Spring is here

Magnolia trees in the area were blooming this week as the area was treated to its first consistent spell of warm weather. The trees were especially beautiful along Howard St. in Niles. (Photo by Tracy Yoshida Gruen)

J.C. Penney sues over Niles OTB

BY TRACY YOSHIDA GRUEN
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The road to opening an Off Track Betting (OTB) site in Niles has been anything but smooth. But the project keeps forging ahead.

The most recent hurdle was a lawsuit by JC Penney at Golf Mill, the OTB’s neighbor, to try to stop the OTB from being developed, but they were denied in federal court. He said that he’s heard that Penney’s has filed a preliminary injunction that would also require a hearing.

Bob Bilocerkowycz, the president of Inter Track Partners OTB, said that Penney’s concerns were related to lease issues, which deals

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Greek Food Fest a smashing success

Ladies from the St. Haralambos Philoptochos group work hard to prepare food items for the recent annual bake sale at the St. Haralambos Orthodox Church in Niles. A representative from the church said they had an "excellent year." The ladies group does various fund-raisers for the church and for other organizations, such as the Hellenic Heart Foundation as well.

Joint task force formed to fight street crime

While students were on spring break, various local police departments were busy fighting street crime.

A Street Crime Suppression Unit involving Niles, Morton Grove, Park Ridge, Glenview and Cook County hit the streets during spring break from March 24 to Apr. 1 in order to fight crime on the streets.

"They worked all the areas with a high rate of crime," said Charles Giovannelli of the Niles Police Department.

Some of the places that were targeted were Golf Mill Shopping Center in Niles, unincorporated areas, Crestwood apartments, Sunset Trailer park, Apache Park in Des Plaines, Dee and Dempster, Dempster and Prospect.

During the week, a warrant arrest, aggravated battery arrest, marijuana arrest and many street contacts were made.

"Today that’s what it’s all about, mutual aid partnership," said Giovannelli, about the departments working together to sup-

press crime.

Niles School Resource Officer Robert Tomabene and Commanders McEneny and Halley were instrumental in creating this street crime suppression unit.

"It was very successful," said Giovannelli.
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Morton Grove approves new animal control ordinance

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Aging Lifestyle

Medicare chief offers upbeat assessment of new drug plan

British Columbia is prepared to cope with the influx of elderly patients, according to the Medicare chief. David McClellan, one of the Medicare leaders, has been working tirelessly to ensure that the drug plan is ready for the elderly population. He has been working closely with Congress to ensure that the new drug plan is beneficial for everyone.

The key advantage of the new drug plan is that it provides coverage for all the essential medications that are needed for the elderly population. The plan includes medications for chronic conditions, such as diabetes, heart disease, and cancer. It also covers medications for conditions such as osteoporosis, Alzheimer's disease, and depression.

McClellan has been advocating for a drug plan that is affordable and accessible to everyone. He has been working with Congress to ensure that the plan is not only effective but also affordable for everyone. His efforts have been recognized by the Medicare administrator, who has praised him for his dedication to the Medicare program.

McClellan's efforts have not gone unnoticed. He has been invited to speak at several conferences and seminars on the Medicare program. He has been sharing his knowledge and insights with other Medicare leaders and policymakers. His speeches have been well-received, and he has been praised for his clear and concise presentation.

McClellan's dedication to the Medicare program is evident in his work. He has been working long hours to ensure that the new drug plan is ready for the elderly population. His efforts have been recognized, and he has been awarded several accolades for his work.

The new drug plan is a significant step forward for the Medicare program. It is a testament to the dedication and hard work of people like McClellan. It is a step forward in ensuring that the elderly population has access to the medications they need.
Enjoy an evening to remember! Have you heard about the Heritage Club of Polish Americans Annual Easter "Swiebok" Party Sunday, April 10, 2016.

The Heritge Club of Polish Americans will hold its annual Easter celebration on Sunday, April 10, 2016 at its Polish American Heritage Center located at 6101 N. Western Ave in Chicago. The party will feature a four-courser family style dinner with wine and beauty by Ed Putnok and The Brighton Posh N. Milwaukee in Niles. All guests are invited to participate. Social hour with cash bar begins at 5:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be served starting at 6:00 p.m. and dancing.

The party is open to attend. Tickets are $30.00 per person pre-sale or $35.00 at the door. All proceeds from the event will go to the Polish American Heritage Center.

New Guests & Sports
At Niles Park District
Team Sports Tournaments
These tournaments are designed to provide a positive competitive experience for all participants. Games are played at Niles Park District facilities. All games are played under the rules set forth by IHSA and USA Sports.

2-3 Girls' Basketball Tournament
You must submit a registration form, enter the entire fee for your team. All teams must be 16 years or older and there is a max number of 16 teams per event. Registration deadline is May 4, with no team accepted after. Games will also play May 7 & May 15 at Golf View Recreation Center. Three tournaments will take place, with each including three games over two consecutive days. All participants will be a part of the tournament and will be entered into a raffle for a $25.00 gift card. All teams will be responsible for paying their own expenses.

Wiffle Ball Tournament
In order to enter the Wiffle Ball Tournament, you must submit a registration form, enter the entire fee for your team. There will be 12 teams per event. All teams must be 16 years or older and ages 14 & 18 years of age. Games will also play at Golf View Recreation Center on May 7 & 15, with three TBA Tournament locations. All players will earn a raffle entry for a $25.00 gift card. All teams will be responsible for paying their own expenses.

New Fitness Programs Starting May 1
New 6-week sessions program at Golf View Recreation Center will take place starting May 1. Fee: $30.00

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FOR THE CHEF

When Geoffrey Zakarian designs a dish for his new York City restaurant to cook in his book, he looks for a certain cuisine style, or a touch of certain ingredient. And it’s also about a chef's delight and finding of discoo-

Give your taste buds a treat and get ready to enjoy a flavorful experience with this week's menu! We have selected some delicious dishes that will tantalize your taste buds. Whether you're a seafood lover, a meat aficionado, or a pasta enthusiast, we've got something for everyone.

- Grilled Salmon
  - Baked with lemon and parsley
  - Served with a side of roasted vegetables

- Spaghetti Carbonara
  - Made with fresh tomatoes, browned sausage, and shaved Parmesan cheese

- Beef Stroganoff
  - Tender strips of beef in a rich, creamy sauce with mushrooms and noodles

- Grilled Chicken Breast
  - Served with a side of roasted asparagus and mashed potatoes

- Deep-Dish Pizza
  - Choose from pepperoni, sausage, or vegetarian toppings

Enjoy your meal and savor every bite! We hope you have a wonderful evening filled with good food and great company.
THE ALERT CONSUMER
Planning ahead, common sense are secrets to affording a big family

Marina Giove, Realtor®
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Planning a baby will certainly change your financial future. There are some tips from the financial advisors and members who have financed before. Here is some advice to help you plan for a big family.

Tips for Parents

1. Start saving early:
   - Have a baby fund set up:
     - Some families prefer a baby fund, while others choose a savings account.
     - Decide on how much you want to save and set a goal.
     - Consider setting aside a specific amount each month to contribute to the fund.

2. Create a budget:
   - Track your expenses:
     - Use a budgeting app or tool to help you keep track of your spending.
     - Identify areas where you can cut back and allocate more funds towards saving for the baby.

3. Research and shop:
   - Research baby products and services:
     - Compare prices, read reviews, and consider second-hand options.
     - Look for sales and discounts to save money.

4. Seek advice:
   - Consult with family and friends:
     - They can share their experiences and offer guidance.
     - Consider seeking professional advice from a financial planner or advisor.

5. Stay organized:
   - Keep important documents and information organized:
     - Birth certificates, vaccination records, and insurance information.
     - Maintain a calendar and schedule.

6. Stay informed:
   - Stay updated on child-related news and developments:
     - Follow relevant social media accounts and news sources.
     - Attend parenting workshops and classes.

7. Stay healthy:
   - Maintain a healthy lifestyle:
     - A healthy mom means a healthy baby.
     - Focus on a balanced diet, regular exercise, and adequate rest.

8. Stay connected:
   - Stay connected with your loved ones:
     - Keep in touch with family and friends who have been through the same experience.

Remember, each family’s situation is unique, so it’s important to tailor your approach to your specific circumstances. Planning ahead and taking these steps can help you prepare for a happy and successful family expansion.
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