Recognizing service

World War II veteran from Niles honored on Armed Forces Day. Page 12

Congressman Bob Dold, left, speaks to Richard Vana, center, of Niles, and Vana's family during a May 16 event to celebrate Armed Forces Day at Golf Mill Shopping Center. The day also included an armed services recruitment expo.

Medieval mania

Devonshire Playhouse takes on the wacky and winning musical comedy, "Monty Python's Spamalot." Page 34

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Moving on

Several area athletes advance to girls track and field state meet. Page 53
Actor Doug James of Park Ridge recently reappeared on the small screen in a May 6 episode of “Chicago P.D.” Largely a voice over actor for commercials, James has also played minor roles in short films and television shows, including an eight-episode run of the Chicago-based cable series “Boss,” starring Kelsey Grammer, in 2011 and 2012, where he appeared as the mysterious ‘grey-haired man.” When not working or auditioning, James performs with his band, Doug James and the Pocket. He recently answered a few questions for Pioneer Press.

Q: What role did you play on “Chicago P.D.”?
A: I had a little part playing Father McClosky. My scene was shot the scene at St. Ignatius Catholic school so she could get out of a bad neighborhood. We shot the scene at St. Ignatius (College Prep).

Q: Will you be making a return appearance?
A: I don’t know. I know they’ve got “Chicago Med” (a “Chicago Fire” spin-off) coming up, so one can only hope.

Q: Have you found there to be more acting opportunities available now in Chicago?
A: Yes. Plus, “Chicago Med” is coming. They’ve approved that. There are some other projects I think are coming, too. It’s great to be here in Chicago and be an actor right now, but I’m probably busier.

Doug James

Q: Will Doug James and the Pocket be playing Taste of Park Ridge again this summer?
A: Yes, we’re back at the Taste. We’re also playing Taste of Wisconsin in Kenosha and Taste of Lincolnshire, so we’re doing the Rock ’n’ Roll Half Marathon this year, and we have an Iowa tour in August with three shows so far.

Q: What are some of your current favorite TV shows?
A: You gotta love “Chicago Fire” and “Chicago P.D.” I also like “Elementary” and “The Black List.” My wife and I are both glued to CBS on Sunday nights. We watch “60 Minutes,” “Madam Secretary,” “The Good Wife” and “Battle Creek.”

-- Jennifer Johnson, Pioneer Press

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Niles neighborhood map proposal unveiled

BY IGOR STUDENKOV
Pioneer Press

The first draft of the proposed Niles neighborhood map was presented to the Economic Development and Neighborhood Renewal Commission during its May 15 meeting.

The proposal to officially divide Niles into neighborhoods was originally presented during the Jan. 7 meeting of the commission's Executive Committee. Mayor Andrew Przybylo described this as a way to strengthen civic pride, and the committee suggested that could lead to more community events.

The map divides Niles into 21 residential neighborhoods. Niles Community Development Coordinator Ross Klicker explained they were named after historic subdivisions and major neighborhood institutions. He said he hopes the commission members will consider the proposal and try to get feedback from residents and businesses.

During the Jan. 7 meeting, Klicker told the Executive Committee that Niles didn't have any clearly defined neighborhoods. Some areas had names, but even then, the boundaries weren't always clear.

At the time, Przybylo said he thought the lack of clearly defined neighborhoods hurt the village. During the Feb. 11 meeting, Klicker said the village would use the names of historical village subdivisions as the basis for neighborhood names and boundaries.

After the May 15 meeting, Klicker told the Pioneer Press that the village used subdivision names in most cases, while in others, it went for major area attractions in an effort to connect with what people identify with.

The map unveiled at the May 15 meeting contained 21 neighborhoods largely defined by major streets. The village's industrial area was left unlabeled.

Niles resident Jason Trunco, who ran for the Niles Park District board during this year's municipal election, said that, coming from New York, he saw how neighborhoods could create strong regional identities, which could encourage the creation of civic organizations.

Niles Chamber of Commerce and Industry Executive Director Katie Schneider told the Pioneer Press she thought the concept had lots of potential.

Having clearly defined neighborhoods, she said, would create strong communities.

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Niles logo to go before the board

BY IGOR STUDENKOV
Pioneer Press

The Niles Board of Trustees will vote on whether to adopt a new village logo during its May 26 meeting.

The logo was one of the three logos presented to the Niles Economic Development and Neighborhood Renewal Commission's Feb. 11 meeting. During the May 15 meeting, the village revealed that the logo most commission members liked best would go to the board. It featured a graphic with the Leaning Tower of Niles, the Niles Free Bus, the trees that represented Niles parks and some generic buildings arching over the village name written in capital letters.

The commission also considered a new village slogan. During the Feb. 11 meeting, most commission members said they didn't like any of the options, so new options were introduced during the May 15 meeting. While one slogan emerged as a favorite, it's up to the Village Board to determine which one, if any, would be adopted.

On May 27, the board contracted LS+Team, a Glen Ellyn branding consultant, to revamp the village's brand by giving it a new logo and tag line. The move came in response to a recommendation from the Economic Development Commission, which suggested rebranding was necessary to encourage new development and attract new businesses and residents.

During the Feb. 11 meeting, LS+Team presented three logos. The second logo featured the map of Niles with Milwaukee Avenue and other major thoroughfares outlined in white. The third logo features the letter "N" inside the shape of a diamond, with a green arrow pointing toward the village name. It also introduced two potential slogans: "Rules Rewritten, Stories Told" and "New Thinking, Next Door."

Most of the commission members didn't like either slogan, with many taking particular issues with "Rules Rewritten" part of the first slogan. Commission members didn't like either slogan, with many taking particular issues with "Rules Rewritten" part of the first slogan. Commission member Julie Gandolfi, a Park Ridge police officer, argued that having that slogan on the Niles Police Department badges would send a mixed message.

In the end, the commission decided to submit some alternative suggestions.

During the May 15 meeting, the village presented three slogans: "New Thinking, Stories Told," "It's Possible Here" and "Your Place to Prosper." According to Economic Development Director Ross Klicker, when the commission took a poll to gauge feelings about the options, most supported the first slogan.

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Yellow Line to Skokie out of service for next several days

BY MEREDITH RODRIGUEZ AND MIKE ISAACS
Tribune Newspapers

The bad news for CTA Yellow Line riders: Service will be shut down at least for several days, with no clear idea of when it will resume.

The good news: CTA operators spotted problems related to the collapse of an embankment that supported the tracks, leading to the line's closure before anyone was hurt.

The embankment collapsed along McCormick Boulevard between Howard and Oakton streets in Skokie because of a Metropolitan Water Reclamation District construction project, CTA officials said May 18.

Between 9:20 and 9:40 the previous night, operators notified the CTA control center of a small bend in the rail and of downed power lines, said CTA spokeswoman Tammy Chase, though it was unclear whether the embankment had already given way. Rail service was suspended and replaced by shuttle bus service soon after, Chase said.

During the rail closure, shuttle buses will run from the two Yellow Line stops in Skokie to its terminus at the Howard Avenue stop in Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood, where commuters transfer to the Purple and Red lines.

The CTA also encouraged riders to consider the 97 Skokie bus, which stops near all three Yellow Line stations.

"The MWRD is sharing information with us on repairs that will help determine a more accurate timetable for service restoration," the CTA said in a news release.

While officials said they were trying to make the track safe Monday morning, Skokie commuters scrambled to figure out how to make it to work and school in downtown Chicago.

Aerial view of the washout that shut down the CTA Yellow Line on May 18, seen in an image from WGN-TV video.

Marina Tamayo, a Skokie resident and sophomore at DePaul University, while waiting May 18 for a shuttle at a downtown Skokie stop, said that she understands that this "kind of stuff happens." Still, she said, it's inconvenient.

"The worst part about this is I'm losing class time and it's close to finals," Tamayo said.

Andrew Ramos, of Morton Grove, said he had to call the downtown law firm where he was waiting. "I don't think we can file a lawsuit." Ramos said from the Yellow Line shuttle at Dempster, the downtown law firm he was waiting.

Randy Miles, owner of Village Inn Pizzeria in downtown Skokie, said that the disruption will also affect his employees who get to the center of town on the Yellow Line and those who use it to go to Cubs games.

"It's very crowded," said the line.

The embankment collapse occurred during the construction of the disinfection project at the O'Brien water reclamation plant, according to Allison Fore, a spokeswoman for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.

The plant removes pollutants from wastewater, according to the MWRD website. One of seven within the boundaries of the district, it serves 1.3 million people in the northern Cook County suburbs and in Chicago north of Fullerton Avenue.

"The exact cause is unknown and is being investigated," Fore wrote in an email. "The district is working with its contractor and CTA to resolve any issues as soon as possible. We apologize for any inconvenience this incident has caused."

McCormick Boulevard from Oakton to Howard streets was closed Monday morning, Skokie officials said in a news release. McCormick was reopened in the early afternoon, according to the Skokie police.

Last year the Yellow Line celebrated its 50th anniversary. The line starts in downtown Skokie at a commercial area at Dempster Street and Skokie Boulevard and stops in downtown Skokie before it moves east to Howard. The downtown station at Oakton opened in 2012 next to the Illinois Science and Technology Park, a 24-acre research campus.

The Yellow Line has the smallest ridership of CTA's eight lines, according to online data. Last year, 986,000 passengers entered Yellow Line stations. During weekdays, 2,800 use the Yellow Line, on average.

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New Niles village trustees sworn in

BY IGOR STUDENKOV
Pioneer Press

The winners of the Niles Board of Trustees election were sworn in during a special board meeting May 12.

During the previous meeting, Trustees Rosemary Palicki and Chris Hanusiak, who lost the election, officially said their goodbyes as Mayor Andrew Przybylo presented them with plaques honoring them for their service. Their absence from the May 12 meeting left the spotlight on the election winners - incumbent Trustee Joe LoVerde, former police Chief Dean Strzelecki and Niles Ethics Board member Denise McCreery. The winners are members of the Niles Forward Party.

After they were sworn in, the trustees said they would stay true to their campaign platform, encouraging business growth, advancing stormwater relief projects and improving communications between village agencies and residents.

Judge James Geocaris presided over the swearing-in ceremony. As Przybylo explained in the introductory remarks, Geocaris served as a village attorney when Niles earned the All-American City award in 1964. All trustee-elects brought their own Bibles for swearing in, and all of them were sworn in at the same time, with their spouses holding the Bibles.

After the ceremony was complete, the new trustees took their seats.

All trustees took the time to thank their spouses, families and Niles Forward Party campaign volunteers.

LoVerde said his major priorities would be continuing the village's stormwater relief programs, including a cost-sharing program that allows homeowners to finance smaller flood relief projects.

McCreery said she will be mindful of history as she makes decisions. She said she was looking forward to working with the other trustees for the betterment of Niles.

The former police chief said he would work to maintain strong lines of communication between the public and the Niles Police and Fire departments. He also emphasized that he was always ready to listen to the residents.

After the trustees gave their speeches, the board, village staff and the trustees' families went to a small reception outside Village Hall.

Trustee George Alpogianis, who campaigned for the Niles Forward Party during the election season, said he was looking forward to the next four years. Alpogianis compared the former police chief of Niles to the catcher in baseball. He is the player that makes a difference. He also said he expects to see many great things from the board.

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Court date for Niles gun range decision pushed back again

BY RICHARD RAY
Pioneer Press

The court date for an anticipated ruling on whether or not a gun range can be built in the village of Niles has been pushed back to June, according to information from the clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County's office.

This marks the second time Judge Franklin Ulyses Valderrama has motioned to take the case under advisement and push back the ruling, court records show.

People for a Safer Society, a Skokie-based gun control advocacy group, filed a lawsuit against the village of Niles on Oct. 17, 2014, court records show. The suit was prompted by the Village Board’s decision to grant a special-use permit to Sportsman’s Club and Firearms Training Academy. In the lawsuit, People for a Safer Society aim to annul the permit granted by the village, as well as prohibit the village from granting a permit for any gun shop attempting to open at the proposed location, 6143 W. Howard St.

Attorneys for the village of Niles filed a motion to have the case dismissed in December of 2014, court records show.

“ar attorney was informed by the judge’s law clerk that the judge needs more time to consider the arguments and render a decision on the motion to dismiss,” Denys Stoneback, a People for a Safer Society member, said in an email.

Village documents, the Chicago Tribune reported in June 2014, show the proposal for Sportsman’s Club and Firearms Training Academy includes plans for a 22-lane firing range and gun store.

The proposed location for Sportsman’s Club is walking distance from District 219’s Niles West High School and Niles Central, a school that serves students with emotional disabilities and other issues, the Chicago Tribune reported.

The next scheduled court date is on Thursday, June 11, according to information from the clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County’s office.
Fire sends 2 to hospital

BY NATALIE HAYES
Pioneer Press

A firefighter and a Niles resident were both taken to the hospital after a Niles home caught fire May 12, fire officials said.

The Niles man was taken to Lutheran General in Park Ridge in unknown condition after he jumped out of a second-floor window of the burning home on the 8100 block of Ottawa Avenue, according to the Niles Fire Department.

A Niles firefighter was also taken to the hospital to be treated for potential burns, District Chief Robert Greiner said. The firefighter's condition was also unknown.

The fire started around 1:30 p.m. in the back area of the single-family home, according to Greiner, who said the cause of the fire was under investigation.

Three adults were home when the fire broke out, according to Saad Mughal, one of seven people who live in the house. Mughal said he was at work this afternoon near Cicero when he received a call about the fire and rushed home.

He gathered with his family members on the sidewalk outside of the home about 2:30 p.m. "My uncle was sleeping in the upstairs bedroom and he jumped out of the window to get away from the flames," Mughal said. "We have three kids in our family, but they were at school."

The two other adults in the home escaped before firefighters arrived, he said, adding that his grandmother had been in the basement and another family member was on the second floor when the fire started.

"It looks like it started in the rear of the house and it moved up to the second floor," Greiner said. "Crews found heavy flames coming out of the back when they arrived, and it was put out fast."

The damage caused by the fire was still being evaluated Tuesday afternoon.

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Niles police apologize for retweets about Mississippi officer deaths

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON
Pioneer Press

The Niles Police Department has apologized for tweets sent from its official Twitter account about the shooting deaths of two Mississippi police officers.

Ten tweets were retweeted by the Niles Police Department's account the night of May 11. The tweets originated from the account of an individual whose Twitter profile included the words "proud supporter of law enforcement" and the hashtag #NotACop.

The tweets included messages like, "If the world erupted with support for our heroes instead of criminals, maybe we would have a happier, peaceful and safer planet," and "People need to get their priorities straight. They are outraged and protest for criminals, but fall silent when innocent lives are taken." One tweet included a profanity.

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NILES POLICE BLOTTER

The following incidents were listed in the official bulletin of the Niles Police Department. Readers are reminded that an arrest does not constitute a finding of guilt. Only a court of law can make that determination.

AGGRAVATED DUI
- Esau Galvez-Mendoza, 25, of the 3000 block of Karlov Avenue, Chicago, was charged with aggravated DUI in the 8100 block of Oak Street in Niles on May 12. Galvez-Mendoza has a court date May 29.

IDENTITY THEFT
- A Niles resident from the 9700 block of Dee Road was told by the Cook County Housing Authority that the Social Security number was being used by an employee of a Will County business on May 7. The employee "disappeared," police said.
- A woman told police that two unknown individuals used her Social Security number, name and address to make purchases at two stores in Golf Mill Mall, police said. The incident took place between 9 a.m. May 4 and 5:20 p.m. May 8, according to police. The woman received credit from the two stores and closed the accounts. An investigation is pending, police said.

FAILURE TO GIVE INFORMATION UPON STRIKING
- Jeremy Spiros, 23, of the 8800 block of Cumberland Avenue, Niles, was charged with failure to give information upon striking May 11 after he allegedly left the scene of a crash, police said. Spiros has a court date June 1.

RETAIL THEFT
- Emily Barone, 39, of the 8200 block of Argyle Street, Norridge, was charged with retail theft in the 8600 block of Dempster Street saw Barone remove a price label from one item and place it on a lawn mower, changing the value from $939 to $734. Barone has a court date June 1.

BATTERY
- A woman reported that a man she did not know touched her inappropriately in a store in the 6100 block of Touhy Avenue on May 7 at 8:31 a.m. An investigation is pending, police said.

FRAUD
- A woman allegedlt tried to use a counterfeit $10 bill at a grocery store in the 5700 block of Touhy Avenue at 10:34 a.m. May 8, police said. The woman said she did not know how she received the bill. No charges were pursued, the Secret Service was notified and police inventoried the bill, police said.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE
- A Niles resident from the 7500 block of Milwaukee Avenue between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. May 11, police said.
- A man reported that someone slashed the driver-side tire of his 2007 Hyundai in a parking lot in the 7500 block of Milwaukee Avenue between 9 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. May 10, police said.

THEFT
- A Niles man from the 7000 block of Dobson Street told police that six of his business checks had been cashed totaling $2,900, police said. The man learned the checks might have been cashed at currency exchanges, police said.

First bike route to be unveiled

BY IGOR STUDENKOV
Pioneer Press

Mayor Andrew Przybylo will officially unveil Niles' first bike route on June 6 during the village's annual Bike Niles Fest.

The unveiling will take place at 10 a.m. at the trail's starting point at Cumberland Avenue and Ballard Road. The trail will go south on Cumberland, turn east onto Monroe Street, then turn north on Washington Street. It would then turn east on Main Street, and finally turn southeast toward Cleveland Street. Bikers would also be able to ride the opposite direction.

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Washington Elementary School students whose submissions to the Illinois EPA's poster and poetry/prose contest received recognition: from left, Mimi Kakares, Daniela Vertucio, Daniel Okafo, Nicole Sobiski, Alexandra Lapinski, Alisha Junaid and Christopher Miller. (Not pictured is Prapti Patel.)

Washington students clean up in Illinois EPA contest awards — again

BY DAYNA FIELDS
Pioneer Press

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's statewide poster and poetry/prose contest receives hundreds of entries each year, and for the past eight years, District 63's Washington Elementary School has always walked away with winners.

This year was no exception, with eight sixth-grade Washington students receiving top honors at a ceremony in Springfield on April 18, recognized for illustrating this year's theme: "Transportation and air pollution — what are the green solutions?"

"I've got some really creative artists, it seems, every single year; so they come up with some really creative ways to show the fight for a cleaner environment," said teacher Debra Martin, who coordinated the entries with fellow teacher Rachel Angelos. "The posters have creative pictures on them expressing basically the good and the bad — what is causing transportation pollution, and what can we do to help it?"

Via illustrations of all sorts, the posters describe how pollution from cars, trains and the transportation industry harms the environment. They also suggest ways to combat transportation pollution, like carpooling with co-workers to work, riding a bike or walking, and taking the bus more frequently.

This year, Top Winner Awards went to Alexandra Lapinski, Christopher Miller and Prapti Patel. In addition, Alisha Junaid, Mimi Kakares and Daniel Okafo received Special Recognition, while Nicole Sobiski and Daniela Vertucio both earned Honorable Mention. As their prize, the Top 12 winners — Lapinski, Miller and Prapti — each received a ribbon and a certificate, as well as a book on environmental science. Their work will be featured in an EPA calendar and on the agency's website at www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/education/contest. For the past eight years, Martin has attended the prize ceremony in Springfield at the Old State Capitol building. Although the drive is more than three hours each way on a Saturday, she said it's difficult to miss the opportunity to see her students reap their rewards.

"It's a day out of your life that you're traveling for a half-hour ceremony, but it's really cool," she said. "This year I had fallen on my back at school two days before, and I wasn't going to go, but I thought, 'How could I not?' Because I just so much enjoy it — the feeling of pride inside you as a teacher kind of just makes it worth it when you see the kids with their families, and they're all dressed up and they're so proud, and their parents are proud."

After spending a few days explaining the issues and presenting facts to her students, they are then responsible for researching the topic and expressing their ideas in either art or poetry/prose. A school-wide voting process determines which pieces will be sent to Springfield.

"Needless to say, I'm always excited and certainly proud of them that they can take what I teach them in just a few days and do some research on their own — and to be able to express what they can do to be basically better stewards and improve our environment," she said.

Martin discovered the contest eight years ago, when she read some information from the Illinois EPA. That same year, she entered eight student submissions, and five of them were deemed winners. She has had her students participating ever since.

Accolades aside, Martin said the contest is one way to introduce young kids to environmental problems, which she said will be their problems one day to solve. The sooner they are aware of their own carbon footprint, she said, the better it is for them and us.

"I thought, wow, this is the world that they are growing up in," she said. "I'm sure they have no clue about everything they do and how much energy they're wasting. ... I wanted to make them aware of how they can help the environment. So I really wanted to make them cognizant of it."

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Tech-savvy teens team up for Skokie 'App-a-thon'

By Natalie Hayes
Pioneer Press

Tech-loving teens from all over the Niles Township area will congregate at the Skokie Public Library later this month for a one-day "App-a-thon."

For nine hours on Saturday, May 30, the group of teens - all bound together by an interest in all things technology - will work in teams to build an app designed to help solve a local problem.

The event, thought up by a group of library employees and parents, is designed to be a version of what's known as a "hackathon," in which computer programmers get together for days at a time to collaborate intensively on software projects, according to Kim Moldofsky, a Skokie resident who helped come up with the idea for the event.

Moldofsky's son, Isaac Moldofsky, a junior at Niles West High School, went to a recent hackathon in Chicago, she said, but Moldofsky said she thought the three-day event, which she said included overnights, was more geared toward adults.

"Hackathons are up to 36 hours long, and I thought it would be nice to see more events for teens like him who love to program. Ultimately, it's a program at the public library, so it's open to everyone - even if you've never done programming, there's a place for those folks too."

-Kim Moldofsky, Skokie resident

The event according to Brodie Austin, an employee at the Skokie Public Library who is co-organizing the event. The event will be led by staff from the Niles and Skokie libraries, Austin said, and Moldofsky will lead sessions on team-building, user-testing and design principles.

So far about 10 teens have signed up for the event according to Brodie Austin, an employee at the Skokie Public Library who is co-organizing the event.

By the end of the day, Moldofsky said, most groups would hopefully have developed a prototype for an app. Building an entire app takes much longer than a day from start to finish, she added.

"I've heard people say that technology solves all of our problems, but I argue that it's people," Moldofsky said. "When you combine people and technology you can solve anything."

The App-a-thon is geared toward students from Niles Township High School District 219, which is served by the Niles and Skokie libraries.

"One of our goals has been to offer an inclusive space for youth of different skill levels and backgrounds to work together to solve community problems with apps," Austin said. "You don't have to be a hardcore coder to participate - understanding people and being a good communicator are just as important to designing an app."

Registration for the app-a-thon is open at http://skokielibrary.info/events/2079/community-apathon.

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The Golf Mill Shopping Center hosted an Armed Forces Day event last weekend to mark Armed Forces Day. On May 16, the mall hosted an Armed Forces Recruiting Expo with recruiting stations for various military branches. The event was also used as an occasion to honor veterans. Honor Flight Chicago representatives were in attendance and Maine Township Clerk Gary Warner presented his collection of items from his service during the 1950s. U.S. Rep. Robert Dold presented Niles resident and World War II veteran Richard Vana with a copy of a congressional resolution honoring him for his service.

According to a statement from Golf Mill, the event was designed to coincide with Armed Forces Day. The holiday was created in 1949 by then Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson. This was done to consolidate what were previously three separate holidays honoring the Army, Navy and Marines, according to the U.S. Department of Defense website.

Girl Scouts Brownie Troop 40430, a Niles troop affiliated with St. John Brebeuf Catholic School, set up a station where letters could be written to members of the military serving overseas. According to Kim Quintero, the troop organizer, all the letters would be sent out through the United Service Organization. Throughout the event, the troop encouraged passing kids to write letters.

The Armed Forces Recruiting Expo also had some tables related to veterans. Warner told the Pioneer Press, between 1952-1954, he served in the U.S. Army as part of the 49th AAA Gun Battalion.

Maine Township Clerk Gary Warner shows off his collection of military items from his time serving in the U.S. Army during the 1950s.

Before soldiers arrived, it was the Dempster Golf Course, Warner said. And when they left, the cemetery took it over.

Warner explained that he would maintain equipment at four sites - the Niles site, as well as sites in Skokie, Schiller Park and at Chicago's Montrose Beach.

For the Armed Forces Expo, he brought photographs, military passes and some of his old military equipment, such as an Army-issued whistle, helmets and a shovel for digging foxholes.

Honor Flight Chicago is the local branch of a national organization that works to fly World War II veterans to visit military memorials in Washington D.C. According to Ron Wolflick, a volunteer for the organization, the trip is completely free to veterans.

There are 140 Honor Flight organization hubs in the country and Chicago is the biggest, Wolflick explained. Veterans are flown to Washington, D.C., every month, April through October.

The Honor Flight representatives attended the expo in an effort to raise money and potentially reach out to area veterans.

Wolflick said he was especially hoping to sign up Richard Vana, who served with the Marines in the Pacific theater. In 1945, Vana was among the Marines who fought the Battle of Okinawa as part of the 4th Regiment of the 6th Division. The battle was one of the bloodiest in the Pacific theater.

Vana said he has especially vivid memories of the fight to capture Sugar Loaf Hill, a small mound that American and Japanese forces fought over for 12 days. While American forces ultimately won, the clash came at a steep price.

“Without the heroic actions of Cpl. Vana and PFC Upchurch the wounded Marine surely would have died from his wounds,” the resolution stated. “Their life-saving action upheld the motto of the Marine Corps. The unwavering courage and gallantry Cpl. Vana deserves the utmost respect and gratitude. These actions reflect great credit upon Cpl. Vana, his unit, the U.S. Marine Corps, the U.S. Navy and the United States of America.”

Dold used the Armed Forces Expo to officially present Vana and his family with a copy of the resolution. Before reading the resolution aloud, he said that he was honored to be able to ensure that Vana was recognized on the congressional record. He also emphasized that veterans of past and current wars all deserve respect.

“Heroism is really just what we do because of our training, a response to a situation.”

It was something that Vana later reiterated to the Niles Herald-Spectator.

“I'm very humbled,” he said. “There are so many great people, so many stories that didn’t get told.”

Igor Studenkov is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.
Lincolnwood prepares for its Memorial Day parade

BY NATALIE HAYES
Pioneer Press

Lincolnwood will mark Memorial Day with the village's annual parade followed by a ceremony in Proesel Park. Each year, hundreds of residents mark Memorial Day by lining the streets of Pratt and Keeler avenues to watch a patriotic lineup of veterans and service members, local bands, village officials, and members of the business community who march in the parade.

Lincolnwood's American Legion Post 1226 started hosting the annual Memorial Day parade back in the mid-1950s, according to Linda Vering, marketing coordinator for the village of Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department.

Each year parade participants meet at the Kow Kow restaurant at Pratt and Cicero avenues and march down the street to Keeler Avenue, ending at Madeleine's Garden in Proesel Park, where a ceremony to honor the country's fallen veterans is held.

"The Memorial Day parade [this year] will be very similar to previous years," Vering said. "New to the overall event this year, a vocal group from Lincoln Hall Middle School will be singing The Beatles song 'Freedom' during the Memorial Day Ceremony in Madeleine's Garden after the parade."

The marching band from Niles West High School will mark its 33rd year leading the parade this year, according to information provided by the high school.

The band will be joined by a long list of other community-based groups including members of American Legion Post 1226, the Young Marines, local Scout troops, the Lincolnwood Human Relations Commission, local youth sports organizations, and several classic cars, according to Vering.

"The Memorial Day parade and ceremony is a wonderful opportunity for the Village and the community to honor all those who served our country," Vering said.

The parade will step-off from the Kow Kow restaurant at 10:20 a.m. and head east along Pratt Avenue and north on Keeler Avenue.

Special prayers honoring fallen service members will be held during the ceremony.

Other highlights of the ceremony will include a rifle volley salute and the placing of a memorial wreath.

To sign up to walk or ride in the parade, contact Melissa Rindzius at 847-677-9740.

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**NEWS**

**Go Roma’s Glenview restaurant prototype for future franchises**

**BY TODD SHIELDS**  
Pioneer Press

A new Italian restaurant in Glenview will serve as the interim design model for future locations.

“Glenview is the home of our new prototype,” said Tony Pavic, vice president of operations for Go Roma: Scratch Italian Fronto.

The fast-casual Italian eatery is best known for fresh, made-from-scratch recipes, he said.

Opening May 20 at 81 Waukegan Road, the restaurant’s decor is bare wood walls and 1880s bricks reclaimed from Chicago buildings, Pavic said.

“We’ve made our look more modern,” said Pavic, a Glenview resident since 2009.

Seating 71, Go Roma was set to open near the Mariano’s in the Glen Gate retail center, adjacent to several retail and service businesses.

Pavic said Go Roma’s fast-casual approach is for patrons with less than 30 minutes to eat who want fresh food prepared in the kitchen, as well as options for the whole family.

Beer and wine will be served, including beer from a local brewery, Pavic said.

Current Go Roma locations include Northbrook and Bollingbrook.

**Niles West teams up with libraries to give students access to library cards**

**BY IGOR STUDENKOV**  
Pioneer Press

Starting this fall, all Niles West High School students will get library cards from their local libraries.

The initiative is a collaboration between the Skokie Public Library, Niles Public Library, Morton Grove Public Library and Lincolnwood Public Library. Each student will get a card at whichever library serves the village he or she lives in.

Once Niles West verifies their addresses, the cards will be sent to the students in the mail.

According to Niles Public Library interim Director Susan Lempke, the initiative is an outgrowth of the existing partnership between Skokie Library and the elementary schools that serve Skokie. The library has considered extending the program to Niles West High School, but realized that it needed to work with other regional libraries to pull it off.

“The high school is more complex because students come from four different libraries, which is why Skokie brought the other libraries in,” Lempke said.

The Niles West High School service area includes all of Skokie and Lincolnwood, a large section of Morton Grove and most of the portion of Niles that lies within Niles Township, according to the District 219 website.

District 219 Director of Communications Jim Szczepaniak said Niles West officials welcomed the proposal.

“In the past, if the students wanted to get the library cards, they had to go up to the (library) service desk and ask for forms,” he said. “This makes the process easier.”

Szczepaniak explained that the students will sign up for the library cards as part of the regular school registration process. If the students don’t want to get the library cards, they’ll be able to opt out.

Once the registration is complete and the districts verify the students’ addresses, the cards will be mailed to them.

“Their address determines which library card they get, because that is the one that their parents’ tax dollars go to,” Lempke said.

She said the cards would be no different from any other library cards, so the students will have access to all of the library services. The students would also be able to register their cards at most libraries throughout the Chicago area, including other libraries taking part in the initiative.

Lempke said that, once the cards expire, the students would be able to renew them.

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Maurie Berman, founder of iconic Superdawg, dies at 89

BY MEREDITH RODRIGUEZ
Chicago Tribune

Several veterans opened food stands to supplement their student incomes on the GI Bill after World War II, but Maurie Berman wanted something different.

"He wanted to open something more noteworthy," said his son, Scott Berman, 64. "A building, a tower, something with some identity." So was born the friendly, family-run Northwest Side vintage drive-in Superdawg, with its order booth that looks like an airport control tower and its two 12-foot-tall papier-mâché hot dogs designed in 1948 that stand on its roof.

Mr. Berman died Sunday, May 17, of heart problems at 89, his son said.

Aside from his son, he also leaves behind a wife of 68 years, two other children, five grandchildren and a 6-year-old great-grandchild, who had her first shift at the restaurant last week.

Scott Berman and Mr. Berman's daughter, Lisa Drucker, and their spouses and children have helped run the business, they said Sunday afternoon while at the store's original location, 6363 N. Milwaukee Ave.

A second location, in Wheeling, features the same rooftop hot dog caricatures — a leopard print-wearing strongman and his tutu-clad mate, modeled after Mr. Berman and his surviving wife, Flaurie. The location is managed by a granddaughter, Laura Ustick.

The business now supports about 50 employees, but Flaurie Berman worked as the store's first carhop.

The couple graduated together from Von Steuben High School in the North Park neighborhood and married in August 1947, shortly after Mr. Berman returned from serving in the Army in World War II and a year before they opened Superdawg.

Flaurie Berman graduated from Northwestern with a teaching degree, and he was studying accounting at Northwestern at the time. They opened the drive-in two summers before they realized that running the store was more fun than being a teacher or an accountant and focused on it full time, his son and daughter said.

Mr. Berman designed the store's logo and slogans, including a human-looking Superdawg that lounges in "super fries" and a promise that, "We're doing our darndest to serve every customer every time in the manner that will make you want to return and bring your friends with you."

Most of the store's details that Mr. Berman specified in the 1940s remain the same today — from the original hot dog recipe and the French fry-cutting machine he designed himself, to the bookkeeping and the food production line.

Owners Maurie and Flaurie Berman at Superdawg in 2011.

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**OPINION**

**Randy Blaser**

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War. So it is appropriate to mark this historic anniversary with the national holiday that sprung from that horrible war - Memorial Day.

There are many origins to the practice of decorating the graves of the Union and Confederate dead, hence its original name of Decoration Day. Some say the practice started in the South when the widows of Confederate soldiers decorated the graves. Some say a group of freedmen started the practice with a parade and in Charleston, S.C., on May 1, 1865. In 1866, President Lyndon Johnson declared Waterloo, NY, as the birthplace of Memorial Day.

But it is clear that many towns and villages throughout the North and South were decorating the graves of soldiers and taking a day to remember the war dead. That's how traumatic and moving the war was back then. Everyone was moved to the same annual ritual of remembering the dead.

This Memorial Day, it is well to remember the cause and the veterans who served in that war, those who died in battle and those who became old men before succumbing to their old war wounds.

The South fought to extend their peculiar institution, the shameful stain of slavery. The North fought for the Union at first, and since the Union could only be preserved by freeing the slaves, the war was about slavery.

In the end, about 620,000 Americans died in the Civil War, that's nearly more than all the other dead in all the other American Wars.

Finally, Lincoln acknowledges, "if God wills that it [the war] continue until all the wealth piled by the bondsman's 250 years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be paid by another drawn with the sword, as was said 3,000 years ago, so still it must be said "the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."

**How does it end?**

Surely you remember "with malice toward none" and "charity for all"? Lincoln urged the country to finish the work before us, to live in peace "among ourselves and with all nations."

Today, as relations among our citizens break down over Ferguson, Baltimore and other places, we need to remember those who died to make all men free. In their honor, it is our duty to finish the work before us - to make all of our people free and to live in peace with each other.

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**Membership medicine rubs me wrong**

Are you tired of...

Yes!

Wait, wait. I haven't asked the question, yet. Are you tired of spending more time in your doctor's waiting room than with your doctor?

That question is pretty much the first sentence of a letter I received the other day.

Well, who hasn't had to wait longer than they'd like to see a doctor? So, go on.

The letter continued, "As more doctors face mounting pressures to pack more patients into their daily schedules, it's only getting harder for many primary care doctors to provide the kind of care they know they deserve."

Now, for me, waiting is less of a problem with my primary care doctor than with specialists to which I am referred. But, go on.

At this medical corporation things are different. Patients don't spend "more than a few minutes" in the waiting room, the doctor doesn't rush the patient through an appointment.

Sounds good. Why doesn't everyone sign up for such care? Money.

This is what is known as a concierge practice, also sometimes called membership medicine, retainer medicine, direct care medicine or cash-only medicine.

**SCOTT STANTIS**

Patients pay a yearly fee, which can run anywhere from $200 to $5,000. That's to become a member, not everything all patients will pay for medical care that year.

Concierge doctors see between 50 and 1,000 patients a year, as compared to non-concierge doctors who see between 3,000 to 4,000 patients a year. The concierge corporation that wrote to me said their doctors' patient load was 85 percent less than non-concierge doctors.

I really can't afford to become a concierge customer, even with the 25 percent off the first year membership offer. Besides, I like my doctor. And, I don't know, something rubs me wrong about the concept of better care for richer people.

Maybe this will help...

I was watching the Cubs-Brewers game the other day. Both teams wore pink to promote a charity that raises funds for women who cannot afford the cost of their cancer treatment or who have no insurance.

See what I'm driving at? Something isn't right.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

We want to hear from you! Send your letters to the editor to suburbanletters@tribpub.com. Letters should not exceed 250 words and should include your name, phone number and address (only your name and town will be published).
April showers bring May flowers

It sure would be nice to be able to escape a rainy season without the threat of flood damage to our homes and properties. Wouldn't it? With climate change being partly to blame for the increase in heavy rainfall events, it's no secret that now is as good a time as any for all of us to accept the fact that warmer air holds moisture and our planet is expected to experience more and heavier precipitation in the years to come. We can all do our part and lead by example by incorporating stormwater management practices on our properties in order to protect our people, plants and animals, businesses, facilities, and parks.

There's been a lot of conversation about flood mitigation in the local news these days. Perhaps some of us are still unsure about what it is that we can each do to help our town be better prepared for the future as a whole. There are plenty of ways we can pitch in to alleviate some, if not all, of our town's issues. Here are some ideas — make a difference! Love where you live!

Mitigating flooding on your property

Add native plants: Old habits die hard, but planting perennial native plants instead of flat after flat of annuals in pots and in your landscaping is the key to absorbing rain! The deep roots of native plants reach far down into the ground, firmly rooting the soil and reducing erosion. Native plants also filter water as it goes back to our ground water supply, and we all know how important filters are, right?

Disconnect downspouts hooked up to sewers: Gutter downspouts that are directly connected to the storm sewer system increase the volume and rate of storm water runoff entering the storm sewer system. Is your property aggravating our town's flooding conditions? It is our important task to not tax our sewer systems! But, it is also our challenge to be able to responsibly carry water away from our houses and foundations. Believe it or not, disconnecting gutters can reduce chances of basement flooding. A Downspout Disconnection Day was one of the several very worthy recommendations that the late Mayor Schmidt's Advisory Task Force of 2010 proposed when the intense rains started becoming more prevalent. Our town needs to reconsider enforcing this.

Keep storm drains clear:
If we all keep an eye out for leaves that clog the storm drains, the infrastructure can perhaps handle the rains better. As leaves get into the drains, they are washed into our lakes, rivers, and streams causing them to breakdown in the water we eventually drink! As these leaves break down, they release high levels of phosphorus that cause algae to grow. Do we all remember the algae bloom water pollution in Toledo from Lake Erie that caused a three day ban on water usage for a half million residents last year? Let's all try to keep the storm drains clear of leaves as much as possible.

Reduce use of certain appliances and water during intense storms: Running the dishwasher, doing loads of laundry, and running outdoor irrigation systems add water to our sewer systems. Plan on holding off doing these chores during long, heavy rains and reset your irrigation timer so that these tasks do not exacerbate a well-known flooding problem in our town. Even waiting to take a shower can help alleviate the amount of water that is entering our infrastructure during intense storms. Every drop counts! Let's all get on the same page and make decent decisions about using water during a flood in the days and months to come.

Keep water on your property without promoting water issues

Rain barrels: Go Green Park Ridge is currently promoting the installation of rain barrels on Park Ridge properties. Check out the website at www.gogreen-parkridge.org and see if you can get in on the 100 Barrel Challenge! The first 100 barrels installed and accounted for in Park Ridge are receiving a generous $25 rebate from Bernie Bono, Inc. Rain barrels are easy, simple, and help conserve water in the end. Conserving means SAVING and why not try to reduce your water bills next time you water your plants, windows, or car? At the very least, emptying your rain barrel after a storm reduces the rate and volume of stormwater that the sewer system has to manage at a peak time.

Plant vegetation that can tolerate rain: Get some tips on whether or not your property has an area which is ideal for capturing rainwater before it becomes a nuisance. Rain gardens and green roofs are great options for installing in certain areas. Rain Gardens can be beneficial in low lying areas to collect water, but they are also very useful up hill from a depression in a yard, because the rain garden can intercept and filter water before heading any further. Green roofs are becoming more and more popular in both commercial and residential applications. They increase the aesthetic appeal and property values, have minimal maintenance costs, require less replacement than conventional roofs, and offer potential tax incentives. Green roofs can also help reduce your heating and air conditioning bills. Make sure you get an expert's advice before getting your heart set on either of these implementations. The design and installation needs to be taken seriously — especially if this stormwater management technique is attempting to improve a serious flooding situation on your dime.

Install permeable pavers: Stormwater can drain through porous pavers on properties into a reservoir where water can be held until it enters the subsoil. Next time you're planning for the installation of a driveway, patio or walkway, take a look at what experts are saying about permeable pavement. The features are pleasing and the outcomes are plentiful for you and the planet.

Amy Bartucci is a columnist for Pioneer Press.
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The course of progress isn't always smooth sailing

CHRISTINE WOLF

I've had too much coffee and only 26 minutes to write and submit a column that just occurred to me, so please go easy if it reads a little shaky. Another column — ready to spell check and submit — didn't feel right, but then life's unpredictable and choppy.

If anyone tells you otherwise, remind them we can't control the shimmering, messy, unforeseen aspects of an authentic existence. And as quickly as I write this column, I know the time is now to share it.

For nearly three years, I've been part of a grassroots effort to erase labels thrust upon an intersection in my community. It hasn't been an easy process, particularly when the work is heavy and time is hard to come by. Still, we've built a genuine family of local business owners, municipal representatives, concerned citizens, university students and education professionals. No one's an expert at any one thing; we each bring perspective to this shared table. We offer dedication and passion to community entrepreneurship and mentoring, trying to steer them toward a singular mission — to change the narrative about an intersection called, by some, "dangerous," "stuck," "violent" and "forgotten."

Recently, a subgroup of our team attempted to bring a carnival to the intersection. Meetings, phone calls, proposals and presentations led to moments of elation, but a final decision from the city came not to grant permission there. Something about rerouting traffic for too many days.

Faced with changing direction, it's my basic understanding of sailing that keeps me moving ahead, roadblock after roadblock.

As a sailor-by-marriage, I'm far from an expert, but you need only remember three things to begin:
1. Wear a life jacket.
2. Identify your no-go-zone.
3. Don't be afraid to steer.

The no-go-zone is a still and static place, aimed directly into the wind — where forward movement is impossible. Without an understanding from where the wind is coming, you'll spin endlessly, trying to harness the breeze.

An experienced sailor understands that action is required to get out of the no-go-zone. Obvious, right? You're almost a sailor, now.

But it's paralyzing when you can't see what's coming at you, those invisible forces standing in the way of progress. Many of us, facing the wind, feel slowed by feelings of insecurity, often-times leading to helplessness and desperation.

Avoiding the no-go-zone is never an option for it must be crossed, one way or another, in order to turn — or tack — your vessel. Swing through that head-on breeze, toward a point of sail that allows your sail to draw the wind, and you'll start moving again toward your next destination.

It's your wheel, or tiller — both otherwise known as your helm — that steers your vessel. And when steering and wind are managed correctly, your heading (or point of sail) feels effortless. Sailing, like community building, is a beautiful, complicated act of balance, but it, like sailing, requires practice.

Our rejected carnival proposal was disappointing until we saw that we'd already navigated the roughest waters. Why not slightly change course to reach our destination? We're planning to bring the community together in June to celebrate our city's incredible intersection, able to act swiftly thanks to our past experience.

Practice brings confidence breaking through inertia, not to mention the wisdom to anticipate its approach. Without practice, we hesitate ... we wonder. Are we there? Did we make it?

Just remember: When our sole focus is reaching the original destination, we're certain to miss the shimmering moments along the way.

Christine Wolf is a freelance columnist for Pioneer Press.

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Clip and savor: Kane’s mane man

BY PAUL SKRBINA
Chicago Tribune

Carmelo Preiti can’t help but flash a giddy grin as he opens the second drawer of a gray cabinet in his family’s barber shop on North Rose Street in Franklin Park.

“Wait till you see these,” he says in a thick Italian accent.

Preiti unzips a black case to reveal, among several other tools of his trade, a special pair of scissors with the number “88” on them, which help shape the city’s most famous mullet.

The tradition started as a joke during the 2009-10 season, when Preiti began cutting Patrick Kane’s hair.

“I’m like, ‘Here’s what we’re going to do’” Preiti says, describing how he showed Kane a picture of Jaromir Jagr. “He starts laughing. Then when the playoffs rolled around he’s like, ‘Let’s do it.’”

Preiti, whose family has owned Preiti Barber Shop since moving from Italy in 1982, never had sculptured a mullet. He turned to YouTube for a crash course and the rest has become history. Preiti has mastered his technique by now, having done two to three dozen in the last year.

Kane says he became familiar with the ‘do during his junior hockey days.

“It thought it’d be cool to continue it in the NHL because I wasn’t able to grow a beard my first couple of seasons,” Kane says. “It’s pretty cool to see how it’s become so popular.

“One of those things. I went with it my first year and we ended up winning a Cup, so I figured I’d do it every season since then.”

Preiti, who moved to the U.S. in 1983 and began cutting hair in 2002, says he attended his first Blackhaws game in April 1985.

In 2009, he received a text from a friend saying he was going to send somebody to Preiti.

“I knew it was one of the players,” Preiti, 38, says. “I couldn’t resist. I said, ‘Who is it?’ And he said, ‘It’s 88.’ I was like, ‘Are you kidding me?’

“At first I was nervous I was going to mess it up. I kind of sat there like, ‘What do I say?’”

Turns out, Preiti’s nerves were for naught. While he’s a big Blackhawks fan who watches every game, he says the players are customers — whether at his family shop, which he plans to take over when his father and uncle retire, or at 316 Club Barber Spa, where Preiti also has worked.

“It’s weird,” he says. “You don’t want to talk hockey; it’s like him talking to me about hair. I leave it alone. The conversations are just standard conversations I’d have with a friend of mine.”

Preiti says he has cut the hair of about 10 Blackhawks through the years, including a mullet for Brandon Saad. Sometimes he goes to them; sometimes they come to him.

While Kane is his most famous client, Preiti also has gone to work on the city’s most famous mustache. As is custom in Preiti’s shop, every haircut comes with optional facial hair service. So after fixing up Blackhawks coach Joel Quenneville’s hair, Preiti popped the question.

“He’s like, ‘No, no, that’s all right. I’ve never had anyone trim it’,” Preiti says. “I’m like, ‘OK.’ Then he was like, ‘Go ahead and trim it.’”

While Kane’s tradition has lived on, Patrick Sharp’s lasted 12 hours. Sharp’s girlfriend gave him the cut.

“I sent a picture home to my parents and my dad wasn’t too happy,” Sharp says with a laugh. “I didn’t want to disappoint him on national TV, so I chopped it off.”

Preiti pauses for a moment to reflect as he slides the scissors reserved only for Kane back into their case. A customer is waiting.

“To know I’m in a small way part of it, it’s still a big deal,” Preiti says. “I feel like a little kid about it. Not everybody can say, ‘Hey, I cut his hair, I’m part of this whole mullet thing.’

A thing that won’t be going away soon.

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Above: A Chicago Blackhawks flag hangs proudly in Prieti’s Franklin Park barber shop where he maintains the locks of Blackhawks Star Patrick Kane. Left: Preiti has special scissors with “88” on them for the Blackhawks star.
Thursday, May 21

Save A Star's Drug Disposal Program: Accepted are prescription medications, all over-the-counter and pet medications, vitamins, liquids and creams. 9 a.m. Thursday-Wednesday, Evanston Police Department, 1454 Elmwood Ave., Evanston.

Native Haute Couture: It features garments that showcase American Indian artistry and expertise in tailoring. 10 a.m. Thursday-Wednesday, Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston. Free. 847-475-1030

All My Relations: A Seneca History: This exhibit introduces the history of the Seneca culture through milestones in the lives of Simas and her relations. 11 a.m. Thursday-Wednesday, Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston. Free. 847-475-1030

Summer Classes and Summer Intensive at The Actors Gymnasium: Registration is open for summer classes at The Actors Gymnasium circus and performing arts school running June 13-Aug. 9 with classes for kids, teens and adults. Thursday-Wednesday, Actors Gymnasium, 927 Noes St., Evanston. Varies by class. 847-328-2795

Actors Gymnasium Spring Session: Offerings include parent-tot classes, tumbling, circus arts, aerial arts, drama and more. Thursday-Wednesday, Actors Gymnasium, 927 Noes St., Evanston. $158-$315, 847-328-2795

"Melancholy Play": A Chamber Musical: Tilly's irresistible sadness inevitably draws those in her life to fall hopelessly in love with her. When her melancholy transforms to joy, her change wreaks havoc. 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Piven Theatre Workshop, 927 Noes St., Evanston. $20-$30, 847-866-8049

The Last Supper: 600 Plates Illustrating Final Meals of Death Row Inmates: The Last Supper features 600 white ceramic plates decorated with cobalt blue mineral paint to depict the last meal requests of U.S. death row inmates. 2 p.m. Thursday-Wednesday, Block Museum of Art, Fish Hall, Room 217, Northwestern University, Northwestern University, Evanston. Free. 847-491-4000

Friday, May 22

Concert in Evanston: Come for an evening with Offlines, featuring Yinnon Mualem and Guy Mintus with Donavan Mixon. The concert is part of the Israel Jazz and World Music Festival. 7 p.m. Friday, Heartwood Center, 1818 West Dempster St., Evanston, $15; kids free

SRhythms Dance: Come explore the 5Rhythms Dance - a movement meditation to music. 7:30 p.m. Friday and Tuesday, Foster Dance Studios, 915 Foster St., Evanston, $15; $10 for students and seniors. 847-869-0250

"The Imitation Game": The true story of Alan Turing, the mathematics genius who cracks Enigma, the unbreakable Nazi code, ultimately saving countless lives. 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Friday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview. Free. 847-729-7500
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Bernard Weinger Jewish Community Center Men's Group: The JCC Men's Club gives one an easy way to meet up with others for fellowship and intellectual stimulation. Enjoy the camaraderie while coming together for a broad range of interesting programs and lectures. 10 a.m. Wednesday, Bernard Weinger JCC, 300 Revere Dr., Northbrook, free, 224-406-9200

The Men of the Normandy Invasion: Join Bob Mueller as he presents the American forces' seaborne and airborne invasions of Normandy, France on June 6, 1944. 1 p.m. Wednesday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $19 member; $25 non-member, 847-784-6030

Bingo & Pizza!: Come for hot slices of cheese, sausage and veggie pizza. Afterwards play several games of bingo. 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Park Ridge Park District, Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge, $7 Member/$8 Guest, 847-692-3597

City of Light:” Rebecca Joy Fletcher in her one-woman musical celebrating the vital and brilliant world of European-Jewish cabaret between the wars. Featuring great musical numbers, from heartbreak to satire to downright silliness. 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Skokie Theatre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave, Skokie, $26.50 adults, $22.50 seniors, $18 students, 847-677-7761

Nature exploration class: Each week, students learn about a different aspect of our natural surroundings - birds, mammals, native plants, trees, weather and ecosystems. 4 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, Lakeview Center, 800 Golf Park Drive, Wilmette, $99-$124, 224-392-2275

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Date: April 23
Location: Cafe La Cave, 2777 Mannheim Road, Des Plaines
Attended: 160
Raised: About $20,000

Eric Uhlig (from left), Traci Zimmerman and Cindy Coggin, all of Park Ridge, Maine West High School Assistant Principal Dr. Rose Garlasco of Des Plaines, Maine Community Youth Assistance Foundation Executive Director Dr. Teri Collins and Deborah Sasak, both of Park Ridge.

Maine South High School Jazz Ensemble students Grace Goble (from left), Ruth Negru, Trevor Ross, Jack Hoes, Greta Ramsey, Emma Wagner, Mason Patt, Mark Tamvakis and Bonnie Millener

Maine West Teacher Kristin Mazanowski of Chicago, DECA students Cathleen Cu of Des Plaines, Ryan Reichert and Janelia Alba Garner, both of Niles and Maine East High School DECA Advisor Dale Lasky of Park Ridge

Dist. 207 Superintendent Ken Wallace of Park Ridge and Dist. 207 Board of Education members Sean Sullivan, Paula Meyer Besier and Carla Owen, all of Park Ridge, Mary Childers and Jin Lee, both of Des Plaines

Cathy Featherstone (from left), Kelley Harper, Florence Gorman and Kelly Passaneau, all of Park Ridge
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‘Love’-ly spring benefit raises $190K for Youth Services

‘All You Need Is Love,’ Spring Benefit

Benefiting: Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook

Location: Hilton Chicago/Northbrook, Northbrook

Date: April 18

Attended: 300

Raised: $190,000

Website: www.youthservices-gn.org

Sandy Shaferich of Park Ridge (from left), Juli Ait of New York City with Beth and Bill Coulson of Glenview.

Larry (from left) and Sandy Peterson of Palatine with Tijia Kocovic of Lincolnwood

Amy O’Leary, left, executive director of Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook and Karen Paszkiewicz, also of YSGN

The Sunset Village Girls Club performed at “All You Need Is Love.”

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Blending families not as simple as 'The Brady Bunch'

Jackie Pilossoph
Love Essentially

Mom and dad as single parents. They have to become accustomed to living with both their kids and each other.

Waxman said, "Plan ahead. Tell your kids in advance what you expect them to get together with the other kids, such as a birthday or a holiday." She explained the importance of validating your kids' concerns and experiences, and praising them for being tolerant and flexible.

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Waxman, "Short term therapy can easily address these issues and open the lines of communication. The blending of families can be a very positive experience in which kids learn to navigate and negotiate familial relationships."

For example, instead of saying, "Jenny is so adorable! She's funny and sweet and very kind," you might want to say, "Jenny enjoys playing soccer and she's in the school choir."

What if your kids refuse to see the other kids? It's a fine line. On one hand, you are the parent and therefore you have the right to blend your family if you choose. On the other hand, is it possible to push too much and turn the kids off permanently?

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Explore what the North Shore has to offer

Bordering the city along the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan and accessible by the famed “L” train, Chicago’s North Shore is the perfect spot for a quick getaway.

From the sandy beaches, music and art festivals, to farmers markets and sidewalk sales, you can get away without traveling far.

Explore Evanston’s lakefront by foot, bike and sailboat or just relax on the beach, visit the Charles Dawes Gates House, the Chicago Botanic Garden, the only Baha’i House of Worship in the United States, the Illinois Holocaust Museum, Kohl Children’s Museum or Ravinia.

Take advantage of the amazing retail offerings at Westfield Old Orchard, Northbrook Court and the Glen Town Center. Shop and dine on the tree-lined streets of Evanston and Winnetka and sample one-of-a-kind boutiques and restaurants.

Visit destinationnorthshore.com for a full calendar of summer fun offerings including affordable hotel packages.

Chicago Botanic Garden offers picture perfect garden settings.
SUMMER ARTS & CRAFTS FAIRE
Enjoy browsing through Antioch's Summer A/C Faire on June 20th and 21st in Antioch. There's something for everyone in this handcrafted Faire. You'll want to bring the entire family so the kids can enjoy the many activities planned for them, some are even FREE, like Face Painting, Balloon Art and a Kids Fun Fair! Located in Downtown. Visit AntiochChamber.org this Spring for info.

TASTE OF SUMMER—BIGGER THAN EVER!
Antioch's Taste of Summer Festival is the perfect combination of Food, Music, Carnival and Sidewalk Sales. This is a must-do for summer fun for your family and friends. Join the fun, on July 16-19, 2015. This year you'll enjoy the music of BBI, Suburban Cowboys, Hi Infidelity, Bella Cain, and many others! PLUS, you'll enjoy more Carnival Rides, more Wristband Options, and even Free Carnival Tickets! Visit AntiochChamber.org this Summer for all the exciting new information!

FALL ARTS-CRAFTS & APPLE FEST
Antioch's Fall Arts and Crafts Faire welcomes Apple Fest this year! This perfect launch to seasonal fun! Join the Apple Fest Fun while you start your holiday decorating and shopping. The Fall AC Faire is September 12th and 13th in Downtown Antioch. Over 100 Artisans come to Antioch with their seasonal crafts. Children will enjoy free kids activities at Apple Fest, including Face Painting, Balloon Art and a Kids Fun Fair! Apple Fest offers Families lots of family fun with the new "Apple Structure" Contest, an Apple Pie Baking Contest, Scarecrow making, and much more. Visit AntiochChamber.org this Summer for info.

RUNNING OF THE WIENERS
Join us for Antioch's Annual "Running of the Wieners" which takes place at Apple Fest on Sunday, September 13th. Three categories of Weiner Registration are available. Miniature-Tweenie-Standard. Come cheer on the Wieners in their newly designed racetrack as they race for prizes! Visit AntiochChamber.org this Summer for more information.

DICKEN'S HOLIDAY VILLAGE
Downtown Antioch transforms into Dickens Holiday Village for the months of November and December. Enjoy the many Dickens Characters on display throughout Antioch, plus enjoy the new Fun, Savings, Teas and Events designed around Dickens. Take a Dickens Stroll and learn about the Dickens Era as you enjoy Antioch's quaint Downtown. Visit AntiochChamber.org.

CHAMPAGNE & CHOCOLATE HOLIDAY WALK
Antioch hosts its 3rd Annual Champagne & Chocolate Holiday Walk on November 14th. Tickets for this adult, fun Walk go on sale online on September 19th. This Walk benefits the Antioch Chamber's Holiday Programs. Purchase tickets at AntiochChamber.org.

SANTA'S FROZEN VILLAGE
Santa opens his newly designed FROZEN Village on Saturday, November 28th. This year Santa has invited his FROZEN Friends to join him on Saturdays and Sundays for "Meet & Greets". Santa's FROZEN Friends are on Weekend afternoons, admission is $5 pp. Frozen visits include fun treats for the Kids! Free Santa visits can be enjoyed on Monday thru Friday nights. Bring your camera for photo ops! Visit AntiochChamber.org for info.
Add a little art to your summer

Feeling inspired by the warmer temperatures?

Add color and creativity to your summer with the Deer Path Art League (DPAL). Founded in 1954, DPAL has deep roots in the artistic community, working with professional artists to put on one-of-a-kind exhibits and teaching classes for all ages.

Starting June 12, the DPAL Gallery, 400 E. Illinois Road, in Lake Forest, will provide a retrospective of Skip Wiese paintings, followed by a portraiture exhibit beginning July 24.

"The Skip Wiese solo show is a nice way to honor him as he has been involved with the Deer Path Art League since the beginning," says gallery director Jillian Chapman. "The group portraiture exhibit features North Shore artists, including Robert Pioch and Michael Latala."

DPAL will also offer five summer camp sessions for kids ages 5-15, beginning the week of June 8. Each session runs 1:30-3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and will cover a different artist and style. Adults can check out Palette & Pours on select dates each month, and paint while socializing over drinks and appetizers.

"Palette & Pours is an individual class from 6:30-9 p.m.," says Chapman. "An instructor teaches the entire class to create the same painting and we provide snacks, wine and other beverages."

DPAL will close the summer with the 61st annual Art Fair on the Square, Sept. 6 and 7, in Lake Forest's Market Square. Visitors can browse nearly 180 tables, take in new art and possibly leave with a piece for themselves.

"People will find one-of-a-kind, handmade silk scarves, tops and silk-screened jackets by Pat Rued, unique and original abstract paintings, romantic Midwest landscapes, and Mike Brown's holographic photographs, which are out of this world," says Chapman. "We also have the young artists section where kids from the community can set up a table and sell their crafts, jewelry and artwork. We're trying to provide a facility for young people to learn what it's like to be a professional artist."

For more information, call 847-234-3743 or visit deerpathartleague.org.
Get ready for the fourth edition of the Intelligentsia Cup cycling series. The Intelligentsia Cup competitive bike race series in and around Chicago runs July 17-26. “Our mission is not only to put on first-class cycling events, but we also want to bring great entertainment to the communities we are in,” says Marco Colbert, executive director for the Intelligentsia Cup.

Six of the seven events will be criterium races, which are a form of road racing on a closed course — a loop of about a mile or less in length. “Criterium racing tends to be fan-friendly because you get to see the athletes so often. It’s a very fast form of racing,” says Colbert.

The seventh is a road race in Willow Springs designated as the Illinois State Road Championship. “It will be a well-attended event on a new and improved course,” says Tom Schuler, managing partner. He says the elite level of competition is a draw for many of the cyclists. Last year about 25 states were represented, as well as up to 15 foreign countries. “The nationally ranked riders will give local Chicago riders higher competition, better prize money and more spectators,” says Schuler.

All of the Intelligentsia Cup events are sanctioned by USA Cycling.

Lake Bluff will be a prominent venue as the location is part of the prestigious National Criterium calendar. Northwestern Medicine sponsors the Lake Bluff event and Block Party each year. In addition to the pros, kids ages 3-9 will race on the same course with their tricycles, bikes with training wheels, and even Big Wheels.

Elmhurst will be an exciting venue, too, where the pro men and women race at dusk. The series ends with the Lake Bluff Criterium as the pro women race through at speeds over 35 mph.

Residents enjoy cookouts along the course of the Lake Bluff Criterium as the pro women race through at speeds over 35 mph.

BARRINGTON

MAY 25
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND TOURS
Cook, Park and Station streets downtown
10 a.m.
What it is: Parade begins at Cook and Main streets and ends at Evergreen Cemetery with a short memorial service.
What else you need to know: In a nod to the town’s past, historic walking tours of the business district are available after the parade. For more information, visit barrington-il.gov.

JULY 2-4
FOURTH OF JULY FESTIVAL
North train commuter lot, 201 Spring St.
What it is: Food, music and family entertainment. Admission after 6 p.m. is $5 for 18 and over, $1 for 12-17, under 11 free.
What else you need to know: For more information and a schedule of events, visit barrington-il.gov.

JULY 4
FOURTH OF JULY PARADE
201 Spring St.
10 a.m.
What it is: Parade runs from Barrington High School to the train station.
What else you need to know: “Barrington Through the Decades a Sesquicentennial Celebration” is the parade theme.

Mike Heagney of the Intelligentsia Coffee Master’s team wins the 35-plus category in a sprint finish at the Lake Bluff Criterium event of the Intelligentsia Cup last year.

The future of cycling gets a chance to race on the same course as the “big kids.”
The Canadian Snowbirds return to Wings Over Waukegan for the annual airshow in September.

Wings Over Waukegan: A great show

The Canadian Snowbirds are back. After a three-year hiatus, the famed Canadian Forces Snowbirds Demonstration Team will fly Sept. 12-13 at the Wings Over Waukegan air show.

The last time the Snowbirds came to Waukegan, 30,000 viewers enjoyed the show, inside and outside of the event. The CF-18 Demo team will also be on hand, brand new this year in Waukegan.

"We are excited that we're able to bring back such a rare performance," says Grant Farrell, Wings Over Waukegan president. "The Snowbirds were here in 2012 for a one-day show. With their return, we are going to do a two-day show so more people will have the opportunity to view them. We look forward to working with the professionals from the Canadian Snowbirds and CF-18 Hornet to showcase this amazing demonstration team."

The Snowbirds Demonstration Team (431 Squadron) is a Canadian icon consisting of serving members of the Royal Canadian Air Force. Their pilots and technicians work as a team to bring thrilling performances to the North American public, demonstrating a high level of teamwork, discipline and dedication inherent in the women and men of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

For $20 for the two-day show or $15 for the one-day show, Wings Over Waukegan is affordable and ideal for families. Children 12 and under are
free, parking is free and tickets for uniformed service men and women are free.

Everyone will love the performers and static displays. Viewers will witness wing walkers, aerobatic pilots, flight demonstrations and vintage military craft from the World War II and Vietnam eras. The best part: Kids can shake hands, get autographs and be photographed with real pilots, possibly encouraging aviation careers.

“What makes us different from the Chicago Air & Water Show is that you'll get an up-close and personal experience here — you'll meet pilots, stand right next to the airplanes and sometimes you'll even get to go inside the cockpit,” says Farrell. “You'll hear the engine noise, feel the warm air and potentially lose your hat when airplanes fly by.”

This year, the Waukegan Air Show will commemorate the anniversary of D-Day as well as honor all of the service men and women who have sacrificed for our country.

“We honor all Sept. 11 victims and heroes, those people who heal or take care of wounds and we honor everyone in the military as well as the vets,” says Farrell. “That's what we're doing all of this for.”

Planning starts before the last show ends. This year's show requires a bigger airspace, creating many obstacles to hurdle to make such a large production successful. An air box, or designated flight space, around the airport is created. The airspace needs to be sterile — no airplanes can come in, roads have to be closed (including Green Bay road). Twenty-three neighboring residents who own or rent houses in the “air box” need to leave their homes for a practice day and for the weekend. They are invited to the air show, free. The neighbors have to comply for everything to work.

The show costs an estimated $250,000, all raised through donations.

“All the board members who represent the air show don't get paid, we do it for the love of aviation and for the community,” says Farrell. “We give our time, and sometimes money, because we want to deliver this program to the community.”

Volunteers are teachers, Army and Navy ROTC, Civil Air Patrol, Sea Cadets, the Knights of Columbus — there are close to 500 volunteers who make the two-day show happen.

“We get it done and it comes together, rain or shine,” says Farrell. “We love what we do.”

For more information, visit waukeganairshow.com.
COUNTRYSIDE

SELECT THURSDAYS, JUNE 4-AUG. 6
CONCERTS IN THE PARK
Countryside Park, Brainard Avenue and 59th Street
6 p.m.
What it is: The 55th anniversary of this concert series, with food from a local vendor and giveaways during intermission.
What else you need to know: Fireworks after the July 30 concert. For more information, call 708-485-2595.

DEERFIELD

MAY 25
ESSENCE OF FREEDOM RUN
Downtown
7:45 a.m.-noon
What it is: Annual fundraiser benefiting veterans and those actively serving in the armed forces. 5K or 10K race.
What else you need to know: Active duty (including police officers and firefighters) run free.

MAY 30-31
FINE ARTS FESTIVAL
Park Avenue and Deerfield Road
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
What it is: Artists from across the country show off their talents, accompanied by live music, food, kids' activities.
What else you need to know: Artwork includes painting, photography, sculpture and more. For more information, call 847-945-4660 or visit dwevents.org.

SATURDAYS, JUNE 13-OCT. 10 (except July 4)
FARMERS MARKET
Metra lot, Deerfield Road and Robert York Avenue
7 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
What it is: Fresh fruits, vegetables and other natural delights.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit deerfield.il.us.

JULY 3-4
DEERFIELD FAMILY DAYS
Jewett Park and Brickyards Park
5-10 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. Saturday
What it is: The fun starts Friday at Brickyards Park with food and fireworks, then continues Saturday with the downtown parade and pancake breakfast.
What else you need to know: Festivities move to Jewett Park on Saturday afternoon, with food, arts and crafts, a 10K race and 5K walk, rides, petting zoo and bike parade.
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Esther Buonanno's grandparents, Tempel and Esther Smith, fell in love with the famed Spanish Riding School in Vienna and decided they wanted to highlight the elegant art form in America. In 1958, they bought 20 coveted Lipizzan horses in Austria and shipped them via freighter to the Midwest. In 1981, the farm began hosting public performances.

Today, Tempel Farms holds the largest privately owned Lipizzan herd in the world and its public performances are the only Lipizzan show of its kind in the United States. The Lipizzan horse is now considered an endangered domestic breed, and Tempel Farms is the only facility in the world where these horses breed, train and perform on the same property.

The farm, which today holds about 70 Lipizzans (many descended from the original 20), is about to launch its 34th season of public performance. For those who have never visited Tempel Farms, Buonanno describes the shows as a combination of performance art and education.

"Classic dressage is not as well known in the US (as it is in Europe)," she says. "So we try to explain and demonstrate dressage." She says that historically, horses were domesticated for a wide variety of tasks, and this included trained cavalry horses intended to excel in battle. "Classical dressage then basically became an artistic representation of the idealized ultimate partnership between (soldier) and horse," Buonanno explains.

She says that people experiencing the show for the first time often can't believe that such a classic European art is practiced in the rolling hills around rural Wadsworth. "People are really wowed," she says. "They say it's different and unexpected. And they like that we're in this very agricultural area. We perform outdoors in a beautiful setting."

The shows, which take place on select Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer, feature several performances ranging from the youngest foals to the most experienced dressage stallions. "It's all set to music and these are highly choreographed movements ... we provide introductions to each segment to explain what you're about to see," Buonanno says. In this way, the farm aims to be a living museum, keeping the tradition and art form of classic dressage alive.

"The horses themselves are works of art," she explains. After each show, audience members are invited to tour the stables, interact with trainers and students and even occasionally pet the Lipizzans in their stalls.

This summer, Tempel Farms will debut three new foals when performances begin June 14. They are also planning a series of special events related to honoring the 70th anniversary of Operation Cowboy, a U.S. military operation that helped to save the Lipizzan breed as Nazi territory fell to the Allies at the end of World War II. "(The Lipizzan breed was) headed toward extinction, and there is a great reverence worldwide for what the U.S. Army did to rescue the breed," Buonanno explains.

Tempel Farms is located at 17000 Wadsworth Road in Old Mill Creek. For more information or tickets to a show, visit TempelFarms.com.
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May 25
Memorial Day Ceremony
Orrington Avenue and Davis Street
10:30 a.m.-noon
What it is: Annual Memorial Day at Fountain Square includes time for reflection and for honoring those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.
What else you need to know: Hosted by American Legion Post 42. For more information, visit cityofevanston.org/events.

May 29
Evanston Green Ball
Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave.
7-10 p.m.
What it is: Fourth annual Green Ball sponsored by Evanston Environmental Association and the city. Attendees will enjoy dining, drinks and dancing.
What else you need to know: Proceeds benefit programs and operations at the Ecology Center. For more information, call 847-448-8256 or visit evanstonenvironment.org/greenball.html.

Tuesdays, June 9-July 28 (Except July 21)
Starlight Concert Series
Various locations
7:30-9 p.m.
What it is: Outdoor concerts at seven parks around town presented by the Cultural Arts Division.
What else you need to know: All concerts are free. The July 14 Brummel Park event features food trucks 5:30-8:30 p.m.

June 20
Custer Fair
Main Street and Chicago Avenue
10 a.m.-9 p.m.
What it is: Artists and craftspeople from all over the country join local businesses for an exhibit and sidewalk sale.
What else you need to know: A wide variety of musical groups offer something for everyone; there's plenty of fun for kids at Eiden Park. For more information, visit cityofevanston.org.

Thursdays, June 25-Aug. 6 (Except July 2)
It's Thursday, Let's Dance!
Sherman Plaza, Orrington and Davis Street
6-9 p.m.
What it is: Learn some smooth moves from professional instructors during this lively night on an outdoor dance floor.
What else you need to know: Lessons start at 6 p.m.; dancing and live music follows at 7 p.m. Free admission.

June 27-28
Fountain Square Art Festival
Sherman Avenue at Church Street
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
What it is: The North Shore's largest fine arts fair, featuring more than 150 artists, live jazz and children's art tent.
What else you need to know: A $5 donation per family is suggested. For more information, visit chicagoevents.com.

July 9
Sidewalk Sale
Central Street from Green Bay Road to Hartrey Avenue
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
What it is: Explore out-of-the-ordinary shopping. A great place to find hand-ground spices, Southwestern art, antique maps, natural health products, and unique clothing and jewelry.
What else you need to know: An eclectic mix of independent shops line this main artery.

July 18-19
Ethnic Arts Festival
Dawes Park, Sheridan Road and Church Street
Noon-7 p.m.
What it is: See the lakefront transformed into a 40th anniversary celebration of global diversity with crafts, food and live performances.
What else you need to know: The festival is free and features continuous performances throughout the day.

July 21
Deer Path Art League Annual Juried Fine Art Show
Market Square
Lake Forest, Illinois
derlepathartleague.org
Free Admission
Open to the Public
JULY 25
ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Dawes House, 225 Greenwood St.
1-4 p.m.
What it is: Enjoy sweet treats at a free family event sponsored by the Evanston History Center.
What else you need to know: Takes place rain or shine.

AUG. 1-2
LAKESHORE ARTS FESTIVAL
Dawes Park, Sheridan Road and Church Street
11 a.m.-6 p.m.
What it is: Juried fine arts and crafts fair; silent auction and children's craft tent.
What else you need to know: Free parking north of the festival grounds with free shuttles. For more information, visit cityofevanston.org/lakeshore.

AUG. 23
COMMUNITY PICNIC
Ingraham Park, 2100 Ridge Ave.
5-7:30 p.m.
What it is: The perfect season for a picnic dinner in the beauty of the Garden. Children 4-10 are welcome with an adult to enjoy a tram ride, planting project and s'mores.
What else you need to know: Takes place rain or shine; all walkers get a plant to take home.

AUG. 30
TASTE OF ARMENIA
St. James Armenian Church, 816 Clark St.
Noon-7:30 p.m.
What it is: Armenian cuisine, music and dancing.
What else you need to know: Last year's fest offered three varieties of kebabs, tabbouleh, hummus and baklava.

AUG. 1-2
FESTIVAL OF ART
Green Bay Road and Park Avenue, downtown
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
What it is: Booths featuring more than 100 juried artists demonstrating their crafts, with food and live music making for a perfect summer outing.
What else you need to know: Kids will enjoy the art scavenger hunt.

MAY 27
GRAPEVINES AND WINES
Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road
6-8 p.m.
What it is: The Garden's first tasting event offers guests ages 21 and up samples of international wines as well as light bites. Advance tickets $25 for members, $30 for nonmembers; day-of tickets $28 for members, $33 for nonmembers.
What else you need to know: Parking is $20 per car (free for members). For more information, call 847-835-5440 or visit chicagobotanic.org/wines.

MAY 30, JUNE 6
WOODLAND WALK
Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road
Noon-5 p.m.
What it is: Gather with your neighbors for free food, games and entertainment.
What else you need to know: This event celebrates the city's diversity and marks the start of back to school.

AUG. 17
JALISCO EN EVANSTON
Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave.
5-9 p.m.
What it is: Hispanic Heritage Month featuring performers, artists and more.
What else you need to know: This is one of several Illinois stops for "Jalisco Week." For more information, call 708-938-5123 or visit fedeja.org.
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**JULY 17**

**THE GROVE CRAFT BEER AND WINE FESTIVAL**
1421 Milwaukee Ave.
6:30-10 p.m.
What it is: A wide variety of breweries supply 70 craft beers to sample. Wine also available, plus restaurant fare and food trucks. Proceeds benefit Grove Heritage Association.

What else you need to know: VIP tickets get you in one hour early. For more information, visit thegrovecraftbeerfest.com.

**AUG. 8-9**

**ART AT THE GLEN**
Glen Town Center, 1800 Patriot Blvd.
11 a.m.-6 p.m.
What it is: Outdoor marketplace filled with art from more than 185 juried artists, as well as artist demonstrations, food, music and fun for kids.

What else you need to know: One lucky winner will receive Art Buck$, valid at several area art festivals.

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**GRAYS LAKE**

**MAY 30**

**CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL**
Whitney Street, downtown
1-5 p.m.
What it is: Third annual showcase of more than 40 craft beers, with food pairings from area restaurants.

What else you need to know: Proceeds benefit scholarship funds offered by the Chamber of Commerce and Exchange Club. Those purchasing VIP tickets get early admission. For more information, visit grayslakebeerfest.com.

**JUNE 13**

**ARTS FESTIVAL**
Whitney Street, downtown
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
What it is: More than 60 Midwestern artists exhibit and sell works in a wide variety of media. Family entertainment and delicious food round out the day.

What else you need to know: Kids' activities and a high school art display offer more family fun. For more information, call 847-223-6888 or visit grayslakechamber.com.

**JUNE 27**

**TASTE OF GRAYS LAKE**
Central Park, Lake Street (between Washington and Center)
What it is: A taste of local eateries, live entertainment, moonwalk, rides, face painting, obstacle course, climbing wall and more.

What else you need to know: Fireworks at dusk.

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The Wonder Lake Water Ski Show Team is not only one of the best show ski teams in the country, it's also a world-class ski team. One thing that makes it so spectacular is the ability of skiers and 'support' personnel to work together like a finely tuned engine. Another measure of the team's ability is the sum of its parts - the individual ability of the performers on the team.

In the latter regard, the standard is so high that six members of the Wonder Lake Water Ski Show Team were named to the U.S.A. Team. They will compete in the International Waterski and Wakeboard Federation's second world competition Friday through Sunday, Sept. 12-14, in Janesville, Wis.

"Having the Wonder Lake ski team here is like having the Bulls, Bears and the 1952 Hebron High School Basketball team (the giant-slaying small team that won the state finals) rolled into one," said Janet Domrase, with Ringwood-based Aldens Kennels and a staunch supporter of the team.

The world competition, planned for every two years, was first held in 2012. The U.S.A. Team won that event. The other competitors are China, Belgium, Australia and Canada.

The six members of the Wonder Lake Water Ski Show Team named to the U.S.A. Team are Jarret Graff, Jayson Rishling, Jordon Shulda, Ank Lebda and, husband and wife, Kim and Dan Hansen.

"The Midwest is basically the water ski capital of the world," said Graff.

He said that all six members of the Wonder Lake Water Ski Show Team that were named to the U.S.A. Team were born and raised in Wonder Lake. In a sense, that makes Wonder Lake a source of some of the world's best skiers.

The Wonder Lake Water Ski Show Team finished fifth recently at the nationals while giving what Graff described as one of its best performances of the year.

"We skied a great show," he said. "Jayson Rishling won the top male skier award of the tournament and we won the national jump team award for the second year in a row."

The Wonder Lake Water Ski Show Team won the nationals in 1996, 2001, 2002 and 2010. They've finished in the top five nationally every year since 1995. This was the team's 55th year.

Graff has donned skis in the past. This year, however, he was in the boat pulling the skiers.

His ability in that capacity exemplifies the team aspect of their performances. The 'support' staff is also an integral part of the team.

Domrase also spoke highly of the 'support' staff, from Graff in the boat to those who hand created the outfits worn by the skiers.

"They have magnificent costumes," she said. "They put a lot of effort into that. They work so hard in every way to make this team wonderful. Sending six from Wonder Lake to the U.S.A. Team is a well-deserved reward for all that effort."

Domrase said she expects the U.S.A. Team to have another strong showing this year. She said the Wonder Lake skiers, part of a 35-member U.S.A. Team, will be a big part of that.
The Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum Driving Experience will be held Aug. 22-23.

Automobile museum showcases exciting rides

The Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum, a National Historic Landmark accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, welcomes visitors from more than 40 countries each year.

Located in the original 1930s headquarters of the Auburn Automobile Co. in Auburn, Indiana, over 120 classic, antique, vintage and special interest cars are displayed on three floors alongside other automotive-related exhibits.

"The Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum has put together a really fun and exciting calendar of events for 2015," says Kendra Klink, the museum's chief operating officer. "This year is going to be an exciting one at the museum. Not only is staff busy updating our Raisbeck Engineering Hall of Technology and placing touch-screen information kiosks throughout the museum to enhance visitor experiences, but we are also starting construction on our outdoor Education & Exhibit Plaza to be completed by September 2015."

One of the most talked about programs this year is the museum's Driving Experience, which supports nonprofit educational programs. The sixth annual Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum Driving Experience will take place on Aug. 22-23 at the Autobahn Country Club in Joliet.

"This event accommodates a wide variety of cars and drivers — from those who have never participated in a track event to the experienced who have attended professional driving schools," Klink says. "This fundraising event invites participants to experience the unrestricted enjoyment of an automobile and enjoy the camaraderie of others who share a love for cars."

The museum, according to functions manager Alyssa Miller, creates a family-friendly educational environment for each visitor and has developed formal education study programs for students in grades 1-12. Each of the programs available for teachers meets Indiana academic standards for study trips in areas including science, technology, engineering, art, math and more.

"The students' experience is sometimes the first and only opportunity they have to visit a formal museum," Miller says. Events like the Driving Experience and study trips help the museum fulfill its mission to preserve, interpret and create a passion for Auburn, Cord, and Duesenberg automobiles and their heritage of innovation, influence, design, and competition.

"The story told throughout the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum is one of history, entrepreneurship, leadership, craftsmanship, community, design, ingenuity, business savvy and triumph," says Miller. "It resulted in some of the most beautiful rolling sculptures."

The museum is open from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, with last admission ending one hour before closing. Discounts are available for groups and banquet rentals.

For more information about the museum or the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum Driving Experience, call 260-925-1444 or visit automobilemuseum.org.
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Tasty treats for the summer

For kids and many adults as well, summertime is all about fun — and popcorn and candy go hand in hand.

The Popcorn Factory Store, 13970 W. Laurel Drive, Lake Forest, has all the special treats needed to enhance your sum¬mer. Sandy McGonagle, store manager, can help you select a host of goodies this season — from multiple flavors of popcorn to gourmet decorated butter cookies, chocolate Rice Krispies treats, chips and salsa, chocolate pretzels and more.

“We also have a popcorn ball decorating kit, a yummy activity for kids that’s perfect for parties,” McGonagle says.

The kit features eight of the store’s secret recipe popcorn balls and a palette of decorating candies with Smarties, Mini Grahams, Tootsie Rolls, candy corn, candy eyes, licorice bridge mix and caramel corn. The kit also includes two candy writing “glue” tubes.

The Popcorn Factory Store also will feature its Chicago style hot dog-flavored popcorn for the summer as well as special Major League Baseball popcorn tins featuring the Chicago White Sox and Chicago Cubs. Other special summer treats will be introduced later this spring.

Area residents love stopping by the Popcorn Factory Store to pick up treats for special occasions or just something to bring home for the family to snack on.

“The Popcorn Factory Store is an amazing gift to the Lake Forest area and my family,” says Lori Young, who was the store’s first customer back in 2008. “They have fantastic treats that can be used for all occasions. No matter your budget, the Popcorn Factory Store has something for you.”

Beth Dancy, another loyal customer, agrees. “I really enjoy shopping at the Popcorn Factory Store,” Dancy says. “The products are always fresh and displayed in an attractive manner. I love the staff as they are friendly and helpful.”

The Popcorn Factory Store features special Fun Days on the second Friday and Saturday each month from June through August. These events could include crafts, a giveaway, a game or special treats.

Also look for the store’s booth at the Lake County Fair at 1060 E. Peterson Road, Grayslake, July 29-Aug. 2.

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“This will be our third year going. We’ll have a booth featuring a variety of treats — from 10 different flavors of popcorn to cookies, Rice Krispies Treats and candy,” McGonagle says.

If you’re sending your child to camp this year, don’t forget to pick up camp treats at the Popcorn Factory Store. The Survival Kit has everything your child needs to keep happy while at camp. The store also offers individual bags of popcorn in a variety of flavors including butter, cheese, caramel, sea salt, almond pecan, and cinnamon.

If you’re looking for something fun for Dad or Grandpa on Father’s Day, the Popcorn Factory Store’s treats make the perfect gift, too.

Part of the 1-800-Flowers Family of Brands, the Popcorn Factory franchise has been around for more than 30 years, offering an impressive collection of crowd-pleasing gifts and great-tasting snacks, McGonagle says.

For more information, visit the Facebook Page at Facebook.com/ThePopcornFactoryStore or sign up to receive text messages by texting T845 to 36000.
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6/14/15
7PM
Ray Live! A Tribute to the Legendary Ray Charles
Part of the Fourth Annual National Piano Conference

6/26/15
8PM
Paula Poundstone
Part of Raue Center’s Summer Comedy Series

6/27/15
7PM
Kurt Bestor & the Songs of Disney & More
Part of Raue Center’s Summer Comedy Series

6/28/15
7PM
Purley Ragtime Piano
Part of the Fourth Annual National Piano Conference

7/10-8/2/15
7PM
Beehive: The 60s Musical
Presented by Williams Street Repertory

7/12/15
7PM
Tim Meadows
Part of Raue Center’s Summer Comedy Series

8/28/15
8:30PM
Lucy’s Comedy Cafe
The Ever-Popular Comedy Series Returns

8/29/15
8PM
Heartache Tonight
A Tribute to the Eagles

9/11-9/12/15
8PM
Second Annual Rauteoberfest
A Nod to the Traditional Oktoberfest Celebration

9/19/15
8PM
Dwyer Legacy Concert
With Back Home Again: A John Denver Tribute & ESO

9/20/15
8PM
Nothin’ Up My Sleeve 13
The Annual Magic Show Returns Better Than Ever

9/25/15
8PM
The Irish House Party
Dublin’s Darlings Return

10/9-11/1/15
7PM
Gypsy
Presented by Williams Street Repertory
Many of Park Ridge’s 37,000 residents take advantage of programs, special events and happenings that the park district provides. Ample leisure and recreation opportunities, that promote health, wellness and enjoyment, have always been included in the Park Ridge Park District’s overall ethos.

The Park District offers hundreds of classes, special events, summer camps and programs for residents of all ages and abilities. Margaret Holler, the district’s manager of marketing and public relations, says that the below events and programs are not to be missed.

**July 3rd Fireworks Celebration**
Friday, July 3
Starting at 6:30 p.m.
Maine East High School, 2601 Dempster St.
Claim your spot early for the fireworks. Bring a picnic, relax and enjoy a DJ and children’s entertainment from 6:30-8 p.m. Live music entertainment begins at 8 p.m. while you are waiting for the fireworks to begin. This event is made possible through the collaboration of the Park Ridge Park District, City of Park Ridge and School District 207.

**Summer Family Carnival**
4-10 p.m., Thursday, July 23
4-10:30 p.m., Friday, July 24
Noon-1 p.m., Saturday, July 25
Noon-10 p.m., Sunday, July 26
Hinkle Park, 25 Busse Highway
The ultimate summer experience takes place at the Summer Family Carnival — thrilling rides for all ages, games, delicious food and laughter. A performance by 7th heaven goes from 7-8:30 p.m. Sunday. Wristbands are available for your best deal on rides or you can purchase the Mega Pass, which is good for the entire weekend.

**Country Farm Fair**
Saturday, Aug. 1
Noon-3 p.m.
Wildwood Nature Center, 529 Forestview
It’s a day down on the farm in Park Ridge. Pet cows, chickens and goats in the petting zoo, which will feature more than 20 animals. Head out on a hayride through Wildwood for just 50 cents, then saddle up on a pony ride for $5.

“Everyone has a rootin’ tootin’ good time at this event,” says Wildwood Nature Center supervisor Jennifer Clauson. “Families can also play bingo, watch pig races and participate in fun contests like potato sack races, tug of war and a water balloon toss.”

**Facilities and programs**
Get outdoors this summer and experience hiking, fishing and nature exploration. The Wildwood Nature Center is the best place to do just that.

“Hike through the colors of the prairie, down the trails and around the pond,” says Holler. “Fish our catch-and-release pond stocked with largemouth bass; head out to a shallow sloping area of the pond and scoop your net into the water to find snails, tadpoles and other creatures that call our pond home; and, for your young nature lovers, the Park Ridge Park District offers a nature camp in addition to the traditional camp options.”

When we think of summer, we think of swimming. And there’s no better place to swim than at the new Centennial Aquatic Center, featuring a zero-depth entry pool, water walk, body slides, an eight-lane lap pool, diving boards and tot pool. The Aquatic Center offers swim lessons, a new swim team and fun events such as the Party on the Fourth of July and the Summer Luau on Sunday, Aug. 9.

“The Park District also offers a full range of programs, early childhood through senior adult, throughout the summer,” says Holler. “Sports, dance, art, gymnastics, ice skating, golf lessons — there is something for everyone.”
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Boom! Fireworks safety

If you were planning on having a big fireworks party in your backyard this summer, think again.

Fireworks are illegal to sell, purchase and use in the state of Illinois — and that includes ones brought in from Indiana. Illinois’ Pyrotechnic Use Act says that everything is completely off limits except for sparklers, smoke and punk devices, snakes or glow worm pellets, or non-fireworks noisemakers such as Party Poppers.

"Prior to using these items, be sure to check your local jurisdiction’s law and municipal codes regarding fireworks to ensure you are not breaking the law," says Northbrook Fire Chief Jose Torres.

Torres says these rules and regulations are set in place to prevent injuries such as burns, cuts, lacerations and eye injuries.

"If you are going to use legal devices in your holiday celebration, keep the following in mind," says Torres.

- Obey all local laws regarding legal fireworks devices.
- Always read and follow the directions on the label of the materials being used.
- Use goggles and gloves when lighting devices.
- Always have an adult present when handling and using the devices.
- Never give, or let young children use these devices, not even sparklers — which can reach temperatures of 1,200 F.
- Use legal devices in a safe outdoors area, away from houses, wooded areas and dry grass areas.
- Do not ignite or use devices near flammable or combustible materials (near gasoline cans or trash areas).
- Have a 5 gallon bucket of water and/or a charged garden hose with nozzle nearby.
- Remain a safe distance away from sparks and heat.
- Never reignite a device that does not light the first time or one that has been used.
- Never carry firework devices in your pocket or on your person.
- Keep pets indoors or away when using devices.
- Never discharge devices in glass or metal containers.
- Dispose of used and spent products by wetting thoroughly and placing in a metal trash can away from combustible materials.

And, of course, in case of an emergency call 911 and let the operator know you are reporting a fire or medical emergency regarding a firework device.

If an accident does occur, after you dial 911 you may need to provide first aid. Torres suggests applying clean cold water immediately to burns; do not apply any ointments or salves. For cuts or lacerations, provide clean cold water, dry the area, apply a dressing and elevate or provide direct pressure to control bleeding. For eye injuries, rinse with clean water, cover with a dry clean dressing and don’t remove impaled objects or particles from the eye — leave it to the professionals.
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JUNE 23, JULY 7 and 21, AUG. 4
CHILDREN'S CONCERT SERIES
Viking Park Bandshell, 4374 Old Grand Ave.
10:30-11:15 a.m.
What it is: Kids get hoppin' while the music's rockin'.
What else you need to know: Free admission. For more information, visit gurneeparkdistrict.com.

JUNE 25, JULY 9 and 23
SOUNDS OF SUMMER
Viking Park Bandshell, 4374 Old Grand Ave.
7 p.m.
What it is: Outdoor music.
What else you need to know: Free admission. For more information, visit gurneeparkdistrict.com.

AUG. 6-9
GURNEE DAYS
Viking Park, 4374 Old Grand Ave.
10 a.m.-9:45 p.m. Thursday; 8 am-10 p.m. Friday; 7 am-11 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday.
What it is: Four days of family fun with a bicycle rodeo, entertainment, farmers market, Gurnee Idol, golf tournament, rides, 10K race, baby contest, rib fest and eating contest, fireworks, pancake breakfast, parade, car show, petting zoo, and pony rides.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit gurnee.il.us/gurnee_days.

HARWOOD HEIGHTS

JULY 9-12
ISLAND IN THE CITY FESTIVAL
4631 N. Overhill Ave.
8-10 p.m. Thursday; 9-11 p.m. Friday; 1-11 p.m. Saturday; 1-10 p.m. Sunday.
What it is: Live music, rides and food. Sponsored by the Norridge Park District.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit islandinthecity.com.

HIGHLAND PARK

MAY 31
NORTH SHORE CLASSIC HALF MARATHON AND 5K
Park Avenue and St. Johns
7 a.m.
What it is: Challenge yourself on this course running through town.
What else you need to know: For more details and to register, visit northshoreclassic.com

FRIDAYS, JUNE 5-26, AND SATURDAY, JULY 4
BITTER JESTER BATTLE OF THE BANDS
Port Clinton Square, 600 Central Ave.
8:30 p.m.
What it is: Bands complete for the right to call themselves Grand Champion! Grand Finale concert at Wolters Field just before the fireworks.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit bitterjester.com.

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Palatine Park District's 28th annual Sounds of the Summer Concert Series has something for everyone - from the ever-popular American English Beatles tribute band and Billy Elton, to the Palatine Children's Chorus and a Band Called Catch.

The district also offers families plenty of ways to cool off in the water at its three aquatic centers, golf programs for children and adults at the Palatine Hills Golf Course, and a plethora of other summer offerings.

Sounds of summer
The concert series features a variety of free live musical entertainment June 10-Aug. 14. There will be 10 main stage concerts at the Fred P. Hall Amphitheater, 262 E. Palatine Road; five Thursday evening concerts that make up the Towne Square Spotlight Series and feature local acts on the stage at 150 W. Palatine Road; as well as three Friday afternoon shows that are part of the Friday Family Picnic Series, also at Towne Square.

The main stage concert series kicks off at 8 p.m. June 10 with the Palatine Concert Band, which will also perform two other shows at 8 p.m. July 8 and July 10. American English, one of the top Beatles tribute bands in the Midwest, will perform 8 p.m. June 12. Band Called Catch performs at 8 p.m. June 19 and Billy Elton at 8 p.m. July 10.

"It really does run the gamut. We offer something for everyone," says Joan Scovic, the park district's marketing manager.

Ewenjone into the pool
The district offers aquatic fun from large slides and drop slides to wading areas for children at Birchwood Pool, 435 W. Illinois Ave.; Eagle Pool, 1425 N. Oak St.; and Family Aquatic Center, 340 E. Palatine Road. The district also provides swim lessons, scuba lessons, water polo and a host of other aquatic programs.

Fore!
The 18-hole Palatine Golf Course, 512 W. Northwest Highway, offers a wide range of programs including Skyhawks Golf Camp for children ages 5-9, and a Ladies Only Golf Clinic for $15 from 5:30-8 p.m. May 29.

The district also is expanding its golf programs for couples this year from three to five.

For more information, visit palatineparks.org.
Lake Zurich's summer calendar heats up as the Park and Recreation Department continues to enrich the quality of life for the community through fun events.

“It's vital to remember that we exist as a department to serve the community,” says Bonnie Caputo, recreation supervisor. “Whether it's through our staff, programs, parks, events or other services, our residents and their experiences always come first.”

Make sure these events are on your calendar:

Farmers Market, 3-7 p.m. Fridays, June 12-Sept. 15 — This has been a big hit. “Over 900 people attended each week with more than 30 food vendors and children's activities,” Caputo says.

Movies in the Park, June-August — This event premiered last summer and the department hopes the open-air films will be just as big a hit this season.

Fourth of July — This celebration at Paulus Park is no newcomer to the scene and always proves to be a can’t-miss event.

Chili Cook Off, Saturday, July 18 — This delicious event returns as a result of resident feedback, Caputo says.

Blue & You, Friday, Aug. 7 — A new event that will focus on positive relationships between youth and the Lake Zurich Police Department.

Rock the Block, 5 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Sept. 12 — Now in its third year, this downtown event will feature three live bands for an evening of music, food and fun. Young partygoers will enjoy face painting and balloon art.

“We are constantly looking for community feedback and volunteer assistance with all events and programs,” says Caputo, including the Craft Beer Event in October. For more information, visit the Park and Recreation Department section at lakezurich.org or call 847-438-5146 and request that a copy of the summer program brochure be mailed to you so you don’t miss a thing.
HIGHLAND PARK (continued)

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JUNE 27-28
FESTIVAL OF FINE ART
The Art Center of Highland Park, 1957 Sheridan Road
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
What it is: Works created in ceramics, fiber, glass and more, plus family activities, live entertainment and food.
What else you need to know: See art in the making at the live art demonstrations.

JULY 4
FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION
What it is: Past events have included a children's bike and pet parade, Independence Day parade, Fourth Fest, concert and fireworks.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit cityhpil.com.

AUG. 28-30
TASTE OF HIGHLAND PARK
Port Clinton Square, 600 Central Ave.
What it is: Held in conjunction with the Port Clinton Art Festival Aug. 29-30, this weekend food, art and music. A kids category lets budding artists express their creativity, and there are plenty of family activities.
What else you need to know: Kick-off is 5 p.m. Friday, with entertainment on the Taste stage continuing all weekend. Free parking and admission.

LAKE BLUFF

JULY 25
Lake Bluff Criterium and Block Party
Downtown Lake Bluff
10 a.m.-8 p.m. Bike race
4-11 p.m. block party
What it is: The Intelligentsia Cup Prairie State Cycling series returns to Lake Bluff with intense racing in downtown Lake Bluff. The block party follows featuring food from local restaurants and music provided by area talent.
What you need to know: Visit lakebluffcriterium.com.

JULY 4
FESTIVAL AND FIREWORKS
Deepth Community Park, 400 Hastings Road
6-10 p.m.
What it is: Food, music and fireworks.
What else you need to know: Admission is $15 for Lake Bluff/Lake Forest residents, $20 for nonresidents. Paid parking. VIP tickets and Family VIP pack tickets available. Visit cityoflakeforest.com/events/festival-fireworks.

LAKE FOREST

AUG. 5
LAKE FOREST DAY 5K FUN RUN
Deepth Community Park, 400 Hastings Road
7 a.m.
What it is: 5K run/walk and a kids club with supervision and age-appropriate events. All participants receive a souvenir T-shirt. Awards will be presented to the top male and female participants in each age group.
What else you need to know: Runners are strongly encouraged to pre-register at the Recreation Center.

Zion Park District

2015 Concert in the Park Series
Thursday evenings from June 18 thru July 30
beginning at 7:00pm at the Zion Park District Band Shell, located immediately adjacent to the Leisure Center, 2400 Dowie Memorial Dr., Zion, IL

June 18 - Soda
June 25 - White Saddle Band
July 2 - FullScore Chamber Orchestra
July 9 - The New Invaders
July 16 - West Side Winders
July 23 - R-Gang
July 30 - Five Guys Named Moe

Zion Park District's 4th of July Festivities
A day full of concerts, games, and fun activities in Shiloh Park!
- Little League Mustang, Bronco and Pony All-Star Games
- 4th Annual Fishing Derby at Shiloh Lagoon (Near the Bridge)
- Pony Rides and Petting Zoo
- Free Throw & Three Point Shooting Competition
- 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament
- Food Booths, Fun Fair Games, and Kiddle Rides
- Variety of Concerts
- Spectacular Fireworks Display at 9:30pm!
(Sponsored by the City of Zion)

Shape Up for Summer!
at the Lakeview Fitness Center
700 Lakeview Parkway, Vernon Hills 847.996.6330
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Kids 5-12 years
Mighty Kids Triathlon
MAY 31 8am-12pm
SWIM
5-8 yrs .... 25 yards
9-12 yrs ... 50 yards
BIKE
5-8 yrs ...... 1 mile
9-12 yrs .... 2 miles
RUN
5-8 yrs ....... 1/2 mile
9-12 yrs ... 1 mile

Fee includes t-shirt, goody bag, refreshments & awards.
Registration Deadline MAY 25

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Chamber to celebrate centennial

This is a special year for the Lake Zurich Area Chamber of Commerce as it celebrates its centennial.

Commemoration of the chamber's 100 years will be the theme of the ninth annual Taste of the Towns event 3-7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23, at Paulus Park in Lake Zurich.

Taste of the Towns is the chamber's largest event of the year. This year's Taste of the Towns will feature up to 25 vendors from throughout the region serving samples, or "tastes," of some of their signature fare.

"It's a family-focused event that highlights our local food and beverage establishments," says Dale Perrin, executive director of the Lake Zurich Area Chamber of Commerce.

Menu booklets available in advance for $35 allow attendees to receive a "taste" from every participating food and beverage vendor. There also will be live family entertainment and games for the children. The YMCA will bring out its climbing wall and Casten Auto Body will again be featuring its popular "Paint the Car" exhibit for children.

A special part of this year's Taste will be the recreation of some of the games held at "The Grand Labor Day Celebration," an event held by the Lake Zurich Business Association 100 years ago.

"Details are still being finalized, but we're planning to have some games and activities that were popular 100 years ago," Perrin says. Some of these could include everything from a pig chasing game and a rooster race to a hat-trimming contest for men.

For more information, visit tasteofthetowns.com.
LAKE ZURICH

JUNE 20
COLOR VIBE 5K
Paulus Park, 200 S. Rand Road
9 a.m.
What it is: Runners get decked out in their brightest colors for this event. Kids 1-12 register free with a paid adult. Stick around after the race for the Color Party.
What else you need to know: Save and sign up a team. For more information, visit thecolorvibe.com/chicago.php.

AUG. 23
TASTE OF THE TOWNS
Paulus Park, 200 S. Rand Road
3-7 p.m.
What it is: Local restaurants, wineries and breweries serve samples. Live music on stage, with picnic and pavilion seating.
What else you need to know: Purchase a Tasting Menu for a sampling from each vendor. The Tasting Menu may be shared, but there is just one tasting per vendor. Bring your own chairs and blankets.

LIBERTYVILLE

MAY 31
CAR AND BIKE SHOW
Lambs Farm, 14245 Rockland Road
10 a.m.-3 p.m.
What it is: Third annual show for car, truck and motorcycle lovers. Enjoy music, raffles and more. Prizes awarded.
What else you need to know: Event free for spectators. Registration for participants: $15 donation to Lambs Farm by May 28 or $20 at the gate. For more information, visit lambsfarm.org.

JUNE 5, JULY 3, SEPT. 4
FIRST FRIDAYS ON MAIN STREET
Downtown
6-9 p.m.
What it is: Stores stay open late with special events, music and refreshments — or enjoy a meal at the eclectic selection of eateries.
What else you need to know: For more information, call 847-680-0336 or visit mainstreetlibertyville.org.

JUNE 21
FATHER’S DAY BRUNCH
Lambs Farm, 14245 Rockland Road
10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.
What it is: Treat Dad to a feast on his special day. Brunch is $24.95 for adults, $10.95 for ages 2-12, and free for 23 months and younger.
What else you need to know: Reservations advised; call 847-362-5050.

JUNE 24, JULY 15, AUG. 19
CAR FUN ON 21
Church Street, downtown
6 to 9 p.m.
What it is: Cars 25 years or older in mint condition line the street while a band plays on.
What else you need to know: Owners are happy to answer questions about their beauties.

JULY 11
GARDEN WALK
Various locations
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
What it is: Self-guided tour of private gardens takes place rain or shine.
What else you need to know: Download map at gcicil.com.

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JULY 10-12
GREEK FEST
St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 1400 N. O'Plaine Road
11 a.m.-11 p.m.
What it is: Greek fest features lamb on a spit, shish kebabs, gyros and spinach pie.
What else you need to know: Don't miss the chance to explore the fifth-century designed Byzantine church.
AUG. 1
MAINSWEET DESSERT WALK
Milwaukee Avenue, downtown Libertyville
1-4 p.m.
What it is: Taking a walk has never been more sweet. Participating shops and restaurants serve up tasting portions of delectable goodies.
What else you need to know: Purchase tickets for $15 in Cook Park during the David Adler Festival of the Arts.

AUG. 1-2
FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
Cook Park, downtown
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
What it is: Presented by the David Adler Music and Arts Center, this 35th annual event showcases works by more than 70 artists, while a youth display gives those 18 or younger a chance to exhibit their talents.
What else you need to know: Don't forget to have a snack and enjoy some live music while you browse the artwork.

MAY 25
MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY
Spring Lake Park, 49 Oxford Drive
10 a.m.
What it is: The village turns out for this annual remembrance of its veterans.
What else you need to know: For more information, call 847-913-2363 or visit village.lincolnshire.il.us.

JULY 3-4
RED, WHITE & BOOM — ADVENTURE IN LINCOLNSHIRE!
Spring Lake Park, 49 Oxford Drive
What it is: Live entertainment, food and beer tent, carnival games, classic car show, pancake feast, 5K run, Fourth of July parade, Cardboard Boat Regatta, zip lining, pony rides, and fireworks.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit lincolnshirecommunity.org.

AUG. 15-16
LINCOLNSHIRE ART FESTIVAL
Village Green, Milwaukee Avenue and Olde Half Day Road
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
What it is: Juried artists offer fine art and crafts in a variety of media, plus live music, food — and activities for kids, including an art scavenger hunt and spin art.
What else you need to know: Festival-goers can contribute to a mural on-site. For more information, visit amdurproductions.com/lincolnshire-art-festival/.

MAY 25
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND FESTIVITIES
Corner of Cicero and Pratt avenues
10:20 a.m.
What it is: Come honor our nation's heroes.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit lincolnwoodil.org.

JUNE 4-JULY 30
SUMMER CONCERT SERIES
Next to Proesel Family Aquatic Center, 7055 Kostner Ave.
LINCOLNWOOD (continued)

6-8:30 p.m.
What it is: On Thursday evenings, the Lincolnwood Summer Concert Series offers a variety of free musical entertainment and fun free family activities. Highlights of the series include Chicago’s premier party band, Final Say on June 25 and top tribute band ABBA Salute on July 9.

What else you need to know: Free bingo and activities for kids begin at 6 p.m. and the concerts follow at 7 p.m. Proesel Park features an open green space with a grove of trees that shades the lawn in front of the music tent during the evening. Picnic tables are available. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets are encouraged for attendees to enjoy a meal and non-alcoholic refreshments. Food and drinks are also available for purchase at the concession stand. For a complete lineup of bands and activities, check out recreation.lwd.org or call 847-677-9740.

AUG. 6 MOVIE IN THE PARK — “BACK TO THE FUTURE”
Centennial Park, 6801 McCormick Blvd.
8:30 p.m.
What it is: Head out to the park for a free movie under the stars. The family-friendly movie on the big screen will begin at dusk.

What else you need to know: The movie will begin at 8:30 p.m. and end at approximately 10:30 p.m. Bring blankets, lawn chairs, food and non-alcoholic refreshments. For more information, visit recreation.lwd.org or call 847-677-9740.

MORTON GROVE

JULY 2-4
MORTON GROVE DAYS
Harrar Park, 6250 Dempster
4-11 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 2:30-9:45 p.m. Saturday
What it is: Three-day holiday celebration with carnival rides, food court, beer garden, parade and fireworks finale.

What else you need to know: Parade kicks off 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Dempster and Central.

JUNE 6
CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL
Time TBA
Tighthead Brewery Parking Lot, 161 N. Archer Ave.
What it is: Fourth annual beer fest invites other local breweries to offer samples of their craft brews. Also live music, food. Tickets are $35 in advance, $40 day of the event, and include a souvenir glass.

What else you need to know: Designated driver tickets available. For more information, call 847-970-9174 or visit tighthead-brewing.com/mundelein-craft-beer-festival.

2ND WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 10-SEP. 9
PARK ON PARK CRUISE NIGHT
469 N. Seymour Ave.
6-9 p.m.

What it is: Entertainment and classic cars. Travel back in time surrounded by pre-1977 automobiles.

What else you need to know: Bring your appetite — there’s food, too.

JULY 2-5
COMMUNITY DAYS
Hawley Street
What it is: Four days filled with music, food, a car show, carnival and family activities.

What else you need to know: The parade on July 5 starts at 2 p.m. and goes down Hawley Street from the Village Hall to the high school. For more information, call 847-949-3223.

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JULY 4
FREEDOM CLASSIC 5K AND FUN WALK
Keith Mione Community Park, 1401 N. Midlothian Road
8 a.m.
What it is: Challenge yourself by going for the gold in this event.
Free half-mile run for kids ages 4-10 (each participant receives a medal, no registration required).
What else you need to know: Sign up before July 1 and save $5; after
July 1, registration costs $35. For more information, visit mundeleinparks.org.

JULY 11
GARDEN WALK
Vanous locations
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
What it is: Self-guided tour of private gardens takes place rain or shine.
What else you need to know: Download the map at gcicil.com.

NILES

JUNE 6
BIKE NILES
Gemini Junior High School parking lot, 8955 N. Greenwood
9 a.m.-noon
What it is: Last year's event offered three bike courses based on age and experience, plus entertainment.
What else you need to know: This year, Niles unveils its first marked bike path. For more information, call 847-967-6633 or visit niles-parks.org.

JULY 4
FOURTH OF JULY PARADE AND CELEBRATION
Notre Dame College Prep to Grennan Heights Park
9 a.m.
What it is: The parade begins at Notre Dame, 7655 W. Dempster, and winds down at Grennan Heights Park, 8255 N. Oketo Ave. where the park district will have plenty of festivities to mark the holiday.
What else you need to know: The parade features bands from across the country, as well as local groups. For more information, call 847-967-6633 or visit niles-parks.org.

NORRIDGE

JULY 9-12
ISLAND IN THE CITY FESTIVAL
4631 N. Overhill Ave., Harwood Heights
8-10 p.m. Thursday; 9-11 p.m. Friday; 1-11 p.m. Saturday; 1-10 p.m. Sunday
What it is: Musical lineup of terrific bands, rides and food make this one of the best summer festivals around. Sponsored by the Norridge Park District.
What else you need to know: Complete entertainment schedule at islandinthecity.com.

NORTHBROOK

JUNE 5
ROCK THE GREEN
Village Green Park, corner of Shermer and Meadow roads
6-9 p.m.
What it is: Talented young musicians perform and compete at this battle of North Shore bands.
What else you need to know: This is the sixth year for this event, which is free to spectators.

WEDNESDAYS JUNE 17-OCT. 14
FARMERS MARKET
Cherry Lane and Meadow Road
7 a.m.-1 p.m.
What it is: Selection of fresh, high-quality produce and other
locally made items.
What else you need to know: Sponsored by the Northbrook Farmers Market Association. For more information, visit northbrookfarmersmarket.org.

JULY 18-19
ART IN THE PARK
Village Green Park, corner of Shermer and Meadow roads
What it is: Fine arts festival featuring works by more than 70 artists from across the U.S., plus live music, children's activities, young artists' exhibit and food.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit emevents.com.

AUG. 5-9
NORTHBROOK DAYS
Village Green Park, corner of Shermer and Meadow roads
What it is: This year's festival promises to go "Green for '15" with the best in entertainment, rides, food and family fun.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit northbrookdays.com.

PARK RIDGE
SATURDAYS, MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND THROUGH OCTOBER
FARMERS MARKET
15 Prairie Ave.
7 a.m.-1 p.m.
What it is: Fresh produce from area farmers. Past events have included knife sharpening and guest vendors.
What else you need to know: This event takes place rain or shine. For more information, visit parkridgefarmersmarket.com.

JUNE 28
GARDEN WALK
Various locations
2-6 p.m.
What it is: 21st annual tour of beautiful gardens, with light refreshments and a raffle at select locations. Pick up a map of sites when purchasing tickets.
What else you need to know: Advance tickets are $10; $15 day of the walk at any of the gardens. Children under 10 free. For more information, visit parkridgegardenclub.org.

JULY 3-4
FOURTH OF JULY FESTIVITIES
Maine East High School, 2601 Dempster St.
What it is: Annual fireworks display at dusk on July 3; Kiwanis Club hosts the kiddie parade on July 4.
What else you need to know: For more information, visit parkridge.us.

JULY 18-19
TASTE OF PARK RIDGE
Various locations
11 a.m.-10:30 p.m. Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday
What it is: Experience some of the best food the town has to offer. Nobody leaves hungry. Stick around for the live musical entertainment and family fun zone.
What else you need to know: For more information, call 847-567-3326 or visit tasteofparkridge.com.

SKOKIE
JUNE 3-AUG. 19
WEDNESDAYS ON THE GREEN
Village Green, 5187 Oakton St.
7 p.m.
What it is: Musical groups and family entertainers offer weekly summer fun.
What else you need to know: Shows move inside the public library's auditorium in case of bad weather.

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12 obstacles—the Shoe Monster, Swamp, Sewer Falls and more—to tease, tempt and even humiliate! Lone warriors, merry teams of challengers or families who love thrills and spills are welcome!

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JUNE 14-OCT. 25
FARMERS MARKET
Village Hall parking lot,
5127 Oakton St.
7:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
What it is: Vendors from four states sell fresh fruits and veggies, cheeses and flowers.
What else you need to know: Market is now in its 25th year. For more

VERNON HILLS

MAY 31
MIGHTY KIDS TRIATHLON
Lakeview Fitness Center,
700 Lakeview Parkway
8 a.m.-noon
What it is: Swim, bike and run event for kids ages 5-12, starting at the Fitness Center indoor pool.
What else you need to know: Kids compete in heats by age group and receive a T-shirt, goody bag, refreshments and awards.

SATURDAYS, JUNE-SEPTEMBER
FRENCH MARKET
Metra parking lot, 75 E. Route 45
8 a.m.-1 p.m.
What it is: Local vendors bring unique products to this outdoor market, including "grab and go" items.
What else you need to know: This is a great place to find the perfect ingredients for a special dinner or picnic lunch.

PARADE AND ENTERTAINMENT
Deerpath Drive south of Route 60 and Century Park, north of Route 60 on Lakeview Parkway

WAUCONDA

JUNE 25-28
WAUCONDA FEST
Cook Park, 600 N. Main St.
5-10 p.m. Thursday; 5 p.m.-midnight Friday; noon-midnight Saturday; noon-9 p.m. Sunday
What it is: Rides, Taste of Wauconda, wine tasting, tie-dye tent, car show, 5K/10K race, Texas Hold’em.
What else you need to know: The $3 admission fee good for all four days. For more information, visit waucondaparks.org/wauconda-fest.
Waukegan

MAY 29-30
SCOOP THE LAKE
Waukegan Yacht Club,
199 N. Harbor Place
6-10 p.m. Friday; noon-10 p.m.
Saturday
What it is: Event kicks off with Fri-
day pre-party and continues all day
and night on Saturday with sailing,
a poker run and after-party at Green
town Tavern.
What else you need to know: Non-
sailors can sign up to be on
a crew at the pre-party. For more
information, call 847-623-4188.

JUNE 28
AMERICAN
INDEPENDENCE PARADE AND
FESTIVAL
Sheridan Road to Bowen Park,
downtown
1-5 p.m.
What it is: Follow the parade from
Franklin and Sheridan to Bowen
Park, then enjoy the afternoon at the
petting zoo, pony rides, skate expo
and musical artists.
What else you need to know: A
program featuring American music
will be presented from 3-5 p.m.

JUNE 4
Wind Gypsies
Rock & tribute trio

JUNE 11
SUMMERFEST
Village Center, 1200 Wilmette Ave.
9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Saturday
What it is: Classic car show, live
music, fun for kids, food and a beer
garden.
What else you need to know: Takes
place in conjunction with the
sidewalk sales at Plaza del Lago.

TUESDAYS, JUNE 9-AUG. 4
THE WAUKEGAN BAND'S SUM-
MER CONCERT SERIES
Stiner Pavilion — Waukegan Beach,
210 Seahorse Drive
7:30 p.m.
What it is: Enjoy evenings of music
on the beach as the band celebrates
its 80th anniversary.
What else you need to know: For
more information, visit
waukeganband.com.

JUNE 20, JULY 18, AUG. 15
ARTWAUK
Genesee Street, downtown
5-9 p.m.
What it is: Explore galleries, theaters,
live performances, food and drinks.

WILMETTE

SATURDAYS THROUGH NOV. 7
FRENCH MARKET
Village Center, 1200 Wilmette Ave.
8 a.m.-1 p.m.
What it is: A traditional farmers mar-
ket with a French flair.
What else you need to know: Dogs
are not permitted inside the market
area.

THURSDAYS, JUNE 25-JULY 9
SUMMER CONCERTS
Plaza del Lago, 1515 Sheridan Road
6-8 p.m.
What it is: Outdoor concert series
featuring eclectic entertainment
among the shops of Plaza del Lago.
What else you need to know:
Admission is free. For more infor-
mation, call 847-623-6650 or visit
artwauk.com.

JULY 10-11
SCOOP WAUKEGAN 2015
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Saturday
What it is: Classic car show, live
music, fun for kids, food and a beer
garden.
What else you need to know: Takes
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WHAT ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW:
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JUNE 4
Wind Gypsies
Rock & tribute trio

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Time: Opening reception May 22, 5-8 p.m.
Place: David Weinberg Photography, 300 W. Superior
Cost: Free. For more information, visit D-weinberg.com.

MAY 20

VOICES

Four thousand voices strong, the ensembles of the Chicago Children's Choir fill Pritzker Pavilion with song during two concerts today. They'll be joined by guest artists, including hip-hop duo Q Brothers and jazz musician Oran Etkin.

Time: 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Place: Jay Pritzker Pavilion, 201 E. Randolph
Cost: Free. For more information, visit Cchoir.org.

Laurie Davis in a hat by John Koch at last year's Service Club of Chicago Spring Luncheon
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MAY 27-JULY 5

• 'STICK FLY'
This Lydia R. Diamond drama revolves around an affluent African-American family's vacation on Martha's Vineyard.

Director Chuck Smith directed the show's world premiere at Congo Square Theatre Company nine years ago — and he liked it so much, he's doing it again.

Place: Windy City Playhouse, 3014 W. Irving Park
Cost: $15-$30. For tickets, visit Windycityplayhouse.com/stick-fly.

MAY 30

• BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF CHICAGO WOMAN'S BOARD SUMMER BALL
The Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago have been helping kids achieve their best for over 110 years. This Woman's Board bash moves from cocktails to dinner and dancing, with live and silent auctions.

Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: Navy Pier-Grand Ballroom, 600 E. Grand
Cost: $1,000+. For tickets, visit Bgcc.org.

MAY 28

• SKIN FOR LIFE
Actor Christopher Knight (above) shares his personal story at this skin cancer awareness event, benefiting The Skin Cancer Foundation. Splash's Susanna Negovan emcees the evening, which features a fashion show, silent auction, local retailers and skincare demonstrations.

Time: 6 p.m.
Place: Hyatt Deerfield, 1750 Lake Cook, Deerfield
Cost: $15. For tickets, visit Skinforlife.org

MAY 29

• VETERANS IN NEED DINNER
Long committed to supporting our soldiers, sailors and airmen, Catholic Charities of The Archdiocese of Chicago hosts this fourth annual fundraiser for veterans' services. WBBM-Channel 2 news anchor Rob Johnson is the evening's emcee, and Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Col. Harvey Curtiss "Barney" Barnum is the featured guest speaker.

Time: 5:30 p.m. reception, 7 p.m. dinner
Place: Union League Club, 65 W. Jackson
Cost: $200. For tickets, visit Catholiccharities.net/veteransinneed.

MAY 31

• Seasonal Slam Three
Executive Chef Kevin Cuddihee and Head Bartender Graham Crown of TWO, plus Barhouse Flat Chef Aurelius Black and Bar Manager Mark Brinker, go all in this culinary contest in which diners are the final judges. Plate magazine's Chandra Ram emcees.

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The scene: Decorated with lush foliage and centerpieces of colorful tropical flowers, bamboo and palm leaves, the museum's (2430 N. Cannon) 17th annual ball, "Vibrant Nature," transported 760 galagoers to a festive rainforest.

The invite list: Hosts Chuck and Diane Douglas and Christopher Keogh celebrated with guests, who interacted with an albino Burmese python and lilac-crowned Amazon parrot before enjoying dinner by Calian Catering and dancing by the band Dr. Bombay. Motorola Solutions CEO Greg Brown was honored for leadership in science education and, later, master of ceremonies Anne Thompson led an interview with Daniel Bennett, principal of St. Sylvester School.

The bottom line: The signature ball broke fundraising records, raising $1.85 million in support of the museum's science education initiatives.

Anna Schapiro Splash was the media sponsor of this event. The Sun-Times Foundation and the Chicago Community Trust will match every dollar donated to the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum up to a total of $25,000. Up to $1,000 can be matched per individual donation.

"The Butterfly Ball is a night we look forward to each year. You never know what people or live animals for that matter - you'll run into!" - Nature Museum Board of Trustees Chair Susan D. Whiting

PHOTOS BY RAMZI DREESSEN-SPLASH AND ROBERT CARL

HIGH JUMP'S SPRING BENEFIT

The scene: The Four Seasons Hotel Chicago (120 E. Delaware) lit up as High Jump donors donned glow-in-the-dark bracelets in support of the organization at its sold-out 25th anniversary bash.

The invite list: Hosted by honorary chair and High Jump co-founder Eleanor Nicholson, the celebration kicked off with a congratulatory video from Mayor Rahm Emanuel. Later, keynote speaker Ellen Yiadom Hoover, an associate at Veder Price, spoke about High Jump's support during her move here from Ghana.

The bottom line: The benefit raised a record $725,000 for its program, which provides free academic enrichment to junior high school students of diverse backgrounds.

-Chicago Millican

Splash was the media sponsor of this event.
Sometimes the best accessory is a gift from Mother Nature — in this case, legs that go on for (magnificent) miles. Show off your stems with sexy and stylish mini dresses and strappy stilettos. On the spring runways of Saint Laurent and Costume National, rare was the hem that went below mid-thigh — the former fashion house showcased minis in vibrant hues and patterns, while the latter leaned toward pretty LBDs. The moral: Sometimes less really is more.
The scene: Spring trends were in full bloom at this 51st annual bash, hosted by Kathy Dodd, Laura Dunne and Georgia Heisinger at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel Chicago (221 N. Columbus) May 7.

The invite list: Nearly 700 stylish guests bid on luxury raffle items, including a $2,000 Bloomingdale's shopping spree, a John Hardy silver cuff bracelet and four round-trip United Airlines tickets.

The bottom line: The fete raised $200,000 for Misericordia, a home that supports children and adults with developmental disabilities. — Chiara Miliculis

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1. The Misericordia Heartbreakers dance troupe
2. Kathy Dodd, Corinne Guarraia, Laura Dunne, Lois Gates and Georgia Heisinger
3. Marty Leader and Elise Macomber
4. Carol Marin, Sister Rosemary Connelly and Susan Axelrod

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1. Artwork up for auction
2. Co-chairs Yolanda "Dusty" Stermer and Jessica Estrella (Priego)
3. Ozzie and Ibis Guillen
4. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia laughs with Mayor Rahm Emanuel.

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For more of their wedding photos, visit Chicago sposas.com

PHOTOS BY JAKE MORELAND OF TWO BIRDS PHOTOGRAPHY

Afer a difficult breakup almost a decade ago, Megen Briars was in dire need of a girls' night out. "My girlfriends were like, 'You need a country night at Joe's Bar,'" she says. So on a summer night in 2007, Briars walked into the popular bar (940 W. Weed), where she ran into owner Thomas DiSanto, whom she'd met in passing a year earlier. "It was a mix of sequins and fancy dresses with boleros, paisley and cowboy boots," Briars says. An avid DIYer, the bride took on many of the details. "I did everything, from the invites and an eight-foot paper flower wall, to save-the-dates and menu cards," she says. Pure Kitchen Catering dished a southern menu, replete with fried chicken, short ribs, fried green tomatoes and corn bread; Bub City made barbecue sauce as favors; and Chef Hsing Chen created a decadent banana pudding dessert. "We had people stealing it from other tables it was so good!" Briars laughs.

At the end of the night — before an impromptu groomsmen jam session of Garth Brooks' "Friends in Low Places" — DiSanto took the mic to express his love for his new bride. "He had this line I will always remember," says Briars. "'If everyone had as big of a heart as Megen does, the world would be a better place.'" — Chiara Milius
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With the public watching her every move, Giannina Rancic plants roots in Chicago

By Elle Eichinger
Photo by Maria Ponce
Styling by favia for Ford Artists
Giuliana Rancic has had a trying couple of months, but you'd never know it meeting her. Despite the soggy weather on the April day we met — which forces our cover shoot, planned for the beach, inside — Rancic's disposition is as sunny as ever. Her sense of humor — wry but without edge — is on point, and the ease with which she sulla through hair and makeup (she even brought her own false lashes for the artist to use) confirms her unf literals temperament.

Not to be overshadowed, the “E! News” anchor, 40, has also had her share of good fortune this year. She and husband Bill Rancic — and their adorable two-year-old son, Duke — recently moved into a single-family Gold Coast home, and will become permanent residents in August when Duke starts preschool. (Rancic will commute for E!) “Duke has always been on our schedule,” Rancic says. “Now we’re on Duke’s schedule.”

She also released a book, her third, titled Going Off Script: How I Survived a Crazy Childhood, Cancer, and Divorce’s 32 On-Screen Rejections — and, in the spirit of spilling it all, has been addressing some of the rumors swirling.

“I thought, if I’m going to go out there and talk about my book — talk about how truthful the book is and how I opened up about all these stories — then I need to also be truthful in everything I talk about,” she says.

She’s speaking, of course, about the social media attention her sudden weight loss has garnered over the past year. Though until recently she’s evaded questions about it — challenging it to “metabolism” and moving on to the next topic — she felt she couldn’t longer ignore it.

“I’ve heard a lot of comments about my weight throughout the years, but it felt like it was getting louder and louder. I thought it’s time to address this, because it’s not going to stop until people know the reason. And if I have nothing to hide, then why not share it?”

In a recent interview with “Today” Savannah Guthrie, Rancic did just that. “I’ve lost a considerable amount of weight, really in the past year or two, due to the cancer medication that I’m on,” Rancic said on the NBC morning show. “To be honest, I was eating more than I’ve ever eaten, but I was losing weight and I was scared. I didn’t think, ‘Oh this is great’ — I thought, ‘What the heck’s happening to my body?’ It’s very scary to have cancer, be on medication, then you start losing weight?”

“I thought, ‘Oh my gosh, is the cancer back? I went to my doctor and he said a side effect from the medication [I’m] on is weight loss.” Despite the psychological strain the issue has put on her — “I would post something on Instagram of Duke and I just playing, and 90 percent of the comments would be about my appearance and not about the moment” — she’s kept a cool head.

“I don’t care what anonymous people think about me, ultimately,” she says. “These people on social media, they’ve got all this courage to say whatever they want about you, and meanwhile they’re hiding behind an egg profile [the default Twitter profile image]. The worst ones are the eggs, you can quote me,” she jokes.

She’s training herself to skip over the cruel comments on social media, focusing on the good. “I’ve had a couple people say to me, ‘Ugh, social media’s the worst, you should just get off of it,’” she says. “And I think no! Because there’s a lot of good on social media, as well. For every bad egg — no pun intended — there are hundreds of good eggs, and there are so many wonderful people that I like engaging with on social media.”

Another social-media-fed controversy on Rancic’s plate recently has been the behind-the-scenes turmoil surrounding “Fashion Police.” Despite panelist shake-ups and misconstrued jokes, the show is set to return this August. “I’ve been very honest in the past couple of months that I’m not going back to the show just with different people,” she says. “The producers don’t want that and neither does the network. [The show] is going to be different, and honestly for no other reason than this is the third version of it, and it would be silly to do exactly what we did the first two times. There are a lot of clever ideas.... It’s going to be very entertaining.”

Rancic’s never-give-up spirit pervades all aspects of her life — most recently, the struggle to have a second child (she battled infertility in the past) and ultimately used a surrogate to have Duke. “We’d love to give Duke a little brother or sister, and we planned the [new] house [for a family],” she says. “We haven’t been successful yet, but we’re not quitters. As Bill always says, ‘You’ve got to get back on the horse.’”

It’s these types of setbacks Rancic addresses in Going Off Script, and she hopes that by hearing her story, other women will have the courage to “get back on the horse,” as well. “I want women to realize that you’re going to get knocked down a lot in life,” she says. “But I try to focus more on how I got up — it’s not the fall [that matters], it’s the recovery.”

From top: Rancic at the Golden Globes in January, where she says, “the comments were fast and furious about my weight”; Rancic’s new book, a family snapshot on Instagram.
STANLEY KOVAK

Who he is: M.D. and owner of Kovak Dermatology and Laser Institute (17W535 Butterfield, Oakbrook Terrace)

What's new: Last fall, Dr. Kovak acquired a new machine, the Syneron Candela PicoWay, which removes tattoos in half the normal time, with visible results in two to three sessions. Though the treatment has already caught on in New York and LA, Kovak is the first in the Chicago area to offer it.

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KARLA DAVIS

Who she is: Marketing director at Bolingbrook-based retailer Ulta Beauty

What's trending: Many gel and cream blushes are infused with water and oxygen to hydrate skin while adding a bit of color. Lilac is a soft summer shade for eyes, and for lips, it's all about the gloss. "The last couple seasons, people were heavy into lipsticks," Davis says. "But glosses are able to hold a lot of pigment now, but still give you that lacquered look that's a little more fun for summer."

Try these: Becca Beach Tint Shimmer Soufflé ($27) is water resistant and adds a dewy flush to cheeks; Too Faced Sugar Pop eye collection ($36) offers a trio of lilac shadows; and Urban Decay Naked Ultra Nourishing lip gloss ($20, pictured on Davis) comes in multiple shades — she recommends crimson and poppy hues for every skin tone, so try it in Beso or Streak. Ulta.com

SHAMA PATEL

Who she is: Founder and president of AIR aerial fitness and Mud facial bar (676 N. LaSalle)

What's new: Patel worked with a small apothecary vendor out of Pennsylvania to create an organic skin care line, Uptown Yogi, set to launch next month. Each product is made with all-natural ingredients and named for a yoga pose: Goddess Face Oil, exfoliating Warrior Face Scrub, citrusy Oak Cow Cream and Lotus Lips scrub and serum will each be available for sale ($22-$55) at Mud.

Try this: Patel's Savasana Stress Fix can be used as a toner underneath makeup, or as a mist during the relaxing savasana phase of the more yoga-centric classes at AIR — its eucalyptus scent and anti-bacterial properties are perfect post-workout. Mudfacialbar.com

Beauty fix!

7 health and beauty powerhouses introduce the season's latest trends, must-have products and wellness services to revive both skin and spirit. BY ELLE EICHINGER
Who they are: Yoga (Moore) and Pilates (Brennan) instructors and creators of Fuel Flow, a class that incorporates the best of both practices.

What's new: This month, the athletic duo launched Chicago-based MindFuel Wellness, an initiative that brings yoga and Pilates classes to corporate settings and leads wellness workshops and corporate health challenges fit to your company's needs. "People are working longer hours and sitting all that time," Moore says. "We can see in people's bodies the effects of sitting, being on computers and smartphones. It shows up in posture and mentally. That was much of the inspiration for [MindFuel] - seeing that energy shift and seeing what happens to people after they do a class."

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TAKE A CLASS: Try Fuel Flow May 19 at 5:45 p.m. on the riverfront (600 W. Chicago). The donation-based class benefits Friends of Prentice.

Who she is: Certified nutritionist and Chicago-based blogger, Thenolykale.com

Trending now: "The past ten years have really been about the vegan and the vegetarian diets, and I think the next phase is the paleolithic, whole foods diet," Felts says. "People are working longer hours and sitting all that time," Moore says. "We can see in people's bodies the effects of sitting, being on computers and smartphones. It shows up in posture and mentally. That was much of the inspiration for [MindFuel] - seeing that energy shift and seeing what happens to people after they do a class."

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Who he is: Creative director at Mario Tricoci Hair Salon & Day Spa

Trending now: "People are starting to take their lengths shorter," Gialluisi says, citing recently chopped celebs like Kim Kardashian and Taylor Swift as the inspiration. For a shoulder-length cut, ask your stylist what's best for your face shape (shorter cuts work best for oval or heart-shaped faces). Have him or her use a razor for softness and beautiful texture. recommends Gialluisi. Tricoci stylist Rico D'Alessandro, based at 900 N. Michigan, is the best when it comes to chic shorter cuts.

What's new: The salon introduces two new color services this season for summery locks. The Color Touch Instant Sweeps steak of pastel into tresses - think Jaded Mint or Muted Mauve - for a fun look that fades naturally; and the more subtle Blonder Freelights treatment uses a no-foils balayage technique and adds tons of dimension. (D'Alessandro's wife, Nelida, is our go-to colorist.) Treatments start at $45, 900 N. Michigan; Tricoci.com

Who he is: Facial plastic surgeon and American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Board member

What's trending: 'Photographs - in particular, selfies - have a tendency to highlight certain facial features, such as the nose, skin tone and texture and wrinkles," Kim says, nothing that the greatest rise in requests have been for fixing these attributes. "In the past, patients seemed to prefer more angular, sculpted noses, like Nicole Kidman's," he says. "Today's patients prefer more natural, smooth noses, like Jennifer Aniston's or Scarlett Johansson's. The goal for rhinoplasty should be to make the nose balance and blend with the rest of the face, not stand out and become the focus of attention."

Go to: We caught up with Kim last week while he was in town as part of AAFPRS' "Selfies & Surgery: The Influence of the Digital World on Rhinoplasty Patients." panel. Locally, He recommends Dr. Dean Toriumi - "my mentor" - especially for difficult and revision surgeries, and Dr. Regan Thomas (The Facial Plastic Surgery Center, 60 E. Delaware) and Dr. Steve Dayan (DrDayan.com).
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When it comes to musicals, Court Theatre is The Little Engine That Could. Not as large as downtown venues and operating on smaller budgets than the big Broadway-bound shows, this Hyde Park institution has earned popular and critical respect for its productions of "Caroline, or Change" and "The Gershwins' Porgy and Bess," among others. Now, Artistic Director Charles Newell and his frequent collaborator Doug Peck team up for a rendition of "The Secret Garden," a version Newell admits is not the kind of production that has the set earning a round of applause. "We don't try to bring the kind of visual splendor one might see in larger theater. It's much more about allowing you to go on an emotional journey."

Based on the 1911 children's novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett — with a score by Lucy Simon and musical book by Marsha Norman — "The Secret Garden" tells the tale of a young girl orphaned in British Raj and sent to live with gloomy relatives in England. But this isn't children's theater. "Yes, a 12-year-old child, a girl in particular, will respond to the character of Mary," says Newell. "But for adults who've gone through heartbreak and loss, or the challenges of parenting, there are very deep and powerful emotions that will resonate with them, as well."

That is due in part to the adaptors' upping the grown-up angle in Burnett's story. "There's a lot more about the adults in the musical than in the original story," notes Newell. "In the late Victorian/early Edwardian period, parents had very little to do with the upbringing of their children, and the principal character in the novel is the kind of child who has no emotional connections to anyone. So we are trying to be true to both the original book and the adaptors' reading of it."

"One thing the score does extremely well is encompass the moods of both the original novel and Marsha Norman's more complicatedly emotional adaptation," states Music Director Peck. "Audiences may think that a musical based on an alleged children's novel would be light fare, but 'The Secret Garden' is a very rich, musically complex, emotionally intense evening in the theater. I truly believe this work is a masterpiece of the form."
Chicagoans will always have a love affair with steak, but restaurateurs David Flom and Matthew Moore—who helm carnivorous go-to Chicago Cut Steakhouse and its Gold Coast sibling, The Local Chicago—are turning the tide on seafood. "In Chicago, we've always been a little hesitant about the fish movement," Flom says. "But it's finally here."

It comes in the form of C Chicago, an 8,000-square-foot two-story restaurant, which opened last month and dishes coastal Mediterranean fare flown in daily from destinations like Greece, South America and the East Coast. The menu's standouts are found in its in-house market display—replete with fresh whole fish like branzino, dorade royale, linguine and American red snapper—and the nautical vibe, crafted by architect Mark Knauer, continues in the décor: C houses the city's largest private aquarium.

Here's what else to expect at C Chicago:

Chef stats: Reigning Executive Chef Bill Montagne honed his culinary skills at New York's three Michelin star Le Bernardin and, through connections he made while there, is able to work exclusively with global fish purveyors. "No one else in Chicago works with them, so we're able to have access to better quality seafood than anyone else," he says.

Sea-to-table: Seasonal, hand-selected seafood is delivered every day, meaning fish were caught less than 24 hours before hitting your plate. In true Mediterranean fashion, all dishes boast a simple, healthy prep. "Just like steak doesn't need more than salt and pepper, great fish just needs olive oil, lemon and fine herbs," Flom says.

Must try: The Scottish salmon unilateral is a rare two-piece salmon served with smoked salmon roe, fava beans and a verjus sauce ($34), or try the sea urchin pasta, made with cavatelli and rich uni butter, chives, radish and a caviar garnish ($29).

Raising the bar: Behind the restaurant's Shark Bar—decked out with a metal shark by sculptor Michael Chaikin—Head Mixologist Chad Brecunier shakes up cocktails that tie in with the restaurant's theme, such as the Shark Bite, made with Don Julio Blanco, fresh grapefruit juice, simple syrup and a jalapeño slice ($14).

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Alexandra Daddario

The 'San Andreas' beauty talks shop

BY ELLE EICHINGER

Though she's had comedy experience and recurring TV roles — like as Lisa Trangheti in four episodes of "True Detective" last year — Alexandra Daddario, 29, is best known for her high-octane movie roles (think "Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters" and "Texas Chainsaw 3D"). On May 29, she'll star in yet another edge-of-your-seat action thriller: In "San Andreas," Daddario plays Blake, a girl trying to reach her father (played by Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson) in the aftermath of a massive, earth-splitting quake in California.

Calling from: "West Hollywood. I'm in my pajamas in my apartment."

"In real life: "I'm a pretty boring person. People have an idea of people in movies as being extremely rich and exciting — and I do get to do very cool things — but in general I drive my [beat-up] car and hang out with my dog and watch crime shows. [I have] a terrier mix, he's my best friend."
“The artwork is so intricate it looks like pressed feathers,” Czajkowska says of the framed prints on handmade paper. Jayson Home, 1885 N. Clybourn; Jaysonhome.com

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Edyta Czajkowska creates the ultimate gathering space

BY ASHLEY DEVICK
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who to watch

Strike a pose

The local yoga expert extends her reach to the corporate world

BY CHIARA MILIOULIS
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“I wear red lipstick all the time because I go neutral with everything else. I like a little pop and flare.”


“They’re super soft, like satin. I can sit and not have to think about them. They just feel natural.”

J Brand: white skinny jeans, $175. Intermix, 40 E. Delaware; Intermixonline.com

I have this blazer in five colors — it’s my go-to.

Topshop: premium suit jacket, $125, 830 N. Michigan; Topshop.com

LAUREN GOGGINS
29, Director of Bottom Line Yoga, which opened in April in Andersonville. I was always drawn to business. I’m from a family of entrepreneurs and the one thing that’s been consistent is that I’ve always felt connected to yoga. I trained at Kripalu Center for Yoga & Health in Massachusetts and then in Kerala, India.

I found the most underserved area of Chicago [for yoga] is the Loop. For the last couple years, I’ve evolved a business that works in that setting. We’re able to bring yoga to [companies] in a way they understand. We make it accessible for all people by sticking to the benefits of the practice. I structure all of the classes to create mindfulness, so whether it’s a class or workshop, we end with a point of connection — a moment of self-reflection and self-awareness.

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“If I could dance for 24 hours, I would. My team and I have “Soul Train” parties.”

Bottom Line Yoga, 141 W. Jackson Suite 750; Bottomlineyoga.com

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MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST MORTGAGES

Dated: 5/7, 5/14, & 5/21/2015

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT CHANCERY DIVISION - GREEN TREE FORECLOSURE SERVICES

Plaintiff:

MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST MORTGAGES

County: COOK

Docket No. 16301

16301 794-5300 Attorney File No. 14-12-10205 Attorney ARDC NO.

The mortgaged real estate to be sold is located at:

1020. Chicago, Illinois, County: Cook

The date and time set for the sale is:

June 15, 2015, at 10:00 AM

Sheriff of Cook County, Illinois, County Department: CHICAGO SHERIFF

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The sheriff will accept sealed bids via postmark date by 10:00 AM on June 15, 2015 at the Sheriff's Office, 1020 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. All bids must be in the form of cashier's checks or certified checks for the subject property and submitted in the form of sealed bids. Bidders will be required to present identification for sales held at other county services where the Judicial Sales Corporation does not accept personal checks.

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The meeting is open to the public. All persons interested in attending the meeting and offering their testimony are invited to do so.

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Body Language:
By the sound of it

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(Across)

1 Some stuffed bears
2 Curator’s deg.
3 Launch site
4 Patriotic chant
5 Cleopatra’s snake
6 Jazz pianist Chick
7 Pangs of conscience
8 Port near Naples
9 Iris, cornea, etc.
10 Grassland

11 Prefix for dynamic
12 Plural of Mr.
13 Result of a sauna visit
14 Not alert
15 Result of not shaving all winter
16 In the bag
17 In the course of
18 In what way?
19 Pangs of
20 Home of the
21 Across
22 Taking after
23 Pinnacle

(Down)

1 Some can openers
2 “Awesome!”
3 Mine extraction
4 Rehab-class instruction
5 Football great Gale
6 Peacock (Clue character)
7 Informal disapproval
8 Doctors’ grp.
9 Readily made, as concrete
10 Alicia Keys 2007 platinum album
11 Raison
12 Home of the
13 SqlParameter
14 Taking after
15 Shakespearean spring
16 Entrap
17 Golf attire
18 Casual
19 Whine
20 Northern Spanish city
21 Racetrack bet
22 Confederate
23 The Balcony playwright
24 The Balcony playwright
25 Grassland

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Quote-Acrostic

1. Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
2. Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
3. 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. Krakow cash 147 131 78 116 42
B. Glum and bummed 128 152 92 118 23 164 140 86 6
C. Outlying area 120 100 168 72 166
D. Hampton's cooking celebrity 170 145 4 138 39 158 70 54 91
E. Dignity 160 40 129 67 86 24 114 156
F. No big deal 48 82 7 22 130 103
G. Court problem: 2 wds 142 44 96 161 119 37 14 25
H. Dancing Cowboy 2 61 53 155 113 101 79 16 27

Consumed 86 13 149 101 35 59 20 60 154

J. Multi-tasker? 3 wds 50 57 19 104 62 84 145 166 32 93
K. Retaining wall 51 143 9 64 80 52 150 163 30
L. Complete quickly: 2 wds 137 87 127 73 43 1 26
M. Truly 49 148 26 76 117 167 12 59
N. Valachi broke it 146 109 85 48 171 95
O. Sideburn type 63 17 3 157 121 102 83 110
P. Unpleasant to live with e.g. 134 112 21 15 151 198 94 41 68
Q. Catherine-fancied him 90 34 5 71 124
R. Foreman fell for it, hyph. 144 99 46 125 159 33 105 133 75
S. Early comics teenager: 2 wds 139 107 77 31 18 47 122 58
T. Declaring firmly 123 135 29 56 89 141 65 8 36
U. Precedes fast, far and hot: 153 111 74 11 132
V. Remove 94 108 97 10 38 126 55 81

Hat Check

BY CHARLES PRESTON

ACROSS
1 Almost 47 Toward the Levant
5 Multicolored 48 Hat favored by Sherlock Homes
9 Blow for a bounder 52 Erhard's ism
13 Desire, personified 55 Cob or drake
14 Long-time Windy City conductor 56 Tale of Troy
15 War trumpet of Rome 57 Cut and run
16 Licorice or ginger 58 Gossip tibid
17 Troikas 59 Kin of shucks
18 Middle and Stone 60 Holm oak
19 Unaffiliated voter: abbr. 61 Whole note
20 US Army group 62 Cousin of uh-huh
22 Promenade for Plato 63 Urbane fellow
24 Reluctant 64 Founder of the Oratory
25 Lil E. Tee, in 1992 2 Multi-vitamin ingredient
29 Scene of the crime 3 Logic
30 Part of RNA 4 Initials of '48
31 Kind of vibes? 5 Ruminate
32 Photographer Adams 6 College of Jimmy and Bjorn
35 Mahler's Lied von der Erde 7 Town on the Thames
36 Apollo attendant 8 Breakup
38 Soap ingredient 9 Wide-eyed one
39 Productive pit 10 Automatic pistol
40 Trademarks 11 Launder's money, maybe
41 Demolition device 12 Like a leisure suit
44 Having more volcanic fallout 14 Pound prospect

DOWN
1 Founder of the Oratory 20 Lonesome George
2 Multi-vitamin ingredient 21 Original deb'
3 Logic 23 Adjust, with up
4 Initials of '48 25 Contravene
5 Ruminate 26 Dry riverbeds
7 College of Jimmy and Bjorn 27 stand it!
8 Breakup 28 Japanese-American
9 Wide-eyed one 29 Prince, of the comics
10 Automatic pistol 31 Trifle
11 Launder's money, maybe 32 Spin like
12 Like a leisure suit 33 After uno
13 After uno 36 Falstaff composer
14 Pound prospect 37 Legendary avian creatures
15 Toward the Levant 39 You can sip it dry
16 Hat favored by Sherlock Homes 40 Ancient galley
17 Hat favored by Sherlock Homes 42 Cayes, Haiti
18 Hat favored by Sherlock Homes 43 Who__it?
19 Hat favored by Sherlock Homes 44 Open up, in a way
21 Reluctant 45 Cold-war assn.
23 Reluctant 46 Trojan charmer
25 Reluctant 49 Micro-brewery products
26 Reluctant 50 Money, in Mantua
27 Reluctant 51 Allie's TV friend
28 Reluctant 52 Erhard's ism
29 Reluctant 53 In view
30 Reluctant 54 Subject
31 Reluctant 55 Cob or drake
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Can group solve what baffles your doctor?

CrowdMed uses crowdsourcing to diagnose

By Terri Yablonsky

Tribune Newspapers

Since its launch in April 2013, CrowdMed has claimed success in solving more than 700 of the world's most baffling medical cases, those that delay diagnosis despite multiple medical visits, expensive tests and sometimes years of suffering.

CrowdMed uses crowdsourcing, in which online "medical detectives" - retired doctors, nurses, medical students, researchers and former patients - pore over patient data and come up with the most likely diagnosis, often solving within days or weeks what may take solo doctors much longer.

The average CrowdMed patient has been sick for eight years, has seen eight doctors and incurred more than $60,000 in medical expenses, according to Jared Heyman, founder of San Francisco-based CrowdMed. The site's average case-resolution time is 60 days.

The concept is that the wisdom of the crowd trumps that of the lone expert.

Patients complete a questionnaire detailing their symptoms, medical history, test results, prior treatments and medications — all done anonymously. "We collect lots of data from them," Heyman said, "and we use it to generate their case."

Medical detectives evaluate the case, then contribute to a list of possible diagnoses. The CrowdMed community allocates points to possible diagnoses to express confidence in them.

CrowdMed charges patients a monthly subscription fee to post a case on its site. There are three packages: Lite ($99), Standard ($149) and Premium ($249), with different levels of benefits such as the number of detectives on the case, presence of a case moderator and availability of expert case review. Some packages include compensation offers (called rewards) to attract the best case solvers. A $50 deposit is required and refunded once a case closes, as long as the patient reports back to CrowdMed within 30 days.

CrowdMed also offers an option for a free case submission for those with financial issues.

Heyman started the site after seeing his younger sister bounce from doctor to doctor with a debilitating medical condition nobody could diagnose. She spent three years searching for answers until doctors at the National Institutes of Health finally diagnosed her with a rare genetic disorder.

"Each doctor would do their best but only spend 10 to 15 minutes with her," Heyman said. "They'd give a narrow diagnosis within their specialty, but it was not a collaborative process. Doctors have a hard time seeing beyond their specialty."

Heyman had studied crowd wisdom at his previous Internet company, Infusor. "I knew that crowds could be much wiser than the individual, but our medical system works in isolation."

He created an early prototype of CrowdMed and plugged it in his sister's case. "We wanted to see retroactively if we could crowdsource the right answer," he said. With 100 medical detectives on the case, the CrowdMed community took just three days to correctly diagnose her.

CrowdMed has grown ever since. Case submissions have increased 60 percent per month the last several months on average, Heyman said. Seventy percent of patients report that CrowdMed's insights led them closer to a correct diagnosis or cure.

"We have a performance-based reputation system as opposed to a reputation-based credential system," Heyman said. "Anyone can sign up regardless of formal credentials, and over time as they prove they are as good as they are, they earn more and more status and influence in the CrowdMed community."

Since 2007, Beverly Perry, 51, of Lawton, Okla., saw close to 30 doctors to figure out the cause of her swelling, blood-pressure spikes, fever and flu-like symptoms. Doctors thought she had cancer, so they removed her bowel and did exploratory surgery but found nothing. "They also removed my appendix, right ovary, gallbladder and uterus, and nobody could find the problem."

She gave up and found CrowdMed in an online search. It took a few weeks, but someone suggested porphyria, a rare disorder of certain enzymes involved in blood production, she said. She took the diagnosis to her doctor, who had been testing her for unusual illnesses.

"Before I could even tell him what CrowdMed found out, he walked in and said, 'This is what you have!' And it was porphyria."

She's now undergoing treatment. "I spent hundreds of thousands of dollars over several years for doctors to diagnosis what it took the CrowdMed community just weeks to figure out," she said. She provided a $200 reward.

Arthur Caplan, head of the division of medical ethics at New York University Langone Medical Center, said there is value in crowdsourcing. "You can certainly gather a lot of opinions and, to some extent, it's self-correcting if you have an extreme view."

But crowdsourcing has its challenges. "For one thing, those with time on their hands tend to participate," Caplan said. "You lose some of the best voices because they're too busy to do it."

Other caveats include lack of peer review as well as the belief that those who provide answers tend to be those with something to gain, Caplan said.

Crowdsourcing's usefulness may depend on the nature of the question.

Caplan said it works best when you're tapping people's expertise about their experience. "For example, cancer patients can share the best way to sleep while undergoing chemotherapy. But with just generic questions, you don't tend to get things of great value."

Crowdsourcing also works well for gauging changing opinions, such as the best treatment or for identifying problems, such as in hospital safety, Caplan said. "I'm a little less convinced of its use with questions like, 'What do you think is the best care for my patient who has lung cancer? Well, you haven't seen them. You don't know the particulars."

Online symptom checkers are common, but few resources exist for long-term chronic cases. One option is the Undiagnosed Diseases Program of the NIH. The program launched in 2008 and was expanded in July 2014 to include a network of health centers: Baylor College of Medicine, Duke University, Harvard Medical School, Stanford University, the University of California at Los Angeles and Vanderbilt Medical Center.

For information, call 866-444-8806 or visit www.genome.gov/27544402.
Is it OK to rely on your OB-GYN for primary care?

BY CHRISTIE ASCHWAN DEN
The Washington Post

For most of my life, I’ve relied on an obstetrician-gynecologist as my primary-care doctor. I figured that if I was going in for contraception and a Pap test, why not see a doctor who specialized in such things? It wasn’t until I was shopping for a new physician (after my OB-GYN reacted with hostility over my decision to opt out of mammography) that I considered selecting a family doctor instead.

There’s nothing inherently wrong with going to an obstetrician-gynecologist for routine preventive visits; these doctors are trained to provide such services. But a recent study suggests that women who choose an OB-GYN as their primary physician may miss out on more comprehensive care.

Donna Cohen, a family physician and associate director of the family practice residency at Lancaster General Health in Pennsylvania, and her colleague Andrew Coco analyzed information from two large data sets containing information on patient visits. The researchers evaluated 7,882 records of doctor visits for preventive gynecologic visits that occurred from 1999 to 2008. About 81 percent of these visits were made to an obstetrician-gynecologist; the rest involved a primary-care doctor.

The analysis revealed that primary-care physicians were nearly 2½ times as likely as OB-GYNs to address such problems as mental health issues, metabolic conditions and circulatory, respiratory, digestive and skin diseases during a preventive gynecologic visit.

The results didn’t surprise Cohen. “In this country, there’s an idea that you’ll get a better value from a specialist,” she said. But family physicians are trained to provide comprehensive care spanning multiple realms.

An OB-GYN is primed to focus on your reproductive system and may be less attuned to other aspects of your health, said Robert Wergin, president of the American Academy of Family Physicians. Going to a gynecologist for your regular checkup is sort of like going to a tire shop to get your car checked out, he said. Primary-care doctors, on the other hand, are trained to assess health in an all-inclusive way.

Family doctors learn to deliver services ranging from routine heart disease and diabetes care to Pap tests and even obstetrics, Cohen said.

Many women don’t know that a family physician can provide birth control, Pap tests and other women’s health care, Cohen said.

Cohen’s study found that the vast majority of women see an OB-GYN for their annual visit, and Barbara Levy, vice president of health policy at the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, said that’s OK. OB-GYNs are trained to deliver more than just Pap tests, she said.

One study found that nearly half of obstetrician-gynecologists considered themselves primary-care providers.

“We do provide a large spectrum of services,” Levy said. “We know a patient’s background, her children, her worldview.”

The college has issued guidelines for what it calls well-woman visits, and these include not just Pap tests but also cholesterol screenings and immunizations.

Yes, Cohen’s study found that women were more likely to receive nonsurgical diagnoses during a preventive care visit at a family physician than at the OB-GYN’s office, but that doesn’t mean the specialists are overlooking these health problems, Levy said. The study wasn’t designed to detect differences between women who see an OB-GYN for care and those who see a family doctor.

Aschwanden is a freelancer.
Batter up your waffles with buckwheat flour

BY ELLIE KRIEGER
The Washington Post

Despite its name, buckwheat is not a form of wheat at all. It is a seed in the rhubarb and sorrel family, not a grain, botanically speaking. But because it is eaten like a grain and is rich in fiber, B vitamins and antioxidants like one, it is fair to call it a whole grain. A gluten-free one at that.

I grew up adoring it in the form of kasha toasted buckwheat groats that my grandma would toss with browned onions and bow-tie pasta to make kasha varnishkes. But I have also come to love the nutty depth of flavor it imparts to breakfast foods such as pancakes and muffins made with buckwheat flour.

These waffles are a case in point. Here, the more intense flavor of buckwheat is balanced with milder whole-wheat flour or, to keep the dish gluten-free, brown rice flour. Ground flaxseed adds another layer of texture and nutrition.

Buttermilk and a little healthful oil ensure the waffles turn out as tender as they are hearty and nutty-tasting. A topping of fresh berries and a drizzle of pure maple syrup seal the deal for an enticing way to start the day.

Krieger is a freelance writer.

Whole-grain buckwheat waffles

Prep: 15 minutes  Cook: 3-5 minutes per batch  Makes: 4 servings (4 large round waffles or 2 square waffles)

1/4 cup buckwheat flour
1/4 cup whole-wheat or brown rice flour
2 tablespoons ground flaxseed
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup low-fat buttermilk
3 tablespoons canola or safflower oil
2 tablespoons maple syrup, plus more for serving
1 large egg
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup fresh berries

1 Heat a waffle iron. Whisk together the buckwheat flour, whole-wheat or brown rice flour, flaxseed, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a mixing bowl. Whisk together the buttermilk, oil, maple syrup, egg and vanilla in a separate bowl. Pour the buttermilk mixture into the flour mixture, stirring just enough to incorporate.

2 Grease the waffle iron with cooking oil spray; ladle on batter, close the lid and cook according to the manufacturer’s directions. Repeat with the remaining batter. Serve topped with the berries and drizzled with additional maple syrup.

Nutrition information per serving: 360 calories, 15 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 50 mg cholesterol, 49 g carbohydrates, 12 g protein, 580 mg sodium, 9 g fiber

3 refreshing twists on a traditional gin and tonic

BY LAURA LEVY SHATKIN
Tribune Newspapers

I can’t think of any drink that shouts spring louder than a tall, icy gin and tonic. The classic G&T gets tweaked regularly by the new array of gin styles, rising interest in artisan everything, and the wave of homemade tonic waters and syrups.

A former warm-weather staple, the G&T is moving toward the cerebral as bartenders and mixologists impose their creative twists, whether it’s fruity, spicy or simply using a gin of choice.

The basic four ingredients — gin, tonic, lime and ice — still create the drink’s foundation, for the most part.

Daniel Casteel, mixologist at Labriola Ristorante & Cafe in Chicago, keeps the building blocks but adds a refreshing twist with CH Distillery’s Key Gin, a citrus-forward Key lime-infused spirit, along with house-made tonic infused with cinchona bark, bay leaves, fennel seed, zest of grapefruit, lemon, lime, and orange and raw sugar.

You may not be interested in hunting down cinchona bark to make your own tonic, but you can jump on the G&T bandwagon with these twists. Use the classic gin and tonic recipe shown here as a formula to adapt:

Gin and tonic

3 ounces gin
4 ounces tonic water
2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lime juice, plus a wedge of lime

1 Load ice cubes into a chilled highball (tall) glass. Add gin, tonic then lime. Stir and enjoy.

2 Gin and tonic: The Second Wind: Brinker’s spicier, smoother version, The Second Wind, uses Letherbee Gin, plus a halff ounce of Aperol (a bitter Italian aperitif) then replacing the lime with a few sliced strawberries.

3 Cucumber rosemary: One of my personal favorites is a cucumber rosemary variation. Simply add three cucumber slices and a sprig of rosemary to a glass, muddle briefly, then continue with the classic recipe.

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Want a good gluten-free spaghetti?

We try 6 brands and find flavor, texture improving

BY JUDY HEVRDEJS
Tribune Newspapers

The gluten-free food world sometimes seems as turbulent as a pot of rapidly boiling water — the kind required for cooking pasta. Products seem to come and go from the marketplace every week.

That's not surprising. Sales of gluten-free foods have skyrocketed in recent years, reaching $973 million in 2014, according to Packaged Facts, a Rockville, Md., market researcher. Some 7 percent of that market is pasta.

Packaged Facts researchers predict increased sales thanks, in part, to “more and better quality gluten-free food products that are readily available in mainstream retail channels.”

Still, developing a gluten-free pasta that captures the characteristics of pasta with gluten has proved a challenge. Of the many gluten-free versions we’ve sampled in the past decade, some textures and tastes have been unappealing. But things are improving.

Corn, brown and white rice, quinoa and soy have all been mixed and matched with varying results. And while many short pastas (penne, elbow, etc.) produce a decent prepared product, spaghetti is another matter. Without gluten to give spaghetti the flexibility for spooling on a fork, many gluten-free varieties tend to break up.

Which is why we decided to focus this tasting on spaghetti. We narrowed our search to those readily available on supermarket shelves. Most have store locator or online ordering options (or both) on their websites.

We limited the tasting to six brands. Your favorite may not be here. And you may have specific reasons for choosing a particular type, whether it’s organic, kosher, non-GMO or soy free.

We cooked each according to package directions. Know that cooking times vary widely — from 3 to 11 minutes among those we tested — so read the directions. Only Ancient Harvest suggested using no salt in the cooking water but adding optional oil. Ronzoni offers three cooking options for al dente, firm and tender; it’s also the only one that weathered overnight refrigeration pretty well. (They suggest tossing the cooked pasta with olive oil or sauce before chilling.)

Several tasters among our panel of eight follow a gluten-free diet. Here’s what we found.

THE RESULTS (Prices are what we paid at retail. Products were rated 1 to 9, with 9 the highest.)

**Jovial**

Score: 7.5 Made in: Italy

Ingredients: brown rice flour, water

Cost: $3.91 per 12-ounce package

Nutrition per 2-ounce serving: 210 calories, 5 g protein, 43 g carbohydrates, 2 g fiber


**Ronzoni**

Score: 7.4 Made in: Italy

Ingredients: white rice flour, brown rice flour, corn flour, quinoa flour, mono- and diglycerides

Cost: $2.29 per 12-ounce package

Nutrition per 2-ounce serving: 200 calories, 4 g protein, 44 g carbohydrates, 2 g fiber

Comments: “Looks like spaghetti; most pasta-like texture.” “Tastes just like spaghetti! Yum!” “A little gritty.” “Good color, nicely toothsome, neutral flavor.”

**Bionaturae**

Score: 6.9 Made in: Italy

Ingredients: rice flour, potato starch, rice starch, soy flour

Cost: $4.39 per 12-ounce package

Nutrition per 2-ounce serving: 200 calories, 5 g protein, 42 g carbohydrates, 2 g fiber

Comments: “Nice color and texture. Very close to traditional pasta.” “Texture is good, but aftertaste unpleasant.” “Chalky aftertaste but this is very good — are you sure it’s not the real thing?” “Would buy this if I had someone gluten-free coming to dinner.”

**Notta Pasta**

Score: 5.6 Made in: Thailand

Ingredients: rice flour, water, modified tapioca starch

Cost: $6.79 per 16-ounce package

Nutrition per 2-ounce serving: 200 calories, 3 g protein, 45 g carbohydrates, 0 g fiber


**DeLallo Corn & Rice**

Score: 4.125 Made in: Italy

Ingredients: corn flour, rice flour

Cost: $5.09 per 12-ounce package

Nutrition per 2-ounce serving: 200 calories, 3 g protein, 44 g carbohydrates, 1 g fiber


**Ancient Harvest**

Score: 4 Made in: USA

Ingredients: corn flour, quinoa flour

Cost: $2.50 per 8-ounce package

Nutrition per 2-ounce serving: 205 calories, 4 g protein, 46 g carbohydrates, 4 g fiber

Hope sprouts in Baltimore

LEAH ESKIN
Home on the Range

Spring came late to Baltimore, not green this year, but red. There were flashes of anger, flashes of fire, flash floods of shouting in the streets. I stayed in and served something warm, wishing I could garnish it with something wise.

In the morning, we went out. We took work gloves, trash bags, push brooms. We drove to the grocery empty of groceries, its windows gouged out and already patched with plywood. We drove to the drugstore empty of drugs, charred and already cooled. We drove to the hospital, its skies cleared of smoke, still buzzing with newscopters. The big cleanup had dwindled to neighborhood cleanup, all loud music and easy smiles.

In one corner of one empty lot we lifted broken glass. Under the glass huddled a crush of plastic bags. Under the bags lounged rusted chunks. Under the rust sprouted something bent and pale green, something eager for air and light and room to grow.

Eskin has lived in Baltimore for nine years.

**Bitter greens spanakopita**

**Prep:** 1 hour  **Bake:** 25 minutes  **Makes:** 40 little pies

- 8 ounces fresh mustard (or other spicy) greens, sturdy stems discarded
- 6 ounces fresh spinach
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 clove garlic
- 2 ounces watercress
- 1 ounce fresh basil
- 8 ounces feta
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) salted butter, melted

1. **Steam:** Heap mustard greens and spinach into a big pot along with a splash of water. Cover, bring to a boil and steam until greens collapse, about 1 minute. Drain. Roll in a clean kitchen towel and wring dry.
2. **Whirl:** Measure salt and pepper into the food processor. With the machine running, drop in garlic, buzzing it to bits. Add watercress and basil, pulse several times. Add feta, eggs and lemon zest. Process smooth. Add cooked greens and pulse several times to make a nice deep-green filling.
3. **Brush:** Set 1 sheet filo dough on a work surface (cover the remaining sheets with a clean kitchen towel). Brush lightly with butter. Cover with a second sheet; brush lightly. Cover with a third; brush lightly. Slice (a pizza wheel works nicely) this buttery stack into long, 3-inch wide strips. (Depending on the filo format, you may get 3 or 4 strips per sheet.)
4. **Fold:** Scoop 1 tablespoon filling onto the bottom of one strip. Fold up, flag-style, into a neat, triangular packet. Brush with butter. Set on a parchment-lined baking sheet. Fold remaining pies.
5. **Bake:** Slide sheet into a 350-degree oven and bake until golden, about 25 minutes. Enjoy.

**Provenance:** Inspired by my friend and Greek home-cooking whiz Jennifer Lee.

**Sriracha shakes things up**

If it's Sriracha heat you need but don't want to deal with a big bottle of sauce, try a sprinkle (or more) of McCormick Gourmet Sriracha Seasoning. It's one of three in the spice-maker's new chili pepper line that includes crushed chipotle and ground jalapeno peppers. We found its spicy tang delivered as a rub and as a shake-on seasoning. A 2.37-ounce bottle is $5.99. At supermarkets nationwide. mccormick.com.

**Holy margarita! What a kick**

Whether mixing up margaritas or bloody marys, giving each glass rim a spicy-salty coating may be the perfect finish. Halo del Santo (halo of the saint), a blend of kosher salt, chili peppers, paprika and lime juice powder, adds a welcome textured bite. A 5-ounce tin (about 177 rims) is $14. It's available at halodelsanto.com or amazon.com.

Puckery summer sipper

Here's an antidote to dull margarita mixes: a new Tart & Spicy Jalapeno Lemonade & Margarita Mix by Urban Accents. Blend the powdered mix with water, then serve over ice on its own or tequila-spiked. We found the delayed fire of both options deliciously refreshing. Adjust mix-tequila proportions as you like; the package suggests 1/4 cup each. It's $8.95 for an 8-ounce package (makes 2 quarts). Buy online or locate a store: crateandbarrel.com.
Revised 'Cities of Light' follows Jewish cabaret scene around the world

BY MYRNA PETLICKI
Pioneer Press

The Jewish cabaret scene in Berlin, Paris, Warsaw and Tel Aviv in the 1920s and '30s was brought to life more than three years ago when Rebecca Joy Fletcher performed the world premiere of her "Cities of Light" at the Piven Theatre Workshop. In the interim, Fletcher has performed the piece extensively, even taking it to Paris.

Fletcher brings a revised version of "Cities of Light" to the Skokie Theatre for performances May 27-31. It is presented by ShPiecE—Performing Identity. The piece is paired with "The Salon of Jewish American Song," performed by David Chack, which focuses on selections from the Great American Songbook by Jewish composers.

"The show has been significantly reworked," Fletcher said of "Cities of Light." "I was experimenting with something at the Piven show and I was happy with what came about but once the dust settled, I realized that there was somewhere I wanted to go with the show to make it stronger."

The biggest change is that it is now a one-person show. The last time around, the pianist became a character.

"Now it tells the story of a single woman named Katrina Waldorf, who's a composite of many stories I researched and read about," Fletcher said. "It's the story of her fleeing but also going toward places where she hopes that her creativity and her Jewish expression will still be welcome."

First, she flees from Germany to Paris as Hitler is coming to power. Her arduous journey leads her to Warsaw next and finally to Tel Aviv. "That story is told indirectly," Fletcher noted, "because we meet her on the stages for cabaret. There's a lot of room for the audiences' imagination of what actually happened to her and what the journey was like."

Fletcher said that ultimately for Katrina, "home is her art -- as it is for many artists. She finds a place where she's safe and can do that fully, and she commits to that place."

Fletcher, who became a Chicago resident two years ago, has a multidimensional career as a playwright, actress, singer, Jewish educator and cantor. She has performed Jewish cabaret around the world. Her creation of the original script, "a mystical, nebulous evil character who warns the knight of dangers in this cave but also lets them know there's a clue that will help them on their quest," the actor said.

"Camelot" at Pheasant Run Theatre, years ago when they were professional performers.

Rebecca Joy Fletcher shares Jewish cabaret music from Germany and Paris to Warsaw and Tel Aviv in "Cities of Light" coming to Skokie Theatre.

Fletcher is pleased with her reworked show, "I hope that this structure allows the music to shine more," she said.

This project is very dear to Fletcher's heart because she feels "a personal, artistic affinity to the art form and to the music on a visceral level as a performer," she said. "I've grown to love these songs so much. It's not a nostalgic project. We brought them to where they really pop for audiences today, the way that they popped then."
Northlight's 'Shining Lives' a triumph of music and storytelling

By Catey Sullivan

Northlight Theatre's shattering and enthralling world premiere of "Shining Lives: A Musical" should come with a trigger warning. It's a true story where rich men get away with mass murder and poor women are disposable trash. It would be a grave error, though, to take only rage away from the new musical by Jessica Thebus (book and lyrics), Amanda Dehnert (score) and Andre Pluess (score).

There is an enduring, inspiring beauty to Thebus' (who also directs) and Dehnert and Pluess' musical adaptation of "These Shining Lives," playwright Melanie Marrich's drama delving the tragedy of the Radium Dial Company, an Ottawa-based company whose owners knew it was far cheaper to replace dead workers than practice safety in the workplace. Through the 1920s and the '30s, dozens of female factory workers died painful, gruesome deaths from radium poisoning after ingesting the poison while painting glow-in-the-dark numbers on watches and clocks.

Despite its harrowing material, "Shining Lives" is installed with a triumphant beauty. It shines through in the friendships among the women of the Radium Dial Company, the giddy independence they briefly found before chronic bleeding and debilitating pain destroyed them and in the steely strength they showed in facing death and injustice.

The musical centers on the true story of Catherine Wolfe Donohue (Johanna McKenzie Miller), who was hired as a teenager in 1922 and fired in 1931 after becoming too sick to work. She sued Radium Dial, hoping to force the company to create a safer work-

place. A decade later, she was awarded a little more than $5,000 by the courts. She couldn't use it. She had died at 35.

A cast of seven delivers a searing depiction of the deadly, pervasive sexism. "We are quiet. They want us to stay quiet," said the vivacious Charlotte (Bri Sudia) after learning that her arm would have to be amputated. And at first the young women do stay quiet, whispering among themselves about ailments that include severe arm and leg pain, aching teeth and chronic bleeding.

Meanwhile, the patronizing, lying company doctor (Erik Hellman) prescribes aspirin and extols the health benefits of radium. It's not until Charlotte, Catherine, Frances (Jess Godwin) and Pearl (Tiffany Topol) all get fired after becoming too sick to work that they find a more objective doctor (also played by Hellman) and an attorney (Matt Mueller).

The women's tragic journey paradoxically soars with inspiration and giddy triumph. As workers, Catherine, Pearl, Frances and Charlotte seize the joy in their newfound autonomy. Simple things — having the spare cash for a banana split, spending the day at the beach — become declarations of glorious independence, musically embodied in the soaring "Things That Shine."

As Catherine, McKenzie has a strong, silvery soprano that captures a world of strength and sorrow. Topol's Pearl has the sunny, sweet presence you'd expect from the bearer of (intentionally) silly knock-knock jokes and a scene-stealer, who dares to wear pants and swig hooch out in the alley if the spirit so moves.

In the end, "Shining Lives" is not one of those happy, shiny musicals. The Occupational Health and Safety Administration wasn't created until 1970. Ottawa's Radium Dial Company is long gone, but radioactive debris from the company still sets off Geiger counters. "Shining Lives" is often not easy to watch, but it is also impossible to look away.
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EXHIBIT

Botanic Garden's Butterflies & Blooms a fairyland of colors

BY JEN WEDDLE
Lake County News Sun

Butterflies & Blooms will be celebrating its fourth year at the Chicago Botanic Garden with a wide array of beautiful native and non-native blooms and butterflies. The exhibit runs May 23 through Sept. 7 in a white mesh enclosure on the Annex Road, heading from the Visitor Center to McDonald Woods.

"We will get in probably 300 or so pupae every week," Manager of Interpretative Programs Mary Plunkett said. "It's just wonderful to go in there; it's kind of like fairyland with the colorful blooms and butterflies flying everywhere."

The butterflies and moths are species collected from all over the world. The butterflies are active during the day and can live almost everywhere, from Arctic tundra to tropical rain forests. The moths are active at night. Most of the species that can be seen in Butterflies & Blooms live two to three weeks, but some can live for a month. Most of the butterflies will come from tropical climates and are able to adjust well and quickly to the weather change.

The original location for Butterflies & Blooms has moved from its previous spot next to the Children's Learning Campus. There is currently a plan in place to expand the campus so the butterfly tent was moved to a new spot while development is underway.

"This is a temporary site; it's about the same size as the original one was at 2,600-square-foot," Plunkett said. "I think regardless of how many butterflies there are — the best time to come is on a warm, sunny day. It's just a wonderful exhibition; our summer seems to be over before we even start. Don't delay and come as early and often as possible."
Many little kids came in costume last year for the Gnome, Elf and Fairy Festival. "That's the cutest part," said Jennifer Clauson, supervisor of Wildwood Nature Center, 2701 W. Sibley Ave., Park Ridge. "We had boys dressed up as gnomes and elves and we had lots of girls in their fairy costumes."

They are expecting an even bigger turnout of magically-dressed boys and girls, ages 2-10, at the second annual festival, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, May 30.

"It's all about being outdoors in nature and having fun with gnomes, elves and fairies," Clauson said. "We make things for the garden, like little snail figures. Last year, we painted a gnome. They make fairy houses and leave things out for the fairies. They'll bring home a fairy dust necklace, build forts for the elves and do a gnome scavenger hunt."

The cost is $14 per child. Children must be accompanied by an adult, but only kids have to be registered. For details, call (847) 692-3570 or go to www.prparks.org/facilities/wildwood-nature-center.

Library's new look

It will be party time at the Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., 4-8 p.m. Friday, May 29 for the grand reopening of the library's main floor and mezzanine. From 4-6 p.m. there will be crafts for kids and teens, a musical performance, door prizes and refreshments. The dedication and ribbon cutting will be at 6 p.m. followed by a Suenos Latin Jazz concert at 7 p.m.

For details, call (847) 965-4220 or go to www.mgpl.org.

Go powerless

You don't need an outlet to have an outlet. Bring your kids to Untuned, Unplugged Game Day, 2-5 p.m. Saturday, May 23 at Skokie Public Library, 5315 Oakton St. Your family will learn how much fun board games and craft projects can be.

For details, call (847) 673-7774 or go to www.skokielibrary.info.

Spicy storytime

This might explain why dragons breathe fire: "Dragons Love Tacos." The book by Adam Rubin (author) and Daniel Salmieri (illustrator) will be read during a special storytime, 11 a.m. Saturday, May 23 at Barnes and Noble, 55 Old Orchard Center, Skokie. There will also be themed activities.

For details, call (847) 676-2230 or go to www.barnesandnoble.com.

The sun will come out

...at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 23 when the Niles Public Library, 6960 Oakton St, screens "Annie." The 2014 version of the classic rags-to-riches story of a mop-topped girl and her dog is rated PG and runs 118 minutes.

For details, call (847) 663-1234 or go to www.nileslibrary.org.

Kids can dress up and explore the magical world of tiny outdoor creatures at the Gnome, Elf and Fairy Festival on May 30 at Wildwood Nature Center in Park Ridge.
FOOD

Chicago chefs demonstrate the season’s best

BY VERONICA HINKE
Pioneer Press

While fireworks light up the skies on July 4, the sparkler on the main stage at the Chicago Botanic Garden will be savory — summer savory to be exact. The July 4 demonstration is part of the annual Garden Chef Series, running May 23 through Oct. 4 this year.

Savory is just one of the many trending ingredients that will be highlighted by dozens of area chefs in the series. The Chicago Botanic Garden's Nancy Clifton will lead the July 4 demonstration of summer savory. The herb will star in a recipe for potato and cauliflower gratin developed by NorthShore University HealthSystem.

"Summer savory is easy to work with because it is a mild-flavored herb with a slightly bitter flavor," Clifton said.

Not too bitter she reassured, but with just enough to kick up the flavor in recipes like the gratin. It's made with earthy Gruyere cheese — and even a bit of milk that is infused with summer savory.

The herb is so beloved this season that the Chicago Botanic Garden plans to give away savory seedlings throughout July as part of their plant giveaway program. The savory seedlings will be handed out in the Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

The Garden Chef Series is the perfect place to highlight seasonal ingredients, and it also a happy experience for visitors and chefs alike.

"We are always excited to meet new people," said chef Nabor Vasquez of Nieto's in Highland Park, who leads the July 12 demonstration. "We love watching (the audience's) faces when they taste our samples; they're so happy.

Many of the chefs are waiting until closer to their demo day to highlight the trendiest ingredients, but Andy Motto with Quince at the Homestead in Evanston has already inked in his recipe for May 30 — toasted asparagus soup with rhubarb crème fraîche. Motto will sauté the asparagus with shallots and garlic then puree the ingredients with some cream. The rhubarb will be made into a puree with some grenadine then added to creme fraîche.

Motto has participated in the Garden Chef Series almost every year since joining Quince at the Homestead more than five years ago.

"This year we are going much earlier than we normally do, so it will be fun to use some spring ingredients," Motto said. "We love cooking to the garden. The venue is beautiful and the volunteers and the people that coordinate the event are the best. We are fortunate in that they will take us on a quick tour of the gardens with their golf carts at the end of the demonstration and it is always so beautiful. It tops off a great day.

On Sept. 6, Vince DiBattista will return to represent Evanston eateries Union Pizzeria and Campagna for the second season. DiBattista will demo the culinary art of accentuating the flavors of vegetables with olive oil, vinegar and fresh herbs. He'll also teach how to make flavor-enhancing dressings.

On Aug. 8, Jeff Shapiro, chef-owner of Real Urban Barbecue in Highland Park, Vernon Hills and Oak Brook, will make his roasted potato salad. He uses sherry vinegar along with fresh-chopped thyme and rosemary.

Shapiro, who is making his fourth appearance in the series, will make potato salad three ways: mayonnaise-based, vinegar-based and traditional. "We'll be in that time of year when people eat a lot of potato salad, and we want to show alternatives to traditional preparation by using a smoker or grill and fresh, seasonal ingredients," he said.

The Chicago Botanic Garden's 2015 Garden Chef Series runs 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, May 23 through Oct. 4, in the Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden. For the full schedule, go to www.chicagobotanic.org/chef.

Potato and Cauliflower Gratin with Summer Savory

(Serves 5)
Florets from half a medium-sized head of cauliflower (10 ounces)
1 cup milk
5 sprigs of summer savory (0.2 ounce)
1 clove of garlic, skin removed
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon black pepper, freshly ground
2 medium russet potatoes (14 ounces)
3 ounces of Gruyere cheese, grated
Cooking spray
Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

TO PREPARE THE CAULIFLOWER PUREE:
Steam the cauliflower florets with a steamer basket or in the microwave until tender.
While preparing the cauliflower, combine the milk, summer savory, garlic, salt and pepper in a small saucepan and heat over a medium flame until the liquid is fragrant.
Remove the summer savory and garlic and discard.
Place the cauliflower and the savory-infused milk in a food processor and blend until smooth.

TO ASSEMBLE AND BAKE THE GRATIN:
Prepare an oven-safe dish with cooking spray.
Peel the potatoes and slice very thinly.
Arrange a layer of potatoes in the dish and top with some of the cauliflower puree. Continue to alternate between potato and cauliflower layers until all of the potato slices and puree have been used.
Top with grated Gruyere cheese.
Bake until the potatoes are just tender and the top is golden brown (about 30 minutes).

— NorthShore University HealthSystem

Roasted Potato Salad

(Serves 4-6)
3 Tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
1 Tablespoon sherry vinegar
2 Tablespoons Dijon mustard
1 Tablespoon fresh thyme, chopped
Salt and pepper
11/2 pounds red potatoes
4 Tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
2 cloves garlic, chopped
2 springs fresh rosemary, chopped
2 ounces arugula
Shaved Parmesan (Garnish)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Wash and cut red potatoes in half. Mix together the olive oil, garlic and fresh rosemary. Toss with the potatoes and season generously with salt and pepper.
Toss that in a 350 degree oven and let bake for 30 minutes. While the potato mixture bakes, prepare your dressing. Combine the sherry vinegar, Dijon mustard and grain mustard. Mix in the olive oil to create a vinaigrette style dressing. Toss in the fresh chopped thyme and salt and pepper to taste. Remove potatoes from the oven and toss with the dressing while they are still hot. Allow to cool to room temperature for 5-10 minutes. Toss the potato mixture with arugula, plate and garnish with Parmesan cheese.

— Jeff Shapiro, Real Urban Barbecue
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Listings are subject to change.
Please call the venue in advance.

Friday, May 22

"The Drowsy Chaperone": Centering around a fictional late 20's musical in which a stage star plans to leave her life in the spotlight, to marry a man that she just met. The fun for fans is a musical within a comedy. 8 p.m. Friday, 7 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, 1 p.m. Wednesday, Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 111 W. Campbell St., Arlington Heights, $30-$38, 847-577-5982

Compex 2015 stamp and postcard show: The show features meetings and talks by nine stamp clubs in Chicago, an 80-frame exhibit space, a U.S. Postal Service booth and more. 10 a.m. Friday-Sunday, Forest View Education Center Theater, 2212 S. Goebbert Road, Arlington Heights, free, 773-775-2100

New artwork now on display at Kaleidoscope School of Fine Art Gallery: Lily McHugh's student art is on display. McHugh is a 13 year old seventh grader at Prairie Middle School. Kaleidoscope School of Fine Art, 316 West Main St., Barrington, free, 847-381-4840

CREB Workshop Guest Artist Wine and Craft: Create your own quick journal or notebook to use on your next trip or even day to day. Make two journals during the class so that you can start writing immediately. All materials will be provided. 7 p.m. Friday, CREB Workshop, 405 Lake Cook Road, Deerfield, $25, 847-272-2728

Live Music Fridays in Deerfield: Veteran singer/songwriter Derrick Proc still performs at Wildfish in Deerfield. Derrick on piano is accompanied by great guest musicians every Friday. Derrick plays originals and "Boomer Rock." 7 p.m. Friday, Wildfish, 730 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, free, 847-317-9453

Chicago Fire Juniors North Tryouts: Youth soccer organization holds series of tryouts. 5 p.m. daily, Brickyards Park, North Pingston Road & Fountain View Drive, Deerfield, $25, 224-723-5752

Great American Tall Tales: Spotlight Youth Theater presents Great American Tall Tales, an original Spotlight production. When several young kids stumble into a dusty exhibit during a museum field trip, their adventure comes to life. Together they meet the beloved characters of American folklore — Annie Oakley, Davy Crockett, Pecos Bill, Annie Christmas, John Henry and more. 7 p.m. Friday, 5:45 p.m. Saturday, Prairie Lakes Theatre, 351 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines, $9-$12, 847-516-2928

Mount Prospect Jaycees Memorial Day Carnival: The Mount Prospect Jaycees are again preparing to host their annual Memorial Day Weekend Carnival at Mount Prospect Plaza. This year's carnival will benefit Northwest Compass food bank, Clearbrook, the fight against glycogen storage disease and ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis), and will support a local elementary school. 5 p.m. Friday, 1 p.m. Saturday-Monday, Mount Prospect Plaza, Rand and Central Roads, Mt. Prospect, $12.50-$20, 224-674-0691

Gentle Yoga: Gentle Yoga returns to the library in the Pollack room. Sessions involve sitting and standing exercises for improved physical strength and mental clarity. Admittance on first-come, first-served basis. 10:30 a.m. Friday, Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, free, 847-272-6224

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, Congregation Or Shalom, 21 Hawthorn Parkway, Vernon Hills, free, 847-362-1489

A Musical Shabbat: Former board president and author Carol Miller Fradin discusses her new book, "What Brings You Joy?" as part of the Friday night Shabbat service. 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Congregation B'nai Tikvah, 1558 Wilmot Road, Deerfield, $20, 847-945-0470

Chicago Undy Run/Walk: Hit the streets in your boxes and briefs and shine the spotlight on colon cancer. This pet-and-family friendly event is open to all ages, and includes a 1-Mile Fun Run and a giant inflatable colon. A fun event with a serious message: colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the U.S. For more information visit undyrunwalk.org. 9 a.m. Saturday, Busse Woods Forest Preserve, East Higgins and South Arlington Heights Roads, Elk Grove Village, $25-$40, 202-628-0123

Graylake Farmers Market: Shop for a variety of fresh, homemade and locally grown goods at the weekly market open until 2 p.m. on Saturdays. 10 a.m. Saturday, Downtown Graylake, 147 Center St., Graylake, Free, 847-289-7138

Lake Forest Symphony May Concerts: Vladimir Kulenovic, Music Director of the Lake Forest Symphony, will conduct the final concerts of the 2014-2015 season. The programs will include works by Bartok, Bruch and Brahms. The soloist is Philippe Quin, Director of the Finna Chamber Music Festival in Mexico City. Preconcert talks begin one hour before performances, and a reception follows each concert. For tickets, call or go to the website. 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts, 1925 W. Washington St., Grayslake, $35-$54, 847-295-2135

Saturday, May 23

Barrington's 150th Anniversary: Entries in the Village of Barrington poster contest will be on display May 24-25 at Barrington Village Hall. The winning entry will be chosen and adapted for use as a Barrington commemorative poster and sold at the festival. Noon, Saturday-Sunday, Barrington Village Hall, 200 S. Hough St., Barrington, free, 847-304-3400

Chicago Fire Juniors North Tryouts: Youth soccer organization holds series of tryouts. 5 p.m. daily, Brickyards Park, North Pingston Road & Fountain View Drive, Deerfield, $25, 224-723-5752

Barrington Art Festival: Shop for jewelry, paintings, ceramics, photographs and other works from more than 130 artists from around the world at the festival, which also includes demonstrations, live music, food for sale, drawings and children's activities, such as the parATrEe graffiti wall. 10 a.m. Saturday-Sunday, Cook and Station streets, Barrington, 847-926-4300

Shavuot Services at Congregation B'nai Tikvah: On Sunday, May 24 at 9 a.m., a Festival Service and Yizkor Service followed by a Kiddush luncheon/Shavuot lecture and discussion with Professor Meira Keeslky on the topic: "Hagar: The Silenced Matriarch." 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Congregation B'nai Tikvah, 1558 Wilmot Road, Deerfield, $20, 847-945-0470

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Huntley Farmers Market: Head to the weekly market for fresh produce, baked goods, jams and jellies, dog treats and more. Certain dates feature a book sale, a craft fair and/or live entertainment. 8 a.m. Saturday, Huntley Town Square, 11704 Coral St., Huntley, Free, 847-515-5200

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Palatine Farmers Market: Shop for fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, meats, pasta, cheese, sauces, oils, spices, teas, granola, donuts, coffee, jams, honey, jelly, maple syrup and pet treats. The pet-friendly market also offers knife sharpening. 7 a.m. Saturday, Palatine Metra Station, 137 W. Wood St., Palatine, free, 847-359-0043

Woodstock Farmers Market: Shop for flowers, fresh produce, meats, cheese, eggs, pastries, cookies, popcorn, jams, pickles, granola, soaps, jewelry, fall decor and more. 8 a.m. Saturday, McHenry County Farm Bureau Building, 1102 McConnell Road, Woodstock, free

Sunday, May 24

Family to Family: See professional kite flyer show off their skills and novice, stunt and show kites are on sale. The event also feature a candy drop, raffle and drawings. The first 300 kids receive a free kite. 10 a.m. Sunday, Lippold Park, 1251 Illinois 176, Crystal Lake, free, 815-459-0680

Unity Youth Fellowship: For youth in grades 9-12, meet for an evening of learning and fun. All young people in these grades are welcome to join. For more information contact Rev. Emily Mitchell by phone or email PastorEmily@stpeterlz.org. 7 p.m. Sunday, St. Peter United Church of Christ, 47 Church St., Lake Zurich, free, 847-395-0874

Monday, May 25

Anime Club: 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


Senior Lunch and Activity Program: Bingo begins at 11 a.m. and lunch is served at noon for this weekly meeting, sponsored by the Barrington Council on Aging. 10:30 a.m. Monday, Barrington Park District, 235 Lions Drive, Barrington, free, 847-381-0687

Deerbrook Park Toastmasters Meeting: Improve your communication and leadership skills. Developing these skills is helpful in so many facets of our lives. 6:45 p.m. Monday, Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, free, 847-317-1905

Monday Night AGOA Group: Adult Children of Alcoholics is a support group for adults who were part of alcoholic and other dysfunctional families while growing up. 7 p.m. Monday, St. Lawrence Episcopal Church, 125 W. Church St., Libertyville, free, 847-362-2110

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. 10:30 a.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

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! 2 p.m. Monday, Morton Grove Public Library 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

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Parkinson's Support Group: For people with Parkinson's, as well as their caregivers and families. 10 a.m. Monday, Covenant Village of Northbrook, 2625 Techrony Road, Northbrook, free, 847-509-0927

Homework Help at the Branch: For grades K-8. Drop in at the Branch for help with homework and preparing for tests. Staff and special assistants are on hand to answer questions. Registration required. 6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, Indian Trails Public Library District - Branch, 99 E. Palatine Road, Prospect Heights, free, 847-459-4100

Tuesday, May 26

Movies, Munches, and More: Film: "Back to the Future II": Marty visits 2015 to straighten out the future of the McFly family. To correct the problems created by a stolen time machine, Marty and Doc must return to 1955. Cast: Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd, 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

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

MGPL On the Go: Apps Made Easy at Starbucks: Catch the Morton Grove Public Library out and about in the community! Visiting places in town talking about downloadable, online resources, Summer Reading and more. Drop in at Starbucks until 10 a.m. to talk about interesting apps for smartphones or tablets. 8 a.m. Tuesday, Starbucks Coffee, 6763 W. Dempster St., Morton Grove, free

Reap the Rewards of Successful Vegetable Gardening: Horticulturist Sharon Yiesla reviews the basics of vegetable gardening, including planning, soil preparation, proper planting times and techniques, and many essential tips for caring for the established garden. Both new and experienced gardeners are welcome. Registration is required. 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 S. Emerson St., Mt. Prospect, free, 847-253-5675

JLI Class Judaism Decoded: JLI Course - Judaism Decoded: The Origins and Evolution of Jewish Tradition. A new six-week course uncovers the unique formula that has sustained Jewish tradition for millennia. Rabbi Meir Moscovitz conducts the sessions. To register visit ChabadNorthbrook.com/ JLI or call 847-564-8770. 10 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. a.m. Tuesday, Lubswit Chabad of Northbrook, 2095 Landwehr Road, Northbrook, $100, 847-564-8770

"Conquering Your Clutter" presented at Women's Havura Dinner: Barbara Sarasin presents the program and discusses ways to help simplify our lives by presenting techniques to de-clutter our households. Checks should be payable to NCS Sisterhood. RSVP to the synagogue office. 6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Northbrook Community Synagogue, 2548 Jasper Court, Northbrook, $18, 847-509-9204

Kiwanis Club of Palatine: Join members of the Kiwanis of Palatine, a volunteer civic organization. Learn about the organization and its charity work throughout the community. 7 p.m. Tuesday, Emmett's Tavern & Brewing Company, 109 W. Butler St., Palatine, free, 847-564-8770

"Thai by Jury." No appointment is required. Auditions for lead roles, supporting parts, and chorus are to be cast in Gilbert and Sullivan's comic operetta "HMS Pinafore" and their one-act farce "Trial by Jury." No appointment is needed. Auditions are open to all high school and college students (accepting students 25 and under). Those interested are asked to prepare a short vocal selection, not to exceed 32 bars (approximately 60 seconds). A piano accompanist will be provided during the audition. Auditioning for a speaking role requires a cold script reading in addition to the open audition. Registration fee due at the audition. Public performances held at the Prairie Center on July 31, Aug. 1, 7 and 8 at 7:30 p.m.; 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Prairie Center for the Arts, 201 Schaumburg Court, Schaumburg, $75, 847-895-3600

Storytime at the Stage: Children with an adult are invited to join at the stage in the Children's Department for the weekly Storytime. Listen to new and classic books, then have fun decorating or coloring a craft. 11 a.m. Tuesday, Spring Hill Mall, 1072 Spring Hill Mall, West Dundee, free, 847-428-2200

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Deerbrook Park Toastmasters Open House: 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, free, 847-317-1905

Pint and Click: Tech Gadget Petting Zoo: Showcasing and discussing various tech gadgets. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Tap House Grill, 1472 Market St., Des Plaines, free, 847-827-5551

Quilting and More: Join friends for quilting and discussion. 9 a.m. Wednesday, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 29700 N St. Marys Road, Libertyville, free, 773-523-3838

Teen Library Council (TLC): Stop by at TLC and meet the new teen librarian, check out the new Teen Room, and take a leading role in shaping the future of MGPL. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

DIY Bicycle Repair and Maintenance: Make the most of bicycling season by handling minor repairs. An expert from Prospect Bikes & Trains provides an overview of the basics of properly maintaining a bicycle. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Mount Prospect Public Library, 10 S. Emerson St., Mt. Prospect, free, 847-253-5675

Kirk Open Basketball: Kirk of the Lakes Presbyterian Church offers free open basketball to anyone ages 10 and up from 10:30 a.m.-noon through March 2015. 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Kirk of the Lakes Presbyterian Church, 1500 W. Hawley St., Mundelein, free, 847-837-1368

Books on Tap: "The Family Fang": Books on Tap is the library's book club in a pub. Meet in the private room of the Landmark Inn to relax, talk books, and enjoy a tasty beverage and snacks. Tracy Gossage leads a discussion of "The Family Fang" by Kevin Wilson. Forced to star in their parents' performance art as children, a pair of grown siblings return home after personal crises and learn that one last show is underway. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Landmark Inn, 1352 Shermer Road, Northbrook, free, 847-559-1919

Bernard Weinger Jewish Community Center Men's Group: The Men's Club meets throughout the year on Wednesday mornings. The group is for adults 55 years and older. Meetings last an hour and offer friendly conversation. 10 a.m. Wednesday, Bernard Weinger JCC, 300 Revere Drive, Northbrook, free, 224-406-9200

Overcome job search obstacles: For anyone under- or unemployed. On May 27, Bob Podgorski from the Job Search Ministry in Hoffman Estates discusses "Uncommon Sources of Job Opportunities." Additional upcoming programs: June 24, Aug. 19, Sept. 30, and Oct. 21. Contact Sue or Arthur at Joinwork@orshalom.org for more information. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Congregation Or Shalom, 21 Hawthorn Parkway, Vernon Hills, free, 847-362-3948

Preschool Storytime: For ages 3-5 years old with stories, songs and activities, but no siblings or caregivers please. Registration not required. 11 a.m. Wednesday, Indian Trails Library District, 355 Schoenbeck Road, Wheeling, free, 847-459-4100

Toddler Drive-in Movie: For ages 2-5 with a caregiver. Decorate a box "car," grab a snack and watch a short movie. Your car goes home with you! Free tickets distributed 30 minutes before the program. 10 a.m. Wednesday, Indian Trails Library District, 355 Schoenbeck Road, Wheeling, free, 847-459-4100

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“The Age of Adaline” ★★★½
PG-13, 1:50, drama. Hollywood long ago ceded “love that stands
the test of time” to the realm of science fiction and fantasy, so
“The Age of Adaline” falls neatly into a genre that includes “The
Time Traveler’s Wife,” “About Time” and even “Somewhere in
Time.” But building this film around the willowy, world-weary
grace that Blake “Gossip Girl” Lively can muster pays off. As a
20-something who stopped aging 80 years ago, Lively suggests
several lifetimes of experience in a love story that ranges from
wistful to hopeful, a romance whose female half understands
its consequences. — Roger Moore

“Avengers: Age of Ultron” ★★½
PG-13, 2:22, fantasy. “Avengers: Age of Ultron” won’t disappoint
a majority of its presold, culturally obligated fans. Action, relent-
less and assaultive, wisecracks, numerous, pretty sharp and
evenly parcelled out among Robert Downey Jr. (Iron Man), Chris
Hemsworth (Thor), Mark Ruffalo (Hulk), Chris Evans (Captain
America), Scarlett Johansson (Black Widow), Jeremy Renner
(Hawkeye) and so on. Three years ago, writer-director Joss
Whedon’s “The Avengers” turned out to be a sproightly wallop of
an all-star superhero blockbuster. So why does the new one
seem, I don’t know... a little... small? Entertaining as much of “Avengers 2” is, Whedon’s
picture meets expectations without exceeding them. — Michael Phillips

“Furious 7” ★★★
PG-13, 2:20, action. Under the hood, we’re all Vin Diesel, trying to
live a meaningful life a quarter-mile at a time. Yet the film series
began in the pre-9/11 era with “The Fast and the Furious” has
sustained itself through weak sequels and exuberant ones.
Keep it coming, pal. We’ll tell you when we’ve had enough. Even
with its dull stretches and hacky, manic editing rhythms,
“Furious 7” does the trick. It’s roughly as realistic as Georges
Mellies’ “A Trip to the Moon,” of course. But revisiting our old pals
(one of whom is played by an actor who is no longer with us)
and watching them survive one unsurvivable collision or plunge
after another continues against the odds to have a wallop-
ing charm all its own. — M.P.

“Hot Pursuit” ★½
PG-13, 1:27, comedy.
Cheap, short and slow, “Hot Pursuit” is a comedy that never lets
you forget that pairing up Sofia Vergara with Reese Witherspoon
should have worked better than this. A mismatch-misfire
badly misdirected by the director of “The Guilt Trip” and “27
Dresses,” it wastes the Oscar-winning Reese and the spirited
spitfire Vergara, cast as a comically disgraced cop who escorts
the wife of a drug lord to court. It’s “Midnight Run” without
enough running, “The Heat” without any heat. — R.M.

“The Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2” ★
PG, 1:34, comedy. “The Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2” is even more of a kids
movie than the 2009 original — slapstick and sight gags built
around a clueless plump lumb. It’s harmless, and Kevin James
tries to find a place among the pratfall kings. None of this ever
rises above a slight grin. Sequels are cynical by nature, but this
one, with its casino product-placement ad and director Andy
Fickman apparently checking his text messages instead of
trying to punch the limp gags into shape, is purely a paycheck.
— R.M.
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Death Notices

Matturro, Ann Ruth 'Ms Ann'
A memorial and interment of ashes has been set for May 29th, to honor and celebrate the life of Ann Matturro, née Emerson formerly of Park Ridge. For 40 years, Ms. Ann performed psychic consultations for clients throughout the US and Europe.

She was born and raised in Arkansas, and as a young girl the bright lights of Chicago beckoned. She received monogrammed luggage for graduation, and the next day, Ann left for Chicago.

She and her husband Angelo moved to Park Ridge in 1965, settling in to raise their three children. All the while, Ann's reputation grew. Police departments, distraught relatives and even clergy members sought her advice. She did readings at corporate and private events all over Chicagoland, and was hired as entertainment on cruise ships and gatherings of all types.

She called herself a "poor man's psychiatrist" and loved sharing her psychic gift. When her hearing was failing, she resisted using hearing aids, saying, "I've heard everything." In 2005, she was stricken with Alzheimer's disease, and had to leave her beloved Park Ridge home.

She was a friend to many, and always knew how to light up a room. She was quick-witted and smiled easily. Her laugh made the world a bit brighter, and will be missed.

Ann, 84, died April 11, 2015, and was preceded in death by her husband (Angelo), a brother (Robert), and her parents (J.D. Emerson and Velva Lively). She is survived by her children Vetta (Steven Parker), James (Maryann), and Greg (Tammy). Grandchildren James, Katherine, Matthew, Angela, Jonathan, Kyran, Payton, and great-granddaughter Madilyn, along with her brother Frank, sisters-in-law Louisa Boshardy and Patsy Matturro, and many nieces, nephews, and great nephews and nieces.

Memorial services will begin at 11 a.m., May 29th, at First United Methodist Church of Park Ridge. Interment to follow at Maryhill Cemetery in Niles. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to the Alzheimer's Foundation. www.alzfdn.org

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Rough roads take a big toll on automobiles, especially the steering and suspension components. And it is not only potholes. Hitting curbs, blasting across rough railroad tracks or speeding over speed bumps can all cause damage.

Potholes form when moisture seeps through small holes and cracks in the road surface. As temperatures rise and fall, the moisture expands and contracts due to thawing and freezing. This breaks up the pavement and, combined with the weight of passing cars, eventually chunks out, creating a pothole.

According to AAA Mid-Atlantic, potholes and poor roads cost drivers $6.4 billion last year to fix things like flat tires, lost hubcaps and bent axles.

**Best practices**

AAA recommends the following:

**Inspect tires:** The tire is the most important cushion between a car and a pothole. Make sure tires have enough tread and are properly inflated by checking the sticker in the door frame or owner's manual, not the pounds per square inch listed on the tire.

**Look ahead:** Make a point of checking the road ahead for potholes. An alert driver may have time to avoid potholes, so it's important to stay focused on the road.

**Slow down:** If a pothole cannot be avoided, reduce speed safely, being sure to check the rearview mirror before any abrupt braking. Hitting a pothole at higher speeds greatly increases the chance of damage to tires, wheels and suspension components.

**Beware of puddles:** A puddle of water can disguise a deep pothole. Use care when driving through puddles and treat them as though they may be hiding potholes.

**Recognize noises/vibrations:** A hard pothole impact can dislocate wheel weights, damage a tire or wheel, and bend or even break suspension components.

The experts at Tire Rack suggest caution, especially if your winter tires will be replaced by low-profile, high-performance wheels and rubber, which do little to cushion the blow when you hit even a small pothole at low speeds.

**Damage done**

Eventually, no matter how careful you are, you will hit a pothole. Pray that it is a shallow one. But the hole does not have to be the size of a moon crater to do significant and expensive damage.

Bust a tire and break a rim? You are looking at several hundred dollars, since you will probably have to buy two new tires at the very least so that the rotational speeds are the same across the axle. (The anti-lock brake system can be confused if they are not.) An alloy wheel will probably cost at minimum a few hundred bucks. If the wheel is damaged, chances are the tire pressure-monitoring system transducer is also damaged. Add in mounting and balancing the tires, plus installing and initializing the TPMS transducer, and you have a hefty bill.

Suspension parts are often damaged. That includes items such as tie-rods, control arms, spindles and shock absorbers or MacPherson struts. Parts and labor can, once again, run several hundred dollars.

To cap it off, your car will need alignment — even if none of the parts are damaged.

Your grand total can easily approach $1,000 or more.

**Insurance**

According to the Insurance Information Institute, the good news is that, yes, pothole damage is usually covered — provided you have collision coverage for your vehicle. An optional portion of a standard policy, it covers damage from colliding with an object.

Pothole damage is usually covered — provided you have collision coverage. Collision coverage, an optional portion of a standard auto insurance policy, covers damage to a car resulting from a collision with an object (e.g., a pothole, lamp post or guardrail), another car or as the result of flipping over. However, it does not cover wear and tear to a car or its tires due to bad road conditions.

Collision coverage is generally sold with a deductible — the higher your deductible, the lower your premium. Your collision coverage will reimburse you for the costs of repairing your car, minus the deductible.

Collision insurance is different from comprehensive insurance, which is also an option and covers theft, vandalism, flooding and damage from fallen objects, such as trees.

A driver who hits another car, or a pedestrian, due to a pothole also will be covered by liability insurance. Liability coverage applies to injuries that you, the policyholder or designated driver cause to someone else.

Maybe you should check with your insurance agent about replacing loose fillings.
Following sister's lead, Trier chooses to play goalie

BY ERIC VAN DRIL
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Isabelle Trier spent all four years of her high school girls water polo career in goal for Maine East's varsity team. She achieved all-state status as a junior and earned that honor again as a senior in 2014.

Trier's family was regularly in the stands to support her during her high school career. That group included her younger brother Owen Trier, who just wrapped up his first season as the starting varsity goalkeeper for the Blue Demons' boys team.

Owen Trier learned about water polo by watching his older sister and her teammates.

"She introduced me to the whole sport. I had no idea it existed beforehand," said Owen Trier, a junior. "That's pretty much how I learned the basic mechanics of water polo, just by watching the girls games when she was playing."

Owen Trier, a Glenview resident, entered high school as Isabelle Trier began her junior year. He took her advice and joined both the swimming and water polo teams at Maine East as a freshman. He decided to play goalie not because of his older sister, he said, but because he was drawn to goal when he played soccer in elementary school.

Following Isabelle Trier's path allowed Owen Trier to continue to learn from one of the state's best goalies.

"I think one of the biggest things that I took away was you have to always be prepared," Owen Trier said. "When you're a goalie, you have to always be ready to tread up as high as you can to block the ball. Whenever you watch her play, she's always so focused and she's always just completely determined to do whatever she's doing."

Those aspects of the position — being prepared for a shot, treading as high as possible and remaining focused — are all vital for a goalie on the varsity level.

Owen Trier has tried to improve in each area over the last year. He still has room to improve, he said.

"If it's the last day, I'm going to go for it and I don't want to stop halfway through."

This year, Deeja's mobility and shot selection turned her into a threat. An elite water polo player mixes matches with drop shots, and shots to the corners with gentle lobs to the back line. Deeja mastered that ability, Howley said, leading one opposing coach to say, "I'm scared of this one." That's when Howley said she started to realize the Blue Demons might be on the verge of something special.

Beyond making history, Deeja's run to state also made an impression on Majka, who very well could repeat the feat next season. Though their matches were close, Majka held Deeja off in order to get where you actually have to do and how much effort you have to put into it and how much you have to do and how much effort you have to put in to get where you want to be.

By snapping Maine East's decade-long streak of not having a state qualifier, perhaps Deeja has started a new streak.

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Cherian embraces role as Niles West's vocal leader

Sophomore pitcher says talking helps her 'think things through'

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In any team huddle — no matter the inning or the score — Niles West sophomore pitcher Hope Cherian can be heard. Yes, she may be young, but she's the Wolves' most audible leader. It's a role she cherishes, she said.

"I get my lungs from my mom. She's very loud," Cherian said. "We have an athletic family, so my mom is always on the sideline, and I totally get it from her. Any sport I play, I love to talk because it not only helps me think things through, but for everyone, it brings the team together."

In Niles West's second game on Saturday, May 16, at the Steve Ramseyer Tournament, she took to the circle hoping to snap a two-game skid. Ridgewood, however, took an early lead en route to an 8-3 win, but every chance she got, Cherian stood in the center of the huddle.

"Usually when you think of a sophomore, you think of a quiet, timid player," she said. "But I am not a quiet, timid person."

Ridgewood pushed across two runs in the first inning against Cherian and another in the second. They made it 5-0 in the third, before Niles West's Hailey Fishman tripled and then scored on a wild pitch.

The Rebels then scored three more times over the next four innings. Cherian finished the game with three strikeouts and one walk. She surrendered 11 hits. It was a rough outing for one of the team's best pitchers, but Niles West coach Nicole Reynolds said Cherian is resilient.

"She didn't have a great game, but it's OK. She's a sophomore. She'll learn, she'll get better," Reynolds said. "If she's consistent, her head is in it and she is physical doing the things she needs to do, she can get it done."

Cherian is certainly working on it. After playing softball, volleyball and basketball as a freshman, she's switched her focus to playing softball year-round, with aspirations of playing in college "somewhere in Florida," she said. She's shown flashes already in her young career, like when she beat Maine South 3-2 on Thursday, May 14, but Cherian's focus on her upcoming two years is simple.

Be even more vocal.

"Moving forward I want to work on being a team leader," Cherian said. "I want to be able to take that role, not only with younger girls coming up, but also, with my seniors, I want to be able to help them out and help us improve to where we are winning big games."

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Jamiyankhuu wins all-around gymnastics state title

Niles West finishes third, earns best finish since 1975

BY ERIC VAN DRIL
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At the beginning of the boys gymnastics season, Niles West coach Adrian Batista said he didn't expect to have star junior Dalai Jamiyankhuu compete for the Wolves this season due to a cracked L5 vertebra in Jamiyankhuu's back.

Not only did Jamiyankhuu return, he won the state championship in the all-around at Hinsdale Central on Friday, May 15. Jamiyankhuu finished with 52.70 points, edging Wheaton Warrenville South senior Ben Szot (52.55).

Jamiyankhuu led the Wolves to a third-place finish (149.00 points) in the team standings - which was Niles West's highest finish since the 1974-75 school year - in just his fourth meet of the season.

"My first meet was the Niles North Invite [on Friday, April 24], and I only competed in" pommel horse, Jamiyankhuu said. "It was not the best. It was very sloppy. ... I didn't think I'd be here right now, taking first place."

Despite the long layoff, many of Jamiyankhuu's skills returned right away, he said, because he'd done them for so long and still had the muscle memory.

Jamiyankhuu had to work hard to get others back in time for the state meet, he added. But there were a few - specifically the strength elements on still rings and his dismount on parallel bars, where he combines strength and swinging - that he still didn't have on Friday, May 15.

That was evident early on. Jamiyankhuu scored a 7.70 on still rings to start the meet. That immediately put him at a disadvantage.

"After the first event, I was down by two points," Jamiyankhuu said. "And then I went to vault, did decent [scoring a 9.20] - but then came to [parallel] bars and fell on my dismount. I was very down and sad about that, but my teammates picked me up and said, 'No, you've got to keep going.'"

Niles West had its longest break of the meet after it competed on parallel bars.

"Coach, he said some things to me" during that time, said Jamiyankhuu, who scored an 8.45 on parallel bars. "I was like, 'You're right. It's not the end. We don't know what's going to happen until the end,' so then I gave it all I've got."

Jamiyankhuu's first event after that was horizontal bar - the apparatus on which he won a 2014 state title. Jamiyankhuu scored a 9.20 on horizontal bar to win the state championship last year, and he matched that on Friday night. His 9.20 was the best score on horizontal bar of any gymnast competing in the all-around.

Jamiyankhuu followed that with a 9.10 on floor exercise. Then, in his final event of the all-around, he scored a 9.05 on the pommel horse. He was the meet's lone all-arounder to score a 9.00 or higher on pommel horse.

After pommel horse, Jamiyankhuu's all-around score of 52.70 was posted on an overhead screen at Hinsdale Central. He then waited, watching the remaining gymnasts to see if it would hold up.

It did. And the way he rebounded from low scores on still rings and parallel bars proved vital.

"I guess after falling a couple times, I was like, 'Well, it doesn't matter if I mess up, so I'm just going to be confident and I'm going to go for everything,'" Jamiyankhuu said. "I think, with that attitude, it made me more confident with my skills."

Jamiyankhuu's return to Niles West late in the season helped elevate the Wolves from a solid team into one of the best in Illinois. Several gymnasts made strong contributions on Friday night, including junior Mitchell Byron, senior Jordan Goldberg and junior David Thai.

Jamiyankhuu "hit, and the rest of the guys were consistent," Batista said. "That's what we've been doing."

Being part of the best team at Niles West since 1975, when the Wolves finished second in the state, was especially sweet for Goldberg.

"It's amazing," he said. "I didn't think this was possible. The fact that we got third is just amazing. It's the perfect way to end my gymnastics career."

Day 2 meet notes

One night after winning the state all-around title, Jamiyankhuu won state championships in two events on Saturday, May 16. He shared first place on the pommel horse with Cary Grove freshman Lukas Sias, who also scored a 9.10. Jamiyankhuu finished second on floor exercise (9.30) and third on horizontal bar (8.40).

Niles North junior Raymond Tang finished tied for 35th on parallel bars (8.05). Junior teammate Jordon Brewer finished tied for 35th on vault with an 8.80. Niles North junior Aaron Niederman tied for 42nd on still rings (7.05).

Senior Mark Wilson qualified for the state meet on floor exercise, but he was a last-minute scratch due to a sprained left ankle he suffered on Friday, May 15 - the day before he was slated to compete at state. Wilson sprained his right ankle about a month prior to the state meet. Niles North coach Richard Meyer said, and it was healing pretty well before he sprained his left ankle.

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Kanam fights through pain, reaches state

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Near the end of the indoor track season, Niles North senior Fiona Kanam torqued her body the wrong way when she was throwing the shot put.

"I kind of heard a pop," Kanam said. "Since then, it's been really hurting me."

Kanam has dealt with pain in her lower back and her right (throwing) shoulder throughout the outdoor track season. She's taken measures to try to alleviate it — using a foam roller on her back before meets and icing after practice — but the pain has persisted and she isn't exactly sure what is wrong.

"My mom told me to go to [the doctor] — she was going to bring me there. I told her I didn't want to," Kanam said. "I'm kind of scared because if I go right now and they tell me I can't perform, it's really going to hurt me. I want to wait until I'm done with track."

Kanam won the shot put at the Class 3A Loyola Sectional on Thursday, May 14, with a throw of 40 feet, 9.75 inches to advance to state. At state, Kanam will try to break the Niles West school record (11:02.04) in the 3,200. The record is held by Laura Friedlander, who set it in 1982.

Mujica will be joined downstate by junior Jasmine Ralanan, who qualified in the 300 low hurdles (47.28).

Maine East

All season, the Maine South girls track team knew its best chance to earn a state berth would be in the 4x800 relay, according to junior Julia Sirvinskas.

The 4x800 was the first race of the Class 3A Loyola Sectional. Junior Kalina Gardiner ran the first leg, and she was followed by Sirvinskas and freshman Olivia Niziolek.

Niziolek handed the baton to anchor Casey Bomrad, whose best split of the season was a 2:25. Sirvinskas said. Bomrad had only run a 2:25 once this year, however, and had consistently been at a 2:28.

But early on, Sirvinskas said she could tell Bomrad's leg of the 4x800 was going to be special.

"Her stride was different," Sirvinskas said. "She's always really determined, but her focus was greater than I've ever seen it. ... You could tell that she was uncomfortable in the sense that she was pushing it more than she's ever pushed it before."

New Trier and Loyola finished first and second in the 4x800 to earn the Class 3A Loyola Sectional's automatic state berths.

But Bomrad turned in a personal-best split of 2:21, according to Maine South coach Jeff Downing, and Maine South's 4x800 relay earned a state berth with a time of 9:36.64.

If Bomrad would have run a 2:28, Maine South's 4x800 relay would have failed to get under the IHSA qualifying standard of 9:38.24. Even a 2:25 wouldn't have been good enough.

The 4x800 relay was the lone Hawks entry to qualify for state.

Maine East

High jumpers usually have a similar build — tall and lean. They typically have a quick burst of acceleration that helps them clear the bar.

Maine East freshman Ke- ren Parra is lean and fast, but certainly not tall. She's 5-foot-2, which made her stand out among many of the jumpers at the Class 3A Loyola Sectional.

"I'm kind of used to it for every competition, for high jump," Parra said. "I go in and I'm like, 'Oh no, these girls are twice my size and stuff. But it's OK.' I try to get it to motivate me instead of discourage me."

Although Parra was at a natural disadvantage, she did well at her final meet of the season. She cleared 4-9 to finish in eighth. She also took seventh in the 200 (28.23).

Niles West's Christine Mujica, who is pictured on May 7 at the Central Suburban South girls track and field conference meet, finished second in the 3,200-meter run at the Class 3A Loyola Sectional on May 14 to earn a state berth.

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