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## Homecoming surprise

Niles West grad welcomed back during school pep rally. Page 6



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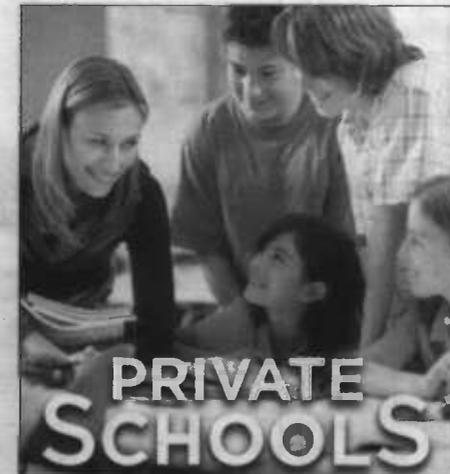
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# Allyson Raymundo, event coordinator

Allyson Raymundo, 22, works as an event coordinator at Funtopia in The Glen Town Center. She graduated this year from Illinois State University with a degree in integrated marketing communications. She lives in Mundelein, where she grew up with her older brother, older sister and parents.

**Q: How do you like working at Funtopia?**

A: It's interesting. I like the camaraderie between the employees.

**Q: Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

A: I would like to be a top executive for a Chicago sports team, any one of them except the Chicago Cubs.

**Q: What sports do you like?**

A: I like playing soccer, but I don't like watching it. I also like volleyball, basketball and baseball.

**Q: Did you play sports growing up?**

A: Yes, I did gymnastics and I played volleyball, soccer, basketball and softball.

**Q: Who do you look up too?**

A: My mom and dad. They grew from living in very harsh conditions in a poor part of the city and putting themselves through school, to getting where they are now.

**Q: If your life was made into a movie, which actress would you like to play you?**

A: Either Amy Schumer or Jennifer Lawrence.

**Q: If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be?**

A: I would go hiking, sky diving and I would fly to another country. I would also go shopping on Rodeo Drive in California.



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Allyson Raymundo, 22, works as an event coordinator at Funtopia, located at The Glen Town Center.

— Alexandra Kukulka, Pioneer Press

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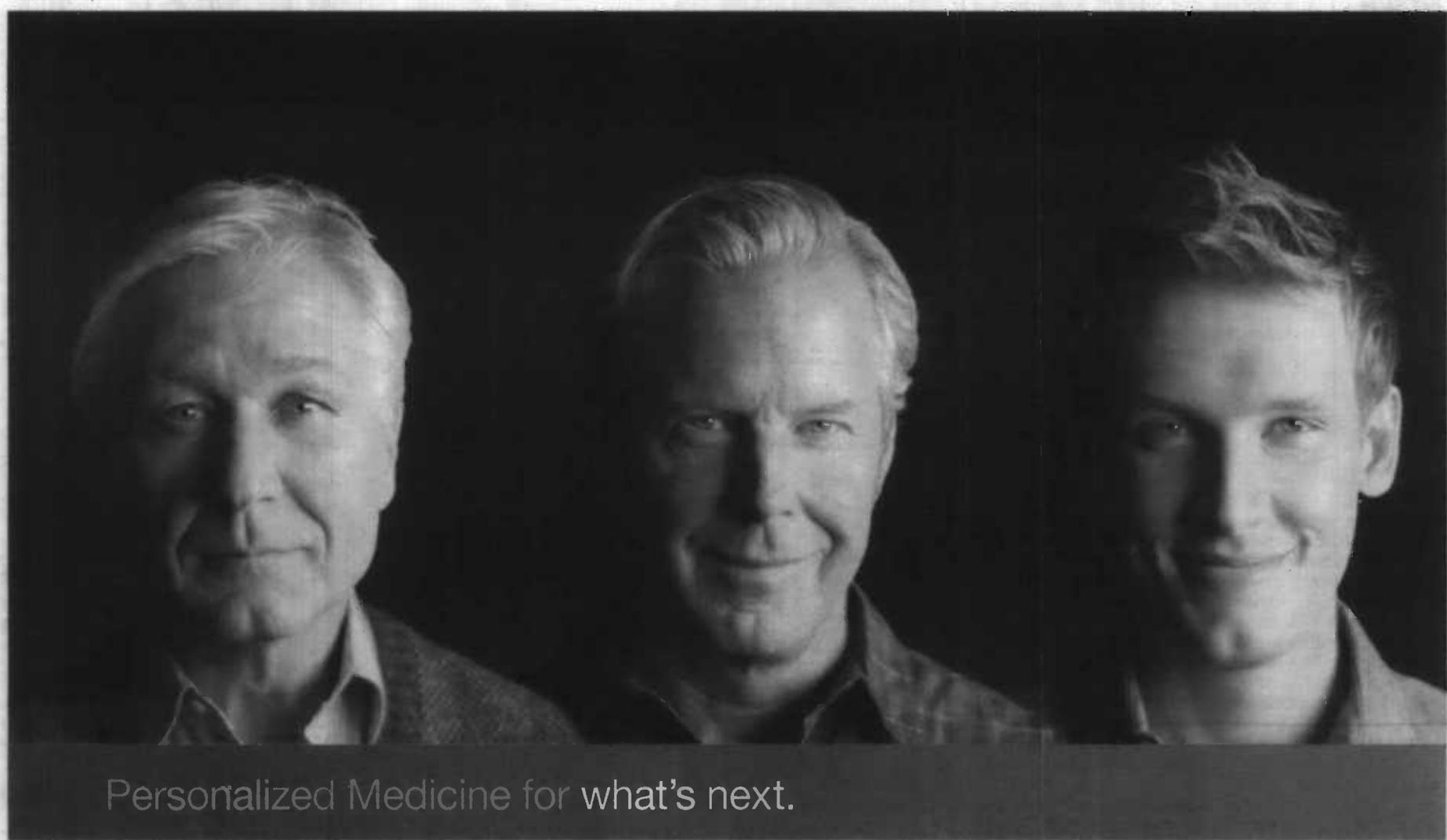
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# Niles West officials welcome home alum

## Pep rally provides perfect cover to surprise marine's family

BY PHIL ROCKROHR  
Pioneer Press

With a DJ booming bass and flashing lights, students at Niles West High School easily were distracted when finding seats for the school's recent homecoming pep rally.

Looking to surprise a Morton Grove family during the rally Sept. 23, Niles West officials were wanting as many distractions as possible. But Michelle Erjavac, of Morton Grove, thought she was surprising her own son, and Niles West student, Christopher Erjavac, who purportedly was set to receive a football award of some kind, by sitting discreetly on the side of the bleachers, she said.

Neither Christopher, a senior linebacker, nor Michelle Erjavac paid especially close attention when a Marine was escorted into the gym to be honored during the national anthem. After eight seniors finished the anthem, the emcee announced the special guest for the pep rally — 2014 graduate Lance Cpl. Jeremy Erjavac.

Michelle Erjavac jumped from her seat and ran to embrace her 20-year-old son.

"I said, 'Oh, a Marine is doing the national anthem,'" Michelle Erjavac said. "I didn't know it was my son. I figured it out as soon as they said, 'Niles West alum.' I don't get to see him often, so it was great. When I hugged him, I said, 'I can't believe you're here.'"

Christopher Erjavac also didn't believe it was his brother until he saw his mom hugging him, he said.

"I saw a Marine out there and thought of my brother," he said. "I can't stop shaking. They said Erjavac and I didn't believe it at first, but then when my mom hugged him, my immediate

urge was to go out and give him a hug."

Wiping back tears, Jeremy Erjavac said he was thrilled by what Niles West staff had organized.

"I was excited to see my family," Jeremy Erjavac said. "I liked it because it was able to be a surprise."

Erjavac, who is stationed in Washington, D.C., drove into the night on Sept. 22 before arriving in Morton Grove at 3 a.m. Sept. 23, he said. He stayed at a friend's house to sleep and came straight to Niles West late the morning of Sept. 23, Erjavac said.

"This is my first time to be back in school," he said. "A lot looks the same, but it's good to be back. I miss a lot of things. I would have done it differently, if I could go back. I would have tried harder, got more involved and stuck with sports through my senior year."

Niles West officials, who thanked Erjavac for his service, said the surprise was a nice way to show the school's appreciation.

"I believe it a great way for our entire student body and faculty-staff to honor one of our alumni who serves our country," said Katie Odell, director of student activities.

Erjavac, who will be in town through Oct. 3, said he plans to spend time with friends and family.

"I see a lot of familiar faces, my brother's friends and teachers I look up to," he said.

Christopher Erjavac said his brother's work schedule makes it difficult to see or talk to him, so he plans to take advantage of the free time with him.

"I'm just really glad he's home. When he's not here, it feels like a piece is missing," Christopher Erjavac said. "I'm just going to hang out and be with him."

Michelle Erjavac said she was grateful she was



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Christopher Erjavac runs from the stands to hug his brother, Jeremy, who surprised him by attending the homecoming assembly in Skokie. Jeremy serves in the U.S. Marines.



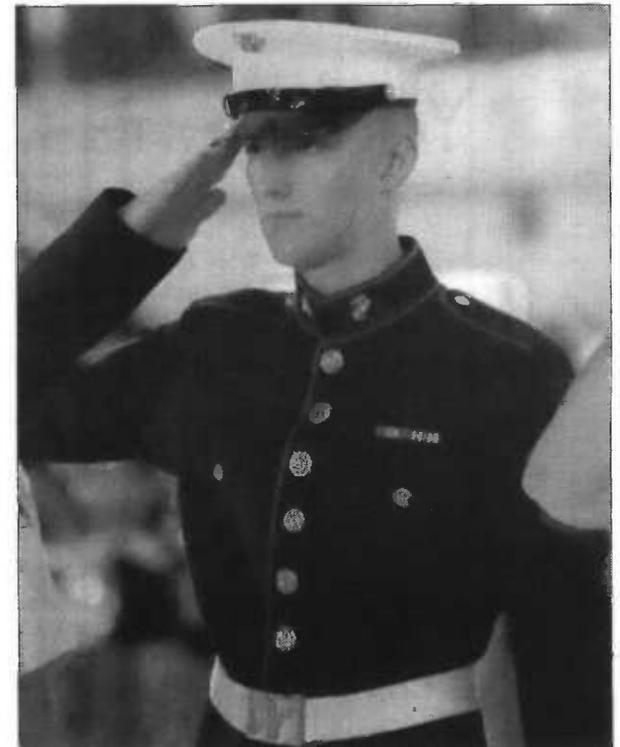
Mary Ellen Yactor and daughter, Michelle Erjavac, hug when Lance Cpl. Jeremy Erjavac, a 2014 graduate of Niles West, attended the homecoming assembly in Skokie.

able to share the experience with her mom, Mary Ellen Yactor, who lives with the family in Morton Grove, and her niece, Aubree, 6, who is Jeremy's goddaughter.

"My mom coordinated

her (medical) treatments to be here," Michelle said. "She knew about the visit. I'm so grateful she could come."

Phil Rockrohr is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.



Home from Washington, D.C., Lance Cpl. Jeremy Erjavac, a 2014 graduate of Niles West, attended the homecoming assembly to surprise his family.



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Members of the Maine East hip-hop dance club perform during their homecoming pep rally at the high school field house in Park Ridge on Sept. 23.

## Hockey players crowned homecoming queen, king

By JENNIFER JOHNSON  
Pioneer Press

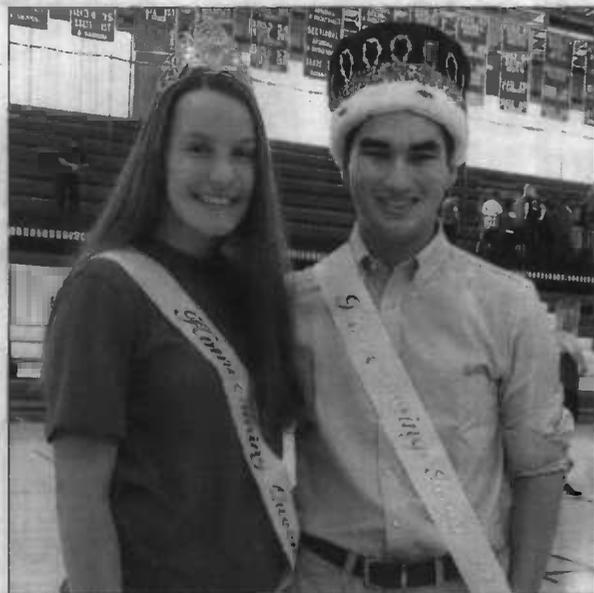
Hayley Kliczko and Josh LaBuda, both of Niles, were voted homecoming royalty during festivities at Maine East High School this week.

Kliczko was crowned homecoming queen, and LaBuda was named king during a firelight rally held after the varsity soccer game on Sept. 22. The next day, they were cheered by their fellow classmates as they were presented during the Park Ridge school's homecoming assembly.

"It was surprising because we weren't trying to get homecoming king and queen," LaBuda said. "It was like a shocker."

Both Kliczko and LaBuda play hockey outside of the school and play the same position, goaltender. Kliczko plans to continue her career on the ice at Brown University in the fall.

"It's really fun to play, and the competition's great," Kliczko said of the sport. LaBuda also pointed to the competition and the team environment as his favorite



Maine East's Hayley Kliczko (left) and Josh LaBuda were crowned homecoming king and queen during the homecoming pep rally at the high school field house in Park Ridge on Sept. 23.

aspects of playing hockey.

This year's homecoming theme centered around Hawaii. Colorful paper flowers were strung from a ceiling in the first floor hallway, cut-outs of surfboards and palm trees were taped to walls, and someone even

created a hallway collage consisting of about 40 pictures of President Barack Obama, many showing him wearing Hawaiian leis around his neck.

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Participants in the first World Relief Refugee 5K Run/Walk in Niles take off from the start line.

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# Niles fundraiser puts spotlight on refugees

By **KARIE ANGELL LUC**  
Pioneer Press

A first-time fundraiser in Niles attempted to turn people's attention to the life of refugees who usually come to the U.S. with little, said organizers of the World Relief Refugee 5K Run/Walk.

By their estimates, roughly 150 people throughout the Niles area came to Bunker Hill Forest Preserve Sept. 24 to offer support for area refugees, making the first-ever 5K fundraiser a success, said Lauren McGee, an immigration attorney with the organization World Relief Chicago.

"We're just blown away by the support, we really are," McGee said.

The turnout might convince organizers to make the event an annual occurrence, she said. The goal was simple.

The race and fundraising activities all were meant "to bring awareness and to raise

funds for refugees who are arriving with nothing," said Skokie resident Mario Guerra, director of finance operations for World Relief Chicago.

Refugees such as 21-year-old Hafa Obedi, who came to Chicago seven years ago with his family from Tanzania, attended the event. Working with World Relief Chicago, Obedi said he is studying at Truman College to become a social worker while living with his family in an apartment in Rogers Park in Chicago.

"So many reasons why," Obedi said. "One reason being, I want to give back and help other refugees."

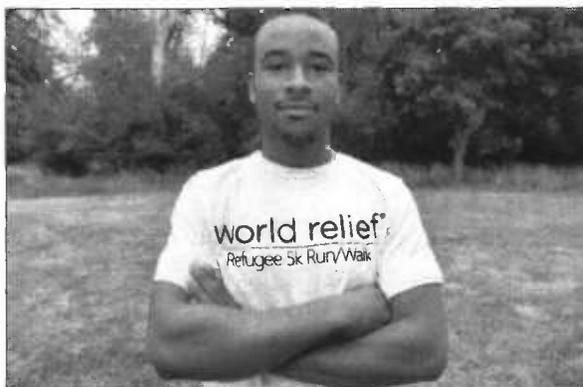
All event proceeds benefited World Relief Chicago, which assists refugees with resettlement in the U.S.

"We're happy to do it," Guerra said of the event. "We're happy to build community."

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



Diego Barocio, from left, 11, of Cicero takes a photo with Lauren McGee, an immigration attorney with World Relief Chicago, and Barocio's aunt, Leonor Garcia, of Chicago.



Hafa Obedi, of Chicago, came to the U.S. from Tanzania seven years ago with his family.



Kristin Johnson, left, of Park Ridge, Brayden Johnson, 4, of Park Ridge, and Libby Greer, 10, of Evanston, place tickets at the first World Relief Refugee 5K Run/Walk in Niles.

# Jollibee partners with Comer Children's Hospital

By MIKE ISAACS  
Pioneer Press

Skokie's busiest new restaurant, the Filipino-based Jollibee, which opened its first restaurant in the Midwest this summer in the village, has formed a philanthropic partnership with the University of Chicago Medicine Comer Children's Hospital, the franchise announced.

Jollibee executives, hospital staff, children being treated at Comer Children's Hospital and the Jollibee mascot attended the official launching of the partnership earlier this month in Skokie.

Jollibee not only gave a \$25,000 donation to the hospital, but officials also announced the kickoff of "Jollibee Days" at Comer, a well-known and distinguished medical center delivering critical pediatric care.

Jollibee officials said the brand wanted to "express its gratitude" for such a warm welcome when Jollibee opened in Skokie several weeks ago.

"As a company that values families and kids, Jollibee believes the hospital to be a fitting partner that is aligned with the brand's mission to share joy — this time to kids who are in dire need of pediatric care," the franchise said in a released statement.

According to the hospital, the donation will go toward the Comer Children's Child Life and Family Education unit, which it says aims to provide families with the best experience possible while they are at the hospital.

Comer Children's Hospital is the only Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center on the South Side of Chicago.

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JOLLIBEE

Jollibee, which opened in Skokie this summer, marking its first Midwest restaurant, recently launched a philanthropic partnership with the University of Chicago Medicine Comer Children's Hospital.

and improve the health of children in our community," said Dr. John Cunningham, chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Chicago.

For "Jollibee Days," Jollibee will provide food to the children and their families at the hospital on a regular basis, officials said.

In a released statement, Ernesto Tanmantiong, CEO of Jollibee Foods Corp., said the franchise is "honored" to partner with the Comer Children's Hospital.

"They are a leader in pediatric medicine and consistently make a difference in the lives of children in Chicago," he said. "The Child Life and Family Education unit is a perfect fit for Jollibee's family friendly mission, and we hope our contribution and continuing partnership will make a positive impact on Comer Children's and our community."

When Jollibee opened July 29 at 3534 W. Touhy Ave., many hundreds were waiting outside, some of

whom even camped overnight. Some came from out of state.

Since then, lines regularly have been out the door and underneath an outdoor canopy. The reception has been so strong, Jollibee officials said, that another Jollibee is planned for Chicago before the end of the year.

"The support Chicagoans have given our very first store in the Midwest is truly overwhelming and humbling at the same time," said Jose Minana, JFC Group president for North America and foreign franchise brands in the Philippines.

The restaurant in Skokie marked the 34th Jollibee in the United States.

Jollibee restaurants are also located in California, Hawaii, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Texas, Washington, Virginia and now Illinois. Jollibee opened its first U.S. store in 1998 in California, officials said.

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**THEFT**

■ Jonie Montalbano, 49, of the 200 block of North Meacham Avenue in Park Ridge, was charged Sept. 12 with retail theft. Police said she was accused of stealing \$280.23 worth of merchandise from a store at Golf Mill Shopping Center when she failed to pay for the items in a self checkout lane. She was given a Sept. 30 court date.

■ Luis Bran, 18, of the 700 block of Brummel Street in Evanston, was charged Sept. 13 with retail theft after he allegedly stole jeans and T-shirts valued at \$97.50 from a store at Golf Mill Shopping Center. He was given a Sept. 30 court date.

■ Jacqueline Thorne, 19, of the 600 block of Parsons Avenue in Des Plaines, was charged Sept. 14 with felony retail theft after she alleg-

edly stole \$334.50 worth of clothing from a store at Golf Mill Shopping Center. She was given a Sept. 23 court date, police said.

■ Christian Moshi, 31, of the 9900 block of Linda Lane in unincorporated Maine Township, was charged Sept. 15 with theft after he was accused of stealing \$40 from a cash register of the store where he was employed, police said. The alleged incident occurred inside a store at Golf Mill Shopping Center. He was given an Oct. 4 court date, police said.

**TRESPASS**

■ Rudy Memen, 53, who police said is homeless, was charged with criminal trespass to a vehicle on the night of Sept. 11. Police said Memen, who was on parole, was observed by a witness entering multiple trucks that were parked on the 7600 block of Milwaukee Avenue. He was given a Sept. 20 court date.

**DUI**

■ Martin Sani, 29, of Des Plaines, was charged with driving under the influence on Sept. 10 following a traffic stop on the 7200 block of Milwaukee Avenue. He was given an Oct. 27 court date.

■ Claritza Santana, 29, of the 3300 block of North Kildare Avenue in Chicago, was charged with driving under the influence following a traffic stop on the 8400 block of Milwaukee Avenue on Sept. 10. She was given an Oct. 27 court date.

**DISPUTE**

■ An alleged fight over strawberries resulted in police responding to a home on the 7700 block of Octavia Avenue on the night of Sept. 11. A 60-year-old resident of the home told police he became upset when he came home to find his adult son and friends eating the organic strawberries he purchased for himself. The strawberries were also being dipped in chocolate, the man

told police. Police said an argument ensued and led to the son punching holes in the walls of the house. No charges were filed.

**PUBLIC INTOXICATION**

■ A 57-year-old Florida woman was ticketed Sept. 11 for public intoxication after police said she was found lying on the ground on the 8400 block of Dempster Street. According to police, the woman said she was tired and wanted to go to sleep. She was taken to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, police said.

■ A 49-year-old woman from Des Plaines was ticketed Sept. 13 for public intoxication after police were called to assist paramedics on the 8700 block of Dempster Street. Police said the woman was belligerent and swearing at emergency personnel. She was taken to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge.

**FRAUD**

■ A 35-year-old woman attempted to cash a stolen check Sept. 13 at a bank on the 5600 block of Touhy Avenue, police said. The woman reportedly fled from the bank before police arrived. The amount that the woman attempted to cash was \$8,303.05, police said.

**PROPERTY DAMAGE**

■ A resident of the 8100 block of Oketo Avenue told police she saw someone Sept. 10 using blue spray paint to deface a political sign in her front yard. Paint also was found on the woman's garage door, police said. Police also reported that blue spray paint was found on a fence and garage on the 7400 block of Monroe Street.

■ Police said two boys were observed on surveillance video throwing rocks Sept. 11 at a building located on the 7800 block of Milwaukee Avenue. A mounted light fixture valued at \$1,000 was

reportedly broken.

**SOLICITING**

■ Police were called Sept. 10 to a store on the 8200 block of Golf Road after an employee complained that two men were bothering customers in the parking lot, attempting to sell them pots and pans. Police spoke to one of the men, a resident of Germany, who reportedly admitted that he tried to sell the pots and pans because he bought too many and could not take them back home. Police said the man was in possession of four boxes, which did contain the cookware. The man was told that if he or his companions returned and attempted to sell the items without a proper solicitation license from the village, they would be arrested.

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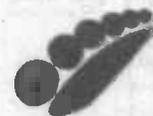
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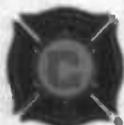
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A team of executives from a Chicago real estate investment firm recently stormed out of Lincolnwood Village Hall after meeting with local officials, who sharply criticized their redevelopment proposal for the long-vacant former Purple Hotel.

Village trustees and the chairman of the Lincolnwood Economic Development Commission during a Sept. 20 committee meeting had mostly negative feedback for developers with Kaufman Jacobs, a development and investment firm interested in redeveloping the site.

Representatives from the company, which touts on its website a portfolio of acquisitions of undervalued commercial real estate, said the 8.5-acre lot at the corner of Lincoln and Touhy avenues would feature a 200-unit apartment complex, 10,000-square-foot of retail space and a 200-room hotel.

The plans showed a sharp reduction in retail space compared with the 91,000 square feet of retail outlined in a previous proposal by a different group interested in redeveloping the property.

Village officials were concerned that the new redevelopment plans wouldn't produce as much sales tax as it could from the site.

Community Development Director Steve McNellis asked officials to weigh in on whether the plan was "inspirational enough" for the "landmark corner" in the village.

Many trustees criticized the developers for not including a banquet hall inside the hotel. Describing the plan as unimaginative and unattractive, Trustee Ron Cope said the plan lacked a public gathering space.

He also questioned the rental aspect of the proposed housing units.

"I think we could get a better plan — something



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Lincolnwood trustees have criticized a new redevelopment proposal for the site of the former Purple Hotel at Lincoln and Touhy avenues that was demolished in 2013.

with a little more imagination," he said. "I'd also like to see a hotel with a banquet plan, so I'm not in favor of it.

The site housed the iconic Purple Hotel until it was demolished in 2013 by Skokie real estate developer North Capital Group. The company had planned to build a \$135 million mixed-use retail center including a hotel on the land, which sits at a heavily traveled intersection in Lincolnwood, according to village officials.

Presented by the developers as the town's first-ever downtown area, North Capital's plans boasted more than 91,000 square feet of retail, a 35,000-

square-foot grocery store, a health club and a Marriott SpringHill Suites hotel. With the exception of the hotel, none of the other retailers were named during the development presentations that were shown to the village during the past three years since North Capital first acquired the land.

The company, however, couldn't secure financing for the development, dubbed the Shoppes at Lincoln Pointe. North Capital then backed out of the project amid an \$11.5 million foreclosure lawsuit.

Principal of the company Neal Stein has declined comment on the lawsuit.

After Kaufman Jacobs left the Sept. 20 meeting with village officials, it was unclear whether the company would continue to try to acquire the property, even with the ongoing litigation over the site. Lee Winter, a developer with Kaufman Jacobs who led the presentation, declined a request to comment on whether he would pursue the development.

But other trustees took time to voice their displeasure with the proposal. Trustee Jesal Patel said the village should opt for something with a more downtown-centered feel.

"I'd still like to see a

banquet (facility)," Patel said. "I'm supportive of residential but decidedly this is a first-rush concept."

He said during the meeting he was trying to buy the property from lender Romspen Investment Corp. The Toronto-based mortgage lender is suing North Capital Group for defaulting on a \$10.2 million loan against the property that was taken out in May of 2014.

In the foreclosure complaint, filed with the circuit clerk of Cook County Jan. 19, Romspen Investment Corp. asks a judge to order foreclosure on the former Purple Hotel property.

The suit also asks a judge

to order North Capital Group to pay \$11.5 million, plus \$4,792 in interest a day, starting Dec. 15, 2015, and lasting through the day of the final court ruling, according to Tim Patenode, an attorney for Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP — the law firm representing Romspen.

Meanwhile, Lincolnwood officials have since filed a separate lawsuit against Stein to try to force him to comply with a preliminary pre-development agreement he agreed to two years ago that would restore the property and remove the original foundations of the hotel.

The dusty, barren lot that sits in place of the Purple Hotel stands in contrast to what played out there three years ago.

The blocky, brick buildings were bulldozed ceremoniously in August 2013 as the mayor and other public officials looked on. Later, Stein proudly handed out purple bricks from the original hotel to the public during the Lincolnwood Summer Fest at Proesel Park, where people lined up for hours to get a brick in exchange for a donation to the Lincolnwood Public Library.

Mayor Jerry Turry has said North Capital Group likely had difficulty securing a loan because the plans for the Shoppes at Lincoln Pointe lacked residential development — a key factor in driving and maintaining foot traffic to a retail complex.

The original redevelopment plan also was criticized by several new developers that have expressed interest in the lot as being too reliant on retail, according to a memo from McNellis to Village Board members.

"The previous Shoppes at Lincoln Pointe proposed significantly greater commercial space than this area could support," he said.

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# Help for opioid overdoses at the ready

BY LISA SCHENCKER  
Chicago Tribune

Illinois residents who worry about loved ones overdosing on opioids can now buy a potentially lifesaving drug at their local pharmacies — without a prescription.

Mariano's on Sept. 16 began selling naloxone at its 34 pharmacies in Illinois. It followed Meijer, which began the rollout of the medication to its 27 Illinois locations Sept. 15. Walgreens began offering it at more than 500 Illinois stores on Sept. 19, while sales at CVS will begin in the fall and Jewel-Osco in late February.

Pharmacy chains in many other states already offer naloxone without a prescription. A section of a law passed in 2015 paved the way for Illinois stores to sell it without requiring the customer to have a prescription.

In Illinois, 1,700 people died of drug overdoses in 2014, up from 1,579 in 2013, according to the Illinois Department of Public

Health, though not all those were because of opioid drugs such as heroin and some types of painkillers.

Naloxone can help someone who has overdosed on an opioid start breathing again.

Mariano's is carrying a version of the drug called Narcan that's sprayed up the nose. Customers of any age can buy it, though pharmacists have discretion, said Elizabeth Seybold, manager of clinical care for Roundy's, which, like Mariano's, is part of Kroger. The drug costs about \$145, but most insurance plans cover it, Seybold said.

Walgreens will offer a nasal spray for \$78 before insurance as well as an injectable version.

Purchasing naloxone, however, is more complicated than buying aspirin.

At Mariano's, customers will be taken to a private counseling station where they will be asked whether the drug is for them or others, whether they've ever been

treated for an opioid overdose before and other questions designed to help pharmacists decide whether the drug is safe and appropriate for them. Pharmacists will also explain how and when to use the drug. Individuals will have to give their names, addresses and birth dates, but they will not have to show an ID, Seybold said.

Walgreens will ask patients for the same personal information required for picking up prescriptions.

People buying naloxone will not be reported to the police, Seybold said, though pharmacists probably will urge those with addictions to seek help.

Pharmacists will also caution patients that they won't be able to use naloxone on themselves because they probably will be unconscious by the time they need it. People should also call 911 before administering the drug because the patient might need more than what comes in the package and

will need follow-up medical care, Seybold said.

Before now, Illinois residents could obtain naloxone without individual prescriptions from some programs, said Garth Reynolds, executive director of the Illinois Pharmacists Association.

The 2015 law established a standardized procedure to allow pharmacists to dispense the drug without individual prescriptions.

The section of the law pertaining to naloxone was named Lali's Law after Alex "Lali" Laliberte, a Western Illinois University student who grew up in Buffalo Grove and died in 2008 from an overdose of heroin and other drugs.

"Now people can actually go in just like they can get epinephrine or medication for another disorder and have somebody train them on how to save a life," said Chelsea Laliberte, Alex's sister and executive director of Live4Lali, which works to prevent and raise awareness of sub-



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Eleni Peczkowski and other Mariano's pharmacists will sell naloxone as Narcan.

stance abuse.

Seybold said she hopes making naloxone more widely available will make a difference.

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# New software helps responders navigate

BY NATALIE HAYES

Pioneer Press

Niles Fire Department District Chief Bob Greiner remembers the days when firefighters on their way to an emergency had to scramble through a heavy binder filled with hundreds of pages of building layouts to get familiar with the building before they arrived.

Niles firefighters relied on the “rudimentary,” paper-based mapping system until 2013, when they and the Park Ridge Fire Department each converted to a digital system that quickly feeds firefighters more detail building information, the Niles fire chief said.

“We had bulky, three-ring binders back then,” Greiner said. “You’d have a fire lieutenant in the middle of a call, trying to grab a 20-pound binder to look up the layout of the building he’s going to by its address.”

After the Niles and Park Ridge departments traded in their old paper methods of storing detailed maps of building layouts, fire hydrant locations, water and gas shutoff sites, both started using a software system called CommandScope, which lets emergency responders locate the information at the touch of a button.

When Lincolnwood firefighters made the same switch last year, it linked its system with Niles, allowing the two departments to



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Lincolnwood Fire Deputy Chief Ray White explains how new fire mapping software called CommandScope displays building layouts and information for first responders.

share maps and other information. As neighbors, the towns often rely on each other for help when fighting fires or responding to emergencies.

Because neighboring towns commonly share equipment and manpower during larger fires and emergencies, towns that have software licenses to use CommandScope have the option to share the maps and other information stored on the system, according to Lucas Schwaller, spokesman for Chicago-

based RealView LLC, the parent company of CommandScope.

“It provides a layout of all the major buildings and properties so responders can make decisions based on actual information, instead of going in blind,” Schwaller said.

Park Ridge has yet to connect its system with Niles and Lincolnwood, said Lincolnwood Fire Chief Mike Hansen, noting how larger emergency response teams, such as Park Ridge, don’t rely as much on the assistance of smaller, neighboring departments.

Authorities with the Park Ridge department did not return requests for comment.

“As word catches on about (the technology) eventually I think more fire departments will get it,” Hansen said. “Anytime you can refresh a firefighter’s memory about a building’s layout, it’s a good thing.”

So far, the three towns are the only ones in the North Shore area to use the software, according to Steve Johnson, a spokesman for CommandScope.

The software works via a touch-screen feature on the computerized dispatch systems found in all fire engines and ambulances in the three towns, so officials have access within a few seconds to safety information for buildings as they head to the scene.

The value of the technology, according to Greiner, is it better prepares firefighters and

emergency responders since they can see detailed information about building layouts, gas and water shutoff locations, occupancy, and the types of chemicals or other types of hazardous materials that are stored in a building.

“It definitely speeds up the efficiency of a call,” Greiner said. “It goes smoother in terms of knowing where we’re going and what we’re looking for.”

Officials at the Niles department also said the software was affordable to add. CommandScope costs Niles about \$7,200 a year, according to the department.

Fire departments share the information with the police and public works departments, but it’s blocked from the public because of safety concerns.

“It’s not the kind of information the general public should see, so everything is kept highly secure,” Greiner said. “It’s only used by officers to determine their tactics when they arrive on the scene of emergencies.”

The integration of CommandScope technology has equipped emergency vehicles in all three towns with touch-screen user interfaces that essentially hold all the mapping information that was once stored in those heavy binders.

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# Classrooms, cafeteria remodeled as part of \$21M renovation

BY NATALIE HAYES

Pioneer Press

Four years after Lincolnwood School District 74 failed to push through a \$25 million referendum to build a new junior high, Lincoln Hall students returned from summer break to find modernized classrooms and a new cafeteria.

Instead of rebuilding the decades-old school on Pratt and Crawford avenues, District 74 officials recently started spending from a slightly less budget — roughly \$21 million total — for a complete renovation of the building that will span a few years.

Among the first projects construction workers completed over the summer was an 8,800 square-foot STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) lab for sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders, a sprawling food science room for modern-day home economics classes, and a 5,100 square-foot cafeteria and kitchen with eco-friendly appliances.

The new spaces, including “flexible learning” rooms built on each of the three floors, were designed for group instruction to make it easy for teachers to combine classes and

for whole grade levels to meet together in a central space, district officials said.

The open classroom style also applies to the new food labs. Food science teacher Courtney Greene said her students are engaged more by having a combined room for lab work and instruction. Previously, classroom time was held in a separate space, she said.

“Having the labs right here in the classrooms helps kids see the scientific aspects of things more easily because they can be hands-on,” Greene said. “I can also respond better to questions because the setup of the room lets me see the kids at all times.”

The nine rooms remodeled over the summer included the library and art room, which was rebuilt with space for a kiln in the back. The setup lets the teacher monitor kids firing their pottery during class time.

New flooring and modern furniture also is noticeable throughout the building. About 25 percent of the lockers were replaced during the summer, said district board president Scott Anderson. The rest of the lockers will be installed during the second and third construction phases.

Noticeably missing from the mix of learning spaces are computer labs, which are now a thing of the past at Lincoln Hall. A new policy that allows each student to have their own iPad has eliminated the need for desktop computers in recent years, district officials said.

“I remember not too long ago when computer labs were something every school wanted,” said Superintendent Joseph Bailey. “Now, we’ve outgrown them.”

Steering away from the notion that learning should no longer be relegated to desktop computers and textbooks, the STEM-teaching style pushes the boundaries of the traditional classroom by giving students more hands-on learning opportunities.

On the first day she welcomed students to her new eighth grade STEM classroom on Sept. 19, teacher Karlene Stecher asked kids to share their impressions of the room. The feedback was mostly positive, as kids approved of the lighting, acoustics and room’s open feel, she said.

“Everything about the way we teach has changed, where it’s not like the old days when teachers walked around the room

handing out worksheets,” Stecher said. “Instead of the students coming up to the teacher’s desk to ask a question, I float around the room and go to them.”

The last part of the first renovation phase — a new student services area and a secure school entrance for \$4.7 million — is expected to open by January, Bailey said. The new main entrance will add layers of security to the building, including a holding vestibule covered in bulletproof glass for guests before they’re allowed into the building.

District 74 officials have said the outdated main entrance doesn’t meet modern security expectations. The way the split-level main entrance is set-up now, guests have to walk up the stairs and meet a receptionist sitting at a small table, where the employee checks their ID and hands the person a nametag before sending them on their way.

“Right now, you could head downstairs without being seen if someone turns their head,” Bailey said. “That’s a huge concern, so we’re fixing that.”

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# Rail experts discuss ways to prevent suicides

BY IRV LEAVITT  
Pioneer Press

The woman, 39, walked around the Northbrook train station in great distress for hours before she stepped in front of an Amtrak train Sept. 9.

That was what witnesses said later, according to Illinois Commerce Commission rail safety expert Chip Pew.

Could she be alive if she had been given some hope or alternative before she made that final decision?

It's hard, Pew said, for a stranger to interfere in somebody else's problems without being asked. But it's possible, he said, that a sign, or a trained observer, might make a difference.

Signs that say, "There is help. Call us. 1-800-273-8255. National Suicide Prevention Hotline" have been



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Signs like this seek to reduce the incidence of suicide by train.

posted since early 2010 in and around Lombard and Villa Park Metra stations, where suicide by train has been a bigger problem than in Northbrook.

Do they help? Sgt. Bill Lyons of the Villa Park Police

Department thinks so.

"There's been a definite decrease in incidents," he said.

According to the DuPage County Coroner's Office, there were two suicides on the Villa Park tracks in 2010, and two in the six years since then.

Northbrook just had its first such obvious suicide in Village President Sandy Frum's memory, but she said that such signs were something to consider for her town:

"Even one is too many," Frum said.

She said that she would check to see what Metra thought about such tactics.

"If a community wants to do something like that, we support them in it," Metra spokeswoman Meg Reile said. "We're still looking for efforts that are more comprehensive than that."

Metra's new approach last fall has been to provide training to a thousand engineers, conductors and station agents to notice certain behaviors of people hanging around stations, and also how to talk with these people, Reile said.

In January, Rob Tellin, a Metra road foreman, saw a man on the tracks in Elgin, she said. Tellin didn't have time to exchange more than a couple of sentences before he just grabbed the man and pulled him out of the path of an approaching Metra train.

Lyons said that the Villa Park department has a similar approach to back up the signs.

"In one instance, officers observed an individual pacing around the rails," he said. "After being approached by our officer, the individual said he was going to stand in front of the next train. In

that case, our training saved a life."

Scott Gabree, a rail safety researcher for Volpe, The National Transportation Systems Center in Massachusetts, said that suicide hotline signs might indeed affect suicide rates just because "a lot of people see them in the rail environment."

"I don't think there's a lot of hard evidence about what those signs can do," he said.

That might come soon, he said, with a Boston study that began in January. People manning a suicide hotline are asking callers about whether they were encouraged by similar signs to call, and what their mindset was when they saw them.

Gabree said he likes the Metra approach.

"I think it's really great that they're doing that. It's something they've been do-

ing in the UK for awhile, and it's had tremendous success," he said.

There's more at stake, he said, than just the lives of the suicidal people and their loved ones. A 2011 study of U.S. transit workers found that about one in five suffer from post-traumatic stress disorders caused by being involved in incidents involving the death of people on the tracks. Emergency responders suffer, too.

And so do witnesses.

In Northbrook, they include Christopher Devine, whose Metra commuter train passed through the scene slowly Sept. 9, showing him things he never thought he'd see.

"I don't think this is something I'm going to get over," he said.

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## NEWS

# Zika-transmitting mosquito found in the North Shore

Officials say risk of contracting virus locally is very low

BY KAREN ANN CULLOTTA  
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A species of mosquito potentially capable of transmitting the Zika virus was recently discovered in Skokie — the first sighting of the species ever recorded in the North Shore area — but officials say the finding does not pose a heightened risk of local residents contracting the disease.

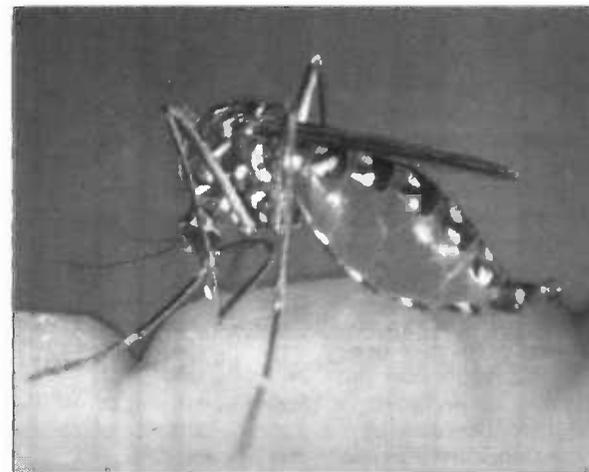
“The local risk of contracting Zika in northern Illinois is still negligible, and so low to be almost zero,” said Roger Nasci, an entomologist and the executive director of the North Shore Mosquito Abatement District. A different mosquito species is believed to be largely responsible for transmission of the virus in outbreaks abroad and in Miami, he said.

“Pregnant women in the area don’t need to be alarmed about getting Zika virus, unless they’re leaving the country,” Nasci added.

Nasci said after his Northfield-based agency collected 52 *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes — sometimes called the Asian Tiger mosquito — from late August through Sept. 16, officials stepped up efforts to determine how widely the newly arrived species is distributed in the area.

The species was first discovered in the United States in 1985, made its way to Chicago by 1987, and has been found sporadically in several Cook County suburbs over the years, usually by mosquito abatement district staff.

But the recent findings of the *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes in Skokie mark the first time the species has been found on the North Shore since the agency be-



JAMES GATHANY/CDC

Officials recently found the *Aedes albopictus* mosquito, shown here in a file U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention photo, in Skokie, marking the first time the species has been found on the North Shore.

gan recording data from trap collection sites in 1927, Nasci said.

In areas where Zika outbreaks have occurred abroad and both the *Aedes albopictus* and the *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes are present, Nasci said it is believed that the tropical *Aedes aegypti* species is primarily responsible for transmission of the virus.

The *Aedes albopictus* are considered competent “vectors” with the ability to transmit the Zika virus in the lab, but the chance of transmission of the virus via mosquitoes shouldn’t concern residents of Skokie or about a dozen other North Shore suburbs served by the NSMAD, which include Evanston, Glenview and Wilmette, Nasci said.

“We didn’t test the mosquitoes we found in Skokie for the virus, because there’s no evidence of Zika being transmitted in Illinois,” Nasci said. “Except for the travel-related cases, the only evidence of U.S. Zika transmission right now is two limited areas of Miami.”

Even if agencies such as the NSMAD attempted to conduct further research in their labs on the newly

discovered mosquitoes, according to Linn Haramis, an entomologist with the Illinois Department of Public Health, “there isn’t a widely available test for the Zika virus.”

“This is essentially a tropical virus, transmitted by tropical mosquitoes, (mostly) the *Aedes aegypti*,” Haramis said. “Even if we tested the *Aedes albopictus* in Illinois, the chance we would get a ‘false positive’ is higher than the chance we would find the virus.”

Nonetheless, Haramis said the IDPH worked this summer with 60 agencies across the state, including the NSMAD, to gather data on all mosquitoes collected this season, including the widely prevalent *Culex pipiens*, of which 473 batches of mosquitoes on the North Shore have tested positive thus far for West Nile Virus.

“The more data we have, the better off you are,” Haramis said. “Even without the Zika virus, there are plenty of reasons to get rid of any standing water in containers near your house, which is never a good thing to have around.”

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# Stretch where NU student killed to get bike lanes

After crash, cyclists say they plan to use greater caution

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A stretch of Sheridan Road in Evanston where a Northwestern University freshman was killed in a crash involving her bicycle and a cement truck Sept. 22 will soon have bike lanes as part of a multiphase roadway project.

NU student Chuyuan Qiu, 18, was involved in the crash around 5 p.m. in the 2000 block of Sheridan Road, according to authorities. Evanston police said she was turning out of a university parking lot when she was hit by one of the truck's wheels and knocked off her bike. She then rolled under the truck.

Qiu was later pronounced dead at Evanston NorthShore University Hospital.

The driver of the truck, a 38-year-old Des Plaines resident, was not cited in connection with the incident, police said. The investigation is ongoing, but the truck driver had a green light at the time of the crash and there is no reason to suspect he was impaired or distracted, said Perry Polinski, the police department's media relations officer.

"She just misjudged the speed of the truck," Evanston police Chief Richard Eddington said. "Or didn't realize how long the truck was.... A tragic accident."

Accidents involving bicyclists are not common in the area, Polinski said.

A female bicyclist was struck and killed by a

motorcyclist in June 2014 in downtown Evanston in the 600 block of Church Street, he said.

A makeshift memorial under a small tree on a sidewalk adjacent to Sheridan Road appeared Sept. 23 near the area where Qiu was hit. Cyclists and pedestrians passing the memorial kept out of the roadway and on the sidewalk. Plans for a formal memorial event in Qiu's honor were pending, said Bob Rowley, Northwestern's director of media relations.

Qiu was from Nanjing, China, and had just started at Northwestern, according to Dean of Students Todd C. Adams. She was a member of the Kaplan Humanities Scholars Program.

Several cyclists in the area said they planned to exercise greater caution

while riding their bikes around campus, particularly near Sheridan Road.

Bike lanes will be installed on the thoroughfare next summer, according to Mark Muenzer, Evanston's director of community development.

The project is funded by the city and through a grant received from the Illinois Department of Transportation, said Katie Knapp, transportation and mobility coordinator for Evanston.

Muenzer said the NU school year offers a short window of time for construction to take place.

This past summer crews replaced and refurbished water mains located under the roadway in phase one of the two-stage project, he said.

Next summer, a stretch of Sheridan from Davis

Street to Ingleside Place just south of the city's border with Wilmette will be repaved and bike lanes installed, Knapp said.

She said discussions about the project began two years ago and the city has collaborated with NU officials and student groups throughout the process.

"Certainly, if you walk along Sheridan Road today, you'll see there are large sidewalks but a lot of mixing between bikes and pedestrians," Knapp said.

She said students "positively received" the news that the city intended to separate both modes of transit by installing bike lanes.

When asked if the city hoped that the forthcoming bike lanes would prevent any future accidents in the area, Knapp said "safety is a top priority" for Evanston.

When asked whether NU conducts any outreach with new students regarding bike safety on campus and within Evanston, Rowley pointed to a university police webpage that offers safety tips for student cyclists.

Knapp said the city also strives to educate NU students and other residents about best safety practices for cyclists.

Students in need of support in the wake of Qiu's death are encouraged to seek help from the university's counseling and psychological services, the Dean of Students Office or the chaplain's staff, according to a statement on the university's website.

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# BUSINESS

## Evanston moves closer to water sale deals

BY BOB SEIDENBERG  
Pioneer Press

Evanston officials could begin supplying water to Morton Grove and Niles by late 2018.

With administrators from the two communities in the audience Sept. 19 at the Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, Dave Stoneback, director of the Evanston Public Works Agency, described negotiations with both villages as moving along well.

Evanston officials said they hope to execute water sale contracts with Morton Grove and Niles by the end

of the year after they embarked six years ago on an aggressive campaign to market its lake water to outside communities since Chicago — a seller to many — was expected to hike its rates.

Evanston could see \$11 million more in revenue in 2019, and by 2021, the figure could increase to \$1.3 million, Stoneback said.

Morton Grove and Niles currently purchase water from Chicago at a rate of \$3.81 per 1,000 gallons, Stoneback said. Evanston is offering a wholesale water rate to the communities of 93 cents per 1,000 gallons,

he said.

The city prepared the rate based on the American Water Works Association model that allows for a 10 percent return on rate, he said.

In addition to the offered rate, the two communities will receive debt service on a \$100 million project to receive Evanston's water and then the maintenance of the new infrastructure, Stoneback said.

Ralph Czerwinski, village administrator of Morton Grove, indicated that obtaining a fair rate was the village's first objective.

"We understand that wa-

ter is a high quality item for our residents," he said. "We want to make sure we get the best quality water and that we get the best possible rate for our constituents and that we have a highly reliable source for our water, and we think Evanston can provide us that."

Before moving forward on negotiations with Evanston, officials in Morton Grove also reviewed information from Chicago and Wilmette, Czerwinski said.

Steven Vinezeano, the village manager of Niles, also said the rate of 93 cents was attractive.

"You need a favorable rate

to make it work because there's a large capital outlay, so it has got to make sense," he said.

In coming months, officials will have to do a route study, assessing how the water will be transported to their communities, Vinezeano said.

Earlier in the meeting, Evanston officials talked about improvements to the city's water and sewer systems.

Regarding the city's water main improvement program, the majority of the distribution system is over 80 years old, said Lara Biggs, city engineering and capital

planning bureau chief. Cast iron pipes generally have a useful life of 100 years, she said.

The city has been replacing about 1 percent of the aging system, she said.

Generally, Evanston spends an average about \$6 million outside of major projects annually, Stoneback told aldermen.

With debt service increasing significantly, the city is looking at a decrease in sewer rates and a hike in water rates that "would be revenue neutral to the homeowner," he said.

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## Lake Zurich keeps consumer electricity program

BY PHIL ROCKROHR  
Pioneer Press

While some area towns are bailing from electricity aggregation programs that were designed to save consumers money on their electricity bills, Lake Zurich users still are seeing savings, village officials said.

In July, residents enrolled in the Lake Zurich program enjoyed a nearly 12 percent drop in rates, said Kyle Kordell, assistant to the village manager. Lake Zurich electric rates dropped from 7.199 to 6.35 cents per kilowatt hour, he said.

The rates should remain at that level at least until the village's aggregation agreement with the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative expires in June 2017, Kordell said.

"Aggregation is essentially when the residents of a community combine their purchasing power to purchase electricity as a group to receive a better rate," he said.

Voters throughout the suburbs in recent years approved through referen-



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dum village-run electricity aggregation programs as an alternative to secure cheaper electricity rates than what ComEd offered.

After launching the voter-approved program in 2012, Lake Zurich users have saved \$1.75 million overall and the average participant has seen \$336 in savings, Kordell said.

But while residents of Lake Zurich enjoy rate

drops, some area communities have left their programs because ComEd started to offer lower rates following approval of electricity aggregation programs.

Morton Grove in suburban Cook County dropped its program earlier in September and nearby Lincolnwood did so in 2014, according to reports from the Chicago Tribune.

In Lake County, Buffalo

Grove officials, whose aggregation program expires next year, don't anticipate securing better rates than those currently offered by ComEd, said Village Manager Dane Bragg.

"We have not considered a renewal or bid process for 2017 for electric aggregation," Bragg said. "At this time, the ComEd indicative pricing is low enough that we don't see much opportunity to negotiate a better deal."

Nearby Lincolnshire and Barrington also are locked into contracts through 2017. Village officials in both towns did not return calls or emails requesting comment.

Lake Zurich entered into its current three-year contract with Homefield Energy in 2014, Kordell said.

"As of right now, there are no set plans on renewing the electricity aggregation program with the lowest priced alternative energy supplier or reverting back to ComEd as the primary supplier," he said. "This decision will almost entirely be determined by larger regional and national market

conditions, and the financial trends of commodities."

Lake Zurich will likely work with the NIMEC to seek bids before its current contract expires, Kordell said.

"The village will be keeping an eye on electricity prices and market fluctuations in order to make the most well-informed decisions for the future of the Lake Zurich aggregation program," he said.

Public Works Director Mike Brown agreed.

"Village staff will continue to monitor the program and make every effort to ensure that Lake Zurich residents and business owners are getting the best available option the aggregation program offers," Brown said.

The fact that ComEd is offering such low rates shows the aggregation programs have worked, Kordell said.

"Generally, electricity aggregation programs across Chicagoland have largely succeeded over the past few years in helping to drive down the overall price of electricity," he said. "In

short, aggregation has worked the way it was intended to."

For example, in summer 2010, Lake Zurich residents were paying ComEd 9.07 cents per kilowatt hour, Kordell said.

"Since then, all commodities have seen large price drops," he said. "The widespread popularity of municipal aggregation is one important factor in driving down the price of electricity and savings residents millions of dollars over the years."

As members of the Northwest Electric Aggregation Consortium, Buffalo Grove and Lincolnshire users will be charged 6.621 cents per kilowatt hour through May 2017, according to the Chicago Tribune.

This month, Barrington entered the final year of its three-year contract with Dynege Energy Services LLC, according to Dynege's website. Village users are currently paying 6.509 cents per kilowatt hour, according to the site.

Phil Rockrohr is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.

# Can Cubs make it through the playoffs?



**RANDY BLASER**

In the words of my all-time favorite baseball announcer:

"It might be, it could be..."

Yet we don't know if "it is," as Harry Carey used to call a home run, the Cubs year to win it all. Although the baseball gods sure appear to be smiling on the North Siders.

And, as Harry Carey also used to say, "Oh for a Falstaff" to enjoy while we wait to see if the Cubs, the best team in baseball, can cruise through the playoffs as they did through the regular season.

Heading into the playoffs, the Cubs are obviously favored to win.

But winning a World Series today isn't nearly as easy as it was the last time the Cubs visited the Fall Classic, back in 1945 when they fell to the Detroit Tigers in seven games. World War II had left the major leagues so depleted of talent it was a Series the press corps said, "No one



CHRIS WALKER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Cubs celebrate their earlier clinching of the division Sept. 16 after a win over Milwaukee at Wrigley Field.

can win."

Here we are 71 years later and this appears to be the series only the Cubs can win.

But a lot can happen in the playoffs.

Back in 1945, all a club had to do was finish with the best record in its respective league to get into the World Series. Only two teams made the post-season back then.

Today, a team has to run a gauntlet just to win the pennant and get into the Fall Classic.

First a couple teams vie

for the wild card spot. The winner of that game then gets into the Divisional Series with the three division winners. That's a best of five game series. The two winners of the division series then play in a best seven series to see who gets to go to the World Series.

The problem for any of the teams that qualify for the playoffs is this: All the other teams are pretty good baseball teams, too. And in a short series, anything can happen.

The juggernaut that was the Cubs squad last year

found that out when they ran into the Mets in the Championship Series. The Mets pitching was much better than the Cubs hitting.

As Yogi Berra said, good pitching beats good hitting every time, and vice versa. The Cubs were on the other end of the vice versa part last season and couldn't get past the Mets pitching.

Likely to face the Nationals or the Dodgers, the Cubs have to hit to win.

A simplistic analysis, I know. But sometimes base-



FILE PHOTO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Members of the Cubs' pitching staff in 1945, the last time the team made it to the World Series. From left, Claude Passeau, Ray Prim, Hank Wyse and Paul Derringer.

ball can be put in simple terms.

I believe the Cubs pitching will be good throughout a playoff run, good enough to win a World Series. The question mark is whether the Cubs will have hot bats throughout the playoffs.

I think Cubs' management thinks so, too. That's why they acquired closer Aroldis Chapman late in the season. With Chapman, they have a bullpen with a one-two-three punch that can shut down any team after the sixth inning. In other words, the bullpen is built to shut down the other team in close games

in case they have to squeeze out a run.

The key will be for Cub batters to go deep into the counts during the playoffs and make the starters work. But that may be too much inside baseball.

Let's just keep it at this: The Cubs have the best regular season baseball team. Going into the playoffs, that's the best place to be.

From a life-long White Sox fan, I hope you finally make it.

Good luck, North Siders.

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## An ode to plain and simple spaghetti



**PAUL SASSONE**

If you went by the show "Check, Please!" on PBS, you'd believe that the food people most enjoy at restaurants is enshrouded in dry ice vapor, served in spoon-sized portions and invariably has a fried egg on top.

But that's not what we

really like.

What we like is ethnic food, the food of real people. The most popular restaurant food, according to a survey by the research firm Technomic is Chinese, Mexican and Italian.

And since my ethnicity is Italian, I believe Italian food is the best.

And when I refer to Italian food, I don't mean those intricate, expensive and quasi-French concoctions. Maybe rich people in northern Italy eat frog lips in a white cream sauce. But

the heritage of Italian food in the United States is not fancy.

That's because Italians who immigrated to America were not fancy. I don't imagine many wealthy Italian landowners back in 1900 gazed from the veranda out onto their estates and said, "think I'll move to America." The people who came to this country, such as my grandfather, came because they didn't want to be poor any more and didn't want their children to be poor. They brought

little with them. But they did bring certain foods and ways to prepare them. And the greatest of these foods was (and is) spaghetti.

Yes, I know spaghetti is only one form of pasta. But I have difficulty calling pasta pasta since the word has become appended to stuff made out of cantaloupes and other wacky substances. Spaghetti is my favorite form of pasta. I mean, does anything sound better than spaghetti and meatballs? But feel free to call pasta pasta. It's the

thing itself that is important, not the name.

Real spaghetti (pasta, if you prefer) is made from wheat. It has a red sauce (or gravy) on top of it. And it is served with meatballs and/or sausage.

Critics often turn up their nose at spaghetti. Spaghetti isn't subtle, merely delicious and inexpensive. Everybody (except maybe critics) likes spaghetti, although it may be hard to come by at snooty restaurants. As you have gathered, I like spa-

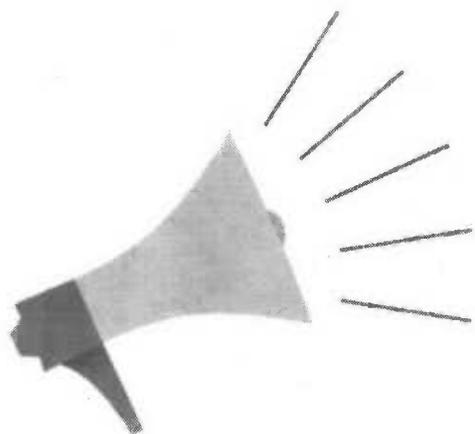
ghetti. Actually, I love spaghetti.

And so do you.

Someone has to stick up for spaghetti against the pomp and vanity of the current culinary world. Though, come to think of it, spaghetti is its own best defense. Cuisine comes and cuisine goes, but food remains.

And spaghetti is food at its best. Spaghetti endures. Spaghetti abides.

Paul Sassone is a freelance columnist for Pioneer Press.



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## OPINION

# 'When Breath Becomes Air' author's widow reflects



**SARA CLARKSON**  
Dateline

Dr. Paul Kalanithi sought meaning in the face of his own mortality, and he shared that meaning and experience in his moving and enduring memoir "When Breath Becomes Air" published in January, 10 months after he died.

His story is remarkable and tragic in that this husband, father, neurosurgeon and neuroscientist was only 37 when he died. He was completing his residency at Stanford University and was on what promised to be an astonishing and impactful career when he was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. Besides being a doctor and a scientist, he was a man of letters, having earned his Stanford bachelor's degree in literature and biology and a master's degree in literature from Cambridge before his medical degree from Yale. It was to literature that he returned when he knew his time was limited and we readers, fellow sufferers, caregivers and health professionals, are the better for that.

I was privileged to be part of a large audience last who heard his widow, Dr. Lucy Kalanithi, also a Stanford physician, speak about Paul, their journey through his terminal illness and her experience after his passing. In the audience of more than 200 at the Wellness House-sponsored talk were cancer patients and survivors, their families and a fair number of doctors who were deeply affected by the book, which I had just finished. I found it absorbing and profoundly touching. I read the last few pages — the epilogue that Lucy



SARA CLARKSON/PIONEER PRESS

Dr. Lucy Kalanithi, a Stanford physician and widow of Dr. Paul Kalanithi, author of "When Breath Becomes Air," speaks at the Wellness House in Hinsdale.

wrote — through the haze of tears.

Lucy shared about how rough their lives were after Paul's diagnosis caused their future plans to "evaporate." His identity as a doctor retreated and reshaped as he became a patient, and he and Lucy began to explore what was important to them. Should they have a child, for example, especially since it seemed likely Lucy would be left on her own to raise it.

In the book, Lucy asks Paul, "Don't you think saying goodbye to your child will make your death more painful?" Paul answers: "Wouldn't it be great if it did?"

"It's very hard to accept that suffering is part of our lives," she said.

But, she said, getting to a place of acceptance is very helpful. There is a lot of pain in uncertainty. Paul wondered how much time he had left and what he could accomplish, and there was also pain for Paul in the transition from physician to patient, to a man lying down in the bed in a room he used to walk into with some authority.

"We just decided to say things out loud," Lucy said. So, when Paul said to Lucy,

"I want you to remarry after I die," at first Lucy was shocked. But that statement acknowledged a lot: he was terminally ill and choosing not to be in denial, that not only would he have to leave her but that he cared for her enough to want her to carry on.

Lucy addressed the Wellness House audience, urging them to talk frankly about what they are scared of, to say it aloud or write it down and share it to be open with one another and to bring their whole selves to it. She, as the caregiver, also found that exercise and mindfulness meditation were very helpful. Paul himself told others that they had to take care of Lucy so she could take care of him. Care for the caregiver is important.

She also praised palliative care, which offers relief from pain. Palliative specialists can help patients and their families make difficult decisions about improving the quality of their lives. Sometimes when it comes to aggressive treatment, Lucy said, "It is OK to say 'no.'"

For more information about Wellness House, visit [www.wellnesshouse.org](http://www.wellnesshouse.org) or phone 630-323-3150.

# Holocaust survivors to share inspiring stories

My dad's friend's wife, Sandy Greenberg, recently left me a message, asking me if I could write about an upcoming event at Temple Chai in Long Grove.

I seriously thought it was going to be about a Sisterhood dinner or something like that, which might not really be for non-Temple members. When Greenberg emailed me a flyer about the event, I only needed to read the first three words to know that I wanted to write about the event.

It read, "Holocaust Survivor Series."

Right away, I emailed Greenberg to set up a time to talk about this important event, which takes place three consecutive Sundays at Temple Chai in Long Grove from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Oct. 30, Nov. 6 and Nov. 13.

According to the flyer, "Each survivor has an exceptional, riveting story that will captivate and inspire. Survivor stories are not about remarkable people. Rather, they are about how remarkable people can be."

After putting all three dates in my calendar, I finally spoke to Greenberg and Sharon Mell, co-chairwomen of the Holocaust Survivor Series and also guides at the Illinois Holocaust Museum in Skokie for the past 10 years.

"Holocaust survivors are a dwindling community," Mell said. "And it's important for all people, not just Jews, to hear their stories."

"The stories are not meant to minimize our own daily struggles," Greenberg said. "But after listening to



SUSAN DUBIN

the survivors share their stories, one can only count the blessings in their own lives. Attendees will find encouragement and inspiration and maybe put things in their lives into a different perspective. And although we are viewing the Holocaust through 20th century eyes, these survivors will take you back to a time that was different and allow the listener a peek into the past."

An event like this is important to hear from survivors who may not be around much longer to tell their stories, Mell said.

"The resilience, perseverance to survive and the strength to go on and want to make lives for themselves afterward, one can't help but be moved by the individual and unique stories these survivors will share," she said.

"Many survivors have asked why they survived," Mell said. "Many feel they survived, so they would be witnesses to let the world know what happened to those who perished. This still goes on all over the world. We're responsible with the choices we make for other people — whether to do something when we see an injustice, not to be a bystander, but to speak out and reach out to others."

Additionally, during the event on Nov. 13, attendees

will be able to sign up for a docent-led tour at the Holocaust Museum that will only have 10 to 12 people in a group, instead of the usual 20 people. The tours, which are \$15 a person, will be led by one of the 12 docents from Temple Chai and will take place Nov. 20.

All proceeds go to the Holocaust Museum.

"It is not a museum of atrocity," Greenberg said. "It is a museum of history. About what happens when good people do nothing when there is hate and intolerance."

Greenberg and Mell want to emphasize that everyone is welcome to attend any or all of the Holocaust Survivor Series, even if you are not a member at Temple Chai or Jewish. Additionally, this free series is appropriate for children 6th grade and up, or at a parent's discretion, they said.

The Holocaust Survivor Series is made possible through Temple Chai's Levinson Scholar-in-Residence Program Fund and takes place at Temple Chai, 1670 checker Road, Long Grove.

The program will be crowded and will run on time, so plan accordingly. For information about the Holocaust Survivor Series, call Temple Chai at 847-537-1771.

For information on the Holocaust Museum, visit [www.ilholocaustmuseum.org](http://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org).

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## LEGAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND HEARING

If you are a person, under the age of 21 years old, Medicaid-eligible in the State of Illinois, and have been diagnosed with a mental health or behavioral disorder for which a licensed practitioner of the healing arts has recommended intensive home- and community-based services to correct or ameliorate the disorder, a class action lawsuit may affect your rights.

Or, if you have a child who fits the description in the above paragraph, a class action lawsuit may affect the rights of your child.

This Notice is being published by order of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois to inform you of the proposed settlement of a class action lawsuit (*N.B. v. Norwood*, Case No. 11 C 6866) set forth in a proposed Settlement Agreement with the Director of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services regarding Medicaid services for children in Illinois under the age of 21 who have been diagnosed with a mental health or behavioral disorder. The parties to that lawsuit have agreed to the proposed Settlement Agreement that, if approved by the Court, would provide certain rights and benefits to eligible individuals. The Court will hold a hearing to consider whether to approve the proposed Settlement Agreement on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. before the Honorable Jorge L. Alonso, United States District Judge, in the Dirksen Federal Building, 219 S. Dearborn Street, Room 1219, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

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**What Does the Proposed Settlement Provide?** The parties have asked the Court to approve a Settlement Agreement that, if approved, would provide certain rights and benefits (as more fully described in the proposed Settlement Agreement) to eligible Class Members. The Settlement Agreement provides eligible Class Members the opportunity to access a continuum of Medicaid-authorized services, including home- and community-based services that may be needed to address their conditions.

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Dated: September 6, 2016

Honorable Jorge L. Alonso  
United States District Court Judge

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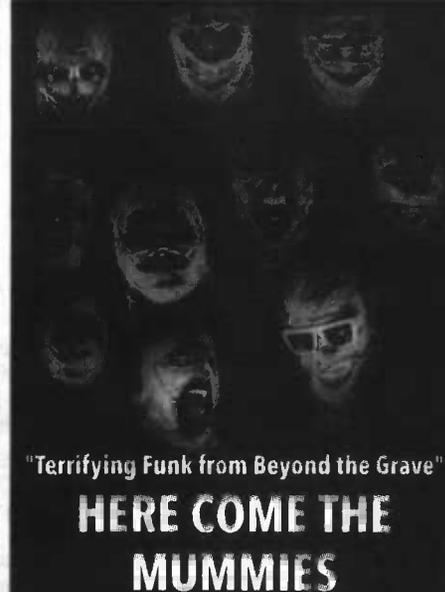
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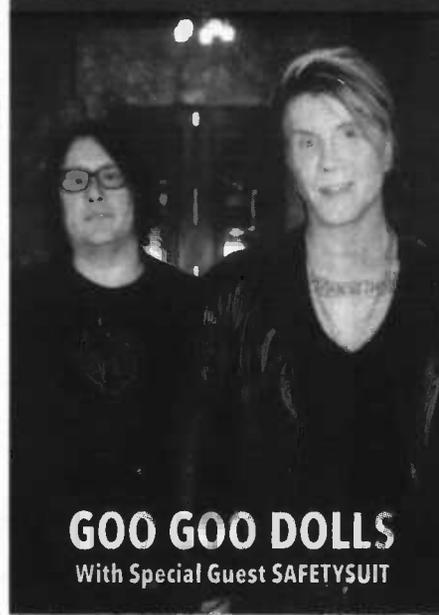
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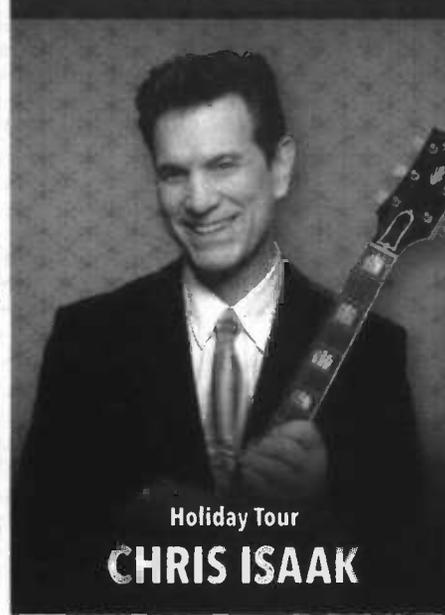


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# PUMPKIN PASSION

Celebrate fall with corn mazes, hayrides, and the Great Pumpkin

BY ANNIE ALLEMAN  
The Beacon-News

It's finally fall, y'all. That's right, the best time of the year is here.

We're talking pumpkin patches. We're talking corn mazes. We're talking hayrides, haunted barns, petting zoos and myriad kiddie rides.

Here's a roundup of pumpkin patches and farms far and near. Make sure you check your farm's website for coupons and discounts; plus rules on pets, strollers, wagons, rain checks and more.

## CREST HILL

### Siegel's Cottonwood Farms

17250 S. Weber Road, Lockport. Open to Oct. 30. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Ourpumpkin-farm.com

Tickets: \$11.95 weekdays; \$14.95 weekends and Columbus Day; children 2 and under free.

New attractions include Fly'n Farmers ZipLines and a Snoopy-themed corn maze. Other attractions include a you-pick pumpkin patch, kiddie tractor maze, climbing wall, haunted fun barn, petting zoo, ghost town railroad, gem mine, pony rides (weekends, \$6), and Statesville Haunted Prison (\$30-\$45). Credit cards accepted.

## HAMPSHIRE

### Goebbert's Pumpkin Farm

42W813 Reinking Road, Hampshire. Open Sept. 24-Oct. 31. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 31. Pumpkinfarms.com

Tickets: \$12 weekdays and \$15 weekends and Columbus Day; \$6 seniors; children 2 and under free; fees for some activities.

Look for a corn stalk maze, petting farm, pony rides, camel rides, pig racing, Pumpkin Express train, haunted house, Western town and paintball shooting gallery.

## HOBART, INDIANA

### County Line Orchard

200 S. County Line Road, Hobart. Open to Oct. 30. Kid's Farm 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily; see website for corn maze hours. Countyline-orchard.com

Tickets: \$1-\$10, children 2 and under free.

In addition to apples and pumpkins, there is an election-themed corn maze, hayrides, farm animals and gift shop.

## HOMER GLEN

### Bengtson's Pumpkin Farm

13341 W. 151st St., Homer Glen. Open to Oct. 30. Hours vary throughout the season; check the website. Pumpkinfarm.com

Tickets: \$9.99-\$16.99; children 2 and under free; free for military with ID.

Attractions include kiddie rides, hayrides, a haunted barn, gemstone mining sluice, petting zoo, pony rides, corn maze, a 90-foot slide and pumpkin patch. Credit cards accepted.

### Konow's Corn Maze

16849 S. Cedar Road, Homer Glen. Open Sept. 23-Oct. 31. Hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. daily; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturdays. 708-301-8845; Konowscornmaze.com

Tickets: \$9 weekdays, \$10 weekends, children 3 and under free; free for military with ID.

Konow's boasts a 3.4-mile corn maze plus a 4-mile maze for kids and the casual walker. New this year is a haunted hayride Oct. 28-29.

## LINCOLNSHIRE

### Didier Farms

16678 W. Aptakisic Road, Lincolnshire. Open Sept. 24-Oct. 31. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. 847-634-3291; Didierfarms.com

Tickets: \$1.

There is no admission fee, but

all activities require at least three tickets. Offerings include pig races, a carousel, gem mining sluice, a corn maze, petting zoo and hay rides. Credit cards accepted.

## MAPLE PARK

### Kuipers Family Farm

1N318 Watson Road, Maple Park. Open to Nov. 1. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. 815-827-5200; Kuipersfamilyfarm.com

Tickets: \$10.99-\$14.99; \$6.99 seniors and military with ID, children 2 and under free. Some activities cost extra.

Pumpkins are for sale pre-picked or you-pick in the pumpkin patch. Other activities include the corn maze, pig races, train rides, hay bale maze, pony rides, hay wagon rides and haunted forest. Credit cards accepted.

## MALTA

### Jonamac Orchard

19412 Shabbona Road, Malta. Hours vary; open through Nov. 23. www.jonamaorchard.com

Apple picking and a 12-acre pumpkin patch along with a country store, haunted corn maze, hayrides, petting zoo, store and bakery. Pumpkin Pickin' Weekend and 5K is Oct. 15-16; Great Harvest Weekend Oct. 22-23; and Halloween Bash is Oct. 30.

## MINOOKA

### Heap's Giant Pumpkin Farm

4853 Route 52, Minooka. Open to Oct. 31. Hours are 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. daily. 815-651-7288; Heapsgiantpumpkinfarm.com

Tickets: Free admission to the farm; \$6 weekday pass, \$8 weekend pass; children 2 and under free; some activities extra.

Attractions include a giant castle, corn maze, pumpkin patch, and fun barn. Hayrides, moonlight hay rides, haunted corn maze and flashlight maze run Fridays, Saturdays and certain Sundays. Credit cards accepted.



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### Larson's Family Farm

4404 Somonauk Road, Sandwich. Open Oct. 1-31. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; weekends only. 815-786-2249; Larsonfamilyfarm.com

Tickets: Free admission; hayrides \$1.

You will find a vintage playground, concessions, hayrides, enchanted woods and bonfires. Cash or check only

## ST. CHARLES

### Norton's Hollow

39W369 Illinois Highway 64, St. Charles. Open to Oct. 30. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays; 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sundays. 630-377-8118; Norton-sproduce.com

Tickets: \$3; \$1 for seniors; children 2 and under free.

Norton's Hollow is a seasonal playground for kids ages 2 to 10; filled with straw mazes, corn bundle tunnel, animals and other activities. There will be hayrides to the pumpkin patch weekends in October. Credit cards accepted.

## SOUTH BARRINGTON

### Goebbert's Farm and Garden Center

40 W. Higgins Road, South Barrington. Open Sept. 24-Oct. 31. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 31. 847-428-6727;

goebbertsgardencenter.com

Tickets: \$11 weekdays and \$14 weekends and Columbus Day; children 2 and under free; some activities cost extra.

Activities include a haunted house, farm animals, Pumpkin Eating Dinosaur, wagon rides, corn stalk maze, camel rides and weekend magic shows.

## STURTEVANT, WIS.

### Apple Holler

5006 S. Sylvania Ave. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Pumpkins available early October. www.appleholler.com.

Pumpkins are available early October. Also offers hay rides and farm animals.

## WOODSTOCK

### All Seasons Apple Orchard

14510 Illinois Route 176, Woodstock. Open Oct. 8-30. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays to Fridays; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and Columbus Day. 815-338-5637; Allseasonsorchar.com

Tickets: \$10-\$14.50; children 2 and under free.

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## ART

# Exhibit showcases women in politics, arts and business

By JOANNA BRODER  
Pioneer Press

For one area artist, the photographs she snapped resulted from a happy accident.

While on a road trip to Texas, Jeanne Garrett stopped in Memphis, and while walking along the street, she found street art of men holding up signs saying: "I am a man" (based on the 1968 Memphis Sanitation Workers strike) painted on a brick wall. She only had a wait a few minutes before a female police officer walked by, disturbing the message of the street art, kind of turning it on its head.

"It's one of those photographer happenstances that this police woman walked by," she said.

But the contrasts conveyed something.

"While women have made gains in many professions — law and medicine, for example — in law enforcement the progress has been slow," Garrett wrote in her artist statement.

Garrett, of Arlington Heights, will display her photograph, "Woman in a Man's World," along with the works of about 70 other artists as part of this year's Oakton Community College Women's Art Exhibit from Sept. 29 to Oct. 21. The exhibit has become an annual tradition at the college's Koehnline Museum of Art in Des Plaines. This year's theme is "Beyond Rosie the Riveter: Women and Work."

Rosie the Riveter is a cultural icon symbolizing American women who went to work during World War II to produce war supplies in shipyards and factories.

"This year it just occurred to us that we wanted to have something that focuses on women's contri-



JEANNE GARRETT PHOTO

"Woman in a Man's World" captures a female police officer in Memphis in front of the "I Am a Man" mural, based on the 1968 Memphis Sanitation Workers Strike.

## 'Beyond Rosie the Riveter: Women and Work' exhibit

**When:** Sept. 29-Oct. 21.  
Opening reception 2-8 p.m.  
Sept. 29.

**Where:** Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines

**Admission:** Free

**Information:** [www.oakton.edu/newsevents](http://www.oakton.edu/newsevents)

butions to their families and cultures," said Kathleen Carot, coordinator of the women and gender studies program at Oakton Community College.

Themes of the exhibit will include women's contributions to the marketplace, workplace, politics, professions, crafts, sweat shops and their homes including as caregivers, Carot said.

Artist Carmina Cortes, a first generation Mexican American, painted her interpretation of Rosie the Riveter with her face painted Day of the Dead style as she flexes her muscles in a work titled "Guerillera Warrior."

Artist Levvy Xintaris' piece depicts Hillary Clinton as an astronaut. Xintaris read that as a teenager Clinton asked NASA how to

become an astronaut and discovered a no-girls policy.

Organizers chose Rosie the Riveter as the model of the exhibit because she is an "iconic figure" for working women, Carot said. During World War II, "women were actually manning heavy equipment and working in factories and offices and all kinds of jobs where they were not conventionally working in large numbers."

This year's show will explore the variety of ways that women work and answer questions such as: What was and is women's work? How have opportunities changed for women or have they?

Historically women could not display their work in galleries and museums "because women weren't making the decisions of what works were considered valuable or worthy, and there's still a pattern for this," Carot said.

So they found other ways to be expressive, such as making quilts, Carot noted, and become very adept at using textiles.

However, even today women are "vastly under-represented" in galleries and museums and "it's still rather tough for women to get their work shown," she said.

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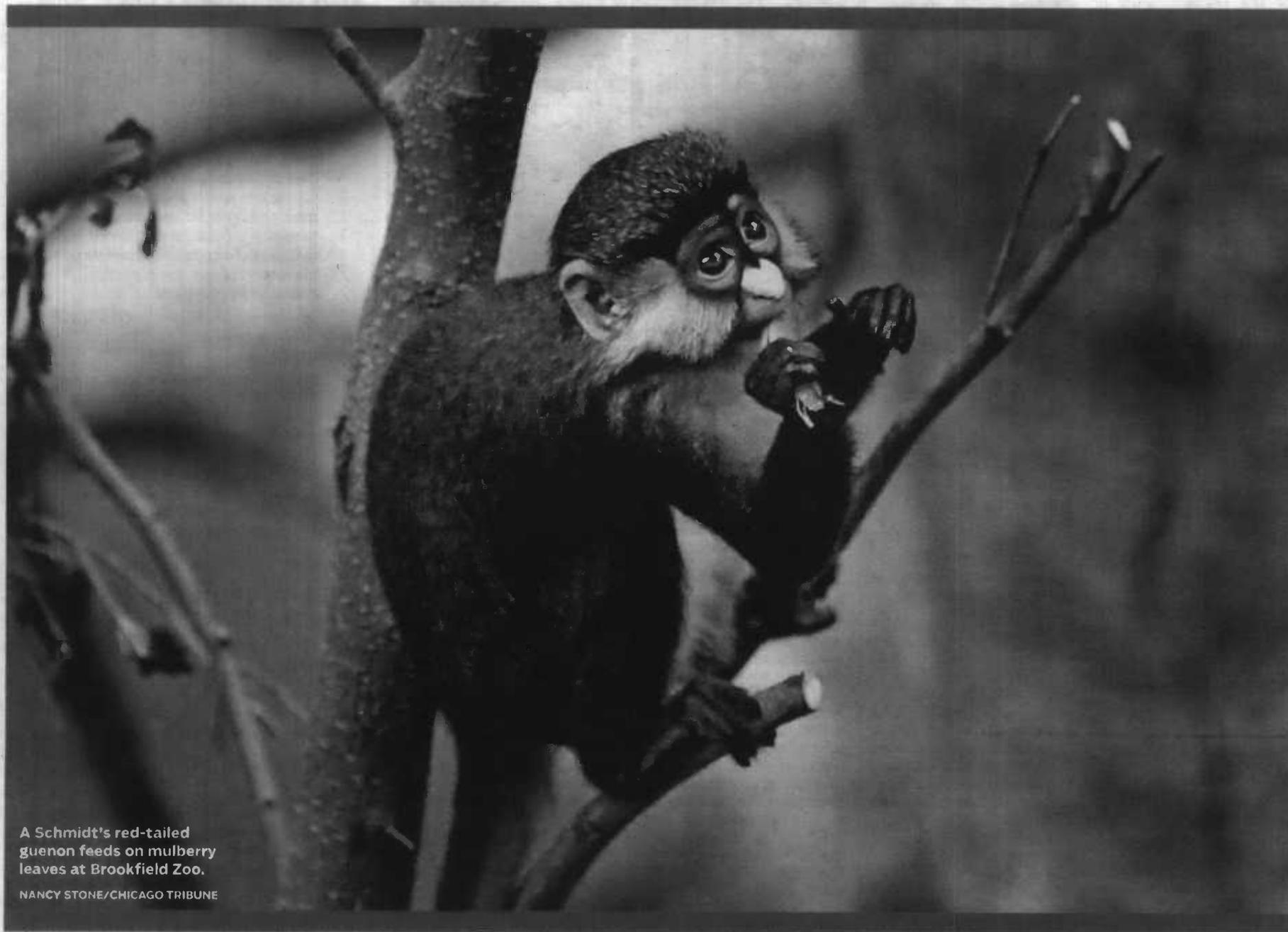
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A Schmidt's red-tailed guenon feeds on mulberry leaves at Brookfield Zoo.

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ComEd teams up with Brookfield Zoo to bring leafy munchies to animals Page 3

## SUBURBAN COOKS

# Caterer's goal is to be green and good

By Judy Buchenot  
Naperville Sun

A top-quality meal is about more than just taste these days. Consumers not only want a delicious meal, they want a meal that has been sourced locally and sustainably.

Heidi Moorman Coudal, founder and owner of Big Delicious Planet in Chicago, has worked to meet those goals with her restaurant and catering company. Her company has received the highest four-star rating from the Green Restaurant Association. "We have been called the greenest caterer in the country," Coudal said. Big Delicious Planet will cater the barn raising benefit at Naper Settlement Nov. 5 in Naperville.

Coudal, 49, never set out to be in the food business. She grew up in a very global environment. Her father was in the military stationed in Europe, and she was born in Germany. Her family had moved 12 times by the time she finished college. "We traveled all over Europe and I was exposed to many cultures. In college, I had an opportunity to spend 12 weeks traveling and studying in India, which was so interesting," Coudal said.

She completed a college degree in communications and settled in Chicago, where she still lives, to be involved in film production. Work was not always steady so to make ends meet, she supplied meals to film sets and concert backstages. She saw a need for a caterer to provide meals at these events. "I thought, hey, I am going to try to do catering," said Coudal, who teamed up with her sister, Ellen, to open Big Delicious Planet in 1994.

From the beginning, Coudal was determined to be a green business. "I wanted to be able to prove that what we were doing was green. I found the Green Restaurant Association based in Boston



GENEVIEVE LAUREN PHOTOGRAPHY

Heidi Coudal, owner of The Big Delicious Planet, hosts farm-to-table meals in her urban Chicago garden. Her company is catering the November fundraising event at Naper Settlement.

## Barn Raising Benefit

**When:** 6 p.m. Nov. 5  
**Where:** In a heated tent at Naper Settlement, 523 South Webster, Naperville  
**Tickets:** \$250  
**Information:** [naper.settlement.org/Index.aspx?NID=505](http://naper.settlement.org/Index.aspx?NID=505); email Nata-Lelgh Preas at [PreasN@naperville.il.us](mailto:PreasN@naperville.il.us)

and decided to apply for certification," she said.

She started working on the application process, hoping to get at least a three-star rating. Over the next five months she sent photos of efficient appliances and submitted invoices of her supplies, paper goods and pest control. "We compost every scrap even from meat and fish. We have a company that picks up our used cooking oil for re-use. We look for ways to decrease our garbage," Coudal said. She was pleased when Big Delicious Planet earned a four-star rating in 2013.

One of the interesting parts of Big Delicious Planet is its urban farm. One day Coudal was looking out the window of their leased building and

saw a vacant piece of land next to their parking lot. It was filled with litter. She approached her landlord with a plan to clean it up and put in a garden. He agreed and Coudal went looking for a farmer to help her. She found Katie Wiegman, a recent college graduate with farming experience.

Wiegman planned and installed eight raised beds in the lot. "I was so surprised how quickly the sprouts starting coming up," Coudal said. The beds were so successful that Coudal looked further around her building and found two more undeveloped city lots. Today she has 50 raised beds that are cared for by a part-time farmer, Luke Chamberlin. "Last year we harvested about 3,000 pounds of vegetables," Coudal said. "There were about 400 pounds of tomatoes in that." The beds have 105 varieties of 49 different herbs and vegetables.

In addition to the raised beds, Coudal installed a patio with a large farm table in the lots so that she could host periodic urban-farm-to-table meals, which have been a successful venture. At her most recent meal, she was able to use 15 different crops

harvested from her urban farm.

Big Delicious Planet's focus has moved away from backstage catering to weddings and events. Her catering company will be supplying the upcoming farm-to-table dinner for the Naper Settlement Barn Raising Benefit.

Big Delicious Planet operates a small cafe that serves breakfasts and lunches in front of the catering kitchen at 412 North Wolcott Ave. in Chicago. Coudal's client list includes the 14th Dalai Lama, President Obama and numerous rock stars and actors.

"It is a challenge," said Coudal, of her dedication to find local providers for meals. "It's not always easy to find enough free-range chickens or locally sourced dairy to feed a large group for a wedding." She tries to offer clients menus using what is being harvested whenever possible.

"I am always looking for new ways to be greener. I just put hand dryers in our bathrooms and it really reduced our garbage," said Coudal. She shares recipes from her catering kitchen for others to try.

Judy Buchenot is a freelancer.

## Herb Crab Cakes with Sun-Dried Tomato Aioli and Kohlrabi Slaw

### Herb Crab Cakes

- 1 pound fresh jumbo lump crab meat
- 1/2 cup panko bread crumbs
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 large shallot, minced
- Juice of 1 lemon
- Zest of 1 lemon
- 1 tablespoon whole grain mustard
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh tarragon
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh parsley
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh chives
- 1/2 teaspoon sea salt
- 1/4 cup canola oil for frying

1. Drain crab meat and pick out any shells. Place crab meat and bread crumbs in a bowl and set aside.

2. In a separate bowl, whisk eggs, shallot, lemon juice, lemon zest, mustard, herbs and salt together. Mix in with crab meat and bread crumbs. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for an hour.

3. Scoop crab mixture into four lightly packed cakes. Heat oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add crab cakes to the pan. Cook 4 to 6 minutes on each side, until brown.

### Sun-Dried Tomato Aioli

- 1/4 cup sun-dried tomatoes
- Juice of half a lemon
- 1 garlic clove
- 1 teaspoon fresh chopped parsley
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise

1. In a food processor, pulse the sun-dried tomatoes, lemon and garlic until pureed. Add mayo and parsley, pulse until blended.

### Kohlrabi Slaw

- 1 bulb kohlrabi
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar
- 2 tablespoons fresh chopped parsley
- 1 chopped scallion
- salt and pepper to taste

1. Peel kohlrabi and cut into matchsticks. In a bowl, whisk together remaining ingredients. Add kohlrabi and toss to coat. You can also add a touch of honey if you prefer sweeter slaw.

2. To prepare platter for serving, place slaw on plate. Put crab cakes on top of slaw. Add a dollop of sun-dried tomato aioli to crab cakes. Garnish with fresh herbs.

# Branching out at meal time

ComEd helps Brookfield Zoo replicate animal diets in the wild

By Nara Schoenberg  
Chicago Tribune

Have giraffes snacked on the branches of your humble neighborhood mulberry trees? Have black rhinos chewed on their twigs and colobus monkeys plucked their leaves?

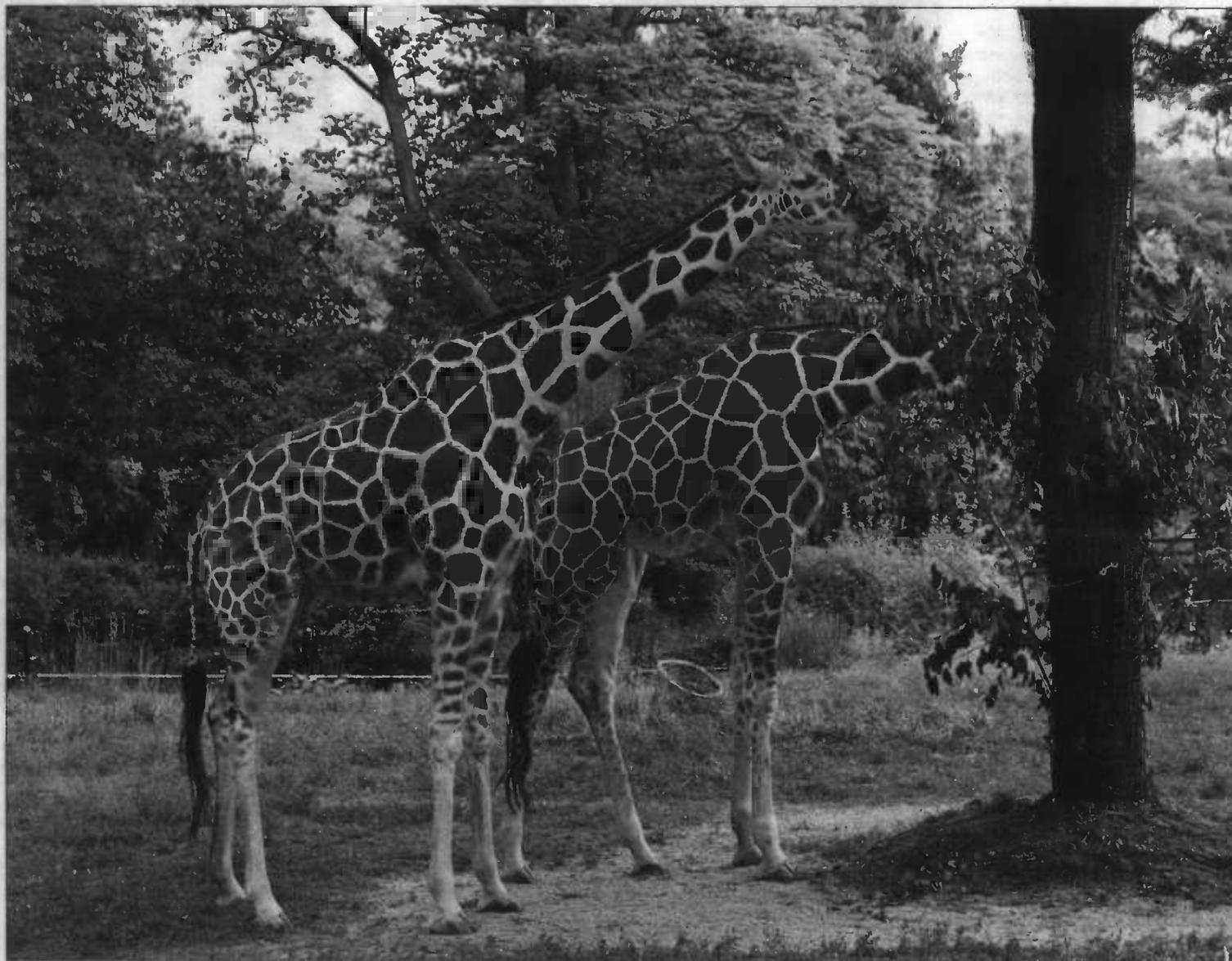
If you live in the Chicago area, the answer might well be yes.

On a recent Tuesday morning, giraffes at Brookfield Zoo gingerly approached 12-foot tree limbs, wrapped their tongues around fresh green leaves and guided them into their mouths. A black rhino named Layla chewed on whole branches, her powerful molars cracking wood and grinding leaves. The Nigerian dwarf goats got so excited when they spotted a keeper approaching with their tree limb that they tried to climb straight up a 10-foot wooden gate.

All of those leafy delicacies came from Chicago-area yards and roadsides, where Commonwealth Edison trims trees to protect its power lines. Most of the trimmings are ground into mulch, but, for the past six years, ComEd has been delivering the freshest and sweetest cuttings to Brookfield Zoo.

"This came completely out of the blue," Emily Kramer, ComEd manager of vegetation management, said of the program, which was proposed by the zoo.

"When we first heard about it, it was like, 'What? What do you want us to do? And can we do it?' And we figured out we can. It was surprising, and it's been a great thing to be able to do."



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Giraffes feed on mulberry leaves at Brookfield Zoo as part of a program that has ComEd tree trimmers providing meals.

The zoo approached ComEd as part of a broader effort to provide animals with diets that more closely resemble what they would eat in the wild. That means deer and goat carcasses for carnivores, sometimes suspended on zip lines, so the animals can give chase. It means fruits and vegetables with less sugar and more fiber for herbivores, and it means trimmings from local willow, mulber-

ry, honey locust and maple trees for animals including gorillas, camels and tapirs.

The zoo wanted the ComEd branches because they're the closest thing possible to what some herbivores would eat in the wild, said Jennifer Watts, director of nutrition for the Chicago Zoological Society, which manages Brookfield Zoo.

ComEd has delivered about 53 tons of branches

and foliage since the program began in 2011.

"We've seen changes in behavior in terms of (the animals') activity levels; they're more engaged, and they're doing natural behaviors that they normally wouldn't be able to do like manipulating the branches," Watts said.

"The gorillas and orangutans will peel the bark off the branches and eat the bark. One of the great

things we've seen — especially for our rhinos — is improved dental health."

The tree trimmings come from within a 25-mile radius of the zoo. ComEd provides the trimmings for free, supporting what Smithsonian National Zoological Park senior nutritionist Mike Maslanka said is probably one of the larger branch-feeding programs in the nation. Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo

feeds its animals trimmings from the zoo grounds and from an on-campus garden growing mulberry, willow and aspen.

The processed animal feeds that many zoos embraced in the 1990s met a real need, zoo nutritionists say. Before that, some improvised whole-food diets led to problems such as calcium deficiencies in

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carnivores that were eating slabs of meat with the bones removed.

But the processed feeds had their drawbacks. Some animals developed dental problems and digestive issues, and many missed out on the exercise and enrichment of, say, gathering leaves or tearing apart a carcass.

Now, in an effort to achieve the best of both worlds, zoos are adding whole, unprocessed foods in nutrition-conscious ways.

"We are seeing an increase" in that approach, said Maslanka. "Several big zoos have kicked it into high gear in the last few years."

On a hot morning at the zoo, Senior Zookeeper Dara Kelly dragged branches the size of small trees across the giraffes' enclosure and hoisted them into elevated stands so the giraffes could have a more natural eating experience.

"They plow through (the leaves) within an hour or two," Kelly said, branch in hand. "It's a lot of work, but they really love it, so here we go."

The giraffes approached the branches warily, ate a few bites, then dug into their feast, ripping off a dozen leaves at a time.

Fifteen minutes later, a black rhino named Layla took a whole branch into her mouth, slobbering liberally. A black rhino can chew through a branch that's half an inch thick, Watts said. "They have really big molars."

While an orangutan named



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The Brookfield Zoo animals in the tree branch program, including orangutans, above, and black rhinos, right, are particularly fond of willow, mulberry and sweet maple trees.

Kekasih used her long, slender fingers to gently guide the leaves to her mouth, her mother, Sophia, took a more active approach. She swung on a branch strung up for naturalistic eating, caught another branch and swung back,

looking her keepers right in the eye as if to say, "What are you going to do about it?"

For her next trick, Sophia tore down the branches and hurled them one by one into the moat.

Called upon to comment, Craig



Demitros, associate curator of primates, said, "That's Sophia. She has a complex personality; we'll put it that way."

The Nigerian dwarf goats were lazing about in the hot sun, accepting pats from eager children, when they suddenly raised their heads and trotted energetically toward a back gate marked "staff only."

"Where are the goats going?" a little boy cried.

The gate opened, and Senior Zookeeper Joe Gusic emerged, holding a 15-foot mulberry branch upright so that the leaves

extended high above his head in a fountain of foliage. Thirty goats swarmed around his legs, bleating excitedly, as they followed him to the quiet corner where he set down his treasure.

Within 20 minutes, a third of the leafy branches were stripped bare, and the goats had set to work on the bark.

"There won't be a single leaf left by the end of the day," Gusic said.

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# What stops ID thief from unfreezing victim's credit?

I read your column, "Identity stolen, \$159K in unpaid loans, credit damaged," and I have a couple of questions regarding credit freezes: What prevents the thief from posing as Jeff and lifting the freeze? What prevents a thief from initiating the freeze and keeping the consumer out of his own credit file/report?

Thank you for enlightening us,  
Dolores, Chicago

These are excellent questions, and for answers, I contacted the three credit reporting agencies (CRAs), TransUnion, Equifax and Experian as well as AAA Credit Guide a consumer finance website focused on credit scoring, credit reporting and credit repair.

With regard to what would prevent the thief from simply posing as Jeff to lift the credit freezes he put in place, the simple answer is that anyone who places a credit freeze is provided a unique personal identification number (PIN) by the CRA from which the freeze was requested. (If fraud has occurred, credit freezes should be placed at all three CRAs.) The PIN is then

required when an individual either temporarily or permanently lifts the freeze.

"In order to remove or lift a security freeze from an Equifax credit report, a consumer would need to provide their complete name, address, social security number, date of birth, two forms of acceptable identification and payment, if applicable (security fees and other requirements vary by state)," said Nancy Bistriz, communication director at Equifax. "The identity verification methods we employ at Equifax uniquely authenticate a consumer's identity through a process that uses intelligent questions specific to a consumer's credit history."

As for what would prevent a thief from initiating a credit freeze to keep a consumer out of his or her own credit file, TransUnion public relations director David Blumberg said, "The authentication process and information required to place a security freeze is extremely rigorous. If an



CATHY CUNNINGHAM  
Help Squad

identity thief had significant personal information about a consumer, it's possible that they could complete this process." But, he added, "The freeze would also then make it harder for (the thief) to commit fraud using that consumer's identity."

For this reason, this scenario is less likely.

Consumers should know that even when a credit freeze is in place, a credit report is never completely inaccessible.

"When you have a credit freeze in place, there are still a couple of situations in which your credit report may be accessed," said Lauren Ward, research analyst and staff writer at AAA Credit Guide. "Your existing creditors or their debt collectors can still access the information, as can government agencies who have received authorization from a court order, subpoena, or search warrant. But since these companies and agencies aren't associated with opening new lines of credit under your name, you don't have to worry about

identity theft in these situations."

There are two ways to lift a credit freeze: temporarily or permanently.

"A permanent freeze is just that — permanent. A temporary lift, on the other hand, is used when applying for a loan, credit card, or even a job requiring a background check — in other words, you know you want someone checking your credit." Ward explained. "It's important to prepare in advance (for a temporary lift) because it can take up to three business days to occur. To save yourself a bit of time and money (some states charge fees), you can ask the lender or employer which CRA they plan to contact and just lift that one specific freeze."

Ward said there will be separate PINs for each agency. "So be sure to place all three in a secure location," she said.

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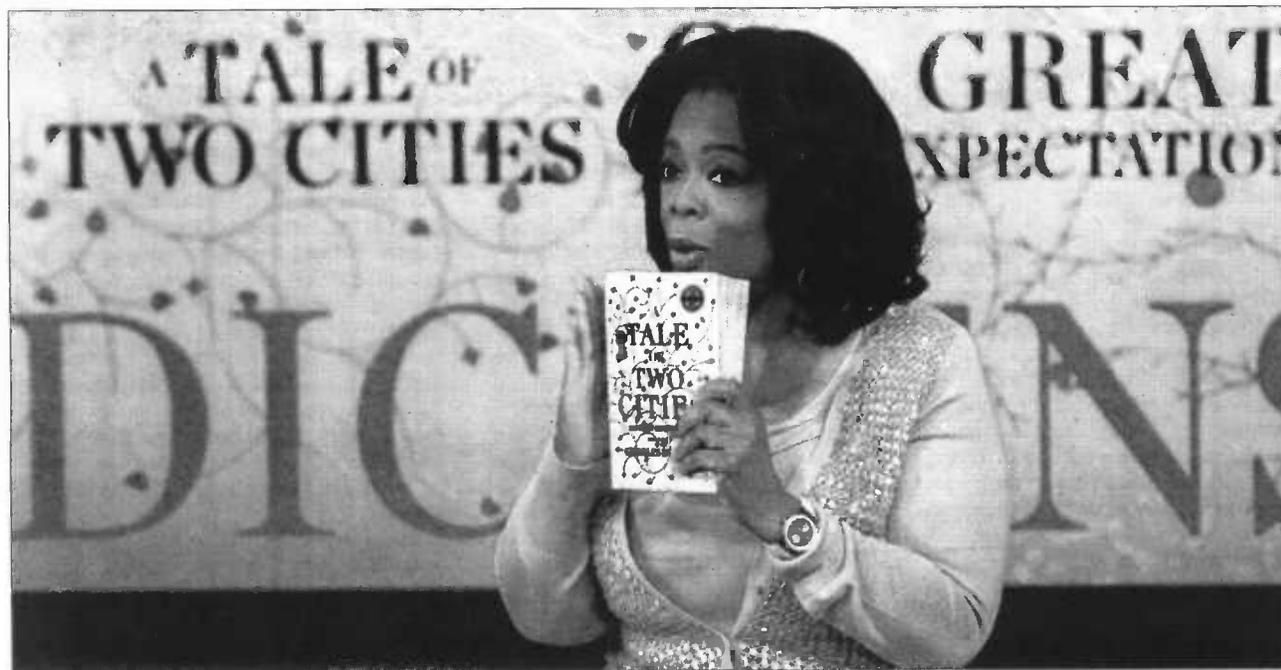


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## BOOKS



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Book recommendations by Oprah Winfrey boost sales significantly as well as raise the cultural conversation surrounding books.

## Has Oprah regained zeal for books?

By John Warner

Chicago Tribune

When it comes to Oprah Winfrey, I contain multitudes.

On the one hand, she is indisputably amazing, a self-made woman of many talents. Forget about the talk show (not that we could) or her magazine or her television network or her production company. She is also one of the most underappreciated actresses of her generation. Her performance in "The Color Purple" is a marvel.

On the other hand, she's been a chief promoter for some terrible stuff. We cannot forget that she spawned Dr. Phil. She was also a leading proponent of self-help phenomenon "The Secret," a steaming pile of pseudoscientific hokum capable of doing real damage to people who bought into it.

(Here's the real secret: There is no secret.)

But I'm more than willing to set all my personal qualms aside because with the choice of the memoir "Love Warrior" by Glennon Doyle Melton, Oprah for the first time since 2007 has selected titles for one of her book clubs in consecutive months.

Even sans her daily show, Oprah is, by far, the most important influencer in the world of books. The heyday of the original Oprah's Book Club (1996-2000) provided a near-monthly boost not just to sales but also, more importantly, to the cultural conversation surrounding books.

Oprah anointing a book was news, always, and without her it seems much harder for a book to become news because of its "book-ness" rather than because the author is famous or party to a scandal, or the book's subject touches on a hot-button cultural issue.

The best thing about Oprah and books is her sincere enthusiasm. When you watch the introductory videos to her selections, you see someone who has the same experience as so many readers, for whom, when they finish a book, the immediate impulse is to tell someone else, "You've got to read this." It just so happens that this particular reader has an unparalleled pub-

licity megaphone.

Her enthusiasm is so winning, she even persuaded Cormac McCarthy to sit for an interview.

That same enthusiasm, however, is also Oprah's Achilles heel. She will fall for "The Secret" because its message of mind over matter is something she wants to believe is true. Winfrey called the episode where she famously wheeled a red wagon of almost 70 pounds of animal fat onto the stage while wearing skinny jeans an "ego trip," but I think it was her enthusiasm that steered her wrong.

The car giveaway without considering the tax implications to her guests? Runaway enthusiasm.

Occasionally her enthusiasm has impinged on the book club itself. Her initial embrace of James Frey and his substantially fabricated "memoir" was clearly rooted in her enthusiasm for self-empowerment stories. Her public flogging of Frey wasn't just about a personal betrayal of Oprah, but because Frey had revealed that self-empowerment, in his case, was a myth.

Jonathan Franzen was defenestrated from Oprah's Book Club for "The Corrections," after reacting to his selection without sufficient enthusiasm. As is true of many novelists, the man simply isn't wired for public displays of pleasure.

Looking at the dwindling pace of Oprah's Book Club choices following the Franzen contretemps suggests that Winfrey may have lost her own enthusiasm. She averaged only about two selections per year from 2002 to 2010. The post-talk show Oprah's Book Club 2.0 has limped along, with four selections total from 2010-2015.

But with "Love Warrior" following relatively quickly on the heels of Colson Whitehead's "The Underground Railroad," selected in August, perhaps that old energy is back. I hope Oprah embraces all the enthusiasm she can muster and doesn't worry for a second about cranks like me.

Welcome back, Oprah Winfrey. We've missed you.

John Warner is a freelance writer.

## Book recommendations from The Biblioracle

Readers list the last five books they've read — and John Warner suggests a sixth.

1. "Henderson the Rain King" by Saul Bellow
2. "The Twenty-Seventh City" by Jonathan Franzen
3. "The Story of the Lost Child" by Elena Ferrante
4. "The Savage Detectives" by Roberto Bolano
5. "The Case for God" by Karen Armstrong  
*Keith P., Chicago*  
I am always wary of hype, particularly hype that compares a novel to the work of both Charles Dickens and John Irving, but Nathan Hill's "The Nix" won me over, and I think it'll win over Keith from Chicago as well.
1. "As I Lay Dying" by William Faulkner

2. "The Orchard Keeper" by Cormac McCarthy
3. "Stop-Time" by Frank Conroy
4. "The Stranger" by Albert Camus
5. "Between the World and Me" by Ta-Nehisi Coates  
*Tim D., Taos, N.M.*  
Some interesting classics on this list, which suggests another classic, Zora Neale Hurston's "Their Eyes Were Watching God."
1. "Damaged" by Lisa Scottoline
2. "First Comes Love" by Emily Giffin

3. "Luckiest Girl Alive" by Jessica Knoll
4. "You Will Know Me" by Megan Abbott
5. "Girls on Fire" by Robin Wasserman  
*Franny T., Los Angeles*  
Looking at this list, I feel like Franny needs a fun and funny book. "I Take You" by Eliza Kennedy fits the bill.

## What should you read?

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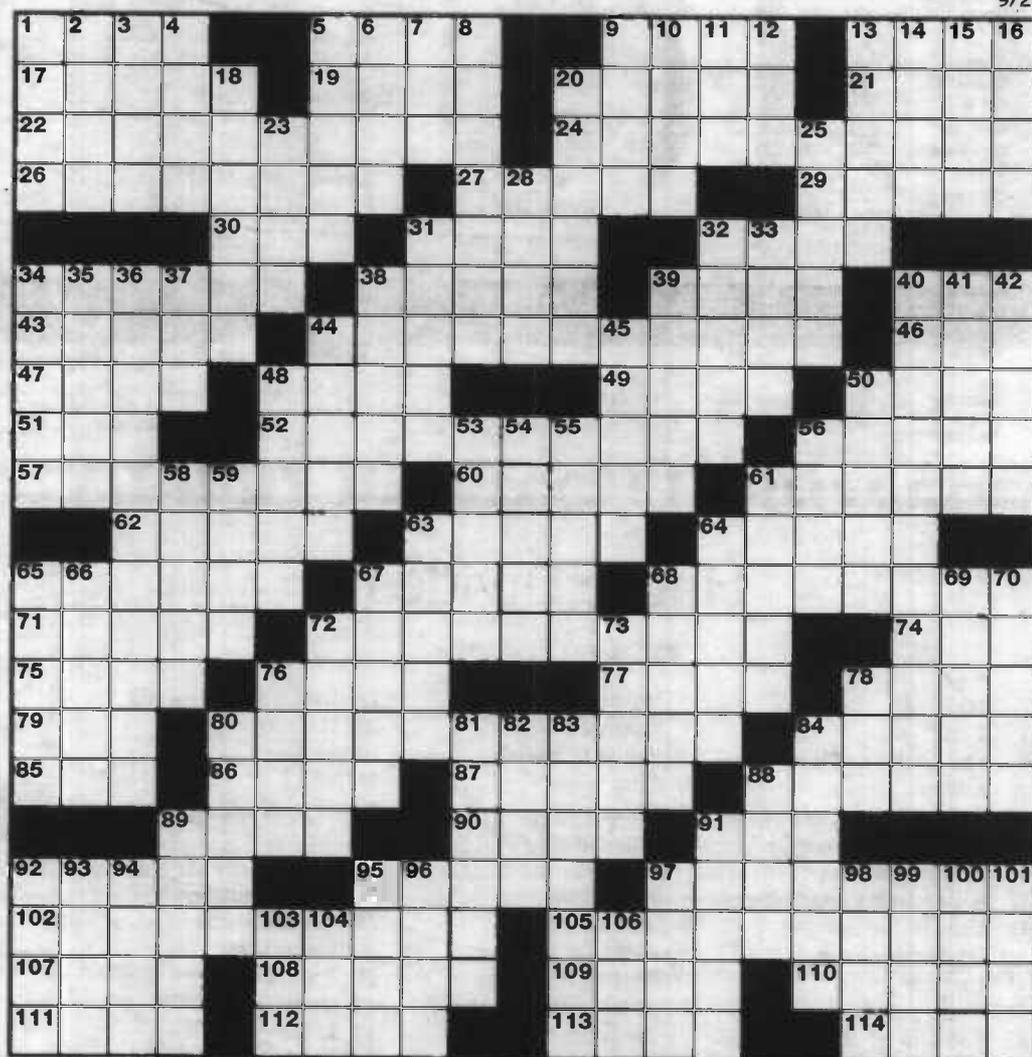
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- 113 Walked (on)

- 114 Many Louvre paintings

### Down

- 1 Ticked pink
- 2 Prefix like uni-
- 3 Awestruck
- 4 Time on a marquee
- 5 Having much land
- 6 Wearing boots, perhaps
- 7 Actor McKellen
- 8 More innovative
- 9 Make a run for it
- 10 Bouncy tune
- 11 *Mad Men* channel
- 12 Each
- 13 Handled clumsily
- 14 Economist Greenspan
- 15 Fast-food beverage
- 16 Offer on eBay
- 18 Beetlike vegetables
- 20 Gracefully slender
- 23 Pennsylvania port
- 25 Offer one's view
- 28 Easter-egg event
- 31 Sudden twitch
- 32 Loud, as a crowd
- 33 Goes bad
- 34 Tech support customers
- 35 Seine city, in song
- 36 Endangered Asian cat
- 37 Passports, for instance
- 38 A Bolivian capital
- 39 One way to mark errors
- 40 High schoolers with many friends
- 41 Disney mermaid
- 42 D.C. subway
- 44 Leg muscles, for short



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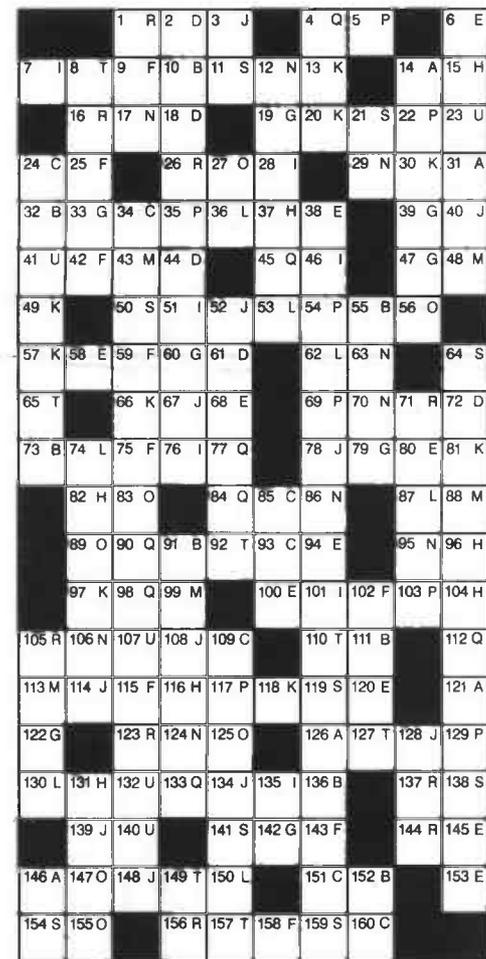
- 45 Splits apart
- 48 Safari head
- 50 Virtuous one
- 53 See 78 Across
- 54 Actress Ladd or Lane
- 55 Ballpark instrument
- 56 Uncle Remus title
- 58 Sisters of Greek myth
- 59 3-D scans
- 61 Bagel-like roll
- 63 Attach, as a patch
- 64 Play for time
- 65 Risk a ticket
- 66 Wispy clouds
- 67 Made it home
- 68 Sow chow
- 69 Hair-raising
- 70 Bread machine cycle
- 72 TV filter
- 73 Inventor Howe
- 76 And others: Abbr.
- 78 Boggy area
- 80 Sherlock's female adversary
- 81 2016 presidential candidate
- 82 Land on the Caspian
- 83 DiCaprio's love in *Titanic*
- 84 Of liters and kilos
- 88 Plaintiff
- 89 Excitingly fashionable
- 91 Chose, with "for"
- 92 Tacks on
- 93 Gallop or canter
- 94 Wintour of fashion
- 95 "In my opinion ..."
- 96 Embassy issuance
- 97 — buco (veal dish)
- 98 Off-the-wall sound
- 99 Cuisine with green curry
- 100 Make known
- 101 Calls upon
- 103 *Skyfall* studio
- 104 Italian article
- 106 Boating blade

## Quote-Acrostic

- Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
- Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
- When pattern is completed, quotation can be read left to right. The first letters of the filled-in words reading down form an acrostic yielding the speaker's name and the topic of the quotation.

| Clues                           | Words                            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| A. Jewish spiritual leader      | 126 31 121 14 146                |
| B. Killer                       | 73 10 136 55 111 32 91 152       |
| C. Telegraphs again             | 34 93 24 151 85 160 109          |
| D. Some Scandinavians           | 61 2 72 18 44                    |
| E. Maintain close watch: 3 wds. | 145 6 120 68 153 38 80 100 58 94 |
| F. Off center                   | 143 158 42 9 25 115 59 75 102    |
| G. Vigorous:                    | 122 79 33 47 142 39 19 60        |
| H. Set aside: 2 wds.            | 37 131 96 116 82 104 15          |
| I. Spanish king's daughter      | 101 135 46 76 7 28 51            |

|   |                                |
|---|--------------------------------|
| J. 19th-century American nativist: hyp. | 148 114 134 78                 |
|   | 3 40 52 67 139 108 128         |
| K. Gift                                 | 30 20 13 97 57 81 49 118 66    |
| L. Organized as a list                  | 150 87 36 53 130 62 74         |
| M. Sprayed                              | 48 113 88 43 99                |
| N. Adorn                                | 12 29 95 86 70 124 106 63 17   |
| O. Caresses                             | 147 27 89 125 56 83 155        |
| P. Siberian-born mystic                 | 54 35 5 69 129 103 117 22      |
| Q. Sarcastic                            | 133 90 45 77 4 112 84 98       |
| R. Hostile person                       | 144 123 1 26 137 16 71 156 105 |
| S. Frisky                               | 21 154 11 141 119 50           |
|   | 64 138 159                     |
| T. Equivocal                            | 127 92 110 65 157 8 149        |
| U. Trunk                                | 132 107 41 140 23              |



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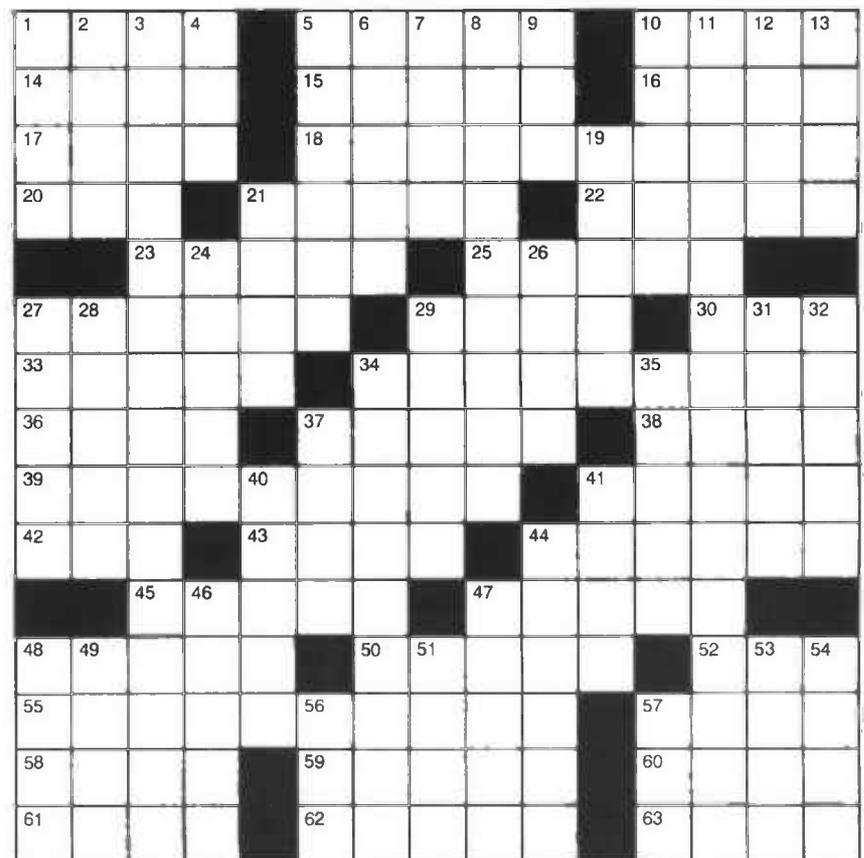
## Across

- 1 Tease  
5 Scotland's \_\_\_ Flow  
10 Russia's \_\_\_ Sea  
14 Refs  
15 Actor Peter  
16 \_\_\_ en scène  
17 Soda fountain purchase  
18 Vanished  
20 Saw: comb. form  
21 Paid for  
22 Pains' partners  
23 Sensation: Scots  
25 Dark  
27 Assistant  
29 Shoo!  
30 Mao \_\_\_ -tung  
33 \_\_\_ now and then  
34 Abdicates  
36 Dream: Fr.  
37 Has qualms  
38 Unpaid  
39 Chef's concern  
41 Kind of tube  
42 Metal: abbr.  
43 Apartments of a sort  
44 Dislike

## Down

- 1 \_\_\_ on: scold  
2 Persian name  
3 Dwelling  
4 White House initials  
5 More dilatory  
6 Reckoning  
7 Craft: It.  
8 Broadway VIPs  
9 1918 initials  
10 Friends: L.  
11 Conservative statutes

- 12 Ex-US Davis-copper  
13 Permits  
19 Seasons  
21 Mind  
24 \_\_\_ moi le deluge  
26 Siestas  
27 Doves  
28 Turn inside out  
29 Certain social gatherings  
31 European  
32 Over  
34 Returns  
35 Old Dutch coins  
37 Decree  
40 Revel  
41 US author  
44 Catcalls  
46 Unexpected result  
47 Dressmaker's concern  
48 Pronoun  
49 Part  
51 Zone  
53 Came down  
54 Greek letter  
56 Common verb  
57 Depot: abbr.



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## Help students choose an extracurricular activity

**Extracurricular activities can benefit students in various ways. Academic clubs, sports and volunteer organizations provide students with opportunities to grow as people and make new friends while also teaching kids skills they will use for the rest of their lives.**

Many parents are aware that extracurricular activities can help students improve their chances of gaining admission to college. But students who choose the right extracurricular activities will benefit in greater ways than simply strengthening their college applications. The following are a handful of ways parents can help their sons and daughters choose extracurricular activities they can benefit from for years to come.

**Ask kids to jot down their interests.** Students are more likely to enjoy and excel at extracurricular activities that align with their existing interests. Ask kids to jot down a list of their interests or anything they might want to try. Youngsters might want to learn a musical instrument even if they have never before taken a course on music. Once kids have listed their interests, look for activities that allow them to further explore those interests. Chances are there is a school-sponsored or community-based club or organization that will align with at least one thing on your child's list.

• Encourage kids to have fun. Kids are more likely to enjoy and fully commit to an activity if they find it fun. While extracurricular activities can help kids grow as people and improve their image in the eyes of college admissions officers, kids will get even more out of an activity if they enjoy doing it.



**Look for something that won't interfere with schoolwork.** Extracurricular activities can look great on a college application, but that benefit is lost if the activity interferes with a student's academic performance. Some activities, including sports, demand more of students' time than others, but make sure kids know that school always comes first.

**Ask around.** Ask neighbors or school officials for recommendations to help

kids who have tried but failed to find the right fit with regard to extracurricular activities. Sometimes it takes a little trial and error before a child finds an activity he or she is comfortable with. Fellow parents can make great resources, and school officials likely know of a host of clubs and organizations that kids may be interested in.

**Sign up with your kids.** If kids are hesitant to sign up for an activity because they are shy, sign up with them.

Volunteer organizations are typically family-friendly, and kids might be more likely to come out of their shells if they sign up with their parents or siblings. As kids grow more comfortable with an activity, they will want to get more involved even if mom and dad don't have the time.

Parents can employ various strategies to help kids find activities they can be passionate about for years to come.



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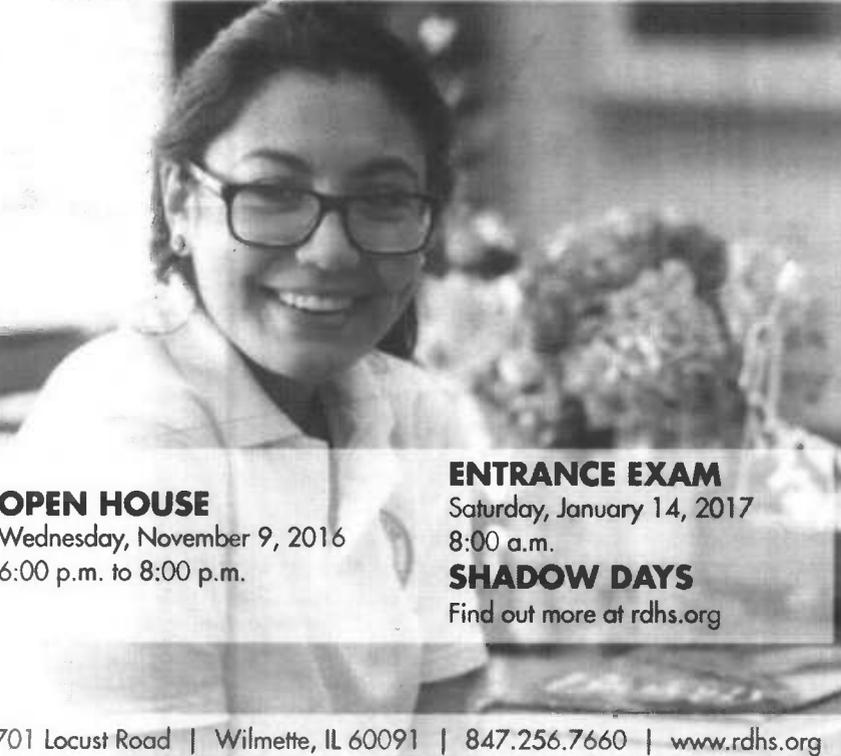
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# Classroom tech trends to watch

**Technology continues to evolve. With computers, tablets and smartphones, people of all ages are immersed in technology.**

According to the Pew Research Center, 56 percent of teens between the ages of 13 and 17 go online several times a day. Teens are not just relying on technology at home or while on the go, but they're also doing so in school.

Schools are now recognizing how influential mobile technologies are on students and how they can shape teaching and thinking. As a result, technology is now a major component in the classroom, where educators are implementing technology to help students succeed not only in school but also after they graduate. The following are some of the growing tech trends inside of the classroom.

**Internet connectivity:** Students most often connect to the Internet using their mobile devices. Many schools have replaced their older computer labs with tablets and other mobile devices. Students can simply sit at their individual desks and connect directly to the Internet. Once online, students can access shared drives where assignments can be found or homework can be posted.

**Tech homework:** Rather than homework in the traditional sense, students are being asked to research information online and then submit assignments directly through an application like Google Classroom. Homework also may involve spending time on educational apps that help reinforce lessons learned in school that day.

**Personal mobile device access:** In addition to tablets, students also have access to Internet-connected smartphones, which may even be their own phones when personal phones are allowed in the classroom. In a 2013 Speak Up Survey from Project Tomorrow, 89 percent of high school students have access to Internet-connected smartphones, while 50 percent of students in grades three through five have access to the same type of devices. Those numbers only continue to grow.

**Classroom smartboards:** Described as large tablets, smartboards have all but replaced chalkboards and even dry erase boards in many schools. Teachers can present lessons through the display, and students interact with the board to answer questions.

Technology use in the classroom continues to grow as students and educators grow more accustomed to using technology in all aspects of life.

# STEM taking schools by storm

**An increased focus on STEM education is one of the most influential initiatives to reach schools in recent years. STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. The world has become increasingly complex and competitive, and today's youth need to be equipped with the knowledge and skills to evaluate ideas and turn them into productive applications. These are two of the key hallmarks of STEM.**

According to the National Science Foundation, STEM subjects include chemistry, computer and information technology science, engineering, geosciences, life sciences, mathematical sciences, physics and astronomy, social sciences (anthropology, economics, psychology and sociology), and STEM education and learning research.

Recognizing that more and more

students are gravitating toward STEM-focused fields and that projected STEM job rates are rising steadily, schools have begun to beef up their offerings with regard to STEM subjects. Jobs in mathematics, computer system analysis, systems software, and biomedical engineering are just some of the careers in which anywhere from a 15 to 62 percent increase between 2010 and 2020 is predicted, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

Individuals may believe that STEM study begins in high school, but the success of older students in STEM subjects is often shaped much earlier on. That's why parents and educators can do much to cultivate an interest in natural and social sciences as well as in math as early as possible. Here are a few ideas to do just that.

**Encourage participation in the community.** Various national clubs

and science-based organizations have begun to pay more attention to STEM and offer activities that foster a greater love of science, engineering and math. By joining such clubs and organizations, students can learn more about these subjects and reinforce their enjoyment.

**Set up an internship or meet-and-greet.** Take students to STEM-centered places of employment so they can get a firsthand experience from within the STEM trenches.

Provide opportunities for students to chat with people in the field and ask questions about the type of schooling necessary to pursue a particular degree, and if any hobbies and other activities promote STEM learning.

**Investigate school-based opportunities.** Schools are broadening course offerings and also establishing STEM-based clubs. Students have the opportunity to get involved with



other like-minded classmates. If a club isn't already available, a teacher or a parent can consider volunteering to serve as the head of the club.

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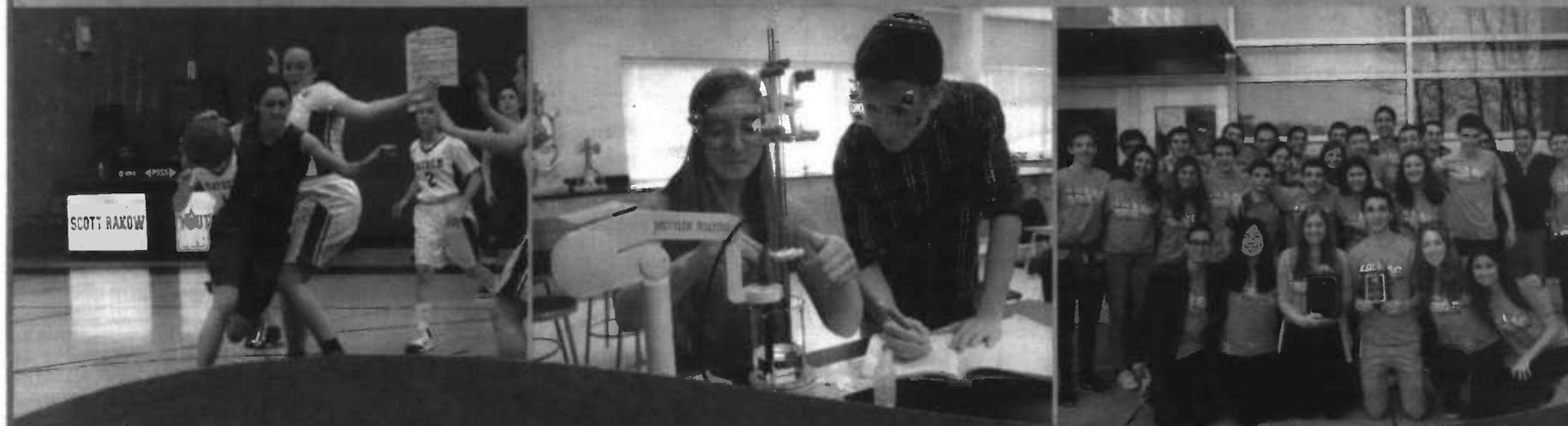
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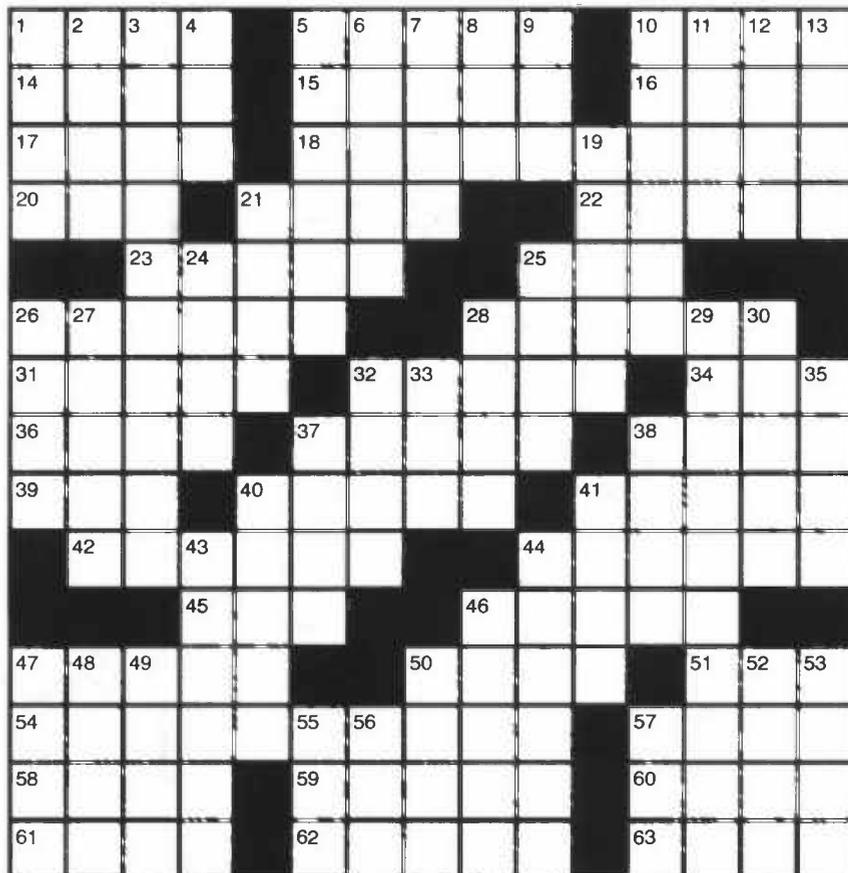
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Part of a sleeve that encircles the wrist
  - 5 Gathers crops
  - 10 Make eyes at
  - 14 Zone
  - 15 Very willing
  - 16 Ship's jail
  - 17 Like poorly cooked venison
  - 18 Foretelling
  - 20 Cotton gin man \_\_\_\_\_ Whitney
  - 21 Peddle
  - 22 \_\_\_ and raves; carries on
  - 23 Manicurist's concerns
  - 25 Luau dish
  - 26 Cinnamon and nutmeg
  - 28 Preserved food in containers
  - 31 Window pieces
  - 32 Too flashy
  - 34 Prefix for print or represent
  - 36 Inflammation suffix
  - 37 Gets dirty
  - 38 Gush forth
  - 39 Ping-Pong table divider
  - 40 Set \_\_\_; reserve
- DOWN**
- 1 Pet bird's home
  - 2 Russia's \_\_\_ Mountains
  - 3 Womanliness
  - 4 Actress Wray
  - 5 Fights off
  - 6 Deserves
  - 7 Elderly
  - 8 \_\_\_ XING; crosswalk sign
  - 9 \_\_\_ Lanka
  - 10 Acquire
  - 11 Big smile
  - 12 Dryer residue

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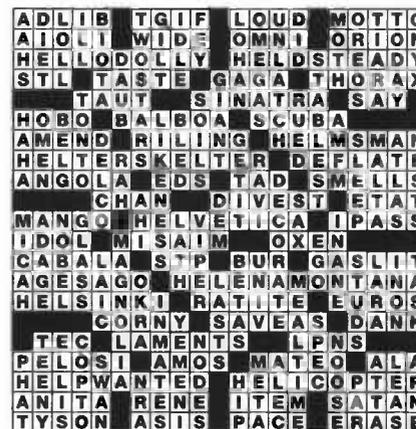
- 13 Breakfast order
- 19 Close friend
- 21 Competes
- 24 Highest cards
- 25 Cushions
- 26 TV's "\_\_\_ City"
- 27 Meat spreads
- 28 Religious sect
- 29 Possessing job skills
- 30 San \_\_\_, CA
- 32 Hockey score
- 33 Lung contents
- 35 Waterbird
- 37 Blemish
- 38 As \_\_\_ as a boil
- 40 Mistreat
- 41 Weathercock
- 43 Cool dessert
- 44 Shaped
- 46 Door hanger's metal piece
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## Last week's crosswords

### "HEALTHY START"



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### "Doctor Hoodoo"



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# Nothing can touch Donovans — that includes infidelity

Marriage isn't easy. Just ask Ray and Abby Donovan. The married couple and main characters on the hit Showtime series, "Ray Donovan," have had their share of problems. Ray's haunting past, his "fixer" job that has him coming home beaten up and with blood on his suit multiple times a week, and of course, his flings with other women don't make for a blissful marriage. That said, Abby isn't the easiest of spouses either. Ever-suspicious and hot-tempered, Abby had a heavy affair with a police detective in Season 2, and in Season 3, she kissed Ray's brother!

The Donovans are the subject of this week's column because, in the recent Season 4 finale, Abby said something to her husband that drives home the couple's loyalty through thick and thin (and cheating).

"Nothing can touch us," said Abby to Ray at the end of the show, with conviction in both her whisper and her smile.

It got me thinking: What separates couples like the Donovans, who stay together after cheating, and couples who end up divorced? And what is it that sustains longevity in a relationship?

To get answers, I reached out to Dr. Anne Brennan Malec, a licensed marriage and family therapist and licensed clinical psychologist, who has a specialty in couple's therapy. Malec said infidelity is what often brings couples into her office, and her approach to therapy starts with details of the affair.

"The way I do things is difficult, but I feel it's necessary for the cheating partner to give full disclosure and real transparency about the infidelity," Malec said, "because the partner who was cheated on is traumatized, and they have to find a way to make sense of it in order to begin moving on."

She said the spouse who has been cheated on can experience post-traumatic stress disorder and be affected for a long time. Therefore, the spouse who cheated has to be willing to tolerate questions.

When asked why couples cheat, Malec said most likely there is something missing in the marriage.

"An emptiness, a loneliness, or poor communication, or not feel appreciated or validated," Malec said. "Two people are



**JACKIE PILOSSOPH**  
*Love Essentially*

responsible for the state of the marriage. That said, the unfaithful partner is completely responsible for what he or she did."

When asked what the biggest difference is in couples who stay together after infidelity and those who choose to part ways,

Malec said it comes down to the unfaithful partner. He or she has to take responsibility for the behavior, not blame the spouse for his or her actions, and be patient with the repair process.

She said other factors that come into play include whether the affair was a one-night stand or a long-term relationship, whether or not the cheating spouse has apologized and is asking for forgiveness, and whether or not both people want it to work out.

Malec said she encourages couples not to take any action, (i.e. moving out, separating, filing for divorce) for 90 days after they find out about a cheating spouse.

"A perspective can change over time when you think about what you are giving up," Malec said. "So much of this is related to how much effort the cheating spouse puts into trying to repair this damaged relationship."

What about couples who decide to stay, even though cheating is repeated behavior? In the case of the Donovans, it drives her crazy, but Abby seems to sadly accept Ray's indiscretions, choosing to stay together versus breaking up.

So, does staying with a cheater mean it's true love? Or do people tolerate infidelity because the good outweighs the cheating? Maybe the person is scared to be without the spouse or to be alone. Or maybe they view staying as their best option.

"They've made an assessment, a determination that they have more to lose if they leave than if they stay," Malec said. "That could be because of financial dependence, age, upbringing, not wanting to put your children through divorce, fear of being alone or something else."

I'm not going to judge the Donovans because no one should judge someone else's marriage. But for Ray and Abby, I hope "nothing can touch us" also means "no one can touch us" next season.

*Jackie Pilossoph is a freelance columnist.*



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#### PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

## Smoking cessation drug not the only way to quit

By Joe Graedon  
and Teresa Graedon  
King Features Syndicate

**Q: I'm a 44-year-old woman on my third week of Chantix to quit smoking. This drug made me wet the bed two nights in a row.**

I've never had this issue before. Looking online, I found quite a few people with the same problem while taking Chantix. It's helping me to stop smoking, but now I'll have to give up on it. Wetting the bed is just too disruptive and embarrassing.

A: Many people report vivid dreams as a side effect of varenicline (Chantix). At least one wrote to tell us about wetting the bed while dreaming of a restroom visit.

We didn't find bed-wetting in the official prescribing information, but it's not altogether surprising. According to the manufacturer, insomnia and abnormal dreams are both fairly common reactions to this stop-smoking drug. People also reported frequent urination and excess nighttime urination in response to the medication during the clinical trials.

You don't have to give

up on quitting. Even before Chantix, many people were able to stop smoking with nicotine gum or the prescription bupropion. You may have to try several times, though, and it helps to have a plan.

**Q: I have been fighting acid reflux for years, with limited success. The antacid tablets and OTC Prilosec don't help much. I'm now eating yogurt, and that has pretty well solved my problem.**

For a test, last night I had fried catfish, fried okra, french fries and hush puppies. I didn't have a hint of trouble during the night. Since I started having yogurt every day, not once have I come bolting out of bed in the middle of the night. What is really happening here?

A: Although we can't prove it, we suspect the probiotic bacteria in the yogurt are the good guys in this story. Japanese researchers have found gastrointestinal symptoms improved in people given "fermented milk" (aka yogurt) containing *Bifidobacterium bifidum* (Bioscience of Microbiota, Food and Health online, Jan. 21, 2015; Journal of Dairy

Science, April 2015). We have heard from other readers that yogurt can help heartburn. It definitely seems worth a try.

**Q: I've been taking both lisinopril and metoprolol for years to keep my blood pressure under control. Thankfully, I've had no side effects from either one. I have lost 25 pounds, and my blood pressure has dropped to 98/60. As a result, my doctor is ready to have me taper off the drugs. She said I could choose which one to drop first. Does it matter which one I stop first?**

A: Since your doctor has given you the choice, you might consider gradually reducing your dose of metoprolol. This medication is a beta blocker. Although beta blockers have long been used for irregular heart rhythms as well as hypertension, they are no longer considered the first or even second choice for controlling blood pressure.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via [www.peoplespharmacy.com](http://www.peoplespharmacy.com).

## Hiccups almost always go away on their own



DR. ANTHONY  
KOMAROFF  
Ask Doctor K

**Dear Doctor K: I regularly get hiccups. Sometimes they last a long time. Is this cause for concern?**

Dear Reader: As annoying as hiccups may be, they rarely signal a serious underlying problem.

Hiccups are caused by an abnormal reflex of the diaphragm and the rib muscles. The diaphragm is a layer of muscle that sits underneath your lungs and at the top of your abdomen. It plays an important role in breathing. When the diaphragm moves downward into the abdomen, it helps pull air into the lungs. When it rises upward, it helps expel air from the lungs.

There are also muscles that hold the ribs together. Take in a deep breath. See how your ribs moved outward? That was caused by the contraction of the rib muscles. The outward movement of the ribs also helps pull air into the lungs.

Hiccups involve a sudden contraction or spasm of the diaphragm and the muscles between the ribs. The spasm makes you inhale quickly and involuntarily. As air is suddenly sucked into your lungs, the space in the throat near the vocal cords snaps shut. This is what produces the typical hiccup sound.

Many everyday situations can trigger hiccups:

- Emotional stress or excitement
- Stretching of the stomach (after overeating, drinking carbonated bev-



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Drinking carbonated beverages like soft drinks can cause the stomach to stretch, which can trigger hiccups.

- erages or swallowing air)
- Abrupt changes in temperature (as with drinking a hot beverage)
- Alcohol bingeing
- Smoking

If your hiccups come and go, they are most likely a result of your eating habits and digestive function. Try to eat less, or more slowly. Also, limit your alcohol intake. (Three glasses of wine greatly increases my likelihood of getting hiccups.) Avoiding carbonated beverages may also help.

If your hiccups last longer than 48 hours, an underlying medical problem becomes more likely. Examples include laryngitis, an enlarged thyroid gland, tumors in the neck, infections near the diaphragm and hiatal hernia. Hiatal hernia usually occurs along with gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD).

Treating a disorder that may be triggering hiccups is usually the first course of action. Say, for example, that GERD or an infection is triggering your hiccups. Medication treatment for GERD or antibiotic treatment of the infection may

reduce or even eliminate them.

Certain medications may cause hiccups, and discontinuing them can be an effective cure. Examples include midazolam (a relative of Valium), some types of chemotherapy and the heart medication digoxin.

If your hiccups aren't triggered by a medical condition and aren't particularly bothersome, there is no urgency to "cure" yourself. Hiccups will almost always go away on their own. But if you are bothered by them, the following strategies may help:

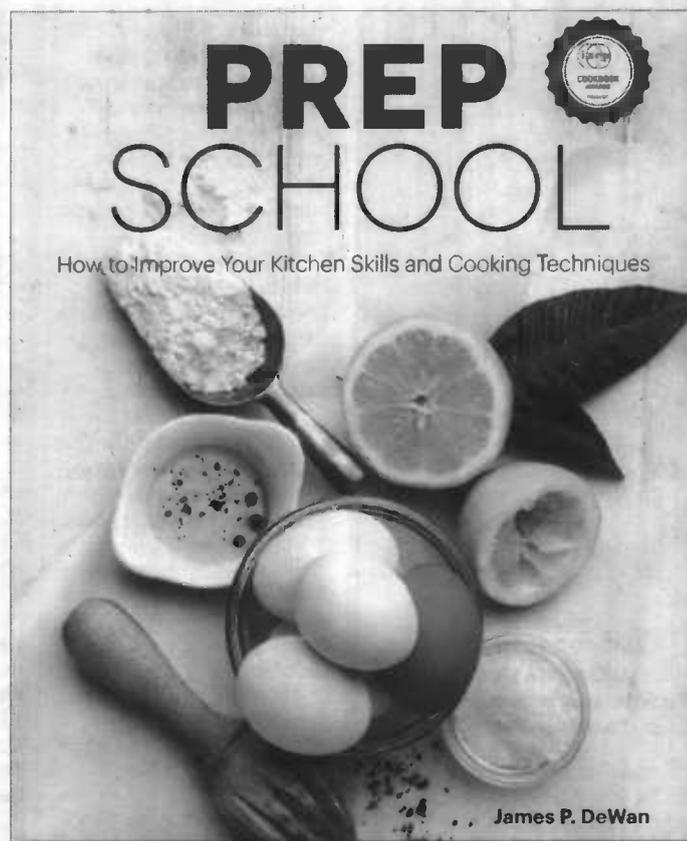
- Holding your breath
- Breathing into a bag
- Swallowing sugar (my remedy of choice)
- Biting on a lemon
- Gargling ice water
- Ticking your hard palate with a cotton swab
- Drinking from the opposite side of a glass

If you still can't find relief, talk to your doctor. Certain medications can help reduce hiccups.

Dr. Komaroff is a physician and professor at Harvard Medical School.

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**Chicago Tribune**

## FAMILY

# 'Million Dollar Matchmaker' tells traits of the undateable

By Tiffany Walden  
Chicago Tribune

Finding the perfect man or woman can be tough in 2016, a time when dating apps rule the world and traditional dinner-and-a-movie dates seem to have gone out the window.

But there's still hope, says WE tv's "Million Dollar Matchmaker" host Patti Stanger.

During a promotional tour in Chicago, Stanger discussed what makes people undateable and how to balance love and career. The following has been edited for space and clarity.

**Q: Tell us about "Million Dollar Matchmaker" now that it's on We tv.**

**A:** It's a different type of show. It's more of an intervention style, helping people with their bad habits in love and dating. So these really are the toughest.

**Q: What is the main reason someone becomes undateable?**

**A:** The No. 1 cause of being undateable is narcissism. They think that they come first. They just want someone to love them. So it's greed. Love is kind of a greedy situation.

**Q: What are some bad habits men and women need to break?**

**A:** There are women today who feel like, "Well, I don't have to settle. I make money. I'm successful. I'm good-looking. I hit the gym. I'm putting Botox in my face. Why isn't he?" I've been on the apps these days, on Bumble and Tinder. Men need to take care of themselves. They are aging so rapidly. I'm looking at guys my age who look 20 years older than me because I'm taking care of my skin, my body and I'm eating right. And it's happening across the country. Women don't



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Patti Stanger, host of "Million Dollar Matchmaker," says the No. 1 cause of being undateable is narcissism, by which a person thinks that he or she always comes first.

have to settle anymore, and they shouldn't.

But can you have success and love at the same time? Men have had that for years. They get to choose. We've never had a choice before. Now we do.

**Q: How do you balance it all out?**

**A:** It's very hard. I think you need to dial it back. We get greedy in the materialism. If we're learning anything from the millennials, we're learning that they're not as materialistic as us. I would like it to be where you take time for love. You make love a priority.

**Q: What advice do you have for the career-focused?**

**A:** As you work, it dates you. It makes you old. It makes your energy stale. You don't have that young, youthful, I-want-to-go-behind-the-bleachers-and-

make-out-with-the-guy feeling. Men are not attracted to that. Men are generally attracted to warmth and sweetness and vulnerability, and when you do that, you don't become vulnerable. You become a shark. And then what happens is, you become alpha. They become beta. And then you're going to have to date a beta, but you don't want a beta.

**Q: Not everyone watching the show is a millionaire. How can the average man or woman relate?**

**A:** The thing that I'm realizing now is that it's not about millionaire-ville. We all get out of the womb one foot at a time and we all have our issues, whether you're rich or you're poor. Love is love.

Tiffany Walden is a freelancer.

# Are there guns in homes where your kids play?

By Danielle Braff  
Chicago Tribune

Darchel Mohler described herself as an over-protective mother.

The surgical technologist from Nevada said she'd embarrass her three children about everything, asking before play dates about alcohol and cigarettes in the house, curfews and seat belts.

But it was something she didn't even think to ask about that ended up killing her 13-year-old daughter, Brooklynn. She didn't inquire about firearms.

It's something she'll regret every day for the rest of her life. After finding an unsecured firearm during a play date, Brooklynn's best friend shot her.

Brooklynn's father, who arrived at the home to pick up his daughter, wasn't aware that there was a problem.

He was simply picking Brooklynn up from the play date because he didn't want her to walk home alone.

He tried to help before paramedics arrived, but Brooklynn was in critical condition. She later died at the hospital.

"You can't stop time, you can't catch your breath, you can't go back fast enough," Darchel Mohler said, recalling the moment she wiped away the blood streaming from Brooklynn's eyes before she let her go. "It's complete and total chaos, inertia, obliteration."

Mohler isn't the same person she was before that gunshot, and she's still trying to find her new normal. In the process, she's created Justice for Brooklynn (justiceforbrooklynn.com), a foundation dedicated to helping other parents avoid this fate.

According to multiple studies and organizations,



DAELYN BUCH PHOTO

Brooklynn Mae Mohler, 13, was fatally shot during a play date at a friend's home in 2013.

one in three homes with children have guns, and 75 percent of children ages 5 to 14 know where the firearms are stored. Between 2001 and 2010, 7,700 children under age 14 suffered accidental firearm injuries.

The simplest way to help prevent this: Ask if there are firearms in the home before dropping off a child for a play date, said Washington-based Dan Gross, president of the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence.

Gross said there are ways to bring up the topic without offending the person hosting the play date.

"It's important to make sure that the question comes from where it should, from a place of concern about your child's safety," Gross said. "Don't bring politics into the conversation, ask it along with the other questions that responsible parents ask, and take any emotion or judgment out of the question."

Asking about firearms should be every bit as straightforward as asking about a swimming pool or the food being served.

"It's just one of those questions and one that, as it turns out, genuinely has the potential to save a life," Gross said.

But despite knowing this

reality, it's still a difficult question for some parents to ask — and one that some don't even think they need to ask.

When she was 13, Missy Smith's 12-year-old brother was shot and killed by a classmate during a play date in a Detroit suburb.

So when the Traverse City, Mich., woman gave birth to two girls, she was relieved.

"I was thankful that they were girls, that we were off the hook," Smith said, assuming that her daughters and their friends wouldn't play with guns.

Smith dropped her daughter, who was in kindergarten, off at her first play date, never thinking to ask about firearms.

Two weeks later, she overheard her daughter's new friend talking about her parent's gun.

"I was blindsided," said Smith, who created Gun Safe Mom to help other parents talk about the issue.

Instead of simply asking, if there's a firearm in the home, Smith said, it's important to think about your comfort level with guns.

There are nine ways a firearm can be stored. If a home has one, Smith recommended asking how it's stored. Depending on the age of your child, you may have to consider if it's safe enough.

"In my brother's case, it was locked, but the boy had the access and the knowledge to unlock the safety and the ammunition," Smith said.

Fingerprint technology can help keep a gun out of the hands of children.

The firearm question is one that Smith always asks before play dates now. She said that most of the people she asks are grateful for the question.

Danielle Braff is a freelancer.



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## SHOW

# Dave Maher mines humor from his monthlong coma

BY MYRNA PETLICKI  
Pioneer Press

Have you heard the one about the comic who was in a diabetic coma for a month and awoke to discover he had been eulogized on Facebook?

You will when the Dave Maher Coma Show comes to the WIP Theater in Chicago's Edison Park neighborhood Oct. 7 and 8.

Maher, who was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at 13, went into that coma in October 2014 at the age of 30. He had been working in Chicago as a comic since 2008 and was taken to a Chicago hospital. Later his parents transferred him to a hospital in Cincinnati where they live.

The comic said how and why he came out of the coma "is a great mystery. I feel like the hospital I moved to had seen cases like mine with people my age in the past."

Nevertheless, the doctors in the Cincinnati hospital couldn't explain how Maher awoke and he has no memories of the episode.

"It was like being asleep for a month and then waking up again," Maher said.

Awakening was just the beginning of his recovery, though. He stayed in the hospital recuperating for a month after he awoke, and spent another month at his parents' house. He underwent physical therapy and learned to manage his diabetes better.

Maher admitted he used a lot of drugs before the coma and that might have been a causative factor. The coma literally became a sobering experience.

He checked his Facebook page after he awoke.

"I was surprised at how many people posted things," he said. "Nothing really struck me as untrue



DAVE MAHER PHOTO

Comedian Dave Maher brings his show about unexpectedly awakening from a coma to the WIP Theatre.

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that people said. To be honest, I had been sort of a contrarian, often surly personality to people. I was surprised to see that people understood why I was that way and loved me in spite of that."

Maher decided to turn his experience into a comedy show.

"This was absolutely, from a lot of angles, the worst thing that's ever happened to me. But it's also been the best thing that's ever happened to me," he said. "It's brought a lot of really amazing change into my life. It's kind of the gift that we're given as comedians. If you're a Latino who comes from a poor family, you talk about that. If you go into a diabetic coma, you talk about that."

So what's funny about being in a coma?

"There's a social media element to the story be-

cause my death was sort of prematurely announced," he recalled. "I still have all those eulogies. People imagine being able to read their eulogies or see their own funerals and I got to do that."

Maher noted that it's somewhat voyeuristic for people to hear about someone who had an experience that they might have imagined having themselves. "The disconnect between how other people perceived it and how I actually lived it provides a lot of the comedy," he said.

On the first anniversary of the day he went into the coma, Maher presented his show at the Annoyance Theatre in Chicago. It was so well-received, that the show was extended. Maher's ultimate goal is to take the show to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

He said that, in addition to evoking laughter, his show also elicits tears — which he appreciates.

"It's nice to feel that I'm saying something out of the ordinary," he said.

Maher and the audience seem to feel "a collective sense of relief that life is a little bit more complicated than we imagine it," he said.

"Sometimes it's not only in bad ways. It can be in good ways."

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BY MYRNA PETLICKI  
Pioneer Press

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"We'll have our circus staff with the silks and the trapeze in the theater so that kids can try those out," Horwitz said. There will also be arts and crafts projects for Halloween and fall.

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### Sort of fun

Kids will visit the Sorting Hat, then complete activities to earn points for their house, at Harry Potter and the House Cup, 1-3 p.m. Oct. 1 at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. The drop-in event is designed for all ages. Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

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



SKOKIE PARK DISTRICT

Things to do and live music will all be free at the Devonshire County Fair on Oct. 2 at Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood Ave., Skokie.

### library.info.

### Dynamic duo

Interactive original songs with positive messages will entertain little ones during a Special Preschool Concert Featuring Wendy Morgan & DB, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Oct. 3 at Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Kids will learn while they're having fun.

For details, call 847-965-4220 or go to [www.mgpl.org](http://www.mgpl.org).

### Best buddies stopping by

Fans of Mo Willems' popular book series will Meet Elephant and Piggie, 1-4 p.m. Oct. 1 in Kids World at Eisenhower Public Library, 4613 N. Oketo

Ave., Harwood Heights. Kids 12 and under can drop in and get a ticket to have their photo taken with the visitors, then play games and do a craft project while they wait their turn.

For details, call 708-867-7828 or go to [www.eisenhowerlibrary.org](http://www.eisenhowerlibrary.org).

### Highlight of their day

There will be puzzles, group activities and a make-and-take book (while supplies last) at a Highlights Magazine Storytime, 11 a.m. Oct. 1 at Barnes and Noble, 55 Old Orchard Center, Skokie. The event celebrates the more than 70 years the magazine has been enjoyed by kids.

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

# Fans welcome Lana Wood to Park Ridge



**LEE LITAS**  
Social Studies

**The Event:** More than 500 eager fans of the John Wayne classic western "The Searchers" converged on the iconic Pickwick Theatre in Park Ridge Sept. 15 to see the film as it was meant to be seen, on the big screen, and to meet one of its stars.

Lana Wood, younger sister of Natalie Wood, made a splash as Plenty O'Toole in the 1971 James Bond classic, "Diamonds Are Forever," but it was in the 1956 "The Searchers" where she made her silver screen debut.

Wood, who resides in Los Angeles, was a guest at the 60th anniversary screening of "The Searchers," hosted by Matthew Hoffman of Park Ridge, director of the Classic Film Series at Pickwick Theatre.

Opened in 1928 as a vaudeville stage and movie theater, the art deco Pickwick derived its moniker from the Charles Dickens' novel "The Pickwick Papers." Hoffman founded his film series in 2013, and monthly attendance records consistently exceed 500.

**Cause celebre:** "If I had only known that this film would follow me for the rest of my life, I would have tried harder," Wood quipped about the staying power of "The Searchers."

Born Svetlana Gurdin, Wood was raised by Russian immigrant parents. Wood's mother changed Lana's name to match that of her elder sister, Natalie, who was already working in show business. Wood no longer speaks Russian, however, because her parents wanted the children to assimilate the culture and language of their new

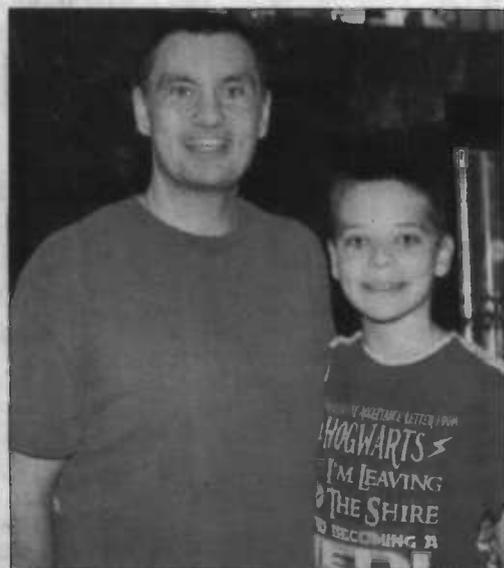


LEE A. LITAS/PIONEER PRESS PHOTOS

Reg and Betsy Adamski of Niles



Matthew Hoffman of Park Ridge, classic film series director at Pickwick Theatre, and Shannon Foy of Des Plaines



Mariano, left, and Anthony Sarullo of Park Ridge



Rod and Cathy Mayer of Park Ridge



Actress Lana Wood hugs her biggest fan, Joey Clemente of Park Ridge, who came with his mom to see the 60th anniversary screening at the Pickwick Theatre.

homeland.

"And they told me not to tell anybody I was Russian, because they said everybody hates Russians," she said.

As a representative of the American "rags-to-riches" dream, Wood said that after her 60-year career, she is "so appreciative that (fans) react in a manner that allows me to leave something behind."

**Coming up:** Classic Film Series hosts a Halloween Horror Fest feature, "Creature from the Black Lagoon," at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 27. Details at [www.parkridgeclassicfilm.com](http://www.parkridgeclassicfilm.com).



Erin Burke of Elk Grove Village and John Maniatis of Park Ridge

## Send us your holiday bazaar info

Pioneer Press is preparing a roundup of holiday bazaars and craft shows. If you would like your organization's information included in the holiday bazaar listings, send your information to Deborah Hoppe at [dhoppe@pioneerlocal.com](mailto:dhoppe@pioneerlocal.com) by Oct. 10. Please include event details, address, email and website, with a phone number and/or email for us to contact if we need more information.



### LIBERTYVILLE

Four-bedroom, three-bath home built in 2003. Kitchen with island and breakfast nook, wood-burning brick fireplace, den on first level, built-in home theater projection system and three-season sun room. Near parks, shopping and expressway.

**Address:** 1554 S. Falcon Drive  
**Price:** \$419,000  
**Schools:** Libertyville High School  
**Taxes:** \$16,021.59  
**Agent:** John Blair, CENTURY 21 Kreuser & Seiler



### ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

Five-bedroom, 2.5-bath masonry design built in 1971. Kitchen addition has vaulted ceilings, skylights, hardwood flooring, first-floor den, new carpet and freshly painted. Two-car garage. Near shopping, parks, public transit and expressway.

**Address:** 1627 S. Kaspar Ave.  
**Price:** \$439,900  
**Schools:** Rolling Meadows High School  
**Taxes:** \$9,132  
**Agent:** Randy Brush, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage



### WHEELING

Three-bedroom, one-bath brick design built in 1955. Roof replaced in 2014, windows replaced in 2013, marble floors and two-car detached garage. Near schools, shopping, parks, expressway and Metra.

**Address:** 287 Renee Terrace  
**Price:** \$180,000  
**Schools:** Wheeling High School  
**Taxes:** \$4,105  
**Agent:** Rufo Moyo, RE/MAX United



### WILMETTE

Four-bedroom, 4.5-bath brick design on landscaped lot. Hardwood floors, deck, formal living room, en-suite baths, finished basement with bar area and sauna. Near public transit, parks, shopping and expressway.

**Address:** 3001 Old Glenview Road  
**Price:** \$799,000  
**Schools:** Niles North High School  
**Taxes:** \$18,808.43  
**Agent:** Randy Nasatir, @Properties

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Regular chimney cleanings remove creosote, eliminating that as a cause of chimney fires.

HOME REMEDIES

# Neglecting a fireplace can burn your budget

BY ANGIE HICKS  
Angie's List

**Dear Angie:** How much does chimney cleaning cost?

— Jay B., Santa Maria, Calif.

**Dear Jay:** Chimney cleaning costs depend on several factors.

What type of chimney do you need a chimney sweep to inspect? Hiring someone to clean a boiler chimney can cost as little as \$40. Full-size chimneys stemming from a wood-burning fireplace, however, typically cost at least \$100 to \$150.

Certain situations can also drive up the cost. If your roof provides limited accessibility, if the chimney sweep needs to use special tools or if the sweep needs to remove animals (living

or dead) from the chimney, expect to pay up to about \$350.

However, don't let a potentially high price tag stop you from hiring someone to complete the job. Neglecting your fireplace could prove much more costly.

Chimney fires commonly result from creosote buildup. Creosote, which is extremely combustible, populates in most chimneys when wood burns. Regular chimney cleanings remove creosote, eliminating that as a cause of chimney fires.

According to a report released by the National Fire Protection Association in 2016, home heating equipment accounted for 16 percent of home fires and 19 percent of home fire deaths from 2009 to 2013.

Thirty percent of those fires resulted from failure to clean equipment, including chimneys.

Prior to a cleaning, a sweep may want to inspect your chimney for any damage. Expect the inspection to include a thorough examination of the chimney liners, smoke chamber, chimney exterior and firebox. An inspection can usually identify structural problems and water damage.

During the cleaning, a sweep uses a chimney brush or vacuum to clear out soot and creosote. Chimney sweeps should also lay down floor coverings before starting, to minimize the mess caused by the cleaning.

Angie's List writer Kaley Belakovich contributed.

| ADDRESS  | BUYER                                       | SELLER                    | DATE     | PRICE     |
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| 1030 S Fernandez Ave, # 1 L, Arlington Heights | Erich Wohlgermuth                           | Nikola Milosev            | 08-22-16 | \$140,000 |
| 1517 N Fernandez Pl, Arlington Heights         | Souhler Boutros & Raafat Boutros            | Al Salys                  | 08-23-16 | \$240,000 |
| 630 S Vail Ave, Arlington Heights              | Richard Lamont Dumas & Theresa Rose Dumas   | Phillip Keippel           | 08-23-16 | \$300,000 |
| 629 N Belmont Ave, Arlington Heights           | Philip Citrano & Giovanna Citrano           | Richard W Bokelmann       | 08-22-16 | \$305,000 |
| 19 W Emerson St, Arlington Heights             | Ireneusz Faluta                             | Fred S Ogino              | 08-22-16 | \$318,500 |
| 1512 E Arbor Ln, Arlington Heights             | Qirong Cao & Rong Shen                      | Rsd Arbor Lane Llc        | 08-22-16 | \$320,000 |
| 200 W Campbell St, # 609, Arlington Heights    | John Altstadt & Barbara Altstadt            | Gary Watanuki             | 08-23-16 | \$320,000 |
| 2411 N Champlain St, Arlington Heights         | Timothy H Yung & Angela Yung                | Constance J Thorpe Estate | 08-23-16 | \$326,000 |
| 1524 N Walnut Ave, Arlington Heights           | Susan Fisher                                | George R Stephen          | 08-23-16 | \$340,000 |
| 4239 N Walnut Ave, Arlington Heights           | William Marks & Stephanie Marks             | Edwards Trust             | 08-22-16 | \$344,500 |
| 1914 N Stanton Ct, Arlington Heights           | Sam M Salturo Sr & Nancy R Salituro         | Dong Hyun Kim             | 08-22-16 | \$349,000 |
| 703 N Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights  | Constantin Cruceanu & Ana Popovici Cruceanu | Georgly P Kozlov          | 08-23-16 | \$360,000 |
| 406 E Knob Hill Dr, Arlington Heights          | Vajbhav Agrawal & Swaribha Garg             | Jeffrey S Nelson          | 08-23-16 | \$375,000 |
| 2409 S Shag Bark Trl, Arlington Heights        | Megan Gold & Kevin Galeher                  | Jack E Olson              | 08-23-16 | \$377,000 |
| 1731 E Waverly Ct, Arlington Heights           | John M Cussen Iii & Lindsey A Cussen        | Lucas Trust               | 08-23-16 | \$385,000 |
| 1210 S Fernandez Ave, Arlington Heights        | Linda Borchew & Jennifer L Snyder           | Anthony P Lenard          | 08-22-16 | \$417,000 |
| 144 S Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights  | Antonina Di Franco                          | Ridgestone Bank           | 08-23-16 | \$425,000 |
| 414 E Valley Ln, Arlington Heights             | Jacob Oldenburg & Candice R Oldenburg       | Ims Valley Project Llc    | 08-22-16 | \$455,000 |
| 206 E Ivy Ln, Arlington Heights                | Valentina Danilovski & Nenad Danilovski     | Geoffrey Sherman          | 08-23-16 | \$482,500 |
| 4230 N Walnut Ave, Arlington Heights           | Mary Bleniek                                | Lavery Trust              | 08-22-16 | \$493,500 |
| 602 S Princeton Ave, Arlington Heights         | Demos Spiropoulos & Elene V Spiropoulos     | Gordian Fund Lp           | 08-22-16 | \$505,000 |
| 1008 N Illinois Ave, Arlington Heights         | Kenneth Nigro & Susan Nigro                 | Robert Michael Blake Llc  | 08-23-16 | \$702,500 |
| 1316 E Camelot Ct, Arlington Heights           | Robert Kimura & Larajoy Kimura              | David Yu Ted Ni           | 08-23-16 | \$709,000 |
| 1131 Miller Ln, # 104, Buffalo Grove           | Sivasamy Arumugam                           | Jennifer Smith            | 08-22-16 | \$103,000 |
| 780 Weidner Rd, Buffalo Grove                  | Shinho Harris Kim & Hyun S Kim              | Christina Woloshyn        | 08-22-16 | \$131,000 |
| 37 Le Jardin Ct, # C2, Buffalo Grove           | Sravan K Hja & Duddan Jha                   | Mary Okolowicz            | 08-09-16 | \$210,000 |
| 527 LaSalle Ln, Buffalo Grove                  | Junfang Chen & Songtao Liu                  | Fannie Mae                | 08-10-16 | \$269,000 |
| 125 E Fox Hill Dr, Buffalo Grove               | Randy Prueitt                               | Arns Inc                  | 08-09-16 | \$316,934 |
| 1477 Camden Ct, Buffalo Grove                  | Ellina Vitkin                               | Boris Vitkin              | 08-09-16 | \$364,000 |
| 9 Springside Ct, Buffalo Grove                 | Tiansang Sylverne & Ryan E Sylverne         | Steven T Berlin           | 08-10-16 | \$390,000 |
| 94 Woodstone Dr, Buffalo Grove                 | Chandrakath Singireddy & Manasa Kayati      | Marc S Nevel              | 08-10-16 | \$429,000 |
| 307 Chateau Dr, Buffalo Grove                  | Christopher Chong & Nicole Chong            | David A Kopka             | 08-10-16 | \$453,000 |
| 629 Dulles Rd, # B, Des Plaines                | Pablo Cruz                                  | Mja Managemant Llc        | 08-22-16 | \$98,000  |
| 489 Leslie Ct, # 102, Des Plaines              | Yuriy Pavlyuk                               | Kalinka Georgieva         | 08-22-16 | \$120,000 |
| 9693 Reding Cir, Des Plaines                   | Freddy Oshana                               | Rana Khan                 | 08-22-16 | \$150,000 |
| 1691 White St, Des Plaines                     | Krystian Kupczak & Amanda M Kupczak         | Lisa A Smaczny            | 08-23-16 | \$163,000 |
| 1065 F Villa, Des Plaines                      | Leonard A Johnson                           | Joel Olson                | 08-23-16 | \$192,000 |
| 698 E Prairie Ave, Des Plaines                 | Rachel A Dean                               | Paul G Paczocha           | 08-23-16 | \$238,000 |
| 1313 White St, Des Plaines                     | Steve Hugger & Diedrie Hines                | Joseph Choman             | 08-22-16 | \$290,000 |
| 131 Clyde Ave, # 2E, Evanston                  | Tyler Maritote                              | Anne E Beerhorst          | 08-23-16 | \$124,500 |
| 421 Custer Ave, # 15, Evanston                 | Tatiana Papakos & Kimon Papakos             | Gregory Primosch          | 08-22-16 | \$131,000 |
| 721 Reba Pl, # 1S, Evanston                    | Gabrielle E Randle & Gary Randle            | Joyce McGreevy            | 08-22-16 | \$141,000 |
| 823 Forest Ave, # 1E, Evanston                 | Monica Motwani                              | William S Blackwood       | 08-23-16 | \$210,000 |
| 821 Forest Ave, # 2W, Evanston                 | Tamara Wolff                                | Susan A Carder            | 08-23-16 | \$246,000 |
| 710 South Blvd, Evanston                       | Sebastian Koziura & Karla Tennis Koziura    | Michael Bernard           | 08-22-16 | \$310,000 |
| 1715 Crain St, Evanston                        | Sergio O Reyes & Bridget C Stalla           | Idolly M Keels            | 08-23-16 | \$315,000 |
| 2551 Marcy Ave, Evanston                       | Cynthia Ashton                              | Michael Kremer            | 08-23-16 | \$375,000 |
| 1320 Noyes St, Evanston                        | Jordan M Fischer & Deena L Fischer          | James S Jensen            | 08-22-16 | \$618,500 |
| 9225 Ridgeway Ave, Evanston                    | Walter Stackow                              | Paul Kermgard             | 08-22-16 | \$675,000 |

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| 3231 W Lake Ave, # A, Glenview         | Susana Asuncion & Benjamin Asuncion           | Sanja Calovic                 | 08-23-16 | \$275,000 |
| 1624 Marie Ln, Glenview                | Richard J Freidag & Margarita Freidag         | Susan N Fisher                | 08-22-16 | \$535,000 |
| 2607 Commons Dr, # 26, Glenview        | Hojung Kim                                    | Rowena A Chua                 | 08-22-16 | \$540,000 |
| 323 N Branch Rd, Glenview              | Mario Belluomini & Diana Belluomini           | Raymond A Fox                 | 08-23-16 | \$652,000 |
| 3309 Glenlake Dr, Glenview             | Stephanie Urban & Ryan Urban                  | David Whitford                | 08-23-16 | \$785,000 |
| 2834 Wilson Ln, Glenview               | Robert J Gould & Judith Gould                 | Development Solutions Gln Llc | 08-22-16 | \$867,000 |
| 59 Tournament Dr, Hawthorn Woods       | Richard Ashworth                              | Theresa M Schultz             | 08-09-16 | \$429,000 |
| 31 Mark Dr, Hawthorn Woods             | Michael McGrady II & Cara McGrady             | Hsien Kwang Tsou              | 08-09-16 | \$430,000 |
| 5 Robert Ct, Hawthorn Woods            | Julie Piszczek                                | Jerome P Stopper              | 08-10-16 | \$480,000 |
| 9 Acorn Dr, Hawthorn Woods             | Liborio Vincent Pirrone & Lisa A Pirrone      | Baron Hodo                    | 08-09-16 | \$542,500 |
| 10 Lake View Rd, Hawthorn Woods        | Andres Salaverria & Caitlin Salaverria        | Brookfield Relocation Inc     | 08-09-16 | \$609,000 |
| 22 Tournament Dr N, Hawthorn Woods     | John D Posner & Gerilyn Posner                | Dehaven Trust                 | 08-09-16 | \$765,000 |
| 855 Chase Ln, Inverness                | Rengarajan Parthasarathi & Kriethika Govindan | Lexington Chase Llc           | 08-23-16 | \$372,000 |
| 21342 N Andover Rd, Kildeer            | Michael Saputo & Jennifer Saputo              | Pnc Bank                      | 08-10-16 | \$600,000 |
| 808 Foster Ave, Lake Bluff             | Brian D Henderson                             | Bruce Leon Cabri              | 08-09-16 | \$245,000 |
| 1500 N Green Bay Rd, Lake Forest       | Michael Loiacano & Susan Loiacano             | 1500 N Gbr Llc                | 08-09-16 | \$670,000 |
| 25 Ramblewood Ln, Lake Zurich          | Steven M Carponelli & Melissa M Carponelli    | Derek J Zingg                 | 08-09-16 | \$230,000 |
| 480 Burr Oak Dr, Lake Zurich           | Indonic C Metz & Adriana Metz                 | David J Wagner                | 08-10-16 | \$240,000 |
| 176 Forest Ave, Lake Zurich            | Aleksandra Kopania & Wiktor K Kolanko         | Robert J Detlefsen II         | 08-09-16 | \$243,000 |
| 52 Park Ave, Lake Zurich               | Benjamin J Ecker & Marit R Ecker              | Bradley L Blau                | 08-10-16 | \$250,900 |
| 875 March St, Lake Zurich              | Antoaneta Stanojevic & Aleksandar Stanojevic  | Norbert Koch                  | 08-09-16 | \$256,000 |
| 830 Spring Ct, Lake Zurich             | Abdul Majeed & Mumtaz Mahjeed                 | Adam Hartgraves               | 08-10-16 | \$305,000 |
| 1245 Berkley Rd, Lake Zurich           | Scott Stalesky & Tara Stalesky                | Jay B Glover Estate           | 08-09-16 | \$325,000 |
| 277 Sandy Point Ln, Lake Zurich        | Christina Zeller                              | Raymond David Cohen           | 08-10-16 | \$354,000 |
| 579 Turtle Pond Ct, Lake Zurich        | Bradley D Rytch & Laura L Rytch               | Strimel Trust                 | 08-10-16 | \$447,000 |
| 316 Jackson Ave, Libertyville          | Frank Scopacasa & Colleen Scopacacas          | Youxin Zhu                    | 08-09-16 | \$525,000 |
| 2340 Steeple Chase Cir W, Libertyville | Michael F Patterson & Jenifer L Parsegian     | Thomas J Loucks               | 08-09-16 | \$560,000 |
| 10 Cambridge Ln, Lincolnshire          | Dmitry Ryaguzov                               | M & B Properties Llc          | 08-09-16 | \$224,900 |
| 5 Wimbledon Ct, Lincolnshire           | Stephen D Davies & Olga Konovalova            | Changguo Ji                   | 08-09-16 | \$360,000 |
| 26 Cumberland Dr, Lincolnshire         | Hyouon Cho & Eun Hee Oh                       | Barnett Trust                 | 08-10-16 | \$440,000 |
| 16 Cornell Dr, Lincolnshire            | Zhiyun Tang & Li Zhang                        | Ellen S Woodstein             | 08-09-16 | \$621,000 |
| 5500 Lincoln Ave, # 404, Morton Grove  | Aneliya Frys                                  | Lgor Matiyash                 | 08-23-16 | \$62,000  |
| 7220 Foster St, Morton Grove           | Ricky Martinez                                | Marek Nowakowski              | 08-22-16 | \$240,000 |
| 7621 Beckwith Rd, Morton Grove         | Jose O Torres & Nydia E Torres                | Christos Thomas               | 08-22-16 | \$385,000 |
| 8516 Menard Ave, Morton Grove          | Shahab Abidi & Bushra Ahmed                   | Mario Vardijan                | 08-23-16 | \$449,000 |
| 407 N Wille St, Mount Prospect         | Robert J Chapman & Linda L Chapman            | Christoph Schroeter           | 08-23-16 | \$230,000 |
| 802 S Elmhurst Rd, Mount Prospect      | Kazimierz Minorczyk & Anna Minorczyk          | Maria Zamudio                 | 08-22-16 | \$240,000 |
| 104 N Louis St, Mount Prospect         | John G Foster & Colleen J Foster              | Thomas Comerford              | 08-23-16 | \$355,000 |
| 214 S Albert St, Mount Prospect        | Alfred Ticoalu & Margritte Rovani             | William F Buelow              | 08-22-16 | \$459,500 |
| 9098 W Terrace Dr, # 31, Niles         | Danuta S Brzuzy                               | David A Loperena              | 08-23-16 | \$94,500  |
| 8801 W Golf Rd, # 2G, Niles            | Stefan Condurache & Cristian Holom            | Ok Sun Chin                   | 08-22-16 | \$115,000 |
| 7227 W Conrad Ave, Niles               | Eric Marcus & Kimberly J Marcus               | Bacci Trust                   | 08-23-16 | \$205,000 |
| 8226 N Elmore St, Niles                | Leticia Nieto                                 | Philippesen Trust             | 08-22-16 | \$275,000 |
| 1280 Rudolph Rd, # 3G, Northbrook      | Carol Deer                                    | Albert R Spiro                | 08-22-16 | \$282,000 |
| 1107 Whitfield Rd, Northbrook          | Yevgeny Keyser                                | Elaine S Wijas                | 08-23-16 | \$340,000 |
| 1731 Evergreen Ln, Park Ridge          | Vasile Muresan & Adrian Obreja                | Dennis Geier                  | 08-23-16 | \$292,000 |
| 1128 Cleveland Ave, Park Ridge         | John L Paolucci & Nancy Paolucci              | Thomas A Lundsberg Jr         | 08-22-16 | \$400,000 |
| 314 N Home Ave, Park Ridge             | Nicholas B Look & Jestina C Orlando           | Andrew Chojnowski             | 08-23-16 | \$417,500 |
| 520 Stewart Ave, Park Ridge            | Frank J Ponticelli & Kristine C Krull         | John Barrett                  | 08-23-16 | \$432,000 |

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## Overstuffed jewelry box? Try an accessory 'detox'

BY MELISSA KOSSLER DUTTON

Associated Press

Debbie Roes owns the largest jewelry box she could find, but it was still so full she had difficulty seeing her belongings. So she decided to de-clutter it, and the result made her happy.

"It used to be so cluttered that I didn't really know what I had, and many pieces I loved weren't being worn," said Roes, of San Diego.

Many people accumulate extra jewelry over the years and could benefit from organizing it better. That might mean discarding, giving away, selling, repairing or repurposing pieces, said Cyndy Aldred of Lufkin, Texas, author of "Idiot's Guides: Organizing Your Life."

Begin by weeding out those you never wear.

Roes did that, and quickly parted with 20 of her 282 pieces. She also pulled out jewelry that was broken, and either had it fixed or got rid of it.

Then she grouped together like pieces, which helped her realize that she had many duplicates.

"I tended to buy a lot of similar things. What we're drawn to when shopping is what we're familiar with," she said.

Once the jewelry was sorted, Roes forced herself to pick her favorites. She donated, gave away or sold the rest.

She did several purges like this so as not to deplete her collection too quickly, she said. In between purges, she would move the pieces she wore into different drawers in the jewelry box. The pieces that hadn't been moved by the next purge were good candidates to get rid of.

If you're unsure about discarding something, Aldred suggested, put it in



KIRKLAND'S

Too much jewelry? An armoire — or judicious purging — may be the answer.

a box in a harder-to-reach location. If you haven't retrieved it after a year, get rid of it, she said.

She also suggested having a jewelry exchange party at which friends gather to swap pieces.

"You feel better about purging when you give it to someone you know will use it," she said.

Compared to clothing, jewelry is easy to give to friends and relatives because it's usually one-size-fits-all, Roes noted.

Kathy Zaltas, who owns Zaltas Gallery of Fine Jewelry in Mamaroneck, N.Y., said customers often bring in their jewelry boxes or ones they have inherited, wondering what to do with the contents. Zaltas helps them determine which pieces are valuable, which could be repaired or made into something new, and which could be sold.

"People acquire jewelry that they don't wear anymore," she said. "It has a monetary value if you want to scrap it. It doesn't need to sit and sit."

She also works with clients to transform out-of-

date pieces into something new. Carol Manire almost never takes off the necklace that Zaltas made from some of her mother's old jewelry. She had taken several pieces in to the store after her mother died because keeping them in a safe at her home in Port Chester, N.Y., "felt like I was not honoring her memory properly."

She and Zaltas did "a lot of back and forth," she said, "turning it into something I really love and is meaningful to me."

Roes, who blogs at [recoveringshopaholic.com](http://recoveringshopaholic.com), has heard from readers who frame heirloom pieces.

Another option is to store sentimental pieces that you don't wear somewhere less accessible than your jewelry box to save space, Aldred said.

"Purging and reorganizing how we store our jewelry and accessories is a great way to save time and frustration when we're getting ready (to go out), because we can go right to the pieces we are looking for," she said.

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

## Thursday, Sept. 29

**Arturo Sandoval:** 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, \$25-\$55, 847-492-8860

**Peggy Macnamara Museum Perspectives:** 1 p.m. All week, Evanston Art Center, 1717 Central St., Evanston, free, 847-475-5300

**Ballroom Dance Classes:** Come take part in the Ballroom Dance Classes for Seniors at The Levy Center. The fee is \$70 for Levy members and \$85 for non-members. 2:30 p.m. Levy Senior Center, 300 Dodge Ave., Evanston, \$70-\$85, 847-448-8260.

**Tseng Kwong Chi: Performing for the Camera:** Tseng Kwong Chi produced a large body of witty, playful, performance-based photography that both captured the pivotal downtown Manhattan art and club scenes of the 1980s and reflected the increasingly globalized movement of people across nations and continents. Tseng Kwong Chi: Performing for the Camera is the first major solo museum exhibition of his works. 10 a.m. All week, Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art and Pick/Laudati Auditorium, Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, free, 847-491-4000

**Jullus Caesar:** 7:30 p.m. Sept. 29 and Sept. 30, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Oct. 1, Writers Theatre, 325 Tudor Court, Glencoe, \$35-\$80, 847-242-6000

**Fall Pumpkin Sales at Wagner Farm:** Add fall color to your yard and dress up your house for the season with: pumpkins, cornstalks, Indian corn, gourds, mums and more. Call for more information. 10 a.m. All week, Wagner Farm, 1510 Wagner Road, Glenview, free, 847-657-1506

**Everybody Move:** Everybody Move takes place on Thursdays, Sept. 22 to Nov. 10, for infants to 2-year-olds, with caregiver. Celeste Cifala Roy, from Evanston's early childhood movement and music program Everybody Move!, has planned an hour of activities and exploration. 9:30 a.m. Lincolnwood Community Center, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

**Wonder Ground Open Lab:** Look, touch, tinker and play with an intriguing array of science-oriented curiosities in this new space designed especially for kids. A drop-in visit is meant to last

about 15 minutes. Activities are repeated each week from Tuesday to Thursday. The Wonder Ground is a STEAM playground for kids. 4 p.m. Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., Niles, free, 847-663-1234

**Senior Coffee Hour Cemetery Art Symbolism:** Learn how to uncover the hidden symbolism of headstone art and how it explains the history of the dearly departed and laid to rest. This program focuses on the rich symbolism of the Victorian Era. 10:30 a.m. Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., Niles, free, 847-663-1234

**Campaign 2016 with Jim Kenney:** As the presidential race approaches its final month, Jim Kenney, Executive Director of Common Ground, takes a look at the candidates, the key issues and the current trends. 7 p.m. Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, free, 847-272-6224

**Paul Morrissey:** Paul Morrissey performs original stand-up. 8 p.m. 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Sept. 30, Zanies Rosemont, 5437 Park Place, Rosemont, \$22 + two item minimum food/beverage purchase, 847-813-0484

**Rockin in the Park Free Summer Concert Series:** 7 p.m. Bub City, 5441 Park Place, Rosemont, free, 312-610-4200

**Hofbrauhaus Chicago's Oktoberfest Celebration:** Festivities include a variety of authentic Bavarian entertainment, freshly brewed "Oktoberfestbier" inspired by the original Hofbrauhaus in Munich, Germany, daily food specials and celebrity keg tapping ceremonies. 11 a.m. All week, Hofbrauhaus Chicago, 5500 Park Place, Rosemont, free, 847-671-2739

**Celebrate Evanston 2016:** The Evanston Community Foundation hosts its annual Celebrate! Evanston benefit. The evening features an original musical revue and a unique auction of surprise items from businesses throughout Evanston. For tickets, go to the website or call. 6 p.m. Evanston Golf Club, 4401 Dempster St., Skokie, \$175, 847-492-0990

**The City of Conversation:** 7:30 p.m. Sept. 29, 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Oct. 1, Northlight Theatre, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, \$30-\$57, 847-673-6300

## Friday, Sept. 30

**Falstaff Main Street Opera**

**presents Verdi's comedy:** Main Street Opera's production of Verdi's "Falstaff" is an opera where nobody dies, the young lovers get married, and the women outsmart the men. This musical romp is based on Shakespeare's "The Merry Wives of Windsor," and is fun for the whole family. Tickets are \$26 for adults; \$22 for seniors and students; children under 12 free. Add \$5 more for tickets purchased at the door. At this performance, sponsored by IAET, dinner and cocktails at 6:30 p.m. are optional. See tickets. 7:45 p.m. The Alta Villa, 430 N. Addison Road, Addison, \$22 - \$26, 224-764-1615

**Live at White Pines featuring Whiskey & Harmony:** The Summer Concert Series at White Pines features live performances on the last Friday of every month. Bands perform on the 37 Bar & Grill patio. Food and beverages are available for purchase. For information, call Laura Wassinger at 630-766-0304, ext.2 or go to whitepinesgolf.com. September 30's band: Optical Distortion. 7 p.m. White Pines Golf Club, 500 W. Jefferson St., Bensenville, free, 630-766-0304

**Des Plaines Farmers' Market:** City of Des Plaines Farmers' Market is every Friday, open until 7 p.m. on Ellinwood Street starting at Lee Street. Available are fresh produce, olive oil, bird houses and birdseed, food storage containers, green products and more. 3 p.m. Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Ellinwood St., Des Plaines, free, 847-827-5551

**Anders Osborne:** 8 p.m. Sept. 29 and Sept. 30, SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, \$22-\$66, 847-492-8860

**Evanston Art and Big Fork Festival:** The art includes classic categories such as paintings, sculpture and photography. Also, there is fun usable art such as unique handmade jewelry, one-of-a-kind furniture and home accessories, mixed media work, glass, wood, wearable art, art made from recycled materials and much more. 5 p.m. Sept. 30, and 10 a.m. Oct. 1 and Oct. 2, Evanston Art and Big Fork Festival, 1734 Sherman Ave., Evanston, free, 847-926-4300

**Sound Frequency & Sensory Fun Preston Killk Grades 3-8:** This is for children who want to make friends in a supportive environment. Trained Friendship Ambassadors (who are in grades 4-12) host fun and engaging events where everyone feels welcome. Generously sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Glenview-Northbrook. 4:30 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Teen Advisory Board A VolunTEEN Opportunity Grades 9-12:** Would you like to help plan programs, discuss books that you love and have fun brainstorming with your peers and library staff? If so, join in a TAB meeting and share your ideas. Service points are awarded for participation and pizza is served. 5 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Art Sale and Donation Drive at The Arts of Life:** The Arts of Life is hosting a donation drive with Savers of Glenview in conjunction with their end-of-season art show and sale. De-clutter your home and bring your donations to The Arts of Life where a donation truck from Savers of Glenview will be on-site. All ages are welcome and there is no entry fee. 5 p.m. The Arts of Life, 1963 Johns Drive, Glenview, free, 847-486-0808

**Parkinson Wellness Recovery Brain-Body Training:** Brain-Body Training/PWR! is Parkinson-specific exercise, scientifically designed to target symptoms of PD. It includes boxing training for endurance, agility and stability. The instructor is Drew Surinsky, an exercise physiologist. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. Glenview Park Center, 2400 Chestnut Ave., Glenview, \$10-\$15, 847-502-0630

**Chair Yoga:** Yoga instructor Olga Rudiak leads a series of yoga sessions for improved physical strength, relaxation and mental clarity. Exercises are done in a chair or standing, not on the floor. 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, free, 847-272-6224

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

**Nordstrom Rack Opening at Fashion Outlets of Chicago:** This grand opening has guests invited to visit the shopping center at 8 a.m. to enjoy music, coffee and breakfast treats outside the new Nordstrom Rack location. Doors officially open at 9 a.m. 8 a.m. Fashion Outlets of Chicago, 5220 Fashion Outlets Way, Rosemont, free, 847-928-7500

**Disturbla Screams in the Park:** This acclaimed interactive horror experience returns to the basement level of the MB Financial Park parking garage. The sinister attraction, features 20,000 square feet of terror with more than 35

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rooms. New are: multi-level underground sewer where dark and ominous waters await; and a petrifying swamp. General admission tickets are: \$25 per person Sundays through Thursdays; and \$30 per person Fridays and Saturdays. VIP tickets, allowing ticket holders quicker access and less wait time for the haunt, are \$40 per person. 7 p.m. Sept. 30 through Oct. 2, MB Financial Park at Rosemont, 5501 Park Place, Rosemont, \$25-\$40 per person, 847-349-5008

**"Funny Girl":** MadKap Productions presents the Broadway musical that tells the story of Fanny Brice. With humor, talent and chutzpah, young Fanny, an awkward Jewish girl who "isn't pretty," defies the odds and becomes one of the greatest stars of her generation. Her rise to super-stardom is explored through Bob Merrill and Jule Styne's unforgettable score, which includes "I'm the Greatest Star," "Don't Rain on My Parade," "The Music That Makes Me Dance," and the iconic "People." 7:30 p.m. Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 and 2 p.m. Oct. 2, Skokie Theatre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie, \$29-\$39, 847-677-7761

## Saturday, Oct. 1

**Polyglots Toastmasters meeting:** Polyglots is the only Toastmasters International Club in the United States that conducts its meetings in German. If you speak German or want to keep it fresh or improve it, visit this club. This is not a language school, but a place where you can speak and listen to German and, above all, have a good time with those at all levels and ages. Go to their website at [polyglotstoastmasters.org/](http://polyglotstoastmasters.org/) and their meetup at [meetup.com/Polyglots-Toastmasters-German-speaking/](http://meetup.com/Polyglots-Toastmasters-German-speaking/). Please email [andrewweiler.uiuc@gmail.com](mailto:andrewweiler.uiuc@gmail.com) for the current location, as sometimes they meet at places other than the Des Plaines Library. Our Oct. 1 meeting will be at: Oakton Arms 1660 Oakton Place, Des Plaines, IL 60018. 9:30 a.m. Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Ellinwood St., Des Plaines, free, 847-827-5551

**Opulent City:** Opulent City features a variety of burlesque starlets, daring pro aerialists, provocative circus performances and vintage vaudeville entertainers. 6:30 p.m. Rivers Casino, 3000 S. River Road, Des Plaines, \$15, 888-307-0777

**Evanston Farmers Market:** Shop for fresh produce, meat, cheese, baked goods, flowers and more from 51 vendors. Please note: Dogs are not allowed at the market (service animals excepted). LINK cards are accepted. 7:30

a.m. Oak Avenue and University Place, 1090 University Place, Evanston, free, 847-448-8045

**Overeaters Anonymous:** Overeaters Anonymous meets Saturdays. New-comer meeting on the last Saturday of the month. No dues, fees or weigh-ins. For information, call Hannah. 9 a.m. St. Matthews Episcopal Church, 2120 Lincoln St., Evanston, free, 773-996-0609

### Signature Entertainment Presents:

**LOL Saturday:** Adult Comedy every Saturday night hosted by Comedy legends Tony Sculfield and Mark Simmons. National Headliners with movie and television credits on stage. Awesome venue with full bar and dinner menu. 9 p.m. Saturday, Chicago's Home of Chicken & Waffles, 2424 W. Dempster St., Evanston, \$15 adult advance; \$20 at the door, 847-521-6434

### Opening Celebration Five Takes on

**Tseng Kwong Chi:** Tseng Kwong Chi was a Hong Kong-born, Vancouver-raised artist and photojournalist immersed in the downtown New York art scene of the 1980s. Through presentations and performances, artists, professors, and the exhibition curator Janet Dees explore Tseng's legacy. 2 p.m. Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art and Pick/Laudati Auditorium, Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, free, 847-491-4000

**Piccolo Theatre "The Memory of Water":** A comic and touching account of three sisters on the occasion of their mother's death, each haunted by their own demons. The irreverent and witty dialogue among the sisters gives way, finally, to the deeper bond they share. 8 p.m. Piven Theatre Workshop, 927 Noyes St., Evanston, \$10-\$25, 847-424-0089

**Trail Walks:** Guided trail walks are ideal for families and individuals and those who are interested in nature. 2 p.m. The Grove, 1421 Milwaukee Ave., Glenview, free, 847-299-6096

**Build Your Own Scarecrow:** Bring the kids, some old clothes and we'll provide the straw and the know-how to help you build your very own scarecrow; \$5 buys you a pumpkin for the head and straw. Noon, Wagner Farm, 1510 Wagner Road, Glenview, \$5 per pumpkin, 847-657-1506

**Glenview Farmers Market at Wagner Farm:** A free weekly event, this farmers market takes place rain or shine. Shop for seasonal fruits and vegetables, flowers, homemade jellies and preserves, cheese and eggs. For a full list of vendors and special market events, go to the event website. 8 a.m. Wagner

Farm, 1510 Wagner Road, Glenview, free, 847-657-1506

**Restoration Work Days The Tyner Center:** This is for anyone ages 8 and up to help collect seeds and remove non-native, invasive plants to make way for wildflowers, grasses and trees. Work parties may be canceled in the event of inclement weather. 9 a.m. Kent Fuller Air Station Prairie/The Tyner Center, 2400 Compass Road, Glenview, free, 847-299-6828

**Rainbow Therapy Dogs Teach Dog Safety for 2-6 years:** This is for youngsters and their family to meet some four-legged ambassadors of love. This helps equip children with knowledge and techniques to promote safe encounters with unfamiliar dogs. The storytime is provided by the Glenview Public Library and is co-sponsored by The Glen Town Center. 10:30 a.m. The Book Market at Hangar One, 2651 Navy Blvd., Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Morton Grove Farmers Market:** Shop for locally produced fruits and vegetables, flowers, crafts, baked goods, pantry items, body products and more at this weekly market. Extras include live music and entertainment for kids. 8 a.m. Dempster Street and Georgiana Avenue, 6210 Dempster St., Morton Grove, free, 847-750-6436

**Race to the Taste 5K Run:** Enjoy a beautiful autumn run through neighborhood streets of Morton Grove. This event is open to all ages. 5K awards are given to first through third place finishers in each age group. 8 a.m. Morton Grove Park District, 6834 Dempster St., Morton Grove, \$35, 847-965-0971

**Wills and Trusts:** Local attorney J. Ehrensaft discusses estate planning, including wills, trusts, powers of attorney, living wills, probate and guardianship. 10 a.m. Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., Niles, free, 847-663-1234

**Park Ridge Farmers Market:** Shop for fresh produce, soap, olive oils, flowers, pickles, pasta baked goods and meat. The weekly market also features live music and kids activities. Help give back to the community by bringing canned goods to the market to donate to the New Hope Food Pantry. 7 a.m. Prairie Avenue and Main Street, 15 Prairie Ave., Park Ridge, free, 847-309-2433

**Joe Machi:** Joe Machi performs original stand-up. 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Zanies Rosemont, 5437 Park Place, Rosemont, \$25, two item minimum food/beverage purchase, 847-813-0484

**The Incomplete Gesture:** Chicago's Natya Dance Theatre in collaboration

with the contemporary Indonesian dance company Nan Jombang, has created a dynamic new cross-cultural work, "The Incomplete Gesture." 8 p.m. North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, \$20-\$38, 630-886-0817

**Preserving Survivor Stories:** Ask Holocaust Survivor Pinchas Gutter any question you would like, and natural language technology software will respond as if Pinchas were in the room. 10:30 a.m. Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, free, 847-967-4800

## Sunday, Oct. 2

**Marc Cohn:** 7 p.m. SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, \$28-\$68, 847-492-8860

**Temple Beth Israel Erev Rosh Hashanah:** Temple Beth Israel -- Erev Rosh Hashanah Service, takes place Sunday, at the Evanston Township High School Auditorium. Tickets are required by contacting Temple Beth Israel by phone or via their website. 8:15 p.m. Evanston Township High School Auditorium, 1600 Dodge Ave., Evanston, tickets required, 847-675-0951

**\$18 High Holiday Tickets for Young Adults to age 35:** JRC is a diverse, inclusive Jewish community for people from all walks of life and levels of observance. Join us with our new Rabbi, Rachel Weiss, for High Holiday services driven by intellectual curiosity and a strong commitment to social justice. Order tickets at [jrcevanston.wufoo.com/forms/s130dudn0zg6wg0/](http://jrcevanston.wufoo.com/forms/s130dudn0zg6wg0/). Unless otherwise noted, JRC High Holiday Services take place at the First Methodist Church in Evanston. 8 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 516 Church St., Evanston, \$18; College Students Free with ID, 847-328-7678

**John Williams' Sunday music session:** 3 p.m. The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston, free, 847-864-1679

**Piccolo Theatre "The Memory of Water":** A comic and touching account of three sisters on the occasion of their mother's death, each haunted by their own demons. The irreverent and witty dialogue among the sisters gives way, finally, to the deeper bond they share. 3 p.m. Piven Theatre Workshop, 927 Noyes St., Evanston, \$10-\$25, 847-424-0089

**Glenview Community Church 75th Anniversary Events:** This 75th Anniversary Celebration Worship includes

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**the premiere of a commissioned congregational hymn;** at 11:15 a.m. in the Mayflower Room, a joyful gathering with historical display and multimedia presentation. 10 a.m. Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm St., Glenview, free, 847-724-2210

**Rosh Hashanah at Wildfire Glenview:** We will be serving a Rosh Hashanah Club Menu served family style for groups of six or more, featuring traditional holiday dishes like chopped liver, matzoh ball soup, apricot glazed chicken breast and braised brisket of beef. Dishes will be available as specials for smaller groups. 3 p.m. 1300 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, \$39.95 per person, \$16.95 for children 12 and under, 847-657-6363

**Grove Fest:** Live folk music, square dancing, hayrides, gift and craft items for sale along with outdoor dining on hearty food. 11 a.m. The Grove, 1421 Milwaukee Ave., Glenview, \$4 (adult); \$1 (children 12 years and under), 847-299-6096

**OLPHun Run 5k Run and Walk:** OLPHun Run is a 5k run (or walk for those that just want to stroll) to raise money for the Needy Family Fund. It is a timed event which starts near Jackman Park, and takes participants through the Swainwood neighborhood of Glenview. After the event, celebrate with your family and friends at the post-race festivities on the grounds of Jackman Park. For more than two decades, The Needy Family Fund has been helping families around the Chicagoland area. 8 a.m. Sunday, Jackman Park, 1930 Prairie St., Glenview, \$25 in advance; \$30 day of, 847-724-5670

**Rosh Hashanah at L. Woods:** Spend time with the family and not in the kitchen when you enjoy our traditional Rosh Hashanah menu including favorites like homemade chopped liver, roasted chicken, braised beef brisket with natural gravy and caramel apple cheesecake. Dine in reservations recommended. Noon, Oct. 2 and Oct. 3, L. Woods Tap & Pine Lodge, 7110 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, \$42.95 per person; \$15.95 for children, 847-677-3350.

**Happy Birthday, Curious Georgel:** Join us to celebrate our favorite little monkey's 75th birthday with a special storytime and birthday cake. 2 p.m. Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., Niles, free, 847-663-6407

**Fine Arts Fall Veronique Mathieu:** Canadian violinist Veronique Mathieu performs works by Bach, Handel, Halvorsen, Mozart, Milstein. Ms. Mathieu

has performed as a soloist and chamber musician in Europe, South Africa, South America and the United States. 2 p.m. Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, free, 847-272-6224

**Rosh Hashanah at Di Pescara:** Di Pescara is hosting your dinner complete with everything you need to make your family feel right at home. Available for dine-in or carry out. 5 p.m. Di Pescara, 2124 Northbrook Court, Northbrook, \$42.95 per person dine in; \$39.95 per person carry out; children 12 and younger are half-price, 847-498-4321

**Skokie Farmers Market:** Farmers and vendors from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin sell fresh-picked vegetables, fruits and flowers along with cheese, baked goods, coffee, sauces and spices. 7:30 a.m. Skokie Village Hall, 5127 Oakton St., Skokie, free, 847-673-0500

**Sunday School Season Opener:** All are welcome to gather at 9:30 a.m. for an opening rally at the beginning of their new Sunday School year. Worship follows at 10:45 a.m., with a sandwich lunch for all after the morning service. In following weeks, there will be Sunday School classes for all ages at the 9:30 a.m. hour. 9:30 a.m. Winnetka Covenant Church, 1200 Hibbard Road, Wilmette, free, 847-446-4300

**Monday, Oct. 3**

**Temple Beth Israel First Day Rosh Hashanah:** This First Day Rosh Hashanah Service takes place at Evanston Township High School Auditorium. Tickets are required by contacting Temple Beth Israel by phone or via their website. 10 a.m. Evanston Township High School Auditorium, 1600 Dodge Ave., Evanston, tickets required, 847-675-0951

**Live Bluegrass, Roots and Folk:** Every Monday in the pub, The Mudflapps perform. 8 p.m. The Celtic Knot Public House, 626 Church St., Evanston, free, 847-864-1679

**Rosh Hashanah at Wildfire Glenview:** We will be serving a Rosh Hashanah Club Menu served family style for groups of 6 or more, featuring traditional holiday dishes like chopped liver, matzoh ball soup, apricot glazed chicken breast and braised brisket of beef. Dishes will be available as specials for smaller groups. 3 p.m. Wildfire, 1300 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, \$39.95 per person, \$16.95 for children 12 and under, 847-657-6363

**Yarn Gang:** Kids in grades one and up are invited to try their hand at knitting,

crocheting or other yarn crafts. 4 p.m. Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220.

**Knitting Roundtable for Adults:** Ronnie Rund, an expert knitter, shows attendees how to knit or how to solve knitting challenges. Bring one's current project(s) and needles. 2 p.m. Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220

**Temple Beth-El's Tashlich Service:** Temple Beth-El's Tashlich service is a half hour outdoor service with singing, readings, and casting away of sins, led by Temple Beth-El clergy. This service is appropriate for everyone, including families with children of all ages. No tickets are required. 4:30 p.m. Wood Oaks Green Park, 1150 Sanders Road, Northbrook, free, 847-205-9982

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

**AF du North Shore Cafe Conversation Matin:** Meet fellow French speakers for relaxed, mid-morning conversation in French. Facilitated by one or more native or fluent-speaking AF du NS leaders. Meet at Panera in downtown Wilmette, just east of Green Bay Road. Look for their group in the main seating area. 10 a.m. Panera Bread, 1199 Wilmette Ave., Wilmette, free, 847-328-9516

**Exploring Grief:** 7 p.m. Kenilworth Union Church, 211 Kenilworth Ave., Wilmette, free, 847-251-4272

**Tuesday, Oct. 4**

**Let's Talk @ Lunch:** At this drop-in program, participants can talk through the issue of racism and practice honest conversation skills by looking at our own experiences in light of what we're learning about how racism affects us all. 1:30 p.m. YoFresh Yogurt Cafe, 635 Chicago Ave., Evanston, free, 847-864-8445

**Drop-In Homework Help Center Grades 1 to 8:** Thirty-minute sessions for homework, reading and math skills practice are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Children may just drop-in and may be grouped by subject and grade level. 6 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Poet Publisher Muse:** Paris-born world traveler, Glenview resident, and poet, Ami Kaye is the publisher of Glass

Lyre Press, an independent literary press, and editor of the poetry journal, *Pirene's Fountain*. 7 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Career Counseling Appointments:** There are four 30-minute appointments available to consult with a career expert for resume help, job search strategies and more. Counseling is available for any stage of your career. Call extension 7700 or visit the Reference Services Desk to register. 6:30 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Senior Coffee Hour: How to Keep Your Mouth Healthy:** Untreated dental disease can lead to serious health problems such as infection, damage to bone or nerve and tooth loss for seniors. Illumident, Inc. brings this presentation about oral hygiene for seniors. 10:30 a.m. Niles Public Library, 6960 W. Oakton St., Niles, free, 847-663-6407

**Sept 6 North Shore Dance and Theater's Dance classes:** For information, email [niles@northshoredanceandtheater.com](mailto:niles@northshoredanceandtheater.com) or go to [www.northshoredanceandtheater.com/schedule.html](http://www.northshoredanceandtheater.com/schedule.html). 4:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. North Shore Dance & Theater, LTD at Rhythm & Beyond, 8746 N. Shermer Road, Niles, 847-715-8690

**Mindful Eating Seminar:** Mindful eating is eating with intention and attention. This innovative program led by the North Suburban YMCA's professional wellness staff shows you how to reconnect with your food. Lunch is included, where participants practice mindful eating. For more information, contact Marlo Leaman, [mleaman@nsymca.org](mailto:mleaman@nsymca.org). 11:15 a.m. North Suburban YMCA, 2705 Techny Road, Northbrook, \$15 NSYMCA members; \$20 non members, 847-272-7250

**The Breakfast Club:** Start your day right at The Breakfast Club to network while enjoying breakfast at Lola's Diner. This event is hosted by Chamber Ambassador, Dave Donovan, Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce. 7:30 a.m. Lola's Diner, 920 Busse Highway, Park Ridge, \$11 Members; \$15 Prospective Members, 847-825-3121

**Lehrhaus Confirmation Class:** Post Bar/Bat Mitzvah teenagers are invited to participate in this program which teaches young people how to utilize Jewish resources when faced with making a decision. This is a fascinating three-year program. 7 p.m. Ezra Habonim, The Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie, \$420 for entire year plus book fees,

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## Wednesday, Oct. 5

**John Scofield:** 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston, \$25-\$45, 847-492-8860

**Let Me Entertain You: Jule Styne's Greatest Hits:** Our most iconic stars performed these great songs, like Barbara Streisand, Marilyn Monroe, Tony Bennett, Harry Connick, Jr., Frank Sinatra and more. 2 p.m. Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston, \$30-\$60, 847-920-5360

**Live Music Wednesdays with the Josh Rzepka Trio:** Hear the music of Dizzy Gillespie, Charlie Parker, Thelonious Monk and other classics of the era played by the Josh Rzepka Bebop trio. 6:30 p.m. Found Kitchen & Social House, 1631 Chicago Ave., Evanston, free, 847-868-8945

**The Big Draw Tracing the Building:** Walter Kitundu is an artist and MacArthur Fellow whose practice ranges from building instruments to photographing wildlife. As part of Evanston's citywide

Big Draw, people of all ages are invited to join Kitundu in drawing a response to the Block Museum's exterior architecture and the view of Lake Michigan beyond. 6 p.m. Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art and Pick/Laudati Auditorium, Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, free, 847-491-4000

**College Planning Workshop Careers and Majors:** To navigate your way through the college process, come learn important tips for planning careers and majors, admissions, and the college application. Register for one or all sessions. 7 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Googly Jewelry for Grades 5-8:** Create googly-eyed jewelry and accessories and look your spooky best for Halloween. 4 p.m. Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500

**Stories N' S'mores:** Registration is requested for you to join the Lincolnwood Library and the Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department, for Stories N' S'mores at the Proesel Park Shelter. We'll have a campfire story time, songs and ingredients to make

s'mores and do other activities for Grades preK-5. 7 p.m. Proesel Park, 7055 Kostner Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277

**Drop-In Genealogy:** Drop-in for a 15-minute guided search of your family history. This is located near the Reference Desk and no registration is required. 3 p.m. Northbrook Public Library, 1201 Cedar Lane, Northbrook, free, 847-272-6224

**How to Stay In Your Home and Plan for When You Can't:** Join in this Part I of a two-part series about Elder Law with Attorney Matt Margolis. He teaches strategies to stay living in your home for as long as possible and helps you understand how to best plan for the potential day when you no longer can stay there. 10:30 a.m. North Suburban YMCA, 2705 Techny Road, Northbrook, free, 847-272-2750

**Northbrook Farmers Market:** Shop for farm fresh fruits, veggies, cheese, baked goods and more at this not-for-profit community farmers market. The market is open rain or shine, except in the event of severe weather. 7 a.m. Cherry Lane and Meadow Road, Cherry Lane and Meadow Road, Northbrook, free

**Knitting Studio and Workshop:** Each Wednesday afternoon, Certified Knitting Instructor Mary Staackmann provides personalized instruction, answers any questions about knitting, and perhaps gets you started on a new project. Bring your supplies or project in progress. Brush up on your skills, learn new techniques, or just spend an afternoon knitting with others. 1:30 p.m. North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, free, 847-784-6060

**Tom Clark:** Tom Clark performs original stand-up. 8 p.m. Zanies Rosemont, 5437 Park Place, Rosemont, \$22, two item minimum food/beverage purchase, 847-813-0484

**Wednesday Night Church Activities:** Their Wednesday night all-church family nights begin with dinner at 5:45 p.m., followed by singing and skits for all ages together. Then, afterward, youth programs and adult studies are broken out by age. Dinner cost is \$5 per adult, \$3.50 for children 5-12, under five are free. A family pays a maximum of \$12. 5:45 p.m. Winnetka Covenant Church, 1200 Hibbard Road, Wilmette, \$5-\$12, 847-446-4300

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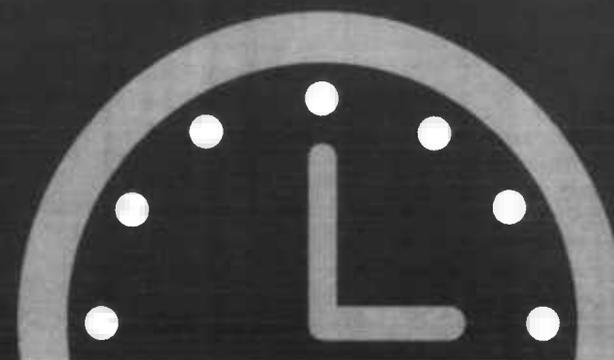
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## NOW PLAYING



**"Sully" ★★★ 1/2**

PG-13, 1:36, drama

"Sully" tells the familiar story of Captain Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, who made a forced water landing on the Hudson River with 155 passengers aboard a U.S. Airways flight. Clint Eastwood is an efficient, restrained and methodical filmmaker, an approach that lends well to the temperament and character of Sully as he is portrayed by Tom Hanks. "Sully" is about good people doing their jobs thoughtfully and at the height of their

abilities, working together under unprecedented and extraordinary circumstances. Sometimes all of those things come together to create a miracle, and "Sully" is a warm reminder of that. — *Katie Walsh, Tribune News Service*



**"Blair Witch" Zero stars**

R, 1:29, horror

James (James Allen McCune) is the brother of Heather, the woman who went missing in "The Blair Witch Project." He wants to find out if there is a chance his sister is still alive after all these years. Simon Barrett is credited as the writer. But surely a script must be longer than what can be written on a cocktail napkin to earn such a credit. They arrive. They run through the woods. They die. Roll credits. "Blair Witch" is nothing but a pale imitation

of "The Blair Witch Project" — void of all creativity and originality. Even a dung beetle would find this too much of a stinker to endure. — *Rick Bentley, The Fresno Bee*



**"Bridget Jones's Baby" ★★★**

R, 2:02, comedy

Renee Zellweger is charming as ever in "Bridget Jones's Baby," a lively return to form for the unlikely trilogy. Bridget is in her 40s and Mark Darcy has gone off and married someone else. She catches the attention of Jack (Patrick Dempsey), who is immediately smitten. A few weeks later, she finds herself having an unexpectedly romantic night with a now-separated Darcy.

Bridget discovers that she's pregnant, and the father could be

either Darcy or Jack. Though the premise of the film makes it seem like it's all about the guy again, it's never felt so much like Bridget's story. This movie is a jubilant celebration of women. — *Lindsey Bahr, Associated Press*



**"Snowden" ★★★ 1/2**

R, 2:14, drama

Director Oliver Stone's subject, U.S. intelligence community whiz kid Edward Snowden, became notorious in 2013 when he passed along confidential National Security Agency documents to journalists in a Hong Kong hotel room. Snowden succeeded in proving just how much intel on ordinary American citizens the government had been gathering with impunity. The issues raised, dronelike, and sent hovering over the narrative landscape

in "Snowden" will be with us a long, long time. I wish I could say the same for this moderately absorbing film's impact. — *Michael Phillips*



**"Don't Breathe" ★★★ 1/2**

R, 1:28, suspense/thriller

Writer/director Fede Alvarez confines most of this film's mayhem to the interior of an old, dark house on a virtually uninhabited block in Detroit. The homeowner is an Iraq War veteran played by Stephen Lang. Blind but hardy, the crusty shut-in has been pegged by a trio of young burglars as an easy, vulnerable mark with a large stash of cash. We know this will go poorly.

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# FEELING HAWKISH

For AAA hockey players, path to the NHL means playing like the Blackhawks

BY JON J. KERR  
Pioneer Press

In June 2010, 9-year-old Javi Ubarri woke up several mornings in his Glenview home in a sleep-deprived haze.

The reason? He could not turn his attention away from the Chicago Blackhawks' run through the Stanley Cup playoffs.

"I would sneak my phone in my room and hide under the pillows," Ubarri said. "I'd watch super nervously hoping they would win."

Six years later, Ubarri is a 15-year-old Glenbrook South sophomore. He is also a 5-foot-9, 175-pound defenseman for Team Illinois, an elite club hockey team based in Lake Zurich that plays in West Dundee and Bensenville. The child who anxiously watched heroes such as Blackhawks defenseman Duncan Keith is now trying to duplicate the Blackhawks' playing style that emphasizes puck possession and tempo.

"In our system, it's more about using our skills instead of being gritty or heady," Ubarri said. "You can totally see the impact."

The Blackhawks' effect on Chicago-area junior hockey is extensive. Former Blackhawk and two-time Stanley Cup champion Daniel Carcillo recently joined the Team Illinois coaching staff for the under-15 squad. Anders Sorenson is a player development coach with the Blackhawks and the Woodridge-based Chicago Mission, another prominent junior club.

Blackhawks first-round draft picks Nick Schmaltz and Ryan Hartman are Mission alums, and former Team Illinois forward Anthony Louis was a sixth-round Hawks pick in 2013. Former Hawks goalie and Park Ridge native Craig Anderson played for the Chicago Young Americans, who are based in Liber-



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Kyle Schroeder controls the puck for the Chicago Mission during a game against the Chicago Young Americans on Sept. 18.

tyville and play home games in Lincolnwood.

The Mission, Young Americans, Team Illinois and Chicago Fury are all AAA clubs. AAA hockey is the highest level of youth hockey in the United States and Canada.

"The skill level and skating ability for younger players that come in now is much greater than 10 years ago," Sorenson said. "Part of it is because of the Blackhawks, as kids come in younger and have something to strive for. It's been a great thing for Chicago hockey."

Youth hockey players spend copious hours hon-

ing their crafts in ice rinks in Lincolnwood, Woodridge, Bensenville and West Dundee. As the Blackhawks have won three Stanley Cups in the last seven seasons, local hockey hopefuls have taken notice.

"On our team, a good chunk of our practice is flow drills to get better on team passing," Stevenson sophomore-to-be and Mission forward Kyle Schroeder said. "That's the Blackhawks' style. The players on our team tend to play like the players on the Blackhawks."

But it's not only the upper-tier programs seeing gains from the Blackhawks'

run.

The Northbrook Hockey League has a full menu of offerings, from learn-to-play programs for 4-year olds to travel leagues for teenagers. Hockey director Rich Blakey said summer instructional leagues are often sold out.

"We are getting 150 kids a session," Blakey said, in his 10th year with Northbrook. "Our numbers are busting at the seams which is a good problem to have."

In Vernon Hills, Glacier Ice Rink is a hockey home for kids ranging in ages from 5 to 16. The Vernon Hills Ice Dogs start at the mite level and advance

through the squirt ranks to the bantam and midget levels.

Glacier hockey director Ken Johnson said the Blackhawks' success has created a butterfly effect that goes beyond just wins and losses.

"I'd say the success and involvement in the community has helped," he said. "The Blackhawks are out there, they are in the community and get out to different rinks."

Johnson recalled a Thanksgiving tournament for people with special needs that takes place at Glacier each year. The Blackhawks send their mas-

cot and provide jerseys and equipment for the participants.

Johnson said there's likely a tie between the Blackhawks' recent championships and community involvement and boosted enrollments in Glacier camps and leagues.

"We are growing," Johnson said. "I think most organizations are growing."

Coaches also have taken notice of their players' increased aptitude, which mimics the Blackhawks' mental and physical devotion to the game.

"They are driven kids, with an above-average hockey sense and high hockey IQ," Chicago Mission hockey director Gino Cavallini said. "They understand you have to put your time in."

Still, the path from minor hockey to the NHL is wide-ranging. Schmaltz played two collegiate seasons at North Dakota while Hartman opted to play in the Ontario Hockey League. Both played in the U.S. National Team Development Program, orchestrated through USA Hockey.

The Chicago-area AAA clubs have been supplying USA Hockey with some of its best players in recent years. USA Hockey's Central District comprises players from Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska, but more 15- and 16-year-old players from Illinois — including Ubarri and Schroeder — were invited to summer development camps than from the other five states combined.

"Our (club hockey) people are getting selected by Team USA and getting drafted in the NHL," Ubarri said. "I watch how hard (Keith) works. I hope to be that good one day."

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# Vikings' offense shows promise in lopsided loss to Maine South

BY DAN SHALIN  
Pioneer Press

Perhaps it was of little consolation to the Niles North football players and coaches after their 56-14 defeat to Maine South in Park Ridge, but the Vikings' offense earned the respect of Maine South coach Dave Inserra.

"I told them after the game that they have a great offense, they can score some points and they are going to do some damage against some teams," said Inserra, whose team won its 76th Central Suburban South conference game in a row. "They can score and the quarterback (Andrew Francis) is a nice player."

Inserra's team is the gold standard in the conference, while the Vikings (0-5, 0-1) were playing their first game as a member of the division on Friday, Sept. 23, after moving from the Central Suburban North, which is considered a less competitive division in football.

The schedule-makers did Niles North few favors as it will play host to a talented New Trier team on Sept. 30.

But rather than looking at moving to the CSL South as a cruel twist of fate, especially in this first season when the Vikings have just 36 players on their roster, Niles North players see the conference switch as an opportunity.

"When we heard we were moving to the CSL South, people at school, who are not on the team, were like, 'Yeah, this is going to be bad,'" junior wide receiver and Skokie resident Chris Geans said. "But we thought it was a great chance to let Niles North be known as a school that can compete with the Maine Souths, New Triers and Evanstons. We looked at it as an advantage to let other people know what Niles North is about."

The Niles North defense struggled in the conference opener, allowing Maine South to score touchdowns

on its first five possessions. But the offense had some success with its short passing game, and Francis threw a pair of 10-yard touchdown passes. One went to senior receiver Jordan LaBelle and Geans caught the other.

Francis, in his first year as the starting quarterback, said the Vikings were taking what the defense was giving them.

"A lot of the times, the corners and safeties were sitting back in coverage and we were able to pick up the little yards," said Francis, a senior and Skokie resident.

Niles North first-year coach Mike Garoppolo said the team still had some trouble when it tried to throw farther down the field.

"We got (the short passing game) going a little bit, but we didn't move off of that, didn't progress off of that," Garoppolo said. "We have to keep progressing from there, keep improving as a team."

Garoppolo said he's been

pleased with Francis' performance for much of the season. The 5-foot-11 Francis began playing quarterback in eighth grade, but switched to outside linebacker and strong safety last year for the Vikings, who reached the Class 7A quarterfinals.

"Andrew has done a great job for us this year," Garoppolo said. "He's a first-year quarterback for us. He's going to keep progressing and hopefully leading us to a victory."

Said Geans: "It's hard to bring (Francis) down. He's fast and strong and knows what he's doing. He has a high IQ for the game and makes plays out of nothing. When the ball is snapped and it looks like he has nowhere to go, he finds somewhere to go."

Often, Francis' passes end up in the hands of LaBelle, the most experienced and polished playmaker on the squad.

But Niles North's young receivers are increasingly



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Niles North quarterback Andrew Francis looks to pass during the Vikings' game against Maine South on Sept. 23 in Park Ridge.

getting into the act, including players like Geans and fellow juniors Lucas Suycott and Tyson Coles and freshman Christopher Harris. The play of running backs Bruno Prosper-Kanam, a junior, and Myles Davis, a sophomore, also points toward a brighter future for the Vikings.

"These young guys want to win, you can tell," Francis

said. "But at the beginning of the year, they were just getting used to how fast to run, how hard to run, how to make cuts (in the case of the wide receivers). When they (learn to) do that, the sky is the limit."

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# New Niles North AD wants to instill pride in school

BY JAKUB RUDNIK  
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The first day of practice for seven Niles North fall sports was also Brett Bildstein's first day as the Vikings' new athletic director. On one of the busiest days of the year on the high school sports calendar, Bildstein had no choice but to dive in.

Bildstein, 34, comes to Niles North from Chicago's Lake View High School, where he served as the athletic director from the summer of 2011 until July. He began at Lake View as an English teacher in 2007 and also was the baseball coach, among other roles.

He will strictly work as athletic director in his new position.

"The suburbs are different," Bildstein said in a phone interview. "At Lake View I was head baseball coach, English teacher and community director. It was a lot. Here I can focus on being an athletic director."

As community director, Bildstein worked to increase the school's enrollment.

Bildstein, who currently resides in northwest Chicago, said he was not actively looking to leave Lake View, but he was alerted to the Niles North job opening by a friend in July. Despite

the quickly approaching school year, he accepted the job after interviews with various stakeholders at the school. He joins assistant athletic director Steve Parnther and athletic administrative assistant Peggy Howard in the athletic department, both of whom are returning from the 2015-16 school year.

Bildstein is not the only new face at Niles North this year. Dr. Steven Isoye has taken over as superintendent and James Edwards is the new principal. There are new coaches as well, including football coach Mike Garoppolo.

"There are a lot of new

faces in the building," Bildstein said. "The first week there was a lot of smiling and nodding because everyone's on information overload."

The athletic director position opened up unexpectedly in July, not long after Edwards started as principal, when previous athletic director Janine Moore told Edwards she was resigning.

"She expressed the desire to move on to new opportunities," Edwards said in a phone interview. "She did a great job here and we wished her the best."

Moore could not be reached for comment.

Bildstein said that as he gets acclimated to the new job, he's making sure to get to know the school and everyone around him before making any changes. He also mentioned that he sees strong coaching and athletic participation, as well as great facilities, at Niles North, and that he believes he has come to an athletic department on solid footing.

"Where I come from in Iowa, and what I tried to instill at Lake View, it's a pride factor that sports let you have in your team, your school," Bildstein said. "That's what I'm trying to instill here."

Bildstein, who has a bachelor's degree from Iowa and a master's degree from DePaul, worked for Lake View and a high school in Dubuque, Iowa, that had similar school colors, so he found one issue with Niles North when he accepted the job.

"I think the big thing is I had no purple in my wardrobe," he said. "Lake View is red, the school in Iowa I taught at was red. Which is now the color of our rival school."

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# ON TARGET

## Pabst's accurate throws help Niles West's offense flourish

BY BRETT CHRISTIE  
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In just five games, the Niles West football team has doubled its win total from last season.

After a 38-27 victory over Glenbrook South in their Central Suburban South opener, the Wolves improved to 4-1 overall.

And the offense, led by senior quarterback Johnny Pabst, is the impetus for the improvement.

In his second season as the starter, Pabst has thrown for 1,308 yards and 11 touchdowns against just four interceptions for a QB rating of 124.1. Under his leadership, the Wolves offense is averaging nearly 40 points per game. He also has completed a remarkable 76.6 percent of his passes and is coming off his best game of the season in that regard, connecting on 22-of-25 passes in the win over Glenbrook South on Sept. 23 in Skokie.

"I can't say enough good things about Johnny in our offense," Niles West coach Scott Baum said. "He works really hard at the game both physically and mentally and he spends a lot of time with our offensive coordinator Mark Steger preparing for games."

Pabst has flourished in Year 2 because of his accuracy, Steger said. With a wealth of weapons surrounding Pabst, including senior running back/wide receiver Matt Galanopoulos and senior wide receiver Matt Metz, the onus is on him to make the correct read and get the ball to the team's playmakers on target and in space.

"He's got an above-average arm, but he is really, really accurate," said Steger, whose in his fifth year as the offensive coordinator. "I think probably from a throwing aspect, mechani-

cally he's really solid and he's really accurate with his throws."

The Niles West offense also has built-in running plays for the quarterback, which allows Pabst to put his 6-foot-2, 205-pound frame to use. It is something he did often in the win over Glenbrook South, rushing 22 times for 133 yards and four touchdowns, bringing his season totals to 544 yards and eight touchdowns.

"In the run game, he's just tough and he understands where he needs to get to and is willing to stick his nose in there and get us the extra yardage," Steger said. "He's spent a lot of time in the weight room and has made himself strong, so he's able to absorb a little bit of punishment."

Pabst said the reason he's thrived this season is simple: experience. Last season in his first year as a starter, Pabst said he was still trying to grasp the playbook and adjust to the elevated level of competition, which wasn't exactly conducive to building a rapport with the rest of the offense.

"I was still trying to figure it out for myself a little bit," Pabst said. "The pace of the game was just so fast last year, so I was kind of focused in on myself and helping myself out a lot. So now that I have more experience this year, I can help others and be a leader on and off the field and get guys in the right spot and I just feel I have little more control."

A belief in not only his talent, but his knowledge of the playbook has brought about a distinct change in the way Pabst commands the huddle, according to Steger. It also has led to more of a two-way relationship between Pabst and Steger.



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Niles West's Johnny Pabst runs through the Glenbrook South defense during the Wolves' 38-27 win on Sept. 23 in Skokie.

"He'll question things now that he would never question before," Steger said. "He'll ask questions about, 'Why are we going to do this?' Or, 'Do you think we should do this instead?' He's really grown as a leader and I think that all stems from his confidence."

Pabst's mental development has been critical, Steger said, because it allows him to make the correct

reads when calling plays at the line of scrimmage. Though most of the checks (or audibles) are built into each play call, Pabst is entrusted with choosing the correct check based on the defense's alignment.

"He'll have an either-or situation depending on what the linebacker does," Steger said. "If a linebacker does this, he'll throw it, if a linebacker does this he'll

run it. He doesn't actually change the plays at the line of scrimmage, but he needs to decide which option is best for us at the time."

While the Wolves were picked to finish fifth in the six-team CSL in a poll of league coaches, the Pabst-led offense, which ranks second in the league in points per game, has given the Wolves the belief they might be capable of much

more.

"We're very confident in each other," Pabst said of the offense. "We expect each other to compete and to execute. We hold each other accountable. We feel there's no reason we can't have success in this league."

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# Extreme makeover

After getting cut last season, Maine East's Arifi dedicated himself to soccer and transformed his body

BY BOB NARANG  
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Maine East's Moe Arifi realized that he had to lose something to gain something.

Last year, Arifi hoped to secure a spot on the Maine East boys soccer varsity team for his junior season. With Arifi's experience in the program, he anticipated making the team.

He did not make the team. And the Blue Demons did not have a junior varsity team last season.

"It was kind of heart-breaking to get cut, but when I heard that, I just hit the gym and worked on everything I could to make it this season," Arifi said. "It's unusual not to have a junior varsity (team) but the first thing I thought was I didn't put in enough work to get to that level, so why not put in more work in the offseason to get to that level. I understood why coach didn't take me."

Maine East coach Jeff Bishop called cutting Arifi

a tough decision. After playing on the freshman team at St. Viator, Arifi was a member of Maine East's sophomore team in 2014.

"It was hard," Bishop said. "The kids take it hard, but we take it hard. There was not another level for me to put him. We knew there was a possibility he would not play until next year. Some kids, it's game over after that."

Rather than wallow in self-pity, Arifi embraced the challenge of improving himself. His soccer career still had a few more chapters left.

The 6-foot-1 Arifi realized that he had to change his diet. He immediately went to work transforming his body. Arifi, now a senior forward, lost 25 pounds in the offseason. He currently weighs a svelte 165 pounds.

"I'm leaps and bounds over the player I was last year," he said. "I did a lot of cardio and running. I cut out fast food, snacks, and told my mom to get rid of all snacks in the snack draw. I

put in work every single day in the gym and worked on my skills."

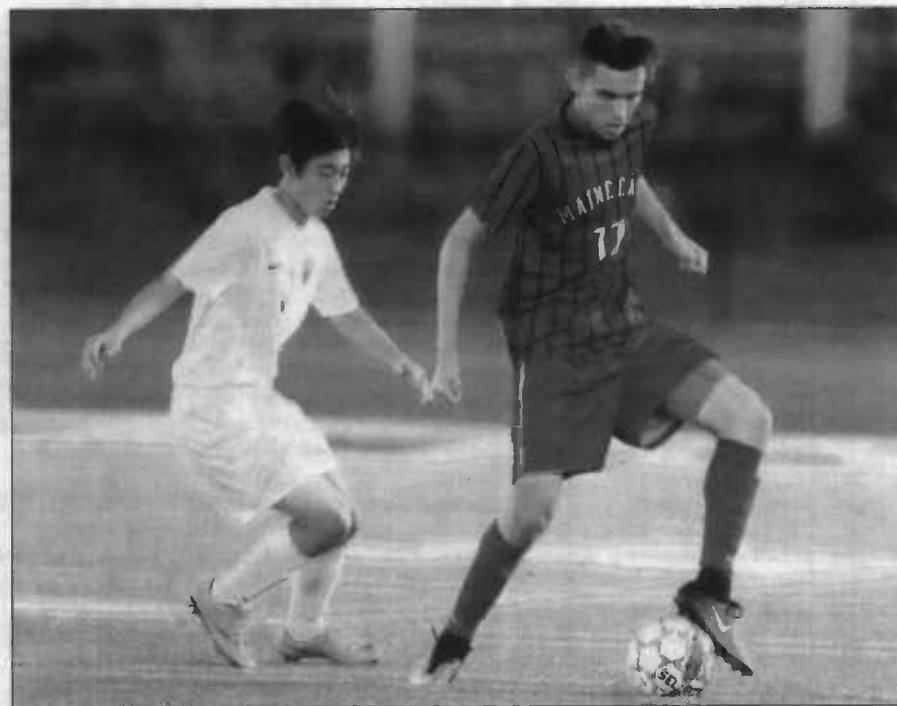
Arifi improved his two-mile time by six minutes from the previous season and joined a club soccer team for the first time, Chicago Magic PSG. He also kept providing Bishop with updates on his progress leading up to the 2016 high school season.

"We saw him in the summer and noticed right away that he had improved since last year, just gotten better and lost some weight and gotten in better shape," Bishop said. "Those were the first things we noticed. We see him in school and he was telling me he was playing club, doing well and scoring some goals. But we hadn't seen him play."

Arifi's hard work paid off when he earned a spot on the Maine East roster for his senior year.

He led the Blue Demons with four goals in their first 10 matches.

"It's a dream to play varsity soccer for Maine



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Maine East's Moe Arifi, right, keeps the ball away from Vernon Hills' Brandon Klm during their game on Sept. 20 in Vernon Hills.

East, for me," said Arifi, a Niles resident. "Obviously, hard work pays off. Every time I score, I kiss the badge (on the uniform). I'm proud to play for the crest. It's a privilege and pleasure to play for Maine East and not to be taken lightly."

Arifi had two shots on goal in a 1-0 loss at Vernon Hills on Sept. 20.

"He's really been im-

pressing the coaches," Bishop said. "His work ethic is unbelievable. He brings a ton of energy to the team, on and off the field. He's tall, strong and never gives up. He has stepped up a lot this year."

Arifi is thankful for his opportunity to play soccer, and though happy with his production, he wants to win games. Maine East

entered the week with an overall record of 4-6-1.

"It's all a team game," he said. "I would put wins over personal stats. I'd rather score no goals all season and have a conference title."

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# Balourdos guides Niles West volleyball's high-powered attack

BY BRETT CHRISTIE  
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The Niles West girls volleyball team's offense has been plenty good of late and the results reflect that.

After going 5-0 at Northside's invitational and capturing the tournament title on Sept. 24, the Wolves had won 13 of their previous 14 matches. The only loss during that stretch was to Lake Forest in the Maine East tournament final on Sept. 17.

Senior Eleni Balourdos, a four-year starter at setter, has been a key cog in the offense.

"What fits us best is when our intensity is all the

way up and when we're running a fast offense and also when our passes are on," Balourdos said. "If we do those three things we're literally unstoppable."

Balourdos was named all-Central Suburban South in 2013 and 2015. According to her coach, Balourdos has been a model of consistency during her varsity career.

"I can't really remember many times she hasn't played well," Niles West coach Stacy Metoyer said. "She's a very good setter, she's very smart. She's able to get our hitters one-on-one matchups a lot of the time. So she's a huge part of our offense."

As of Monday, Sept. 26, Balourdos had 351 assists and 91 digs this season.

Throughout her career, Balourdos has developed as a team leader and increased her cerebral approach on the court.

"Being the setter is like being the quarterback of the team," Balourdos said. "You have to be smart and know all the plays beforehand. Like, I'm constantly telling every single person what we're going to run, so all of that stuff factors in."

Another reason for Niles West's offensive prowess, Wolves senior outside hitter Kaila Johanson said, is the team's chemistry. The core

of last year's team, which went 21-11, returned. The group includes Johanson, Balourdos, sophomore outside hitter Natalia Pehar, junior middle hitter Nicole Zelazko and senior libero Bianca Tomuta.

The Wolves (20-5, 3-1 Central Suburban South) also added capable newcomers, such as senior middle hitter Bethany Keith and junior right-side hitter Natalie Scalerio, who have blended in well.

"I think coming off of last year, there were some differences in our team," Johanson said. "And so this year there's a lot of people who have just come to-

gether and we really like each other and we're kind of like a family, so it just really helps with the chemistry on the court."

Johanson, who was named MVP of the Northside invitational, has 181 kills on the year and Pehar, who was named to the Northside all-tournament team, has 160.

Though the Niles West offense has been playing well recently, it often faltered early in the season and it happened again in a 25-17, 25-18 Central Suburban South loss to New Trier on Monday, Sept. 12, in Winnetka.

The Wolves' passing, a

crucial element to their success, was absent for most of that match, making them very ordinary against a taller Trevians side.

The loss, however, did not linger. Niles West has been at its best ever since, Metoyer said on Sept. 22.

"We had a bad game against New Trier," Metoyer said. "Our passing was off and ever since that game our passing has just been in rhythm. We're peaking at the right time I guess."

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## Doherty redeems himself with INT, helps Dons win

BY JAKUB RUDNIK  
Pioneer Press

With less than three minutes remaining in the third quarter of its game against rival St. Patrick, the Notre Dame football team punted the ball to its opponent's 12-yard-line for no return. The Dons led by 15 points and had kept the Shamrocks' offense in check: St. Patrick hadn't scored and its longest drive was 47 yards.

On the very next play, St. Patrick senior quarterback Anthony Mazzenga faked a handoff, looked downfield and hit senior wideout Andrew Edgar in stride down the right sideline with nothing but the end zone in front of him. In just 12 seconds of game time on Sept. 23, the Notre Dame lead was down to eight points.

The Dons, who went on to win the East Suburban Catholic game 25-7 in Niles, were without their top two cornerbacks on the play: Seniors Mike Valdez and Greg Burnett had both been injured earlier in the game. Still, senior safety Matt Doherty put the blame for the defensive lapse squarely on his own shoulders.

"We were in a Cover 2 and I just bit on a short route," said Doherty, a resident of the Edison Park neighborhood in Chicago. "And they threw it over my head and he was gone."

The play immediately changed the atmosphere in the stadium. The Notre Dame crowd sat in stunned silence as the St. Patrick student section regained the rowdiness it had lost while its team remained scoreless. And for Doherty, he said the mistake took him to "rock bottom."

"After that deep pass he was really pissed," senior captain and center Anthony Saro said. "I tried to reach out and give him a high-five. I hit him on the head

and said, 'Listen you've got to come back from that.'"

The teams traded scoreless drives, then Notre Dame (4-1, 3-0) kicked a field goal with 5:03 remaining to go up 18-7. Though it was a two-score game, the Dons knew the game wasn't in hand against an offense that averaged 39.5 points in its first four games.

On St. Patrick's first play from scrimmage after the kick, Mazzenga again dropped back to pass after a fake and heaved the ball down the right sideline. But this time, Doherty was in position and stepped in front of the receiver. He intercepted the ball and ran it back nearly 20 yards to the St. Patrick 29. On the very next play, sophomore running back Ty Gavin scored his third rushing touchdown of the day, finally giving Notre Dame a commanding lead.

"I knew I had to bounce back, I knew I was going to have my opportunity," Doherty said. "I read that they were running that flare motion all game, and he checked up his feet and I saw the receiver going long. I knew that they were running a trick play, so I just read it."

Gavin was on the field for the lone St. Patrick touchdown filling in at corner for his injured teammates. Afterward he knew Doherty was disappointed in his mistake but he said he expected Doherty to be ready when he was needed again.

"I know he was frustrated with himself, but he made up for himself in a big way," Gavin said. "You can't even describe it. There's nothing better than a player picking himself (up) in a big way and making the biggest play of the game."

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Western Michigan linebacker and Fenwick graduate Robert Spillane, right, helps stop a Northwestern player during the Broncos' victory in Evanston on Sept. 3.

### COLLEGE NOTES

## Fenwick grad fuels Broncos' hot start

BY SAM BRIEF  
Pioneer Press

Western Michigan junior linebacker **Robert Spillane**, a Fenwick graduate and Oak Park native, helped the Broncos get off to a 3-0 start, with two wins coming against Big Ten opponents.

He recorded a sack in a Week 1 victory at Northwestern and had 11 total tackles and an interception during the Broncos' 34-10 win at Illinois on Sept. 17. Through three games, Spillane led the team in total tackles with 25.

**Zach Novoselsky**, a Stevenson graduate and redshirt sophomore offensive lineman, joins Spillane on the team.

### Walding shines for Northeastern volleyball

Northeastern junior **Kristen Walding**, a Lake Zurich graduate, has relished in her role of

lead setter for the Huskies women's volleyball team, which had won seven straight matches through Sept. 20. In the team's first 14 matches, Walding tallied 484 assists, leading the team and ranking fourth in the Colonial Athletic Association.

### Locals stand out in North Central-Illinois Wesleyan matchup

North Central College senior running back **Oshayne Brown**, a Niles North graduate, ran for 90 yards and a touchdown in the team's 34-7 victory over Illinois Wesleyan on Sept. 17. **Pat Cravens**, a junior defensive back from Notre Dame Prep, recorded one of the Cardinals' six interceptions.

Illinois Wesleyan senior linebacker **Sean Garvey**, who attended Glenbrook South, registered 14 tackles (eight solo) in the game. York graduate **An-**

**drew Iwaszkiewicz** had a 65-yard punt in the game, and Rolling Meadows graduate **Matt Campbell** had three tackles.

### Chernesky contributes to NU's defense

The Northwestern women's soccer team stormed out to a 9-0 start this season. Sophomore defender **Michele Chernesky**, a Mundelein graduate, started in eight of those matches and helped the Wildcats hold opponents to just one goal combined. Chernesky, who also has one assist, is joined by **Abby Dein** from Glenbrook South, **Kya Suzulki**, a Stevenson graduate from Buffalo Grove, and Loyola graduate **Aspyn Repp**.

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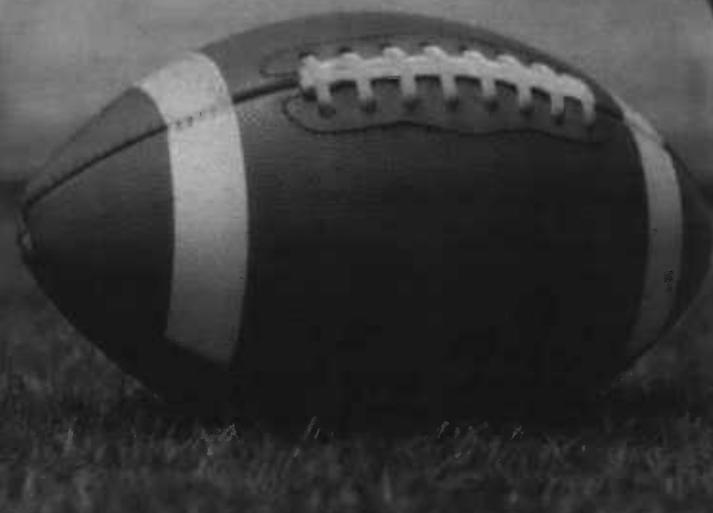
*Sam Brief is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.*



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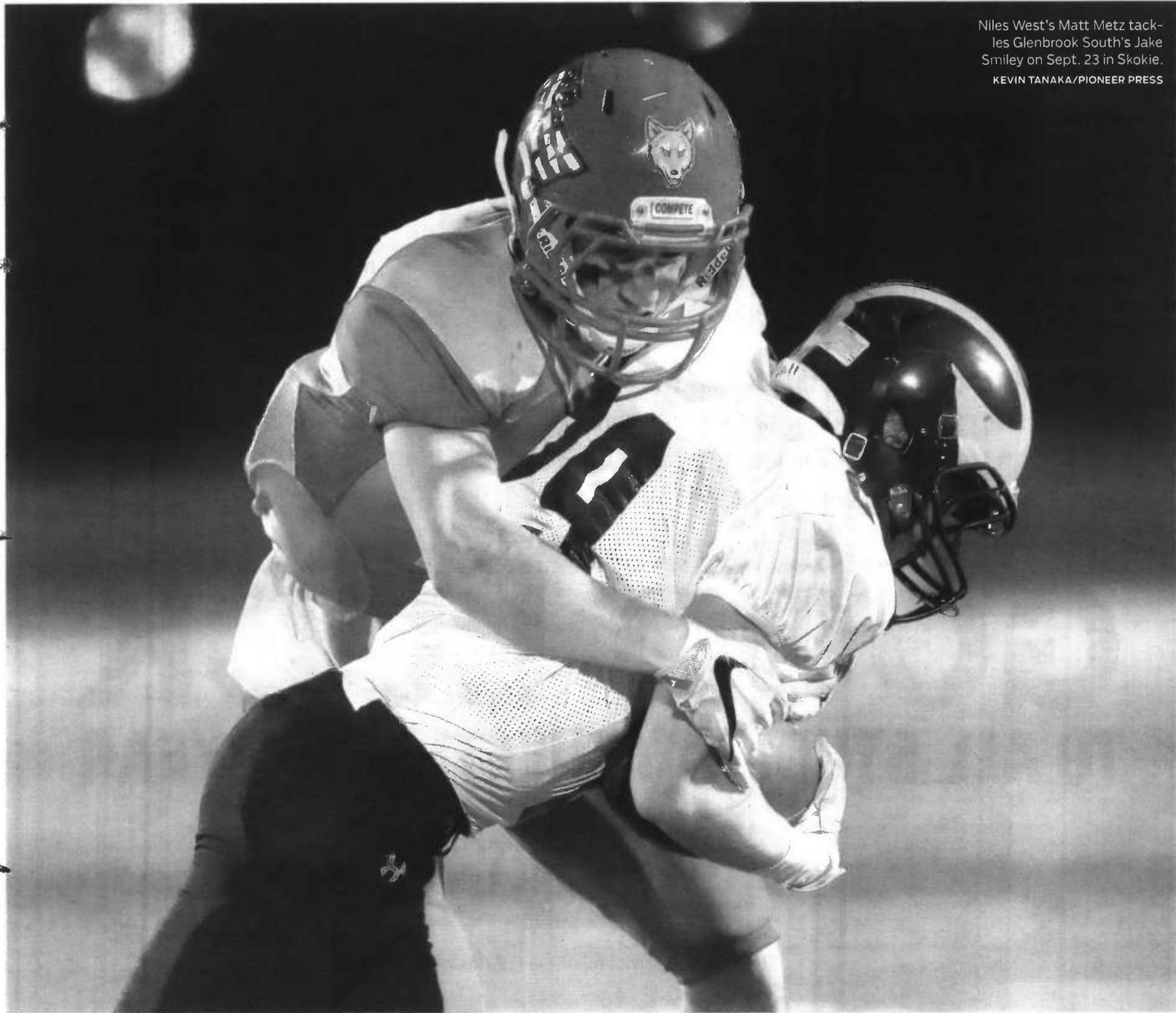
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Niles West's Matt Metz tackles Glenbrook South's Jake Smiley on Sept. 23 in Skokie.

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