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The Park Ridge Youth Commission held a color run at Maine South High School April 11. Participating students included, from left, Keanan Bender of Park Ridge, Monika Cholewa of Norridge and Abby Vaughn of Park Ridge, all water polo athletes. The school's National Honor Society helped organize the event.

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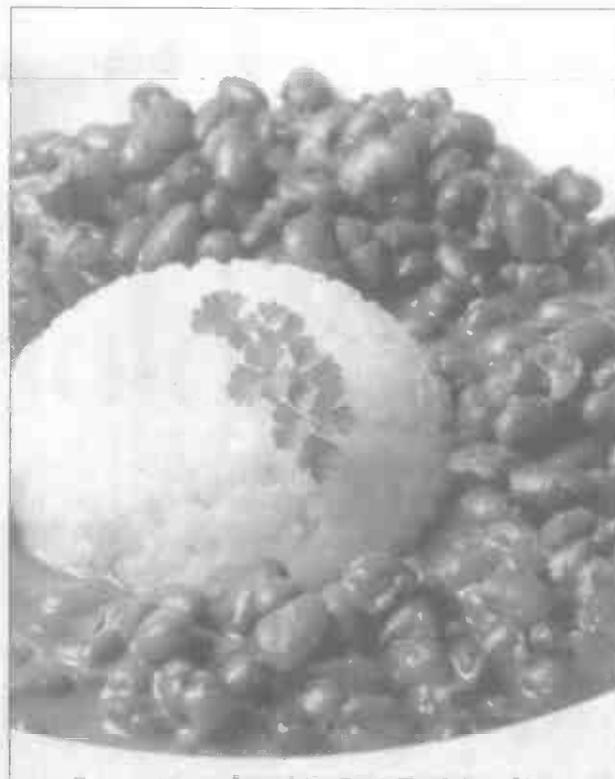
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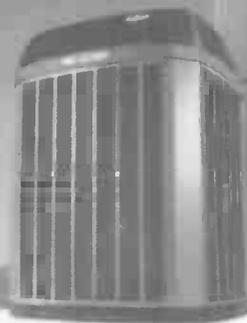
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# White Eagle banquet hall changes hands

BY IGOR STUDENKOV  
Pioneer Press

Andrew Przybylo, Niles mayor and co-owner of White Eagle Banquets, greeted customers one last time on April 12.

A day later, the Przybylo family officially completed the sale of the banquet hall to Schiller Park-based Victoria Banquets. White Eagle was founded by Andrew Przybylo's father, Ted, in 1947. Originally located in Chicago, it moved to Niles in 1967.

The day before the ownership was transferred, the family organized a party to mark the end of an era. Friends, customers and current and former employees were invited to attend. Most of the guests who spoke to Niles Herald-Spectator said that they were apprehensive about the change, but that they were willing to give the new owners a chance.

The Niles Spectator, one of this newspaper's predecessors, reported on Dec. 4, 1985, Ted Przybylo grew up in West Town, which was then a hub of Chicago's Polish-American community. In 1947, he bought a boys club near the intersection of Division Street and Western Avenue. Drawing upon his experience of working in restaurants, he used the space to open a catering business.

During the 1950s, the population of the area shifted as a growing number of Polish-Americans moved northwest along Milwaukee Avenue, with many of them settling in Niles.

Bob Ziemba, who worked as a bartender at White Eagle for 45 years, said that Ted Przybylo wanted to move the business closer to his clientele.

"They bought Tromba's Restaurant and picnic grounds, and they bought this place called Helen's, which was right next door," Ziemba said. "And then they expanded out east and they expanded south."



Customers and employees, past and present, reminisce at the White Eagle farewell party.

Those buildings, he explained, are still parts of the banquet hall. Renovations smoothed over the differences between different portions, but it's still possible to see where they were if one knows what to look for.

Since then, White Eagle played host to celebrities such as Muhammad Ali and Larry Hagman. It also became a major hub for local and state politics, holding fundraisers for Chicago mayoral candidate Bernard Epton and Gov. James Thompson. Most recently, it played hosts to several Niles Forward Party events.

After Ted Przybylo died, the ownership was split between his six children. But as those children got older, they started wonder-

***"I'll have to find a new place to go. The White Eagle has been my social network. Everybody knew they could find me here. I'm going to find a quiet bar or a restaurant where I'm going to hang out at."***

—Andrew Przybylo, Niles mayor and co-owner of White Eagle

ing about the future. Andrew Przybylo said that it was just one of the reasons why they ultimately decided to sell.

"The family is getting older, and we're getting tired," he said. "And it wasn't going to go to the third generation."

Speaking on behalf of the entire family, Kiki Przybylo, Andrew's daughter, said

that Victoria Banquets wasn't planning any significant changes.

"They're going to keep the same menu, and (White Eagle) will operate under the same employees," she said.

Still, a change of ownership represented the end of an era. To mark the transition, the family hosted a party from noon to

6 p.m. Ampol Aires, a Chicago area polka band, performed. Photos and newspaper clippings from the White Eagle's history were displayed in the lobby, and visitors could buy merchandise from the banquet hall gift shop and decorations at steep discounts. Even large decorations — such as human-sized soldier decorations and treasure chests — were up for sale.

Diane Michalski, who bought the soldier decorations, said she was astonished that she was able to get what she did.

"My husband told me they were selling stuff, but I had no idea how big it was going to be," she said.

For the guests who attended, this was a bitter-

sweet occasion. Al Kwiatkowski, who proudly said that his first job was at White Eagle's original location, was apprehensive.

"Only time will tell (what will happen to White Eagle), because you never know," he said. "They can promise you the moon, and in six months ..."

Tom Suwinski said that, even though White Eagle wasn't closing, the sale still felt like a loss.

"I think it's a loss of an icon, a loss of heritage," he said. "My dad is buried across the street — he's turning over in his grave."

Suwinski said he was concerned that, with the new owners, the restaurant would lose a personal touch, with the menu turning into bland "McDonald's style" mass-produced food. However, he said that he didn't blame the Przybylos for selling — he respected the hard work they put in, and he could see why they'd want to do something else.

On his part, the mayor admitted that he wasn't entirely sure what he was going to do next.

"I don't know what I'm going to do on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays," Przybylo said. "I'll have to find a new place to go. The White Eagle has been my social network. Everybody knew they could find me here. I'm going to find a quiet bar or a restaurant where I'm going to hang out at."

Throughout the event, multiple people came up to him, thanking him for great memories and offering gifts. Przybylo said that he was glad to see that White Eagle meant so much to so many people.

"It's great," he said. "Over the years, we've had so many people that became part of the White Eagle family. Today was a nice testament to that. I'm grateful."

Igor Studenkov is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.

# Plans for faster Milwaukee Avenue buses take shape

BY IGOR STUDENKOV  
Pioneer Press

Pace suburban bus agency has been releasing more details on what the new, faster bus service along Milwaukee Avenue will look like.

As previously reported by Pioneer Press, Pace is currently working on launching an Arterial Rapid Transit bus service along the section of Milwaukee Avenue that runs between Jefferson Park Transit Center and Golf Mill Mall. Officially known as Milwaukee Pulse, the service is part of Pace's plan to speed up service along some of its busiest corridors.

The new service will have fewer stops, but it will also travel faster thanks to signal priority that would allow it to get around traffic at certain intersections. The buses will feature Wi-Fi and USB chargers, and bus stops will feature real-time arrival information. And while Route 270, which currently serves the corridor, will continue running, it will run less frequently than before.

Route 270 is currently one of the busiest routes in the entire Pace system. According to the current schedule, it runs between Jefferson Park Transit Center and Golf Mill Mall an average of 10-15 minutes during rush hour, about once every 20 minutes during daytime and about once every 30 minutes in the evenings. An average of one of three buses keeps going past Golf Mill Mall, terminating at Glenbrook Hospital. The route has a stop an average of once every two blocks.

The Milwaukee Pulse would function similarly to Chicago's J14-Jeffery Jump service. Pace's plans call for Pulse to have a total of 10 stations. In the Niles section of the route, this includes stops at Touhy Avenue, Harlem Avenue, Oakton Street, Main Street, Dempster

Street and Golf Mill Mall. Each stop will have slightly raised platforms with wheelchair ramps, new passenger shelters, more prominent signage and displays showing real-time arrival information.

Pace spokesman Patrick Wilmot said that Route 270 will still make trips between Jefferson Park Transit Center and Glenbrook Hospital. However Pulse buses would now handle most of the Transit Center-Golf Mill trips.

"Our plans are to reduce service frequency on Route 270 and operate an increased level of frequency on Pulse service versus the existing Route 270 schedule," he said. "In fact, the Pulse service will operate with the same or better frequency throughout the day when compared to existing Route 270 service."

The remaining Route 270 buses would still serve the same stops they do currently.

"Our current plans call for operating local service on Route 270 to complement the express, limited stop service on the Pulse Milwaukee Line," Wilmot said. "If a customer needs to access a destination that is in between Pulse stops, he or she could either walk the extra distance or transfer at the Pulse station to a 270 bus to complete the trip."

The Pulse buses will offer free Wi-Fi — something that currently is available only on Pace Express routes. They will also feature amenities unique to Pulse.

"We will offer USB charging ports, so that customers can charge cellphones and other mobile devices in order to ensure they can stay connected and productive while traveling with us," Wilmot said. "Pulse buses will also be the first in our system to feature digital information signage that can be used to post information about detours, public meet-

ings and hearings and other announcements."

Under the current timeline, the plans for the Pulse ART would be finalized by the end of the year. The construction will take place throughout 2016, with the service launching in 2017.

The construction costs will be covered through a federal grant, but Pace is covering architecture and engineering aspects of the project. The agency has budgeted \$800,000 for this purpose for 2015.

Since the budget was approved, Gov. Bruce Rauner has proposed a budget that would decrease state funding for Pace.

"Because the state's budget process is in its early stages, it's unclear at this time how large any cuts may be to our operating budget," Wilmot said.

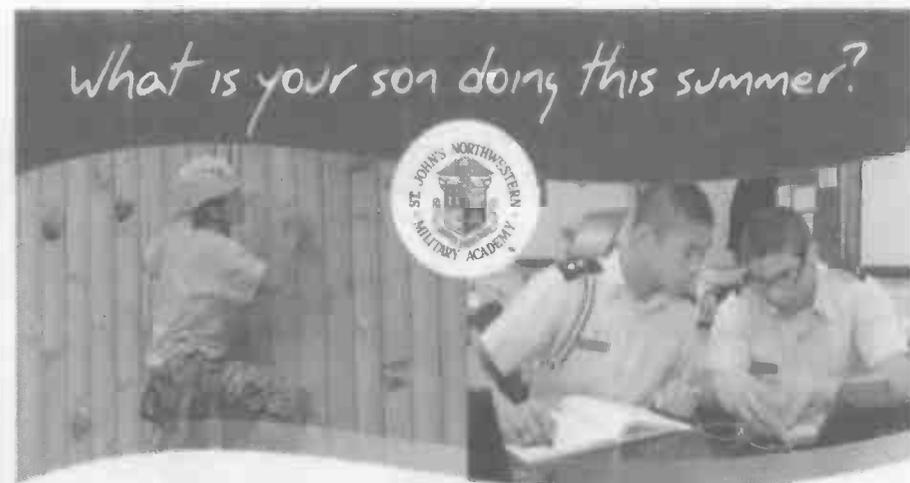
He explained that if the cuts are implemented, they wouldn't affect the planning process — but they would affect how much money Pace can spend on the regular bus route operations. Because it would be two more years before Pulse service starts, the transit agency would have time to adjust its budget.

"There will be time to make any adjustments — if needed — to the service plan for Pulse service if funding cuts affect our operating budget before the Pulse service is scheduled to begin in 2017," Wilmot said.

If the funding cuts do affect the service, there are factors that would help soften the blow.

"A large portion of the operating costs for the Pulse Milwaukee Line are being transferred from what we currently spend to operate Route 270," Wilmot said. "As we reduce the frequency of Route 270 service, we will re-allocate those resources into the Pulse service."

Igor Studenkov is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.



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# Colorful clouds coat runners at Maine South

BY KARIE ANGELL LUC  
Pioneer Press

The first-ever Park Ridge Youth Commission Color Run last Saturday brought out an estimated 260 people who walked or ran under blue skies to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, based in Memphis, Tenn.

Participants threw non-toxic dye in the air, cascading colors on the runners' white T-shirts.

St. Jude was chosen as this year's school-wide fundraiser recipient.

An estimated \$10,410 was raised to benefit the hospital, said Annie Krall, 18, a Maine South High School senior from Park Ridge.

Krall is vice president of the National Honor Society and is credited with initiating the idea.

The amount raised Saturday "is really amazing since our goal for the event was \$10,000," Krall said. "Originally, that amount seemed like an impossible task, and we ended up surpassing it."

The Park Ridge Youth Commission was among 38 sponsors that donated funds or materials.

Not a race, the run was hosted by Maine South's National Honor Society and organized by its officers and volunteers, Krall said.

The course was just shy of two miles. Participants of all ages could walk or run.

The Common Place, a Park Ridge band featuring talent from Wilmette Loyola Academy and Maine South High School, performed before and after the race.

"I think it's important what we're doing for a common cause like St. Jude's," said Cameron Walters, 18, a Park Ridge senior who performs with the band.

*Karie Angell Luc is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.*



KARIE ANGELL LUC/PIONEER PRESS PHOTOS

Park Ridge Youth Commission Color Run participants gathered at Maine South High School April 11, including, from left, Nikke Bauer, of Park Ridge, getting doused with red dye by her sister Julianna Bauer. An estimated \$10,410 was raised to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



The Park Ridge Youth Commission Color Run course took participants around the campus of Maine South High School. The school's National Honor Society was an organizer.



Annie Krall listens as a patriotic song plays over the loud speakers. The Park Ridge band The Common Place stopped its set before the start of the run/walk.



As the run/walk stepped off, participants tossed their color dye packets in the air.

## Costly repairs, falling membership prompt sale of VFW headquarters

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON  
Pioneer Press

Members of the Park Ridge VFW Post 3579 are waiting to see if interest in their aging building will result in a sale.

Though no offer has been made, a potential buyer is interested in the property at 10 W. Higgins Road, which has been on the market for several months, said VFW Post Adjutant Dennis Anderson.

Falling membership and costly repairs to the building have prompted the VFW to put the property up for sale and look at moving to a smaller location, likely outside Park Ridge.

"Our membership is declining because most of our members are from World War II and Korea," Anderson, a Vietnam veteran, explained. "We're losing members like crazy and with our membership rolls falling off, we don't need a space that big anymore."

The building is also "in disrepair," Anderson said, with estimates to renovate it as high as \$2.4 million. Cost to make the building accessible for people with disabilities and be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act comes in at around \$600,000, he added.

The price tag on the 35,000-square-foot property at Higgins and Canfield Roads — which includes the VFW building, a cellular tower and parking lot — is \$2.3 million, a real estate listing shows. It is marketed as a "great redevelopment opportunity," according to the listing.

Anderson said the VFW post acquired the building in the mid-1950s. Prior to then, it served as Pennoyer School.

If the VFW post relocates, it will likely choose a community that allows video gaming, Anderson said, though he hopes the post



JENNIFER JOHNSON/PIONEER PRESS

A potential buyer is interested in the VFW Post 3579 property at 10 W. Higgins Road, which has been on the market for several months.

will not be too far from Park Ridge.

"We'll have to change our name, but we'll keep the number 3579," he said.

Members come from various communities and the city of Chicago.

The VFW leadership would also like to "tailor [a new location] to fit the younger veterans," Anderson added, while also making it easily accessible for older veterans and those with disabilities.

The property on which 10 W. Higgins Rd. stands is technically within unincorporated Cook County, not the city of Park Ridge. The designation allowed the VFW to serve alcohol back when Park Ridge was still a dry town, Anderson noted.

If the building is demolished and a new development constructed, the project would need approval from Cook County, unless the owner were to seek annexation into adjacent Park Ridge or Chicago.

The property was once home to the original one-room Pennoyer schoolhouse, built in 1841. It was rebuilt in 1893 and 1920, and additional rooms were added in 1950, just before it

was sold and a new school constructed at the corner of Cumberland and Foster Avenues in Norridge.

Anderson's grandfather, a World War I veteran, and his father, a veteran of World War II, were both members of the Park Ridge VFW post as well.

"I used to bring my grandparents there for the Friday Night Fish Fry," he recalled. "That post goes back with me many, many years. We're going to miss it. But if we do things the right way, the new establishment will be even better and maybe we'll see new members coming in."

The Park Ridge VFW post was established in 1938.

Post members are not the only ones who meet at 10 W. Higgins Road. Groups like the Chicago Chapter of ABATE Illinois, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, and Porsche Club of Chicago, among others, have used the building for meetings and events as well.

Dances and dinners are also held at the post headquarters.

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## NEWS

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**RETAIL THEFT**

■ Karolina Zagodzdon, 30, of the 3800 block of Ruby Drive, Schiller Park, was charged with retail theft on April 4 after she allegedly stole \$346 worth of clothing from a store at Golf Mill Shopping Center. She has an April 28 court date.

■ Bhavikaben Soni, 26, of the 9000 block of Federal Drive, unincorporated Maine Township, was charged with retail theft on April 4 after she allegedly stole \$239 in household goods from a store on the 8500 block of Golf Road. She has an April 28 court date.

■ Kelly Harkins, 29, of Pell Lake, Wisconsin, was charged with retail theft on April 7 after she allegedly

stole jewelry and clothing valued at \$207, from a store on the 5600 block of Touhy Avenue. She has an April 28 court date.

**DUI**

■ Carla Cavallari, 38, of the 9200 block of Lorel, Skokie, was charged with driving under the influence on April 3 after she reportedly drove off the road and into a grassy field on the 7500 block of Oak Park Avenue at 1:25 a.m. She has an April 30 court date.

■ Girish Kumar Patel, 19, of the 9200 block of Cedar Lane, unincorporated Maine Township, was charged with driving under the influence, possession of more than 10 grams of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia on April 4. He was taken into custody on the 8600 block of Golf Road. He has an April 30 court date.

**BURGLARY**

■ Two apartments on the 8000 block of Oriole Avenue were burglarized between

April 3 and April 4. A gaming system was stolen from one of the residences and \$4,000 in cash was stolen from the other.

**THEFT**

■ Between April 8 and April 9, at least four citizens reported that money had been withdrawn from their accounts after they used an ATM at TCF Bank, 7759 N. Milwaukee Ave.

■ A locker was burglarized April 8 at a fitness center on the 9200 block of Milwaukee Avenue and \$50 was stolen from a woman's wallet.

■ A checkbook and a cell phone were stolen on the night of April 9 from an unlocked vehicle parked in a lot on the 8800 block of Golf Road.

**PROPERTY DAMAGE**

■ A windshield wiper was broken and silly string was sprayed on a vehicle parked overnight between April 6 and April 7 on the 7100 block of Niles Avenue.

## Odor from apartment leads to animal cruelty charges for Niles man, police report

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON  
Pioneer Press

A Niles man is facing animal cruelty charges for allegedly keeping a caged dog inside a trash-filled apartment, officials said.

Jeremy Spiros, 23, of the 8800 block of Cumberland Avenue was charged with two counts of animal cruelty on April 9 after Niles police responded to a call from Spiros' landlord, who complained about a "horrendous smell" in his tenant's apartment.

Upon entering the empty apartment, police described it as "covered



NILES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Jeremy Spiros

in garbage," with a large pit bull contained within "an extremely small cage for its size." The pit bull had several cuts around its muzzle, police said.

Describing the pit bull as "aggressive," the police department contacted

Cook County Animal Control, but was told no one was available to come get the dog. A veterinarian was then called and responded to tranquilize the dog, which was taken to the Niles Police Department's kennel.

A cat found hiding behind a toilet in the apartment was also taken by police and both animals were expected to be transferred to a boarding facility, according to police.

Spiros was released on bond and is expected to appear in court on April 30.

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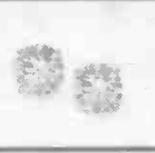


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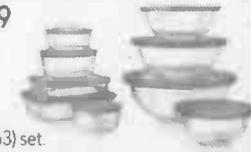


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# Maine East students get a taste of Niles government

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Pioneer Press

A group of Maine East High School seniors got a chance to see what it's like to be Niles mayor, trustees and village staff members during the Niles Local Government Day.

The event, which ran the morning of April 9, was a collaboration between Maine East Social Studies Department, the Niles Teen Center and the village of Niles officials. Eighty seniors from U.S. Government classes met with staff from all village departments and took part in a mock budget meeting. Their goal – try to figure out how to deal with a \$1.5 million budget deficit that Niles may face if Governor Bruce Rauner's cuts to income tax revenue are approved.

U.S. Government teacher Jennifer Conlon told Niles Herald-Spectator that the school and City of Des Plaines government collaborated on a similar exercise for a number of years. The school first tried doing an event with the village of Niles last fall. Conlon explained that the organizers received plenty of feedback, and when it came time to plan the spring National Government Day, several aspects of the exercise were adjusted accordingly.

Niles Teen Center Director Mark Williams explained that exercise was designed to give students a hands-on lesson how the local government operates. Incorporating the real-life budget struggles would raise the stakes for students.

"The proposed budget cut will create a wonderful real-life learning experience for these students as they help to make the tough choices that face our community and our state," Williams said.

Maine East students ar-



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Maine East students Damien Masha-Smith and Robinson Michel (left) act as trustees while listening to Brammer Kyree, Christian Schultz, Isabella Glowka and Angellca Richards (right) act as members of the public during the mock budget meeting.

ived at the Niles Village Hall at 8 a.m., where they were welcomed by Mayor Andrew Przybylo. Williams gave the students a run-down of how the village government worked and how tax revenue was used in its budget.

The students then broke up into several groups. One group prepared to play village trustees and the mayor. One group prepared to play the public. The remaining groups would play the staff of different village departments. Each group met with the head of the corresponding department and what the department does, what budget it has and how it spends its money. They then used that information to come up with proposal for how the village could cut spending, raise revenue or some combination of both to make up for the deficit.

The students received a handout that gave some suggestions. It included requiring residents to pay fares on the Niles Free Bus system, raising property and/or sales taxes, reducing services and drawing upon village reserves.

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— Mark Williams, Niles Teen Center director

The students were split into groups based on their interests before the exercise, Conlon said.

After an hour and a half of research and preparation, the students gathered in the main Village Board meeting room to hold the mock budget meeting.

Kevin Talia, Eric Ponzetti, Michel Kasprzyk, Anthony Rosa, Damien Masha-Smith and Robinson Michel acted as trustees. Anthony Calderone acted as mayor. Maine East Social Science Department Chair Earl Brownell took the seat normally occupied by the village attorney, occasionally offering advice to the mock board.

The group acting as Niles Fitness Center staff proposed raising fees for residents and non-resi-

dents by 10 and then 15 percent. Family Services group proposed raising the property tax by one percent. Senior Center group said they would use fundraisers to make up cuts to their budget.

Department of Public Services groups proposed adding fares for Niles Free Buses, with fares scaled based on income. They also proposed raising property taxes and the village's gasoline tax. They argued that, because many residents don't know gasoline tax exists, raising it won't inspire the kind of public backlash that property or sales tax increases would.

Fire Department group called for raising the sales tax and charging 25-cent fares for Niles Free Bus. IT Department group said

they would postpone their projects for a year. The Community Development group said that Niles should encourage more businesses to move into the village, and proposed raising the sales tax by one percent.

But no group went as far as the General Government group, which proposed cutting the village funding to the Niles Historical Society, as well as closing down Niles Teen Center and the Department of Family Services. Group member Neha Patel argued that the Maine Township already provides services similar to Family Services, and that funding the Niles Teen Center didn't make sense.

"Only 50 percent of teens that go to the teen center are from Niles," she said.

The students who represented the public proposed that the village should bring higher-quality stores to Golf Mill Mall.

"Golf Mill has been slowly less productive over the years," said Brammer Kyree. "We're asking for renovations. We are asking for different food places."

Calderone pointed that

the Village Board wouldn't be able to order a private business to do anything – though he added that he agreed that Golf Mill could use some improvements.

"I think I speak for everyone [here] – I'm sure that's what we all want," he said.

The mock board then discussed what it would actually do to deal with the budget shortfall. The trustees unanimously approved requiring residents to put leaves into bags that have village stickers. They also approved raising Fitness Center fees. A proposal to cut Netflix from the Senior Center, which was estimated to save the village \$400 a year, ended in a deadlock, with Calderone casting the tie-breaking vote against the proposal.

The proposal to charge fares for the Niles Free bus led to the longest discussion. While Kasprzyk proposed income-based fares, Michel argued that charging fares wasn't ultimately in the village's best interest. He argued that sales tax was a major source of village revenue, so the village should encourage people to spend money. Having to pay fares would limit that.

After some discussion, the mock board decided to take the cue from the proposed Niles Free Bus revamp and cut the number of buses while extending service hours.

In the end, the board was able to cut the shortfall down to \$1.17 million.

As the exercise ended and students prepared to leave, Williams said that he hoped they got something positive out of the experience.

"I really hope that you found this to be valuable," he said. "This is something that a lot of us do as full-time jobs."

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# Niles West debate team holds court at Lincoln Hall

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Setting aside the social divides between middle and high school, members of the Niles West debate team headed over to Lincoln Hall Middle School in Lincolnwood after school on April 7 to engage in a meeting of the minds with some of their younger counterparts.

Accompanied by debate coach Eric Oddo, three Niles West debate students — Faith Geraghty, James McClellan, and Emily Silber — engaged in a little “real talk” with a group of six junior high debate students eager to learn about life as a high school debater.

The meeting was arranged between Oddo and School District 74 debate coach Jill Litwin to help broaden the junior high

debate program and to build a deeper interest in the hobby among the young debate students, who Oddo said will be a crucial part of the future of Niles West’s debate team.

“It’s so vital that the students continue [debating in high school] because if we don’t have students coming into the program, everything we’ve built could go away,” Oddo said.

Oddo was referring to the reestablishment of the debate program in 2010 after it had disappeared more than 10 years prior when the former debate coach left the school.

The program has enjoyed considerable success since it was re-launched by Oddo and several students four years ago, and has even produced one of top college debaters in the U.S.

Now a freshman, Theo



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(From left to right) Niles West debate coach Eric Oddo, Emily Silber and James McClellan.

Noparstak’s success on the high school debate team helped him win an \$80,000 scholarship to the University of Kentucky when he graduated last year.

Senior and debate team

co-captain James McClellan, who is planning to attend the University of Chicago this fall, said sticking with the debate team during all four years of high school has opened the door

for him to attend a great university.

Beyond boosting college applications, it turns out debate teaches a major life lesson that we all eventually learn as adults—achieving a goal doesn’t happen easily, or without some level of discomfort.

“It’s not always easy, and it’s not always fun, but at the end of the day, it’s something that brings such a great benefit,” McClellan said. “And if you’re someone like me who’s done it for four years, you start to understand that debate is about more than just arguing, but it’s actually about learning how to communicate.”

For Niles West student Faith Geraghty, debate helped her see beyond the superficial picture of marriage she once had in her mind.

“I used to think that someday I’d just marry rich, but debate has opened my eyes to a lot of things I’m good at and it has gotten me thinking about what I’ll be good at in the future,” Geraghty said.

After the Niles West debaters finished raving about the program, the group of six Lincoln Hall students, mostly sixth graders, didn’t have a whole lot to say, despite gentle encouragement to speak up from Principal Jean Weiss

“I don’t like liberals—and that’s all,” one student said.

Lincoln Hall debate students Ephraim Bennett, Elijah Kim, Eric McClellan, Bradley Pawlow, Anthony Roman and Abhi Shah attended the meeting.

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# Maine South students call attention to LGBT community

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON

Pioneer Press

There are some things members of Maine South High School's Gay-Straight Alliance wish would disappear when it comes to outside perceptions of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender community.

Like thinking it is OK to ask inappropriate or embarrassing questions regarding their sexuality. Or the stereotypes of homosexual men as effeminate and the negative representation of lesbian characters as criminals on "Orange Is the New Black."

Or the belief that being gay is a choice.

"It's not like I ever sat down and said, 'Hmm. I'll go with this one. I'll go with rejection from the community, I'll definitely make it harder on myself,'" said Conrad Showley, a member of the group.

The small, but active, Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) hopes to call attention to the challenges of LGBT students and get hundreds of their classmates to join them in spreading a message on April 17. The only catch is that they can't say a word.

The GSA, with club sponsors Jennifer Sarashinsky and Mike Vinci, are again organizing Day of Silence at the Park Ridge school, a nationwide campaign aimed at exemplifying the "silencing effect" of bullying and harassment of LGBT teens. For the GSA, taking a vow of silence for an entire day is also reflective of how members of the gay and transgender community are forced to be silent about who they are and how they feel.

Showley said he hopes Day of Silence will make his peers "understand in a new light the struggle a lot of adolescents — or anyone — feel" and "how your words can affect people."

Around 300 Maine South students typically sign up to join the roughly 20-member GSA in their endeavor and some also purchase T-shirts to promote the message. This year's shirts include a quotation from Harvey Milk, an openly gay American politician responsible for passing a gay rights ordinance for San Francisco in the 1970s. The quote reads, "Hope will never be silent."

Those who sign up vow not to speak for the entire day — which includes answering questions



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Conrad Showley and Brian Bonadona hold up a sign declaring what silence means to them during a meeting of the Maine South High School Gay-Straight Alliance. The GSA is organizing students to take part in the national Day of Silence on April 17.

aloud in class or chatting with friends in the cafeteria — and they also carry cards explaining why they are silent and that they are taking a step to build awareness and address "injustices" faced by the LGBT community.

Though Day of Silence has its roots in a climate of bullying, several members of the GSA said they think the Maine South community is largely tolerant toward the LGBT community within the school walls.

"The school as a whole is really accepting, especially the past couple of years," said Brian Bonadona, a transgender student who was born female but identifies and lives life as a male. "There's other

transgender kids, and I haven't had really many issues at all. People are just really nice and respectful. A lot of schools aren't like that, so I'm grateful we have a strong and accepting community."

"Even if people don't agree with it, they keep it to themselves," one GSA member noted.

Showley, who describes Maine South as "a better school than many others" when it comes to LGBT tolerance and understanding, said he saw the attitudes of his classmates firsthand when his government class was asked to discuss whether an openly gay teacher could be fired for being gay.

"We discussed it out loud and I

was really scared someone would say, 'Oh yeah, he definitely should be fired for that.' But no one in the class said that," Showley said.

"I will say the school has come a long way since I began as sponsor [of the GSA eight years ago]," said Sarashinsky, a special education teacher.

"The climate of acceptance among the students and community has grown immensely," she said.

Faculty and staff have also shown support, she added.

"I've never had a faculty member or administrator not support the Day of Silence," Sarashinsky said. "And if parents have called with questions about it, they have

come to me and they have always defended the students' rights to do it. I know that's not the case in schools across the country. The fact that they have never questioned it and always accepted it is fantastic."

That's not to say that members of the GSA have never encountered negativity.

Member Haley recalled a student making a derogatory comment while she manned a sign-up table for a past Day of Silence event.

"I expressed to him that was not acceptable, but he just laughed and ran away," she said. "It made me really angry because he knew that I heard it and he thought it was funny."

During a schoolwide pledge to promote positivity earlier in the school year, Showley shared how he had been ridiculed by a fellow student while showing support for LGBT teens during a tie-die T-shirt day.

Bonadona said he wishes there could be more education among his peers about homosexuality and gender identification.

"It would be helpful if people knew more," he said, explaining that others will often ask what he considers inappropriate questions regarding his gender identity or tell him he is "really a girl."

"If you knew not to say that, I know you wouldn't say it," he said.

In addition to being a supportive group and self-proclaimed "safe place" for students, the GSA has also sponsored an LGBT history month display in a school display case available to various student groups, circulated petitions asking classmates to declare they are allies of the LGBT community and promoted acceptance during the rainbow tie-die T-shirt day.

Day of Silence was created in 1996 by the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, which calls it "the largest single student-led action toward creating safer schools for all, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression."

Day of Silence concludes with a locally organized Night of Noise, which this year will take place at the Thompson Center in downtown Chicago. The night features live music and dancing.

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# Lincolnwood reconsiders diversity month in wake of flag controversy

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Lincolnwood could cancel its annual diversity month, a tradition marked by the display of about 60 flags flown along Lincoln Avenue.

The village is considering stopping the two-decades long program to negate the possibility of conflict over the inclusion of the Palestinian flag in the celebration, village officials said.

Ever since a screaming match erupted during an emotional, high-tension Human Relations Commission meeting last summer attended by 175 residents, commissioners have discussed the possibility of creating a revised flag policy.

The commission on March 9 recommended a new policy to the village board that would put into place more objective guidelines for village officials to use when deciding whether to allow a flag to be added to the display, while also grandfathering in all flags that

were included in the display last year.

The policy received a positive response from a few trustees when it was discussed during the April 7 village board meeting, but most said the flag display should be banned altogether.

"However you want to look at it, the better choice is to discontinue the program," Trustee Ron Cope said. "To put ourselves right back where we were a year ago is a serious mistake—this is not a matter of someone celebrating their heritage, but a testament of a political war."

Last summer a handful of residents called the police to complain about the Palestinian flag being included in the annual flag display, police told Pioneer Press last July.

Calls to remove the flag came amidst rising tensions between Israel and Palestine as each side blamed the other for the explosive violence that gripped the Middle East that month.

The tumultuous situation in the Gaza Strip had resonated all the

way to Lincolnwood on August 11, when the Human Relations Commission provided a public forum for the community to engage openly about the flag's presence. The Pioneer Press attended the meeting.

The emotional debate drew a passionate crowd to Lincolnwood Village Hall that night. But what was supposed to be an open forum for residents to exercise their freedom of speech turned into the spewing of hate-filled accusations before one resident was kicked out of the meeting for making racially-fueled remarks, Pioneer Press reported in August 2014.

Tensions in the room hit a boiling point when one man wearing a yarmulke pointed at the other side of the room where a large group of Palestinians had gathered and angrily screamed, "terrorists—get out of the room!"

His comment sparked outcry among the crowd and triggered Mayor Jerry Turry to throw him out of the room.

Describing that night as "dan-



NATALIE HAYES/PIONEER PRESS

Residents flooded Village Hall last summer to voice opinions about a controversial decision on behalf of the Human Relations Commission to allow the Palestinian flag to fly during Diversity Month.

gerous," Cope said the flag program has become "hostile to the people in the community."

Turry and Trustee Nicholas Leftakes argued in favor of keeping the flag program as long as it's guided by a neutral policy that would give officials a set of specific guidelines to go from.

"For the past 10 years there was harmony," Turry said. "Last year it blew up because of what was happening in the world, but we never heard a peep from anyone in the past 10 years."

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## NEWS

# Morton Grove to host Alzheimer's program

By Pioneer Press Staff

Morton Grove will host an Alzheimer's educational program this April.

The Alzheimer's Association, Greater Illinois Chapter's educational program "Alzheimer's Research: Get Informed, Get Involved" will take place from 7 - 8:30 p.m. on April 23, at the Silverado Orchard Park Memory Care Community at 5520 Lincoln Ave.

According to a release, the program will feature local researchers who will discuss current trends, efforts and directions in dementia re-

search. Information will be provided about the benefits of participation in research and local studies that are currently recruiting participants.

The event's keynote speaker is Dr. Kelly Landy, clinical research coordinator from Alexian Brothers Neurosciences Institute. Prior to joining Alexian Brothers, Dr. Landy studied human biology at Stanford University and received her PhD in Neurosciences from the University of California, San Diego. Dr. Landy completed her doctoral research at the UCSD Shiley-Marcos Alz-

heimer's Disease Research Center, where she was awarded a predoctoral research fellowship from the National Institute on Aging to study visual cognition in dementia with Lewy bodies.

Hafsa Ahsan, manager of education and outreach, and Terriane Reynolds, director of medical and research activities for the Alzheimer's Association Greater Illinois Chapter, will present information and take questions following the program.

Register for the free program by calling 847-933-2413 or online at [www.alz.org/illinois](http://www.alz.org/illinois).

## SHOUT OUT

# Asra Khatoon, coffee shop manager

Say hello to Asra Khatoon of Skokie, who's been manager at the Niles Dunkin' Donuts/Baskin Robbins, 7039 W. Dempster St., location for eight years. She surrounds herself with good people and customers who like to smile.

**Q. What's your favorite doughnut?**

A. A croissant doughnut.

**Q. What is your favorite ice cream flavor?**

A. Jamoca almond fudge.

**Q. What's the power of an ice cream cone or doughnut?**

A. It can put a smile on a person's face.

**Q. What do you like about your career?**

A. That's my passion, actually. Customers give energy to me.

**Q. What's one of the funniest stories from your time working here?**

A. One time, in the middle of the night, like three in the morning, someone who was drunk came in and ordered seven large hot lattes. I kept asking, "What you are going to do with them?" He said, "Just give me seven hot



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Asra Khatoon (center) with co-workers and friends.

lattes!" And then he started giving them out to customers.

**Q. What do you love about your party room?**

A. Families can come together and celebrate their occasions.

**Q. How many 'doughnuts and ice cream scoops are sold each week here?**

A. Hmm...40 times 55 scoops per week (2,200 scoops). How many doughnuts? 800 dozen per week (9,600 doughnuts).

**Q. What's your best quality?**

A. I'm strong, mentally. I build up my firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at me.

**Q. What's your shout out to the world?**

A. Respect is earned, honesty is appreciated, trust is gained, loyalty is returned.

—Karie Angell Luc, for Pioneer Press

*Shout Out is a weekly feature where we get to know and introduce our readers to their fellow community members and local visitors throughout suburban Chicago.*

## Pace to hold public meeting on new Milwaukee Avenue service

By IGOR STUDENKOV  
Pioneer Press

Pace suburban bus transit agency will hold a public meeting about the planned Arterial Rapid Transit service along Milwaukee Avenue.

The service will follow the portion of current Route 270, running between Jefferson Park Transit Center and the Golf Mill Mall. The new service, which will be known as Milwaukee Pulse, will make fewer stops and use a Transit Signal Priority system, allowing the buses to travel faster. The TSP system sends a signal to traffic lights, holding off light changes if the bus is running late. Pace spokesman Patrick Wilmot described it as a system similar to one

**"We have been developing the Pulse program for many years and are excited to present the concept to the public."**

— Richard Kwasneski, Pace board chairman

used by emergency service vehicles, except Pace buses would have lower priority. Milwaukee Pulse service is currently expected to launch in 2017.

To get the word out about the service, Pace will be hosting a public meeting at Niles' Oasis Water Park. The meeting will take place on April 22, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will give residents opportunity to see the plans firsthand and provide feedback.

In a statement to the press, Pace Board Chairman Richard Kwasneski

described the outreach as a vital part of the planning process.

"We have been developing the Pulse program for many years and are excited to present the concept to the public," he said. "We rely on the feedback of our stakeholders and riders to help us shape the program, and this process is especially invaluable as we look to implement Pulse service on corridors throughout the region in the future."

Igor Studenkov is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.

## Maine Township Republican Women to host fashion show

By Pioneer Press Staff

The Maine Township Republican Woman's Club "Mainly Men" Fashion Show and Luncheon will take place April 18 at Chateau Ritz, 9100 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The club's theme this year is a first. Men's casual and evening fashions for spring and summer will be featured, as well as providing fashion tips and trends for the well-dressed man, according to a release. All the fashions will be modeled by local elected officials and club members.

New to the event this year is live music by local entertainer, Victor Pacini, who will be singing the

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models down the runway. Also new this year are the featured local stores Lands' End Outlet of Niles, for the well-dressed casual man, and Sak's Fifth Avenue Off Fifth, of Rosemont, for the date-night guy and evening wear guy.

The event features a full cash bar, three-course lunch, raffle prizes, a 50-50 raffle with half the proceeds benefiting the Maine Township Food

Pantry, as well as the auctioning of the club's noted centerpieces provided courtesy of Pesche's Garden Center in Des Plaines, the release said.

According to the release, you don't need to be a club member to attend. Contact Club President Laura Morask at 847-696-7185 for tickets to be held at the door.

All proceeds will benefit the club, the release said.

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# OPINION

## Crawford avenue, a road by any other name



**RANDY BLASER**

I used to laugh at my grandparents whenever they would refer to Pulaski Road, just a few blocks from our Chicago home, by its old name of Crawford Avenue.

Gee, I used to think. How could they get that wrong? We live right there.

But no matter how they tried, or how many times I would correct them, they still called it Crawford.

One day I was downtown and someone asked me for directions. It was easy. I knew what they were talking about. But somehow I just slipped up.

Just go past the Civic Center, I advised. The Civic Center? Huh?

You know, where the Picasso is. Right at Civic Center Plaza. And the Eternal Flame.

Then I realized it hasn't been called the Civic Center for about 40 years. But somehow I lapsed into old Chicago. Today it's the Daley Center and Daley Plaza, named after Mayor Richard J. Daley. Well, at least I know who he was.

I was reminded of that embarrassing lapse again this past week when a friend posted a photo on Facebook of one of my favorite spots. It was the fountain in the plaza near a Chicago bank that is a landmark building.

If you guessed First National Bank Plaza at the First National Bank building, then you're like me. But, if you just moved here, you probably know it as Excelon Plaza, near Chase Bank.

How did I become my grandparents?

The old protester in me still calls U.S. Cellular Field by the old name that we Sox fans cherish — Comiskey Park.

But when I say the Blackhawks play at the Chicago Stadium, my kids look at me like I'm an idiot and I'm rushing headlong into my dotage.

So I might as well fess up and get it all out in the open.

You may know that tall white building near the north end of Michigan Avenue as the Aon Center, but it is really the Standard Oil Building. If you take the train into the city from the north suburbs, you might get off at the Ogilvie Transportation Center. But you're wrong. It's the Northwestern Train Station, isn't it?

If you have some state business to take care of, perhaps you go to the Thompson Center, but it is really the State of Illinois building.

So how did I become a stranger in my

own city?

I think it all started with the subway system. Like most Chicagoans, there was a time when I had the byzantine system down pat.

To get out to O'Hare, you take the Jefferson Park. To get to Oak Park, hop on the Lake Street El. To Evanston, you take the Howard, and the Ravenswood goes to Ravenswood, of course.

That's how I get around Chicago.

But then in 1993, someone not from Chicago decided to eliminate all the el names and go by color.

Since then, I have no idea where I'm going. If I take the Red Line, or the Blue Line or the Green Line, I have no idea where I would end up.

Perhaps Crawford Avenue?

## Case far from closed on religion vs. discrimination

Want to bet?

The national furor over the so-called Religious Freedom Restoration Acts in Arkansas and Indiana has been resolved, we are told, by changes both states' made to their proposed legislation.

These changes are aimed at making it impossible for the acts to be used to discriminate against gay people.

Though it doesn't specifically address the issue of discrimination, the Arkansas law mirrors the federal religious act.

And in Indiana, the epicenter of the conflict, the law now says it does not give anyone the right to refuse employment, service or housing based on sexual orientation or gender identity. The law also cannot be used as a legal defense in any civil suits over service refusal.

Case closed. Want to bet?

The fight to punish gay people, to make them less than full citizens, is a long and deeply felt one. Those who are offended to their core beliefs by gay people will not just give up.

The passage of religious freedom restoration acts may not quite be working out. It surprised me to learn that 20 states (including Illinois) and the federal government have such acts. I must have been asleep while all this was going on.



**PAUL SASSONE**

But the laws in most of these states (again, including Illinois) have protections for gay people.

And in 2005, Illinois passed the Illinois Human Rights Act, which specifically protects gays from discrimination.

Based on the fire storm of opposition to the original Indiana and Arkansas laws, it seems as if the rest of America is not quite ready to equate religious freedom with a right to refuse to sell pizzas to gay people. Nor that making gays second-class citizens somehow "restores" religious freedom. Religious freedom in America doesn't have to be restored because it never has been taken away.

So, what tactic will the foes of gay people now adopt? We'll soon see, unfortunately.

Too bad.

Because there is a way for us to treat each other, one we all know, one that has been around for at least 3,000 years, one that is a tenet of all organized religions.

It is called the ethics of reciprocity. We all know it as the Golden Rule.

The Golden Rule enjoins us to treat other people as we would like to be treated.

It's a shame that in those thousands of years we haven't learned to live by this simple — but profound — code of morality.

**SCOTT STANTIS**



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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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# Rauner cuts autism funding when aim must be pensions



DAVID RUTTER

April is the month when parents and caregivers for children with autism shout out their solidarity, cheer dedicated volunteers and reaffirm their goal of fulfilled lives.

So it only makes sense that Gov. Bruce Rauner used World Autism Month to freeze \$1 million from the state's support program for those with autism — almost all of them children. It's believed he's going to empty the entire program of its \$4 million support in the next budget.

To be fair, Rauner has announced he won't be paying out \$25 million more for a raft of social service programs ranging from citizenship help for immigrants to addiction prevention.

But autism funds strike at a particularly vulnerable population, plus the state's Autism Project, a service network of 17 agencies and 19 centers across the state. It's the largest and most widely acclaimed comprehensive statewide system in the country. They don't get Medicaid money; now Rauner has pulled the support plug, too.

Advocates say a \$1 investment in this program produces \$7 in benefits. Mildly autistic children who learn life skills eventually become people who pay taxes and support themselves. That's why government help for them is not a handout; it's an investment.

Cutting parkland acquisition funds and postponing bike path repairs are fundamentally different than slashing services for human survival. Not all budgeting is the same exercise.

The Autism Project makes life functional. There is no other mechanism that gives those kids a chance.

Rauner shoved a dagger into its heart last week.

A taxpayer might wonder how Rauner is going to fill the \$1.7 billion budget shortfall this year and the long-term \$200 billion deficit by making autistic children figure out life on their own.

The answer is self-evident. He isn't. This is an educational exercise. It's not frugal. It's just cheap. He is instructing people who expect government will make lives better that they should just tough it out.

Well, good, I can hear you saying. Let's get all the indolent indigents off the public payroll and make them pay for themselves. It's not fair, but who said life is fair?

Sorry, that won't work. Even if Illinois jettisoned most of its social service obligations, the savings still would not fill up the budget hole. That solution is a rubber band that won't quite stretch.

That's because Illinois' fiscal mess is caused by one glaring reality that no one in government can face. It's too dangerous, like looking wide-eyed into the sun.

It's not the \$1 million for kids with autism. That's chump change in the Illinois budget.

Here's the basic chasm state government has created. Government in Illinois has agreed to pay public pensions that are too expensive to sustain. Twenty-five cents of every Illinois public dollar goes to pensions, and that ratio is a skyward-aimed escalator.

But the state's Constitution forbids changing those pensions once they are in effect.

Let me say it clearly. Illinois pays retired police, firefighters, teachers and



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Gov. Bruce Rauner speaks Monday to the Chicago Tribune editorial board about his budget.

every other employee too much. Not more than they've earned; just more than their fellow citizens can bear. That does not mean their service was lacking.

Sometimes the numbers are obvious. Retired judges average \$128,000-a-year pensions. Retired legislators get \$56,000.

In some cases, per employee payoff is less the problem than total payroll. State employees get \$38,000 and state university workers average \$37,280 at pension time, but together there are 234,000 of them on the job now or already retired.

Teachers get an annual average of \$51,299, but there are 261,000 of them in the pension pipeline. Then toss in pensions for police and firefighters.

That's too much for state finances to survive. The only solution is to change the state Constitution.

Fixing Illinois might require legislators to fall on a very long, sharp sword for the good of the many. Illinois can survive only if it finds a constitutional method to welch on pensions.

That might not be fair for anyone, but who said life is fair?

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## OPINION

# Violent storm elicits accounts of '65's Palm Sunday outbreak



DAN MORAN

When George Santayana famously said that “those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it,” he probably wasn’t talking about the weather. But a nearly forgotten chapter of northern Illinois history certainly appeared to be repeating itself on a memorable April 9, 2015.

“This is a particularly dangerous situation,” read the frank bulletin from the National Weather Service at 7:41 p.m. for residents in northern and central McHenry County. “You are in a life-threatening situation. ... Considerable damage to homes, businesses and vehicles is likely and complete destruction is possible.”

This was in reference to the tornado that had already roared through Rochelle and the Rockford area and was winging its way northeast toward Woodstock. The bulletin minced no words as it added that this “dangerous and potentially deadly tornado is on the ground. To protect your life, take cover now!”

Fortunately, early warnings like these protected many lives, and Lake County wasn’t directly in the path of any confirmed tornadoes (though there were high-wind reports that included a 91 mph gust recorded at Waukegan Harbor as the post-sunset storm front passed through).

All of these early-April weather dramatics seemed to be heralding the arrival of a milestone this week-end: the 50th anniversary of the Palm Sunday Outbreak, a burst of tornadic



JON DURR/GETTY

A dozen people were rescued from the Grubsteakers restaurant as a tornado ripped through Rochelle last week.

activity that made this Thursday’s storm look like just another rainy day.

According to Weather Service accounts, April 11, 1965, unleashed 47 confirmed tornadoes from Iowa through Ohio that killed 261 people and injured another 3,400 people over an exhausting 12-hour period. Seventeen of the twisters spread across that 450-mile path were in the F4 category, packing winds in the 200- to 250-mph range.

One of those F4’s infamously cut through Crystal Lake in the middle of the stormy afternoon, carving a nine-mile path through the village. It killed five people and destroyed clusters of buildings like a shopping plaza on Route 14. The Crystal Lake Historical Society records that entire subdivisions were flattened, with more than 80 homes completely destroyed.

The path of that tornado took it out of McHenry County and clipped the far northwest corner of Lake County, plowing a 400-foot-wide path through Island Lake. A 2005 account of the storm by News-Sun alum Chris Brenner reported that a 5-year-old boy was killed in the village and another five people were injured as 46 homes were destroyed. In a testament to the power of these incredible explosions of nature, Brenner wrote

that the tornado toppled 600 mature oak trees and “cut a ditch 18 inches deep and three feet wide across the bottom of Island Lake itself.”

While that was the strongest tornado in Lake County that day, it was not the only one. The Weather Service notes that an F2 twister (winds of 116-137 mph) hit Gurnee about 30 minutes later, traveling a reported 4.5 miles. “Several homes were damaged and two planes flipped at Waukegan Memorial Airport,” the Weather Service notes. “Falling trees damaged some homes and two others lost their roofs.”

In Zion, an F1 tornado was reported around the same time that was on the ground for less than a mile, and that was about it on the Illinois side of the storm. By far, the worst damage that day was in Indiana, where 137 people were killed by 10 tornadoes, nearly all of them F4’s

Both the Palm Sunday Outbreak and this week’s storm stand as evidence that tornado alley doesn’t always dead-end in Chicago’s southwest suburbs, leaving everything north of Madison Street untouched. Here’s one vote that it will be another 50 years before we see anything like either storm again.

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# Realtor helps find homes for pets and their people

Jason Feldman knows how important the relationship is between man and his best friend. It's why he started Chicago Pet Friendly Real Estate, which helps find apartments for people with pets, particularly dogs.

Although the office is housed at its parent brokerage, Related Realty, 350 W. Hubbard St., in Chicago, "we serve people wherever they want to go," Feldman said.

"Related Realty is keenly aware of the limitations presented by being a pet owner," said Feldman, who started the pet side of the company after finding a growing need for it. "Each building has set pet restrictions. For example, dog breeds — such as pit bulls, dobermans and rottweilers — are unable to live in most condo buildings. While other buildings allow dogs, they may only allow one and they might have a weight restriction."

To many people, not being able to take a pet with when moving can be like losing a family member. As someone who, at age 11, lost my dog and two cats because of a move that would not allow them, I know the heartbreak of losing a pet this way.

That's why I agree with Feldman, who said it's as much a disservice to show something to a buyer they can't afford, as it is showing them something they can't bring their pets to.

"I saw firsthand and early in my career the disappointment in buyers' eyes when they realized their dream home was out of their grasp due to them having two dogs when the building only allowed one," he said. "This is not an issue for single-family homes, of course, only condos and rental buildings."

Property search systems have no way of indicating if there are breed restrictions, which is one of the most important things to know, Feldman said. Real estate websites and the main Multiple Listing Service used by Realtors are incomplete in listing pet rules and regulations of buildings, he said. When an agent actually is careful with inputting specifics, they can only put the kind of pet (dog and/or cat), what the weight restrictions are and that there is a pet count limitation, but not what the specific count is, he said.

"There's nothing saying there are breed restrictions, which almost every building has," Feldman said. "There are more issues and specifics to know, such as some buildings allow two dogs with a total combined weight of, like, 150 pounds, while others say you can have two dogs at 40 pounds each. Every building is different, so where



**FELICIA DECHTER**

does a buyer start?

"That's where I come in," Feldman said. "It takes a lot more work to weed out and comb through buildings to see what works and what doesn't."

Using a wide search area surrounding the downtown

Chicago area, Feldman found the following stats on one-bedroom, two-bedroom and multi-unit high-rises:

Eighty-five percent of the properties on the market allow a dog; 75 percent of properties have a limitation on how many dogs, so if you have two dogs then your options are cut drastically; 15 percent of the properties do not have a weight limitation, so if you have a big dog, you're going to have more trouble, Feldman said.

"If you have two large dogs, then you may be down to less than 10 percent of the properties available," Feldman said. "If you have two large pit bulls/dobermans/German shepherds, etc., then you're basically screwed."

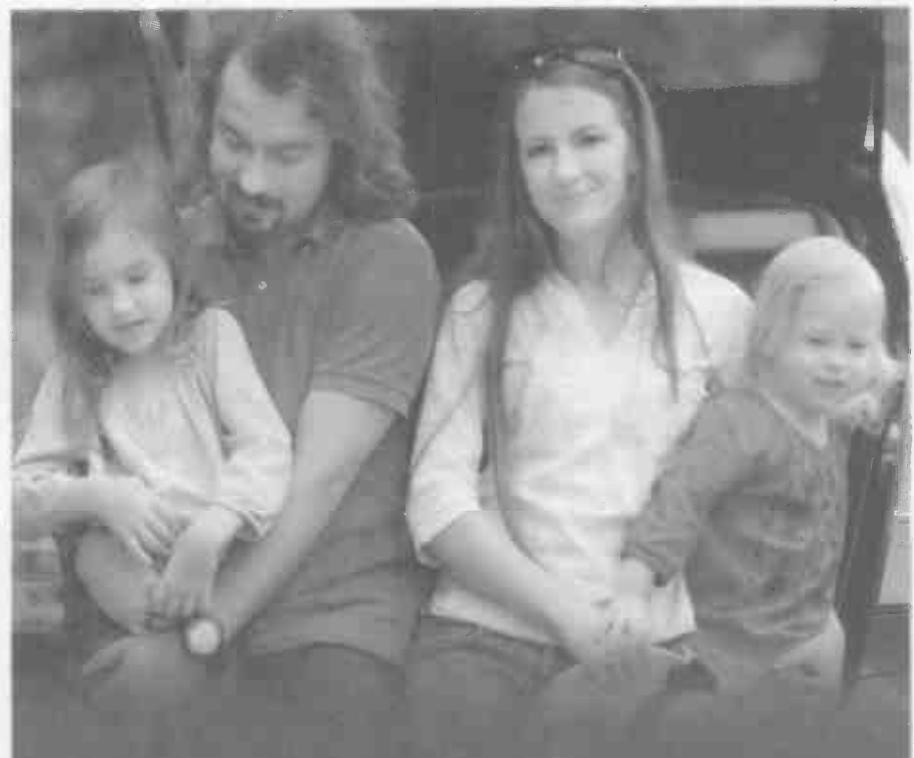
Make sure you choose a Realtor who understands how important your pet is in your life and that you won't move anywhere without it, Feldman said.

"They should take it as seriously as what your budget is and how many bedrooms you need," he said. "Tell them you don't want to see any property that will not allow your whole family."

## The 11 questions you should ask when looking to rent or buy property, compliments of Feldman:

1. What pet type(s) are allowed?
2. What dog breeds are allowed? Each condo has its own specific restrictions.
3. How many pets are allowed per unit or per owner in the building?
4. What are the weight and size restrictions?
5. Is there a deposit or fee per pet?
6. Is there a pet age restriction? Some rentals won't allow dogs under one year.
7. Is there an on-site dog run?
8. Is there an on-site dog spa?
9. Are there dog-only floors?
10. Do you have to carry your dog in the lobby?
11. Where is the nearest dog park or patch of grass?

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311 Cobbler Ln, Buffalo Grove	Honghui Xu & Li Zhou	Kiran K Yelamneni	03-06-15	\$215,000
493 Park View Ter, # 135, Buffalo Grove	Rachel Lang	Sylvia K Kuzdzal	03-12-15	\$215,000
213 Chicory Ct, Buffalo Grove	Arumugam M Sivashanmugam & Mohan K Chettiar	Firstmerit Bank Na	03-10-15	\$231,000
1084 Crofton Ln, Buffalo Grove	Anthony J Bonolo & Krista M Mengarelli	Irwin C Mishoulam	03-13-15	\$248,500
585 Patton Dr, Buffalo Grove	Susan Sorenson & Evan Gronenberg	Fannie Mae	03-11-15	\$250,000
820 Weldner Rd, # 402 3, Buffalo Grove	Brenda Simon	Adrienne Daskal	03-11-15	\$270,000
595 Elmwood Dr, Buffalo Grove	Alexander Murovanny	Lilia Kisliak	03-17-15	\$275,000
993 Knollwood Dr, Buffalo Grove	Bianjun Fan & Ning Wang	Xuemei Liu	03-06-15	\$350,000
1683 White St, Des Plaines	Taseen Atabbi	Hsbc Bank Usa Trustee	03-17-15	\$103,000
9346 Landings Ln, # 505, Des Plaines	Ewelina Ulkowska	Stanislawa Piekarska	03-17-15	\$117,000
395 Graceland Ave, # 307, Des Plaines	Wieslawa M Pluskwa	George S Borovik	03-12-15	\$140,000
9042 W Emerson St, Des Plaines	Remon Zaiya & Nineveh Zaiya	Yousif A Hanna	03-17-15	\$150,000
462 E Thacker St, Des Plaines	Florin Sinzianu & Angela Sinzianu	Bank Of America Na	03-17-15	\$152,000
727 E Thacker St, Des Plaines	Molly Wayner	Luz Maria Campuzano	03-12-15	\$155,000
8816 Dee Rd, # B, Des Plaines	Syed Pasha Qadri	Jamal Aziz	03-13-15	\$157,000
1380 Oakwood Ave, # 306, Des Plaines	Lilliana Coros	Nektarios Manos	03-17-15	\$178,000
1509 Webster Ln, Des Plaines	Noel P Tapia & Christina I Tapia	William Deblase	03-11-15	\$338,000
1317 Briar Ct, Des Plaines	Anthony R Provenzano	Gerald Kloberdanz	03-17-15	\$340,000
897 W Grant Dr, Des Plaines	Matthew J Bogusz & Kaitlyn E Pascale	Nick Rubel	03-12-15	\$385,000
2560 E Church St, Des Plaines	Saju Phillip & Stacey M Sabu	Sabu A Phillip	03-13-15	\$418,000
2244 Douglas Ave, Des Plaines	Jeffrey Stojan & Maria Siemenis	Michael Laskowski	03-17-15	\$630,000
602 Mulford St, # 3C, Evanston	Irene Georgopoulos	Allen Trust	03-13-15	\$75,000

ADDRESS	BUYER	SELLER	DATE	PRICE
1824 Hartrey Ave, Evanston	Evangelina Featherson	Bank Of New York Mellon Ttee	03-18-15	\$115,000
704 Reba Pl, # 201, Evanston	Radostina Hristova & Stefan R Markov	Ashley Schmeda	03-17-15	\$127,500
1045 Dewey Ave, Evanston	Sergio A Ramos	Therese Bluford	03-12-15	\$130,000
1225 Darrow Ave, Evanston	Thomas G Weber & Anne N Weber	James W Hamilton Jr	03-12-15	\$155,500
1421 Sherman Ave, # 505, Evanston	Amanda Zitlin	Annie Kirschner	03-12-15	\$186,000
807 Church St, # 506, Evanston	Nelson Berkowitz	Sarah Shekleton	03-11-15	\$207,000
1922 Lincoln St, # 2S, Evanston	Trae A Howell & Christy L Howell	David R Huntley	03-12-15	\$315,000
918 Michigan Ave, # 2, Evanston	Paul G Foran & Charlene A Quigley	Patrice M Jordan	03-12-15	\$415,000
2745 Marcy Ave, Evanston	Thomas M Mcshane & Robin M Mcshane	Nicholas David	03-17-15	\$465,000
3522 Hillside Rd, Evanston	Ryan Sponseller & Caitlin A Kovacs	Karl Vogel	03-17-15	\$482,500
960 Shermer Rd, # 1, Glenview	Peter Rutecki	Stryker Trust	03-12-15	\$86,000
2021 Ammer Ridge Ct, # 202, Glenview	Won Ha Yu & Hyun Sook Yu	Karafotos Trust	03-16-15	\$190,000
2109 Ammer Ridge Ct, # 102, Glenview	Whitney Prudden	James Pedi	03-11-15	\$205,000
1211 Gladish Ln, Glenview	Ryan Michael Lada & Anna Marie Lada	Laz K Chapman	03-11-15	\$440,000
1217 Longvalley Rd, Glenview	Dorina S Scaunas	Wilmington Sav Fund Soc Ttee	03-17-15	\$600,000
244 Elm St, Glenview	Jigar Desai & Sara G Desai	3fcb Iii Holdings 1	03-12-15	\$630,000
2502 Osage Dr, Glenview	George Xampias & Renee Xampias	Anastasios E Costianis	03-18-15	\$687,500
1045 Arbor Ln, Glenview	Alejandra C Rodriguez & Carlos A Urrea	Nedeljko Lazic	03-12-15	\$863,500
4123 Hampton Ct, Glenview	Mohamasham M Mohiuddin & Shadan T Mohiuddin	Chong H Kim	03-18-15	\$875,000
2105 Dewes St, Glenview	Michael P Leahy & Julie B Leahy	Hideta Itaya	03-13-15	\$1,100,000
2013 Linneman St, Glenview	George Naratadam & Katelyn Andresen	2013 Linneman Llc	03-12-15	\$1,349,500
23 Sequoia Rd, Hawthorn Woods	Matthew Doyle & Christine Doyle	Citimortgage Inc	03-10-15	\$301,100
17 N Acacla Dr, Hawthorn Woods	Jianwu Liu	Series A Of Ibg Hawthorn Trail	03-10-15	\$704,256
21702 N Tall Oaks Dr, Kildeer	Gerald J Boberek & Ann M Boberek	Timothy J Young	03-09-15	\$1,285,000
139 Pembroke Cir, Lake Bluff	Davis C Ryman	Moh Ching O Chang	03-06-15	\$192,500
101 Little Melody Ln, Lake Forest	Justin Moore & Erin Helman	Laurice Jade Rabacal	03-09-15	\$395,000
1775 Farm Rd, Lake Forest	James Jeffrey Teich & Jana Lea Teich	Per Ekholdt	03-06-15	\$860,000
42 Lincolnshire Dr, Lincolnshire	Zbigniew S Chwatko	Fannie Mae	03-06-15	\$255,000
74 Lincolnshire Dr, Lincolnshire	Michael S Ford & Sharanya M Ford	Robert H Bergson	03-09-15	\$446,000
14926 W River Oaks Dr, Lincolnshire	James Bomer	Dorothy C Westerberg	03-09-15	\$975,000
3 Preston Ct, Lincolnshire	Holby Abern & Mlndy Abern	Ibg Lincolnshire Forest Llc	03-10-15	\$1,125,000
5280 Wakefield Ln, Long Grove	James Michael Carrigan & Tracey Leanne Carrigan	James P Singsank	03-06-15	\$600,000
9350 Oketo Ave, Morton Grove	Veronica Anne Wilson & Zachary Edward Wilson	Lavinia Mann	03-12-15	\$210,000
7513 Churchill St, Morton Grove	Edmond K Ng	Parin Upadhyay	03-18-15	\$215,000
7208 Beckwith Rd, Morton Grove	Krzysztof Galbas & Katarzyna Galbas	Ernest John Sukowski	03-12-15	\$245,000
8840 Osceola Ave, Morton Grove	Lena Dankha & Georges Mansour	Charles Wascher	03-16-15	\$280,000
206 Concord Ct, Morton Grove	Lee Shapiro & Carrie Z Shapiro	Lexington Station Llc	03-11-15	\$393,000
8342 Concord Dr, Morton Grove	Tanya D Braxton	Lexington Station Llc	03-12-15	\$405,000
7835 N Nordica Ave, Niles	Mirjana J Djukic Blagojevic & Ivan S Blagojevic	Octavio Jasso	03-17-15	\$185,000
8276 N Wisner St, Niles	Marek Chaj & Anna Chaj	Federal Home Lban Mtg Corp	03-18-15	\$195,500
9313 N Callero Dr, Niles	Steven Seno	Wells Fargo Bank Trustee	03-17-15	\$262,000
8327 N Western Ave, Niles	Jan Ponichtera & Irena Ponichtera	Schneider Trust	03-13-15	\$405,000
2150 Bouterse St, # 209, Park Ridge	Michaelene C Ziembo	Christopher Richard Dahlman	03-16-15	\$226,000
22 Park Ln, # 420, Park Ridge	James Gurney & Jodi Gurney	Lois M Pawelko	03-12-15	\$285,000
721 N Broadway Ave, Park Ridge	Steven A Adams & Cynthia R Adams	Joel H Corelitz	03-11-15	\$407,000
1421 S Vine Ave, Park Ridge	Erin King & Russell King	Fannie Mae	03-11-15	\$560,000
1825 Courtland Ave, Park Ridge	Kathleen M Calument & Elizabeth E Maher	John Mietus	03-16-15	\$840,000
9622 W Higgins Rd, # 2F S, Rosemont	Kelly Vahey	William C Awnderson	03-11-15	\$105,000

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**VERNON HILLS**

Over 4,400 square feet of living space. Hardwood floors, finished basement with office & home theater. Kitchen with stainless steel appliances, granite counters, Wolf double oven/stove, island, 42" cabinets. 1st-floor laundry. Five full baths. Master suite has 2 closets, bath with whirlpool tub & separate shower. Trex deck, brick patio, gazebo.

**Address:** 27 South Royal Oak Drive  
**Price:** \$539,000  
**Schools:** Vernon Hills High School  
**Taxes:** \$15,301  
**Agent:** Maria Fricano/Coldwell Banker - The Groves



**ARLINGTON HEIGHTS**

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**Address:** 910 W. Cypress Drive  
**Price:** \$575,000  
**Schools:** Rolling Meadows High School  
**Taxes:** \$9,659  
**Agent:** Donna Glass/Baird & Warner Northwest Suburban



**LAKE FOREST**

Four-bedroom, 2.5-bath home rests on 0.29 acres & offers 2600 square feet of living space plus full basement and two-car garage. Kitchen with granite floors and countertops opens to family room with gas-burning fireplace. Master suite has two walk-in closets, whirlpool tub and steam shower. Freshly painted throughout.

**Address:** 62 Niles Ave.  
**Price:** \$549,000  
**Schools:** Lake Forest High School  
**Taxes:** \$8,994  
**Agent:** Jonathon Nagatani/@Properties



**NORTHBROOK**

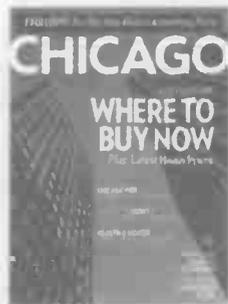
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**Address:** 1336 Wessling Drive  
**Price:** \$594,500  
**Schools:** Glenbrook North High School  
**Taxes:** \$10,441  
**Agent:** Caroline Gau/Coldwell Banker - Northbrook

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# Aykroyd plays to 'Ghostbusters' fans, thanks veterans

BY DAYNA FIELDS  
Pioneer Press

One day after legendary actor/comedian Dan Aykroyd scored on "Shoot The Puck" at the Chicago Blackhawks game at the United Center, he made an appearance at Binny's Beverage Depot's newest store in Oak Brook, where he signed movie memorabilia and bottles of his Crystal Head Vodka.

Fans lined up hours ahead of Aykroyd's appearance April 8, and first in line were six men dressed in full "Ghostbusters" gear. Complete with jumpsuits and homemade power packs, they were all members of the Midwest Ghostbusters Coalition.

"Think of us as a Ghostbusters' union. We're scattered throughout the entire Midwest, the entire country really, and we dress like Ghostbusters, we raise money for charity and we just like to have fun," said Bob Anderson, with Windy City Ghostbusters.

Aykroyd arrived on the scene with energy, jokes and smiles while taking pictures with the Ghostbusters, who each had their power packs signed.

"It touches me that they remember and that they come and stay out and wait in line, and I'm here at their service today," Aykroyd said.

Aykroyd shares a strong connec-



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Actor/comedian Dan Aykroyd poses for a photo with members of the Midwest Ghostbusters Coalition.

tion with Chicago, where he filmed "Blues Brothers" and once performed in the Second City comedy troupe. Standing in line, many fans were sporting the infamous "Blues Brothers" suit and sunglasses while others brought in posters, pictures and figurines to have signed.

"It feels like I'm coming home," Aykroyd said. "We made two great movies here — 'Doctor Detroit,' where I met my wife, and 'Blues Brothers.' Of course, we opened

our House of Blues here ... and it definitely feels like coming home."

Other fans waiting in line didn't dress in character but instead wanted to express gratitude for Aykroyd's support of organizations such as the Fallen Heroes Fund, to which he was donating part of the day's proceeds.

Deborah Gordon from Merrillville, Ind., is a wounded veteran who served in the Air Force from 1978-1982. She drove from Indiana to Oak Brook and waited patiently

in line to thank Aykroyd for supporting veterans.

"If it wasn't for funds like this, I would have been homeless while waiting for my Social Security to kick in," Gordon said. "A lot of veterans depend on outside help, so the more stars they bring to this cause, the more funding they will get."

When Gordon told Aykroyd her story, he didn't hesitate to shake her hand, give her a hug and asked for a round of applause.

"My daughters say to me, 'We want to be actors or actresses and do what you do, Dad.' And I say the real heroes in life are the teachers, firefighters, policeman and military," Aykroyd said after the exchange. "We are always cognizant of the sacrifices that firemen, policemen and the military make every day to give the lifestyle that we have in the Western world, so we were happy to help the veterans' organizations today with some of the proceeds."

Aykroyd also thanked Michael Binstein, CEO of Binny's Beverage Depot, for his contributions and organizing the day's event at the 25,000-square-foot Binny's facility at 1500 16th St., Oak Brook.

Over the span of two hours, Aykroyd greeted and took pictures with every fan in line. The stockpile of signed bottles of Crystal Head Vodka, which he started in 2009 with his partner John Alexander, may have dwindled down, but Aykroyd never lost his charm.

"It's a great opportunity for our customers to come in to meet one of their favorite idols and, at the same time, support a great charity," said general manager Ryan Krehbiel.

Dayna Fields is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.

# Cafe Orchid plants Turkish cuisine in Park Ridge

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON  
Pioneer Press

Turkish cuisine has come to Park Ridge.

Kurt Serpin and Iho Batnasan have brought Cafe Orchid, their family-owned restaurant in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood, to Park Ridge's Village Green shopping center. The eatery opened March 19 in the former Bangkok Belly location at 650 N. Northwest Highway.

While the couple still owns the original, award-winning Cafe Orchid at 1746 W. Addison St., they're giving their hometown of Park Ridge a try, hoping to fill what they see as a local void in ethnic cuisine.

"We want them to explore Turkish food more," said Batnasan

of her Park Ridge neighbors. "There's been so many customers so far who have been to Turkey. They have traveled there at least once or twice, so they are really familiar with the cuisine. They just don't have a place to go to."

Cafe Orchid is named for the couple's daughter Orkide, who is now almost 14. On one wall hangs a relief of Istanbul, showing the bridge over the Bosphorus strait and an outline of the Hagia Sophia. A handmade, blue chandelier from Turkey hangs from the ceiling, while a painting of men in turbans dipping spoons into a bowl sits above a row of booths and tables.

Serpin is the restaurant's main chef, drawing on cuisine from southern Turkey's Mediterranean region and his native city of Mersin.

Diners can find much of the familiar Mediterranean fare at Cafe Orchid — kabobs, babaganoush, tabuli, falafel, baklava and hummus — but also more unique dishes, like uskudar, a lamb dish; homemade Turkish ravioli with ground lamb and garlic yogurt; and Sultan Delight, consisting of char-grilled eggplant puree sauteed with mozzarella cheese and topped with chicken, lamb or beef.

"Our homemade specials are the best," Batnasan said. "Everyone loves our uskudar."

There are also several vegetarian entrees, authentic Turkish tea and coffee and desserts like kadayif (similar to baklava) and revani, a sweet cake soaked in syrup.

Cafe Orchid also features a lunch menu, catering and delivery.

Serpin, who worked as a chef at other Turkish restaurants in Chicago before opening his own in 2007, said cooking has been a hobby since he was as young as five years old.

"I love to cook, all my life. I would just cook — nothing else," he said with a smile.

Batnasan, a native of Mongolia who studied in Turkey before immigrating to the United States, handles the business and management aspects of the restaurants.

Because Cafe Orchid features a menu of dishes that might be unfamiliar to many, Batnasan noticed an initial hesitancy among some Park Ridge customers to try out the restaurant.

"But once they come in they are

really happy with the food," she said.

Customers from the Lakeview location who live outside Chicago are also happy that the Park Ridge restaurant now exists, Batnasan said.

"Our suburban customers are really happy they don't have to go to Chicago and deal with the traffic," she explained, adding, "Hopefully we will stay here many more years."

Cafe Orchid is open Sunday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, contact the restaurant at 847-653-6282.

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Listings are subject to change. Please call the venue in advance.

## Thursday, April 16

**"Lone Star" and "Laundry and Bourbon":** Presenting two plays depicting life in a sleepy Texas town. "Lone Star" and "Laundry and Bourbon," by James McLure, both seem to show us a simpler life and a unique perspective on the world. 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oil Lamp Theater, 1723 Glenview Rd., Glenview, \$17.50-35, 847-834-0738

**Patron appreciation reception:** Drop in for light refreshments to celebrate this special week that honors our nation's libraries, librarians and patrons. 2 p.m. Thursday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Honoring Your Wishes: Advance Care Planning:** Participants can obtain information about various advanced directives and a chance to review the 2015 Illinois Statutory Power of Attorney for Health Care form. Speaker Debbie Roberts, an elder law and probate attorney and founder of LifeWrap Solutions, is on hand to explain the process. 10 a.m. Thursday, Midwest Palliative & Hospice Care Center, 2050 Claire Court, Glenview, free, 847-556-1778

**"Build It!" at Kohl Children's Museum:** The museum announces its newly constructed, temporary exhibit, "Build It!" which puts a spin on classic building blocks by letting children explore and interact with ten different varieties of blocks in a single space through May 3, 2015. Children can discover, stack, bridge, enclose, make patterns, name and symbolize using blocks and more. 9:30 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, noon Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Wednesday, Kohl Children's Museum, 2100 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, \$10-\$11, 847-832-6600

**Little Legends Soccer Academy: spring premier league:** The new league is for seven- and eight-year-olds. A six-week season starts on April 18th. Noon Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, Glenview New Church, 74 Park Drive, Glenview, \$219, 224-500-5729

**Mother-Son Bingo Night:** Mothers and their sons partake in a night of bingo at the Lincolnwood Fire Station. Featured in the event are pizza, drinks, bingo with prizes and other family activities. 6 p.m. Thursday, Lincolnwood Fire Station, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Residents pay \$15, non-residents pay \$19 (per couple), 847-677-9740

**Advanced Excel 2010:** Hands-on workshop covers creating charts and using tables to sort and filter data. Registration limited to six. Morton Grove residents have priority. Registration for Introduction to Excel 2010 and Do More with Excel 2010. Prerequisite: Do More with Excel 2010 workshop, or a thorough understanding of Excel 2010 required. Registration for all classes in this series opens: 9 a.m. on March 5. 7 p.m. Thursday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**Hot Ticket: The Imitation Game:** The Imitation Game (2014, PG-13, 2 hr.) During World War II, mathematician Alan Turing tries to crack the Enigma code with help from fellow mathematicians. Cast: Benedict Cumberbatch, Keira Knightley. 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**Save A Star's Drug Disposal Program:** Save a Star Drug Awareness Foundation's Drug Disposal Program box is still in the lobby of the Niles Police Department, 7000 W. Touhy Ave., Niles, IL. Accepted are: prescription medications, (including controlled substances), all over-the-counter and pet medications, samples, vitamins, liquids and creams. Call 847-579-1300 Ext. 146. 9 a.m. Thursday-Wednesday, Niles Police Department, 7000 West Touhy Ave., Niles, free

**Mah Jongg in Review:** Brush up on your Mah Jongg skills in this six-week class. Instructor Pamela Max guides you through games and focuses on technique. Bring a current Mah Jongg card or purchase one for \$8. Contact the Park Ridge Senior Center. 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, \$52 member or \$57 guest, 847-692-3597

**Karaoke Thursdays:** Enjoy some great pizza and sing a tune or two. 7 p.m. Thursday, Perry's Pizza and Ribs, 711 Devon Ave., Park Ridge, free, 847-823-4422

**Denise Barreto launches new book to Chicago market:** Denise Barreto, founder of Relationships Matter Now, LLC announces the release of her second book: "Engage, Collaborate, Lead: Ignite Your Business, Ignite Your Life." Barreto will be speaking at 6:45 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Afterward, there will be opportunities to meet with her. 6 p.m. Thursday, South Park Recreation Center, 833 Talcott Ave., Park Ridge, free, 847-692-5127

## Friday, April 17

**"Wild":** Battling grief and self-destructive behavior, Cheryl Strayed (Reese Witherspoon) makes a decision to put her life back together and reach for new possibilities. With a heavy backpack and little common sense, Strayed sets out alone to hike the Pacific Crest Trail, one of our country's longest and toughest trails. Based on a true story. 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Friday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Low vision fair:** Hear Dr. Frank P. La Franco, MD, board-certified Ophthalmologist at Retina Services of Illinois, speak about the care and treatment of low vision disorders. Vendors and representatives serving those with low vision will display materials/products. The Park Ridge Lion's Club will provide screenings for diabetic retinopathy. 10 a.m. Friday, Glenview Park Center, 2400 Chestnut Ave., Glenview, free, 847-724-5670

**Annual Rummage Sale:** Furniture, housewares, collectibles, jewelry, clothes, French Room, books, linens, toys, etc. Food available for sale on Saturday. 6 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. Saturday, Glenview United Methodist Church, 727 North Harlem Ave., Glenview, free, 847-729-1015

**Family game night:** Get the family together for fun from classic board games to giant Jenga and a scavenger hunt, there is something for everyone. Try circus games like plate spinning and juggling or get your groove on in a group Just Dance 2015 dance party. Try your hand at some of the hottest new video games with GameTruck® Chicago, who will be parked at the library for the event. Get out of the house and play games with us. Some snacks and refreshments will also be provided. 5 p.m. Friday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 West Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

**Duplicate Bridge:** The senior center offers a friendly bridge game every Friday morning at 9 a.m. Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, free, 847-692-5127

## Saturday, April 18

**Funny & Freaky Fish: Explore the Caribbean Sea:** Discover how marine creatures have adapted for survival as marine educators and award-winning photographers, Wayne and Karen Brown, present a stunning HD digital

show. Registration required. 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Genealogy Research Day:** Need help getting started with genealogy? Have you hit a brick wall in your research? Join us in the Technology Lab where genealogy experts can help. Or visit the Genealogy Room to use our print collections. Registration preferred: [glenviewpl.org/register](http://glenviewpl.org/register), 847-729-7500 x7700, or the Reference Services Desk. 1 p.m. Saturday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**National Nanny Training Day:** Nannies participate in a full day of training which features various knowledgeable speakers from North Shore Family Services, Babywearing International, Nanny Coaching Team and North Shore Pediatric Therapy to help nannies improve their skills. Six educational workshops, networking opportunities and raffle prizes to giveaway. Every nanny goes home with a certificate indicating their participation. 8 a.m. Saturday, The Glen Club, 2901 West Lake Ave., Glenview, \$55, 847-733-2700

**Four Universal Steps of Life Change and Spiritual Transformation:** A universal, step-by-step program that helps you make and sustain any life choices that you want or need to make, one or two changes at a time. It does this by helping you confront deeper issues in your life. 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Glenview New Church, 74 Park Drive, Glenview, \$20, 847-274-8939

**Cappuccino & Conversation at Glenview Grind:** Celebrate National Library Week by sharing your favorite reads while enjoying a free specialty drink of your choice. Just drop in. 2 p.m. Saturday, Glenview Grind, 989 Waukegan Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-0111

**Photography: Intro to Macro Photography:** Learn the basics of composition and camera settings. You must have a working knowledge of the exposure triangle. This course also requires either a dedicated macro lens or an extension/magnification tube set. For ages 18 and up. Taught by Angela Alfie. Call the Park Ridge Senior Center. 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, Fee is \$180, 847-692-3597

**Photography: Intro to Editing:** Saturdays for two hours until May 9 for ages 18 and up! Course teaches the basics of composition and camera settings.

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Attendees must have a working knowledge of the exposure triangle. Participant must bring laptop and a working version of either Photoshop Elements or Photoshop CS5 or CS6. **Instructor:** Angela Alfe of Beautiful Life Photography. Contact the Park Ridge Senior Center at 847-692-3597. 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, \$180, 847-692-3597

**Learning Your DSLR: Intro to Photography:** This Intro to Photography course focuses on the basics of shooting with a single-lens reflex camera. In this course, learn technical instruction, camera settings, metering, the exposure triangle and other detailed technical instruction. 9 a.m. Saturday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, Fee is \$180, 847-692-3597

**The Two Hour Cup:** Try three different premium loose leaf teas and take home info cards with descriptions and tasting notes. 2 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. Sunday, TeaLula, 11 S. Fairview Ave., Park Ridge, \$4.50, 888-832-5852

**Middle School Open Gym and Swim:** This Saturday night social for sixth - eighth grades includes a DJ, inflatables, open gym, swimming, wallyball, ping pong and racquetball. Snacks and pop are available for purchase. No admittance after 7:30 p.m. Pick up is at 9 p.m. Participants are not allowed to walk home without a parent note. Register online at [prparks.org](http://prparks.org). 7 p.m. Saturday, Park Ridge Community Center, 1515 W Touhy Ave., Park Ridge, \$5 at the door, 847-692-5129

**Living In Awareness: Make New Agreements:** With don Miguel Ruiz, Jr. and a special meditation with his father don Miguel Ruiz who appears via Skype. Explore how your attachments create your reality, and how your beliefs become intimately connected to who you think you are. Let go of the fear of separating from beliefs. Learn to make new agreements in line with your true authentic self. 9 a.m. Saturday, National Louis University North Shore, 5202 Old Orchard Road, Skokie, \$110 after March 18, 847-831-8828

### Sunday, April 19

**Chicago North Suburbs Myasthenia Gravis Support Group:** Learn about the neuromuscular disorder and find friendship and support. Friends and family are welcome. 1 p.m. Sunday, Glenbrook Hospital, 2100 Pfcngsten Road, Glenview, free, 800-888-6208

**Petra van Nuis Quartet featuring trumpeter Bobby Lewis:** Enjoy an evening of Great American Songbook standards both familiar and obscure. Petra and Bobby share a love of melody and lyrics and best express their creativity through the timeless popular music of the 1920s-50s. 2 p.m. Sunday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 West Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

### Monday, April 20

**Money Smart Week: resume writing for teens:** A representative from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission helps teens create and polish their resumes. 7 p.m. Monday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Telephone and utility bill clinic:** Citizens Utility Board staff review your telephone, electric and natural gas bills and recommend ways for you to cut costs. 1 p.m. Monday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Knitting Roundtable:** Come work through knitting projects and socialize with fellow knitters. Expert knitters can show you how to solve knitting challenges. Don't forget your current knitting projects and needles! Call 847-929-5101 or visit [mgpl.org](http://mgpl.org) for more information. 2 p.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**MGPL Kids: Monday Morning Playgroup:** Drop-in play time for preschoolers with a parent or caregiver to introduce young children to the library in a low-key, unstructured session. Call 847-929-5102 or visit [mgpl.org](http://mgpl.org) for more information. 10:30 a.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**Luncheon Commemorates Titanic Survivor Violet Jessop:** The catered luncheon provided for attendees, mimics a meal that would have been served on the Titanic, with entertainment provided by historian Leslie Goddard. Goddard takes on the persona of Titanic Stewardess and survivor Violet Jessop. Call to reserve one's space by April 17 in time for the April 20 event. 12:30 p.m. Monday, Kemnitz Center for Active Adults, 8350 North Greenwood Ave., Niles, \$20, 847-692-1992

**Anti-Semitism In America Today: Where We Stand:** Anti-Semitism has been present in society since the first Jews came to these shores in 1654, and

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still exists today. How is this hatred displayed both openly and subtly, and how has it changed over the years? Join educator Buddy Schreiber as he examines the current trends in America and leads a thought provoking discussion of the issue. 1 p.m. Monday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, \$10 member; \$13 non-member, 847-784-6030

**A Taste of Australia:** Ron and Sandie perform songs performed by Australian artists. Some songs include "Waltzing Matilda" and "Tie Me Kangaroo Down Sport." Ron, a native Australian teaches attendees to speak Australian. Lunch includes traditional Australian cuisine. (Skip the lunch and come at 1:30 p.m. Fee is \$7 member; \$9 guest). 12:30 p.m. Monday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, \$17 member; \$19 guest, 847-692-3597

**Intro to the iPhone: e-mail:** General use of e-mail which includes how to compose, send, reply and forward e-mail messages, how to add contacts to the address book and how the clean-up unwanted messages. Attendees bring one's iPhone and charger to class. 1 p.m. Monday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, \$40 member; \$45 guest, 847-692-3597

**Money Matters Discussion:** The group meets on the first and third Monday of each month. 10 a.m. Monday, Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, free, 847-692-3597

## Tuesday, April 21

**Power Employment Workshop: secret strategies to land a job in 90 days:** Discover proven strategies to land a job, as Illinois WorkNet Center speakers share what's working and what's not in today's job market. 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Hidden Treasure: turn your dusty attic into \$\$\$:** Professional appraiser Karl Gates explains the attributes to look for in determining the value of keepsakes. 7 p.m. Tuesday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Morningstar:** Participate in Money Smart Week by learning how you can use Morningstar, a free library online resource, to manage your investments and make informed decisions regarding your portfolio. 1 p.m. Tuesday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 West Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

**Veteran center services:** Enjoy an informational session about readjustment services available to eligible veterans and their families in the form of counseling, benefits info, job referral and employment assistance. 9 a.m. Tuesday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 West Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

**MGPL Kids: Listen Up!** Drop-in story and play time for preschoolers with a parent or caregiver. Call 847-929-5102 or visit [mgpl.org/kids](http://mgpl.org/kids) for more information. 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**Beginning Bridge Lessons:** Come and learn the most stimulating partnership card game around! Learn the basic bidding and playing in a stress-free environment. Sign up with a friend or partner, or come to meet new ones, to be playing bridge at the end of the session. Phyllis Bartlett, ACBL Accredited teacher, guides the class. Contact the Park Ridge Senior Center. This is an eight-week class. 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Park Ridge Park District - Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, \$86, 847-692-3597

## Wednesday, April 22

**Property tax appeals seminar:** Taxpayer advocate Andrea Raila shows you how to lower property taxes, get tax exemptions and refunds, understand market value reassessment notices, use self-help tax links and more. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Low Vision Products Show:** Experience state of the art technology: CCTVs, portable reading devices, and other independent living aids. Test products and get training on sight. 10 a.m. Wednesday, The Chicago Lighthouse North, 222 Waukegan Road, Glenview, free, 847-510-6200

**Buying and Selling on Craigslist:** Walk through [craigslist.org](http://craigslist.org), learn buying and selling etiquette, and get safety tips on this great local resource. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 West Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

**True Story of Golda Meir:** All women invited to Celebrate Israel month by learning about Golda. 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Ezra Habonim, The Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie, \$18 members; \$23 non-members and at the door, 847-675-4141

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# John Hughes home is 2015 Lake Forest Showhouse

BY LAURA PAVIN  
Pioneer Press

Nearly 30 interior and seven landscape designers are hard at work, transforming the 11,000-square-foot home of late screenwriter, director and producer John Hughes, Jr. into a jaw-dropping display of their arts for the 2015 Lake Forest Showhouse & Gardens.

Every other year, the Lake Forest Auxiliary chapter of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago selects a historic Lake Forest home to transform and open for touring as a fundraiser for the Chicago clinic they support. Since it began in 1985, the event has raised more than \$3 million for the clinic, which provides health care services to Chicago's medically underserved.

This year's showhouse and gardens is open April 25 - May 17.

The designers' work will complement the architecture of Edwin Hill Clark, whose design credits include the Lake Forest Library, Ferry Hall, Lincoln Park and Brookfield zoos.

Courage & Company, a Winnetka-based architecture and interior design company, was tasked with redesigning the teen retreat area of the home. It's a room attendees won't want to miss.

"[It] is designed to accommodate all needs of the present day teenager," said Amy Courage, principal of Courage & Company.

She said that the room will be a clean, studio-like space with glossy, white walls and a white shag rug, a 10-foot-long Chesterfield sofa, white leather Eames chairs and ottomans and a wool tartan-covered swing.

Fun touches will include three coffee table cubes that double as game boards, a stainless steel ventless fireplace, a small refrigerator, Keurig machine and a SodaStream to make carbonated drinks.

"The crowning achievement is a large, custom-designed light fixture based on the Ingo Maurer Zettle collection that is interactive with clips to leave handwritten notes to each other," Courage said.

Lake Forest-based Lori Lennon + Associates will revamp the dining room.

To give the room more of a charming, traditional elegance, Lennon applied moldings and casings that framed the doorways to the window seat side of the room. Two oil paintings grace the walls of the room: one of a serene landscape scene by artist Joan Rea and another an "explosion of floral blossoms."

The furnishings "blend in with a smooth contemporary transition."

"The total balance of the space is uniquely achieved by the elegant skirted



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The 2015 Lake Forest Showhouse, once owned by John Hughes



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Alessandra Branca, honorary chair for the 2105 Showhouse & Garden

table setting that is surrounded by the smashing rosewood Klismos dining chairs," Lennon said. "Topping off the whole dining experience are the dynamic long prisms of a hand-blown glass waterfall chandelier."

Other notable designers participating include English luxury kitchen designer



MICHAEL SMITH/COURAGE & COMPANY

Pastel by Michael Smith that Amy Courage plans to use in her Showhouse design.

Christopher Peacock, who will be debuting his "Lambourne" collection of traditional fitted furniture; Randy Heller of Pure & Simple Interior Design, who will be designing the master bath with new collections from Kohler and Ann Sacks and Michael Del Piero, who will be designing the garden room with an over-



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Amy Courage, principal at Winnetka-based Courage & Company.

sized "live chandelier."

In addition to redesigning the living room, Honorary Chair Alessandra Branca will give a lecture on April 28 about how to bring new life into the living room, which has seemingly become an oxymoron, as it is often the least-visited room in the home.

## CAUSE &amp; EVENT

# Epilepsy Foundation honors Duckworth

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Illinois State Sen. Dan Kotowski of Park Ridge and U.S. Rep. Tammy Duckworth, D-IL 8th, were among more than 300 guests at the 2015 Heroes Night Gala of the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago held at the Field Museum on Feb. 20. Duckworth received the Foundation's Richard N. Rovner Hero Award for her commitment to people living with disabilities.

The gala raised over \$100,000 for the Foundation's counseling, advocacy and educational services to people with epilepsy, their families and communities. More information at [epilepsy-chicago.org](http://epilepsy-chicago.org).



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U.S. Rep. Tammy Duckworth, D-IL 8th of Hoffman Estates, with Illinois State Sen. Dan Kotowski of Park Ridge

## HONORS

# Siddons Society honors Jessie Mueller

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Jessie Mueller, the 2014 Tony Award winning actress who hails from Evanston is the 2015 Sarah Siddons Society Award honoree. Mueller, along with 1999 Siddons award winner and Broadway star Heather Headley, will be on hand for the award presentation at 7:30 p.m. April 27, at Marriott Theatre, 10 Marriott Drive, Lincolnshire. The evening will feature performances by Headley and by other actor-members of the Mueller family. Evening proceeds will benefit local college theater programs. Reserved seats are \$95; students are \$25. Call 800-838-3006 or go to [beautiful.brownpapertickets.com](http://beautiful.brownpapertickets.com).



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# 7 Tips to turn a first date into many, many more

We've all been there. You're sitting across the table from someone who you think is close to perfect. Smiling from ear to ear, you sip wine and barely eat as you gaze into his or her beautiful eyes, unable to believe that after countless awful dates, you actually met someone who stopped your world.

I'm describing a really, really great first date. Unfortunately, no one gets too many of those, as lots of first dates end in disappointment, irritation, and nightmare stories you end up sharing with your friends. So, how can you turn a first date into many, many more?

With the help of Erika Kybartas, a matchmaker for It's Just Lunch in Chicago, we came up with seven tips we think will improve your chances.

**1. Dress to impress:** "Before you leave the house for any date, look in the mirror and say, 'Would I want to date me?'" said Kybartas, who has been in the business for 14 years, estimating she has set up thousands of couples during that time, hundreds of which have resulted in long-term relationships. According to Kybartas, dress code for a dinner date is jeans, a nice top and heels, or a dress if you prefer. For men, she recommends business casual: jeans, a nice pair of shoes, a button down and sport coat. If coming to the date straight from work, a suit is acceptable. "Look like you put some effort into your outfit," Kybartas said.

**2. Choose the right venue:** Keep first dates casual and short in length. Drinks and appetizers, lunch or coffee are great options. Wait for a second or third date to do something more active or that will result in spending a longer amount of time together. Great second or third dates include golf, tennis, a museum, or a paint and sip studio.

**3. Be open-minded:** "You can't change a bad personality, but you can always change a bad T-shirt or an unlikable mustache," Kybartas said. In other words, if you're a little bit unsure, keep talking! Keep asking ques-



**JACKIE PILOSSOPH**  
*Love Essentially*

tions and getting to know the person. You might just fall in love, and can then talk to him or her about superficial changes later.

**4. Talk is important:** Good topics for a first date: common interests and light-

hearted subjects that make you both laugh. Bad topics: money, finances, religion, politics and past relationships. Also, if you start talking negatively about your ex, or call him or her a name, I can guarantee you will never hear from your date again. Ever.

**5. Watch alcohol intake:** Kybartas warns, "Stay away from shots!" She also suggests 1-2 drinks max for a first date, so that you keep a clear head and you can really get to know the person. Additionally, excessive drinking leads to poor judgment, inappropriate conversation and bad behavior. It can also lead to lack of self-control, and we all know what that could mean. Great segue into No. 6.

**6. Keep sex off the table:** Kybartas and I both agree that waiting a few dates to get physical is wise. It isn't always easy to refrain from sex if there is an intense attraction, but building that emotional connection will make what happens in the bedroom even better when it finally happens.

**7. Women: Offer to Pay, Men: Please Pay!** "For a woman, offering to pay is a nice thing to do," said Kybartas. "It makes you look humble and appreciative." As far as a guy paying, it is traditional and chivalrous. It makes a guy a gentleman. In other words, when he says, "Check, please," hopefully, he means it.

In closing, first dates can range from disaster to bliss. But if you hear any of these five things at the end of the night, count on a second date:

- When can I see you again?
- What's your schedule like?
- This isn't what I expected was going to happen tonight.
- I'm so glad we met.
- May I kiss you?

*Jackie Pilossoph is a freelance columnist for Pioneer Press.*

# ComEd estimated reading a surprise – and soon a thing of the past

Help Squad recently received a request for assistance from a reader with a ComEd billing issue. A senior citizen on a fixed income, the reader was very upset that without notice her monthly electric charges had suddenly jumped from around \$100 to well over \$200. She said that nothing had changed at her home aside from the receipt of what she deemed an outrageously expensive electric bill.

In response to her call to ComEd Customer Service, a representative requested she go outside and read the dial on her electric meter. As a result of this inspection, it was discovered that ComEd's readings were off by approximately 400 kilowatt hours (kWh), and the reason for the discrepancy was that her electricity consumption had been estimated. Due to the considerable difference between the two numbers, ComEd promised to send out a meter reader who, unfortunately, never arrived.

Following this customer's communication with Help Squad, her daughter contacted ComEd and we were informed that the situation had been resolved to their satisfaction.

Though taken care of without our assistance, this request for help brought to light a topic that likely affects other Help Squad readers. With this in mind, we contacted ComEd to ask why someone might receive an estimated bill and if there was anything a consumer could do to avoid it. In response to our inquiry, Chuck Walls, vice president of customer revenue assurance, and Mike McMahan, vice president of smart meter implementation, offered the following.

Chuck explained that for most ComEd customers (those who still have analog electric meters), a meter reader visits their home once a month to take a reading. On those occasions when weather, a locked gate or a dog prevents an actual in-person reading, ComEd will bill using an estimated reading. This estimation is calculated by referencing the previous month's usage and/or the previous year's same-month bill.

If a customer receives an estimated bill that varies significantly from a meter's actual displayed kWh, he/she has a few options available to remedy the situation. A photo can be taken of the meter dial and e-mailed to ComEdMeterReadings@ComEd.com; the actual kWh number can be submitted via a customer's online account at ComEd.com or the reading can be reported by calling 1-800-334-7661. Chuck points out that billing is



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*Help Squad*

eventually "trued-up" via a reading by a ComEd meter reader. When the truing-up occurs, however, customers shouldn't be surprised if their bill shows a significant jump or drop, as weather can vary from the months referenced for the estimate.

Mike, who is responsible for the current roll-out of four million smart meters to every ComEd customer by the end of 2018, filled us in on how things will change once the utility's analog meters are replaced with smart meters. Specific to the topic at hand, there will no longer be a need for meter readers or, subsequently, estimated readings.

Smart meters — one million of which have already been installed — are wireless devices that transmit to ComEd in real-time a home or business' electricity usage. Smart meters not only provide ComEd with consumers' power usage data, but consumers too will now have access to their hourly, daily and monthly consumption patterns via their online accounts — all available beginning the day after smart meters are installed.

With the new technology, a customer can sign up to receive e-mail or phone alerts if his/her electricity usage increases significantly. Dynamic pricing can be enabled as well, offering lower priced electricity during off-peak hours. In fact, Mike pointed out that with the incorporation of renewable energy sources such as wind and solar, there are now actually times when the price of electricity is negative!

If you are interested in knowing when your town is scheduled for smart meter implementation, go to [comed.com](http://comed.com). Beginning 90 days out until the date of installation, ComEd will alert customers via bill inserts, postcards, letters and phone calls of their planned meter replacement dates.

### Need help?

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# Changing just 1 meal a day can add up to better health

BY ALISON BOWEN  
Tribune Newspapers

The takeout craving at lunch is strong.

But making daily visits to the sandwich shop or wolfing down a container of oily pasta leftovers — perhaps indulged in after a tough meeting or slow day — can add up in more ways than one.

Changing your habits for just one meal a day can improve your health, energy and even weight, experts say.

"It can have a big impact," said Jill Weisenberger, a registered dietitian nutritionist and author of "The Overworked Person's Guide to Better Nutrition."

"One meal a day is a significant portion of our calories," she said.

Even in calories alone, the difference is stark.

A more balanced meal will fill you up more than a packed burrito, Weisenberger said. That burrito might be 800 calories, or a jumbo burger could be 600. But a balanced meal that doesn't strand you with hunger can be created for 400 or 500 calories — or even fewer.

"You're saving calories that way," she said. "Over time, in six months, in a year, you definitely are going to see a weight effect, and you're going to be happier."

Leftovers for lunch are fine, she advised; just make sure it's a smaller, balanced version of what you had for dinner.

"People think lunch is supposed to be skimpy, but if you eat enough and it's balanced, it's amazing what it can do," she said.

Weisenberger's recent lunches included black beans and rice — plain yogurt on top — with raw carrots, cauliflower and a grapefruit.

A meal crafted from leftovers featured chicken



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Instead of a greasy deli sandwich, black beans and rice offer more balanced nutrition and will stave off hunger.

and green beans, with a side of blackberries.

"I want to see somebody with a protein-rich food, so that could be turkey or fish or black beans or lentils or cottage cheese," she said.

Add in a fruit or a vegetable — preferably both, she said.

Stephanie Pedersen, a nutritionist who created the High Impact Health website ([highimpacthealth.com](http://highimpacthealth.com)), said a game changer would be swapping out a sluggish lunch, for example a deli sandwich.

Instead, she suggests, swap in quinoa or bean bowls, or tossing together a salad with a bit of chicken, seafood or lentils.

"Having that steady drip of energy with vegetables and protein, even a whole grain, could really help that 3:30 fatigue," she said.

Pedersen said to think of your meal change not through a calorie lens but instead about that slump you feel a few hours after eating.

"Hence, the 3 p.m. chocolate chip cookie craving," she said.

If lunch isn't your toughest meal, pick another — grilling chicken for dinner ahead of time or taking time for a substantial breakfast.

"I call it the setup for the day," said Jim Karas, head of Jim Karas Personal Training and "The Ultimate Diet Revolution" author. "Nobody is going to benefit from eating a yogurt for breakfast. That's not smart at all. That's going to set you up to be starving."

He said the true positive outcome can come when changing one meal alters your mindset. After you swap out one each day, hopefully you feel better, leading to healthier decisions — taking the stairs or grilling a batch of chicken for a week's worth of healthy meals. "By making the choice," Karas said, "you're hoping for spillover effect."

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## Report: Alcohol, coffee affect odds of liver cancer

HealthDay

People who have three or more alcoholic drinks per day could be raising their odds for liver cancer, according to a report from a panel of experts.

But there was good news for java lovers: The report, from the World Cancer Research Fund International, found "strong evidence" that drinking coffee might lower a person's odds for liver cancer.

In drawing together the report, researchers tracked data on 8.2 million people who took part in 34 studies worldwide.

There were a total of 24,500 liver cancer cases among the participants in the studies.

The objective was to determine how diet,

weight and physical activity affect the risk of liver cancer.

The studies were gathered and reviewed by a team at Imperial College London and then independently assessed by a panel of international experts.

Along with the increased risk associated with having three or more alcoholic drinks a day, the investigators also found that being overweight or obese boosts the chances of developing liver cancer.

One other major global culprit driving liver cancer: foods contaminated by aflatoxins. Aflatoxins are toxins produced by fungi, often resulting from the improper storage of food. These toxins are generally found in foods from

warmer, developing regions of the world, the researchers said.

Foods that may be affected by aflatoxins include cereals, spices, peanuts, pistachios, Brazil nuts, chili peppers, black pepper, dried fruit and figs, according to the report.

The findings about coffee and overweight/obesity are new. The findings about alcoholic drinks and aflatoxins were in a 2007 report.

According to the report's authors, you can reduce your risk of liver cancer by maintaining a healthy weight and by either not drinking or limiting alcohol intake to a maximum of two drinks a day for men and one drink a day for women, the new report said.

# Modern lifestyles low on vitamin D

Sunscreen, indoor activity contribute to widespread lack

BY LESLIE MANN

Special to Tribune Newspapers

Tammi Leader Fuller, 55, is outdoors most of the time, running her Malibu, Calif.-based sleepover camps for grown-ups. Yet, she knows she does not get enough of D, the "sunshine vitamin," because it requires ultraviolet rays to be absorbed.

"I'm always covered with sunscreen because I've had skin cancer," said Leader Fuller. "So I'm in the sun, but my D level was way low. Now I take a 10,000 IU supplement a day and eat vitamin D foods, and my level is almost normal."

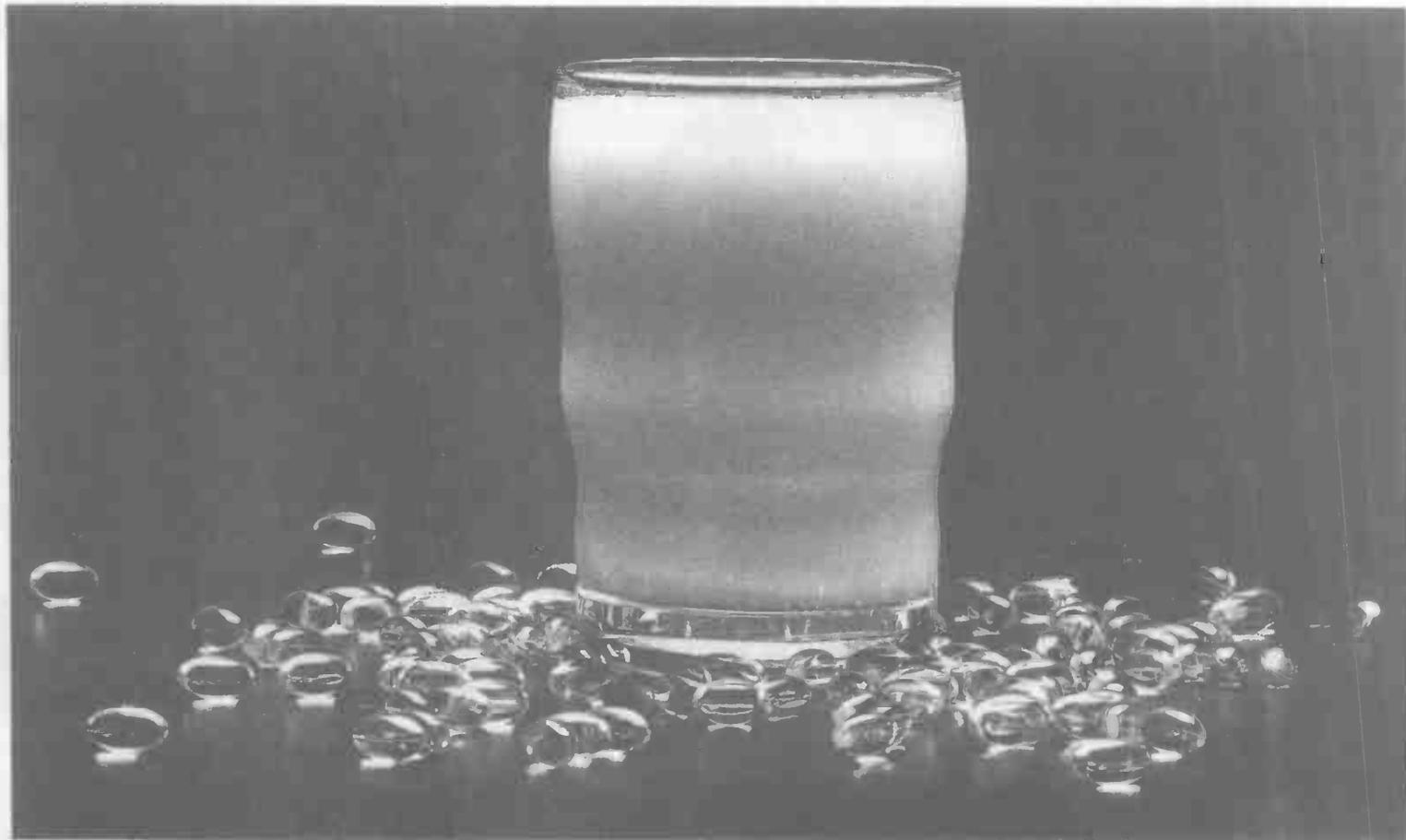
Vitamin D deficiency is not unique to people in cloudy, northern states, said Kim Larson, a registered dietitian/nutritionist in Seattle and a spokeswoman for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. "It's a byproduct of our lifestyle."

"We stay inside in the North to keep warm, or in the air conditioning in the South to keep cool," Larson said. "Instead of going outside to play, we're inside, on our computers. When we're out, we wear clothing or sunscreen to protect us from cancer."

Although the advent of D-fortified milk in 1932 eliminated widespread rickets (soft bones) among children, milk is no longer a diet staple. Gone are the "Ozzie and Harriet" days when almost every meal included milk.

About 42 percent of adults are D deficient, according to the most recent National Health & Nutrition Examination Survey. The percentage varies by race: Blacks have the highest, 82 percent.

Most people she tests in Seattle lack enough vitamin



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Fortified milk and supplements are two ways to overcome a vitamin D shortage, which many adults unknowingly may have because of indoor lifestyles.

**"You could lie outside naked in the snow and not get enough sun."**

— Peter Horvath, associate professor of exercise and nutrition sciences

D, Larson said, and it is especially prevalent among teens. "They complain of being sore and tired, and you think it's because of their busy sports schedules," she said. "But they aren't getting enough D." Half of the 60 adults in his 2014 study did not have enough D, said Peter Horvath, associate professor of exercise and nutrition sciences at the University of Buffalo in New York. "You might not see the effects for years, though," he warned.

D is the closest thing to a magic bullet in the vitamin world, affecting our health

from every angle. It maintains our calcium and phosphorous levels, which in turn strengthen our immune system, keep us sharp and help prevent heart disease, high blood pressure, Type 2 diabetes and many types of cancer. D helps prevent osteoporosis (weak bones) and osteomalacia (bone pain).

Doctors prescribe high D levels for the treatment of a range of ailments, from autoimmune disorders to multiple sclerosis.

Getting the right combination of food and sunlight, though, is complicated.

Dark-skinned people are

at greater risk for D deficiency because their skin shields them from sunlight. Older people's skin is less able to process sunlight. Being overweight means D is jailed by your fat tissues instead of used efficiently.

Many common medications, including diuretics and anti-seizure drugs, counteract vitamin D.

Ask your doctor to give you a vitamin D test, which may not be part of an annual exam, Larson said.

Then a dietitian can prescribe a custom combination of foods and supplements.

For Gail Rubin, 56, of Albuquerque, N.M., for example, a 2,000 IU (international units) supplement of D keeps her on track. She's a breast cancer survivor, has osteoporosis in her genes, eats D-rich foods but avoids the sun — all of which affect her D intake.

Rubin and Leader Fuller said they read food labels because scouting vitamin D in the grocery store is tricky. Outside of cod liver oil and some fish, few foods meet the daily requisite of 600 IUs for people ages 1 to 70, and 800 for ages 71-plus, as recommended by the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies.

"Fortified" cereals vary from 10 percent of the recommended level of D in Raisin Bran to 25 percent in Total. The cup of 2 percent milk you add to your cereal gives you only 25 percent.

Horvath favors D-rich sun-dried mushrooms. "Either eat mushrooms, which you can dry yourself in your backyard, or add the powdered form when you cook something like an omelet," he said.

Scan grocery purchases for the "USP" stamp or the [consumerlab.com](http://consumerlab.com) trian-

gular logo, Larson said. They tell you those goods have been checked by independent labs.

Ideally, also get some midday sunlight, sans sunscreen, although experts concede this is not a reality for many of us.

During the winter, the Earth's tilt away from the sun reduces your exposure. "Then, you could lie outside naked in the snow and not get enough sun because of the sun's angle," Horvath said.

In the next decade, we'll see a "burst of research about vitamin D," Larson said. "We're learning more about the effects of D on autoimmune diseases, cancer and heart disease, especially."

This will underscore the importance of D, Horvath said, the vitamin we must chase "despite our immobile, indoor lifestyles."

# Green with possibilities

## Salsa verde a versatile option as a sauce, dip or flavoring

BY AMY SCATTERGOOD | Tribune Newspapers

Of the myriad dishes that sound better in languages other than English — tonkatsu for pig broth, xiao long bao for soup dumplings — you might want to add salsa verde. Because green sauce, although plain and serviceable, sounds about as appetizing as a bowl of your kid's kindergarten paint.

Call it what you like, salsa verde can be one of the most versatile and lovely sauces in any cook's repertoire.

It's easy, as you just throw a bunch of green stuff in a food processor (or a blender, or a mortar and pestle). It's seasonally adjustable; the green stuff can be whatever you find at the farmers market — or languishing in your refrigerator. And you can tailor it to what you feel like cooking. Historically, salsa verde has been many things to many people. In general, it's defined as a sauce of herbs, some sort of acid (vinegar, citrus), olive oil (or mayonnaise) and perhaps dairy. You can add anchovies and capers or make it with or without tomatillos, garlic, onions and, of course, chilies. In the Middle East or Africa, you might throw cardamom, caraway and chilies in with your parsley and cilantro and call it zhoug. In Germany, you might add eggs and serve the stuff with schnitzel.

Goethe apparently put it on everything, or at least his mother said he did.

If parsley or cilantro is your base line, add or substitute a handful of mint or basil or chervil. Instead of

spinach, use a bunch of arugula or even, yes, raw kale. (Just make sure that the greens you use are fresh and tender, and that you've pulled off any thick stems.) Maybe (please) think of it as an alternative to juicing. You can also get more creative and throw some fresh kaffir lime leaves into the blender or experiment with the spectrum of your favorite chilies (if not a slice of jalapeño, then a few serranos or Fresno chilies). When you add citrus (use a splash of cider vinegar if you're bereft of fresh lemons or limes), the zest adds another level of flavor that you can move up or down depending on your fondness for, well, flavor.

And then there are all the spices in your cabinet that can torque up the sauce even further. Throw in some ground Sichuan peppercorns, or add some minced fresh ginger.

As for what exactly to do with a Mason jar of this stuff when you're done, think of it as a dipping sauce, a condiment — a salad in a cup. Not unlike gremolata or pistou, it's good spooned onto grilled meat, fish and chicken, or into soups. Stir plenty of it into a big bowl of brown



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Historically, salsa verde has been many things to many people. No matter what it's called, it's good spooned onto grilled meat, fish and chicken, or into soups or bowls of brown rice.

rice or a somewhat smaller bowl of ricotta. Dip your bread into it, or use it as a sauce for tacos or savory crepes. Since it is spun herbs and spinach, you can use it for an easy dose of greenery if you're too busy to make an actual salad.

Just keep your new jar of salsa verde in the refrigerator and not in your car — as many of us do with hot sauce — since its charm, and much of its flavor, is contingent upon freshness. It's green, after all, for a reason.

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## Salsa verde

Prep: 10 minutes Makes: About 1 1/2 cups

- 2 cloves garlic
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- Zest and juice of 2 limes
- 1 bunch cilantro, large stems removed
- 5 ounces raw spinach leaves
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons water, more if needed

Put the garlic, salt, lime juice and zest into a food processor; process until the garlic is chopped up. Add the cilantro, greens and olive oil; process until smooth. Add water as needed to achieve the consistency of a sauce.

**Nutrition information per serving (2 tablespoons per serving):** 85 calories, 9 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 1 g carbohydrates, 0 g protein, 34 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

### Variations

- Raw jalapeño can be added for extra heat.
- Lemons can be substituted for the limes.
- Parsley can be substituted for the cilantro (or use a combination).
- One or a combination of other tender greens (such as baby chard, kale, arugula or other herbs) can be substituted for the spinach.

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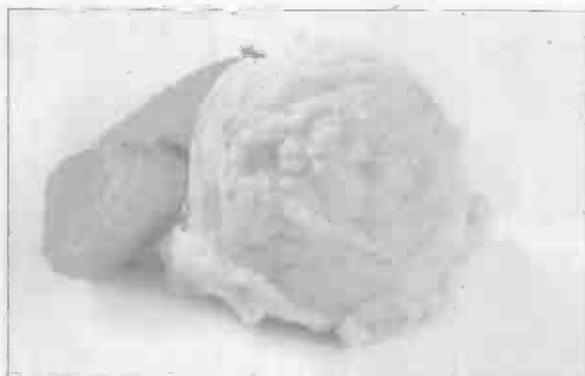
## Springtime gets sweet when strawberry season hits peak

BY DIANE ROSSEN WORTHINGTON

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For me, springtime means fragrant, juicy, ruby-red strawberries. I just can't get enough of them. I make lots of strawberry desserts that highlight their unique flavor. Sometimes I pour warm white chocolate over them, or I'll make zabaglione custard and drizzle it on sliced strawberries. This ice cream, with crushed and chopped strawberries, is one of my favorite seasonal desserts.

What to look for when selecting strawberries? You should be able to smell



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Choose strawberries that are fully red, with no green or white around the stem, and have a detectable scent.

their heady, sweet aroma. If you don't smell anything, pass on them because they won't have much flavor. They should be fully red

with no green or white around the stem.

Try to select organic, because pesticides can linger on the berry.

## Crushed strawberry ice cream

Prep: 20 minutes, plus churning time Stand: 30 minutes

Cook: 10 minutes Makes: 2 quarts

If your ice cream maker holds less than 2 quarts, divide this recipe in half.

- 2 1/2 pints strawberries, hulled, sliced in half
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups whipping cream
- 1 cup milk
- 4 large eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

**1** Finely chop 1 cup of the strawberries; set aside. Sprinkle 1/4 cup sugar over the remaining strawberries in a medium bowl; let stand 30 minutes. Process the sugar and strawberry mixture in a food processor fitted with a steel blade until completely smooth. Pour it through a fine sieve, if you prefer to remove the seeds.

**2** Combine the cream and milk in a medium saucepan; heat over medium-high heat until just below boiling. Remove from the heat.

**3** In a mixing bowl, beat the eggs until frothy. Slowly add the remaining 3/4 cup sugar and the vanilla; beat until thick and pale lemon-colored.

**4** Gradually whisk 1 cup of the cream-milk mixture into the egg mixture. Whisking, gradually pour the egg mixture back into the cream and milk in the saucepan.

**5** Cook slowly over medium-low heat, stirring constantly, until the mixture is thick enough to coat a wooden spoon, 5-10 minutes. Do not overcook or the mixture will curdle. Remove from the heat, strain into a bowl and cool.

**6** Add the pureed strawberries to the cooled custard; mix well.

**7** Pour the custard mixture into a chilled ice cream machine and churn, following the instructions, until the ice cream begins to thicken. While the machine is running, add the reserved finely chopped strawberries. At this point the ice cream will be firm but not hard. Either put it in the freezer to harden or serve it immediately.

**Nutrition Information per 1/2 cup serving:** 201 calories, 13 g fat, 8 g saturated fat, 103 mg cholesterol, 18 g carbohydrates, 3 g protein, 38 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

## DINNER TONIGHT

## A taste of April in Paris

French-inspired recipe takes a few liberties, starting with Italian staple

BY RENEE ENNA

Tribune Newspapers

I've never been to Paris in April, but who doesn't love the iconic song about that city in that month?

Voila! It just happens to be April. So here's a fast pasta dish to honor the City of Light.

But pasta isn't French, you declare? Well, *mon ami*, neither am I. And yet, my name is Renee. Ah, *tres ironique!* So let's just suspend our disbelief and create the idea of Paris by adding a few French-themed ingredients to pasta.

A few notes: French-cut beans are time-consuming to prepare, so we're opting for frozen. Herbes de Provence is a lovely dried herb blend that no pantry should be without — it's wonderful on vegetables, in salad dressings, on grilled meats. If you can, buy a blend that includes lavender, which adds a distinctive flavor and aroma. We used brie because it melts nicely, and we chose an inexpensive, prepacked variety. We're even including snails — not the real-deal escargot but lumache pasta (loo-MAH-shay, aka "snails" in Italian). It's a great cut that mimics a snail's shape and is similar to medium shells — which are fine too, as is any pasta that will catch some of the ingredients in the mix.



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## April in Paris pasta

Prep: 20 minutes Cook: 20 minutes Makes: 2 servings

- 4 ounces pasta, lumache, medium shells or rigatoni
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 red onion, chopped
- 2 large cloves garlic, chopped
- 2 teaspoons herbes de Provence
- 8 ounces frozen French-cut green beans
- 1/3 cup white wine
- 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
- 15 cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1/2 cup (or about half of a 4.5-ounce container) brie, cut into nickel-size pieces
- 1 package (3 or 4 ounces) smoked salmon, thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh tarragon, optional

**1** Heat plenty of well-salted water to a boil in a medium saucepan; cook pasta until al dente, about 10 minutes.

**2** Meanwhile, heat olive oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat; add onion and garlic. Sauté until onion is softened, 2 minutes. Stir in herbes de Provence. Add green beans, wine, mushrooms and tomatoes; cook until vegetables have slightly softened and liquid is reduced, about 5 minutes.

**3** Distribute the brie pieces among the ingredients; cook, stirring occasionally to encourage cheese to melt, about 1 minute. Drain pasta; stir into pan. Distribute the salmon over the ingredients; stir to distribute. Serve, sprinkled with the tarragon.

**Nutrition Information per serving:** 532 calories, 19 g fat, 7 g saturated fat, 42 mg cholesterol, 60 g carbohydrates, 26 g protein, 502 mg sodium, 8 g fiber

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Kale salad and wasabi-spiked aioli complement a grilled tuna steak in this burger.

## A tale of fin and patty



LEAH ESKIN

Home on the Range

The hamburger lacks ham, having been named, perhaps, in honor of the place — Hamburg — not the meat. The turkey burger is unknown to Turkey, while the cheeseburger is neither from nor made from Cheese. Each comes garnished with its own odd syntax.

Then there's the tuna burger, which isn't a burger in the patty-of-compressed-bits sense. Burger status is conferred by the housing — a bun — and not the tenant — a tuna steak. The lettuce-wrapped version — bereft of patty and bun, both — somehow retains rank.

By what authority? Perhaps the paper cloak, which suggests a certain burgerly pedigree. Perhaps the portability. Or perhaps the fact that it's quick, savory and delicious. Proof enough.

### Tuna burger

Prep: 5 minutes Cook: 6 minutes Makes: 4 servings

- 4 portions (4 ounces each) tuna fillet, each ½-inch thick
- Olive oil
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 4 soft hamburger buns, such as potato rolls (or substitute a sturdy lettuce leaf)
- ½ cup wasabi aioli, see recipe
- 2 cups kale salad, see recipe
- 4 slices red onion
- 4 slices ripe red tomato, lightly salted

**1. Grill:** Brush tuna with oil; season lightly with salt and pepper. Heat a wide cast-iron griddle (or skillet) over medium-high. Sizzle tuna to your liking, about 3 minutes per side for medium.

**2. Build:** Open buns. Spread each side with 1 tablespoon wasabi aioli. Heap onto each bottom bun: ½ cup kale salad, 1 slice onion, 1 slice tomato and one portion tuna. Top with top bun. Wrap in butcher paper. Munch.

**Wasabi aioli:** Stir together ½ cup mayonnaise, 1 tablespoon prepared wasabi paste, 1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley, 1 finely chopped garlic clove.

**Kale salad:** Cut away ribs from 1 bunch lacinato kale. Thinly slice crosswise. Rinse and spin dry. In a large bowl, whisk together 2 tablespoons sesame oil, 1 tablespoon red miso paste, 1 tablespoon finely chopped shallots, ½ teaspoon finely chopped garlic, ½ teaspoon salt. Toss in the kale and ½ a peeled cucumber, finely chopped. Toss. Chill 8 to 24 hours. Toss again.

**Provenance:** Adapted from CP Burger, Aspen, Colo.



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El Capitan is based on pisco, the colorless but potent grape brandy hailing from Peru.

## Mellowed-out pisco

BY JOE YONAN  
The Washington Post

### El Capitan

Prep: 5 minutes Macerate: 5 to 15 days Makes: 1 serving

- 1 bottle (750 milliliters) pisco
- 1 ½ cups dried sour cherries
- 1 ounce dry white vermouth
- 2 dashes Angostura bitters (or Amargo Chunchu bitters)
- Lemon peel

**1** To infuse the pisco: Pour the pisco into a large, sealable glass container. Add the dried cherries. Cover and store in a cool, dark place. Macerate for at least 5 days and up to 15, stirring daily. Strain and discard the cherries; use a funnel to return the liquid to the pisco bottle for storing. (It will keep at room temperature for up to a year.)

**2** To make one Capitan cocktail, combine 1 ½ ounces of the cherry-infused pisco, the vermouth and bitters in a mixing glass. Add ice and stir a few times, until the cocktail is well-chilled. Strain into a chilled cocktail (martini) glass, garnish with a strip of lemon peel and serve cold.

In Peru, there's more to cocktails than the beloved pisco sour — the tart drink with the frothy top that has become popular in bars across the U.S. in recent years.

So when ThinkFood-Group cocktail innovator Juan Coronado was researching drinks for China Chilcano in Washington, he took inspiration from another of the South American country's popular drinks: El Capitan, which he calls “the Peruvian response to the Manhattan.”

Like the sour, El Capitan is based on pisco, the colorless but potent grape brandy.

But in developing something more elegant, Coronado wanted to soften pisco's formidable edges while also finding another source for the sweetness that typically comes from red vermouth and a cherry garnish. He

decided to infuse the pisco with dried sour cherries (guindas) for a week or two, mellowing it and lending a deep red color.

With dry white vermouth and a few dashes of bitters, “the combination is killer,” he says. China Chil-

cano uses Peru's Amargo Chunchu bitters, available online, but Angostura make a reasonable and widely available substitute.

This summer, El Capitan will evolve again, Coronado says: “I can't wait to make it with apricots.”

# Botanic Garden kicks off spring with home show

BY JEN WEDDLE

Lake County News-Sun

One sure sign of spring is the arrival of the Chicago Botanic Garden's Antiques, Garden and Design show. This year features a new name (the show was previously known as the Antiques and Garden Fair) and some first-time vendors.

"We felt that after 14 years it was time to breathe some new life into it so we looked at what the show included and decided to strive for quality versus quantity," said Jodi Zombolo, senior director of public programs.

This is the first time that the show is being produced strictly in house without a show company and every exhibitor was required to fill out an application to be considered for the show. The 90 vendors who were accepted into the show had to go through a stage setup and were chosen based on how well they performed in their specific area.

The Antiques, Garden and Design show is fully indoors and two tents were required to add to the building so that everyone could be accommodated. The Esplanade Tent will contain five gardens reflecting the antique and mid-century modern aspect of the show. The Rose Tent will serve as the gardener's tent; gardening tools will be set up as "floral" decoration in the entry and east garden. This effect will give guests the feeling they are viewing the workings of a garden. The North Steps will feature a dramatic hanging sphere garden, and Nicholas Hall will feature towering palm trees and white orchids in the center of the room. Burnstein Hall will have a topiary garden inside, which is made from the Chicago Botanic Garden's Fernleigh topiary collection.

Visitors will be able to buy everything from potted succulents and outdoor furniture to fine art and vintage design items.

"Each exhibitor sells their own items. They have it all set up so you can experience how it would look in your garden or hanging up on your wall," Zombolo said.

The show has two honorary guest speakers for the weekend — Mario Buatta and Mac Griswold. Design legend Buatta is the honorary chair. He is also known as "The Prince of Chintz" and has designed for clients like Henry Ford II, Barbara Walters, Malcolm Forbes and Mariah Carey. His new book, "Mario Buatta: Fifty Years of American Interior Decoration," chronicles his ability to bring the English country house style stateside through his career. Buatta will speak at 11 a.m. April 17 in Alsldorf Auditorium in a lecture entitled, "If You Can't Hide It, Decorate It."

The other guest lecturer is journalist and garden historian Mac Griswold. Griswold



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The Chicago Botanic Garden's Antiques, Garden and Design show takes place April 17-19.

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plans on revealing a glimpse into the rarefied world of lifelong collector Bunny Mellon, as she assisted with the recent Sotheby's auction of the Mellon estate. Griswold is an author and has taught landscape history at Sarah Lawrence College, where she held the Noble Chair in Art and Cultural History. Griswold's lecture, "Green Grandeur: The Rarefied Simplicity of Bunny Mellon's Garden Style" takes place at 11 a.m. April 18 in the Alsldorf Auditorium.

"This year I'm most excited about the new experience shoppers will have," Zombolo said.



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The Antiques, Garden and Design show will include vintage decor and fine art items.

## MUSIC



MUSIC INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

The Music Institute of Chicago's Community Symphony, under conductor Lawrence Eckerling, is among the groups performing at venues all across the city and suburbs as part of the Community Music Festival.

## Ambitious music fest hosts 100 concerts in 16 days

BY MYRNA PETLICKI  
Pioneer Press

The Music Institute of Chicago has found an innovative way to spread the word about its programming and to showcase its students. They are staging a free Community Music Festival, April 17-May 3, at locations throughout the Chicago area, from community centers to libraries, senior centers and other venues. The event is subtitled: 100 Concerts in Sixteen Days!

Music Institute President and CEO Mark George revealed that the scope of the program has grown beyond the original 100-concert plan. "We're up to almost 125," he revealed, jokingly adding, "But it doesn't sound as good as 100 concerts in sixteen days."

George explained that the Music Institute took on this huge endeavor because, "Throughout my career, more and more, I have seen music as something that can be a community service. We have so many hundreds of

students who really love what they do but I want to teach them that their music has great value beyond their personal reward and their own personal accomplishment. Playing for people — making a connection with people — is probably the most valuable thing they'll ever do."

Performances include locations in Deerfield, Evanston, Glenview, Highland Park, Lake Forest, Long Grove, Northbrook, Skokie, Wilmette, Winnetka and dozens of Chicago spots. The concerts will range from 30-90 minutes and feature everything from soloists to chamber music.

There will also be a performance by the Music Institute's 40-member Community Symphony, under conductor Lawrence Eckerling. It is scheduled to perform a joint concert with the New Horizons Band, 10:30 a.m. May 1 at the Crystal Ballroom & Lounge in Evanston.

"We'll be doing music by Brahms, the 'Tragic Overture' and Robert Schumann's, 'Overture, Scherzo

and Finale,' which is like a miniature symphony except without a slow movement," Eckerling said. "And then we're going to close off our portion of the program with Johann Strauss' 'Voices of the Spring.'"

Eckerling praised the Community Music Festival for "bringing the music to the people instead of making people come to the music. It's everywhere — and music ought to be everywhere."

Fifteen-year-old Ellie Kim of Northbrook is in her eighth year of studying the violin. Ellie has studied at the Music Institute with Sang Mee Lee since she was 10. She enjoys playing the violin because of the "sound range."

Ellie wasn't sure when she would be performing but she knew that she would be playing two pieces. She plans to prepare for her performance at the MIC Community Music Festival by practicing "until my fingers bleed."

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### PEOPLE

# What local people in the arts are up to this month

BY MYRNA PETLICKI  
Pioneer Press

Here's a look at the latest news on local authors, actors, artists, musicians and more.

**Attractive role:** Elmwood Park native Dan Behrendt has returned to Scotland as Fraser in Mary-Arrchie Theatre Co.'s production of "Our Bad Magnet," through April 26 at Angel Island. Behrendt plays one of three friends, who are depicted at both 9 and 29 years old, in this show by Scottish playwright Douglas Maxwell that blends fantasy and reality. The actor also appeared in the company's 2008 Jeff-Award-nominated staging of this play. Behrendt has been a Mary-Arrchie company member since 2008 and is also an artistic associate with Strange Tree Group. For tickets, call (866) 468-3401.

**Cafe regulars:** Drug dealers, junkies, hustlers, prostitutes, dreamers and runaways all hang out at an all-night Manhattan coffee shop called Frank's Cafe in Lanford Wilson's "Balm in Gilead." That's where you'll find Morton Grove native Diego Colon, Park Ridge native Havalah Grace, Deerfield native Ellie Reed and Oak Park resident Lynda Shadrake through April 19. They're all in Griffin Theatre Company's production of the acclaimed drama at the Den Theatre. For tickets, visit griffintheatre.com.

**Stitch in time:** Jeri Pollock's "Stitched: The Art of Fiber" is the featured exhibit, April 10-May 10, at the David Adler Music and Arts Center in Libertyville. Pollock is a member of the Studio Art Quilters Association. Her pieces are known for their complexity and craftsmanship. There will be a



DAN BEHRENDT

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free opening reception, open to the public, from 5-9 p.m. Friday, April 10 at 1700 N. Milwaukee Ave.

**Lines are drawn:** A young white woman is betrothed to a wealthy black landowner's son in 1676 Virginia in "An Issue of Blood" by playwright Marcus Gardley. Oak Park native Eleni Pappageorge plays that bride-to-be in Victory Gardens Theater's production, through May 3. Her character's marriage is supposed to break a curse the landowner believes has been placed on the land. This is the first show at Victory Gardens for Pappageorge, who has performed with Sideshow Theatre Company, Profiles Theatre, Northlight Theatre and

Chicago Dramatists, among others. For tickets, call (773) 871-3000.

**Suburban "Sisters":** Winnetka resident Toby Nicholson, Evanston resident Mary Poole and Northbrook native Noah Simon are featured in The Hypocrites' production of "Three Sisters," April 17-June 6, on the Den Theatre Mainstage. Nicholson, who plays Ferapont, last appeared in Steep Theatre's "Feston." Poole (Anfisa) was recently seen in "The Size of the World" at Redtwist Theatre. Simon's (Tuzenbach) last turn with The Hypocrites was as a crazy sailor stuck in an engine room in "Lakeboat." For tickets, visit the-hypocrites.com.

## FAMILY FRIENDLY

# Experiment and explore at Family Science Night

BY MYRNA PETLICKI  
Pioneer Press

Scientific concepts will be explored by families at Science Night, 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 21 at Wildwood Nature Center, 2701 W. Sibley Ave., Park Ridge.

"There will be three or four different experiments that the families can participate in. There is something for every level," said Supervisor Jennifer Clauson. "In the past, they've been things like doing a milk experiment with food coloring or exploding volcanoes, and looking at some science concepts like density or chemical reaction."

The purpose of the event is "to get families out and have them have fun together and learn something about science or chemistry or biology — more than just nature," Clauson said.

Of course, you can also enjoy nature by taking a self-guided walk through the five-acre nature haven before the class. It includes two ponds and a butterfly garden. You can also study the interactive nature exhibits inside the building.

The cost is \$12 per family. Reservations are required.

For details, call (847) 692-3570 or go to [www.prparks.org](http://www.prparks.org).

## Heed the call

They've got your number at Family Bingo, 7-8 p.m. Friday, April 17 at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. Winners will have their choice of prizes at this drop-in event for kids in prekindergarten-fifth grade and parents.

For details, call (847) 673-7774 or go to [www.skokiellibrary.info](http://www.skokiellibrary.info).



PARK RIDGE PARK DISTRICT

Families can do cool experiments together at Family Science Night on April 21 at Wildwood Nature Center in Park Ridge.

## Royal-tea

Young ladies, ages three through seven, are encouraged to dress as their favorite princess for the Princess and Me Tea, 4-5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25 in the Palm Room at the Oriole Park Aquatic Center, 9200 Oriole Ave., Morton Grove. They and their adult date will enjoy fancy sandwiches and bite-sized desserts, play games and do a craft project. The cost is \$20 for residents; \$27 for nonresidents. Register by Monday, April 20.

For details, call (847) 965-1200 or go to [www.mortongrovepark.com](http://www.mortongrovepark.com).

## In the pink

Pinkalicious meets a miniature mermaid in

"Aqualicious," the latest book in Victoria Kann's popular series. Kids will hear that story and do a variety of related activities 11 a.m. Saturday, April 18 at Barnes and Noble, 55 Old Orchard Center, Skokie.

For details, call (847) 676-2230 or go to [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com).

## Strike a pose

Kids, ages 4-8, will learn to do that and more at Yoga for Kids: Stretch, Bend, Breathe, 4:30-5:15 p.m. Monday, April 20 at Niles Public Library, 6960 Oakton St. Participants should bring a large bath towel or yoga mat. Parents must stay with kids in second grade or younger.

For details, call (847) 663-1234 or go to [www.nileslibrary.org](http://www.nileslibrary.org).



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## EXHIBIT

# Moonstruck at the Adler

With Capt. James Lovell's help, new exhibit tells the human side of the space race, Apollo 13 and all

BY STEVE JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

It is, perhaps, too easy to forget about the moon program and its decade-plus of sacrifices and successes. These days, private companies are providing space services, and the exploration talk is of Mars.

The moon? Been there, stepped on that — and almost 50 years ago now.

But a new exhibition opening Saturday at the Adler Planetarium succeeds in making the quest to get to the moon once again fresh, even visceral.

"Mission Moon" reimagines the space museum's main-floor exhibition that also covered NASA's first manned forays beyond Earth's atmosphere, but it does so with a more modern look, many more interactive features and with a concerted emphasis on the emotional side of the story.

"We tried to tell more of the story of the people," said Sarah Cole, vice president of visitor experience, who guided the in-house team that made "Mission Moon."

Now there's a full wall portrait of the three astronauts — Gus Grissom, Edward White and Roger Chaffee — who died in their capsule when fire broke out during a launch pad test in February 1967. Alongside the photo of them in spacesuits is Grissom's quotation about astronauts needing to be ready to die for the mission.

But the astronaut who is the cornerstone of the exhibit, as before, is Capt. James Lovell, now 87 and living in Lake Forest. Lovell is an Adler board member who went into space four times and flew to the moon twice without touching the lunar surface, most famously on the nearly doomed Apollo 13 mission.

The general admission exhibit tells the story of NASA's lunar efforts through Lovell's eyes, from a replica of the boyhood

desk at which he hatched the dream of being an astronaut to Life magazine photographs of his family watching anxiously as the space agency struggled to try to save the Apollo 13 crew.

A photo from that episode, a close-up of the Lovell's then-4-year-old son Jeff listening to the "squawk box" that fed unfiltered Mission Control conversations into the family living room, is as powerful as the picture of the doomed Apollo 1 astronauts. Adjacent to the picture of the boy is a replica of the squawk box delivering authentic audio.

Although he and his wife, Marilyn, were consulted heavily in the exhibition makeover, Lovell saw the finished product for the first time Thursday, at a preview. He delivered inside information about the artifacts, many of them from his personal collection, while also registering delight at their new settings.

"Oh!" he exclaimed, rounding a corner to see the viewing platform now built up around his Gemini 12 space capsule. "The big problem before was we got the Gemini 12, but it was on the floor," he said, so children couldn't easily see into it.

Now visitors are only a clear panel away from stepping into the metallic flying cone that was the last one before the Apollo program.

Lovell also shared a personal detail about the failed Apollo 13 mission, which was to have been the veteran astronaut's chance to be on the moon.

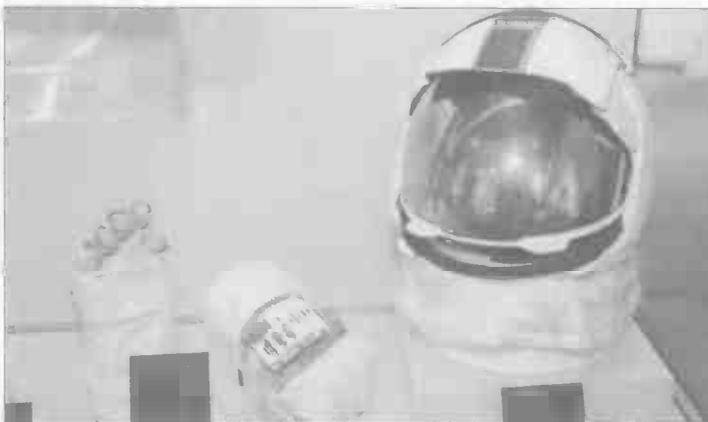
"Even though I was frustrated for years that I did not land on the moon, I'm kind of glad now," he said.

If Apollo 13 succeeded, it would have been simply one of seven moon landings. But the way it played out, Lovell said, there's a dramatic rescue, a book, the Ron Howard movie and mission commander Lovell's famous quote, reprinted here on a wall: "Houston, we've had a problem."



MICHAEL TERCHA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Capt. James Lovell visits the new Adler Planetarium exhibit Thursday that he and his wife helped design.



This NASA helmet and gloves from Lovell's collection are part of the Adler exhibit. They were worn during his famous Apollo 13 mission.

"Mission Moon" visitors can hear those rescue conversations. In another area, a simulated Mission Control console, they can punch up audio from other missions.

The exhibit is a reminder of the moon program's breakneck speed. President John F. Kennedy made a moon visit a national priority in 1961, and Armstrong's "giant leap for mankind" came in July 1969. There were 10

manned Gemini missions in 1965 and 1966, even before the Apollo program began.

But it was Marilyn Lovell's two hours with Adler's exhibit designers that steered them away from doing a more straightforward "space race" story, they said.

"She's like, 'That's been done, guys,'" said Annie Vedder, one of the exhibit developers.

So visitors to this show learn,

## 'Mission Moon'

When: Opens Saturday

Where: Adler Planetarium, 1300 S. Lake Shore Drive

Tickets: Included in \$12 general admission; 312-922-7827 or [adlerplanetarium.org](http://adlerplanetarium.org)

for instance, that while he was orbiting the moon on Christmas Eve 1968, Lovell had arranged for a fur coat to be delivered to his wife, signed, "With love from the Man on the Moon."

And they get answers to one of the most asked questions about space travel. Liquid waste matter was piped outside the spacecraft, expelled into the void. The other rested behind the pilots in a device like the one on exhibit marked "Fecal Collection Bag." That's how personal "Mission Moon" gets.

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*Listings are subject to change. Please call the venue in advance.*

## Friday, April 17

**“The Diary of Anne Frank”:** The classic production explores the life of a young Jewish girl in hiding for two years during World War II. 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Friday, 11 a.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. Sunday, 11:30 a.m. Monday, 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 111 W. Campbell St., Arlington Heights, \$12-\$14, 847-577-2121

**LEGO Art + Science = Architecture:** See an exhibit of 13 world-famous landmarks built entirely of LEGO bricks. The exhibit was designed and created by Arlington Heights resident Adam Reed Tucker, LEGO Certified Professional. Featured in the exhibit are the John Hancock Center, Marina City, Willis Tower, Trump Tower, Fallingwater, Empire State Building, St. Louis Arch, Transamerica Pyramid and the Burj Khalifa in Dubai. Ranging up to 17-feet high, some buildings are designed to expose their internal structure, so visitors can view the complex and intricate design and engineering that goes into construction of the models. This one-of-a-kind, museum-quality exhibit debuted at the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago in 2009 and has since been displayed across the United States. 9 a.m. all week, Arlington Heights Memorial Library, 500 N. Dunton Ave., Arlington Heights, free, 847-392-0100

**Rat Pack Gala and Casino Night:** Join the Arlington Heights Junior Woman’s Club annual event where the proceeds benefit The Center for Independence and Northwest Community Hospital. Purchase event tickets and Jackpot raffle tickets (\$6 or 5 for \$25) at [ahjwc.org/annual-fundraiser](http://ahjwc.org/annual-fundraiser). Smart dress required, “Mad Men” glamour encouraged. 7 p.m. Friday, Metropolis Ballroom, 6 S. Vail Ave., Arlington Heights, \$50, 847-870-8787

**Bimonthly NAMI Pact:** A group for parents of children and adolescents. Biological and adoptive parents are welcome. 6:30 p.m. Friday, Northwest Community Healthcare, 800 W. Central Road, Arlington Heights, free, 847-618-1000

**“Sesame Street Live: Let’s Dancel”:** Get down with Elmo, Abby Cadabby and several other “Sesame Street” favorites. The audience is invited to dance as all of your favorite Sesame Street friends join you on the floor — dancing with

fans of all ages. For more information or to buy tickets, visit [searscentre.com/events/604](http://searscentre.com/events/604). 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Friday, 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, The Sears Centre, 5333 Prairie Stone Pkwy., Hoffman Estates, \$18-\$75, 630-328-1222

**Retro Crooner Frank Lamphere and Trio Extended Engagement:** Singer Frank Lamphere and his high-powered trio perform Rat Pack, swingin’ standards, and pre-’70s pop. 7:30 p.m. Friday, Luigi’s Italian Bistro, 154 W. Northwest Highway, Palatine, free, 847-232-7865

**Warm Yin Yoga:** A complementary yoga practice in which floor postures are held for several minutes. Physically, Yin Yoga restores and maintains the natural mobility of joints and supports emotional equilibrium. This is done in a heated room. 7:45 p.m. Friday, JAI Yoga Studio, 37 East Northwest Highway, Palatine, free, 224-567-0838

**Cosmic Skate:** Dress to light up under black lights and enjoy games and specials geared toward families with children ages eight and up. 7 p.m. Friday, Orbit Skate Center, 615 S. Consumers Ave., Palatine, \$8; \$3 for skate rentals; \$32 for a family of 5, 847-394-9199

**“Celebrating 60 Years” gala benefits Countryside Association for People with Disabilities:** Enjoy a semi-formal dinner, auction and entertainment by the Legacy Girls. Contact Dee Atkinson by phone or [datkinson@countrysideassn.org](mailto:datkinson@countrysideassn.org) or order online at website for tickets and more information. 6:30 p.m. Friday, Chandler’s Chophouse & Banquets, 401 N. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, \$115, 847-540-3705

**Mitch Fatel:** Mitch is the number one requested comedian on satellite radio. Fatel took home the title of “Best Comedian” at the prestigious HBO Aspen Comedy Festival. He also has a Comedy Central One Hour Special entitled “Mitch Fatel Is Magical.” Visit: <http://www.mitchfatel.com>. 8 a.m. and 10:15 p.m. Friday, 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday, The Chicago Improv, 5 Woodfield Mall, Schaumburg, \$19, 847-240-2001

**GLMV Network 3x2 Group:** GLMV 3x2 Network Group meets on the first and third Fridays of each month. Meetings are an organized forum for discussing how to bring in more business. Meetings include introductions, presentations, business card exchange, camaraderie and light refreshments provided by Corner Bakery Cafe. For more information, contact Todd Renihan at [ToddRenihan@allstate.com](mailto:ToddRenihan@allstate.com). 7:30 a.m.

Friday, Laschen Community Center, 294 Evergreen Dr., Vernon Hills, Quarterly dues, 847-680-0750

**Pajama Time Storytime:** Children with an adult are invited to the Children’s Department for a special Friday evening Storytime. Wear one’s favorite pajamas and bring a stuffed animal to hug for stories and an activity! 7 p.m. Friday, Spring Hill Mall, 1072 Spring Hill Mall, West Dundee, free, 847-426-5614

**Music of Fred Astaire:** John Boda discusses the life and talent of Fred Astaire. Register for the program at [www.itpld.org](http://www.itpld.org) or 847-459-4100, Ext. 253. Noon Friday, Wheeling Pavilion Center, 199 North 1st St., Wheeling, free, 847-459-4100

**Friends’ and Children’s Used Book Sale:** Preview sale on April 17 free for members or \$3 non-members; free for all on April 18 (9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) and free on April 19 (noon-3 p.m.) or \$3 for a bag of books on April 19. 5 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. Saturday and noon Sunday, Indian Trails Library District, 355 Schoenbeck Road, Wheeling, see description, 847-459-4100

## Saturday, April 18

**Spring Kid Stuff Resale:** Find great prices on over 15,000 gently used items including clothes, toys, books, movies, bikes, cribs, strollers and baby items! No strollers on the sales floor. The sale is until noon and now offers many items 1/2 price at 11 a.m. 8 a.m. Saturday, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 1023 McHenry Ave., Crystal Lake, \$1 admission fee is donated to a food pantry, 815-455-1233

**Donate Bikes at Whole Foods Earth Day Event:** Our annual Earth Day Celebration has Working Bikes collecting used bikes for donation to those in need internationally and locally. Participants who donate a bike receive a \$5 gift card! Stop by and sample products from some of our eco-friendly vendors or bring the kids over to the café to make Earth Day Crafts. noon Saturday, Whole Foods Deerfield, 760 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, free, 847-444-1900

**Making your nest egg last a lifetime:** Financial educator Karen Chan discusses managing your nest egg. 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, free, 847-945-3311

**French toast and sausage breakfast:** Cub Scout Pack 25 and Boy Scout Troop 25 host the breakfast. 7 a.m. Sat-

urday, Christ Church, 1492 Henry Ave., Des Plaines, \$4-\$6, 847-813-6360

**Trivia Bee Fundraiser:** Teams of four compete for prizes and trophies at the 18th annual benefit for The Literacy Connection. The event includes a raffle and refreshments. 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Grand Victoria Casino, 250 S. Grove Ave., Elgin, \$500 per team; \$5 to watch, 847-742-6565

**Holl: The Festival of Colors:** You can add colors of happiness to the lives of children by throwing a little on your friends. In true Indian style, make a difference to thousands of children who deserve better childhoods. Grove #26. 11 a.m. Saturday, Busse Woods Forest Preserve, East Higgins and South Arlington Heights Roads, Elk Grove Village, free, 800-870-3666

**Community Shredding Event:** Friese Financial Advocates, Inc. is holding a free shredding event at their office. Just stop by with any paperwork that needs to be shredded and the ProShred truck will be right there to take care of it. 10 a.m. Saturday, Friese Financial Advocates, Inc., 740 Florsheim Drive #10, Libertyville, free, 847-918-0404

**For the Birds Weekend:** Bring the family to the center and take a guided bird walk, visit with some very interesting live birds from Barn Swallow Rehabilitation Center and Stillman Nature Center and have your birding questions answered. 10 a.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday, Reed-Turner Woodland Nature Preserve, 3849 Old McHenry Road, Long Grove, free, 847-438-4743

**Interpretive Minyan Class:** Meets in the library. This Minyan is friendly and welcoming to all who choose to attend. 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Congregation Beth Judea, North Route 83 and Hilltop Road, Long Grove, free, 847-634-0777

**Writing Workshop:** Kathleen Anne Fleming presents a workshop on writing novels. She has led workshops throughout the Midwest and is the author of three mystery novels. 2 p.m. Saturday, Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, free, 847-272-6224

**“Busytown”:** Based on the children’s books by Richard Scarry, this musical brings characters to life, including Lowly Worm, Betsy Bear and Farmer Pig — singing and dancing on stage. 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Northbrook Theatre, 3323 Walters Ave., Northbrook, \$10-\$12, 847-291-2367

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**Bingo at American Legion Palatine Post 690:** Enjoy cash prizes for all games. Doors open at 6 p.m. with early bird game at 6:30 p.m. Full bar available. 6 p.m. Saturday, American Legion Post 690, 122 W. Palatine Road, Palatine, free, 847-359-1606

**Saturday Night Skate:** Skate all night. The event features a different theme (such as 80s night) each week. 7 p.m. Saturday, Orbit Skate Center, 615 S. Consumers Ave., Palatine, \$8; \$3 for skate rentals; \$32 for a family of 5, 847-394-9199

**Weekend Afternoon Roller Skating at the Orbit:** At Saturday Afternoon Roller Skating, the whole family can do the Hokey Pokey, play the Dice Game and get down with the live DJ. 1 p.m. Saturday, Orbit Skate Center, 615 S. Consumers Ave., Palatine, Admission is \$6.50 per person, \$19 for a family of four and skates rental is \$3

**History in the Headlines: Celebrate VE Day:** Wear World War II-era clothing for the fourth annual benefit for The Mount Prospect Historical Society and River Trails Park District which includes dinner and big band and swing

dance demonstrations. 6 p.m. Saturday, Rob Roy Golf Course Clubhouse & Banquet Facility, 505 E. Camp McDonald Road, Prospect Heights, \$25-\$75, 847-392-9006

**Familias en Educacion:** A free event for Spanish-speaking families. Learn about the college process and how to receive grants and scholarships to attend college. Jose Rico, former Executive Director of the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics is the keynote speaker. 9 a.m. Saturday, National Louis University Wheeling, 1000 Capitol Drive, Wheeling, free, 312-261-3064

## Sunday, April 19

**Pulsation Yoga 101 Intro. to Yoga Series:** A five week Sunday series for all levels. A jump start to learning the principles of alignment, the foundation of the pose and proper action to maintain a strong yoga practice. Pre-registration is required. 11:45 a.m. Sunday, Pulsation Yoga in Arlington Heights, 26 South Evergreen Ave., Arlington Heights, \$85 for five workshop modules, 847-989-7792

**Mother Daughter Tea:** Sip on tea and enjoy a special presentation titled "Spandex to Calico" about the transformation of a young girl to 19th century fashion. Ages 4+. 3 p.m. Sunday, Colonel Palmer House: Crystal Lake Park District, 660 East Terra Cotta Ave., Crystal Lake, \$10-\$23, 815-477-5873

**Spring Jazz Concert: Jazz Consortium Big Band:** 3 p.m. Sunday, Elgin Community College Visual & Performing Arts Center, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin, \$40, 847-214-7405

**Golf (Beginner):** This beginning class is held at the Bally Bunion Golf Center. Critical basics of golf will be covered, including: grips, alignment, stance, swing and strokes. Pre-registration is required. 10 a.m. Sunday, Bally Bunion Golf, 4200 Illinois 83, Long Grove, \$95, 847-415-4145

**Sunday Young Family Skate:** Families with kids 12 and under and their siblings get the rink to themselves. Skating strollers are available for babies. 11 a.m. Sunday, Orbit Skate Center, 615 S. Consumers Ave., Palatine, \$5.50; free for babies

**Schaumburg Teddy Bear Show and Sale:** Meet the talented, award winning

artists that create beautiful bears from mohair, plush and repurposed furs. Antique Steiff bears too! Bring a friend and introduce them to the art of teddy bear collecting. Door prizes every hour! A fun day among the stars of the teddy bear world. Waldorf the big bear makes several appearances. Come get a bear hug! 10 a.m. Sunday, Wyndham Gardens Schaumburg, 1725 East Algonquin Road, Schaumburg, \$6 adult; \$2 children

**Conscious Connection Group:** A spiritual study group focused on increasing your oneness with God. Meets on the first and third Sunday of each month. 5 p.m. Sunday, Jonathan's Portrait Studio, 1310 South Milwaukee Ave., Vernon Hills, free, 847-821-1700

## Monday, April 20

**Anime Club:** Teens can join the club as they explore manga and anime. Each week the group delves into Japanese culture through the art form and through other activities. 4:30 p.m. Monday, Antioch Public Library, 757 Main St., Antioch, free, 847-395-0874

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**Tasha's taste workshop:** Why do you pucker when you eat a lemon? Tasha helps you answer this and other questions about how you taste things. 1 p.m. Monday, Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, free, 847-945-3311

**Writers on the Fox:** All Fox Valley-area writers are invited to get creative in the company of other like-minded wordsmiths with the help of this group. Join for a monthly meeting featuring unique writing prompts and constructive criticism. No registration required. 7 p.m. Monday, Gail Borden Public Library, 270 N. Grove Ave., Elgin, free, 847-742-2411

**Monday Night ACoA Group:** Adult Children of Alcoholics is a support group for adults who were part of alcoholic and other dysfunctional families while growing up. For more information, visit [www.acoa-libertyville.org](http://www.acoa-libertyville.org). 7 p.m. Monday, St. Lawrence Episcopal Church, 125 W. Church St., Libertyville, free, 847-362-2110

**Knitting Roundtable:** Come work through knitting projects and socialize with fellow knitters. Expert knitters can

show you how to solve knitting challenges. Don't forget your current knitting projects and needles! Call 847-929-5101 or visit [www.mgpl.org](http://www.mgpl.org) for more information. 2 p.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**Yarn Gang:** Kids in grades one and up are invited to try their hand at knitting, crocheting or other yarn crafts. 4 p.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**MGPL Kids: Monday Morning Playgroup:** Drop-in play time for preschoolers with a parent or caregiver to introduce young children to the library in a low-key, unstructured session. Call 847-929-5102 or visit [www.mgpl.org](http://www.mgpl.org) for more information. 10:30 a.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**International Journalist, author Lisa Barr:** International journalist and Chicago author Lisa Barr, writer of the award-winning, historical-fiction thriller *Fugitive Colors*, will speak at the Jewish Author Literary Series. Advance registration required. 7 p.m. Monday, Max & Benny's Restaurant & Deli, 461

Waukegan Road, Northbrook, free, 847-272-9490

## Tuesday, April 21

**LZHS Softball Spirit Night:** LZHS Softball Candlelight Bowling Fundraiser at Arlington Lanes in Arlington Heights. 5 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Lanes, 3435 N. Kennicott Ave., Arlington Heights, Candlelight Bowling fundraiser

**Cinema at the Center:** Join at the Louis Sherman Community Center and enjoy a great film. This month's film is "Chef." noon Tuesday, Lou Sherman Community Center, 3501 Hopkins, Cary, free

**MGPL Kids: Listen Up!** Drop-in story and play time for preschoolers with a parent or caregiver. Call 847-929-5102 or visit [www.mgpl.org/kids](http://www.mgpl.org/kids) for more information. 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**"Man Is a Disaster, Air Conditioning Is Divine" Book Party:** Come meet Northbrook author Mitchell Karbin, to celebrate the release of his first novel,

"Man is a Disaster, Air Conditioning is Divine." Karbin reads from the book and is available to meet and greet or for book signing. Refreshments provided. 6 p.m. Tuesday, The Book Bin, 1511 Church St., Northbrook, free, 847-220-1138

**Kiwanis Club of Palatine:** Join members of the Kiwanis of Palatine, a volunteer civic organization. Learn about the organization and its work in the community. Noon Tuesday, Emmett's Tavern & Brewing Company, 110 N. Brockway, Palatine, free, 847-701-4554

**French - Beginning:** Introductory course where students learn basic French vocabulary and expressions for greetings, shopping, dining, and discussing everyday activities and personal interests. Students purchase a textbook from the instructor the first night of class for approximately \$25. No discounts or vouchers. Registration is required online at [www.ComEd128.org](http://www.ComEd128.org), or call District 128's Community Education office to register by phone. 7 p.m. Tuesday, Vernon Hills High School, 145 Lakeview Parkway, Vernon Hills, \$105, 847-247-4576

**Storytime at the Stage:** Children

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**"Cinderella" ★★★**

PG, 1:45, family. Refreshingly free of all snark, the satisfying new live-action "Cinderella" from the princess manufacturing company known as Disney is a sincere, openhearted rendering of the familiar fairy tale. "Downton Abbey" star Lily James was a first-rate choice for this "Cinderella," as was screenwriter Chris Weitz. — *Michael Phillips*

**"Get Hard" ★**

R, 1:40, comedy. Will Ferrell plays James King, a stuffy hedge-fund wizard with a duplicitous gold digger (Allison Brie) for a fiancée and a lifetime of unexamined prejudices and privileges about to catch up with his sorry self. Framed and arrested for fraud and embezzlement, King hires carwash manager Darnell (Kevin Hart), whom he mistakes for a hardened ex-con, to school him in prison survival and sexual assault prevention in a 30-day run-up

to San Quentin. Is the movie homophobic and racist? I'd say sort of and sort of. Gay-panic humor isn't quite the same thing as homophobia, but it's close enough to be tiresome. — *M.P.*

**"Home" ★★★**

PG, 1:36, family. The cuddliest alien invasion movie ever, "Home" contains nifty turns of phrase and some actual, verifiable verbal wit, owing in large part to its source material, Adam Rex's 2007 children's book "The True Meaning of Smekday." In the grand Hollywood tradition, DreamWorks Animation threw out most of that book (and the film's original title, "Happy Smekday!") after optioning the property seven years ago. Even though

screenwriters Tom J. Astle and Matt Ember over-pack the revised storyline, they get some crucial aspects right. — *M.P.*

**"Insurgent" ★★ 1/2**

PG-13, 1:59, action. Chicago has never looked less toddlin' than it does in "Insurgent," the second of four planned movies to be pulled, taffylke, out of the hugely popular Veronica Roth trilogy. Director Robert Schwentke, who has made some entertaining hokum ("Flightplan") and some duds ("R.I.P.D."), proves simpatico with the increased levels of on-screen violence in this second installment of the "Divergent" series. The actors (Shailene

Woodley, Miles Teller, Ansel Elgort and Kate Winslet) are more or less saving this franchise's bacon. "Insurgent" is a tick or two livelier than the first one. — *M.P.*

**"It Follows" ★★ 1/2**

R, 1:40, horror. "It Follows" imagines a curse represented by a shape-shifting apparition that might be as ordinary-looking as the boy next door. The curse is transmittable only by intercourse, and the infected rid themselves of the deadly phantom by hooking up with someone else. Photographed in supple tones by Michael Gioulakis, writer-director David Robert Mitchell's film favors slow zooms and pullbacks. Still, you keep waiting for the story

to take off and really rattle your sense of comfort. "It Follows" may have too much tact for this genre, and I wonder if it would've been more frightening had Mitchell confined the phantoms to the audience's imagination. As is, the conventional scare sequences are dutiful at best. — *M.P.*

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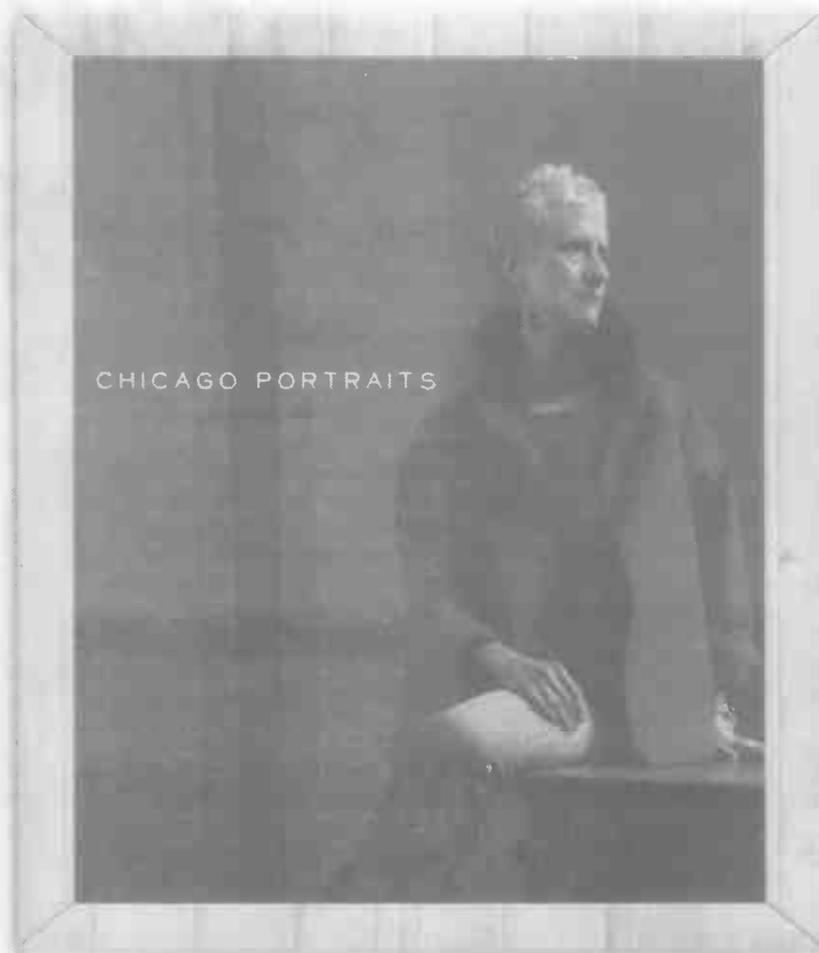
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### Death Notices

#### Roach IV, Thomas J.

Thomas J. Roach IV, 33, formerly of Woodstock, died unexpectedly on December 10, 2014 at his home in Chicago. He was born on August 17, 1981 in Park Ridge, IL. His family moved from Des Plaines to Woodstock in 1982. He attended McHenry County College and Northern Illinois University. Thomas was employed at Erwin Junker Machinery in Elgin. He is survived by his father, Thomas J. Roach III; his mother and step-father, Judith (Tim) Low; his twin sister, Sarah Marie Roach; two brothers, Michael Eck and Gregory Eck; as well as several aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Thomas J. and Shirley Roach II; his maternal grandparents, George and Junella Schwankoff; and an aunt, Marilyn Schwankoff.

A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 1-4pm at the Gardens of Woodstock, 5211 Swanson Rd, in Woodstock. For directions, call 815-337-2509 or visit [www.gardensofwoodstock.com](http://www.gardensofwoodstock.com).

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#### Kinnel, Russel Jackson

Russel Jackson (Jack) Kinnel died on March 29 at age 85. He spent most of his youth in Ann Arbor, MI, and earned 3 degrees, including a law degree, from the University of Michigan. Jack served in the army from 1954-6. He practiced law in Chicago and taught at Kennedy-King and Wright Colleges. Jack served Park Ridge as an Alderman, Nortran Trustee, and member of the Planning & Zoning Commission. His loving family includes: his wife, Meredith D. Kinnel; sister, Patricia Kinnel Kline; children, Katherine Kinnel Peters and Russel James Kinnel; son-in-law, Robert M. Kral; daughter-in-law, Elisabeth Hutchins Kinnel; grandchildren, Megan Katherine Peters and James Jackson Peters. Memorial celebrations are planned for summer in Park Ridge, IL and Newaygo, MI. Donations in his memory may be made to: University of Michigan at <http://victo.rs/1Cc44wN> or to the Nature Conservancy at <http://www.nature.org/>

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# Grading the Germans

BY DAVID KILEY

Special to Tribune Newspapers

The Germans, especially BMW, have long tried to lead in technical innovation when it comes to connected driving and infotainment. And their approach is similar — putting a mouselike controller in the center console, in addition to steering wheel controls, all of which back up or supplement voice-command controls.

Detroit companies and most of the Asian brands (except for Mazda) don't favor the console-mounted controller, preferring instead touch screens and dash-mounted controllers.

Determining which approach you are most comfortable with is key to making a buying decision. I like the mouselike controller best. But others feel quite differently.

## 4. Volkswagen

**How it works:** VW is playing catch-up when it comes to telematics and infotainment. VW offers its Car-Net app for both Apple iOS and Android smartphones. The app does basics like locking and unlocking the car remotely, finding your car for law enforcement if it is stolen, connecting you to an emergency attendant in an accident, and calling a concierge. Navigation and other controls flow to a 5.7-inch screen on the dash.

**Voice commands:** VW's Bluetooth voice command worked fine. Other systems are more advanced. It's adequate to keep your eyes off the phone.

**Navigation:** The navigation system works in a very straightforward way. No real bells and whistles here. A multistep manual way of entering an address on the touch screen works fine, as did the voice recognition.

**Final Grade:** C+. Volksw-



1 BMW ConnectedDrive. Grade: A+



2 Mercedes Benz's mbrace system. Grade: A



3 Audi A3 — MMI navigation. Grade: A-

wagen loses points for phoning in its telematics capability. But its new system, MirrorLink, which will integrate smartphone apps and offer Apple's CarPlay and Google's Android Auto, should put VW on the map with connected drivers. Stay tuned.

## 3. Audi MMI/Audi Connect

**How it works:** Audi's MMI system delivers phone service, navigation

and Bluetooth integration with your smartphone. It uses a dial in the center console, with a cluster of four buttons and two toggle switches. There are controls on the steering wheel, and the functions are designed to work with hands-free voice command.

With the navigation package, you get a 7-inch motorized screen that rises from the dash when the car is turned on. With a nav, the screen is 5.3 inches wide.

A cool feature is that if



4 VW. Grade: C+ (to be replaced by MirrorLink, above)

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: BMW, VOLKSWAGEN, AUDI AND HAROLD CUNNINGHAM/GETTY

the voice command is letting you down, you can "write" a phone number or an address on the surface of the console dial (like signing a credit card screen with your finger). To make the system work fully, you have to have a subscription with a wireless carrier.

**Voice commands:** As with any system today, Audi's MMI has voice commands for navigation and hands-free calling. Traffic info helps choose the optimal route.

**Navigation:** The nav system works very well, including with the voice command. But Audi has an added feature that is very cool. Google Street Views is integrated into the system, so you also get a picture of where you are going.

**Final Grade:** A-. Most of what Audi offers is wonderful and unique, but I'd rather be able to access my iTunes library by voice command than have my Twitter feed read to me by a robotic voice. Egads!

## 2. Mercedes-Benz

**How it works:** Mercedes-Benz's mbrace system is accessed via the car, phone or desktop computer. A console-mounted controller wheel lets you skate through the apps and features on the 5.8-inch dashboard screen (8-inch screen in some models). The redundant steering-wheel controls will perform most of the functions of the controller wheel.

The new system also has

BMW, Mercedes feature the best in-car technology

a finger controller pad, so I can write with my finger to get to, for instance, Van Morrison in my iTunes library by writing "Van."

**Voice commands:** Command allows you to run through a test sequence to get the system accustomed to your voice. And you can adjust the speed in which the system speaks to you.

**Navigation:** The nav system is crisp with great graphics. And you can zoom in and out either by turning the wheel or "pinching" the finger-controller, as with a smartphone.

**Final Grade:** A. The new Command system is deep with capabilities. It's just a hair or two behind BMW's iDrive.

## 1. BMW iDrive/ConnectedDrive

**How it works:** BMW set the industry on fire in 2001 when it introduced the iDrive system in a new 7 Series. It was glitchy and drew many complaints.

Today, the iDrive system, the heart of which is the console controller, and suite of services called BMW ConnectedDrive should be considered the best in the industry.

The iDrive allows one-handed control of frequently used functions like radio and navigation.

**Voice commands:** Of the cars we have tested, BMW gave us the least grief with voice command. Navigation destinations and hands-free calling of contacts was smooth and easy, the way it is meant to be.

**Navigation:** BMW's voice command navigation worked literally without a glitch, the only system we have tested so far that can boast that, and it was easy to work with even when I was setting the destination by hand.

**Final Grade:** A+.

# Six points to check in a test drive

BY JIL MCINTOSH  
Special to Tribune Newspapers

**Entrance and exit.** See how easy it is to get in and out. Women who dress for work should wear work clothes on a test drive, especially with a larger SUV. If it's a long step up in jeans and flat shoes, it'll be tougher in a skirt and heels.

**Seat fit.** To assess the seating position, put your wrist on top of the steering wheel with a slight bend in your elbow. Your shoulder blades should touch the seatback, and you should be able to push all the pedals to the floor. You should also be at least 10 inches away from the steering wheel for air-bag safety. The proper position may require a telescopic steering wheel, which not all vehicles have, or a power-adjustable seat.

**Passenger fit.** Check rear-seat legroom and headroom. Tight quarters are fine for small children, but are yours getting close to their teen growth spurts? Be sure you can reach to buckle their seat belts, and if possible, bring your child's seat and see how it fits. If you'll

be driving elderly parents, they may require wider-opening doors or tall rear seats for easy access.

**Storage.** Open the trunk or cargo hatch and see how high you have to lift items over the bumper. If the rear seats fold, see if it's easy to do. Some cars require you to first remove the rear head restraints or flip the cushions.

**Drive.** Test-drive for at least a half an hour, including on the highway, where you'll check if there's enough power to merge and pass. Turn off the stereo and listen for a bumpy, noisy ride or growly engine. Park the vehicle, both nose-in and tail-in: If the turning circle's too wide, it'll be difficult. And if it's a big truck or SUV, measure your garage to be sure it'll fit. Don't laugh: It happens!

**Dislikes.** Above all, don't just look for things you like. It's far more important to look for things you don't, and see if you can live with them. Something that irritates you now won't improve over the years. Spend the extra time to evaluate it.



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NISSAN

Nissan's 2015 Murano sports a more aggressive look, as well as a few tasteful touches.

## Comfort, with a little edge

BY DAVID  
UNDERCOFFLER  
Tribune Newspapers

The all-new 2015 Nissan Murano is a five-passenger crossover starting at \$30,445, targeting mostly empty-nesters looking for a near-luxury hauler. Families with a tangle of kids and sippy cups will be better served by Nissan's larger three-row Pathfinder or compact Rogue.

Ford and Toyota take a similar two-pronged kids/no kids approach to their crossovers. And Nissan says many Murano buyers also consider the brisk-selling Lexus RX350 (a claim Nissan hopes will polish the Murano's luxury pedigree).

For good or ill, the Murano's styling sets it apart from any competitor.

Its face is awash in shapes and angles, with triangular headlights that split as they sweep up the fenders. Behind the rear doors, the roofline dips to nearly touch a peak in the quarter panel. At the rear, taillights resembling lobster claws reach around the corners.

### 2015 NISSAN MURANO

Four-door midsize  
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Base price:

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Price as tested: \$43,745

MPG: 21 city; 28 highway

Powertrain: 3.5-liter  
direct-injected V-6 engine,  
all-wheel drive

Transmission: Continu-  
ously variable automatic

Parting shot: Nissan  
brings bold style to  
near-luxury crossovers

Overall, the 2015 edition looks more aggressive and edgy. While it may not age as well as something more sedate, it represents welcome risk-taking in an industry in which many automakers stamp out forgettable designs for fear of alienating buyers.

Inside, things are more traditional. Nissan cleaned up the clutter by cutting

the number of buttons from 25 to 10. Wood and metal trim add a premium feel. While the materials and construction don't quite match the Lexus, the Murano's quiet and comfort are above the standard for most Nissan products.

The rear seats pick up 2.5 inches of legroom. The cargo area grows by 8 cubic feet over the previous model.

We tested a loaded Platinum AWD model that weighed in at \$43,745 with heated and cooled leather seats, an intuitive touch-screen navigation system, 20-inch alloy wheels, panoramic moon roof, radar cruise control, pre-collision braking and 360-degree parking camera.

Similar gear in the Lexus will run about \$8,000 more, though Ford's upcoming Edge offers a similar value to the Nissan.

The fundamentals for the Murano remain unchanged for 2015. It still rides on a front-wheel-drive platform shared with the Altima and Maxima sedans, while all-wheel drive is optional.

A silky 260-horsepower V-6 is still matched with a continuously variable automatic transmission. Nissan has been using the CVT in its vehicles longer than most automakers, but it's also had more trouble building one that feels like a conventional automatic.

This revised version benefits mightily from some key hardware and software updates. It finally works like a CVT should, keeping plenty of power on tap without making the engine drone loudly.

The V-6 is plenty strong, especially since Nissan cut about 138 pounds off the older Murano by using more high-strength steel.

The only complaints are numb steering, and dashboard buttons that could use more backlighting.

But Nissan got this one right — and it needed to. The midsize SUV segment could grow substantially in the next few years.

With bold styling, heaps of comfort and newfound efficiency, the 2015 Murano will be tough to beat.

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Notre Dame's Jewell Loyd, left, answers a question as coach Muffet McGraw listens during a news conference at the NCAA Women's Final Four on April 6 in Tampa, Florida. Two days later, the Niles West graduate announced she was entering the WNBA draft.

# SURPRISE EXIT

Niles West grad Loyd leaves Notre Dame, enters WNBA draft

BY AL LESAR  
South Bend Tribune

Didn't see that comin', did ya?

Hours after Notre Dame women's basketball junior guard Jewell Loyd said how the 63-53 national championship loss to Connecticut on April 7 would be "motivation for us for next year," the Niles West graduate took a pass on next year.

Around 9:30 p.m. on April 8, Loyd announced she would make herself eligible for Thursday's WNBA draft.

Loyd's only comment in the university-issued release was brief.

"I am incredibly grateful for my experience at Notre Dame and the support I have received from Coach (Muffet) McGraw, our staff, my teammates and the entire ND community," she said. "I have grown as a woman and as a basketball player and I am

so thankful to have had the opportunity to be a part of such an inspiring community."

Loyd was headed to Los Angeles on April 9 for the Wooden Award banquet. She finished second to Connecticut's Breanna Stewart. A Notre Dame spokesman said Loyd was unable to respond to interview requests due to being in transit to the West Coast.

That means everyone outside the inner sanctum of the Irish program is left to speculate about why she would opt to leave a team that seemed poised for a serious run at the national title in 2016.

If there were cracks or fissures within the group of 13 Notre Dame athletes, they weren't visible to those allowed inside the ropes on occasion. Whether it's the company line or a true indication of feelings, freshman Brianna Turner's comment on April 7 — "I had to come out and play hard for my teammates" — was the mantra that came from all in the locker room.

Leaving a year of college eligibility on

the table for an opportunity in the WNBA hardly comes with the promise of a payday early departures for the NBA will earn.

Odds are Loyd will end up with the Seattle Storm. Seattle owns the first and the third picks in the draft. Tulsa, already stocked at guard with Skylar Diggins and Odyssey Sims, has the second selection.

Even a top pick won't be considered rich. The total salary cap for the WNBA roster of 15 players is around \$878,000. The best players in the league, veterans with about four years of experience, make just over \$100,000. Rookies have a minimum salary of about \$38,000, while the average player salary in the league is \$72,000.

Knowing what is known now, it's interesting to look back on Loyd's recent games to see if the gravity of her impending decision impacted her performance. A 45 percent shooter for the season, Loyd was never better than 38 percent in her last five NCAA Tournament games. She was 3-of-15

against DePaul, 5-of-18 against Baylor and 4-of-18 against Connecticut.

Coincidence?

Granted, every defense is designed to shut her down.

Smooth and technically sound throughout her career, Loyd seemed to force the offensive issue recently. Bad shots. Ill-fated, out of control bull-rushes to the basket that rarely ended well.

That doesn't change who Loyd is. During her three years in the public eye at Notre Dame, she has always been a respectful, uber-competitive spitfire who, more often than not, found a way to deliver.

She finished second in the AP Player of the Year voting behind Stewart and averaged 20 points a game this season. She scored 772 points this season, leaving her four behind the school record set for one year. She was a first-team AP All-American and two-time Atlantic Coast Conference player of the year.



Niles West's Maya Caballero hits a two-run home run at Ridgewood on Friday.  
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## Caballero develops into slugger for Niles West softball team

BY ERIC VAN DRIL  
Pioneer Press

**NORRIDGE** — At first glance, senior Maya Caballero doesn't seem to be Niles West's most dangerous home run threat.

She's 5-foot-3, after all, and a pitcher who could recall hitting only two home runs a year ago.

However, Caballero proved during the Wolves' first five games of the season that her stature is deceiving. She hit three home runs during that stretch, including a two-run shot in the first inning of Niles West's 7-4 loss to Ridgewood on Friday.

After the game, even Caballero said she was surprised by her early-season power surge.

"I expected myself to hit

more than I did last year, but ... I'm just shocked it's been that many," she said.

The explanation as to why Caballero has been able to drive the ball so effectively thus far is multifaceted.

For one, she trained with the Vernon Hills Stingers in the weeks and months before her senior season. The softball club held practices indoors during the winter, and they worked on hitting, fielding and other aspects of the game. Caballero said those sessions have helped her timing at the plate this spring.

She also has several attributes shared by many home run hitters.

"She's got fast hands," Niles West coach Nicole Reynolds said of her team's cleanup hitter. "She's got a

good, solid swing. ... She's pretty strong and she's a pitcher, so her right arm is pretty solid."

Another reason for Caballero's early-season success has been her approach during her at-bats. She hasn't been swinging for the fences, she said.

Instead, her goal has been to just make contact. That's been especially true in full counts, like the one she found herself in during the first inning against Ridgewood.

Caballero was down to her last strike, then popped up a fly ball into foul territory. Ridgewood's first baseman ran in to catch it, but the howling wind blew the ball away from her and allowed Caballero to have another chance.

The very next pitch from

the Rebels' pitcher was up in the zone and Caballero crushed it. Her line drive rocketed over Ridgewood's center fielder, then over the fence that's 200 feet away from home plate.

That home run was similar to her first, which she hit in Niles West's 11-1 win over Von Steuben on March 18. It was also a line drive that sailed over the fence in a hurry on a 3-2 pitch.

"I just want to make contact," Caballero said of her mind-set when the count is full. "And if I see that ball right down the middle, it just flies."

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Caballero delivers a pitch against Ridgewood.



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Maine East goalie Annie Turbak makes a diving save during Schaumburg's 14-6 win over Maine East on Friday in Schaumburg.

## Maine East's Turbak makes several big saves in loss

BY MATT HARNESS  
Pioneer Press

SCHAUMBURG — Throughout the 14-6 loss to the Schaumburg girls water polo team, Maine East junior goalie Annie Turbak made several spectacular saves.

The two most impressive on Friday came within seconds of one another and happened with less than one minute remaining in the first half.

First, she stopped a shot by diving to her right, reaching out her right hand near the right corner of the net to knock the ball back into play. The Saxons recovered the rebound and took another shot from about one foot away, but Turbak punched it out again.

She wasn't so lucky the third time, and Schaumburg went into

half ahead 8-4.

The series showed how good Turbak is and how she can get better.

"It's difficult to make stops on consecutive shots because you have to keep re-positioning yourself," said Maine East coach Kara Bosman, who's in her first season with the Blue Demons. "That comes with a lot of practice, and she's still a young player."

Although Turbak is a junior, this is only her second season playing water polo and first on varsity. After playing goalie on the JV team as a freshman, she decided to play softball last spring.

"I wanted to switch it up and do something different," she said.

Turbak said she made up her mind to play water polo again

about two weeks before the season started.

"I kind of waited until the last minute, but I'm glad I did," she said.

While volleyball is Turbak's primary sport, Bosman is high on her goalie's potential as a water polo player. Turbak said Bosman regularly works with Turbak during practice. Her biggest goal this season is to improve Turbak's reaction time and instincts. That's done by "whipping" balls at Turbak, Bosman said. Turbak said Bosman often will substitute tennis balls and ice cubes for water polo balls.

"Those kill me a little bit," Turbak said about the rapid-fire shooting sessions. "But she's trying to build up my endurance. It's a slow process, but I can tell it's helping me."

Turbak finished with 16 saves on Friday, a number that pleased Bosman, who said she always likes to see her goalies have more saves than goals allowed. Bosman said she wasn't thrilled that Schaumburg was able to take so many shots, though. Maine East, which dropped to 3-6 with the loss, entered the game surrendering 8.6 goals per game.

But Bosman said the Saxons were the first team the Blue Demons played that took long-range shots. Schaumburg's first two goals came courtesy of long lobs from the perimeter.

"Those are super difficult to block," Bosman said. "It's something we haven't even practiced because we don't have lobbers on our team."

Bosman said she looks forward

to unlocking Turbak's potential.

"She's come a long way in the past month already," Bosman said. "She's good at leading her teammates, and she really owns that area of the pool. She goes all out to make stops. She's really stepping up for us."

### Game notes

- Maine East seniors and first-year starters Manka Arifi and Zainab Naser each scored three goals Friday.

- Blue Demons senior starters Sarah Hua-Pham and Hannah Farley both missed Friday's game. They were out of town for a club volleyball tournament.

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# Niles North baseball team's balanced, potent lineup on display in win

BY MATTHEW PARAS

Pioneer Press

CHICAGO — Niles North third baseman Phil Klafta's third home run of the season was also a career first — a grand slam.

In the bottom of the first inning against Von Steuben, Klafta, a junior, smacked a ball that carried 15 feet over the fence for an estimated 365 feet to give the Vikings a five-run lead.

"I didn't know right away [it was gone]. I didn't think of it at all," Klafta said. "That's why I sprinted around the bases. I didn't realize I hit a home run until I got to home plate and I looked over [to my teammates, who were] saying, 'It went over!'"

Niles North dominated Von Steuben on Saturday in a 15-0, five-inning route at Northeastern Illinois University. The Vikings scored all 15 runs in the first two innings of the nonconference game.

Klafta said the Vikings' goal before this season was 20 wins, but Niles North improved to 11-2 on Saturday.

"Over the last couple of weeks, we've started to hit the ball really well and it's carried over," said Niles North coach Ed Toledo, adding, "Right now, we've had everybody contribute. There isn't just one guy."

"Phil's been an important part of our season, but our starters have been consistent in their level of play. That's been the best part of our season right now."

Von Steuben, which dropped to 0-6 with the loss, also committed costly errors during the course of the game, such as dropping routine fly balls in center field. Niles North took advantage of Von Steuben's six errors and finished with 10 hits.

In the second inning, Niles North blew the game open further by adding 10 runs, including a home run from senior first baseman Tyler Egan. It was Egan's second home run in two days, as he also hit one Friday against Payton.

Egan said the Vikings' success "is fantastic" after going his first three years with mixed results. Egan started to notice Niles



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Niles North's Phil Klafta rounds the bases after hitting a grand slam against Von Steuben at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago on Saturday.

North's potential when he and his teammates traveled to the Walt Disney World Resort in Florida for games over spring break.

"Twenty wins is a great goal, but

I think we can do better than that," Egan said. "We went into Florida and we knew we played fantastic baseball. When you do that against teams from all over the country, we

knew it was going to be a great year. "When everyone is contributing, it makes you want to contribute as well. It gives you a little more."

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# Wendel makes most of opportunity, thrives at third base

BY ERIC VAN DRIL  
Pioneer Press

NORTHBROOK — Junior David Wendel is listed on the Notre Dame baseball team's roster as a second baseman and shortstop. He's also capable of playing third base.

Notre Dame coach Nelson Gord said that at the beginning of the season he figured Wendel would be a role player whose value would be in his versatility. That was in large part because senior second baseman Michael Ferri, senior shortstop Thomas Norton and junior third baseman Matt Segovia were entrenched at their respective positions. All three were entering their third seasons as starters.

But Wendel's chance to play came early in the season when Segovia experienced some mild tendinitis in his throwing shoulder.

"We have a lot of talent on this team, and I was just excited to get into the lineup," said Wendel, a Mount Prospect resident. "I tried to make the most out of the opportunity."

Wendel's first start of the season was against Evanston on March 26. He went 1-for-3 in Notre Dame's 2-0 victory. He stayed in the lineup against Warren on March 31 and had two hits. He didn't play against Westmont on April 2, but he's remained a starter ever since. Segovia, meanwhile, has been the designated hitter and played a little left field.

He saw some time at third base on Saturday.

Wendel has spent much of the season hitting in Notre Dame's No. 7 hole, and he's thrived there. He began this week with the highest average among the team's regular players at .429.

"He just keeps hitting," said Gord, whose team began this week at 9-2. "The opportunity presented itself and he capitalized on it."

Wendel's approach at the plate has been a prominent part of his early-season success.

Wendel has always hit the ball to right field a lot, he said. That's helped him adjust to varsity pitching, which is faster than what he saw on Notre Dame's sophomore team a year ago.

Wendel has also seen more fastballs because he's been hitting lower in the lineup, Gord said. In varsity baseball, pitchers often pound the outside corner with their fastballs. That suits Wendel, though, because he's so comfortable in driving the ball the other way.

"Seventy percent of the game is played on the outside part of the plate, and he's real patient," Gord said. "He takes what the pitchers give him. Also, his ability to bunt and do some of those things [has helped]. I think he has two or three bunt base hits. Any time you add that into the mix, it's just going to open up some more holes and bolster your batting average."

What makes Wendel's hot start even more impressive is that he

was still playing hockey a month ago. He was one of Notre Dame's top defensemen during the team's run to the state semifinals.

Wendel's hockey season ended on March 16 and, even though the hockey season lasts for six months, he didn't take any days off to rest. He was back the following day, practicing with Notre Dame's baseball team and preparing for what would happen if, and when, he got his chance to start.

"I knew that I had to [hit] if I was going to get playing time," Wendel said. "So far, it's worked out."

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# DePauw softball team gets lift from OPRF's Baldwin, Trinity's Golden

BY NICK BULLOCK  
Pioneer Press

After a midseason lull, the DePauw softball team is back on track, thanks to Oak Park-River Forest's Emma Baldwin and Trinity's Taylor Golden.

Baldwin, a freshman pitcher from Oak Park, tossed a five-inning no-hitter to lead the Tigers to a 9-0 victory in the second game of a doubleheader against Denison on March 31 in Greencastle, Ind. Baldwin struck out four batters and walked one as DePauw won its fifth in a row.

In the team's next game, a 6-4 victory over Hiram, Golden, a senior third baseman, went 1-for-2 with a walk and four RBI, including two on a fourth-inning sacrifice fly that gave the Tigers the lead.

DePauw was 14-9 in its first 23 games, including 5-1 in the North Coast Athletic Conference and 4-1 at home. Golden was hitting .293 with four home runs, 18 RBI and four stolen bases. Baldwin was leading the team with a 2.42 ERA and 76 strikeouts in 60 <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings pitched.

Other area athletes on the DePauw team include New Trier's Beth Chelmowski, a sophomore outfielder, and Trinity's Gabby Smart, a sophomore utility player.

## Megally is DePaul's top scorer

The DePaul men's soccer team recently held its 2015 awards banquet and a number of local athletes were honored.

Sophomore forward Simon Megally from Maine South won the Offensive Award for his team-leading 11 points. He finished second in goals scored with four and tied for second in assists with three.

The Freshman Award was split between two players, including Lake Zurich graduate Caleb Pothast, a freshman defender, who played in 17 matches for the Blue Demons.

Other area athletes on the team include: Glenbrook South's Kosta Brkovic, a freshman forward and midfielder; Niles West's Robert Ljubic, a freshman midfielder; Stevenson's Quentin Low, a sophomore goalkeeper; and New Trier's George Moushi, a freshman midfielder.

## Thompson nominated for Athlete of the Year

The Collegiate Women Sports Awards recently selected Williams College's Sarah Thomp-



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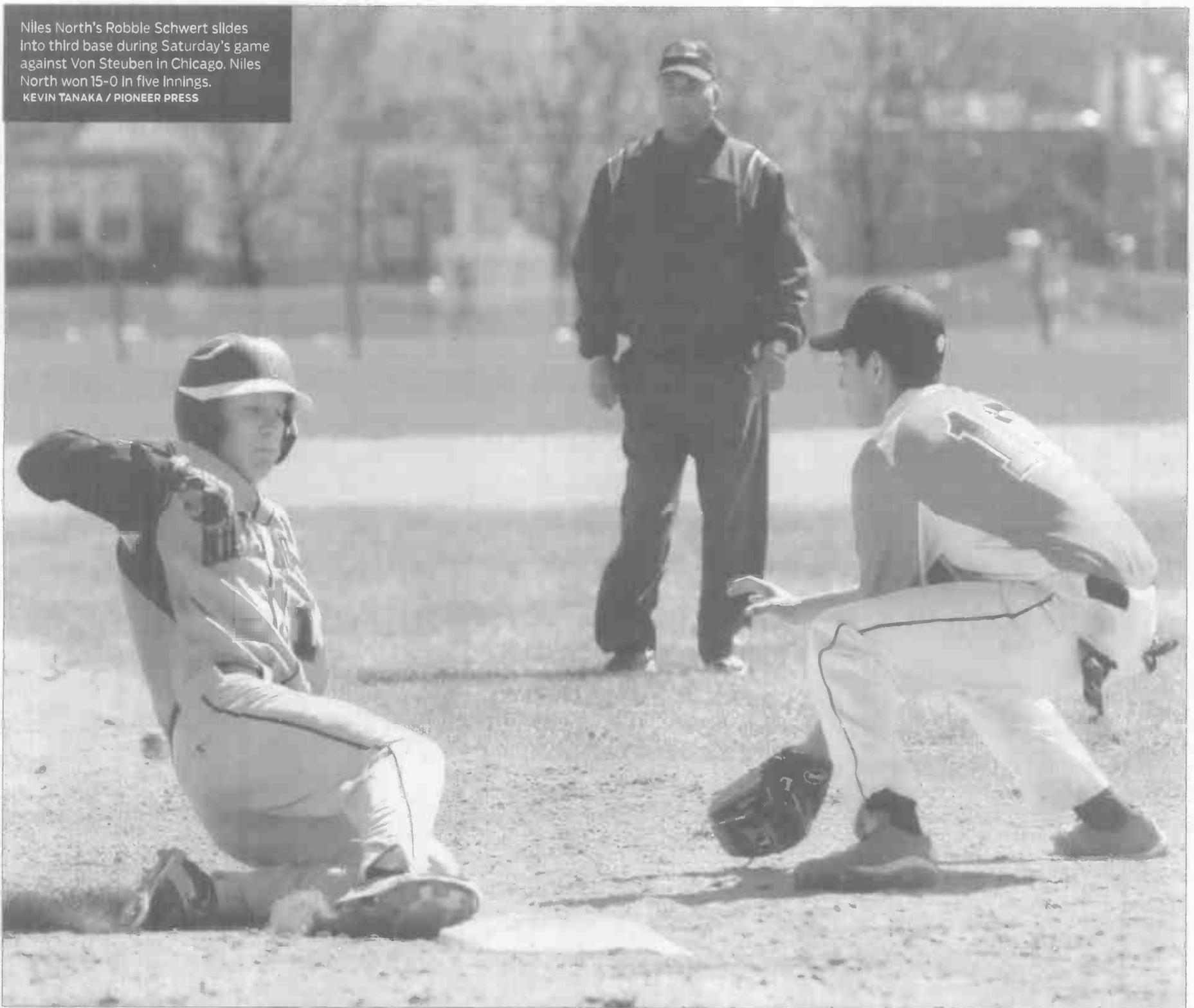
Trinity alumna Taylor Golden swatted a two-run sacrifice fly during DePauw's win over Hiram.

son as the swimming and diving nominee for the Class of 2015 Division III Honda Athlete of the Year award. Thompson, from Evanston, earlier was named the

NCAA Division III Championships 2015 Swimmer of the Meet and appeared in Sports Illustrated's "Faces in the Crowd."

*Have a suggestion for the College Roundup? Email Nick Bullock at bullockpioneerpress@gmail.com. Bullock is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.*

Niles North's Robble Schwert slides into third base during Saturday's game against Von Steuben in Chicago. Niles North won 15-0 in five innings.  
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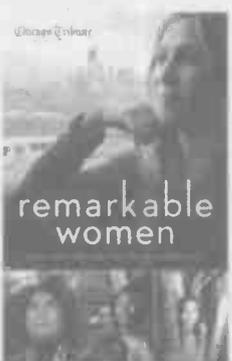
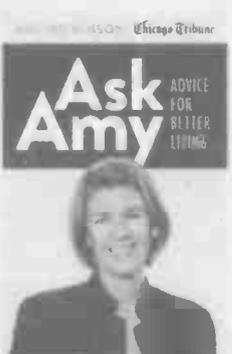
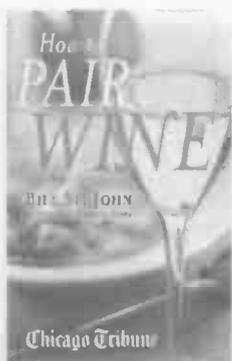
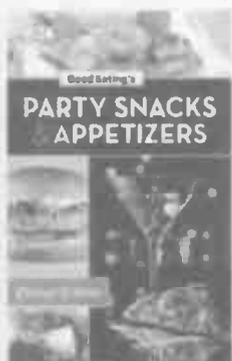
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Niles North baseball players said their goal was to win 20 games this season, but now they're hoping for more after starting 11-2. Page 52

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The theme is "Green + Global: The Design Legacy of Richard M. Daley" — and the former mayor will be in attendance as he's honored for enhancing the urban landscape through such projects as Millennium Park and Museum Campus.

**Time:** 6 p.m.

**Place:** Bridgeport Art Center, 1200 W. 35th

**Cost:** \$500. For tickets, visit [Architecture.org](#).

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## THIS WEEK

APRIL 15-16

### ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND TRUNK SHOW

Northfield's Peachtree Place boutique has a lot to celebrate this week, with a 30th anniversary party — complete with raffles, drinks and light bites — on Wednesday and a Heather Moore Jewelry trunk show Thursday.

**Time:** 2-6 p.m. Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday

**Place:** 303 S. Happ, Northfield

**Cost:** Free. For more information, visit [Peachtreeplaceonline.com](#).

APRIL 16-19

### LAKE FX SUMMIT + EXPO

Creatives and entrepreneurs of all stripes will



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**Place:** Headquartered at the Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington, with venues across the city

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APRIL 17

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## SPRING GALA

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**Time:** 6:30 p.m. performance, 8 p.m. gala

**Place:** Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph, and Hilton Chicago, 720 S. Michigan

**Cost:** \$750. For tickets, visit [Joffrey.org/gala](#).

APRIL 18

## SPIN TO BREAK THE CYCLE

This indoor cycling event supports

World Sport Chicago's programs for underserved youth. Instructors and DJs inspire you to hit your personal best; post-workout, enjoy a massage and refreshments.

**Time:** 7 a.m. doors open, 8 a.m. first workout; new sessions begin every hour through 4 p.m.

**Place:** House of Blues, 329 N. Dearborn

**Cost:** \$30 registration, \$300 fundraising minimum. To register, visit [Worldsportchicago.org/spin](http://Worldsportchicago.org/spin).

NEXT WEEK

APRIL 20

● **OUNCE OF PREVENTION ANNUAL LUNCHEON**

A great champion of children born into poverty, the Ounce of Prevention Fund serves more than 4,000 children and families. Bezos Family Foundation President **Jackie Bezos** is the keynote speaker at this lunch in support of the fund's programs.

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.

**Place:** Hilton Chicago, 720 S. Michigan



APRIL 25

● **WILD WILD WHIRL**

The Women's Board and the Board of Trustees of the Chicago Zoological Society and Brookfield Zoo host the suburban establishment's largest — and most wild — annual fundraiser, which supports the Zoological Society's award-winning conservation, education and animal welfare programs.

**Time:** 6:30 p.m., 8 p.m. dinner

**Place:** Brookfield Zoo, 3300 Golf, Brookfield

**Cost:** \$600. For tickets, visit [Pjhchicago.com/event/zoo](http://Pjhchicago.com/event/zoo).

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APRIL 25

● **NEW & NOW FASHION SHOW**

Carson's Orland Square hosts a style and beauty affair, featuring a spring runway show presented by style expert **Jordan Dechambre**, complimentary makeovers and more.

**Time:** 9 a.m., 10

a.m. fashion show

**Place:** 4 Orland Square, Orland Park

**Cost:** \$10 (includes a \$10 gift card to Carson's). To reserve your seat, visit [Carsons.com/product/720161.html](http://Carsons.com/product/720161.html).

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● **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY DISCOVERY BALL**

**Kathy Brock** of WLS-Channel 7 emcees this bash to support cancer

research, patient services, early detection, treatment and education. An auction includes vacation packages such as a trip to St. Lucia, a suite for 20 people at Soldier Field for the Taylor Swift concert July 19 and more.

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

**Place:** Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel, 221 N. Columbus

**Cost:** Available table sponsorships start at \$25,000. Visit [Discoveryball.org](http://Discoveryball.org).

APRIL 19

● **COMER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GIRLS' FASHION SHOW**

Emceed by **Melissa McGurren** of 101.9 FM's "The Eric and Kathy Morning Show," this delightful event benefits pediatric patient care programs. Girls ages 5-16 model outfits from

Frankie's on the Park while guests enjoy tea, mimosas and a raffle.

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

**Place:** Four Seasons Hotel Chicago, 120 E. Delaware

**Cost:** Starting at \$200 or \$50 for models and children. For tickets, visit [Uchicagokidshospital.org/programs/fashion-show](http://Uchicagokidshospital.org/programs/fashion-show).



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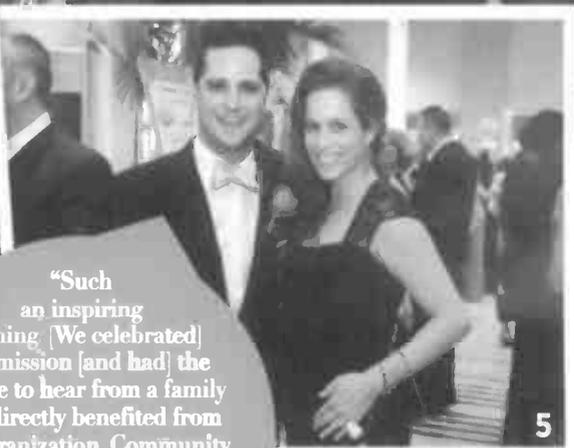
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**The scene:** It was an evening that would make Barnum & Bailey jealous when the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana hosted its 11th annual gala, themed "Night Under The Big Top," March 21. The Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers (301 E. North Water) opened its doors for the black tie-optional bash, where red-and-white striped décor, stilt walkers, magicians and unicyclists set the mood.

**The invite list:** Co-hosts **Jeff Cantalupo** and **Jodi Keller-Wheeler** welcomed more than 800 guests, who enjoyed a cocktail hour, photo booth, music by **High Society Orchestra** and a luxury raffle, which featured a Rolex watch courtesy of James & Sons Fine Jewelers. Later, comedian and Chicago native **Pat McGann** took center stage to crack up the crowd with a quick set.

**The bottom line:** The gala raised \$540,000 to support families of hospitalized children staying at the five Chicagoland Ronald McDonald Houses and three Ronald McDonald Family Rooms. —*Susie Moskop*

*Splash was the media sponsor of this event*



1. Jodi Keller-Wheeler 2. Pat and Sara McGann, Ronald McDonald and Doug Porter 3. Whitney and Russ Webster with children Joey, Raegan and Sage 4. Ronald McDonald with Ron and Lillian Lofton 5. Jeff and Nicole Cantalupo 6. A juggler was among the circus performers. 7. Ryan and Rachel Dardis 8. Families hit the dance floor. 9. Jennifer and Tripp Davis

PHOTOS BY OREN AMZALEG

"Such an inspiring evening [We celebrated] our mission [and had] the chance to hear from a family who directly benefited from the organization. Community support was overwhelming!"

— Jeff Cantalupo, a member of the RMHC-CNJ Board of Directors





**MEGAN SANDOS**  
in Akira at the Museum of Science and Industry

**RHONDA SWANSON**  
in Michael Kors at the Hilton Chicago

**JULIE NEIL**  
in Aidan Mattox at the Four Seasons Hotel Chicago

**KAREN HENNESSY**  
in Tina Griffin Designs at the Art Institute of Chicago

**MEGAN KLEIN**  
in Lanvin at the Art Institute of Chicago

# The emerald *style*

**A** trend that's always a gem, rich green hues are almost universally flattering. Avoid loud limes and meek mints, and opt instead for deeper, more saturated shades. Keep the look flirty with midriff-baring dresses from Kate Spade, or casual with stunning trenches, blazers and bags from Swiss brand Bally. Forget spring cleaning — this year, try *spring greening*.



THE SERVICE CLUB OF CHICAGO'S GIANVITO ROSSI SHOWCASE

**The scene:** Italian shoe designer **Gianvito Rossi** helped stylish Chicagoans put their best feet forward with an intimate charitable shoe sale for the Service Club of Chicago at Neiman Marcus (737 N. Michigan) March 25.

**The Invite list:** Event chairs **Eileen Howard Weinberg** and **Lisa Adelstein** -- plus 55 guests -- enjoyed wine and macarons as they tried on stylish stilettos and chic sandals, which were then signed by the designer. Fashion lovers were also able to snag signed sketches during the event and, later, the organization raffled off a pair of Rossi's shoes.

**The bottom line:** Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Service Club's roster of local charities. —*Susie Moskop*

1. Gianvito Rossi shoes on display
2. The designer **Gianvito Rossi** and **Tina Weller**
3. **Vonita Reescer**, **Alexandra Slno** and **Yana Cohen**
4. **Azeeza Khan**, **David Ochs**, **Mary Lasky** and **Brian O'Connor**
5. **Simona Garcla**, **Hazel Barr** and **Maria Giordano**

PHOTOS BY JOHN REILLY

"I may need to hire **Tina Weller** as my agent. She was so smooth and savvy -- within seconds of her shoe signing, she had **Gianvito** committed to donating a special pair to the Service Club's annual gala."

— **Azeeza Khan**, designer of **Azeeza US**



CENTER ON HALSTED'S HUMAN FIRST GALA

**The scene:** Equality for the LGBTQ community was the main message at the Center on Halsted's Human First Gala, dubbed **Kinfolk**, in The Great Hall at Union Station (500 W. Jackson) March 28. The bash featured a performance by **Maggie Speaks** and a raffle drawing courtesy of **MINI of Chicago** and **MINI USA**.

**The Invite list:** Co-chairs **Fay Clayton**, **Ronald B. Grais**, **Audrey R. Peebles** and **Richard R. Turner** hosted 600 guests, including members of Congress, civic officials and government leaders like **Mayor Rahm Emanuel**. The organization presented its Human First awards to **Charles R. Middleton**, the **Ronna S. Stamm** and **Paul Lehman** family and **Prudence Beidler** for their support of the LGBTQ communities; and the Community Spirit Award to the **TransLife Center** for its work in providing services to the transgender community.

**The bottom line:** The annual gala raised more than \$500,000 to support the diverse programs and services of the Center on Halsted, which works to advance community and secure health and well-being for the LGBTQ people of Chicago. — *Chiara Milioiulis*

*Splash was the media sponsor of this event. The Sun-Times Foundation and the Chicago Community Trust will match every dollar donated to the Center on Halsted up to a total of \$15,000. Up to \$1,000 can be matched per individual donation.*



1. Guests take the dance floor.
2. The Great Hall at Union Station
3. **Modesto Tico Valle**, **Victoria Raymont** and **Ray Crossman**
4. **Charles R. Middleton**, **Pat Harris** and **Mayor Rahm Emanuel**
5. **Ronna S. Stamm**, **Zachary Huelsing**, **Paul Lehman**, **Jonathan Lehman** and **Fay Clayton**

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Above: Sally Lou Loveman warms up the crowd before a taping of "The Oprah Winfrey Show." Below: Loveman works on a lovespeaks video with Rose Duong, owner of Kingsbury Street Cafe.

## Speaking up



Oprah's warm-up woman **Sally Lou Loveman** inspires women with a new platform

All great reinventions have one important requirement: a network of women who support each other. In fact, it seems like most women I know — including myself — are constantly in the process of some sort of reinvention. Each decade brings a new twist to our story. We hardly have time to settle in to what we're doing when — BAM! — another decade arrives and suddenly we find ourselves shifting.

My own reinvention came knocking when "The Oprah Winfrey Show" ended. I was the audience producer and pre-show warm-up girl for the show, and I passionately loved my job. Every day I spent in the studio connecting with the audience was an honor — and I'm certain it was my destiny.

When the show ended, I didn't want to lose that connection — so I started my company, lovespeaks. The idea came to me during a dental surgery I had been putting off but finally scheduled when the show ended — because who had time for that during the most exciting season of television! For the first time in my life, my mind was at rest and, 100 stitches later, I had envisioned my business. A few months later I was trained in Transcendental Meditation, which absolutely took the fear out of my reinvention. A still mind can make everything clear.

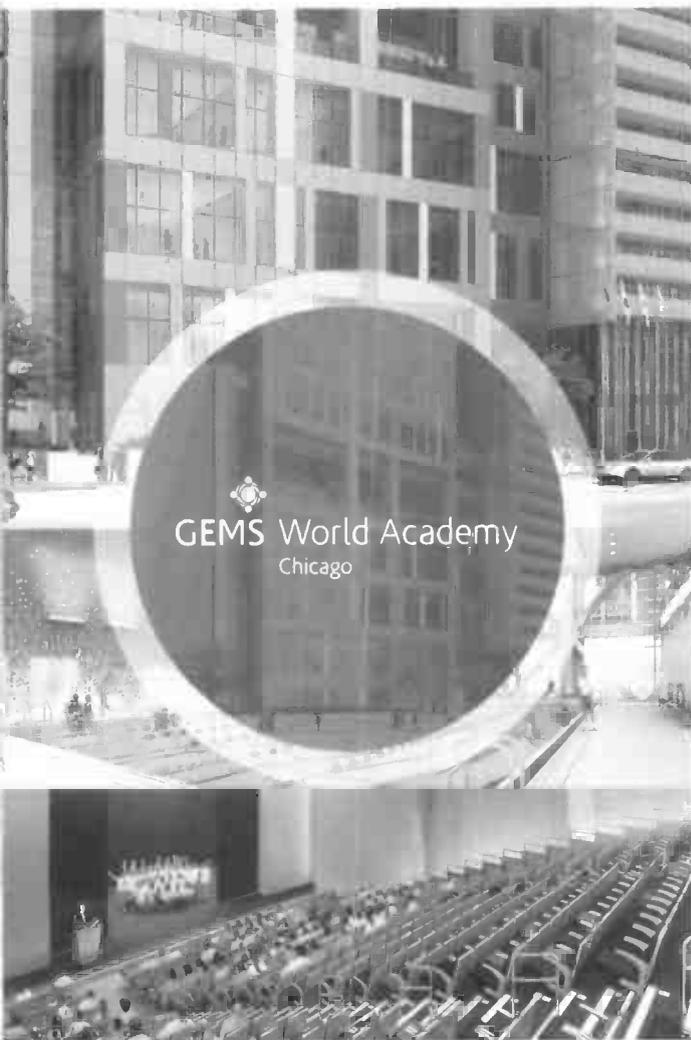
Lovespeaks allows me to engage audiences with a meaningful message of connection to self

and surroundings, for the purpose of personal and professional development. My mission is to use my story to help women write theirs. Whether I'm emceeding an event, speaking to a group or counseling young professionals, I feel the support exchanged in the room, and that is what fuels me.

I'll never forget a moment a few months after starting my business. I had emceed an event and I saw a line of female audience members waiting to speak to me. It took me by surprise at first, and I remember thinking, "Are they waiting for ME?" When I realized they were, I felt validated and I knew I would be OK on my own. I began to trust my talent and was prepared to use it in a new way.

I recently launched a video series featuring women business owners who are doing what they love in hopes of inspiring other women to do the same. Because I felt so much support from my former female colleagues, it felt natural to feature them in my series. We had a ball reminiscing and talking about our futures, and it was a reminder to me that a team is always there for you, no matter where you work or where you live — and a team of women can do anything. So if reinvention is on your horizon, stay connected to your community of women, because when women support each other, incredible things can happen.

*For more information on Loveman and lovespeaks — and to connect with women who are using their talents to do what they love — visit [lovespeaks.tv](http://lovespeaks.tv).*



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# Blast to the past

The Annoyance Theatre eyes the '80s in the new musical comedy

**'The Power of Prom'** BY THOMAS CONNORS

Looking back is often either a matter of nostalgia (ah, the good old days!) or incredulity (what were people thinking?), for every hipster who embraces the martini and midcentury modern aesthetic of "Mad Men," there's someone who shudders at the stifling gender roles and sanctioned discrimination of the 1960s. But thinking of decades past can also be just plain fun — something that The Annoyance Theatre & Bar proves with the new musical comedy "The Power of Prom."

Created by veteran laugh masters Pat Reidy, Ed Furman and T.J. Shanoff, the show embraces the pop culture of the '80s, referencing the era's mu-



sic, films, television programs and everyday goings-on. "After touring for The Second City, I was looking for a larger scale project to work on so I didn't go stir crazy," says Reidy, who initiated the idea. Chatting with friends, he hit on the idea of addressing a time when "yuppie" entered the lexicon



The cast (from left): Lauren Lopez, Molly Miller, Erin Thom, Jonathan Keaton, Jon Matteson, Jeff Blim and Steve Thomas | PATRIAC COAKLEY

and Madonna made the transgressive mainstream. "After some research, we saw that so many '80s movies centered around high school and dances. That's when I went to Ed and T.J. and we very quickly figured out a fun way to turn [that era] into a comedy musical."

Furman and Shanoff have been writing partners for years, but this project offered a break in tone from some of the shows they've done at Second City e.t.c. in recent years, such as

"Rod Blagojevich, Superstar" and "Rush Limbaugh! The Musical" "This show is less political and more universal — though we do have a lot of fun with the legacy of Ronald Reagan," Shanoff says.

Interestingly, each of the collaborators came at the project from a different direction. "The music wasn't Fiddie's bag. And Pat was a bit too young to experience the '80s in its full glory in real time," notes Shanoff. "For me, every year of the '80s represented the grade I was

in — 5th grade was 1985 [and so on] — so '80s music and TV were integral to my youth."

Despite their different experiences, the trio believes they've crafted a piece that will hit home for all theatergoers. "This has been a year in the making," says Furman, an alum of Annoyance. "The Annoyance is known for wonderfully raw and raunchy shows. The goal here was to make this a more polished show — while still keeping it a bit raunchy."

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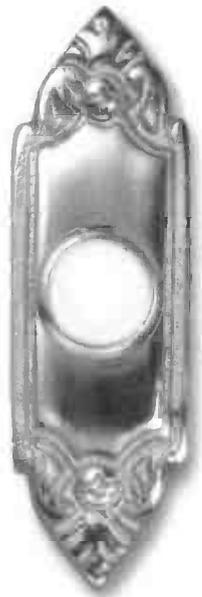
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# LIKE A 'VIRGIN'

Chicagoan and this year's  
breakout TV star  
**GINA RODRIGUEZ**  
talks newfound fame,  
navigating Hollywood  
and never  
losing her roots

BY ZAK STEMER

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**I**n Hollywood, there's someone for virtually any character trait. You need funny and lovable? Call Emma Stone. Pixie dream girl? Ring up Zoëy Deschanel. Sassy? Sofia Vergara. One trait that's extremely rare in those star-studded hills, though: authenticity. Enter Gina Rodriguez, star of The CW's campy comedy "Jane the Virgin" and this year's breakout star (she even nabbed the Golden Globe for Best Actress in a Comedy Series, beating out such veterans as Julia Louis-Dreyfus and Edie Falco).

Splash first spoke with Rodriguez, 30, last August, just before the premiere of "Jane." At the time, she was an unknown actress from Chicago's Northwest Side — she attended St. Ignatius College Prep before heading to New York University to pursue acting — and she couldn't believe she was on billboards.

Since then, a lot has changed: The show was an instant hit, earning a second season renewal, a People's Choice Award and leading Rodriguez to a Golden Globe. Now, she's on the road to becoming a bona fide movie star: She's signed on to star opposite Mark Wahlberg in "Deepwater Horizon," which begins filming later this month. The movie centers on the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, and Rodriguez stars as Andrea Fleitas, a Latina who saved lives during the spill by sending out the distress signal. "I feel very honored to play her. She is a part of American history, she's a fierce Latina, and that's all I'm about," the actress says.

She's also writing a book of stories from her life, paired with advice from her father, Genero Rodriguez, a boxing referee who, according to the actress, worked hard to give his three daughters every opportunity in life. ("It's gonna be juicy," she laughs.)

Even with a hit show, a movie deal and an upcoming book, Rodriguez remains remarkably casual. "Truthfully, not much has changed," she says. "I didn't move, I didn't buy anything big, I didn't go crazy," she says. "I paid off my student loans! Glory! My parents were so excited."

That said, her newfound fame took some getting used to — especially after winning the Globe. "At first, I definitely felt the pressure. Oh my God, it's a lot to live up to. You get critiqued much harder," she says. "I went home that night with my



Left: Rodriguez at the 2015 Golden Globe Awards

Right: With Jane Seymour in "Jane the Virgin"

parents, and [my dad] said to me — he's so incredible — he said, 'Now you just have to do the work.' It's not about thinking I have to look prettier when people see me, or that I have to be on my p's and q's. No. You need to go back to work tomorrow and prove that you were deserving of this award. ... The award is fantastic and wonderful and looks great on the mantel, but it's the work that got you there."

For those unfamiliar with her work, Rodriguez stars as the titular character on The CW's quirky, telenovela-style comedy "Jane the Virgin." The premise is charmingly far-fetched: Jane Villanueva, a Type-A virgin from a religious Latino family, is accidentally artificially inseminated during a routine exam with the last sample from her boss and former crush. Crazy plot twists ensue — murders! twins! betrayal! — and emotions run high.

The actress is quick to tease fans with details about the show's finale, airing May 11. "There are some severe woman-empowerment decisions, and Jane is going to make choices that are so strong that women everywhere are gonna be like, 'Yep, mm-hmm! That's what I'm talkin' about!'" she says. "It was actually pertinent to my life, about really sticking to my guns and really being who I wanted to be in all this craziness. That's Jane. In the face of all the craziness, she's gonna really show women how amazing it is to be strong."

Rodriguez has put that strength to good use during the last year, resisting the industry pressure to change. "My father used to always say, 'If you don't lie, you never have to remember anything.' I love that, because I don't lie about who I am, I don't hide who I am," she says.

Despite her beauty, you won't see Rodriguez strutting down red carpets in revealing getups — though that's not to say she hasn't been pressured to change her look. "When you talk

about Hollywood, it's this big, elusive, collective decision and societal norm," Rodriguez says, gearing up for an impassioned explanation. "It's this collective decision that we should all look like this. This collective decision that this is what 'beautiful' is, this collective decision that this is what's cool. It's not science, it's not fact, it's not the truth. I've been approached many times throughout my career where [they say], 'Oh she's not *physically* right.' Which is to say, I'm either not skinny enough or curvy enough or busty enough. But [that just means] I'm not physically right for you. [It doesn't mean,] 'I'm not physically right for everyone in this whole world.' No. I'm not right for *you*. And I'm OK with that."

She goes on: "We're all our own person and we're all our own beauty and we're all our own strength. You don't need to be who somebody else wants you to be. Be who you are. I guarantee you feel a lot better about yourself at the end of the day when somebody loves you for that and not for what you're trying to be. ... I got a big ol' Puerto Rican booty and I love it to pieces — but back when I was 15, that was not what was in. Like, at all! Everybody was like, 'Eww, she has a big butt. Eww, I don't want a big butt.' And now? They're injecting cement into their booties! That's the point: Why try to live up to the standard of this collective idea of what is beautiful? Just be yourself, because eventually it's gonna come into trend."

That off-hand speech is Rodriguez in a nutshell: real. When fans come up to her, she says they compliment her off-camera persona just as often as they say they love the show. She's forged a connection that goes beyond the screen — people like the actress, not just the character. Rodriguez has become the role model we've always needed — and now she's totally on trend.

## OUTTAKES

Rodriguez goes off script and tackles some of our tougher questions.

### ON THE BEST FATHERLY ADVICE

"Fear only exists between your two ears. When you're afraid, it stems from the self. You're the one who creates it. you're the one who can stop it and you're the one who can overcome it. That lesson has been implemented in so many times of doubt, so many times of fear."



### ON WHICH CO-STAR IS A BETTER KISSER

"Oh my God, my boyfriend will kill me! I feel so bad already. [Justin Baldoni (above left) and Brett Dier (right) are] both good kissers. This is terrible — I can't realistically answer this without getting in so much trouble. They're both different kissers. I don't know! Acting is so weird because I take myself out of it, or I imagine my boyfriend in front of me to bring up the steam."



**M**ultiple sclerosis is a mysterious disease — difficult to diagnose, unpredictable in treatment and often invisible until its later stages, when symptoms arise from its attack on the central nervous system.

Since the disease strikes women twice as often as men, The Greater Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society hosts an annual “Women on the Move” luncheon to raise funds toward a cure. Splash worked with the NMSS to identify these four high-powered, active women and share their stories of diagnosis and the daily victories that keep them charging ahead.

The “Women on the Move” luncheon is April 14 at the Ritz-Carlton Chicago (160 E. Pearson). Tickets (\$150) are available by calling (312) 423-1172 or emailing [Elle.ullum@nmss.org](mailto:Elle.ullum@nmss.org).

# MOVING

## forward

FOUR LOCAL POWER WOMEN  
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**WENDY KRIMINS, 52**  
General Manager at Neiman  
Marcus Michigan Avenue

**My diagnosis:** I found out about 16 years ago. I started having numb feet and I thought it was because I run around in high heels all the time. It wasn't going away, so I saw [about] 30 different doctors. One morning I woke up and had a really bad headache and by the end of the day I was blind in one eye.

**Time to tell:** [Six years ago] when I moved to Chicago, I was here for maybe six months and I sort of pretended like I didn't have it because I was fine. One day I was walking to work — I was half-way there and all of a sudden I couldn't move either leg, I had to be taken to the hospital, and when I came back with a cane I told all of my employees and I told my boss. When I told them, [they came to me] with open arms.

**Step by step:** Four years ago I sold

every high-heeled shoe I had [on eBay]. I thought, "This is it." I bought fancy canes online. There was a lesion on a vertebra on my neck. I had surgery and within maybe three months [my doctor] started me on a new treatment. Ever since being on this treatment, I wouldn't think there was anything wrong with me if I didn't have to get an infusion [of Tysabri] every other month. It's been like a miracle.

**What to expect:** There shouldn't be a stigma. I see things on TV — they seem to always show the worst-case scenario of MS. There are so many types of MS and I think it's important for people to know that if they get that diagnosis, their life is not over.

**Living with MS:** I was concerned how I was going to be able to do things by myself. My store is a really big store, but it's great — I get the exercise. I've never said, "Oh, poor me." Never at all. I have a lot of great things to be thankful for

**DANIELLE MUZZUPAPPA, 30**  
Accountant for several  
family businesses

**My diagnosis:** I had my first episode at 16. I went completely numb on the right side of my body. That [feeling] came back about a month later. About a month after that I lost complete feeling on the left side of my face. It looked like my face was drooping. That took a little longer to come back. Oddly enough, I've had no more physical symptoms, like paralysis, numbness, vision disturbances ... nothing. But when I get my MRIs, they don't come out good. My last MRI showed six new lesions [on my brain].

**At first:** I was 17 years old when I was diagnosed. I expected to [someday] be in a wheelchair, I expected to never get married, never to have kids — and obviously none of that pertained to me, because I've gotten

married and have a beautiful daughter.

**When I met my husband:** We were driving home from dinner and I said, "Stop the car, I need to tell you something." It's been 11 years [since then]. He says everything's unknown, so we're just going to keep living our lives together.

**Every morning:** It's really hard to get out of bed. It might take me 10 minutes longer. I might be a little bit late for work. I look at myself in the mirror and I say, "Today's going to be a good day or a bad day, it's up to you." And I always pick a good day.

**The good fight:** Right after I was diagnosed, my father started a golf outing with a family friend called Forward for a Cure, and we have donated almost \$1 million. We earmark it for stem cell research. With all this progression in medicine, I know they're right there with a cure.

**LISA BEACHY, 40**  
Communications Manager  
at Nike

**My diagnosis:** I was diagnosed with MS on April Fools' Day 2011. The irony! I had some crazy spasms in my abdomen. I [thought] it must be a herniated disc and I was really busy traveling for work. [I was 36, but] they think I probably had it since my early 20s because I had issues with vertigo and I had numbness.

**At first:** I was really frustrated. I was like, "No, not one more thing. Not right now." It was not the best time in my life. I had just gotten divorced. For a week I was upset and angry, but then I [realized] it's not going to kill me. It's something I can live with and progress with and, yes, it might put me in a wheelchair one day,

but I'm not going to go anywhere.

**New normal:** I was a student athlete in college. I was a serious competitive gymnast and I ran track. [Now] I can't run. I do a lot of yoga, a lot of pushups. I modify my workouts. Since I work in sports and I've always worked in sports, it's part of who I am.

**At work:** For me, it's scheduling — once a month I need to be out of the office for three hours [for treatment]. I told my boss I'll be on my laptop. I'll be working, but it's something I need to work into my schedule.

**Talking about MS:** It's important to let people know [the facts] because it's more awareness about the disease. I think that now is the time to rise up, be proud of who you are.

**EVELYN SANGUINETTI, 44**  
Lt. Gov. of Illinois

**My diagnosis:** I was a concert pianist before I decided to go to law school. No one with MS could tickle the keys — I was completely asymptomatic. In 2007, I had a fall and a CAT scan revealed lesions on my brain. That's when we started to suspect an MS diagnosis.

**At first:** I had the blues. It was not an easy diagnosis to take. My husband was the one who convinced me to run for city council and to take a teaching position on top of being a trial attorney. I had the support of my family and my neurologist: He was the one who said, "If you don't use it, you lose it."

**On the move:** It changes every single day. Today is going to be an office day for me, for instance, but tomorrow I'm off to Washington. I sleep eight hours [every night] but I feel like I work every hour that I'm awake.

**Family time:** I'm the mother of three children and we navigate carefully. Victoria is 14 and we're soon going to celebrate her quinceañera. I have two boys, ages 8 and 12: Nicholas and Michael.

**MS symptoms:** For me, my fingertips — it's common — I have a tingling sensation. I feel some fatigue if I walk too much, but I'm sure that happens to everyone. It's been mind over matter. I do not let the disease define me.

**Time to tell:** I was not initially open about my MS — any time you tell people, they respond by saying, "Gee, you don't look sick." And do I look sick? I decided to go out in the open when I joined forces with [Governor] Bruce Rauner. I did not want that to be an impediment. When I ran I had my neurologist write a letter about what my future holds, and the rest is history. [I want people to know] there is light at the end of the tunnel once you accept the condition.

From left: Wendy Krims, Lisa Beachy, Danielle Muzzupappa and Lt. Gov. Evelyn Sanguinetti | PHOTO BY RAMZI DREESSEN

making a splash

# SUPER STAR

'Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.'s'

**CHLOE BENNET**

on the Season 2 finale — and finally impressing her siblings

BY ZAK STEMER

## Friends forever

"I'm surrounded with such amazing people ... Elizabeth [Henstridge], Iain [De Caestecker] and I got plucked [from obscurity] and put on the show. We'll just have this bond forever because we've gone through this together: it was our first big thing."

## If I had a super power ...

"I would be able to teleport. This is something I think about, like, all the time. I get genuinely mad and anxious that I can't do it."

## Dream role

"I would love to do a Will Ferrell comedy, or something with Tina Fey or Kristen Wiig. I would die to be in a [film like] 'Bridesmaids.'"

For Chloe Bennet, the transition from Chicago girl to Hollywood it-girl is almost complete. She's been through the mandatory Jimmy Kimmel-hazing — last year the host exposed her past as a teenage popstar in China by directing viewers to a music video of 16-year-old Bennet (she still blushes about that); she's amassed over 250,000 Twitter followers; she's got a Hollywood heartthrob beau, "The Walking Dead's" Austin Nichols ("We're a serious comic-nerd dream," she jokes); and her show, "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.," now in its second season, has become a hit.

Maybe most importantly, though, she's earned the respect of her six brothers. "They finally think I'm kind of cool now — a little bit," she laughs. "They obviously love [co-stars] Elizabeth [Henstridge], Adrianne [Palicki] and Ming-Na [Wen] more than me, but it's still cool."

In the past year, Bennet, 22, has come into her own. Likewise, her character, Skye, has gone through dramatic shifts in the series: She started as an anarchist computer hacker living in a van, then became a government agent and now wields earthquake-causing superpowers given to her by alien technology. "It feels like it's a completely different character sometimes," admits Bennet. "There's not a dull moment at all."

Last year, the actress laughed about her lack of coordination, joking, "I'm pretty sure I played tee-ball and I'd miss the tee." Now, even that's changed:

To prep for her character's new skills, Bennet trained in jiu-jitsu, Krav Maga, kickboxing and mixed martial arts. "[My trainer and I] were in my apartment gym beating each other up. I think my neighbors got worried about me, but it was worth it," she says. "There's a lot of stuff coming up at the end of the season where Skye's going to be kind of a badass. ... I just read the [Season 2] finale and it's the best episode of our entire series, I think. If you think [Skye has] changed thus far, it's going to get even crazier."

While her day job as a Marvel superhero-in-the-making keeps her pretty busy — "This season has really taken it out of me," she confesses — Bennet plans on taking full advantage of the upcoming summer hiatus. She'll head to Atlanta to support her boyfriend on "The Walking Dead" set and take a much-needed visit back to Chicago to see her family on the West Side. And she has a very important message for her local fans: "I want to encourage anyone reading this to come up and say hi, because I'm very excited when I meet fans," she says. "I'm always surprised, because I honestly just forget. I'll be like, 'Why is that person looking at me?' People have to remind me, 'They probably watch the show.' ... Or I have something in my teeth. Usually the latter."

Watch "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." Tuesdays at 8 p.m. on ABC.

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## MANE STAGE

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## COOL COLLECTION

Spring is just making its first



Lou & Grey

appearance in Chicago, but Saks is already thinking ahead. Get a jump on autumn and winter fashion trends at a trunk show by legendary fashion house Oscar de la Renta

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CHEERS!



Calling all comedians: The Second City and NBCUniversal have come together to amp up the search for Chicago talent. Their partnership will lead to new programs such as the Break Out Festival ([Secondcity.com](http://Secondcity.com)) June 5-6, where emerging comics can showcase their skills.



You can't have too much of a Greek thing: The fourth GRK Greek Kitchen (400 S. Wells) swung open its doors in the Loop earlier this month. The new 6,600-square-foot space boasts menu items like Greek frozen yogurt and gyros and — best of all — features a second-floor rooftop bar set to open mid-April.

Kerry Robinson & Colin Cheney

BY CHIARA MILIOULIS

When New Jersey natives **Kerry Robinson** and **Colin Cheney** graduated from college in 2008, they were unsure of their next steps. "Everyone moved to New York for work — neither of us wanted to do that just yet," Robinson says. So that fall, the couple embarked on a four-month cross-country road trip — but what they discovered was something much more permanent. "We stopped in Chicago and loved it, so when we got back home and it was time to figure out our lives, we decided to move [here]," she says.

Four years later, in July 2013, Cheney, new member representative at Nadex, took Robinson, director of PR for the Park Hyatt Chicago, on a walk along Diversey Harbor — Robinson's favorite view of the city — with their dog, Max. As they walked, the couple reminisced on their past trips. That's when he pulled out a diamond ring and asked, "Are you ready for our next adventure?" Robinson vividly remembers her reaction, saying, "I started

screaming. I think people walking by thought we were breaking up because I was hysterically crying!"

The pair tied the knot last fall at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum (2430 N. Cannon) with 90 of their closest friends and family looking on. Navy and gold hues were woven throughout the ceremony and reception and, for a personal touch, the couple marked table assignments with vintage postcards from their favorite places, including the Jersey Shore, San Antonio and Charleston, South Carolina. "The atmosphere felt really us — it was really laid back," says the bride. "We're not super flashy, so we wanted [the reception] to be romantic, intimate and homey." But the sweetest highlight of the evening was the dessert table, overflowing with Nutella and banana turnovers, caramel mousse bombs, mini strawberry tarts and jars of jellybeans.

After the nuptials, the duo jetted off on yet another adventure: a tropical honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii.



Food for thought: CH Distillery & Cocktail Bar (564 W. Randolph) has named **Bobby Mayo** (left) as executive chef. He'll create a seafood-centric menu to complement the bar's handcrafted cocktails.



The show will go on! Congrats to Stephenwolf Theatre Company (1650 N. Halsted) for earning a grant from The Roy Cockrum Foundation in support of **Tracy Letts'** (inset) upcoming play, "Mary Page Marlowe."



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ON SPEED DIAL ...

# Derek Lam

The designer comes to Winnetka for a trunk show

BY ELLE EICHINGER

**F**resh off Fashion Week, Derek

Lam makes a stop in Chicago April 14 to present his Pre-Fall and Fall 2015 collections in a by-appointment-only trunk show at Winnetka's neapolitan collection (715 Elm, call 847-441-7784). Lam honed his American sportswear aesthetic as designer at Michael Kors before launching his own line in 2003; now, he helms both Derek Lam and the more accessible Derek Lam 10 Crosby — the label's urban iteration — and offers shoes, handbags and accessories.

**Calling us from:** "I'm in the studio ... we are working on Resort, or what we call Pre-Spring, and Spring [2016], so we work about a year ahead for each collection."

**My Pre-Fall 2015 collection:** "Was inspired by Malevich, a Russian constructivist artist who kind of proposed haute couture and landscape as simple geometric forms; that's what I wanted to do with the collection — use geometric forms in a three-dimensional way to redefine what modern clothing looks like."



**Point of view:** "The foundation of what I do is to try to think about how we dream through fashion, and also why we use fashion, why we need fashion; so [there's] this kind of rational side to it, but also a side that's a fantasy. It's [about] trying to combine those two desires into clothing."

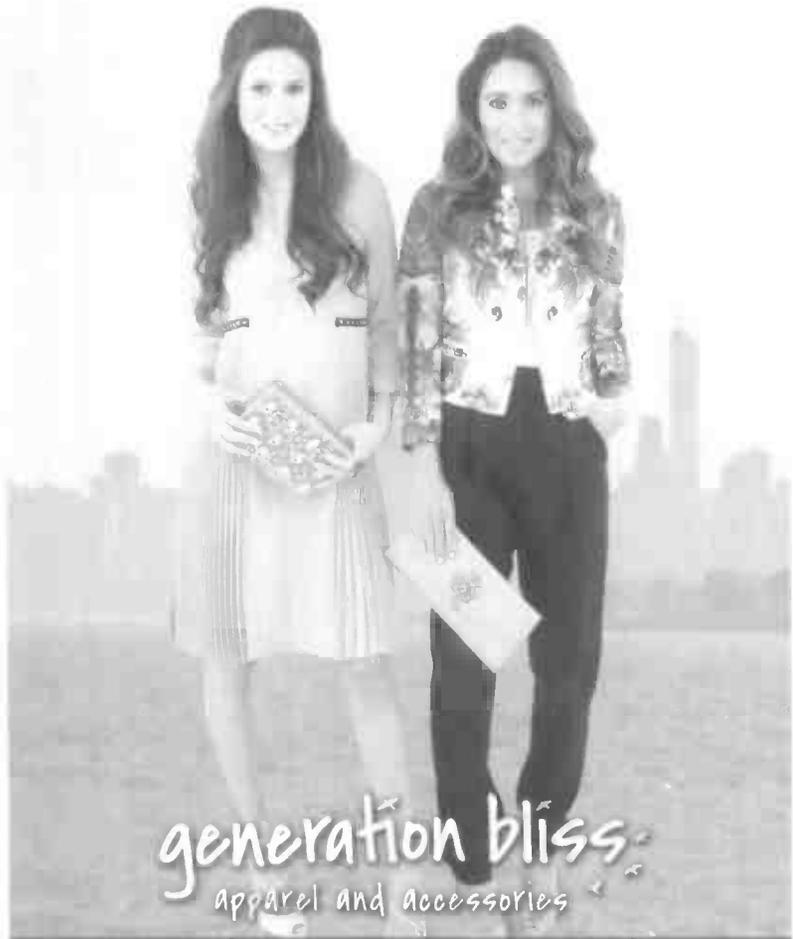
**My personal style is:** "Very much in the school of James Dean — the American uniform."

**What scares me:** "Besides the practical, like drowning — I'm not a big water person — I think the usual: failure, falling down and breaking a bone. But nothing that prohibits moving on in life."

**Coming to Chicago:** "I really love the Midwestern values that Chicago epitomizes. [There is] this beautiful art and architecture that's coupled with a real sense of rational irrationality, which I find very modern, very refreshing."



White gown and black leather boots from Derek Lam's Pre-Fall 2015 collection



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## Day at the museum

BY CHIARA MILIOULIS  
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The MSI's woman on the rise walks us through her path to success

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**AGE:** 32. **CLAIM-TO-FAME:** Director of external affairs at the Museum of Science and Industry. **LIVES IN:** Oak Park. **DAILY DUTIES:** Oversees philanthropy for individuals and membership — we have nearly 32,000 family memberships. I'm also in charge of the Columbian Ball, which is one of the largest events in the city. **GRAND BALL:** We have a robots exhibit opening [May 21], "Robot Revolution" — we'll be using that theme for the Columbian Ball this fall. **BIG DREAMS:** I told my kindergarten teacher I was going to be president. I always wanted to help people and change the world — that's how [started working in nonprofits. Working at the MSI] gives me the chance to help inspire the next generation of innovators every day. **WORKING MOM:** My best advice would be to set aside time for your children. I have a date in my calendar for right after work, when I spend time with my son, Preston. Also, make that same time for yourself; significant other, it's a lot easier to parent when you're getting along with the other half of the parental equation. **GO-TO ACCESSORY:** My wedding ring. It's a vintage '20s art deco ring that my husband found at an estate jeweler and surprised me with when he proposed in Paris. **COUNTRY GIRL:** I grew up on a farm, so I can do outdoorsy stuff — but I prefer to hang out in the city. **BEST ADVICE:** Try not to overthink things. Let things that you can't change go to the back of your mind and focus on the positive.

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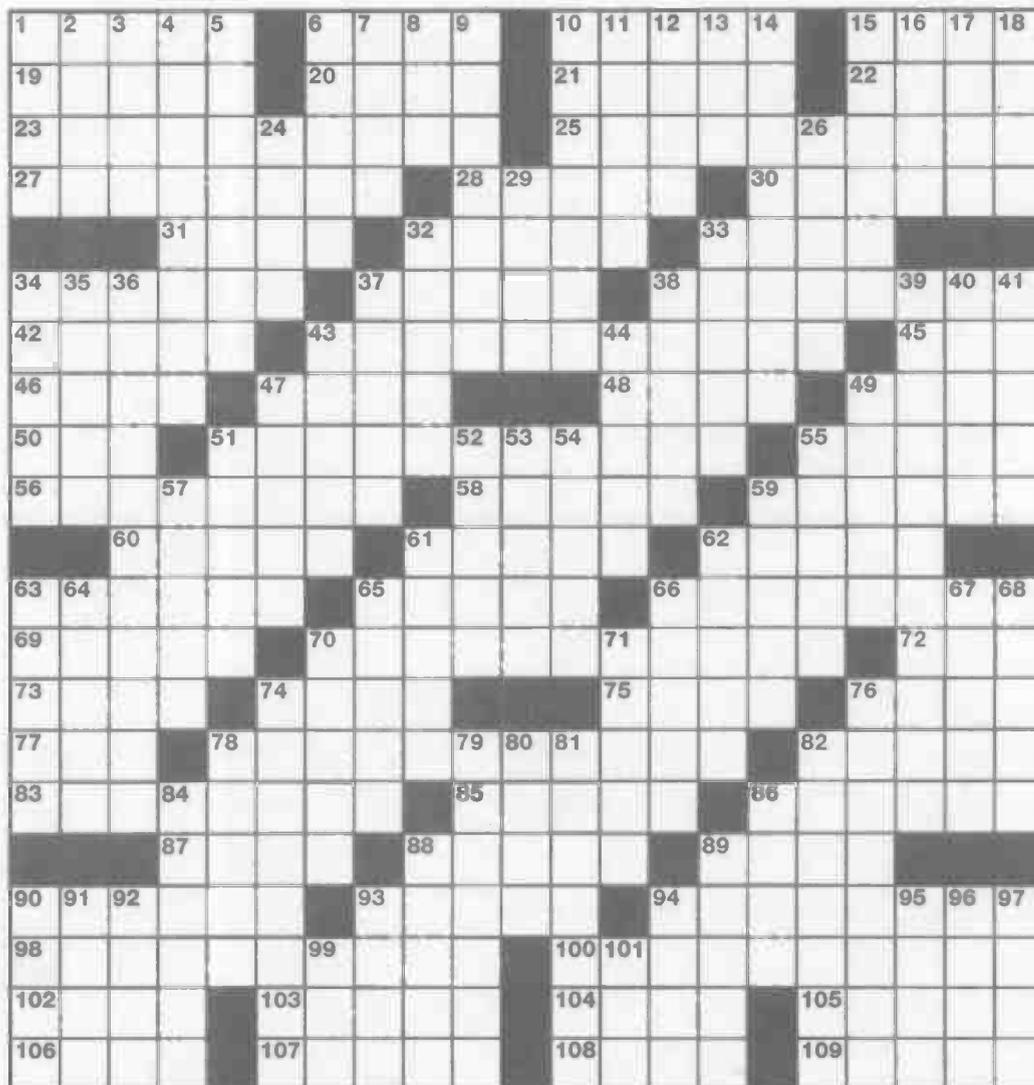
### Across

- 1 Brings under control
- 6 Big family
- 10 Action figures, essentially
- 15 Exotic berry
- 19 Hold responsible
- 20 Nothing at all
- 21 Rigel's locale
- 22 Stylish
- 23 Celestial cartography
- 25 "Isn't that obvious?"
- 27 Manet and Monet
- 28 Rail riders
- 30 Tapering fully
- 31 Poetic plaint
- 32 *Seinfeld* character
- 33 No-fly, for instance
- 34 Hunter's helper
- 37 Not as iffy
- 38 DC Comics hero
- 42 Miscellaneous category
- 43 Country star who had her first hit at 13
- 45 Bar supply
- 46 Applications
- 47 Gelatin shaper
- 48 When shadows are shortest
- 49 Den hanging, perhaps
- 50 Apiece
- 51 Try to sting
- 55 Actor Mandel
- 56 Got juice from
- 58 Crush an exam
- 59 Fix up
- 60 Protested a shearing

- 61 Cancel, as at NASA
- 62 Lathered
- 63 What the 18th-20th Presidents all had
- 65 Great time
- 66 Where brigantines are built
- 69 Spring sign
- 70 H, on the NYSE
- 72 Excessively
- 73 Heston's *Ben-Hur* adversary
- 74 Region crossed by Marco Polo
- 75 Mars alias
- 76 Music genre
- 77 Letters on toothpaste tubes
- 78 Republic of China founding father
- 82 Nautical nonsense
- 83 Hideaways
- 85 Fit out
- 86 Stew servers
- 87 Dies down
- 88 Aspersions
- 89 Brazilian soccer great
- 90 Babe Ruth contemporary
- 93 Italian fashion center
- 94 Letter drop
- 98 Sing adequately
- 100 Don't go out
- 102 Web journal
- 103 Hopeless case
- 104 Roll on a runway
- 105 From a loom
- 106 Some evergreens
- 107 American alternative
- 108 Valhalla host
- 109 1936 Olympics star

### Down

- 1 Recipe meas.
- 2 \_\_\_-Seltzer
- 3 Polite request
- 4 Flows out
- 5 Frontier colonizer
- 6 Absolute rulers
- 7 On sale
- 8 Equate to
- 9 Place for a quick bite
- 10 Comics canine
- 11 Three-part cookies
- 12 A bunch of baloney
- 13 Myrna of the *Thin Man* films
- 14 Undo, as binder rings
- 15 More sore
- 16 Goatee locale
- 17 Nonstandard contraction
- 18 Like goo
- 24 Goneril's dad
- 26 Copy-room supply
- 29 \_\_\_-day (vitamin dose)
- 32 Ring-shaped cake
- 33 Paramount Pictures founder
- 34 First courses
- 35 Footnote abbr.
- 36 "A Jug of Wine ..." source
- 37 First course
- 38 Make tracks
- 39 Focus of a 1942 battle
- 40 Middle of some plays
- 41 "Not a chance!"
- 43 Trifled (with)
- 44 Ill-suited



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- 47 Cornfield challenges
- 49 Beer descriptor
- 51 Sales prospects
- 52 North African capital
- 53 At \_\_\_ (with consequences)
- 54 Australian port
- 55 Oodles
- 57 Flop-\_\_\_ hound
- 59 Nettles
- 61 Actor Delon
- 62 Luster
- 63 Kid-lit elephant
- 64 Destroy slowly
- 65 How some commuters travel
- 66 Throat bug
- 67 Roulette bet
- 68 Parcels out
- 70 Receives guests
- 71 Pleasant change
- 74 Potpourris
- 76 Circus attraction
- 78 Pop singer Boone
- 79 Enthusiastic spectators
- 80 Greenish blue
- 81 Consults
- 82 Halfway to a walk
- 84 Corporate shuffles, for short
- 86 *Return of the Jedi* princess
- 88 Trig functions
- 89 Ante up
- 90 Frozen-dessert chain
- 91 Anderson Cooper alma mater
- 92 Be boastful
- 93 Tax-free bond, for short
- 94 Ankle-length
- 95 Another way to say 20 Across
- 96 Warning sign
- 97 Till bills
- 99 Pull, as a trailer
- 101 Smidge

## Quote-Acrossic

- Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
- Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
- When pattern is completed, quotation can be read left to right. The first letters of the filled-in words reading down form an acrostic yielding the speaker's name and the topic of the quotation.

## Clues

## Words

A. Curtail

32 138 57 65 100 75 159

B. Silent, musically

118 59 16 146 125

C. Great fatigue

61 9 70 139 34 114 83 158 52 122

D. Overeager watchman

133 36 87 113 104 71 47 152 8

E. Embellish

50 38 89 145 26 99 79 67 131

F. Zero

66 40 82 153 110 51 136

G. Kern-Hammerstein Opus

81 19 132 149 33 116 37 69

H. Noticeable

142 91 129 45 72 109 7 22 28

148 163

I. Scandinavian peninsula country

94 46 12 120 106 154

J. Pocahontas's pa

10 127 117 74 144 35 64 112

K. Be more valuable than

90 128 29 41 14 161 54 115

L. Send forth

27 6 53 21 105 84

M. Woven into

30 3 157 78 119 143 111 126 56

N. Tailless amphibians

137 97 88 68 42

O. Brutal treatment

124 162 55 147 107 23 15 85 5 95

P. Irritated

102 58 77 156 11 49

Q. Furnished

44 96 130 4 121 160 73 63 18

R. Shark type?

98 150 20 86

S. Official government report: 2 wds.

123 76 1 140 17 108 93 25 43 151

T. Privately

134 39 92 13 2 103 24 80 62 141

U. Tyro

135 155 60 101 31 48



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## Ruling Class

BY CHARLES PRESTON

## Across

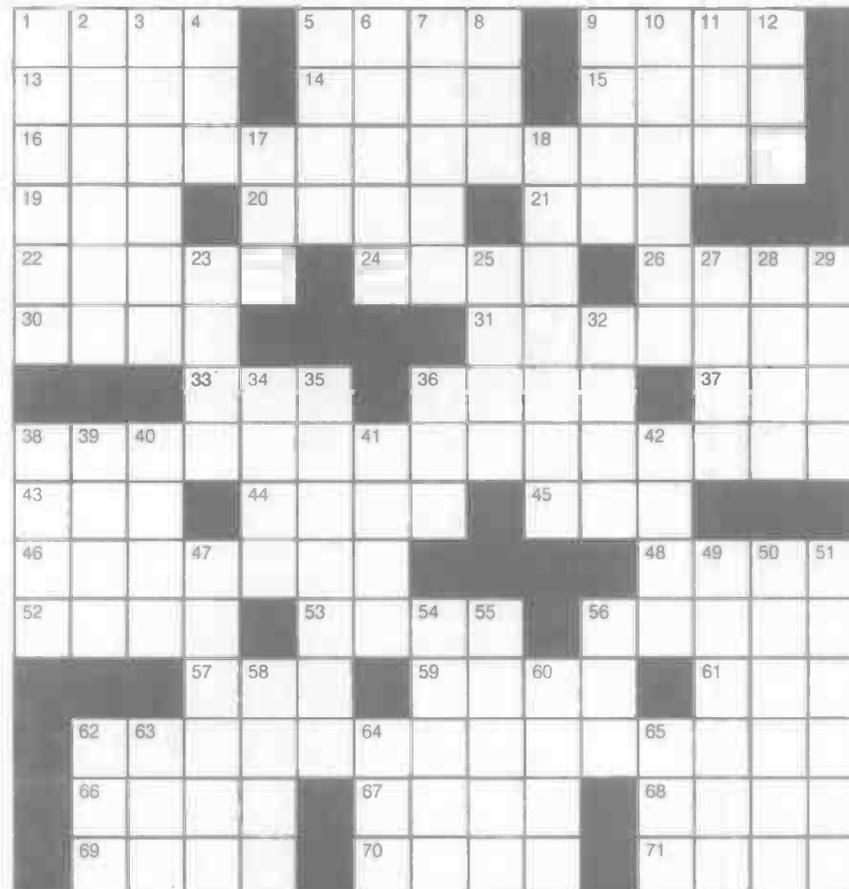
- 1 Commanded  
5 Berg opera  
9 Church area  
13 Chief Norse god  
14 \_\_\_ the finish  
15 Sired  
16 William Golding novel  
19 Before, to poets  
20 Busy  
21 Author Rand  
22 Happen again  
24 Branch  
26 Campus figure  
30 Italian innkeeper  
31 On in years  
33 Bailey or Grant  
36 Words of comprehension  
37 Peer Gynt's mother  
38 O'Neill drama  
43 Attention  
44 Cow's offering  
45 Uncle \_\_\_  
46 Issue from  
48 See 10 Down  
52 Oscar \_\_\_ Renta  
53 In the center of  
56 Cubic meter

- 57 Vitality  
59 *Mighty* \_\_\_ *Rose*  
61 A third of a movie dog  
62 Robert Penn Warren novel  
66 Sly look  
67 Urn  
68 Headless cabbage  
69 Sit  
70 "\_\_\_ sow, so shall ye ..."  
71 *Meet Me* \_\_\_ *Louis*

## Down

- 1 Ravel favorite  
2 Really likes  
3 Emulate Kazan  
4 Remnant  
5 British elevator  
6 *Wait \_\_\_ Dark*: Hepburn movie  
7 Actress Christine  
8 Salt Lake City player  
9 In a competent manner  
10 With 48 Across, Borodin opera  
11 Understand  
12 Begley and Sullivan  
17 Scull  
18 Tale tellers

- 23 African river  
25 "... for the Bible tells \_\_\_"  
27 Algerian port  
28 If not  
29 Changes the color  
32 \_\_\_ vu  
34 Austen novel  
35 Eulogizing inscription  
36 Trouble  
38 \_\_\_ off: irate  
39 Harness part  
40 Of an age  
41 Kind of school: abbr.  
42 Skip  
47 Italian port  
49 Bach, for one  
50 Bay windows  
51 Milk curdler  
54 Ms. Chase, et al.  
55 Judith Krantz's *Princess* \_\_\_  
56 Droop  
58 French infinitive  
60 Joint  
62 Matterhorn, e.g.  
63 Composer Delibes  
64 A Gabor  
65 Enjoy the slopes



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# Book Case

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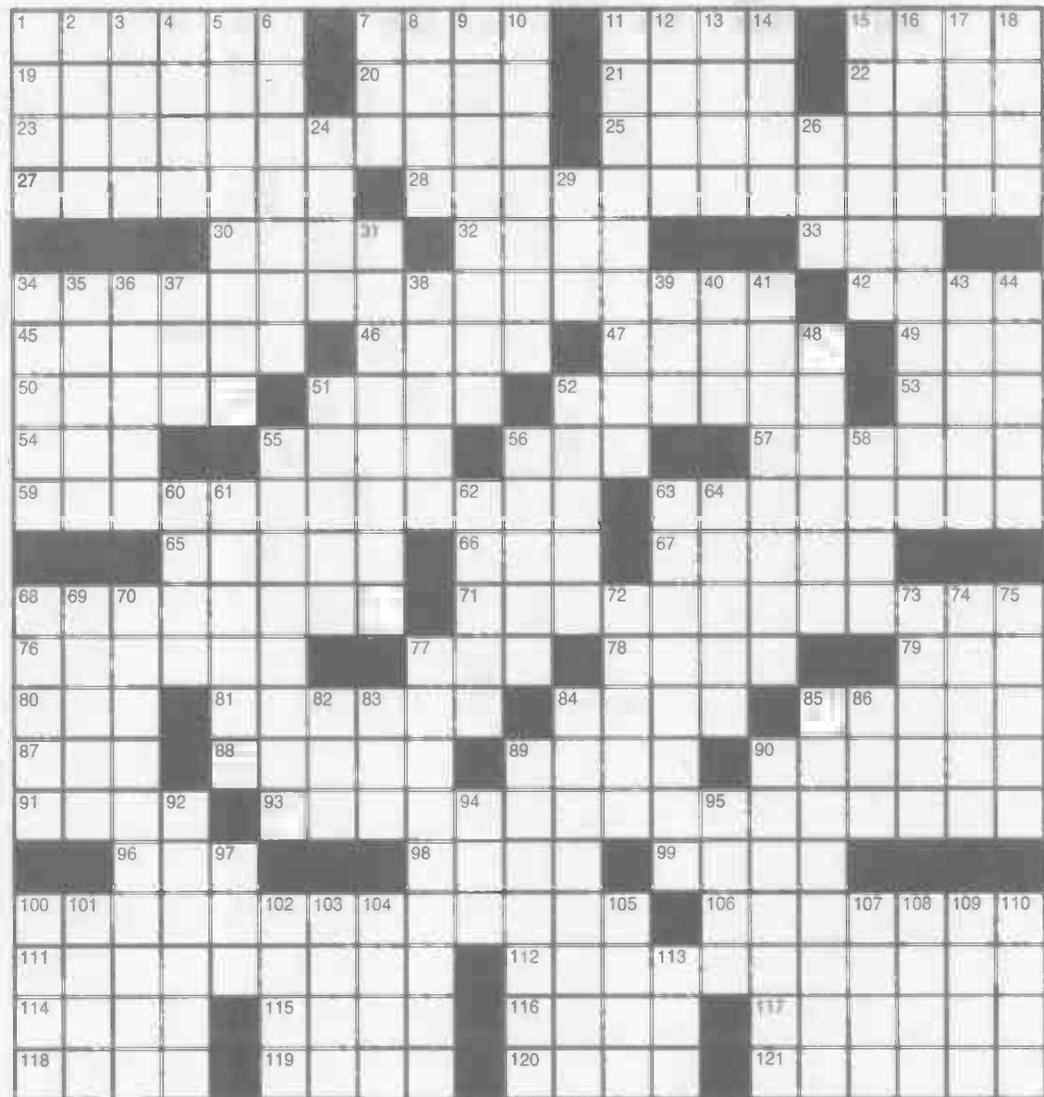
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## Across

- 1 Google \_\_\_  
 7 Propels, as shells  
 11 Back to school, once?  
 15 Triangle calculation  
 19 Clipper's find  
 20 Dry and crack  
 21 City near Santa Barbara  
 22 "A Few Good Men" co-star Moore  
 23 \*Protectorate, e.g.  
 25 Drive aimlessly  
 27 Mythological name meaning "all-gifted"  
 28 \*Pirate lords' group in "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End"  
 30 Post-bath powder  
 32 Cooper's tool  
 33 City, quickly  
 34 \*Rises to the occasion  
 42 Divulge  
 45 Set right  
 46 Matches in a pot  
 47 Sheeps' clothing?  
 49 Far from 100%  
 50 Unbelievable  
 51 Fillers of envs.  
 52 Physicist Tesla  
 53 Romantic murmur  
 54 Some univ. staff  
 55 Relative of -ship  
 56 Battleship success  
 57 Super Bowl III winning coach  
 59 \*Trios and quartets, e.g.  
 63 Italian who was a contemporary of Euler  
 65 Strategic WWI river  
 66 Word that precedes the start of each answer to a starred clue to form a 112-Across best-seller  
 67 Trickier to drive on  
 68 Traveler's oasis  
 71 \*Salsa, e.g.  
 76 Texas oil city  
 77 Welcome home?  
 78 "Other people," to Sartre  
 79 "\_\_\_ work is done"  
 80 Zip  
 81 Co-Nobel with Rabin and Peres  
 84 Lucas princess  
 85 Clothing prefix meaning "small"  
 87 Proper  
 88 "Super Bass" singer Nicki
- 89 Weaving component  
 90 Neverland creator  
 91 Increases, with "up"  
 93 \*Some undergrad awards  
 96 Alley \_\_\_  
 98 Currency honoring Mandela  
 99 Actress Kunis  
 100 \*They're hard to sway  
 106 Soloist in a 1925 Broadway title song  
 111 Result of sleeping in  
 112 Author with over 275 million books in print  
 114 Disney CEO since 2005  
 115 Coagulate  
 116 84-Down for Fonda  
 117 Disentangle after a fumble recovery  
 118 Sci-fi escape vehicles  
 119 Touch up  
 120 Neuter, in a way  
 121 Transgressor
- 39 Mission control go-ahead  
 40 Ooze  
 41 Fashion magazine spin-off  
 43 Word after string or sing  
 44 British fellow  
 48 Got steamed  
 51 Literary Doone  
 52 Not as inclement  
 55 Collections of plant specimens  
 56 Pair of cymbals  
 58 Vamp Theda  
 60 Fr. titles  
 61 Aromatic fir  
 62 Annual parade celeb  
 63 Accounting entry  
 64 Boston-D.C. service  
 68 Pilot maker  
 69 Hatred  
 70 Moved with Scotty's help  
 72 Eighth Commandment taboo, per KJV  
 73 \_\_\_ Dame  
 74 Affectionate nickname  
 75 Ohio natives  
 77 Parade twirler  
 82 Q&A part: Abbr.  
 83 Musical fourths  
 84 Something for a star  
 85 "24 Caprices for Solo Violin" composer  
 86 Fumble, say  
 89 "Rubiáyát" vessel  
 90 Minsk's country  
 92 Brett who played Oscar Madison's TV wife  
 94 LeBron, again, briefly  
 95 Parking lot mishap  
 97 \_\_\_ Kids: "Sesame Street" brand  
 100 Go wild  
 101 Conniving Shakespearean soldier  
 102 Permanently mark  
 103 "Mission: Impossible" theme composer Schiffrin  
 104 Retired Monopoly token  
 105 Poet Silverstein  
 107 "Those Guys Have All the Fun" subject  
 108 Slender  
 109 Account  
 110 Part of FEMA: Abbr.  
 113 Nancy Drew's guy

## Down

- 1 Soyuz insignia  
 2 Hidalgo greeting  
 3 Trash  
 4 Slanted column  
 5 Speech problem  
 6 Fee payer, perhaps  
 7 31-day mo.  
 8 "... thou damned whale!" speaker  
 9 Sources of daily pressure  
 10 Some small suits  
 11 Good sense  
 12 Close to closed  
 13 Earn big time, with "in"  
 14 Look  
 15 Accumulate on a surface  
 16 Lincoln or Bush  
 17 Arabian commander  
 18 Informal negative  
 24 "Do the Right Thing" pizzeria  
 26 Puncture lead-in  
 29 Lao-\_\_\_  
 31 One who's always right?  
 34 Capital of Cyprus?  
 35 Dickens' Heep  
 36 "\_\_\_ Solemnis": Beethoven work  
 37 Word of indifference  
 38 Unseen

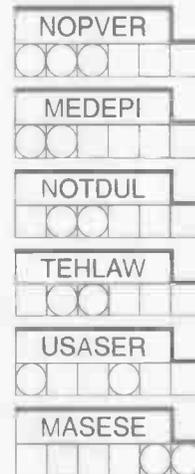


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## Jumble

Unscramble the six Jumbles, one letter per square, to form six words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



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## Sudoku

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Level: **1 2 3 4**



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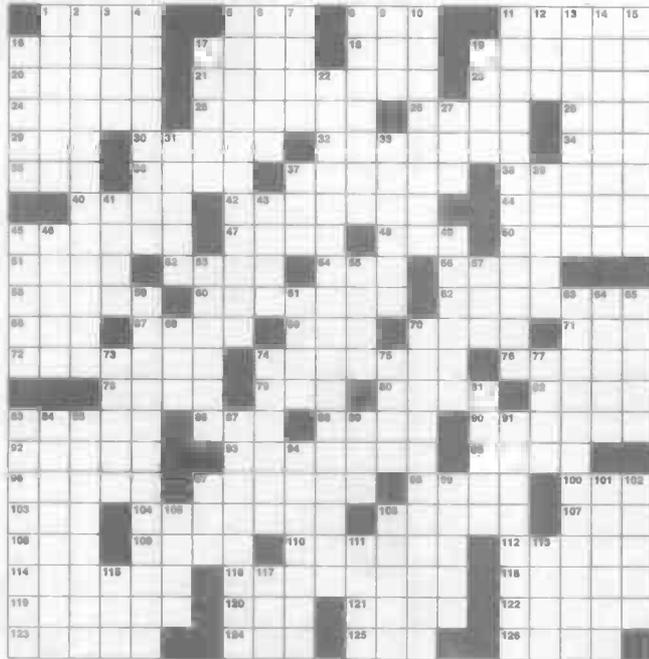
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# LOOK WHAT TURNED UP!

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## ACROSS

- 1 Crime lab tool
- 5 Canyon creator
- 8 Record number, for short
- 11 Butler who was a professional gambler
- 16 Muchacha
- 17 Baseball family name
- 18 Paris accord?
- 19 The works?
- 20 Rolls up the sleeves and begins
- 21 Hard-to-digest food items, in slang
- 23 Fruit in some Asian salads
- 24 "Gotcha, dude"
- 25 Eponym of a European capital
- 26 Prototype detail, briefly
- 28 One of 21 on a die
- 29 Opposition call
- 30 Great Lakes mnemonic
- 32 Ohio college named after an ancient capital
- 34 Letter that rhymes with three other letters
- 35 Musician who co-founded Ntopia
- 36 Tournament type
- 37 Something to hold money in
- 38 Warning to a coder
- 40 Alternative media magazine founder
- 42 Corral
- 44 Whoop
- 45 Finn's friend
- 47 Musical anagram of AGRA, fittingly
- 48 Nile biter
- 50 Like an unbrushed suit, maybe
- 51 One logging in
- 52 Golden \_\_\_\_
- 54 Skype annoyance
- 56 Something to get your mitts on?
- 58 Big name in lean dieting
- 60 Stuffed
- 62 Places to meditate
- 66 Hightail it
- 67 \_\_\_\_ Spring
- 69 Landing place on a bay, for short
- 70 "99 Luftballons" pop group
- 71 Seville cheer



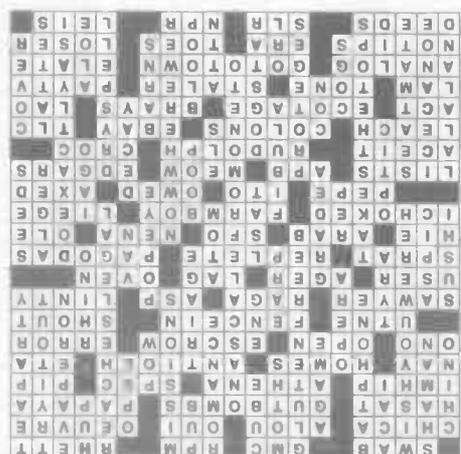
- 72 "Couldn't handle the pressure, man"
- 74 Young Clark Kent, e.g.
- 76 Title in "Monty Python and the Holy Grail"
- 78 Bill : William :: \_\_\_\_ : José
- 79 Skater Midori
- 80 Wasn't square
- 82 Cut, in a way
- 83 Leans
- 86 P.D. broadcast
- 88 Cry for attention, maybe
- 90 Roald Dahl won three of these
- 92 Nail a test
- 93 Team leader
- 95 Nile biter, for short
- 96 Extract by percolation
- 97 Eyes for emoticons
- 98 Owner of StubHub
- 100 Spa specialty, for short
- 103 A.C.A. part
- 104 Environmental terrorism
- 106 Is an ass?
- 107 Language along the Mekong
- 108 Flight
- 109 Soap brand with cocoa butter

- 110 Mustier
- 112 Cable, e.g.
- 114 Not digital
- 116 Do something extravagantly
- 118 Delight
- 119 Policy on some cruises
- 120 Slice of history
- 121 Base 10?
- 122 X-O-X line in tic-tac-toe, e.g.
- 123 Monopoly holdings
- 124 Photog's choice
- 125 Broadcast inits. since April 1971
- 126 Gifts often received while bowing the head

- sics unit: Abbr.
- 39 Where to see the horn of Africa?
- 41 Model Banks
- 43 Tombstone lawman
- 45 \_\_\_\_ bar
- 46 Certain gelatin
- 49 Tattooed toon
- 53 Top-notch
- 55 Supercollider bit
- 57 Moving vehicle
- 59 Wins
- 61 Future atty.'s challenge
- 63 "Follow my command!"
- 64 Horatio who wrote the Tattered Tom series
- 65 Progenitors
- 68 Street cred
- 70 "What was I talking about before?"
- 73 \_\_\_\_ nerve
- 74 Bone whose name means "clasp" in Latin
- 75 Big-eyed Betty
- 77 "I hate the Moor" speaker
- 81 Go downhill
- 83 Dreamworld
- 84 Winter race vehicle
- 85 Next one in a row
- 87 Some young colleagues
- 89 Raised railroads
- 91 Drought
- 94 Bright spot?
- 97 Drawback
- 99 They're raised by farmers
- 101 Eye-openers, of a sort
- 102 Charge at the door, informally
- 105 Gear parts
- 106 Softly hit fly
- 111 Memo abbr.
- 113 Palliative plant
- 115 Hat, informally
- 117 Magic, on scoreboards

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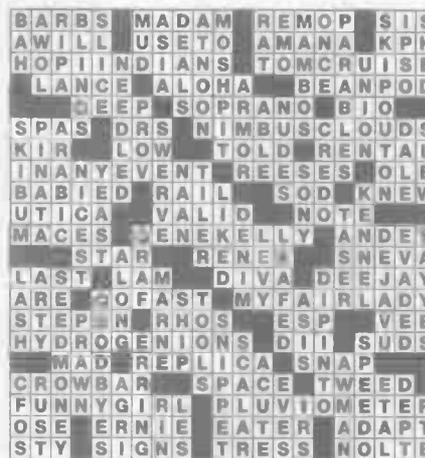
- 1 One with spirit?
- 2 Postcard message
- 3 \_\_\_\_ palm
- 4 Line in Gotham
- 5 Beverage brewed without barley or wheat
- 6 Ones found in the closet?
- 7 Die, say
- 8 Have a heart-to-heart with?
- 9 Local, e.g.
- 10 Mercury had 26 of them
- 11 Becomes an adult
- 12 Drill sergeant's bark
- 13 First lady of the 1940s-'50s
- 14 Experiment with something
- 15 Sons of Liberty gathering
- 16 Uniform material
- 17 Peak performance, informally
- 19 Grp. that knows the drill?
- 22 How things may be rated
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- 31 Setting for a Marx Brothers farce
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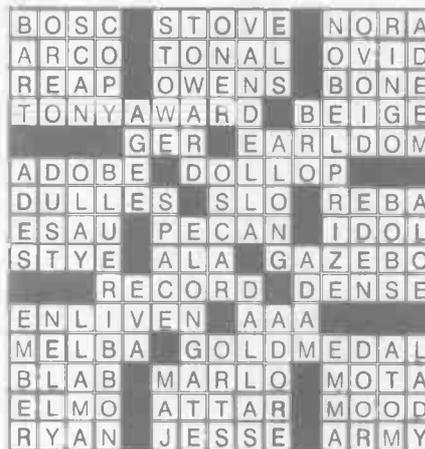
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## Last week's crosswords

### "APRIL SHOWERS"



### "Just Deserts"



### "Seeing Stars"



## Last week's Quote-Acrossic

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## Last week's Sudoku

1	2	3	6	8	7	5	4	9
8	6	7	4	9	5	2	1	3
4	9	5	2	3	1	7	6	8
9	7	6	3	1	2	8	5	4
5	4	1	8	7	9	3	2	6
3	8	2	5	6	4	9	7	1
7	1	4	9	5	3	6	8	2
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC.  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
JOLANTA ADAMOWICZ  
Defendants

11 CH 044813  
8656 W. AINSLIE STREET NORRIDGE, IL 60706  
NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on July 3, 2014, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 26, 2015, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 8656 W. AINSLIE STREET, NORRIDGE, IL 60706 Property Index No. 12-11-327-038. The real estate is improved with a residence. Sale terms: 25% down of the amount paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney, CODILUS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-11-42221, THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. PIERCE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 Attorney File No. 14-11-42221 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 11 CH 044813 TJSC#: 35-4244 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. 1649948 4/16, 4/23, 4/30 3198996

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
MIEN NGUYEN, TIFFANY SOUTH HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS  
Defendants

12 CH 007310  
5019 MULFORD STREET UNIT #102 SKOKIE, IL 60077  
NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 13, 2015, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 18, 2015, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 5019 MULFORD STREET UNIT #102, SKOKIE, IL 60077 Property Index No. 10-28-220-032-1002. The real estate is improved with a condo/townhouse. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney, CODILUS & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100, BURR RIDGE, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876 Please refer to file number 14-11-42035, THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. PIERCE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD, SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 Attorney File No. 14-11-42035 Attorney ARDC No. 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 Case Number: 12 CH 007310 TJSC#: 35-1586 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. 1650742 4/9, 4/16, 4/23 3181967

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO PNC MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
DAVID ZORNIG A/K/A DAVID E  
Defendants

12 CH 36314  
8020 KOLMAR AVENUE SKOKIE, IL 60076  
NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on February 2, 2015, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 10:30 AM on May 11, 2015, at The Judicial Sales Corporation, One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO, IL, 60606, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 8020 KOLMAR AVENUE, SKOKIE, IL 60076 Property Index No. 10-22-329-020-0000. The real estate is improved with a one story, single family home with a one car detached garage. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds/ or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, visit our website at service.tribune.com, between the hours of 9 and 5 pm. PIERCE & ASSOCIATES, Plaintiff's Attorneys, One North Dearborn Street Suite 1300, CHICAGO, IL 60602. Tel No. (312) 476-5500. Please refer to file number PA1219235, THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE You can also visit The Judicial Sales Corporation at www.jsc.com for a 7 day status report of pending sales. PIERCE & ASSOCIATES One North Dearborn Street Suite 1300 CHICAGO, IL 60602 (312) 476-5500 Attorney File No. PA1219235 Attorney Code. 91220 Case Number: 12 CH 36314 TJSC#: 35-2284 1649920 4/2, 4/9, 4/16/2015 3160387

**Judicial Sales - Real Estate**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC/ Plaintiff, vs. ENELITA GARCIA, REYNALDO GARCIA, CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA) NA SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CAPITAL ONE BANK, Defendants. **13 CH 7003** NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Thursday, May 7, 2015 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate. Commonly known as 5316 West Pratt Avenue, Skokie, IL 60077. P.I.N. 10-33-107-034-0000. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochanski, LLC, One East Walker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 13-000965 NOS INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122

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4/9, 4/16, 4/23 3182387

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE IT TRUST 2005-3, MORTGAGE BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2005-3, Plaintiff, vs. WALTER TRENTAUDUE, Defendants. **14 CH 5767** NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street, Suite 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described mortgaged real estate. Commonly known as 8418 North Laramie, Skokie, IL 60077. P.I.N. 10-21-118-031-0000. The mortgaged real estate is improved with a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance by certified funds, within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection. For information call Sales Department at Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochanski, LLC, One East Walker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60601. (614) 220-5611. 13-028462 NOS INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer, (312) 444-1122 1650693 4/2, 4/9, & 4/16/2015 3161049

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**BID NOTICE**  
East Prairie School District 73, is accepting sealed bids for repair and regrading of roof at East Prairie School, pre-bid on-site inspection meeting will be held at the East Prairie School, 3907 Dobson, Skokie, Illinois 60076, on Tuesday, April 21, 2015. SEALED BIDS TO BE SUBMITTED TO: East Prairie School District 73, 3907 Dobson, Skokie, Illinois 60076. Attention: Mr. Marek Kierznowski, Director of Buildings and Grounds. Before 10:00AM, on Wednesday, April 29, 2015. Bids will be received and stamped-in prior to 10:00AM local time on April 29, 2015. All bids will be publicly opened and announced at that time. Bids received after the above noted date and time will not be considered. Bid security payable to the Owner, in the form of a certified check, or bid bond in an amount equal to 10% of the base bid shall be submitted with the bid. Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance, as required by the Owner, will be required from the successful bidder. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or parts thereof, or waive any irregularities or informalities, and to make the award in the best interest of the District. All bidders must comply with applicable Illinois Law requiring the payment of prevailing wages by all contractors working on public works. Bidder must comply with the Illinois Statutory requirements regarding labor, including Equal Employment Opportunity Laws. The bid documents and drawings are on file, Thursday, April 16, 2015 and copies may be obtained electronically by contacting Natalie Braca at nbraca@eps73.net or by phone at 847.673.1141. Please contact Marek Kierznowski for any questions regarding this Request for Bid at 847.673.1141 or mkierznowski@eps73.net.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION: EAST PRAIRIE SCHOOL DISTRICT 73, 3907 DOBSON, SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60076**  
4/16/15 3206029

**BID NOTICE**  
The Board of Education of Ridgewood High School District 234 is receiving proposals for Energy Performance Contracting Project. Proposals shall be submitted to Mr. Tim Keeley, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Finance, Ridgewood High School District 234, 7500 W. Montrose Ave., Norridge, IL 60706 by 11:00 a.m. on May 27, 2015. Contact the District directly at 708-697-5535 to request bid specifications. 4/16/2015 3210508

**BID NOTICE**  
The Board of Education of Ridgewood High School District 234 is receiving bids for Parking Lot Repaving. Bids shall be submitted to Mr. Tim Keeley, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Finance, Ridgewood High School District 234, 7500 W. Montrose Ave., Norridge, IL 60706 by 11:00 a.m. on April 27, 2015. Contact the District directly at 708-697-5535 to request bid specifications. 04/16/2015 3174788

**BID NOTICE**  
The Board of Education of Ridgewood High School District 234 is receiving bids for Tennis Court Fence Replacement. Bids shall be submitted to Mr. Tim Keeley, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Finance, Ridgewood High School District 234, 7500 W. Montrose Ave., Norridge, IL 60706 by 11:30 a.m. on April 27, 2015. Contact the District directly at 708-697-5535 to request bid specifications. 04/16/2015 3174801

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
The Morton Grove Park District, is accepting sealed bids for carpet replacement at the address below. The scope of this project calls for complete removal and replacement of carpet and the core base in several areas. Specifications will be available Thursday April 16, 2015 Monday, Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Morton Grove Park District, 6834 Dempster Street, Morton Grove, IL 60053. All sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m., April 30, 2015 at the offices of the Morton Grove Park District, 6834 Dempster Street, Morton Grove, IL 60053, at which time all bids will be opened and publicly read. All bids must be received on or before that time. Any bids received after 10:00 a.m. on the specified date will be returned unopened. Contact Doug Rees for site visit: drees@mgparks.com. 4/16/15 3206649

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT**  
sealed bids for bulk rock salt for the City of Park Ridge, at the Villages of Bannockburn, Glenview, Lincolnwood, and Wilmette for the 2015/2016 season will be received by the Village of Lincolnwood until 10:00 A.M. local time on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the Lincolnwood Village Hall Council Chambers located at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712 at which time they will be opened and read. Bids opened after such time will be returned unopened. Bid packets may be examined or obtained at Lincolnwood Village Hall, located at 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712. The Village of Lincolnwood reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities and informalities. 4/16/2015 3208822

**Legal Notices**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Monday, May 4, 2015, at 7:30 P.M. at the Village Hall, 4000 N. Olcott Avenue in the Village of Norridge, to consider a petition requesting variances under the requirements of Article IV, R-1 Single Family Residence District, Section 3-Area Regulations, Subsection 3.3 - Rear Yard and 3.4 - Side Yard Requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Norridge - 1962 to reduce the rear yard from the required 31 ft. to 19 1/2 ft. and to reduce the side yard from the required 8 ft. to 3 ft. to enlarge the garage and add an additional bedroom on the following described property.

LOT 97 IN SECOND ADDITION TO CUMBERLAND HEIGHTS, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 40 N, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AND THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE WEST 300 FEET OF THE NORTH 725 FEET THEREOF AND THE EAST 250 FEET OF THE WEST 550 FEET OF THE NORTH 250 FEET OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The property is commonly known as 5128 North Canfield Avenue in Norridge, Illinois.

All interested persons should attend and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS VILLAGE OF NORRIDGE**  
By: Janice J. Magnuson, Chairperson

**PUBLISHED BY me this 16th day of April, 2015 in the Pioneer Press/Norridge and Harwood Heights News.**  
Debra J. Budnik, Village Clerk 4/16/2015 3208487

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The City of Park Ridge will receive sealed bid proposals to provide Administrative Hearing Officer Services for the City's Adjudication System, in accordance with Specifications and Contract documents No. AD-FY16-01. Bid documents, including general conditions, statement of work, and forms, may be obtained at Park Ridge City Hall, 1st Floor Cashier, 505 Butler Place, Park Ridge, IL or online at www.parkridge.us. A deposit for the documents is not required.

All general questions regarding this Legal Notice and all detailed questions concerning the actual qualifications document shall be directed to Jim McGuire, Procurement Officer, in writing or e-mail to jim.mcguire@parkridge.us, no less than five (5) business days prior to the scheduled opening date.

Bids must be returned by Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 10:00am CST, at Park Ridge City Hall, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. All bids must be received prior to the date and time shown above. Bids transmitted by facsimile (fax) will not be accepted.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked in the lower left hand corner. DO NOT OPEN - ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER SERVICES AD-FY16-01 - BID OPENING: May 12, 2015 - 10:00AM CST. Address the bids to Mr. Jim McGuire, Procurement Officer, City of Park Ridge, 505 Butler Place, Park Ridge, IL 60068. 4/16/2015 3209249

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Monday, May 4, 2015, at 7:30 P.M. at the Village Hall, 4000 N. Olcott Avenue in the Village of Norridge, to consider a petition requesting variances under the requirements of Article IV-A, R-1 Single Family Residence District, Section 3-Area Regulations, Subsection 3.3 - Rear Yard and 3.4 - Side Yard Requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Norridge - 1962 to reduce the rear yard from the required 31 ft. to 19 1/2 ft. and to reduce the side yard from the required 8 ft. to 3 ft. to enlarge the garage and add an additional bedroom on the following described property.

THE SOUTH 65.51 FEET OF THE NORTH 253.02 FEET (EXCEPT THE EAST 25 FEET THEREOF) OF THAT PART OF THE SOUTH 10 ACRES OF THE NORTH 20 ACRES OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH-EAST 1/4 OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LYING EAST OF A LINE THAT IS 1150.45 FEET EAST OF AND PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH-EAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 11, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The property is commonly known as 5128 North Canfield Avenue in Norridge, Illinois.

All interested persons should attend and will be given an opportunity to be heard.

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS VILLAGE OF NORRIDGE**  
By: Janice J. Magnuson, Chairperson

**PUBLISHED BY me this 16th day of April, 2015 in the Pioneer Press/Norridge and Harwood Heights News.**  
Debra J. Budnik, Village Clerk 4/16/2015 3208436

Niles Township High School - District 219 offers the sale of a Cummins Model QSV 91g Natural Gas Fired Generator with 28,000 total running hours. Sealed bids are to be delivered to the Administrative Center - Business Office at 770 Gross Point Road, Skokie, IL 60077, between 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2015.

Bids will thereafter be publicly opened and read aloud. Specifications may be obtained from the Business Office at the above address.

For further information contact: Jeann Hedstrom, Purchasing Agent, District 219 - Business Office 847-626-3978 jeahed@219.org 4/16/2015 3203457

**Legal Notices**

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER THE SELF-STORAGE FACILITY ACT, ILLINOIS REVISE STATUTES, CHAPTER 114, PARAGRAPH 301, ET SEQ.**  
Notice is hereby given that on May 5, 2015, U-HAUL Auctioneer, Executive Administrator for U-Haul Co. of Northwest Chicago Suburbs, will be offering for sale under the Judicial Lien process, by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. U-Haul Co. of Northwest Chicago Suburbs reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sales will be at the following location: 9009 Waukegan Road, Morton Grove, IL 60053 and will begin at or after 8:00 a.m., and continue day by day until all units are sold.

Auctioneer: Brook Snyder - IL License #441001668 Registration Fee

Jessica Cody -- 8200 Lincoln Ave. -- Skokie, IL 60077 RM #164 -- Boxes, Bags, Fan, Table, Mattress, Luggage

Roman Dmitriyev -- 8281 Elizabeth Ave. -- Niles, IL 60714 RM #354 -- Chair, High Chair, Crib

Jessica Cody -- 8200 Lincoln Ave. -- Skokie, IL 60077 RM #367 -- Frames, Boxes, Vacuum, Chairs, Cart, Remaining Items Blocked

Yovani Vazquez -- 1011 Grand Ave. -- Waukegan, IL 60085 RM #428 -- Mattress, Table, Boxes, Grill, Trophies

Meko McCray -- 8045 Lamon Ave. Suite 140 -- Skokie, IL 60077 RM #461 -- Table, Futon, vacuum 4/16/15 3210288

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Raven Stein -- 14137 Highway 1077 -- Polson, LA 70437 RM #111 -- Boxes, Chairs, Skis, Shelves, Futon

Charles Morris -- 5837 W 100th Street -- Chicago, IL 60453 RM #202 -- Boxes, vacuum, Bicycle, Tables

Charles Morris -- 5837 W. 100th Street - Chicago, IL 60453 RM #215 -- Boxes, Tools, Drawers, Bags, Remaining Items Blocked. 4/16/15 3210274

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE TO BE HELD AT: THE LOCK UP SELF STORAGE**  
750 Busse Hwy, Park Ridge IL 60068  
DATE: 4-28-15 BEGINS AT: 1:30 PM  
CONDITIONS: All units will be sold to the highest bidder. Bids taken only for each unit in its entirety. Payment must be made by cash, credit card, or certified funds. No personal checks accepted. All goods must be removed from the unit within 24 hours. Payment due immediately upon acceptance of bid. Unit availability subject to prior settlement of account.

Unit #2106, Scott Adler  
Unit #3015 Timothy L. Pace  
Unit #1102 Moly McCabe

Unit #2016 Monica Neff 04/09, 16/2015 3150351

**Public Hearings**

**Notice of Lincolnwood Public Hearing**

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., the Plan Commission will conduct a Public Hearing on the matter below in the Council Chambers room of Village Hall, 6900 North Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, Illinois: Case #PC-05-15 Map and Text Amendments - Consideration of Establishing Residential Use as a Special Use within the B-2 Zoning District located Along Devon Avenue, East of Drake Avenue, and Consideration of a New Overlay District along Devon Avenue for Such Purposes

Consideration of a recommendation initiated by the Economic Development Commission, to adopt Zoning Map and/or Text Amendments to the Zoning Code, to allow as a Special Use, residential units above the ground level, in an area along Devon Avenue, from Drake Avenue to McCormick Boulevard, located within the B-2 Zoning District. The Public Hearing will include consideration of the creation of an Overlay District as a mechanism for the proposed residential use along Devon Avenue. During this consideration, the Plan Commission may consider changes to Article IV, and any additional Article/ Section of the Zoning Code that may be discovered during review of this case.

At this Public Hearing, the Plan Commission will accept and consider all testimony and evidence pertaining to this matter. Persons desiring to comment or present evidence or testimony on this matter should appear at this Public Hearing or submit written comments in advance for consideration at the Hearing. Written comments, addressed to the Village Zoning Officer in the Community Development Department of Village Hall, 6900 North Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712, must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on the day of the Hearing. Information concerning Case #PC-05-15 is available for inspection in the Community Development Department during normal business hours. Dated: April 13, 2015 4/16/2015 3209021

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**Public Notices**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** That sealed bids for bulk rock salt for the City of Park Ridge and the Villages of Bannockburn, Glenview, Lincolnwood, and Wilmette for the 2015/2016 season will be received by the Village of Lincolnwood until 10:00 A.M. local time on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the Lincolnwood Village Hall Council Chambers located at 6900 N. Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712 at which time they will be opened and read. Bids received after such time will be returned unopened. Bid packets may be examined or obtained at Lincolnwood Village Hall, located at 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712. The Village of Lincolnwood reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities and informalities. 4/16/2015 3209274

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Education of School District 70, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, that an amended budget for said School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015 will be on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Superintendent's office, located at 6200 Lake Street, Morton Grove, Illinois after 9:00 a.m. on May 19, 2015.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing on said amended budget will be held at 7:45 p.m. on the 18th day of May, 2015 at 6200 Lake Street, Morton Grove, Illinois.

Janet Lombardo Secretary Board of Education School District 70 4/16 3175104

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Public Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that on the 14th day of April, 2015, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of the Village of Norridge, Illinois, voted to amend its Rules and Regulations. Printed copies of the Board's Rules and Regulations, as amended, may be obtained from the Office of the Village Clerk, 4000 N. Olcott Avenue, Norridge, Illinois, 60706. The rules shall be operable on the 28th day of April, 2015, or five (5) days from the date of publication of this notice, whichever date is later. 4/16/15 3208145

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
If you are Niles Township and have a child in grades K-8 who is home-schooled or attends a private school and you are concerned about their educational growth and development, please contact Niles Township District for Special Education, Tami Kendrick, Executive Director, PH: 847-965-9040, 8701 Menard, Morton Grove, IL 60053. 4/16/15 3198251

**Storage - Legal**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE TO BE HELD AT: THE LOCK UP SELF STORAGE**  
3850 West Devon Ave, Lincolnwood, IL 60712  
DATE: 4/26/2015  
BEGINS AT: 10:00 AM  
CONDITIONS: All units will be sold to the highest bidder. Bids taken only for each unit in its entirety. Payment must be made by cash, credit card, or certified funds. No personal checks accepted. All goods must be removed from the unit within 24 hours. Payment due immediately upon acceptance of bid. Unit availability subject to prior settlement of account.

Unit# 4138 Justin Biri  
Unit# 4144 Home Care Plus, Inc  
Unit# 4147 Home Care Plus, Inc  
Unit# 4259 Sherri Hansen 4/9, 4/16 3149322

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Unit# 402 Claudine Caralis  
Unit# 4144 Home Care Plus, Inc  
Unit# 4147 Home Care Plus, Inc  
Unit# 4259 Sherri Hansen 4/9, 4/16 3149322

Life Storage of Harwood Heights will hold a public sale to enforce a lien imposed on said property, as described below, pursuant to the Illinois Self-Service Storage Facility Act, Illinois Code 770 ILCS 95/1 to 95/7, on Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 at Life Storage of Harwood Heights, 7125 W. Garrison, Harwood Heights, Illinois, 60706. Management reserves the right to withdraw any unit from sale. Registered or motor vehicles are sold "As Is / Parts only" no titles or registration.

Tenant Name	Unit #
Muayad Kahia	1001
Raymal W Dennis	1020
Julianna T Gedwed	1435
Lukas Michalek	1205
Donna Szalacha	1481
Thomas Russo	1432
Daniel Ullmer	1535

You must be 18 years of age, or older to attend our auctions. Auctioneer: Brook Snyder Illinois License # 441,001668 04/16, 23/2015 3198994

**NOTICE OF AUCTION**  
Life Storage of Morton Grove will hold a public sale to enforce a lien imposed on said property, as described below, pursuant to the Illinois Self-Service Storage Facility Act Illinois Code 770 ILCS 95/1 to 95/7, on Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 at Life Storage of Morton Grove, 6505 West Oakton Street, Morton Grove, Illinois, 60053, and 847-966-1899. Management reserves the right to withdraw any unit from sale. Registered or motor vehicles are sold "As Is / Parts only" no titles or registration.

Tenant Name	Unit #
Jerrold Levine	1031
Calvin Crayton	1169
Barbara Malick	1173
Mustapha Konneh	1263
Paul Paletti	1267
Frederick Oliver Javier	1425
Ronald Kelly	1696

You must be 18 years of age or older to attend our auctions. Auctioneer: Brook Snyder Illinois License #441,001668 4/16, 4/23/2015 3203244

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5250 Golf Rd, Skokie, IL 60077

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Unit 1102 Steven Rothstein  
Unit 4032 Alan Berliant  
Unit 4332 Lewis Bond 4/9, 4/16/2015 3150565

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