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Special to The Bugle

Edward Jones: Understanding the Costs of Investing

Suppose you needed a major operation. Would you shop around for the physician with the lowest cost? Would you solicit bids from hospitals? Probably not. Your main concern would be the quality of your results.

Most of us wouldn't put a price tag on maintaining good health and quality of life, but attention to our financial health is often compromised by cost. Investors will risk large sums of money simply because an investment doesn't appear to cost anything.

Professional advice, whether from a physician, attorney or financial professional, is rarely free. It's important to understand what your costs are and what ser-

vices to expect in return.

When selecting mutual funds, a financial professional—whether commissioned or fee-based—should direct you to a mutual fund that's right for you. This means helping you develop a good financial plan with realistic expectations to meet your goals. The key words are plan, expectations, and goals. Meet these, and costs are inconsequential.

Another important service of a financial professional is to be there for the long-term even through those inevitable market declines. For example, after the severe market crash of 1987, many financial professionals

simply disappeared. At the same time, The Wall Street Journal discovered that investors were pressing for more reliable guidance. One large mutual fund group offered a worksheet to help investors set goals. There were 40,000 immediate replies. Another mutual fund group received several thousand requests in response to an advertisement offering a free brochure explaining how to be your own portfolio manager.

You're also paying your professional to help fine-tune your plan as your life changes. For example, the family whose plan focuses on children's education may look to retirement after the

children are grown. The retiree may shift focus from growth to income. These are life events that call for adjusting an investment plan, and your representative should be there to give you direction.

Finally, your professional should be open and honest about costs and expenses. Financial experts suggest that, when considering costs, you should view commissions in the context of all expenses. The longer you plan to be in an investment, the less you should be concerned about the sales charge.

Jeffrey Cardella can be reached at Edward Jones, 8141 N. Milwaukee, Niles, 470-8953.

PUBLIC SERVICE ADVERTISEMENT

Volunteer receives award



Congratulations to Carrie Tripoli of the Niles Senior Center for receiving the Area Agency on Aging Volunteer Award. Carrie is pictured with Jonathon Lavin, Executive Director of the Area Agency on Aging. Each year volunteers throughout the Cook County area are recognized for their outstanding contributions to the community. Carrie has volunteered at the Senior Center since 1984 making lunches for our lite lunch program, helping with monthly mailing, selling tickets at ticket sales and helping out wherever she is needed.

Mature driving course offered

The Lincolnwood Seniors Club invites the community to join them on Thursday, January 8 and Thursday, January 15, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a 55 Alive Mature Driving Course offered by the Secretary of States Office.

This course is given in 2 separate sessions over a two-day period. Each class lasts approximately 4 hours. You must attend both days to be awarded a Certificate of Completion. The classes are taught by trained volunteer instructors.

The fee is \$8 for each participant. Insurance companies must provide a reduction on the liability portion of an insured's automobile insurance policy upon the completion of an approved accident prevention course by those eligible insureds over the age of 55. The meeting will be held in the Lincolnwood Village Hall Council Chambers, 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood.

Niles Senior Citizens 588-8420 - 588-8000

NILES SENIOR CENTER REGISTRATION
The Niles Senior Center is open to residents of the Village of Niles age 62 and over, and their younger spouses. Niles seniors interested in obtaining additional senior center information should call or visit the center and be placed on the mailing list. The center is located at 8060 Oakton Street.

YARN NEEDED
The Senior Center is requesting any left over yarn or scraps of material (8" x 8" or bigger). Lap robes and shawls are made for veterans at Hines Hospital. Volunteer knitters and crocheters are needed also. If interested, contact Mary Vandenplas.

MEN'S EXERCISE INSTRUCTOR NEEDED
The Senior Center is looking for a part-time men's exercise instructor. Interested persons should contact Mary Oleksy at the Senior Center.

S.H.L.P. APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE
Senior Health Insurance Program appointments are available. Call and make an appointment if you need help with hospital or doctor bills or information on supplemental insurance.

CARBON MONOXIDE PROGRAM
The carbon monoxide program offers free residential inspections for carbon monoxide emissions and natural gas leaks. Appointments may be made by calling the Senior Center.

INCOME TAX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Income tax volunteers are needed to assist seniors in completing simple tax forms in February, March and the beginning of April. A minimum of 4 hours of your time per week is required. Training is provided. For more information, contact Mary Oleksy.

SENIOR CENTER CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY
The Senior Center will be closed on Thursday, Jan. 1 for the New Year's Holiday.

SPRING CLASS REGISTRATION
Sign up for classes starting on Friday, Jan. 2 at 9 a.m. at the Senior Center. The classes include recreational and educational opportunities. The December/January News and Views has descriptions and details of the classes. You must bring your blue card to register.

DIABETIC SCREENING
Diabetic screening is on Friday, Jan. 9 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. If you are a diabetic or just checking to see if you have diabetes, make an appointment to have your blood sugar checked. You must fast 10 to 12 hours, but water is permitted. Hold diabetic medications or any medication that should be taken with food. Cost is \$1. Registration required.

BOOK REVIEW
Book review is on Friday, Jan. 9 at 10 a.m. The featured book is *The Wedding* by Dorothy West. Price of \$1 includes refreshments.

Mandy Tatalan wins Niles Senior No-Tap

Mandy shot 319 his last game for 809 to win the Brunswick Niles Bowl Senior No-Tap December 16. He beat Fred Spiezia by 10 pins.

Fred Spiezia had 294-249-256-799 for second place. Tom Poulos was third with 796. High game winners were Fred Spiezia-294, Tom Poulos - 289, and Mandy Tatalan - 319. The next No-Tap will be on January 27 at 1 p.m.

NARFE meeting

A regular meeting of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will be held on Friday, Jan. 2 at 1 p.m. at Warren Park Field House, 6601 N. Western Ave., Chicago.

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MG TIF condemnation of motel delayed 'til March

Although there will be a lengthy delay, the plan for the Waukegan Road renovation will go through pretty much as planned, according to Larry Arft.

In hearings held Dec. 8 and Dec. 9, the condemnation judge delayed the case until next March citing his tremendous case load as the reason for the delay. The village is in the process of acquiring the Admiral Oasis Motel property as part of a plan to build a Walgreens Drugs and a 30-unit condominium building on the site.

The drugstore is planned for

Niles police get new puppy for Christmas

by Rosemary Tirio

"Officer" Noah reported for his first day of duty bright and early Dec. 22.

The 18-month-old yellow Labrador Retriever recently completed six weeks of intensive training with his handler and partner Marjo Zawilla, Animal Control Officer of the Niles Police Department.

Noah and his partner went through an intense curriculum of canine handling, drug detection and dog tracking at the Landheim Training Center in Indiana, where he received a certificate for his studies.

"He did great. He's a great dog," Zawilla said of her new partner.

Noah was trained to detect narcotics, to locate them and to let his handler know by scratching at the source of the drugs, Zawilla said. Noah will also serve in community relations programs, such as P.R.I.D.E., positive response in drug education.

Tracking suspects and lost persons by following the odor of the subject's footsteps is another of Noah's talents.

"It was hard work," Zawilla said, who took the training with three other handlers from other police districts.

Noah is the first dog ever to join the Niles Police force. When he's off duty, he lives with Zawilla and her family, where he is "very good," Zawilla said. He is a high energy dog, but very well behaved, Zawilla, who is also an animal health technician, added.

the south half of the property which includes the motel and two residences. The motel is part of the Tax Increment Funding (TIF) program. The two residences were acquired to provide additional space and are not part of the TIF. They were acquired in separate negotiations with the property owners, Arft said.

The two owners of the properties were "very satisfied" with the sum offered by the village, Arft said. A third owner of property on the north portion of the project where the 30-unit condominium was planned refused to sell the required property. Because it was not part of the TIF district, the property cannot be acquired through court condemnation as the motel property is being acquired, Arft said. As a result, the developer, Taxman Corporation of Skokie, will have to redesign the plan. A smaller condominium building, a small office building or a retail store are about the alternatives being explored by the developer, Arft said.

Arft said the delay was not unusual in condemnation proceedings. Motions and other proceedings have been "routine and standard, what you would expect in condemnation litigation," Arft said.

In March the village will implement what Arft termed the "quick take procedure." The judge will make a ruling regarding the transition date and the price of the property following a preliminary determination of price, Arft said.

The Village Board approved an agreement with the First National Bank of Morton Grove in November for creation of a line of credit of up to \$3.17 million, which will enable the village to fund its share of the purchase and preparation of the site.

Another agreement with the First Chicago Bank was also approved by the board for a short-term loan to finance the \$1.4 million portion of the costs that Taxman will reimburse the village at a later date.

Arft said that the loans were preferable to a sale of bonds to fund the project at this time because it is cheaper and saved the village an estimated \$100,000 in the cost of issuing bonds.

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New school funding bill bypasses local districts

Gov. Jim Edgar's \$485 million plan to equalize school spending throughout the state will have little impact on local districts according to an article in the Chicago Tribune.

The funding plan was designed to guarantee that every school district in the state spends a minimum of \$4,225 per year on each student. The plan, which was passed by the General Assembly Dec. 2, will be funded by increased telephone, cigarette and riverboat casino taxes. Those new funds will be allocated to individual school districts on the basis of the property tax base, enrollment growth and poverty in each district. Allocations will be made in August based on the enrollment figures available at that time.

Although many districts will not receive any of the new funds, the law guarantees that no school district will receive less money from the state next year. That provision, however, expires after one year.

The East Maine School District 63, which currently receives \$1,002,858, will actually receive \$1 less in the 1998-99 school year. Likewise Maine Township High School District 207 and the Niles Township Community High School District 219 will not receive any of the new funds. Only the Niles Elementary District 71 will receive an additional \$5,315 or 5.12 percent increase.

Niles Historical Society open house

It isn't too early to make plans for 1998 and the Niles Historical Society is the place to start. A great musical program has been planned to celebrate the 12th day of Christmas with an open house. Mark your calendars for Sunday, Jan. 4, 2 p.m., and join friends and neighbors for the Canterbury Carolers. Come early, take a tour of the Museum, see three floors of new displays (including the new military exhibit), refreshments will be served and admission is free (although donations are always welcome).

The Canterbury Carolers will be in period dress and entertain us with songs of yesteryear and appropriate holiday music.

All programs are open to the public, friends, neighbors, and are geared to the entire family. Doors are open at 1 p.m.

The Niles Historical Museum, 8970 Milwaukee Ave., is open every Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.; other times by appointment only. Call (847) 390-0160 for more information.

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St. Lucia - Queen of Light



Christina Giovannelli

On December 12, Christina Giovannelli of Niles, was named St. Lucia for the city of Chicago. The Lucia celebration, which was sponsored by the Central Swedish Committee and the Swedish American Museum of Chicago, took place at the Daley Center. Christina represented her grandparents' Swedish Viking lodge, Brage #2. December 13, Christina, dressed as St. Lucia, was honored and performed at Ebenezer Lutheran Church and the Swedish-American Museum in Chicago.

A second Lucia celebration was held in La Grange at the First Presbyterian Church on December 14.

Christina, 18 years old, a 1997 graduate of Maine South, is a freshman at Dominican University in River Forest. She is currently majoring in Fashion Design and Merchandising. Her maternal grandparents are from Smland and Vesterogland, Sweden, and her paternal grandparents are from Pisa and Lucca, Italy. At the age of 4, she joined a Swedish Children's Club where she studied the Swedish language, song, and folk dances for 13 years. Christina has traveled to Sweden three times - twice with her Swedish club. She has performed in Swedish song and dance in Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Norway, and Sweden, for such notables as the King and Queen of Sweden, and the Swedish Prime Minister. She is currently studying her fourth year of Italian and recently sung in Italian for the Mayor of Pisa, Italy, and Mayor of Niles at a Sister City dinner.

St. Lucia was an Italian saint, who as a young Christian, gave away her dowry to poor people of Italy. Her angry fiancée stated she was a witch and had her burned at the stake. Much later, Lucia was said to have brought food to the starving people in Sweden. She wears a crown of "living" candles symbolizing the light she represents in the dark of Swedish winters. Around her waist, is a red sash symbolizing the blood which was shed upon her death in Italy. She wears a gown of white symbolizing her saintly purity.

MG Plan Commission votes to rezone ABT site

Much to the dismay of nearby residents, the Morton Grove Plan commission approved Abt Electronics' request to rezone the west 140 feet of their property from residential to commercial Dec. 14.

Area homeowners have complained of noise generated by the loading and unloading of trucks, particularly in the early morning hours, by the appliance megastore.

The proposal, however, must still be approved by the Village Board.

Marlene Weiss, the sole homeowner attending the meeting, said that the noise generated by Abt exceeds Illinois Environmental Protection Agency recommended maximum levels.

Legion cancels activities during holidays

The Morton Grove American Legion Post #134 announces the cancellation of their bingo and weekly fish fry during the holiday season.

Therefore there will be no bingo at the Post headquarters, 6140 Dempster, on Wednesday, Dec. 31.

Bingo will resume on Wed., Jan. 7.

The Friday fish fries of Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 will not take place.

Noise levels were tested by the village and also by Weiss, who noted that the village's acceptable noise levels are much higher than those recommended by the EPA.

Village Planning Director Chuck Scheck said that the village is considering the matter and may mandate some zoning ordinance changes next year. He questioned Weiss' allegation that a 10-decibel increase in the noise level equals 10 times the noise. Scheck said his office will contact the State EPA for clarification.

Ed Hildebrand, Village Building Commissioner, testified that the noise levels he has measured at the Abt site are about 10 to 12 decibels above background noise levels of around 50 to 52 decibels. He said that when the trucks started up, the sound level was measured at 78 or 80 decibels, but only for a second or two.

Thevove was 5-1, with Plan Commission member Martin Blonder casting the dissenting vote. Blonder said that there is no need to rezone the site right now. If it is included in the Waukegan Road plan, which also calls for the demolition of an adjacent bank building, that would be the time to rezone the property.

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Tax assistance for seniors

The Senior Center, in cooperation with AARP, is offering free tax assistance to Niles seniors 60 years and older. Appointments begin in February and run through April, 1998. Tax assistance is offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings and afternoons. To schedule an appointment beginning Monday, January 26 at 9 a.m., call the Niles Senior Center at 588-8420 or stop by the Center at 8060 Oakton Street, Niles.

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Seniors, children join to help others



Armando Serullon (left), Lukasz Sikora (center) and Ethel Sperling, a volunteer with Maine Township's Adult & Senior Services Department, design a holiday card during an intergenerational community service project at Mark Twain School in Niles. The cards were delivered to children at Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge. The project was part of an ongoing "Learn and Serve" program in which township Seniors and special needs children at Mark Twain, work to reach out and help others in the community.

Reverse Mortgage Specialist at Cole Taylor

Cole Taylor Bank announced that Robert S. Canino, 61, has

joined the bank as a Reverse Mortgage Specialist. With nearly five years of experience in reverse mortgage products, he will be responsible for marketing the Federally insured and Fannie Mae insured reverse mortgage products to the senior market.

"Until recently, many senior citizens faced with financial difficulties may have had to sell their homes or rely on family members in order to satisfy their financial concerns," notes Canino. "Senior homeowners now have another solution to this dilemma, a reverse mortgage which is available from Cole Taylor Bank."

A reverse mortgage allows senior homeowners, ages 62 or older, to convert some of their home equity into fixed monthly income payments, a lump sum advance or into a cash reserve account to be used as needed in the future.

What's most important to Canino is that, "Cole Taylor Bank is sensitive to the ever changing needs of our senior population and is committed to educating and marketing reverse mortgage products to senior consumers."

Canino is a past registered investment advisor and SEC registered representative. He also holds a real estate broker license and is an insurance broker.

As Chicagoland's largest private bank, Cole Taylor has earned a reputation in its nearly 70 years for delivering high quality, personalized service. With \$1.9 billion in assets, the bank operates an 11 branch network throughout Chicagoland which includes locations at 4801 W. Golf Road and 4400 W. Oakton in Skokie.

Morton Grove Senior Citizens 470-5223

CHOLESTEROL SCREENING
 Cholesterol is a soft, fat-like substance found in every cell in the body. Most of the body's cholesterol is made in the liver, the rest comes from animal fat in foods. Egg yolks, meat, poultry and dairy products all contain cholesterol. Everyone needs some cholesterol, but not too much. Eating foods low in animal fat is one of the best ways to lower cholesterol. Cholesterol screenings will be offered from 9 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 6 in the Morton Grove Village Hall Senior Center. The quick and simple test will give an accurate total blood cholesterol measurement in just three minutes. For Morton Grove seniors (age 65+) there is a charge of \$3. For those under 65 or for non-residents, the charge is \$4.

LUNCH BUNCH MOVIES
 Following the regular Senior Nutrition Site lunch on Wednesday, January 7, "Independence Day," will be shown at 1 p.m. in the Morton Grove Village Hall Senior Center. Lunch is provided for those who make a reservation. Seniors who do not come in for lunch can still come for the show. The February 4 movie will be the "Best of Lawrence Welk" followed by "Gone With the Wind" in two parts on March 4 and 11. For information about the lunch program, call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 470-5223.

HELP OTHERS WITH TAX RETURNS
 Volunteers are being sought now to help people in Morton Grove who need assistance with their tax returns. Receive free IRS training in January and receive on-the-spot satisfaction from helping others. For more information, call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 470-5223.

MEALS-ON-WHEELS
 The Village of Morton Grove together with Bethany Terrace Nursing Centre, provides homebound and medically qualifying residents with hot home delivered meals. Due to local need, a third route has been added and thus, volunteers are needed at midday, once a week. Deliveries involve about an hour's time and travel of about five miles within Morton Grove. To volunteer, call Nancy Reynolds at the Morton Grove Health Department at 470-5246. Mileage reimbursement is available.

ASSISTED LIVING
 Trying to understand assisted living can be a challenge since it goes by different names, includes different housing types and offers different services. Assisted living is virtually everything in between independent living and a nursing home.

Assisted living is the fastest growing residential service available for older adults. Formerly, nursing homes were the main option for long-term care when individuals could no longer live independently in their own homes. Many people entering nursing homes did not need skilled nursing care, they needed only assistance with normal activities of daily living. Growth in assisted living has risen because it is typically a less expensive, more home-like alternative to a nursing facility.

What, then, is assisted living? It is defined by the Assisted Living Federation of America as any group residential program not licensed as a nursing home that provides personal care and support services to people who need help with daily living activities as a result of physical or mental disability. It is characterized by a philosophy of service provision that is consumer-driven, flexible and individualized, and that maximizes consumer independence, choice, privacy and dignity. Basically, assisted living facilities are for people who can no longer stay safely in their own homes, and who are not sick or frail enough to need a nursing home.

Increasingly, more programs are being offered for those with dementia. It is suggested that individuals do better with a routine which is structured for the full day, seven days a week, and recognize the residents' need for therapeutic programming in the evening, and perhaps even at night. "Normal" life activities should be included which reflect the customary routing, cultural patterns and lifestyle of residents. For more information, contact the Morton Grove Village Hall Senior Center any weekday morning at 965-4100 and ask for senior outreach workers, Cliff Beese, Gloria Falkovitz, or Ray Koz.

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

Church and Temple News

OBITUARIES

CATHERINE CANNON
 Catherine Cannon (nee Bolger), 74, of Niles, died Thursday, November 27. She was born April 28, 1923 in Chicago. Beloved wife of the late John P. Beloved mother of Jay (Maureen), Judy (Todd) Kantorowicz and Cathy. Beloved grandmother of Kelly, Courtney, Kyle and Ryan. Sister to Daniel P. Bolger, CFD Retired (Betty), Joseph and Richard, and the late Rita (John) Schaeckel, William and James. Devoted aunt to many nieces and nephews. Services were held December 2 at Immaculate Conception Church. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery, Niles.

WILLIAM HENKE
 William Henke, 87, of Niles, died Thursday, November 20. He was born January 16, 1910 in Chicago. Beloved husband of Bernice (nee Harr) and the late Victoria (nee Marshall). Beloved father of Donald (Bev) and William (Gloriajean). Grandfather and great-grandfather of many. Services were held November 24 at St. John Polish National. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Chapel Hill Garden Cemetery, Oak Lawn. Memorials to Rainbow Hospice.

ELEANORE WIKARSKI
 Eleanore Wikarski (nee Orłowski), 80, of Niles, died Friday, November 28 at Holy Family Health Care, Des Plaines. She was born March 15, 1917 in Chicago. Beloved wife of the late Charles. Beloved mother of Phyllis (Roger) Starke. Beloved grandmother of Victoria (Glen) Haumschild and Deborah Lee Hill Starke. Beloved great-grandmother of Samantha and Jake. Sister to George (Lee), Richard (Valeria) and the late Henry (Marilyn). Aunt of many. Services were held December 1 at Our Lady of Ransom Church, Niles. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery, Niles.

AQUILINO LABSON
 Aquilino Labson, 85, of Niles, died Tuesday, November 25 at Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge. He was born January 4, 1912 in the Philippines. Beloved husband of Josefa (nee Guzman). Beloved father of Rosario (Avelino) Nanez, Lourdes (Edwin) Delcarmen, Asuncion (Samuel) Acosta and Elena (Dante) Ramirez. Grandfather of many. Services were held November 29 at Our Lady of Ransom Church, Niles. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery, Niles.

RICHARD LAPINSKI
 Richard Lapinski, 67, of Mt. Prospect, died Thursday, December 4 at Holy Family Medical Center, Des Plaines. He was born November 8, 1930 in Chicago. Beloved husband of Marjorie (nee Mitsch). Beloved father of Richard, Jr. (Tammi), Ann Marie (Edward R.) Timmons, John (Marie), James, and Joanne. Grandfather of 3. Brother of Ronald (Ellen) and Roger. Services were held December 9 at St. Emily's Church, Mt. Prospect. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery, Niles. Memorials to Women's Center, 5116 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago, IL 60630.

OLPH Phoenix Support Group

The OLPH Phoenix Support Group invites all separated, divorced, and widowed persons to meet at Our Lady of Perpetual Help's McDonnell Hall on Friday, Jan. 2 at 8 p.m. for a Rap Session. A small group gathering will begin at 7 p.m. for those working through the grieving process. The Rap Session will address the subject of "Friendship and the Single Person: What Role does Friendship Play in the Single Life?" The group's 15th anniversary will be celebrated with a special presentation to members who have given distinguished commitment to the organization. Join us for an evening of conversation and socializing to begin this new year. The church is at 1127 Church St. in Glenview. A \$4 donation is requested. Direct inquiries to (847) 673-3411.

NSJC Sabbath Services

Northwest Suburban Jewish Congregation, 7800 W. Lyons, Morton Grove, will hold Sabbath Services on Friday Evening, December 26 at 8 p.m. Saturday Morning Services begin at 9:30 a.m. and all Services will be conducted by Rabbi Kenneth S. Cohen. Everyone welcome!

JOSEF NEUMANN

Josef Neumann, 70, of Morton Grove, died Tuesday, November 25 at Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge. He was born April 14, 1927 in Yugoslavia. Beloved husband of Barbara (nee Litzenberger). Beloved father of Helmut (Christine), Grandfather of Adam and Carrie. Brother of Rudy (Eva) Neumann, Maria (the late Lorenz) Mark, and the late Frank (Maria) Neumann. Fond uncle of many. Services were held November 29. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Ridgewood Cemetery, Des Plaines.

PHYLLIS J. COURTRIGHT

Phyllis J. Courtright (nee Stark), 63, of Niles, died Wednesday, December 3 at St. Francis Hospital, Evanston. She was born June 19, 1934 in Port Jervis, New York. Beloved wife of Robert. Beloved mother of Bruce E. (Debbie) Courtright, Jane E. Courtright and Diana L. Shirley Coy, Jean Bowen, Kathleen Husson and Sally Abers. Dear aunt of many. Services were held December 8. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment was in Memory Gardens, Arlington Heights. Memorials to The American Diabetes Association.

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Women's News

New Skin Care Salon opens in Edgebrook

Ann D. Smith, owner of Skin Care by Ana, has relocated her services from an Albany Park medical center to the Edgebrook area. Her new salon, which is at 5330 West Devon Ave., Suite 22, offers a variety of services for both men and women, including: electrolysis (permanent hair removal), facial skin care, skin peeling, acne care, facial and body waxing, European body muscle toning, and facial and body therapeutic massage including reflexology.

Smith, who worked for 37 years as a nurse, is a state licensed aesthetician as well as a member of the Electrologists Association of Illinois (E.A.I.) and the International Guild of Professional Electrologists (I.G.P.E.). She originally started her business 10 years ago as a way to help her then teenage son with his acne problem. Since that time, it has developed into a whole new career for her. Smith says that compared to when she started, people today are much more aware about the different skin care options available.

"People in the nineties are much more educated and much more concerned about the way they look," says Smith. That includes both men and women. She says that while most of her female clients come in for some type of facial skin care, many of the men come in for a therapeutic massage. Smith customizes the botanical oils used in the massage according to whether the client wants to relax, be energized, or purify the body of toxins. She also uses reflexology, in which she applies pressure to certain points in the feet, to help relieve tension and to improve specific areas of the body.

Reflexology is often employed to complement other health care services the client may be receiving. Both therapeutic massage and reflexology are done manually. However, European body muscle toning is done with a machine that exercises people's muscles for them. Smith says this is helpful for those who cannot exert themselves, such as those who are obese, or who have just had a baby. It can also be used to reduce cellulite in specific areas of the body.

Skin Care by Ana is open from 10 to 6 Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and every other Saturday. Fees range from \$35 for a half hour session to \$60 an hour. The initial consultation is free. For more information, or to set up an appointment, call (773) 774-7496.

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Congratulations



Jennifer Anne Danehy and David Richard Geeve were united in marriage on October 11 at Messiah Lutheran Church in Park Ridge. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Mary Lou Danehy of Port Charlotte, Florida and the groom is the son of Richard and Jeane Geeve of Niles. Reception was held at the White Eagle Banquet Hall.

National Certified School of Nurse Day announced

In a few weeks, some of the most important people in our schools will be honored with their own special day. Wednesday, January 28, is National Certified School Nurse Day. Certified school nurses play a key role in our children's school day. Not only do they care for the sick or injured child at school, school nurses screen children for hearing, vision, and scoliosis problems. Certified school nurses are also a part of the special education child's special services team. Certified school nurses teach prevention of communicable diseases as well as age-appropriate health topics.

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Women's News

Holy Family Women's Board lights up the night with "Stairway to the Stars" Gala

Follow the spotlights in the night sky on Saturday, February 21, 1998 to meet your favorite celebrities at Holy Family Medical Center's Twelfth Annual Gala to be held at the Hyatt Regency, Woodfield in Schaumburg. The event, planned and sponsored by Holy Family's Women's Board, is the Medical Center's largest fundraiser, drawing crowds of 350 to 400 people from surrounding communities each year.

This year's Gala, "Stairway to the Stars," rolls out the red carpet with a night at the Oscars atmosphere. Guests will be treated to an evening of glamour and all that glitters - Hollywood style. The evening of elegance will culminate when guests come to face with some of "Glitter Town's" top performers. Straight from Hollywood, celebrated impersonator Gordie Brown will perform his show "Live from L.A." Brown, whose extraordinarily authentic impressions of comedy, music and star performers have amazed audiences around the country, has opened for star headliners like Tom Jones, Cher, Johnny Mathis, Ann Margaret, Barbara Mandrel and Rod Stewart.

The hottest ticket in Chicago - Holy Family's "Stairway to the Stars" Gala - goes on sale January 9, 1998 for \$250 per person. The event is black tie preferred or glamorous Hollywood star attire. For more information, or to purchase tickets, call Holy Family Medical Center's Development Office at 847-297-1800, ext. 1118.

Holy Family Medical Center's Women's Board was established in 1982 to further the community service mission of the Medical Center and to support new and existing Holy Family programs and services through fundraising activities. The 100-member Women's Board consists of Medical Center staff physicians' wives, community members and female Medical Center physicians.

Holy Family Medical Center is a not-for-profit community healthcare facility Accredited with Commendation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations. The Medical Center, located on the corner of Golf and River Roads in Des Plaines, is a Level II Trauma Center and a member of the Rush System for Health.

Women's health events at Resurrection

Several women's health events sponsored by the Women's Health Connection (WHC) will take place in January at Resurrection Medical Center, 7435 W. Talcott Avenue.

"PMS: Solving the Puzzle" will be the title of a program on January 21 from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Marian Conference Center on the ground floor. Author Linaya Hahn will discuss her book PMS: Solving the Puzzle-Sixteen Causes of Premenstrual Syndrome and What to Do About It. She also will discuss her multidisciplinary approach to relieving the symptoms of PMS. The program is free for WHC members and \$5 for non-members.

Toilet training without going crazy

Your neighbor informs you her children were all potty trained by the time they were 2. Your sister reminds you that her children never needed diapers after they turned 1-1/2. Your kids are 2-1/2 and 3 and have not yet even begun to wear themselves off diapers. Your nerves begin to fray.

"Once Upon a Potty..." As your child begins to stay dry for longer periods of time during the day you may want to suggest that she sit on the toilet or a special potty after waking up in the morning, after meals, while you're preparing his bath water. Keep the time on the toilet short and talk positively about the experience. If and when she does manage to go the first few times, do not reward her with candy or snacks; simply praise her for her good work. Having dry pants is reward enough.

The entire process can take months. Your child might go once in the toilet, only to not go again for another six weeks. Have patience. Remember that 2 and 3 are only the average age kids begin to stay dry during a day. Some children might be trained at 2, but will not remain dry all day until after they're 3-1/2. It will happen, but only at your own child's rate of development.

Marcy Guddemi, Ph.D., is an expert in early childhood development and is the vice president of education, training and research for KinderCare Learning Centers. Send questions to Dr. Marcy Guddemi, P.O. Box 6760, Portland, OR 97228.

The first step is to ignore what others are saying. Wait until your children are ready and willing to focus on the task at hand. Think about what your child must do before he becomes fully trained. He must first understand what it is he must do; he needs to recognize the feeling that he is about to urinate, before he actually is urinating; and, he must be able to get himself to the bathroom and unbutton, unzip his pants. The first sign of readiness is when your child wakes up dry from a nap.

Introduce your child to the process. Around the age of 2, let your child join you when you go to the bathroom. Explain what you are doing, let her flush the toilet for you. If the child has older siblings, let them take her in with them and watch.

Provide your child with pants with elastic waistbands or dresses for girls which are easier to remove. Let her dress herself with these clothes so she becomes familiar with removing her pants. Let her sit on the toilet seat a couple times each day and explain that when she's ready, she can try to do what-mom and dad do. Read children's books like

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No sweats for runners

"Don't wear sweatshirts or sweatpants when you run in the winter," warned David Patt, Chicago Area Runners Association (CARA) Executive Director. "You'll overheat and could suffer from hypothermia."

"If you don't feel a little chilly as soon as you walk out of your house, then you are probably overdressed," Patt said. "The temperature inside your clothes will go up twenty degrees after about fifteen minutes of running."

Additional tips for safe, healthy, winter running:

1. Wear a material that wicks away moisture - like coolmax or polypropylene - against your body. Wear a loose cotton long-sleeve t-shirt over that.
2. Wear a wind-resistant jacket, such as an unlined windbreaker over your other layers.
3. Lycra tights or wind pants are excellent leg coverings.

4. Always cover your head, ears, and hands to protect against frostbite and to keep heat from escaping your body. A stocking cap and wind resistant mittens are very helpful.
5. Put chafstick on your lips, especially on windy days.
6. Wear sunglasses when snow is on the ground to prevent snow blindness.
7. Don't run on icy streets, sidewalks, or paths. Look for plowed areas, including cemeteries and zoos.
8. Drink water before and after your run. If you're running longer than one hour, drink water while you run by carrying a water bottle or stopping at an indoor water fountain.
9. Wear light colored clothing if you run when it's dark, so that passing motorists can see you. Wear a reflective vest or armband, if possible.
10. Don't wear headphones! You need to be alert to your surroundings - cars, bicycles, other people.
11. Carry a small piece of identification and a very small amount of money for an emergency.
12. Tell someone where you'll be running and when you expect to return so they can find you if you are hurt or lost.
13. Run in familiar places in view of passersby.
14. End your run as close to a heated, indoor location as possible - your home, a health club, car, etc. Change out of your sweaty clothes immediately after your run, to avoid being over-chilled.

For more information about running, call Chicago Area Runners Association, (312) 666-9836.

CARA is a not-for-profit membership association promoting health and fitness through recreational running and competitive racing.

New anti-gagging device eases dental visits

If your gag reflex kicks in during routine dental visits to the dental office, ask your dentist to recommend ways to avoid it, or about the latest dental technology that uses mild electrical impulses to eliminate the problem, advises the Academy of General Dentistry, an organization of general dentists dedicated to continuing dental education.

A portable, battery-operated TENS (transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulator) device is now being used by some dentists to apply a painless electrical stimulus over an acupuncture point on the palm side of the wrist. This technique has been shown to decrease or eliminate in 85 percent of patients, the unpleasant gagging, retching and nausea symptoms that occur when instruments or X-ray film is placed inside the mouth during a dental procedure, according to a study

recently published in *General Dentistry*, the clinical journal of the Academy of General Dentistry.

"The electrical impulse, in essence, short circuits the gag reflex and tricks the brain," says Howard S. Glazer, DDS FAGD, spokesperson of the Academy of General Dentistry. "The technique carries no risk or side effects, and is not uncomfortable. The most you feel is a mild vibrating, tingling sensation in the wrist."

Dr. Glazer does not recommend the device for patients with pacemakers, electrolyte imbalances or those taking certain medications. "The technique won't work for everyone. But if you gag easily when instruments are placed in your mouth, it's definitely worth asking your dentist about this device."

Go the extra mile for multiple sclerosis

The 10th anniversary MS Walk will take place on Sunday, April 19, 1998, with 11 routes planned by the Chicago-Greater Illinois Chapter, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, for northern Illinois.

The Northwest Suburban route needs volunteers to assist the planning committee in details of the local walk which will start at Busse Woods Forest Preserve in Elk Grove Village/Schaumburg. MS Walk participants at the Northwest Suburban route will be among a projected 10,000 who will join in the fight against MS, the number one disabling disease of young adults.

There is a wide variety of volunteer opportunities available such as securing, sponsorship, organizing food and entertainment, developing promotional ideas and assisting with logistics on the day of the event. All potential Northwest Suburban route MS walk participants and friends willing to assist with the event are welcome to get in touch with committee member Arlene Schnepf at (847) 895-3751. There are volunteer jobs for everyone and every little bit helps. Additional information is available by calling Donna Rose at the MS chapter at (312) 922-8000, ext. 157.

Watch for "preemie" teeth

Even though they do not have any teeth yet, prematurely born babies can expect to have dental complications as they grow older, reports the Academy of General Dentistry, an organization of general dentists dedicated to continuing dental education.

About six percent of babies are born before their due date and below 7.2 pounds, and of these, up to 70 percent will have enamel hypoplasia when their teeth erupt, according to a recent dental study. Enamel hypoplasia will cause teeth to look brownish, be softer, less smooth, or more prone to decay or chipping.

The front teeth are the first to erupt at six to eight months, and the back teeth erupt between 18 and 24 months. Prematurely born children should be brought to the dentist regularly, even at this early stage, because they are more likely to be candidates for cavities than children born at term.

Community Calendar

Yule Log Tradition to be re-enacted

The colorful medieval pageantry of bringing home the Yule Log will be re-enacted on Saturday, December 27, at 2:15 p.m. during the 19th Annual Yuletide Celebration at The Morton Arboretum in Lisle.

The centuries-old custom of the Yule Log hearkens back to the winter solstice, the coldest and darkest part of the year, where fire and light played an important role. The Yule Log was a household observance which, in medieval times, signified the banishment of the year's evil and the rekindling of the hearthfire, a symbol of home.

The Yule Log Hunt at The Morton Arboretum will begin with a trumpet fanfare, launching the hunt. Modern participants will follow clues leading them to a Yule Log hidden on the Arboretum's grounds. When the log is located, a Yule Log ceremony, featuring a bonfire, hot wassail (a non-alcoholic holiday drink) and holiday singing, will complete the afternoon's event.

Those wishing to join the Yule Log Hunt should meet at the Visitor Center at 2 p.m. The Hunt will begin promptly at 2:15 p.m. Participants should come dressed for the weather and be prepared for a one-to-two-mile hike. Admission is free for members; a \$7 per car fee applies to non-members.

The Morton Arboretum is open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$7 per car, except on Wednesdays when it is \$3.

Bluegrass Band at Friendship Concert Hall

Byran Bowers, the nation's foremost autoharp player, will appear with the midwest's premier bluegrass band, Special Consensus, on Friday, January 9, at 8 p.m., at Friendship Concert Hall, Kolpin and Algonquin Roads, Des Plaines.

Bowers has performed throughout North America and Europe in top concert and festival venues for more than 20 years, with several highly acclaimed albums to his credit. His stature as the country's top autoharp player has been recognized in popularity polls and in reviews, including *People Magazine*.

Special Consensus has also performed around the world and their latest album was nominated for a Grammy Award. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door and for youth ages 7-17 tickets are \$6. Tickets may be purchased in person or by phone from Mt. Prospect Park District, 411 S. Maple St., Mount Prospect. Call (847) 255-5380 for additional information.

The Arboretum is located at 4100 Illinois Route 53 (at Interstate 88) in Lisle, IL. For more information about the Yuletide Celebration and the Arboretum, call (630) 719-2465 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily; for 24-hour taped information, call (630) 719-2400.

ENTERTAINMENT

Dec. 26-31

Ramsey Lewis
Grammy Award-winning musician Ramsey Lewis will play six evenings of jazz Dec. 26-31 in the Executive Plaza Hotel's Cloud 39 Penthouse, 71 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago. Showtimes are at 8 p.m. on Dec. 26-30; 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve). Show, dinner and weekend packages are available starting at \$78 per couple. Call (312) 346-7100 for tickets and more information.

Sun., Dec. 28

Chanukah Lecture
"Let's make the Darkness Shine." A Chanukah Lecture at Transitions - Bookstore, 1000 W. North Ave., featuring Rabbi Meir Chai Benhivon, director of the Chabad House of the Loop & Lincoln Park, Sunday, Dec. 28, 7 p.m. Call (312) 427-7770 for more information.

Wed., Dec. 31

"FIRST NIGHT '98"
The City of Aurora will host their fourth annual "First Night" celebration of the arts in downtown on Wednesday, December 31 from 6:30 p.m. to midnight. The family, nonalcoholic festivities offer a broad range of visual and performing arts for persons of all ages, from toddlers to senior citizens. Admission to all performances and activities at "First Night Aurora" is with a button, which

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goes on sale at a number of locations in the area next week. Following the Kick Off at North Island Center, performance sites and special activities will be open from 7 to 11:45 at nearly 80 sites throughout the downtown. At midnight, a fireworks display over the Fox River will bring in the New Year. For more information on "First Night-Aurora '98" contact the City's Civic Activities office at (630) 344-3640.

Mon., Jan. 19

ENCHANTED CASTLE
Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting a trip to Enchanted Castle in Lombard on Monday, January 19. This trip is a part of our vacation day program during days off from school. The cost will be \$25 for Lincolnwood Residents and \$35 for Non-Residents. Limit is 30 participants and the deadline to sign up for this is January 5. For more information call 847-677-9740.

Thur., Jan. 29

WALT DISNEY WORLD ON ICE
Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department will host a trip to Walt Disney's World On Ice-Hercules-Thursdays, January 29, 1998. We will depart for the United Center at 6:15 p.m. and return to Village Hall at approximately 10:15 p.m. The fee is \$25 per person for residents and \$38 for non-residents. Deadline to sign up to see this exciting adventure is Friday, January 2 at 5 p.m. For more information, call 847-677-9740.

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Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting Tennis classes for youths and adults this winter. Classes will run on either Sunday afternoons or Monday evenings. Fees vary depending on class. Deadline to register is January 6 so sign up today. For more information call 847-677-9740.

Swedish Cultural Society Christmas Party



State of Illinois Comptroller Loleta A. Didrickson was a speaker at the 74th Annual Christmas Party of the Swedish Cultural Society of Chicago.

Shown left to right: Didrickson and Per-Hugo Kristensson (resident of Park Ridge), President of Swedish American Society.

HEALTH

Tues., Dec. 30

ANAD MEETING
National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders - ANAD will hold a group meeting for anorexics, bulimics, parents, and families at 8 p.m. at Highland Park Hos-

pital, 718 Glenview Avenue, Highland Park. The meeting is free. Those interested are invited to attend. ANAD groups now hold regular meetings in numerous North Shore communities and other sections of greater Chicago. For additional information call 847/831-3438.

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Health & License Officer
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HEALTH

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Jan., 13, 20, 27

Stress management
Lutheran General Hospital has scheduled a stress management/relaxation training group series for individuals who find it difficult to relax at the end of the day or feel that stress is overwhelming them. The three-session stress management/relaxation training group series will be held from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. or from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, January 13, 20 and 27, at the Lutheran General Neuroscience Department, Parkside Center basement, Suite B06, on the hospital's Park Ridge campus. The fee for the three-session series is \$50 and the class size is limited. For more information or to register, call HealthAdvisor at 1-800-3-ADVOCATE (1-800-323-8622). The stress management/relaxation training group will be

repeated from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. or from 7 to 8 p.m. April 7, 14 and 21.

LECTURE

Mon., Jan. 5
SENATOR PAUL SIMON TO SPEAK
Former U.S. Senator Paul Simon will be presenting at the Illinois CPA Society/Foundation's upcoming IRS Practice and Procedures Conference. The all-day conference, which addresses the latest changes and issues within the IRS affecting CPAs, financial professionals and their clients, will be held at The Palmer House Hilton Hotel in Chicago (17 E. Monroe Street, Chicago, 312/726-7500).

MEETING

Tues., Jan. 6
EMBROIDERER'S GUILD
North Suburban Embroiderer's Guild will hold their next meet-

ing at Village Church, 1300 Shermer Rd., Northbrook on Tues. Jan. 6, 1998 at 9:30 a.m. \$3 charge at the door. For information call Susan Ettl 414-639-9230.

SINGLES

Dec. 26 & 27
St. Peter's Singles Club
All singles over 45 are invited to the following dances. Friday, December 26 at the Polynesian Village, 6845 W. Addison at 8:45 p.m. and Saturday, December 27 at the Franklin Park American Legion Hall, 9757 Pacific at 8:45 p.m. Cost is \$6. Live bands. Coat and tie required.

Fri., Dec. 26
Good Time Charley Singles Dance
There will be a Good Time Charley Super Singles Dance at 8 p.m. on Friday, December 26 at the Lexington House, 7717 W. 95th Street, Hickory Hills, IL. All singles are invited. Admission is \$5. For more information call (708) 445-4450.

Fri., Dec. 26
AWARE SINGLES DANCE
The Aware Singles Group and the Chicagoland Singles Association invite all singles to a Super Dance at 8 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Oak Brook, 1909 Spring Road, Oak Brook, IL. All singles are invited. DJ music will be provided. Admission is \$8. For more information, call Aware at 847-632-9600. The Aware Singles Group is a not-for-profit organization concerned with the needs of single, divorced and widowed people and is a member of the Chicagoland Association of Singles Clubs. (CLAS)

Sat., Dec. 27
Combined Club Singles Dance
All singles are invited to a Combined Club singles dance at 8 p.m. on Saturday, December 27, at the Sheraton Gateway Suites O'Hare, 6501 N. Mannheim Rd., Rosemont. DJ music will be provided. Admission will be \$7. The event is co-sponsored by the Northwest

Singles Association, Young Suburban Singles, and Singles & Company. For more information, call (708) 209-2066. All of the sponsoring groups are non-profit organizations.

Chicago Metro Singles
The Chicago Metro Singles invite all singles to a dance at 8 p.m. on Saturday, December 27, at the Barn of Barrington Restaurant, 1415 S. Barrington Rd., Barrington. There will be DJ dance music. Admission of \$7 includes a buffet. For more information, call (708) 216-9799. Chicago Metro Singles is a non-profit organization.

T.G.I.S. Singles
T.G.I.S. Singles will have a Big Saturday Illinois Meets Indiana Super Singles Dance at 8 p.m. on Saturday, December 27 at The House of Lynwood, 20909 S. Torrence Ave., Lynwood, IL. Door prize is a 19" Color TV with remote. Ladies in free before 8:30 p.m. All singles are invited. Admission is \$5. For more information call (708) 445-4450.

Sun., Dec. 28
Good Time Charley Singles Dance
Good Time Charley Singles will sponsor a free admission singles dance with free buffet at 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 28 at BG Fellows, 5055 W. 111th St., Alsip, IL. All singles are invited. For more information, call (708) 445-4450.

Northwest Suburban Singles
The Northwest Suburban Singles invite all singles to a dance at 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 28, at the Barn of Barrington Restaurant, 1415 S. Barrington Rd., Barrington. Admission is \$6 which includes a buffet. For more information, call (708) 786-8688. The Northwest Suburban Singles is a non-profit organization.

Thurs., Dec. 31st
39+ Jewish Singles
A New Year's Eve Party for Members Only will be held Thursday evening Dec. 31. Call Barbara B. at (847) 394-9457.

Wed., Dec. 31
New Year's Eve Super Singles Dance
The Midwest Singles Association, Aware Singles, Attachments and Chicagoland Singles will sponsor a "New Year's Eve Super Singles Dance" at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 31, at Chandler's at the Schaumburg Golf Club, 401 N. Roselle Rd. (between Higgins and Schaumburg Roads), Schaumburg. DJ music will be provided, along with hats, favors and noisemakers. Admission is \$20. Reservations are not needed. Over 600 singles are expected. For more information, call (773) 509-5000. The Midwest Singles Association is a non-profit organization.

North Shore Jewish Singles

NSJS \$0 Plus - Friday, Jan. 2, 5 p.m. COCKTAIL TIME at Matty's Wayside Inn, 1727 Waukegan, Glenview. For reservations call (773) 761-7535.

Sunday, Jan. 4, 11 a.m. BRUNCH at Sasha's, 9599 N. Skokie Blvd., Skokie in the Doubletree Hotel. Reservations call (847) 676-2977.

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2 p.m. WALK at Weber Center on Church and Gross Point Road, in Skokie. Reservations call (847) 699-8418.

Saturday, Jan. 10, 7 p.m. DINNER & DANCING (menu price) - Chambers Restaurant, 6881 N. Milwaukee, Niles. Reservations by Jan. 7. Call (847) 673-8677.

Tuesday, Jan. 13, 7:30 p.m. BRIDGE (Advanced & Intermediate) \$3. Reservations call (847) 869-3338.

Saturday, Jan. 17, 7:30 p.m. GAMES NIGHT All the fun games you can play, prizes too! Call (847) 674-6798 for information and reservations.

Sunday, Jan. 18, 7:30 p.m. RAP SESSION "How Assertive Are You?" Refreshments & socializing. "What's Cooking" Restaurant lower level, Lincoln Village Shopping Ctr. in Lincolnwood. Reservations are a must. (847) 675-5752.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m. \$4. OPEN MEETING & LECTURE. Refreshments and socializing at Beth Hillel, 3220 Big Tree Lane, Wilmette. For information call (847) 359-3556.

Saturday, Jan. 24, 7:30 p.m. THEATRE "Harvey" at Winnetka Theatre, 620 Lincoln Ave., Winnetka. Call (847) 679-2953 for information and reservations.

Sunday, Jan. 25, 7:30 p.m. DANCE at the Radisson Hotel, 4500 W. Touhy & Lincoln Ave. Frank Mitchell Live Band. For information call (847) 676-4561.

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m. BRIDGE (Advanced & Intermediate) \$3. Reservations call (847) 869-3338.

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SINGLES

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Fri., Jan. 2

Chicagoland Singles Dance
The Chicagoland Singles Association and The Aware Singles Group invite all singles to a dance at 8 p.m. on Friday, January 2, at the Wyndham Hamilton Hotel, 1-290 and Thorndale East, Itasca. DJ music will be provided. Admission is \$7. For more information call (773) 545-1515. The Chicagoland Singles Association is a non-profit organization.

Fourth Global Women's Passover Seder to be held
Experience the fourth Passover Seder devoted to celebrating Jewish women around the world on Sunday, March 15. Co-sponsored by Project Keshar and The American Jewish Congress Commission for Women's Equality the Chicago festivities will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Beth Hillel Congregation, in Wilmette. This year the emphasis will be on sharing the traditions with women in the former Soviet Union. In their honor, we will hear Passover choros recipes and traditions that are dear to us. Within a 24 hour time period similar Passover celebrations will be held in 34 locations world wide including Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, New Zealand, Brazil, Israel, Germany and in many cities across the United States. We will be sending postcard greetings to our sisters at the different seders.

A special Haggadah is being compiled for this seder. Each participant will receive a copy to share with family and friends. Artists are invited to display their Passover Judaic art that illustrates the personal way in which Passover is celebrated. Please send your Passover recipes to Project Keshar so we can create a beginning for women who have no recollection of growing up Jewish. If you wish to show your art work, submit recipes and stories describing your Passover traditions please contact Project Keshar no later than March 1. Material may be sent to Project Keshar, 1134 Judson Ave., Evanston, IL 60202.

Project Keshar (Hebrew for "connection") connects women around the world to empower each other to build community and deepen Jewish identity. Programs of the AJC Commission for Women's Equality reflect a commitment to integrating women's voices, women's insights and women's issues into the fabric of American Jewish communal life.

For more information and to make a reservation you may call (847) 332-1994 (Project Keshar) or the AJC Commission at (312) 332-7355. Come join us at Beth Hillel Congregation on March 15. Dietary Laws will be observed.

Lily Society free 1998 education series

The Wisconsin-Illinois Lily Society begins its free, four lecture public education series at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 2 p.m. in the Linnaeus Room of the Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe.

The January 21 kick-off will be a slide-show/lecture on "The Lilies of the Chicago Botanic Garden: What Are They, Where Are They, and Why Are They There?" Led by Chicago Botanic Garden experts, the event will highlight the lilies planted throughout the Botanic Garden.

The second slide show/lecture will be on Sunday, Feb. 8, at 2 p.m. on "How to Grow Lilies in Chicagoland Climates and Soil Conditions," led by Woodruff Imberman. Imberman is past president of the Lily Society, has won many prizes for his lilies, and speaks widely on lilies.

The third lecture demonstration at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 15, will feature Edward A. McRae. He will speak on "How to Grow Lilies from Seeds, Scales, and Bulbets." McRae is president of the Species Lilies Preservation Society, world authority on native American Species lilies, and one of the world's leading lily hybridizers.

McRae's lecture demonstration will be the highlight of a

weekend-long lily judging school. The March 14-15 school is sponsored by the Wisconsin Illinois Lily Society, and prepares students to become international lily judges. Those not interested in judging will still find the school an intensive education in all aspects of lily gardening, propagation and hybridization.

The fourth and final education session will be "Photographing Lilies in Your Garden." It will be held on Sunday, April 19, at 2 p.m. and led by Mrs. Pamela Breitberg, a noted authority on nature photography and owner of Breitberg Sanford Studio, in Wilmette. Coupled with the lecture will be a photo contest. Public participants are invited to bring their favorite photos of lilies, for judging.

All four 2 p.m. lectures are free and open to the public. Non-Botanic Garden members will be charged the usual, minimal \$6 parking fee.

The Wisconsin-Illinois Lily Society, an affiliate of the North American Lily Society, exists to further public knowledge and propagation of true lilies. For further information, contact Lily Society president Jim Doherty, at (847) 381-4562.

Dog bites

If you are a dog owner like I am, or simply love dogs - here is a surprising bit of information. Dog bites continue to be an important public health issue in the United States, particularly for children under the age of 12.

Accurate statistics on the number of bites per year are difficult to establish, because bites are usually only reported to health agencies and authorities when the victim seeks medical attention. However, statistics from a variety of sources show that approximately 500,000 to 1 million bites occur each year. At least 60 percent of the victims are children under 12 and many of the bites require medical attention.

According to Dan Hattaway, assistant zone underwriting consultant for State Farm Fire and Casualty Company, "There are a lot of numbers being thrown around and I feel strongly that nobody really knows specifically how many dog bites there are in a given year. Best estimates are - give or take a million bites."

Hattaway was one of the speakers at a recent Animal Welfare Forum sponsored by the American Veterinary Medical Association focusing on human-canine interaction.

Hattaway went on to say, "Most insurance claims for dog bites can be prevented if owners

are more responsible. In 1995 State Farm paid more than 70 million dollars on 11,000 claims due to dog bites." Hattaway reported that his research confirms other statistics that show small children under 12 years of age are the most frequent victims of dog bites.

When outdoors, small children are most often bitten on their hands and lower extremities. Indoors, small children are most often bitten on the upper torso and head or face. This is especially true if the child is trying to play with a dog that is eating.

Hattaway stressed that the most basic rule for children and dogs is, "Never leave a small child alone with a dog." Prevention is the most important element in reducing the number of dog bites.

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Hattaway told the forum that he was a strong advocate of responsible dog ownership and stressed that proper training is as important for people as it is for their pets. The worst thing, according to Hattaway is - ignorance.

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Jade East Chinese Restaurant
741 Civic Center Plaza in Niles, serves all entrees cooked with canola oil. Jade East is open Tuesday through Sunday offering daily lunch and dinner specials. Dine in, carry out, and delivery is available. Two New Year's Eve Surf and Turf complete dining packages are available. Further information is available by calling 966-1616.

Jonathan's Restaurant
8501 Dempster in Niles features December lunch and dinner specials daily. Lunch specials are served with a bowl of soup of the day and dinner specials are served with soup or salad. Further information is available by calling 692-2748.

The Melrose Restaurant
7201 Caldwell in Niles, is always

open specializing in pasta and stir fry dishes. The Melrose Restaurant offers lunch and dinner specials everyday. Soups include Matzo ball, chicken broth and sweet and sour cabbage. Further information is available by calling 823-4425.

Minato Japanese Restaurant
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Seven Hills Ristorante
222 Greenwood in Glenview, is accepting reservations for New Year's Eve. Spavone's Seven Hills Ristorante offers casual Italian dining and banquets in an elegant ambiance. The restaurant is open for lunch and dinner. Further information is available by calling 967-1210.

Shinjuku Japanese Restaurant
5711 Dempster in Morton Grove, features Sushi and Makimono food, and lunch and dinner specials Tuesday through Sunday. Shinjuku offers dine in, carry out, and catering. Further information is available by calling 583-8282.

Twin Dragon Chinese Restaurant
9046 Golf Rd. in Niles, serves authentic Mandarin Cuisine. Lunch and dinner specials are offered daily. Twin Dragon restaurant serves beer, wine, and cocktails. A party room is available. Further information is available by calling 803-6777.

Violets Cafe
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Radisson Hotel
4500 Touhy Ave. in Lincolnwood, features a New Year's Eve celebration in TJ's dining room or in SeaGars Martini & Cigar Bar or The Pressbox Sports Bar. The Radisson also serves a New Year's Day brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. with Jazz pianist Arkady Bodner. Room accommodations are available. Further information is available by calling 677-1234.

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Police News

Burglary to garage

An 84-year-old resident of the 8300 block of Octavia reported that unknown person(s) forced entry to his locked garage sometime between 9 p.m. Dec. 14 and 7 a.m. Dec. 15 by pushing in the rear side window damaging the glass. Two Toro s-200 snowblowers were removed. Exit was made through the service door, which the victim found open.

A 67-year-old resident of the 7200 block of Greenleaf reported that unknown person(s) kicked in the padlocked east side service door of his garage and removed a snowblower valued at \$550 sometime between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Dec. 18. A neighborhood canvass was conducted, but no residents observed any suspicious activities.

Burglary to coin machines

A 32-year-old tenant of an apartment building in the 8400 block of Dempster Street reported that unknown person(s) using a pry type tool gained entry to a locked laundry room and robbed six laundry machine coin boxes of an unknown amount of money from the building's laundry room sometime between 9 p.m. Dec. 15 and 8 a.m. Dec. 16.

Strong arm robbery

A 17-year-old Niles student reported that three men in their 20s driving a late model white Ford approached him from behind while he was walking northbound on Washington Street from Dempster Street around 3:15 p.m. Dec. 17.

They yelled to the victim, and when he stopped, they jumped out of the car and grabbed the victim's 14k gold chain and then got back into the vehicle and fled north on Washington and east on Park.

A search of the area by responding police units proved negative. The victim told police he can identify the offenders. No weapon was implied or displayed.

Criminal damage to property

A 70-year-old resident of the 8300 block of Newland reported that unknown person(s) removed several light bulbs from his exterior Christmas decorations causing his display to malfunction. The victim told police this is an annual problem and requested a special watch.

Found property

A 69-year-old resident of the 7200 block of Greenleaf found a brown Tappan microwave oven

on the patio on the south side of her home, which apparently was left there sometime between 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. Dec. 17. She has no idea to whom it belongs or how it ended up on her property. The oven was inventoried by Niles police.

Theft

The manager of a camera store in the 8300 block of Golf Road reported that unknown person(s) unscrewed a Sony camcorder valued at \$899 from a floor display sometime between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 11.

Stolen car

A 34-year-old Niles contractor reported that she parked her 1986 Chrysler Fifth Avenue in the parking lot of a food store in the 9000 block of Courtland around 6:50 p.m. Dec. 18, and that when she exited the store around 7:14 p.m., the vehicle was gone. The area revealed no broken glass, and the victim was in possession of the keys.

Suspicious incident

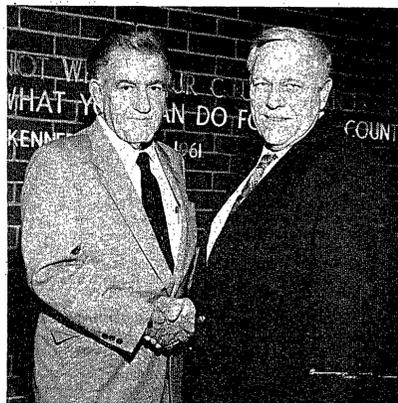
A 28-year-old Des Plaines man reported that a suspicious unknown male between the ages of 25 and 30 with a beard and dressed in white pants and a gray shirt approached him in the food store in the 8700 block of Dempster Street sometime between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 13 and asked what he was doing. The suspect then started yelling at the victim. The victim told police the suspect has been following him for the past nine years. The suspect has never done anything to the victim but swear at him each time they encountered each other.

Theft of wallet

A 55-year-old chemical engineer from Milwaukee suspects that a female employee of the food store in the 8900 block of Greenwood took his wallet when he left it on the customer service counter between 10 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Dec. 16. When he attempted to locate it, he was told that no one had returned the wallet to store authorities.

A male suspect attempted unsuccessfully to use one of the victim's credit cards later that evening at a Golf Mill department store. The wallet contained \$80 cash, the victim's Wisconsin driver's license, a spare key and other assorted credit cards.

New commissioner for Niles Police and Fire



Pictured with Mayor Nicholas B. Blase (left) is Robert D. Berg, Mr. Berg was appointed to serve as a Commissioner on the Niles Fire and Police Commission by Mayor Blase at the November Village Board meeting.

Easy-to-follow winter motoring advice

One of the greatest challenges to motorists is making it through a winter season without a major incident. To help drivers make it through the toughest winter conditions, the AAA-Chicago Motor Club offers the following tips.

Charge it. Cold weather is tough on batteries. At zero degrees, a car's battery loses about 60 percent of its strength. At a comparatively mild 32 degrees, a battery is 35 percent weaker. Keeping battery terminals clean helps, but a load test performed by a qualified technician will help determine whether a car's battery is strong enough for winter starts.

Get a grip. Before winter arrives, make sure your car is equipped with tires that are able to handle tough winter weather. For most motorists, all-season tires are adequate.

See and be seen. Danger must be seen to be avoided. Driving with a snow-covered windshield, windows, side-view mirrors or lights invites a crash. Clear windows, mirrors and lights with an

ice scraper, brush or spray deicer. Make certain windshield wipers and defrosters are in good working order and that washer reservoirs are filled with no freeze windshield washer fluid.

Slippery when wet. In temperatures at or just above 32 degrees, a thin layer of water can cover the ice, causing extremely slippery conditions. The distance needed to stop on ice at 32 degrees is twice as long as at zero degrees. Beware of "black ice" - ice that remains on roadways that are not in direct sunlight. Use extra caution when driving on bridges; they freeze first, because they are surrounded by cold air.

Keep your engine cool. Make certain cooling system antifreeze is mixed with an equal portion of water for maximum protection.

Key solution. Frozen doors locks can be overcome by carefully heating the end of a key with a match or a lighter. A squirt of de-icer spray is another quick method.

Air it out. Don't let frigid temperatures tempt you into starting your car into a closed garage. Carbon monoxide, present in exhaust fumes, is almost impossible to detect and can be fatal when breathed in a confined area.

Finished up. Road salt, slush, and grime are especially hard on a car's finish. To help prevent rust and paint damage, keep cars washed and waxed. A full or self-service car wash makes the job easier when temperatures are low.

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School News

Maine West represents district in Student Tech Fair

Maine West was one of 35 Illinois public schools selected to participate in a demonstration of how classroom technology is being used to assist and improve student at a day-long conference sponsored by the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) and AT&T at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers in Chicago. The technology fair took place on November 22.

The Tech 2000/AT&T School Technology Fair was presented by Students for the Information Age, drawing virtually thousands of educators who attended the Joint Annual Conference of the IASB, the Illinois Association of School Administrators, and the Illinois Association of School Business Officials. The program demonstrations allowed attendees - which also included lawmakers and business leaders - to see first hand how technology is

used in classrooms all over Illinois. Maine West's library - last year the only library in the state to represent a school - sent freshman Andy Lewis from Des Plaines, junior Katie Tolk who is also of Des Plaines and president of the CyberWest Club, and librarians Merrilee Kwiecinski and Gail Bush to demonstrate a curricular project done on HyperStudio and a digital video camcorder project. West's participating librarians are commended for their extra effort in planning a demonstration, recruiting students, and transporting the team and equipment to the fair.

During the different demonstrations, computer work stations are set up, and students show how technology helps them learn virtually every subject: mathematics, science, language arts, home economics, business, social studies, art and others.

Notre Dame announces the appointment of Mr. Robert Schmiede

Entering its 43rd year of operation, Notre Dame High School has never been stronger. Although enrollment was declining early in this decade, it has been stable for the last four years. Notre Dame is currently at approximately 80 percent of capacity, and is now focused on implementing a program to increase that enrollment to the maximum the facilities physical capacity. Their mission is to educate 850 young men each year, faithful to the Roman Catholic tradition, and in the spirit of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

With the addition of Mr. Robert Schmiede class of 1959, to the position of Director of Institutional Advancement, Notre Dame hopes to further strengthen and solidify its position as the premier Catholic Educational Institution for young men. The Director of Institutional Advancement includes the offices of development, enrollment, special events, alumni, and public

Data processing courses offered

Data processing classes for business and non-business users are being offered by Oakton Community College's Alliance for Lifelong Learning (ALL). Classes meet at both Oakton campuses in Des Plaines and Skokie as well as local high schools throughout the district.

The following courses are offered mornings, afternoons, evenings and weekends: Internet; Keyboarding Skills; WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows; Microsoft Windows 3.1; Microsoft Office; Microsoft Works; Microsoft Excel 5.0; Lotus 1-2-3; Ac-

cess 2.0; DOS; Microsoft Word for Windows 6.0; and PowerPoint.

Students who have registered for Oakton or ALL classes within the last three years and have a correct Social Security number on file may register using the Touch-Tone system by dialing (847) 635-1616. Registrations can also be taken via fax at (847) 635-1448, with payment by a major credit card.

For more class meeting times and dates or a brochure listing these and other ALL classes, call (847) 982-9888.

District 207 commended students

Each month the Maine Township High School District 207 Board of Education commends Maine students deemed worthy of recognition for their outstanding achievements. Recommendations are made by each building's principal and reflect honor upon the individual students, their schools, and the entire district.

Those commended at the December Board Meeting are: From Maine East: Lauren Velazquez, Tehesen Ahmed, Sadiya Ahmed, Diana Crocco, Alexander Farrell, Brooke George and Janet Hughes of Niles; Megan Volpert, Ambreen Chaudhri, Jennifer Teeter, Gailly Atienza, and Naureen Choudhury of Des Plaines; Nirav Patel, Lee Muench, and Stephanie Minkley of Morton Grove; and Jennifer Scharlow of Glenview.

From Maine South: Michael Campagna, Matthew Madura, Elizabeth Gibbons, Gina Krenner, Maura Collins, Meghan Sexton, Nicole Penn, Rebecca Boudos, Taylor Duncan, Dino Gardiakos, Philip LaMonica, Nicholas Reus, Radley Kanazyc, Christopher Gruening, Timothy Czerwonka, Colin Johnson, Jason Kacprowski, Nicholas Vassilos, Eric Pick, Mario DiLorenzo, John Armour, Charles Zei, Marco Capasso, Izabela Werner, and Kimberly Schwartz of Park Ridge; Matthew Angarone of Niles; and Elizabeth Bingier of Norwood Park Twp.

From Maine West: Joe Ecker, Nick Leonard, Andy Lightfoot, Pat Payne, Derrick Stewart, Alex Voltaire, Tom Mietus, Mike Fitzgerald, Nick Woods, Willie Nelson, Braulio Benitez and Nicole Keslinke.

High school orchestras attend Niles West Clinic

The Niles West High School Orchestras, under the direction of Steven Katz, recently co-hosted the seventh annual Niles West/University of Illinois Junior High Orchestra Consortium. This event took place on December 4, 1997 throughout the day in the school auditorium and offered performance and critique opportunities to 12 junior high school orchestras. Among the area schools that participated were Lincoln Junior High (Skokie), Park View Junior High (Morton Grove) and Fairview South (Skokie).

For further information regarding the annual Junior High School Orchestra Consortium contact Niles West Orchestra Director Steven Katz at 847/568-3778.

Planting for the future



Susan Manna of Skokie, a participant in the Niles North High School Integrated Lab Science program, plants the first of many seedlings in what the group hopes will grow into a long-term prairie restoration project. The students started planting just before Thanksgiving using seedlings for such flora as nodding wild onion, carolina rose and northern dropsseed obtained from the Niles West Prairie Restoration Project and the Illinois Department of Transportation. If all goes as planned the area, which is just north of the school, should be fully restored within the next 10 to 15 years.

Dollars for Scholars campaign

The District 63 Education Foundation kicked off its annual Dollars for Scholars campaign this month. Contributions by students and their families are used to purchase computers for school libraries. During the month of December parents are encouraged to give a minimum of one dollar for each of their children enrolled in school. Additional contributions are always welcome at each school and at the Dr. Donald C. Stetina Educational Service Center.

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tion is a not-for-profit tax exempt organization that provides a means by which contributions can be made to East Maine School District 63. The purpose of the Foundation is to develop resources that enrich educational programs, upgrade instructional technology and encourage greater parent and community involvement.

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Political & Business News

Siebel running for Cook County Circuit Court

Cook County Commissioner Richard A. Siebel announced he is running for the Cook County Circuit Court in the north suburban 12th Judicial Subcircuit. The 12th Judicial Subcircuit includes all or part of the following municipalities: Arlington Heights, Buffalo Grove, Des Plaines, Elk Grove Village, Glenview, Glenview, Kenilworth, Mt. Prospect, Northbrook, Northfield, Park Ridge, Prospect Heights, Rolling Meadows, Wheeling, Wilmette and Winnetka.

Siebel, 58, has practiced law since 1964. He is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, the Illinois Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

For the past 15 years he has served as an elected member of the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

He was first elected to the Cook County Board of Commis-

sioners in 1982, and served as a Commissioner on the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission from 1983 to 1987. Siebel is the immediate past President of the Illinois Society for the Prevention of Blindness and past director of the City Club of Chicago, the Northbrook Civic Foundation and Northbrook Jaycees.

Siebel served as Cook County Republican Chairman from April 1990 to April 1992, as Cook County Republican Suburban Chairman from April 1986 to April 1988, and as Northfield Township Republican Committeeman from March 1978 to March 1994.

Siebel and his wife Jo Anne live in Northbrook. They have been married for 33 years and have two married children and three grandchildren.

ALL to offer courses for business owners

Oakton Community College's Alliance for Lifelong Learning (ALL) offers courses for potential business owners and entrepreneurs on how to start a business and how to keep it healthy and profitable.

Business courses focus on the tools needed to become an entrepreneur, how to start a small business, how to evaluate a business opportunity, computer and Internet business, and finance and accounting.

Courses are offered from two

to eight weeks and have varied starting dates and meeting times. Call the ALL office at (847) 982-9888 to register for the class of your choice.

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Calling home from abroad--money-saving tips

If you plan to be among the 20 million Americans who will travel abroad this year, you may be unknowingly adding to the millions of dollars being paid in excessive phone charges when calling from foreign hotels and pay phones. By knowing how to be smart about your calls abroad you can save 25 to 60 percent on your calls. These tips will help:

- If you're calling from a foreign country hotel room, don't ask the hotel operator to help connect your call and don't dial 0 for an international operator. If you do, you could be gouged for your call.

- If you're at a foreign country pay phone, don't make direct coin or collect calls because many foreign public phones assess high fees for these calls.

- To place your call, use a calling card that links you to your card's carrier. This is where you can save money on your call. For example, with Ameritech's Global Calling Service, customers avoid high-priced foreign carriers by dialing an access code that links them to an Ameritech operator.

- If you have to recite your calling card number to an operator, do it softly so people nearby can't hear the number.

- Using a calling card in a foreign country is easy and can save you from being gouged. To place your international call with an Ameritech calling card, just dial the toll-free access code. This links you to a live, English-speaking operator who can give you the rate for your call. You simply give the operator the number you're trying to reach, as well as your calling card number and four-digit PIN and the operator connects the call.

For more information about calling from abroad, or to obtain a free wallet card with dialing instructions and country access codes, call (888) 988-8977.

Pritzker fights for Lincolnwood suburban zip code

J.B. Pritzker recently traveled to Washington D.C. to urge congressional leaders and U.S. Post Office officials to move Lincolnwood to a suburban zip code, a measure that would drastically reduce residents' auto insurance rates.



J.B. Pritzker

"It's very clear-Lincolnwood is a suburb and, as such, deserves its own zip code," Pritzker said. "This is not just a matter of inconvenience. Auto insurance companies charge higher rates for city dwellers, and they base those rates on zip codes. Consequently Lincolnwood residents are paying up to 25 percent more for auto insurance than their neighbors in Skokie, Niles and Morton Grove. This is unfair and must be remedied."

Pritzker spoke with Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle (D-SD) and received the senator's assurance that he would investigate the situation. Pritzker also met with officials from the U.S. Post Office and members of the senate subcommittee that oversees postal issues.

Lincolnwood residents for the past several years have pleaded with their local, state and congressional representatives to urge a change of zip code for the suburb. Because the move would not involve a new facility, moving a post office or hiring any additional federal employees taxpayers would pay nothing for the change.

Butler: School funding reform doesn't go far enough

State Senator Marty Butler (R-Park Ridge) was one of 16 Senators who voted against a \$1.2 billion guaranteed increase in schools over the next three years. The bill, which passed out the Senate, would be partially funded by increased taxes on cigarettes, riverboats and telephones and other communications.

"The increase in state aid for each of the 22,000 K-12 pupils in my area is a whopping \$6.53 to alleviate an average operating expense of \$7,600 per student," said Butler. "Why should taxpayers in my district have to pay more on top of already high property taxes just to maintain the same level of education they currently have?"

According to Butler, there are no regulatory controls in the legislation so schools are free to spend the money as they want. "The so-called reforms built into the legislation are minimal," Butler pointed out. "The controls currently in the proposal are certainly better than no controls in tightening up the problems we have now, but they don't go far enough."

The bill, which was sent to the House of Representatives, guaranteed \$1.2 billion additional dollars in a continuing appropriation (partially funded from increased taxes) over the next three years so that all Illinois school children would be supported to a minimum level of \$4,225.

This would be a requirement regardless of future state government conditions. The only other program that the legislature is required to fund on such a continuing basis is pensions. "At best," said Butler, "the bill is only a weak stopgap and does very little for school kids in my district."

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McCormack to run for senate in 7th District

Michael McCormack, a fire-fighter, attorney, and longtime resident of the 7th State Senate District, filed nominating petitions with the State Board of Elections to be a candidate for State Senator in the March 17, 1998 Democratic primary.

McCormack, 35, said he plans to make reducing property taxes and improving Illinois' ethics and campaign finance laws centerpiece of his campaign.

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Sports/Parks & Library News

Community Tree Lighting celebration

Children and families of South School, St. John Brebeuf, Our Lady of Ransom, Bright Beginnings Preschool, MNASR and Nelson School came together on Sunday, December 7, to join in the first Community Tree Lighting Celebration. Each group brought with them brightly colored, handcrafted ornaments which they hung on a tree that was prepared and waiting for their special touch. These unique

ornaments were made of various materials including tin, plastic and wood. Santa heard about the children's wonderful creations and decided that he had to attend the celebration to see them first hand. He was so thrilled by their efforts that he rewarded each child he saw with a tasty candy cane! Park Board Vice-President Heinen pulled winning raffle tickets and Director Joe LoVerde distributed the wonderful prizes



Students from Nelson School gathered around their tree as they decorated it with ornaments which were personally made by the students themselves.

which included Bulls, Wolves and movie theater tickets as well as a dinner and many pairs of gloves. As dusk approached, the lights were dimmed in the room. To the obvious delight of all, the room was suddenly filled with the glow of the lighted trees.

The Niles Park District organized and played host to this community sponsored event, which was held at the Howard Leisure Center. Special thanks to all of our community partners who stepped forward to help make this event happen! Trees were provided by LaSalle Bank (fsb), Michaels (on Dempster), Mil-Green, Minelli's, Norbert's Pool & Patio, Target and Venture. Cash donations which were used to defray the costs of decorations, lights and beverages were given by Val Engelman, Edward Jones, Harris Bank, Meinke's Garden Center, Niles Auto Parts, the North American Martyrs of the Knights of Columbus and the Northwest Italian American Society. Walgreens helped to "light" the event and Nabisco provided the delicious cookies. Raffle prizes were provided by Coca-Cola, the Niles Park District, Riggio's and Wells Lamont.

The decorated trees are on display at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 Howard St. in Niles through January 11. Please feel free to stop in and view them Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., or Saturdays, 9 a.m. - noon. The Niles Park District Board and Staff wishes everyone a happy holiday season and a healthy New Year!

Area residents chosen for international competitions

The Starlet Junior and Senior Precision Figure Skating Teams of the Wagon Wheel Figure Skating Club, located in Barrington, have been named by the United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA) to represent the United States in international precision skating competitions in 1998.

The Starlet teams are the only Illinois teams chosen by the USFSA and are part of nine "elite" precision skating teams in the United States. The Junior Team are three-time National Junior Champions and the Senior team is a two-time gold round finisher in national competition. Both teams represented the United States in the Spring Cup Precision Competition in Milan, Italy last year.

The Junior and Senior teams will begin their competition year on January 2 at the Gold Medal Competition in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada where they will compete against internationally ranked Canadian and American Precision teams. Other American competitions are the Mid-America Championships in Detroit, the Southport Competition in Zion, IL, as well as the U.S. National Precision Championships in San Diego, CA.

In early February, the Junior and Senior teams will fly to Paris, France where they will take a quick tour of the "City of Light"

before they go to Rouen, located in Normandy. The Starlets will be the only American Team at the French Cup with both a Junior and Senior team in the competition. The French Cup competition will have over 20 different countries represented and the Starlets are hoping to move upward in the standings from their 4th place in the Junior level and 8th place in the Senior level at the Spring Cup in Milan last February.

The Starlet teams are sponsored by the Wagon Wheel Figure Skating Club which has six teams performing precision skating, including Preliminary, Juvenile, Intermediate and Novice, as well as the Junior and Senior teams. While the Wagon Wheel Club is officially located in Barrington, the skaters are from all over the Chicagoland area and the teams also practice at many different ice rinks in the Northwest suburbs. Tryouts for the teams are held in June of each year and the team's practice from early summer through late spring, usually with early morning skating on weekends and holidays.

Starlet Junior Team members are from: Glenview: Andrea Panger; Niles: Evan Keraminas; Park Ridge: Katie Hagerly. Starlet Senior Team members are from: Glenview: Andrea Panger; Park Ridge: Ashley Malone.

Looking for Chicago Cardinals

The publishers of a forthcoming book on the history of the NFL's oldest team, the Chicago (now Arizona) Cardinals are seeking players, team personnel or their descendants from the era of 1900-1940 when the team played its games in Chicago.

In particular, the publishers would be interested in locating descendants of team founder and original owner Chris O'Brien, as well as any players (or their descendants) from the 1925 Englewood High School team in Chicago. Any information received will be considered for inclusion in the book "When Football Was Football: The History of the Chicago Cardinals, 1899-1947" by Joe Ziemba.

Interested parties, or any others who would like to share any information on the Chicago Cardinals with the author, are invited to call the Chicago Cardinals hot-

line at (815) 469-0450, or write Chicago Cardinals Football Research, Box 355, Frankfort, IL, 60423.

Oakton notches big basketball win

Scherone Clark says he always will be grateful to Oakton Community College basketball coach Rick Kilby.

It was a good decision by Kilby to allow Clark to use his basketball tools on the court for the Raiders. The 6-foot-7-inch sophomore forward improved his season scoring average to 30.2

points last week with games of 41, 28 and 39 points, as Oakton (6-8) won two of three contests.

Clark was especially potent last week in the first half of games, as evidenced by his 25 points against Harper, 20 versus Robert Morris and 24 against DuPage.

The accolades from opposing coaches continue to build up for Clark, who just might be one of the top players in the country.

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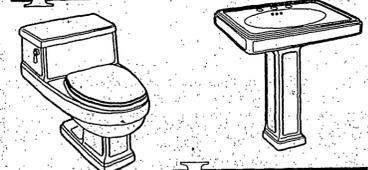
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The BBB offers the following suggestions to consider when making your charitable contribution decisions:

1. Don't be pressured to donate immediately. Legitimate charities want you to be comfortable with your giving choice and will appreciate your donation just as much the following day.
2. Always make donations via check or money order made payable to the full official name of the charity. Do not give cash. This is important for security and tax purposes. Do not give out credit card or bank account information.
3. Don't be swayed by emotional stories, facts are important. The solicitation should include a clear description of the program your gift will support.
4. If asked to buy candy, greeting cards, etc. on behalf of the charity, ask how much of your donation is going to the charity. The cost of the item is not deductible.
5. Don't be afraid to ask if the

charity is 501(c). It may not even be a charity.

6. Be leery of charity appeals which offer sweepstakes opportunities, particularly if the solicitor requests a donation to claim a prize, which is illegal.
7. On a phone solicitation, request the caller to identify his/her relationship to the charity, such as staff member, volunteer or paid solicitor. If it's a paid solicitor, ask what percentage of your donation actually goes to the charity. Know how your charity dollar will be spent.
8. Don't hesitate to ask for written information on the charity's programs. Charities with nothing to hide will encourage your interest.
9. Don't be fooled by names that may sound impressive or similar to the name of a familiar charity. The organization soliciting may not be the one you have in mind.
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Knights of Columbus

On Wednesday, November 19, the North American Martyrs Council 4338, Knights of Columbus, held their annual memorial mass for all deceased members of the council. Rev. Father Andy Barzyk, a Brother Sir Knight, was the celebrant for this memorial liturgy, held at St. John Brebeuf Church, 8307 N. Harlem Ave., Niles. During the special liturgy,

the deceased members were memorialized as their names were announced as part of 'The Roll Call of the Deceased.'

Following the liturgy, Sir Knight Irv Blaszynski again hosted his 'World Famous' Turkey Shoot in Warden Hall. Council Warden Bob Litz invites everyone to place an advertisement in the North American

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Don't let holiday cheer be spoiled by drunk drivers

'Tis the season to be jolly, but also to be responsible, according to the AAA-Chicago Motor Club. With so many alcohol-related festivities taking place during the holidays, the AAA-CMC offers the following safety tips:

Now is the time to practice safe party planning and rein-

force the concept of designated drivers. All it takes to be a designated driver is a promise not to drink any alcohol and provide a safe and sober ride home for those with you. The designated driver concept is gaining more and more acceptance across the country, and has been credited with saving many lives.

If you are planning to host a party during the holidays, put the emphasis on fun and food - not the bar. Serve a wide variety of beverages, most of which should be non-alcoholic. Control the amount of beverage served. Ask alcohol-impaired guests to stay overnight or call a cab to assure a safe ride home.

When tempted to offer friends another drink, ask yourself if you're really doing them a favor - if guests leave your party and drive under the influence of alcohol, you haven't been a very good friend, and you may be held liable if they are hurt.

As part of its annual First a Friend, Then a Host (FAFTHA) program, AAA-CMA suggests the following safe party tips:

- Serve a variety of nonalcoholic beverages.
- Slow down the drinking rate of your guests with lively talk and party games.
- Serve protein-rich and starchy foods throughout the evening to help retard alcohol absorption.

• Encourage car pooling. Give a small gift to all designated drivers.

Put away the alcohol when it gets late; serve coffee and dessert instead. Remember, only time will sober inebriated guests. Nothing else - not even cold showers or coffee - lowers blood alcohol level or improves motor skills. Take away car keys, call a cab or insist that guests who have had too much to drink sleep overnight at your home.

To receive a free copy of non-alcoholic drink recipes, send a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelope to: FAFTHA, AAA-CMA, Public Affairs Department, 999 E. Touhy, DesPlaines, IL 60018.

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Letters to the Editor

An open letter from Marty Butler

Dear Editor:

I have been asked numerous times why I voted against the school funding legislation that passed the Illinois House on December 2nd.

First, to put it bluntly, the legislation does nothing for taxpayers in my district other than to force them to continue to pay very high property taxes if they want their children to get a quality education. As if this is not enough of an outrage, they will pay higher income taxes in a few years to cover the shortfall when the modest increases in telephone, cigarettes and riverboat taxes fail to generate enough money to cover the hundreds of millions guaranteed across the state.

There is a little discussed provision in the legislation that guarantees the billions of dollars promised to hundreds of school districts across the state will be paid from General Revenue Funds (income taxes, primarily) if the tax increases mentioned above are not enough.

Secondly, taxpayers in many suburban school districts will get little, if any, relief from the high property taxes they pay. Schools in my senate district will get an increase in state funding of just \$6.37 per pupil from the hundreds of millions in added state taxes. The average state taxpayer support across the state is an increase of \$260 per pupil. Some districts will get increases of over \$600, per pupil.

This inequity is the reward taxpayers in my senate district get for assuming responsibility for the quality of education of their own children. They have passed referenda over the years that raised their own property taxes to support good schools.

In too many areas of the state, taxpayers repeatedly refused to pass referenda to help local children and have stood by while their schools deteriorated. Meanwhile, of course, they have pressured the legislature to make others pay for their own indifference.

School districts in my senate district now get as little as 5% of the cost to educate each child. Compare that to many districts where 60%-80% state support is

the norm year after year. Thirdly, there are no guidelines or restrictions on how those added billions will be spent. The hue and cry for years has been that underpaid staff in poorly performing schools are a root cause for declines in educational results.

But the new legislation allows schools to continue the practice of spending an average of 80% of income on salaries. Because the legislation did little or nothing to erase the problems of tenure, the same staff will be paid more to do the same job. Surely, no one should expect that higher salaries will automatically create better results, yet that was the major selling point used by "underfunded" districts.

This is a major flaw in the pleadings of those who insist more money guarantees better results. It won't take long for that fallacy to become apparent in hundreds of districts. Meanwhile, thousands of children will continue to be cheated out of a reasonably good education.

Here's a blunt question: Exactly what in nearly 200 pages of legislation gives even a promise of better educated children?

In my opinion, the legislature found a temporary and ineffective solution to the problem of equitable school funding. We'll face an even worse situation in three or four years, except the price tag will be more, given the boost in operating expenses this new money will underwrite.

Taxpayers, parents and school children in this area will continue to benefit from the excellent education standards that were established and paid for over the last thirty years. We didn't duck our responsibilities. Our reward for the sacrifices it took to pay those property taxes is some of the best educated kids in the nation.

Marty Butler
State Senator
28th District

Eugene P. Leonard

Navy Chief Petty Officer Eugene P. Leonard, a 1969 graduate of Notre Dame High School for Niles, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Port Royal.

I joined the Navy in September 1978. Leonard is a graduate of the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, with a BA degree.

Wayne A. Miller

Marine Lance Cpl. Wayne A. Miller, a 1993 graduate of Notre Dame for Boys of Niles, recently participated in Exercise Bright Star 97 while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) embarked aboard the ships of the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group. He joined the Marine Corps in May 1995.

Protecting yourself against homeowners theft

It's the holiday season, the traditional time we give to others. Unfortunately, the holiday season is also the traditional time when burglars prey on unsuspecting homeowners.

Security is an issue every homeowner should address. You can lower your chance of being a victim by following these tips:

- Case your home as a burglar would. Locate the easiest entry. Make that entry more burglar resistant.
- Add exterior lights in places out of a burglar's easy reach.
- Install simple security devices like door padlocks, window locks, and grates over basement window areas.
- Install a noise alarm.
- Arrange rooms so that high value items aren't noticeable from the street.
- Exterior doors should be metal or solid hardwood at least 1-3/4 inches thick. Door frames should be equally strong and fit securely.
- Install dead bolt locks with pick-resistant lock cylinders.
- Safeguard windows by adding key locks. Pin double hung windows.
- Lock all doors and windows. Be certain the alarm system is on before you leave.
- Notify police of unusual strangers in your neighborhood.
- Have a trusted neighbor check your home while you're on vacation. In addition, post all deliveries (especially mail newspapers), have sidewalks shoveled, and close blinds or curtains.

If you're the unlucky target of a burglary, you can make a claim on your homeowners insurance policy to recover a portion of the loss. Homeowners policies generally include theft as a covered peril. However, policy holders should take the following steps before a theft loss occurs.

- Know how much contents coverage you have. For a home owner, the personal property limit is based on how much coverage you have on your house. If you're a renter, keep in mind that landlords don't have insurance to cover a tenant's property. Renters must buy their own separate policies for contents coverage.
- Find out what's covered. Furnishings, clothing and personal belongings typically qualify as covered contents. Items like boats, motorcycles, jet skis, ATVs, snowmobiles, pets, or cars don't. Most homeowners policies place a maximum limit for theft of items like jewelry, guns, silverware, money, and home office equipment.
- Buy coverage to increase these limits if necessary. For an additional premium you can specifically insure your antiques, silver, jewelry, furs, art pieces, guns, or special collections. You must provide a description and appraisal for each item. A second option is to buy "blanket" coverage that raises the limit to an agreed amount. If you have a home business, buy a separate policy for office equipment.
- Find out how the company will value your possessions. There's a difference between the original cost (what you paid for the item), the replacement cost (what you would pay to replace the item with a new one today), and the actual cash value (cost new minus depreciation of the item). You'll have the best protection if you buy replacement cost coverage on your contents.
- Know what your deductible is and how it affects your policy. The deductible is the part you pay out of pocket before the insurance company makes payment. A high deductible lowers the premium, but means you'll be paying more out of pocket when you have a loss. Choose the highest deductible you can afford.
- Be able to prove ownership

and value of your property. A household inventory is an excellent way to do this. A good inventory lists all contents by room, including brand names, model numbers, serial numbers, purchase prices, and receipts. Photographs, videos, and value appraisals are useful as well. Store your household inventory in a lock box and update it every three years.

As the victim of a theft, you'll be glad you took the time to understand your homeowners policy. If it happens to you, follow these steps:

- Report the loss to the police. Your insurance company will need a copy of the police report.
- Protect your property from further damage. Make temporary repairs to damaged windows or doors, and submit receipts for materials to your insurance company.
- Review the conditions section of your insurance policy and follow through on any conditions you haven't met.
- Call your agent or adjuster if you have questions. He/she can help you through the claims process.

You can receive more information by calling the Illinois Insurance Hotline at 1-800-444-3338. The Illinois Insurance Hotline is a consumer resource sponsored by the insurance industry. The Hotline answers general insurance questions between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Pritzker collects more than 25,000 petition signatures



J.B. Pritzker, candidate for Congress in Illinois' 9th Congressional District, thanks volunteers for helping to collect roughly 30,000 signatures on his nominating petitions. Pritzker earlier this week traveled to Springfield to file his petitions and secure a spot on the ballot for the March 17 Democratic primary.

Establishing what is believed to be a record in the Illinois 9th Congressional District, volunteers for J.B. Pritzker, Democratic candidate for Congress, have collected roughly 30,000 signatures on his nominating petitions. This figure represents at least 40 times the number needed to secure a spot on the ballot for the Democratic primary on March 17.

Skokie Library hosts exhibit

Old Lives, New Lives: Soviet Jewish Women in Minnesota, a touring exhibit from the Minnesota Historical Society, is on view at Skokie Public Library until January 15.

Why do people decide to leave the land of their birth and start over? What was life like for the Jews in the Soviet Union and specifically for Jewish women? What does it mean to be a grandmother? How does it feel to be a "Jew" in Russia and a "Russian" in America? These were among the questions put to a group of women immigrants in St. Paul. In the course of lengthy oral history interviews, the women talked candidly about their lives, past and present. This touring exhibit presents the faces and words of these women.

The exhibit was initially created for display at the 1993 New Jewish Americans Heritage Festival. From oral histories gathered by the Jewish Historical Society of the upper Midwest, the excerpted stories are accompanied by black and white photographs. Not only can the viewer read the story of transition and struggle, but viewers can see the women who made it through. Old Lives, New Lives is on view during regular Library hours. The Library is located at 5215 Oakton Street in Skokie.

Pritzker filed a portion of those signatures with the Illinois State Board of Elections. Pritzker, who went door-to-door to personally help collect many of his signatures, seeks the Democratic nomination for the congressional seat held by Rep. Sidney Yates (D-9th), who has announced he will retire at the end of this term.

"Collecting petition signatures gave me a wonderful opportunity to meet and talk with the people of the 9th district, many of whom shared with me their concerns about child care, health insurance, safety and other issues. Also, it gave residents an opportunity to meet and talk with one of their candidates and make a more informed choice."

Sale of 1998 picnic permits announced

Cook County Forest Preserve District Board President John Stroger announced the Forest Preserve's annual New Year's Picnic Permit and Golf Activity Card Sale will take place on Friday, Jan. 2, from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the following District Picnic Permit Offices: Cook County Building, 118 N. Clark St., Room 608, Chicago; General Headquarters, 536 N. Harlem Ave., River Forest; Skokie Court House, 5600 W. Old Orchard, Room #155; and Markham Court House, 16501 S. Kedzie, Room #238.

In addition to being able to secure favorite picnic sites, residents will have the opportunity to obtain Forest Preserve District Picnic Permit Offices. The District's golf activity card enables golfers to receive discounts on greens fees on rounds of golf at any of the District 10 golf courses during the 1998 season. Stroger also announced the District for the

Questions and answers about dog care

Many of our readers have written us with questions about animal health and care. So we are going to reach into our Around the House mailbag, and with some help from our good friends from the American Veterinary Medical Association, answer some of them.

Q I recently adopted a stray dog and took the animal to the veterinarian for vaccinations. The veterinarian suggested I bring the dog back when the animal is in better condition and have him re-vaccinated. Why is a re-vaccination necessary?

A Debilitated, malnourished, run-down dogs sometimes have a very limited ability to respond fully to the vaccine that develops antibodies to build immunity. To be effective, it is important that the re-vaccination occurs and is kept current thereafter.

Q If I have my dog neutered, will it be disqualified from entry in the American Kennel Club Obedience Trials?

A No. According to the AKC-neutering, or the fact that the dog could not pass other conformation standards in a show ring, has no bearing on the dog's ability to compete in AKC Obedience Trials.

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