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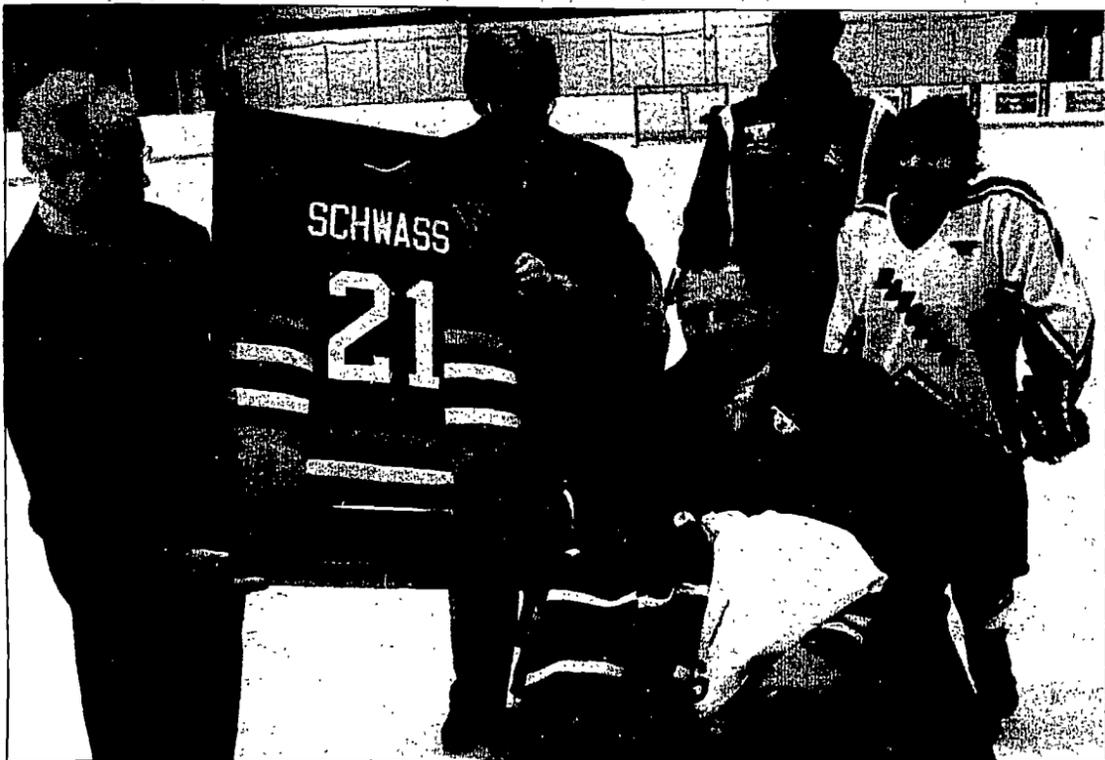
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Former Notre Dame hockey player Mike Schwass receives his retired jersey during a ceremony last Thursday.

Notre Dame retires his jersey

Mike Schwass, former Don Hockey Player, honored at ceremony

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

IceLand Rink in Niles was filled with the sounds of clapping, cheering and the stomping of feet on the stands and they didn't come from fans of a local hockey team.

The excitement and jubilation

came from the hearts of fans of a hero and an inspiration to many, Mike Schwass, who played hockey for Notre Dame High School in the 1970s and who became paralyzed following an injury on the ice during a game.

"Mike Schwass Night" was held on Thursday, Jan.

25 and it was presented by the Niles Park District and Notre Dame High School. A red carpet was rolled out down the center of the ice rink and members of Schwass' family, old coaches and teammates walked down the carpet to honor Schwass and all he has

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Interior lights in the front and rear windows of Niles Squad Car 13.



GOT A LIGHT?

Niles Board debates location of lights on 12 new police cars

By Andrew Schneider | EDITOR

Should emergency lights on new Niles Police squad cars be located in a bar on top or on the inside of the vehicles?

A debate on the location broke out at the Niles Village Board meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 23 that almost stalled the purchase of the vehicles.

According to Niles Police Chief Dean Strzelecki, the 12 cars are at a point when they must be replaced because the cars that are being replaced are becoming expensive to maintain, having over 100,000 miles on them.

Strzelecki told the board that the decision to put lights on the interior of the vehicles was made as a cost-saving move because the lights are less expensive to purchase and make it easier to maintain the vehicles. The lights from the retiring vehicles can even be moved to the new cars, leading to additional cost savings.

Strzelecki did say that either

option is OK with him, because the opinions of the Niles Police Officers are split 50/50.

However, Trustee Andrew Przybylo argued that the vehicles were harder to spot than those that have a light bar on the roof.

"I believe that these cars are being used as a stealth revenue-generating tool," Przybylo said.

Przybylo said that he thinks squad cars should be as visible as possible to act as a deterrent, rather than being difficult to spot by motorists.

Trustee Louella Preston also felt that the lights should be located on the vehicle roofs, but her concern was safety.

"With all these SUVs driving around it's difficult to locate an emergency vehicle with its lights on if those lights are interior," Preston said.

She felt that, for safety reasons, lights should be located on the squad car roofs.

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The Niles Board is debating the location of lights on its new police cars.

Edison School teacher finalist in state teaching award contest

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

Jim O'Malley, a fourth grade teacher at Edison School in Morton Grove, is an Illinois finalist in the science category for the 2006 Presidential Award of Excellence in Math and Science Teaching.

"I'm very excited and honored," said O'Malley, about making the United States Honor Roll. "I



Jim O'Malley

was pleased to know that my science teaching was being done properly in the eyes of science experts and my students were benefiting from that. It's been a rewarding experience as a whole."

O'Malley, a Skokie native, submitted a video tape and a mini detailed portfolio in order to qualify as a finalist. He said that watching himself teaching on See O'Malley, page 4

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Vote on new Morton Grove smoking ordinance delayed

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

A vote on the proposed smoking control ordinance for the Village of Morton Grove was continued into February at the last village board meeting.

The ordinance states that smoking will be allowed in bars, private clubs, hotel and motel sleeping rooms rented to guests and designated as smoking rooms, private residences (except for periods when a residence is used as a childcare, adult care or health care facility), retail tobacco establishment and

from the rest of the premise by a floor to ceiling solid wall or other barrier that stops the smoke from passing through.

Smoking will also be allowed in bowling alleys except when there is a tournament, party or other event or occasion where people under 18 years old are invited or allowed to attend without the attendance of their parents or legal guardian.

As for restaurants, a concern for many restaurant owners in towns, the proprietor of a restaurant may establish an area on the premise where smoking is permitted as long as its separated

As stated in the proposed ordinance, an establishment is considered to be "a restaurant" if the sales of food and non alcoholic beverages on the premise are more than 50 percent of the gross sales of all items sold at the facility.

Where smoking is regulated, there must be a sign posted saying "No Smoking" printed in red letters, four inches high. The ordinance is planned to be up for a vote in February.

Niles sets minimum floor area for condos

The Niles Village Board approved an amendment to the Condominium Conversion ordinance at the last village board meeting.

The amendment states that no residential condominium conversion unit shall be less than 750 square feet of gross floor area and such two (2) bedroom unit shall contain a minimum of 850 square feet of

gross floor area.

"I did a lot of research through looking at other municipalities in the state of Illinois and throughout the country," said Village of Niles Community Development Director Chuck Ostman. He said the department also looked at current projects in town and then they took in all of their collected information

in order to come up with the 750 sq. feet figure.

Ostman said they have had one request since the ordinance was approved to convert an apartment building into a condominium building. The original plan for that condo was about 500 square feet of gross floor area for a one bedroom condo.

The village has put a good deal of time into creating the ordinance because they realized that condominium developments are of a more permanent nature. Therefore, they wanted to make sure all the proper rules and regulations were in place.

A resident under siege in a changing world

It is probably fairly easy for a person to feel like they're under siege by time. Growth has been very visible in the collar counties of Chicago in recent years and at his recent "State of the Village Address" Bolingbrook Mayor Roger Claar declared that the village was running out of space for development.

It's easy for a person who lives in what was originally Bolingbrook to wonder at the changes time has wrought in the village, but areas that are bereft of undeveloped land are just as subject to the pressures of time and development. Communities that were built-out decades ago are now undergoing a second wave of building that is even more jarring to residents.

The building isn't generally commercial, though some commercial redevelopments are happening throughout the so-called "first-tier" suburbs. In a word, the jarring new developments are known as "McMansions."

A Niles man has now attended two different village board meetings protesting the construction going on in his neighborhood and even his block, first complaining about the nuisance of construction workers tearing up roads and tearing down trees, alternatively pleading for the village to create some review process that would allow neighbors some say over new construction.



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ANDREW SCHNEIDER | EDITOR

Sadly, it already exists; it's called the zoning code.

Whether or not you believe in the ultimate wisdom of zoning codes, that allow municipalities to create prescriptive or, more usually, restrictive measures that mark out the boundaries for any perspective development such as distance for lot line, total height and even a floor-to-area ratio that restricts building to percentage of the total lot square footage.

But the Niles village board hasn't told this man that the zoning code is an extraordinary amount of control and it's the only control he or anyone else is likely to have in regards to any new residential development.

The village board hasn't told this man that in the last year that they've even placed greater restrictions on new residential developments by decreasing the overall floor-to-area ratio and even created a new rule for oddly-shaped lots that restricts the height of buildings based on a certain angle when measured from the edge of the lot.

What this man doesn't understand is that when he moved to Niles years ago, the culture was different. People didn't want as much house as they want today. The houses of his neighbors were not built to the ultimate allowable extent under the zoning code. Now, as they or their chil-

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Park Ridge Blood Drive Feb. 5

LifeSource is hosting the Park Ridge Community Blood Drive that will take place on Feb. 5 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Park Ridge Presbyterian Church.

"I'd like to thank the Park Ridge community for their past support," said George Johnson, chairperson, in a press release. "This is a great way to help your family, friends and neighbors by ensuring there is an adequate blood supply."

There will be a random drawing to win a \$200 Lettuce

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Walk ins are welcome and participants should bring a photo ID, such as a driver's license, state ID or passport. To schedule an appointment those interested can call (847) 803-7943. LifeSource is Chicagoland's Blood Center. Every two seconds someone is in need of blood due to surgeries, medical procedures, cancer treatments and emergencies.

Park Ridge Presbyterian Church is at 1300 W. Crescent Ave.

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dren cash in the property, the value has increased not because of the structure but because of the land, because of its proximity to downtown Chicago and their ability to construct a house with five bedrooms, seven baths, a great room and a game room.

The boom in real estate has delivered a windfall to those in the first-tier suburbs that want to cash out. They know that the homes they raised their families in will be razed because tastes have changed and no one willing to pay half a million dollars for a home wants to live in a ranch or

two-story, two bedroom home.

It is a windfall, but only if you want to cash out. For those like our Niles man who chose his community as a place to live and not as a place to invest, he's bound by the choices of his neighbors and caught up in the cycle of change that will continue to transform the face of Niles and its sister suburbs and there's nothing that a zoning code or a village can do to stop it.

The best our representatives on the Niles board could tell the man is that he will receive the financial windfall too. Though some may view it as a bonanza, others will continue to see it as a consolation prize.

Niles Police offer Super Bowl safety tips

Residents are waiting anxiously for the Sunday's Super Bowl festivities, and the Niles Police Department is encouraging everyone to have a fun, but safe celebration.

The Niles Police Department is encouraging residents' festivities to use caution and control while celebrating the Chicago Bears versus the Indianapolis Colts in the 41st Super Bowl.

The Niles Police Department urges all to have a designated driver or to take public transportation. Here are some facts about drinking and driving provided by the Niles Police Department.

The Magnitude of the Problem

Nearly three out of every ten Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related traffic crash in their lifetime.

Each year, about 8 percent of all police-reported motor vehicle crashes are alcohol-related.

In Illinois during 2002, 51,649 people were arrested for driving under the influence (DUI).

The proportion of fatal crashes that are alcohol related is approximately three times greater at night than during the day.

Each year, about 310,000 peo-

ple suffer injuries in alcohol-related traffic crashes, an average of one person injured approximately every two minutes.

Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC)

A blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or greater is the level at which a driver is considered legally intoxicated in Illinois.

A driver can also be arrested and prosecuted for DUI with a BAC in excess of .05 but less than .08.

In 2002, 45.83 percent of fatally injured drivers who were tested for a BAC level were found to have been drinking, and 39.54 percent had a BAC of .08 or greater.

Drunk Driving and Young People

Although 16-24 year olds comprise only 15.52 percent of the licensed drivers in the state, they are involved in 38.85 percent of all fatal alcohol-related crashes.

In 2002, nearly 32 percent of the fatally injured teenaged drivers (age 16-19) were legally intoxicated

224 young adult drivers between 16 and 24 years old were killed in fatal crashes in

2002. Of these, 106 had a BAC level of .08 or greater

Nearly 33 percent of the fatally injured teenage drivers (age 16-19) were drinking prior to their crash.

Of the 396 drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2002 and found to be legally intoxicated, 35.10 percent were between 16 and 24 years of age.

Almost 37 percent of the fatally injured drivers under age 21 who were tested for BAC were drinking prior to their crash. 39.66 percent were at .08 BAC or greater.

In Illinois in 2002, 83 children under the age of 16 were killed in motor vehicle crashes.

Illinois' zero tolerance law became effective January 1, 1995. Each year there are approximately 3,000 zero tolerance violations recorded.

Safety Belts

Safety belts were used in 12.3 percent of fatally injured intoxicated (BAC 0.08) drivers as compared to 36.7 percent of sober drivers killed in crashes.

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Library board member says staff demoralized

Others argue for cost-cutting measures

By Andrew Schneider
EDITOR

Various members of the Niles Library board have been in contact with media representatives in the previous week, arguing alternatively that the library is being sold short and demoralized by its own board or that the board is trying to hold the line on cost and keep the library on strong fiscal ground.

Library Board Member Barbara Nakanishi sent a letter to The Bugle Newspapers calling herself a "whistle-blower" and saying that the request of the board that the staff to cut \$100,000 from the next budget is not supportive. According to one board member, the budget totals approximately \$5 million. The \$100,000 in requested cuts represents approximately .02 percent.

"I'm all for saving money," Nakanishi writes. "and at the library, spending the taxpayer's money wisely is a way of life as far as the librarians are concerned."

Nakanishi also forwarded two memos from library staff that were presented to the board at the Jan. 17 meeting. One, from Susan Lempke, Youth Services Supervisor, says that the board is only interested in cutting the budget and doesn't offer staff any other feedback.

"Virtually all the feedback we get from the board of trustees is how important it is that we save more money, that we put our attention on cutting better deals, that we try to put our staff to work on ideas to cut the budget so we can say to the tax-



The budget for the Niles Library, at Oakton and Waukegan, pictured above, is the subject of a debate among trustees.

payers, 'we have cut your tax bill.'"

As to cutting \$100,000 from the budget, Lempke called it an "impossible task."

"It would require a magic wand," she writes.

The second memo was from Ann Pasnick in the Technical Services Department. That memo outlined cuts that had already been made and methods the staff were taking to save money without drawing any specific conclusions.

"The library patrons voted for the tax referendum," Nakanishi said in her letter. "Why not let the library spend some of that money?"

Morgan Dubiel, another board member who has stood on the side of cutting costs was out of town this week. By e-mail, he sent the following comments.

"My goal has always been to keep the cost of the library down or stable, while giving people more or at the very least the same services. We have

done that and our latest survey shows an incredibly high record of satisfaction on the part of the patrons.

At the heart of the issue is how much effort does the library owe in searching out the best and least expensive methods to deliver its services in a changing environment?

We are a free video and music store, a tutoring service, a free book store, a babysitting service, a provider of events, etc. All of those things have costs and trade offs. Do we put those costs onto the general public or do we seek maximum savings and focus additional costs on users?

There are 58,000 people in our district. I would be surprised if we regularly serve 5,000. What I suspect is happening is that 58,000 people and businesses are paying for services they rarely or never use. What is the most fair?

It is simply unfair for the staff to demand more and more money without creating systems to protect the taxpayers'

dollars. I will gladly debate Barbara over this and I have at board meetings.

For over two years, I have been asking the Administration to create continual improvement committees and to cross train staff. It is my understanding that 13-15 years ago staff did this and it worked brilliantly."

Cary Czarnecki, Library Director, declined to comment of staff morale, asking instead that any such questions be asked at the next library board meeting, Feb. 21.

In the last referendum, held on April 1, 2003 voters approved raising the tax rate from .281 percent to .331 percent.

Czarnecki noted that the Library District is financed primarily by property taxes with additional revenue coming from grants, fines, fees and donations.

"At our October Board Meeting, our auditor stated that we were in a good fiscal position," Czarnecki said Tuesday.

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overcome. His Niles Ranger and his Notre Dame number 21 were retired at the moving event.

"I was skating with the puck in the opposing team's zone and just as I got in a position to shoot, I was hit from behind and sent flying towards the end boards," said Schwass, about the life altering experience that shook his vibrant, promising world. "With no time to react and get my gloves up in front of me, all the momentum of my 150 pounds served to hammer my face into the end boards. Like Raggedy Andy, I landed crumpled in a heap in the corner of the rink. Life as I knew it had been unalterably shattered."

Schwass is a local and even national hero because although doctors kept telling him that quadriplegics could never walk, he kept fighting and stayed determined and in 1982 he made history by becoming the first complete chronic quadriplegic to walk naturally. His book "Don't Blame the Game" tells his amazing life story. Due to his achievements, a drug was discovered that now can stop paralysis when it is inserted within a few hours following a spinal cord injury.

"Thanks Mike for all you have done," said the announcer at the event. "Your banner will hang in the rink where you started and where your legacy will live forever."

O'Malley

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video tape was an interesting experience and he learned a lot about ways to improve his teaching from the tape. He teaches a variety of subjects, but Science has always been his personal favorite.

One of O'Malley's specific interests is ecosystems and state and national goals associated with them. "When I first started I was sort of weak in science," revealed O'Malley. However, by participating in various activities with NASA and other activities his knowledge and love for science, technology and math continued to develop.

O'Malley's classroom resembles a mini laboratory filled with animal bones, plants, fossils, birds' nests and live creatures.



Million Dollar Movie Theatre To Be Across from Golf Mill

Thursday, July 14, 1960

A one million dollar 1,500 seat indoor movie theatre across from the Golf Mill Shopping Center will be built this fall. It will be built on the south side of the proposed Shoppers World which is being planned on the east side of the 9300 block of Milwaukee Ave.

Morton Fink, owner of the property and the intended owner of the theatre told the Bugle an ultra modern restaurant-lounge will be included in the theatre building. He expects the theatre will be completed by the summer of 1961.

Fink had originally planned on building an outdoor drive in theatre at this location but was defeated in a court battle with the residents in the area.

The indoor theatre will be the second indoor theatre built in the Chicago area in the post war years. The first one is now under construction in the Old Orchard area in Skokie.

The Niles Theatre, which will be named the Golf Mill Theatre, will have parking facilities for 500 cars. Fink said inadequate parking is one of the reasons for the failure of many movie houses in Chicago.

In Tuesday night's abbreviated trustee meeting, trustees approved the plat of subdivision of multiple dwelling units to be built on 20 acres north of Church Street in the East Maine area east of Milwaukee. There will be approximately 100 to 150 units in the area with four park areas and a swimming pool planned. Plans call for four units per building.

Climbing to new heights



Mike Pasko, Social Climber
Mike Pasko, 10, is one of the very lucky business program kids at Niles Public Library. He is one of the children who are enjoying the new pinball machines at the library. (Photo by Susan Decker)

From the Left Hand

By David Besser | EDITOR
Thursday, Feb. 11

These are "boon days" for The Bugle. Within the past three months three village officials have upbraided us for our opinions. In our Light Little Island, which is as "loose" as it is "tight," Trustee Trocki sent invectives our way after criticizing his ideas of the use of Motor Fuel tax monies. While he focused the "evil eye" up on us he said we were "tightening" the noose around our neck. This proves the "tightness" of our island.

After writing about the squandering of the public's money on the upstairs addition to the

Public Works building Trustee Poeschl eloquently expressed his sentiments, "Why don't you move out of town!" This waste of taxpayers money, of which the aforementioned addition is now being idly used for a pistol range, proved the "looseness" of our island.

Then three months ago we were verbally accosted by the Mayor's wife, who trustee Stanley refers to as the mayor's husband. She said we have hurt her family by what we have written in the paper. She hurled her wrath our way after we mentioned the mayor's association with a cement company in the area.

Thus, we've concluded if we would "tighten" up our 20 year old L.C. Smith and mend our "loose" talk we would no longer hurt our public officials.

Actually our intention is not to "hurt" merely to "tweak." Despite the officials overt criticism I think they know we've only been spraying them with a harmless verbal water pistol. They're well aware that for a man's size job it takes heavier artillery. Knowing this artillery can be leveled at them at any moment makes them feel some what queasy. They're never sure when the water spray might turn to live ammo. This is the cause of their very limited outbursts.

Leaving the "tweaking" department there are many fields of imminent importance in which there is much to be done. Sam Bruno's committee initially studies the needs for an administrative assistant, a village engineer and a full time building commissioner. There is a great

need for all three positions to be filled and should not be glossed over. With the upcoming April 30 yearly appropriation all three positions should be included in the 60-61 budget.

In July of '58 the trustees approved the position for a full time engineer. After stating they would advertise for filling this job nothing more was ever heard on the subject. It was just quietly dropped.

In this village it is hard not to cast suspicion on the motives of the public officials when such action takes place. Perhaps this suspicion is unwarranted but the strange ways of the village hall certainly arouses questions which go unanswered.

All Oppose Stanley's Pinball Ban

Thursday, June 15, 1960

Trustee John Stanley's motion to ban pinball machines in Niles met with an unusual display of anger by Mayor Stankowicz and a stony silence by the remainder of the village board.

At Tuesday night's meeting Stanley acted after reading in Chicago papers as well as in the Niles Bugle that seven federal tax gambling stamps had been issued to Niles' businessmen. Stanley said that the purchase of the gambling stamps "for use on pinballs" was tacit admission that there was gambling in the village.

Mayor Stankowicz angrily denied that any stamps were purchased by Niles' businessmen saying, "I find no one has purchased the stamps in the village." When Stanley explained that the stamps were purchased by the owners of the machines

rather than the businessmen, themselves, Stankowicz reacted with anger equal to his original outburst. The mayor said if the trustees passed such an ordinance it would be an admission that there was gambling in Niles.

The mayor proceeded to defend Niles' businessmen. IN an obvious blast at the Niles Bugle he said he did not believe that businessmen had to take ridicule from newspapers...he said the newspaper criticism was an inference the businessmen were gamblers. In another remark directed at The Bugle he said he had told a "reporter" there were no stamps in the village and he asked the reporter whether he had seen the stamps, he said he had not. The mayor then went on to say that the pinball machines in Niles are not gambling devices. Trustee Stanley then made his "no pinball" motion which died because of lack of a second from any other trustee.

Stanley said these stamps being issued in the names of the businessmen made their use obvious. But Mayor Stankowicz and Trustee Sam Bruno both said manufacturers of the machines are now in Washington for the purpose of determining whether the machines are gambling devices.

Burglars "Chisel" \$7,455 from Lytton's over Weekend

Thursday, Oct. 20, 1960

Burglars chiseled their way through the north wall of Lytton's Golf Mill store Saturday night or Sunday and stole approximately \$7,455 in checks and cash from two safes in the store.

After Lytton's grand opening weekend robbers hammered a two foot by two foot hole into the building. They cut out a small safe with \$1,455 in it and broke into a larger safe and stole the additional \$6,000.

The chiseled wall was about one foot thick which they used as an entrance to the new store. Niles police said the burglars gained entrance into the store to the north of Lytton's which is still under construction. They jimmied the front door lock of the empty store and were likely camouflaged from public view as they worked inside the empty store.

Sunday evening store manager Vince Johnson entered the store about 7:45 p.m. He immediately saw clothes laying on the floor of the hole in the wall. He notified Niles police who said they believe the robbery took place Sunday evening just before Johnson gained entrance to the store.

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TANSTAAFL { There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch

If you were born or lived during the Great Depression that acronym would have a great deal of meaning to you. It stands for There Ain't No Such Thing As A Free Lunch. The free lunch offered by a saloon came only with the purchase of an expensive drink. Maybe your grandmother or father asked you if you thought "money grows on trees?" And what if it did? How would we treat it? Money that common would be worthless and we would treat it as we do leaves. Build rubbish piles, burn it or see it blow away.



Another Perspective
MORGAN DUBIEL | COLUMNIST

You see it is scarcity that gives things their value. There is the old joke where a rich man, confronted by the angel of death, negotiates to bring a suitcase of gold bars with him into Heaven. Upon arriving at the Pearly Gates, St. Peter asks him, "Why are you lugging a suitcase full of paving stones?" Of course, on earth we cannot afford to pave our streets in gold. A young man from a very wealthy and privileged family in Mexico visited the United States. He was appalled at the

poverty, not of our poor, but of our middle-class. They have no servants. He had never made a bed, cooked a meal, washed laundry, let alone picked it up, in his entire life. How did he live so well? At the expense of others, there really is no "free lunch".

In Mexico the laws are such that the monopoly of the rich is maintained. This monopoly is not financial, but political. The ruling families parse up the wealth of the country among themselves, leaving less than scraps for their poor. Who, noble and honest, yet destitute, become the servants of the rich. How is it that they have never revolted? They have at times

over the centuries, but they also have an out. This is why so many cross our borders everyday. The abusive laws of the Mexican aristocracy feed our illegal immigration. There is no such thing as a free lunch, somebody must pay.

Why is milk or sugar so expensive? Milk would be at least 20 cents lower a gallon if it were free of government interference. And of course this would also lower the price of butter, cheese and other milk products. Back in the 1930s Congress passed a law meant to protect the family dairy farm by guaranteeing a price. Big business, seeing a profit opportunity, stepped in, gobbled up the family farm and took over the industry. These regulations, by artificially raising the price of milk, cost consumers about \$1.5 billion a year. Tariffs on sugar importations force the average consumer to pay \$21/year more. The quotas put in place saved 2,261 jobs during the 1990s, but at a cost of \$826,000 per job saved. Luggage restrictions are estimated to have saved 226 jobs at

a cost to the American consumer of \$1.2 million per job saved. Trade controls on textiles and apparel cost \$200,000 per job saved. Does this make any sense? A "luxury tax", a tax put in place to soak the rich for their indulgent toys, instead costs workers their jobs as the rich just bought their toys elsewhere. The tax meant that yachts, airplanes, and other "luxuries" became more expensive, so like good consumers the rich bought elsewhere. There is no such thing as a free lunch. Money does not grow on trees and every action has a reaction. We ignore these truths to our own peril. Money or things of value are produced through work and innovation. If you create laws that punish innovation and work or that guarantee the politically connected an inside track, somebody will pay and it most likely will be you. All these laws and regulations, supposedly put in place to "protect" you, really cost you. Regulatory board after board get compro-

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Letters

Niles Parks congratulate Bugle on 50th Anniversary

Dear Editor,
On behalf of the Niles Park District's Board of Commissioners and the entire staff we wish you a Happy 50th Anniversary. The Bugle played an important part in capturing and preserving the history, growth and development of Niles. I was also fortunate to know the Besser family and their contribution to the Niles community. I remember residents standing on their front porch waiting for the paper, so they can read "The Left Hand" column. Times have changed and change is inevitable, good and needed to move forward. We appreciate what you have done and what you will continue to do for Niles. We look forward to reading your publication for many years and again appreciate your being a part of the Niles Community.

I wish you and your staff a very Happy, Healthy & Prosperous New Year!

Joe LoVerde
Executive Director
Niles Park District

Fee or no-fee, advice isn't free

By Lynn O'Shaughnessy
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

If you are bewildered by the number of mutual funds on the shelves, selecting a financial adviser has got to be an even more excruciating process. The

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nation's inventory of mutual funds exceeds 8,100, and if you multiply that number a few times, you'll get some idea of the staggering number of people trying to make a living in the advice business.

Unfortunately, too many people who portray themselves as financial experts aren't. The threshold to get into this business is too low to cull out the clunkers, so you just might need your weed whacker. You can start the elimination round by reviewing last week's column and reminding yourself why you should reject any adviser who isn't a true fiduciary. Working with someone who puts your interests first is so important - and obvious - that I'd urge you to be pigheaded on this requirement. If a financial adviser won't acknowledge a fiduciary duty to you in writing, move on.

Once you've eliminated people without fiduciary credentials, another obvious way to significantly shrink the candidate pool is to decide how you want to pay for the advice you receive. Based on how investment professionals are compensated, you can divide the players into three categories. First, you've got the commissioned crowd. You won't pay commissioned brokers or planners directly, but they will be compensated by the sales charges generated by the mutual funds, annuities and other investments they select for your portfolio. Second, you've got the fee-only professionals, who get paid by you. Lastly, you have the fee-based folks who can try to have it both ways. They charge a fee, but you also might find commissioned products in your portfolio.

If I were searching for an adviser, I'd ignore the folks who earn their living either partially or totally through commissions. My preference is to pay for what you get, which means I enthusiastically endorse the fee-only camp. Here's my take on the three ways to pay:

■ Commissioned professionals. If you aren't sure how your adviser is getting paid, chances

are good that he or she is earning commissions.

I believe many people end up with commissioned planners or brokers because it's so easy to slide into a relationship when it doesn't seem to require any financial commitment on their part. You meet a guy who seems to be offering to help you for free. He's not asking you to write a check. You will never see an invoice. There may never be a discussion about the cost. How great is that?

Not great. What a lot of people don't realize is that they will pay; they just won't know it. You see, the commissioned guy is only going to hook you up with mutual funds, annuities and other products that trigger a sales charge and/or ongoing higher expenses. And that's only fair, because he needs to earn a living. By restricting you to commissioned funds, however, you won't have an opportunity to invest in some excellent low-cost options.

A commissioned adviser, for instance, isn't going to sell you Vanguard index funds because these inexpensive mutual funds don't spin off commissions. What's more, some of these folks are going to be unable to resist signing you up for dubious investments that generate megacommissions that might allow them to buy, with just one fortunate sale, a mighty fine plasma TV. It's the siren call of fat commissions that I'd suggest prompts the sales of expensive and inappropriate equity indexed annuities and variable annuities.

If you choose a commissioned adviser, you need to ask for specifics on how he is paid and the amount of the compensation. There are good funds that charge sales commissions, but you need to know the cost of adding them to your portfolio. Ask what share class of mutual funds that he or she is recommending and why. With commissioned mutual funds, so-called A shares are almost always the preferable route.

When investors are clueless about the compensation, they are more likely to continue paying long after the point where they would normally kick up a fuss. The way some commissioned mutual funds are structured, investors will pay continually higher charges to compensate a broker or adviser even if he is long gone. I liken this to paying a taxicab driver many years after he dropped you off at the curb.

MG Chamber holds 'Festival of Stars'

Honor MG Village Attorney Terry Liston

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

The 30th Annual Festival of Stars awards dinner presented by the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce was held on Thursday, Jan. 25.

About 185 people attended the event to celebrate dedicated community and chamber members. The event was held at the Chateau Ritz in Niles.

The member of the year is the Morton Grove Woman's Club that welcomes local women of all ages. The club holds a variety of meetings, programs, musical performances and much more. The club is a public welfare club that provides assistance to local and national charities, veterans hospitals, Native Americans and the Evanston Abuse Center.

"They were very visible during the hurricane Katrina fundraiser," said Suzanne Archer, the chamber director.

"We had a really good committee that put this festival on," said Archer. Archer has been involved in the festival for the



Mayor Richard Krier and Executive Director Suzanne Archer announce a VIP of the Year plaque that will be placed in the lobby of Morton Grove Village Hall that will list the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce and Industry's VIPs of the Year starting from 1974. This award is given to individuals of Morton Grove who have shown integrity and dedication to the Morton Grove community through positive actions and personal contributions for the betterment and improvement of our great town.

past three years and she said this year's crowd was the largest she's seen.

Members of the month were also honored at the event. This year, the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce and the

Village of Morton Grove created a plaque to honor all the VIPs of the year. The plaque will be displayed in the lobby of Morton Grove Village Hall.

"It's a way to give recognition. See Festival, page 10

BY JEFFREY CARDELLA
Special to The Bugle

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Should You Choose Roth or Traditional IRA?

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An IRA is a great way to save money for retirement. But which IRA is right for you — "traditional" or Roth? As is often the case in the investment world, there's no one "right answer" for everyone — but the more you know before making a choice, the better off you'll be.

To begin with, you'll find two important differences between the IRAs. First, a traditional IRA has the potential to grow tax deferred, while a Roth IRA's earnings can potentially grow tax free, provided you've had your account for at least five years and you don't begin taking withdrawals until you're 59-1/2. And second, contributions to a traditional IRA may be tax deductible (depending on your income and whether you or your spouse have access to an employer-sponsored retirement plan), while Roth IRA contributions are never deductible.

On the other hand, the traditional and Roth IRAs share some things in common. Both have the same contribution limits (\$4,000 in 2007, or \$5,000 if you're 50 or older) and both can be funded with virtually any type of investment — stocks, bonds, Certificates of Deposit, etc.

So, given both the differences and the similarities, which IRA should you choose? Actually, you might not have a choice. If you're single, and your adjusted gross income is more than \$110,000, you can't contribute to a Roth IRA; if you're married and filing jointly, the limit is \$160,000.

However, assuming your income level does permit you to choose between the two IRAs, you'll need to ask a key question: Does the potential tax deduction offered by a traditional IRA outweigh the advantage of the Roth IRA's tax-free earnings? As a (very) general rule, you might say that if you can make deductible contributions and you are going to be in a lower tax bracket upon retirement — and that's far from a certainty — then you might come out ahead by selecting the traditional IRA. However, even this assumption requires some complex number crunching, so, before you make any decisions, consult with your tax professional.

Apart from this comparison, what other factors could help you choose between a Roth and traditional IRA? Consider the following:

- Your estimated retirement age — If you have a traditional IRA, you must start taking withdrawals when you reach 70-1/2. But if you own a Roth IRA, you are never required to take withdrawals. So, if you are still working at 70-1/2, and you own a traditional IRA, you'll have to take withdrawals, and pay taxes on them, while simultaneously paying income taxes on the compensation from your job.
- Your need for retirement income — If you think you will be able to preserve a good chunk of your IRA, then you might find it advantageous to own a Roth IRA, which may continue to grow, tax-free, until your death, when it will pass on to your heirs. Of course, you can also leave a traditional IRA in your estate, but, since you'll be forced to start taking withdrawals at 70-1/2, you might have significantly less to pass on than you would with a Roth IRA.
- Clearly, there's a lot to consider when choosing between a traditional IRA and a Roth IRA. See your tax advisor for help in making the right choice — but don't wait too long to put an IRA to work for you.

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Above: The new Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce & Industry's Board of Directors was installed during the Festival by State Rep. John D'Amico. Below: Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce President Mary Lynch presenting the "Member of the Year" Award to Morton Grove Woman's Club President Barbara Gruenke.

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tion to the people who have dedicated their time," said Archer.

Village attorney, Terry Hoffman Liston was the 2006 VIP of the year. The VIPs are chosen as a result of integrity and dedication to the community, positive actions and personal contributions.

At the festival, presentations were made by Mayor Richard Krier, the Morton Grove Foundation, the historical society and St. Martha's Catholic Church. Megan Keith, a local student, whose father is a chamber member, sang the National Anthem.



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mised and become the tool of those they were supposed to control. For those that benefit the rewards are in the billions. For you it is twenty bucks here, twenty there, but all those twenties start adding up and

soon you are talking thousands of your dollars going to insiders, the rich and the powerful. How does it keep happening? We let it and sometimes do it to ourselves.

Here is another analogy you may have heard. Ten friends go to lunch and, since one of them is especially rich, they vote on

who should pay. Well, the rich guy loses. Next day, the nine are ready for lunch, some even laid off breakfast looking to gorge for lunch. Nine sit down and order their meals. The rich guy skips this now unappetizing spread. Who will pay?

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Arrow Financial charged with deceptive money collection

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

The Illinois Attorney General's Office is suing Arrow Financial Services, headquartered in Niles, on charges of deceptive and unfair ways of collecting money from consumers.

Since 1999, the Attorney General's Consumer Fraud Bureau has received more than 600 complaints from consumers about the company.

The lawsuit claims that Arrow has participated in activities such as withdrawing money without authorization from bank accounts, trying to collect debts that have been discharged and using profanity.

"Treating our 23 million account customers fairly is our primary concern, and we hold our employees to a high standard of service and compliance. We are disappointed that

the Attorney General chose to pursue litigation without notice to or consultation with us. We have a solid history of compliance in Illinois and across the country," according to a representative of the company, Martha Holler.

"Additionally, the 669 complaints received by the AG's office since 1999 (and referenced in the lawsuit) represents well below 1/100 of 1 percent of our 23 million customers served in that same time frame. [Actually, it's 3/1000 of 1 percent, if you want the exact figure.] We have a strong record of being responsive to consumer complaints."

The company is a leading purchaser confirming and non confirming consumer debt. Established in 1961, Arrow is now a nationwide company with more than 1,000 employees.

2007 Taste of Park Ridge food vendor applications currently being accepted

The Board of Directors for the Taste of Park Ridge announce that vendor applications are now being accepted for the 2007 Taste of Park Ridge, which will be held Thursday, July 12-Saturday, July 14, 2007. Only 25 spots are available to food vendors along Prospect Avenue, between Touhy Avenue and Northwest Highway, Park Ridge.

Three application payment options are available to vendors; however, early registration and payment are recommended due to the limited vendor spaces available. With no price increase from 2006, vendors selling alcohol are charged \$750; those who are not selling alcohol pay a fee of \$650.

"We have a good chance that nearly all 2006 vendors will return and possibly sell us out early but we are always looking to increase the variety of food and drink offered to Taste visitors," says Taste Chair Bob Dudycz. "So, new vendors are encouraged to submit applications."

The fee includes: the vendor space (approx. 10' x 10'), consisting of a tent canopy, counter, front skirt, one by 8' table, fire safety equipment as ordered by the fire department, lights, and electricity suited to your equipment needs.

An early bird special is available to vendors who submit full payment and a signed contract by Feb. 15. Vendors will receive a \$50 discount. Returning vendors can get last year's location guaranteed if they desire. New vendors will be offered space based on availability.

The 2007 Taste of Park Ridge operation hours are as follows:

- Thursday, July 12: 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. (dinner only)
- Friday, July 13: 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. (lunch and dinner)
- Saturday, July 14: 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. (lunch and dinner)

For information on sponsorships, entertainment, and more, visit www.tasteofparkridge.com or call 847-297-2510, ext. 237. New information will be posted on the website as it becomes available.

ANTIQUES

Rocker not as old as reckoned

By Anne McCollam
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: We bought the rocker seen in this photo in 1971 and were told it was well over 100 years old at that time. It is solid oak and decorated with

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carving that appears to be either pressed or hand-tooled. The original rockers were worn flat, and had to be replaced and the finish was so bad we decided to refinish it. What can you tell us about our rocker?

A: Your solid oak rocker is not as old as you were told. It is a nice example of Golden Oak period of furniture and was made sometime between 1890 and 1900. Judging from your photo, the scrolled decorative carving was pressed into the wood.

In the late 1800s to early 1900s, oak was quickly replacing walnut as the wood of choice by manufacturers.

Generally collectors prefer an original finish and patina as well as original rockers. Having said that, your rocker is now around 100 to 117 years

old and its value would probably be \$300 to \$400.

Q: I have enclosed a photocopy of the mark that is on the back of a platter that I own. The platter is decorated with a blue and white willowware pattern and is in perfect condition. We are unable to find any information about the unusual mark in any reference book.

I would be grateful for anything you can give me about my platter.

A: Alfred Meakin used the mark you provided on their willowware in the early 1900s, around 1930. They have been in business since 1873 in Staffordshire, England. Chad Lage identifies your mark in his book, "Pictorial Guide to Pottery and Porcelain Marks."

Take a close look at the mark on your platter. It actually is the three people on a bridge that is an integral part of the willowware scene.

Although most willow patterns were blue and white, some Meakin examples were pink. The pattern was inspired by a 16th century Chinese design. Most variations of willowware contain people on a bridge, birds, trees and a pagoda in an

Asian setting. For several hundred years, it has been a perennial favorite pattern with both European and American manufacturers as well as consumers.

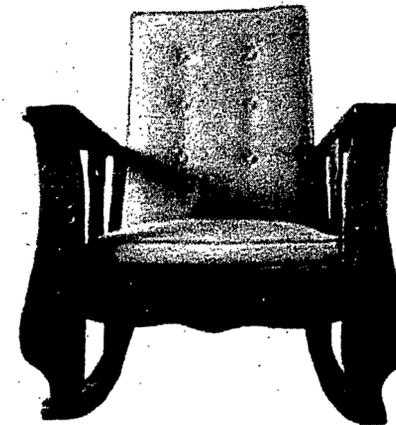
Your circa 1930 platter would probably be worth \$125 to \$175.

Q: When my parents lived in Ohio in the 1920s, they acquired an old oak china cabinet. It has curved glass sides and door with leaded glass across the top, three shelves, paw feet, and it is in excellent condition. I could not find a manufacturer's mark or label.

I will appreciate any information you can give me.

A: Your oak cabinet was made around 1900 and would probably be worth \$1,500 to \$2,500. Many were made in Grand Rapids, Mich., and often did not have a manufacturer's label.

Q: My great-grandmother and great-aunt made a double bed sized quilt around 1928. The pattern is double wedding ring and was made with calico patches that were hand-stitched to a white cotton background. It is in very good condition, including the matting and backing, with no fading,



Solid Rocker - This solid oak rocking chair was made between 1890 and 1900 and would probably be worth between \$300 to \$400. (CNS Photo)

ing, discoloration, stains, or tears.

I plan to pass it down to my daughter and would like to know more about it and its value.

A: The double wedding ring pattern was one of the most popular quilt patterns in the early 20th century, especially during the Great Depression. Stored quilts should be aired and refolded first in thirds and then later in halves on a

regular basis. Annually remove one that is in use from the bed and give it a break.

Your heirloom quilt would probably be worth \$800 to \$1,200.

Address your questions to Anne McCollam, P.O. Box 247, Notre Dame, IN 46556. For a personal response, include picture(s), a detailed description, a stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$15 per item (one item at a time).

Collectors gobble up TV dinners

By Linda Rosenkrantz
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

One reason that's often given for how fractured the modern American family has become - the lack of communication and interpersonal con-

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nection - is that folks no longer sit down to have dinner together around the table every night. If that's true, one of the main culprits may have been the invention of the TV dinner as well as its co-offenders, the TV dinner tray and the individual TV dinner table.

Some of the blame for this might be placed on a C.A. Swanson & Sons company salesman named Gerry Thomas. Thomas was the man who invented and named this heat-and-serve phenomenon in December 1953. The idea was adapted from airline food service, which was already offering single-compartment meals on aluminum trays.

Thomas was motivated by the fact that his company had overestimated the demand for its 1953 Thanksgiving turkey supply and was stuck with 10 refrigerated railway cars, each full of 520,000 pounds of unsold turkeys. Thomas had recently visited the food kitchen of Pan American Airlines where he had noted the metal trays being used to keep food hot. He then spent his flight home sketching a three-compartment tray that might help sell that turkey overstock. When he presented a complete turkey dinner tray to his employers, he also suggested it be tied into the current TV craze - color was just appearing - in packages designed to simulate TV sets, complete with volume-control knobs.

An initial test run consisted of 5,000 dinner trays. Its compartments were hand-filled at night by two dozen women using ice cream scoops. By the next year, more than 25 million TV dinners had been served in front of the 33 mil-

lion television sets in American living rooms. This first frozen prepared meal was composed of turkey, corn bread dressing, gravy, buttered peas and sweet potatoes. It was sold for under a dollar.

In succeeding years, other American classics, such as Salisbury steak, meatloaf and fried chicken, were additions to the menu. A dessert section was added in 1960 but was dropped in 2001. In 1966, Swanson's Frozen Breakfasts were born, followed in 1973 by Swanson's Hungry Man. The aluminum trays disappeared in 1986 when the entire line was repackaged for the microwave era.

The company was founded by Carl Swanson, who had immigrated to the U.S. in 1896 not speaking a word of English. By 1949, he had built one of the largest food-processing companies in the country, primarily packing and freezing poultry for General Foods' Birds Eye. See Collect, page 12

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Van Briggle pottery piece brings in the money

By Anne McCollam
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: I received a pottery vase from a friend who was moving and couldn't take it with him. It stands around 16 inches tall, is decorated with

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a stylized leaf design and has a dark, mulberry matte finish. Incised into the clay on the bottom are the words "Van Briggle - Colo. Sprgs." Above that is a red rectangle with the left side open. Inside the rectangle, there appears to be an oval with a red cross in it. I know it is a Van Briggle piece but I want to find more information on it.

A: You have an excellent example of early Van Briggle pottery. Artus Van Briggle founded his pottery in Colorado Springs, Colo., in 1900. Together with his artist wife, Anne, they established

a successful business that continues today.

The red rectangle, which is the Van Briggle logo, is actually a square. Inside the square is a double A that represents both Artus and Anne. Colorado flora and fauna, as well as the dramatic landscape and spectacular sunsets, inspired their glazes, textures and designs.

I consulted with Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum curator, Katie Gardner, about the vintage of your vase.

She explained, "If a piece is not dated, then one must rely on the clay color and other identifying marks on the bottom to come up with a date range."

Based on a photo of the bottom I provided for her and an identical vase in their collection, she believes your vase was made in the late 1920s.

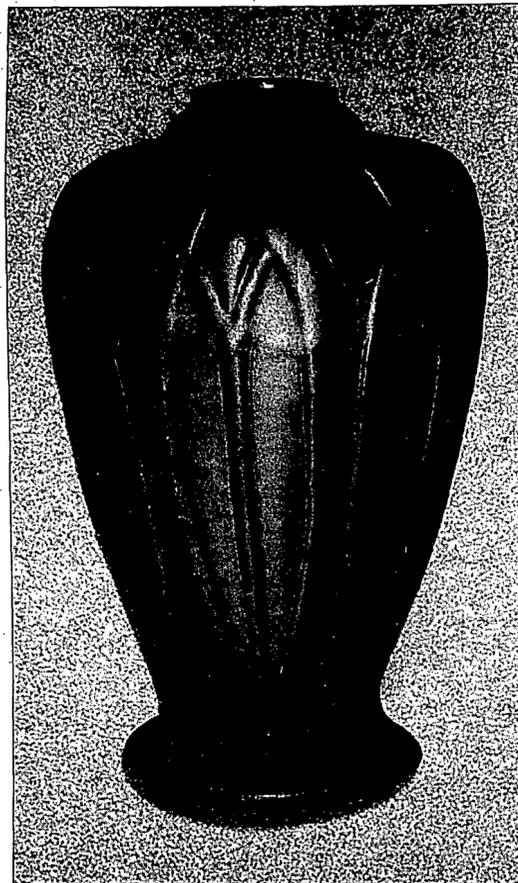
Your vase is a desirable example of Van Briggle pottery and would probably be worth \$2,000 to \$3,000.

Q: When my mother was sorting out her possessions in order to downsize, she found a plate that was given to her mother in the early 1900s.

I have enclosed the mark that is seen on the back of it. The plate is oval, measures 12 by 6 inches and contains a hunting scene. There are four men and one woman riding horses as well as a boy standing on a fence.

We would like to know if her plate has any value.

A: Buffalo Pottery has been located in Buffalo, N.Y., since 1901. It was owned and operated by soap manufacturer the Larkin Co., a mail-order business. They produced pottery to give as premiums to



Van Briggle Vase - This Van Briggle vase made in the late 1920s would probably be worth \$2,000 to \$3,000. (CNS Photo)

hair and skips rope when wound up. She is wearing a red dress with her name, in black on a white belt.

Q: What is the vintage and value of my toy?

A: Louis Marx Toy Co. made your tin, wind-up toy around 1930. He founded his toy company in New York in 1920, and it eventually became one of the largest toy factories in the U.S.

Marx also made the companion piece, Little Orphan Annie's dog, Sandy. He is orange with black trim and has a white nose and tail tip. When he is wound up, he moves forward with a suitcase in his mouth.

Depending on the condition, the value of your Little Orphan Annie is in the range of \$850 to \$1,200. Add another \$650 to \$1,000 if you have Sandy.

Q: My sons went fishing at Lake Minnetonka in Minnesota, and "caught" a cast iron toy bank. It is an 11-inch figure of Uncle Sam. A push button on the back opens up a satchel at his feet and Uncle Sam drops in a coin. Although the condition is rusty and rough, not all the paint is worn off.

Is it collectible and does it have any value?

A: Your sons' bank is a nice catch. It was made in the late 1800s and would probably be worth \$800 to \$1,600. Send the boys back to the lake; see what else they can fish out!

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their customers. Their Deldare line was around from 1907 to 1925. The ware was decorated with transfer-print designs against an olive green background.

You have a relish dish that was decorated with one of the Fallowfield Hunt scenes,

titled "The Dash." Your dish was made in 1909 and would probably be worth \$475 to \$575.

Q: I would like to know more about my tin, wind-up Little Orphan Annie toy. She was made by Marx, stands 6 inches tall, has red-orange

tions and graphics on these are true time capsules.

They generally pictured Mom either wearing an apron in her kitchen or out shopping dressed in a dress or suit, pearls, hat and gloves. She realized she didn't have to rush to get dinner on the table when Dad got home at 6.

"I'm late, but dinner won't be." Even if he brought the boss home with him. "Extra guest for dinner? You're ready for him!" She could just pop her Swanson's into the oven.

Because of its impact on the social mores of this country,

the Swanson TV dinner became a verifiable American icon. Not only was one enshrined in the Smithsonian Institution in 1986, but in 1999 it was awarded its own star, on the Hollywood Walk of Fame outside Grauman's Chinese Theater, featuring an imprint of the TV dinner tray.

Linda Rosenkrantz has edited Auction magazine and authored 15 books, including "Beyond Jennifer & Jason, Madison & Montana: What to Name Your Baby Now" (St. Martin's Press; \$13). She cannot answer letters personally.

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label. Soon after his two sons took over for him, the company introduced their first frozen-food product in 1951: A chicken pot pie that, while not unique, was an instant success due to its superior quality - more chicken, flakier crust.

Needless to say, not many TV dinner boxes escaped the trash can, and those that did survive are rare. For collectors, the main category is advertising art, as the illustra-

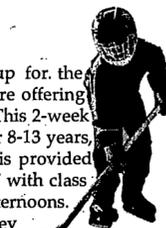
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Niles Park District Intro to Girls Hockey!

We are giving girls interested in Hockey an opportunity to compete with other girls in a comfortable atmosphere. This program is for all girls of all skill levels. Sessions will be run like a team practice, covering skating, stopping, turning, forward and backward crossovers, stick handling, passing, and shooting. Girls, 5-14 years, join us at IceLand Ice Arena on Monday's, 02/12-03/05 from 5:50-6:50 p.m. Call the Hockey Office @ (847) 297-8031 if you have any questions.

Spring Hockey Classes

Niles Park District IceLand is gearing up for the spring Hockey season. Once again we are offering 'Intro to Rookie Rangers' for only \$5.00! This 2-week class is for the first-time skater ages 4-7 or 8-13 years, boys and girls. All required equipment is provided free of charge. Classes begin February 17 with class times on Monday, Saturday or Sunday afternoons. 'Rookie Rangers' is our most basic hockey class for ages 4-7 or 8-13. Sessions begin February 12 and run 8 weeks. 'Power Rangers' is the next progression after completing Rookie Rangers. Session runs February 15-April 5, 2007. Hockey and registration takes place at IceLand Ice Rink, 8435 Ballard Road. For more information, please call (847) 297-8031.



GOLF MILL HELPS RAISE HEART AWARENESS ON THE TRUTH

Golf Mill is partnering with the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), to help shine the spotlight on women and their risk of heart disease. During February - American Heart month - Golf Mill will raise awareness about The Heart Truth, a national campaign developed by NHLBI to give women a personal and urgent wake-up call regarding the danger of heart disease - the number one killer among American women. Several activities are planned to help shoppers take charge of their heart health, including:

12-4pm - XSport Fitness Visual Fitness Plan! Saturday & Sundays in February; 3-4, 10-11, 17-18 and 24-25
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FREE Heart Truth Recipe CD!
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Sharro Pizza Supports Heart Truth! February 9-11, 2007
Sbarro Pizza will donate \$2 for every whole pizza sold for dine-in or carry out to the American Heart Association

12-4pm - February 10-11, Free Valentine's Day Gift Wrap!

Buy your sweetheart a romantic Valentine's Day Gift and the volunteers from the American Heart Association will be in Center Court from 12pm-4pm to wrap your gifts! A donation is requested to the American Heart Association in support of February's Heart Truth Month and building awareness of heart disease among women. Limit 3 packages. Must show receipt for purchases. Department stores excluded.

For more information and interview opportunities, please contact Regina Verdico, Marketing Manager at 847-699-1070 or regina.verdico@egg.com.

Buy a RED Dress Pin in Support of Heart Truth!

Golf Mill will sell Red Dress pins, the national symbol for women and heart disease awareness, for \$2.00 during February. All proceeds will go to the local Nursing Endowment Research and Education of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, IL.

10am - February 2, Wear RED Day!

Fresh fruit, water, protein samples, and Red Dress balloons to all dressed in RED. (while supplies last) Gather in Center Court for a photograph of all dressed in red!

11am-3pm - February 3, Advocate Lutheran General

Heart Healthy Choices; BP Screening, Healthy Eating, Exercise and Smoking Cessation

Norwood Crossing to host Sweetheart Dinner Dance

The community is invited to join residents of Norwood Crossing (formerly Norwood Park Home) for a Sweetheart Dinner Dance and special entertainment from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., on Thurs., Feb. 15, at Norwood Crossing, 6016-20 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago.

ed room filled with heart-shaped balloons, ribbons and streamers, guests will be encouraged to escort their sweetheart or Valentine to the dance floor and swing to long-remembered romantic songs of the past. Each guest also will receive a party favor.

This special event will feature keyboard musician and singer extraordinaire Nicko Naidenov. An outstanding international entertainer, Nicko brings an "electrically charged stage presence, his music and deep baritone voice are uniquely his, capable of embracing the heart and soul of the entire audience."

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Nekritz encourages students to apply for scholarship

Cover tuition for one academic year to state schools

State Representative Elaine Nekritz (D-Northbrook) has announced that she is now accepting applications for the 2007 General Assembly Scholarship program. The scholarships will be for tuition only; fees, books, room and board will not be covered.

The scholarships are offered to residents of the 57th district and will cover one year of tuition at the following state universities:

- University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign, Chicago & Springfield)
- Chicago State University
- Eastern Illinois University
- Governors State University
- Illinois State University
- Northern Illinois University

University of Illinois Northeastern Illinois University Southern Illinois University Western Illinois University "I urge all students who live in the 57th District and attend or plan to attend a state university to apply for the General Assembly Scholarship," said Representative Nekritz. "This program is a unique opportunity for stu-

dents to reduce the significant cost of obtaining a degree. The deadline for applications will be Friday, April 20, 2007. Each scholarship will be awarded to students enrolled in undergraduate, graduate and professional curriculums. A volunteer Scholarship Committee representing the 57th District community will evaluate applications and award all scholarships. The 57th District includes

parts of Des Plaines, Glenview, Mount Prospect, Niles, Northbrook, Park Ridge and Prospect Heights. For more information or to receive an application, please contact State Representative Elaine Nekritz' constituent service office at 847-257-0450. You can also visit www.repnekritz.org or send an e-mail that includes your name and home address to: enekritz@repnekritz.org.

Special Needs resource fair at Golf Mill

Annual event scheduled for February 7

The 5th annual "Transitions for the Future, a Resource Fair for Students with Special Needs," will take place on Wednesday, February 7, 2007 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Golf Mill Shopping Center.

The goal of the resource fair is to aid students with special needs in making post-high school transition plans.

All students with special needs, their parents, and profes-

sionals are invited to attend the event that features representatives from apprenticeship programs, employment services, government programs, health services, legal resources, recreational opportunities, referral sources, residential programs, transportation, vocational programs, and trade schools.

The Resource Fair is made possible by Business and Education for Students in Transition (BEST), a committee sponsored by The Cove School, The Douglas Center, Evanston Township High School District #202, Glenbrook High

School District #225, Illinois Department of Human Services /Division of Rehabilitation Services, Illinois Employment and Training Center, JVS Career Planning Center, Lester and Rosalie Anixter Center, Maine Township High School District #207, Midwest Brain Injury Clubhouse, New Trier Township High School District #203, Niles Township High School District #219, Orchard Village, Shore Community Services, and Thresholds.

For additional information those interested can call Nancy Otter at (847)626-2876.



Joe Disclafani, Michael De Bartolo and Adam Aragon worked with the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help those in need in the month of December.

St. John Brebeuf Jr. St. Vincent de Paul

The students of St. John Brebeuf School are encouraged to become aware of the less fortunate people living outside their community.

During the month of December, students from

Kindergarten through eighth grade participated in the gift sharing project. Many bake sales, raffles, and fundraisers were held to finance this project.

Members of the Jr. St. Vincent de Paul Society

wrapped the gifts, prepared food baskets, and delivered Christmas joy to many needy families. In return, the students received a sense of accomplishment knowing they made a difference by helping others.

NOTRE DAME ROUND-UP

Athletic Club Hosts Inaugural Fashion Show

All are invited to the Notre Dame Athletic Club's First Benefit Fashion Show "Our Future's So Bright Ya Gotta Wear Shades" on Thursday, February 8 at The Rosewood, #207, Midwest Brain Injury Clubhouse, New Trier Township High School District #203, Niles Township High School District #219, Orchard Village, Shore Community Services, and Thresholds. Cocktails and raffles are at 6 pm and dinner is at 7 pm. The cost is \$45 per person and \$400 for a table of ten. For more information, contact the school at 847.965.2900. All proceeds benefit the Athletic Department of Notre Dame High School.

Five Alumni to be Inducted to the NDHS Wall of Fame

On Feb. 9 and 11, five Notre Dame High School graduates, Ed Jung '83, Dan Divas '90, Nate Bronski '97, Bill Besenhofer '98 and Kevin Clancy '98 will be inducted into the NDHS Athletic Wall of Fame. The new members will be honored publicly on Friday, Feb. 9 at 7 pm prior to the Varsity basketball game against Carmel. The game starts at 7:30 pm. The athletes will then join previous inductees, school administrators and members of the school community at an induction ceremony on Sunday.

44th Annual Mardi Gras Carnival February 20

Traditionally, Mardi Gras, or "Fat Tuesday," is the day when Christians indulge in selfish fun prior to Lent, the 40 days of self-denial before Easter. For 42 years, Notre Dame High School has held its Mardi Gras fundraiser as an unselfish way to benefit Holy Cross Missions throughout the world. Proceeds from this year's celebration on Tuesday, Feb. 20 will benefit the missions in Uganda and Bangladesh, as well as the Holy Cross schools in New Orleans affected by Hurricane Katrina.

'Elite Eight' honored



Members of the 1997 Notre Dame High School Elite Eight basketball team were honored prior to the school's varsity victorious basketball game against St. Viator on January 12.

Dons split conference games

The Varsity Dons split a pair of conference road games this weekend, falling to Marist 50-33, then bouncing back to defeat the Roadrunners of Nazareth Academy 50-39 on Saturday. The Dons record at the moment is 10-9, 5-3 in the ESCC. The Dons are tied for fourth place in

conference and have been steadily improving this season. The Dons take to the road again this week as they travel to St. Patrick on Friday, looking for a split in one of the best rivalries in the state of Illinois. The sophomore basketball team continued its winning

ways this past weekend winning both contests against Marist and Nazareth, respectively. The sophomore Dons are now 14-4 overall with a 7-1 ESCC record (Tied for 1st place). The frosh Dons also defeated Marist Saturday morning in the Don Dome.

NDHS Athletic Club seeks teams

The Notre Dame High School Athletic Club's 3rd Annual Hot Shot Classic 3-on-3 basketball tournament for elementary school boy and girl students, grades 4-8, is on Friday and Saturday, March 9-10 at Maryville Academy in Des Plaines. The cost for this double-elimination tournament is \$80 per team and all players will receive an ND t-shirt. Entry forms must be submitted no later than

Friday, March 2. Only the first 100 teams will be accepted. Teams from both Catholic and public schools are encouraged to come out and join the fun! For more information or to obtain an entry form, please contact Mike Irwin (708.878.1358), Bob Flood (630.688.1778) or Bill Abraham (847.827.4987) or download an entry form from the NDHS website at www.ndhsdons.org/athletics.

RAIDERS ROUND-UP

Men's Basketball (15-5, 6-0)

Eight Isn't Enough: The Raiders extended their win streak to eight by defeating Waubensee 89-81 on Thursday, Jan. 25 and are perfect (6-0) in Illinois Skyway Collegiate Conference play. Defensively, Oakton is holding opponents to just 73.1 points per game.

Women's Basketball (11-7, 3-2)

Stat Leader: In Oakton's 61-51 win over Waubensee on Thursday, Jan. 25, Agata Wojciechowska (Maine East) totaled 19 points and 8 rebounds. Teammate Brittany

Hughes (Dyer County) connected on five three-pointers, scoring 15 points. Jenna Rains (Maine West) leads the Illinois Skyway Collegiate Conference averaging 19 points per game.

Indoor Track

Update: Just a week after running his personal best in the one-mile (5:10), Mike Johnson finished 17th in the 3,000-meter run with a time of 10:48 at the Private College Indoor Invitational held Saturday, Jan. 20 in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Teammate Dave Bowman participated in the 800-meter run taking 26th with a time of 2:22.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S BOWLING

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, Classic Bowl, Niles

Points	Won	Lost
Candlelight Jewelers	18	10
Skaja Terrace Funeral Home	18	10
Bielinski and Bono Dental	16	12
Classic Bowl	15	13
Niles Dairy Queen	13	15
NorthSide Community Bank	8	20

High Series/Game: Kay Pecoraro 505/173, Helen Reyes 477/179, Mary Wasilewski 475/170, Janet Trozzo 472/176, Olivia Tanada 465/173, Cora Reyes 455/159, Remy Huszar 450/167, Deanne Drozd 170, Dahlia Sarosario 158, Jan Repel 156, Helma Drag 155



Maine Township holds Bears Spirit Day

Local officials and staff at Maine Township have Bears fever. Here is the gathering on Jan. 28, the first of two Fridays where Bears outfits are the order of the day for "casual day." In addition, the blow-up figure resides in the courtyard of Maine Town Hall next to the outdoor marquee that states "Go Bears!" The idea for Bears Spirit Day came from Supervisor Bob Dudy.

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Free tax assistance offered at Niles Senior Center

Niles Senior News

Free Tax Assistance for Qualified Seniors

February 5th thru April 5th. Beginning February 5th, Niles Senior Center AARP Tax-Aide Counselors will provide FREE personal income tax assistance to qualified seniors in accordance with the guidelines established between the IRS and the AARP Foundation. To make an appointment, call the Niles Senior Center Tax Hot Line (847 588-8440) Monday thru Thursday between the hours of 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM. We cannot accommodate walk-ins. Assistance is also available with Circuit Breaker and Senior Freeze. If you have any questions regarding these programs, please contact MaryAnn at 847 588-8420.

Federal Telephone Exise Tax Refund

If you are NOT required to file an individual tax return, you are still eligible to this refund. FORM1040 EZ-T is available at the Niles Senior

Center. It is a very simple form to fill out as it only requires name and address, your social security number and signature(s). This refund is included on the 1040 forms for those who are filing an individual income tax return.

RTA - The Basics

Wednesday, February 28, 1:30-2:30 PM Must register in advance.

What does Transit Check mean? Or Paratransit? Or Reduced Fare? And most of all, is it convenient for you? Come and find out just how easy and convenient it is to ride about town. Barbara Byrd from the RTA will be here to answer your questions.

Quilting Class Begins

Friday, February 16 9:30 \$15 All levels are welcome to join in this 4 session class, taught by Louise Gray, scheduled to meet Feb. 16th, March 2, 9, & 16th. The project is a table runner. Sample and supplies list are available at the Senior Center. For more information, contact MaryAnn (847 588-8420).

Ceramic Class begins

Thursday, February 1 for 12 weeks 1:00-2:30 \$35

Students of all abilities are invited to participate in this class. During this 12 week session, you will have an opportunity to create beautiful indoor/outdoor ceramic works of art/gifts for friends and family. Cost includes instruction, paints and glazes, and firing. Brushes and greenware can be purchased in class. This class is open to both residents and non-residents. For information, contact MaryAnn (847 588-8420)

Hooked on Fishing Kick-Off

Monday, March 19, 1:30-2:30 PM

Join us as we take a look at the upcoming season! Guest speaker, raffle, refreshments! 2007 schedule and season's info will be available. FREE but please register in advance.

Bronzeville Legacy

Thursday, February 22nd 9:00 AM to 3:45 PM \$56 Celebrate Black History

Month as we explore the historic Bronzeville neighborhood of Chicago. Many famous African-Americans like Ida B Wells, Mahalia Jackson, Margaret Goss Burroughs, and Louis Armstrong lived and worked in this area. Tour Quin Chapel, the oldest African American church in Chicago, which served as a station on the Underground Railroad. Lunch will be a Southern feast, served family-style at Army and Lou's - featuring corn bread, chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, dessert and beverage. We'll also visit the DuSable Museum. An exciting day for all!

St. Joe's/St. Pat's Day Party

Friday, March 16, 11 am - 2:30 PM

It's corned beef and cabbage time, served with rye bread, potatoes, carrots, and spumoni ice cream for dessert. Then join in the fun as the Banjo Buddies Dixieland Trio performs. Raffle. Reserved Seating.

Check for Ticket availability. \$12.

Southside Irish Tour

Thursday, March 22 8:15 AM - 4:00 PM \$54

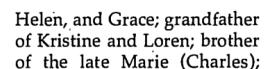
On this interesting tour. You're invited to discover the rich heritage of the Southside Irish. Visit the I & M Canal Museum in Lockport and see Lock # 1 on a driving tour along the canal to see what Irish workers accomplished through back-breaking work. You're sure to enjoy a delicious corned beef and cabbage lunch in an authentic Irish pub, brought piece-by-piece from Ireland, now located in the Irish Cultural Center. In Gaelic Park, we will have a tour and you will see a beautiful collection of Irish crystal and china. On the way home, we'll stop at an authentic Irish bakery and deli, where you can pick up some freshly baked Soda Bread, candy, cheese and other Irish gift items. Call for ticket availability. Open to non-residents after January 25th. (Extensive walking involved).

Obituaries



Walter A. Garby, 84

Veteran Walter A. Garby, 84, of Niles, passed away Thursday, January 18, 2007 at home. He was born September 22, 1922 in Chicago. Beloved son of the late Anthony Garbaczewski and the late Helene (nee Szakun) Garbaczewski; husband of Dorothy C. (nee Schoenberger) Garby; father of June, Thomas (Mary),



Warren Johnson, Lt. Gen. (Ret.), 84

Warren Johnson, Lt. Gen. (Ret.), 84, of Winnetka, passed away Tuesday, January 23, 2007 at Highland Park Hospital. He was born September 2, 1922 in Blackwell, OK. Beloved husband of Judy (nee Luken) Johnson; father of Richard (Gloria) Johnson, Patricia Peak, Lindabeth (Walt) Brown, and Ross Johnson; grandfather of Eric (Lisa), Janet, and Mariclaire (Christopher); great-grandfather of three. Services will be held Sunday, February 4, 11:00 a.m., at the North Shore Senior Center.



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Income tax return aid at Morton Grove too

Morton Grove Senior News

Income Tax Returns

Free assistance for local seniors age 60+ with their State and Federal Income Tax Returns is available by appointment any Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning starting Feb. 5 in the Morton Grove Senior Center. Seniors who have low or moderate incomes that can be reported on basic IRS forms are welcome to call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223 for a personal and confidential appointment. Taxpayers should bring in the W-2, Social Security (SSA-1099), 1098 and 1099 forms they receive in the mail along with a copy of their 2005 tax returns.

'A Tribute to George Burns'

Don Angelo will entertain the Morton Grove Senior Center with a tribute to George Burns on Monday, Feb. 12. For years, Don Angelo has entertained seniors with this comedy tribute. His show also includes an audience participation sing-along. Please register in-person at the

Senior Center at a cost of \$3 for Senior Center Members and \$4 for non-members.

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, Feb. 13 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, Feb. 13 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.

'Let's Do Lunch'

Come visit the "Lunch Bunch" any Monday through Friday at the Morton Grove Senior Center. The suggested donation for a hot lunch or the cold salad bar is from \$2.75 to \$3. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 847/967-6876. Lunch is served at 11:30 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:

Valentine's Day Party on Wednesday, Feb. 14. Lunch is Chicken Cordon Royale. Special cost is \$3.50 on this date.

Mardi Gras/Paczki Day on Tuesday, Feb. 20. Lunch is Beef Pot Roast.

St. Patrick's Day Party on Friday, March 16. Lunch is Corned Beef and Cabbage. Special cost is \$3.50 on this date.

Spring Hat Day on Wednesday, March 21. Lunch is Meat Loaf Jardiniere.

Easter Party on Wednesday, April 4. Lunch is Turkey Ham. Good Friday Celebration on

Friday, April 6. Lunch is Seafood Bake. There is no cost for lunch on this date.

'Osteoarthritis of the Knee' Free Lecture

Dr. Sydney Bradwain will visit the Morton Grove Senior Center from 1 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15 to discuss signs and symptoms of osteoarthritis, how it causes knee pain and up-to-date treatments for osteoarthritis. Please register for this free program by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223 before Feb. 9. The Senior Network, the Hyalgan Speakers Bureau and the Morton Grove Department of Family & Senior Services present this program.

AARP Mature Driving Program

AARP's "Mature Driving Program" 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 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays, Feb. 17 and 24 at the Morton Grove Senior Center; and from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13 and Thursday, March 15 in the Prairie View Community Center. The cost of the course is \$10. Register by calling the Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223.

President's Day Program

Join Donna Horwitz at the Morton Grove Senior Center in learning about and honoring two of America's greatest Presidents, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Hear about their contributions as well as the historical events of their time at this special President's Day Program starting at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20. Please register in-person at the Senior Center at a cost of \$3 for Senior Center Members and \$4 for non-members.

Maine Township seniors plan winter trips, classes and more

Maine Twp. Senior News

MaineStreamers

The Maine Township MaineStreamers program offers a variety of opportunities for residents 55 and older. All residents and property owners are invited to apply for membership. Membership includes a free subscription to the MaineStreamers monthly newsletter, which details all activities for the upcoming month. Most activities take place at Maine Town Hall located at 1700 Ballard Rd. in Park Ridge. Members pay individually for whichever activities they want to participate in. For more information contact the MaineStreamers at 847-297-2510 or visit us at www.maintownship.com.

Grandparenting Program

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. No cost - registration required. What is Autism? Signs of Autism are usually seen in the first three years of life. Learn more about this disease and

what it means to those affected. All grandparents are welcome.

Computer Workshop

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost: \$10 - registration required. Presenter: Lee Huber

Would you like to add a little pizzazz to your Microsoft Word/Works documents? Learn easy ways to format, change margins, and print. Bring your questions and sample documents with you.

Only instructor has computer.

Twilite Dining

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Café Lucci, 609 Milwaukee Ave., Glenview. Cost: \$24 members/\$26 guests.

Tonight's menu features appetizers of calamari, Portobello mushrooms, and bruschetta. A family-style dinner features salad, farfalle with alfredo sauce, penne with vodka sauce, and chicken Vesuvio and spumoni for dessert. Must be able to climb 13 stairs.

Income Tax Appointments

The AARP Tax Aide program

will be offering Income Tax Assistance for those needing help on simple tax forms. To schedule an appointment call 847-297-2510. Homebound appointments available.

Used Cell Phones Collected

Maine Township, in cooperation with the Cook County Sheriff's Office, is collecting used cell phones to be converted for emergency 911 usage for Senior Citizens. If you have a phone you would like to donate, drop it off at Maine Town Hall. Distribution of the cell phones will occur at a program scheduled in Dec. Watch for details to follow.

MaineStreamers' Inaugural 'Swing into Spring' Expo

Save the date to attend "Swing into Spring," to be held on Apr. 18, 2007 at the Chateau Ritz in Niles, IL from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It promises to be a beneficial event for all those who attend. "Swing into Spring"

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Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2006, will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, 2006. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

East Maine School District 63 10150 Dea Road, Dea Plains, IL 60016 (847)299-1900 8:00am-4:30pm
School District/Joint Agreement Name Address Telephone Office Hours

Also by January 15, 2007 the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2006, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website at www.isbe.net

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2006

	Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Bond & Interest	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Site & Construction/Capital Improvement	Working Cash	Rent	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	23,370,391	3,750,807	4,004,302	1,233,900	659,776	0	607,891	26,614
Flow-Through Sources	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Sources	3000	2,861,982	0	0	694,154	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	1,761,837	928,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL DIRECT RECEIPTS/REVENUES		27,994,210	4,678,807	4,004,302	1,928,054	659,776		607,891	26,614
TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS/EXPENDITURES		25,863,347	3,486,702	3,531,356	1,727,294	798,477			84,530
Other Financing Sources & (Uses)		584,500	(106,000)	(326,000)	(32,500)	0	(120,000)	0	0
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1, 2005		3,372,061	4,639,273	6,086,124	1,516,404	1,427,003		3,499,373	711,146
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30, 2006		6,077,424	5,725,378	6,233,070	1,684,664	1,288,302		3,987,064	653,230

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Gross Payment For Certificated And Non-Certificated Personnel For The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2006

Certified Under \$25,000: Allen, Luke; Atanus, Susanne; Ballard, David R; Behrman, Doris; Bello, Tamara; Benishay, Sarah; Blackmore, Kari; Blitz, Donald N; Bonkoske, Mary; Bubaris, Nikolaos A; Bullis, Barbara L; Castignetti, Dorothy A; Chaet, Sandra J; Chandrathil, Kurian; Chang, James; Childers, Mary C; Collinsworth, Judy; Coppin, Lee Ann; Dass, Shira; Davidson, Joslyn; Dubrock, Judith; Dunitz, Harlene A; Dunton, Nancy; Escobar, Luz E; Evans, Kathryn; Feery, Fadra; Fulkerson, Stacy; Garnick, Marlene; Gassman, Beverly; Gassman, Merrill L; Geller, Ann; Gerdy, Joan; Gerson, Noreen; Glassman, Sharon; Goldberg, Dale; Goldstein, Sandra L; Gonzalez, Robert; Greenberg, Maxine; Grippo, Amy; Gulik, Josephine; Guzzarde, Tiffany; Heit, Joyce; Henry, Diane; Holleb, Sandra L; Huenecke, Joan M; Ideno, Helen A; Jacobson, Roberta S; Janowitz, Thelma; Janusek, John; Jaworski, Cary; Jensen, Ann E; Johnson, Karen; Kakares, Helen; Kaplan, Judith M; Karol, Ilene; Karp, Deborah J; Katin, Jennifer G; Kenneally, Geri A; Kennedy, Meghan M; Kopach, Kellie; Kosmas, Angela; Kouris, Pamela; Kowalke, Beth; Labow, Susan M; Lakota, Laura; Lazowski, Elizabeth; Lepere, Kenneth L; Loeffler, Linda; Lukowski, Rachel; Lutz, Mary M; Maguire, Timothy H; Mandel, Marlene; Marovitz-Foreman, Rochell; Marshall, Sybil; Mcaloon, Annemarie; McCarthy, Susan; Merck, Judith; Mihelic, Rosemary; Mishnos, George E; Mott, Neil; Mulcrone, Mary Catherine; Nagai, Bridget; Nasiakos, John; Neiman, Debra B; Neumann, Aimee; Ng, Lily; O'Neill, Maureen; Oros, Emanuela; Pankow, Maureen; Park, Joyce; Pellar, Donna B; Penrice, Tyrethris; Persson, Cecilia A; Peters, Kimberly; Petersen, Leah; Phillips, Robert; Piedallu, Gladys O; Plis, Karen; Plusker, Donna K; Pope, Susan V; Pressburger, Barbara A; Prodanich, Patricia; Quinlivan, Paula; Rabin, Barbara; Raitzik, Charlene; Rangelov-Sizos, Larissa; Reichhardt, Delores; Romo, Luis; Ronis, Sophia; Rosenberg, Roberta; Roth, Linda; Rubio, Ulises F; Schienberg, Marilyn; Schiffman, Joan; Schlosser, Angela; Schulman, Lauren; Siegel, Geraldine; Smith, Stelzer, Sandra; Szewczyk, D.Patricia; Szyska, Susan; Tafazoli, Simin; Taylor, Jr., Charles T; Tesla, Biljana; Thomas, Shajie; Thorne, Allyson; Toulon, Gregory; Treslo, Kyle; Tsilipetros, Alexia; Vega, Randi B; Voehringer, Brad W; Walsh, Heather; Weiner, Allen; Weiner, Sandra; Weinstein, Paul; White, Thomas W; Yagnisis, James;

Certified \$25,000 - \$39,999: Aguirre, Sandra E; Ahern, Jenny L; Altschul, Nicole C; Banas, Lynn A; Bialas, Laura; Bongiorno, Ann; Bonn, Jason; Brennan, Judith; Briggs, Bonnie; Brockway, Lisa; Clements, Tracy; Corrigan, Nicole; Cory, Barry; Cotromanes, Christine; Couzens, Michele; Curry, Lauren; Davis, N. Stuart; Derusha, Nicole; Dooley, Kay; Douglass, Christine S; Evans, Lisa; Farinosis, Daniel; First, Julie L; Freels, Eva; Gallegos, Mercedes; Garbossa, Cathy; Goldberg, Jillian; Gross, Aaron; Hardy, Stephanie; Harmon, Christopher; Henricksen, Kristy L; Hirsch, Christina; Janus, Matthew J; Kueffner, Jami; Lavidas, Alexia; Limer, Noreen; Loughin, Kristy; Marcus, Erin; McCulley, Matthew; Mckenzie, Molly; Miller, Rachel; Molnar, Nicole; Morgan, Kathleen; Morrow, Patricia; Naumowicz, Lori M; Nedwick, Sarah; Papahronis, Michael; Parsley, Jessica; Perea, Mary; Perelgut, Erica L; Poonawalla, Anjum; Prunotto, Donna; Rapaport, Kelly; Rizman, Stuart; Roberts, Melissa; Robey, Nancy J; Rudnick, Sarah; Schultz, Pimchan; Schwartz, Cassandra; Shapiro, Allison; Sibaja, Maureen; Sievert, Amanda; Smigaj, Stacey; Smolen, Courtney B; Stafseth, Kristina; Stanczyk, Ashley; Steiner, Stacy A; Stovel, Lauren; Sutter, Sarah; Turner-Busiel, Stephanie; Vance, Michael; Vicar, Dana; Villarreal, Liza; Weinzimmer, Kerry; Whitman, Karee; Wilbur, Jennifer; Woody, Jessica; Yabloug, Andrea; Yacopino, Laura

Certified \$40,000 - \$59,999: Arndt, Susan; Arvanitis, Sophia; Ballas, George; Ban, Susan M; Boudreau, Shannon; Bozovich, Lisa A; Brainin, Ilyse; Brandl, Jojean; Braun, Leslie A; Brumley, Joseph P; Budzik, Brian; Burkman, Pamela P; Camacho, Karen S; Campagna, Margherita; Carter, Maria; Centanni, Erin; Chamlin, Jane E; Clendenning, Heather M; Cotts, Kristin A; Courtney, Shawn; Crock, Corinne V; Czarnicki, Wendy; Dekors, Sabina; Dellaringa, Gina; Desjardins, Jenna L; Dettloff, Dawn; Drivas, Eleftheria M; Dubinsky, Mitchell W; Edelhait, Lynn C; Ekstrom, Nancy J; Engel, Allison; Eydis, Ellian H; Feldman, Marlene; Finnegan, Ellen; Fischer, Jennifer R; Fishman, Janice E; Fradin, Hanna; Fraggasi, Tracy; Franchi, Dana; Fratamico, Patricia E; Geeve, David R; Ginzburg, Judith M; Goerner, Nicole M; Good, Allison; Gordon, Michael; Grodin, Rosanne; Groner, Wendy; Gross, Alyssa; Hall, Leslie G; Harford, Eileen; Harkins, Donna M; Harnack, Beth; Harvey, Elizabeth M; Hoffmann, Mary Sue; Hughes, Heather; Hyman, Sharon F; Jacobson, Anne F; Janke, Karen A; Jayko, Marilyn J; Kaplan-Patterson, Bari N; Kassap, Kaylie; Kaup, Kimberly; Kavina, Binaifer; Kent, Lisa G; Kim, Carol; Kleisch, Linda; Koegel, Susan L; Kosiba, Carolyn; Koupas, Georgia; Labouff, Linda; Lange, Robert C; Leese, Beth A; Liese, Hilary A; McLaughlin, John; Mehrtens, Kathryn M; Melfi, Margaret E; Merkel, Brenda K; Meyer, Mari; Moyer, Christine A; Nape, Noel E; Nickell, Craig A; Nielsen, Kirstin A; Nizamuddin, Noorunnisa S; O'Brien, Allison; Oklepek, Shannon; Pedrigi, Gina; Perelgut, Eva; Peters, Karen M; Plos, Brandon S; Puzen, Linda S; Ray, Rosemary; Rosen, R. Cheryl; Rundell, Joan; Sage-Wohlman, Jeanine S; Sarandos, Pamela; Schiller, Patricia; Schlebecker, Jennifer; Seamans, Cynthia A; Siegel, Amelia; Simpson, Teresa; Sjolholm, M. Kathryn; Slivka, Rosemary A; Sloan, Judy G; Smith, Nancy B; Stone, Loreen; Swidzinski, Maria; Teeter, Kim M; Terrazas, Eva; Thomas, Shana; Titze, Kirsten; Turnbow, Laura A; Turnbow, John P; Ulery, Kristen D; Vellios, Litsa; Warchol, Thomas; Weiland, Pamela W; Wirtz, Peter; Wirtz, Robert J; Younan, Jennifer; Zajac, Anna;

Certified \$60,000 - \$89,999: Achille, Phyllis M; Baranowski, Terrence; Barone, Harriet J; Beaudette, Lynn; Bloom, Harold L; Boyle, Monica; Brahmner, Kristine L; Branda, Helen M; Bryant, Joy; Burda, Edward; Chazin, Helene; Corrigan, Mary F; Dahl, Ruth L; Daskalopoulos, Christina; Dubinsky, Ruth; Eelsey, Paulette H; Esposito, Lynn; Feller, Elaine P; Getzoff, Francine; Glickman, Lynn C; Green, Marla B; Hillman, Karen A; Jackson, Marlene M; Johnson, Phyllis; Katzman, Janet K; Kaufman, Rosalie L; Kleckner, Gregory; Kraus, Anne; Kriesman, Elissa K; Kueffner, Carolyn; Lapping, Leslye; Lebovitz, Cynthia S; Lee, Helen; Levin, Janice A; Levin, Rachel; Lindoerfer, Patricia; Maieritsch, Ann B; Markos, Nancy; McNulty, Paul R; Meade, Avis; Mell, Laura; Metcalf, Adrienne P; Mischew, Maryann; Mitchell, Patricia M; Morris, Karen K; Moss, Joy; Nelson, Brooks M; Norquist, Thomas L; O'Connell, Helen; Otten, Carol A; Owens, Maria; Palivos, Catherine; Paul, Scott B; Piotrowski, Bonnie L; Panches, Sharon; Pyzik, Russell A; Reed, Susan B; Ruck, Kathy S; Sakoda, Amy; Schub, Karla D; Sehner, Patricia J; Shaikes, Harriet; Sompolski, Josephine; Stafford, Debra L; Stein, Gayle G; Tatera, Nancy K; Valentine, Mary E; Van Ness, Mary; Webber, Robert; Welter, Dave E; Zite, Sharon; Zlogar, Katherine S;

Certified \$90,000 And Over: Clay, Scott; Deaton, Susan; Eitelbrick, Diane; Gibson, William M; Herrmann, Scott; Johann, Michael J; Kell, Gwynne; Krueger, Susan; Maldonado, Nicholas; Mallek, Stacey L; Mishkin, Larry; Ruh, Katherine A; Satkiewicz, Judith; Williams, Kathleen G;

Non-Certified Under \$25,000: Abbas, Masooma; Aesho, Caroline S; Akhunj, Gitara; Alex, Nancy; Andrious, Marlin; Arifi, Selviye; Auob, Rakzan; Azar, Abir; Aziz, Jeanette; Bahi, Lamia; Baldinger, Gail; Baxi, Smriti K; Bellino, Ramona J; Berezin, Rachel S; Bernal, Maria D; Bhatti, Seemal; Bitte, Dawn M; Boblett, Wanda K; Bosak, Mary Ann; Boyle, Kathleen; Boyrazian, Maral; Brandt, Anne M; Burdi, Louise; Burge, Patricia L; Campagna, Liliana; Chalabi, Julit; Choukarov, Victoria; Conrad, Marianne; Corsini, Lorri B; Cross, Cynthia; D'attomo, Susan; Dankha, Jamila; Daul, Vanita; Daviston, Dante; Debenedictis, Mary; Del'herbe, Sabine; Dermer, Linda; Digregorio, Ercelia Q; Dobkin, Teri; Dolan, Catherine; Doushow, Alan; Escobedo, Lai Ying T; Fadl, Magda; Fiol, Judy; Flowers, Carl; Frias, Erickson; Goodchild, Kathryn; Gradl, Alice F; Grodin, Laura E; Gummadi, Sarath; Gusak, Grace; Guzzarde, Danielle H; Guzzarde, Tina; Haapala, Julie N; Heiman, Lynn R; Herrmann, Zachary; Hoq, Sitara; Hyman, Geraldine; Ilc, Ligia N; Jacobs, Jill; Janik, Natalie; Jelonek, Stacy; Johann, James; Johann, Scott; Johnson, Theresa M; Jozwiak, Beata; Kachow, Beronya I; Kanelos, Mary Ann; Kasso, Betty; King, Theresa G; Klepadlo, Diane; Kniazuk, Maria; Konstantinidis, Chris K; Kontos, Peggy; Kowalyshein, Eileen; Krank, William; Lara, Ricardo; Lederman, Diane J; Lenart, Joyce A; Livery, Jamie; Lopiccolo, Elizabeth; Lorentzen, Lee; Loukopoulos, Anna; Macwan, Ignas; Maguire, Kathleen; Mahnke, Michael; Mahnke, Kathleen A;

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Malave-Cruz, Jose; Manazir, Lubna; Manno-Zajdel, Rosemarie; Masur, Judith E; Michel, Maryam; Mijajlovic, Eda; Miller, Sharon; Molenda, Jo; Montesinos, Maria; Mulroe, Maureen; Murawski, Roberta C; Naser, Sahar; Niemczyk, Dina; Nikaen, Nasrin; Nordeen, Agnes; Noriega, Erick; Ojha, Sangeeta; Okunowski, Mary; Owens, Joan M; Palao, Dracy; Para, Caryl; Parmar, Kolin; Patel, Lopa B; Patel, Nikita; Patel, Jignasa; Patel, Janke; Perelgut, Nicole; Perez, Jill; Perry, Cathrine; Piazza, Deborah; Popowska-Ciesla, Ewa; Price, Linda; Qureshi, Nayab; Ramos, Eric; Randle, Angela; Randle, Dorothy; Rascho, Ahlam; Ravey, Sumer; Reisberg, Laura; Repstock, Susan; Rihani, Etihad; Rischow, Susan M; Romc, Susan M; Romc, Bryan J; Romc, Patricia; Rooney, Emily A; Rooney, Ann G; Sadullah, Shahnaz; Sarapuk, Oksana; Scanlon, Margie; Scarpaci, Donna M; Scharlow, Wesley; Schlage, Richard; Schniepp, Irene; Schulewitz, Jennifer; Shah, Sunita D; Shah, Naimisha; Shlimon, Margaret L; Shlimon, George; Siavelis, Eleni; Sill, Caren; Simmons, Marcia; Soifer, Dawn E; Soni, Bhanu; Soni, Hetal; Sovak, Jenny; Speiden, Mary E; Stankowicz, Mary; Stevenson, Susan; Tahiliani, Rajkumari; Talkowsky, Clara; Teichert, Lisa M; Tsoukatos, Joanna; Van Dyke, Linda; Ward, Mary; Weiss, Jodi S; White, Angela; Wilson, Joann; Wrona, Krystyna; Yousef, Nada; Zak, Julianne; Ziga, Madclyn;

Non-Certified \$25,000 - \$39,999: Agrinoni, Wendy L; Brown, Bernard; Busiel, Glenda; Casale, Lisa M; Devine, Donna M; Diskin, Julie B; Egelja, Milan; Gabryszewski, Ted; Gonzalez, Seth; Halperin, Janet; Harris, Karen L; Jimenez, James A; Kellermann, Janet; Lamonica, Theodora; Lawson, Lanni K; Leyva, Antonio; Malamis, Patrice; Martin, Debra L; Martinez, Jesus; Mennos, Peggy M; Morcno, Vancssa; Moshy, Victor; Moshy, Anwar; Murray, Ramon M; Nass, Beri; Opalka, Stephen J; Reiff, Cathleen; Schultes, Margaret; Shuman, Carol S; Siegel, Marsha F; Snow, Samuel; Thomas, Patrick; Torrence, Levester; Turofsky, Marla; Voller, Judi; Weber, Joyce S;

Non-Certified \$40,000 - \$59,999: Agrinoni, Jose A; Baczkowski, Jerome R; Barrie, Daniel; Benoit, Kristine; Blublitz, Gregory; Colldock, Jean; Egle, James; Figueroa, Jose A; Garcia, Jose O; Herrig, Doug W; Hrnjak, Vlado; Jenner, Harlene M; Johnson, Larry; Ksiazek, Ronald J; Livery, Rita; Martinez, Mario; Mcallister, John M; Piegł, Ronald; Ramic, Emir; Schalkowski, Charles; Smittle, Susan K; Sullivan, John A; Trauth, Kimberly; Vega, Carlos; Weitzman, Karen;

Non-Certified \$60,000 And Over: Nowlan, Sean M; Surber, Pamela;

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Vendor Publication Listing for The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2006

Payments Over \$2500 (Excluding Wages And Salaries): Leap Frog School House- 2,508.48; Class Act- 2,574.55; National City Bank- 2,600.00; Eta/Cuisenaire- 2,618.57; Chateau Ritz- 2,626.50; Educational Research Service- 2,660.00; Lutheran General Hospital- 2,673.00; Ebsco Subscription Service- 2,713.70; Proed- 2,716.40; William V. 2,850.00; Highsmith Co- 2,935.51; Nicor Gas- 2,942.47; Wenger Corporation- 2,980.00; Jp Morgan Chase Bank- 3,000.00; North Shore Educational Specialist Ltd- 3,000.00; Wage Works Inc- 3,026.97; Swenson Paint- 3,049.20; Red Brick Learning- 3,103.71; Mayerjohnson- 3,105.00; Quinlan & Fabish Music- 3,128.65; Taylor Plumbing Inc- 3,193.00; Numara Software Inc- 3,222.50; Scholastic Inc- 3,282.63; School Health- 3,298.70; Ps Associates- 3,300.55; Lisette Wallin- 3,395.00; Lowery Mcdonnell Company- 3,503.20; Unum Long Term Care Insurance- 3,576.57; Audio Visual Express- 3,645.28; Illinois State Police- 3,700.00; Follett Educational Services- 3,776.10; Pro Care- 3,780.00; Follett- 3,827.50; Schoollink Technologies- 3,903.17; P & M National Sales- 3,933.39; Ricoh Customer Finance Corp- 3,935.00; Postage By Phone- 3,999.96; Appraisal Associates Inc.- 4,000.00; Office Depot- 4,082.05; Michigan State Disbursement Unit- 4,113.36; U.S.Arbor Products- 4,196.00; T. Rowe Price Trust Company- 4,200.00; Menards Morton Grove- 4,216.93; Consolidated Repair Service- 4,359.64; Charles Schwann- 4,364.18; Palos Sports- 4,417.63; Premier- 4,459.55; School Savers- 4,554.16; Sam's Club- 4,648.70; Midwest Educational Group Inc.- 4,690.40; Heinemann- 4,813.47; Set Environmental Inc- 4,849.00; A & B Bus Service- 4,905.20; Xerox Corporation- 4,933.44; Principal Life- 4,937.06; Melmedica Childrens Healthcare- 4,984.50; Maine Community Youth- 5,000.00; Colorado Telephone Exchange- 5,031.00; Mcc Technology- 5,165.00; Michaels Uniform Co- 5,173.96; Softspech- 5,250.00; Sos Technologies- 5,336.70; Weidenhammer Systems- 5,340.00; Felix Caceres- 5,500.00; Sagebrush- 5,524.95; Illinois Association Of School Boards- 5,566.00; National Geographic Society- 5,580.64; Anderson Pest Control- 5,690.19; Harcourt Assessment Inc.- 5,798.26; Houghtonmifflin- 5,885.00; Kirtley Technology Corporation- 5,902.44; Northwestern Mutual Life- 6,074.70; Developmental Links For Children- 6,125.00; Educational Resources- 6,291.00; Hughes Enterprises Inc.- 6,399.50; Thinkronize- 6,412.00; Village Of Niles- 6,498.95; Sundance- 6,608.24; Teachers Retirement System- 6,646.78; Fitness Wear Inc.- 6,665.00; Done Deal Promotions- 6,666.14; Herff Jones- 7,021.00; Inlander Brother Inc.- 7,038.44; J.A. Sexauer Inc.- 7,069.01; Wisconsin Department Of Revenue- 7,170.76; Dupage Credit Union- 7,200.00; Secure Computing Corp- 7,287.28; American Digital Solutions Inc.- 7,430.04; Don Johnston- 7,475.75; Prf Graphics- 7,586.04; Nasco- 7,634.46; Lakeshore- 7,847.86; Staff Development For Educators- 7,973.40; Telesolutions Consultants Llc- 8,040.88; St.Bernadette's For Special Children- 8,098.16; Midco Inc.- 8,174.17; Demco Inc.- 8,317.43; Centerpoint Energy Marketing Inc.- 8,431.30; Metro Professional Products- 8,458.89; Cathys Auto Trans Company- 8,530.00; National School Board Assoc- 8,535.00; Fire & Security Systems Inc- 8,553.00; Classroom Direct Company- 8,639.16; East Maine Custodial Maintenance Assoc.- 8,700.00; Premier School Agendasinc.- 8,741.85; Anderson Lock Co Ltd- 8,812.13; East Maine Educational Support- 8,858.03; State Disbursement Unit- 9,520.80; Vortex- 9,622.40; Wheeler Communications Inc- 9,786.60; Grainger- 10,001.78; Scholastic Inc- 10,281.25; R & G Consultants- 10,909.57; Scholastic Book Clubs- 11,130.29; Katco Development Inc.- 11,397.00; Purchase Power- 11,636.94; Scarianohimes And Petrarca- 11,692.45; North Maine Utilities- 12,117.35; Shell Credit Card Center- 12,593.75; Northern Suburban Special Education Dist- 13,481.50; Bridge View- 14,272.64; Metropolitan Preparatory Schools Inc.- 14,320.72; Attitudes Skills & Knowledge- 15,100.30; Houghton Mifflin Company- 15,441.00; East Maine School District 63- 15,548.11; Nextel Communications- 15,903.80; Savin Credit Corporation- 15,937.80; East Maine Teacher Assistants Assoc.- 17,589.90; William F.Gurrie & Co.Ltd- 18,300.00; Tnt Construction- 18,390.00; J Sweeney Electrical Contracting- 18,500.00; Chase Insurance- 19,500.00; Jackson National Life Insurance Company- 20,400.00; Curry Security Systems Inc.- 20,765.83; Maine Township School Treasurer- 21,606.63; Meadows Paving & Concrete Inc.- 21,850.00; G.A.L.L.C. Disbursing Company- 21,908.00; Ncs Pearson Inc.- 22,004.28; East Maine School District #63- 22,134.28; Northwest Evaluation Association- 22,272.00; Horace Mann Life Insurance Company- 22,400.00; Alternatives Unlimited- 24,658.52; United States Treasury- 25,157.40; Spectrum Electric- 26,291.55; Pearson Education- 26,827.81; Follett Library Resources- 27,823.09; Groot Recycling & Waste Services Inc.- 28,701.59; Midland Paper- 28,887.95; Educational Resources- 29,618.14; Ricoh Corporation- 29,817.90; Mcgrawhill Companies- 31,193.21; Connecticut General Life Ins Co (Cigna)- 31,811.42; Joyce Brothers- 32,067.00; Teachers Retirement System- 33,950.85; Designation Inc.- 34,212.16; Grow And Learn Therapy Services Inc.- 35,010.00; Xerox- 35,071.40; Allendale Association- 36,850.90; School Specialty- 37,381.40; Joseph Academy- 37,556.26; Control Engineering Corp- 39,936.00; Quinlan & Fabish Music Co- 40,771.39; Edwin Anderson Construction Co.- 41,713.00; At&T- 46,448.13; Francek Sullivan- 46,680.02; Data Control & Research Ltd.- 47,727.45; Twin Oaks Landscaping- 50,550.68; Procure Therapy Llc- 51,687.50; Quill- 58,325.51; Houghton Mifflin Co- 59,664.64; Challenger Day School Prgm- 60,898.98; Garaventa U.S.A.- 62,144.75; Graphitech Systems L.L.C.- 63,019.00; The Variable Annuity Life Insurance Co.- 64,240.00; U.S. Bank- 64,533.02; Eca Educational Services- 64,804.50; Assurant Employee Benefits- 67,956.48; Arcon Associates Inc- 76,651.12; Assurant Fortis Life & Ld- 82,347.93; Laureate Day School Of- 82,565.60; Fidelity Investments- 84,392.16; Joseph Weil/Bunzl Chicago- 88,466.95; East Maine School District 63- 98,050.00; Deffraco Plumbing Inc.- 122,260.00; 303 Cab Association- 126,404.70; Misc A/P Vendor- 136,013.75; Honeywell- 145,634.42; East Maine Education Association- 146,218.44; East Maine School District #63- 158,759.35; Clic- 159,530.00; Self- 159,655.00; Low Incidence Coop Agreement- 173,404.80; Community Consolidated School Dist 64- 197,390.28; Center Point Energy Gas Servicesinc.- 199,476.96; Cdw Government Inc.- 213,456.80; Teachers Health Insurance Security Fund- 226,984.95; Community Consolidated School Dist 62- 269,964.72; Equitable/Axa Advisors- 298,996.54; Commonwealth Edison Co- 357,746.98; Maine Township Credit Union- 360,603.40; Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund- 464,484.88; Illinois Department Of Revenue- 508,376.24; Northwest Suburban Special- 521,529.51; Maine Township Special Education Program- 674,380.28; Sodexo Inc.- 802,841.57; Monaco Mechanical Inc.- 985,049.50; Sepran Inc- 1,516,145.56; Teachers' Retirement System Of Illinois- 1,670,330.71; Healthcare Serv Corp P/H/B 06967- 1,885,014.95; First Of America Bank- 3,183,307.11

This is the correction to the information previously published November 23, 2006

Obituaries

Anne B. Kapuscinski, 88

Anne B. Kapuscinski, 88, of Des Plaines, passed away Wednesday, January 17, 2007 at Alexian Brothers Medical Center. She was born May 27, 1918 in Chicago. Beloved daughter of the late John Kapuscinski and the late Angela (nee Szymkowski) Kapuscinski; sister of the late Lilian (the late Chester); aunt of Susan (Kathleen); great-aunt of Tracy. Services were held January 20 at Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment at St. Adalbert Cemetery. She was a ventriloquist in the entertainment industry.

Chester F. Krempa, 83

Veteran Chester F. Krempa, 83, of Niles. Beloved husband of the late Tessie B. (nee Malik); father of Diane Fisher, Danita (George) Tossi, Melanie (Steven) Ryan, and Michelle (Bill) Horn; grandfather of Jonathan, David, Mark, Jeremy, Kyle, and Emily. Services were held January 31 at St. John Brebeuf Church. Arrangements handled by Malec & Sons Funeral Home.

Interment at St. Adalbert Cemetery. He served during WWII.

William Powell, 83

Veteran William Powell, 83, of Glenview, passed away Monday, January 22, 2007 at Abington of Glenview. He was born September 15, 1923 in Chicago. Beloved husband of Ruth (nee O'Neill) Powell; father of Rita Maria Powell; brother of Rita (the late William, M.D.) Donlon and Rev. John J.

Powell, S.J. Services were held January 25 at St. Isaac Jogues Church. Arrangements handled by Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home. Interment at All Saints Cemetery. He served in the Navy during WWII and worked as a structural engineer for an engineering company. Memorials to: Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road, Clarkston, MI 48347.

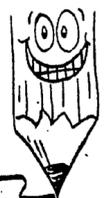
Matthew W. Slowik, 85

Veteran Matthew W. Slowik, 85, of Des Plaines. Beloved brother of the late John (Agnes) and the late William (Frances); uncle of Theresa (Donald), Mary (Louis), Claudia (Jerry), Agnes (Steven), and Vincent; great-uncle of Holli, Victoria, Joseph, and Scott; dear friend of Jennie and Lukasz. Services were held January 29 at St. Hyacinth Church. Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. He was a decorated veteran, businessman, politician, and active in many fraternal and philanthropic organizations.

By J.R. Rose - Copley News Service

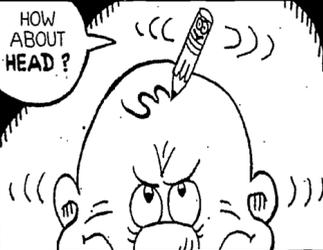
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DRAW A PINK ERASER ON THIS PENCIL...

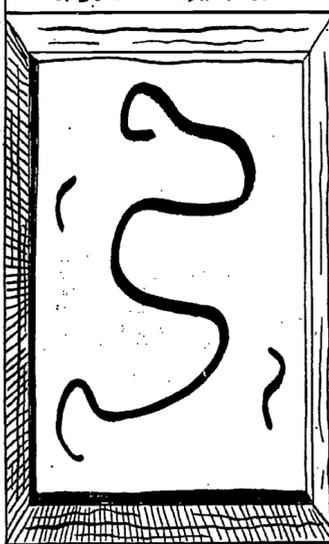


GIVE ME 5 RHYMES FOR LEAD...

HOW ABOUT HEAD?



AN ARTIST STARTED THIS, BUT TOOK A LUNCH BREAK. CAN YOU FINISH IT?



THERE IS SOMETHING THAT I FEAR... ONLY HALF OF ME IS HERE! GRAB YOUR PEN AND PENCIL SET YOU CAN COMPLETE ME. THAT I BET!



WRITE US... WE'LL WRITE YOU BACK!

IF YOU HAVE ANY FUN GAMES OR JOKES SEND THEM TO: PUP 95 LAUREL STREET HARRISONBURG, VA 22801 OR E-MAIL: PUPTOON@AOL.COM

WHAT DID THE PAPER SAY TO THE PENCIL?

I SEE YOUR POINT!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

RICHARD JOHN CONSALVO 3

JANUARY 31

GIANA GRANDINETTI 3

FEBRUARY 3

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FEBRUARY 7

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Tim Herd's Watchable Wildlife Guide

Wildlife observation in the right place at the right time

Week of Feb. 4-10, 2007

Exuberance in fur



Tobogganing down a snowy slope, the river otter lopes away, wrestles and chases another. bounds a few strides, then slides on its belly. Launching into the water, the furry torpedo twists and turns with more muscular grace and energetic athleticism than anything else imaginable. In a flash, it's gone, then - just as quickly - is back for more mischief.

Otters spend most of their time cavorting in activity centers with plenty of food and shelter: pools behind beaver dams or in spillways, logjams, oxbows and springs. Yet even winter doesn't chill their waterborne Olympics: they simply continue under the ice (where the water is warmer than the air), hunting, eating, romping and frolicking.

Late winter's social activities include an annual fling at reproduction. A fertilized oter egg, however, is at the most restful stage of its entire life. Remaining dormant for up to a year before developing rapidly *in utero* for about two months, a helpless pup is born with one to three littermates between January and May. Just 14 weeks later, the rollicking pups are introduced to the water, and join the exuberant, freewheeling fraternity of wild, free otters.

WHERE TO OBSERVE

Kennel National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska
Banff National Park, Alberta
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Gray Lodge Wildlife Area, Calif.
Crystal River NWR, Fla.
Okefenokee NWR, Ga.
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Muskrat NWR, Ind.
Allagash Wilderness Waterway, Maine
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Pascagoula River Wildlife Mgt. Area, Miss.
Great Smokey Mountains NP, Tenn.

LOOK FOR

large, weasel-like mammal rich dark brown fur small rounded ears long, bristly whiskers thick tail tapering toward tip abandoned beaver, muskrat or groundhog dens spraints - small mounds of leaves or grass marked with droppings tracks in snow show unique "bound-slide" motion

Northern river otter *Lontra canadensis*

Head and body: 2-3 feet; tail: 12-17 inches

Habitat: rivers, lakes and wetlands

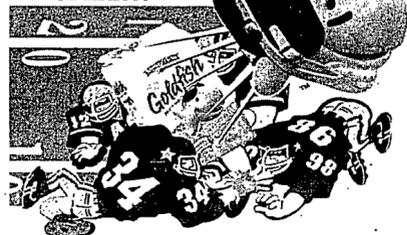
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REAL ESTATE

Window film will soften your days of rays



The secret window - This energy-efficient window film blocks glare and tames the wide-open spaces, but not the view from this rustic vacation retreat. (CNS Photo)

By Rose Bennett Gilbert
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: One side of our great room is all windows. It's one reason we bought this house, but after living here for nearly a year, we find that the winter sun makes

DECOR SCORE

afternoons almost unbearable from the glare. Strange, because we didn't have this trouble last summer and fall. I hate the idea of curtains - the view is over the back garden and we love looking out - that is, when we don't have to squint.

A: You've rediscovered a seasonal secret that's been pretty much lost in these days of 24-hour-electric lights: when the earth's slant changes, the sun's rays come in lower and at an oblique angle. That's why it gets cold in the winter months, and why you're getting that blinding glare in late afternoon.

The ancients knew how to predict and even defy this celestial phenomenon. Think of shrines like Egypt's Abu Simbel, sited precisely so a ray of sunlight reaches into the

temple for just two days once in every year.

As you have to deal with more days of rays, I'd say, yes, give in to some kind of window covering. Roller shades are an unobtrusive option. Install them roller-side out, and they'll virtually disappear when you snap them up and out of sight.

Another choice is to have a glare-blocking window film applied directly to the glass panes. The films are virtually invisible; for example, the Vista UVShield Window Film that you can't see on the tall wall of windows in the vacation home we show here.

The new films must be professionally applied (see www.vista-films.com), but once in place, they work practically forever, blocking glare and filtering out almost all the UV rays that overheat your room and fade your furniture and fabrics.

Q: What color is good for a dining room? Ours opens through an archway from the living room, which we've painted that sage green, you know, that you see in all the furniture catalogs. My husband thinks we should continue the

green, but I think it would look cold in a dining room. Is it OK to change colors, even if you can see into the dining room from the living room?

A: Not just OK, almost mandatory, especially given your color choice for the living room. Sage green may be hot on the pop charts as you point out. But it's too cool to the eye for a dining room where the emphasis is on warmth, camaraderie and gustatory pleasures.

It's for good reason that the most compelling restaurants indulge their walls in deep, rich, high-temperature colors like wine red and saffron, hues purported to stimulate the appetite. Whether that's so or not, such human colors definitely flatter the diners themselves. Everyone looks alive and lovely in the reflection that bounces off warm-colored walls.

Conversely, the bounce off green - or gray or black or most blues - can cast a ghastly, cold pall over the dining table and everyone thereat.

Shocking case in point: I was appalled to find that the dining

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Realtor group predicts gradual rise in activity

By Jim Woodard
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

The slump in home sales may have bottomed out. That's the word from several noted real estate analysts.

OPEN HOUSE

Existing-home sales are now forecast to rise gradually but steadily through this year and into 2008. Sales of newly constructed homes should turn around by this summer, according to the latest forecast by the National Association of Realtors.

"It's important to keep in mind that we were still in boom conditions during the first quarter of last year with a high sales volume and double-digit price appreciation," said David Lereah, NAR's chief economist. "It will be pretty much of a wash in terms of annual totals last year. The good news is that the steady improvement in sales will support price appreciation as we move forward."

About 6.5 million existing-home sales were reported last year. That's the highest number

of sales on record. Projections now point to about 6.42 million sales this year, according to NAR.

New-home sales last year totaled about 1.06 million units, the fourth-highest number of sales on record. About 957,000 sales are projected for this year.

Total housing construction starts last year reached 1.8 million units, with 1.5 million forecast for this year. That would be the lowest volume of starts in a decade. Builders are generally pulling back on new construction projects to support prices of remaining inventory, an NAR report noted.

Emerging economic conditions point to continued low mortgage interest rates, rising only slightly this year through 2008. At this writing, long-term mortgage rates are at the highest level since November.

Continued rate hikes are predicted by the Mortgage Bankers Association.

"The 30-year fixed-rate mortgage rate should trend modestly higher over the first half of this year, reaching 6.5 percent by the third quarter and edging

up just slightly through 2009," said Doug Duncan, MBA's chief economist. "Interest rates will continue to be quite low by historical standards," he added.

Economic growth during the first half of this year will accelerate from the second half of last year, MBA predicts.

The labor market is still quite healthy. Employment continues to expand, with payrolls increasing. Core inflation has trended lower in recent months but is still exceeding the upper end of the Federal Reserve's comfort zone, according to the MBA.

"We are optimistic that inflation will continue to decelerate slowly, moving within the comfort zone later this year," Duncan said. He expects the Fed will keep the fed funds rate steady at the current 5.25 percent level through the forecast period, as economic growth firms up to a trend pace.

Commercial real estate activity should remain as a particularly bright spot in the economy this year.

Some interesting trends are surfacing as we progress into

2007, it was noted in a recent report from Freddie Mac, a major government-sponsored buyer of existing mortgages. For example, refinance activity is picking up.

"The housing boom made homeowners more savvy in using their refinance options, while advances in technology and reduction in the costs of originating mortgages has reduced barriers to refinance," a Freddie Mac report stated.

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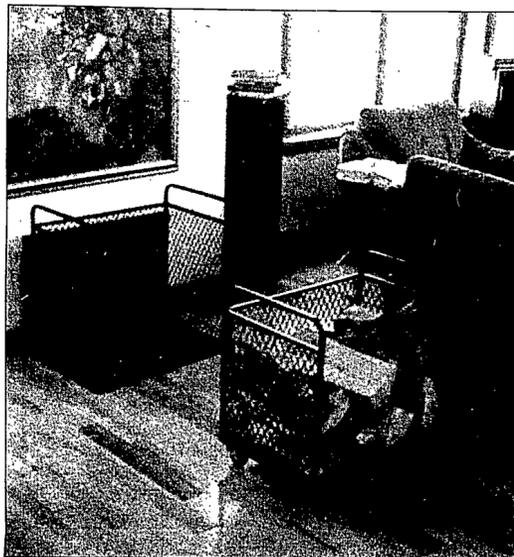
By Linda Pescatore
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Lugging heavy logs from the basement to your fireplace can be tiring and messy, but the WoodWaiter from W.B. Fowler Industries of Quebec can lighten the load.

HOME ZONE

The WoodWaiter is essentially a dumbwaiter that lifts a sturdy roll-out basket from a lower level through a trap door in your floor. The device can even be installed inside a hearth, conveying freshly chopped wood next to your fireplace without tracking chips and splinters through the house.

Powered by an electric motor, the WoodWaiter features a key-operated control and uses standard 110-volt electricity. A built-in circuit breaker stops the unit in the event of overloading or jamming, according to the company Web site, www.woodwaiter.com. The WoodWaiter locks securely in position



Log rolling - The WoodWaiter makes easy work of carrying a heavy load of firewood from the basement to the hearth. (CNS Photo courtesy of W.B. Fowler Industries)

whenever the key is turned off.

The WoodWaiter is not attached to the basement floor but instead hangs from the floor joists of the level above (or from the hearth). It is shipped assembled, can be installed by a handyman or experienced do-it-yourselfer, requiring no specialized tools, the company says. It will work in any house with sufficient clearance.

An extra key control can be installed in the basement to allow operation from either end.

W.B. Fowler offers a choice of 12 models that vary in basket size - accommodating either standard 16- or 24-inch logs - and distance that the

Stacking the deck

When it comes to leisurely outdoor living, the last thing you want is more work. Dekstone, a new decking product made of precast concrete, eliminates the scrubbing, sanding and staining that comes with traditional wood decks, according to Stepstone Inc., the Southern California company that manufactures Dekstone.

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The long-lasting, durable Dekstone is well-suited for areas that are exposed to extreme weather conditions, including fire-prone environments, because the noncom-

bustible material is impervious to rot, mold and pests, according to Stepstone.

Dekstone comes with complete installation instructions and can be installed by the do-it-yourselfer, although it will require special tools, such as a diamond-blade masonry saw, according to company literature. Such tools may often be rented.

Dekstone costs \$9-\$10 per square foot for materials, not including shipping. It comes with a 10-year warranty.

In California, Dekstone is available at San Jose Forest Products and Dixieline Lumber. Nationwide, Dekstone can be purchased directly from Stepstone. Call 800-572-9029 or visit www.dekstone.com for more information.

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basket must travel. Most modern homes will fall into the medium range of about 6 1/2 feet, according to the company, but distances from about 4 feet to 8 feet can be accommodated.

Prices, which include all duties for U.S. shipments, range from \$1,534 to \$2,750.

Of course, you can use the WoodWaiter for hoisting other items besides firewood. But if you want a device that will lift items like groceries, laundry, tools and meals higher than just one level, consider Fowler's HandyWaiter. It will carry loads weighing as much as 200 pounds with multiple stops, as high as 40 feet. Prices begin at \$4,066.

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Another significant trend is the growing variety of mortgage types that are now available to borrowers. The hybrid adjustable-rate mortgages have become particularly popular, compared with the decreasing popularity of one-year ARMs.

Other innovative mortgage products have made homeownership more accessible. Subprime mortgages are predominantly found among borrowers with low credit scores, while nontraditional products attract home buyers in high-

cost areas due to their low introductory rates, Fannie Mae noted.

Yet another trend is a growing lack of affordable housing. Double-digit home price gain may be over, but left in their wake are high price levels that bar many potential buyers from homeownership. Incomes have not kept pace with home price growth, causing affordability to be at its lowest level since the late 1980s, when 30-year mortgage rates topped 10 percent.

Q: What is a 2/28 mortgage?
A: The 2/28 ARM loan is

becoming more popular with borrowers. This is simply an adjustable-rate mortgage with a fixed rate for the first two years, then reverting to a one-year ARM for the remaining 28 years of its 30-year term.

The advantage is that the interest rate is almost as low as a regular ARM loan, and it cannot increase for at least the first two years. It's often used as a "Band-Aid" type of mortgage, meaning it's used when low-cost financing is needed for a very short period. The intent is often to refinance or resell the property at the end of the two-year period.

AARS winners: A rose by any other name would not be as easy to grow

By Jeff Rugg
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

I don't know if you were watching the Rose Parade on Jan. 1, but if you did, you saw the Bayer Advanced Red Carpet of Roses float, which featured a

A GREENER VIEW

record 50 varieties of roses, including celebrity roses and past All-America Rose Selections award-winners.

The All-America Rose Selections is a group of 25 official trial gardens, spread out in a variety of climates across the country. They follow standards designed to test each rose in care normally given by the home gardener, not the extra care that might be given at a botanical garden.

After years of testing, each rose grower decides which hybrids they have developed to put into production. Each year, the quantity available gets larger. Before a rose is released for sale to the public by a rose grower, it can be entered into competition at the AARS trials. The specimens are assigned a number and undergo a two-year test. Climbing roses undergo a three-year test, because they bloom on older canes.

The roses are evaluated on 15 characteristics covering the concerns of the typical rose-growing homeowner. The plants are tested for vigor, disease resistance, flower production, flower shape, petal count, fragrance and many other attributes.

If a rose is a winner, the result is a beautiful and easy-to-grow rose - easy to grow, that is, if you plant it in the proper location and follow the proper maintenance techniques, just as with any other plant.

Winning roses are then planted in more than 130 public display gardens around the country, so that gardeners may see the roses in person. Many of the gardens also have several years' worth of winners available for comparison.

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space in James Beard's New York home had been repainted from luscious "cream of tomato-soup" red to an icy, unappetizing green, chosen, I was told, "by a top restaurant consultant." They should have asked

GARDEN TIP

Roses

Roses are the ultimate flower for expression of emotion. As a gift, roses can convey different meanings if the recipient them knows the symbolism attached to the various colors.

■ When sending roses, a creative-colored idea is to combine different roses, which gives several messages.

MEANINGS OF ROSE COLORS

RED - sincere love, respect, courage and passion.

BURGANDY - modest beauty.

PINK - happiness, gracefulness and gentleness.

LIGHT PINK - perfect happiness, gentleness, and grace.

DEEP PINK - admiration, thankfulness.

CORAL - desire.

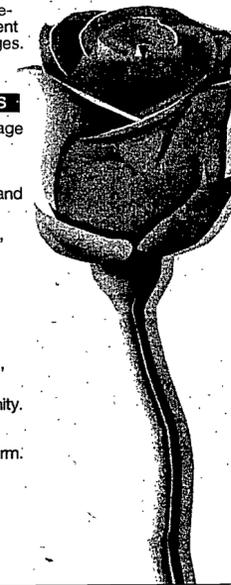
LAVENDER - love at first sight.

ORANGE - indicates enthusiasm, desire and fascination.

RED & WHITE - together signify unity.

YELLOW - friendship, joy.

WHITE - innocence, purity and charm.



Source: www.meaning-of-roses.com

Copley News Service/Bob Kast

When you read a catalog from a rose grower, be careful not to be fooled by their own designations, such as Rose of the Year or some other colorful description that makes it sound like it is a winner from a real test or trial garden.

Some contests have a winner in every category each year, but not the AARS. There has not been a winner in the miniature, tree rose or climbing rose divisions for the past several years. Winners of the AARS are truly winners.

The first hybrid tea rose was introduced in 1867, and roses haven't been the same since. They are the most popular type of rose. They have large flowers, several inches across, borne singularly on stems as much as 18 inches long. They usually require more care and winter protection than other types of roses.

Floribundas are usually a foot or two shorter than hybrid teas and have many flowers on the end of the stem. The first one was introduced by Jackson and Perkins at the 1939 World's Fair in New York. Many floribundas bloom for long periods over the summer.

The grandifloras are crosses between the first two types and have clusters of flowers resembling hybrid teas. All three groups are more difficult to grow in northern areas of the country than shrub roses and climbing roses.

The more petals a rose has, the more solid the flower bud looks and the longer it takes the flower to open. It lasts much longer in the nice-looking, partly-open stage. Fully open flowers tend to lose petals more quickly after they have been pollinated.

the gourmet members of the James Beard Society (which meets and eats in honor of Beard, the first champion of American-style cooking; www.jamesbeard.org).

That warm, flattering, appetite-revving red had been chosen by great gourmand himself. And who could ever

question his good taste? Rose Bennett Gilbert is the co-author of "Hampton Style" and associate editor of Country Decorating Ideas. Please send your questions to her at Copley News Service, P.O. Box 120190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190, or online at copleysd@copleynws.com.

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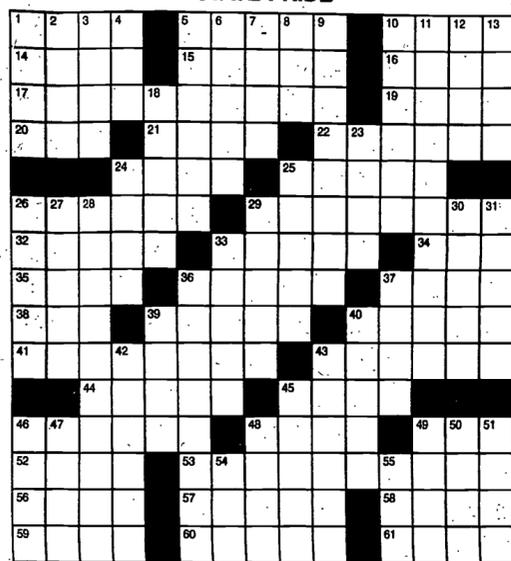
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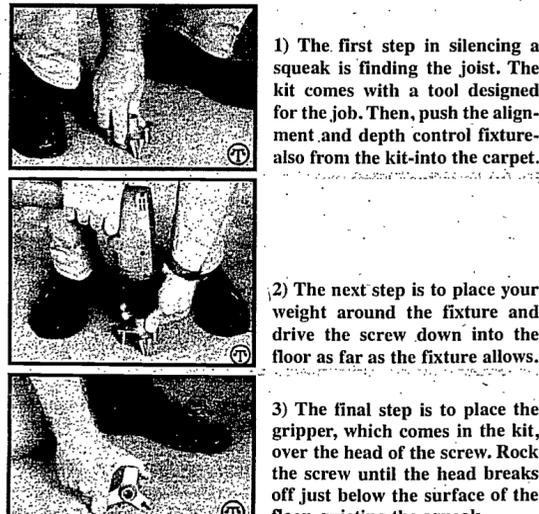
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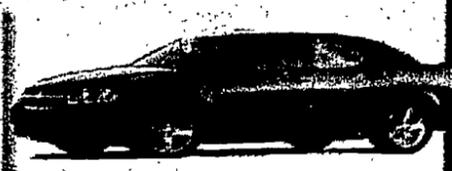
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