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## Village survey shows location is Niles' best feature

The real estate slogan "location, location, location" must have been designed for Niles.

Results of a recent village survey pinpoint location as Niles' primary attribute and the main reason people move there. After location, cleanliness is Niles' best

feature, according to replies, with low taxes sixth on the list.

Of the 12,000 survey forms mailed out, 1,666 were returned, a 13.9 percent response. From those replies a picture of Niles emerges as an area of mostly single-family homes.

Eighty percent of the residents live in houses; nine percent in townhouses; four percent in apartments. Most homes have three bedrooms; 36.9 percent of the homes have one bathroom; 24.2 percent have two.

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## Police discover Niles tavern burglary

A Niles police officer, on routine patrol in the early hours Jan. 27 discovered a shattered glass door on the north side of Go to Blase's Tavern, 7015 Milwaukee Ave.

The officer radioed for additional help and police discovered the pub had been ransacked. Cash

of approximately \$617 had been stolen from various locations inside and an office door was also smashed.

Blase's owner identified two possible suspects to police. Fingerprint and footwear impressions left at the scene will be examined.

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## Niles ranks in top ten of metropolitan population losers

# Latest census figures still note decline

by Nancy Keraminas

Challenges to last summer's preliminary U.S. Census figures have not resulted in hoped-for increases in population figures for Niles and Morton Grove.

Morton Grove's population officially declined by six percent since 1980's count and Niles' population loss was set at 2,079 fewer residents, or seven percent, putting it in the ranks of the top ten metropolitan population losers.

"If it weren't for the turnover in the last four years, I dread to think what the figures would have been," commented Morton Grove Village Administrator Larry Arlt. A gradual trend noted by planners is new families moving into available housing.

"We think we've been undercounted," asserted Abe Selman, Niles' village manager. "Three percent is more likely."

Niles submitted data to the bureau showing that residents of rectories, guest quarters and nursing homes had not been counted by census takers last spring.

In addition, the village showed the U.S. Census Bureau areas of the Terrace Square multi-family and other single-family dwellings that had not been tabulated but the bureau again did not include all the amended dwellings.

The resulting loss of income is sure to be a topic when Morton Grove's public budget workshops begin in early February.

Arlt told village board members that figures compiled by Finance Director Spyro Hountalas project a \$96,000 decrease in revenues beginning as early as March of this year, from state income tax, which will be reflected by a comparable decrease from the General Fund. An additional \$40,000 will have to be lopped off the village's motor fuel tax revenues.

Niles stands to lose as much as \$167,110 from combined state income and motor fuel tax revenues, based on Illinois Municipal League estimates of \$80.38 annual tax income per resident.

Niles intends to challenge census figures with the help of the Northwest Municipal Conference but Morton Grove has decided, in Arlt's words, "not to shoot the messenger," for informing it of a fact that planners are already aware of: landlocked communities with older populations do not produce population increases.

"We took our best shot when we had the opportunity," explained Morton Grove Director of Community Development Charles Scheck, whose department compiled that village's earlier challenge. "We've exhausted

## From the Left Hand



by Bud Besser

We checked into an Orlando, Florida motel just hours before the Gulf War began last Wednesday. We were starting a 12 day vacation by visiting Epcot. Our last week would be lounging down in the West Palm Beach area.

Thursday and Friday we visited Epcot. But it wasn't much fun. Every half hour we were looking for a news outlet which would tell us how the war was progressing. We returned to our motel early each day and spent the evening watching the television news. Our vacation dinners were sandwiches we ate in front of the television screen.

Friday we decided to return home. During World War II, I remember a two-page spread in Life magazine. On one page pictures of the Battle of the Bulge were displayed. On the facing page was a picture of Americans sunning and beaching down in Miami Beach.

After more than 40 years, those Life pictures came back to mind. And I wasn't about to.

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## Land sales change face of Milwaukee Avenue

by Sheilya Hackett

The Milwaukee Avenue landscape is rapidly changing in the southern reaches of Niles. Recent sales of land parcels at 7169, 7201 and 7369 Milwaukee Avenue will bring new commerce to lots that have long stood vacant.

Bellen Container Corporation, 7161 Milwaukee Ave. recently paid the village \$200,000 for the adjacent lot at 7169--the southeast corner of Milwaukee and Touhy Avenues--and will use the 14,628 sq. ft. site as a parking lot. Bellen is a food packaging company.

According to General Manager Ira Krakow, Bellen will have the land as a convenience to its 30 employees and as a supplement to the parking space it already has to the rear of the property.

He anticipates the lot will accommodate about 20 parking spaces and said the current landscaping and commuter shelters will remain as they are. Until the courthouse moved, the site was a parking lot for the third district court house of Cook County.

Across the street at 7201 Milwaukee

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## Dessert Storm troops honored



Photo by David Miller

Photographs with names of servicemen and women in the Persian Gulf are being placed on two gold hearts located in the Harlem Irving mall. Mall patrons can also sign a banner, which will be sent to the troops. See related story on page 3.



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O'Hare addresses Des Plaines Kiwanis

George O'Hare, director of the Senior Citizens Advocacy Division within the office of the IL Attorney General, Roland Burris, will be the guest speaker for the Des Plaines Kiwanis on Wednesday, Feb. 5.

Leonard Miller, coordinator, announced the meeting will be held at the Des Plaines Elks Club, 495 N. Lee St., (downstairs) Des Plaines, at 1 p.m. O'Hare will speak to the group on, "A New Approach to Motivation".

Upon his retirement, he had this burning desire to start a new career as a lecturer on the subject of motivation. O'Hare is a graduate of St. Matthews Elementary School, Austin High School, Wright Jr. College and the University of Illinois.

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YOUR PARENTS AND YOU When Is A Cook An Artist? Eli Pick Ballard is planning a series of special restaurant events for relatives and residents.

MG names Senior of Month



Dorothy Krzysko and we are extremely proud of Dorothy and very appreciative of all of her efforts on behalf of the seniors of our community.

Dorothy Krzysko was recently chosen Morton Grove's Senior of the Month. She has done an outstanding job serving as president of the Wednesday Golden Senior Club for the past two years.

Maine Seniors plan 'hot' activities

Maine Township Seniors can come in from the cold with a variety of heartwarming activities scheduled throughout February.

Cost of the luncheons are \$7.50 for members. Guest reservations at \$8.50 will be accepted on a space-available basis.

The popular Franz Benteler will be showcased in a romantic concert at a luncheon at noon Wednesday, Feb. 20, at the Fountain Blue Restaurant, 2300 Mannheim Rd., Des Plaines, cosponsored by the Maine Township Seniors and the Park Ridge Senior Center.

Benteler's repertoire ranges from Beethoven to Blue Grass and his reputation is international. Cost of the concert and lunch is \$15.50 for members.

Members can create a charming fabric heart at a craft workshop from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 25, in the Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Rd., Park Ridge.

Participants should bring a pair of sharp fabric scissors, white sewing thread and a needle. All other material will be provided. Cost of the workshop is \$6.50 and it will be limited to 36 participants.

To receive a membership application and obtain reservation information for activities and trips, call Sue Neuschel or Helen Jung at the Maine Township Town Hall, 297-2510, ext. 240 or 241.

Morton Grove Senior Citizens 470-5223

TAX SEASON RETURNS The Morton Grove volunteer income tax aides (VITA), will be available again this year starting on Feb. 4 to assist senior citizens residents in filing their federal and state income tax returns.

NEW TAXI DISCOUNT Morton Grove's taxi discount program has been revised slightly from the \$3.55 fare that was formerly charged for a ride in Morton Grove provided by the American Taxi Company.

RANDHURST SHOPPING TRIP Tuesday, Feb. 19 is the date to make a break from "cabin fever" with a trip to the Randhurst Shopping Center.

PRIME TIMERS The North Shore Prime Timers Club invites interested residents to three appealing upcoming programs. They will enjoy a Renaissance Feast with musical entertainment at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 1 at St. Augustine Church in Wilmette.

DIABETES SCREENING Blood sugar is the fuel that runs the body. When blood sugar is out of normal balance, many types of symptoms develop because nearly all tissues in the body depend on it to function.

SENIORTRAN ON WEDNESDAYS Starting in February, the Morton Grove Seniortran will expand its days of service to include Wednesdays.

UNDERSTANDING COMPUTERS Oakton Community College presents another program in their Passages lecture series entitled, "Understanding Computers."

VILLAGE OF SKOKIE Federal and state income tax help will be provided free of charge beginning Feb. 5 and continuing to April 11, for older residents, the handicapped and low income families.

VILLAGE OF SKOKIE The Smith Activities Center, located at Lincoln and Galitz in Skokie will present a program "Let Harry Entertain You" on Feb. 4, at 1:30 p.m.

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### Employees receive service awards



Shown above are Niles Village employees who recently received five-year service awards. Pictured are: (top row - left to right) Ralph Bast, Steve Sok, Frank Laurie, Joseph Helminiak, and Salvatore Fucarino. Seated below with Mayor Nicholas Blase are Patricia Neukirch, Mark Nannini and David Chapp.

### Heritage Club meets Feb. 3

The Heritage Club of Polish Americans will hold its next meeting on Sunday, Feb. 3 at the Copernicus Cultural Center, 5216 W. Lawrence Ave. at 2 p.m. Dr. David Laske, educational consultant and secretary of the Steinmetz High School Local School Council, will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Laske will discuss immigrant children of the 1920's and 1930's and how public and parochial education affected their lives.

The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting. There will be a charge of \$1 for non-members. Refreshments will be served. For more information one may call (312) 777-5867.

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## Singles Scene

### FEBRUARY 1/2 ST. PETER'S SINGLES

All singles over 35 invited to these big dances... Friday, Feb. 1, 9 p.m., Aqua Bella Banquet Hall, 3630 N. Harlem Ave., and Saturday, Feb. 2, 9 p.m. Park Ridge VFW Hall, Canfield and Higgins, Members \$3, Guest \$5. Call (312) 334-2589 for more information.

### FEBRUARY 3 SUPER SUNDAY SINGLES

Sunday, February 3, 7 p.m. - 7, 8832 West Dempster, Niles, (exit Tollway #294 at Dempster East). Doc Weed's is located across from Lutheran General Hospital. \$6 admission includes: Dinner Buffet, Dee Jay Music & Special Door Prizes. Ages: 25 - 7 - proper informal attire required. Join our Super Sunday Singles VIP Club. For information call: 1 (708) 299-6600.

### FEBRUARY 8 SINGLE PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY

Single Professional Society - Speaker "Intimacy." Join S.P.S. on Friday, February 8, at 8:30 p.m. at the Glen Elyn Holiday Inn, Finley and Roosevelt Roads, Glen Elyn, for a presentation dealing with intimacy on various levels. Kathleen Ryan, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, who practices in DuPage County will share techniques to assist in developing the necessary skills involved in relationships. Admission is \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members. For more information about this and the HOTLINE at (708) 260-1835.

### FEBRUARY 13 A.G. BETH ISRAEL PROFESSIONAL SINGLES

A.G. Beth Israel Singles: Ages 35 plus, meets Wednesday, Feb. 13, 8 p.m., at the synagogue, 3635 W. Devon. A speaker from the Kach International Party will discuss "Peace in the Middle East." Donation \$3, refreshments served. Social hour follows. For information call (312) 549-3910.

### FEBRUARY 14 METRO SINGLES

Metro Singles (formerly Aware Singles Group) invite all singles to a "Valentine's Day Dance" with the live music of Full Moon at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 14, at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel, 9300 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Rosemont. Admission is \$8 for non-members. For more information, call Metro Singles at (312) 777-1005.

### FEBRUARY 9 NORTHWEST SINGLES ASSOCIATION

All singles are invited to the Combined Club Singles "Peo-

ple Sampler Night" with the live music of Music Plus at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 9, at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel, 9300 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Rosemont. The event is co-sponsored by the North West Singles Association, Young Suburban Singles, and Singles & Company. Admission will be \$8. For more information call (312) 725-3300.

### FEBRUARY 10 MIDWEST SINGLES

The Midwest Singles Association invites all singles to a "Snack and Dance Mixer" with DJ music at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 10, at the Willowbrook Holiday Inn, 7800 South Kingery Highway, Willowbrook. Admission of \$6 includes snacks. For more information, call (312) 282-0600.

### FEBRUARY 12 SINGLE PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY

S.P.S.'s "Midweek Gang" will meet this coming Tuesday, Feb. 12, at Embassy Suites-Discovery Bay, Lombard from 5:45 - 8 p.m. for eating and socializing. For more information about this event, call Trish (690-9034), George (969-0419), Nancy (260-0468) or Jim (961-5750).

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### Local resident debuts at Carnegie Hall

Tania Lee 21, of Lincolnwood made her debut in New York City at Carnegie Hall on Jan. 11.

She played the Gershwin Piano Concerto in F with the New York Pops to a sold-out house. Lee began piano studies at the age of six and made her first public appearance three years later.

She has since appeared with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Youth Symphony of Greater Chicago, the Hyde Park Chamber Symphony, and the Oberlin Conservatory Orchestra.

She has also played solo and chamber music recitals in Chicago and Philadelphia, and in 1989 she made her first commercial recording for Contemporary Recording Studios.

Recipient of many awards, Lee was winner of the 1987 Music Teachers National Association Competition, the 1987 National Chopin Competition, the 1985 Illinois Bell Young Performers Competition, and 1985 National Concerto Competition sponsored by Seventeen magazine and General Motors, and the 1987 Arts Recognition and Talent Search sponsored by the National Foundation for the Advancement of the Arts.

Since 1987, Lee, whose first teacher was Emilio del Rosario of Chicago, has been studying at The Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia with its director, Gary Graffman. After graduating in May, 1991, she hopes to pursue her masters degree in Performing Arts as well as a solo concert career.

### Mall sponsors blood drive

Harlem Irving Plaza in cooperation with United Blood Services is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Saturday, Feb. 2, from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Appointments can be made by calling Kim at (312) 625-3036 or (708) 453-7800. The drive will be held at the center which is located at Harlem Avenue, Irving Park Road, and Forest Preserve Drive.

"In continuation of our support of the troops in the Persian Gulf, the merchants of Harlem Irving Plaza thank you for supporting our men and women in the Gulf," commented Scott Singer, owner of Hush Puppies and Connie Shoes and President of the Merchants Association.

"Please consider donating blood at the Plaza on Feb. 2, you could be saving a life," concluded Singer.

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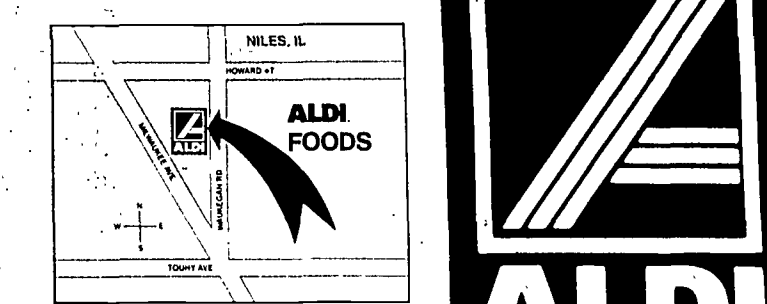
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