Dads on the run

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Gabriel Guardiola, of Chicago, pushes his son Gabriel III at the Father's Day 5K run at Maine East in Park Ridge June 16.

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Andrea Bateman, ‘Outstanding Parent’ winner

Andrea Bateman, a Park Ridge mother of two, was recently presented with an Outstanding Parent award from Maine Township High School District 207.

Bateman’s son, Theodore, a 2019 Maine South graduate, nominated his mom for the honor based on her involvement and dedication to the fine arts department, which includes serving as president of the Music Boosters for the last four years.

A graduate of Maine South High School herself, Bateman is also a former Park Ridge alderman.

**Q: What was your reaction to winning Maine South’s “Outstanding Parent” award?**

**A:** I was pretty surprised. It’s a nomination from your child, so to realize that an 18-year-old kid recognizes what their parents do is a nice thought and a nice thing to have happen. I was honored because there are so many other parents who do so much, too.

**Q: Why is Maine South Music Boosters so important to you?**

**A:** It’s important because there are so few opportunities for parents to be involved in a high school setting, especially in this day and age ... I think we do so much good work by supporting scholarships for student lessons, summer school scholarships, and senior scholarships, and we help with the purchase of sound equipment in the auditorium. We tell teachers, “Give us a list of what you want and we’ll pay for it.”

**Q: What fine arts programs were you involved in when you were a student at Maine South?**

**A:** I was involved in band, choir, orchestra and theater.

**Q: Did you ever imagine that so many years after attending Maine South you would still be so much a part of the music and fine arts programs?**

**A:** I kind of always thought that when I had a family of my own, I would be active in it because I knew I wanted my kids to be in music, theater or stage crew. I know what a great foundation [Maine South fine arts] gave me. [My kids] didn’t have to do band — that was my first love — but they had to do something in fine arts, just so they had the same foundation I had. My parents were also Music Boosters, so when we decided our kids would go to Maine South, I just always knew I would get involved in the boosters.

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Father's Day 5K raises funds for health center

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON

Maine East High School marked Father's Day with an event aimed at fitness and fundraising.

The Father's Day 5K took place at the Park Ridge high school June 16 to raise money for Maine Township High School District 207's school-based health center, which is located at Maine East, said district spokesman Brett Clark.

A small portion of the proceeds will also benefit the Maine East cross country team, Clark said.

The school-based health center is open to all District 207 students and provides free and low-cost health services, including general screenings, routine and sports physicals, immunizations, alcohol and drug use assessments, counseling, and more, according to the district.

The health center is staffed by a full-time nurse practitioner, a full-time mental health worker and a part-time physician.

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George and Bill Bournas of Lincolnshire finish together.

Lupita Monserrat and Solis Flores of Chicago find a warm and dry spot to watch the run.

As David Solis comes to the finish line, daughter Itzanamy races to keep up during the Father's Day 5K run at Maine East in Park Ridge June 16.

Jordan and Ben Backsmeler check the course route.
Lincolnwood trustees, mayor spar over job appointments

BY MARISSA PLESCIA

Lincolnwood Mayor Barry Bass tried to appoint several people to fill vacant village jobs, but trustees at a recent Village Board meeting declined to consider the appointments.

Trustee Jesal Patel said he felt that before the appointments were approved, trustees should have first voted on a proposal to change the way village job vacancies are filled. That proposal also had been before the board on the June 4 agenda. The proposal stated that people interested in working for the village must fulfill certain requirements, such as living in the village for a full year and being a registered voter. They also must fill out an application with a resume and cover letter. Then, if the mayor deems a person fit for the job, he may appoint the applicant with the advice and consent of the trustees.

“The mayor chose to have appointments present appointments in advance of that protocol and it’s just not good policy or process to have something that’s going to govern or regulate or otherwise direct the way that we have appointments,” Patel said in an interview after the meeting.

Bass said that five vacancies were open, one in the parks and recreation department, one on the Zoning Board of Appeals, one in the traffic commission and two in the police and fire board.

A motion was made to fill vacancies at the meeting, but after there was no second offered, the issue was not put to a vote.

Patel said other board members were not consulted about the appointments. Bass, however, said that the trustees were all aware of the appointments.

He also said the appointments should not have been held up during the meeting, and that the appointees, two of whom were recommended by Trustee Atour Sargon, were worthy of the jobs.

“It really shouldn’t hold up people that we need to get in there because we have actions and meetings that are continuous and we have things before the Village of Lincolnwood that require action,” Bass said.

Bass brought Sokal Delisi, one of those he had been trying to place in an open job, to comment at the meeting.

“It’s just not the best way I wanted to spend my Tuesday night,” Delisi said at the meeting. “Again, I respect each and every one of your decisions, but I do not believe that this is the current best course of action at the moment.”

Nickell agreed the appointments should not have been rejected.

“I had no real objection to considering modifications that were brought to the table,” Nickell said. “But holding up the appointments and reappointments on Tuesday just seemed unnecessary and disrespectful to the residents who have stepped up already to volunteer their time to our community.”

Patel said that there was no rush, and any appointments should have been made after the new regulations were put into place.

“It had nothing to do with any individuals and there was no emergency to go ahead and do these appointments,” Patel said.

Marissa Plescia is a Pioneer Press reporter.

Lincolnwood water boil order lifted

STAFF REPORT

The village of Lincolnwood lifted a boil order issued on June 13, saying in a release that public water samples have been confirmed “free of coliform bacteria.”

The release said that “though the boil order was precautionary in nature,” the village recommended following the steps:

• “Flush building water lines by allowing both the hot and cold water to run for several minutes at each fixture. Hot water should be run longer to purge the hot water heater and cycle in new fresh water.”
• Clean faucet screens by removing them from the fixture and boiling them in water.
• Dispose of ice cubes made from tap water.
• Replace water filters on sinks and refrigerators.
• Purge water using appliances such as refrigerator water dispensers, coffee machines, ice-makers (continue replacing ice for 24 hours as water remains in the line as the ice forms), etc.
• Run an empty sanitize or bleach cycle on dishwashers.”

The release said discoloration due to silt build-up is normal and harmless but can be cleared up by running water faucets.

Residents can call public works at (847) 675-0888. In a release, the village said that its pump house had electrical problems earlier in the morning on June 13, causing the water pumps to temporarily shut down.

The pumps “supply and maintain system pressure,” the release said. Because of the water pump shutoff, water pressure “fell below the permissible pressure set by the EPA,” the release said.

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Lincolnwood awards two Officers of the Year

Day, Field receive honors at village board meeting

BY MARISSA PLESCTA

Lincolnwood Police Officers Mitchell Day and Emily Field were awarded “Police Officers of the Year” designations earlier this month at the village board meeting, honoring their service with the police force for the previous year.

To receive the award, officers must be recommended by a supervisor. Police department supervisors then discuss and vote on who is most deserving.

There to present the award was Chief of Police Jason Parrott and representatives from the American Legion Post Tony Dukakis, Ed Hildebrant and Cary Kalant.

"This year we had several candidates, but we found that two candidates who met the criteria of a high caliber that the decision was made to award both individuals of this honor," Parrott said at the Village Board meeting.

Raised by her father, a Lake Forest police officer for 32 years, Field was always surrounded by the police force, something she credits with inspiring her choice in career.

"That's all I've known growing up," Field said. "I kind of fell in love with it and I was surrounded by him and his coworkers."

Field worked for five years as a police officer with Northwestern University's police department, and has worked with Lincolnwood for another five years. Before that, Field was a community service officer in Lake Forest, starting at the age of 18.

In Lincolnwood, Field works as a field trainer, evidence technician, bicycle officer and in forensics. She also is involved in philanthropy at the department and helping raise money for the Lincolnwood baseball and softball association. Last year, they were able to raise enough money to sponsor a baseball team, she said.

Field also has a Biggest Loser initiative every year, a competition to help the department stay healthy and in shape.

But she said her proudest moment in Lincolnwood was a few years ago when she and her co-workers performed CPR on a man, saving his life.

"That's what makes me want to do this job, moments like that when you save someone's life and you see how many people it affects and how happy his family is now that he's alive," she said.

Field said that her favorite part of the job is the variety that comes from it, No two days are the same. "It's the adventurous side of police work. You come to work and you have no idea of what you're going to do," Field said. "It just takes you to so many different places and you see a lot of things that the average person doesn't see, and I like that."

Field said she also enjoys the connection she has with her coworkers and supervisors. "I love my supervisors. Every single one of my coworkers, I get along with," Field said. "In any profession, people complain about coworkers, bosses. But here, it's a very healthy environment. The morale is very high. People like coming to work. It's definitely a family."

Parrott described Field in his speech as "an exceptional officer with a professional demeanor, excellent service record and a great sense of humor." He also said that she is an inspiration for women seeking a career in law enforcement.

"As far as we have come, it is still a predominantly male career field of work," Parrott said at the meeting. "I have to compliment Officer Field for not only being a role model as a female officer but also a female leader within this career and this department."

For Day's part, he said he did not originally aim for a career in policing. He first received a degree in history, and then worked in social services for about a decade with the Boys and Girls Club in Chicago.

But he said he always had an interest in police work, and started working with Lincolnwood about six years ago.

"I think growing up, it was always something I had been interested in," he said. "I got to a point with my career in social services where I was like, 'Well, what's next? What's the next job for me?'"

In 2018, Parrott said at the meeting, Day assisted in burglary arrests, gun control and even saved the life of a person who had overdosed on heroin.

Day said that his favorite part of the job is the bond between him and his coworkers. "It truly is like a family," Day said. "You spend so much time with these people and holidays, and stuff like that. It's a really cool bond, and I'm sure that there are bonds in other jobs, but I think that the bond that we've come to here is definitely unique."

Parrott said that the hardest part of his job is balancing work with his family. He's married, and has an 8-year-old daughter and a 4-year-old son.

Working with the police force can present challenges to family life, he said, and can make it unusual at times.

"I can only imagine how difficult it is for my wife to be married to a cop or for my children to have a dad who is a cop. Thanksgiving for us might not be traditional, it might not be on a Thursday night, it might be Friday at lunchtime."

But Day said he appreciates the support he and his colleagues get from Lincolnwood residents.

"Our community supports us, from the mayor all the way down to the citizens," Day said. "I mean, when we're driving around, folks wave at us and say, 'Thank you.' That's awesome. That's incredible. And it doesn't go unnoticed. We know how incredibly fortunate we are to work in that kind of environment."

Day said he's proud to accept the award, though it wasn't his first time getting the honor. He also won in 2015.

"This is no less of an honor this year than it was then," Day said. "You have to be nominated by your supervisors, so that means a lot."

Parrott said in his speech that Day shows the best side of what police officers should be.

"Officer Day is an exceptional officer that demonstrates the values and mission of the Lincolnwood Police Department," Parrott said.

Marissa Plescia is a Pioneer Press reporter.
Park Ridge zoning board votes down hair salon's request to replace retail shop in Uptown

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON

A request from a Niles salon looking to move to a commercial stretch of Uptown Park Ridge was met with a rejection from the city's zoning commission following a public hearing.

Owners of Salon M, 7403 N. Milwaukee Ave., appeared before the Park Ridge Planning and Zoning Commission on June 11, seeking a special-use permit to operate at 25 S. Prospect Ave., currently home to Uncle Dan's Outdoor Store.

But the commission voted 5-3 against recommending City Council approval of the special-use, with opponents noting that the proposed business does not follow the Uptown Comprehensive Plan's vision for that particular block.

"The language is very strong about what can and cannot go on a particular property on Prospect," said planning and zoning Commissioner Jim Argionis, reading the portion of the Uptown plan that states, "retail, restaurant and entertainment uses should be located on the ground floors of buildings ... particularly in the blocks along Prospect Avenue north of the railroad tracks."

It was this same language that prompted the commission in early 2018 to turn down a proposal for a Pearle Vision to operate at 15 S. Prospect Ave., then a vacant site of a former restaurant.

Despite the commission's vote, the request from Salon M will go on to the City Council for a final decision, Argionis said. A supermajority vote of the council will be needed to override the commission's negative recommendation, according to city laws.

There are more than a dozen businesses offering hair, nail or spa services within Uptown currently, though none face Prospect Avenue north of the Metra tracks. Two of these Uptown storefronts have multiple licensed businesses operating inside.

Isabelle Nigro, owner of Salon M, said the business will have a retail component and estimated that 25 percent of the salon's revenue comes from product sales.

"I'm not opposed to adding more retail to our salon," she added.

Nigro said she and her business partners, which include her husband and sister-in-law, would like to move to the community in which they live and believe the salon "would be a great addition to Prospect" and the surrounding area.

Nigro said they are in the process of purchasing 25 S. Prospect Ave. from Uncle Dan's Outdoor Store, which owns the building.

Uncle Dan's opened in late 2017. "The store is open and will stay open until hopefully Isabelle [Nigro] buys it and does what she needs to do to get it ready to put her salon in," said Doug Wexler, an attorney representing Uncle Dan's.

Wexler argued that retail sales from brick and mortar stores are "slowly becoming a thing of the past" and that there had been little interest from prospective purchasers for his client's building.

Amy DeGrazio, owner of Edie Boutique, 27 S. Prospect, and John Schladweiler, who owns buildings at 27 and 29 S. Prospect, both urged the planning and zoning commission to keep the block retail.

"To take 25 S. Prospect out of circulation would have a major impact on the vitality of the block for retail, especially mid-size retailers," Schladweiler said.

Schladweiler acknowledged that he had previously owned the 25 S. Prospect building and rented it to an insurance office in 2002, before the Uptown plan was adopted. Prior to 2002, Honey Girl, a women's clothing shop, operated there.

Planning and zoning commissioners Jim Hanlon, George Korovilas and Brian Murphy voted in favor recommending the special-use for the salon, while commissioners Argionis, Jim Coogan, Kenneth Dallmeyer, Rebecca Mills and Clayton Hutchinson voted against.

Korovilas acknowledged that he knows the owners of Salon M and his wife is a client.

Nigro Johnson/Pioneer Press

Owners of a Niles salon are looking to purchase the building currently housing Uncle Dan's Outdoor Store, 25 S. Prospect Ave. in Park Ridge.
The following items were taken from Niles Police Department reports and releases. An arrest does not constitute a finding of guilt.

BATTERY
- Samson S. Cherukara, 23, of the 9000 block of Hollyberry Avenue, unincorporated Maine Township, was charged with battery on June 9 after he allegedly punched another man in the face on the 8900 block of North Root Street, police said. He was given a July 25 court date.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT
- James P. Christ, 59, of the 5800 block of Ridge Avenue, Chicago, was charged with disorderly conduct and criminal trespass on June 11, police said. According to police, Christ was accused of entering Dunkin Donuts, 7039 W. Dempster St., even though he had been previously told he was not allowed there. He was also accused of swearing at the manager, police said.

- A 40-year-old Aurora man was ticketed for disorderly conduct on June 8 after police said he was suffering from a mental illness and had not been taking his medication. He was taken to the hospital, police said.

TRESPASSING
- Blank F. Kales, 28, of the 2200 block of W. Rosemont Avenue, Chicago, was charged with criminal trespass on June 12 after police said she was identified as the person seen on surveillance camera opening a row of residential mailboxes inside a condominium building on the 6900 block of West Touhy Avenue on June 6. According to police, Kales was also seen removing mail from the boxes and carrying it to an elevator before she was discovered in a trash chute room and quickly left the building. Court information was not provided.

PROPERTY DAMAGE
- The resident of an apartment on the 8000 block of West Foster Lane told police on June 11 that someone forced their way into the residence and kicked her television, damaging it and leaving a footprint.

PUBLIC INTOXICATION
- A 16-year-old Niles boy is facing a retail theft charge after police said he stole vapor pods from Mobil Gas Station, 8575 W. Dempster St., on June 9.

BURGLARY
- A home on the 7800 block of West Oakton Street was reported burglarized on June 9, police said. Nothing appeared to be missing at the time of the report, according to police.

THEFT
- A 40-year-old man was ticketed for disorderly conduct on June 8 after police said he did not see the signs prohibiting firearms that are posted throughout the park. He did have a valid concealed-carry license for the pistol that was found in his possession, police said.

- A 27-year-old man from Northbrook was ticketed for disorderly conduct on June 8 after he was accused of threatening to shoot another man at Walgreens, 9000 Greenwood Ave., police said. The man told police he only wanted to talk to the other man because he believed he had been rude to his girlfriend.

- A 40-year-old Aurora man was ticketed for disorderly conduct on the morning of June 11 after an employee of a gas station at 7235 N. Caldwell Ave. told police the man began flashing gang signs and threatening him shortly after 4 a.m. According to police, the man said he was suffering from a mental illness and had not been taking his medication. He was taken to the hospital, police said.

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PUBLIC INTOXICATION
- A 25-year-old Des Plaines man was ticketed for public intoxication on June 7 after police were called to a laundromat and cleaners on the 8900 block of North Greenwood Avenue for a report of a man drinking alcohol and listening to loud music, police said.

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- A woman reported her wallet was stolen from her purse on June 7 at Ross, Golf Mill, police said.

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Lincolnwood poet wins literary prize

Cash award and Italy residency included

BY PHIL ROCKROHR

Writing poetry is not a matter of inspiration for Sara Wainscott of Lincolnwood, it's more of a challenging job.

"It's sort of my chosen vocation," Wainscott said. "It's something I work on every day. If I waited to be inspired, I probably wouldn't write very much."

Earlier this year Wainscott, who had previously published only the 24-page chapbook "Queen of the Moon," won the First Book Prize from Persea Books - which will publish her first full-length book of poetry, awarded her $1,000 and a six-week writing residency at the Civitella Ranieri Center in Umbertide, Italy. The residency is set to run from April to June in 2020.

"I was really excited and happy that something I worked on for a couple of years would be something that other people could read," she said about winning. "I'm glad to be able to participate in poetry this way."

Wainscott had submitted manuscripts to several different contests over the last 18 months before winning, she said. Persea will publish "Insecurity System," a contemporary interpretation of a crown of sonnets, in spring 2020.

"It also refers to feelings of anxiety or insecurity in terms of parenting and memory," Wainscott said.

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Pennyville Station gives nod to Park Ridge history

BY JENNIFER JOHNSON

Yes, there are actual pennies incorporated into the design of Park Ridge's newest Uptown eatery, Pennyville Station.

Thousands of them spell out the restaurant's name above the bar and create a mosaic of sorts on the hostess stand.

"Those are all local pennies we got from Park Ridge residents," said Pennyville Station owner Tony Antonacci. "I think we're going to add more, too. We're thinking of other places where we can do the pennies."

After months of renovations, Pennyville Station opened to the public June 7. Sandwiched between IT Crepes and the Harp and Fiddle at 112 Main St., its name recognizes Park Ridge's earliest — albeit unofficial — moniker, Pennyville, and its close proximity to the Uptown train station, Antonacci said.

"I did want to tie into the city's history and I wasn't sure how," he said. "It was a friend of mine's wife who said you know, I think at one point [Park Ridge] was Pennyville. You should look into that."

The city's past is on display in the form of framed photographs that were provided by the Park Ridge Historical Society, Antonacci explained. There's also a retro vibe created by the old wooden dining room tables and mismatched high-back chairs that occupy the center of the eatery.

"We bought them all at garage sales," Antonacci said with a laugh. "The people we bought them from asked, 'Where's the restaurant going to be? We want to come sit there!'"

Antonacci, a Park Ridge native who returned to the city to raise a family, grew up in the restaurant business; his family owned and operated Basta Pasta in neighboring Edison Park and, later, Oakbrook Terrace.

Antonacci himself has worked in restaurant management and server roles, but said Pennyville Station is his first attempt at running his own restaurant.

"I love cooking. I love being around people. I love serving people," he said simply.

The restaurant's menu boasts a "farm-to-table" concept, Antonacci said.

"I wanted to do local produce and 'clean' food," he said. "We locally source about 90 percent of our products."

A majority of the foods come from Midwestern farms and meats are antibiotic and hormone-free, Antonacci added.

"I think the market is moving toward more sustainable products and clean food," he said, explaining why he opted to choose this concept for his restaurant. "I know that's how we try to feed our kids and other people are embracing that as well."

Menu items range from jalapeño chicken and beef short ribs to salads, gnocchi and Chilean sea bass. There is also an extensive beer and wine list.

Pennyville is open Monday through Thursday from 4 to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 4 to 11 p.m. and is closed on Sunday. Plans call for the restaurant to be open on Sundays for brunch and lunch, possibly by mid-summer, Antonacci said.

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Lincolnwood will repave but not re-stripe area near trustee's businesses

BY PHIL ROCKROHR

Lincolnwood will repave but not re-stripe a stretch of Monticello Avenue that runs alongside two businesses owned by recently-elected Trustee Craig Klatzco.

After considerable debate, the Village Board voted 3-2 to reject a proposal to repave and re-stripe the right of way that extends Monticello Avenue from neighboring Chicago across Devon Avenue to Lincoln Avenue.

Trustees Jesal Patel, Sr., and Georgean Hlap Nickell voted against the measure, while trustees Jean Ikezoe-Halevi and Atour Sargon, who voted electronically from another location, who voted in favor of it.

Village President Barry Bass cast the tie-breaking vote against the measure. Village staff members told the board the paving already had been approved in a previous vote.

Klatzco, who owns the adjacent Novelty Golf and Games, 3650 W. Devon Ave., and T's Grand Slam Pizza and Grill at the Bunny Hutch restaurant, 6438 N. Lincoln Ave., recused himself from the discussion and vote. Trustee Ronald Cope was absent.

Nickell said she asked the board to resolve the issue before Klatzco was seated in April because paving and striping a right of way in front of a trustee's businesses sends a "negative message" to the community. "Now we're considering improving property owned by a trustee who happens to be a part of the (board majority)," she said. "I feel like I'm wasting my time. This is inappropriate."

Lincolnwood officials said the village owns the right of way but a portion of the pavement used by vehicles to traverse Monticello along the stretch is owned by Klatzco.

Staff discussed re-stripping the stretch because the board directed them to repave it at an April 16 Committee of the Whole meeting. Public Works Director Andrew Letson said.

Halevi said the right of way is often full of parked vehicles even when Klatzco's Novelty Golf and Games is closed during winter. The parking spaces in question are frequently used by customers visiting businesses across the street in Chicago, she said.

In that case, Nickell said, the stretch should not be striped. "Why are we providing parking for Chicago businesses when so many businesses in town are striving for parking and dying?" she said.

Nickell said other Lincolnwood business owners were required to pay for work done adjacent to their property.

"This shouldn't even be on the agenda," she said. "It's too skewed. There are other businesses in a worse position, as far as parking."

Letson said no other parcels in the village are comparable.

"It's definitely a unique situation in the fact that we don't have any other locations in town where they are half right of way and yet paved to allow traffic to come through," he said.

Village Clerk Anne Marie Gaura said the board approved the paving project in the village's 2019-2020 budget.

When Lincolnwood staff moved forward to schedule the paving, officials reached out to Klatzco to consider options for proceeding, Gaura said. Ultimately, staff decided to return to the board for direction, she said.

"We looked at the next step," Gaura said. "We felt we had to bring it back to the board for clarity. We knew we did not have the authority to move forward with striping."

Illinois law prevents Lincolnwood from entering into a contract with Klatzco in which he would pay for the improvements, but the village is permitted to pave and stripe its own right of way, Village Attorney Steven Elrod said.

"This is a village policy decision for the board to make," Elrod said before the board's vote.

If Klatzco were not a trustee, the village could discuss a parkway licensing agreement to resolve the striping issue by getting access to property he owns, Patel said.

Halevi expressed concern that without striping the right of way might become a "free-for-all for parking."

"If it is unmarked, there is a very good chance it gets used the same as it does now," Village Engineer Jim Amelio said. "People would park there. Without marks, there will probably not be as many spaces."

Amelio said the right of way, which is 33 feet wide at most points, narrows as it reaches Lincoln Avenue, where there is not enough room for vehicles to pass each other in two directions without using private property.

"Anyone coming through is at some point driving on private property," Letson said.

Phil Rockrohr is a freelance reporter.
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Instead of ending Civil War Days in Lake County, use it to tell the whole story

Randy Blaser

There are two ways of dealing with the aspects of our common American history that are unpleasant to face.

One way is to acknowledge the facts with honesty, understand them as part of a shared heritage and learn the needed lessons from them.

The other way is to ignore aspects of our history in favor of whitewashing events in an effort to make them more pleasant, or at least more benign than they really were. This approach is an attempt to bury those memories so nothing is ever learned or understood.

When trying to understand history, I favor the first method.

Unfortunately for Lake County history buffs, Angelo Kyle, president of the Lake County Forest Preserve board, seems to prefer the other way. To Kyle, the unpleasant facts of American history are to be put down a memory hole, as George Orwell used to say.

Compounding this unfortunate approach, Kyle has misused his position in an attempt to unilaterally decide the types of historical events Lake County residents can participate in.

At issue is the annual Civil War Days event set for July 13-14 at the Lakewood Forest Preserve in Wauconda. At Civil War Days, residents can come and learn firsthand about the uniforms, the weapons, and the battle strategies used during a Civil War battle. It is a first-hand look at history that has been held for 27 years.

Without board input, Kyle attempted to cancel the event. Citing contractual obligations he reversed course and said the event would go on this year, but maintained that he would like to see it come to an end.

The Civil War is fascinating history for millions of Americans who want to learn more about the devastating war in an effort to understand our history. More books have probably been written about the Civil War than any other event in American history. But reading only takes one so far.

Thanks to the reenactors, I've personally come to better understand the life of my second-great-grandfather, who volunteered at age 16 to fight with the Fifth Wisconsin Light Battery to preserve the Union and free the slaves.

The reenactors work very hard to be authentic. They strive to bring history alive in an accurate presentation.

But Kyle has a problem with one aspect of Civil War reenactments. To be true to history, the rebels have to be involved with all their authentic relics of the era, including what has become known as the Confederate battle flag.

Kyle cited the flag as one reason he wants to cancel the reenactment. He also questioned the event's value given that the war “didn't end slavery”

"Slavery went on for another 100 years," he told the Lake County News-Sun, referring to Jim Crow and discrimination. "And what do you think happened with the angry slave masters who just lost the war? Hundreds of slaves were killed, and chained and shackled. They took revenge out on the slaves.

Kyle also questioned how Civil War Days fits in with the forest preserves district's central mission of preserving natural resources and the environment.

I'm not a fan of the Confederate flag. I don't think it should fly over state capitol buildings, or be waived at sporting events for teams called the Rebels. I don't want to see it waved for sports stars from the South or at white supremacist rallies.

The flag belongs in museums. And Civil War reenactments are living museums. It is important for all Americans to understand what that flag stood for in 1860s America.

I understand why Kyle finds that flag hurtful and offensive, but there is a difference between history and white supremacist rallies.

In our common history of race relations in this country, we must come to understand that it is at times hurtful. We must embrace and understand all aspects of that shared history, and learn to come to some reconciliation over what was done.

By unilaterally trying to cancel the event, Kyle is making a big mistake and missing a unique opportunity.

As board president, Kyle does not have the power to unilaterally cancel individual forest preserve events. It's a misuse of power. He's wrong to not bring the issue to the full board and the full community for discussion and debate.

However, there is an opportunity for a leader like Kyle. The stories of African-Americans during the Civil War and in the years after can and should be a more central part of the event.

We need to see that history, all of us. We need to understand the stories of the African-American men and women who escaped from slavery, built the Underground Railroad, strived to preserve their families broken up by the slave trade, flocked to Union armies as potential liberators only to be labeled “contraband,” and eventually volunteered to fight for the Union while still being treated unequally.

Their story is often missing from these reenactments.

Instead of ending such events, Kyle would do better to seek to improve them and let the full story of those tragic times be told. We desperately need to hear the African-American voices of our common history.

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‘The Unbreakables’ features story of a woman betrayed

Their little girls were just 5 and 3 years old when Lisa Barr’s husband cleaned out the couple’s bank accounts and left, never to be seen or heard from again.

“I had two babies and 67 cents in the bank,” Barr said. “I have the receipt. It’s in a box in my basement.”

Seventeen years later, Barr’s bank accounts are doing just fine, and life is wonderful. She has a husband she adores, a blended family that includes three daughters and a writing career that has surpassed her lifelong professional dreams.

How did Barr go from rock-bottom to bliss? One word: unbreakable.

“I was going through my deepest hell, but I still had to remain fun mommy to these kids, who were going through tremendous trauma. The pain was unbearable at times, but I was not going to fall as a mom and as a woman,” said Barr, a North Shore native, author and 30-year veteran of print journalism. She explained that in the years following her separation, she raised her kids alone and worked full-time, while fighting for sole custody of her girls.

“I got a job as the managing editor of Moment magazine but I couldn’t afford childcare, so my editor allowed my kids to come into the office and color on the floor so I could work,” Barr said. “I basically slept three to four hours a night for two years in order to make everything work in my life.”

Barr’s journey and her ability to remain unbreakable led to her second published novel, “The Unbreakables,” which was released two weeks ago.

“Like Sophie Bloom, my protagonist, I have hit rock bottom and risen from the rubble to survive, and ultimately, thrive,” wrote Barr in an email.

Barr is also the author of a historical thriller, “Fugitive Colors,” which was published in 2015, and a former editor for The Jerusalem Post, Today’s Chicago Woman and the Chicago Sun-Times.

“Life has given me all the feels: joy, pain, heartbreak, passion. Through the trials and tribulations, I’ve never let anything or anyone break my spirit. That part of me is truly unbreakable,” she said.

I haven’t read “The Unbreakables,” but I did read Barr’s “Fugitive Colors,” a book so compelling I stayed up all night for two nights in a row to finish it.

With a different plot than Barr’s real life situation, “The Unbreakables” is the story of a Chicago woman whose husband and best friends betray her, leading to the collapse of her seemingly perfect marriage. In an attempt to put the broken pieces of herself back together, she travels to France.

While abroad, she rediscovers her lust for life, art and passion.

“This is a book of healing, forgiveness, second chances and reinvention. And yes, it gets sexy,” Barr said. “But while it might seem like a book dealing with infidelity, it’s really about a woman who had abandoned herself way before that. She lost her passion and now she’s getting it back.”

Barr explained that she came up with the idea for the story in 2015 when she heard about the Ashley Madison website scandal, in which hackers stole customer data and published names of its members online.

“I was out with some friends and someone said, ‘I have the list’ and we were all listening to the names of the people in our community. It was the train wreck you couldn’t look away from,” Barr said. “My situation was very different. It wasn’t infidelity, but I was able to write the book based on the inner strength I found being a divorced, single mom. My character, Sophie, and I have something in common: a woman’s strength in the face of adversity, heartbreak and motherhood. No one was going to stop me from surviving.”

Here are Barr’s five tips for the newly separated:

1. Self-care. Invest in yourself. Drink your favorite wine, eat what you enjoy, exercise but do what you love and what makes you feel good. I recommend yoga, long walks with your favorite music, and meditation. This is the time to be good to you.

2. Stay away from toxic people. Hang with the friends and family who make you feel good about you and who prop you up, not tear you down.

3. Get therapy if you need it. Sometimes a professional can help you break through and see the situation through different lenses, and most importantly, push you forward. There is no shame or weakness in seeing a therapist.

4. Be active. Don’t curl up on your couch and just binge Netflix. Take time for yourself but get out there. If you’re not ready to date, then take that wine-tasting class you’ve always wanted to do or join a book club.

5. Get rid of all his or her stuff that makes you feel sad. Get it out of sight. Box it or toss it. Looking at it only brings back bitter-sweet memories. Out of sight is definitely out of mind in this case.

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WHAT TO DO

Classical start to concert series

Park Ridge free summer concert series kicks off

BY MYRNA PETLICKI
Pioneer Press

Every summer since 1961, crowds have gathered in Park Ridge's Hodges Park to hear outstanding concerts by professional musicians who perform on the steps of City Hall. This year's free four-concert series by the acclaimed Park Ridge Fine Arts Symphony kick off June 21 with a program dedicated to “The Heart of Europe.”

“The music that I'm featuring on this program is sort of the core of orchestral repertoire - late 18th and 19th century music from Central Europe,” said Barbara Schubert, musical director and conductor. "They're all very famous composers and very beautiful and appealing pieces. I thought it was appropriate to start out the season with something that represents the orchestra and its main repertoire and its main mission.”

Selections include Mozart’s overture to “The Marriage of Figaro”; Dvorak's “Czech Suite”; and Beethoven’s “Symphony No. 7 in A Major.”

“The Mozart overture that we're doing is very familiar,” Schubert said. “The Dvorak 'Czech Suite' is a little less familiar but Dvorak was representative of a very important trend in 19th century music of incorporating folk music and nationalistic flavor into his compositions and this piece is a prime example.”

The conductor praised Beethoven's nine symphonies as “probably the most famous set of symphonic works from the early 19th century. The seventh symphony is particularly beautiful but also a very exuberant and inspiring piece.”

Schubert said most people will recognize the slow movement. “It's very plaintive with gorgeous melodies overlaid on a repeating rhythm and then a very, very energetic, exuberant, and positive spirit for its final movement.”

"Patriotic Splendors" is the theme of the June 28 concert.

“It's close to the Fourth of July holiday, so I thought we'd do some American music,” Schubert said. The program will feature the holiday favorite, Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture." There will also be works by John Williams, Jerome Kern, Richard Rodgers and others.

On July 12, the orchestra will share composer Hugo Alfven's selections from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Mendelssohn and Dvorak's "Symphony No. 8 in G Major.”

Schubert said that Alfven's piece "is maybe not as familiar as some of the other things we're doing, but it's a very charming piece that captures the folk spirit and the idea of celebrating the summer and celebrating the solstice.”

Dvorak also incorporates folk elements into his music. "Symphony No. 8” is “very lively, particularly its last movement, and has a very tuneful, happy, charming flavor throughout,” Schubert said.

"Hollywood Heroes” will be the theme of the symphony orchestra's final concert July 19. "We always try to do something from Hollywood or Broadway,” Schubert said. Film scores by such composers as Elmer Bernstein, Klaus Badelt, Hans Zimmer and John Williams will celebrate Indiana Jones, Batman, Superman, Wonder Woman, and other heroes.

That concert will present, "an overview of Hollywood style and how richly it's scored,” Schubert said.

Brian Patti Big Band will take the steps on July 26 with an evening of “Dance Band Hits Through the Decades.” They will also perform a salute to Aretha Franklin.

The Park Ridge Park District Band will perform Latin music, including salsa, cumbia, and merengue on Aug. 2. They'll offer free salsa lessons from 7:15 to 8 p.m.

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WHAT TO DO COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Thursday, June 20

Lurvey is celebrating National Pollinator Week: Celebrating National Pollinator Week from June 17 through 23, takes place at Lurvey from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily. Shop for pollinator friendly native plugs all week, enjoy an educational talk on natives for the home landscape by a native plant specialist on June 22 at 11 a.m. Create a perennial container; all materials included for $59.99 on June 19 at 5 p.m. For details call, visit online at lurveysupply.com and Facebook @lurveysupply. 10 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday, Lurvey’s Garden Center, 2550 E. Dempster St., Des Plaines, free, 847-824-7411.

The Barn Steakhouse Nightly Specials: This cozy and chic modern restaurant offers New American fare and craft cocktails, tucked away in a rustic, restored stable in Evanston. Owner and founder of The Barn Steakhouse and Found Kitchen, Amy Morton, has created a meat-centric eatery, delivering only the finest quality ingredients, meats and Heritage Angus Beef. Open Monday through Thursday 5-10 p.m., Friday through Saturday 5-11 p.m. and Sunday 5-9 p.m. Visit The Barn Steakhouse's website to see the menu, and nightly specials, and follow the restaurant on Facebook and Instagram. 5 p.m. Thursday, The Barn, 1016 Church St., Evanston, see the menu, 847-868-8041.


Tricksters- Family Films and Crafts: The Mitchell Museum invites all families for the “Tricksters! Family Film and Crafts!” Program! Join us Tuesdays through Fridays, at 11 a.m. or 1:30 p.m., for a new episode of “Raven Tales,” the hit animated series that teaches children about Native American values through the tradition of storytelling. 11 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday. Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, 3001 Central St., Evanston, $3, 847-475-1030.

Caravans of Gold at Northwestern Block Museum: The Block Museum of Art at Northwestern University's "Caravans of Gold, Fragments in Time: Art, Culture and Exchange Across Medieval Saharan Africa" is the first major exhibition to highlight West Africa's global reach in the medieval period of the 8th to 10th centuries. This exhibit debuts Jan. 26 and runs through July 21, 2019. 10 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday. Northwestern University - Block Museum of Art, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, free, 847-491-4000.

Hedwig and the Angry Inch: Hedwig Schmidt is a genderqueer glam rock ’n’ roll goddess from East Germany whose botched sex-change operation left her with an “angry inch” of flesh where her female genitalia should be. One of the first musicals to explore issues of gender identity, its varied score includes hard rock songs like “Sugar Daddy,” the drag anthem “Wig in a Box” and the tender “Origin of Love.” 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Wednesday, Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre - Evanston, 721 Howard St., Evanston, $34-$54, 773-347-1109.

Ticketed: Starry Night Storytime for all ages: Stories, songs, and fun with the lively Youth Services Librarians. Tickets are given out 20 minutes prior to program, and preference is given to Glenview Public Library cardholders. 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

StoryWalk: Off We Go by Will Hillenbrand: Look out! It is a bumpy ride without training wheels, but with encouragement from his dear friend Bear, Mole keeps going until he reaches his destination. Presented in conjunction with Bike Glenview. Just drop in. 9 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday, Little Bear Garden at Gallery Park, 2001 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

Build It - at Kohl Children's Museum of Greater Chicago: Kohl Children’s Museum of Greater Chicago celebrates the return of the temporary exhibit “Build It!,” a larger than life collection of building blocks that allow children to explore their creativity while learning about architecture, science and storytelling. Kids are able to discover, stack, bridge, enclose, make patterns, name and symbolize using blocks, which are the seven stages of block play. 9:30 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday. Kohl Children’s Museum, 2100 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, Admit: $13 children and adults; $12 for senior citizens; children under 1-year-old and members are free, 847-832-6600.

Animal Secrets: Families will explore the hidden habitats and secret lives of forest animals. Using imaginative role play and hands-on activities, children will discover nature from an animal’s point of view in naturalistic environments, including a meadow, woodland, cave and naturalists’ tent. 9:30 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday, Kohl Children’s Museum, 2100 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, $11-$12, 847-832-6600.

Alzheimer’s Support Group: We'll share successful care giving approaches and discuss what works, what doesn't, and how you can care for yourself and your loved one. Debra Feldman, LCSW, MSW, CMC, owner and geriatric care manager of DDF Management, will speak on this topic. 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Belmont Village of Glenview, 2200 Golf Road, Glenview, free, 847-657-7100.

Senior Coffee Hour: The Music of Simon and Garfunkel: Using audio and visual content, they trace the arc of Simon & Garfunkel's career from their surprise teenage boy hit to folk rock classics to majestic ballads. Registration is required. Please call, visit the website, or stop by to register. 10 a.m. Thursday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277.

ESL Book Reading and Discussion Group: Practice your English conversation and reading skills while expanding your vocabulary as we discuss “America Street: A Multicultural Anthology of Stories” (revised edition) edited by Anne Mazer and Brice Particelli. This program is most suitable for Adult ESL intermediate level speakers; to register for this event, visit www.mmpl.org or call 2 p.m. Thursday, Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln Ave., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-4220.

The Modern Sounds Of Swing: Brian Patti Orchestra performs a weekly show with tributes to Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller, and other greats, like Frank Sinatra. Includes ballroom dancing music. Visit the website. 7 p.m. Thursday, The Veterans Club located in the White Eagle, 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave. #100, Niles, free, 630-832-9222.

Prairie Grass Cafe Brunch: Highlighting fresh, seasonal ingredients sourced from local sustainable farms, Prairie Grass Cafe's creations are fresh and delicious. From hearty brunch favorites to light and healthy fare and everything in between, and with chef-owners Sarah Stegner and George Bumbars at the helm, there is something to satisfy any type of brunch craving. 11 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday. Prairie Grass Cafe, 601 Skokie Blvd., Northbrook, see website, 847-205-4433.

Enhance Your Memory - Memory Training Class: Learn practical techniques and useful information that can help improve brain functioning, increase verbal fluency, and enhance your memory. Developed by Linda Ercoli, PhD, and Gary Small, MD, of UCLA's Longevity Center, this course combines presentations with group discussions, memory checks, and skill-building exercises for an innovative educational experience. 1 p.m. Thursday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $49 member; $59 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

Broadway Comes to Chicago, 2019: In this wonderful and always much-anticipated program, theater nerd and cultural historian Barry Bradford introduces the best theater coming to Chicagoland this year. Titles include: “Come From Away,” “A Bronx Tale, Anastasia,” “Something Rotten,” and much more. 1 p.m. Thursday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $24 member; $34 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

SAIC Art Exhibition at Fashion Outlets of Chicago: Fashion Outlets of Chicago is featuring the work of three Master of Design graduate students from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC), as part of THE COLLECTION: Where Art Meets Fashion. The three winning students, Alexia Roach, Nick Mashie and Shaly Guo, entered a university-wide competition and were selected to exhibit their artwork as part of THE COLLECTION's rotating exhibition series. 10 a.m. Thursday through Wednesday, Fashion Outlets of Chicago, $220 Fashion Outlets Way, Rosemont, free, 847-957-4600.

Rockin' In the Park - 2019 Free Summer Concert Series: Rosemont's Parkway Bank Park entertainment district hosts free concerts on Thursday evenings from May 30 through August 29, featuring music by classic cover bands, food and beverage tents on the park's great lawn and a musical fire works display after every show. Outside food and coolers are prohibited. Parking is available at the Parkway Bank Park parking garage and is free with validation from any of the park's venues. 7 p.m. Thursday, Parkway Bank Park, 5501 Park Place, Rosemont, free, 847-349-5008.

Michael Bublé: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Allstate Arena, 6920 Mannheim Road, Rosemont, $89.50+, 847-635-6601.

Art in Alternative Spaces: All the World's a Stage II: Artists examine the evolution of Chicago area theaters from past to present (including vaudeville stages, silent pictures, live performance venues and motion pictures) to contemporary stage pieces to sometimes extinction. Featured theaters include the Auditorium, Aragon, Bioc...
Friday, June 21

Friday Nights Live: Every Summer starting in June, Friday evenings in Des Plaines feature a special line-up of performances at Metropolitan Square. The entertainment goes from 6 p.m.-9:30 p.m. weather permitting. “Friday Nights Live!” offers family-friendly entertainment, games for the kids, and an opportunity for friends and family to come together. 6 p.m. Friday, Metropolitan Square, 647 Metropolitan Way, Des Plaines, free, 847-299-7403.

Out of Space: Toots and The Maytals: 6 p.m. Friday, Evanston Space, 1245 Chicago Ave, Evanston, $28-$30, 847-492-8860.

Figures: Exhibition Celebrating the Art of Elise Pike: An exhibition celebrating the art of Elise Pike Lerman. The Opening Reception is Friday, June 21, 6-7:30 p.m. The exhibition continues on Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. This is a benefit for St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church of Evanston. 6 p.m. Friday, St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, 2120 Lincoln St., Evanston, free.

Sunrise Beach Yoga with CorePower Yoga Winnetka: CorePower Yoga Winnetka hosts a free sunrise beach yoga series offered weekly from June 14 through August 16. The free classes start promptly at 6:30 a.m. on the sand at Tower Road Beach. Yogis should bring a yoga mat, towel, water bottle, sunglasses and sunscreen. Participants of all levels and ages are welcome, but preregistration is required at the website link given. 6:30 a.m. Friday, Tower Road Beach in Winnetka, 890 Sheridan Road, Glencoe, free, 303-682-3008.

Eight Men Out: The Black Sox Scandal: Riffing off the title of the movie, “8 Men Out”, this presentation coincides with the 100th anniversary of the 1919 World Series and how eight players on the Chicago White Sox conspired with gamblers to “throw” the Series. Bruce Allardice will touch on the toxic nature of sports gambling at the time, then address the many issues and controversies of this scandal and major league baseball’s reaction to it. 10 a.m. Friday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $12 member, $17 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

The Hermitage: Art History of St. Petersburg: Where does one begin to describe the second largest art museum in the world with its 3-million pieces of art? Diana Tulchinsky discusses movements in Italian Renaissance, French Impressionism and Figurativism. As well as paintings of the major artists such as da Vinci, Rafael, Titian, Rembrandt, Ruben, Monet, Renoir, Matisse and Picasso. 1 p.m. Friday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $12 member, $17 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

Saturday, June 22

Downtown Evanston Farmers Market: Sixty vendors sell fruits, vegetables, meat, flowers, cheese, eggs and bakery items. 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Oak Avenue and University Place, 1090 University Place, Evanston, free.

Pioneer Day: Discover how pioneers like the Kennicott family who settled at The Grove, lived, worked and played. Hands-on activities include making candles, rug braiding, butter churning, and cabin building. Campfire cooking and blacksmithing demonstrations are going on all day. For more information, call 847-299-6096. 10 a.m. Saturday, The Grove, 421 Milwaukee Ave., Evanston, free, 847-299-6096.

Glenview Farmers Market: Shop for seasonal fruits and vegetables, flowers, homemade jellies and preserves, cheese and farm-fresh eggs. 8 a.m. Saturday, Historic Wagner Farm, 1510 Wagner Road, Glenview, free, 847-724-5670.

Glenview 3v3 Summer Soccer Fest: This annual tournament celebrates young athletes and the sport of soccer. Registration is available online at glenviewparkfoundation.org. 8 a.m. Saturday, Gallery Park, 2500 Chestnut Ave., Glenview, see the website to sign up, 847-724-5670.

Shabbat Yoga: Experience Shabbat Yoga, a gentle, relaxing yoga session inspired by Shabbat as a rest day, open to all levels. Open to the community at no charge, takes place from 11 a.m.-noon. Bring your own mat and dress appropriately for yoga. 11 a.m. Saturday, Congregation Beth Shalom, 3433 Walnut Ave., Northbrook, free, 847-498-4100.

B96 Pepsi Summer Bash: Featuring performances from 5 Seconds of Summer, Why Don’t We, Bazzi, CNCO, Ava Max, Ally Brooke, Bebe Rexha, Loud Luxury and Drax Project. 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Allstate Arena, 6920 Mannheim Road, Rosemont, $45+, 847-635-6601.

Winnetka Farmers’ Market: Bring the whole family to shop and visit with farmers and neighbors. Enjoy the freshest fruits and vegetables, plants and cut flowers, a wonderful variety of cheeses and baked goods as well as specialty items. Every Saturday rain or shine. Music and fun activities vary from week to week. (Please note that there will be no market on June 22nd due to the Winnetka Music Festival). 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Winnetka Village Hall, 510 Green Bay Road, Winnetka, free, 847-446-4451.

Sunday, June 23

Found Kitchen and Social House Brunch with the Beatles: Found Kitchen and Social House may have jumped into a new decade, but they’re taking it back each Sunday for Brunch with the Beatles. Between 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. come to dine on Chef Bradford Phillips’ new brunch menu, boasting sweet and savory breakfast items like doughnuts, stuffed French toast and smoked salmon toast. Sip on house made juices, kombucha and coffee as 1960s classics play on the restaurant’s turntable. For more information, visit Found’s website and follow the restaurant on Facebook and Instagram. 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Found Kitchen & Social House, 1631 Chicago Ave., Evanston, see menu, 847-868-8945.

5K Run and Family Fun Walk for Melanoma Research: This event is for Melanoma Research sponsored by Hadassah and the JCC Lushtader Health Center. Expect music, scavenger hunt, kids’ super hero walk, stretching, chair yoga for non-walkers and more. Preregister by calling or online registration at www.hadassah.org/cnsevents. Come for the run and walk, but stay all day to enjoy the garden. Parking at the Chicago Botanic Garden is free. Registration: $36 adult, $18 young adult, and children 12 and younger are free. 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, $0, $18, $36, 847-205-1900.

General Lee's Mechanic Tom Sarnento Visits: Tom Sarnento, mechanic for The Duke of Hazzards bright orange muscle car shares his experiences working on the CBS show from 1979-1985. Tom grew up in Glenview. 2 p.m. Sunday, Glenview History Center, 121 Waukegan Road, Glenview, Donations Encouraged, 847-724-2235.

Folk and Rock Revue at Skokie Synagogue with Comedy: Four different musical groups play rock, folk, ethnic and much more from 3-5 p.m. Featured musicians include folk singers “Jeff and Janis,” the lively and spirited “Koleim Band,” top 40 and rock band “Now and Then,” and the upbeat “Night Owls.” Emcee for the gala afternoon is comedian Caryn Bark. 3 p.m. Sunday, Ezra Habonim, The Niles Township Jewish Congregation, 4500 Dempster St., Skokie, $10 per person; $20 per family, 847-675-1411.

Monday, June 24

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous: This is for those who are having trouble controlling the way they eat. You are not alone. Today, there is a solution. Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA) is a free 12-Step recovery program for anyone suffering from food obsession, overeating, under-eating or bulimia. The following meeting is held in Evanston every week: Mondays from 6:45-8:15 p.m. in room 1711 of the Evanston Hospital. 6:45 p.m. Monday, Evanston Hospital, 2650 Ridge Ave., Evanston, free.

Monday Movers Storytime for all ages: Wear your dancing shoes and join the Youth Services Librarians as they twirl into the week at our new summer storyline. Just drop in. 10:30 a.m. Monday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

Family Concert: Laura Doherty: We’re super excited about this summer’s lineup and hope you can stay up late to party with some of our favorite musicians. Please register online, call 847-729-7500 ext. 7900, or visit Youth Services. 7 p.m. Monday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

JCC Chicago Open Game Room: JCC Chicago offers free game rooms at the Bernard Weinger JCC in Northbrook. You bring the games, and we’ll provide a room, tables and chairs. Noon Monday, Bernard Weinger JCC, 300 Reverse Drive, Northbrook, free, 224-406-9257.

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of Chicago's most sensational unsolved murder cases of the 1950s. 10 a.m. Monday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $12 member, $17 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

Chicago Dogs vs Kansas City T-Bones: Join the Chicago Dogs as they take on the Kansas City T-Bones at Impact Field in Rosemont. Chicago Dogs games welcome fans of all ages for a one-of-a-kind experience where every day is fan appreciation day. 7 p.m. Monday, Impact Field, 9850 Balmoral Ave., Rosemont, Single tickets range from $9-$100. Ticket packages and discounted tickets for groups of 20 or more are also available, 847-636-5450.

Tuesday, June 25

Smile & Rhyme at Heinen’s for Ages 2 and up with Adult: Join in for stories, songs, and rhymes in the Café, then stay for a snack and to chat. Just drop in. 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Heinen’s Grocery Store, 1020 Waukegan Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

Creating Animation with Dan Laib: Grades K-8: Creating Animation with Dan Laib Studios for Grades K-8: Grades K-3 are from: 3:30-4:30 p.m. with Grades 4-8 from: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Welcome Dan Laib back to the Library, as this summer he's teaching basic animation techniques and helping young artists create unique flip books to take home. Please register online, call 847-729-7500 ext. 7900, or visit Youth Services. 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

1976 - Rock and Roll: Make it a family night. Pack up the kids, grab a blanket and head over to the north end of Harrer Park. Listen to the tunes of 1976, a Rock and Roll band style. The playground is adjacent to the shelter. Food and drink are available for purchase. 7 p.m. Tuesday, Harrer Park (North End of Park with Playground and Shelter), 6250 Dempster St., Morton Grove, free, 847-965-1200.

Art Workshop: Easily connect to your creativity and imagination! Share ideas with fellow students (beginning through advanced) as you develop your natural talent. Everyone chooses and brings the media they prefer; be it paint, pencil, pastel, crayon, mixed media and so on. Each participant is offered guidance by Carl Kock. Or, you are free to work independently. 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $225 member; $265 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

Bones: Join the Chicago Dogs as they take on the Kansas City T-Bones at Impact Field in Rosemont. Chicago Dogs games welcome fans of all ages for a one-of-a-kind experience where every day is fan appreciation day. 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Impact Field, 9850 Balmoral Ave., Rosemont, free, 847-636-5450.

Wednesday, June 26

TAG: Tween Advisory Group for Grades 5-8: Join TAG and earn service hours for sharing your ideas with Library staff while enjoying snacks, talking about books, and meeting new people. Just drop in. 4 p.m. Wednesday, Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road, Glenview, free, 847-729-7500.

Genealogy Club: She Came From Nowhere - A Case Study: This month, explore the solution to a difficult genealogical problem of finding information on a female ancestor who seemingly came from nowhere. Registration is required. Please call, visit the website, or stop by to register. 1 p.m. Wednesday, Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, free, 847-677-5277.

Painter of Modern Life: The Art of Edouard Manet: Edouard Manet took on the conservative art world in Paris by painting modern life as opposed to “accepted” subjects. Learn about important works in Manet’s oeuvre including Luncheon on the Grass, The Balcony, and A Bar at the Folies-Bergere. 10 a.m. Wednesday, North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield, $15 member, $20 nonmember, 847-784-6030.

Park Ridge Fly Tying Club Meetings: The Chicago Fly Fisher's Club meets at 7 p.m. Wednesdays, from mid-September through May. An experienced demonstrator does demonstrations of fly tying, with members tying the same pattern using tools and materials provided by the club. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Park Ridge Community Church, 100 S. Courtland Ave., Park Ridge, free, 847-823-3164.

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Couple eliminated gluten to ease arthritis pain

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
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Q. Has anybody ever told you that going gluten-free helped their arthritis? My husband and I got this benefit.

About 20 years ago, before gluten was a "thing," I was trying to boost my energy. I went on a diet eliminating all dairy, legumes and grains. After about three weeks, my energy was only a little better, but I realized that my hands no longer hurt. My husband had been having painful joints in his hands too, so he eliminated all three foods and his hands got better as well. We then experimented by adding back certain foods and found it was the gluten-containing grains alone that caused our pain. After many years of strict avoidance, we find that we can now enjoy a slice or two of good-quality bread occasionally without repercussions.

A. Two conditions might be relevant in your case. The first is celiac disease. People with this autoimmune disorder cannot tolerate gluten at all. You and your husband should be tested, but the test works best after several weeks eating gluten-containing foods. The second condition is non-celiac gluten sensitivity, which can cause joint pain as well as many other symptoms (Annals of Nutrition & Metabolism, Nov. 26, 2015). Your strategy is perfect for this type of problem.

Q. I've accidentally found an amazing way to get off of acid-suppressing drugs without having rebound reflux. I've been taking heartburn medicines for decades. I tried stopping these drugs, I got horrible heartburn.

Recently I've been trying to lose weight, so I've gone low-carb, and I eat just one meal a day because I've heard that intermittent fasting is helpful.

A. Research supports your discovery. A very low-carbohydrate diet has been shown to help control symptoms of acid reflux (Alimentary Pharmacology and Therapeutics, November 2016; Digestive Diseases and Sciences August 2006).

We were not able to find research demonstrating that intermittent fasting is helpful for heartburn.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.
Colonial home in Wilmette: $1.1M

ADDRESS: 1306 Gregory Ave in Wilmette
ASKING PRICE: $1,075,000
Listed on May 27, 2019
This updated and expanded four-bedroom home with a welcoming front porch is situated in the heart of Wilmette. The light-filled entryway and living room lead to a formal dining room and family room with a wood-burning fireplace and built-in cabinetry. The eat-in kitchen also opens to the family room and has stainless-steel appliances, quartz counters and a separate butler's pantry. The three-season porch has removable storm windows and screens and a separate mudroom near the kitchen. The spacious master suite boasts a spa bath, adjacent office or nursery, expansive closets and a dressing area. The lower level offers a recreation room, laundry room, full bath and dug out basement area for storage or exercise. A fenced yard with a deck and a 2.5-car garage completes the home.
Agent: Frank Capitanini of Coldwell Banker Residential, 847-446-4000

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At press time, this home was still for sale.

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La Grange lawyer sampling restaurants for Facebook blog

It's not quite like the late Anthony Bourdain's quest to find delectable foods all over the map on shows like "Parts Unknown" and "No Reservations" or, for that matter, the Food Network's "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives" with Guy Fieri.

But Phil Fornaro is doing a mini version of restaurant road trips right here in La Grange, complete with good food, good conversations and good friends, colleagues and neighbors.

Fornaro, a La Grange resident and attorney who practices in La Grange at Fornaro Law, is coming up his eighth stop on a 52-week tour of La Grange establishments. Following a visit to Brothers Mexican Grill La Grange recently, Fornaro and his lunch crew will drop in at Blueberry Hill the week of June 17.

Phil Fulton, Jim Walls, Bill Carney, Joe Kroc, John Rot, Nancy Cummings and Phil Fornaro with at Brothers Mexican Grill in La Grange.
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District 64 officials get first look at new budget

BY HEATHER CHERONE

The Park Ridge Niles School District 64 school board got its first look recently at the draft operating budget for the next fiscal year, which starts July 1.

District 64 officials have not yet received the draft tax levy from the Cook County Treasurer's Office, Chief School Business Official Luann Kolstad told the board. Property taxes make up 85 percent of the district's revenues, district records show.

In addition, the Maine Township treasurer's office has not provided estimates for interest on investments based on the district's current investment. Kolstad said.

It is also not yet clear how much state and federal aid the district will receive, Kolstad said.

Approximately 80 percent of the district's budget is spent on salaries, Kolstad said.

With three new board members seated April 30 and a new superintendent set to take over July 1, the most recent meeting was designed by Kolstad as an introduction to the structure of the district's budget and the various funds used by the district to track revenues and expenses. Detailed information about the 2019-2020 budget — including whether the budget will increase or decrease over the previous year and whether the district is in the red or the black — will be presented to the board June 24, officials said.

But Kolstad did tell the board at the meeting that district faculty and staff members are set to get annual raises for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, increases ranging from 3.18 percent to 3.38 percent.

The board voted to approve similar raises for administrators and non-union employees, something they said was done in an effort to keep District 64 competitive with other school districts.

The total amount set aside for the raises by the board for administrators was $77,000, and no one employee is eligible for a raise of more than 4 percent, the board decided.

Board Vice President Tom Stukenberg, the lone dissenting vote after saying he was concerned that the board had not imposed sufficient controls on the maximum raise that could be awarded to an individual employee based on his or her performance evaluation.

The total amount set aside for the raises by the board for the district's non-union staff — made up of 34 technologists, physical and occupational therapists, nurses and administrative support staff — was $61,000, and no one employee is eligible for a raise of more than 4 percent, the board decided.

That vote was unanimous.

The final approval of the budget is set for Sept. 23, in advance of the state-mandated deadline of Sept. 30.

Heather Cherone is a freelance reporter for Pioneer Press.

District 219 incorporates unexpected revenue into budget

BY PHIL ROCKROHR

Niles Township High School District 219 learned it had received more than $62 million in unexpected revenue before approving its final budget for the 2019 fiscal year, said Eric Trimberger, assistant superintendent for business.

Property tax collections came in $2.5 million higher than expected, the state turned over $640,000 more than expected in corporate personal property replacement taxes, and the state turned over $700,000 more than expected in corporate personal property replacement taxes, he said.

A $168.4 million budget was approved June 4 by a 4-0 vote by the school board with President David Ko absent and board member Rich Evonitz abstaining.

Despite revenues of just $159.3 million, the budget contains an operating surplus of about $21 million, thanks to a larger-than-expected transfer from the education fund to the capital projects fund, Trimberger said.

The district plans to use the surplus to abate $8.7 million in 2018 property taxes used to repay debt and to fund construction projects, he said. An additional $292 million in funding for capital projects will allow the district to do a variety of life-safety and other projects, he said, "that money is from the corporate replacement tax."

The tax is collected by the state on behalf of local government bodies to replace money they lost when the state constitution revoked their powers to impose personal property taxes on corporations, partnerships, and other business entities, according to Connie Beard, director of the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Board member Rebecca Abraham asked if Trimberger expects the trend of additional capital funds becoming available from the state to continue in fiscal year 2020.

State officials have not identified which levels of public education will receive $3.5 billion recently allocated for education, Trimberger said. They have also discussed issuing $200 million in school maintenance grants, which are matched in increments of $50,000 to $100,000 each, he said.

"In past maintenance grants, every district has been eligible," he said. "We have plenty of projects that would be eligible for any kind of matching grant."

He clarified that the district likely would only be eligible for low matching grants because of its high ranking in available funding from local resources.

"I caution the board about that," he said. "There were districts that thought they would get state reimbursements that never received them. While it's great the state has passed a wonderful project that is going to put a lot of people to work, I have to caution the board as to what we might receive, if anything."

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Niles police search for armed robbers of 7-Eleven on Oakton St.

STAFF REPORT

Niles police said two men held up a 7-Eleven clerk at gunpoint June 16, stealing thousands of dollars in cash, cigarettes and lottery tickets.

In a release, authorities said police were called about 7:45 p.m. to the store, 7450 W. Oakton Street, about a robbery that had recently taken place. According to police, one man entered the convenience store and, trying to distract the clerk, tried to buy cigarettes. A second man quickly rushed into the store, the release said, and pointed a dark-colored handgun at the clerk and demanded money.

After getting money from the cash register, the two men forced the clerk to open the back door, where they ran out, police said.

Police described the first man as being Hispanic, 35 to 40 years old, 5 foot 6 to 5 foot 8 inches tall and 200 to 230 pounds. Police said he was wearing sunglasses and a dark, hooded sweatshirt. Police described the second man, who held the gun, as wearing a Nike baseball cap and a nylon covering over his face. Police said he was 35 to 40 years old, 5 foot 8 to 5 foot 10 inches tall, 180 to 200 pounds and wore a dark-colored jacket.

Niles police asked that anyone with information about the robbery or surveillance video from residential surveillance cameras taken from approximately 7:30 to 7:50 p.m. call the detective bureau at (847) 588-6570.

By Daniel I. Dorfman

Dempster Road construction to start in Morton Grove

Drivers in Morton Grove will need to exercise some patience over the next few months as the heavily-traveled roadway will be undergoing resurfacing starting next month.

The work is part of a nearly $4 million project, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Dempster Street, which is under IDOT jurisdiction, will have intermittent lane closures in daytime hours in both directions starting in July in Morton Grove. The work will start west at Waukegan Road and head east to Central Avenue as crews resurface the roadway.

"Some congestion and construction interference is expected," Morton Grove Mayor Dan DiMaria said at the June 10 village board meeting. However, the project will not start until after Morton Grove's Independence Day celebrations have concluded.

"We knew this was coming, but we asked them to postpone the resurfacing effort to accommodate the village's Fourth of July parade which is on that route between Central and Ferris," Village Administrator Ralph Czerwinski said in an interview. "It will be passable but restricted."

Czerwinski advised drivers to use alternate routes such as Golf Road, Oakton Street, Lincoln Avenue and Beckwith Road.

Once the work in Morton Grove is completed, resurfacing of Dempster east of Central Avenue into Niles Center Road is expected to start, according to IDOT spokesman Guy Tridgell.

Tridgell said the start date of the Skokie phase of the project is still being finalized. He believes some work could start later this year, but does not expect the total resurfacing to begin in Skokie until next spring.

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Researchers place tracking bands on hatched falcons

BY GENEVIEVE BOOKWALTER

For a few brief minutes, the adult falcons that call Evanston Public Library home each spring were empty nesters. Scientists on June 6 pulled two peregrine falcon chicks from their nest atop the Evanston Public Library, banded their legs, drew blood from their wings and recorded their measurements before they were safely returned to their parents.

For the approximately 150 people gathered to marvel at the process, it was a chance for an up close look at the birds that become town mascots of sorts every spring. Spectators could see the heaving chests of the falcon chicks, referred to as eyases, as they laid on a table while researchers did their work. Metal bands were clipped around the eyases' ankles. While the birds are fully grown, researchers said they don't yet have the feathers needed to fly away.

On Thursday, the birds were still covered with fluffy down, with feathers developing like spikes on their tails and wings. Their deep, dark eyes took in the ogling crowd.

"They're as big as they're going to get, so I don't have to worry about them outgrowing the band," said Mary Hennen, assistant collections manager and director of the Chicago Peregrine Program at The Field Museum, with one of two baby falcons collected to be banded and have blood samples drawn.

Researchers handled, unlike its sister, the eggs that didn't hatch will become part of The Field Museum’s collection, Hennen said.

Cooper Sullivan, 6, of Evanston, attended the event with his mom. Cooper said he was surprised that the male squawked and whined while it was handled, unlike its sister.

Nike wasn't "as quiet as its sister," Cooper said. "The sister was way more calm."

This is the 16th year that falcons have nested on top of Evanston Public Library, officials said. It's the 14th year for Squawker and third for Fay. Cooper Sullivan, 6, points at an adult falcon perched outside the Evanston Public Library on June 6.

About 54 eyases have emerged from library rooftop scrapes over the years, library officials said. The newest eyases are expected to begin flying in about three weeks.

After the banding, Hennen said her biggest surprise was finding another, unhatched egg against the wall as the chicks were returned to their nest.

There's "no way to tell when it was laid," Hennen said. It could have been this year, it could have been last. Researchers grabbed it and will add it to the Field Museum’s collection, Hennen said.

A baby falcon before it is banded at the Evanston Public Library on June 6.
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EMMA WEAVER
NEW TRIER

BY STEVE REAVEN
Pioneer Press

The debate might never truly be settled as to which of Tom and Terri Weaver’s four children has the most polished athletic resume.

What has become crystal clear, though, is that the youngest of the four, Emma Weaver, is gaining quickly on her three accomplished older siblings.

Weaver recently put a bow on a prolific junior season for the New Trier girls soccer team. She added to her family’s legacy in athletics and won plenty of awards along the way.

Now, she is the Pioneer Press Girls Soccer Player of the Year.

“It’s definitely always been competitive between us because we all put our hearts into everything we do,” Weaver said. “In the end, though, we’re all family and we love each other.”

Weaver has learned from each of her older siblings, starting with her oldest sister, Jessica Weaver, who played soccer at DePaul after a stellar career at New Trier.

“She’s a huge role model to me, and I look up to her a bunch,” Emma Weaver said.

Next in line is Claire Weaver, who plays field hockey at Villanova, where Emma Weaver will enroll in the fall. Then there’s Logan Weaver, a 2019 New Trier graduate who will play soccer at Northwestern.

“Seeing how hard he works has been influential to me,” Emma Weaver said of her brother. “For a long time, chasing all of them around, I was left out, so it’s nice that now I’m getting some attention.”

She certainly is, and deservedly so.

Weaver, a junior forward and midfielder, scored at an astonishing rate this season. She finished with 33 goals, with the final two helping the Trevians defeat Lyons 2-0 in the Class 3A state third-place game.

She scored almost half of the 67 goals New Trier (22-3-5) tallied the entire season.

Though there were plenty of memorable goals to recall, coach Jim Burnside said he especially remembers the game-winner Weaver punched into the upper-left corner late in New Trier’s 3-2 sectional final win against Glenbrook South.

“That was one where what she did really wasn’t fair,” said Burnside, who has six state titles in his 23 years leading the New Trier’s Emma Weaver, right, will suit up for the Villanova women’s soccer team next season.

program. “I’ve never had a player who had so much impact on a team.”

But Burnside can’t exactly pinpoint what sets Weaver apart, because so many things do. Her field vision is what first comes to mind, and he compared how she sees the entire field to how pieces move around a chess board.

The speed at which Weaver plays is also a rare commodity, as is her scorer’s mentality.

Weaver said her confidence and versatility also give her an edge. She credited a high soccer IQ for helping to put everything together.

“That comes from all those years of watching my brother and sisters,” Weaver said. “I feel I can create stuff off what the defense is doing, and my soccer IQ really helps there.”

Besides watching her siblings, Weaver rarely misses the chance to take in high-level soccer on television. Her idol is U.S. Women’s National Team superstar Alex Morgan. Weaver said she is “a bit of a geek” when it comes to following Morgan, and that obsession includes watching plenty of YouTube highlights.

“All my goals are always team goals,” Weaver said. “And I love how (Morgan) plays for all the players who came before her. She inspires me to be a better player.”

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KEVIN LAMP
LAKE FOREST

BY BOB NARANG
Pioneer Press

Kevin Lamp started his volleyball career with a challenge.

These days, the Lake Forest senior outside hitter is one of the best players in the country. Volleyballmag.com ranked Lamp as the No. 2 recruit for the class of 2019.

But eight years ago, Lamp was just starting his volleyball career. He learned the ins and outs of the game by watching his older brother, Henry Lamp.

The younger Lamp was faced with a tall task: At age 10, he began by playing for the under-14 team at Adversity Volleyball Club.

“I was definitely afraid,” Lamp recalled. “But I wanted to play.”

From that start, Lamp shaped his volleyball career by tackling obstacles and playing against a higher level of competition to become one of the best players in the country.

The Stanford recruit finished with 280 kills, 95 digs, 35 aces and 27 blocks to be named the 2019 News-Sun Boys Volleyball Player of the Year. He is also the Pioneer Press Boys Volleyball Player of the Year.

Lamp missed 14 matches due to his U.S. Men’s Junior National Team obligations and a late-season knee injury that forced him to miss Lake Forest’s last two playoff matches. The Scouts (23-13) still managed to win the North Suburban Conference regular-season championship.

“The team was a lot of fun, and individually I had a good season,” Lamp said. “We had a lot of good wins.”

At 6-foot-5 and 190 pounds, Lamp brings skill and strong genes to the volleyball court. Many of his family members are athletes with Estonian heritage. One of his cousins is Grete Sadeiko, who is training for the 2020 Summer Olympics in the heptathlon. Sadeiko is married to NFL quarterback Robert Griffin III.

Lamp, a four-time all-conference selection, aspires to be an Olympian as well. He has competed with the U.S. Men’s Junior National Team in Peru and Cuba and is aiming for many more international competitions.

“Right now, I would say I’m in a transition period, finished a lot of goals, fulfilled a lot of expectations,” Lamp said. “But now, what’s the next step: My career at Stanford and making the Olympic team one day. My goals have branched out.”

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2019 PIONEER PRESS ALL-AREA GIRLS SOCCER TEAM

By Steve Reaven
Pioneer Press

FIRST TEAM

Christine Batliner
School: Barrington
Year: Senior
Position: Defender
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Had five goals and 11 assists.

Maggie Brett
School: Loyola
Year: Senior
Position: Forward
Accolades: Named conference player of the year and IHSSCA all-state. Committed to Southern Illinois.
Key stats: Tallied six goals and four assists.

Sam DeJulio
School: St. Viator
Year: Senior
Position: Defender
Key stats: Helped the Lions post a winning record in ESCC play with a 23-7 conference goal differential.

Malori Killoren
School: Deerfield
Year: Junior
Position: Midfielder
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Supplied 17 goals and four assists.

Eileen Murphy
School: Lyons
Year: Senior
Position: Midfielder
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-state. Committed to Illinois.
Key stats: Tallied 22 goals and two assists.

SECOND TEAM

Anissa Nourse
School: Fenwick
Year: Senior
Position: Forward
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-state. Committed to Loyola of Chicago.
Key stats: Had three goals and seven assists.

Madi Rosen
School: Barrington
Year: Senior
Position: Defender
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-state. Committed to Loyola of Chicago.
Key stats: Had three goals and seven assists.

Emma Weaver
School: New Trier
Year: Junior
Position: Forward/midfielder
Key stats: Had 33 goals and 13 assists.

Jenny Staten
School: Stevenson
Year: Senior
Position: Goalkeeper
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-state. Committed to Florida.
Key stats: Recorded 131 saves and 13 shutouts.

SENIOR TEAM

Heidi Bianucci
School: New Trier
Year: Junior
Position: Defender
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Supplied 20 goals and 16 assists.

Kalyssa Van Zanten
School: Stevenson
Year: Senior
Position: Forward
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Supplied 19 goals and nine assists.

Edith Edwards-Mizel
School: North Shore Country Day
Year: Senior
Position: Midfielder
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional. Committed to Chicago State.
Key stats: Had 11 goals and five assists.

Francesca Faraci
School: Maine South
Year: Senior
Position: Midfielder
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Had two goals and two assists.

Chloe Sena
School: Hersey
Year: Junior
Position: Forward
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Supplied 14 goals and six assists.

Ashley Welk
School: Prospect
Year: Senior
Position: Midfielder
Accolades: Selected conference co-player of the year and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Scored 12 goals.

HONORABLE MENTION

Mark Kodiau Ukena/Pioneer Press

Barrington's Christine Batliner had five goals and 11 assists during a stellar season for the Fillies.

Morgan Long
School: Lake Zurich
Year: Senior
Position: Midfielder
Accolades: Selected all-conference and IHSSCA all-sectional.
Key stats: Had seven goals and eight assists.

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# 2019 Pioneer Press All-Area Boys Volleyball Team

## First Team

**Peter Brown**  
*School:* New Trier  
*Year:* Junior  
*Position:* Outside hitter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference. Committed to USC.  
**Key stats:** Talled 360 kills, 151 digs, 45 blocks and 32 aces.

**Kevin Lamp**  
*School:* Lake Forest  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Outside hitter  
**Accolades:** Member of the U.S. Men's Junior National Team. Ranked second nationally among high school seniors by VolleyballMag.com. Selected all-conference. Committed to Stanford.  
**Key stats:** Talled 280 kills, 95 digs, 35 aces and 27 blocks in only 22 matches.

**Gabe Hartke**  
*School:* Barrington  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Outside hitter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference and conference co-MVP. Committed to Penn State.  
**Key stats:** Had 323 kills, 202 digs, 48 blocks and 25 aces.

**Mike Scott**  
*School:* Carmel  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Outside hitter/middle hitter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference and conference player of the year. Committed to Penn State.  
**Key stats:** Talled 374 kills, 134 digs, 40 blocks and 40 aces.

**Jack Shampine**  
*School:* Glenbrook South  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Outside hitter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference and conference co-MVP. Committed to Loyola of Chicago.  
**Key stats:** Had 186 kills and 106 blocks.

**Jakub Migus**  
*School:* Hersey  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Setter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference and conference co-MVP.  
**Key stats:** Had 605 assists, 126 digs, 50 kills, 29 blocks and 12 aces.

## Second Team

**Jack Bolz**  
*School:* Maine South  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Outside hitter/middle hitter  
**Accolades:** Committed to George Mason.  
**Key stats:** Talled 345 kills, 154 digs, 89 blocks and 38 aces.

**Ray Bonner**  
*School:* Lyons  
*Year:* Senior  
*Position:* Outside hitter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference. Committed to Lindenwood.  
**Key stats:** Talled 362 kills, 188 digs, 59 blocks and 32 aces.

**Justin Ross**  
*School:* Stevenson  
*Year:* Junior  
*Position:* Middle hitter  
**Accolades:** Selected all-conference. Committed to Loyola of Chicago.  
**Key stats:** Had 186 kills and 106 blocks.

## Honorable Mention

- Sammy Adkisson, Vernon Hills, senior, libero;  
- Evan Bajerski, Lake Zurich, junior, middle hitter;  
- Jackson Brossett, Rolling Meadows, senior, setter;  
- Kelan Burns, Deerfield, senior, outside hitter;  
- Sean Carey, Niles West, sophomore, outside hitter;  
- Patrick Graham, Libertyville, junior, middle hitter;  
- Jairon Hsieh, Deerfield, junior, outside hitter;  
- Jason Kemp, Leyden, senior, outside hitter;  
- Jeff Lehrman, Deerfield, senior, libero;  
- Gavin Meng, Stevenson, junior, outside hitter;  
- Ryan Merk, Loyola, sophomore, libero;  
- Kyle Rasmussen, OPRF, senior, outside hitter;  
- Marc Rey, Mundelein, senior, middle hitter;  
- Zach Salberg, New Trier, senior, setter;  
- Gavin Schwarz, Hinsdale Central, senior, libero;  
- Cal Snyder, Hinsdale Central, senior, outside hitter;  
- Ethan Soifer, Buffalo Grove, senior, outside hitter;  
- Will Sorenson, Stevenson, senior, setter;  
- Luke Vozenilek, Hinsdale Central, senior, middle hitter;  
- Bartosz Wielgos, Lake Zurich, senior, outside hitter.  

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