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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AT THE CHAMBERS RESTAURANT
Vocalists and bands scheduled for Feb. 28, March 1 & 2 including renowned singer Judy Roberts. Call 847-647-8282.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
Every second Wednesday of the month at the Niles Senior Center from 1 to 3:30 pm. Call 847-588-8420.

UNITED OSTOMY ASSOCIATION
Meetings on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at Lutheran General Hospital. Call 847-564-2454.

NILES YOUTH COUNCIL DANCE
Dance for 6th, 7th and 8th graders on March 1 at 6:30 pm at the Niles Fitness Center. Call 847-967-6633.

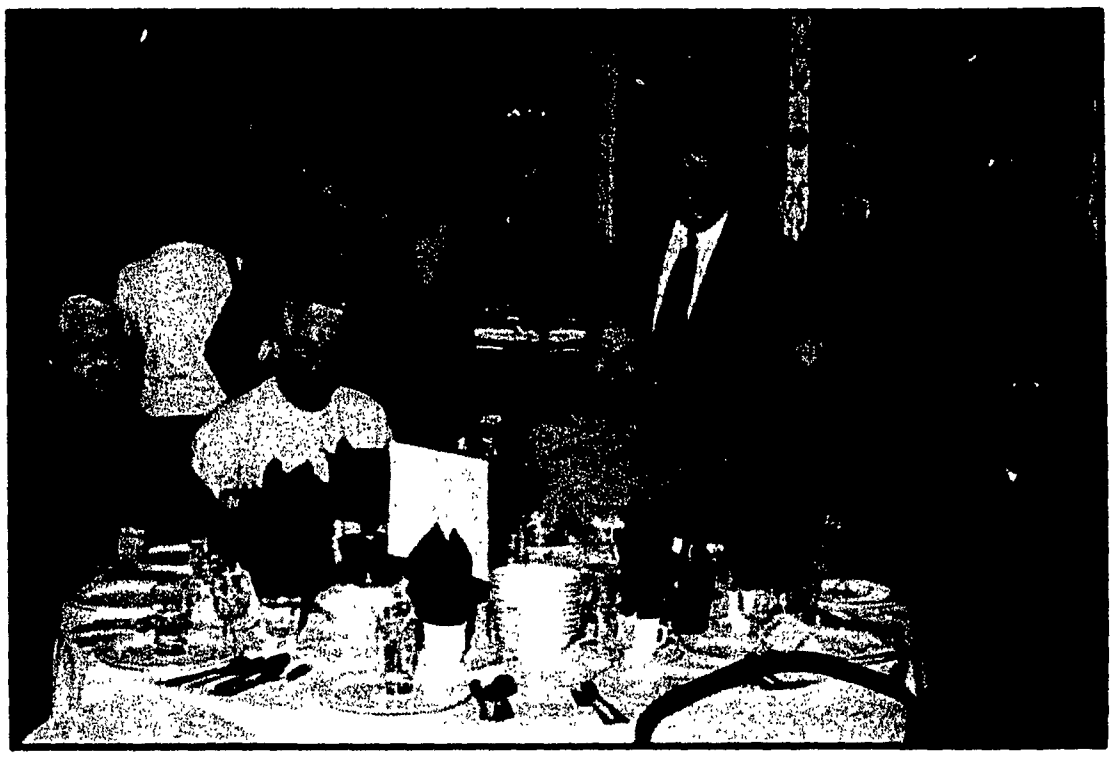
MUSICAL AT RES HIGH SCHOOL
"You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown," on Feb. 28 thru March 2 at Resurrection High School. Call 773-775-6616.

WOMEN'S FINANCIAL PROGRAM
Program on issues for women in planning financial strategies. March 5 at 7 p.m. at Des Plaines Public Library. Call 847-376-2787.

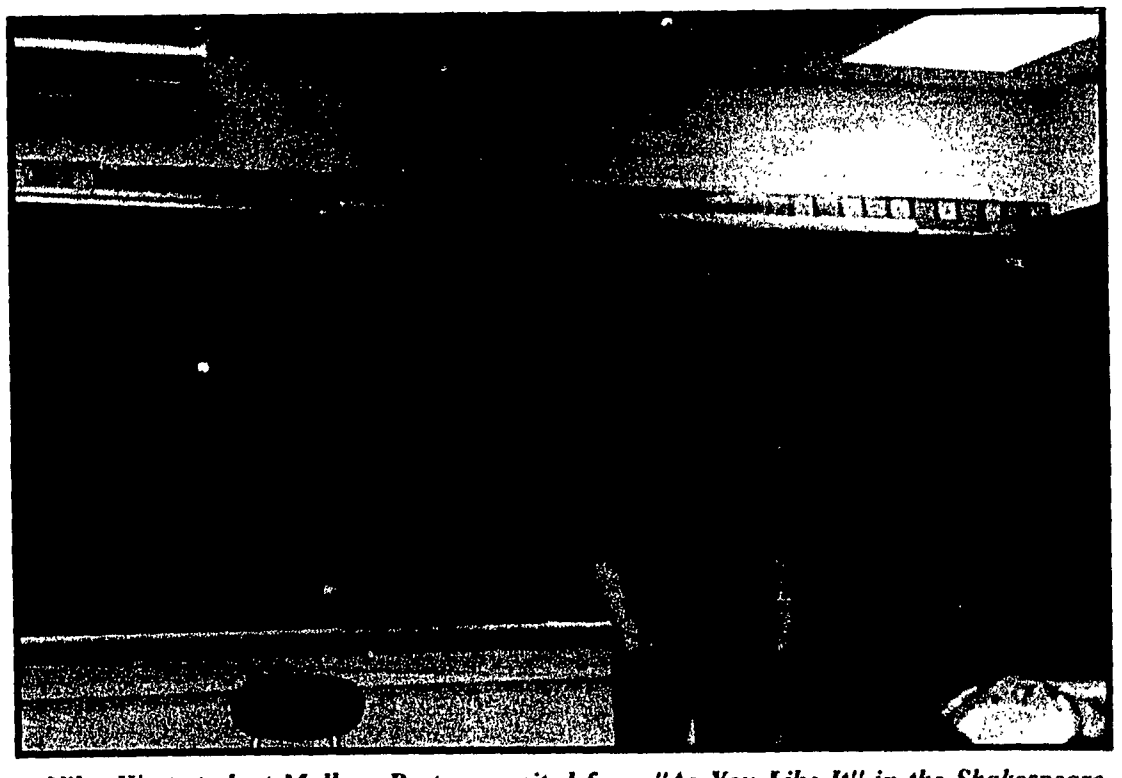
DONATE A TREE PROGRAM
Wide variety of trees to be donated in honor of celebrations or to remember the departed. Call the Niles Park District at 847-647-6777.

SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARKINSONS
Two groups meet during upcoming weeks. Living With Parkinsons group meets Friday, February 28 and Coping With Parkinsons meets throughout March. Call 773-508-1000 for more information.

Snapshots From Our Town



Former Niles Firemen gathered for dinner recently. Top row included, from left, Engineer Jeff Riemer, Lt. Al Weber, Chief Harry Kinowski, Engineer Donald Chiero, Engineer Harry Woodville. Seated, from left, Lt. Gerald Chmerow, Engineer Melvin Duda, Lt. Gerald Himmler, Lt. Carl Fox and Engineer Norb Ludkowski.



Niles West student Mallory Portnoy recited from "As You Like It" in the Shakespeare competition held recently at Niles West. She is scheduled to compete in the Chicago-area contest.

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Niles 911 now dispatched from Des Plaines center

Niles' 911 dispatchers are now operating out of the new joint dispatch center that serves Niles, Des Plaines, Morton Grove and Park Ridge.

The operation is located on the second floor of Des Plaines' new City Hall.

Known as the North Suburban Emergency Communications Center, it was expanded to accommodate the additional dispatchers.

Startup was on Wednesday, Feb. 19, delayed about two weeks while SBC finished connecting the system.

"There may be a few bugs to work out, but calls are going through" said Niles information Officer Giovanelli.

911 callers should notice no difference the way calls go through, said Morton Grove Police Chief Incledon.

County commissioner seeks wild dog count

Concerned about wild dogs attacking joggers in the far south forest preserves, Cook County Commissioner Carl Hansen sponsored a resolution calling for a count of feral dogs in county preserves.

Hansen asks any citizen with information about wild dogs to call forest preserve police at (708) 771-1000.

A supervisor with Cook County Animal Control Department says the dog problem in county preserves is multi-faceted.

Pet dogs are often abandoned in the preserves. They are well-fed and tend to stay around the area where they were left, waiting for someone to return for them.

Runaway dogs feel at home in wooded areas and avoid people.

The third category is animals running loose and once trained to attack.

Jim Karp, a Morton Grove village trustee and founding member of Friends of Morton Grove Forest Preserves, says that group has not reported seeing wild dogs in local preserves.

Hansen expects to get a preliminary report on the dog situation from forest preserve police within days.

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Local residents lead Trinity ice hockey team

Trinity sophomore goaltender *Doug Kisielius (Park Ridge)* has led a Bantam defense that is allowing just 2.70 goals per game (seventh in nation). Named the NESCAC Player of the Week and the *USCHO.com* National Defensive Player of the Week this season, Kisielius posted three straight shutouts in late January and added another on Saturday against Skidmore to give him five for the season. He is third in the NESCAC with a 2.47 GAA, second in save percentage at .910, and is 13-4-1 with 443 saves.

Trinity sophomore forward *Joseph Ori (Niles)* leads Trinity in scoring with 11 goals (10th in NESCAC) and 16 assists (3rd in NESCAC) for 27 points (3rd in NESCAC).

OLR 4th Graders Study Metric

The fourth graders at Our Lady of Ransom School in Niles are studying metric measurements in Math and Science this semester. Using a balance, the students recently practiced their measuring skills by finding the mass of various candies: M&M's, Skittles, Sweet tarts and Kisses. The results were recorded in grams and milligrams on their science sheets. The students enjoyed both the process of using the balance and the following discussion with Mrs. Vormittag about their findings. By the end of class, the students were also thinking of how the candies might measure up if they got to eat them, but had to settle for their recorded results from the balances.

Shown figuring the mass of candy are Giovanna Mulé (front left) with Kristine Florentino and Douglas Hansel (back left).

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Trout farm condo passes first hurdle

Plans for a new condominium community, Water's Edge, on the site of the former Fisherman's Dude Ranch has tentative approval now that the developer has modified his first proposal.

The Des Plaines city council voted in favor of the project after the developer dropped the number of units to 234 from 240, increased the parking capacity, and reconfigured the layout for better access by emergency equipment.

The 24-acre land parcel lies south of Golf Road and east of the Illinois State Tollway, in unincorporated Maine Township.

Based on selling prices expected, tax revenue is projected at $85,000 annually.

Moreover, the land, which includes the original 4-acre trout pond, is now considered valuable by Des Plaines for flood alleviation capability.

The developers are willing to enlarge the fishing lake---to be renamed Lake Reding in honor of the original owners---to handle runoff from the development as well as overflow from a nearby creek and lake, to help with flood control.

A proposed access road into Bay Colony Condominiums must still be discussed with an attorney for Bay Colony's interests. Bay Colony residents are concerned about children's safety with the proposed roadway.

The Des Plaines City Council meets again March 3.

Area Student Names to Dean's List at St. Norbert

Alan M. Swanke has been named to the first semester's dean's list at St. Norbert College. A minimum 3.5 grade point average is required for academic eligibility.

Alan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Swanke, Sr. of Niles.

Dist. 219 sets 2003-04 fee increases

District 219 trustees approved increases in student fee schedules for next school year.

Increases in driver's education, book rentals, extra-curricular activities, student parking and bus fees will reflect close to an 89 percent increase over present fees and bring in more than $2.2 million.

Trustees approved these increases to soften expected losses. The combination of cuts and increases is expected to slow next year's shortfall by $4 million.

Driver's training fees will jump from the present rate, $225, to $350, and the student parking fee from $100 to $200.

The school bus fee will increase from $170 to $300, although students who live more than one mile away will ride free.

Book rental fee, this year $225, will be repackaged as a Student Fee and include an extra-curricular activities fee, for $450.

The student fee was approved 4-2. Two trustees who are up for election voted against it.

The district's Finance Committee, comprised of district and village officials and members of the business community, wanted to hold the student fee at $375, but Board President Robert Silverman reminded the board they they all had agreed on the amount needed.

A meeting set for March 31 will study more cuts and ways to generate additional income.

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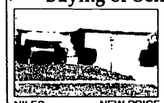
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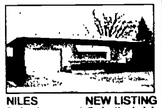
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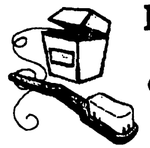

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Niles playgrounds studied, pass muster for safety

A recent consumer safety pronouncement about a possible cancer risk led Niles Park District officials to survey equipment.

The cautionary directive concerns treated wood used in playground equipment, specifically, pressure-treated wood using chromated copper arsenate.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission announced it will consider banning such material in playground structures.

Joseph LoVerde, director of Niles Park District, says the last of the wooden play equipment in Niles parks was replaced 15 years ago.

The district's 14 playground parks have aluminum and plastic equipment installed, LoVerde said.

Equipment used in elementary school district 63 is metal, said Michael Nowland, district supervisor of operations and maintenance.

One wooden structure remains on the playground at District 64's Carpenter School, a climbing structure installed about ten years ago in memory of a student who died.

James Wueffel, District 63's director of buildings and grounds, has promised to research the material used in the piece.

Researchers have found increased risk of developing lung or bladder cancer over a child's lifetime by exposure to such equipment, according to Commission Chairman Hal Stratton.

The risk results from hands on contact, followed by hand to mouth contact.

The commission recommends that children wash their hands after playing on such equipment.

The Environmental Protection Agency and wood manufacturers are working on a phase out of this treatment technology by the end of 2003.

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OLR 7th Grader Wins Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Hannah Johnson, Jade Narinds and Robert Zielinski, all OLR 7th graders who participated in the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. Robert Zielinski won third place in the competition and will go on to the regional spelling bee.

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Des Plaines closes massage parlors

During recent weeks Des Plaines officials closed five massage parlors and revoked licenses of six persons employed at them.

At a hearing Feb. 13 owners of the Golden Hands massage parlor asked, would we just allow them to surrender the license, said David Wiltse, Des Plaines city attorney.

"They paid $450 in costs and fees," he said.

"We had four officers there who were ready to testify, exhibits duplicated, certified and stamped; a court reporter and a hearing officer present," he said.

Two of the five had licenses--Golden Hands and Angela's Massage.

Euro-American Social Club, Love Those Hands Massage Therapy, and Veronika's Massage Therapy did not.

Police investigators found that masseuses had violated the law, through inappropriate behavior, by exposing themselves and customers.

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Here are the highlights of what's happening at Skokie Public Library in the next few weeks. All events are free and open to the public, though some require registration or tickets as noted. The public is welcome to call (847) 673-7774 with questions.

Great Books Discussion Group. This group does not meet in February.

Lectures

• **Financial Lecture: Introduction to Stock Options.** *Thursday, February 27 at 7 p.m. in the Petty Auditorium.*

Financial advisor Mark Wolfinger returns to the Library to review the basics of stock options, what they mean, the pros and cons of investing in them, and other options for your money. Following the lecture, Mr. Wolfinger will be available for questions. No advance registration required.

Employment Resource Center

• **Career Counseling.** *The first and third Tuesday of each month.* Patrons can also discuss their future with a professional career counselor at Skokie Public Library. Now available on the first and third Tuesdays of every month, from 9 a.m. to noon, a licensed career counselor from the Jewish Vocational Service is available to meet individually with job seekers at the library. For more information or to make a free half-hour appointment, contact Mike Buhmann at (847) 673-7774.

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• **Generations Online.** Generations Online is an Internet service designed specifically for seniors with little or no computer experience. The program makes sending email and surfing the Web a snap! Call the Library at (847) 324-3127 to sign up for a class in using Generations Online anytime.

Youth Events

• **Primary Time** (kindergarten to grade 3). *Mondays, March 3, 10 and 17, from 4:15 to 5 p.m. in the Youth Services Program and Craft Rooms.* Each session features a variety of themed stories, songs, riddles, and crafts. Children attend Primary Time independently while parents are asked to remain in the Youth Services Department. Registration required. Call the Youth Services desk at (847) 324-3149 or register in person.

• **Toddler Time** (age 2 with adult). *Tuesdays, March 4, 11 and 18, from 10:30 to 11 a.m. in the Youth Services Program and Craft Rooms.* Two-year-olds and accompanying adults share a lively program of simple stories, songs, and fingerplays. Children must be two years old by January 1, 2003. Registration required. Call the Youth Services desk at (847) 324-3149 or register in person.

• **Preschool Storytime** (ages 3 to 5). *Tuesdays, March 4, 11 and 18, from 1:30 to 2 p.m. and Wednesdays, March 5, 12 and 19, from 1:30 to 2 p.m. in the Youth Services Program Room.* A variety of songs and fingerplays will be shared each week. Children must be three years old by January 1, 2003. Children attend Preschool Storytime independently while parents are asked to remain in the Youth Services Department. Registration required. Call the Youth Services desk at (847) 324-3149 or register in person.

• **Family Storytime** (ages 3 to 5 with adult). *Thursdays, March 6, 13 and 20, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Services Program Room.* A variety of stories, songs, and fingerplays will be shared each week. Children must be three years old by February 1, 2003. Family Storytime is for children accompanied by their parents. Registration is required. Call the Youth Services desk at (847) 324-3149 or register in person.

• **Toddler Time** (age 2 with adult). *Friday, February 28 and March 7, 14 and 21, from 10:30 to 11 a.m. in the Youth Services Program and Craft Rooms.* Two-year-olds and accompanying adults share a lively program of simple stories, songs, and fingerplays. Children must be two years old by February 1, 2003. Registration is required. Call the Youth Services desk at (847) 324-3149 or register in person.

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Parent Notice

Parents: Please Bring Your Children to this FREE Child Safety Program

What: DNA LifePrint Child Safety Program is designed to promote awareness and education for parents and children in an effort to protect children against violence. The program was designed to DNA fingerprint every child in your area during our national tour. In each area a corporate citizen steps forward and underwrites this program. Your area has a stop on our tour due to the invitation and kind donation of: ***Petrie, Storer & Kaminski, DDS, Chicago, Illinois.***

Why: Mr. Walsh is host of ***"America's Most Wanted"***, Fox Television's most successful and longest-running show. Since personal tragedy invaded John's life, he has been a tireless child advocate and crime fighter. John has received numerous national honors and awards from the United States Department of Justice, the National PTA, the National District Attorney's Association, the F.B.I., and others for his dedication to the cause of child protection and victim's rights.

Where: Petrie, Storer & Kaminski, D.D.S., P.C., Resurrection Professional Building, 7447 W. Talcott Road, Suite 560, Chicago, Illinois.

When: Saturday, March 1, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Call for an appointment at (773) 763-5353.

The fingerprinting of the new millennium: This kit is completely non-invasive, meaning no blood is taken or handled. The procedure is simply rubbing the inside of the child's cheek for several seconds with the applicator in the kit. The applicator is then inserted into a fixation solution, contained in the vial . . . and the child's DNA is captured and will be preserved for more than 80 years. Studies have shown that unless fingerprints are taken by a trained technician, they are notoriously unreliable as a means of identification. FBI Officials say having a DNA sample can be useful. In an interview with the Washington Post, Wayne Lord, Unit Chief of the FBI's Child Abduction Center, said, "In most cases, investigators will try to find DNA on hairs left on hairbrushes or in saliva on toys or sweat stains on clothing," but Lord said, "This is not always successful. Having a DNA sample ready to go could help an investigation."

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Grade 7- Room 32
Michael Casey, Amanda Fenn, Sonu Joseph, Alison Musur, Charlie Vasis, Alex Vroustouris, Danny Zajac
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Grade 8 - Room 34
Liz Ave Maria, Lauren Bronski, Julie Johann, Katie O'Grady, Aron Pajda, Paul Sidlowski, Lisha Thomas, Philip Szachowicz

Grade 8 - Room 35
Tiffany Bartley, Andrew Bishop, Caitlin Bobos, Jeff Chorath, Daniel Marcus, Laura Mazzolini, Adrienne Ordonez, Kelly Podkowa, Reem Youkhana

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Grade 7 - Room 31
Tim Casey, Elvin Guevarra, Peter Kwon, Nick Orlandi

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Anthony Chavez, Roz Domingo, Erin Jones, Jeremy Kapuscinski, Megan O'Grady, J.J. Palliser, Jim Zarembski

Grade 8 - Room 34
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Grade 8 - Room 35
Jacqueline Begale, Michael Bermudez, Laura Gattorna, Angelica Milano, Aimee Niekerson, Patricia Pegoraro, Casey Russell, Daniel Zachacki

NFL Players Offer Summer Youth Football Camp

This summer boys ages 8-18 will have a rare opportunity to learn football from some of the very best players and coaches in the NFL. Each program will have between 10 and 15 NFL players and coaches teach at each camp. The Chicago Bears starting quarterback, Jim Miller will hold his camp July 13-17, at Trinity International University, Deerfield, IL. Vonnie Holiday and William henderson of the Packers will host their camp July 6-10, at Saint Norbert College, De Pere, Wisconsin and several members of the Saint Louis Rams (including Coach Henry Ellard, Lamar Gordon, and Brandon Manumaleuna) will be involved with a camp June 28-July 2, at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL. All camps are sleep over. Over the last eleven years each camp has developed a national reputation for being among the very best youth football camps in the USA. "Our main goal is to send each boy home a much better football player and a better citizen with a more positive outlook on life," said Bears quarterback, Jim Miller. Enrollment is limited! For more information call 1-800-555-0801 or go to www.footballcamps.com.

ASK FOR THE NET!

Setting the asking price on your home can be challenging. Interpreting the financial consequences of a purchase offer can be mystifying. Is there a way to know in advance exactly how much money you will "net" from the sale of your home?

Luckily, the answer is "yes". When initially setting the price, ask your agent to explain the various expenses assigned to sellers in a real estate transaction. Several expenses that may apply to you include the cost of preparing the deed, revenue stamps, discount points, brokerage fee, and survey.

Beginning with the asking price, your agent can estimate and deduct each applicable cost including the payoff on any existing mortgage, leaving a "net" balance due you at closing. This calculation is the easy part, since it is based on a full-price offer. More difficult to interpret will be your net proceeds from an actual purchase offer. Here's why.

Buyers making a low offer may agree to pay all closing costs in exchange for the price concession. Or, they may ask you to pay all closing costs.

A word of caution is appropriate here. Do not reject any offer outright! What appears to be an offensively low offer may actually be quite acceptable, depending on the expenses you incur under the offer.

Ask your agent to interpret the net proceeds of each offer. You may be surprised to learn you will "net" more than expected!

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• **MVP Volleyball Classes**
This Volleyball Professionals player development program will teach passing, setting, spiking and more. Players will learn overhand serve and game strategy. All classes taught by Volleyball Professionals staff. ***Classes offered: Skills and Drills: Grades 4th to 6th, Grades 7th to 9th. Adult, and Spiking.*** Classes start March 6. Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information.

• **Casimir Pulaski Day Camp**
Join us for this day of fun including Sports, games, crafts, swimming and more. Ages 6 to 12, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Extended Camp available 3 to 5 p.m. Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information.

• **Spring Break Camp**
Make the most of your spring break. Join us as we play sports, make crafts, go swimming and more. Daily and weekly registration available for your convenience. ***March 24 to 28, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.*** Extended camp available from 3 to 5 p.m. for additional fee. Deadline to register is March 14. Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information or to receive a camp application.

• **Summer Sports Adventure Camp**
The Niles Family Fitness Center is now accepting applications for the 2003 Sports Adventure Camp. Camp Dates are ***June 16 to August 15.*** Weekly registration available. Contact (847) 588-844 for a camp brochure'

• **Chicago Bulls Basketball School**
The Chicago Bulls basketball school will teach your child fundamental basketball skills including ball handling, shooting, passing, offensive and defensive moves, and rebounding Grades K-3 and Grades 4th to 8th ***March 4 to April 8.*** Space is limited! Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information.

North American Youth Sports still has openings!!

North American Youth Sports announced today that they still have openings in their annual spring youth basketball tournament in the Bolingbrook Illinois area at the Annerino and Brac Recreation Centers on April 4-6.

This tournament will feature ten different brackets. They include 5th & 6th grade boys; 5th & 6th grade girls; 7th grade boys; 7th grade girls; 8th grade boys; 8th grade girls; 9th & 10th grade boys; 9th & 10 grade girls; 11th & 12th grade boys; and 11th & 12th grade girls. All grades are based on the grade in which a student is currently enrolled.

The entry fee for this tournament is $110 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. There will be awards presented in each bracket.

Northern Illinois University Fall 2002 Dean's List

The dean's list is compiled by NIU colleges according to varying criteria. The Colleges of Education, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Visual and Performing Arts and Health and Human Sciences use a minimum semester grade point average of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale The College of Business bases selection on class rank among the top ten percent of their class

Freshman and sophomores in the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology must meet a minium semester grade point average of 3.5, while juniors, seniors, and post-graduate students are selected from the top ten percent of their classes

On the Dean's List in our area,

Thomas Faustin Gorski and Timothy John Handler of Niles, Debbie Chan, Nicole Marie Sievert, and Gary Alen Weiner of Morton Grove; Maria Teresa Galluzzi, Matthew Scott Lanzer,

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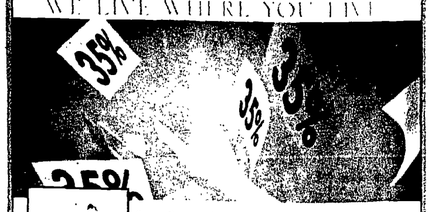

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'With the Stroke of a Brush' at Forest Villa

Forest Villa, Niles premiere extended care, skilled nursing facility just keeps getting better, now *with the stroke of a brush!* Forest Villa is more than a nursing facility, it is a place *where life flourishes.*

Forest Villa has again stretched the bounds of conventional long-term care by adding Pam Franzen, MAC:AT to their recreational therapy staff. Pam Franzen is a certified art therapist who specializes in working with the elderly As the newest member of the activity team, Pam welcomes working with Forest Villa's "budding artists."

Jennifer Bebinger, Vice President of Special Programs and Acting Administrator, says, "Pam has really hit the ground *running* and has taken the residents as well as the staff with her, we couldn't be more excited about such a special facet of recreational therapy." Pam conducts weekly art classes in all four wings of Forest Villa, Niles premiere extended care, skilled nursing facility

Forest Villa's event calendar looks more like one for an active senior center, than that of a nursing facility music therapy twice a week, horticultural therapy from The Chicago Botanic Gardens and intergenerational programs with local schools, entertainment, cooking, wine tasting and now art!

Pam uses a combination of her education, she holds a Master of Arts in Counseling: Art Therapy from the Alder School of Professional Psychology in Chicago, and all her instinctive nurturing abilities to transcend Forest Villa into an artist's paradise.

Ms. Bebinger remarks, "In each of us, there is a need to tell our story and to be heard by another person. As a therapist, Pam is trained to make sense, to bring order out of the stories that Forest Villa's residents convey." All this is done with the help of the Forest Villa residents and staff.

At Forest Villa art therapy sessions involve stimulating as many of the senses as possible. Soft music is playing as group members arrive. More energetic music is played as they work on the art activity and discussions take place before, during and after the sessions. Art work is then displayed for all to enjoy.

'Transitions for the Future'

Special Needs Students to Find Resources at "Transitions for the Future"

"Transitions for the Future," a resource fair for students with special needs, will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on March 11 on the first floor of the Lincolnwood Town Center, 3333 West Touhy Avenue in Lincolnwood. The resource fair is designed to assist special needs students in making post-high school transition plans. All special needs students, parents and professionals are invited to attend, free of charge.

Over forty representatives from colleges and universities, trade schools, vocational programs, residential programs and government-funded programs will be available to distribute information and answer questions. More information will be available on transportation, employment, apprenticeships, recreation, and health

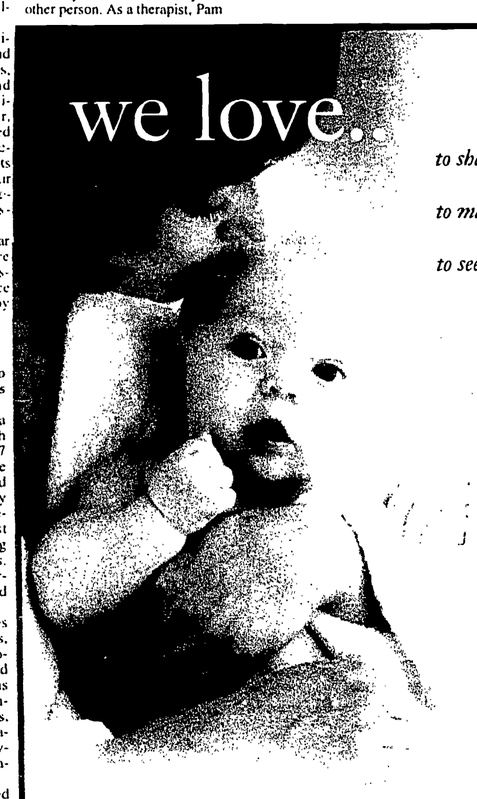
The resource fair is organized by Business and Education for Students in Transition (B.E.S.T), a committee sponsored by Niles Township High Schools, Deerfield/Highland Park High Schools, Evanston Township High School, Maine Township High Schools, Illinois Employment and Training Center, JVS Career Planning Center, Lester and Rosalie Anixter Center, Office of Rehabilitation Services, Orchard Village, Shore Community Services, and The Thresholds.

For additional information, please call Camille Mayhall at (847) 965-2502.

Read Across America at Stevenson

Stevenson Elementary School in DesPlaines, is celebrating ***Read Across America*** and **Dr. Seuss's** legacy the week of **Monday, February 24 through Friday, February 28.** It is important for Stevenson School to encourage literacy development by linking our school, families, and members of the community. Therefore, we are inviting Stevenson School families, East Maine School Dist. 63 administrators and faculty, Gemini Jr. High students, and workers within the community to read to our students. If you would like to participate in this event, please contact Stevenson School @ (847) 298-1622.

Our **Family Reading Night is Thursday, February 27 from 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.** Families and teachers will meet in the School Gymnasium. There are many reading activities planned for this event. We hope to see you there!



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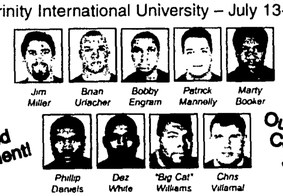

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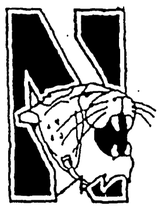

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Evanston Northwestern Healthcare March Calendar

CPR/FIRST AID

Tuesday, March 4 and Thursday March 6, from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers CPR for Healthcare Providers. This American Heart Association certified course includes a review of CPR for infants, children and adults, use of a barrier device and resuscitation bags, choking rescues for all ages, and use of an AED. Concludes with a written and practical exam. At Highland Park Hospital, 718 Glenview Avenue, Highland Park. Fee $60.

Saturday March 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers Heartsaver CPR. This American Heart Association certified course intended includes instruction in CPR and choking rescues and use of a barrier device. Concludes with a written and practical exam. At Highland Park Hospital, 718 Glenview Avenue, Highland Park. Fee: $45.

Monday, March 31 and Tuesday April 1, from 1 to 5:30 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers the American Red Cross' Babysitter's Training for 11-15 year olds who care for younger children. Skills include leadership, home safety, breathing emergencies, first aid and business sense. At Highland Park Hospital, 718 Glenview Avenue, Highland Park. Fee $50. An optional First Aid kit is available for $15.

GENERAL HEALTH

Wednesday, March 5, from 7 to 8 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers a free program Cooking with Soy. Registered Dietitian, Michelle Turcotte and Sunset Foods' Chef Ken Chaffin will discuss the benefits of soy in a healthy diet and will present suggestions for cooking with soy. At Sunset Foods, 825 S. Waukegan Road, Lake Forest.

Wednesday, March 12, 1 to 2 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers a **free** program, **Foot Care**. Podiatrist Bruce Noxon, M.D will discuss common foot problems and treatment options. At Glenview Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview.

Tuesday, March 18, from 7 to 8 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern offers a **free** program **Smart Shopping for Herbs & Supplements.** Learn how to choose the best supplements for you and your family's health from certified herbalist Seanna Tully.

Thursday, March 20, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **Heart Healthy Vegetarian Meals on the Go.** Registered Dietitian Karen Raden and Sunset Foods' Chef Ken Chaffin provide healthy recipes for vegetarian dishes that provide sufficient protein. At Glenview Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview. Fee $10.

Tuesday, March 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **"Journey to Wellbeing: Eight Practices for Health & Vitality."** This month's focus on **"Environment"** will address how environmental factors can add to or detract from your health and will explore ways to navigate around those influences. At Glenview Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview. Fee: $20.

WOMEN'S HEALTH

Wednesday, March 12, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers a **free** program, **Women at all Ages: Population at Risk for Osteoporosis.** A discussion of the prevalence and pathology of osteoporosis, including a personal assessment of your risk for the disease and prevention strategies. At Highland Park Hospital Health and Fitness Center, 1501 Busch Parkway, Buffalo Grove.

Wednesday, March 19, from 7 to 8 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers a **free** program, **Hormone Replacement: Traditional and Alternative Therapies.** A panel discussion of experts for an interactive presentation on traditional and alternative therapies for hormone replacement. The panel will include Karen Koffler, MD (Intergrative Medicine), Edward Lee, MD (Obstetrics & Gynecology), Steve Odes, RPh (Registered Pharmacist) and Seanna Tully, Certified Herbalist. At Sunset Foods, 1451 W. Peterson Road, Libertyville.

Unless otherwise indicated, call (847) 570-5020 for more information or register online at www.enh.org/calendar.

SCREENINGS

Tuesday, March 4, from 8 to 10 a.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **Diabetes/ Cholesterol Screening**, at the Glenview Park District Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview. Fee: $20.

Tuesday, March 4, from 8 to 10 a.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **Body Fat Composition Analysis**, at the Glenview Park District Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview. Fee: $10.

Fridays, March 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **Blood Pressure Testing**, at Highland Park Hospital, 718 Glenview Avenue, Highland Park. Free. Walk-ins welcome.

Tuesday, March 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **Blood Pressure Testing**, at the Glenview Park District Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview. Free.

Tuesday, March 18, from 1 to 3 p.m. - Evanston Northwestern Healthcare offers **Vision & Glaucoma Screenings**, at the Glenview Park District Park Center, 2400 Chestnut, Glenview. Free.

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Three agencies are sponsoring this health drive: Schreiber Park, Alderman O'Connor's Office, as well as the Chicago Dept. of Public Health and Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois. The CareVan will be available at Schreiber Park from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on the following Thursdays this year: April 24, June 26, August 28, October 30, December 18. No appointment is necessary. However, parents need to bring their children's immunization records so they get the correct shots.

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Bright Beginnings Preschool Registration

Niles Park District preschool registration for the 2002-2003 preschool program will begin March 5 for residents and March 12 for non-residents. Registration will be accepted at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard Street, until all classes are filled.

For more information on our Bright Beginnings Preschool Program, please stop in the Howard Leisure Center or call (847) 967-6633 to have information mailed to you.

Chicago Bear Brian Urlacher promotes organ donation

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White presents Chicago Bear Brian Urlacher with an organ donor license plate bearing Urlacher's jersey number 54. Urlacher has teamed up with Secretary White to promote organ donation and remind Illinois residents that license plates benefiting the organ donor program are available through the Secretary of State's Office. The plate, which features Chicago Bears' colors orange and blue, as well as the late Chicago Bear Walter Payton's name and jersey number, costs $103. A portion of that money goes to enhance the organ donor program. To sign up for an organ donor license plate, please call (217) 782-7758, or visit the Secretary of State's website at: www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

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CJE March Support Groups for Seniors

Council for Jewish Elderly (CJE) offers support groups on a wide variety of topics of interest to seniors and their families. Fees vary according to the program and individual circumstances. Some groups may be partially covered by Medicare and supplemental insurance. For information or to join a group, please call CJE at (773) 508-1000.

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 1 to 2:30 p.m. *Holocaust Survivors - Coffee and Conversation Drop-In,* meets from 1-2:30 p.m. each Monday at the Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois, 4255 W. Main Street, Skokie, sponsored by Council for Jewish Elderly and Jewish Family and Community Service. No charge. For more information call (773) 508-1000.

Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 3 to 4 p.m. *Coping with Parkinson's,* meets from 3 to 4 p.m. Mondays in the auditorium at Lincolnwood Place, 7000 N. McCormick, Lincolnwood. Individuals with Parkinson's disease share coping strategies, practical ideas for making tasks easier, and day-to-day struggles and triumphs. Sponsored by Council for Jewish Elderly, the group is free. To register, call Maria at (773) 508-1000.

Friday, March 28, 9:30 to 11 a.m. *Living with Parkinson's* provides ongoing support, guest speakers, helpful resources and medical updates for people with Parkinson's disease and their caregivers meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Friday, December 27, at Mayer Kaplan JCC, 5050 W. Church, Skokie. Sponsored by Council for Jewish Elderly, the group is free. For registration, please call Carol Harris at (773) 508-1000.

Winter Support Groups

New support groups beginning in March. 8-week groups meet in Evanston for women in the divorce process. Limited space availability. Pre-registration and deposit required. $25/wk. Call for information.

Drop-in support groups: March 8, 2003, April 12, 2003: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., led by Kama Schulte, M.A., L.C.P.C. You may pay the door, $15 per session. Call for location.

The Lilac Tree is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to assisting women who are contemplating divorce, in the process of divorce or post-decree to adjust successfully to single life.

Catholic Charities Adoption Informtion Meetings

Interested persons are invited to learn more about the adoption process, and options available to them, at informal meetings sponsored by the Catholic Charities/ Adoption Department. Persons of all religious, racial or ethnic backgrounds are welcome to attend.

Adoption Information Meetings will be held:

March 6, 2003 at 6:30 p.m.
Catholic Charities
Northwest Suburban Office
1717 Rand Rd.
DesPlaines, IL.

March 22, 2003 at 10 a.m.
St. Bernard Hospital
326 W. 64th Street
Chicago, IL.

Advanced reservations would be appreciated. Please call (312) 655-7086.

Niles North History Fair

Documentaries and projects will be on display at the annual Niles North History Fair February 27, 2003, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Students will be on hand to explain the significance of their project.

Niles North High School is located at 9800 North Lawler, Skokie. Enter building at auditorium entrance (Room 2005).

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE - THE MORTON GROVE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will hold a public hearing on MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2003 at 7.30 p.m. in the Board of Trustees, Chambers, Richard T. Flickinger Municipal Center, 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois to consider the following cases

CASE 1271 (Continued from December 16, 2002)
Requesting a variation from Sections 2.5.5.2 and 2.5.5.4 of Ordinance 91-10 (Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Morton Grove) to construct a detached garage:

Side Yard - Accessory Structure	
Required	3.00 feet
Requested	2.00 feet
Variation necessary	1.00 feet
Distance Between Principal Structure and Accessory Structure	
Required	10.00 feet
Requested	6.00 feet
Variation Necessary	4.00 feet

The parcel is located in the R-2 Single Family Residence District and is commonly known as 9007 Harms Road, Morton Grove, Illinois. The petitioner is Raj Shah.

CASE 1291
Requesting variations from Sections 2.5.5.4 and 6.2.7.3 of Ordinance 91-10 (Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Morton Grove) to build a second floor addition to the existing residence:

Side Yard - North	
Required	5.00 feet
Requested	4.80 feet
Variation Necessary	0.20 feet (after the fact)
Distance Between Principal Structure and Accessory Structure	
Required	10.00 feet
Requested	6.09 feet
Variation Necessary	3.91 feet (after the fact)

The parcel is located in the R-2 Single Family Residence District and is commonly known as 8424 Austin Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois. The petitioner is Jan Poltorak.

CASE 1292
Requesting variations from Sections 6.1.7.1 and 6.1.7.3 of Ordinance 91-10 (Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Morton Grove) to expand the existing garage into a two car attached garage and add a second floor over the entire residence including the new garage:

Front Yard	
Required	25.00 feet
Requested	24.50 feet
Variation Necessary	.50 feet
Side Yard - East	
Required	7.06 feet
Requested	2.06 feet
Variation Necessary	5.00 feet
Side Yards - Total	
Required	14.00 feet
Requested	9.00 feet
Variation Necessary	5.00 feet

The parcel is located in the R-1 Single Family Residence District and is commonly known as 5832 Capri Lane, Morton Grove, Illinois. The petitioner is Bernard Dentzer.

All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard

Foster Care Information Meetings

Catholic Charities is searching for loving foster homes. If you'd consider opening your home and your heart to someone in need of a home, you might plan on attending one of the following foster parenting classes. Everyone is welcome, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or economic circumstances. Information on how to become a Catholic Charities foster parent will be presented at the following meetings:

March 4, at 7 p.m.
Catholic Charities
651 W. Lake Street
Chicago, IL

March 10, at 7 p.m.
Catholic Charities
Northwest Sub. Office
1717 Rand Rd.
DesPlaines, IL

March 20, at 7 p.m.
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Spanish-speaking persons may call (312) 655-7205.

Millikin Athletics

Junior Angel Colón (Niles, Maine East) broke the women's 600 meter run mark, finishing fifth (1:52.21).

READ THE BUGLE

Red Cross Offers Free *CPR Saturdays* in March

This March, set hearts aflutter and become someone's hero - learn the lifesaving skill of cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR). The American Red Cross of Greater Chicago presents its first-annual *CPR Saturdays* event offering free CPR training to anyone who signs up for a sponsored class. Use the opportunity to become CPR-certified for the first time, or to renew your skills.

CPR Saturdays will be held at the Red Cross community facility in Arlington Heights, 544 West Northwest Highway, on March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. A morning course (8 a.m.-12 p.m.) and an afternoon course (1 p.m.-5 p.m.) are scheduled at this site and six others in the Chicago metropolitan area. Space is limited and advance registration is required. Participants will learn the basic skills of American Red Cross CPR training and, upon passing a written test and a skills test, will receive Red Cross CPR certification and a special *CPR Saturdays* t-shirt.

Individuals can register for a free *CPR Saturdays* class, or get more information, by calling 800/ 33-SAFETY or visiting www.chicagoredcross.org. Registration will continue until classes are filled.

The American Red Cross of Greater Chicago is committed to making our communities safer and healthier places to live and has been a leader in the field for nearly 90 years. Locally, the chapter serves more than 7.5 million people of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will counties through the generous contributions of individuals, corporations, foundations and the United Way. For more information, call (312) 729-6100 or visit www.chicagoredcross.org.

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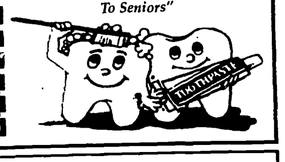

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Casimir Pulaski Day at Truman College

The Truman College Student Government, Faculty and PAC (Polish American Congress) are sponsoring a special celebration to honor the Polish Hero of the American Revolution, Casimir Pulaski on Monday, March 3, at 1 p.m., in the **Student Lounge**. Special guests featured for this occasion will be Consul General of the Polish Republic, Mr. Franciszek Adamczyk, and leaders of the Polish American Community. Honorable Congressman Jan Schakowsky and Judy Topinka-Barr will also be present. Lira Singers will perform folk songs of the various regions in Poland. Ethnic food and entertainment is provided free of charge to all in attendance.

For more details contact Prof. George Otto at (773) **907-4782**. Everyone is invited!

General Casimir Pulaski was a U.S. Revolutionary War Hero who founded the U.S. Cavalry. His horse soldiers distinguished themselves in many battles, so that the "Republic may live," especially, at the Washington retreat from Brandywine, where Pulaski's rear-action battle with the British saved General Washington from possible capture. General Casimir Pulaski lost his life at the Battle of Savannah.

---------OBITUARIES---------

MARIO P. LANDINI

Mario P. Landini, 95, of Niles, died Saturday, January 11 at Lutheran General Hospital. He was born August 8, 1907 in Chicago. Beloved husband of the late Anne J. Landini. Beloved son of the late Angelo Landini and the late Anita Landini. Beloved father of Rose (Charles) Ugel and the late Ralph Landini, Brother of the late Albert (the late Helen) Landini, the late Elmer (the late Jean) Landini and the late Lena (the late Alfred) Pasquinelli. Grandfather of Karen Nickerson, Kenneth (Christine) Ugel, Charles, Jr. (Deborah) Ugel and Robert & Micheal Ugel. Great Grandfather of 6. Uncle and Great Uncle of many. Services were held January 16 at St. John Brebeuf Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in St. Joseph Cemetery.

VALERIA FRANCES JOHNSON

Valeria Frances Johnson, 99, formerly of Niles, died Saturday, January 18 at West Broward Care Center, Florida. She was born May 9, 1903 in Chicago. Beloved mother of Shirley (Ray) Bender. Services were held January 23 at Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in Rosehill Cemetery.

THOM A. BUERSTETTA

Thom A. Buerstetta, 54, of Niles, died Tuesday, January 14. He was born June 26, 1948 in Oak Park, IL. Beloved Step-son of William Britt. Beloved son of the late John Buerstetta and Eleanore Britt. Brother of Paul (Madeline) Buerstetta. Step-brother of James (Rose) D. Britt and step-brother of the late Joy (John) McCarthy. Uncle of Avrill Buerstetta, Richard Buerstetta and Thomas Buerstetta. Services were held January 16 at Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in Mt. Olive Cemetery. Memorials to: Shriners' Hospital for Children, 2211 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, IL 60707.

JOHN SCHLEGEL

John Schlegel, 79, of Niles, died Friday, January 17 at Lutheran General Hospital. He was born October 25, 1923 in Hungary. Beloved husband of Kathe Schlegel. Beloved son of the late Johan Schlegel and the late Maria Schlegel. Beloved father of Erika (Bill) Diliberto and John Schlegel, Jr. Step-Father of Victor (April) Skrip. Services were held January 20 at Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery.

DOROTHY BOROWSKI

Dorothy Borowski, 82, formerly of Niles, died Wednesday, January 15 at Woodbury Health Care Center. She was born December 8, 1920 in Chicago. Beloved wife of the late John L. Borowski. Beloved daughter of the late Michael Bulinski and the late Mary Bulinski. Beloved mother of John (Paula) Borowski and Michael (Marylou) Borowski. Services wereheld January 18 at St. Juliana Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in St. Adalbert Cemetery.

JULIA V. KOZDRON

Julia V. Kozdron, 84, of Niles, died Tuesday, January 21. She was born June 19, 1918 in Chicago. Beloved daughter of the late Walter J. Sarnaw and the late Anna Sarnaw. Beloved mother of Joanne (Edward) Carrico, Gary (Czesia) Kozdron, Kenneth (Carol) Kozdron and Ellen (William T.) Larsen. Grandmother of Edward Carrico, Michael Carrico, Sheri Kowalski, Daniel Kozdron, James (Becky) Kozdron, Julie, Becky, Barbara Kozdron, Erika Larsen and Kirsten Larsen. Services were held January 25 at St. Juliana Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery.

LILLIAN K. CLINTON

Lillian K. Clinton, 92, of Niles, died Wednesday, January 22 at Lutheran General Hospital. She was born December 14, 1910 in Chicago. Beloved wife of the late Melvin Clinton. Beloved daughter of the late Joseph Gesicki and the late Wilhelmina Gesicki. Aunt of David (Marilyn) Luckowicz, Vernon (Lynn) Luckowicz and Barbara Stewart. Services were held January 25 at St. Juliana Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in St. Joseph Cemetery.

GARY S. WEBER

Gary S. Weber, 52, of Mount Prospect, died Wednesday, January 22 at St. Francis Hospital. He was born October 7, 1950 in Chicago. Beloved husband of Kathleen Weber. Beloved son of Alex Weber and Marcia Weber. Beloved father of Kelly (Brian) Tonkovic and Angelina Weber. Brother of Gail (Michael) Biasiello, Lori (Tom) Vescio and Kurt Weber. Services were held January 25 at St. John Brebeuf Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home.

THEODORE P. VACURA

Theodore P. Vacura, 81, of Niles, died Sunday, January 19 at Lutheran General Hospital. He was born June 29, 1921 in Poland. Beloved husband of Helen M. Vacura. Beloved son of the late Piotr Wacura and the late Katarzyna Vacura. Beloved father of Kenneth (Karen) Vacura and Norene Vacura. Grandfather of Daniel, Katherine and Timothy. Services were held January 22 at St. Julinana Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in St. Adalbert Cemetery.

ANTOINETTE D. LONERO

Antoinette D. Lonero, 87, of Niles, died Wednesday, January 15 at Lutheran General Hospital. She was born April 13, 1915 in Chicago. Beloved wife of the late Sam Lonero. Beloved mother of Louise (Wally) Barabasz, the late Janet Lonero and Barbara (Donald) Szymell. Grandmother of Michael (Terry) Frank and Samuel & Jennifer. Services were held January 18 at St. John Brebeuf Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in Maryhill Cemetery.

JOHN F. CHROMIK

John F. Chromik, 87, of Des Plaines, died Tuesday, January 21 at Holy Family Hospital. He was born January 3, 1916 in Poland. Beloved husband of Emilia Chromik. Beloved son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Chromik. Services were held January 25 at St. Monica Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment was in St. Adalbert Cemetery.

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Wednesday, March 12 - Blood Pressure Screening - Every second Wednesday of the month is Blood Pressure Screening. Next Blood Screening: Wednesday, March 12, 1 to 3:30 p.m. No appointment needed. Free.

Thursday, March 13 - Diabetic Support Group - A monthly support group for diabetics will start Thursday, March 13, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Our focus will be on better diabetic management. Learning together while providing support to each other. We'll also be planning future speakers and activities together. Cost will be $10 for materials. Registration is required.

Monday, March 17 - Diabetes Screening - Monthly screening by appointment. Fasting from midnight required. Please take morning medications with water (medications that can be taken **without** food). Monday, March 17, 9 to 11 a.m. Fee: $1. Appointment taken in person at Center.

Thursday, March 20 - Coping with Fibromyalgia - Nurse diagnosed with Fibromyalgia in her 30's teaches about the disease and how to live well within its limits. Thursday, March 20, 2 to 3 p.m. Free.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

MEALS ON WHEELS DRIVERS are needed to deliver meals for Niles Homebound, weekdays between 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please contact Kelly at (847) 588-8420

SNOW SHOVELERS are needed to assist shoveling driveways for the Niles Seniors. Contact Kelly at (847) 588-8420.

COMPUTER LAB VOLUNTEERS needed to assist older adults in learning to use computers (2 to 4 hrs/wk). Computer experience required. Training provided. Contact Jaym

AARP TAX AIDE VOLUNTEERS

AARP Tax Aide Volunteers are needed to help seniors prepare tax returns (appointment dates: February 4 to April 10, 2003). Training for NEW tax counselors began January 7, returning counselors training started Januray 13. If you are interested, please contact MaryAnn for more information.

YARN NEEDED

The Senior Center is requesting clean, left over yarn or scraps of material for veterans and senior crafters. Lap robes, shawls, and slippers are made for veterans at Hines Hospital. Volunteer knitters and crochetes are also needed. Please call us

CERAMICS CLASSES

Regular Ceramics Classes are Thursdays, from February 6 to April 24. Morning classes are 9 to 11 a.m., and afternoon classes are 1 to 3 p.m. All levels welcome. Cost: $30 (Cost prorated for late registration). If needed, you may purchase starter kit at first class. For more information, please call Mary Ann.

BEGINNING SOCIAL BRIDGE

Drop in at Beginning Social Bridge, on Thursday at 12 noon. Play game at a relaxed pace with other new players. New members always welcome.

KITCHEN BAND GROUP

The band is looking for new members (vocalists and instrumentalists) for our 2003 season. Practices are at 11 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of every month. Please call Mary Ann. Next meeting is March 5.

STAMP CLUB

Stamp Club meets at 2 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of the month. Come and share your stamp collection with fellow Center members. Next meeting: March 10.

CURRENT EVENTS GROUP

Current Events Group meets at 10:30 a.m. on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month to discuss local and world issues. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 26.

COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP

Computer Interest Group meets the first and third Monday of the month at 2 p.m. The next meeting will be March 3. Please join us as we discuss a variety of issues.

TICKETS CURRENTLY ON SALE

Call For Ticket Availability

Poker Tournament & Refreshments - Friday, Feb. 28, 12 to 4 p.m. Cost: $3.50.

American Passion Play Trip - Saturday, March 22, 8:45 a.m. to 9 p.m. Cost: $38. - Meet at Senior Center at 8 a.m. Bus leaves promptly at 8:45 a.m. Journey American Passion Play at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts. Buffet lunch at Bloomington Center prior to performance. Stop at the Cracker Barrel on way home where dinner is on your own. Cost includes transportation, play and buffet lunch.

Knightly News & Views

Again - a huge congratulations to Sir Knight Dan Kosiba, who was awarded the high honor of Village of Niles - Citizen of the Year for 2002! Dan has worked for 35 years in Niles as a coach, manager, coordinator and mentor to thousands of youth! Dan has worked with Ken Lee for over 35 years to coordinate the Council's annual Holiday Basketball Tournament! Thanks Dan!

Grand Knight Joe Tatkowski congratulates the new Brother Knights that took their First Degree on February 5, in Flanagan Hall. Father Pat Hnnon of Notre Dame H.S. and Clifford Drexler will have an opportunity to move into the 3rd Degree level later this month at St. Thecla Church, Chicago. The Brothers of N.A.M. welcome them into the great K of C family!

The Past Presidents' Night, honoring all past presidents of the club and guest of honor immediate Past President Joe Tatkowski, was a great success with over 80 folks attending this great evening!

Special thanks to President Bob Galassi for his many hours of effort to make this evening very special for Past Presidents Joe Tatkowski, Rich Zaprzalka and Joe Bradtke.

All candidates are invited to attend a special 1st 2nd & 3rd Degree Exemplification at St. Thecla Church Hall, Devon & Oak Park Aves., Chicago, Sunday, February 23, 2003. First Degree starts at 12 noon. Candidates arrive for 11:30 a.m. Second Degree starts at 1 p.m. and 3rd immediately after. Special dinner is included for cnadidates. Second & 3rd Degree candidates can participate for no charge. For more information, contact Joe Tatkowski @ (847) 966-6913. Come join us at a higher level!

Plese pray for our sick and distressed members of our family and for all those fighting illnesses. Pray for the souls of all faithfully departed members of our Knights family. Keep the health of all family members always in your daily prayers! Visit a sick friend - they appreciate it!

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COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP

The Morton Grove Senior Center's Computer Interest Group will meet from 1 to 2 p.m. on Monday, March 3. (the first Monday of each month) in the Morton Grove Senior Center Library. The topic for this meeting will be "Digital Photos." Space is limited so register today for this free seminar by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at (847) 470-5223. Next month's meeting will be April 7, and the subject will be "Buying a Computer."

NEW & IMPROVED MONTHLY CHOLESTEROL SCREENING

The Morton Grove Senior Center is now hosting new and improved **monthly** Cholesterol Screening Clinics from 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. In March the date is March 5. Swedish Covenant Hospital will administer the screenings, which are improved by the fact that a blood draw will be conducted for a full lipid profile including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL and triglycerides. Results will be available within seven working days and an appointment reservation is required by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at (847) 470-5223. Fasting for 12 hours is also required but water and medications are allowed. The cost is $10 for residents age 65+ and $12 for non-residents and residents under age 65.

POTAWATOMI CASINO AND BINGO

Come join the Morton Grove Seniors for a fun-filled day in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Wednesday, April 23. The cost of this trip is $20 and includes motorcoach transportation. $15 match play, and $5 food voucher. The motorcoach leaves the Senior Center at 8:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 5 p.m. Register in person at the Senior Center Reception desk or mail in your payment with the registration form on page 15 before April 4.

TAO CHI DEMONSTRATION & CLASSES

Seniors who are curious about Tai Chi can come to the Morton Grove Senior Center and watch Louie Stallone as he gives a free demonstration of this ancient form of exercise at 10:45 a.m. on Tuesday, March 11. Tai Chi is a popular exercise that is low-impact and focuses on balance and breathing techniques to maintain well-being. If there is enough interest, Louie will be offering an introductory four-week course in Tai Chi on the following dates: March 25, April 8, 22, and 29. from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. The cost will be $2.50 per class for residents and $3.50 per class for non-residents. Register in person at the reception desk of the Senior Center.

MORTON GROVE SENIORTRAN

The Seniortran provides transportation from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, within Morton Grove. There is no cost for rides for Morton Grove Senior Center members and $1 for non-members. Seniors are pick up at their home and brought directly to their destination. For a reservation, call (starting at 9 a.m.) the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line one day in advance of the desired transportation date. Advanced reservations are now being accepted for those residents in need of transportation for the April 1 Election Day. the Hot Line phone number is (847) 470-5223.

"SINGIN' IN THE RAIN"

Come and enjoy this classic MGM musical on Tuesday, April 8 about Hollywood in the 20's as the silent pictures give way to the "talkies." This all-singing, all-dancing stage spectacle includes some of America's best-loved comedy routines, dance numbers, and love ballads. Motorcoach transportation and lunch at the Drury Lane/Evergreen Park are all included.

Your entrée choices are Breast of Chicken a la Martinique or five Jumbo Fantail Shrimp. Both dinners include Soup d'Jour, Garden Salad, Homemade Rolls, Duchess Potato, Vegetable d'Jour, Ice Cream Parfait, Coffee or Tea.

The motorcoach leaves the Senior Center at 11 a.m. and returns at approximately 5 p.m. The cost for the trip is $50 for residents and $55 for non-residents. Register in person at the Senior Center Reception Desk or mail in your payment with the registration form on page 15.

Niles Tam Tennis Senior Clinics

The Niles Park District and Tam Tennis & Fitness Complex present Senior Tennis "In no time," two tennis clinics directed towards seniors and the game of tennis. These two clinics are on Monday, March 3; and Thursday March 6 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at Tam Tennis & Fitness Complex, 7686 N. Caldwell.

The clinics will focus on stroke production, court positioning, and appropriate footwork for seniors. You are guaranteed to play the game of tennis by the end. The clinics are $5 for a resident senior and $8 non-resident senior, per clinic. For more information and to sign up, call Tam Tennis at (847) 967-1400 and mention the two senior clinics. You can also pick up a flyer at the Niles Senior Center.

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Now that it's tax season again, you may be looking around for someone to do your taxes. Here's a suggestion. Don't accept the friendly offer from your brother-in-law who claims to be "real good" at math.

Tax preparation can be complicated. So, if you do want some personal help you'll need to turn to a professional. But how can you find one? Should you just look in the Yellow Pages under "Tax Preparation?"

You could, but there are better ways. Start by asking your friends or relatives who they use. If they can recommend someone they've had good experience with, seek this person out, but don't automatically hand over your 1040. Before you sign on the dotted line, ask some questions? Here are some you might want to use.

Are you accredited?

A lot of people claim to be "tax preparers," but they're not all experts - or even professionals. Make sure the preparer you're considering has the proper credentials, either as a tax attorney, a certified public accountant or an "Enrolled Agent" - someone who can present you before the IRS in case of an audit. Usually, all these people are required to attend continuing education classes - a big plus for you, since it means they'll be familiar with the latest tax law changes.

How much do you charge?

It's a basic question but an important one. Find out, right up front, how much you can expect to pay to have your returns done. See if this fee includes any additional services, such as taking care of amended returns. And find out what, if any liability the preparer will assume if he or she makes a mistake on your return, causing you to be penalized by the IRS.

Do you have experience working with people like me?

This might be the most important question of all. You'll want someone who is familiar with your general situation. For instance, if you're self-employed, you'll want someone who has worked with people like you, and who knows all the various deductions you can claim, the business expenses you can write off, etc.

Can I reach you when tax season is over?

Tax preparers work very hard during tax season. In fact, some of them work so hard that they take several months off when the season is over, but you could have a question about your taxes at any time. Maybe you want to know the tax consequences for converting a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA. Or maybe you want to donate some appreciated stock to a charity and you want to find out how this might affect your tax picture for the year. Dozens of issues could arise outside tax season - which is why you'll want to pick someone who's available the year round.

Here's one more point to keep in mind. Help your tax preparer out as much as you can. Don't make him or her scrounge through shoeboxes full of tattered slips and receipts. Stay organized throughout the year. Keep good records and save all your financial statements. Your preparer will thank you - and you'll help your own cause.

Jeffrey Cardella can be reached at Edward Jones, 8141 N. Milwaukee, Niles, 847-470-8953.

Chicago Rocks & Minerals Society

Chicago Rocks and Minerals Society Announces 53rd Annual Silent Auction of Rocks, Minerals, Fossils and Lapidary Treasures.

The Chicago Rocks & Minerals Society will conduct its 2003 Silent Auction of rocks, minerals, fossils, and lapidary treasures Saturday, March 9, 7 to 10 p.m. at the Salvation Army - Irving Park Corps building, 4056 N. Pulaski Avenue in Chicago. The event is open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Admission is free. Refreshments will be served.

The Chicago Rocks & Minerals Society meets monthly on the second Saturday of each month (except July and August) at 7:30 p.m. at the Salvation Army - Irving Park Corps building, 4056 N. Pulaski Ave., Chicago. Visitors are always welcome. The objectives of the society are to study, disseminate, and promote interest in the earth sciences emphasizing the various aspects of geology, paleontology, paleobotany, mineralogy, and the lapidary arts, as well as to collect minerals, fossil specimens, and cutting material.

For more information, call Jeanine N. Mielecki at (773) 774-2054 or e-mail <JayNine9@aol.com>.

The first 25 years of the Lincolnwood Library

Celebration!

Library Open House: Sunday, March 9, from 1 to 5 p.m. Featuring swing band Bopology 3 p.m., decorative balloon figures created by artist Tony Wright, a meet and greet for new Library Director Jack Hurwitz and a chance to make predictions about the library's future and to add past ones from the 15th anniversary memory book.

The Friends of the Library will have a display and a sign-up table for folks who would like to join the group. A reception in the Sehn Room will include food treats and beverages and "Guess the Book Titles" contest based on plated food and other items. Example: What book does rye bread and a catcher's mitt signify? Answer: "Catcher in the Rye" by J.D. Salinger.

A tree planting ceremony to commemorate the 25th anniversary is set for May 4. Planning is underway.

The Village of Lincolnwood's vehicle sticker for 03-04 will include the Lincolnwood Public Library District's new "Doorway to the World. Serving Since 1978" logo to mark the 25th Anniversary.

Chicago Jewish Day School presents Rachel Buchman

Sunday, March 2, at 4 p.m., Chicago Jewish Day School presents Rachel Buchman in concert at Temple Sholom, 3480 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL.

Rachel Buchman, nationally acclaimed children's recording artist *(Shine Little Candles, Sing a Song of Season)* brings her music and sunny warmth to Chicago's children in a family concert sponsored by Chicago Jewish Day School.

Tickets are $10 per family in advance, $15 per family at the door.

For information, call (773) 529-4900, or e-mail us at: info@chicagojewishdayschool.org.

IceLand Public Skate Hours

Niles Park District IceLand Skate & Swim offers open skate hours, so you can come and skate during the day, at night and on the weekends.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 10:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

Wednesday: 12:45-2 p.m.

Thursday: 4:10-5:25 p.m.

Friday: 8-9:30 p.m.

Saturday: 12:05-1:20 p.m.

Sunday: 2:30-4 p.m.

Fees: Res: Adult $4/ Child $3.50

Non-Res: Adult $4.50/ Child $4

Skate Rental: $2.50

IceLand is located at 8435 Ballard Road. Call (847) 297-8010 for more information.

Niles Park District Summer Day Camps

Niles Park District offers a wide variety of summer camp programs for preschool age through incoming eighth grade kids. Campers will spend the day at the pool, attend several field trips, enjoy crafts and have fun with friends.

Traditional day camp, half day camp and sports camp sessions are available. Registration for all summer camps begins on March 3, at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard. Pick up the 2003 Summer Camp Guide at the Howard Leisure Center or Grennan Heights Facility to start planning an exciting summer for your child! Call (847) 967-6633 with any questions.

Lewis University Choir Spring Concert Schedule

The Lewis University Choir, conducted by Dr. Lawrence Sisk, Chairperson of Lewis' Music department, will present a series of concerts of sacred music on Tuesdays evenings during the spring semester. Open to the public, admission to the concerts is free of charge. The spring concert schedule is as follows:

March 11, St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 23W080 Butterfield Road in Glen Ellyn, 7:30 p.m.

March 18, First Congregational Church, 25 East Benton Street in Naperville, 7:30 p.m.

March 25, Marian Village, 15620 Lourdes Drive in Lockport, 7:30 p.m.

April 8, Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church, 14610 Will Cook Road in Homer Glen, 7:30 p.m.

April 22, Lewis Unviersity main campus, De La Salle Hall, Room 236, Route 53 in Romeoville, 7:30 p.m.

The 35-voice choir is made up of students, faculty, and staff from Lewis University as well as singers from the surrounding communities. The group specializes in a cappella sacred music ranging from medieval plainsong to contemporary music.

The programs will include Gregorian chant and Latin motets by composers of the Spanish Renaissance including Alonso Lobo and Tomás Luis de Victoria.

Two Concerts presented in March

The **Glenview Symphony Orchestra** will perform on Sunday, March 9, 3:30 p.m., at the Christian Heritage Academy, 315 Waukegan Rd., Northfield. Anatol Lysenka will conduct music of Suppe, Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Svetlanov, and Shostakovich. Guest artists will include Steve Edwards and Philip Simmons, duo-guitarists, and Lyudmilla Lakisova, piano. Tickets are $18, $12 for students and seniors. For more information, call (847) 920-9569.

The **Lincolnwood Chamber Orchestra** will perform on Sunday, March 16, 3 p.m., at the Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincolnwood. The LCO will be joined by the Lincoln Hall Jr. High School Orchestra, which will perform "Jupiter" from Gustav Holst's "The Planets" and a new work by Ilya Levinson, "Side by Side", with members from both orchestras. The LCO and conductor Philip Simmons will conclude the program with Mozart's Symphony No. 41. Tickets are $18, $12 for students and seniors. For more information, call (847) 920-9569.

King of Hearts Ball

It's a magical night out with your favorite little guy in grades kindergarten through 6th. Moms, Grandmas and Aunts are invited to join Niles Park District for an evening of fun dancing, games, prizes and refreshments. Our rocking DJ leads the way to get everyone moving to the music. Don't miss this special event to be held on Friday, March 7 at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard Street from 7-9 p.m.

Call (847) 967-6633 to register.

St. Joseph Table at St. Juliana Parish

St. Juliana Parish will be hosting their annual St. Joseph's Table on Sunday, March 16, 2003 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is no charge for the meatless meal, but cash donations will be accepted. All leftover food and donations will be given to the St. Vincent DePaul Society to be distributed to the less fortunate.

The table will be held in the school hall located at 7400 W. Touhy Avenue. Please join us in celebrating the St. Joseph Table.

For more information, call the Parish Center at (773) 631-4127.

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Sir James Galway to Perform at Dominican University

Renowned flutist Sir James Galway performs at the 23rd Annual Dominican University Trustee Benefit Concert on Sunday, March 30, at 3 p.m. in Lund Auditorium. Sir James is internationally regarded as both a matchless interpreter of the classical repertoire, and a charismatic entertainer whose appeal crosses all musical boundaries.

Tickets for the concert are $45 and $100. Benefit tickets are $325, which include the concert, silent auction and dinner. For additional information or ticket reservations, call (708) 524-6299. Dominican University's Lund Auditorium is located on the main campus, 7900 W. Division Street, River Forest.

In addition to his traditional Irish folk melodies, Sir James' repertoire ranges from Bach and Vivaldi to jazz and other popular 20th century music. His unique sound has made him one of the most respected and sought-after performing artists of our time.

His latest CD is *Un-break My Heart*, a collection of orchestral arrangements of popular hits. Sir James records exclusively for BMG Classics and appears by arrangement with IMG artists. In June 2001, Sir James received the honor of knighthood from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Accompanying Sir James will be native Chicagoan Phillip Moll. Moll has worked with a number of artists including Kathleen Battle, Hakan Hagegard and Jessye Norman. He has performed with Sir James since 1975.

At the dinner following the concert, Dominican will bestow its annual Bravo Award for distinguished community service to the Steans family.

Founded in 1901, Dominican University is a comprehensive, coeducational Catholic institution offering bachelor's and master's degrees. Dominican offers 51 undergraduate academic programs in the Rosary College of Arts and Science and 18 graduate programs in four graduate schools through the Graduate School of Library and Information Siecnce, the Graduate School of Business and Information Systems, the School of Education and the Graduate School of Social Work. In the 2003 issue of *America's Best Colleges, U.S News & World Report* ranked Dominican University in the top tier of Midwest master's level universities and as a best value for the fifth consecutive year

North American Youth Sports Annual Tournament

North American Youth Sports announced today that they still have openings in their annual spring youth basketball tournament in the Northwest Indiana area at Purdue-Calumet University on March 28-30, 2003.

This tournament will feature six different brackets. They include 5th-6th grade boys; 5th-6th grade girls; 7th grade boys; 7th grade girls; 8th grade boys; and 8th grade girls. All grades are based on the grade in which a student is currently enrolled.

The entry fee for this tournament is $105 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. There will be awards presented in each bracket.

The entry deadline is March 3, 2003.

For additional information or an entry form, please call the toll-free NAYS spring tournament hotline at 1-800-787-3265.

Free Laurel & Hardy Film Festival

The Chicago Bacon Grabbers, the local chapter of the Sons of the Desert (the international Laurel & Hardy appreciation society), will present a free Laurel & Hardy film festival Saturday, March 1, at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital.

The event will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. in Olson Auditorium at the hospital, 1775 W. Dempster St., Park Ridge.

Among the scheduled films will be two Laurel & Hardy short subjects, "Me and My Pal" (1933) and "Thicker Than Water" (1935), and a 60-minute British documentary about the comedy team.

In addition, Charlie Chaplin's silent film, "Pay Day" (1922) will be shown. Stan Laurel was Chaplin's understudy in the Fred Karno British comedy troupe that toured America between 1910 and 1912. The Stan Laurel comedy, "Roughest Africa" (1923), made before the actor teamed with Oliver Hardy, also will be screened to compare the solo film work he produced during the same period as the Chaplin selection.

Reservations are not required. For more information, call (847) 658-3421.

Screenings at DesPlaines Library

DesPlaines Community Health Nurse Madeline May has announced that March cholesterol screenings will be taken, 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, March 8, 2003, at the DesPlaines Public Library, 1501 Ellinwood St. Screenings are generally taken on the first Saturday of the month.

According to Nurse May, cholesterol screenings will also be conducted 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday, March 6, 2003, at Des Plaines City Hall, 1420 Miner St. Appointments for both the Thursday and Saturday screenings are necessary and can be made by calling the Human Resources & Services Department at (847) 391-5480.

Mingling Singles

First Friday Mix: March 7, 2003=5:30 p.m. at Maxwell's, 6415 Dempster, Morton Grove.

Join us for a fun evening of great food and socializing. You will be glad you did. All are Welcome! You just pay for the food you eat plus tip and tax. Please call for reservation at (847) 475-6563.

Sunday, March 23, $12, 6:30 p.m. "Spring Ahead" Appetizers, snacks and Dancing.

A DJ will entertain us with Danceable music. Prime Minister Restaurant. Location 3355 Milwaukee, Glenview. Cash Bar

Reservation by March 19 Checks payable to Mingling Singles call (847) 967-9848.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church

St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Margret and Thacker in Des Plaines, will once again observe Shrove Tuesday with its "all you can eat" Sourdough Pancake Supper on Tuesday, March 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Held in the Parish Hall, the event will offer a Mardi Gras theme. Tickets are available by calling the office at (847) 824-2043, or at the door that evening. Prices are $4 for those ages 12 and above, $2 for ages 6 to 11, with children 5 and under eating free. Profits benefit the Self-Help Closet and Pantry of Des Plaines.

St. Ladislaus Women's Club Annual Fish Fry

Every Friday during Lent, except April 18, the Women's Club of St. Ladislaus Parish will be sponsoring its Eighth Annual Fish Fry. We will be offering excellent Fried Fish and Shrimp Dinners, Cheese Pizza, Green Pepper & Egg Sandwiches and a "Pasta and Soup of the Week." All dinners reasonably priced.

Come join us for a delicious dining experience between the hours of 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets available at the door. Caryouts available by calling (773) 725-2300.

Orchesis Dance Company to Dance for You

The Niles West Orchesis Dance Company presents "Dance for Me" at 7:30 p.m. on February 27, 28 and March 1. Performances will be held in the Robert L. Johnson Auditorium, 5701 W. Oakton in Skokie. Tickets are $7. "Dance for Me" will feature various dance styles such as lyrical, modern, jazz, funk, and more. Officers for this year's troupe include: Kristina Govostis, Melanie Cuaresma, Kathy Barquez, and Monica Castillo. For more information, contact Orchesis sponsor Mindy Slutzky at (847) 626-2815.

OLR Band Students Compete in Solo Contest

On Saturday, January 25, 2003, the band class students from Our Lady of Ransom School in Niles participated in SOLO CONTEST, held at St. Hubert School in Hoffman Estates. Over 550 students from 9 Catholic grade-school band programs participated in this contest, in which each student prepared a short solo and a number of scales and was rated on quality of performance. All the band students from Our Lady of Ransom School scored in the highest two rated categories:

Earning a rating of II for EXCELLENT performance of solo were Andrew Brito, Douglas Hansel, Suzanne Hansel, and Tomasz Zalewski.

Earning a rating of I for SUPERIOR performance of solo were Agata Bogucka, Corinne Chin, Jackie Cichon, Jenny Cielinski (drum and bells), Louie Cordon, Ravneet Girn, Hannah Johnson, Asha Kirchhoff, Krystyna Korez, Stephanie Mendoza, Joy Ocampo, Laurie Penalber, Cathy Randazzo, Luigi Randazzo (drum and bells), Mary Anne San Juan, Kristin San Ramon, Michael Spiff, and Steven Veselka.

Earning a rating of I for SUPERIOR performance of solo with a PERFECT SCORE were Stephanie Mendoza and Jennie Suarez.

Congratulations to all of the Our Lady Ransom School band students who participated on the outstanding showing at the solo contest. Band class at Our Lady of Ransom School is a full year elective class open to all interested students from Our Lady of Ransom School who is in grades 4 through 8. The band-class instructor, in his 5th year at Our Lady of Random School and his 23rd year of teaching Catholic grade-school band in the Archdiocese of Chicago, is Mr. Dominic J. Lombardo.

Pictured is Tomasz Zalewski, a band student at Our Lady of Ransom School in Niles, earned an Excellent rating for his performance at the Solo Contest held in Hoffman Estates.

VFW Park Ridge Post #3579 Award Ceremony

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Park Ridge Post #3579 are honoring policement, firemen and paramedics from the surrounding areas, Monday, March 10, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. at 10 W. Higgins, Park Ridge, IL 60068.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars will serve refreshments to the persons receiving awards, their families and guests following the awards ceremony.

Pancake Day at Martin Luther Church

Martin Luther Church, 6850 W. Addison St., Chicago, will hold its Annual Pancake Day on Saturday, March 1, 2003 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. There wll be a boutique, cookie sale and entertainment. The cost of the tickets are $4.50 for adults and $2 for children under 12 years of age.

Photography Exhibit

40 Breathtaking Scientific Photographs showcased at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, through April 7.

WHAT: The Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum features *Images from Science*, an exhibit promoting a wider appreciation of scientific photography by showcasing beautiful, but rarely seen images drawn from oceanography, geology, biology, engineering, medicine, physics and the inside of laboratories. Photos include a 78-million-year-old flower fossil, a human adult digestive system and images from the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute.

The exhibit is the brainchild of Michael Peres and Andrew Davidhazy, professors at Rochester Institute of Technology's School of Photographic Arts and Sciences. The international exhibit features 58 photographs selected on the basis of their aesthetics, visual impact and scientific content.

WHEN: Through April 7, 2003.

WHERE: Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Drive (at Fullerton Avenue), Chicago.

COST: Admission to the Nature Museum is $7 for adults, $4 for children ages 3-12 and $5 for seniors age 60+ and college students. Chicago residents receive a $1 discount off the price of general admission. Thursdays in 2003 are free.

Niles Youth Council Dance

The Niles Youth Council is hosting a dance (for all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders) on March 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Niles Fitness Center. Come and enjoy a night of dancing, food and prizes. The cost is $5 pre-pay or $6 at the door. Please pre-pay at the Fitness Center or the Howard Leisure Center by Friday, Feb. 28. Get $1 off by bringing in a can food item for the Niles Family Services food pantry. For more information, please contact Ann at (847) 967-6633.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown presented

The Resurrection High School Drama Department, 7500 W. Talcott, will present the musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" on February 28, and March 1 & 2.

With book, music and lyrics by Charles Gesner and directed by Kathie Foszez, the show stars senior Bernadette Santiago as Charlie Brown. Sophomores Kelly Kleidorfer and Justine Palmisano share the role of Snoopy, and are joined by sophomores Michelle Lukacs as Lucy, Cindy Bangert as Linus, Katie Weisenburger as Patty, and Mather High School student Ricky Smart as Schroeder. Over 20 additional students will fill out the ensemble as other members of the Peanuts gang.

Shows are scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 28; 2 and 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 1; and 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 2. Tickets are $5 pre-sale and $6 at the door. To reserve tickets, call (773) 775-6616 between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Tips to make your garden grow this spring

Meet Experts at Flower & Garden Show. According to the National Gardening Association, consumers spent approximately $40 billion on their lawns and gardens last year. We seed, feed, water and cut them - we even hand out awards for them. They are, in essence, extensions of our homes.

The 2003 Chicago Flower & Garden Show sponsored by Ace Hardware will capture that aura - for suburbanites and urbanites alike. From March 8-16, floral and garden enthusiasts will descend on Navy Pier by the thousands to view more than 30 themed gardens, attend over 50 "how-to" seminars for every age and skill level and visit 200 garden products and educational booths.

Before the show begins, however, Ace offers this helpful advice to better create your dream lawn.

"Tooling" Around

Not having the proper tools to perform lawn maintenance can make anyone's dreams of a perfect patch of green go downhill.

"Having the proper equipment really makes all the difference between a beautiful lawn and one that's just okay," says Lou Manfredini, Ace Hardware's "Helpful Hardware Man" and national home improvement expert. He suggests purchasing a spade or garden trowel for planting flowers and digging small holes, and a claw-like cultivating tool for loosening soil.

When planting shrubs or small trees, use a shovel with a round-point and long fiberglass handles. "Properly dug holes - wider at the base and large enough to allow the roots to spread out - are the key to successful tree and shrub planting," Manfredini adds.

Pruning

Pruning plants in the middle of leaf growth is damaging because there is the risk of losing stored energy for use of pushing out new growth, and can be an invitation for disease and damaging insects. Bottom line: save your shears for fall.

Reseeding

Reseeding is smartest in early spring, once the temperatures have warmed up and the chance of frost has passed. Just remember to choose the right mix for your growing conditions. Rake your lawn first to remove any dead grass and debris. Broadcast seeds with a mechanical hopper spreader using three or four pounds per 1,000 square feet and then rake the seedbed lightly using the tips of the rake's teeth. Keep the area moist until the seeds germinate.

Watering

While it's true that water is really the driving force behind the health of your lawn and garden, did you know that too much of a good thing can also be hazardous? Over watering can actually destroy your grass by encouraging fungi and weed growth. In order to prevent that from happening, make sure you only give your greenery approximately two inches of water per week. Manfredini suggests also keeping these tips in mind:

• Sandy soil drains quickly, so water it often. Clay soils hold water for a long time and can handle less-frequent watering.

• Mulching your plant and flower beds is a great way to conserve water.

• While you may not be a morning person, your grass is. Watering during the morning hours is better for your lawn than in the evening because it can help to avoid fungus problems by giving the grass ample time to dry during the day.

When To Plant

You've prepared the garden and you've purchased the supplies. So when can you start planting?

"The most important thing to keep in mind is current weather conditions," says Manfredini. "Both trees and shrubs can be planted when the ground can be worked, but with Chicago winters, you should wait a few weeks after the snow melts when temperatures remain above freezing. If a vegetable garden is in your sight, sow seeds in the spring once soil temperatures are consistently in the 50 degree range."

Special $2 discount admission coupons to the Chicago Flower & Garden Show are available at participating Ace Hardware stores in the Chicagoland area. Ace also will present Ace Kids Club activities, including many hands on projects for children.

For more lawn and garden advice, visit your local Ace Hardware store or log on to www.acehardware.com.

Local Residents Give Wheels for Wishes

Make-A-Wish of Northern Illinois Car Donation Program Makes the Wishes of Children with Life Threatening Illnesses Come True.

Have an old car taking up space in your garage? It could make the dreams of local children come true, and they will never even get behind the wheel!

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northern Illinois is pleased to announce a new automobile donation hotline. Call toll free 1-866-608-WISH to donate your old car to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The proceeds benefit local children and donors then can take a tax deduction equal to fair market value of the car.

"For a number of people, donating an old car is a terrific option," explains Pam Devereux, executive director of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northern Illinois. "If a car has been taking up space in the driveway for months, getting rid of it, earning a nice deduction and helping the wishes of kids with life-threatening illnesses come true means a trio of benefits for donors. The streamlined process makes the donation very easy."

To donate your car and make the fondest dreams of local children with life-threatening illnesses come true please call toll-free 866-608-WISH or look for details online at www.wishes.org. Towing is free and the process is simple.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is the oldest and largest wish-granting organization in the world. Since its start locally in 1985, more than 4,000 children battling life-threatening illnesses have gained strength and hope as they experience a wish come true. Make-A-Wish has high ethical standards for fundraising and never solicits funds on the phone or by email.

Support the Donate a Tree Program

The Niles Park District offers a special way to remember births, weddings, or departed loved ones through the Donate a Tree program. Since the program began, dozens of trees have been added to our community parks. Choose from six (6) varieties of trees to be planted in the park of your choice, or at the Tam Golf Course. Pick up our Donate Tree brochure at the Howard Leisure Center, Grennan Heights, or Ice-Land ice arena.

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Contact Treasurer's Office for Unclaimed Property

State Senator Wendell Jones (R-Palatine) today is urging area residents to contact Illinois State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka if they suspect the state may have lost or abandoned property that may belong to them.

Senator Jones is working with Illinois State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka's office in a cooperative effort to find the owners of unclaimed assets under the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act. Most of the claims are assets of at least one hundred dollars.

These unclaimed assets generally consist of checking or savings accounts, dividends, uncashed payroll checks and safe deposit box contents, although they could consist of nearly any unclaimed financial asset.

"The Treasurer is doing a valuable service to the people of Illinois," Jones said. "She works very hard to find the rightful owners of these assets because she believes they should have what belongs to them. I agree with her and am doing all I can to make sure the people in the 27th district are informed about unclaimed property that belongs to them."

The Unclaimed Property Act states that after assets have been abandoned or inactive for **five** years, the holder of the property must attempt to locate the owner. If the effort fails, the assets are turned over to the Illinois State Treasurer's Office. The Treasurer then holds the assets indefinitely until the owner or heirs of the estate claim the property.

Inquiries must be in writing and must include the name and address and county of residence of the claimant. The address is: State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka, Unclaimed Property Division - P.O. Box 19495 Springfield, IL 62794-9495.

Jones also is sending letters to individuals on the list living in his District. For more information, please contact the Treasurer's office at (312) 814-1700 or (217) 782-6540.

25th Anniversary of The Spring Home Show

Homeowners will find a treasure trove of ideas, inspiration and expertise at the 25th Anniversary of the Spring Home and Outdoor Living Expo, Feb. 28-March 2, 2003 at Arlington Park in Arlington Heights, IL. With over 400 exhibits, seminars, all the latest products for the home and nationally-renowned speakers, the show offers the opportunity to compare products and gather information on dozens of projects, all under one roof.

Headlining the speaker schedule is Jim Parks, host of Home and Garden TV's popular remodeling show, "New Spaces." In over 100 episodes, Jim has documented the dramatic transformation of old, outdated kitchens, baths, garages, and more. He brings a lifetime of experience and his remodeling presentations will be in the form of panel discussions with audience participation on Saturday and Sunday.

Also appearing is nationally known decorator and HGTV personality, Sue Pelley. Pelley shares over 26 years of tips on making interiors new and beautiful. She has appeared on over 100 television segments and is presently touring as a lecturer and columnist.

Another presenter, Richard Preves, is an architect and author of the new book, *New House More House*, written to help homeowners solve the mysteries of residential construction projects.

Free Colorado Blue Spruce Trees

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during February 2003.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

Colorado blue spruces have silver blue-green color and a compact conical shape. They can be used as individual ornamentals, an energy-saving windbreak, a privacy screen, or as living Christmas trees.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a $10 contribution to TEN FREE COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by February 28, 2003.

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Record number of families give gift of hope

A record number of families consenting to organ donation in Illinois and northwest Indiana made possible an unprecedented 17 percent increase in lifesaving organs made available for transplant in 2002, officials with Gift Of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network have announced.

Last year, 929 lifesaving organ transplants took place because of the decisions of 289 families to consent to organ donation, Gift of Hope reports. That compares with 792 transplants made possible through 250 donors in 2001. In the region, the previous high number for organ transplants in a year was 861 in 2000.

Gift of Hope President/CEO Jerry Anderson credits the 2002 increases to hospitals' commitment to referring potential doors, as well as increased awareness campaigns and education programs that are encouraging more families to donate upon a loved one's death. Gift of Hope is responsible for discussing donation with familes at the hospital when their loved one's death has been declared. The donor network reports that 60 percent of the families its staff worked with in 2002 agreed to donate -- remaining above the national average of 50 percent.

Anderson also reported advances in Gift of Hope's medical management of potential donors. "Although the number of potential donors referred to Gift of Hope remained the same in 2002, our recovery teams and clinical staff have improved donor management to enable a greater number of organs to be recovered and transplanted, according to the family's wishes," he said.

In addition to last year's record rate of organ donation, 947 families consented to tissue donation, enabling tens of thousands of patients to receive medical transplants of bone, heart valves and other tissues.

"Illinois is one of the top regions in the nation in terms of the number of donations and transplants that have taken place," Anderson said. "The challenge is to continue building on what has been accomplished. There's still a critical shortage and that means people are dying as a result."

While greater numbers of patients are eligible to donate tissue, in only about 2 percent of deaths are patients medically eligible to become organ donors -- thus creating urgency to ensure that the family of every patient eligible to donate is given the option to do so, Anderson said. Gift of Hope relies on referrals from the 185 hospitals it serves to identifiy those eligible patients and work with Gift of Hope medical teams to coordinate the donation process with the patient's family, hospital staff and transplant teams.

The number patients registered for organ transplants with Illinois' eight transplant centers remained relatively the same in the last year, at about 4,500 men, women and children Sadly, as new patients were added to the list, more than 300 patients died while waiting for a lifesaving organ -- a heart, lung, liver, kidney, pancreas or small intestine -- that never became available.

Nationally, 17 people die every day waiting for lifesaving organ transplants and more than 100 others -- one every 13 minutes -- are added to the national transplant waiting list. Meanwhile an estimated one in 20 Americans will require some type of medical tissue transplant during a lifetime; despite the number of transplants performed and the anticipated future need, just 8 percent of the need for transplantable tissue is currently being met.

Organs and tissues from a single donor can help more than 25 individuals. Everyone, no matter how young or old, can be a lifesaver by choosing to be an organ and tissue donor. To become a donor, sign a Uniform Donor Card (such as the card on the back of a driver's license) and, most importantly, inform family members of the decision. In Illinois, a family's consent is required before donation can occur.

Gift of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network, formerly the Regional Organ Bank of Illinois, is the federally mandated not-for-profit organ procurement organization (OPO) working with hospitals and families in the northern three-fourths of Illinois and northwest Indiana. Established in 1986, Gift of Hope is among the largest of the nation's 59 OPOs. Its main office is located in Elmhurst, a west suburb of Chicago, with satellite offices in Springfield, Rockford, Peoria, Champaign and Bloomington-Normal.

Working with the 185 hospitals in its service area, Gift of Hope is responsible for:

- Discussing donation with family members of potential donors.
- Evaluating potential donors for medical suitability.
- Coordinating the organ and tissue procurement processes
- Educating healthcare professionals about the donation process.
- Offering support to families of organ and tissue donors
- Providing the more than 11 million people in its service area with information about donation.
- Assisting hospitals with the development of policies and procedures for donation.

Gift of Hope serves Illinois' eight transplant centers and works with other OPOs through the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) to provide lifesaving organs for patients awaiting them. UNOS is the federally mandated registration center for organ transplant candidates in the United States. UNOS' computer-based system matches donated organs with patients in need in accordance with strict federal guidelines intended to ensure equitable distribution.

For more information contact Give of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network at 888/307-DONS or visit:

www.giftofhope.org

Osteoporosis support group offered at LGH

The Women's Health Resource Center of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, in partnership with the National Osteoporosis Foundation, sponsors an Osteoporosis support group from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster, Park Ridge, Special Functions Dining Room.

The group provides information and emotional support to persons with osteoporosis, their families and friends.

Physical Therapist Sheryl Hilbert will discuss preventing falls and home safety at the March 6 meeting.

For more information and to register, call 1-800-3-ADVOCATE (1-800-323-8622).

DesPlaines Registration Deadline March 4

DesPlaines City Clerk Donna McAllister has announced that the last day to register to vote in the DesPlaines City Clerk's Office prior to the April 1, 2003 Consolidated Election is Tuesday, March 4, 2003. Corporate DesPlaines residents wishing to register must bring two forms of identification to the City Clerk's Office, Room 602, City Hall, 1420 Miner St. Individuals born outside the United States will need to present naturalization papers. Hours in the City Clerk's Office for registering are 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

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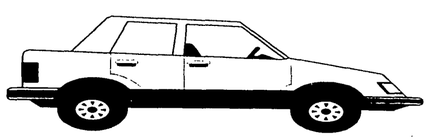

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Specifications, general information and proposal forms will be available in the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Village of Niles, 1000 Civic Center Drive, Niles, Illinois 60714 (847) 588-8000. A current Illinois Department of Transportation Certificate of Eligibility must be submitted in order to obtain bid documents for these projects.

Sealed proposals will be accepted until 12:00 Noon, Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at Niles Administration Building, 1000 Civic Center Drive, Niles, Illinois, (southeast corner Oakton Street and Waukegan Road).

Proposals will be opened at 3:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 12, 2003, in the Conference Room at the Administration Building.

Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible firm, or in any way restrain, or restrict competition. All responsible and eligible firms are encouraged to submit proposals. The Village reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive informalities or technicalities in any proposal, and to accept the proposal which it deems to be in the best interests of the Village.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE – THE MORTON GROVE PLAN COMMISSION will hold a public hearing on MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Trustees Chambers, Richard T. Fliekinger Municipal Center, 6101 Capulina Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois to consider the following case:

CASE PC02-15

Requesting an amendment to the existing Planned Unit Development (PUD) to permit replacement of a 200-unit senior living building with 156 condominium units in two buildings, resulting in a total development mix of 462 units (408 condos and 54 townhome/villas). The property is located at 6301 Lincoln Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois. The applicant is Mark Elliott, The Elliott Group, Inc., 6301 Lincoln Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois 60053

All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.

Steven Blonz
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE – A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE MORTON GROVE PLAN COMMISSION TO CONSIDER A CONTINUED CASE will be held on **Wednesday, March 5, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center, 6140 Dempster St., Morton Grove, Illinois**

CASE PC02-14 (Continued from February 19, 2003)

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Cook County, Illinois

2003 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton Grove, Cook County, Illinois, that sealed bids will be received for the "2003 Street Improvement Program."

Bids will be received up to the hour of 10:30 a.m. Local Time, on the 14th day of March, 2003, at the office of the Director of Public Works, Public Works facility at 7840 Nagle Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois, and will be publicly opened and read at that time.

The bidding forms and documents are available at the Office of the Director of Public Works, Village of Morton Grove, Illinois, upon payment of the sum of Fifty and 00/100 dollars ($50.00) which is not refundable Bids must be submitted on the forms provided.

The Director of Public Works has the right to refuse to issue Plans, Specifications and Proposals to any person, firm, or corporation that he considers to be unqualified. All bidders must be pre-qualified with the Department of Transportation, State of Illinois, and the Certificate of Eligibility must be submitted to the Village prior to issuance of Plans and Specifications. This qualification and eligibility may be waived by the Village.

All bids offered must be accompanied by a bid bond, cash or certified check made payable to the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton Grove in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the aggregate of the bid as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, a contract will be consummated In addition, all bidders are required to submit an "Affidavit of Availability" with their bid

The right to waive any irregularity and to reject any or all bids is reserved to the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton Grove.

Dated at Morton Grove, Illinois, this 20th day of February, 2003.

David Erb
Finance Director, Village of Morton Grove

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct of transaction of Business in the State," as amended, that a certification was filed by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Cook County

File No. D03082776 on February 3, 2003, under the Assumed Name of Equity Builders with the business located at 5042 W. Carmen, Chicago, IL 60630. The true name(s) and residence address of the owner (s) is: Brian C. Zimmerman, 5042 W. Carmen, Chicago IL 60630.

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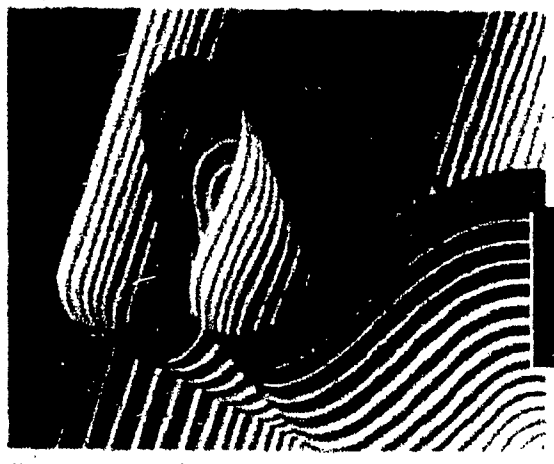

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