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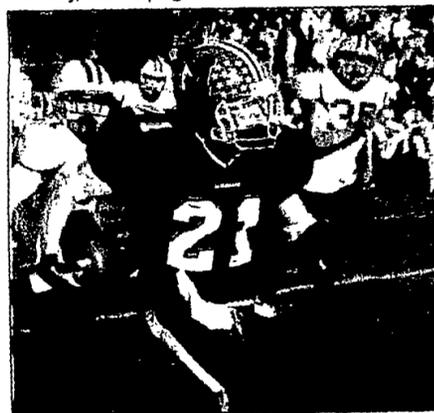
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Scanlon will retire

Mayor Scanlon gets a kiss from his granddaughter Sarah Harford Monday night at Champ's. Scanlon announced he was not running for a third term. For the story, turn to page 18.



One step closer

Maine South wide receiver Derek Walsh (21) takes off for a first down in the Hawks 46-14 romp over Stevenson in their Class 8A quarterfinal game Saturday afternoon November 13, 2004 at Maine South. For the story, turn to page 11.

Mosque approved 6-1 by MG Plan Commission

Proposal before village board Nov. 22

The proposed mosque and school expansion to the Muslim Education Center (MEC) at 8601 Menard was approved by the Morton Grove Plan Commission at their last meeting on the subject Tuesday, Nov. 9. The recommendation was approved 6-1 with Commissioner Richard Dorgan sole dissenter.

The recommendation will be forwarded to the village board. Ralph Czerwinski, village administrator, said that the board of trustees would probably discuss the proposal at their Monday, Nov. 22 board meeting.

The plan commission's report, which reflects over 20 hours of testimony on the proposal, includes over 40 specific requirements. Those requirements stipulated a variety of things, from the overall height of the mosque's dome and minaret to maintenance of the landscaping.

One requirement that failed was a measure introduced by Dorgan to save three Linden trees located on the disputed Capulina Right-of-Way. Under the Muslim Community Center's (MCC) plan, the trees will be removed and replaced by five smaller trees planted on the north of their parking lot.

Dorgan believed it was extremely important to save the trees. It would have required the elimination of 16

parking spaces out of a planned 201. Dorgan said that one of the trees was 18-inches and that it was important to save. However a majority of the commission disagree, arguing instead that parking was a more important issue as was preserving additional open green space.

Commissioners were also concerned about ensuring adequate buffering along the east side of the property.

Commissioner Dwight Roepenack questioned MEC neighbor David Conrad extensively about the buffering on the eastern side of the property. Conrad said that he wanted to see buffering similar to what existed at the Morton Grove Police Station or next to the Prairie View Community Center.

"We need some physical space," he said. "I'm sure that this plan will make the fence line look nice from the other side of the fence, but from our side it will do nothing."

In the end, commissioners decided to insert a condition requiring a two-foot berm on that side. They agreed that the addition of the berm, along with plantings and a tall wooden fence would help screen homes from the parking lot and its associated

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A proposal to save these three linden trees in the Capulina Right-of-Way failed to pass at the last Morton Grove Plan Commission meeting November 9. They will be replaced by five smaller trees to be located north of planned parking for the proposed mosque on the site of the Muslim Education Center at 8601 Menard.

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Inaccessible
A special report from The Bugle

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Village officials, the contractor and architect are in discussions about how to fix the problems with the ramp at the Niles Police Station and to determine where responsibility lies. Niles Village Manager Mary Kay Morrissey said a report could be completed within a week. Also last week, an employee for the advocacy group Access Living was unable to

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Saluting the Flag

Members of VFW Post 7712 salute during the playing of "Taps" during Veterans Day services at the Niles Memorial Waterfalls at Milwaukee and Touhy Aves. Thursday morning November 11, 2004. For more photos, turn to page 7.

NEWS

Jeannie Markech announces candidacy



Eight-year Park Ridge resident Jeannie Markech announced last week that she was running

for alderman in the sixth ward as an independent. She is a full-time mother of three school age children.

Markech said that building community consensus on the issues that face Park Ridge is her first priority.

"All the voices in our community are to be valued," she said. "I believe working together is the most effective way for our community to achieve its goals."

She is particularly interested in the issues surrounding the expansion of O'Hare International Airport.

"We are directly under runway 22 right," said Markech. "The noise levels are nearly intolerable. However, noise is not the only pollution the air-

port produces and the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission does not currently address other concerns. I'd like to work with the city council to make sure we are doing all we can to protect the interests of Park Ridge."

For three years Markech served as a trustee on the board of the District 64 Elementary Learning Foundation (ELF) and is currently the board's secretary. She is a board of Education observer for the Franklin School PTO and a Market Day chair, a year book photographer and a Brownie Girl Scout Leader. She is also currently on the nominating committee for the School Board Caucus.

Kirke Machon to run for First Ward seat



Life-long Park Ridge resident and business owner Kirke R. Machon announced his candidacy for first ward alderman last Monday,

Nov. 15.

Machon was a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for four years and a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission since 1996. He said that one of his top priorities is Uptown Redevelopment.

"It is time to move on with Uptown redevelopment," he said. "The project needs to be completed on time, on budget and in a way that the citizens would expect."

The father of four girls, Maddie, Meghan, Mallory and Meredith, Machon added that "I want to ensure that Park Ridge will be a community

that my children will want to live in when they are adults." His wife, Missy, is a teacher at Field School, which also happens to be where Kirke Machon attended elementary school. He also went to Emerson Middle School and was graduated from Maine South High School.

Machon also is an active member of Park Ridge Presbyterian Church, where he has served as elder, deacon and trustee. On the athletic field, he served as a girls' softball coach for 11 years. He owns Machon & Machon Insurance Brokers, which has been in business in Park Ridge for 35 years.

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NEWS

D219 musicians to perform at music festival

Twenty-five District 219 musicians/performers have been invited to the Illinois Music Educators Association (IMEA) District 7 Band, Choir and Orchestra Festival to be held Saturday, November 13 at Glenbrook South High School. Eleven musicians/performers were selected to perform at the IMEA District 7 Jazz Festival on Saturday, November 20 at Highland Park High School. In October, students from the orchestra, choir and band had to undergo a rigorous audition process to be accepted to either festival. The state is divided into nine districts with District 219 students competing in District 7, which contains 60 to 65 other schools, including some of the strongest schools in the state. Students' performances will determine whether or not they will be invited to attend the

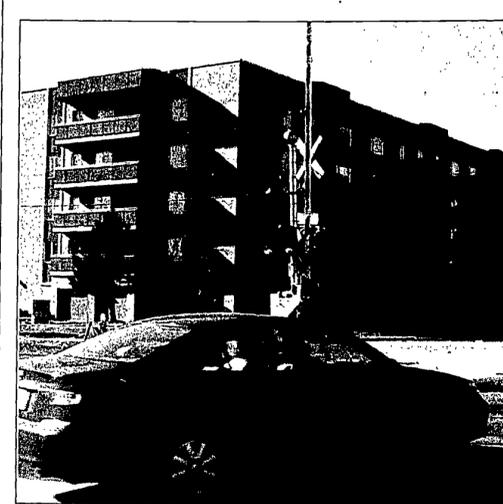
All-State Festival in January 2005.

From Niles West, the following students will perform on November 13: Dan Borkowski, string bass, orchestra; Mike Chon, violin, orchestra; Ha Young Kim, violin, orchestra; Nick Kabat, percussion, orchestra; Charishma Chotalia, choir; Jessica Kluss, clarinet; band and Mike Olsen, trumpet, band. Students invited to the Jazz Festival are: Nick Kabat, percussion, band; and Mike Olsen, trumpet, band.

The following Niles North students will participate on November 13: Stefanie Engstrom, violin, orchestra; Arielle Galante, harp, orchestra; Mike Spina, trombone, orchestra; Chas Gualberto, bass 1, choir; Wyatt Farris, bass 1; choir; Ivo Suarez, bass 2, choir; Clara Wong, soprano 2, choir; Rachel Cohn, soprano 2, choir; Justin Fiala,

tenor 1, choir; Ari Anisfeld, tenor 2, choir; Rebecca Chan, flute, band; Anne Poley, flute, band; Wedee Kao, contra bass clarinet, band; Alice Ward, baritone saxophone, band; Jeremy Orbach, trumpet, band; Anna Spina, french horn (first chair), band; Wilson Wong, trombone (first chair), band; and Stephanie Weiss, percussion, band. Students selected to the Jazz Festival include: Arielle Basile, soprano, choir; Arielle Galante, soprano, choir; Erin Egan, soprano, choir; Chas Gualberto, tenor, choir; Ivo Suarez, bass, choir; Wyatt Farris, bass, choir; Ross Bennett, bass, choir; Woody Goss, piano, band; and Amalie Smith, electric bass, band.

Participation in the IMEA District 7 Festival is a reflection of the high standards of the District 219 music departments. These student



A Smooth Ride, for a while

Metra workers finished construction on the Lincoln/Lehigh grade crossing in Morton Grove Friday, installing new rails and asphalt to provide a smoother ride for drivers. The crossing will be removed next year under redevelopment plans for the Lehigh/Ferris Tax increment Financing (TIF) district. Money is budgeted to extend Ferris to make a perpendicular grade crossing about 100-feet south of the current Lincoln crossing. Metra has a policy of encouraging municipalities to reconstruct non-perpendicular grade crossings where possible because it increases safety and visibility.

Mosque

ed uses.

All the commissioners were troubled by the tenor of the discussion and the amount of contention.

"It made me think why I'm a plan commissioner," said Roepenack. "In 2003 I voted no. Now, the only concern I have left is the eastern fence."

All the commissioners except for Dorgan passed on the plan, saying that

they hoped that the community would come together.

"This community is not the same as it was 50 years ago," said Commissioner John Gattorna. "It's time for all of us to come together."

Dorgan believed that the plan was fundamentally flawed because the plan commission placed so many restrictions on it.

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"I think there's something wrong when you have to place 42 amendments on a plan," he said. "Though the school could be successful and the mosque could be beautiful, I can't vote for this project."

The plan commission's recommendation for approval was forwarded to the village board this week. They have final discretion over the application.



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NEWS

Niles Police Department commendations

At the September Board Meeting, Police Chief Dean Strzelecki stated that on June 22, 2004, the Illinois Crime Prevention Association (ICPA) held their annual conference in Galena, Illinois. Niles Police Officer Ronald Brandt won the Association's Award of "Officer of the Year" for the numerous crime prevention activities he planned throughout the year. Congratulations Officer Brandt.

On August 11, 2004, Niles units responded, along with the Fire Department to a structure fire at 8801 Golf Road which is a hi-rise multi unit condominium complex. For responding to the fire and initiating the rescue efforts of several citizens, including wheelchair bound residents, the following Officers received awards: Sergeant James Elenz, Officers Ronald Brandt, Joseph Romano, Larry Mayer Jonathan Galas, Alec Laule, and George Alexopoulos.



Pictured above (left to right) are: Mayor Blase, Officer Larry Mayer, Officer of the Year Ronald Brandt, Officer Jonathan Galas and Police Chief Dean Strzelecki. Not pictured Sgt. James Elenz, Officers Joseph Romano, Alec Laule and George Alexopoulos.



Inaccessible A special report from The Bugle. make it to the top of the ramp in a test. Niles Community Development Director Chuck Ostman said that he met with General Contractor Ragner Benson and Architect Phillips Swager Associates last Wednesday to discuss problems with the ramp that were identified in an independent evaluation by Architect Doug Mohnke two weeks ago.

Mohnke's survey concluded that the ramp violated state and federal accessibility laws in five instances: the ramp was too steep in three areas, handrails were too close and too low in various instances, at the bottom of the ramp the railings did not extend 12-inches and grading was missing at the top of a set of stairs.

Ostman said that some of the elements were missing from the architectural drawings, so Phillips Swager may have some responsibility to bear, while any incorrectly executed plans would be the fault of the contractor.

When she tested the ramp last week, Ginger Lane, 64, a peer counselor for Access Living, was unable to make it to the top. Lane uses a manual wheelchair.

"It was a very, very long ramp," Lane said. "When I saw it the first thing I thought was, 'where's the elevator.'"

Lane said that she felt unsafe when traveling both up and down on the ramp, afraid that her chair would either tip over forwards or backwards and spill her onto the ramp.

"If I fall out of my chair, I can't get set.

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myself back in," she said. Lane said that, even if the ramp can be brought into compliance, its length will daunt anyone who needs to use it to access the building. "As I was going up the ramp I was thinking, 'what about somebody using a cane and a walker.'"

While testing ramps wasn't her primary job, Lane said that she tested them often and that the Niles Police Station's ramp compared poorly.

"This one compares very negatively with others," she said. "It's primarily because of its extreme length."

Gary Arnold, who handles public relations for Access Living, said that the organization hadn't decided what it would do about the ramp, but that they would probably send a letter to the village to officially notify them of their evaluation of it. Both Arnold and Lane said that, in this situation, an elevator or lift would make more sense than the long ramp.

Morrissey said that all solutions were on the table at this point.

"We're looking at all alternatives," she said. "[An elevator] could be one solution."

However, if the ramp can be brought into code with a few small changes, she said the village may not opt for such a drastic solution.

An open house and official dedication of the Police Station that was originally scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 4 has been postponed. No new date was set.

Thor Guard went offline this week

Niles Park District Notice: Effective Monday November 15, 2004, the Thor Guard Lighting Protection System will be out of operation. The system operates during the months of April through November. "We will reactivate the system on April 1, 2005 and I want to be sure our residents are aware to take the necessary precautions if the conditions indicate a possible lighting occurrence during the next 5 months" said Executive Director Joe LoVerde.

Correction

In last week's edition of The Bugle, the article entitled, "Morton Grove to investigate garbage contract," (pg. 3, November 11) incorrectly quoted Sherwin Dubren as saying that Maine Township residents were charged \$58 a month less than those living in Morton Grove. The correct number is \$58 a year. The Bugle regrets the error.

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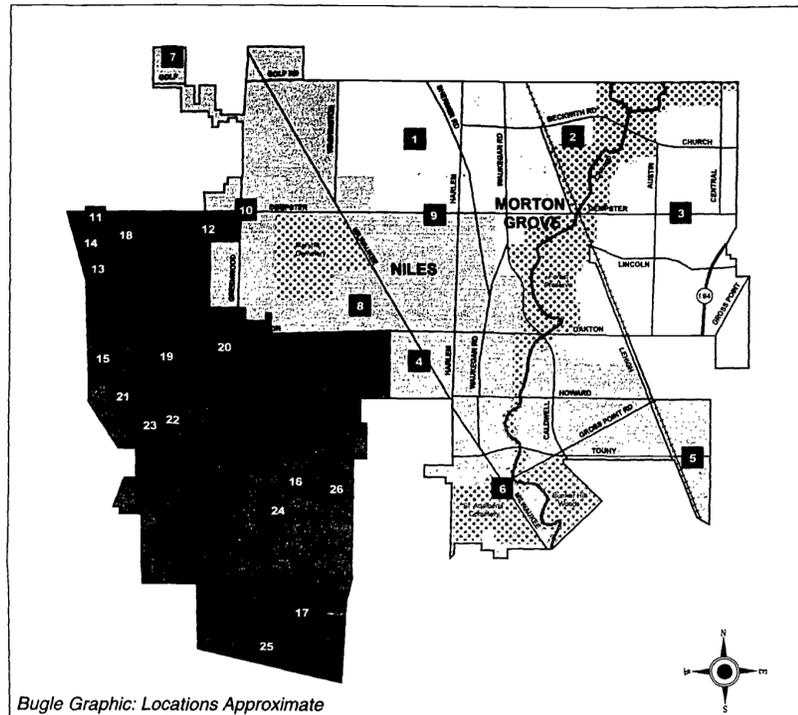
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POLICE BLOTTER



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MORTON GROVE

The following items were taken from official reports of the Morton Grove Police Department for the week ending November 12, 2004.

1 Stolen car (7400 Lake)

A 2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee was reported stolen from in front of the owner's house in the 7400 block of Lake St. Sunday night November 7.

According to police the 45-year-old owner of the SUV told them she parked the car in front of her house while she was driving the family van. The woman told police she received a call from Glenview police about 9:45 p.m. telling her that her SUV had been involved in an accident. Police also said the driver of the SUV fled the scene. The woman said she called Morton Grove police immediately but was not able to make a report at that time. The woman told police a Glenview officer called her on Monday and advised her to make a stolen auto report. Her insurance agency advised her to do the same. The jeep was valued at \$30,000.

2 Caught smoking dope (Maple and Normandy)

A 16-year-old Morton Grove youth and his 16-year-old friend were issued local ordinance tickets for possession of marijuana Tuesday afternoon November 9 after a Morton Grove police officer on patrol near Maple and Normandy saw one of the youths rolling a marijuana cigarette.

According to police the officer approached the car and noticed a packages of cigarettes on the front seat. The officer asked the youths their ages and then asked them to exit the car. According to the report the officer asked the youths where the marijuana was and they told him they tossed it out of the window. Police place both youths in custody and then searched the car finding two clear baggies containing marijuana, an undetermined amount of cash, and a tin container with a partially smoked marijuana cigarette. Police said contents of the plastic bag weighed 22 grams and tested positive for marijuana. Police said both youths were released to their parents.

3 Retail Theft (5900 Dempster)

The supervisor of the Osco Drug store in the 5900 block of Dempster told police she received a call from her security department that a man had stolen three bottles of cognac from the liquor department about 10:22 p.m. Tuesday night November 4. The supervisor called Morton Grove police three days later to report the incident.

A 44-year-old Wilmette woman was arrested Wednesday November 10 by Morton Grove police after she made a series of threatening phone calls to a 62-year-old Morton Grove man over a two year period. The man's brother told police the woman threatened to kill his brother. Police decided to subpoena the

man's phone records to determine if the woman was indeed calling. Using the phone information police were able to get enough information to arrest the woman. The woman has a court date of November 23, 2004 at 9 a.m. Room 106 in Skokie.

NILES

The following items were taken from official reports of the Niles Police Department for the week ending November 12, 2004.

4 Candy sellers ousted from parking lot (7900 N. Milwaukee)

A 20-year-old Chicago man was arrested by Niles police Tuesday afternoon November 9 after the store manager at the Jewel store in the 7900 block of N. Milwaukee Ave. asked the man to stop selling candy in front of the store.

According to police, the manager told them there were originally two men. The manager told police he came out to ask the men to leave the front of the store. But, he said they still were there 30 minutes later. When police arrived one of the men fled. The other, however, told police he was selling candy for a Chicago high school, but later told police he was selling it for himself. Police charged the man with soliciting without a permit, and trespassing. The box of M&Ms was taken into evidence along with a hand-made identification the man had.

5 Cards stolen (5600 Touhy)

A 14-year-old Chicago youth

was arrested for shoplifting Saturday afternoon November 13 after a security guard at the Wal-Mart store in the 5600 block of Touhy watched the youth pocket packages of Yo-Gi-Oh cards and then leave the store. The cards, which are used in playing board games, are traded by players to improve their positions in playing the game. The cards were valued at \$65.63.

6 Marijuana pipe in plain sight (6800 N. Milwaukee)
Police confiscated a glass pipe used for smoking marijuana from a 20-year-old Chicago man after stopping him for speeding in the 6800 block of N. Milwaukee Ave. early Monday morning November 15.

According to police the man was driving 50 m.p.h. in 35 m.p.h. zone. The police officer said he saw the glass pipe on the rear floor board behind the driver and asked the man about it. The police officer issued the man a traffic ticket for speeding and a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia. The glass pipe was inventoried.

7 Movie lover (9000 Golf)
A 20-year-old Des Plaines man was arrested Wednesday afternoon November 10 after a security guard at the Value City store in the 9000 block of Golf Rd. watched the man place 18 DVDs into a white plastic bag and leave the store. Security arrested the man at the exit. The DVDs were valued at \$161.82.

8 Tools stolen (7600 Oketo)
A 28-year-old Niles man reported that at least \$4,000 worth of tools were taken from his 1999 Ford Van while it was parked in his driveway Saturday night October 13.

9 More tools stolen (7300 Crain)
A 35-year-old Niles man told police someone removed tools worth at least \$2,000 from his 1994 Ford Van while it was parked in the driveway of a home in the 7300 block of Crain overnight November 13.

10 Work van burglarized (8600 Dempster)
A construction worker from Wisconsin had his 2002 Ford Van burglarized while he was parked near the Home Depot store in the 8600 block of Dempster Sunday afternoon November 14. The man told police someone broke the sliding door lock to enter the van. Police said the van was parked with the sliding door facing away from the front of the store and its security cameras

PARK RIDGE

The following items were taken from official reports of the Park Ridge Police for the week ending November 3-11, 2004.

11 Burglary (2300 Oak Tree Lane)

A purse containing \$20 in cash was taken from a 1995 Volvo parked in the street in the 2300 block of Oak Tree Lane Thursday night

November 4 after someone smashed the passenger side window. The purse, valued at \$70, also contained numerous forms of identification.

12 Computer and GPS stolen (1800 Weeg Way)
A GPS system valued at \$3,000 and a Sony computer valued at \$2,000 were stolen from a 2004 Toyota Sienna parked in the owner's driveway in the 1800 block of Weeg Way overnight Thursday November 4 after someone smashed the passenger side window. Police did not mention in their report whether or not the GPS system was built in or after market.

13 Eyeglasses stolen (1300 Elliot)
A pair of eyeglasses valued at \$300 and a Sony CD player valued at \$60 were stolen from an unlocked 1993 Toyota Corolla parked in the street in the 1300 block of Elliot Thursday night November 4.

14 Car burglary (1400 N. Northwest Highway)
A bag containing papers and a checkbook were stolen from a 2004 Pontiac Bonneville after someone broke the passenger side window while the car was parked in a lot in the 1400 block of Northwest Hwy. Thursday night November 11.

15 Car burglary (800 Goodwin)
A radar detector valued at \$180 was stolen from a 1997 Toyota Camry while it was parked in the driveway of a home in the 800 block of Goodwin Friday November 5.

16 Cab burglarized (10 S. Summit)
\$150 in cash was taken from a cab parked in the street in front of the Park Ridge train depot at 10 S. Summit sometime overnight Wednesday November 10.

17 Laptop stolen (1400 Crescent)
Police are not sure how someone entered a 2001 Nissan Quest and removed a \$1,200 computer while the van was parked in the driveway of a home in the 1400 block of Crescent overnight Wednesday November 10.

18 Vandals Slash Tires Throughout Park Ridge
Vandals punctured the rear tires of two cars parked in the owners garage in the 2200 block of Birch overnight Thursday November 11. According to police the garage was open.

19 Vandalism (800 Wilkinson Parkway)
Vandals slashed the rear tires of a 1992 Ford Tempo and spray painted the car's trunk while it was parked in the owner's driveway in the 800 block of Wilkinson Parkway Sunday night November 7.

20 Vandalism (900 N. Lincoln)
Vandals slashed three tires of a

1996 Plymouth Voyager parked in the owner's driveway in the 900 block of N. Lincoln Wednesday night November 10.

21 Vandals (700 Parkwood)
Vandals slashed the tires of a 1998 Chevy Suburban parked in the owner's driveway in the 700 block of Parkwood Wednesday night November 10.

22 Vandalism (600 N. Broadway)
Vandals slashed four tires of a 2001 Ford truck parked in the street in the 600 block of N. Broadway Wednesday night November 10.

23 Vandalism (500 N. Rose)
Vandals punctured four tires of a 2000 Mercury parked in the owner's driveway in the 500 block of Rose Wednesday night November 10.

24 Vandalism (100 S. Fairview)
Vandals used a piece of concrete to smash the windshield of a 1992 Ford Escort parked in the 100 block of Fairview Saturday night November 6.

25 Shoplifting (1900 S. Cumberland)
Twelve boxes of Crest whitening strips and 6 packages of razors were stolen from the Dominick's

store in the 1900 block of S. Cumberland Friday afternoon November 5. The items were valued at \$51.59.

26 Arrested for headset and Washington
Park Ridge police arrested a 20-year-old Chicago man for wearing a headset while driving, no valid driver's license, and no insurance at Summit and Washington Tuesday afternoon November 9. According to police Gustavo Ramirez of the 3900 block of N. Laramie was wearing a headset while driving near the intersection.

NEWS



Honoring Our Veterans

(Top) Members of VFW Post 7712 listen to speakers honoring veterans during Veterans Day ceremonies at the Waterfall Memorial Thursday morning November 11, 2004. (Left) Jim Kozak of VFW Post 7712 in Niles waits for Veterans Day ceremonies to begin at the Memorial Waterfall at Touhy and Milwaukee Aves. Thursday morning November 11, 2004. (Bottom) Jim Kozak of VFW Post 7712 in Niles waits for Veterans Day ceremonies to begin at the Memorial Waterfall at Touhy and Milwaukee Aves. Thursday morning November 11, 2004.

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SOUND OFF!

How do you feel about Colin Powell's resignation?



"I think he's been underutilized. The administration failed to listen to his advice. He has a considerable amount of experience that has not been used." Linda Smitzinski-Chicago



"I'm very sad. This man has definite leadership qualities. A replacement will be very hard to find. Whatever is happening in the White House is not in the best interest of the country." Eugene Koepke-Chicago



"I was surprised he didn't do it right after the election. I think he was up against people in the administration. He seemed burdened." Alese Goers-Hoffman Estates



Cut the Cord

How much do you pay every month for landline telephone service, wired cable or dish TV, fax lines - anything and everything that gets voice, data, or video into your hands, your home, or your business, over a wire?

\$25? \$50? \$150? More? Per month?

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And suppose we could put instantaneous voice, data, and video connectivity in every police car, ambulance, and fire truck in Park Ridge. And in every local school. And in every car or truck in town. And in every open space, building, or business. Ubiquitous voice, data, and video connectivity. Think about it.

No, better than that: demand it. Many, hundreds of cities around the world and scores here in the US are bringing municipal WiFi to their citizens, blanketing their cities with Internet connectivity that carries voice, data, and video

into every nook and cranny in their municipality. Some are doing it as a utility, like delivering water or electricity. Some are doing it as a public-private partnership. But many are already doing it.

Where are we? Stuck in the Fifties (or earlier), I guess. Stuck in the Ernestine-as-telephone-operator age of wires and AT&T and big-business-knows-best and if-it's-from-the-government-I-don't-want-it mindsets.

Well, guess what. WE'RE the government. And if we want it and it can be done well and without the "profits" that businesses need to "succeed" (seen any profitable private water companies lately?), we can do it, and benefit from it.

How? We get our elected officials to at least THINK about it. How? We point to other cities that are doing it (appealing to that tried-and-true logic that "everyone else is doing it"). We point to the BENEFITS such connectivity would deliver to Park Ridge. We inform everyone. Then we ask everyone whether it's an idea that they'd support.

Radical? Maybe. Futuristic? Not any more. Beneficial?

Undoubtedly.

Don't get me wrong. This is NOT all pie-in-the-sky. The devil is ALWAYS in the (implementation) details. But it's a conversation well worth having, publicly; warts and all.

Imagine. Everyone connected everywhere in Park Ridge, wirelessly. Imagine. Every school classroom with voice, data, and video connectivity as natural as the air we breathe - in and out (meaning that EVERYONE could take classes from anywhere in town; sick kids, old people, those just interested in learning more; everyone). Imagine. An ambulance taking you to Lutheran General with an ER doc "watching" every action happening on the way. Boggles the imagination, doesn't it?

This is NOT science fiction, folks. It's available now. And the future will bring more, like the telephone evolved from crank-handle to cellphone musical ringtones. (Guess what. In the future ALL cellphones will be WiFi. And we'll already have had that. Bye, Verizon. Yawn.)

I call it PRIUS, the Park Ridge Information Utility Service. Ask your local alderpersons about it. If you get a blank stare, ask them to "call" me.

Let's cut the crap. Let's cut the cord.

Chuck@ParkRidgeBugle.com

Letters

Mosque neighbors will pay the price for board decisions

Dear Editor,

At the end of another pointless marathon session by the Morton Grove Planning Commission on Tuesday, November 9, 2004, the Commissioners put their seal of approval on the sell-out "done deal" engineered by Kenneth Bergeron of the US Justice Department and Mayor Daniel Scanlon under the hawk-eyed tutelage of Village Corporation Counsel Teresa Hoffman Liston. Commissioners voted 6-1 to recommend approval of the MCC plan to build a school addition and a mosque on the property at 8601 Menard Ave.

Blame here, if there is to be blame assessed, should not be directed to the Muslim Community Center of Chicago nor their leadership. They did what any group of people advocating a position should be expected to do... they fought for what they wanted... seized the tools afforded to them, and in the end, they prevailed. They will prevail again on Monday, November 22, 2004 when the matter comes before the Morton Grove Village board. They had the power of the Federal government at their disposal and they used it. They are to be congratulated upon their victory.

On the other hand, scorn and disdain should be heaped upon the spineless and gutless politicians who control the levers of power in Morton Grove. There is plenty of it to go around. From the president of the ruling Junta who has repeatedly railed against the term "done-deal" to the arrogant minions who ignore or make light of residents' concerns (or worse yet, tell them to sit down... and by implication shut up), all are rightful targets of the disgust of those who had trusted in them to protect their rights... not just the politically-correct rights of a favored few. The crass disregard for the residents and desire for "political cover" could not have been better illustrated than by the charade of one planning commissioner feigning concern over the plight of the immediate neighbors. The tears of the widow in question speak more eloquently than any words I could write here. Shame on you Commissioner for your heartless use of a widows' distress.

In the end, the neighbors surrounding this project will pay the price for the abrogation and abandonment of the law by our elected officials. Some have likened the trampling of our rights to the massacre in Tiananmen Square. I would submit that that would not be an accurate comparison only because the Chinese government committed their atrocity against their people with tanks, in public, in full view of the world... not in the dark... in some back-room political "done-deal".

Patrick C. Kansoer, Morton Grove

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The Maine Course



Bob Dudycz
Maine Township

which as, what appeared to be his apprentice explained the roles of our three branches of government. He appeared to be studying for his citizenship exam.

The friendly waitress calmly read off today's specials and her customer marveled at the variety of choices. He excitedly said that in the old country there were limited choices and the word "Special" meant that his meal would have more than the usual bread and soup.

Young parents were discussing their child's future and the effect of the recent passage of the District 63 school referendum. I smiled as I watched the waiter deftly stepping around a high chair occupied by their chubby cheeked youngster who was chewing on a bread roll. I wagged my fingers at the little guy and made a face. He beamed in return and waved back just as my meal was being served.

After lunch, I was complaining about the portion size and vowed to order less next time. Even though I knowingly fooled myself because Italian food is addictive. I contentedly looked around the room when my gaze was drawn to a sailor sitting in a booth by himself. I wondered if he had a home to go to for the holiday.

If you compare good fortune to gold nuggets, my family and I have struck the mother lode. We all have good health, I have three sons in law that aren't too bad and I live in a country where life is good and opportunities boundless. I truly thank the Lord for the blessings bestowed upon our country and my family.

Thanksgiving is special and we must not forget that even though the turkey gets center stage, and the happy feeling of a family getting together is more important. As I was leaving I asked the sailor if he wouldn't mind helping us to pass the stuffing and some cranberry sauce. If he could join us I would show him a great thanksgiving in Maine Township.

Thanksgiving in Maine

I love the aroma of a spicy marinara sauce. The warm red color Lembraces pasta and a touch of Parmesan cheese completes an image that makes the mouth water and the tummy grumble.

Such was the case as I waited for a menu at my favorite Italian restaurant. The ambience was subdued and the surrounding conversation was lively. You can't rush the perfect sauce so I stopped day-dreaming and listened to the local talk. I thought Thanksgiving was the topic because everyone was talking about what he or she was grateful for.

A red headed fellow said he was glad the elections were over because he was overwhelmed by the media's saturation of our TV and radio stations. His tablemate said she was happy that we were not a "Battleground State" because we would be hearing three minutes of political advertising every ten minutes.

Being three days after voting, two business types to my left were still dissecting Election Day in a point-counterpoint style. The merits of an Electoral College vs. popular vote were on the table and both of the women stuck to their convictions like burrs on a wool suit.

A sawdust speckled carpenter chewed thoughtfully on his sand-

Letters

Clerk Sneider thanks Morton Grove residents, officials

Dear Editor, Morton Grove residents

After much contemplation, I have arrived at the decision that I cannot be a candidate for re-election in next April's Municipal Election. This decision was not arrived at hastily or lightly because I have thoroughly enjoyed being your village clerk but, due to health reasons, must decline to run.

One of the best reasons about writing this letter is that I can finally share with you, the residents of Morton Grove, some of the wonderful experiences I encountered as I went through my three-year tenure. To begin with, I was blessed to have working with me two of the best executive secretaries-Susan Lattanzi and Marlene Kramaric. They are loyal, efficient, dedicated, competent, conscientious and caring individuals, a real plus for our village and I will miss them greatly.

Our employees who man the front desk at village hall will also be greatly missed by me. Jan Sheehan (she is in charge of items that you see televised on our Government Access Channel) does a super job as does Joyce Burns, Jean Bauer and Judy Dahm. These four lovely ladies are the people you meet when you go to village hall for stickers, licenses, etc., and they have helped me greatly with a variety of voter requirements.

I will also miss working with Terri Cousar, our recording secretary who so ably takes the minutes for our public village board meetings. It's very hard to find a mistake in Terri's minutes. Thank you, Terri, for all your hard work.

It was always my goal to have more deputy registrars in town and, to that end, I assigned three to be present at all of our new resident receptions. Thank you, Jim Verhunce, Norman Rockel and Don Sneider for always being there for me. I hope my successor will continue this very worthwhile practice.

Last, but not least, I would like to thank my deputy clerk, Roby Caplan, who came to my assistance whenever needed. Thank you and your husband, too, for all your loyal support over the years.

It was my intention at the beginning of this letter to point out to you some of the behind-the-scenes workings of village hall which I became so familiar with in the last three years. At the very top is our wonderful Village Administrator Ralph Czerwinski. This hard-working individual thinks nothing of working until 7 p.m. or 8 p.m. and then going cheerfully off to that night's meeting. You're doing a great job, Ralph.

I would like to thank Mayor Scanlon for appointing me to this position and you, the voters, for re-electing me in 2003. It's been quite an experience. Thank you, also, to Teresa Hoffman Liston and Gabriel Berrafato for all you legal advice, to Wilma Wendt for guiding me when I first took office and to all of the trustees and the mayor for your cooperation and assistance. It's been great working with you. You are dedicated and looking out for the best interests of this village.

I wholeheartedly endorse and support the candidates running on the Action ticket in the April 2005 election. Good luck to all of you and God bless and continue to watch over our wonderful village.

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NEWS

Former Park Ridge mayor speaks out on resignation Wietecha says Daley was behind independent aldermen

BY ANDREW SCHNEIDER
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On Wietecha, former mayor of Park Ridge who resigned last year spoke out during a special report about O'Hare expansion on WMAQ-TV last Sunday, saying that Chicago Mayor Richard Daley was behind the election of five independent aldermen in 2003.

The five independents were instrumental in removing the city from the Suburban O'Hare Commission (SOC), an organization dedicated to preventing O'Hare Airport expansion led by Elk Grove Village and Bensenville.

On the report, a special by Phil Rogers, Wietecha alleged that campaign workers from Chicago worked Park Ridge for independent aldermanic candidates. He said, "I knew there was a problem when so many people were filing as candidates."

Wietecha said that Daley was angered by his persistent opposition to O'Hare expansion and his support of a third airport at Peotone.

"If you make a powerful enemy," Wietecha warned on the report, "you'd better watch your back."

During the report, Wietecha said he resigned because of the pressure from the Daley-sponsored alderman, a state-

ment in direct contradiction of his statements when he resigned that he was doing so for personal reasons. Wietecha went on a month-long vacation in August and, when he returned in early September 2003 left his resignation.

"[Wietecha] was like Captain Ahab and O'Hare Airport had become the great white whale."

-Bob Trizna, library referendum organizer, 2002

tion on the city manager's desk and cleaned out his office, informing the council publicly at the next meeting and saying that the city was in good hands.

Independent aldermen denied the allegations of a Daley connection, saying that such statements ignored fundamental political realities in Park Ridge.

"It's nonsense," said Ald. Mark Anderson (5th). He was one of the independent candidates in the 2003 election. "[Wietecha] is blaming us for his shortcomings."

Bob Trizna, one of the individuals behind a referendum on Wietecha's

proposed library expansion in 2002 said that the mayor was out of touch with the residents and that was what motivated the independent candidates.

"He wasn't governing Park Ridge anymore," Trizna said. "He was like Captain Ahab and O'Hare Airport had become the great white whale."

Trizna said that he obtained about 80 signatures for the library referendum in 2002. Of those, almost 20 asked whether they could sign a petition against Wietecha.

There has also been speculation that the timing of Wietecha's resignation was impacted by committee discussion of \$650,000 that he billed as an "investment" in the Peotone Airport but was reported on city budget documents as an expense. The week after Wietecha resigned, the city council's Finance committee discussed the \$650,000. Ald. John Benka (2nd) said that Wietecha was the point man on the issue and that no one else really knew about the money.

The money was given to Elk Grove Village in November 2002 to join an agreement with Bensenville. Each of the three communities chipped in \$650,000 to pay for a feasibility study for the Peotone Airport.

Efforts to recover part or all of the money continue to this day.



Former Park Ridge Mayor Ron Wietecha delivers his resignation speech to the city council Sept. 15, 2003. He cited family reasons for his decision.

SPORTS

Victory puts Hawks in striking distance for championship

BY RYAN BISHOP
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Junior running back/wide receiver Jake Bachmeier picked a great day to have his best game as a varsity football player. The smallest guy on the field at 5-8, 165 lbs, Bachmeier scored three touchdowns for the Hawks as they defeated the Stevenson Patriots 46-15 at Wilson Field in the Class 8A quarterfinals. The Hawks are now one game away from their second consecutive trip to Champaign for the right to play for the state championship.

All Bachmeier did on the day was amass 233 all-purpose yards which included 5 carries for 106 yards, a 38 yard touchdown catch and a 61-yard kickoff return down to the Stevenson 10-yard line. "To score one touchdown here in front of a thousand fans let alone three is unbelievable. I would trade all my scores last year for one here today. The offensive line did a great job opening up holes for me and creating lanes. Andy brings his power game and I try and find the crease and bring the speed. Once I got things going it seemed like I was running downhill and got into a groove," said Bachmeier.

Andy Cupp combined with Bachmeier to rush for over 200 yards and score four touchdowns as the team gained 400 yards on the day. Cupp (11 carries, 84 yards) put the Hawks in front on a well executed 43-yard rushing touchdown as he burst through the right side of the undersized Stevenson front line. A botched extra point kick was thrown by Tyler Knight to split end Adam Fee that just made it over the goal line for an 8-0 lead with 6:25 remaining in the first quarter.

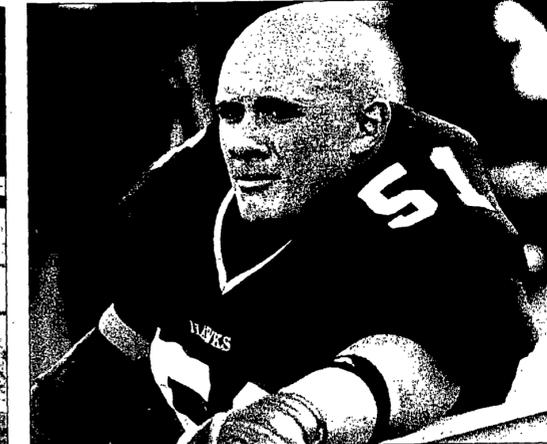
Stevenson stormed back to tie the game at 8 on Preston Earl's 17-yard touchdown pass to James Lobus in the flat. This would be the Patriots last points until three minutes left in



the game as the Hawks scored 38 straight points, turning the game into a rout.

"It was a total team effort today out there. The defense was outstanding and didn't give up the big plays," said coach Dave Inserra. We played a complete game in all phases. We overloaded on some of our formations and were able to get some big plays by Jake. He really had an outstanding game. He's so tough to stop once he gets in the open field and has great moves."

Quarterback Sean Price didn't have one of his best games as a Hawk but was precise and showed poise in the pocket. Completing 12-of-20 passes for 178 yards and two touchdowns, he connected with



(Above Left) Maine South wide receiver Lewis Borsellino makes a leaping grab for a first down in the first half of their Class 8A quarterfinal game against Stevenson Saturday afternoon November 13, 2004 at Maine South.

(Above) Maine South lineman Tony Colletti (51) grabs a few minutes rest as the third quarter winds down.

(Below) Saturday afternoon November 13, 2004 at Maine South. Maine South wide receiver Derek Walsh (21) tries to fight off the tackle of Stevenson's Jand Dietrich (38) in the first half of their Class 8A quarterfinal play-off game at Maine South Saturday afternoon November 13, 2004.



"Wheaton has some big guys up front that go well over 300 lbs. and they are a great attacking team. They have 3-4 division I recruits and both Naperville teams in the playoffs to get here," said Inserra.

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Senior Living

Veteran, Artist Jack Terrazas dies at 80

BY WENDY ELLIS
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For Jack Terrazas Jr. memories of Windmill cookies, playing baseball in the street with his brothers and sisters, and his father coming home with bartered bags of groceries on Friday nights are worthy of a book or two about the good old days. Jack Terrazas speaks warmly of those days, and thoughts of his father, Jack Sr.,



who died last week at the age of 80 in Morton Grove.

Anyone who knew Jack Sr. knew of his love of country, God and family, but it was his artistic talent that shaped much of who he was and how people knew him. At the age of 12, Jack Sr. won a scholarship to the Art Institute of Chicago, spending several years jumping on the streetcar after school in order to make it to his 4:30 art class every day after school on the south side. One of 14 boys and 4 girls born to his parents, Jack Sr. was the only one to finish high school and go on to college. Jack and 7 of his brothers joined the armed forces in 1943, and served as a Naval communications officer during World War II. All 8 of the Terrazas brothers returned safely from the war, and Jack Sr. turned to his artwork to support his new family, working first at the old Chicago American and then the Chicago Tribune, before starting his own ad

agency in 1961.

"Art was a driving force behind his life," Jack Jr. recalls. His father's easel was just another piece of living room furniture when Jack Jr. was growing up with his mother Hope, and his sister Pat, in a tiny Chicago apartment. Two more siblings arrived and the family finally moved to Morton Grove in 1957. A year later, Jack Sr. joined the American Legion, where he was vice-commander and an active member for almost 50 years. When he was 78 years old, he was elected Commander of the Morton Grove Legion post.

The Terrazas family was active in St. Martha's church, and a few years ago Jack Sr. used his talents and training as a sculptor to restore a badly shattered statue of St. Martha that had been damaged by vandals. "He studied sculpture the old fashioned way," said

his son. "He missed the pigment with the substance. It was a huge project and he did it for free." Jack Jr. says his father was a true artist, in the sense that he didn't have a lot of business sense. "He didn't know how to charge people for his work. He loved helping people out. Maybe he was wealthy in a different way," said Jack Jr. following his father's memorial service at the Legion Hall in Morton Grove last week.

His latest dream had been to build a World War II memorial at the Legion Hall complete with soldier statues, tanks and jeeps. He had spent his most recent years doing good works for the Claretian Priests and St. Jude's Children's Hospital, as well as St. Martha's, the American Legion, even the local schools. The life of Jack Terrazas Sr. was a work of art.



Aging Lifestyles: Flu can be deadly

BY JOE VOLZ
Copley News Service

I never worried much about getting a flu shot until I heard the story of my mother-in-law's bout with flu a few years back. Eye Polk Bird came down with what she thought was a routine cold a couple of weeks before Christmas. As usual, she doctored herself with ginger ale and extra sleep but she kept getting sicker and sicker. By the time she went to see her doctor, she was extremely ill with what he diagnosed as the Asian flu. There wasn't much the doctor could do to help Eve but he ordered X-rays to make sure she hadn't gotten pneumonia and prescribed cough medicine and something to help her sleep at night. Every year after that episode, Eve got her flu shot as soon as it was available. And so do I.

It's time again for flu shots. And U.S. health officials urge the most vulnerable people to get their flu shots as soon as possible. After announcing that 100 million doses of the flu vaccine would be available between the end of October and mid-November, U.S. health authorities were taken by surprise by an announcement in early October that a British company, manufacturer of half of the U.S. flu vaccine, has been shut down for three months because of concerns over sterility. Chiron Corp.'s suspension means that the 46 million flu shots expected to be shipped to the United States won't be. The result is that the United States faces a "significant shortage" said Dr. Anthony Fauci, infectious disease chief for the National Institutes of Health. Instead of a hefty 13-million-dose increase over last year's supply, there won't be enough flu shots for

all. It's too early to tell what strain of flu will dominate this season, but Dr. Kevji Fukuda, the chief flu epidemiologist for the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, says that the new vaccine appears to be well-matched against the most aggressive Fujian flu strain from last year. The news about what the flu can do to people is sobering. The CDC reports that 36,000 Americans die of influenza each year and 200,000 go to the hospital with complications of flu such as pneumonia. Adults 65 and older account for 90 percent of all deaths and 50 percent of all hospitalizations. Yet, unlike many diseases, "it's a disease that we have the means to prevent," says Dr. Carol Baker of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Along with people older than 65, children younger than 2 years of age are vulnerable to flu and its complications. An annual shot, which is adminis-

tered to adults in a single shot and to children younger than age 9 in two doses a month apart provides protection against flu. If someone who's been vaccinated does get the flu, it's usually a milder version. So who should get flu shots? Here's what the CDC recommends:

- People 50 and older.
- Any adult with chronic health conditions, such as heart or lung disease.
- Pregnant women or women who are thinking of getting pregnant, especially since the shot offers some protection to babies born during the flu season.
- Anyone who lives with or cares for someone with a high risk of getting flu. This includes the parents and caregivers of toddlers and babies. Remember, grandparents, if you don't want to get flu shots to protect yourself, there's an added reason: to protect your grandchildren, especially babies younger than 2 years of age, who are at particular risk for complications from flu.

"When you are vaccinated, you not

only protect yourself, you protect your loved ones," says Dr. Walter Orenstein, the associate director of the Emory Vaccine Center. Flu shots are available from a variety of sources - the health department, drug stores and senior centers. Most doctors' offices offer flu shots as a service to their patients. Medicare and Medicaid cover the costs. I sometimes hear people say that they won't get the flu shots because they get sick from the shots. Well, let's put that old myth to bed. Getting flu shots cannot give you the flu. The shots are made from killed influenza virus. If someone gets flu shortly after receiving the shot, it's nothing but a coincidence. Odds are the person was infected with flu before getting the shot. E-mail Joe Volz at jvolz2003@adelphia.net or write to 2528 Five Shillings Road, Frederick, MD 21701. © Copley News Service Visit Copley News Service at www.copleynews.com.

Niles Senior Center

NSC Highlights
For more details on the programs listed below and/or to find out about our other programs and activities - events, trips, or classes - please check the November Naturally Active Program Guide or call the Niles Senior Center at 847/588-8420.

NILES SENIOR CENTER CLOSED THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOV.

Maine Township Seniors

MaineStreamers Announce New Winter Senior Activities and Classes. The following are some of the new classes, events, and activities available through MaineStreamers, the social senior organization of Maine Township. For further information on free membership or any of these

25TH & 26TH THANKSGIVING DAY CELEBRATION LUNCHEON
Family far away? Has cooking become too much trouble? If so, please join us for our 3rd annual Thanksgiving Day Luncheon Celebration on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25th, from 11:00am to 2:00pm. A traditional Thanksgiving meal featuring turkey and all the fixings will be served at 12:00 noon. Reservations are required by Friday, Nov. 19th. Cost: FREE but canned goods or monetary donations to the Niles Family Services Food Pantry are request-

events, call 1-847-297-2510.
GRANDPARENTING PROGRAM
"Financial Gifts and Allowances" Tuesday, Nov. 30 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Presenter: Linda Waycie No Cost - Registration Required
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child have a bank account? How can we help teach our grandchildren about money? Light refreshments will be served. This event is a collaboration with the Children's Home and Aid Society.
PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT
Wednesday, Dec. 12 noon to 4 p.m. Cost: \$5 members/\$6 guest
Enjoy fun competition at this "Three Handed Pinochle" Tournament.

ed. Reservation Deadline: Friday, November 19th.
CHRISTMAS EVE DAY CELEBRATION LUNCHEON
Alone at Christmas time? Family far away? Cooking too much trouble? If so, please join us for our 2nd annual Christmas Luncheon Celebration. This year our holiday meal is planned for Christmas Eve Day, Friday, December 24th, at noon. Doors will open at 11:30am and we'll celebrate until 2:00pm. This holiday celebration is FREE but we are requesting food or monetary donations to the Niles Family Services' Food Pantry.

Reservation are required by Friday, December 17th. Reservation Deadline: Friday, Dec. 17th.
MEN'S CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY SPECTACULAR, Friday, December 3rd, \$22. Join us at the White Eagle, 6845 Milwaukee Ave, Niles, for this annual holiday event. Check-in begins at 10:30am, with programming starting at 11:00am. Lunch features a family style feast with beef, chicken, and fish, plus delicious side dishes. Entertainment will feature the Frank Martello Orchestra. There is limited space so don't wait until the last minute to purchase your ticket. You must register in advance; seating reservation requests must be submitted no later than Wednesday, Nov. 24th. If space is available, non-residents may purchase a ticket beginning Monday, Nov. 22nd. The cost is \$22 and includes lunch, table raffle, door prizes, and entertainment. CASH bar available.
HEALTH & WELLNESS - NOVEMBER
DIABETIC SCREENING, Wednesday, November 17th, 9:00am - 10:00am \$2. This screening requires an advance registration.

Refreshments are served at 12 noon. Competition begins at 1 p.m. Newcomers are always welcome.
Day Trips
The following Day Trips are currently on sale. In order to sign up for a Day Trip you must first sign up to be a member and then a reservation form will be sent to you. To become a member call the MaineStreamers at 1-847-297-2510 and ask for an application.
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MORTON GROVE SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS RELEASE
Contact: Bud Swanson, Family & Senior Services, 847/663-6110
November 15, 2004
BING CROSBY'S AUDIO BIOGRAPHY

Bethany Terrace Nursing Centre and the Morton Grove Senior Center present Vocal Historian, Jack Diamond and his audio biography of Bing Crosby at 10:30 am. on Monday, Nov. 29 in the Senior Center. Mr. Diamond will guide us through a journey of the life and songs of the man who defined the word, "crooner". Space is limited, so please

make your reservation for this free program by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223 before Nov. 26. The Morton Grove Lunch Bunch will be serving lunch immediately following the program and reservations are required for lunch as well.

MALL SHOPPING

Morton Grove seniors wishing to join shoppers on a trip to Golf Mill Mall on Tuesday, Nov. 30 should call the Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223 to reserve a seat on the Seniortrun. Home pick-ups begin at 10 am. with arrival at Golf Mill at 11 am. Trips are free for Senior Center Members and \$1 for all others.

CHOLESTEROL SCREENING

The Morton Grove Senior Center's monthly Cholesterol Screening will be held at 9 am. on Wednesday, Dec. 1. Swedish Covenant Hospital will administer the screening, which provides a full lipid profile including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL and triglycerides. Results will be available within seven working days. Reservations are 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.

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invite seniors to join in on numerous free school productions to be performed during the coming weeks. For details call the schools at 847/626-2000 (Niles North) and 847/626-2500 (Niles West). The events include: Niles West "Patchwork" Stories from Grandma's Quilt" Performance at 10 am. on Thursday, Dec. 2. Niles North Choir and Orchestra Concert at 7:30 pm. on Wednesday, Dec. 8. Niles North Holiday Community Performance at 12:30 pm. on Thursday, Dec. 9 (call 847/933-8208 for a reservation). Niles North Band Concert at 7:30 pm. on Tuesday, Dec. 14. Niles West Choir Holiday Concert at 7:30 pm. on Thursday, Dec. 16.

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A celebration 69 years in the making



Stanley and Jane Milecki celebrated their 69 year wedding anniversary on Tuesday, October 26th, proving once again that true love can last the test of time. A collection of family, friends, residents, as well as Bethany Terrace Nursing Centre staff members joined the happy couple for a day of fun that no one in attendance will soon forget. The celebration included decorations, live entertainment, dancing, cake, and a toast. Mr. Milecki is a resident at Bethany Terrace Nursing Centre in Morton Grove and Mrs. Milecki lives just around the corner, also in Morton Grove. You can't keep this couple far apart from one another for a single day. Happy 69th Anniversary to Stanley and Jane Milecki and many more to come!!!

Bethany Terrace sponsors live entertainment at MG Senior Center

Jack Diamond, a Bing Crosby-style signer, will perform at the Morton Grove Senior Center, on Monday, Nov. 29. Diamond will perform from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. His performance is sponsored by

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MG Vets honored with Parade



(Above) World War II veteran Tom Williams of American Legion Post 134 waits next to a Marine color guard from the 2nd Battalion, 24th Marines for Veterans Day ceremonies to begin outside of the Morton Grove Library Sunday afternoon November 14, 2004.
(Top Right) Marines from the 2nd Battalion, 24th Marine Division stand at attention during Veterans Day ceremonies outside of the Morton Grove Public Library Sunday afternoon November 14, 2004.
(Bottom Right) Morton Grove mayor Daniel Scanlon reads a tribute to United States veterans during Veterans Day ceremonies outside of the Morton Grove Public Library Sunday afternoon November 14, 2004.
(Top Left) Sam English, 8, of Morton Grove salutes as members of American Legion Post 134 of Morton Grove march past his home on Georgiana during the Veterans Day parade Sunday afternoon November 14, 2004.
(Bottom Left) Bradley Erickson of Cub Scout Pack 228 of Morton Grove leads the pack during the Morton Grove Veterans Day parade Sunday afternoon November 14, 2004.

Park Ridge Seniors

CHRISTMAS PARTIES SCHEDULED

The annual Park Ridge Senior Center Christmas Party is planned for Monday, December 13 beginning with cash bar cocktails at 11:30am, lunch served at 12:30pm. The menu includes cream of mushroom soup, choice of prim rib, broiled salmon, or chicken chateau, double baked potato, green beans almondine and ice cream.

Entertainment will include The Choraliers, the senior center chorus, as well as music for dancing by Frank K and Company. Santa Claus is expected to appear to hand out door prizes.

Reservations are required in advance and the charge is \$23.00. Guests are welcome.

WOMEN'S CLUB PARTY

The Women's Club annual Christmas Party is scheduled for Thursday, December 2. It will be held at Chambers on Milwaukee Avenue in Niles beginning at 11:30am with lunch being served at noon.

The menu includes soup, choice of baked half chicken or BBQ ribs and shrimp combination, with potato, vegetable and dessert.

There will also be games, Christmas music and much good fellowship. Cost is \$18.00

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As a result of a talk given at the Center by Sgt. Matthew Kucharik, son of choral director, Regina Kucharik, nearly 150 lbs. of sorely needed "comfort" items have been collected for distribution to troops in Iraq. Since this response has been so very gratifying, another collection is planned after the first of the year.

The list of items needed is very specific. These would include: playing cards, snack foods in tins or hermetically sealed containers, q-tips, tooth-paste, deodorant, handy wipes such as those used by moms to clean up their babies and similar convenience items.

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BUSINESS

Park Ridge Chamber names Chelle O'Connell as new executive director

Chelle O'Connell is the new Executive Director of the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce. The Board of Directors approved her appointment at today's meeting. Previously, O'Connell was Membership and Marketing Director at the Elmhurst (Illinois) Family YMCA. According to Marc Dennison, Chamber President, 41 job applications were received from as far away as Alabama and Hawaii, as well as from a number of local candidates. After cutting the list, the Search Committee conducted two sets of interviews starting with eight candidates before narrowing the field to three on which extensive background checks were done. Although she doesn't officially start her new duties until Nov. 22, O'Connell immediately started attending committee meetings and getting involved in projects such as the Chamber's Annual Gala scheduled for January 22, 2005. She will also be meeting with local elected officials and civic leaders. "I am honored and humbled to have been selected for this position," O'Connell said. "Park Ridge is a wonderful, dynamic community. I want to be part of the team that works to assist Park Ridge to grow and thrive economically." "Through communication, cooperation, and collaboration among the various stakeholders, I know that we can achieve this goal," she explained. "Community service has always been important to me, and I am looking forward to serving the Chamber and the city." Over the past two years, O'Connell was responsible for membership development and marketing the Elmhurst YMCA to surrounding communities. She created, implemented, and maintained the YMCA's web site and produced the organization's brochures. She worked on Elmfest, silent auctions, and golf tournaments for the YMCA and the Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce and Industry. She served on the Marketing Committee of the Elmhurst Chamber, the Marketing Committee of Character Counts IN Elmhurst, the Vestry at the Episcopal Church of Our

Saviour, and as a mentor for School District 205. O'Connell is also active in



Rotary. Currently, she serves as Director of the Addison Rotary Club, Youth Exchange Officer for District 6450, and a member of the District Rotary International Foundation Committee and the Business Expo Committee for Rotary International's Centennial Conference to be held in

Chicago in June, 2005. She was in the first group of women accepted as members of the Rotary Club of Buffalo (NY). In the Buffalo Rotary, she chaired the Camp Enterprise Committee and the Vocational Service Committee, and is a past Director. She is a graduate of the Leadership Buffalo Program and the Leadership Buffalo Graduate Program and chaired the Erie Community College Library Advisory Council, as well as served on the boards of the Arts in Education Institute, and Longview Niagara, now Gateway-Longview, a non-profit organization that serves children and their families. The new Executive Director is a graduate of the Buffalo Seminary, Hollins University in Roanoke, Virginia, and the State University of New York at Buffalo, where she received an M.L.S. While in Buffalo, she worked at the University of Buffalo Health Sciences Library, the VA Medical Center, Computer Task Group, and Keane. Her daughter, mother, and brother remain in the Buffalo area. Her son resides in Orlando, Florida.

Protect your name this holiday season

(NUI) - The holiday season is the time of year when you should be spreading holiday cheer and buying the perfect gifts for everyone on your shopping list, not spending time recovering a stolen identity.

In order to ensure that your name and credit are protected, banks, credit card companies and other organizations are working overtime to protect you. By working with your financial institution, you can avoid becoming a victim.

Chase, for example, has developed sophisticated systems to prevent identity theft and has a 1,300-person support team that is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. On its Web site, Chase educates its customers about the growing threat of identity theft and how to prevent it. With these resources and tools - and consumers who are careful with their personal information - Chase prevents up to 80 percent of fraud before it occurs.

Although fraud activity increases approximately 15 percent during the holiday season, it doesn't have to happen to you. So, as you reach for the plastic to purchase everything on your holiday shopping list, follow these easy steps to ward off any unwanted "presents" on your next credit card statement.

- * Secure your personal information. Do not carry your Social Security card with you.
- * Never give out personal information over the phone unless you initiate the call or know the organization.
- * Be aware of suspicious e-mails that ask for confirmation of a credit card number, PIN or other sensitive information.
- * Shred all documents that contain sensitive information.
- * Check your credit bureau report at least once a year.

Resolve to Retire: The Steps to Smart Savings

(NUI) - With Americans living longer and facing ever-increasing costs, it is more important than ever to gather enough income to last throughout retirement. Many people, however, find it difficult to save and wonder how they can effectively invest the retirement funds they do have. "Saving for retirement while addressing other financial responsibilities, such as tuition and mortgage payments, can be a challenge," says Anthony Luciano,

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Decor Score Office armoire keeps business world at bay

Q: The "other shoe" dropped on us last week: my husband lost his job. I should say, lost his "daytime" job: this may be the motivation he's been waiting for to launch full-time the business he's been dabbling with on the side. I want to help by setting up a workable home office for him, but where? We have three bedrooms and two children.

A: One of my favorite decorating tools is the golden shoehorn: plan right and you usually can find the space to shoehorn any vital new activity into your current home space.

According to a study by the American Furniture Manufacturers Association, most home offices are in the master bedroom. Next most popular location is the family room, then the study and guest room. Only a small percentage of America's home offices wind up in the kitchen or living room (more people, it seems, even prefer to work in the basement thanglom up spaces used by the entire family).

A relatively attractive way to avoid "glomming-up" the public rooms is to center work space in an office armoire that simply closes up after hours so no one sees its 9-to-5 function. The office armoire in the photo we show here is from Kimball Furniture (www.KimballHome.com). It includes practical features like a pullout work surface and keyboard shelf, file drawers, disc storage, even a bulletin board.

Its good-looking Mission styling will make this all-in-one office welcome in any room in the house ... with one caveat: designers like Clodagh (a Design Hall of Famer and member of the influential Interiors Committee of the Color Association of the United States) cautions against bringing any semblance of the workplace into the master bedroom. She believes it's a downer to see bills, papers, anything to do with the work-a-day-world in what should be a calming, quiet and romantic room. **Q:** Where can you survey the entire sweep of authentic American decorative history in a week's time?

A: In Virginia, during Historic Garden Week, the oldest and largest statewide house and garden tour event in the nation. From April 16 - 24, 2005, you can see



how the likes of Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, Robert E. Lee and John D. Rockefeller made themselves at home. More contemporary homes and gardens are also open to visitors during "America's largest Open House," as it's called by sponsors, The Garden Club of Virginia. To plan your visit go to www.VAGardenweek.org.

Q: The living/dining room in my new condo is so small I'm thinking about giving up my dining table and just using folding TV tables when I entertain. Unless you have a better idea?

A: My suggestion is already time-tested and proven smart: a drop-leaf table is a splendid answer to small-space living. Chances are you can disguise it as a sofa table

until company comes, then pull it out, raise the leaves, and voila! gracious dining. A drop leaf can also live out of the way against a wall or even in a hall between meals. Highland House Furniture showed one that's a scant 18 inches wide with its leaves down. Part of the charming "Cotswold Cottage" collection, the Calcott dining table opens to a serviceable 38-inch round. See their selection at www.highlandhousefurniture.com.

Pair it with pull-up chairs - that can be stowed off-duty in the bedroom or kitchen - and you will be elegantly back in the hostessing business.

While you're exploring Highland House's offering, look for their

latest introduction at the recent International Home Furnishings Market, a collection inspired by and named for Le Cinque Terre, a to-die-for series of five little pastel-colored coastal villages on Italy's Ligurian Coast. The ultimate in armchair travel, the furniture is as light-filled and insouciant as these little-known and unique Old World towns.

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A greener view

Keep your feeders up: Hummingbirds still need energy

Q: When should I take the hummingbird feeder down in the fall?

A: Do not take the feeder down until it has been a couple of weeks since you last saw it being used. In cold-climate areas, a frost will kill off the remaining flowers. When that happens, there may be a few hummingbirds that still need a little more energy before heading farther south. They cannot get the sugars from the dead flowers, so your feeder will help.

Having a feeder up will not entice hummingbirds to stay past the time they should leave. The instinct to migrate is too strong for that to happen. If you live along the Gulf Coast, in Southern California or the desert Southwest, it is possible to have hummingbirds visit your yard all year long.

Q: My beech tree has developed a crack in the bark that has sap weeping out of it. What can I do to keep the tree alive?

A: You have mentioned the best-known symptom of a tree disease whose cause has only recently been identified. The organism that causes the disease is similar to a fungus and similar to brown algae. The vast majority of trees that have this symptom die. It is affecting trees in the Northeastern portion of the country.

About all you can do is to give the tree water and fertilizer as needed. Don't prune any branches and don't allow any damage to the root system. These trees seem to become more susceptible to many other disease and insect pests, so watch the tree for other problems and treat them as necessary.

Q: According to the instructions that came with the tulip bulbs I bought, I was supposed to have planted them a couple of weeks ago. Is it still OK to plant them now?

A: Spring bulbs are best planted about six weeks before the ground freezes. If that is not pos-

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Take the mystery out of buying windows and doors

NU) - Undertaken by homeowners, replacing windows or doors ranks among the top five. It is one of the most cost-effective ways to add to a home's value, comfort, security and "curb appeal."

With hundreds of window and door options, the dilemma for many homeowners is choosing stylish, high-quality products that will stand the test of time. Jeld-Wen, the largest manufac-

turer of windows and doors, offers the following tips to help homeowners make the right choices.

* Recognize reliability. One indicator of reliability is the warranty. Don't settle for a one-year warranty on interior molded doors when a five-year warranty is available. And don't settle for a short-term warranty on vinyl windows when some manufacturers offer a lifetime warranty.

* Set a budget. Costs vary based on the material used to construct the window or door. For windows, prices are low-

est for aluminum, followed by vinyl. Wood is generally the most expensive. For doors, prices are lowest for steel, then composite and fiberglass. Wood tops the list.

Be sure to examine overall value, however, and not just the price tag. Energy Star-qualified windows and doors cost about 5 percent more, but can save money in the long run by reducing yearly energy bills by up to 15 percent.

* Pay attention to performance features. Useful features increase the

comfort and safety of a home. Consider ergonomically designed options like one-touch, automatic-locking windows that lock and unlock with almost no effort. If privacy is important, look for solid-core interior doors, which significantly reduce noise transfer.

* Consider climate. For regions with high heat in the summer or extreme cold in the winter, choose windows and doors with low-E glass. Low-E is a microscopic metallic coating applied to the glass that diminishes the amount

of heat that can be transferred through it.

In humid regions, look for wood windows and doors that are protected against decay and insect damage and backed by a 20-year warranty. In arid regions, immediately seal and finish wood windows and doors to maintain their moisture, or consider high-quality vinyl windows.

When it comes to selecting the right windows and doors, a little planning can bring major benefits for years to come.

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sible, then the sooner they are planted the better, even if this means breaking through the top few inches of frozen soil to plant them. Wait to mulch over the bed until the soil is frozen and then add about 4 inches of mulch.

If that is not possible, they can be potted in potting soil and placed in a refrigerator (at about 40 to 50 degrees) for three to four months and then brought out to bloom. Don't let the soil in the pots dry out in the dry air of the refrigerator. It is also best not to store fruit in the same refrigerator, since fruit release ethylene gas that can prevent the flower buds from maturing in the bulbs. Don't try to store the bulbs in anything but cold air or soil. They will dry up and die if left in a warm location and can't be saved until next year.

Bulbs need a cold dormancy period, that is how they grow in nature. Some bulbs like amaryllis and paper white narcissus grow in dry climates, not cold climates, and they go through a dry dormancy period. They can be dug up, stored for a while and then planted indoors where they will easily bloom.

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GARDEN TIP

Hover craft

It is not necessary to take down feeders to force hummingbirds to fly south; they will migrate. If they are sticking around, it could be because they are sick or injured. Some experts recommend leaving the feeder up with a 150-watt bulb on the feeder to keep the nectar from freezing.

FUN FACTS

- Hummingbirds are the smallest birds in the world with one of the highest metabolisms of any living creature.
- They can consume up to 50% of their weight in sugar (nectar) each day by lapping up the nectar with their grooved tongues.
- They beat their wings 60 to 200 times per second and can fly up to 60 miles per hour.
- They can live 5-6 years in the wild.
- The heart beats about 250 times per minute while at rest, about 1,220 times per minute while flying.

Hovering reduces the need to perch and climb, so the feet and legs are relatively small and almost useless for bearing weight.

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Gardening indoors

While you wait for the cold weather to hurry itself back to the North Pole, try indoor gardening through the chilly months.

A few acclimated houseplants on a shelf by a window is a simple start; those more ambitious can try erecting either a temporary or a permanent green-house to their landscape. They come in all sizes and price ranges, but be sure to start off with an indoor gardening guide to help you purchase your first few indoor plants.

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