptains.

"It was disappointing not Senior Brian Ridge (189) won 38 matches as a junior and had success in both freestyle and Greeo Roman elub tournaments over the

> Junior Matt Sommers (103) earned 26 vietories (112). last season, and was a real team member in the offlenberg won 34 matches last ehampion and went Down-

Among other returnees roles for the Dons are sophomore Tim Donnelly (119) senior Kevin Heneghan (125) senior Dylan Steigerwald (130) and junior Nick Baseom (160).

Heading the list of varsisummer. He has committed ty newcomers are sophomores Connor Gavin (152) and Kevin Stahler (189) and freshman Sean Heneghan

Genovesi pointed out that even though some of his wrestlers are new to varseason. Classmate Jim Wal- sity, they have accumulated valuable experience in

have fathers who also wres- is competition." "We wrestled 750 match-

snid

To a lot of the kids, that will Meanwhile, Augie Genexpected to play important be invaluable," the coach Covesi's son. Anthony, is the new wrestling coach at Other ND wrestlers who Niles West. Anthony came will likely contribute to the to Skokie from Elgin High eause this winter are sophand will no doubt come up omore Scott Smith (112). against his father's team more regularly than in the siore (130), junior Mike Rice past. The two have battled (135), senior Mike Noto four times, with the elder (160), senior Sean Murow

> "I want to continue to beat sophomore Colton Kelly him. I love him, but I can't (215), junior Owen Hiriami let him beat me ... yet," (215) and junior Quinn Augie Genovesi said. "Between the lines, you do what vou have to do. I love him before (a meet), and I'll love All in the Family: Five athletes on the current roster him after. But competition

tled for Genovesi at Notre Comment: pioneerlocal.com

Hard work already paying off for Wolves' Poskrobko

Senior center complements star Lovd

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

Niles West head coach Tony Konsewiez has raved about the hard work Michelle said. "We took the game to a minor injury. Poskrobko put in over the (North Chicago) and

in a 73.35 win over North finishing. That was huge." Chicago in the Deerfield also was the Wolves' leading scorer in the previous game, a loss to Lake Forest.

"We couldn't be happier with Michelle," Konsewicz

fort was already paying div- Michelle got the ball in the idends for the senior center. post. It's nice to see them West was without Loyd On Saturday, Poskrobko reward a post person. She when it fell to Lake Forest led all scorers with 19 points did a nice job catching and 40-36.

The player who rewarded Tournament, Poskrobko Poskrobko in the post most often was suner sophomore Jewell Loyd, who finished with 10 assists to go with her 17 noints. Loyd missed the Lake Forest game with

summer, improving her Michelle got up and down added 15 points for the throw line and turned the game, strength and fitness. the floor, running rim to Wolves, who improved to 2- ball over nearly 20 times. During the first week of rim. It's a credit to our girls 1 with the win over North

Two days earlier, Niles

The team showed some positive signs defensively. according to Konsewicz. Two Lake Forest players who tallied over 20 points in the Seouts' previous game were held to under double-digits.

However, Niles West hit Senior Jackie Gremley just 10-of-26 from the free-

"I thought we'd take bet-

ter eare of the ball without Jewell," Konsewiez said. "Also, if we hit five more free throws, it's still not a great percentage, but it probably wins the game."

es last spring and summer.

sophomore Jim Dianean-

(171), junior Julio Perez (171).

Machain (heavyweight).

over a talented Hersey team

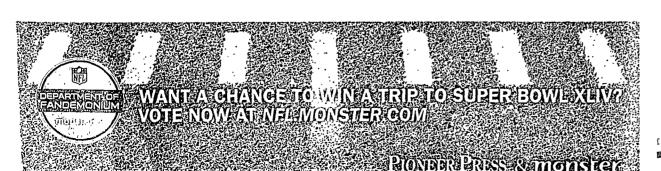
Loyd led the way with 26 points. Gremley seored the decisive fourth quarter.

Hersey's top player was held to just two after

the Wolves passed the first big test on their improved

"I talked before about why we seheduled that way." The Wolves opened the. Konsewiez said. "Starting season with a 48-44 win with a game like that, you see what direction you're

The Wolves were selied uled to resume action in the eight, all of them coming in Deerfield Tournament with games against Zion-Benton and Deerfield. Niles West Megan Rogowski seored 11 will face Waukegan in the points in the first half, but same tourney on Saturday.





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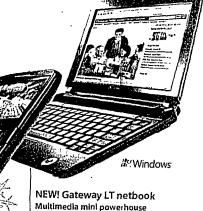


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By CATEY SULLIVAN Contributor

a cactus and probably make the thing empathetic and emotionally complex. So it's no surprise that her depiction of Sylvia Stein, the pushy, abrasive, rigidly uncompromising and rabidly Evangelical Christian at the fractured heart of "End Days," comes across as an intelligent, multilayered, flawed hero rather than a one-note stereotype feverishly skipping toward crazy town. Sylvia is at the heart of Deborah Zoe Laufer's eccentric family drama. Minus an actor who can portray a self-appointed savior with humanity, all you've got in "End Days" is

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

story that's way too weird

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

"End Days" delves the profound disconnect among members of the Stein family in the wake of the Sept. 11

Rachel (Carolyn Fave Kramer) tells her new friend, Stephen Hawking

(Joseph Wycoff), about her concerns with her mom's fanaticism, (Pholo

daughter Rachel (Carolyn Faye Kramer) are as estranged from each other as they are from the world at large. While Sylvia has turned to Jesus, Arthur who survived the World Trade Center attacks while all of his co-workers perished --- has tumbled into a near eatatonic-depression. Rachel expresses her broken-hearted rage by stomping about in Doc Martins and painting her face ghost-goth white. In their own distinctive way, each of the Steins has given up on life on Earth - which makes the sudden arrival of Nelson (Adam Shalzi) all the more jarring. Despite having survived tragedy on a parwith the Steins, Nelson is as optimistic and life-affirming as his neighbors are lifedenying. His only apparent damage is the Elvis jumpsuit he uses as a security blanket and a loquacious lack of social graces.

attacks, Sylvia, her husband

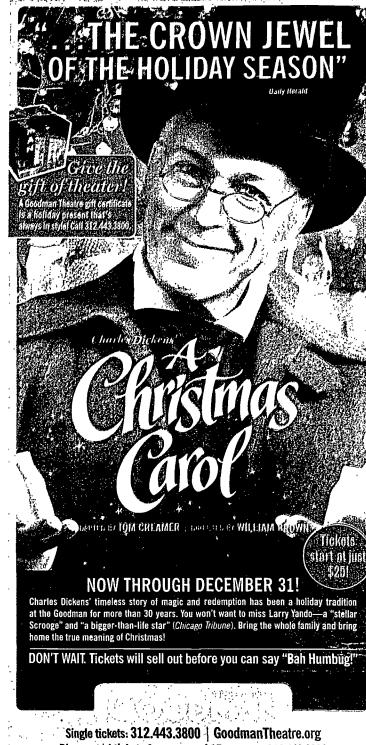
Arthur (William Dick) and

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

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

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

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



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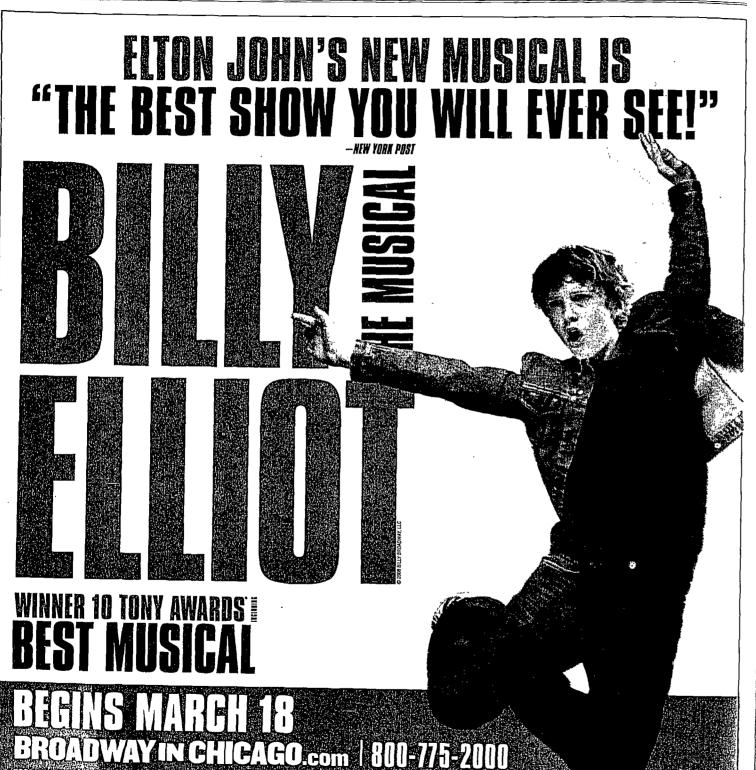




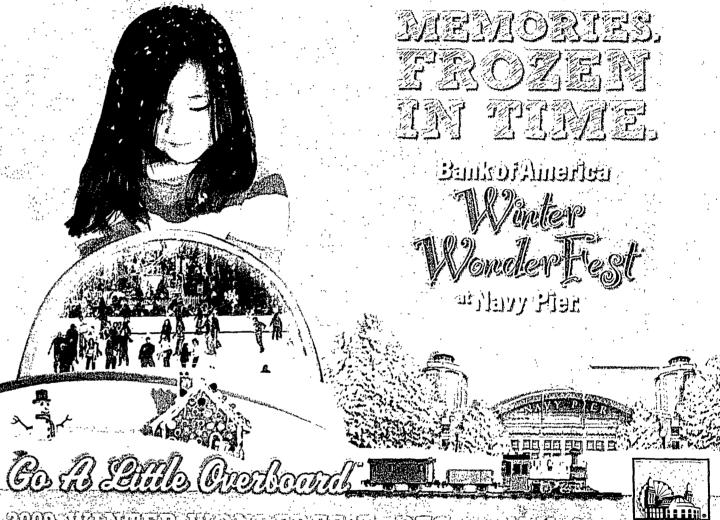


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There could be an unexpected change in plans for your upcoming holiday travels. But keep in mind that a little flexibility goes a long way in resolving any dis-

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A new relationship might not be responding quite as quickly as you'd hoped. Could you be expecting too much too soon? Try to ease up and let things happen at their own pace.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) As we approach the frenetic pace of pre-holiday planning, take time out now to reconnect with the wonderful people who share your life. especially the one who also shares your dreams.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A misunderstanding should be resolved before you get caught up in the flurry of holiday preparations. Set your pride aside and deal with it, regardless of who

might have hurt whom first. LEO (July 23 to August 22) Being told that a colleague might have been trying to undercut your effectiveness might or

thing," you do it so well. ing travel arrangements -

you still need to firm up one or two of those still-outstanding decisions so that you can finally move forward as you had planned. Weigh the facts, then

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You usually don't carry grudges, but you might feel this is one time when you're justified in doing so. But aren't you spend ing too much energy holding onto it? Let it go and move on. BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of using your quiet strength to persuade people to follow their better instincts and do the right thing.

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Fay, Patricia H.
Patricia H. Fay, 85, 52 year
resident of Park Ridge, passed
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was born in Milledgeville, IL and was raised in Oregon, IL.
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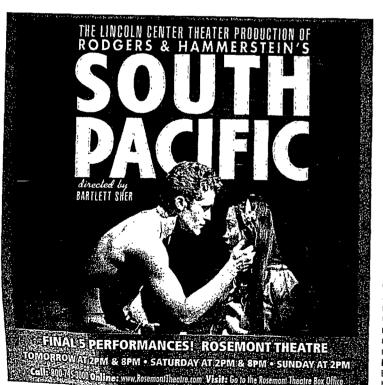
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your holiday preparation plans early in order to avoid a time crunch if an unresolved workplace situation causes a problem. That old friend might have some welcome news LIBRA (September 23 to

October 22) A family member's actions continue to surprise you. but this time with positive results. Could be your wise counsel finally got through. It's like having an early holiday gift.

SCORPIO (October 23 to • November 21) Your reluctance to act in a current situation could be traced to your inner self advising you to take more time to study its complexities before you attempt to deal with it. Good luck, SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Soothing hurt feelings before they can ignite an angry outburst is the wise thing to do. And, of course, when it

comes to doing the "wisdom CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Budget your time so that you can handle both your workplace duties and your personal holiday planning - includwithout burning out on either

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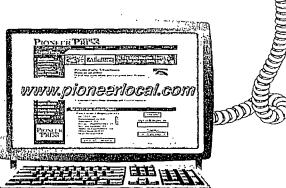
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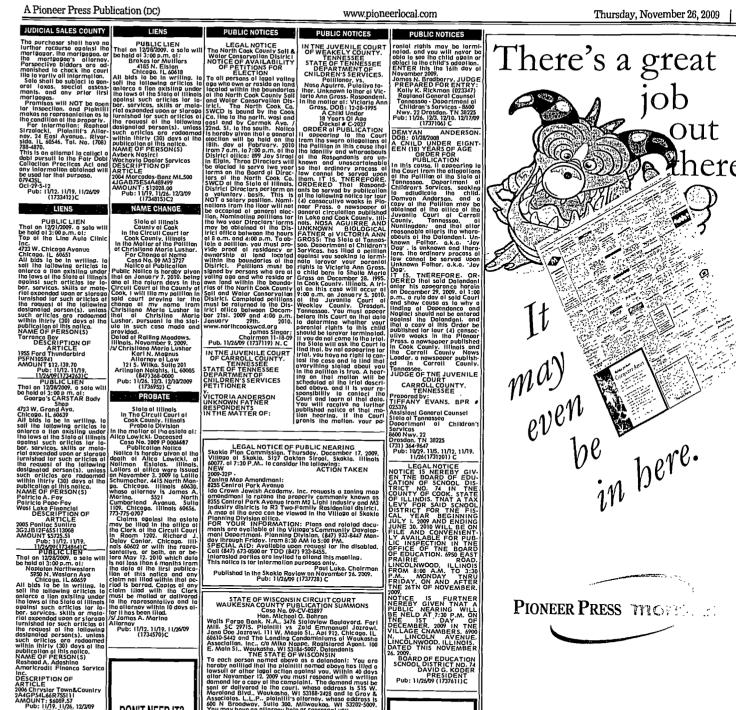
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VILLAGE OF SKOKIE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AMENOMENTS TO REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PROJECT FOR THE DOWNTOWN AREA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Notice is hereby given that on December 7, 2009, at 8 00 p.m. at the Village Hall. Council Chambers, 5127 West Oakton Street, Skokle, IL, a public hearing will be held to consider the approval of Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project for the Downtown Area Redevelopment Project Area (the "Redevelopment Project Area"). The Redevelopment Project Area consists of the territory legally described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereb."

The Redevelopment Project Area consists at irregular boundaries and is generally bounded by Clevetand Street and the alley north of Dakton Street on the north, Floral Avenue and Lincoln Avenue on the west, Multord Street and the alley south of Dakton Street on the south, and railroad right

There will be considered at the public hearing. Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project for the Redevelopment Project Area the proposed Amendments to the Redevelopment Plan and Project were placed on file on or before September 10, 2009 and are available for sublic inspection at the office of the Village Clerk, Village Hall, 3127 West Dakton Street, Sokoke, It. GOOT7. The proposed Amendments to the development Plan and Project versives the budget contained in the Redevelopment Plan and Project and make certain other plan revisions.

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

There is hereby convened a Joint Review Board to consider the proposed approval of the Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan and Project. The Joint Review Board shall consist of a representative selected by each community college district, local elementary school district and high school district or each local community unit school district, park district, bitary district, twenty line protection deter and county that has school district or each local community unit school district, park solid. Levenship, in protection deter and county that has school district or each local community unit school district, park solid. Levenship, in protection determined and the school district of the protection determined that has authority to directly levy taxes on the property within the Redevelopment Project Area, a representative selected by the Village and a public member. The first meeting of said Joint Review Board shall be held at 3 DU p m on the 2nd day of November 2009, at the Skokle Village Hall, 5127 Oakton. Street, Skokle, L. 60077.

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

Marlene Williams, Village Clerk, Village of Skokle, lilinois

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THENCE EAST TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 2 IN LINCOLN-CLEVELAND PLAT OF RESUBDIVISION AND CONSOLIDATION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 04341 10027-

THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 2 AND 1 AND THEIR EXTENSION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN SAID LINCOLN CLEVELAND RESUBDIVISION TO THE EAST LINE OF LINCOLN AVENUE AS MONUMENTED AND OCCUPIED:

THENCE NORTHWEST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LINCOLN AVENUE AS MONUMENTED AND OCCUPIED TO THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 7 IN PETER BLANEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS OCCUMENT 64272,

THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 7 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION TO THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST HALF OF SAID LOT 7 AND LOT 8 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION.

THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE OF THE WEST HALF OF LOTS 7 AND 8 TO A LINE 108.00 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 8; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID LINE 108.00 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 8 TO THE EAST LINE OF LINCOLN AVENUE AS MONUMENTED AND OCCUPIED:

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THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN LINCOLN-WARREN RESUBDIVISION.

THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN LINCOLN-WARREN RESUBDIVISION: THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN LINCOLN-WARREN RESUBDIVISION.

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THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 36 IN PETER BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 36: THENCE EAST TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11 IN EOWARD H BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 4276165:

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

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

THENCE SOUTH TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN TOWN SOUARE OF SKOKIE CONDOMINIUM PLAT OF CONSOLIDATION RECORDED AS ODCUMENT 97330040;

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THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN THE EUGENE M. HAEGELE SUBOWISION RECORDED AS ODCUMENT 93999941;

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

THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1 IN CLARA BLAMEUSER'S SUBOWISION TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN CLARA BLAMEUSER'S SUBOWISION;

THENCE CONTINUING SOUTHEAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 1 IN CLARA BLAMEUSER'S SUBDIVISION EXTENDED TO THE SOUTH LINE OF BLOCK 4 IN SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH 105 ACRES OF THE SOUTHEAST OUARTER OF SECTION 21: THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTHLINE OF SAID BLOCK 4 TO A LINE 20 FEET NORTHEASTERLY OF THE CENTERLINE OF THE MAIN CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILROAD TRACK, ALSO BEING THE WEST LINE OF LOT 7 EXTENDED SOUTHEASTERLY IN ILLINO

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID LINE 20 FEET NORTHEASTERLY OF THE CENTERLINE OF THE MAIN CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAIL ROAD TRACK TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT? IN ILLINO'S SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBDIVISION;

THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 7 IN ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBOMISION TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF LOT 7 IN ILLINOIS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBOMISION:

THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ON A LINE PARALLEL TO THE CENTERLING OF THE MAIN CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RALROAD TRACK. ALSO BEING THE EAST LINE OF THE TO IN ILLINO'S SCRIDEC AND TECHNOLOGY PARK SUBDIVISION EXTENDED SOUTHEASTERLY TO THE EAST LINE OF BLOCK 4 IN SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH 105 ACRES OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 21:

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

THENCE CONTINUING EAST ALONG A LINE 40 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 27 TO THE HITSECTION WITH A LINE OPENIN FROM A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 27 A DISTANCE OF 85 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 27 TO A POINT 447 09 FEET SOUTHAND 161.66 FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 27: THEMCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAIO LINE TO A POINT 447.09 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 27 AND 161.66 FEET EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 27:

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

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

THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 27 TO THE NORTH LINE OF MULFDRO STREET IN SECTION 28 EXTENDED EAST. THENCE WEST ALDING THE NORTH LINE OF MULFORD STREET EXTENDED EAST TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 25 IN BLOCK B IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 8465869:

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

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 32, 33 AND 34 IN BLOCK B IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 34: THENCE NORTHEASTERLY TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF HULL STREET EXTENDED EAST AND THE WESTERLY 100 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE CHICAGO NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY.

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

THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF KIRK STREET, ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF BLOCK 7 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBGINISION, TO THE EAST LINE OF LOT 18 IN BLOCK 4 EXTENDED SOUTH IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER'S SUBGIVISION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 63 (2173):

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 18 IN BLOCK 4 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 18: THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 18, 17, 16 AND 15 IN BLOCK 4 TO THE EXTENSION OF A LINE ORAWA FROM A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 4 IN BLOCK 4 IN SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER'S SUBDIVISION 70.15 FEET WEST OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2 TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 4, A DISTANCE OF 68 92 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 2:

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

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THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 11 THROUGH 18 IN BLOCK 3 TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11 IN BLOCK 3: THENCE WEST TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 26 IN BLOCK 2 III NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS DOC 8465869,

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 17 THROUGH 26 IN BLOCK 2 AND LOTS 6, 7 AND 8 IN BLOCK 1 IN NORTH SHORE L TERMINAL SUBDIVISION TO THE NORTH-WEST CORNER OF LOT 6 IN BLOCK 1:

THENCE CONTINUING WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 16 THROUGH 20 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS ODCUMENT 2572477 TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 1: THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 16 IN BLOCK 1 TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOUISE AVENUE:

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

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

THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 6 AND 7 IN BLOCK 3 TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 7 IN BLOCK 3 IN NILES CENTER TERRACE SUBDIVISION,

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT7 IN BLOCK 3, LOTS 11 AND 24 IN BLOCK 2 AND LOT 4 IN BLOCK 1 AND THEIR EXTENSIONS EASTERLY AND WESTERLY TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 3 THROUGH 6 IN BLOCK 6 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 5731200.

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

THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF LOT 3 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 6, 5, 2 AND 1 IN GALITZ SUBDIVISION RECORDED AS OCCUMENT 1172813; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF LOTS 6, 5, 2 AND 1 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN GALITZ SUBDIVISION.

THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN GALITZ SUBDIVISION TO THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF LOT 7 IN COUNTY CLERK'S OWISION RECORDED AS OCCUMENT 309747.

THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF LOT 7 AND ITS EXTENSION TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 7 ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION OF LOT 9 RECORDED AS OCCUMENT 5731199: THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 2 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION OF LOT 9 TO THE WEST LINE OF FLORAL AVENUE IN SECTION 21 EXTENDED SOUTH.

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

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

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

THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF LOT 9 EXTENDED SOUTH TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 9 BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING: EXCEPTING LOTS 34 THROUGH 45 IN BLOCK 2 IN CIRCUIT COURT PARTITION RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 5731200:

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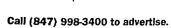
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Thomas Keller. Perhaps you have friends that

would rather curl up and watch the Food Network than slave over a hot stove. Give them a pair of tickets to take in a traveling road show with their favorite celebrity chef. Both Guy Fieri and Anthony Bourdain have recently booked gigs in the Chicago area.



For the Techie:

A recent survey issued by the Consumer Electronics Association found that four out of five adults planned to buy electronics this holiday season. E-Readers are one gift edging out portable music this year. Several brands such as iRex and Sony join the original Kindle. Readers can

download everything from the hottest bestsellers to today's paper in one compact instrument that is ideal for the busy commuter.

For the home-movie fanatic, check out reduced pricing on blu-ray players, known for a superior high-definition picture compared to standard DVDs.

Finally, Apple geeks will be happy to see yet another incarnation of the iPod eliminating the click wheel altogether in favor of a touch screen. The new iPod will also include Wi-Fi access.



Video games are popular for teens and even the young at heart. Look for the third edition of Guitar Hero that now offers a variety of performance venues as well as guitar battle mode.

Take on the turntables with the first ever DJ Hero, available at stores such as Wal-Mart and Best Buy.

For the youngest on your gift list, the nostalgic-brand Radio Flyer recently announced a new EZ-Rider scooter. The extra-wide wheels and low deck allow for optimum balance and steering. The model also features an adjustable three-height handle bar perfect for ages ranging from three to eight. Most local Target stores carry the brand as well as local toy stores such as Foster Toys in Hinsdale.



For a Cause:

Consider shopping for gifts at a fair trade retailer such as Ten Thousand Villages that has locations nearby in towns such as Evanston and Oak Park. Its goods support the livelihood of artists in countries as far reaching as the Middle East, Asia and South America. Fifty percent of an order is sent upfront to struggling artists to help cover difficult costs such as labor and materials. The goods range in cultural influence and style, and they are ideal to include in stocking stuffers or grab bags. The store stocks unique jewelry, candles and soaps, as well as exotic fabric purses and desk adornments, sure to make a statement both in appearance and meaning. For the Fashionista:

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The office grab bag is a tricky assignment. Whether your office pals listen to your coffee break confessions or just take your coffee order, a small token of recognition is a must during the giving season.

Check out F.U.N Cards & Gifts in

Glenview for the perfect variety of gift ideas, with many under \$20. "We're value-driven," says the owner, Rob Oswald. "Everyone can find something magnificent within their

Look for universally popular gifts such as Lolita hand-painted martini or pint glasses, holidayinspired scented votive candles or the ever-popular photo album to capture holiday memories. Oswald says the store's monogram services, often available

on a same-day or next-day basis, give stationary

and other desktop musts that special touch.

"This season its all about glitz!" says Lena Lurie, owner of ENAZ boutiques in Highland Park and Northfield, "Adding a little sparkle to your wardrobe Cubicle Mate: She suggests sharing gifts your loved ones can use to update their winter wardrobes or holiday party attire. Avora's rhinestone cuffs and glittery bangles are

> and clutches can update an outfit with bold style. For a stylish yet practical gift, clothing designers have turned to the great outdoors for inspiration. Lurie recommends T-shirt scarves with touches of gold or fringe from designers such as Michael Stars.

some of her top picks. She says metallic cosmetic bags

Feeling generous? Give your stylish friends or siblings a fabulous sweater coat or even a pair of colorful rain boots with toasty liner socks from Hunter. Even bad weather won't stand in the way of a night on the town now! • PP





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Putting a good spin on a bad habit

By SARA BURROWS Contributor

Snacks happen No one knows this better than America's food industry, which obligingly offers citizens an array of sweets and savories in small, far-too-easy-to-eat por-

And Americans are eating those snacks in growing numbers. According to "A Look into the Future of Eating," a study released by the NPD Group's Rosemont office, snacking is on the rise. In-home snacking will increase by 19 percent over the next decade.

Yet it's hard to get through the day without those mid-morning, mid-afternoon, late-night noshes.

So what's an increasingly health-conscious population to

Think about it

"It's a matter of planning," said Teresa Uemura, a registered dictitian at West Suburban Medical Center in Oak

Park. Ideally, she continues snacks should add nutrition, as well as satisfaction, to your diet.

Apples or bananas trump chips and cookies every time. And those 100-calorie packs often backfire, says Uemura. "They don't satisfy, so people eat two or three."

She also recommends that people consider why they're snacking. At work, she says, "People sometimes eat because they're bored." That candy bar helps relieve the tedium of hours at a keyboard, but do you need it?

However, at-home snacking can be the real pitfall for most people, especially in the evenings. After-dinner nibbles are expected to increase 15 percent in the next decade, according to the NPD study.

"That was probably the most difficult time," said Judy Roman of Glenview. As children, her two now grown-up daughters did most of their between-meal foraging in the evenings, and she and her husband still like a little something with their TV.



Snack-time at the Libertyville Cooperative Nursery School is part of the learning experience. Making their own treats, as Hailee Glordano is, gets youngsters interested in good nutrition. (Joe Cyganowski/For STM)



(From left) Sophia DeBruler, Christine Tropp and Mary Tropp work on their spider bread snack at the Libertyville Cooperative Nurs ery School, where kids often make their own healthy treats for the day. (Joe Cyganowski/For STM) Boyce, director of the school.

nity to teach

kids to make the

nutritious choices

that will serve them well

Her solution is to offer veggies and dips, or chips - baked, not fried --- and salsa. "And fruit is always available. We keep very few sweets around the house."

Lisa Safron of Buffalo Grove says after school is a hungry time for her daughter. So she makes sure there's something ready that's substantial and nourishing. Favorites, she says, are "A piece of pizza, or a peanut butter sandwich."

Like Roman, Safron tries to keep a lid on sweets. "I give my daughter a treat once a day," she said. "It's not that we don't have a package of cookies in the house, but we try to have them in moderation."

Both women say that it's important to educate a family on sensible eating, because both of them developed good eating habits before they were grown.

Start young

"My parents got on the healthy eating bandwagon when I was a teenager; so that's where I got it," said

At the Libertyville Cooperative Nursery School, snacking is on the schedule every day.

It's a matter of good health for kids at that age, says Carol

"Never tell a 5-year-old "Their stomachs are so small, 'Cookies and candy are bad for they can't get all the nutrients you," she said. "You're sure to they need at meals. So lose credibility, because cookies it's important that and candy aren't bad. They snacks are healthtaste very good." She proposes that kids She proposes that Kus learn the concept of sometime foods versus anytime Vicki Egler, a teacher at the Libertyville school. sees snack

Any time a child asks mom for an apple, he or she is likely to get it. But sweets like cookies and candy are treats for special occasions. "Kids really understand that," said Egler. "They know there are

in the future.

certain foods they can't eat all the time." It's a concept that would serve adults well, too, said Uemura. "But bad eating habits are hard

foods

Dec. 3 and Dec. 4; 10 a.m. 5 p.m. Dec. Calendar 5; and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 6. The Nor-

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Ress Anniversary

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Triebel – Bello Engagement

Melissa Triebel and James Bello of Peoria, IL are pleased to announce their engagement. Melissa is the daughter of Karen Calder, stepdaughter of John Calder and the daughter of the late Thomas Triebel. James is the son of John and Nancy Bello, of Park Ridge, IL. The groom and bride completed their high

school diplomas in 2001. James graduated from Maine South High School

and Melissa from Metamora High School in Peoria, IL.

Both James and Melissa accomplished bachelor degrees from Miami of Ohio University in 2005, his in finance, and hers in marketing; however, first meet while employed at Target Corporation located in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The couple will marry this February in Peoria, IL. The twosome's first journey,

as husband and wife, begins in April when they take off to Milan. Italy, James has been accepted at the University of Bacconi and will be pursuing his MBA, while Melissa already has professional opportunities awaiting her.

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Maine South grad joins Philharmonia Orchestra

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This culminated a trial studying under Victoria period lasting over one year Chiang, and began gradun which she practiced and performed concerts with land Conservatory in this orchestra throughout Boston under Martha Katz Great Britain, in many other European countries, and in Japan. She has been living in London since May.

the age of 5. After hearing was 8 years old, she declared, "I want to do that." With the encouragement of her teacher, Desiree Ruhstrat, she switched to viola as a teenager

Fisher accepted an offer highest award for orches- Domaine Forget Chamber from the Philharmonia Or- tra players. She earned her Music Festival in Quebec, and in the IMS Prussia Cove Master Classes in Cornwall, England, Per-Conservatory in Baltimore, forming regularly with chamber ensembles and ate studies at the New Engorchestras throughout Europe, Gwendolyn has worked with the Alesi Ensemble in Lerici. Italy, with the Camerata Salzburg in Istanbul, Turkey, and with the Salzburg Chamber Soloists at the Tonhalle in Zurich.

Switzerland.

Gwendolyn is the daughter of Claire and Perry Fisher, longtime Park Ridge residents. Her older brother. Graham, who graduated from Maine South High School in 1996, is a crimi-

In 2006 she moved to Salzburg, Austria, to study under Thomas Riebl, an in-A native of Park Ridge, ternationally renowned Gwendolyn began violin at viola teacher, at the Mozarteum University. In Novemthe Chicago Symphony Or- ber 2008 she completed a chestra perform when she master's degree in viola performance, graduating

that fall.

Gwendolyn is a several year fellow of the Aspen Music Festival and School

in Asnen, Colo., and has nal defense attorney in Graduating from Maine worked with the Singapore Portland. South High School in 2001, Symphony Orchestra. She Comment: pioneerlocal.com Gwendolyn Fisher

Indoor Cycling Marathon

The Niles Chamber of Commerce and the Niles Family Fitness Center hosted the second annual Indoor Cycling Marathon

NILES FAMILY FITNESS CENTER

Indoor cycling marathon raises \$3,800 for scholars

Center and The Niles Chamber of Commerce held the second annual Indoor Cycling Marathon on Oct. 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Niles Family Fitness Center.

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Nine teams participated, raising \$3,848 for the Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Pro-

According to a news release, the Niles Chamber Dollars for Scholars Charter is an all-volunteer committee dedicated to community youths. This 2009-10 academic year, three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to gradnating eighth-grade students and three \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors. Applications are judged on service to the community and school, response to an essay, awards and honors, school transcripts and letters of recommendation.

Past recipients have been from local schools including:

nior High, Clarence E. Culver School, St. Juliana, Maine West High School, Niles North High School, Niles West High School, Notre Dame High School, St. Mary of the Woods, Resurrection High School, Maine East High School and Loyola Academy.

Scholarshins have also been granted to the children of employees and chamber memhers including: Ed Garvey & Co., St. Benedict Nursing & Rehab Center, Fifth Third Bank, Professional Eye Care Center, Niles Public Library, Golf Mill Shopping Center, Niles Family Fitness Center and the Village of Niles.

Each year organizers are able to increase the number of scholarships and the amounts, thanks to business donations from local companies, fundraising activities like the Annual Dollars for Scholars Spring Raffle and Annual Spinning for Schol-



The Niles Chamber of Commerce and Niles Family Fitness Center hosted the second annual Indoor Cycling Marathon Oct. 24.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2009 Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009 will be available for public Inst

6200 Lake St., Morton Grove, N., 60053 7:30 a.m. · 4.00 p.m.

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Laura; Davis, Oominica; Delmonico, Michele J; Desalvo, NorsEthridge, Sharon; Fleck, Sarah; Gebala, Christian B; Gibbons, Ellen;
Ellindan, Janet, Grapsas, Elenie; Guerra, Dioniseo; Harrison, Katerina;
Hellig, Mark; Heliz, John; Henry, Madellen; Horfman, Jamel; Horton,
Janet, Johnsson, Karer, Kalaboglas, Stamatina; Kamaeva, Rashida;
Katz-Levine, Mindy; Koontz, Rosaile A; Kruze, Pamela; Macholl,
Julia; Mangino, Susan G; Marall, Preetham; Neuraufer Klimberty;
Olen, Robin; Orenstein, Michael; Perzov, Judáh; Philipp, Anne;
Reinbold, Mary C; Schmidt, Helmut; Steglich, Kimberty; Tierhold,
Joseph; Weber, Jessica.

Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999 — Chamnankit, Nancy: Chapp

Mauren: Brody, Lts. Cogan, Cornet; Connelly, Paul M; Coyne, Julie: Drod-Nolan, Enmiler, Finkelstein, Shami, Goldberg, Vicib, Goldstein, Shapon, Hood, Brian, Joneta, Suzanno M; Katz, Laurie S: Kennelly, Christophe, Levin, Maurena G; Lochner, Kristina, Majer, Barbara A; Mammas, Marika: Mazukelli, Kattlieen: Minelli, Jennifer. acy; Prosise, Ellen F; Pump, David G; Reich, Justine J, Sampson rica; Schroeder, Connie H, Starcevich, Nick; Trail, Carol; Wicinski,

Salary Range: \$90,000 and over — Brodsky, Michelle; Cooper, Susan Jane; Gilhooley, Leslee; Heinz, Diane; Heymann, Marci; Reynolds, Margaret M; Saks, Barbara E; Schmid, Deborah;

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000 — Adam-Jesse, Virginia Barszcz, Darlene; Barti, Gertrude C; Brale, Donna; Brodsky, Rebecca

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL Dina; Ostrowski, Janet, Ottenfeld, Laura B; Pape, Robert, Pellum, Christine; Swarvar, Lindsey E; Tipton, Keetra Christine; Swarvar, Lindsey E; Tipton, Keetra Salary Range; \$50.000-\$89,999—Botten, Christina A; Boychuck, Scheensky, Georgia; Shapiro, Randis; Shapiro, Ran

PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500

Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries. ander Publication Listing School District 70:

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Carolina Biological Supply Co., 4,828 99; Cass Security, 4,111.79, Cdw-Government, 33,015 26; Central Rug & Carpet Company, 9,525 91; Chevy Chase, 2,872.40; Chicago Doorways, 2,615 00, Citton, Gunderson & Co., 15,361 00; Com et., 11,029 18, Convergint Technologies Lic, 3,482.39, The Cove School, 39,726 23, 20niel F Schneider, 4,250 00 Deta Dendal Of Illinois, 55,379.90; Ecolab, 4,083,77; Educators Publishing Service, Inc. 5,426.58; Etabaeth Frake, 3,249.57; Etien Bruglera, 8,800 00; Astacolable Life Insurance Company, 91,817 34; Evelon Energy Inc. 112,895.80; Faronics Technologies Usa Inc. 2,718 90; Fideliny Invest Institutional Ops Co Inc. 21,177 36; Cole Taylor Bank, 146,672.09, Flexible Spending Account, 10,000.00; Picssoguec, 3,373 00; Foliett Library Resources, 10,215.60; Fox River Foods, 76,675.21, Frontline Placement Technologies, 5,545.00; Gary Zablika, 6800 00 6 f Generic 0,205.00; Fiessourie, 3,373.00; Teiliert Library Resources, 0,275.00; For Rilver Foods, 76,675.21; Frontine Placement echnologies, 5,545.00; Gary Zabika, 6,800.00, G.T. Genesis echnologies, 7,720.90; Galic Disbursing Company, 9,480.00, 670.01, 10,240.73; Harcourt Inc, 10,065.29; Morton Grove District 0, 78,904.69; Heartspring, 201,309.34; Hill Mechanical Ave. 1,663.12; Houghton Mittlin Co. 2,928.52 9; Illinois Asson O5,004.01,016.01 Municipal Returement Fund, 101,627,20, Innovative Packaging inc., 15,571,00; Isbe - Fiscal Services Ovision, 8,187,43, Sur Jonota, 2,964,00; Kober's Instrument Repairs, 2,529,00, Krown Midwest Food Dist., Ltd., 2,739,35; The Lepend Group/April 20,462,96; Ltca, 43,066,66; McGraw Hill Companies, 17,673,91, Magazdr, 3,732, Magazdr, 20,732, Ltd. Solutions, 13,285.45; Mnj Technologies Direct, 10,114 69, Morton Grove School District 70, 17.54.27; Mancy Belmonte, 3,000 00, Ncs Paarson, 7,240,00; Ndsec, 55,453 93, Niles Township District For Special Educ, 859,581,93, Miles Township School Credit Union, 170,745 00, North Suburban Teachers Union, 50,326,49; Northern Suburban Special Ed District, 3,852,74; Northwest Evaluation Association, 7,500 00; Oppenheimer Funds Services, 11,126 88, Praf. View School, 12,293,75; Pearson Education, 7,365,48, Pra Financial Network, Inc., 3,500,00, Positive Connections, 420,160,46; Postive Connections, 10,74,068,65; Pro-Ed, 2,666 40, Rehance Standard, 7,487,39; Robbins Schwartz, 14,563,27; Robbins, Schwartz, Nicho las, Lifton&Taylor, 3,773,75, Pars Foods Inc., 3,455 92, Scholastic Magazines, 5,427,71; School District 68, 10,112 50, School las, Littona Taylor, 3,773.75. Paris Foods Inc. 3,455.92, Scholuskic Magazines, 5,427.71; School Distinct 68, 10,112 50, School Specialty, 23,247.50; Smith Maintenance Company, 63,438.00, Specialty Flooris, 4,470.00; Sscip 16,044.100; Supenot Maintenance Inc. 29,064.56; Susan Wings, 9,820,06. Tci. 4,336.20. Teachers Health Insurance Security, 21,170.50, Teachers Retirement System Of Illinois, 522,071.20; Temp-Master Inc. 2,888.75, Teachers Health Insurance Security, 76,897.66, Tipfon, Keera, 4,722.83; Unisource, 13,586,94; Valitronics/Findy Vanidwade Inc. 5,513.35,

Road on Western Avenue), Niles: or

Dee Park at the corner of Dee and

Emerson Roads, Des Plaines; or call

Religion

St. John Brebeuf Adoration Chanel

is observing its fifth anniversary. The

chapel, in the Parish Ministry Center.

8307 N Harlem Ave., is open 24

hours a day, seven days a week, for

spiritual devotion, prayers and medi-

Registrations for the St. John Bre-

school program are being taken. The

program is open to children ages 3

1/2 through kindergarten age, Class-

Mass each Sunday, Registration fee

is \$40 and covers all materials for

10 yr fixed

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(C) 954 Hariem Avenue, Gienview, IL 60025

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es are held during the 10.45 a m.

beuf "Joy in Jesus" Sunday pre-

(847) 297-3000.

tation.

Calendar

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Candy Drive to help mentally handicapped children. To donate, send taxfree donations to: KC Council 4338 c/o Ken Lee, 8307 N, Harlem Ave. Niles II 60714

The Norwood Park Historical Soci-

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

Admission to the boutique is \$1. The Knights of Columbus Council 4338 is conducting a Wheelchairs for the Needy campaign. The public is invited to help others by providing donations for a wheelchair For as little

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to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

House, 5624 N. Newark Ave., Chicago.

as \$75, the needy can gain their mobility with a new wheelchair. Donations may be send to: Wheelchairs for Needy. c/o KC Council 4338, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles IL 60714.

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

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

033-4354 Entertainment Books are available from the Knights of Columbus Council 4338. The 2010 edition costs \$20 each with a wide selection of metropolitan areas to choose from. All proceeds are donated to area charities. To reserve a book call Mel Koenigs, (847) 966-2293.

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

6901 W. Oakton St., Niles, Illinois 60714

order a book call Josephine Bax. (847) R23-2550.

Library

Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., (847) 663-1234 or online at www.niteslibrary.org.

The Go Club for ages 6 to 12 usually meets the first and third Saturdays of each month on a drop-in basis.

Parentino

Boot Camp for Expectant Dads is taught by a certified master coach who equips expectant dads to confidently interact with their infant, support the new mom and build their fatherhood skills. The next class will be offered from 9 a.m.-noon Dec. 5 at Litheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge, To register, call HealthAdvisor at 1-800-323-8622 or visit www.advocatehealth.com. The reference code for this course is 8B29.

Parks

Maine-Niles Association of Special Recreation offers people with physical and mental challenges, behavior and learning disorders, hearing and visual impairments and emotional disabilities an opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreation activities. MNASR serves Des Plaines Golf-Maine Lincolnwood. Morton Grove, Niles, Park Ridge and Skokie. To receive a seasonal brochure, or to offer support for people with special needs by volunteering, call (847) 966-5522.

Niles Park District is accepting registration for its popular Small Shots Basketball Program for kindergartners

Niles Park District is still taking regand first- and second- grade girls and istration for fall Dance classes. Classes boys This six-week class begins Dec. 5 include Budding Ballerinas for ages 2with 9 a.m. 10:15 or 11:30 a.m. starting 3, Pre-Ballet for ages 3-5, Ballet & Tap times. Participants will learn dribbling. for ages 4-9. Jazz for ages 6-12. and shooting, defense and offense skills Hip Hop for ages 6-12. Classes for and play in game situations. All skill adults are also available. Call (847) levels are welcome. Fees are \$57 for 967-6633 residents and \$71 for nonresidents. Niles Park District is offering private

niano lessons (30-45 minutes) for be-

Wednesdays and Thursdays at Howard

ginning and intermediate students

Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St.

Lessons will focus on the fundamen-

tals of technique, music theory and

good practice habits. Call (847) 967-

The Golf Maine Park District has tak-

en a new and innovative approach in

raising much-needed funds for the

park and spreading the word on ener-

gy efficiency. The district offers a se-

lection of ENERGY STAR qualified com-

pact fluorescent light bulbs for sale to

the public from a Lights for Learning

kinsk. Proceeds from the sale of every

bulb will directly fund the scholarship

program sponsored by the district.

The scholarship program allows chil-

dren the opportunity to attend camp

sources to do so on their own. The

kiosk will also house the Lights for

Learning teacher tool kits, designed

for educators and organization lead-

ers, to provide informational materials

on the overall Lights for Learning Pro-

gram, ENERGY STAR Activity Books for

home energy-conservation and elec-

tronics information, will also be avail-

children, as well as ENERGY STAR

when they may not have the re-

6633 to reserve a lesson time.

and include a T-shirt and basketball. Register at Howard Leisure Center. 6676 W. Howard St. Call (847) 967-1529. Niles Park District New 3's Preschool is offered for children who turned 3 after Sept. 1, 2009, missing the deadline for the regular 3-year preschool. Classes are held Tuesdays/Thursdays or Wednesdays/Fridays. from 12:30-2 p.m. at Howard Leisure Center. Session runs Jan. 5 to May 27. Call (847) 967-

Niles Park District introduces a new camp called School's Out Sport Camp. The camp will be available on five school holidays. The main emphasis of the camp is to provide safe, fun-filled days of playing and learning sports. Campers should bring a sack lunch and beverage. Camp takes place at Grennan Heights on Veterans Day. Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day and Pulaski Day. Fees are: residents. \$36; nonresidents. \$45 per day. Call (847) 967-1529. Resident and nonresident registra-

tion for Niles Park District Bright Beginnings Preschool for 2009:10 is still taking place. Spaces are still available in the morning and afternoon for 3and 4-year-old classes. Registration is accepted at the Howard Leisure Center. 6676 W. Howard St . until classes are filled, Call (847) 967-6633 to have information mailed

also be available. CFLs may be purchased at Feldman Park, 8800 Kathy Lane, Niles, from 8:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m. Call (847) 297-3000. The Golf Maine Park District offers

the community an opportunity to recycle paper products. A recognizable green and vellow container supplied by Abitibi Bowater was dropped off in the Feldman Park lot, 8800 Kathy Lane, near the corner of Western Av enue and Kathy Lane, Products that can be recycled in this container include: newspapers, magazines, office paper (fax and copy), shopping catalogs mail and envelopes, catalogs. folders, colored paper and shredded paper (bagged); no cardboard or phone books. All money raised will fund the scholarship program, allow ing children to attend summer camp and other programs. Call (847) 297-3000 or go

towww.nanerretriever.com/ Coff Maine Park District is taking registration for:

Adult Bingo: 10 a.m. 2 p.m., first Wednesday of the month, split the not bingo at the Feldman Recreation Center

Preschool: Early registration is important to ensure child a space for the fall 2009 semester. A five-day morning program and a four-day afternoon program are offered for children turn ing 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2009. Cricket: Dee Park now has a cricket pitch that will be ready for use this spring. Call the park district for rental fees or availability. Visit one of the Park District offices,

Feldman Recreation Center, 8800 Kathy Lone (one block south of Golf able. A recycling bin for used CFLs will

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2,993 90; Cliffs & Cables, 2,804.00; Color Portraits Inc. 3,965 00

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Riscal Year Ending June 30, 2009 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, 2009. Individuals wanting 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. R47-966-9280 Also by January 15, 2010 the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district form agreement for the past fiscal year

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PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

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GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000 -- Ahmed Rugayya N: Angelo r. Nicole, Capsay, Terry; Carli, Maria; Clair, Ann; Fay Mary Ann; Han, Kathleen: Heilig, Mark J: Heltz. John C: Henry. Madeline M; Hrobsky, Emily; Junto, Lucian; Karabatsos, Dexl; Kim. Kathy; Romanoski, Carol A; Santana, Sarah J. Young Mi; Kruzel, Pameta, Larson, Candace; Lichtenstein, Richard M: Mason, Joy: McEnery, Elizabeth Nelson, Lindsey: Oconnor,

Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999 — Sidhpura, Kiran.

Diana L.; D'Anniballe, Mary Caren, Dworak, Christine; Feldmann. | Denise A.; Wengerski, Jake.

H: Lindemann, Hans: Maniscalco, Peggie: Mc Garry, Katherine: Ire Meyers, Gabrielle: Montcalm, Barbara; Mueller, Mary Ellen; Nelson, Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999 -- Claccio, Leah M Christine M: Oh, Joann; Paisley, Jill C; Parisi, Mary Joy; Ranalli,

Salary Range: \$90,000 and over - Blangin. Helene: Brogni Maureen: Farlee, Ann: Feldhelm, Linda: Funk. Fern: Gelshoker. Salary Range: \$60,000 and over — Ferdinand, Susan: Malacha, Janice C: Kruppe, Amy: Mc Shane, Patricia: Ninni, Kristen: Perez. Chester: Rybicki, Edwin Jr. Nancy: Petitt, John J: Pilati. Maria Lind: Potratz, Roberta; Richards. VENDOR PUBLICATION LISTING SCHOOL DISTRICT 71

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Teresa: Okeete, Colleen, Parke, Katheen, Popowych, Olga T; Sabla,
Oans; Smenek, Kerneth J, Spadoni, Rubin, Weyna, Patricia.

Mary E: Collins, Susan: Oamsa, Floria: Fleming, Jill; Geraci, Adrianne: Gimenez, Marilou: Guziec, Barbara: Hanson Braman, Narline: Holstein, Kimborly, Ignoffo, Marion: Jensen, Joan; Juris, Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999 - Autemeth, Tina; Baum, Ken; Krone, Sharon; Latessa, Diane; Lightner, Kathryn; Louise, Michelle, Bolin, Elaine E, Cannella, Marghente, Fnas, Erika; Hackett, Erika; Marma, Layla; Mayer, Hilary; Mendez, Jeanette; Pantazi. Katherine; Murphy. Charlotte, Newton, Kelty. Palazzolo. Tony:
Rarger, Abby; Ross, Joanne.

Rarger, Abby; Ross, Joanne. Salary Range: \$60.000 - \$89.999 — Accian, Katherine L.; Buhler, Switski, Christine: Szewczyk, Michelle; Velgach, Filipp: Vinesar.

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED Beverly: Glaser, Mana S; Hirsch. Alan S; Kelly, Eleni; Lelmer, Pamela Salary Range; \$25,000 - \$39,999 — Soliriu, Denise M; Tripkos.

Hargeshelmer, Lynda J: Herr. Ronald: Jordan, Debra; Marcus. Kato: McEnemey, Laura: Rosado. Gina; Uhle. Daniei; Wrzesinsi

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Young Adults Bible Study. Sunday, 12:00 PM Choir Practice: Sundays, 9:30 AM Susannah Wesley Club (Women's Group) Meets once a month on 4th Tuesday of the month, Youth Worship Sunday,

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6099 N. Northcott Ave. (at Nickerson & Hood Avenues) (773) 631-1100 & (773) 631-1606 www.oslc3@sbcglobal.net Sunday Worship 9:00 AM. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM Wednesday, Advent & Lenten Worship Services-Wednesday at 7:00 PM

St. Eugene Catholic Church 7958 W. Foster Ave., (773) 775-6659 www.st-eugene.org Daily Masses: Monthru Fri-6:30 & 9:00 AM

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St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church

7033 N. Moselle, (773) 763-0206 Friday 8:00 PM Youth Group & KACC Worship www.smow.org **Morton Grove Community Church** Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30 PM Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM and noon Weekday Masses, Mon-Fri 6:30 and 8:00 AM. Confession Saturday 3:30-4:15 PM Worship Service 10 AM Fellowship 11 AM Holy Days Vigil 7:30 PM Holy Days 6:30, 8:00, 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM Rev. Greaory Sackowicz, Pastor We have a Preschool (3 yrs. Old) through 8th Grade School. And offer

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Email: office@stlukespr.org Sunday Worshin-8:30 & 11:00 AM (School Year). 8:30 & 10:00 AM (Summor) Thursday Worship (Summer) 7:00 PM Sunday - Christian Education for all ages. 9:45 AM (School Year) Child Core Provided Rev. Dr. Stephen M. Lorson, Lead Postor. Rev. Kristina C. Weber, Associato Postor. Rov. Dr. Molcolm Minnick, Jr., Postor Emeritus, Anne Krentz Organ, Director of Music Ministries Molindo Romseth Hoiland,

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1. Maine South (13-0) 2. Lovola (11-2)

3. Glenbrook South (9-3) 4. Notre Dame (6-4)

5. New Trier (5-5)

GIRLS BASKETBALL

1. New Trier

2. Lovola

3 Niles West 4. Maine South

5. Glenbrook South

BOYS BASKETBALL

1 Glenhrook North

2. Maine South

3. New Trier a 4. Glenbrook South 5. Evanston

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

FOOTBALL

Tyler Benz, Maine South Senior quarterback accounted for all three TDs in the team's semifinal win over Loyola last weekend. He passed for 120 yards and ran for another 73.

Mike Divito Maine South Senior defensive back's interception in the end zone ended Loyola's scoring threat late in the fourth quarter and secured the Hawks a trin to the state champi onship game.

New Trier's 400-yard free relay

Maddy Urban, Megan Marchuk, Morgan Scott and Samantha Jones sped to state championship in 3:27.63 and helped the Trevians to second place behind Rosary, which won its four state title in a row Urban also contributed by finishing seventh in the 50 free and second in the 100 free. The senior also swam on the 200 medley

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Abbey Schmitt, New Trier Junior scored 18 points and grabbed 12 rebounds in team's 64-48 win over rival Loyola.

team that finished fifth.

Vikings victim to lopsided losses early

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

GIRLS BASKETBALL - Some teams like to load up their own tournaments with opponents who are easily beatable.

Niles North has not done that with their season-opening event. which includes traditional powerhouses Wheeling and Fenwick and strong programs like Proviso East and Resurrection.

The Vikings, who started the season 0-2, also entered the Niles could stand up to those teams. North Tournament with an understrength squad, as talented sophoniore Mariyah Henley continues to recover from shoulder surgery.

So, there always was a chance Niles North would struggle in its opening games. However. Vikings head coach Dan Paxson said he expected his team to play with a little more intensity.

The Vikings opened with a 75-29 defeat to Proviso East on Friday and lost 63-33 to Wheeling the next

"We had too many mental lapses and the intensity is not where it needs to be right now." Paxson said. had some good practices. But (in the opening games) it didn't seem like it was there.

The coach did feel his team made some improvements in the second game, especially in the transition

"(Against Proviso East) were not

getting out in our running lanes. I thought we did a better job of that (against Wheeling)." he said.

One positive for Niles North was the performance of junior Kaitlyn Schlauder, who led the team with 11 points in the opener.

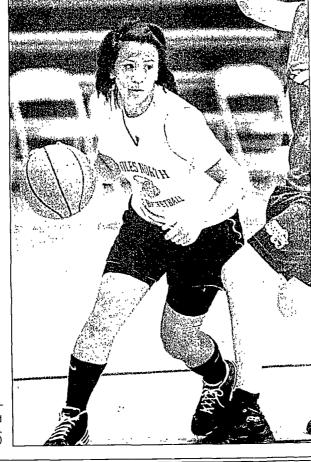
"She played really well both nights for us." Paxson said. "She hit a few shots on Friday, and we've encouraged her to shoot more. She's a very unselfish player, maybe to a fault. She's definitely a smart player. Defensively, she showed she She's so smart, she knows how to position herself to help defensive-

With a busy week of games and the Thanksgiving holiday, the Vikings will have few opportunities to practice in the next week. So. Paxson is hoping his team will make the most of its off-the-court

"We're going to try to fix some things we've identified. But we don't have a whole lot of time." the coach said. "So, the girls are going to have to lock in. We're going to watch film and teach them through film. It will be up to them to lock in I thought it would be there. We and correct things because we won't have a lot of floor time."

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Pearlane DeGuzman and Niles North opened the season with consecutive losses. (Richard Bajjalieh/Staff Photographer)



Talent to keep Torres on deck for another year

By DAN SHALIN

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GIRLS DIVING - Niles West veteran coach Louis Torres said he was proud of how junior Emily Fung and senior Nadia Sarnecki performed at Friday's IHSA State Meet at New Trier.

Fung had a five-dive total 161.1 and finished 23rd, four spots higher than her seed suggested. Sarnecki (135.95) finished 43rd.

"I'm proud of them. They set a good example for the underclassmen to follow: that hard work pays off. and

Torres said.

The coach said Fung's finish was special because the diver was just nine months removed from knee surgery. "To not only come back

and dive, but to take 23rd at state, that's a testimony to (Emily's) grit," the coach said about the two-time state, the toughest in state qualifier. "She's tough. When she got hurt, she said she was going to (return to state), and she did. I expect her to come back next year

and be a little better." All of Fung's dives were

1/2 summersault pike. plagued slightly by inexpewhich she missed, earning rience. It was her first state scores in the 3.5-4.0 range. meet and she only has been diving competitively for two Torres pointed out that with the level of competiseasons. tion at state, there was little margin for error.

"(With five dives) if you miss one dive. you drop." Torres said. "It was a tough awhile. The girls were all good divers. Mine were good, but the others coming up, holy cow! It was season, before Fung and tough.

Sarnecki edged her out for Torres said Sarnecki's a sectional spot based on performance was solid. their performances at the solid except for her back 1 though she may have been conference meet.

tations for next season.

junior Heather Funai.

Torres, who has coached for 35 seasons, said he put off retirement until after next season in order to coach Fung, Funai, and a couple of other talented Sarknecki will graduate. youngsters one last time. But Torres has high expec-

"I'm excited about next Fung will be closer to full vear." Torres said. "It will be my last year and I want strength and he is expectto go out with a bang. I want ing big things from fellow to see (Fung) finish strong. I think she can finish in the Funai had been the team's top 12 in the state. That's top diver for much of the our goal, to work hard and finish in the top 12. She's a good one.

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Coach: Huev Crawford (1st year)

2008-09 record: 19-9 overall (7-3 in CSL. North, 2nd place)

Returning starters: Nuse Khan (PG)

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G	Nuse Khan		Sr.	6-(
G	Xavier Sullivan		So.	5-10
G	Aaron Shannon		So.	6.
G	Jigar Patel		Sr.	5-10
G	Lorenz Arce		Sr.	5.6
G	Tim Bauer		Jr.	5-8
G	Nikhil Desal		Jr.	5-
G	Tony Enwiya		Sr.	5-6
G	Zeeshan Rauf		Sr.	5-10
F	Nigel Milosevic		Jř.	6.7
F	Al Nagode		Sr.	6.
F	Ossama Anis		Sr.	6
F	Willy Gandy		Jr.	6.
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OUTLOOK

The Demons got off to a good start under first-year coach Huey Crawford by having a successful summer. One of the highlights Good news is the team's best player and leading scorer is back in Senior point quar Nuse Khan. Bad news is the Demons lo lour starters off last year's leam a

Wilhout a doubt, the Demons are girded b Khan and his leadership, But the rest of th team is awfully quick and could earn som surprise wins simply with hustle and dete Khan was one of the best guards last s son, and he's had one year to get one

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Khan can't do it all himself

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Nuse Khan doesn't much like to talk. The Maine East senior prefers to let his play speak for him.

But the Demons are going to ask Khan to shoot his mouth off this season.

After both Charles McKinney and Abdel Nader decided to play somewhere else. Khan is the only returning starter and his leadership on the court will determine how the Demons do this winter.

First-year coach Huey Crawford knows this, and he spent time getting Khan to

"One of the biggest things with him was he wasn't as vocal as I think a point guard should be," said the coach, who believes Khan should be attracting more interest from colleges. "It took time, and it's a work in progress.

"I think he's accepted that role."

The 6-foot guard led the Demons in scoring a year ago as ended up with a 19-9 finish, second in the CSL North at 7-3. He showed his character in the team's final loss of the season, a 57-52 heartbreaker to Glenbrook South in the regional final, a game Maine East for nearly 17 minutes.

Despite hurting his back in the fourth quarter, Khan managed to return to the game as the Demons tried to rally back. He finished with 13 points.

When news came this fall that Charles McKinney and Abdul Nader weren't going to play for the Demons this season, Khan's role increased even more. McKinney and Nader would have helped take off some pressure from Khan.

"There could be some problems as he tries to do too much," Crawford said. "Any good player tries to do too much. That only will be a detriment if he doesn't pace himself throughout games.

"But he has a great basketball IQ, and he makes everybody better around him."

Crawford wonders which players will step up and give Khan an assist this winter. Senior Jigar Patel and sophomores Xavier Sullivan and Aaron Shannon all will share the backcourt with Khan. No one in that group has significant experience.

"The question is who is going to step up and fill that secondary role." Crawford said. "We need some of these newcomers to step up, If they don't, we are going to struggle. It's going to be interesting to see what their progression is over the season."

In the frontcourt, Crawford expects three



Maine East point guard Nuse Khan will have four new faces with him in the starting lineup this season (Jerry

new starters to contribute. Senior Ossama Anis, senior Al Nagode and junior Nigel Milosevic will get opportunities early. At heavier kids he may have some trouble 6-3. Anis is Mainc East's tallest player.

"We are going to have to do some things to disguise our lack of height," Crawford tremely athletic. He has the jumping ability and the quickness. I think he will be

able to match up with most of the tailer kids because of his athleticism. It's the

The Demons opened their season Monday against Vernon Hills at the Battle of said. "Ossama's a great kid, and he's ex- the Ridge. The tournament concludes Sat-

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INFORMATION

oach: Bob Williams (Ist season Returning starters: Lorenzo Fiol. Boris Cayemitte, Rodney Metellus

ROSTER

Chris McNichols	Sr.	.6-0
Donte Logan	Jr.	5 10
Ramsan Younatha	m Jr. 1	5-11
Chico Hill	Sr.	5.10
Marlowe Soriano	Sr.	57
Lorenzo Fiol	Sr.	6.0
Boris Cayemitte	Sr.	6-1
Rodney Metellus	Sr.	6.2
Tony Pierce	Jr. '	6.2
Lauris Herth	Jr.	6-2
Zain Parekh	Sr.	6-3
Cullen Bagley	Jr.	61
Dil Patel	Jr.	5-8
Patrick O'Connor	Jr.	6.2
Rabael Rasho	Jr.	5-11
Russell Robinson	So.	6-7
Luka Léncar		. 6.1

OUTLOOK

AD David Rosengard pulled off one of the coups of the offseason by hiring Williams. who had recently slepped down at Schaum burg. Williams won close to 400 games with the Saxons, whom he led to a state tille in 2001, a semifinal appearance in 1998 and the quarterfinals in 2006. He is a taskmaster and is not afraid to raise his voice in order to push his players out of their comfort zone. The Wolves are still getting used to his style, But results are results, and Williams has been one of the state's top coaches over the last two decades. Most impressively, he uads might have to do routinely in a c rence that includes the likes of New Tr

Williams said the Wolves are more athletic than many of his Schaumburg squads. Bot Rodney Metellus and Boris Cayemitte are top-class jumpers on the track team. Lorer zo Fiol is the player with the most prove last season and will see time at the two quard this winter when Donte Logan han the ball. Ramsan Younatham, who is injur to start the season, and Chris McNichols Co both shoot the ball. Transfer Lauris Herth y Pierce and Zain Parekh provide some 6·7, is an intriguing prospect.

CONCERNS

he team lacks much in the way of an inside ice. Players like Metellus and litte will be asked to out-leap taller opits for rebounds. Robinson is tall, but. schedule is not easy, West opens against ood leams from Lake Forest and Glenbrook forth in their own Thanksgiving tourney, will see quality competition at the Pontiac Holi-day Tournament and will play non-confer-ence games against Loyela Bullalo Grove,

Nilles West WOLVES

Cayemitte reaching beyond limitations

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Niles West senior Boris Cavenitte can't help but chuckle a bit when he explains he needs to get rebounds this season "being one of the big guys."

Listed last year at 5-foot-10, Cayemitte has grown, whether physically on simply in the team program, to 6-1 this winter.

That he considers himself one of the big guys says something about Niles West's lack of height and something about Cavemitte's athletic ability. A long jumper who nearly made it to the state track meet as a junior, Cayemitte will have to show he can also leap high to pull down caroms this winter.

That's just one of the many things new Wolves head coach Bob Williams will be hoping to get from his No. 23. But the coach said he was impressed by Cayemitte's versatility when he worked with him over the

"On defense, he's got a great knack for anticipating where the ball is going, which will be helpful to us if he can keep getting in those passing lanes," Williams said. "He's tremendous taking the ball to the hoop, and in the summer he worked hard on his outside shot. He's a hard-working kid and one of those quiet leaders who just (sets an example) by his actions rather than

Expectations are not too high for the Wolves this season based on their personnel. But many Illinois high school basketball observers will be paying attention to see how Williams fares in his first season in charge.

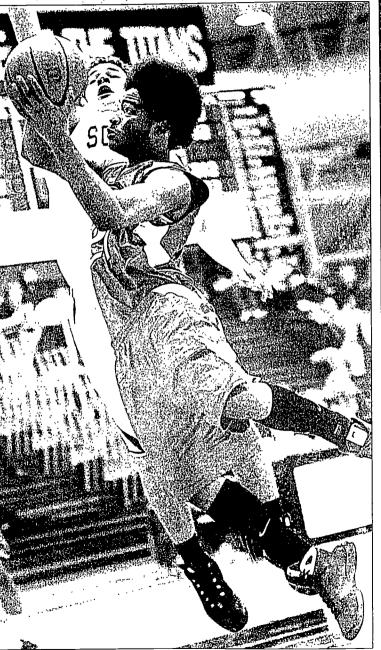
After nearly two decades of success at Schaumburg, Williams takes over a program that has struggled in recent seasons and will often find itself as an underdog against powerhouse conference foes like New Trier, Glenbrook South and Evanston.

Williams is looking to build the program using the same principles of hard work and accountability that he preached at Schaumburg. Cayemitte, who averaged five points per game as a junior, admitted the coach's style has taken some getting used to.

"Some players are still not used to it," Cavemitte said. "He pushes us much harder and makes us do what he wants us to do and not what we think is comfortable.

"But it gives us motivation. He's been suecessful and we know we can be something good, so we should listen to what he's trying to tell us."

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Despite his 6-foot-1 size. Boris Cayemitte will be asked to be one of the team's top rebounders this winter. (Joe

INFORMATION

Coach: Tom Les (3rd year, 34-21) 2008-09 Record: 20-9

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Returning Starters: Shawn Wallace (6-2, Sr.)

ROSTER

- Matthias Trizna Joe Ferrici Mark Rubel
- Ross Langlois: Tim Hirsch Cody Neidenbach
- Matt Moser Fred Dicksen Shawn Wallace
- Phil Kerher Eddie Sorano Justin Halleran

OUTLOOK

During last year's 20-9 run, Les went with an all-senior starting five, led by all-confer ence point guard Mike DiGregorio. While ti experience and leadership is gone, the cupand Phil Kerber were part of last year's 10 man rotation, while Evanston transfer Roo ney Pryor, junior Ross Langiols and sophomores Ryan Tompkins and Joe Ferrici should be in the mix.

STRENGTHS

Wallace will be the team's star and is coming off a fine summer with the Dons and on the AAU level. He's athletic, can take the: ball to the hole and shoot from the outsi He'll be asked to assume some of the ballhandling duties, Hirsch, Chievous, Trizna. Moser and Kerber all impressed in spurts last season. The squad should be deep and

CONCERNS

Nobody other than Wallace has started on the varsity. The team will miss DiGregorio

Hirsch veers from grid to hoops

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A handful of seniors on this season's Notre Daine team are going to be asked to step up — on and off the court.

Players like Tim Hirseh, Phil Kerber, Matt Moser, Matthias Trizna and Mark Rubel must prove they can handle expanded playing time and help earry the Dons. Their leadership abilities will also be crit-

Some of the players may take time to adjust to the new role. But for Hirseh, the transition should be smooth. After all, he was an all-conference wide receiver and leader for the Dons' football team, which finished 6-4 after losing to Glenbrook South 28-27 in a first-round playoff thriller.

"I've already gone through one season as a senior athlete with football, and all the other guys have basketball, and that's it," said the 6-foot-6 Hirsch, who finished with 34 eatenes for 417 yards and six touchdowns this fall. "I know what to expeet and how to deal with it. I should be able to handle the load."

Hirseli, an Edison Park native, said the confidence he gained on the football field should help him on the basketball court. Actually, he said he got a boost over the summer when ND head coach Tom Les told Hirseh he would no longer be just an inside player.

"In summer ball, my confidence shot up when coach (Les) told me that I could play (any position), one through five, that I should learn every position," Hirsch said. I have been working on my shooting beeause I used to be a big man."

Les raved about Hirseh's summer work ethic and how the player balanced his time between basketball and football. Though Hirseli's minutes were limited last season, especially late in the campaign, Les expects the versatile wing to have a breakout campaign.

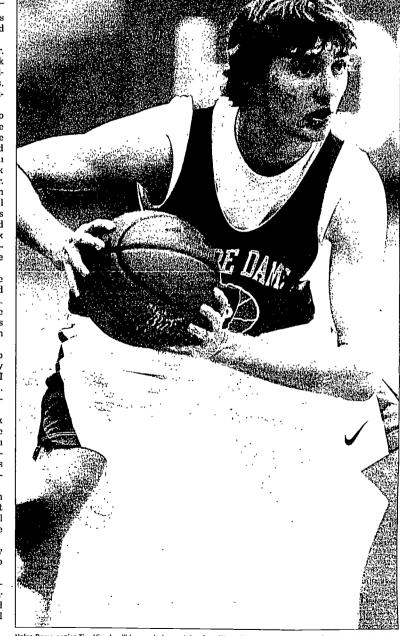
"He's a great complement to Shawn (Wallace) at this point." Les said. "He's got some size, length-wise, he can put the ball on the floor and is a mismatch for some

Hirseh said his toughest challenge early in the season has been getting back into basketball shape.

"It's a different (type of) shape than football," he said, "In football, you go for four to six seconds and then take a 30-second break. In basketball, it's non-stop, and coach likes to run the fast break."

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Notre Dame senior Tim Hirsch will be used at a variety of positions this season. (Joel Lerner/Staff Photographer)

Leave it to Beaver: Trevian a goal-getter

By DENNIS MAHONEY dmahoney@pioneerlocal.com

BOYS SOCCER --- Any time senior forward Ben Beaver had a big game - and there were plenty of those this fall - New Trier head soceer coach Craig Fairbairn usually find a three-word response when asked to deseribe Beaver's efforts.

Hard to guard.

plain how Beaver set the school's single-season scoring record, led the Trevians back to the Final Four in on him, but his lateral what figured to be a re- movement is as good as his building year, and earned vertical movement, and Pioneer Press Player of the Year honors.

Beaver racked up 40 goals and 16 assists and was named an All-Ameriean by the National High winning goal for the Tre-School Soccer Coaches As- vians as a junior in the sociation. He was almost state championship contest unstoppable in the postseason, piling up 13 goals in ble picking up where he left seven tourney games off even though he was suragainst defenses focused mostly on the 5-foot-11 speedster.

Beaver broke the single season Trevian scoring record of 39 goals and 16 assists set by Bill Metzger

to Metzger on the school's all-time scoring list with 70 goals and 34 assists in three varsity seasons.

That's a simple way to ex- give it up to him.

Beaver scored what

history of his own.

"Ben Beaver's the real

deal," said Evanston coach Franz Calixte after his team was burned for three goals by Beaver in the Class 3A sectional opener. "He secred some quality goals against us and I've got to

"He's the real deal, a player's player. We had our fastest and strongest guys he's always dangerous beeause of the way he can cut on a dime."

turned out to be the gamelast year. He had no trourounded by eight new starters after the graduation of the best class in school history.

This year he made some "His ability to read the

FIRST TEAM

game and the defense in on-1. He'll use a little sub- He's always had that speed, well as a team to still have what's really amazing," said Fairbairn. "We could put a highlight clip of Ben togeth- ance. Then, he's gotcha! er to show other players how to take on someone 1-

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"I've seen him turn de-

the middle of the play is the change of speed, a little but we've never had any a chance to win. We didn't shoulder fake, just a little one with the ability to have to be perfect all the change direction with the time." ball like that.

fenders completely around. didn't always have to play

seven goals.

That's because Beaver "Because of his ability, we was pretty close to perfect.

New Trier's Ben Beaver set a program record by scoring 40 goals this season, (Rob Hart/Staff Photographer)

SECOND TEAM

GOALIE

JOHN SECARAS, New Trier

Senior had a 1.6 goals against average for a Trevians squad that went 19-7-3 and finished third in . the state.

DEFENDERS

CODY BUSIC, Loyola

Rambler team that finished 14-5-2.

IAN MCGUIRE, Maine South Senior was an all-CSI hackliner who was voted MVP of the 12-9-4 Hawks

SHAWN MICHOLS, Glenbrook South Senior was team captain and honorable-mention all-sectional. He was a rock on defense even though his team struggled.

MIDFIELDERS

MATT HICKEY, New Trier

Senior had eight goals and an impressive 25 assists for the Trevians, who came close to repeating as state champs

MAHI MAMELEDZIJA. Niles West

Senior scored 22 goals, breaking the school's single-season record of 19. Also became the school's career goals

JACK SHERIDAN, Lovola Senior was an all-state midfielder for a Rambler squad that won a fourth straight conference crown.

FORWARDS

BEN BEAVER, New Trier

KRIS DUDEK, Maine South Senior was an all-conference forward who finished with 16 goals and 4 assists.

KAMIL LASZCZKOWSKI, Maine South Senior was an all-sectional player who finished with nine goals and 16 assists

PIOTR LAGOWSKI, Taft

Junior was an all-state performer for the 9-8-1 Eagles, who lost to New Trier in the regional final.

Glencoe GOALIE Kevin Malpede,

Winnetka North Shore **Country Day** 94) Wilmette Senior had eight shutouts for a 10-5-2 squad

Evanston DEFENDERS . Ridge Niles Eric Greve, Maine South

Senior and a team captain was an all-confer ence performer who had a goal and an assist.

Michael Tabar, Niles West Sophomore was a steady backliner for a Wolves squad that finished 11-9-3.

Josh Swoboda, Maine East One of only three senior starters, he was a top defender and leader for the 11-8-4 Blue Demons.

MIDEIFI DERS

Mike Henry, Notre Dame

Senior was a top-class defensive midfielder. who often provided cover for the backline, Had Alex Johnson-Bice, New Trier

Junior had nine goals and nine assists for the Jordy Metter, Evanston Senior was one of the area's most dangerous

players on the wing. Nick Olsen, Glenbrook North Junior was a co-captain who had eight goals and nine assists for the Spartans.

Matthew Sullivan, Loyola Senior was an all-sectional player and part of a quality midfield that also included Jack Sheri-

FORWARDS

Kevin Alvarez, Niles North Junior led the young Vikings with II goals. Jason Rodriguez, St. Patrick Junior's 15 goals were more than the entire team scored the previous season.

MENTION

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Glenbrook South junior Ellen Chapman helped the Titans to third place in the state. (Joel Lerner/Staff Photographer)

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Chapman gets a little help from her friends

NORTH ASTARS

ALL-AREA GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

By GEORGE M. WILCOX qwilcox@pioneerlocal.com

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL - There were so many factors that led to the success of Ellen Chapman this season

She was surrounded by a veteran team of seniors, including a pair of Division I signees in setter Colleen Brennan and middle hitter Emani Sins. Sims deflected defenses from keying on Chapman, and Brennan was talented enough to set Chapman anywhere on the court, even the back row.

Nearly half of Brennan's assists this season went to Chapman, a 6-foot-4 junior headed to Wisconsin. Chapman finished with 463 kills. She entered the state tournament with the highest amount of kills among all 16 teams, topping Harvard's Ashleigh Fisher (414 kills).

With the right personnel, Chapman did the rest. The former middle hitter played on the outside for

the first time. "It's not normal for a person of

her height in high school to play that position," GBS coach Katie Hoover said.

Chapman's best match was a career-high 21 kills in the Class 4A sectional semifinal win over New Trier. The Titans (37-5) finished third at state behind Chapman's tournament-high 18 kills against

After beating Lake Zurieh in the supersectional, Brennan raved, "How about Eilen Chapman? She's just great."

Chapman, the defending Class 3A state champion in the high jump, learned to play a full rotation as a new outside hitter and improved her serve enough to finish with 28 aces, ranking third on

"Ellen is a smart attacker and is ethal from the back row and behind the service line," Hoover said.

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PLAYER OF THE YEAR

ELLEN CHAPMAN, Sr., Glenbrook South

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

KELSEY KELLY, OH, Jr., Lovola

FIRST TEAM

COLLEEN BRENNAN, Glenbrook South

The Columbia-bound senior came within one assist equaling her career high with 36 against Quincy in the Class 4A third-place match. Brennan had 63 assists in two state tournament games to finish with 807 on the season, Brennan was all-tournament at the Wheaton Classic.

MADDIE FITZPATRICK, Evanston

The perfect complement to Ali Gossen helped the Wildkits (32-7) to back-to-back 30-win seasons and trips to the sectional final. In the regular season, the 6-2 junior middle hitter led the team in blocks (26) and was second in kills (153).

ALI GOSSEN, Evanston

After a state trip in 2008, the Western Michigan bound right-side hitter led her team in kills (291) and was second in blocks (20) and third in aces (27). The 6-foot senior had 191 digs and hammered a career-high 16 kills

HAILEY MERK, Loyola

The Rambiers' captain, senior outside hitter and threeyear starter ranked second in kills (194) and was among the team leaders in digs (357). She also added 36 aces The all-GCAC pick was all-tournament at Stevenson and

EMANI SIMS, Glenbrook South

The 5-11 senior middle was the hitting percentage leader (.513) among all 16 teams at the state tournament. The Mi ami (Fla.) signee had 23 of her 248 kills at state and led the Titans with 68 blocks.

ALLIE ROEMER, Glenbrook South

The senior libero returned to state after qualifying for the three-point showdown in basketball. Roemer led the Titans with 196 digs and was tops in serving with 40 aces

SECOND TEAM.

Lexi Assimos, S, Sr., Glenbrook North Defaney Clesen, S., Jr., Evanston Blair Daspit, RSH, Sr., New Trier Amy Hart, OH, Sr., New Trier Linnea Lukatch, Lib, Sr., Evanston Colleen Quinian, RSH, Sr., Loyola Libby Winter, MH, Sr., Glenbrook North

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Cami Beghou, RSH, Jr., New Trier Elise Cregg, OH, Sr., Glenbrook South Lisa Gregerson, OH, Sr., Maine South Kelly Kleppin, Lib, Sr., Niles West Jordyn Toia, OH, Jr., Niles West

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Casey Durham, MH, Sci. Eyanston
Jenny Huh, OH. Jr., Glenbrook, North
Claire Miller, OH, Jr., New Trier
Kaitlin Mohr, MH, Sc. Loyola
Enela Palavra, MH, Jr., Milles Morth
Stephanle Scremac, S. Jr., Maine South
Kelko Sugihara, OH, Jr., Miles Morth
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Last season's shortfalls serve as motivation for Dons

Depth and experience kevs to success

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

Dame coach Augie Genovesi was a little disappointed last going to be a good team and season when his team won 22 duals and had five regional champs but was not repidis team's depth and its exlast season, and was a reresented at the individual or team state meets.

With several accomplished returnees and a basis. Heading that senior lenberg won 34 matches last number of talented young- group is Matt MeNulty. a winter, was a regional sters. Genovesi expects re- 140-pounder coming off a champion and went Down-

sults to be different when 27-win season. the 2009-10 season reaches its elimax in mid to late February.

"It was disappointing not to get anybody down (last season). We had guys who were eapable," he said. "I think, potentially, we can WRESTLING - Notre season). Once we get down Genovesi is excited about

"He's the real deal. He's team eaptains.

and liad success in both freestyle and Greco Roman (reach dual team State this elub tournaments over the summer. He has committed to our correct weights, it's to the University of Chica-

Junior Matt Sommers (103) earned 26 victories have four or five seniors in al team member in the offthe lineup on a regular season. Classmate Jim Wal-

"We wrestled 750 match-

state as an alternate.

said.

eause this winter are soph-

omore Scott Smith (112),

sophomore Jim Dianean-

(135), senior Mike Noto

(160). senior Sean Murow

Maehain (heavyweight).

Among other returnees To a lot of the kids. that will Meanwhile, Augie Genabout MeNulty, one of the roles for the Dons are sophomore Tim Donnelly (119). Senior Brian Ridge (189) senior Kevin Heneghan won 38 matches as a junior (125), senior Dylan Steigerwald (130) and junior Niek Baseom (160).

Heading the list of varsity newcomers are sophomores Connor Gavin (152) and Kevin Stahler (189) and freshman Sean Heneghan

Genovesi pointed out that perience. He expects to gional champion and nation- even though some of his wrestlers are new to varsity, they have accumulated valuable experience in the offseason.

pretty good." Genovesi said expected to play important be invaluable." the eoach covesi's son. Anthony, is the new wrestling eoach at Other ND wrestlers who Niles West, Anthony came will likely contribute to the to Skokie from Elgin High and will no doubt come up against his father's team siore (130). junior Mike Rice past. The two have battled four times. with the elder Genovesi holding a 4-0 edge.

> (171), junior Julio Perez (171). "I want to continue to beat sophomore Colton Kelly him. I love him. but I can't (215), junior Owen Hiriami let him beat me ... yet." (215) and junior Quinn Augie Genovesi said. "Between the lines, you do what you have to do. I love him before (a meet), and I'll love All in the Family: Five athhim after. But competition letes on the current roster have fathers who also wresis competition." tled for Genovesi at Notre

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Hard work already paying off for Wolves' Poskrobko

Senior center complements star Loyd

By DAN SHALIN dshalin@pioneerlocal.com

GIRLS BASKETBALL -Niles West head eoach Tony

the 2009-10 season, that ef- that they found her. fort was already paying div- Michelle got the ball in the idends for the senior center. post. It's nice to see them

led all scorers with 19 points did a nice job catching and in a 73-35 win over North Chieago in the Deerfield Tournament. Poskrobko also was the Wolves' leading seorer in the previous

the hard work Miehelle · said. "We took the game to a minor injury.

On Saturday, Poskrobko reward a post person. She

finishing. That was huge." The player who rewarded Poskrobko in the post most often was super sophomore Jewell Loyd, who finished game, a loss to Lake Forest. with 10 assists to go with "We eouldn't be happier her 17 points. Loyd missed Konsewiez has raved about with Michelle," Konsewiez the Lake Forest game with

Poskrobko put in over the (North Chicago) and Senior Jackie Gremley just 10-of-26 from the freesummer, improving her Michelle got up and down added 15 points for the throw line and turned the game, strength and fitness. the floor, running rim to Wolves, who improved to 2- ball over nearly 20 times. During the first week of rim. It's a credit to our girls 1 with the win over North

Two days earlier, Niles West was without Loyd when it fell to Lake Forest 40.36.

The team showed some positive signs defensively. according to Konsewicz. Two Lake Forest players who tallied over 20 points in the Seouts' previous game were held to under double-digits.

However, Niles West hit

"I thought we'd take bet-

Jewell." Konsewiez said. "Also, if we hit five more free throws, it's still not a great percentage, but it probably wins the game."

The Wolves opened the season with a 48-44 win over a talented Hersey team Loyd led the way with 26

points. Gremley seored eight, all of them coming in the decisive fourth quarter. games against Zion-Benton

Megan Rogowski seored 11 points in the first half, but

ter eare of the ball without the break. With the victory, the Wolves passed the first big test on their improved

"I talked before about why we seheduled that way.' Konsewiez said. "Starting with a game like that, you see what direction you're headed in,"

The Wolves were scheduled to resume action in the Deerfield Tournament with Hersey's top player and Deerfield. Niles West will face Waukegan in the same tourney on Saturday. was held to just two after Comment: pioneerlocal.com





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