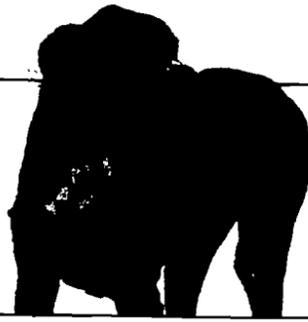


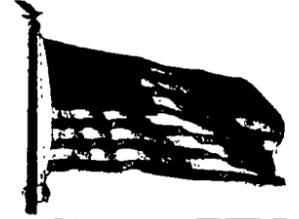


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Morton Grove approves MCC Land licensing agreement

BY TRACY YOSHIDA GRUEN
STAFF WRITER

After many residents spoke to express their concerns or speak in support of the proposed license agreement between the Muslim Community Center and the

Village of Morton Grove and an executive session occurred in the middle of the village board meeting, village trustees voted in favor of the agreement.

The agreement will allow the MCC to build, maintain and operate a new parking lot on part of the Capulina Right of Way. In return, the village

would be able to utilize 24,800 sq ft. of green space located in the further northwest part of 8601 Menard St. The village and the MCC have been in dispute over who owns the property for quite some time.

Trustee Roy Kogstad made a motion to postpone the ordinance indefinitely and the

motion failed.

"It's not in the best interest of the residents," said Kogstad. He said that the MCC is the only party that will benefit from the agreement. He was also concerned about kids playing in proximity to Menard and the loss of three trees.

"It is a wrong way to solve

what is at its core a land dispute," said Pat Kansoer, village resident who was opposed to the agreement. "The cross-licensing agreement which is the basis of the ordinance is an unnecessary action which will solve nothing

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Notre Dame goes Cuckoo tonight



The curtain will open on Notre Dame High School's production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" tonight (Thursday). In the photograph above, Senior Pat Cloherty is on the left (Chicago) opposite Freshman Joseph Mahoney (Niles) at the dress rehearsal. For more on the story, see SCHOOLS, page 5.

Niles board pulls 'update' to gambling ordinance

BY ANDREW SCHNEIDER
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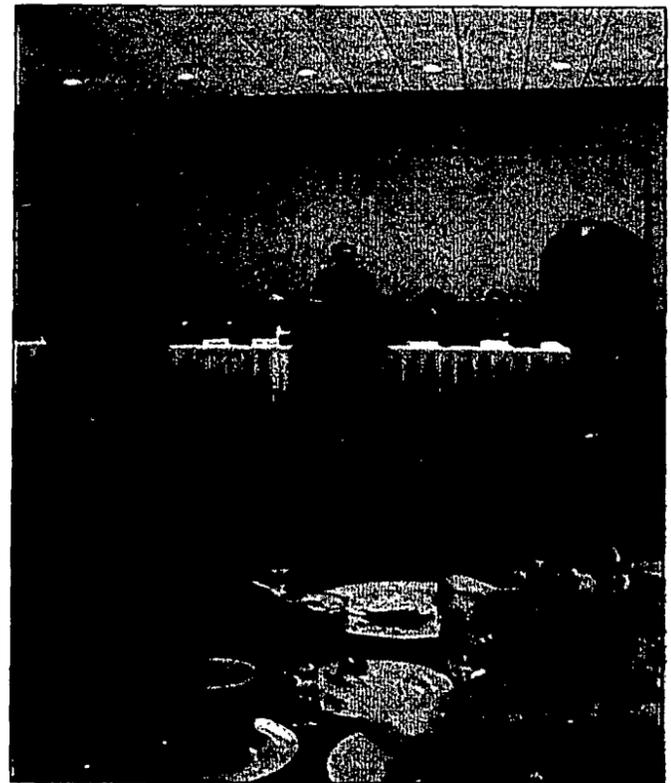
would have updated the village's gambling ordinance because there was too much public confusion about the measure.

Niles Mayor Nick Blase pulled an item that was on Tuesday's agenda that

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Blase addresses Niles



Niles business owners listened to Mayor Nick Blase's annual address to the business community last Tuesday at the White Eagle. For more on the story, turn to BUSINESS, page 9.

Newspaper deliveryman menaced with bat

BY JEFF BORGARDT
STAFF WRITER

A newspaper deliveryman, 34, of the 2000 block of N. Spaulding in Chicago was menaced by two baseball bat wielding attackers in Morton Grove last week.

The man typically delivers the

downtown daily tabloid each morning from 2 a.m. to 7 a.m.

As he was driving Northbound in an alley of Austin between Capulina and Crain the deliveryman saw a man relieving himself in the alley and another guy.

As he continued delivering papers in his car, a blue car pulled up in front of him block-

ing his path.

The same two men got out of the car with baseball bats and walked towards his vehicle swearing. They swung the bat at the car but the driver evaded the swing by driving away.

The attackers then got back in

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NEWS

St. John Brebeuf Gala is 'Jewel of the Nile'

St. John Brebeuf School will be holding their 2005 gala "Jewel of the Nile" on Nov. 5. The gala will include an auction to benefit the parish school, 8301 N. Harlem, Niles.

This is the 12th annual fall fundraising event. School volunteers are now planning the event

and say donations of items that can be auctioned are welcome.

For more information, call Michael Moore of the auction committee at 847.967.1306.

The 49-year-old Roman Catholic K-8 school has about 535 students and a budget of \$1.4 million per year.

GAMBLING: Village drops 'update'

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"It doesn't really accomplish anything," said Blase Tuesday before the meeting. "It confuses some people who are already confused."

The measure would have amended the village's gambling ordinance to reflect current state law rather than forbidding all gambling.

"There are some forms of gambling that are allowed by state law," said Blase, "like pull tabs, bingo and off-track betting (OTB)." The revision, he continued, simply would have stated that several Niles residents contact-

ed the village and The Bugle in advance of the village board meeting, concerned that it was an attempt to legalize OTB.

The village approved a petition last month from Melrose Park-based Inter-Track Partners to renovate a former Circuit City site in Golf Mill Mall for use as an OTB. That was perfectly legal, according to Village Attorney Joe Annunzio, because OTBs are allowed by state law and are permitted as a special use in the Niles Zoning Ordinance.

"The ordinance allowing OTB as a special use was written in 1987," Annunzio said Tuesday. "In the ordinance it is specifically written that the measure supercedes any other ordinance in the village."

That includes the 1965 gambling ordinance which was designed to combat illegal gambling that was endemic in Niles prior to the Blase administration.

It's a bird, it's a plane---It's... Mars?

People will have the chance to look out into the sky, using telescopes, with the Chicago Astronomical Society in Harrer Park, near the Morton Grove Historical Museum at 6240 W. Dempster on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 8 a.m.

At this event, people will search for Mars, and its surface features and possibly dust storms. If the sky has enough transparency, viewers may also be able to find the Great Andromeda Galaxy or the Pleiades Star Cluster.

Dan Joyce, of the Chicago Astronomical Society, says that there is a good deal of light in the suburbs, which makes it a challenge. The park district lights and lights in the general area will be turned off for the event.

"We have to be much more particular with our target," said Joyce, about the city lights.

This summer, a similar star-watching program was held by the historical museum.

AGREEMENT: Senensky, Kogstad dissent on land license

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"We just wanted to update our ordinance," said Annunzio, "so that when a church went to the state to get a bingo permit they were not in conflict with our village ordinance."

The measure may not come up again, according to Blase, because the village is currently in compliance with the law and no re-write is necessary.

"If we say nothing at all, we are legal," he said, adding that there are forms of gambling, like video poker, which are prohibited within the village.

Inter-Track's petition for an OTB is currently under consideration by the Illinois Racing Board. A vote on it was postponed after Arlington Park voiced opposition to the Niles facility on the grounds that it would compete with the race track. The board will meet next month to consider the petition.

"For 16 years, the open green field has been used by all the residents," said Mohammed Kaiseruddin, president of the MCC, who said that many residents play baseball and football on their fields. "The MCC has never stopped anyone from using the field."

"Everyone will be benefited by this space," said Nayyar Khan. Some residents in support of the center assured that nothing will change and that the agreement is just a legal formality.

"I am saddened by these plans," said Molly Conrad, a concerned resident. She said that she has some safety issues with the parking lot and is not happy with the "closed door negotiations" that have taken place. She said that a resident was told at a commission that he/she was not allowed to ask any questions about this agreement.

Trustee Dale Senensky was not in favor of approving the ordinance. He said that the parking configuration is disrespectful to the neighbors.

Trustee Stackman said some residents were concerned with flooding and he said he talked with the village engineer who said there wouldn't be any flooding issues with the agreement.

"I would like to congratulate you," said Akhter Sadiq, a resident who believes the trustees made a good decision for the sake of Morton Grove.

NEWS

Contest challenges firefighters to the extreme

BY JEFF BORGARDT
STAFF WRITER

A group of Morton Grove firefighters have been pushing fitness to the test at a grueling national, televised competition.

At the firefighter combat challenge, the men race in an obstacle course designed to test the skills needed in fire calamities.

Wearing full rescue gear, the racers pick up more gear, race up stairs, climb a rope hanging down five stories, pull down the weight five stories, run down stairs, simulate a forced entry, move a 160 pound weight five feet with sledgehammer, run through an obstacle course 150 feet, pick up a charged water hose line, drag it eighty feet, shoot a target with the water hose, knock it down-- and then drag a 175 pound dummy 100 feet.

Most competitors do all this in less than two minutes.

A doctor with the intent of keeping firefighters fit designed the challenge.

Morton Grove firefighters Joe

Fasolo, Rick Pryor, Jim Neville, George Carlson and Nate Akemann compete in the challenge.

They have traveled to Las Vegas, Florida and Canada to compete in the challenge.

Fasolo said the challenge is a great outlet for competition and physical fitness training.

"It's about competition, most of us have been involved in sports, competing and keeping in shape. The challenge also shows the public all the things we can do and rigors we can undergo."

Fasolo also said the challenge builds camaraderie among firefighters "like playing softball."

Though the challenge may build teamwork like softball, there is nothing soft about "the hardest two minutes in sports."

"It takes everything out of the body," Fasolo said. "When it is over, the legs are throbbing and you are totally spent."

A fire station in Morton Grove had set up a training course for the men to practice and the Schwarz Paper Company in Morton Grove has sponsored the team.



Morton Grove Firefighters who pushed their skills to the limit on ESPN's Firefighter Combat Challenge.

At the challenge, men and women compete in age brackets of firefighters over 50 year old, over 40 and then younger.

Neville has been competing the challenge for 14 years, Pryor and Akemann have been running

the course for seven years, Fasolo is a five-year veteran and Carlson has been participating for four years.

They compete as team and individual scores are tallied and added together. The contestants

are municipal firefighters from across the U.S. and Canada many of them with a military and sports background.

The firefighter combat challenge is broadcast on ESPN.

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SCHOOLS

First annual D63 TLC fundraiser Nov. 3

The first annual fundraising dinner event to support the Education Foundation and the Total Learning Community Program (TLC) at East Maine School Dist. 63 will be held on Nov. 3 at the Chateau Ritz in Niles.

The evening will include dinner, an awards ceremony and a silent and live auction.

The Dist. 63 Education Foundation is a non-profit organization that consists of local business and community leaders. The foundation is dedicated to maintaining the "award winning" TLC program.

The TLC program exists at four of the district's schools and also sponsors a teen center in partner-

ship with Maine Township. The program offers various activities for students, such as a dance club, jewelry making, sewing, cartooning, art, music, fitness and drama, chess club and much more. During the summer and spring, the TLC program is offered to all schools in the district.

Now in its fifth year, the TLC program was federally funded for the first three years of its existence. The fourth year it was financially supported by any funds that carried over from the previous years.

"So now we're on our own," said Pamela Surber, TLC Director at Dist. 63. "Anything we think the kids would be interested in we offer."

The Teen Center is located in two mobile units behind Apollo School and Surber said its a very popular spot. She said that on a Tuesday or Thursday evening, there's approximately 60 kids that participate in various activities, such as the basketball league or soccer lessons.

In addition to the various extracurricular activities and the Teen Center, TLC also teaches computer skills to senior citizens at the junior high school and offers family literacy classes, with the help of Oakton Community College.

The district is in search of auction prizes for their silent and live auctions and would appreciate any prize or monetary donations.

Curtain raises on 'Cuckoo's Nest' at Notre Dame tonight

Notre Dame partners with Resurrection to produce show Thursday through Saturday

After major renovations to Notre Dame's Little Theatre, full length productions, such as the upcoming "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" can now be presented.

The Jugglers drama troupe's fall production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" will be held on Oct. 27 to Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m. and on Oct. 30 at 2:30 p.m.

"We were not able to perform a full length production here before," said Scott Bishop, drama club moderator, who is excited about the renovation project.

Bishop said that the renovations include extending the stage out four feet, the installation of a brand new sound system, a control booth, a new lap top and the addition of stairs. Also, instead of fluorescent lights, they have theatrical type lighting.

Prior to these renovations, Bishop said the stu-

dents had to use the facilities at places such as Good Council and Resurrection to put on full length productions.

Notre Dame High School holds an annual walkathon and this year, about \$13,000 from the walkathon was donated to this renovation project.

"The number one thing that's going to attract the people is the quality of the plays," said Joe Villinski, of Notre Dame High School. "It helps though that we've been able to expand the stage and put in a quality sound system and new lighting."

"It's a real intimate venue," said Villinski, about the theatre that holds about 170 audience members. When they were held at other locations, there was generally about 200 to 250 people.

The play contains 14 characters. The female characters come from Resurrection.

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D207 to discuss budget cuts

BY TRACY YOSHIDA GRUEN
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The Maine Township High School Dist. 207 finance committee met on Thursday, Oct. 20 to discuss some possible budget reductions.

Two proposed possibilities were increasing the number of classes (assign-

ments) for English teachers from four to five, and eliminating several secretarial positions that assist department chairmen at the individual schools. The proposed outcome would be a savings of \$3.8 million over seven years.

"I was not in favor of it," said Dist. 207 president of the board of education, Eric Leys.

He said that the district has a successful, nationally recognized writing program and he would like to be sure that it is maintained.

Out of 46 school districts in the area, Dist. 207 and Lake Forest are the only districts whose English teachers have four assignments as opposed to five. He said that if they increase the amount of assignments to be like their peers and still maintain the same results then he would support that move, but as of now, he is not yet convinced that would happen.

The committee requested that English teachers, English department chairs and district administrators work together on this issue.

"We postponed it for further study," said Leys, who said that a recommendation will likely be ready in February.

The issue of eliminating secretarial positions will also be re-examined and brought back in March.

All seven board members attended the meeting on Oct. 20, as well as key district-level administrators. In addition, the principals of each of the district's high schools, at least 50 district staff members, parents and at least one student, were in attendance.

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NEWS

Niles CrimeStoppers

Bulletin!

The Niles CrimeStoppers have issued notices of two on-going criminal investigations for which they are seeking information. CrimeStoppers pays cash for tips that lead to an arrest and you never have to leave your name.

Notice 1

Niles CrimeStoppers is looking for information leading to the identification and arrest and prosecution of the offender or offenders involved in the following incidents:

Between Oct. 8 to Oct. 10, there were three incidents of arson that happened in Niles.
Incident #1: The first incident took place on Oct. 8 in a refuse dumpster at Emerson Middle School, 8101 Cumberland. The fire occurred between 3:39 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. The fire caused no damage to the school.

Incident #2: The second incident happened on Oct. 8 in the 8700 block of Milwaukee Ave. A garbage can next to the bus stop was set on fire. This occurred between 7 p.m. and 7:37 p.m. and the damage to the can was minimal.

Incident #3: The third incident took place on Oct. 10 at 7031 Dempster St., in front of the Hollywood Video Store. The incident took place between 3:30 a.m. and 4:01 a.m. A large flower pot in the front of the store was set on fire by an unknown person. There was damage to the flower pot but not to the store.

Those who have any information on these incidents should call the Niles CrimeStoppers at 847-588-6533. If the information results in an arrest and prosecution, people can receive cash for that information.

Notice 2

The Niles CrimeStoppers is searching for information that will lead to the identification, arrest and prosecution of the offender or offenders involved in the incident listed below:

Between the dates of Oct. 14 and Oct. 16, there were multiple incidents of criminal damage to automobiles in Niles and Morton Grove.

Incident #1: took place between Oct. 13 after 9 p.m. through Oct. 14 at 7:15 a.m. Unknown person using possibly a BB gun or pellet gun broke out a rear window of an Oldsmobile Bravada in the 9000 block of Terrace Drive, located in the Terrace Square Condo Complex.

Incident #2: happened between Oct. 14 after 7 p.m. and Oct. 15 at 2:20 a.m. An Unknown person possibly using a BB gun or pellet gun broke out the rear windshield to a Dodge Minivan located in the 8100 block of Washington Street.

Incident #3: occurred between Oct. 14 after 9:30 p.m. and Oct. 15 at 9 a.m. An unknown person possibly using a BB gun or pellet gun broke out the driver's side mirror of a Ford Explorer.

Incident #4: happened between Oct. 14 at 2 p.m. and Oct. 15 at 9 a.m. An unknown person possibly using a BB gun or pellet gun broke out the drivers side mirror of a GMC pickup truck

Incident #5: happened on Oct. 16 after 3 a.m. and Oct. 16 at 9:05 a.m. when an unknown person possibly using a BB gun or pellet gun broke out the rear window on a Honda Prelude.

Those with any information that results in an arrest and prosecution will receive cash for the information. Call 847 588 6533. People should remember that they never have to leave their name.

News from the Police Reports

Driving purse grabbers victimize shoppers in parking lots

Two women didn't let go of purse, dragged on pavement

BY JEFF BORGARDT
STAFF WRITER

Two men have been arrested for robbery after a string of women had their purses taken while unloading groceries in Niles parking lots.

As the women unloaded the groceries, a car pulled up and the passenger reached out the window and snatched the purse. Over the past week, Niles police have reported at least four such incidents.

In two cases, the women latched onto the purse and were dragged on the pavement by the forward motion of the car until they let go of the purse.

A Skokie man, 20 and a Washington state man, 19, were arrested Oct. 10 at 4:15 p.m. and charged with robbery for their involvement in a driving purse grab.

The men were arrested after a secretary in her 60s was victimized in the Costco parking lot on the 7300 block of Melvina Oct. 10.

Police then located the car and arrested the two men. They also found the empty purse in a gas station parking lot garbage can; the victim identified the suspects posi-

tively.

Before the arrests, there were three other similar incidents. On Oct. 5, a woman, 48, had her purse taken in the Niles Wal-Mart parking lot. She was unloading groceries with her purse in the shopping cart. A man walked up, grabbed the purse, ran into a car and drove off. The woman hopped in her car and chased the vehicle but lost it in traffic.

Then, on Oct. 6, a woman, 83, was victimized in the Wal-Mart parking lot on the 5600 block of Touhy. A car pulled up and a passenger reached out the window and grabbed the purse. The elderly woman held on tight and she was dragged several feet before she let go of the purse. The woman suffered scraped knees and a cut eye.

On Oct. 8, a woman, 42, also had her purse snatched in the same manner in the same place. When the purse-snatching driver grabbed for her purse, she also refused to let go and was dragged 15 to 20 feet in the Wal-Mart parking lot.

As she was being dragged, the suspect allegedly punched her arm to loosen her grip on the purse. She suffered "tenderness to the arm" according to the Niles police report.

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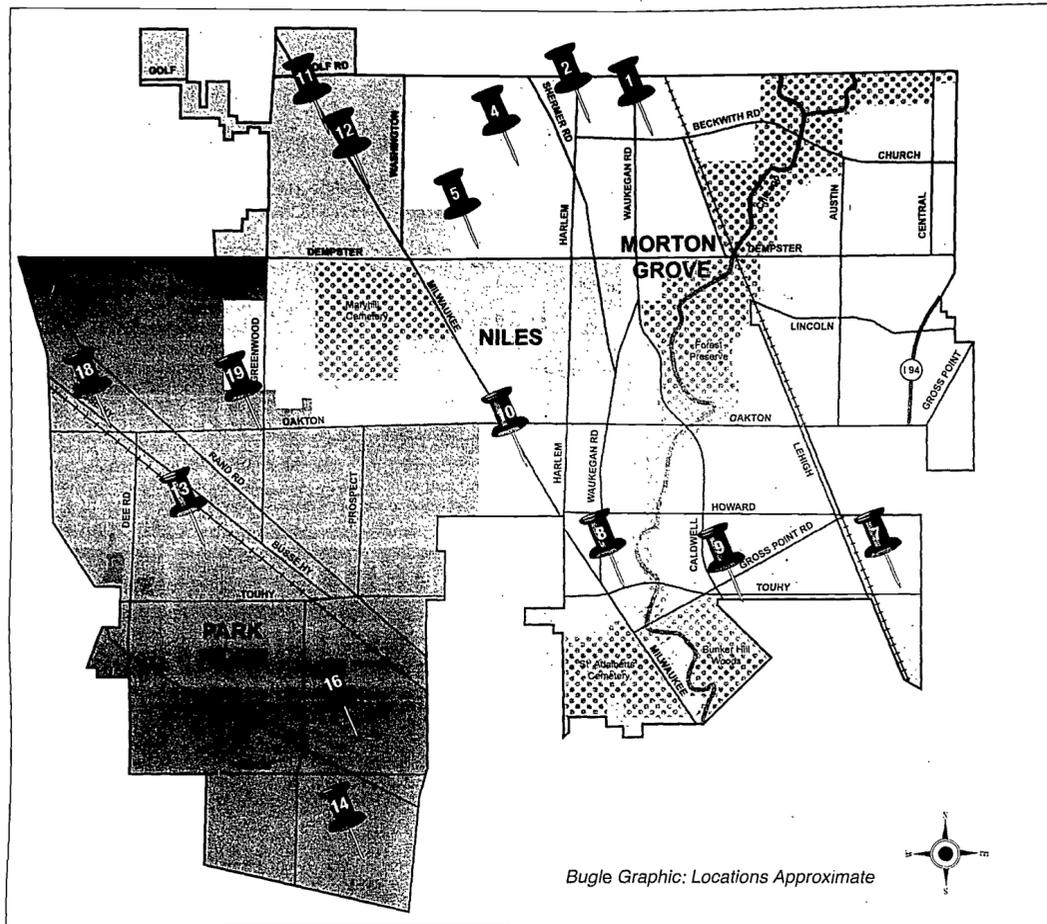
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Bugle Graphic: Locations Approximate

MORTON GROVE

The following was derived from the official reports of the Morton Grove Police Department for the week ending Friday, Oct. 7.

1 Bomb Threat (Best Western Hotel)
 Authorities spotted a suspicious package at the Best Western Hotel on the 9400 block of Waukegan Oct. 19. The small rectangular object was in a vestibule wrapped in black cloth and balanced on a ledge near a vent. The hotel was evacuated and the Cook County Bomb Squad x-rayed the object and did not discover any explosives. The hotel owner's son then said that the object is a Hindu religious symbol placed at that location to bring good luck and prosperity to the hotel.

2 Obstructing an officer (Emerson and Sayre)
 A Skokie man, 29, was enraged when he walked into the police station believing that Morton Grove police had his wife at a traffic stop and were "giving her a hard time" and mistreating her. The man said

he knows many Skokie and Chicago officers and respects them but is angered when officers abuse their power. He was referred to a police supervisor and then said he was going to drive to the location where his wife is pulled over and just may return the police station "wearing handcuffs." Dispatch advised officers of the situation and the man pulled up a few moments later. He jumped out of his car and the officers at the scene told him to return to his vehicle. He refused and stated that he simply wanted to speak to his wife. The officer stated his wife would soon be released and he should return to his vehicle or face arrest. He still refused and was arrested for obstructing a police officer. The wife was issued traffic tickets and released. While being booked, the man apologized and admitted he had made a mistake but said he lost his temper because of his wife.

3 Protest Violence (Arlington Heights)
 Morton Grove police assisted local authorities when violence broke out Oct. 15 at the Liberty Christian Academy at Euclid and Ridge in Arlington Heights. The violence erupted when supporters

of the anti-immigration "Minute Men" clashed with opponents.

4 Sunday construction (7400 W. Arcadia)
 Workers were cited Oct. 16 for violating village rules by doing chimney work on a Sunday.

5 Motorcycle DUI (7600 Dempster)
 A motorcyclist sporting a pony-tail and goatee, 53, of Chicago, was arrested for DUI and possession of cocaine last week. He was pulled over after a witness called police and reported that the 1986 Honda Gold Wing motorcycle was swerving wildly on Dempster.

6 Armed suicidal barricade (Buffalo Grove)
 Morton Grove police assisted other agencies when a suicidal man armed with a knife barricaded himself inside a home. He was eventually apprehended safely.

NILES

The following was derived from the official reports of the Niles Police Department for the week ending Friday, Oct. 21.

7 Beer delivery heists suspected (5600 Touhy)
 A former employee of the Skokie Valley Beverage Company was arrested last week on suspicions of conducting beer heists during deliveries. The Wheeling man, 25, was caught pulling up to a beer truck as the driver was inside Dominick's after several beer drop-offs reported missing products.

8 Mexican license only (7000 Touhy)
 A Des Plaines man, 29, was pulled over Oct. 17 and had a Mexican drivers license but no American license.

9 Gas drive-off (7200 Caldwell)
 A motorist pumped \$20 in gas Oct. 16 and walked inside to pay the cashier. He paid \$15. When the cashier requested the additional \$5 he swore, walked out and drove away.

10 TV car stereo stolen (7800 Milwaukee)
 A man went into Chasers Oct. 19 to watch the baseball game. When he returned outside, his

\$2,400 dashboard radio/touch-screen TV was stolen.

11 Retail theft (Golf Mill Mall)
 A man attempted to purchase \$309 in clothing and shoes at JC Penny's Oct. 14. He gave the cashier a credit card which was denied. He then walked out of the store with the merchandise. Three people accompanied him and one of them had blue hair.

12 Locker crime (X-Sport Fitness)
 A Chicago man, 35, had his \$700 watch and \$300 cell phone taken from a locker at X-Sport Fitness Oct. 17.

PARK RIDGE

The following was derived from the official reports of the Park Ridge Police Department for the week ending Monday, Oct. 24.

13 14 pumpkins swiped (300 N. Knight)
 14 pumpkins were taken from a residential yard Oct. 15.

14 Briefcase taken from car parked in garage (1500 S. Ashland)
 Someone entered a garage, opened a 1996 Jeep and took a briefcase filled with papers and documents.

15 Elderly exploitation (Chicago)
 A Chicago man, 29, has been arrested for financial exploitation of the elderly and theft by deception. He had a court date Oct. 21.

16 Door pried open (800 Albion)
 A side door of a home was pried open Oct. 18. Nothing was reported missing.

17 Attempted vehicle theft (300 W. Higgins)
 A 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass was broken into Oct. 18. The steering column was damaged as the thief tried to start the car.

18 Attempted vehicle theft (1000 Busse)
 A Cadillac Deville was broken into Oct. 18 and the steering column was also damaged.

19 Possession (Greenwood and Oakton)
 A Niles man, 25, of the 8800 block of Washington was arrested for DUI and possession of a controlled substance Oct. 15.

All information printed in the 'Police Blotters' is obtained from written reports of the respective police departments.

NEWS

Cracking the case

The Bugle's Editor reports from the Niles Citizen's Police Academy

The Niles Police Department sponsors a Citizen's Police Academy each year. This year, our editor, Andrew Schneider, has joined the class and will be providing The Bugle's readers with a look at how the police department operates. Who knows, after reading this you may want to join up for next year's session!

Week 6: Video Games and Traffic Stops

One police officer dies in this country every fifty-four hours or so. It's a frightening statistic but hardly surprising considering the rate of traffic fatalities on our roads combined with the fact that most police spend eight hours every day in their squad cars.

In the sixth week of the Citizen's Police Academy we learned, not only how there's no such thing as a normal traffic stop and how to handle the car. When they search they sometimes find things like burglarly tools or the proceeds of a crime.

On the Range

For the last part of the class we headed over to the old public works garage for a demonstration of the PRISM system.

The system is like an advanced video game. Officers are presented with situations that a range officer can modify at will and that officer must decide whether or not it is appropriate to open fire. It tests judgement and, thanks to a modified Glock it also tests marksmanship. The Glock handgun shoots a laser at the screen and, if the hits take place when they're justified and are on target then the suspect goes down.

I was the last member of the class to try out the system. My classmates all did pretty well especially when they were presented with some confusing situations and I was a bit nervous, especially because I'd never handled a gun smaller than my uncle's shotgun.

After some brief instruction from the range officer I tried out the system. I was confronted with a possible burglary and when a man claiming to be the homeowner pulled out a gun I opened fire, hitting him twice in the torso within a second, enough to make him go down. I was pretty proud of myself, but the range officers said they would have liked to have seen shots three and four.

That's why police officers always park their cars slightly further into the intersection when they make a traffic stop; it gives them a clear lane of traffic so they aren't hit by passing motorists. They also watch other drivers as they negotiate traffic, who always avert their eyes. "That's a normal reaction," says Officer Ron Brandt. It's when a driver freezes up and doesn't look at his or her speedometer that police become suspicious.

Can I search your car?

That suspicion can be a great tool and often leads to arrests. Castellano and his fellow officers have told us "war stories" where a simple traffic stop has made them nervous and they've asked to

NEXT WEEK: Schneider will be at the village board meeting for Week 7 and plans to cover his ride-along instead. If you'd like more information on the Citizen's Police Academy, contact the Niles Police Department at (847) 588-6500.

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Letters to the Editor

A letter from the D71 Board President

Dear Editor,

As you may be aware, Supt. Dr. Zalewski will be retiring at the end of this school year. The Board of Education has initiated its search for a new superintendent of schools. To assist us in this important process, we have retained the services of Hazard, Young, Attea and Associates, Ltd., a search firm that specializes in assisting boards with the identification and selection of superintendents.

A very important step in this process is the identification of the characteristics we will be looking for in our new superintendent. We invite you to participate in the identification of these characteristics by attending a Community Forum and/or completing the Leadership Profile Assessment form or the Leadership Profile Assessment input form which can be found on our website, www.culver71.net.

The Community Forum, which will be facilitated by the consultant firm, will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Clarence E. Culver School Cafeteria. Please park in the west parking lot and enter through the door on the northwest side of the school.

Please complete and bring the Leadership Profile

Assessment form to the Community Forum. If you will be unable to attend the forum, please mail/fax the completed Leadership Profile Assessment form directly to the address/fax number indicated at the bottom of the form by Oct. 27, 2005.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this most important task.

Karen Johnson
Board of Education president

Caucus Party promises on trial

Dear Editor,

With the Morton Grove government entering into discussions on the 2006 budget, the question is which way are they going to go. The citizens have been expecting a decrease in taxes, especially the garbage tax. The outgoing administrator, Ralph Cervinski, is recommending that we increase taxes and even raise the garbage tax. It is unfortunate that he will have an influence on the 2006 budget, although many residents voted against his Action Party, especially because of issues like reducing taxes.

There is an 800,000 dollar deficit that some people think would justify raising taxes to clear it. However, we enjoyed a one million dollar surplus from the year 2005 which

More Letters...
see page 12.

Another Perspective

BY MORGAN DUBIEL
COLUMNIST



How Poland Freed the World

Credit for the fall of Soviet Communism is usually given to President Ronald Reagan and, to a lesser extent, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. The truth is that Poland and the Polish Pope, John Paul II, lead the way. (disclosure: although I am not Catholic, I am of Polish descent) This is not to disparage either leader, but simply to give credit where it is due. This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Solidarity movement.

It is hard for Americans to imagine repressive one party rule. It is hard to imagine having every aspect of your life stifled and controlled by the whim of a ruling class that does not care what you want, feel or think. It is hard to imagine living in fear for ones life day in and day out. It is hard to believe that the Soviet forces that first invaded and then "liberated" Poland from the Nazis could be more vicious, evil and deadly than the Nazis themselves. But it is true. Two things helped Poland in its long fight against communism, a strong national identity and the unity gained from their Catholic faith. The Soviets installed a puppet communist regime which worked, like all "people's movements" to repress, control and dominate the people. Communism, an idea bankrupt from its creation, is responsible for at least 100 million deaths worldwide.

By the late 1970s the Polish economy is on the brink of collapse. Workers strike in an attempt to gain their liberty. They unite and form the KOR (Workers' Defense Committee) to support and protect workers. The Church worked for human rights for all Poles, not just

Catholics making it a powerful source of moral authority. John Paul II becomes the first Polish Pope and the first ever non-Italian Pope. He, along with Cardinal Glemp, makes freeing Poland and destroying communism a major goal. An outdoor mass for three million people drew Poles together. Then workers at the Lenin Shipyards in Gdansk lead by a shipyard electrician named Lech Welesa strike. They use a cunning plan to make their own workplaces hostages. Thus preventing direct attacks under the pretext of incitement.

Remember that on August 20, 1968 Polish troops joined the armies of the Warsaw Pact in invading Czechoslovakia, ordered by Moscow to crush the liberties introduced by communist reformers there. Poland vowed not to let this happen to themselves, they would be united and work together. They formed a union called Solidarity.

Standing united in the face of incredible repression, fear and terror, they achieved the impossible. On June 4, 1989 Solidarity wins control of the government in free elections.

At the darkest and most bleak moment, people of courage stood up and could not be knocked down. They were hurt, attacked and in some cases killed, yet locked arm in arm their Solidarity carried them forward. During this same time the free world had decided to live with communism. The Polish people, who held off two invading armies on two fronts while waiting for their erstwhile allies of the West to act, Poland who saw its flower murdered by communists in the quiet Katyn forest, and who suffered the partition agreed upon by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin at Teheran that allowed free people to remain slaves, finally stood together in the same forge and overcame. I am proud to be a Pole.

Lech Walesa signed the accords using a huge pen, the kind you find in tourists traps. On it was a photo of a smiling Pope John Paul II. The days of Soviet Communism were thereafter short-lived. Millions today live in liberty and, including we Americans, a greater peace and safer world than at any time during the 20th century. Thank you, Poland. Thank you and God bless you, Pope John Paul II.

BUSINESS

Niles meeting a myriad of challenges

Niles is facing a myriad of challenges, from the increasing burden of property taxes on schools to flat-lining sales tax revenue growth and Mayor Nick Blase spoke to those and many issues at his annual address to the Niles Business Community last Tuesday at the White Eagle restaurant.

The address drew over 100 individuals to the White Eagle this year to hear Blase address a variety of topics.

One of the accomplishments first trumpeted by the mayor was the village's building boom: a new Police Station, Village Hall and Public Works building that will, in his words, satisfy the needs of the municipality for the next 100 years.

Taxes also featured prominently in his speech. "I know property taxes are not bad for business, but for homeowners there were very bad this year," he said.

Story Continues...
see ADDRESS next page.



Niles Mayor Nick Blase speaks to businesspeople at his annual address to the Niles Business Community last Tuesday at the White Eagle.



Edward Jones Branch Office Administrators Joanne Johnson, left, and Peg DeSario recently met with the firm's Managing Partner, Doug Hill during a regional meeting in Rosemont. Johnson and DeSario work in the Niles Office of Jeff Cardella.

Local Edward Jones Administrators Attend Regional Meeting

Joanne Johnson, Peg DeSario & Joy Culver of the financial-services firm Edward Jones recently attended a regional meeting in Rosemont to exchange work-related ideas with other branch office administrators. The meeting was one of more than 100 meetings held throughout the United States and Canada.

Johnson and DeSario are the branch office administrators for Jeff Cardella, and Joy Culver is Nick Katsoolias' branch office administrator. Cardella and Katsoolias are the two investment representatives in Niles. Most Edward Jones offices are staffed by one investment representative and one or two branch office administrators, or BOAs. The BOA is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the office, which may include everything from answering the telephone and servicing accounts to organizing seminars and managing marketing campaigns.

Douglas E. Hill, Edward Jones' managing partner, attended the Rosemont meeting.

"Branch office administrators are key to the success of our firm," Hill said. "If investment representatives are the bricks that build Edward Jones, then branch office administrators are the mortar that holds those bricks together. The BOAs are an amazing group of extremely talented, dedicated individuals, and we very much appreciate their efforts."

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BY JEFFREY CARDELLA
Special to The Bugle

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Avoid "Scary" Investment Moves

It's Halloween. And, in all likelihood, you probably don't mind seeing some of the scary costumes worn by children. However, outside the realm of trick-or-treat, you'll want to avoid something that is truly frightening: bad investment moves.

Here are a few ideas for doing just that:

- *Don't chase "hot" investments.* In the past few years, investing in real estate has been "hot." Low interest rates have led an enormous number of people to purchase property — not as a place to live, but as an investment vehicle. Their eagerness to become temporary landlords has been fueled by the belief that "housing prices always go up." But this just isn't true: Housing prices have stagnated and fallen in the past, and they may well do so again in the near future. If that happens, many people will be paying mortgages on investment property with uncertain prospects — but all-too-certain property taxes, leaky roofs and furnaces that need repair. So, whether it's investing in real estate or any other so-called "hot" market, don't rush to join the crowd — it may soon be full of people with regrets.

- *Don't always accept "conventional wisdom."* When there's turmoil in the world, inflation is heating up and the financial markets are struggling, what should you invest in? Why, gold, of course — everyone knows that. But here's something "everyone" probably doesn't know: On an inflation-adjusted basis, gold trades at roughly the same price as it did in 1833. By contrast, from 1926 through 2004, large-company stocks recorded an average annual return of more than 10%, compared with the average annual inflation rate of around 3% for that same period, according to

Ibbotson Associates, an investment research firm. In other words, it doesn't always pay to "go for the gold" — or for any other "nugget" of conventional investment wisdom, either.

- *Don't fall in love with your investments.* Generally, it's a good idea to buy high-quality investments and hold them for the long term — but "long term" doesn't necessarily mean "forever." For example, if you have developed significant concerns about a stock's future, or if the stock just no longer meets your needs, get rid of it. You can almost certainly find better uses for your investment dollars.

- *Don't take a "time out" from investing.* You can always find plenty of reasons for not investing: High oil prices, war, corporate scandals and more. But these problems, or ones even worse, have always been around — and the most successful investors have been the ones who kept on investing, through good times and bad.

- *Don't forget your "emergency fund."* If you haven't set aside six months' to a year's worth of living expenses in a liquid account, such as a cash account or cash alternative, you risk jeopardizing your progress toward your long-term financial goals. Without this emergency fund, you may be forced to cash out some of your investments when you have to pay for a new furnace, a major car repair or some other large, unexpected cost. Over time, all these "raids" into your investments can really work against you.

By following these suggestions, you can go a long way toward eliminating those scary investment moves that can haunt your future financial security.

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BUSINESS

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Blase said that if the property value of a Niles home went up more than 20 percent than the owner got, "a good whack" in increased taxes.

"The problem with our school funding really accentuates this property tax problem," he said. "50 percent of our state's school districts need money desperately."

Blase said that the continuing problem of school funding would have to be taken up by state legislators and, for her comments, turned to State Rep. Elaine Nekritz (D-Des Plaines) who had just left the luncheon.

"The income tax needs to be increased [to pay for the cost of schools]," Blase said, turning for support to Nekritz. He noted that Nekritz would have appreciated the opportunity to speak on the issue.

Until the state legislature takes up the funding of schools, Blase said, the community was going to turn to its businesses to supplement property taxes. In both its commercial and industrial sectors though, Niles is facing challenges.

"Our manufacturing has diminished dramatically," Blase said. "Most of our industrial is now warehousing."

And sales tax revenue has been steady, Blase said. "That is not good."

Blase blamed increasing competition from Internet retailers and cited the village's action in raising the sales tax a quarter percent this year to offset decreasing receipts.

The village was aggressively combating those problems, Blase said, citing measures like the village's "Going Dark" ordinance which combats a trend in big-box retail where a business will hold on to a lease at a vacant site rather than let a competitor move in.

Those efforts, Blase said, had resulted in a new Korean Grocer, the Super H Mart, filing a petition to occupy the former Dominick's in the Civic Center Plaza.

It was not all grim news, however. Blase and the staff trumpeted the recently completed Milwaukee Corridor Study, which could offer a redevelopment strategy for revitalizing the aging retail corridor.

Blase also noted that the village had aggressively pursued and received federal grant funding for its emergency operations center.

He also noted that the village successfully closed two Tax Increment Financing Districts this year, returning substantial investments to the local school districts.



The mayor and his village staff answer questions from Niles Business community members at the annual address to the Business Community at the White Eagle last Tuesday.

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Diners can make their reservations for one of two sittings - 5:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. -- and then enjoy all-you-can-eat spaghetti with choice of traditional tangy meat sauce or vegetarian marinara sauce, garlic bread, salad, dessert, and beverages. Strolling entertainers will set the festive mood and add to the fun-filled atmosphere of the evening. Tickets for dinner are \$10 per person for adults, \$5 for

children aged three to 10 and children under three are free. Prior to being seated, diners can enjoy complimentary cheese, crackers and wine while visiting with their friends and family in the reception area.

If this isn't enough, there will be opportunities to purchase raffle tickets for a variety of exciting prizes, including restaurant gift certificates, gift items for the holidays and plump succulent turkeys for your Thanksgiving feast.

Come as a single, a couple or a group and get your weekend off to a great start! The dinner offers a chance to meet friends and neighbors or spend a pleasurable evening with your family. Please call Toni Shortino in the Norwood Park Home office at (773) 631-4856 ext. 2617 to make your reservation. Buon appetito!

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10:15-11:00 AM Thurs 11/3-12/15 #5345 \$32 Member/\$45 Non-Member

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Wednesday 9:15-10:00 AM 11/2-12/14 #5363 \$33 Member/\$42 Non-Member
BODY FLEX KIDS 3-5 YEARS
Scheduled during adult Body Flex, this high-energy exercise class will get your child moving and grooving. Too cool down we will end class with kid's yoga. Our instructor will escort your child to and from the Clubhouse
Thursday 10:20-11:10 AM 11/2-12/14 #5385 \$35 Member/\$44 Non-Member

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In this new series of discovery classes, your child will explore a new topic each session. Hands on science experiments, sensory activities, games, stories, crafts and more will enhance each child's learning experience.

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NEWS

The Maine Course

Bob Dudy
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Supervisor



Food and Summer Camp Fun

I walked to my garage and began loading memories into my van. These pleasant recollections were inspired by the items I was donating to our First Annual Maine Township Garage Sale. Tiki torches that lit my daughter's sixteenth birthday luau were the first to

go. Grandma's lamp soon followed but I paused to hold this prize up to the light to admire an imperfection in its base. I remember playing tag with my grandchildren and when Alexa ran into the end table, I took the blame for the crash and dent.

A VCR, ping-pong paddles, a coffee maker, picture frames and assorted toys. So it went with every piece. A brief inspection of each item sent me down a memory cul-de-sac and made me smile. My wife told me to quit loafing because the old Chrysler was loaded and I had more work to do.

Oh well!

After my return trip, the second load was started with my father's old Blaupunkt stereo console. This Hi-Fi innovation once gave me music from the British invasion of the 60's. My left hand gently caressed the muted radiance of my musical friend's wooden exterior then it joined the rest of my stuff. And so, several wagonloads of my belongings made their way to the Town Hall garage.

Story Continues... see DUDYCZ next page.

Morton Grove swears in three new police officers

BY TRACY YOSHIDA GRUEN
STAFF WRITER

Three new police officers were sworn in at a Village of Morton Grove board meeting earlier this month.

"We chose to interview 30 at this time," said Michael Simkins, chairman of the Morton Grove Fire and Police Commission. Of those 30, 17 were put on an eligibility register and three were chosen at this time. "I was pretty confident in them," he said, about the three new policemen. Simkins said the selection process is quite an "extensive process" that includes a written exam, oral interviews, psychological and medical exams and a polygraph test.

"Despite the expediency of the process, the quality of the candidates was not compromised," shared Simkins. At the board meeting, close family members stood up at the podium with the new police officers, as they were being sworn in.

Meet Anthony Anderson, Christopher Beemer and Kevin Elliot.

Anthony Anderson, who was born in Arlington Heights and grew up in Streamwood and Lake Zurich, is a certified law enforcement officer in the State of Illinois and began working with a field training officer immediately.

Anderson served as an MP with the United States Army Reserves from 1996 until he received an honorable discharge in 2003. He is a graduate of Lake Zurich High School and attended Harper College where he earned an associates degree in Criminal Justice.

He enjoys fishing, working out and aquariums and spending time with his wife, Miriam and their two year old son.

Next up, is Christopher Beemer. He was born in raised in Iowa City, Iowa and gradu-

ated from West High School in Iowa City and earned a bachelor of science degree in Sport, Health, Leisure and Physical Studies from the University of Iowa.

Beemer is single and enjoys exercise and reading in his spare time.

Last, but not least, meet Kevin Elliot. Following in his father's footsteps who was a Chicago police officer, Elliot began his employment as a Morton Grove police officer on Sept. 29.

Elliot is a graduate of Notre Dame High School.

He attended Oakton Community College and earned a bachelors degree in Criminal Justice from University of Illinois at Chicago. Elliot is engaged to Beth and in his free time he likes to read, exercise and play and watch sports.

Simkins said that they will soon be looking for a fourth police officer to serve the vil-

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Contact the mayor

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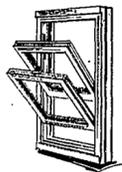
could easily cover this deficit. There are also many cost cutting measures that can be instituted without jeopardizing services. There is no reason to increase our reserve funds to higher levels to cover emergencies. Although highly unlikely, we could cover large expenditures for any emergencies with a loan. Hopefully the administration is not trying to build up a surplus to build some new

facilities like a village hall or police station.

Although these would be nice objectives, they are not pressing needs and could be considered at a time when we are in a better financial position. Shifting the garbage tax to the property tax was also considered, although that would only benefit certain residents for tax purposes. It's time for this administration to remember their campaign promises to cut taxes. Contact the mayor and let him know your concerns. Attend the budget workshops scheduled for the end of October and hear what is being proposed.

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NEWS

Norway, My Way

Kathryn Sjurseth
Columnist



Reaping in the Autumn

It's autumn here in Norway and while I would like to say that around me leaves flutter down like vermillion angels, I can't. This is a coastal climate and the leaves are basically soggy brown lumps on the sidewalk. Slimy dark piles aside, fall is a magical season in rural places and I've gotten to experience the best of it.

We'll start off at Sirdal Dage. This festival took place over Labor Day weekend when the farmers of sleepy and mountainous Sirdal drive

their sheep into the center of town to be sold and made into this year's Christmas dinner. While watching the sheep being herded into waiting trucks is really the main event, it's not the only excitement.

My favorite part was the strong man competition. Super muscular local farm boys battle each other by lifting tree trunks and increasingly heavy lead balls while grunting masculinely. This year the gigantic blonde with the skater hair won over his slimmer darker rival when he lifted up a one hundred kilo sphere. All of his relatives in the bleachers went mad.

If pink sweaty guys aren't your thing, there were stands of local handicrafts and foods, not to mention a performance by this year's Norwegian EuroVision Song Contest contenders, glam rock tribute band Wig Wam. No one seemed the least bit troubled that Norway has gotten zero points in the contest more times than any other country. Knut and I decided to miss out on that part—better to spend our time among the dried meats.

However, Sirdal Dage was only the prologue to the best part of autumn, the Jaeren Potato Festival! In Norway the potato is the king of vegetables. To give you an idea of how much Norwegians love potato-

es, picture this: the side dish to potato dumplings is boiled potatoes. The Potato Festival tents are set up in the center of the tiny town of Bryne, which is nestled in the heart of the Jaeren countryside. The whole weekend is a tribute to that most beloved of tubers. There are tons of food stalls selling butter doused potato dumplings, fried potatoes, potato stew, and fresh tortilla-like lefse. There is potato inspired jazz and potato line dancers as well as non-potato related stalls offering local crafts.

The whole event is watched over by their magnificent mascot. I don't know if he has a name but he's a large russet potato with a look of indescribable joy and open arms ready to embrace the world. My husband and I loaded up on Jaeren Potato Festival merchandise, including a fleece jacket featuring the charming spud. If that weren't enough to prove our devotion we each wear a tiny bronze potato in the lapel of our jackets.

Autumn is the farmer's paradise and I haven't mentioned all the golden barley fields, crisp purple heather, fat content sheep, and gorgeous local sunflowers and vegetables available for sale at unmanned farm stands along the roads. You'll just have to imagine those.

DUDYCZ:

Holiday Food Drive on the way

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The profits gleaned from our garage sale are used to support our MaineStay Summer Camp for disadvantaged youth. I am warmed by the volunteerism from our MaineStay staff. They took this concept and made it into a huge success. It was sort of like the PB & J golf tournament where we collected food for the Emergency Food Pantry. The golf event was run by our Administrative staff.

While driving to the Town Hall, I reflected on the past few months. We held a couple of recycling events and several innovative food-drives with local businesses. Our corn sales at the Taste of Park Ridge made some money so we can feed needy families.

On another note, our Open House this month is a wonderful way to showcase the repairs and improvements to our building. Events such as this give everyone a chance to see and hear about the regular work of our staff.

All of our everyday programs

benefit residents and, for a moment, I mused over the unsung heroic efforts of our Highway Department employees and our Emergency Management personnel. I am proud of our staff and the high standards they follow. We set the bar high. In fact, very often other townships emulate our programs.

I was startled to hear a car horn urging me to proceed at a stoplight. It seemed that my daydreaming was holding up traffic. I waved a quick apologetic hand and zoomed through the intersection but my train of thought was not finished. I excitedly mused about the looming holidays and mentally tinkered with something new: An upcoming event sure to capture everyone's heart.

We will launch a "Holiday Chuck Wagon" to cruise the Township neighborhoods and collect food. It's another example of innovation and trend setting. Our vehicles will drive through residential streets so that, those who wish, can donate food or contributions to help feed the hungry in our towns. Each vehicle will have a certified, Santa approved driver and assistant who will collect food donations. They will wear Santa hats or reindeer antlers during the drive. As a reward to those who donate, we will pass out sweets imported from the North Pole.

I knew this was early but these things take time to organize. I pulled into a parking space and began unloading my trunk load of treasure. An older man walked up and said, "I've lived here for several years and drive by this building every day. With each trip I meant to stop by and talk to someone about townships."

I eagerly waited for specific questions about a program that needed clarification. Instead I heard, "What is a township and what do you do anyway?" I took a deep breath and started talking about the year 1850 and the genesis of townships in Illinois. Boy did he get an earful. As I was chatting, I thought, "This is going to be the best ever holiday season in our township."

People will know we are in the neighborhood by the sound of holiday music wafting pleasantly from rooftop speakers.

Every Saturday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm starting on November 19th and continuing to December 24th, people of good will and a giving nature will find our Holiday Chuck Wagons cruising the streets of Maine Township.

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Sponsors for the first annual Holiday Chuck Wagon food drive are welcome and anyone wishing to join us should call the Township at 847-297-2510 and ask for Carol Langan our pantry coordinator.

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TRAVEL

TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE
Venture with ValorMOLLY AROST STAUB
Copley News Service

You certainly won't need any courage to book a cruise aboard the new Carnival Valor - just a yen for a shipload of fun. The ship plies the waters yearlong from Miami, offering all the nautical bells and whistles that make Carnival ships the greatest values at sea - and Carnival guarantees you'll enjoy your vacation or your money back.

The buzz starts when you enter the soaring Atrium America, as Carnival's characteristic colors, lights and music envelope guests. "It's about American history at its best," said Joe Farcus, Carnival's interior architect.

The ship was meant to display heroes and heroines, yet in the post-9/11 times when this ship was designed, patriotism was foremost in the minds of Americans. The atrium's floor proudly replicates Old Glory in wooden stripes; white repousse busts of American icons including George Washington, Theodore Roosevelt, Abraham Lincoln and Harriet Tubman dot the balconies; and the ceiling mural honors outstanding U.S. locations such as New York, Philadelphia, Miami Beach and the Grand Canyon. Throughout the ship, reminders are everywhere of heroics, real and imagined.

"I always try to create an interesting story," Farcus said, and here it's primarily an American story for the primarily American passengers. In the George Washington and Abraham Lincoln dining rooms, for instance, passengers dine on some of the best-prepared dinners for large numbers at sea. But the fun continues even here, as the wait staff may bypass the traditional baked Alaska parade the last evening, leaping on serving tables to do some bumps and grinds.

A fictional heroic character who saved her home, regardless of the odds, is recalled in the supper club, the antebellum-themed Scarlett's (for Scarlett O'Hara) decorated with white columns and a painting of dancing Scarlett and Rhett. Throughout the Carnival line, guests have become smitten with the super elegant service and fine fare in these eateries.



"The supper club has become more popular than anyone could have anticipated, so we decided to make it bigger," Farcus said. "We added more tables for dining and increased the dance floor."

Dinner here may start with caviar (an additional charge), beef carpaccio or escargots; proceed to perfectly cooked prime beef steaks, Chilean sea bass or double-cut lamb chops; and end with a cheese selection or tarte tatin. But these aren't guests' only food

options. Something's available round-the-clock, from the buffet restaurant dubbed Rosie's (a large tiled mural honors Rosie the Riveter, after servicemen's wives and girlfriends who worked in defense factories during World War II), to deli and Asian goodies and 24-hour pizza. While a vast selection awaits at the buffet, fresh fruit isn't always quite as ripe as it might be. Complimentary room service on your private balcony is

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TRAVEL

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also available.

Of the 22 bars and lounges, my favorite is the really neat sports bar dubbed the Bronx Bar. It memorializes baseball hero Lou Gehrig (copyright laws prevent the use of the term Bronx Bomber, but baseball buffs get the picture) who died such a young, tragic death of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, which became known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Among Gehrig's accomplishments were hitting 493 home runs in his career, setting the record for the most home runs hit by a first baseman until Mark McGwire recently hit 500. It's déjà vu all over again for Yankee Stadium fans, where bar stools sport bases of wooden baseball bats capped with white leather seats outlined in red stitching. The bar itself? Simulated sections of the hero's uniform.

The naming of Winston's Cigar Bar and the Ivanhoe Show Lounge were, supposedly, because Great Britain has been our greatest ally. Nevertheless, Farcus seems to have run out of Anglican names: hence, naming his casino the Shogun Club Casino and the library the Iliad Library.

The Ivanhoe Show Lounge is the scene of probably the best show-stopping production numbers afloat, boasting Broadway-caliber performers, lavish costumes and 21st century sounds and lights. The production numbers, "Far From Over - The '80s" and "Nightclub Express," have audience members smiling nonstop. In fact, music fills the air everywhere aboard ship, from today's hot numbers around four pools - including the signature corkscrew pool slide - to live combos playing at some of the bars and lounges.

The One Small Step Dance Club is cleverly named for astronaut Neil Armstrong's words when he first walked on the moon. Dancers feel they're tripping the light fantastic under the stars. For the slightly older crowd that enjoys a singalong, the Lindy Hop is the ever-popular piano bar. The music of your night may be the clanging of winning slot machines in the casino.

And if you can't bear to be without your stock market or e-mail connections, the Valor was the first ship to offer 100 percent Wi Fi. Sitting at the pool, in your cabin - even in your shower - you can stay connected by bringing your laptop or renting

equipment.

Or consider bringing the family. Carnival ships are ranked among the top lines for families because of the fab facilities - including an enclosed kiddie pool - and programs (including computers) for kids. At Camp Carnival, youngsters are divided into four specific age groups for games, activities, and arts and crafts, beginning at age 2 and including teens. If parents are at all in doubt about whether their offspring will have fun in the programs, all they need to do is check out the first day's orientation meeting. Teens have "hang" sessions, a teen disco and teens-only shore excursions. Examples include a dolphin excursion in Honduras; mountain biking and snorkeling in Cozumel, Mexico; and sailing on an America's Cup vessel off St. Maarten.

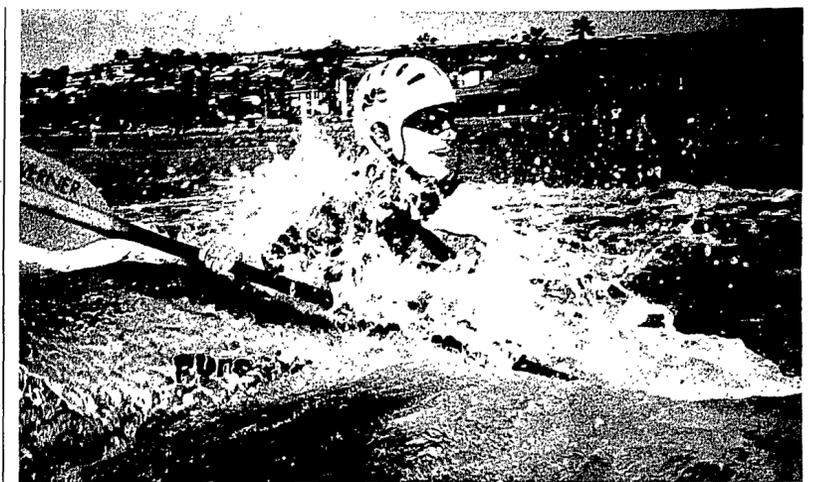
Itineraries? Potential passengers may choose from the more relaxed Eastern Caribbean itinerary: The ship docks in English-speaking Nassau and St. Thomas, along with St. Maarten, which offers the split personality of an island governed by both the Netherlands and France. All offer duty-free shopping and water sports. The Western Caribbean brings vacationers more excitement, with stops at Belize, Grand Cayman, Roatan Island (Honduras) and Cozumel (Mexico). Here activities include scuba diving, visiting Mayan ruins, trekking rain forest eco-tours and getting face-to-face with stingrays. Having trouble deciding which to choose? Combine both for a vacation of heroic proportions.

And when the party's over - confused about tipping? Carnival adds an automatic \$10 per person, per day tip to each passenger's bill, plus a 15 percent tip to all beverage tabs. This ensures that crew members are treated fairly. Passengers who wish to raise or lower their tips may do so by prearrangement with the purser.

About that money-back offer: Carnival continues its vacation guarantee, the only line that will refund the balance of the cruise's cost and fly the passenger home if the passenger is dissatisfied before reaching the first port.

IF YOU GO

For information, contact Carnival Cruise Lines at (866) 299-5698 or www.carnival.com or contact your travel agent. Molly Arost Staub is a freelance travel writer. Visit Copley News Service at www.copleynews.com.



See migrating whales ... at eye level

FYI TRAVELTOM ROEBUCK
Copley News Service

Each year, migrating California gray whales hug the West Coast on their way to and from breeding and calving grounds in Baja California, Mexico. Due to the unique topography of the La Jolla coast in north San Diego, kayakers can paddle a fairly short distance and be right in the path of these magnificent creatures. Hike Bike Kayak San Diego is offering guided kayak trips to observe whales and the gorgeous sights of the La Jolla Ecological Reserve and coastline, starting in December and running through April.

There are, of course, other ways to spot the whales, "but what is more thrilling than being at eye-level with these incredible creatures?" asked Amy Kangleon, president of Hike Bike Kayak. "And unlike other tours, our groups are small and the experience is intimate."

Hike Bike Kayak provides all the equipment needed, including kayaks, wet suits, booties and whale-savvy guides. This is a perfect activity for families, though kids (ages 8 and up) do need to be able to swim. In addition to instruction in kayaking, Hike Bike Kayak provides hot drinks and snacks after the trips.

Tours depart on weekends at 9 a.m. and noon, plus on weekdays by request. The guided trips last about three hours and include great views of the gorgeous La Jolla Sea Caves, plus bonus wildlife viewing of seals, sea

lions and dolphins.

FYI: Kayaking experience is not required. The tour price is \$65 per person. For more information visit www.hikebikekayak.com or call (866) 425-2925.

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FYI: The package is available throughout the ski season and starts at \$270 per room. For more information call (800) 441-1414 or visit www.fairmont.com.

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The Woodstock Inn in central Vermont makes the traditional Thanksgiving dinner the beginning of a four-day holiday that includes indoor activities for adults and children, outdoor excursions, the Woodstock Crafts Fair featuring 35 outstanding artists and craftspeople from around New England, and a 19th century Thanksgiving celebration at the Billings Farm and Museum, with costumed guides preparing a bountiful feast in an 1890s historic farmhouse. In addition to shopping and fitness activities such as swimming, sauna and massage, the weekend includes walking tours and nature presentations, children's movies, crafts and cooking programs and, of course, nonstop football in the inn's tavern.

FYI: Package rates start at \$299 per night. Information is available at (800) 448-7900 or www.woodstockinn.com. © Copley News Service Visit Copley News Service at www.copleynews.com.

SPORTS

Football tribute to deceased boy held in Park Ridge



BY JEFF BORGARDT
STAFF WRITER

The Park Ridge Football League dedicated last weekend's games to an 11-year-old boy who died one year ago.

Saturday, Oct. 15 would have been the 12th birthday of former Roosevelt student Chance Walker who accidentally died in a hanging.

Football players had stickers on their helmet that said "CW" standing for Chance Walker and a banner was at Northwest Park at Dee and Northwest Highway Saturday as well as Hinkley Field Friday night for the football games.

Walker played in the league for 9-11 year old footballers.

Jack Mathisen of the league said Walker was energetic and personable.

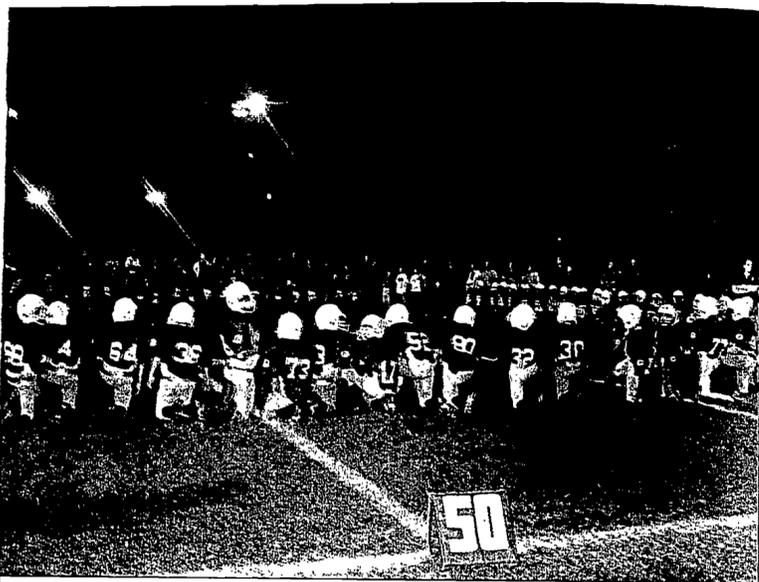
He said the boy's passing was a shame and hoped the weekend memorial will keep his memory alive.

Lauren Streff is the mother of a friend of the Walkers.

She said the Chance Walker Memorial Football weekend was held to commemorate the tragic passing of Walker.

"Chance was an avid footballer," she said. "It was his big dream to go on to play professional football. We wanted to keep his memory alive. He had a lot of friends on the team and we thought this would be nice for his former teammates for his birthday."

About 120 kids play in the intermediate football league on the 49ers, Lions, Patriots, Ravens, Packers and Chargers.



Football players honor Chance Walker at an event, Saturday, Oct. 15 in Park Ridge.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE

Bowled Wednesday, October 19, 2005

	Points Won	Points Lost
Classic Bowl	33	9
Candlelight Jewelers	22	20
NorthSide Community Bank	22	20
Bielinski and Bono Dental	19	23
Skaja Terrace Funeral Home	17	25
Niles Dairy Queen	13	29

High Series/High Games

Janet Trozzo	559/234
Angie Strazzante	502/176
Helma Drag	481/169
Millie Kroll	465/165
Lois MacAdam	166
Kay Pecoraro	162

We Need Bowlers!

The Catholic Women's Bowling League is looking for more bowlers. They are looking for women bowlers for their Wednesday night, St. John Brebeuf's Catholic Women's League. The league meets at Classic Bowl at 7:30 p.m. Those interested should contact Mary Wasilewski at 847-965-7366 or Gerrie Schultz at 847-966-6266.

Battling left-to-right wind

If you constantly fight a slice off the tee, clearly your battle becomes more difficult when you face a left-to-right wind. Instead of fighting it, though, simply understand what you are dealing with and play it. Choose a target down the left side of the fairway (tree, bunker, etc.) and then commit to that target. Your natural left-to-right ball flight, along with the wind, will bring the ball back to the middle of the fairway. This might seem like a rather simple concept, but what most players have trouble with is actually committing to aiming at a target left of the fairway. They think they are aimed left but at the last minute they adjust back. I'm not suggesting this is the ultimate cure to a slice. But if you are battling a left-to-right wind and you are fighting a left-to-right ball flight, adjusting your aim will at least get you through your round of golf painlessly until you can get to the driving range and figure things out.



Professional Golf Tip

MENACED: Attackers may have been drunk

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their vehicle and followed the deliveryman for some distance. The Chicago Sun-Times deliveryman then drove to the police station and filed a report.

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THE BUGLE THURSDAY OCTOBER 27, 2005

the PET STOP

100 people attend Niles Pet Parade

BY JEFF BORGARDT
STAFF WRITER

Seventeen pets took center stage Monday, Oct. 10 at the Niles Pet parade.

About 100 people attended the annual pet parade at the Niles Senior Center.

This is the fourth year of the Niles Pet Parade.

“Watching this makes me think about getting a pet myself.”

Kent Neter
Attended Pet Parade

At the parade, participants dressed their pets for success and then walked them down a center walkway in the middle of the room and the audience lined the walls.

Participants were given a gift bag of dog food and pet supplies.

The costumed pets ranged in dress.

One hot dog was dressed with

a bun surrounding him and another dog looked like Superman.

Three people who said they were looking for the most creative costumes judged the parade.

The pets were mostly dogs. However, a spattering of other pets also appeared including a lizard.

Niles Bugle Sales Director Barbara Karawacki entered the contest taking home an award for her little bowser.

"It's really a lot of fun," Karawacki said of the pet parade.

One pet parade judge said the dogs seemed to be "on their best behavior" at the parade and instances of fighting and barking were kept to a minimum.

Kent Neter of Niles attended the event but didn't have a dog in the show.

"I just came here to see all the dogs. I think it's funny to see the pets dressed up. Many of the costumes are quite creative. I also think the turnout today is great," Neter said. "Watching this makes me think about getting a pet myself."

The pet parade was held from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the senior center in the village hall plaza next to the family fitness center.



"Precious" is held by his owner's grandson at the Niles Senior Center's Annual Pet Parade.

Hey Readers! Like our new "Pet Stop" Section?

We hope you're enjoying our Pet Stop Section. Lucky is our the Pet of the month this issue. If you think your pet is the most lovable, our next issue is November 24, so send or e-mail your photos to:

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PET STOP

Points on Pets

Pets and human medications often don't mix

R.G. Elmore, D.V.M.
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Q: We are wondering if the medicines made for humans are the same as those made for dogs. We are thinking about giving our dog some of our antihistamines to see if this makes her feet less itchy. Her constant chewing on her feet drives us crazy. If our antihistamines do not solve the problem we will take her to a veterinarian. We are obviously concerned about the cost of an office call plus diagnostic procedures and medications.

A: It is never wise to give pets medications made for humans unless instructed to do so by a veterinarian. Although many of the same drugs are used to treat ailments in humans and animals, the recommended dosages, routes of administration, and treatment times are often very

different. Different species often react very differently to the same medications. What might be safe and helpful in one animal can literally kill another animal. Although we rightfully often regard our pets as members of our families, they are not just small humans.

Most nonprescription antihistamine products intended for use in humans contain multiple ingredients. For example, human antihistamine products used to relieve cold symptoms, sinus infections and allergies contain additional ingredients which may be harmful to pets.

Trying to save money by giving your pets human medications might prove to be far more costly than simply taking your pet to a veterinarian for a definitive diagnosis and proper treat-

ment. Giving human medications to a pet also often delays getting the proper medications and, thus, prolongs the suffering by the animal.

You should take your dog to a veterinarian as soon as possible for a complete physical examination. Your veterinarian can design a complete wellness program for your dog. This will help you prevent costly problems that might occur in the future. Your dog deserves proper health care delivered by a professional.

Q: We are at our wits end! Our Labrador has created a large sore on his front leg that he will not stop licking. We have tried taping his leg with duct tape and placing hot pepper within the bandage. We are completely frazzled and

have resorted to yelling at him. Everyone in our house is tired of fussing with him. What can we do?

A: Of course you should take your dog to your veterinarian as soon as possible for a complete examination, diagnosis and treatment. It is very likely that your dog has a lick granuloma, also often referred to as a "lick sore" or "boredom sore". Because most of these sores itch, dogs with them cannot leave them alone. As you know the constant licking and chewing only makes the situation worse. Unfortunately, yelling at your dog will not solve the problem.

Fortunately, locally applied ointments containing steroids are often effective in treating lick sores. Of course the prob-

lem is keeping the ointment on the sore while the dog is wanting to lick it. Lick granulomas that cannot be treated by applying ointments are often treated by injecting them with corticosteroids and radiation therapy.

Extreme cases are often treated by surgically removing the sore. Your veterinarian can give you the best advice about how to handle this very frustrating situation. Getting this problem solved as soon as possible will be good for everyone in the house.

Send e-mail to copleysd@copleynews.com or write to *Pets*, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 120190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190. Only questions of general interest will be answered in this column.

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Boy Scout Troop 175 raises funds for Katrina Pet Relief

Boy Scout Troop 55 of Glenview, comprised of Scouts from Glenview, Niles, Northbrook, Northfield, Buffalo Grove and Chicago, has begun fundraising efforts for the animal victims of the devastating Gulf Coast hurricanes, Katrina and Rita. This displays the true nature of the Scouts and their leaders, a desire to "make a difference" in the lives of others.

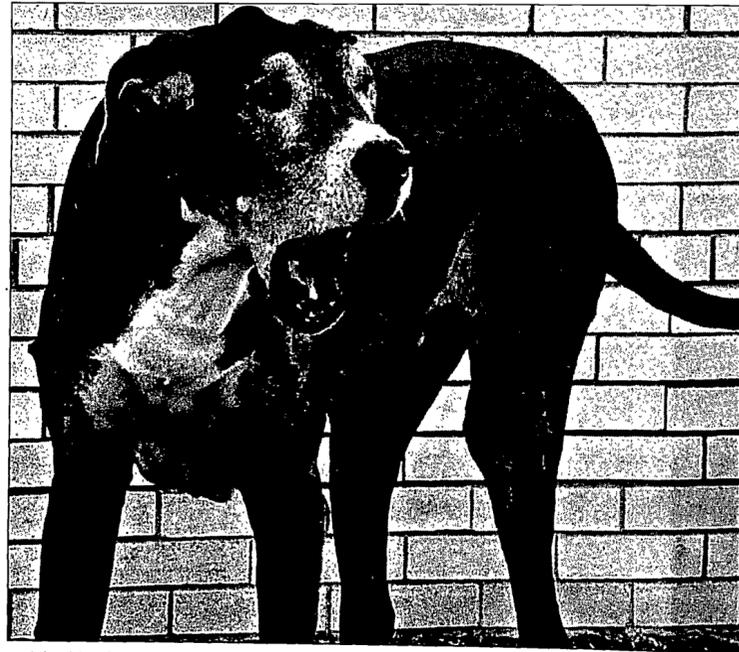
As most of the members of the Troop have pets, they felt that it was appropriate to raise funds to help defray the costs of rescuing, housing and providing veterinary care to the unfortunate animal victims of the hurricanes. They were touched by the stories of people who stayed with their pets and heartbroken by the stories of families that were forced to leave their companion animals behind as they tried to save themselves. They heard the reports of the abandoned animals trapped in their homes, howling day and night, awaiting rescue. They were aware of the efforts of individuals and organizations attempting to save the hapless victims. The Scouts were stirred to action.

The Troop wanted to provide assistance and felt that raising funds would be the most useful means of providing aid. Through careful investigation, the Troop decided to raise funds for two key groups directly involved in the hurricane pet rescue efforts. Louisiana State University (LSU) College of Veterinary medicine was one choice. LSU is very active in the relief efforts. A university building, Parker

Coliseum (an arena used for various equine and farm animal exhibitions) was converted into an area where they could house the displaced animals. Hundreds of kennels were set up and supplies stored in the Coliseum for the animals. Veterinary care was then provided for the sick and injured animals by the doctors and students of the veterinary college. The other organization selected to receive funds was the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), actively involved in rescue operations, housing the displaced pets and tirelessly trying to reunite them with their owners or find appropriate foster homes.

On October 18th, Troop 55 began selling custom silicon bracelets for \$2.00 each, with 100% of the proceeds going to LSU College of Veterinary Medicine Hurricane Fund and the Humane Society of the United States. The bracelets are tricolored; yellow, green and purple, appropriately the colors of Mardi Gras, which is held in New Orleans. Printed on the bracelets are the phrases, "I Saved a Pet" and "Hurricane Pet Rescue," with paw prints between the phrases. The Scouts know that they can do their part to help by selling these bracelets and enabling continued care of these animals until they can be reunited with the people who love them. You can do your part by purchasing the bracelets. The Scouts will be selling the bracelets at various locations throughout the area. For more information, or to purchase bracelets, contact the Troop via email at: Troop55PetRescue@aol.com.

Pet of the Month - Lucky



Niles' Lucky is this month's pet honoree. He's 8, a Leo, a rescue or 2nd-hand dog as Carol Lea Benjamin affectionately calls dogs that come to us through other people. He unfortunately was 50 pounds underweight, had some broken bones, plus a fast growing tumor on his right hind foot, but all that's behind him, he's well and happy now. His favorite colors are blue and green. For a snack he likes a hard-boiled egg- with the shell on! And he loves drinking out of our little rain barrel right after a good downpour. Lastly, he's mad for horses, can't get enough of being around horses.

To be our next "Pet of the Month" send your submissions to The Bugle, 7400 N. Waukegan, Niles, IL 60714 and make sure to provide us with an explanation of what makes your pet special to you.

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Thanksgiving Day Celebration at Niles Senior Center

Niles Senior News

NSC Highlights

For a detailed description of programs & activities or to ask about membership requirements, please check the Naturally Active Program Guides or call the Niles Senior Center at 588-8420 -Visit us online at www.vniles.com. Pre-registration is required for most programs. Call for more info.

NOVEMBER REGISTRATION
Drop off registration for programs and classes listed in the November Naturally Active are due at the Center Friday, November 4. Walk-in Registrations for programs with openings will begin Wednesday, November 9th

NILES SENIOR CENTER WILL

BE CLOSED FOR THE VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY on NOVEMBER 11th

IT'S POLKAFFEST TIME at the WHITE EAGLE Thursday, November 4 \$30 11:45AM-3:00PM

A few tickets still remain for this annual event at the White Eagle, 6839 Milwaukee, and you can't get tickets at the door! Join us for a great afternoon of fine food, the White Eagle's Polish feast including Mushroom Barley Soup, Chicken, Beef, Polish Sausage, and much more! Then be prepared to enjoy the music of Chicago's best Polka Band, the Ampolaires. Now open to non-residents. Limited tickets available. (No transportation provided, we will meet at the Banquet Hall at 11:45AM)

SALUTE TO VETERAN'S with the BANJO BUDDIES TRIO, Tuesday, Nov. 8th 11:00AM - 2:00PM \$10.

Celebrate America as we salute our Veterans. Flag Ceremony fol-

lowed by an afternoon of good food and music- American style -starring The Banjo Buddies Dixieland Trio, playing everything from hot Dixieland Jazz to Swing, Blues, Country, and much more!

THANKSGIVING DAY CELEBRATION, Thursday, November 24th Noon
Family far away? Has cooking become too much trouble? If so, please join us at the Center for our 4th Annual Thanksgiving Day Celebration. A traditional Thanksgiving meal, featuring turkey and all the fixing will be served at noon. Reservations are required by Friday, November 18th. There is no cost but food or cash donations to the Niles Food Pantry would be greatly appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Carbon Monoxide Program
Volunteers are needed to call members of the Senior Center to schedule appointments for the annual Carbon Monoxide and Natural Gas Testing, provided by

the Community Development Dept of the Village of Niles. Appointments begin in November and run through March. Please contact Kelly for more information (847 588-8420)

AARP-Tax-Aide Program
We are looking for volunteers for the upcoming tax session. This program is administered by AARP in cooperation with the IRS. It is the nation's largest free volunteer run tax counseling and preparation service offered to low and middle income taxpayers. If you are interested in learning how to become a Tax-Aide volunteer, please call MaryAnn (847 588-8420). Free training is provided.

MOONLIGHTERS - RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR, Wednesday, December 7th 5:00PM - 10:00 PM \$45.

Niles residents age 55+ are invited to experience this great Holiday Show at the Rosemont Theatre. Dinner will be served at the Senior Center prior to our motor coach departure to the show. Dinner will feature a salad, a half-rack of ribs,

baked potato and dessert. Call for more info

FIRESIDE CHRISTMAS, Wednesday, December 14th 8:00AM - 6:30PM \$60

We're off to Fort Atkinson WI for another wonderful day! Gift Shops! Bakery! Lunch featuring Roast Tenderloins of Beef Medallions plus mouthwatering side dishes, concluding with one of their fabulous homemade desserts! Following lunch, you'll experience the joy of the Holidays with the spirit lifting Fireside Holiday musical celebration. Check-in at the Center is 8:00AM.

MONTHLY GET ACQUAINTED MEETING 10AM - 11:00AM

Meet the staff, learn what the Center offers in the way of classes, programs, and outings. You'll have a chance to tour the building, and ask questions. Meets the third Thursday of every month. If you are planning to attend the next meeting on November 17th, please register in advance (847) 588-8420.

Learn about Medicare with Maine Township

Maine Township Senior News

Maine Township's MaineStreamers Offer Programs, Trips, and Help for Seniors

The Maine Township MaineStreamers program offers a variety of opportunities for residents 55 and older. Membership is free and includes

a subscription to the monthly newsletter that details all activities for the upcoming month. All activities take place at Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Rd., Park Ridge, unless otherwise noted. For further information on membership or call MaineStreamers at 1-847-297-2510.

MEDICARE PART D PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE
Maine Township has trained staff to assist you with the Medicare Part D Prescription

Drug program. For an appointment call Maine Township at 1-847-297-2510 #236. Please note that all Circuit Breaker Recipients MUST apply for this coverage to remain eligible for the Circuit Breaker benefits.

"MUSIC FROM THE HEART" LUNCHEON
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Aging Lifestyles

Medicare pays for some house calls

Joe Volz
Copley News Service

A new Medicare pilot project pays for 24-hour, seven-day-a-week house calls by doctors.

Care Level Management's Personal Visiting Physician Delivery System is managing the three-year project in several counties in California, Florida and Texas. It seeks to improve the quality of medical care and prevent disease complications in chronically ill beneficiaries.

Medicare is using the pilot project (and several other three-year pilot projects) to find ways to lower medical costs by avoiding unnecessary hospital stays and emergency room visits.

Another goal is to help participants avoid costly and debilitating complications by providing more personal care at home where people are more relaxed. In a way, it's a throwback to the old-fashioned doctor care of past generations.

Across the nation, chronically sick people account for about 43 percent of total Medicare costs, primarily through hospitalization.

The project "will focus on Medicare beneficiaries who have the most to gain from our health care system but who too often don't get the best prevention-oriented care," said Mark B. McClellan, Medicare chief, in announcing the project.

The pilot projects are "the first to focus specifically on provider-directed models of care for high-cost, fee-for-service Medicare beneficiaries," Medicare says.

Care Level Management, a private company, will receive a monthly fee for each beneficiary to cover administrative and care management costs. The organization also will bear the burden of extra financial risk if its care does not bring about the expected results.

Participating in the pilot project will not cost Medicare beneficiaries any more than their regular fees for medical care. (This includes the monthly fee withdrawn automatically from Social Security checks for Medicare Part B, as well as co-pays covered by patients for medical services.)

How will the project work in practice?

Doctors will visit beneficiaries enrolled in the project periodically, spending a half-hour or hour with each one.

Care Level Management also will coordinate medical care between specialists and primary care doctors in an effort to cut down on patients' visits to the emergency room and on admissions to hospitals. Busy medical personnel sometimes fail to adequately talk about what they are doing with their colleagues, even when they are treating the same

patient.

Patients will have the doctors' cell phone numbers to use for direct contact with problems or questions. This should enhance communication of all relevant medical information - an area that older people often complain needs improving.

Someday, patients will be able to contact doctors through e-mails, but so far, few family doctors seem enthusiastic about using the computer for anything but billing.

Many patients lack the skills needed to question their doctors about their treatment and whether the drugs they are taking might interact with one another. Numerous older patients are prescribed multiple drugs by different doctors for various ailments.

Or people are hesitant to bother doctors, figuring - wrongly - that their concerns are not as

important as their doctors' other patients.

Care Level Management's Personal Visiting Physician delivery system had been in use for some time in six major cities across the United States before it was chosen by Medicare as a pilot project.

The system has resulted in an average net savings of 30 percent to the managed care payers for hospitalization costs.

For further information, contact the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services at 7500 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, call (800) 633-4227 (MEDICARE) or visit www.medicare.com.

E-mail Joe Volz at jvolz2003@adelphia.net or write to 2528 Five Shillings Road, Frederick, MD 21701.

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Do lunch with the 'Lunch Bunch' at Morton Grove

Morton Grove Senior News

"LET'S DO LUNCH"

Come visit the "Lunch Bunch" any Monday through Friday at the Morton Grove Senior Center. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 847/967-6876. Lunch is served at 11:45 a.m. but the Center opens at 9 a.m. where many come in for bingo, cards, camaraderie, crafts, games, health screenings, quiet reading, seminars and just plain fun. The following special "Lunch Bunch" events are coming up:

Sadie Hawkins Bingo on Tuesday, Nov. 4. Lunch will be Swedish Meatballs.

Festival of Trees Bingo on Tuesday, Nov. 8. Lunch will be Beef Chop Suey.

Bingo Surprise Lotto on Thursday, Nov. 10. Lunch will be Fish Sticks.

North Shore Dancers Show on Friday, Nov. 11. Lunch will be Italian Chicken Breast.

Thanksgiving Bingo on Tuesday, Nov. 22. Lunch will be Turkey Breast, Stuffing and Gravy.

Gift Certificate Bingo on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Lunch will be Barbecue Beef.

The lunch cost is a \$2.75 to \$3 donation. For more information

about the menu or transportation call the Morton Grove "Lunch Bunch."

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Periodic blood pressure measurement is helpful in determining if health is threatened by high blood pressure (hypertension). Hypertension is a contributor toward strokes, heart disease and kidney failure. Unfortunately, hypertension usually has no symptoms so a person can feel great and not know they have it. Free screenings are offered from 9 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8 in the Morton Grove Senior Center.

MORTON GROVE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON AGING

The Morton Grove Advisory Commission on Aging will hold its next monthly meeting at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8 in the Morton Grove Senior Center. The Commission provides an arena for discussion and planning of services and programs to benefit Morton Grove's senior citizen population. All interested residents are welcome to attend.

AN APPRAISAL EVENT

Lots of people have "stuff" in their homes, but some don't realize that that "stuff" may be worth something! At 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9, Professional

Appraiser, Carol Fritzhall will visit the Morton Grove Senior Center to give advice on the history of items and what they might be worth to a dealer or at auction. This afternoon may leave participants asking, "am I on the Antiques Road Show?" There is a \$2 charge for each item to be appraised with a limit of two items per person. All proceeds will benefit Senior Citizens Activities at the Senior Center. It is important to register in advance for this program by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223.

MARY'S READERS BOOK CLUB

Love to read? Love to talk? Join Mary Korita as she leads, "Mary's Readers" at their next monthly meeting at 12 noon on Wednesday, Nov. 9 in the Morton Grove Senior Center as they discuss their book for November. The cost is set at only \$6.50 for Senior Center Members and \$8 for non-members for the entire year. Please register in person at the Morton Grove Senior Center and learn of the book titles for November and December.

"AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE USO"

Many recall watching Bob Hope on TV entertain U.S. troops during wartime. Remember the pride and love felt for the war-

riors who helped defend our liberty? Relive that special time at the Milk Pail Theatre on Thursday, Nov. 10 as Ron Mills and Katie Rafferty pay tribute to veterans and patriotism. There will be surprise guests, fabulous music and a scrumptious meal. Guests can also bring along a USO "care package" for an overseas soldier of today. Donors will enter a drawing for great prizes. The cost for the entire day is \$63 for Senior Center members and \$73 for non-members and includes transportation, show, food, coffee and dessert. Please register in person at the Morton Grove Senior Center today.

"CAJUNS & COWBOYS" TRIP PREVIEW

Join Peggy Strimple from Mayflower Tours as she guides senior travelers through the "Cajuns & Cowboys" Value Tour of 2006. A fun time will be had by all at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 14 in the Morton Grove Senior Center. Register by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223.

AARP MATURE DRIVING PROGRAM

AARP's "Mature Driving Program" formerly known as "55 Alive" is an eight-hour two-day course for older motorists. It focuses on the physical changes

that accompany aging and on ways drivers can compensate for these changes in improving their driving skills. Additionally, drivers will find that by completing this course they can receive a discount on a portion of their automobile insurance. Courses are now offered monthly in Morton Grove with the next course times from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 15 and Thursday, Nov. 17 in the Prairie View Community Center. The cost of the course is \$10. Call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223 to sign up.

"BUILDING MENTAL MUSCLE: NEURO-BICS" LECTURE

The brain is a unique instrument that must be tuned, challenged and strengthened. It can rust or shut down its own higher functions if there is no demand placed upon it. This interactive presentation begins at 1:30 p.m. This interactive presentation begins at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 16 in the Morton Grove Senior Center and will provide the awareness to help give the brain an edge to be used effectively. Discussion exercises are designed to stimulate brain cells some of which may not be used regularly. Keeping those cells

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MG SENIORS: Track your own medications

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active prevents their deterioration from disuse.

MEN'S CLUB

The Morton Grove Senior Center is looking for men who may be sports nuts, Mr. Fix-its, current events guys, financial gurus, or in other words, "guys!"

The Center is willing to help the guys organize a Club designed by men, run by men and for men. As soon as enough interest is generated, a Morton Grove Men's Club will be born! If interested please call Senior Activities Coordinator, Kathryn Williams at the Senior Center, 847/663-6127. A first meeting of the Men will be determined as soon as interest is expressed.

TRACK YOUR OWN MEDS

Anyone who is taking medication (prescription and/or over-the-counter) should keep a list of those medications in their wallet

or purse. This list should include the name of the medication, the dosage, and frequency. Free medication cards are available through the Morton Grove Seniors Center's Village Nurse, Marianne Long. Please call her at 847/663-6109 for the card or for more information.

For more information about senior services and activities, call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223. Membership in the Morton Grove Senior Center provides the benefits: six issues of the Seniors in Morton Grove newsletter; three issues of the

Travelin' Times newsletter; free Diabetes Screening; free passage on the Seniortran (for residents); free Computer usage in the Senior Center Library; 15% discount on trips and classes; an annual members-only party; and a photo i.d. card. Membership registrations are accepted any weekday morning between 9 a.m. and 12 noon at the Senior Center, 6140 Dempster Street. The membership fee is \$15 for an individual resident; \$25 for a resident married couple; \$25 for an individual non-resident; and \$40 for a non-resident married couple.

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Cost: \$13 members/\$14 guests + \$1 fish

Edizon Dayao is back! He is a wizard on the keyboard and plays with his heart. He has a repertoire of music ranging from Big Band, Romantic Songs and "Sing-a-Long Classics." He plays anything and everything.

Before the performance you will enjoy a lunch featuring Cream of Mushroom Soup, Roast Turkey with Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Peas and Carrots and Rocky Road Ice Cream for Dessert. Bingo will conclude this fun filled afternoon!

Reservations and cancellations must be received by Tuesday, November 1st.

COMPUTER WORKSHOP

"E-Mailing/Internet Surfing" Wednesday, November 16 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$10 - Registration Required

Presenter: Lee Huber

Attend this class to make internet surfing and e-mailing fun. We will cover web pages, web sites, printing, searching and finding information, attaching files in e-mail, sending pictures and more

"AARP'S DRIVER SAFETY

PROGRAM"

Mon., Nov. 28 & Wed., Nov. 30 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Instructor: Stanley Fukai, AARP Cost: \$10 check due on the first day, made payable to AARP

This two-part class helps you update your knowledge of age-related changes and rules of the road. Upon completion, your automobile insurance company will offer a discount.

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. All Day Trip departs from the State of Illinois Building, 9511 Harrison St. in Des Plaines.

"PLAID TIDINGS" TRIP

North Michigan Ave., Chicago Wednesday, December 28 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. \$72 members/\$77. guests

The holidays are not over yet...let's go bargain shopping at Water Tower Place to start off this fun-filled day. Are you hungry yet? Well get ready for a great lunch at the Saloon Steak House. Choose from Salmon Menuiere or Prime Rib served with potato followed by Crème Brulee for dessert.

Now enjoy Plaid Tidings at the brand new Drury Lane Theatre...They're back...Forever Plaid's Jinx, Frankie, Smudge and Sparky will take the stage in a nostalgic holiday extravaganza featuring tunes from the 50's and 60's!

THE BUGLE

Serving the communities of Niles, Park Ridge and Morton Grove with local news, culture and events.

IN HONOR OF "National Alzheimer's Awareness Month"

Forest Villa Extended Healthcare Center is sponsoring a FREE, Alzheimer's Education Program, "Understanding Alzheimer's Disease: Questions and Answers" Featuring: Jennifer L. Bebinger, MPA, LNHA NuCare Services Corporation V.P. of Special Programs.

This special event will take place on Thursday, November 17, 2005 at 6:00pm, dinner hors d'oeuvres will be provided. Please join us for a night of education, give-aways and your chance to win a wonderful raffle prize.

If you are interested in attending this event please RSVP to Forest Villa no later than Monday, November 14, 2005 at **847-647-6400**.

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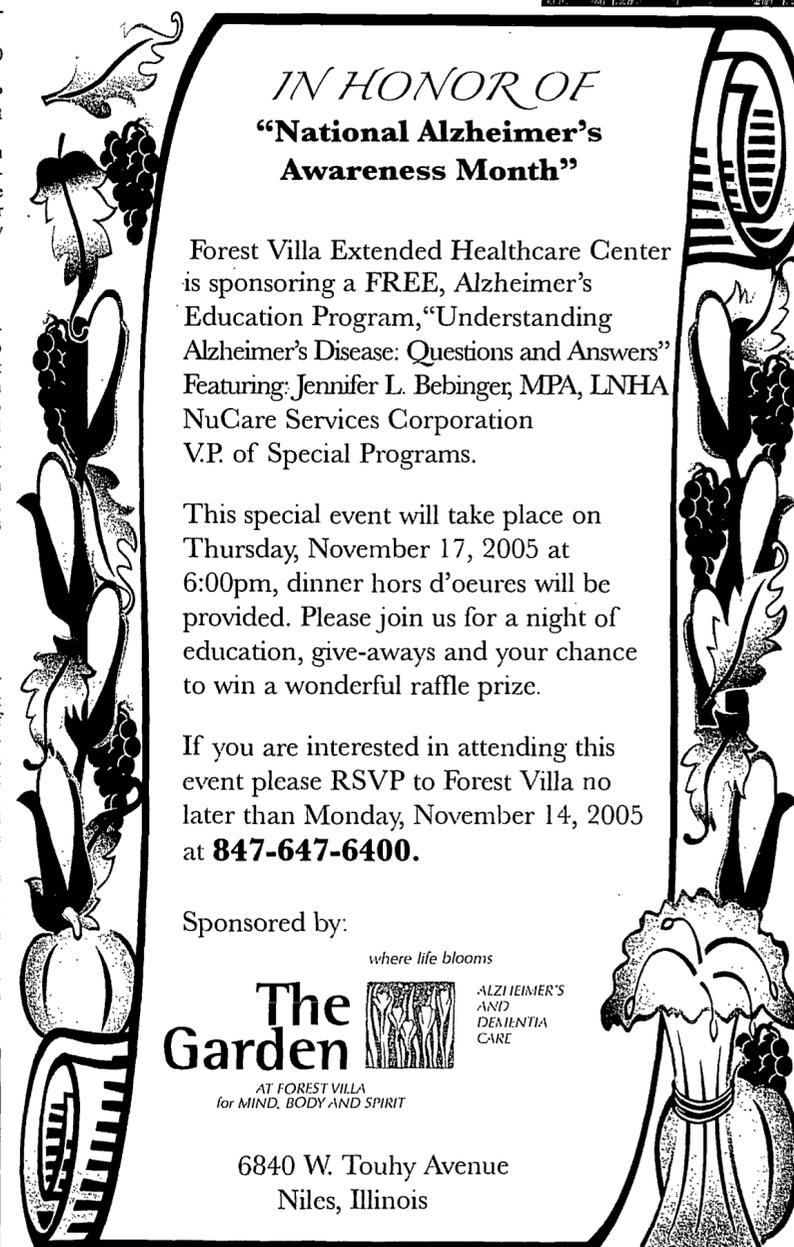
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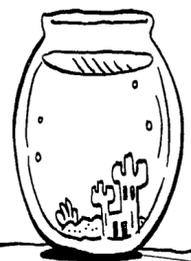




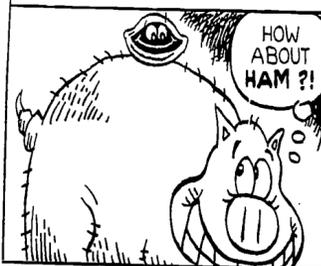
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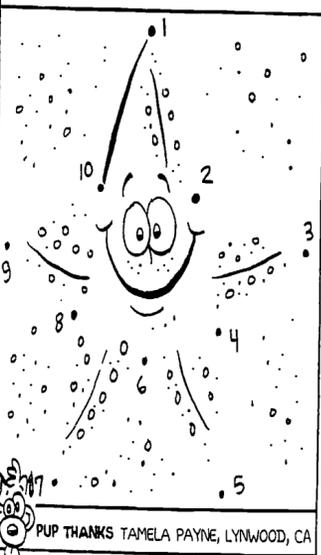
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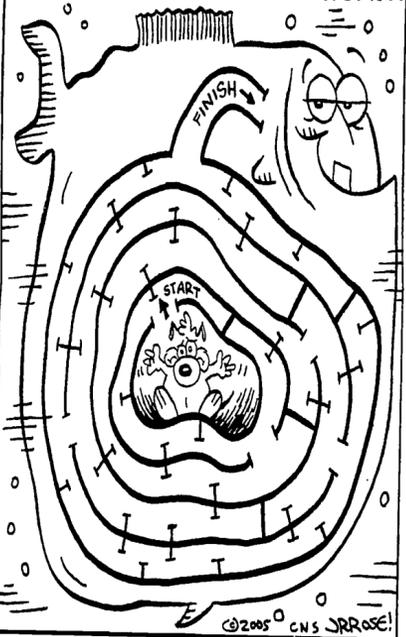


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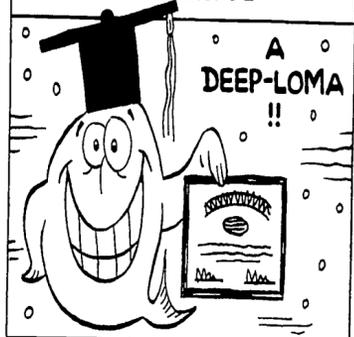
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WHAT DO FISH GET WHEN THEY FINISH SCHOOL?



Grammar Matters

by Patty Gibbons Saurier

Let's Learn a Little Latin

Below are three Latin abbreviations. Choose the correct abbreviation to complete the blanks in the following sentences.

e.g. i.e. et al.

1. Marvin loves spicy foods, _____, fried jalapeno peppers, hot wings.
2. The exchange student went to the fraternity party with Chris, Rick, Sam, _____.
3. The grand prize was given to the chef who made the cheese soufflé, _____, Harriett Iman.

Answers:
1. e.g. The notation e.g. means "for example." It is the abbreviation for exempli gratia.
2. et al. The notation et al. means "and others." It is the abbreviation for et alii.
3. i.e. The notation i.e. means "that is (to say)." It is the abbreviation for id est.

Nature Newswatch

Flashy flyers



Green-winged teals from the northernmost reaches of their range are the earliest migrants, beginning as early as late August. Now that some cooler fall weather has arrived, large flocks are heading southward.

The smallest of the dabbling ducks - those that feed mainly in the water on aquatic plants and small creatures - is a handsome bird of color. The drake has a dark cinnamon head and cheeks, with a dark iridescent green mask, outlined in white, encircling the eye and narrowing toward the back of the head. Its breast is buff with dark speckles, its back gray-brown, and sides ashy gray. The hen is light brown, streaked with darker brown. Seen in flight, both sexes flash a distinctive dark emerald patch in their wings. Hundreds of individuals fly in tight formation, often performing complicated maneuvers simultaneously, twisting and turning as if controlled by a single, unifying force. On the water, they break up into smaller groups to feed.

Green-winged teal *Anas crecca*
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PERFECT PAIRINGS

Maiale al Latte ribs and Montepulciano wine - now that's Italian

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THE CHEF

Luke Palladino was pondering his future. It was 1989 and he had just graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., where he was named "most likely to succeed" by his classmates. But he wasn't so sure what success really meant.

"Most of my friends took big corporate jobs that paid a lot of money - that wasn't what I wanted to do," Palladino said. "I had observed that the best chefs in the industry had worked under the great chefs around the world." So young Palladino decided to travel to Europe in search of secrets of great Italian chefs. A logical decision considering that he was raised in an Italian household where food was the center of the universe.

For three years Palladino traveled through Italy, working with acclaimed chefs from a half-dozen regions, including Tuscany and Rome.

"And for almost no pay," Palladino said, laughing. "I went there three different times and I didn't get paid until the last time. Finally getting paid was quite helpful."

After his sojourns in Italy, Palladino felt ready to take on the culinary world.

"My training was just what I wanted," he said. "I didn't plan it, I didn't know how to get it - it was just serendipitous."

Serendipity also had a hand

when the young chef, flush with new skills but light in the wallet, arrived back in the United States. "I didn't have a lot of money, but I had a lot of good ideas," Palladino said.

Chef Todd English happened to be opening a new restaurant in Las Vegas and tapped Palladino to lend a hand.

"I had no idea of what the Las Vegas thing was all about, but I flew out and they gave me the royal treatment," Palladino said. "And I thought, 'I can deal with this for a while.'"

He was made executive chef at Onda Ristorante at the Mirage in Las Vegas. He was now making money for doing work he really loved.

"I was thrilled," he said. About a year and half later, English asked for Palladino's help opening a restaurant in Aspen,

Colorado.

"It was a lot of fun,"

Palladino said. "I even learned to ski. Although the first year I was skiing mostly on my face!"

While he was there the general manager of the world-class Borgata Resort in Atlantic City, N.J., recruited him to be chef/owner of not one but three restaurants at the Borgata. Two of the restaurants, the popular Specchio and Ombrà, both specialize in authentic regional Italian cuisine. The third, Risi Bisi, offers casual Italian "street food."

With all of his work in Italy finally paid off, Palladino now knows what success is.

THE DISH

Palladino has selected Ombrà's signature dish, a standing baby-back rib roast filled with stuffing featuring sage, sausage and bread soaked with milk.

"It's a dish of all seasons, which can be cooked in an oven or on an outdoor grill," he said. "I put this on my grill and it comes out wonderfully. You can use Italian sausage, but I use sausage without fennel - but that's just a preference of mine."

"I look for ancient traditions, ancient techniques and applications. Some of them may even be unorthodox to classical cookery," Palladino said. A good example of that philosophy can be found in the dish he's selected.

"I use milk to moisten the stuffing, tenderize the pork and lighten up the dish in general," Palladino said. "Braising the meat with milk is an ancient Italian tradition, called Maiale al Latte, which literally means pork cooked in milk."

The dish is served with polenta. "Don't ever use instant polenta," Palladino said. "It's the worst! It has zero nutrition, zero flavor, it's the worst thing on the market. Make it from scratch; mix it with water and a few other ingredients, put it on the stove for 40 minutes at the lowest temperature, stir it a couple of times, have a couple of glasses of wine and forget about it."

like a big old Australian shiraz," Palladino said. "The Montepulciano really complements the savory pork and the sweetness in the honey glaze."

The area of Abruzzo is known for two grapes, the white Trebbiano and the red Montepulciano. The red wine from the blackberry-like Montepulciano grape is sometimes confused with the vino Nobile di Montepulciano wine, which is made using the sangiovese grape in nearby Tuscany.

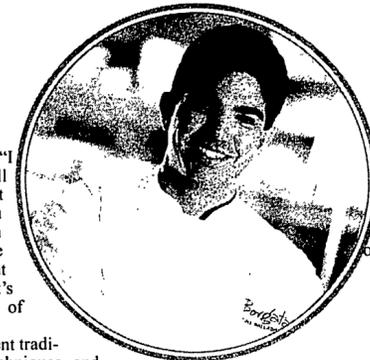
Montepulciano di Abruzzo is deep, dark-colored and fruit-forward with black-fruit flavors and soft tannins.

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THE WINE

Palladino matches the rib dish with a little-known (in America) wine, 2001 Cataldi Madonna Montepulciano di Abruzzo (\$12), from the Abruzzo region in the



THE RECIPE

STANDING BABY BACK RIB ROAST STUFFED WITH SAGE-AND-GARLIC SAUSAGE, CHESTNUT HONEY GLAZE AND STONE-GROUND POLENTA

- 2 racks baby back pork ribs
- Salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste
- 1 cup stale Italian bread, such as ciabatta, broken into rough pieces
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 pound fresh pork sausage made without fennel
- 1 sprig fresh rosemary, chopped (divided use)
- 1 sprig fresh sage, chopped (divided use)
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- Butcher's twine for tying ribs
- Foil
- Glaze:

- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 4 cloves garlic, sliced
- 2 tablespoons fresh rosemary, chopped
- 1 sprig fresh thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon Calabrese chiles, chopped, or red pepper flakes
- 1 tablespoon sherry vinegar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 cup dark chicken, pork or veal stock
- 2 tablespoons chestnut honey
- 2 tablespoons butter
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Polenta:
- 2 cups boiling water
- Salt, to taste
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/2 cup stone-ground polenta, or cornmeal
- 1/2 cup grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese
- 1 tablespoon butter
- Yields 4 servings.

Preheat oven to 300 F. To prepare ribs: Lay out racks on cutting board and cut each in

1/2. There should be about 6 ribs per piece. Season ribs with salt and pepper, to taste, on both sides. Place bread in bowl and pour milk on top. Peel casing off sausage and break it up into bowl; add half of rosemary and sage.

In bowl, mix remaining rosemary and sage with heavy cream and extra-virgin olive oil, and season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Lay out rib sections with outside, or convex side, of ribs facing up. Divide sausage mixture among the 4 rib sections. Roll sections like jellyrolls, with stuffing inside. Using butcher's twine, tie each section tightly around its center.

Lay out 4 large pieces of aluminum foil. Roll ribs in herb-cream mixture, place each rib section onto piece of foil and roll tightly, folding each end and standing ribs upright. Place wrapped ribs into roasting pan and roast for 2 hours at 300 F.

To prepare glaze: In small saucepan, heat olive oil until hot. Add garlic, rosemary, thyme and Calabrese chiles and fry for few moments.

Add vinegar and lemon juice to pan. Add chicken stock and reduce by 1/2. Add chestnut honey, simmer until slightly thick; add butter and season with salt and pepper, to taste.

To prepare polenta: In medium saucepan, bring water to a boil and add salt, to taste, and olive oil. Reduce heat so that water is at a gentle simmer and add polenta while whisking to combine without forming any lumps. Cover pot and simmer on lowest setting for 30 minutes, stirring every 10 minutes.

Stir in cheese and butter and keep covered in warm place on stove until ready to serve. To finish: Remove ribs from roasting pan and let rest 10 minutes. Unwrap ribs and cut twine from each section. Increase oven temperature to

400 F. Top with some glaze, return ribs to oven and brown to a deep color.

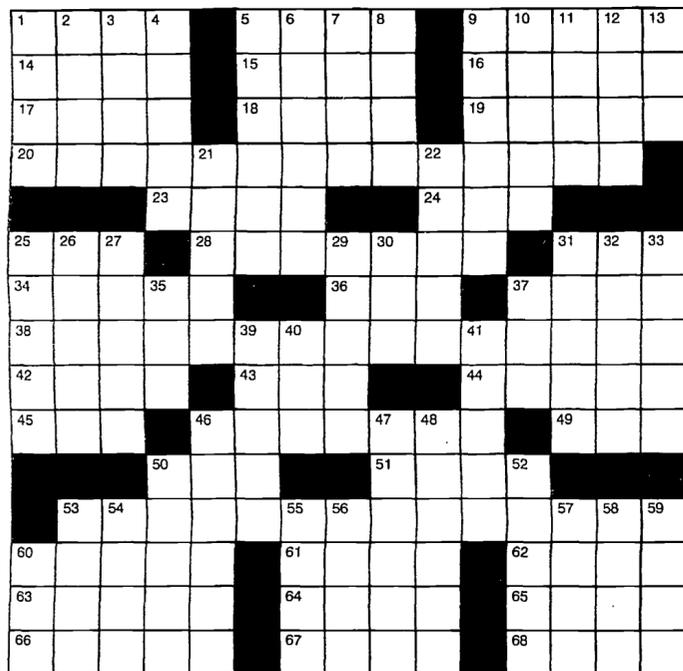
To assemble: Place ribs on polenta and top with remaining glaze. Serve with Wilted Escarole (recipe follows).

WILTED ESCAROLE

- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
 - 2 tablespoons spring onions, sliced
 - 1 head escarole, cleaned and cut into squares
 - 2 tablespoons currants, soaked in warm water and drained
 - 3 tablespoons toasted pine nuts
 - Salt, to taste
 - Yields 4 servings.
- In 10-inch saute pan, heat olive oil until hot. Add spring onions and cook until translucent. Place escarole in with the onions, cover, and cook over medium heat until escarole is wilted, about 5 minutes. Add pine nuts and currants, and toss. Season, to taste, with salt.

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Use an area code when picking a rug size

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Q: We are planning to buy new rugs for our living room and our dining room. This is a center-hall colonial house, so my question is, if I put down rugs in the living and dining room, do they have to match? Should we put a rug in the hall, too? And should it match the others? Finally, I like some floor to show around the edges of the area rugs, but how do I know what size rugs I need?

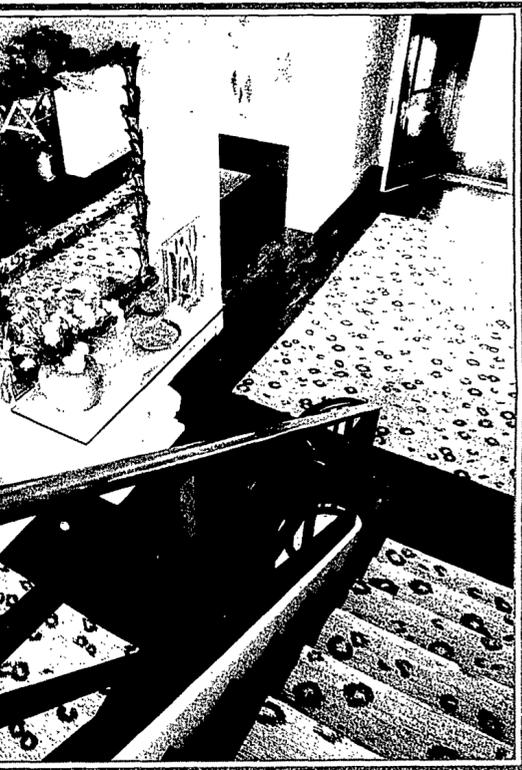
A: The answers are much easier than you think: No. Yes. No. And finally, plan to leave about a foot of floor showing all around. As New York designer Jeffrey Bilhuber points out in his info-packed book, "Jeffrey Bilhuber's Design Basics," (Rizzoli) this requires a major decision and minor mathematical skills.

First, decide whether you want your furniture to sit on or off the area rug. If you want it on, measure the room and subtract two feet from each direction to get the right size rug. For example, if your room's 10 by 14 feet, your rug should be 8 by 12 feet. Simple?

If you want to expose more floor, Bilhuber says to find the largest piece of furniture in the room that goes against a wall. Measure its depth, and add one inch to get the width of the border you'll want on all sides of the rug. His example: if a chest is the largest piece at 23 inches deep and you add another inch, you'll want a 24-inch-wide border along all four walls. Ergo, if your room measures 10 by 14, an area rug 6 by 10 feet should be the perfect fit. That was the hard part. Now, let's go back for a closer look at your first three questions. Matching

rugs? Don't even think of it. Matching anything is usually just dull, dull, dull. Better to choose rugs with colors that relate to each other well enough to tie the two spaces together. Make that three spaces because, yes, you will probably want an area rug in the hall, too, for both decorative and practical reasons. A rug not only says "welcome" softly and colorfully, it's the first line of defense against tracked-in grunge. Now, having said all that against matching rug patterns, we must add that there's an exception to every rule in decorating. We're showing a snazzy "rule-breaker" in this hallway borrowed from Bilhuber's book. He has deliberately chosen to repeat the leopard-print thrice-over, on the entry rug, the hall runner and on up the stairs to boot. In the capable hands of such a pro, the repetition works like a mantra - it's fascinating, and fun.

Q: I was in a designer showhouse recently and saw a mirror in a formal living room that turned into a large plasma TV screen. The designer wasn't there and no one else had any more information on it. Can



you buy such a mirror/TV screen, or was this something the designer had custom-made for the showhouse?

A: Luckily for every closet TV watcher, there are companies that make "disappearing" screens like the now-you-see-it-now-you-don't system in the showhouse. Between viewings, the plasma or LCD display masquerades as a "painting" or a decorative mirror,

either looking ordinary and perfectly at-home with the rest of your furnishings.

The imposters work especially well in low-light areas like bedrooms and guest rooms, according to one manufacturer, MediaDecor. Side lights in the room should be kept dim to avoid annoying reflections on the screen, which might make this

system less successful in active areas like family rooms. See what you think at www.mediadecor.com.

Birdwatchers of the world, have you ever sighted the whistling icon? If you've been in any chic kitchen during the past 20 years, you couldn't miss seeing the famous whistling bird teakettle designed by architect Michael Graves for Alessi, the Italian manufacturer.

An instant must-have among the design savvy, the little kettle captured status-seekers in a big way. And at a big price (think in the \$135 range). More than 1.3 million of the original stainless steel design have been sold. Now Graves and Alessi are celebrating the bird's 20th anniversary with a new, numbered and stamped "Limited Edition Jubilee Kettle," just introduced this fall.

What's the difference? Well, the original blue handle is now dark red, and you get two bird-shaped whistles with this edition, one transparent, and the other, a matching dark red. Given the kettle's iconic status, bird - and trend - watchers will no doubt think that's something to whistle at.

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A GREENER VIEW
Keeping bulbs blooming through spring

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Q: My wife wants to try bulbs again this year, but I don't like the display we get from them. They all bloom at once and then there is nothing. It is a lot of work for not much flowering time. How can we get more blooms?

A: In the world of spring flowering bulbs, there are three seasons to spring. Early, mid and late spring. The Dutch bulb growers classify all their spring bulbs this way and so do most catalogs; unfortunately, many retail stores sell generic bulbs without much label information.

When the Dutch growers say early, mid and late spring they are talking about March, April and May in planting Zone 6, which covers much of the middle of North America, because that is the same hardiness zone that Holland is in.

If you are in a southern area, your spring starts a month to six weeks earlier, and northerners can see spring compressed into just April and May. Blooming times are weather-related, not calendar-related, so don't be too concerned if the bulbs don't bloom exactly on time.

Look at the bulbs that you buy and get some from each time period for a longer-lasting display. On the other hand, look for bulbs with the same season to get flower beds with two colors out of two different kinds of bulbs.

Bulbs that come back the second year after planting may bloom a couple of weeks early because the roots are already established.

Q: When should we plant our bulbs?

A: Plant them once nighttime temperatures drop into the 50s or 40s for a couple of weeks, until the ground is frozen solid. The earlier in this time frame the better, as the bulbs will root out in the fall if there is enough time for them to grow before the ground is solid. Bulbs that are planted late may bloom later than they are supposed to, because they must grow roots in the spring and they may not grow as tall.

Loosen the soil under the bulb when making the hole so the roots can grow easily, and use a slow release bulb fertilizer for extra nutrition. Water the site well when it is planted, and if there are no fall rains, water them again. Mulch on top of the soil also helps protect the bulbs from winter weather extremes. Some bulbs will dry out too

GARDEN TIP

Timing those blooming bulbs

1. September-October PLANTING TIME: Plant bulbs twice as deep in the soil as the bulbs are tall.

2. November TAKING ROOT: Roots begin to grow and bulbs begin to get nourishment from the soil.

3. December-January COOLING PERIOD: To bloom in the spring, bulbs need weeks of temperatures below 40 degrees F.

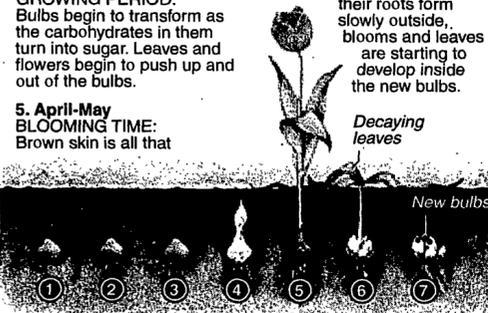
4. February-March GROWING PERIOD: Bulbs begin to transform as the carbohydrates in them turn into sugar. Leaves and flowers begin to push up and out of the bulbs.

5. April-May BLOOMING TIME: Brown skin is all that

remains of the bulb as it devotes its energy to making flowers.

6. May-June REGENERATION: After they finish blooming, remove the flowers but keep the leaves on the plants because developing new bulbs get their nourishment from the leaves.

7. July-September MULTIPLYING: Four to five small bulbs can be expected to grow from a mother bulb. As their roots form slowly outside, blooms and leaves are starting to develop inside the new bulbs.



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much if left out of the ground for too long and should be planted as soon as you get them. They are mostly specialty bulbs, except for anemones. If you get snowdrops (Galanthus) fritillaria, corydalis, erythronium, or fall blooming crocus (Colchicum), plant them right after purchase.

If you forget to plant them on time, you should plant them in a cold location as quickly as you can. This could mean chipping away at frozen soil, but an easier method is to buy some potting soil and plant them in pots. Place the pots outside where they can freeze. Mulch over them and check them occasionally to make sure the soil stays moist.

Q: Could you please tell me how to propagate bleeding heart? I tried water and root one but the leaves dried up and died. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

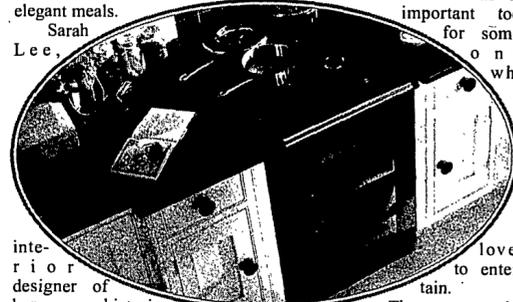
A: Probably the quickest and easiest way would be to just buy more. But that wouldn't be nearly as much fun for a gardener. They can't be propagated from leaf cuttings, but there are several ways they can be propagated. They often will self-seed, so you may find small plants near the original mother plant that can be dug up and moved. After they bloom, you can tie a paper bag over the end of the flowering stalk to catch all the seeds that

SMALL SPACES
New products help expand tiny kitchens

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The kitchen is often the most cramped and troublesome spot in a small home. But planning expertise and innovative new products can transform it into something fabulous - a gathering spot for family and friends with appliances that make it possible for home chefs to turn out elegant meals.

Visitors lose sight of this space as a traditional kitchen and suddenly see it as integrated into the living area. Lee also hid away an ice maker that was an important tool for someone who



interior designer of her own historic beach cottage, was determined to give up entertaining when she moved into a very small place. This gourmet cook preserved the look and feel of the charming cottage by incorporating the proper equipment to make your kitchen function for your needs is available, too. Just decide what you need and then seek it out. It will make

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the function and design of your space possible.

A superb new stand-alone full-functioning appliance is the Companion from AGA Ranges Inc. that is shown here. Measuring just 24 inches wide, the appliance can slide into even the smallest galley-style kitchen. It features four burners (two semirapid, one rapid and one ultrarapid/wok burner) and two small electric ovens, powered by natural gas or propane, and was designed as part of the larger Aga

line. That means it can also attach to the two-, three- or four-oven cookers. When used alone, it is a great option for the space-challenged kitchen.

The conventional oven offers zoned-heat cooking and incorporates a split broiler and a bottom convection oven. The finish is a vitreous enamel surface, a mixture of molten glass, clay and pigment that is permanently bonded onto cast iron at very high temperatures to form a tough, gloss finish. It is available in 15 contemporary colors, such as pistachio, heather, terra cotta and aubergine. Retro colors include

turquoise, Wedgwood blue and golden sunflower yellow.

Rather than limiting your options, appliances can add color and interest. Function can be sharpened by using refrigerator and freezer drawers.

Check out Sub-Zero brand and two new models made by Marvel, which has unveiled the world's only 30-inch-wide unit. The drawer, model 80RD, allows its owners to store more in its 7.5 cubic-foot capacity. Measuring 24 inches wide, model 60RD, provides whisper-quiet 5.6 cubic-foot capacity. These stainless steel drawer interiors can be built

into surrounding cabinetry for the look of seamlessness.

Seamlessness is critical in maximizing space in a small kitchen, but sometimes odd corners can pose difficult challenges and force a floor plan that involves unusual solutions. In those situations it is possible to pull some of the functioning appliances away from the wall. From a company called Perlick in Wisconsin comes the Stainless Steel Cabinet, a 6-foot-long stand-alone box that can be configured as freezer, refrigerator and wine cellar.

Start with a vision of what

you'd like your kitchen to be. Then measure the available room.

After that, look for products that can perform the functions you need in the smallest possible space. Add some imaginative flair, and you'll have a kitchen everyone will want to come home to.

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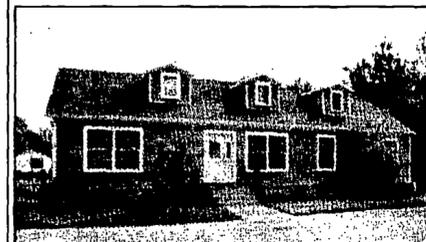
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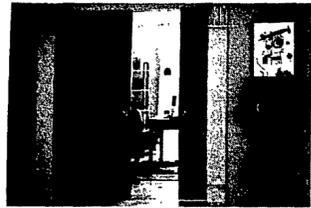
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HOME IDEAS Enjoying the great in-doors

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Perhaps you've seen pocket doors in old turn-of-the-century homes, closing off a parlor or dining room. Pocket doors are ideal in such places where a conventional door would seldom be closed, because unlike conventional doors, pocket doors don't get in the way when left open.



Pocket doors, which slide on a track inside the walls, allow you to reclaim wasted space around traditional hinged doors that swing out. With pocket doors, you gain about 10 square feet of floor space around the doorway. You can use the space alongside the doors without worrying that artwork will be hidden or furniture will be banged by a doorknob when the doors are open. And you will never need another doorknob.

Because the hardware can work with almost any door, pocket doors can fit with any decor from classic to contemporary. They can be hung single or double, with or without handicapped-accessible door-pulls and privacy locks.

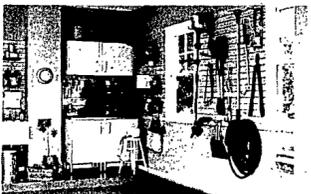
Because they hang inside the walls, pocket doors are best installed in new construction or during major remodeling. To install in a finished home, a wall (or two, for double doors) must be demolished.

High-quality hardware is recommended to prevent common problems such as the door jamming its track or scraping against the inner walls.

L.E. Johnson Products, a company that sells pocket door frame kits and accessories, offers a free brochure of pocket door ideas. Call (800) 837-5664 or write L.E. Johnson Products Inc., Department PDFK, 2100 Sterling Ave., Elkhart, IN 46516. Visit the company online at www.johnsonhardware.com.

ZONING OUT IN THE GARAGE

If your vehicle can barely squeeze into the garage, you're not alone. Clutter can accumulate, even - or especially - in the



capacious three-car megagarages popular in today's larger homes.

The folks at ORG, a Michigan company that designs home organization products, studied how people use their garages and identified several common "zones," in which similar items and activities can be concentrated for maximum organization. ORG recommends reorganizing your

garage into these zones:

- A transition zone where family members can hang coats, remove shoes and set down packages and mail when coming in the door.

- A "need it now" zone convenient for storing items needed every day, such as beverages, pet food, dog leashes and recycling.

- Elevation zones, where seasonal items may be stored up high, and lower areas that can be used for toys and bicycles.

- A zone for tall, thin items, such as rakes, brooms and shovels.

- A zone for large items that can be stored for months at a time, such as snow tires and camping gear.

- Zones where you can work on family hobbies, such as gardening, fishing or woodworking.

With those zones in place, ORG suggests first installing a slot wall. Similar to walls used to hold fixtures in retail stores, these walls accommodate accessories such as hooks, bins, shelves, tool holders and paper towel racks that snap into the horizontal slots.

Complemented by an assortment of cabinets - which ORG smartly designed with adjustable legs to account for uneven garage floors - the system allows you to get your stuff off the floor, neatly and sensibly arranged.

ORG products are sold through their network of authorized dealers, who can visit your garage for a consultation, develop a 3-D plan and arrange for a professional installation, which can usually be done in a day.

And if the rest of your house needs to get with the program, ORG also offers systems for organizing pantries, closets, laundry rooms, home offices and bedrooms. For more information call (616) 698-0748 or visit www.homeorg.com.

WIRED FOR SAFETY

With more and more electronic equipment making its way into our homes, taming a tangle of television cables, electrical wires and telephone cords is vital for keeping rooms tidy and uncluttered, as well as safe from children and pets who might chew or tug them.

You can hide as many as four wires inside Wire Guard, sold by Parent Units, a New Jersey childproofing product company. Each package contains two 16-inch strips that look like plain white molding and can attach to existing molding with tape. Wire Guard costs \$15 plus a \$7 shipping charge to the continental United States when ordered online.

The company also sells a variety of child-safety products, including refrigerator door latches, door and window protectors, and covers that prevent tiny exploring hands from damaging televisions (including big-screen models), VCRs, DVD players and personal computers. For a full line of products, call (732) 792-7244 or visit www.parentunits.com.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE

COOK COUNTY REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS FOR 2005

This publication constitutes official notice of the changes in assessment to all owners of real property in Niles Township. The 2005 assessment changes as published herein are those determined by the Assessor of Cook County.

It is the duty of the Assessor to appraise all taxable real property in Cook County at its fair cash value as of January 1, 2005. Fair cash value is described as what the property would bring at a voluntary sale in the normal course of business or trade. The Assessor is required by law to assess said property in a fair and just manner.

The Assessor does not determine property taxes. Property taxes are determined by the spending needs and requests of municipalities, school boards, park districts and other local government agencies which provide public services to property owners. The Assessor's sole responsibility is to estimate the value of real estate property.

In Cook County, real property is classified according to its use. The classification system is used to determine the percentage of the fair cash value at which the real property is assessed for purposes of taxation. Accordingly, real property is assessed at only a fraction of its fair cash value, depending on its use and classification.

Changes in assessment for land and improvements are listed separately. The dimensions of the land are also listed:

- A - Acres
- B - Back Lot
- N - Irregular Lot
- S - Square Feet

Cook County uses a Permanent Index Number (P.I.N.) system as a means to identify individual real estate parcels. The PIN consists of a 14-digit number. The first two digits identify the area or survey township; the second two digits identify the sub-area or section; the next three digits identify blocks.

Note:
Blocks are defined as follows:

Blocks 100 to 199 are located in the N.W. Quarter
 Blocks 200 to 299 are located in the N.E. Quarter
 Blocks 300 to 399 are located in the S.W. Quarter
 Blocks 400 to 499 are located in the S.E. Quarter

The next three digits in the series identify the specific parcel or lot. The last four digits, (where applicable), identify individual condominium units, non-operating railroad parcels or leasehold's of exempt parcels.

Whenever possible, the assessment list will be listed by the street name and the street or house number of the parcel. However, the Cook County Assessor's Office official records rely on permanent Property Index Numbers (P.I.N.) only. No assessment of real property shall be considered invalid due to an incorrect listing.

If you have any questions regarding the assessment of real property you should visit the Office of the Assessor of Cook County, 118 N. Clark Street, Room 301, Chicago, Illinois 60602, or call (312) 443-7550.

JAMES M. HOULIHAN ASSESSOR OF COOK COUNTY

TOWNSHIP OF NILES

BLK PCL UNIT	SIZE	LAND	IMP
AREA 10 SUB AREA 09			
Village of Skokie	313 034 0000	990S	4356
AREA 10 SUB AREA 21			
Klaimont LLC	414 083 0000	70171S	279982 665767
AREA 10 SUB AREA 22			
A & E Magnum Realty, L	319 056 1001	8604S	1676 2037
AREA 10 SUB AREA 26			

BLK PCL UNIT	SIZE	LAND	IMP	NO.	SIZE	LAND	IMP
DEMCO REALTY LLC	402 059 0000	192472S	294482	69352			
AREA 10 SUB AREA 28							
North Shore Com Bank	212 009 0000	25311S	61754	889182			
FrankPp@aol	220 034 0000	19073S	61033	16272			
AREA 10 SUB AREA 35							
EXEMPT	204 024 0000						
EXEMPT	204 026 0000						
EXEMPT	204 030 0000						
NO.	SIZE	LAND	IMP				
ALBION AVE							
ELSIE ROTH	3651	6589S	10306	34900			
ARCADIA ST							
CHRISTOPHER J SCANLON	5350	4960S	4761	14417			
CHRISTOPHER SCANLON	5350	2480S	2380	14417			
AUSTIN AVE							
Reps Technologies	6021	86276S	147531	144929			
BABB AVE							
IMPERIAL REALTY CO	7935	22500S	72675	6433			
BECKWITH RD							
WALTER H STUCKMANN	6801	4000S	3840	18945			
BOB-D-LINK TER							
NEZAD M GLADAN	4405	7497S	6687	43011			
CALDWELL AVE							
J EMIL ANDERSON & SON	7500	185075S	252570	149936			
CENTERPOINT PROF	7540	243310S	372294	1045754			
CENTRAL PARK AVE							
RAND McNALLY COMPANY	8255	479160S	819363	1378303			
CHASE AVE							
GREGORY KNAPEK	4928	3720S	3668	12544			
BROWN	5138	5332S	5545	24069			
CHASE AVE							
GREGORY KNAPEK	4928	3720S	3668	12544			
CHESTNUT ST							
FAIRE PROPERTIES	6400	6792S	21938	38623			
CHURCH ST							
CHARLES SCHWARTZ	4451	5000S	4600	22191			
CICERO AVE							
GROSSPROPS ASSOCIATES	7225	131600S	475076	1195887			
COUNTRY LN							
ELDER MOTTI	240	28736S	14939	79C58			
Jack Wieslender	312	24875S	12818	65769			
JAMES T FACKLIS	326	29025S	14582	42822			
FLUXUS TREBELS	343	31641S	19453	47214			
GOYLE AVE							
LAURA ZALLONI	4939	6138S	7365	62145			
CRAWFORD AVE							
DIPTI SONI	7853	4520S	4700	19033			
CRAWFORD AVE							
HORIZON REALTY GROUP	8747	2975S	14334	540			
HORIZON GROUP	8747	2975S	14334	397			
HORIZON GROUP	8747	19055S	90511	58189			
DAHLIN DR							
CLAUDIA M HEMBD	6028	6055S	9263	7418			
DAVIS ST							
MICHAEL D CRIVELLO	5200	5231S	5021	22281			
DEMPSTER ST							
JOE WEISS	3620	17125S	65075	60292			
PHILIP COLLAS JR	3718	11450	28959	24959			
PHILIP COLLAS JR	3720	2950S	11490	26059			
PHILIP COLLAS JR	3722	2950S	11490	14771			
PHILIP COLLAS JR	3724	2950S	11490	26259			
PHILIP COLLAS JR	3843	4888S	4875	26252			
GEORGIOS TRIANTAFILOU	3939	3125S	14843	29148			
HORIZON REALTY GRP	3939	3125S	14843	26148			
HORIZON REALTY GROUP	3939	14843	678	29148			
HORIZON REALTY GROUP	3939	2430S	18292	540			
FRED BLUMENFELD	4843	13395S	67104	22978			
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AUTO SCENE Hybrid reality? Highlander does its fuel-saving best in stop-and-go traffic

JERRY GARRETT Copley News Service What is the purpose of a hybrid vehicle? If it's energy efficiency, people who buy the Toyota Highlander hybrid, a corporate relative to the Lexus RX 400h, are likely to be disappointed.

not," says Dave Hermance, a Toyota spokesman. "Please keep in mind that hybrids shine in stop-and-go traffic." That was not our experience, either. Using the optional onboard computer that Toyota has built into the Highlander hybrid's data

center and navigation system, the combination of city and highway driving for 900-plus miles yielded a cumulative fuel mileage average of 21.6 mpg.

lie, I had checked the computer readouts in other press fleet vehicles to see what the cumulative mileage had been achieved on each of them to date. I couldn't find any of them with better than 21-something. Some were as low as 18, after thousands of miles of driving. The EPA ratings for hybrids are, of course, a faulty gauge of their actual fuel economy, because the real-world fuel usage by the

Hylander hybrid. I took a recent test drive in a Highlander hybrid from Los Angeles to Phoenix and back. I wanted to drive it like a normal car and not baby it. But I didn't abuse it. I drove it at high speeds, and the hybrid was up to the task. But I found the hybrid actually averaged far fewer miles per gallon than its gasoline-powered counterpart. Besides that, the hybrid needed more expensive premium fuel for peak performance. Regular unleaded is acceptable. It takes a particular driving technique to get maximum fuel mileage from hybrids, and I can usually excel at that. I've averaged better than 100 mpg in a Honda Insight. I can achieve the as-advertised 55 mpg or better in the Prius, while most owners gripe about getting mid-40s or less. But in my test of the Highlander, I was able to get just 16 mpg in highway cruising! That was a trip of about 400 miles each way, and I kept it on cruise control most of the time, at or slightly above the 75 mph posted speed limit. Admittedly, city driving, not highway cruising, is a hybrid's strong suit, but both types of driving were mixed in. "Running at high speeds with the AC running will use up fuel whether you are in a hybrid or



center and navigation system, the combination of city and highway driving for 900-plus miles yielded a cumulative fuel mileage average of 21.6 mpg. That compares to a regular V-6 Highlander's ability to average nearly 23 mpg cruising over the same route at the same speed. "In a side-by-side test, in identical conditions, the hybrid should be expected to get at least one mile per gallon (more) than

which measures how many gallons of fuel a vehicle is likely to burn in 1,000 miles of combined city/highway driving. "In that scenario," Hermance says, "the hybrid would burn 250-300 gallons, while the gasoline version would use about 400 gallons." When building hybrids, Toyota says it can either skew performance toward high fuel economy/low performance or

Factor in the pricing premiums and dealer markups and it becomes difficult to see the economic justification for buying one. In this scenario, the Brave New Era of Hybrid Cars would seem to be a fragile bubble that is vulnerable to being burst. Warranty: 8-year/100,000-mile hybrid componentry; 3-year/36,000-mile comprehensive with roadside assistance The hybrid competition: Lexus RX 400h, Ford Escape Where assembled: Japan

PLUSES: More powerful than a regular Highlander, can be more economical in city driving. MINUSES: More expensive, doesn't necessarily get better highway mileage, strange transmission noises when reversing, more weight means sluggish handling. Visit Copley News Service at www.copleynews.com.

