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Youth drowns at PR Comm. Center

A 13-year-old Park Ridge girl drowned Monday at the pool of the Community Center located at Western and Touhy in Park Ridge.

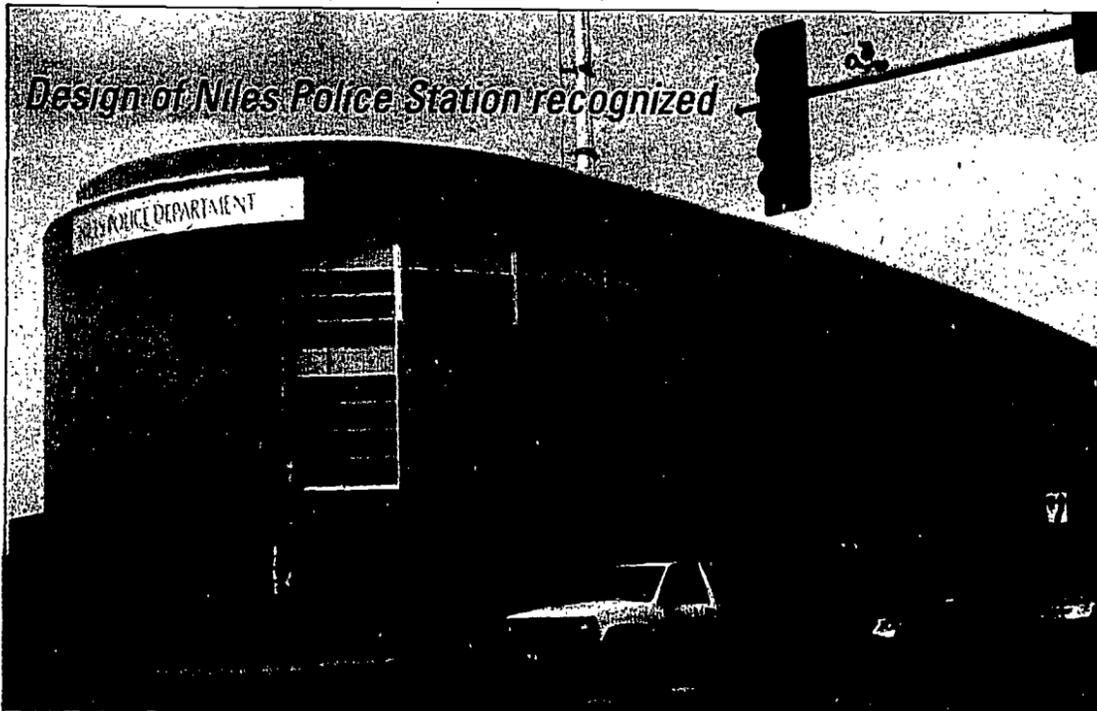
Lauren Buechel was apparently swimming with friends at the Community Center Monday night when her friends noticed her at the pool's edge not moving.

Buechel was removed from the water by Park Ridge Park District life guards who performed "life-saving measures."

She was transported to Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge around 8:40 p.m. and was officially pronounced dead at 9:48 p.m. According

Park District officials say that their investigation of the incident is on-going.

"The Park Ridge Recreation and Park District extends its sorrow and deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the victim," said Renie Schreiber, manager of Public Relations.



Design of Niles Police Station recognized

The Niles Police Station, located at the northwest corner of Touhy and Milwaukee has been named one of the "150 Great Illinois Places."

One of 150 Great Illinois Places right here in Niles

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

The Niles Police Station has been named one of the "150 Great Illinois Places."

To celebrate their 150th anniversary, the American Institute of Architecture has selected 150 great places in

the state.

"It's because of the architecture," said Mike Jackson, state coordinator, about the Niles Police Station.

"We're very proud of this building," said Niles Police Chief Dean Strzelecki. "We feel like the corner [of Milwaukee and Touhy] is

like a gateway to Niles."

Strzelecki said that they wanted the new police building to be modern and not a basic, rectangular building, but something modern and unique to attract people into Niles. They also wanted to pick an architect that had

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MG rejects \$5M TIF assistance request for 'Preserves'

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

The Morton Grove Village Board unanimously voted against granting a TIF assistance request of \$5 million from the developer of the Preserves of Morton Grove project at the village board meeting on Monday, March 26.

Two weeks ago, the developer presented the request of \$2.7 million, which would be up to a total of \$5 million with interest. The board decided to consult with S.B. Friedman and village staff and give the developer their answer at Monday's board meeting.

"It's a lot of money to put toward a project that is mostly condos," said Mayor Richard Krier. "If the village is going to be putting money into it then it should be for something much more needed in the village."

"I am not able to support this request for TIF assistance at this time," said Economic Development Director Bill Neuendorf.

Neuendorf explained that village staff felt there was a limited direct benefit to the public that is also hard to quantify and a lack of detailed project information. Neuendorf also added that the staff noted that the developer has not demonstrated past projects of this scale, no market studies were done and a comprehensive marketing strategy has not been implemented.

S.B. Friedman advised that the village should not commit to a specific dollar amount without a thorough review of the developer's request and more detail.

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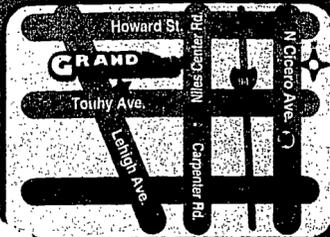


Meeting the Bunny

About 180 children hopped in line to take a picture with the Easter Bunny at the Howard Leisure Center on Saturday, March 24.



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Meet the Morton Grove Action Party

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
STAFF WRITER

The Morton Grove Action Party consists of Incumbent Dan Staackmann and newcomers Sheldon Marcus and John Thill.

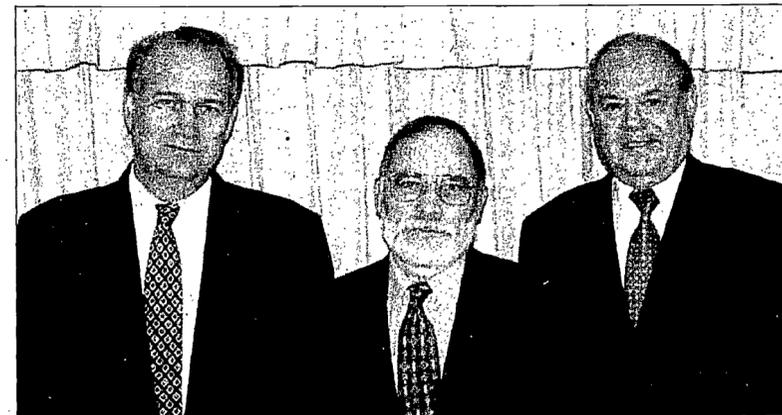
Sheldon Marcus has lived in Morton Grove for 38 years and has been very active in the community. Marcus has been past president of Niles Township High School District 219 and the Morton Grove Chamber, as well as a Niles Township Committeeman.

"I think I bring a lot of experience," said Marcus.

After his wife passed away seven years ago Marcus wasn't as involved in community affairs as he once was, but he wants to be involved and give back to the community.

"A lot of people in the community asked me to get involved," said Marcus, about running for village trustee.

Marcus said the village has to have a strategic plan and a vision in order to attract more businesses into town. He also realizes that the cost of living these days makes it very chal-



From left: Dan Staackmann, John Thill and Sheldon Marcus are the Action Party candidates for Morton Grove Trustee.

lenging for families and he'd like to see the government use creative ways to help them out. Thill has been coming to the Morton Grove village board meetings for almost 15 years and has seen several things he'd like to change. He is a house painter and president of the Friends of the Morton Grove Forest Preserve.

Thill said he would like to see less "micromanaging" by the mayor and he feels that significant and controversial issues should be negotiated. He would also like to see Morton Grove become more sensitive to the environment by recycling more waste and using solar panels for light.

"I don't see as much being

done for Morton Grove," said Thill, who has lived in Morton Grove with his wife for about 40 years.

Thill was against Morton Grove rejecting an Off Track Betting facility in town.

"It should have been a financial vote, not about morals," explained Thill. He said that now Niles benefits from the rev-

enue of the OTB rather than Morton Grove.

Thill was also opposed to the mayor allowing the business owner of the old Domicile site to put a sign up directing people to their new place of business in Lincolnwood, because he believes they should be attracting people to businesses in town, not out of the village.

Staackmann, who was born and raised in Morton Grove, is finishing up his first term on the Morton Grove Village Board.

Staackmann strongly believes that the village needs a strategic, economic development plan in order to effectively attract more businesses into town.

"You have to have a plan," shared Staackmann, who is the automotive business.

Staackmann believes that the village should create a tax cap and also adhere more closely to the first reading of ordinances, which he believes they often don't do when there's a controversial topic on the agenda.

The Action Party will hold a Meet the Candidates event on April 1 at Giordanos on Dempster from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.



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Editor Andrew Schneider's column will return next week focusing on the late President Gerald Ford.



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The residents who made comments shared the board's sentiment and concerns regarding the TIF assistance.

"I think the whole plan is ill-conceived," said Resident Sherwin Dubren, also a Reform Party candidate for village trustee. "Why are we taking tax payer's money to make their business viable?"

Trustee Dan Staackmann wanted to be sure that there could still be dialogue between

"This is a hard motion for me to make. I have attended meetings from the beginning of this project and seen how the plans have grown and it is disappointing that it ended up this way." **Rita Minx** | VILLAGE TRUSTEE

the developer and the village if the developer still wanted to talk to staff to see what other options they had.

Krier assured that if the developer still desires to meet with staff then he would "urge them not to give up."

"This is a hard motion for me

to make," shared Trustee Rita Minx. She said that she had attended meetings from the beginning of this project and has seen how the plans have grown. She said it is disappointing that it ended up this way and was very excited about the project at one point.

Police Station

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experience with working with police buildings.

Strzelecki said the architects made presentations to try to sell themselves and there was also a bid process. PSA and

associates that has now merged with Dewberry USA was who they chose to the job.

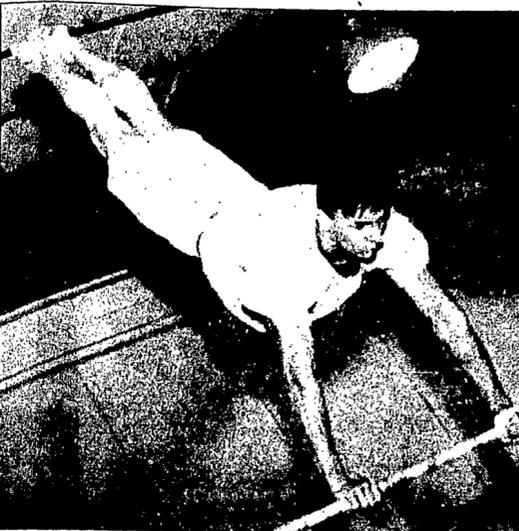
The Niles Police building has received a few awards in the past.

Each of the American Institute of Architecture chapters put together a committee

that selected the winning sites. There's a great range of different types of sites selected, such as Wrigley Field, The Illinois State Capitol, United Airlines Terminal, Assembly Hall, Peoria City Hall, Naperville River Walk and Lincoln Park Zoo.

Correction

In last week's edition of The Bugle the article "First Great-Granddaughter for Mayor Nicholas B. Blase," it was incorrectly communicated to The Bugle that Shannon Marie Beyer was the first great-granddaughter of the mayor. He, in fact, has two other great-granddaughters: Ashley Claire Gaba, five months and Hailey Marie Gaba, 8. They are the children of Carly and John Gaba, of Niles. The Bugle regrets the error.



Gymnast Deluxe

One of the best known members of the bar at Maine East is Dennis Mazur, gymnastic star, who will compete this weekend in the statewide meet at Maine East. For a closer look at Dennis, see the story at the top of this page. (Photo by Bill Henwood)

Nilesite Mazur brightest star on Maine E. Horizon

Thursday, March 14, 1968
By Naomi Krone
News Editor

If the national political conventions were held this week in Maine Township High School East and the decision of the students was final for the whole country, it would be a pretty safe bet that Dennis Mazur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mazur of Niles would be declared "favorite son" candidate of all parties concerned.

Dennis, the all-around gymnastics star of Maine East who accounted for 32 of the third place points for his

school at the State Meet last year, is carrying the hopes of his school on his shoulders this week as, for the first time in the history of Maine Township high schools, the athletic department of Dist. 207 has been honored by the Illinois High School Association in requesting that the Maine schools host the state-wide gymnastics meet this weekend.

The meet will be held on a three session basis—preliminaries on Friday, March 15 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. with the finals to be held on Saturday, March 16, in the Maine East

field house at 7:30 p.m. Judging for the meet will be state high school officials and college coaches who will select finalists from the 45 participating Illinois high schools for the Saturday evening competition.

According to gymnastics coach Tom Gardner and Athletic Director Bud Gates, Dennis is "our number one guy, solid brain and solid muscle." Dennis will according to Gardner, "win for us in the all-around event." He is extremely good on the horizontal bars, well respected by everyone.

Clean-up drive in 'Slum' areas
Bugle Stories are Catalyst

Thursday, November 28, 1968

By Naomi Krone
News Editor

The first positive and two pronged action in response to the series on potential slums in Niles which the Bugle has been carrying on its pages, was taken this week by two separate groups.

Niles Village Manager Ken

Scheel announced letters to all residents in the area bounded by Dempster, Ballard, Prospect and Grand will be hand delivered tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, calling upon renters and owners alike to attend a meeting at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4 in the Niles Village council chambers, housed in the Niles Police dept. building on Milwaukee Ave.

Also invited to the meeting will be James Smith, representative of Arthur Rubloff Co., rental agent for some of the buildings in the specific area; landlord

Leo Sutton, Village Manager Scheel and Niles Mayor Nicholas Blase.

2nd Area Tagged a "Potential Slum"

Thursday, November 21, 1968

Living in an apartment where, she states, rain goes through the patio doors as well as under them and where the basement wall cracks are so large there is mold growing on the walls, one of the apartment building dwellers on Nordica between Oakton and Juneway Terr. has

told the Bugle she and her family have decided to move rather than make any further efforts to halt the potential "slum" condition of the place they have called "home."

This situation follows on the heels of the article on potential slums which appeared in last week's issue of the Bugle. That story was concerned with the living conditions in the Niles area bounded by Dempster, Ballard, Prospect and Grand.

The Nordica Ave. resident claims she has called the owner of her building, Krilich Builders, many times, complaining of various and immediate problems and asking for help.

6-7 Story Office Building Planned for TAM Site

Thursday, September 19, 1968

Probability of the construction of a 6 to 7 story office building at the northeast corner of Jarvis and Caldwell will be discussed by representatives of Thelander, Nelson and Associates at the next meeting (Sept. 24) of the Niles village board of trustees.

Acting Village Manager Ken Scheel told his monthly press conference, Monday morning, according to the building code provisions and regulations, the zoning for such a structure at that location is proper as long as sufficient parking is provided for office building occupants. The building would stand on a portion of the TAM property parcel and would use about 1/2 to 3/4 of an acre of space per floor.

Scheel told reporters there are

presently four such buildings in Niles: Golf Mill office building, Huntington Apts., Leaning Tower YMCA and the Coca Cola bottling plant, now under construction. The Coke plant will possibly be finished by the end of this year.

Niles Park District Sells Bonds

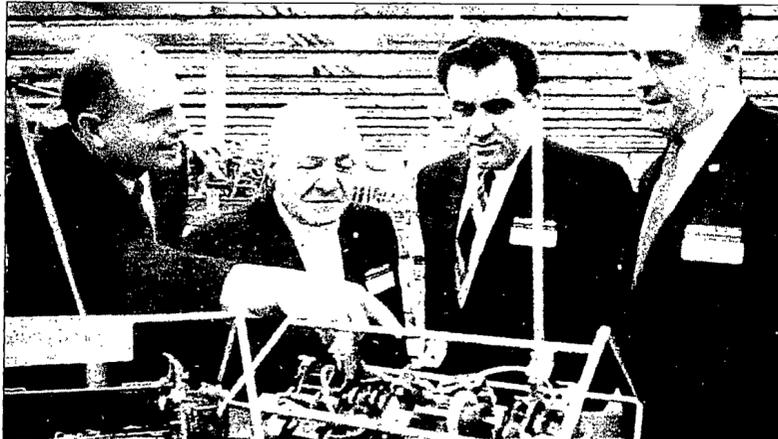
Thursday, August 29, 1968

On Tuesday evening, Aug. 20, the Niles Park District took a big step into the future by selling \$1,670,000 park bonds. The sale followed by just one month approval of the bond issues by local voters.

Funds from the bond issue will be used to purchase 10 acres of new parks for residents of the district. A new swimming pool, ice rink and gymnasium will be built along with centers for teens, senior citizens and craft work. The present recreation center will be enlarged and various playground equipment and landscaping will be added to existing parks.

Park Board President Louis Schreiner explained the steps taken by the board to sell the bonds in the open market.

"Our financial consultants, Benjamin and Lang, prepared a very complete prospectus which described in detail all financial, social and physical aspects of the park district, and set up rules for bidding on the bonds. They sent about 300 copies of the prospectus to banks, dealers and other investors throughout the country."



Lions Learn Letters

John Auwaerter, Teletype Corporation's vice-president of sales and finance, describes the assembly steps performed in building a teletype-writer during a visit to the company by members of the Niles Lions club. (Left to right)

John Auwaerter; Frank Trolani, president of the Niles Lions; Mayor Nicholas Blase and Ed Jennett, Teletype's representative to the Lions club, toured the manufacturing area in the Skokie complex.

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Pre-paid phone cards stolen from trunk

MORTON GROVE

1 Prepaid Telephone Cards Stolen (5800 block of Dempster)

The victim, who sells prepaid phone cards, said person or persons punched out the lock of the trunk of his vehicle in the 5800 block of Dempster and removed prepaid phone cards worth approximately \$8,115 on Friday, March 16. Police said about \$1,500 in USC, a suitcase worth \$150 and a computer case worth \$100 were also taken from the vehicle.

2 Identity Theft (7400 block of Beckwith)

The victim came into the Morton Grove Police station to make a report of an ongoing identity theft problem that started in November of 2006. The report was made on Friday, March 16. A bank recently told the victim that someone attempted to open an account in her name and there was also a false address listed on the victim's credit report.

3 Theft From Vehicle (5600 block of Dempster)

Unknown person or persons took a purse containing a wallet, cell phone and credit cards from a vehicle in the 5600 block of Dempster on Sunday, March 18. The items have an estimated value of \$190. The victim said she did not lock the doors of her vehicle and left the driver's window open.

4 Tire, Wheel Missing from Vehicle (8800 block of Moody)

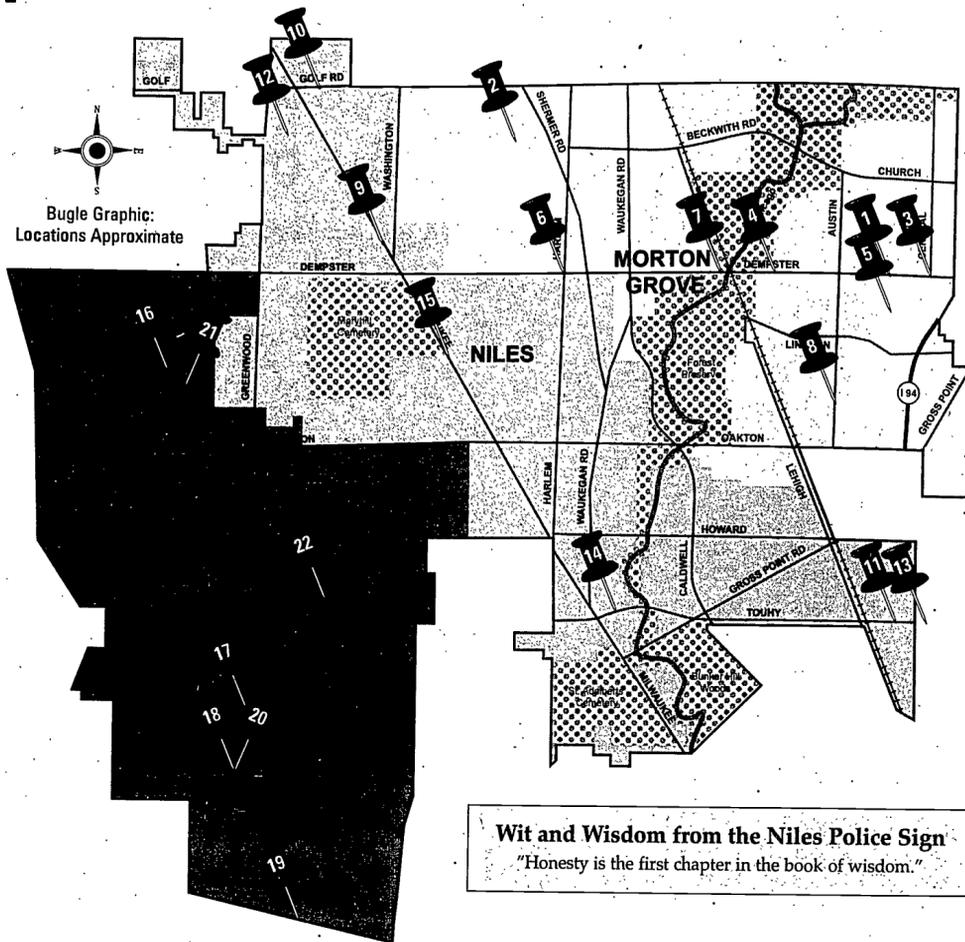
Unknown subject or subjects removed a tire and wheel from a vehicle in the 8800 block of Moody sometime between Saturday, March 17 and Sunday, March 18. The victim saw that his vehicle was put up on a portable jack and the tire and wheel were removed.

5 Hubcaps Stolen from Vehicle (5800 block of Crain)

Two passenger side hubcaps and the front passenger side fog light were taken from a vehicle in the 5800 block of Crain by unknown person or persons sometime between Monday, March 12 and Tuesday, March 13.

6 Retail Theft (7200 block of Dempster)

A 44-year-old Morton Grove woman and a 28-year-old Skokie woman were arrested after a loss prevention officer observed them switching tags on merchandise at a store in the



7200 block of Dempster on Tuesday, March 13. Their court date is April 27 and bond is \$1,000.

7 Arrest on Warrant (Dempster/Lehigh)

A 39-year-old Morton Grove woman was arrested on Sunday, March 18 at Dempster and Lehigh. Police said there was an outstanding warrant for her arrest out of Ford County. The bond is set at \$125 and the court date is unknown.

8 DUI/Leaving Scene of Crash (Austin/Monroe)

A 31-year-old Niles resident was arrested on Tuesday, March 13 after striking a motorcyclist, injuring the driver and then fleeing the area. Police said the subject was driving under the influence of alcohol. The court date is April 9.

NILES

9 Possession of Cannabis (8900 block of Milwaukee)

Police observed a silver Ford

parked and running behind a vacant building in the 8900 block of N. Milwaukee and after a search of the vehicle Cannabis and a glass pipe were discovered on Saturday, March 24. The subject was issued a ticket and a fine was paid at the scene.

10 Liquor Violation (8500 block of Golf)

In an upstairs Karaoke room at a business located in the 8500 block of Golf, police found small glasses with light colored liquid and a glass decanter filled with Crown Royal hard liquor on Friday, March 23. The manager was issued a citation for selling bottles of hard liquor.

11 Burglary to Vehicle (5700 block of Touhy)

Unknown subject or subjects broke out the driver's side front window and removed the navigation system located on the lower left corner of the windshield of a vehicle in the 5700 block of Touhy on Friday,

March 23. The estimated cost of the navigation system is \$1,000. A witness said she saw a blue four-door vehicle circling the parking lot several times.

12 Battery (400 Golf Mill)

The victim said the subject scratched his finger when he grabbed a receipt from the victim's hand on Saturday, March 24 at a store in the 400 block of Golf Mill. The subject admitted to being angry and to bumping the victim's hand when taking the receipt.

13 Vehicle Burglary (5600 block of Touhy)

Unknown person or persons broke out the passenger side front window and took the navigation system from a vehicle in the parking lot in the 5600 block of Touhy on Friday, March 23. The estimated cost of the navigation system is \$500.

14 Leaving Scene of Property Damage Crash (7000 block of Touhy)

A 23-year-old Skokie man

was arrested in the 7000 block of Touhy on Friday, March 23 for failing to reduce speed to avoid an accident and for leaving the scene of a property damage crash. The bond is set at \$1,000 and the court date is May 4.

15 DUI Arrest (9200 block of Milwaukee)

A 28-year-old Chicago man was arrested on Monday, March 26 for driving under the influence of alcohol (.192), speeding and improper lane usage at the 9200 block of Milwaukee. The court date is May 11 and bond is set at \$1,000.

PARK RIDGE

16 Grill Stolen from Driveway (2100 block of W. Birch)

Unknown subject or subjects took the victim's Weber propane grill that was located on the victim's driveway in the 2100 block of W. Birch some-

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time between Wednesday, March 14 and Thursday, March 15. The estimated value of the grill is \$400.

17 Burglary to Residence (500 block of S. Greenwood)

Unknown person or persons entered the victim's residence in the 500 block of S. Greenwood sometime between Thursday, March 15 and Friday, March 16 and took the victim's purse. The purse was found in the victim's vehicle and \$400 in US currency had been removed from the purse, said police.

18 Eggs Thrown at Home (1000 block of S. Delphia)

Eggs were thrown at the front of the victim's house in the 1000 block of S. Delphia sometime between Sunday, March 18 and Tuesday, March 20. The estimated cost of the damage is unknown.

19 Burglary to Storage Shed (800 block of W. Higgins)

Police said unknown subject or subjects forced open a door to a storage shed outside a business in the 800 block of W. Higgins on Thursday, March 15. Cases of

Red Bull, Monster Energy Drink and Starbucks drinks with an estimated value of \$420 were stolen from the storage shed.

20 Shooter Tutor Stolen (1000 block of S. Delphia)

Unknown subject or subjects took a shooter tutor that is used to practice hockey shots from the driveway of the residence in the 1000 block of S. Delphia sometime between Monday, March 19 and Tuesday, March 20. The item has an estimated value of \$75.

21 Criminal Damage to Vehicle (1700 block of Walnut)

Police said unknown person or persons broke the driver's window of the victim's 2002 BMW vehicle in the 1700 block of Walnut sometime between Wednesday, March 14 and Thursday, March 15. The estimated cost of the damage is unknown.

22 Aluminum Runners Stolen (100 block of N. Northwest Hwy)

Unknown person or persons took 128 aluminum runners with an unknown value from a construction site in the 100 block of N. Northwest Hwy. sometime between Saturday, March 17 and Monday, March 19.

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Letters to the Editor

Thill explains campaign for trustee
Dear Editor,

Recently, I was asked why I was running as a candidate of the Action Party to become a trustee for the Village of Morton Grove. I will try to explain:

I have attended the board meetings for the last 15 years. In that time I have never seen the village board rule on anything that has benefited another village. The Caucus Party ran on a platform that after 20 years of the Action Party, it was time for a change. I wasn't sure what that meant.

In the last two years under the leadership of the Caucus Party, Morton Grove has refused to allow a legitimate business into our town. As a consequence, the village of Niles is receiving well over one half a million dollars this year in taxes and will do so every year as long as the O.T.B. is around.

We helped a museum in Skokie obtain \$30,000,000 in loans. I have no objections

here; in fact I strongly supported the motion. My problem with this situation is that the village board did not protect itself on the back end of the agreement. We should have asked the museum to post a bond to protect Morton Grove from any future litigation in case we refuse to allow any future organization the same use of our bonding power. As the law is written, I understand that any 501c3 tax exempt charity within ten miles of Morton Grove can now ask for the same privilege to use our bonding power and if we refuse them we will probably end up in court. Who is going to pay our attorneys? Morton Grove?

Another issue: The Caucus administration purchased Domicile Furniture for \$1,900,000. At the beginning of negotiations it was appraised at \$900,000. Taking inflation into consideration this is still a heck of a price! We also have to pay almost another \$100,000 to demolish the building and get it ready for a developer. Our only hope is that we can sell this

site for at least \$2,000,000 to break even. Also on this issue, a sign was allowed to be put on the building after we bought it, directing business to Lincolnwood.

On our last garbage bill from Groot, there was a note at the top stating the mayor was able to pay down some of our bill. What this note didn't say was that in the past two years the village portion of our tax bill has gone up 25 percent. Taking a hundred dollars from me and giving me back \$25 doesn't seem right, and then to claim you've done me a favor. I don't think so.

The Caucus party is taking credit for all the development that is going on in the village at the present time. Don't be fooled by this. Every single thing going on now, I assure you, was in the pipe line before the last election. There may be other projects going on now, but give credit where credit is due.

I heard one of the board members say, "all of this is water under the bridge; the voters won't be interested!"

The only way you can get a handle on the future is to look at past performance.

I have been asked, "What is my agenda?" My response is that I am only interested in the good of Morton Grove, not the surrounding towns. So, if that is considered an agenda then I do have one. I'm a Morton Grover for Morton Grove. At this time of my life I should be oiling my rocking chair but if the citizens of Morton Grove put me on the board, I will work as hard as I can for Morton Grove.

I and my fellow candidates, Shel Marcus and Dan Staackmann are willing to debate the other two party's candidates any place and any time. There are other issues so lets allow the public to hear us!

I encourage all Morton Grove to vote on April 17. Our local election has the greatest immediate effect on your lives so get involved. Vote.

John Thill
Candidate for Trustee
Morton Grove



Another Perspective
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Diet Right

It is obvious there is a devil. Why else would delicious things like donuts, cakes, ice cream, puddings and pies all make you fat? Losing weight is one of the most difficult things in the world. It is so easy to put on and so hard to take off. Two years ago I weighed 197 lbs. and rising. Today I am 174, on my way down to my "ideal" weight of 165. That will be six pounds lighter than when I graduated college. Here is how I'm doing it.

First, you have to get a little perspective. Some of us are "pears", some of us are "apples" (me), and some are "rails". Rails can eat anything and still look great. My curse: fat goes right to my belly. It seems like just smelling a delicious treat gets me fatter. Realize that your body type is your body type and there is no way to change it. Being fat isn't being bad, ugly or lazy, you just need to adjust your habits to fit your body type.

Second, you did not get here in a day, week or month. Most of our weight is gained over time. Our lifestyles change, we stop growing, we become more sedentary, but we neglect to adjust our eating habits. Over 80% of weight gain is caused by what we eat. Exercise accounts for very little in the weight game. It is very easy to eat 2000 calories. Two milk shakes will do the trick, if you super size them you can get it to 3000 calories easily. Of course, you will get hungry later. The number of calories the body needs in a day is different for every person. 2,000 calories is a rough average of what people eat in a day. Keep in mind that for most of us 1800 calories will do. If you eat more calories than you need you gain weight, less and you lose it. It is a numbers game.

3500 calories is approximately a pound and that is what you need to lose one pound per week. 7 days/week by 1800 calories is 12,600 calories. 3500 calories is 28% of that. If you try to lose a pound a week you will feel hungry. Recognize that it is

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Edward Jones ranked No.6 in first-ever BusinessWeek customer service ranking

The global financial services firm Edward Jones is the highest-ranking brokerage firm on BusinessWeek magazine's first-ever ranking of "Customer Service Champs," according to the two Niles Edward Jones financial advisors. The St. Louis-based firm ranked No. 6 among 25 national and international companies that - according to the magazine's March 5 edition - are the "best providers of customer service."

The BusinessWeek list ranks the best-providers of customer service and digs into the techniques, strategies and tools they use to deliver great service, according to the magazine.

"Edward Jones ranked 50 points higher than average full-service brokers overall," the magazine reported. "Their financial advisors, which received high marks for knowledge levels, scored 11.9 points higher than the industry average."

"We are delighted to be recognized by BusinessWeek, one of the most respected business

publications in the country," said James D. Weddle, managing partner of Edward Jones. "It's another reflection of our commitment to providing outstanding service to our clients, the true judges of service quality."

To launch the process, BusinessWeek created a list of companies based largely on brands in J.D. Power & Associates' database. In addition, the magazine polled 3,000 of its readers, generating a pool of names most associated with treating customers well. J.D. Power then surveyed customers about the brands that were nominated by readers but not already in its database.

In addition to the BusinessWeek accolades, Edward Jones ranks highest in full-service investor satisfaction for the second consecutive year, according to the J.D. Power & Associates 2006 Full Service Investor Satisfaction Study (SM). The firm ranked highest by J.D. Power and Associates in 2005

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How do Niles businesses feel about proposed gross receipts tax plan?

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
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The Niles Chamber of Commerce is currently looking for feedback from their members on the governor's gross receipts tax (GRT) plan.

The Illinois Chamber of Commerce is committed to stopping the governor's proposal, which they say is the "largest tax increase in Illinois history."

Niles Chamber of Commerce Director Katie DiMaria said the Illinois Chamber has been encouraging local chambers to contact their state representatives about this issue and jump on board with them to stop the proposal. DiMaria said they

wanted to see how their chamber members feel about the proposal before taking any further action.

According to a state website, the GRT tax will treat all businesses in Illinois fairly because low rates with a broad base will be applied. The website also states that the GRT is predictable, will generate more than \$6 billion per year in net revenues, and that all small businesses with less than \$1 million in Illinois annual sales will be exempt from the GRT tax. There are specific industries, such as retail food and drugs products, insurance products and Medicaid payments that will be exempt as well.

According to the Illinois Chamber of Commerce website, "If this plan is approved, Illinois will most certainly lose jobs and businesses to other states for lack of regard for the economic consequences of his political ambitions for big government."

The Illinois Chamber of Commerce believes that this "Goods and Services Tax" would increase consumer prices for everyday expenses and that gross receipts tax comes off the top of what a business takes in, whether a company is making a profit or if it's losing money. As a result, they believe jobs would be cut and businesses would move to other states.

Auditor commends Metra for reliable, safe service

Metra recently received commendation from the Illinois Auditor General for running a cost effective, safe and reliable commuter railroad.

These conclusions are from a two-year audit of the agency's operations. The audit indicates that Metra performs well by

managing costs, maintaining its fleet and achieving a high level of customer satisfaction, when compared to other agencies in its peer group across the United States.

The audit was performed as part of a state mandated review of the Regional Transportation

Authority and its three service boards, the Chicago Transit Authority, Metra and Pace.

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The Follies of Market Timing

Many investors try to "time" the market by "buying low and selling high." In theory, that's a great idea - but it's almost impossible to put into practice. If you try to outguess the market, you run the substantial risk of guessing wrong - of buying stocks too soon, before they get even cheaper, or of selling stocks too late, after they've fallen from their highs. But these are only the most obvious of the problems that can result from market timing. Here are some others to consider:

- *You could lose your investment discipline.* The best investors are the disciplined investors. They choose quality stocks and hold them for the long term, through good and bad markets. In fact, they have conditioned themselves to ignore short-term price swings in either direction, based on their belief that their patience eventually will be rewarded.
- *You could hurt your diversification.* To succeed as an investor, you need to build a diversified portfolio. Your exact mix of investments will depend on your individual goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. Over time, as your situation changes - for example, when you move from the working world to retirement - you will need to adjust your portfolio. But if you're constantly buying and selling in a vain attempt to time the market, you may well end up with a perennially "unbalanced" portfolio. Keep in mind, though, that even a diversified portfolio won't guarantee a profit, nor will it protect against a loss in a declining market.
- *You could run up transaction costs.* Stock transactions can be expensive, as you rack up commissions and other fees. Over time, these costs can significantly erode your investment returns. If you are always trying to "buy low" and "sell high" you'll be doing an awful lot of buying and selling.
- *You could run up your tax bill.* When you sell a stock for a profit, you must pay capital gains taxes. However, if you hold a stock for at least one year before selling, you will be assessed the most favorable capital gains rate, which is 15 percent for most investors. But if you were to pursue a buy low/sell high strategy, you could sell some stocks before a year has lapsed and pay higher capital gains rates. And if you're repeatedly selling a lot of shares in this accelerated time frame, you could face some unpleasant surprises when it's time to file your taxes.
- *Clearly, the buy low/sell high approach has some major drawbacks.* So should you ignore the price of a stock when you're making buy or sell decisions? No - just look at more than the price. If you're considering buying a stock whose price is low, try to find out why it's low. If it's a good company in the grip of a strong "bear" market, then a low price may indeed indicate a good bargain. But if a company's stock price is low because its products are no longer competitive, or the company itself is part of a declining industry, then "buying low" with the hopes of eventually reaping big profits probably doesn't make much sense.
- *Make your investment decisions carefully.* But until a crystal ball arrives, don't try to stay one step ahead of the market - or you could fall far behind.

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Lutheran General Vein experts to appear in Niles

Experts from the Advocate Lutheran General Center for Vein Health will provide information about vein problems, including varicose and spider veins, during community events in April.

Representatives from the center will appear at the Mainstreamer's Senior Expo on Wednesday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Chateau Ritz, 9100 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles. They

also will be available to answer questions on Saturday, April 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Golf Mill Shopping Center, 239 Golf Mill Center, Niles.

At the Lutheran General Center for Vein Health, 8816 W. Dempster St., Niles, nationally renowned vascular surgeon Vikrom Sottirai, M.D., and specialized nurses provide patients with the latest techniques for vein care. All

types of vein problems are diagnosed and treated, including varicose and spider veins, which are the most common conditions.

Signs and symptoms of varicose veins include: aching in the legs; swelling of the legs, feet and ankles; itching skin; skin ulcers; an unpleasant cosmetic appearance; cramps or generalized aching in the legs; and heaviness in legs or leg muscles that tire easily.

During the upcoming community events, the Center for Vein Health representatives will help persons understand more about vein disease and discuss evaluation and treatment options.

The Lutheran General Center for Vein Health is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For additional information or to make an appointment, call (847) 723-3008.

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time and habit that will get you trim and keep you there. Don't be a maniac about weight loss. The goal is to learn good habits. Exercise doesn't have to be vigorous or exhausting. A leisure walk at 2 mph will burn 175 calories. 175 x 7 days a week is 1225 calories. Only 2275 to go. Cut out liquid calories, just drink water. Your body doesn't need anything else and the calories create fat. Lay off the cookies and white sugar products. Six cookies are about 600 calories and when was the last time anyone ate just six? A brownie bite has 130 calories. An egg has just 70. Apples are about 100. Try to eat nine eggs or six apples. You will feel gorged well before three or so and you will have eaten fewer calories. You need to set a goal, focus and get there. Once there give yourself a break and stabilize at that weight. Let your body get used to being ten pounds lighter, then start on the next ten.

The key is measurement and monitoring. You need to set your goal and give yourself enough time to get there. Keep track of your daily calorie count. Make sure it is low

enough to meet your goal. Get a very accurate scale and weigh yourself at the same time every day, because small losses will build your confidence. You did not get fat quickly and quick losses don't change lifestyles. Your goal is to retrain yourself to eat right.

Monitor your sleep and stress levels. Research shows that if you are chronically tired or stressed you overeat to compensate, trying to keep your energy level up. Get to bed earlier, cut out stressful people, situations, and activities from your life, and learn to let things go. Watch yourself on holidays, either know you are going up or treat it as just another meal. Stop eating when you are full and eat slower. Give your body time to get full.

Whatever you do, realize that you are looking for an overall lifestyle that is healthy. Don't get hooked into fads and absurd weight loss promises. These are simply crutches and once off you are back where you started. If you see someone looking better and trimmer - tell them! They need to hear it. Create habits that you can live with for the long run. You can do it, others have and you will too. Here's to your better life and a new you. Enjoy!

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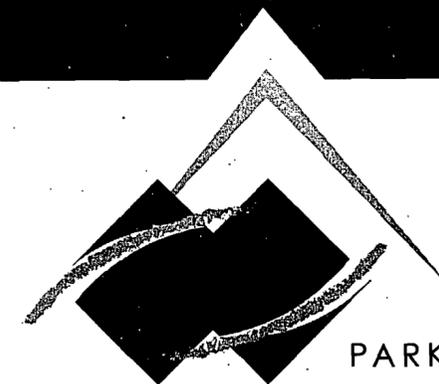


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Niles Senior News

Free 9-1-1 cell phone at Niles Senior Center

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Registration, April 5 1 p.m. Cook County Sheriff Thomas Dart and the Niles Senior Center invite Niles seniors who do not have a cell phone to register to receive a FREE 911 Emergency Cell Phone. Having a cell phone that can reach emergency services offers seniors an extra measure of security whether they are driving, taking public transportation, or participating in outdoor activities. In addition to a phone, each senior attending the April 5th event will receive two batteries, a charger and instructions on how to access 911 on their cell phone. You must register in advance to attend this one-day event.

Niles Senior Center Collecting Old/Unwanted Cell Phones

If you would like to donate your old and unwanted cell phone(s) to the Sheriff's Cell

Phones for Seniors program, drop them off at the Niles Senior Center, 999 Civic Center Drive, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Any brand, make or model of cellular phone, whether working or not, is acceptable.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony New Computer Lab

Thursday, April 5 11 a.m. Join us as we officially introduce our updated computer lab. Learn about the increased capabilities of the new operating system and pick up a schedule of our expanded classes.

Refreshments will be served.

AARP Driver's Safety Program

2 Day Class, April 2nd and 3rd 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. \$10

This two day refresher course is designed to tune up your driving skills and update your knowledge of the rules of the road. Learn about normal age-related physical changes and how to adapt to these changes.

Qualify for an auto insurance premium reduction/discount (both days are required to qualify for the discount). You must pre-register for this course. Payment is due the first day of the course. Payment must be made by check only, made payable to AARP. The registration deadline for this course is Wednesday, March 14th.

'Ragtime'

Wednesday, April 25th 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$60

This 1998 Tony Award winning musical paints a nostalgic and powerful portrait of life in turn of the Century America. Before the show, we will dine at the Great Street Restaurant, located in the Renaissance Chicago Hotel. A fabulous buffet, fabulous skyline views, and a fabulous show await you! (Some stairs) Make your reservation by Friday, March 16th.

Federal Telephone Excise 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.

Grief Workshop to Offer Support

Three Session Series to Begin in May

Beginning Wednesday, May 9, the Niles Senior Center will hold a three-session grief workshop for Niles residents touched by the loss of a loved one. The workshops will meet on Wednesdays from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. and will focus on the following areas: Workshop #1, May 9 - "What has happened to me?" Trying to make sense of the many feelings you experience after the loss of a spouse or loved one is a difficult process. Workshop #2, May 16 - "Dealing with expectations

of ourselves and others." Dealing with other people's feelings and concerns can raise anxiety, especially if we feel that people want us to "move on" or "be happy again." Workshop #3, May 23 - "Adjusting to a different lifestyle." At this workshop we will explore the stress of living alone and ways to adjust to new social roles and responsibilities. Please call Bev Wessels, MSW, LSW, ACSW, or Melanie Amin, LCSW, at (847) 588-8420 for more information. This program is offered at no cost, but enrollment for this workshop is necessary.

Beginning Wood-carving

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. \$25

Instructor Irv Marion is inviting new woodcarvers to join his Wednesday morning class.

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Morton Grove Senior News

Sudoku classes at MG Senior Center

Sudoku Class

Sudoku, the number logic puzzle involving the digits one through nine, is a great brain exercise for people of all ages. This free class will be held at the Morton Grove Senior Center from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday, April 6. Register by calling the Senior Hot Line at (847) 470-5223. There must be at least five participants registered.

'Back & Neck Pain' Lecture

Join Gregg Bradford, D.C. at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10 in the Morton Grove Senior Center for a free workshop that will help those who suffer from back or neck pain. There must be 15 individuals registered for this program, so call the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line today at (847) 470-5223. This program is presented by Bradford Chiropractic Health Center and the Morton Grove Senior Center.

Golf Middle School Computer Classes

Golf Middle School, in partnership with the Morton Grove Senior Center, is offering free classes to senior citizen Morton Grove residents. Classes are held between 4 and 5 p.m. on Tuesdays starting April 10 and are taught by Golf School District 67 staff. Class dates and titles are:

April 10 and 17 - "Introducing the Computer,"

April 24 and May 1 - "The Internet and E-Mail,"

May 8 - "Microsoft Word,"

and

May 15 - "Internet Shopping."

Please register by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at (847) 470-5223.

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, April 10 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, April 10 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.

'The Art of Norman Rockwell' - Cancelled

This program, which had been scheduled at the Morton Grove Senior Center for Thursday, April 12, has been cancelled due to insufficient pre-registrations.

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, April 14 and 21 at the Morton Grove Senior Center; and from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15 and Thursday, May 17 in the Prairie View Community Center. The cost is \$10 and only a personal check is accepted. Register in-person at the Morton Grove Senior Center.

'Musical of Musicals The Musical!'

Spend the afternoon of Wednesday, April 18 at the Pheasant Run Theatre with America's favorite musical creators as one storyline about an ingénue who can't pay her rent, transforms into five mini-musicals - each dedicated to distinct composer's style. There is a choice of a fish or beef lunch included with this show. The bus departs from the Morton Grove Senior Center at 11:15 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m. Register in-person at the Senior Center. The cost is \$78 for Senior Center Members and \$90 for non-members.

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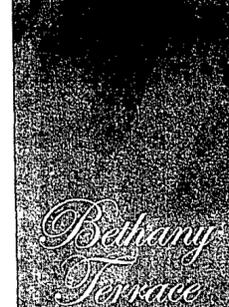
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Maine Twp. Senior News

Maine Twp. seniors plan spring trips, classes and more

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.mainetownship.com.

'AARP'S Driver Safety Program'

Monday, Mar. 26 and Wednesday, Mar. 28, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Instructor: Stanley Fukai, AARP Cost: \$10 check due on the first day, made payable to AARP

This two-part class helps

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

'Springfest Luncheon'

Tuesday, Apr. 10. Doors open: 11 a.m. Lunch served: 12 p.m. Crystal Palace, 2648 Dempster. \$14 members/\$15 guests + \$1 fish

Come join your fellow MaineStreamers as we celebrate the arrival of spring. The day's menu features salad, pork loin, oven-browned potatoes, broccoli and carrots, and rocky road ice cream for dessert. Then enjoy the wonderful voices of our neighbors-the Park Ridge Choraliers. Bingo will follow. Reservations and cancellations must be received by Tuesday, Apr. 3. Next luncheon: Wednesday, May 9 at Chateau Ritz. Sponsored by The Summit of Uptown.

Save the Date... 'Swing into Spring' Senior Expo

Wednesday, Apr. 18. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chateau Ritz, 9100 N. Milwaukee in Niles.

Here's your chance to take advantage of a free event that provides not only entertainment, but health screenings, information on how to improve your finances and other lifestyle improvement services. There will be fun gardening presentations, cooking demonstrations, as well as a wealth of information from a variety of businesses, organizations and services of interest to you.

Wanted: Maine Township Residents 90 years of age and older

If you are one of these special people or if you know of someone, please contact us at 847-297-2510 so we can send the celebrant an invitation to a special event in May.

FISH of Park Ridge

The FISH organization, which provides free transportation for medical appointments including dialysis,

physical/radiation therapy and others, is now coordinated through Maine Township. To arrange a ride, contact Gloria Stepek at 847-297-2510. FISH is also looking for volunteer drivers interested in providing transportation. Call Ed Oken, president of FISH, at 847-696-0761 to volunteer.

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.

Day Trip

The following Day Trip is currently on sale. In order to sign up for a Day Trip you must first sign up to be a member and then a reservation

form will be sent to you. To become a member, call the MaineStreamers at 847-297-2510 and ask for an application. All Day Trips depart from the State of Illinois Building, 9511 Harrison St. in Des Plaines.

Joffrey Ballet Trip

Chicago - Rain Forest Café and the Auditorium Theatre. Sunday, May 6 - 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost: \$84 members/ \$89 guests.

We start our day enjoying a family style lunch at the Rainforest Café. The menu will feature: Jungle Chopped Salad with raspberry vinaigrette dressing, Rainforest Fried Chicken, Paradise Pot Roast, garlic mashed potatoes, Napa veggies, and banana cheese cake with raspberry drizzle for dessert. Then it's off to the Auditorium Theatre to enjoy Dress Circle seats for the awesome Joffrey Ballet as they perform Light Rain - gravity-defying dances that spark the imagination. Don't miss the event of the year.

Obituaries

Joseph Antenore, 91

Joseph Antenore, 91, of Niles, passed away Saturday, March 24, 2007 at Lutheran General Hospital. He was born May 2, 1915 in Chicago. Beloved son of the late Luigi Antenore and the late Mary (nee Calabrese) Antenore; husband of Grace (nee Messina) Antenore; father of Judi Cappa; grandfather of Joe (Carrie), Jeanine (Shawn), Julie, and the late Jennie; the best "Papa Joe" of Nick, Natalie, Caroline, and Samuel; friend to everyone. Services were held March 26 at St. Juliana Church.

Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment at Maryhill Cemetery. He was a quality control inspector for Helene Curtis. Memorials to: St. Juliana Church, 7201 N. Oketo Ave., Chicago, IL 60631.

Margaret Colleen Chouinard, 91

Margaret Colleen Chouinard, 91, of Des Plaines, passed away Friday, March 23, 2007 at Oakton Pavilion Nursing Home. She was born December 15, 1915 in Council Bluffs, IA. Beloved daughter of the late Edward J. Schilling and the late Cecil Mae (nee Ferritor) Schilling; wife of LeRoy Chouinard; mother of Judith (Pat) Perillo and Arlene

(Ronald) Cassidy; grandmother of Patricia (Scott), Julie, Kathleen (John), Coreen, Lauren, Ronald (Krissy), and the late James; great-grandmother of Travis, Jessica, Nicholas, Augustin, and Kailey; sister of Phyllis, Muriel, Patricia, and the late Mary Ruth; sister-in-law of Winifred and Robert; aunt of many nieces and nephews. Services were held March 26 at Our Lady of Ransom Church.

Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment at Queen of Heaven Cemetery. She was a homemaker.

He was a longtime employee of the East Main School District and member of the Niles VFW Post 7712 and the Paul Revere Masonic Temple Lodge #998 A.F. & A.M. Memorials to: Illinois Knights Templar Home, 450 Fulton Street, Paxton, IL 60957.

Veteran Ronald S. Rutkowski, 75

Veteran Ronald S. Rutkowski, 75, of Niles, passed away Friday, March 16, 2007 at Northwest Community Hospital. He was born April 2, 1931 in Chicago. Beloved son of the late Anton Rutkowski and the late Angeline (nee Cymerman) Rutkowski; husband of Evelyn M. (nee Sadik) Rutkowski; father of Mark (Terry) and Trudy; grandfather of Paul and Sarah; brother of the late Lorraine (the late Joseph) and the late Marilyn (Bud); uncle and great-uncle of many. Services were held March 21 at Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment at St. Adalbert Cemetery. He worked in quality control for a dairy company. Memorials to: American Lung Association or the Salvation Army.

Arrangements handled by Ryan-Parke Funeral Home. Interment at Irving Park

Harriet Dorothea Scharringhausen, 100

Harriet Dorothea (nee Zorn) Scharringhausen, 100, of Arlington Heights, formerly of Park Ridge, passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at The Lutheran Home in Arlington Heights. She was born August 14, 1906 in Chicago. Beloved daughter of the late Harry Zorn and the late Minnie Zorn; wife of the late George L. Scharringhausen, Jr.; mother of Helen Brown and Bill (Barbara); sister of Dorothea; grandmother of eight and great-grandmother of 13.

Arrangements handled by Ryan-Parke Funeral Home. Interment at Town of Maine Cemetery. A celebration of her life will be announced at a later date. She was a charter member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Park Ridge and helped run the family pharmacy. Memorials in her name to: LI District Kiwanis Spastic Paralysis Research Foundation, 111 S. Second St., Suite 202, DeKalb, IL 60115; AT Children's Project, 668 S. Military Trail, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442; or the church or charity of choice appreciated.

Sylvia C. Schreiman, 87

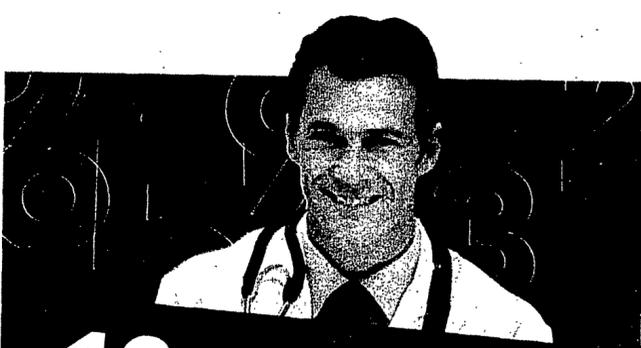
Sylvia C. Schreiman, 87, of Des Plaines, passed away Tuesday,

March 20, 2007 at home. She was born February 17, 1920 in Chicago. Beloved daughter of the late Walter Joseph Schreiman and the late Anne (nee Wozniak) Schreiman; sister of Walter (Lillian); aunt of Nancy (John), Walter (Cheryl), and Robert; great-aunt of Kelly, Emily, Katelyn, Alison, Daniel, and Jonathan. Services were held March 23 at St. Thecla Church.

Arrangements handled by Skaja Terrace Funeral Home. Interment at St. Adalbert Cemetery. She was a stenographer. Memorials to: Charity of choice appreciated.

Phyllis W. Zbylut, 90

Phyllis W. Zbylut (nee Slobodzian), 90, of Park Ridge, passed away Monday, March 19, 2007 at Lutheran General Hospital. Beloved wife of Edward J. Zbylut; mother of Donald; grandmother of James (Alexia), Edward, and Steven (Suzanne); great-grandmother of Christopher and August; aunt of many nieces and nephews. Services were held March 23 at St. Paul of the Cross Church. Arrangements handled by Ryan-Parke Funeral Home. Entombment at All Saints Mausoleum. She was a longtime resident of Park Ridge.



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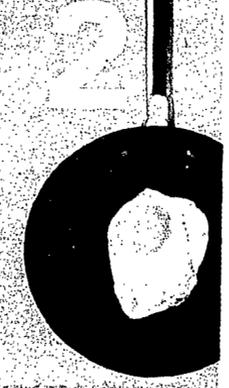
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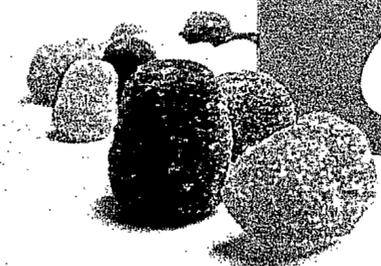


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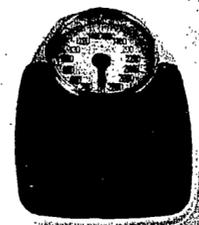


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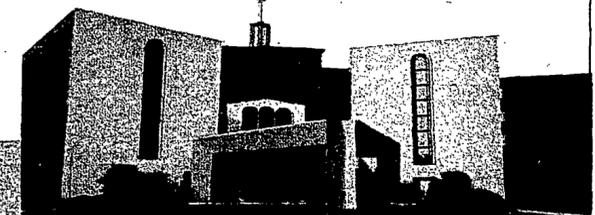


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Notre Dame winter sports award winners announced

Notre Dame High School's winter sports award winners were recently announced. They include the following student athletes:

Bowling

MVP - Brett Dahm '07 (Chicago - 60631)
KingPin Award - Kyle Gdowski '07 (Chicago 60646)
Most Improved - Zach Timm '07 (Park Ridge)
Coaches Award - Bill Kerber '10 (Chicago 60631)
Heart of the Team - Jake Dalak '10 (Chicago 60630)

Swimming

MVP - David Schmerler '07

(Chicago 60646)
Coaches Award - Max Kiefer '08 (Chicago 60631)
Most Improved - Sean Ryan '09 (Park Ridge)
Spirit Award - Joe Frake '08 (Morton Grove)
 Scholastic Team:
MVP - John Bussa '07 (Wilmette)
Team Player Award - Matt Hanna '07 (Glenview)
 Basketball:
MVP - Bob Flood '07 (Arlington Heights) and Matt Weel '07 (Niles)
Most Improved - Marc Bianchini '07 (Park Ridge)

Coaches Award - Kevin Seyter '08 (Des Plaines)
Wrestling
Kevin McCann Memorial MVP - Joe Graves '07 (Chicago 60646)
Pat Brand Memorial Most Improved Awards - Nick Nowatarski '08 (Des Plaines), Pat Kinnear '07 (Chicago 60631), Peter Fudalej '07 (Chicago 60656)
Deke Edwards Memorial Most Inspirational Awards - Steve Catalano '07 (Chicago 60656), Brendan McAleer '07 (Arlington Heights), Brad Hammer '07 (Chicago 60646)

Bo Cisek '08 (Harwood Heights)
Coaches Awards - Mike Casey '08 (Niles), Pat Gale '07 (Chicago 60646), Bob Provox '07 (Chicago 60631), Liam Hanninen '07 (Chicago 60646), Mark Conlisk '07 (Chicago 60646), Bo Cisek '08 (Harwood Heights), Joe Metzger '08 (Chicago 60656), Bill McFigue '08 (Chicago 60631), Nick Nowatarski '08 (Des Plaines), Bill Gavin '09 (Chicago 60656), Myles McDarrah '08 (Chicago 60646)
Taylor Eschoo Memorial Awards - Julian Burgos '10 (Chicago

60631), Kevin Heneghan '10 (Chicago 60630), Eric Schuler '10 (Chicago 60646), Brian Ridge '10 (Chicago 60631)
Newcomer of the Year Awards - Alex Tsakanikas '08 (Chicago 60656), Denis Walsh (Chicago 60646), Tim Gavin '09 (Chicago 60631), Tim Redmond '09 (Chicago 60646)
Alan Marzano Academic Excellence Award - Brad Hammer '07 (Chicago 60646)
Best Stats, Most Falls, Most Takedowns - Joe Graves '07 (Chicago 60646)

RAIDERS ROUND-UP

Men's Basketball (29-6, 14-0)

Illinois Skyway Collegiate Conference) Competing in Nationals: Oakton's 83-79 loss to Monroe Community College in the second round of the NJCAA Division II National Tournament puts the Raiders in an elimination game today (1 p.m., Friday, March 23) against defending national champion Cecil Community College (31-3). If the

Raiders win, they play again Saturday, March 24 to determine fifth and sixth place finishers in the 12-team tournament.

Baseball (12-2)

Successful Florida Trip: The Raiders went 12-2 in their annual Florida Trip March 9-17. The Raiders flexed their muscle pitching five shutouts while outscoring their opponents 124-39.

Second Place Finish for St. Juliana Math Team



On Saturday, March 3rd, six boys from St. Juliana School participated in the 27th Annual Math Contest for Seventh Grade Boys at St. Patrick High School in Chicago. Ten schools took part in the contest. The schools competed in team competitions as well as individual contests. St. Juliana School placed second in the team competition. Patrick Rahifs won 2nd place in the individual contest. Seventh graders Matthew McBride and Steven Pelrine won awards for Excellent Achievement. The members of the St. Juliana 7th Grade Boys Math Team are Steven Pelrine, Jon Ellingsen, Matthew McBride, Patrick Rahifs, Daniel Panico, and Kevin Mendoza. Junior High math teacher Ms. Kanela Arianas coaches the team.

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Court Rules: Anne Marzullo Back on Ballot

By Tracy Yoshida Gruen
 STAFF WRITER

Anne Marzullo's name is back on the ballot in the race for East Maine School Dist. 63 trustee in the April 17 election.

"I felt confident it was going to happen," said Marzullo. "It was a lot of grief and aggravation."

A judge in the circuit court of Cook County ordered that Marzullo be placed back on the ballot on March 19. The respondent in the case was Sonja Witschonke-Mess.

The court order states, "The

electoral board's finding was unsupported by the record and beyond the manifest weight of the evidence."

"I'm going to work very hard to get re-elected," shared Marzullo.

Marzullo said Father John Smyth, president of Notre Dame High School in Niles, wrote a letter supporting the integrity of her character. She said it wasn't used in court, but she may use it in her campaign.

Marzullo said staff from Dist. 63 came to her door with flowers to celebrate her being back in the race.

Maine East names students of the month

Maine East High School has announced the February students of the month.

Applied Arts and Technology - Michael Betterman, Monica Cuevas, Sophia Dimoulis, Mayra Guzman, Heather Peace, Keith Tan and John Paul Youkhanna

Art - Leena Danawala, Falguni Rana, Liz Reynolds and Simona Stancheva

Driver Education - Preksha Agnihotri and Angela Behrendt

English - Melvin Abraham, Ashley Joy, Heather Kowalsky, Christina Ladd, Michael Mikho, Caitlin Mora, Adriana Pulido-Medina, Karine Rosime and Adam Stawiarz

English as a Second Language/

Bilingual Education - Khusien Bayasagan, Enkh-Erdene Erbenebaatar, Nikita Gandhi, Rustam Huseinai, Agnieszka Korol, Diana Laszczkowska, Krystiana Majchrowicz, Ernesto Bonfilio Martinez, Digisha Patel, Shreyangiben Patel and Sanu Philipose

Foreign Language - Melvudin Atic, Donna Aziz, Derrick Contreras, Taniya Easow, Suzanne Hansel, Safia Khan, Michelle Kleine and Sahrish Moyeed

Mathematics - Shareen George, Leah Hernandez, Jakob Kusiak, Alyssa Paguirigan, Nicky Patel, Marc Rashkow and Nicole Tagle

Music - Martha Disclafani and Erin Li

Physical Education and

Health - Ossama Anis, Vanessa Azra, Naina Baledina, Klaudia Bartyzel, Natalia Bialecki, Swati Gandhi, Mark Jarosz, Shane Long, Elma Lugonjic, Richard Morgan, Mihirkumar Patel, Stephanie Peter, Purvi Patel and Latoya Smellie

Science - Khusien Bayasagan, Angela Behrendt, Martha Golonko, Agnieszka Korol, Sabrina Leung, Christy Manaois, Carlos Martinez, Silvia Patino, Alexander Sweet, Mary Swoboda, Alexander Umana and Doreyde Vazquez

Social Science - Tina Aggarwal, Jose Gonzalez, Isaiiah Joo, Agata Olejnik, Shan Patel, Jebin Ponnann, Samiece Stutts

Speech and Drama - Marlene Cervantes, Romison Saint-Louis and Tyler Wisley.

Culver School Kindergarten registration coming soon

Kindergarten registration at Clarence Culver School in Niles will take place on Friday, April 20.

Families residing in Niles District 71 will be able to register their children in Kindergarten at Culver,

located at 6901 W. Oakton Street in Niles.

Those interested can call (847) 966-9280 as soon as possible for an appointment to register their child and meet with kindergarten teachers.

Tickets still available for UND Jazz Band/RJO Concert on March 31

The University of Notre Dame Jazz Band and the Reunion Jazz Orchestra will perform on Saturday, March 31 at 7 pm at the St. John Brebeuf Parish Center, 8307 North Harlem Avenue in Niles. The event is designed to support Notre Dame High School's music program and present the jazz

artistry and heritage these two acclaimed groups share. The RJO is comprised of alumni from Notre Dame High School. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information, contact Paul Tokarz, NDHS' Director of Alumni Relations at 847.779.8632 or ptokarz@ndhsdons.org.

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CAR WASH FOR CHARITY On March 31st to Benefit Chan family



On Saturday, March 31, members of Notre Dame H.S. of Niles, student body will be hosting a car wash where 100 percent of all proceeds will be given to the family of Scott Chan '08 to help support his medical bills. The car wash will be held in the NDHS parking lot from 9 am-3 pm (weather permitting). Donations for the car wash will start at \$10 for cars and \$15 for vans. Additional donations will be accepted.

Scott Chan '08 was recently diagnosed with an AVM (Arterio-Venous Malformation). He has already undergone one brain surgery procedure and is expecting to have another in the next few weeks. He is making progress and has been transferred to a rehabilitation center for extensive speech, occupational and physical therapy. The Notre Dame family is dedicated to supporting Scott and his family during the long road to recovery ahead of him. Any family wishing to make a donation to go directly to the family, can make a check payable to Notre Dame and give it to Mr. Tony Venetico. The front desk will also give Mr. Venetico any donations received. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Tam O'Shanter Golf Course Opens April 1

Spring is here, which means golf season is beginning. On April 1, the Tam O'Shanter Golf Course re-opens for the 2007 season. Again, we are opening this season with low rates, our mid day special and Chris Urgo, our golf instructor. Tam O'Shanter Golf Course is located at 6700 Howard Street. Please call (847) 965-2344 for further information.

Niles Park District Tee Ball for 5 to 7 Year Olds

Registration has begun for Niles Park District Tee Ball. This program is for girls and boys, ages 5 to 7 years. Tee Ball is an excellent introduction to baseball fundamentals and team play. Two weeks of indoor clinics are held April 7 & 14. All teams participate in the Opening Day Parade on May 12. Team shirts and Major League replica hats are provided. All players receive awards. Practices and games are held on Saturday mornings beginning April 21 at Grennan Heights, 8255 Oketo. For more information about Tee Ball, please call (847) 967-6975. Registration is being taken at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard Street.

Flashlight Egg Hunt

Kids 8 years & up are invited to participate in this fun event at Tam O'Shanter Golf Course. Grab a flashlight and get ready for some egg-hunting! A pizza dinner will be served at Golf View Recreation Center before the egg hunt. Don't forget your flashlight and bag for your eggs. Siblings not registered and parents will not be allowed to participate in the hunt or dinner. Event takes place on Wednesday, April 4 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Fee is Res \$10; Non-Res \$15. For information, please call (847) 967-6633. Pioneer Park Re-Opens April 7th

Practice Your Swing

Come out to practice your swing, whether it is with a golf club or a baseball bat, Niles Park District Pioneer Park will be re-opening for the 2007 season Saturday, April 7th (weather permitting). This facility has an 18 hole mini-golf course and 7 batting cages. While you are working up an appetite, visit our concession stand for a cool drink and something to eat. Parties and fundraisers are also available.

Our Spring hours are as follows:

Saturday April 7 - Friday June 1
Mon - Fri 5:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Pioneer Park is located at 7135 N. Harlem, (847) 583-2746. For more information prior to April 7, contact Julene at (847) 647-6777.

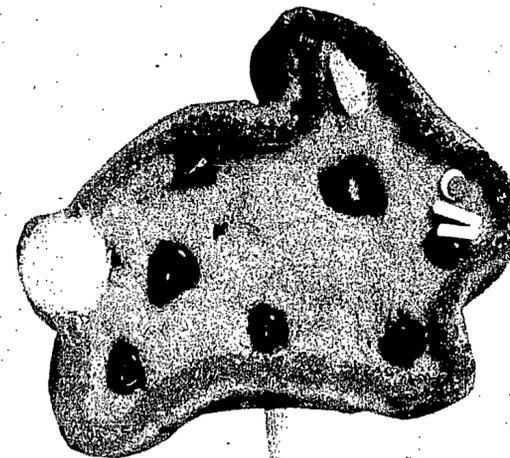


Lady Liberty Presentation to Take Place at Logan Square Library

The public is invited to attend a free presentation featuring Liberty Bank for Savings' Lady Liberty at the Logan Square Public Library, 3030 W. Fullerton Ave., in Chicago. The event will begin at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Apr. 3, 2007.

The presentation explains how the statue was designed and built as well as some updates on visiting this national treasure today.

The presentation will be both fun and informative for children and adults alike. Reservations are not required. For more information on this Liberty Bank for Savings event and other spring activities, call Susan Andrews at 773-489-4458.



hop to Easter baking

By Jenny Harper | FAMILY FEATURES

It's True

The kitchen is the heart of the home. Ever notice how people always gather there? Whether baking treats, making dinner or spending time with family and friends, the kitchen is my favorite place to be. Since my day job is Senior Culinary Specialist for the Nestlé Test Kitchens, you can bet I love to stir things up. This column lets me pass along to you some of my best recipes, tips and baking secrets.

Surprise the Easter bunny with sweet treats from your kitchen. If you're like me, you've got more than one bunny to remember with home-baked goodies. Get the kids in on the fun by baking cookies on a stick and decorating them in their Easter finest. Enlist your children's help in creating a new Easter tradition with a rich, lemony Bundt cake full of blueberries and white morsels. The kids will enjoy a sweet kitchen session and the memories of baking fun, and the kitchen skills learned will stay with them long after the treats are gone. Create tempting aromas, great tastes and warm memories in your kitchen by visiting www.VeryBestBaking.com for delicious springtime baking ideas.

Easter Cookies on a Stick

Makes 24 cookies
1 package (15 1/2 ounces) Nestlé Toll House Refrigerated Easter Sugar or Chocolate Chip Cookie Shapes with Decorator Icing
24 (6- to 8-inch) wooden skewers
Various Easter sprinkles and jimmies

Preheat oven to temperature stated on package. Insert skewer into each cookie shape. Place on ungreased baking sheets.

Bake length of time stated on package. Cool on baking sheets 2 minutes; carefully remove to wire rack to cool completely. Once cooled, outline or frost cookie shapes with Decorator Icing. Decorate with sprinkles and jimmies.

Nutrition Information per serving:
120 calories; 45 calories from fat; 5g total fat; 2g saturated fat; 5mg cholesterol; 100mg sodium; 17g carbohydrate; 0g fiber; 7g sugars; 1g protein

Lemon-Blueberry Bundt Cake

Makes 16 servings
2 cups (12-ounce package) Nestlé Toll House Premier White Morsels, divided*
2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt

1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
3 large eggs
3 tablespoons grated lemon peel (about 4 medium lemons)

1 1/2 cups buttermilk
1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
1/4 teaspoon lemon extract
2 cups fresh whole strawberries

Preheat oven to 350° F. Grease and flour 10-cup Bundt pan.

Melt 1 cup morsels in medium, uncovered, microwave-safe bowl on medium-high (70%) power 1 minute; stir. Morsels may retain some of their original shape. If necessary, microwave at 10- to 15-second intervals, stirring just until morsels melt. Cool slightly.

Combine flour, baking powder and salt in small bowl. Beat sugar, butter and vanilla extract in large mixer bowl until creamy. Beat in eggs 1 at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in

lemon peel and melted morsels. Gradually beat in flour mixture alternately with buttermilk just until combined. Pour half of batter into prepared Bundt pan. Sprinkle blueberries over batter; top with remaining batter and smooth down top.

Bake 60 to 65 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in cake comes out clean. Cool in pan on wire rack 30 minutes. Invert onto wire rack to cool completely. Transfer to serving platter.

Melt remaining morsels in medium, uncovered, microwave-safe bowl on medium-high (70%) power 1 minute; stir. Morsels may retain some of their original shape. If necessary, microwave at 10- to 15-second intervals, stirring just until morsels melt. Drizzle over cake; allow to set a few minutes. Place strawberries in center of cake before serving.

May use 6 bars (two 6-ounce boxes) Nestlé Toll House Premier White Baking Bars instead of morsels.
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7:00 p.m. Commemoration of the Lord's Supper with Adoration until Midnight
11:55 p.m. Night Prayer

Good Friday (April 6)
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer
3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death

Holy Saturday (April 7)
8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer
11:00 a.m. Easter Food Blessing
7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday Masses (April 8)
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Color me Kubrick ★★— Here is a double law about con artist movies: Watching a clever per-

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son con bright people can be very entertaining; watching a sloppy hoaxer con stupid or ignorant people is only a fool's delight. The first truth will be

affirmed by "The Hoax," the coming (April 6) movie with Richard Gere as con wizard Clifford Irving. The second is confirmed by "Color Me Kubrick," a flippant British comedy about the real but implausible hustler Alan Conway, who pretended to be director Stanley Kubrick while Kubrick was still alive (both have since died). Whatever he thought of Conway, a verbose mess, perfectionist Kubrick

probably wouldn't have cared much for the film, a less remarkable mess. He might have enjoyed John Malkovich, who gains some relief from being John Malkovich by impersonating the Kubrick impersonator. It's cute when classical music used in Kubrick films is employed here. And Kubiebaby is quite a name-dropper ("The trouble with Marlon is he thinks he's Brando"). The zinger about "Miss Kirk Douglas" is pushing the pedal too far. Never remotely probing, even when Conway cons himself into psychiatric treatment, "Color Me Kubrick" is a goof and a doodle. It can make you pine for John Hurt in "The Naked Civil Servant" or the truly witty faker played by Peter Sellers in Kubrick's "Lolita." A Magnolia Pictures release. Director: Brian Cook. Writer: Anthony Prewin. Cast: John Malkovich, Jim

Davidson, Richard E. Grant, Terence Rigby, Luke Mabley. Running time: 1 hour, 29 minutes. Unrated.

Pride ★★—"Pride" is one of those film titles, like "Victory," "Gold," "Winning" and "Perfect," suited to a movie of very obvious purpose and delivery. Not much thinking required. As with those, so again with "Pride," a sincere and plodding treatment of Philadelphia swimming coach Jim Ellis. Terrence Howard, who came to some fame and justified acclaim with "Hustle & Flow," plays Ellis, again uniting soft-eyed charm with harder textures. As a teen, inflamed by racism at a swim meet, Ellis socked a cop. So he has a police record, and since (10 years later) he can't get the job he wanted, teaching math, he becomes a coach at Marc Foster Recreation Center, though its

slum dilapidation is sized up by the sign: Mrc Foser Recation Cent. Ellis recruits local boys, a muscular, engaging bunch, plus a slight, sparky girl (Regine Nehy). And there's a shrimpy boy with a stutter, as go-for-it mascot. There is a ghetto thug for tension, and sweaty workouts alternate with urgent Ellis speeches like, "You either work as a team, or you're nothing." Even as the black swimmers improve and become competitive, the movie tends to dog paddle. Not even Howard's genuine appeal, or his can-do kids, can keep "Pride" out of the shallow end of the pool. A Lions Gate Films release. Director: Sunu Goneru. Writers: Kevin Michael Smith, Michael Gozard. Cast: Terrence Howard, Bernie Mac, Kimberly Elise, Tom Arnold, Regine Nehy. Running time: 1 hour, 45 minutes. Rated PG.

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John Malkovich plays an impostor of director Stanley Kubrick in the comedy 'Color Me Kubrick.' (CNS Photo courtesy of Magnolia Pictures)

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by Patty Gibbons Saunier

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b. We should take Mrs. Otterbein some soup.
- a. Can you bring my cane to me?
b. Can you take my cane to me?
- a. Will you bring these shirts to the cleaners?
b. Will you take these shirts to the cleaners?

Bring and take are often confused. Use bring whenever the movement is toward the speaker or writer. Use take to mean movement away from the speaker or writer.

Answers: 1. b. 2. a. 3. b.

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DECOR SCORE

Drawn up in duplication

By Rose Bennett Gilbert
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Q: Our condo has a picture window and a glass door leading to the patio. We have close neighbors, so we need privacy. Yet, the room is fairly small. Do the window and door have to match? I don't know what kind of curtains to put on them.

A: A lot depends on the size of your room. If it's small, a matching treatment on window and door will make the room appear larger. Repetition is a trick professional designers know and use well.

In the room we show here, both the wide window and the front door are dressed in simple sheer "Alouette LightLouvers," as they're called by the manufacturer (Hunter Douglas, www.hunter-douglas.com). Neither blinds nor shades in the traditional

sense, the coverings have soft louvers that filter the light when they're open, and ensure indoor privacy when they're flipped closed.

The fabric-covered head rails and the louvers also create continual horizontal movement all across the end wall that makes the room look wider in the mind's eye. It's a value-added effect you couldn't achieve if the window treatment were different from the door.

Q: I pride myself on having special things in my home (and in my closet). Maybe it's a delayed reaction of mine to wearing uniforms all through school? Anyway, my idea of a great vacation is a two- or three-day shopping trip to a different city. This year, my girlfriend and I are heading to New York. So much to see in so little time! Any tips on where to find the best shopping for



Adding Space - Duplicating your décor can add space to a small area, in your mind's eye. In this room, both the wide window and the front door are dressed in simple sheer coverings from Hunter Douglas. (CNS Photo courtesy of Hunter Douglas)

unusual things?

A: My advice: Cut to the chase. Hire a guide. An experienced pro is always the best leader behind the scenes and into the heart of any city.

New York City teems with smart guides who specialize in whatever you want. For hunting and gathering home decor, one of the best is SecretShopWalks/NYC, headed by a former design magazine editor who has spent a lifetime hunting down the perfect antique, accessory, decorative accent, or whatever, in the East Village, Chinatown, Chelsea, Tribeca or elsewhere.

Full disclosure: The chief shopping sleuth is a personal friend. To make her yours, too, contact Ellen Frankel at www.SecretShopWalksNYC.com. And do let me know what treasures you unearth to take home.

Bring Bling

Does bling belong in the bedroom? "For sure!" says HGTV designer Candice Olson, who is busily adding plenty of "sparkle, sheen and shimmer" to a half-dozen signature product lines for your home and mine.

In her "Devine Design" re-interpretation of traditional motifs and materials, wallpapers glimmer with glass beads and iridescent colors, fabrics gleam with Lurex threads, and bed ensembles feature dazzling needle artistry, like puckers, pleats and stitched-in textures.

Hers are "the kind of subtle effects we're already seeing in apparel fashions," Candice says. "It's not Liberace!"

"I love going into a room with special effects, but not blam! in your face. They're

subtle, but impactful."

Her work will be part of the Norwalk Furniture collection on display at the 2007 High Point Market running from March 26-April 1. She also designs for York Wallcoverings and Kravet Fabrics. Her most recent book, "Candice Olson On Design" (Meredith Books), includes swatches, floor plans and plenty of insider designer tips that can be used in the average - or the exceptionally sparkling - American home.

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@copleynews.com.

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Single women saying 'I do' to real estate

By Jim Woodard
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Single women are becoming a more important segment in the home-buying market. Married couples still constitute 60 percent of home buyers, but that proportion has been dropping in recent years. It was 70 percent 12 years ago, according to the National Association of Realtors.

It's also interesting to note that unmarried women accounted for 22 percent of sales last year - up from 14 percent in 1995. Single men, on the other hand, accounted for just 9 percent of home sales last year. That's unchanged from the mid-'90s.

Experts say the trend is ripe with opportunities for condominium builders and sales agents who specialize in the smaller, low-maintenance homes that single women prefer. Builders are already targeting women when decorating

many of their model homes, emphasizing the lighter colors they believe women favor and showcasing upgrades in rooms such as the kitchen. Realtors are emphasizing a neighborhood's safety and the security of attached garages when talking with single women interested in buying a home.

This home-buying phenomenon is rooted in societal changes, including the fact that women are waiting longer to get married, analysts report. Married women who get divorced also are less likely to remarry, and remarry less quickly than men, according to a study by Rutgers University's National Marriage Project. Another factor is the gains college-educated working women have achieved. "They are a solid majority of the college students in America today, said demographics expert Peter Francese. "They have substantial money-making capabilities and that

will continue far into the future.

A Harvard University study last summer found that unmarried women are buying about 1 million homes per year. Between 2002 and 2003 they spent \$550 billion on residential real estate.

The study showed that single women prefer homes in the city to the suburbs and tend to shy away from new construction. Most women buy smaller homes or less expensive condos that give them a stronger sense of safety while requiring less maintenance.

Q: Why aren't more rental apartments being built?

A: The building of new rental apartment buildings will escalate over the next two years, due to increasing consumer demand for rentals. This follows a depleted supply of rental units, largely due to so many conversions of rental apartment buildings to condominium ownership units in recent years.

Clear Closet Clutter

That dark crowded nemesis lurking in your bedroom can be tamed. In fact, organizing a closet is one of the most satisfying projects you can do. It's something you use most everyday so the rewards are instant and it only takes a day to make it happen! The best place to start is by sorting. You need to empty out the entire area and sort through what is there. I use three major categories when doing an initial sort through:

1. Trash, for items that do not have any value. i.e. stained, over worn or otherwise ruined clothing and shoes.
2. Donate/Sell, for items that are still useful, just not to you. i.e. Clothing in sizes or styles that no longer fit you or that you have not worn in a year or longer.
3. Keep, for those items that you love, need and use regularly. Everything in this pile should fit and be in good condition. I find this is where most people need the help of a pro or a good, honest friend.

Once you have tackled your initial sort you can begin the next phase. This process involves sorting the remaining items into categories by how they are used. Some categories might be work clothes, workout wear, seasonal, or casual. Within these categories, divide them into tops and bottoms. The idea here is to see how much you have of each type of clothing and shoe. At this point you may even be able to purge more from your inventory. For example, if you find you have 10 t-shirts for exercising but you only work out 3 times a week you can probably let go of at least 4-5 of those shirts and still be able to workout for 2 weeks without doing laundry.

Now that you know what needs to go back in you can begin planning your space. I recommend putting the clothes and shoes you wear most often near the entrance of the closet and the least worn items in the most inconvenient space. This will save you time in the morning. Some people like to go so far as to sort their clothes by color and style. Some prefer to just group clothes together by type or style. Whichever way you prefer, pick a system that you can be consistent with and will fit your personal style. The best way to stay organized is to know who you are and what you are willing to do for up-keep on a day to day basis. It's not about perfection; it's about finding what you need when you need it.

The final tip I will leave you with is when you are re-loading your closet hang all of your clothes with the opening of the hanger facing out. When you wear something you can flip the hanger to the proper position and by the end of the year you will know without question what you really have worn and what needs to go. Happy organizing!

Terri Urquhart, a Professional Organizer and co-founder of Forever Functional, Inc. To learn more about getting organized or to subscribe to our FREE quarterly newsletter please contact Terri or Beth at ForeverFunctional@sbglobal.net or call (312) 730-4300.

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Myriad of ways to have a blooming wedding

By Jeff Rugg
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: If I want to have daisies in full bloom for an August wedding, when should I start them by seed?

A GREENER VIEW

A: I assume you mean Shasta Daisies, but the word daisy can mean other kinds of plants too. The Shasta has a botanical name of *Leucanthemum* usually followed with an X which means it is a hybrid and then that is fol-

lowed by a variety name in parenthesis. They are usually a perennial that is growing in a garden or is purchased as a plant and they all tend to bloom in June and July. By deadheading the flowers in June and July, you will get some reblooming the rest of the season, but not as spectacular as the full bloom in June and July.

If you are going to start them from seeds, I would do so a few weeks later than usual for your area, so they have a late start and might bloom later. You can hedge your bets by starting

some seeds on a weekly basis for a month or two, so that the seeds mature into blooms at intervals. This is actually commonly done with some plants like gladiolus that come up and bloom once and then are done.

You could also place an order with a greenhouse and put the burden on them to get the timing right, since they can control the environment better. There are daisies in bouquets and as potted plants, so you could get them grown to order either way. If you want them for your garden, you would just plant the pots in the garden a day or two before the wedding. Then some could be used as centerpieces and possibly given away at the reception.

Other perennial plants could substitute for daisies such as the white varieties of purple coneflower.

Another possibility if you do not specifically need a particular kind of flower, but are just seeking a color, is to plant annuals. Unlike most perennials that only bloom for a few weeks and then go to seed, annuals flower virtually all summer long. Some varieties need dead heading to keep the plant full of blooms, but many newer varieties are self deadheading and keep blooming fully for a long time.

GARDEN TIP

Shasta daisies

Shasta daisies are one of the all-time favorite garden perennials. While there are dozens of varieties, the most popular is the Shasta daisy.

SITE PREPARATION:

Daisies like rich, well-drained soil, ample water and sunshine. Working some old animal manure or compost into the soil will help promote blooms. Daisies will readily tolerate poorer soils and partial shade, needing little attention during the year.

HOW TO PLANT:

Seeds - Plant seeds 1/8-inch into the soil. Seeds will germinate in 10-20 days and plants will bloom the following year. A little general-purpose fertilizer in early stages will promote growth.

Plants - If planting a mature plant, dig a hole twice the diameter of the pot the plant is in. Carefully remove the plant from its container and place it in the hole so the top of the root ball is level with the soil surface. Space the plants 1 to 2 feet apart and carefully fill soil around the root ball. Just before blooming, provide fertilizer high in phosphorous to help big blooms grow.

HOW TO CARE FOR:

Apply a thin layer of compost each spring, followed by a layer of mulch to retain moisture and control weeds. Deadhead the blossoms; it will produce new ones that further extend the blooming time. The plants should be cut down to the ground in late fall. Water plants during the summer if rainfall is less than 1 inch per week.

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| 23 Debtor's letters | 60 Computer code | 31 Requirement |
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You, who solve all problems, who lights all roads so that I can obtain my goals. You, who give me the diving gift to forgive and to forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life, you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things and to confirm that I never want to be separated from you, even and in spite of all material illusions. I wish to be with you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. Say this prayer three consecutive days and a favor will be granted. Thank you.

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The 2007 BMW M5 has been described as a 500-hp, 10-cylinder super sedan with deceiving abilities. (CNS Photo)

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The BMW M5 is a 500-horsepower, 10-cylinder super sedan that will bolt to 60 mph in 4 1/2 seconds. It has such finesse that I could toss the keys to my Camry-driving wife and know that even she couldn't get into performance trouble.

That's probably not the image to convey to those M5 buyers who may have paid \$97,000 or more for the car. But its finesse and engineering are deceiving. The clutch and gearbox are smoother and take less effort than those in the BMW 335i coupe. The power doesn't smack you in the back of the head, which is what I was expecting. The force is safely out of range - for users such as my wife - at about 6,000 revolutions per minute.

Dimensionally the 10-cylinder is not huge. The 5.0-liter displacement equates to 305 cubic inches. The 500 horsepower peaks at 7,750 rpm, the 383 foot-pounds of torque at 6,100 rpm. By comparison, the Audi S6 V-10 hits its 435 peak horsepower at 6,800 rpm and peak torque at 3,000 to 4,000 rpm. You feel the love sooner in the Audi.

The treasure hunt for the M5's power is in its naturally aspirated, high-revving powerband. To achieve 0 to 60 in 4.5 seconds, get

on it, stay on it and keep on it.

The seven-speed SMG automated-manual is the standard transmission, which might be desired for ease in commuting traffic. Not so, really. The manual's shift pattern is foolproof and the action inspiring. There's enough power in second gear that the engine can lug down to near zero, but with a push on the accelerator it will pull up to speed and then go on to exceed any national speed limit. An electronic hill-holder function ensures smooth starts on hills, and a full array of safety features will prevent accidental stupidity.

The manual has a steep first-gear ratio that climbs to the peaks in a hurry. And because the manual is a close-ratio box, it has close shift-recovery points. When you shift at the peak horsepower point of 7,750 rpm, the next gear places the engine right into its torque peak, which is near 6,100 rpm. So, when you're in the next gear, you've got peak torque available under your right foot. No need to rush gears, just keep it revving and max horsepower comes right back up.

It's a delicious experience and once you've found this buffet line you'll be back often. The engine sound at high revs is an aircraft roar, different from other V-10s. And at idle it sounds much lighter weight, more like the Dodge Viper.

2007 BMW M5

The Specs
Body style: midsize, rear-wheel drive, five-passenger sedan
Engine: 5.0 liter, 40-valve V-10 with variable valve timing, g-sensitive lubrication and electronic throttles
Horsepower: 500 at 7,750 rpm
Torque: 383 at 6,100 rpm
Transmission: seven-speed Sequential Manual Gearbox or no-cost-option 6-speed manual
Acceleration: 0 to 60 mph, 4.5 seconds
EPA fuel economy estimates: 12 mpg city, 18 highway (either transmission)
Length/wheelbase: 191.5/113.7"
Curb weight: 4,012 pounds
Chassis
Brakes: four-wheel ventilated and cross-ventilated discs; 14.7-inch front; 14.6-inch rear
Steering: Servotronic vehicle-speed sensitive with comfort and assist levels; 40.7-foot turning circle
Suspension: aluminum with struts, double-pivot lower arms, coil springs, electronically twin-tube, gas-charged shock absorbers with normal, comfort and sport modes and stabilizer bar; rear, aluminum four-link with coil springs, electronically twin-tube gas-charged shock absorbers with normal, comfort and sport modes and stabilizer bar
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