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Niles Police

Chief Sheehan resigns post

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Gerald Sheehan, Niles Chief of Police, announced last week that he would resign from his 33-year career effective Sept. 3. At the last Village Board meeting, Tuesday, May 25, Niles Mayor Nick Blase bid Sheehan a fond farewell.

"He served the village very long," said Blase. "He's done a great job for the village and we're going to miss him."

Of Sheehan's 33 years on the force, the last four and a half were spent as chief. He was elevated to acting chief in January of 2000. He said that the job was challenging and that he was able to interact with a great force and a great community.

"You meet a lot of unusual people and good people," he said. "That was probably the best part of the job. I've been very fortunate to be here."

Sheehan said that the support of the village officials and the residents of Niles made his job much easier.

"We're very fortunate to have a good governmental structure," he said. "The whole community has been very supportive of the department and that makes our job a lot easier."

The decision to retire wasn't an easy one. Sheehan and his wife had been talking about it for some time, he said, and with the completion of the new police station, now seemed like an appropriate time. "I didn't want to go until the new station was done," he said. "Some of the officers here, like [Deputy Chief Dean] Strzelecki and [Cmdr. Dan] Halley worked their tails off to get it done."

Still, Sheehan will be sad to leave the department.

"You think, 'am I leaving too early?'" he said. "But the village has a good department, community and government."

Senate passes property tax cap bill

Tax-relief measure would limit yearly assessments to seven percent

The Illinois State Senate approved a bill last week that would limit the increase in property tax assessments to seven percent annually, granting some relief to rising assessments that are taxing many seniors and moderate to lower income individuals out of their homes and neighborhoods.

The legislation (SB 2112) limits assessment increases to seven percent through an alternate homestead exemption. If a homeowner had a $100,000 assessment, under this bill, the assessment could only go up to $107,000. But if the homeowner was assessed at $110,000 then the homeowner would receive an exemption for the $3,000 of assessment that is above the seven percent threshold.

The exemption sunsets in three years. It is also limited to assessment increases of up to $20,000. This means that the exemption could not be applied to assessments above $100,000.

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In Recognition

Member's of the Morton Grove Fire Department Engine Company #4 stand behind a memorial that was erected last week to honor the original volunteer fire company. The volunteers started the first fire company in 1904 by borrowing $500 from the village treasury to pay for a portion of needed equipment.
**Niles News**

**Nannini welcomed to village staff**

The village of Niles welcomed one of its own back this year. Former Niles resident Corinne Nunnini, who now lives in Niles, was recently appointed to act as the village’s Senior Accountant.

“We’re very happy to have her on staff,” said Village Finance Director George Vasquez. Nunnini joined the village this spring. She said that, after working as a certified public accountant while raising her family, she was looking forward to the new position.

“I like the work,” she said. “I’m really enjoying it so far. And the staff is nice, approachable and easy to work with.”

Nunnini attended her first village board meeting last month, going in Vasquez’s stead.

“It was an interesting experience,” she said. “Definitely an opportunity to learn. I’m glad I have the chance to go.”

Nunnini currently lives in Rolling Meadows with her family. She left Niles two years ago and now said that, despite the commute, it was good to be back.

“The people still love here,” she said. “It’s like coming home.”

**Village Board approves new treadmills, ellipticals for Family Fitness Center**

The Niles Village Board approved the purchase of six new elliptical machines and four new treadmills for the Niles Family Fitness Center.

The new machines replace equipment that had been in use at the Center since it opened five years ago. Fitness Center personnel selected a brand known as “Precor” for the new machines, citing durability and ease of use. The four treadmills totaled $18,905 and the six ellipticals totaled $16,985.

Fitness Center Director Carl Marcetis said that the machines were very popular and would help with enrollment.

“People like the treadmills because of different levels of feedback and because it’s a low impact,” he said. “People like the ellipticals because they have no impact.”

**Mother’s Day flower sale a success**

The Niles Teen Center is holding a Mother’s Day flower sale every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. The flowers will be set up in the back area outside of the front entrance.

The cost is $3 and orders are taken to bring a chair or blanket to sit on.

The Teen Center is also holding a Teen Hawaiian Luau Monday, June 21 from 7 to 10 p.m. The Niles Teen Center will be transformed into a Hawaiian island. There will be a DJ, dancing, contests, games and prizes. The cost for this event is $5.

The Niles Teen Center is located at 5922 N. Caldwell and the Niles Free Bus #911 and the Reverse will take you right to the Teen Center door. For more information call 847-665-9185.

**2ND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

The beautiful flowers, delicious treats, piano music, and the Kiwanis of the North American Maryus Council and the Ladies Auxiliary members are a chance opportunity to help folks show their Mom from how much they care, while helping a great organization in assisting young women and mothers in need of financial support. All proceeds were given to the Women’s Center of Chicago.

The Kiwanis invited special thanks to all the members that helped with the flowers and especially to Michele Miller and John O’Keefe, who helped coordinate the sale and helped make it a success.

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**Niles Park District Receives Accreditation**

The Niles Park District received PDMA’s highest access committee award for Accreditation this week. Executive Director Joseph LeVende said, “This award represents the outstanding work of our Safety Committee. Chaired by Jilbur Valla and Jim Brownin, and all our employees who con-

**Niles Teen Center holds summer kick-off events**

The Niles Teen Center is offering two summer kick-off activities for youth in grades 6-12. The first Teen Outdoor Movie Night will be held at the Teen Center on June 21 from 7 to 9 p.m., where a large, outdoor movie screen will be set up in the back area outside of the front entrance.

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Police Blotter

Morton Grove Polic

The following items were taken from official reports of the Morton Grove Police Department for the week ending May 24, 2004.

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The fires, which in some cases are also thefts from the dumpsters, have occurred near the corner of Dempster and Milwaukee, said Police said the first usually started between 3:00-4:30 a.m.

**Juvenile arrested.** A 15-year-old Morton Grove juvenile was arrested and charged with theft.

The juvenile, who was approached by a man and woman at Oriole Park (1245 Oriole) and then approached the police, police told them the couple was in a gray Toyota.

Police transported the juveniles to their homes.

**Fire plug stolen.** A 69-year-old Morton Grove woman did not fall for a pipe scam. She is charged with theft.

The woman, who was approached by a man and told her that her car was broken into, she reported to police that she was in the store regarding a pipe that one of the women had found. The woman told the Morton Grove woman the woman contained a large sum of money. One of the women suggested they take the pipe and then go to a friend of one of the women who was supposed to be at a lawyer's bar set up at a building.

**Jewelry stolen.** A 17-year-old Morton Grove woman in the 5000-6000 block of Dempster was approached by a woman in a gray Toyota.

When she arrived at the store, they were in the store and an employee told her to go to the back of the store without paying. The woman was arrested.

**Woman arrested.** A 75-year-old Morton Grove woman in the 6000-6100 block of Dempster was approached by two women who were supposed to be a friend of one of the women.

The woman suggested they take the jewelry and then go to a friend of one of the women who was supposed to be at a lawyer's bar set up at a building.

**Two women arrested.** A 70-year-old Morton Grove woman in the 5000-6000 block of Dempster was approached by two women who were supposed to be a friend of one of the women.

When she arrived at the store, they were in the store and an employee told her to go to the back of the store without paying.

**Woman arrested.** A 79-year-old Lincolnwood woman in the 6000-6100 block of Dempster was approached by a woman in a gray Toyota.

When she arrived at the store, they were in the store and an employee told her to go to the back of the store without paying.

**Blame game.** A 15-year-old Morton Grove juvenile was arrested and charged with theft.

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Dollars and sense

by David Uffington

A Lesson in Spending

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A new technique using local anesthesia in the femoral nerve area lowers significantly reduced surgical pain and eases the recovery process. Patients are able to progress to therapy much more quickly and can walk and bend the knee with less pain.

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Niles West track finishes season at a sprint

The Niles West boys track and field team concluded its indoor/summer season. Saturday was the state championship in Charleston with an unspectacular team performance. Coach Clive Vrino led the Wolves to a 13th place tie with Rockford Jefferson, Jorge Perez finished 2nd in state in the 100m for a time of 11.05, Wheaton North at 11.07. Perez ran the 100m for a time of 11.05, good enough for an 8th place finish.

Niles West's Casey MacDonald bears down in the seventh inning to shut out Northside Prep 9-0 in their Class AA playoff game at Niles West Saturday afternoon May 29.

Wolves blow out competition

(Left) Niles West's Casey MacDonald bears down in the seventh inning to shut out Northside Prep 9-0 in their Class AA playoff game at Niles West Saturday afternoon May 29.

(Bottom) Northside Prep's Maya Hignoha does best to first before hitting a single in the seventh inning to score the only run of their Class AA playoff game at Niles West. (Photos by Allen Rabion)

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Mainstream Announces Super Summer Event for Seniors

A unique event was held on Monday, June 20, from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. During this event, attendees were invited to enjoy live music and explore various games at the Four Flags Shopping Center. The event was open to all seniors, and refreshments were served. The goal was to create a fun and engaging environment for everyone to enjoy.

OBSIDIAN ROSE CRUISE

This luxurious cruise offered a once-in-a-lifetime experience for those interested in exploring the beauty of the waters. Attendees had the opportunity to experience the breathtaking views and enjoy the luxury of the ship. The cruise included amenities such as fine dining, entertainment, and relaxation areas.

BARK AND BOARD

A new dog care service opened its doors on June 15. Bark and Board offers a range of services for pet owners, including daycare, boarding, and grooming. The team is dedicated to providing the best care for pets, ensuring their happiness and well-being.

THE BUGLE

THE BUGLE announced the opening of a new restaurant in town. The establishment offers a diverse menu, featuring various dishes and drinks. The restaurant is scheduled to open on June 18, and the opening ceremony will include a speech by the mayor and a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The restaurant will be open daily, serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

SUNSHINE AT THE DRUMSTICK

This outdoor event was held on June 17, from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Attendees enjoyed live music, food, and games. The event aimed to bring the community together and promote a fun and lively atmosphere.

WEEKLY MEETING

A weekly meeting was held on June 19, from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. The meeting provided an opportunity for members to discuss various topics, share ideas, and network with other members. The meeting was open to all, and refreshments were served. The event concluded with a closing prayer and a moment of silence.
Niles Seniors

Mail-inDrop-offs of registrations with check or credit card must be at the Senior Center no later than 3:00 p.m. Friday, June 4th. Fail to do so, will result in registration fees being doubled. Check payable to 66th Avenue Senior Center. No registration fees will be accepted at the door. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 847-888-2000.

The 2022 Niles Senior Day will be held at the 66th Avenue Senior Center, 8166 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, IL 60714 on Thursday, June 9th. The event will run from 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. with lunch served at noon. The day will include free health screenings, presentations, door prizes, gift basket drawings and a fashion show. Call 847-966-2244 to register or for more information.

Available for the Niles Senior Day will be information about Senior Health Brokers and Medicare Medigap Plan, 66th Ave. Physicians, 8166 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, IL 60714 (847) 965-5570. A representative from the Cook County Department of Aging will also be available.

Real Estate

It is just worn out

BY RON BLACK

Cromaking main are unsafe

Driveways or sidewalks with cracks are unsafe. With the passing of time, all concrete surfaces wear out. When a concrete begins to show signs of age, it’s time to reassess it. A home improvement project that can be completed in a day to rejuvenate the concrete is available today. With today’s high-performance resurfacing products, the changes are amazing. It will be a money job, but requires only a few hours of work. Materials needed include an all-purpose concrete repair product, a mud float or squeegee, a soft brush and a putty knife. For cracks wider than 1/2 inch, mortar should be used. For cracks wider than 1 1/2 inch, a concrete repair caulk for cracks up to 1 inch is used. Use TSP (trisodium phosphate) to clean oil or grease from the surface. Experts recommend using the entire area. Patches and fills cracks prior to resurfacing to ensure a smooth surface. Experts recommend using concrete repair for cracks up to 1 inch wide. A coating should be applied to the concrete to make it attractive. For cracks wider than 1 1/2 inch, a concrete repair caulk is necessary. Cover the expansion joints with duct tape to prevent the surfacing material from leaking. Duct tape is necessary. If you want, you can cover the hole with debris before the concrete hardens. Experts recommend working with 1.5 inch to 2 inch-wide cracks in a day. Duct tape to the area and then pour a two-part liquid. Use TSP (trisodium phosphate) to clean oil or grease from the surface. Experts recommend using the entire area. Patches and fills cracks prior to resurfacing to ensure a smooth surface. Experts recommend using concrete repair for cracks up to 1 inch wide. A coating should be applied to the concrete to make it attractive. For cracks wider than 1 1/2 inch, a concrete repair caulk is necessary. Cover the expansion joints with duct tape to prevent the surfacing material from leaking. Duct tape is necessary. If you want, you can cover the hole with debris before the concrete hardens. Experts recommend working with 1.5 inch to 2 inch-wide cracks in a day.

Contact the editor at 847-888-2000 to report a crack in the concrete.

The preliminary work will involve cleaning the entire area. Use a five-gallon bucket and a drill with a paddle is the equipment of choice. When the concrete is dry, use a flat-hand brush to sweep the area. Using a stiff-bristle brush or broom to sweep the area. Use TSP (trisodium phosphate) to clean oil or grease from the surface. Experts recommend using the entire area. Patches and fills cracks prior to resurfacing to ensure a smooth surface. Experts recommend using concrete repair for cracks up to 1 inch wide. A coating should be applied to the concrete to make it attractive. For cracks wider than 1 1/2 inch, a concrete repair caulk is necessary. Cover the expansion joints with duct tape to prevent the surfacing material from leaking. Duct tape is necessary. If you want, you can cover the hole with debris before the concrete hardens. Experts recommend working with 1.5 inch to 2 inch-wide cracks in a day.

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Making the light fantastic

BY DORIS A. BLACK

Proper lighting enhances one's mood, creates a feeling of safety, and sets the tone and ambience of a room or space and can make colors pop, set a distinctive mood, illuminate space and create a focal point. Direct lighting, such as an overhead light, illuminates without reflecting off other surfaces. It shines more brightly on the object it directly hits, casting dramatic shadows. A floodlight, on the other hand, is a light for ambience and tasks such as ceiling and walls. A fixture within the ceiling, recessed light, is an equalizer. It can light a smaller area, avoid reflecting off other surfaces, such as ceilings and walls. A central ceiling fixture is a great example of indirect lighting, creating a general light in a room.

Using direct light to create a focal point for a room is easy. Oftentimes, all that is needed is a room or space contrasting in architectural or artistic features. Tiled lamps and candles provide low light for creating an elegant or romantic atmosphere. Conversely, a room washed evenly with light creates a relaxing, resting feeling. To achieve this effect, more attention needs to be paid to one corner of the room. Multiple light sources are necessary. The seating arrangements and light fixtures throughout the house need to be considered. Direct lighting in an easy and cost-effective way may help make this distinction. Although recessed lighting is a popular choice for lighting up a room, it can also be accomplished using track lighting. Making sure you follow the NEC (National Electrical Code) when installing any additional light fixtures, electrical connections are familiar with the codes, but most homeowners are not. In addition, homeowners have their own requirements, depending on who is going to use the rooms. For example, the lighting style in the master bath may be quite different from the lighting in a children's or guest bath. All, however, need the same type of general illumination. Because lights in the bath are rarely used in more than three other areas, and are busy rooms, the lights can be left off and the bulb may require replacing. However, the hallways of a house do not need a great deal of direct lighting, enabling them to be used as a source to the next. Multiple light sources are necessary, and the areas need to be kept free of reflected light, allowing the room to remain unlit.

Shades without reflecting off other surfaces, such as ceilings and walls, are obliterated. Undersurface lighting will accomplish the same effect. Although recessed lighting is an easy and cost-effective way, it may not be the right choice. Besides having concerns about the comfort of certain areas, such as an office, an office is likely to be in different areas at one time. If you decide to change the room and change the focal point. Besides the focal point, the living room should have adequate lighting for reading—typically, a lamp at chair-side level. Artwork or other special features you'd like to accent can be highlighted through recessed or direct track lighting or even scuppers. Cost-lighting entertaining centers the main purpose of the room, and the bulbs may require replacing. The light may need to be turned off in the other areas of the house. For these reasons, recessed or track lighting using track lighting creates an excellent focal point. Fluorescent bulbs offer some advantages. They are less costly to operate, can be used for track lighting and will diffuse light along a longer path. Side lighting is best focusing oneself in the mirror. If overhead lighting is used, portions of the face will be in shadow. In this case, lighting should be used to eliminate these shadow areas. If you prefer to use a staple gun, place it in this step of wood to the gear box so that the staple won't be firmly inserted. Then, hit the staple gun and a hammer.

Conversely, a room washed out is a better choice when dealing with small rooms, such as an office, are likely to be in different areas at one time. In this case, lighting should be used to eliminate these shadow areas. If you prefer to use a staple gun, place it in this step of wood to the gear box so that the staple won't be firmly inserted. Then, hit the staple gun and a hammer.

Denizens in halls or ceilings can be smoothed out with a generous amount of plaster. However, the plaster needs to be held in the wet. Small rectangular tiles are likely to be in different areas at one time. Instead, lighting should be used to eliminate these shadow areas. If you prefer to use a staple gun, place it in this step of wood to the gear box so that the staple won't be firmly inserted. Then, hit the staple gun and a hammer.

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REAL ESTATE
Not those stones

A stone retaining wall, a brick path or a flagstone patio are examples of how this seemingly simple material can add beauty and charm to the landscape. With careful planning and installation, your projects will last for years to come. Whether you install the project yourself or hire a professional, you'll see your project with a sense of pride and accomplishment.

If you're considering any of these types of projects, you probably already have a landscape plan in your head. The process of visualizing the plan in your head, transferring it to paper and marking it off in the yard will help you finalize details as your project comes to life.

The most commonly used stones in landscaping are: flagstone, granite, cobblestone, brick. Let's look at each:

Concrete stamped pavings are all the rage right now for a variety of reasons. Concrete is available almost everywhere—home improvement stores, home centers, landscape companies and even your local market may sell them. They're durable and lightweight. They come in a variety of colors, shapes and sizes. They're also less expensive than most other masonry materials.

When you're making your selection, look for uniform stones, patios or matching walls.

Recycling isn't just for aluminum

As long as we're talking about recycling, many talks on the news these days is about aluminum recycling. Aluminum is one of the most recycled metals in the world. It is lightweight, strong and can be recycled indefinitely.

Many of the old buildings and warehouses that have been redeveloped into lofts and industrial spaces are made of aluminum. This is because of its durability and low maintenance requirements. Aluminum is also ideal for use in exterior applications because it is resistant to corrosion and weathering.

One of the main reasons for aluminum recycling is to conserve natural resources. Aluminum is made from bauxite, an ore found in the earth's crust that is extracted through mining. This process requires a lot of energy and results in the release of greenhouse gases.

Recycling aluminum helps to reduce the amount of bauxite that needs to be mined, as well as the energy and emissions required to make new aluminum products.

The benefits of aluminum recycling are numerous:

- Conservation of natural resources
- Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions
- Savings in energy and water use
- Creation of new jobs
- Increased value for used aluminum products

In conclusion, recycling aluminum is a crucial step in reducing our environmental impact and preserving natural resources. By recycling aluminum, we can help ensure that this valuable resource is used sustainably and for generations to come.
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