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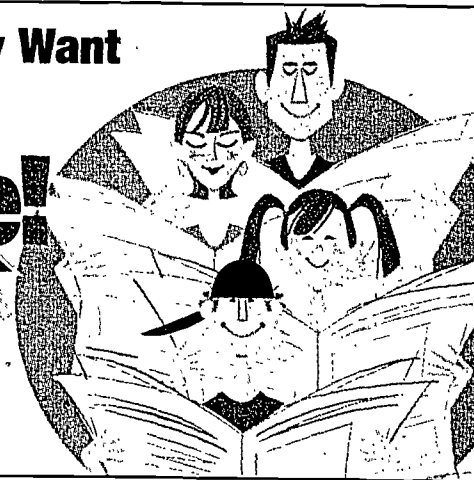
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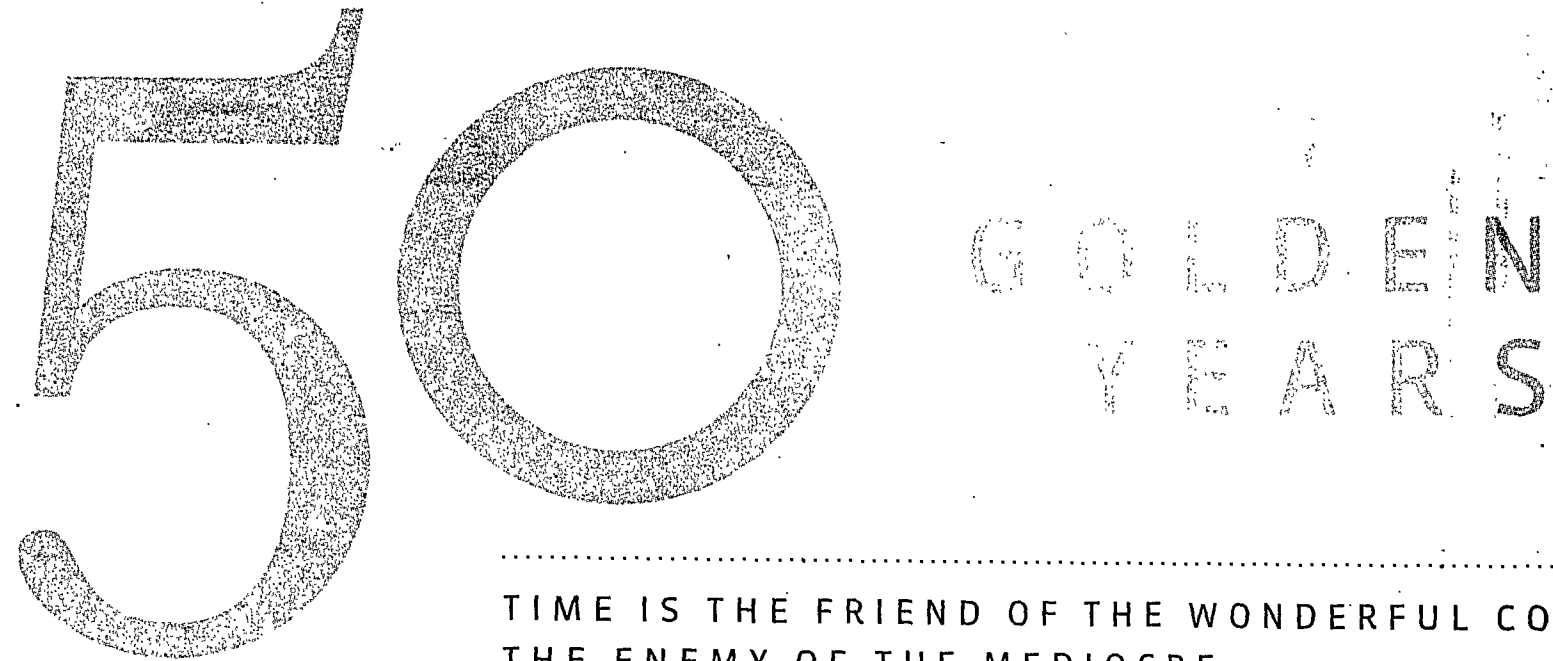
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Robert Shannon, who works at Suits 20/20 in Niles, had a close personal relationship with Martin Luther King Jr. while growing up in Montgomery, Ala. | Seth Schwartz-For Sun-Times Media

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

### Local man recounts childhood memories of civil rights pioneer

By SETH SCHWARTZ  
Contributor

Memories of Martin Luther King Jr. come to mind periodically for Robert Shannon — and for good reason.

Raised in Montgomery, Ala., Shannon, who works at Suits 20/20 in Niles, was a preteen when King and his family moved to the capital and became minister at the renowned Dexter Avenue Baptist Church from 1954 to 1960.

The Shannon family developed a close relationship with King.

Robert's mom, Maggie, ran a popular restaurant, known for her delectable southern dishes.

His dad, Claude Shannon, was frequently on the road traveling with his 10-piece band, Claude Shannon and the House Rockers. So King made arrangements to come by

every Sunday morning and take Robert and his sisters, Claudene and Cora, to Church.

"My dad said he couldn't get to church because he was gone a lot on the weekends so Rev. King said it would be OK if I came by and picked the kids up," said Shannon, whose sisters baby-sat King's children. "So that was the arrangement they made. My dad was religious, but they had a mutual respect."

Occasionally King would come over for dinner, but on Sunday he would always enjoy a couple of Maggie's famous biscuits before leaving.

"At that time I looked at him as just another person," said Shannon, whose family was baptized by King. "When I got older I realized how important he was and the impact of the work he was doing. He al-

ways encouraged me and stressed the importance of being proud of what you are."

Because of his band Shannon's dad stayed clear of any involvement with civil rights.

"My dad played for whites and blacks all over the south," Robert Shannon said. "He'd play the prom for the black and white high schools. Nat King Cole played with his band for a short time. He told Dr. King he had to stay away from the movement because he didn't want to lose business."

One person Claude Shannon often performed for was Gov. George Wallace.

Robert Shannon, who occasionally played drums in his dad's band, would help set up the stage at clubs and at the governor's mansion less than a mile from his home.

"Gov. Wallace would call up and say, 'Hey, is you're daddy there?'" Shannon recounted. "They'd play in the governor's back yard for 100 to 200 people. Because of my dad's contacts I had the freedom to go a lot of places others couldn't."

King delivered his sermons to packed congregations every Sunday. Robert Shannon noticed a number of whites would sit in their cars outside the church and listen to King. After graduating from high school in 1965, Robert Shannon went to college for a couple years and then moved to LaGrange, Ill., to live with his brother. He worked the majority of his life in the clothing business with Hart Schaffner Marks, then Irv's and for Suits 20/20 in Niles the past four years.

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Niles Police evidence technician Jerry Walczak takes photos around the crime scene in Golf Mill Park after a Niles village employee was robbed and stabbed in a village vehicle at the corner of Grace and Davis. | Joel Lerner-Sun-Times Media.

## GOLF MILL PARK

### Village worker making bank run stabbed by robber: police

By JENNIFER JOHNSON  
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A Niles village employee was robbed and reportedly stabbed Tuesday morning at Golf Mill Park, at Davis Street and Grace Avenue.

Niles Cmdr. Jim Elenz said the employee, who was not immediately identified by police, was on his way about 9:30 a.m. to PNC Bank-Golf Mill, 9101 N. Greenwood Ave., to deposit village funds when he was pepper-sprayed, robbed and stabbed.

PNC Bank is located one block west from where the robbery occurred.

He was transported to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge; his condition was not

known. Niles Sgt. Robert Tornabene said the robbery occurred while the employee was inside his village vehicle, which was stopped at a stop sign on westbound Davis Street at Grace.

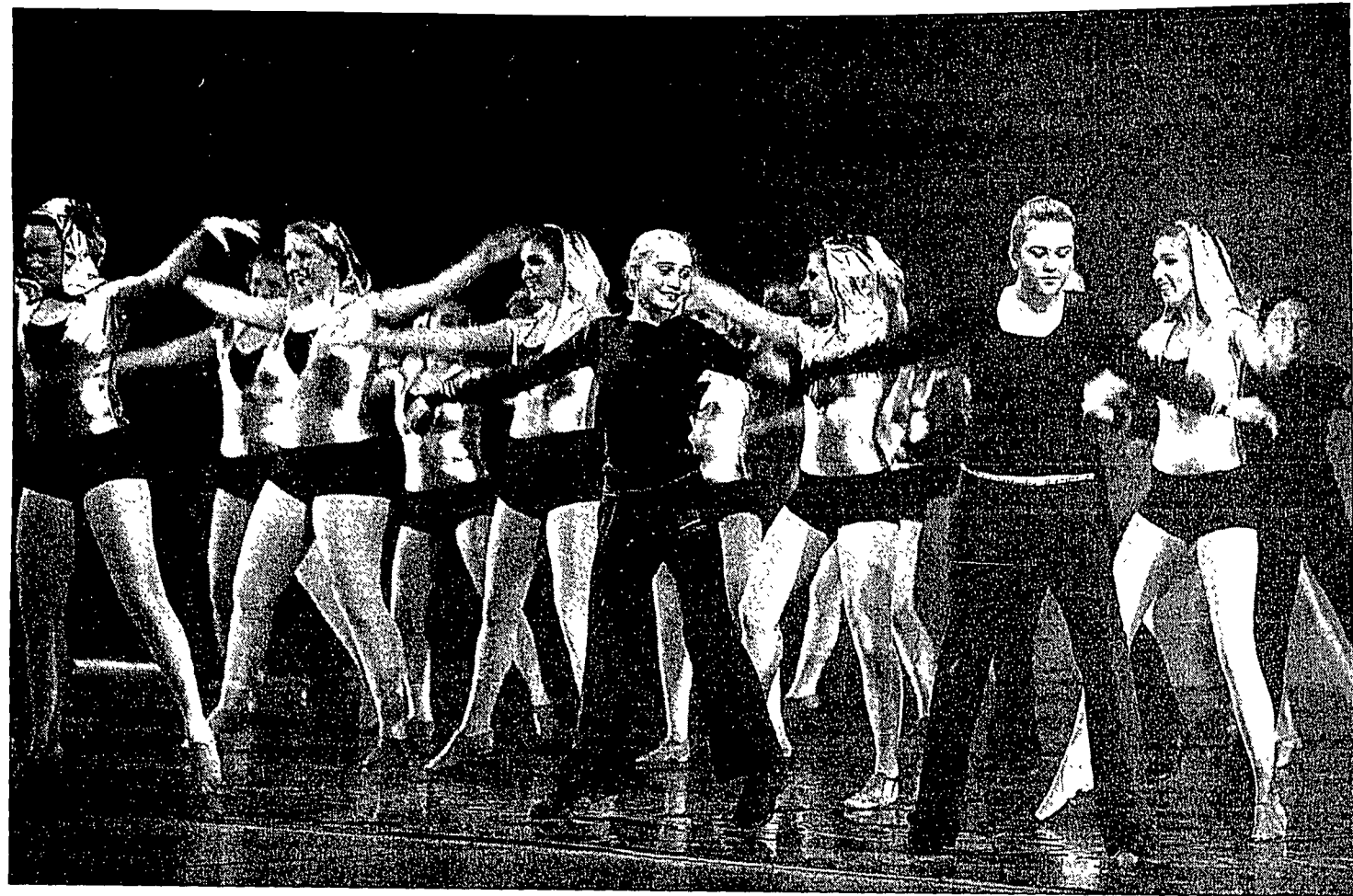
Multiple offenders are believed to have been involved. No one was in custody. "They used some kind of ruse to approach him and to get him to roll down the window and talk to him," Tornabene said.

It was the employee who reported the incident on his village radio, he said.

The employee's vehicle was towed away from the scene, which was cordoned off by yellow crime-scene tape, about 10:30 a.m.

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Middle-school dancers (in black) danced with Orchesis members during the annual Maine South Orchesis show, "Heartbreaker," in Park Ridge earlier this month. | Rob Hart-Sun Times Media

MAINE SOUTH

# Orchesis team steps back into spotlight

Maine South High School's Orchesis Dance Company presented its annual show, this year titled "Heartbreaker," earlier this month.

Orchesis dancers choreograph their own pieces for the show, which featured a variety of dance styles, including jazz, hip hop, modern and lyrical.

This year's Orchesis members are Breigh Carey, Nicole Christie, Colleen Cottrell, Paris Corvino, Meghan Farrell, Maggie Fleita, Anna Graziano, Rachel Hankins, Jenni Hanson, Megan Hinds, Hayley Jaffe, Katie Krone, Kate Makowski, Mirae Mastrolonardo, Gaby Porras, Katelyn Ryan, Jessica Self, Marissa Sulek and Nicole Zawistowski. Amelia Faulstick is the Orchesis sponsor.



Megan Hinds choreographed and danced to "Mercy." | Rob Hart-Sun Times Media

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#### 2. Police warn neighbors of scams using ruse-entry

Don't know the person on the other side of the door? Don't let him in.

#### 3. Police don't have to look too far for alleged heroin dealer

An ongoing narcotics investigation by Cook County Sheriff's Police led to the arrest last month of an alleged gang member already under house arrest in unincorporated Maine Township.

#### 4. Survey: Niles one of best U.S. cities to raise kids in

Niles Chamber of Commerce Director Katie Schneider wasn't surprised when Bloomberg Businessweek named Niles one of the best affordable places in the country to raise kids.

#### 5. 'Date rape' drug found during traffic stop: cops

A traffic stop by Cook County Sheriff's Police led to the discovery of an intoxicating substance commonly referred to as the "date-rape drug."

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## SOLID ROCK CARPENTERS

# From lost causes to new foundations

### Area nonprofit lends a helping handyman to rebuild homes

By NATASHA WASINSKI  
Contributor

When Keith Reboletti visited the Louisiana woman's home, he knew it was a lost cause. The sinking floors and backed-up drainage system made it too difficult to work on, let alone live in.

"Structurally, it was beyond repair," said Reboletti, a licensed Park Ridge Realtor experienced in home remodeling. He assessed that Yolanda Harvey's house had to be condemned.

Harvey has a disability that makes her unable to work, and without an income she is ineligible to receive a new home from Habitat for Humanity. Reboletti and a volunteer team of willing workers were forced to walk away.

That didn't sit well with Jeff Engle, of Glenview. After all, it was people like Harvey whose precarious situations motivated the Solid Rock Carpenters to travel to places like Bogalusa, La., in the first place.

So Engle and Solid Rock Carpenters decided they would help

Harvey get a new house. In fact they would finance and build it for her from the ground up.

### Family business

Brothers Jeff and Scott Engle co-founded the nonprofit Solid Rock Carpenters to organize service trips to Louisiana and Mississippi and provide manpower for Habitat for Humanity and other locally funded projects. What began as a group of 10 guys getting away to pound nails quickly transformed into an interstate volunteer network.

"Every time I came back from a trip, people asked when the next one was," Jeff Engle said. "It's taken on a life of its own."

Solid Rock volunteers began work on Harvey's new home a year ago. They built the wall panels in January. The city of Bogalusa donated the property, and a local Habitat for Humanity team oversaw preparation of the site and the concrete foundation pour in the spring. By June a Solid Rock team had framed and shingled the two-bedroom house. They returned in November to do the bulk of the handiwork, including installing the critical portions of the electrical system, finishing the siding, insulating the home and putting up drywall.

Harvey's home cost about \$40,000. By early-December the nonprofit was \$25,000 short. It took one e-mail, Engle said, to family, friends and past partici-

pants to raise \$30,000 more, making the entire project financed solely by individual donors.

Now Jeff and Scott Engle, their parents and other Solid Rock supporters are on their way back to Bogalusa for a home-dedication ceremony Monday, which is also the Martin Luther King, Jr.

holiday.

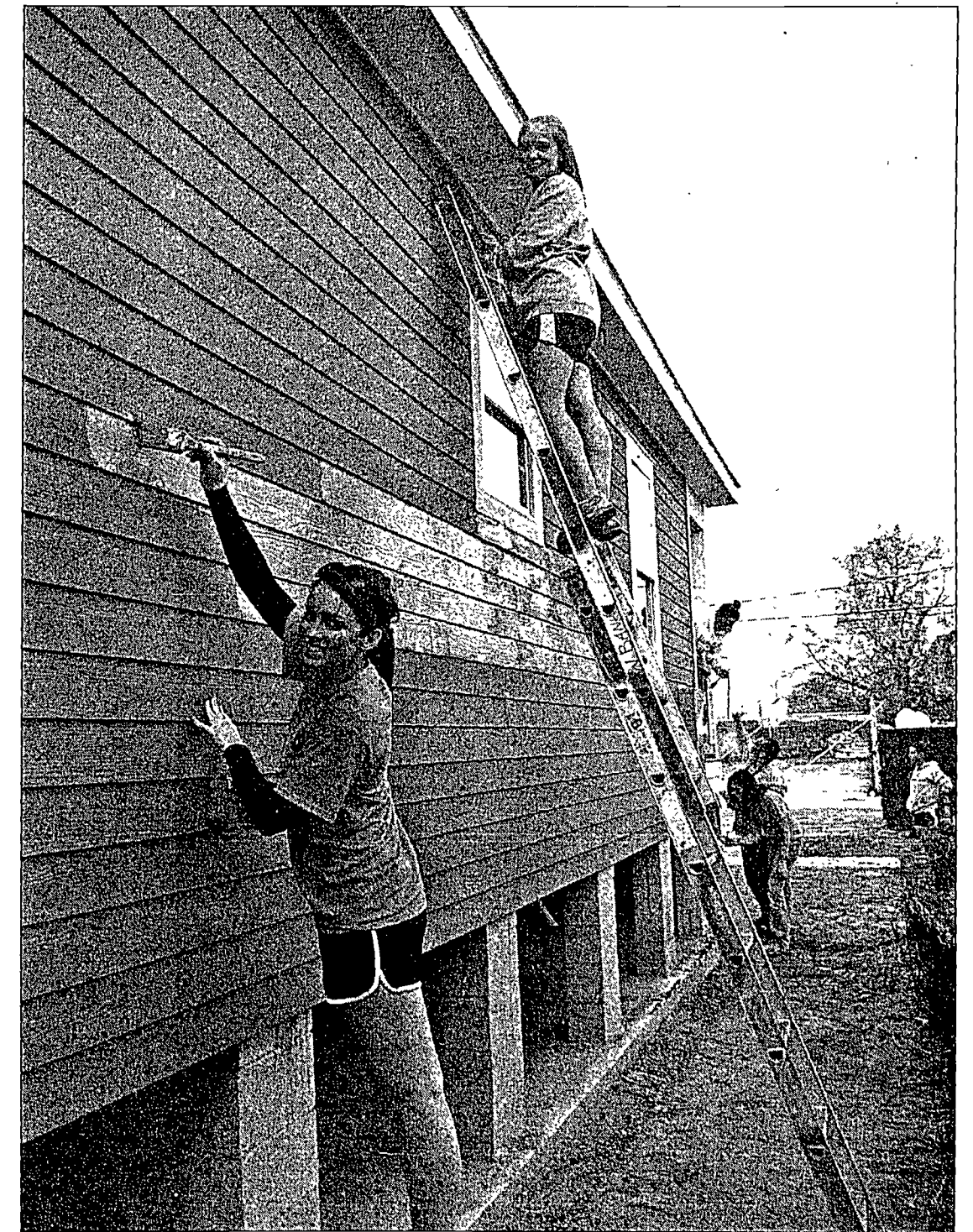
"It's very fitting," Jeff Engle said.

### 'Mix of skills'

Harvey's new home is the second house Solid Rock Carpenters has fully funded. In five years Solid Rock Carpenters has built 23 houses, hosted 30 trav-

el teams and held eight local "build days." Its 3,000-strong volunteer network includes kindergartners, grandparents, college students, professional home builders, novice workers and more. Most reside in Glenview, Park Ridge and the surrounding

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Morgan Metz, of Springfield, and Jennifer McGarrity, of Glenview, finish painting a house built by Solid Rock Carpenters. | Contributed photo



Scott Engle (second from left) and Solid Rock Carpenters donated and built a new house for Yolanda Harvey (center), of Bogalusa, La. | Contributed photo



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**COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE**

## Underage sex assault victim contracts STD from area man: cops

Niles restaurant noted as site of 1 of 2 alleged encounters

Bond was set at \$100,000 Saturday for a Glenview man who allegedly engaged in sex acts with a 13-year-old girl, causing her to contract a sexually transmitted disease.

Allen Giron, 18, of the 10300 block of Michael Todd Terrace in Glenview, has been charged with one count of criminal sexual assault. Giron was ordered held on \$100,000 bond Saturday during a bond hearing at the Skokie Courthouse, according to a release from Cook County Sheriff Thomas J. Dart's of-

ice. Sheriff's police first learned of the incident when the victim's sister contacted authorities and a patrol officer responded to the family's Des Plaines home for further investigation, the release said.

When the sister told police that a doctor had recently diagnosed the victim with herpes, the victim told her sister she had at least two sexual encounters with Giron. The first took place on Nov. 28 and occurred in the women's restroom at a fast food restaurant in Niles while a second sexual encounter took place on Dec. 6 at Giron's home in Glenview, the release said.

Police took the victim to the Children's Advocacy Center in Hoffman Estates to speak with counselors there and detectives contin-



Allen Giron

ued their investigation into Giron.

On Jan. 13, Giron was located at his residence and taken to police headquarters in Maywood where he provided detectives with a written statement detailing the sexual encounters, according to the release.

After further interviews with family members, the Cook County State's Attorneys Office approved felony charges.

Giron's next court date is Jan. 18 at the Skokie Courthouse. — STM

**COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE**

## 'Date rape' drug found during traffic stop: cops

A traffic stop by Cook County Sheriff's Police led to the discovery of an intoxicating substance commonly referred to as the "date-rape drug."

Thirteen ounces of suspected Gamma-Hydroxybutyric were seized from a vehicle just after midnight, Dec. 31 near Dempster Street and Potter Road, said Deputy Cmdr. Anthony Brzezniak. Also found in-

side the car were small amounts of suspected cocaine and marijuana, he said.

The traffic stop was conducted after police noticed the vehicle had only one working headlight.

Michael Bartholomay, 29, of Lombard was charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance, and Alexis Raphael, 20, of Itasca, was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, Brzezniak

said.

Though referred to as the "date-rape drug," GHB is also used recreationally in small doses as a relaxant, according to police.

In November, Park Ridge police arrested a Niles man after traces of GHB were reportedly found inside his car during a traffic stop, and on Christmas Day, Chicago police found a Washington man in possession of a large bottle of suspected GHB after he passed out in the back a taxi.

**STATE GOVERNMENT**

# Area legislators clash on state's income tax hike

By JENNIFER JOHNSON  
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Two state legislators representing Park Ridge, Niles and Norridge voters have very differing views of the bill passed by the General Assembly last week that raises personal and corporate income-tax rates.

Democratic state Sen. Dan Kotowski, of the 33rd District, voted in support of the bill, which increased personal state income tax to 5 percent from 3 percent and corporate income tax to 7 percent from 4.8 percent. The increases are effective retroactively to Jan. 1.



Rosemary Mulligan



Dan Kotowski

located appropriately and believes it will be used for "pork projects" that she says were promised to Democrats in exchange for their support of the bill.

"I just think the more money you give them, the more they'll spend," she said.

Mulligan, who planned to vote against the bill, was not present for the vote due to illness.

"My vote wasn't going to make a difference at that point because they already had the votes (in favor)," Mulligan added.

Kotowski said the income-tax hike is "temporary" and will be in effect for only four years. Mulligan is again skeptical.

"My guess is they won't roll it back like they say they are going to do," she said.

Kotowski said the bill will save as many as 250,000 jobs in Illinois through the state paying its unpaid obligations. Mulligan believes businesses, now facing higher income taxes, will "be more reluctant to hire people back" when the economy shows improvement, and many corporations may leave Illinois altogether.

"I don't think it's the best way to handle things," Mulligan said of the state bill. "Ultimately we have to do something about the mismanagement of the budget over last couple of years."

Mulligan said she has proposed a bill that will examine state programs on a cost-ratio basis, allowing only for funding of programs that are effective financially. Kotowski was the sponsor of a bill passed by the General Assembly recently called "Budgeting for Results." Among the provisions in the spending reform bill, which is currently before the governor, is a requirement that the governor submit written quarterly financial reports on all appropriated funds and establish a commission to set statewide goals.

"Budgeting for Results forces the state to live within its means and not waste hard-earned taxpayers' money," Kotowski said. "It ends the reckless spending conduct of the past and brings some real, meaningful accountability to the budget-spending process."

— Lynne Stiefel contributed.

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## INTERNET SAFETY

# Sheriff addresses students on cyberbullying, 'sexting'

By NATALIE HAYES  
Contributor

More than 150 seventh-graders at Taft High School on Chicago's Northwest Side were given a lecture on Internet safety and online crimes put on by the Cook County Sheriff's Youth Services Department on Wednesday.

The presentation was intended to be a "scared straight" talk to warn middle school students about the dangers of cyberbullying, "sexting" and online predators, and also educate them about social-networking safety.

Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart opened the presentation by speaking directly about the types of dangers the Internet can pose to children and teenagers.

"There are people out there who want to hurt you, and when you're on the Internet talking to someone, the person on the other end may not be who you think it is," Dart said. "Right now there are about 10,000 people locked up in the Cook County Jail system and I can't tell you how many of them are there because

they've hurt children in some way."

Dart also addressed "sexting," known as electronic transmission of nudity or obscene photos to another party.

"Once you take a photo and send it to someone, you don't know where it's going to end up," Dart said. "Some photos are violating the law, and people who take inappropriate photos and send them to someone could get into trouble with the law."

Dart's warnings about sexting coincide with new state laws that went into effect on the first of the year and set new penalties for minors who engage in sexting.

Under the new law any minor under the age of 17 who transmits nude or sexually explicit materials via an electronic device can be charged with a Class B misdemeanor, and would be subject to up to six months in jail and a \$1,500 fine. A minor who requests that another minor send a "sext" to them could be charged with a Class A misdemeanor and be sentenced to up to one year in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

But the stiffest penalty could affect minors who



Seventh-graders at Taft High School last week got a lecture on Internet safety and online crimes from the Cook County Sheriff's Youth Services Department. Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart addressed the types of dangers the Internet can pose to children and teenagers. | Natalie Hayes-For Sun-Times Media

post a nude or explicit photo that was sent to them on the Internet. The law states that if the minor who posts the image leaves it online for at least 24 hours with the intent of injuring another's reputation by causing emotional distress, the offender can be charged with a Class 4 felony, which carries a prison sentence of one to three years.

Though Taft students were the only group to see

the sheriff's presentation, neighboring Maine Township High School District 207 schools educate students on the dangers of the Internet every fall at the beginning of the school year, District 207 spokesman David Beery said.

"District 207 students go through a course on Internet safety that consists of videos and class discussions each year," Beery said. Eighth-graders at Em-

erson Middle School in Niles took part earlier this month in a presentation on the consequences of cyberbullying and how to protect themselves against it.

The rest of the Taft lecture was led by Joanne Bieschke, director of the Cook County Sheriff's Youth Services Department.

Bieschke talked about the increasing accessibility of the Internet through gaming devices, phones, com-

puters and TV, and explained how child predators target children who share their information online.

Social-networking safety was also discussed, and Bieschke stressed the importance of adjusting privacy settings so that only people you know can view personal information. Predators often use social-networking profiles to obtain information about victims to use as a starting point for conversation, she said.

"You shouldn't post the name of your school, what sports teams you're on, your birthday or other personal information because that's how predators get to know you," Bieschke said. "It would take someone only five to six minutes to do a Google search to find out all the information they need to find you."

Cyberbullying, a recent hot topic in the media because of several highly publicized cases, was the final topic discussed.

Bieschke explained the dangers of cyberbullying and told the students to tell an adult if they become a victim.

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## EMERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

# Seminar on cyberbullying teaches about consequences

By JENNIFER JOHNSON  
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Eighth-graders at Emerson Middle School in Niles took part in a presentation on the consequences of cyberbullying and how to protect themselves against it earlier this month.

The presentation, which was given by School Social Worker Barbara Harsch and School Psychologist Bill Connor, defined cyberbul-

lying, addressed its social and legal consequences, and encouraged students "to take personal responsibility for their choices and set some personal boundaries, as well as to make decisions about their own behavior online," according to a letter sent to parents.

The presentation was arranged earlier in the school year after school officials became aware of an

incident of alleged cyberbullying against a student, said Principal Vicki Mogil.

The incident, which involved the alleged creation of a derogatory Facebook page in the name of a 13-year-old student, led to local harassment charges against two female classmates, ages 13 and 14, in late-December.

Mogil said the alleged incident had occurred earlier in the school year and

shed light on the need to also reach out to students outside of the classroom where cyberbullying is addressed in eighth grade health classes.

"We knew at that point some kids didn't get it," Mogil said.

Mogil explained the all-eighth-grade presentation could become a staple at the beginning of each school year.

Previously, a very similar

educational program took place in health classes with a member of the Niles Police Department, but since that officer has received a new assignment, the consistency of the program has been affected, she said.

In addition, many eighth-graders do not take health until their second semester, meaning they do not take part in the educational program on bullying until near the end of the school year.

"We realized we couldn't wait to do this," Mogil said.

Mogil stressed that anti-bullying initiatives are "a consistent part of our programming" and last week's presentation was "more in-depth than other things we have done previously." Bullying is addressed in all Park Ridge-Niles School District 64 schools as part of a Civil Behavior initiative.

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## NORTHRIDGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

# Kid curators

## Students lead tours through their own interactive 'museums'

By TRACY GRUEN  
Contributor

Middle school students at Northridge Preparatory School in Niles on Jan. 13 led parents and other guests on tours through their interactive museums.

For the first time the students worked in groups to create various displays for the museum, which featured exhibits in the areas of history, literature, culture, and arts and science. Peter Searby, head of the middle school, said faculty members wanted the children to "think outside the box" and complete an interactive project midway through the school year.

"It's great, because they're teaching, not us," said Searby, who said educators plan on making it an annual project.

Searby said the activity allowed the students to go beyond memorization and analytical thinking and explore audio, visual and tactile forms of education.

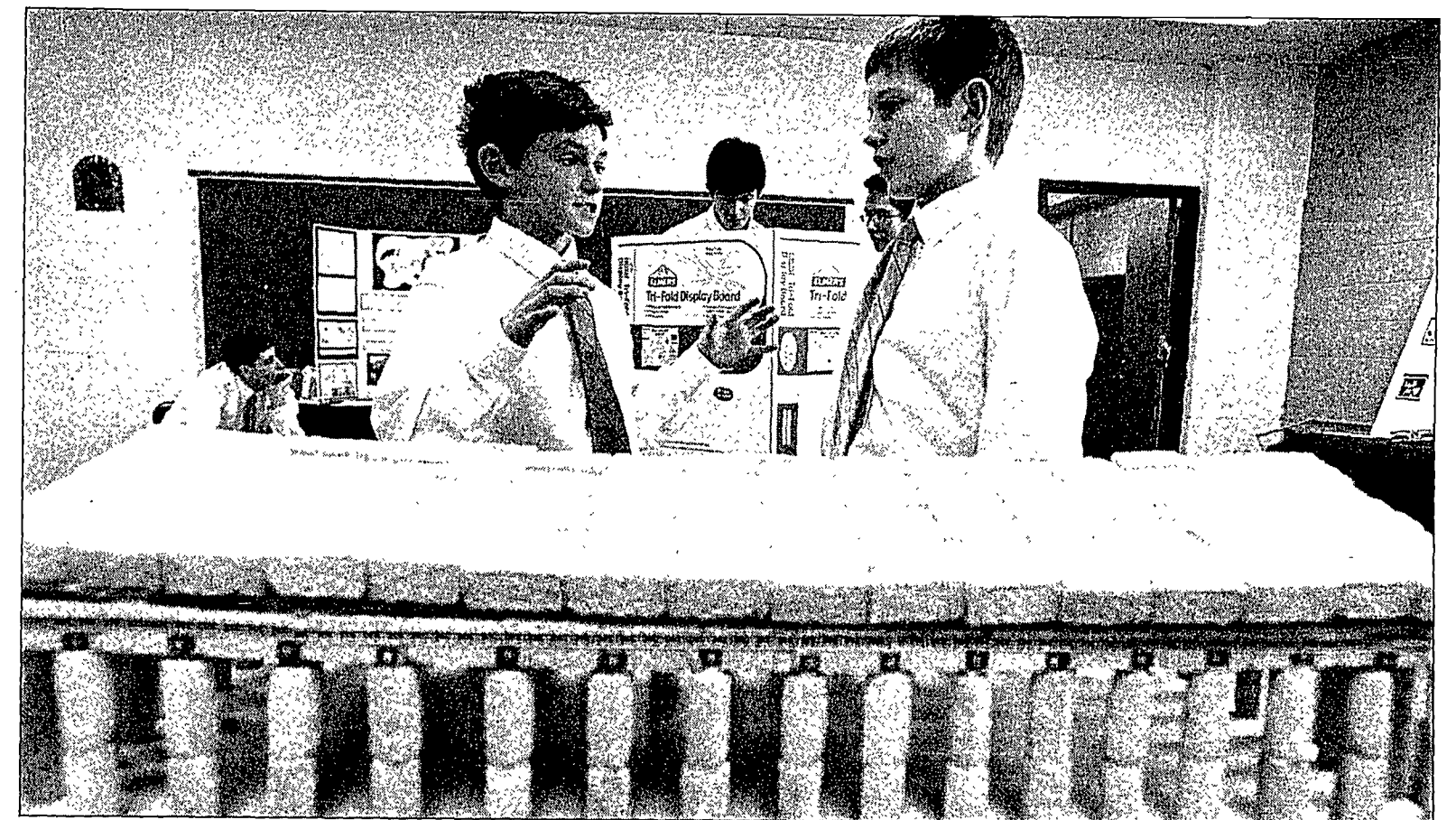
The students created interesting visuals, such as a three-dimensional poster board, slide shows, an ant made of Legos and a handmade Parthenon.

Justin Evans, an eighth-grader, started the museum off by teaching guests about the history of recorded music, from phonographs to records to today's iPods.

Patrick Harig, a seventh-grader, informed guests about the life cycle of ants and the ant-caste system. Paul Vogelsberger, a seventh-grader, worked with him on the project and created a giant Lego ant for a visual.

"I think it's a good way to do hands-on learning," Patrick said.

Seventh-graders Paul



Nicholas Karris and Brian Burke, both sixth-graders, talk about their project on the Parthenon at the Northridge Prep Middle School "museum" exhibit on Jan. 13. The exhibit featured history, science, literature and cultural exhibits. | Tamara Bell-Sun Times Media

DiFranco and Michael Panagos worked to make their display on the history of aviation as interactive as possible. They had a World War II flight simulator that guests were able to try out, handmade model airplanes and a quiz with candy as the prize. The boys acknowledged the project was time-consuming, but fun to participate in.

"I'm amazed at how much every single one of these kids knows what they're talking about," said Levi Brennan, a friend of Paul's. Levi said the youngsters were very knowledgeable about the topics. "These presentations are fantastic."

Brennan Tobin, an eighth-

grader, and his partner, made a collage, moccasin, and a colorful and detailed three-dimensional model to demonstrate the life and culture of the Sioux Indians.

"It was pretty fun because we got to learn about our ancestors," Brennan said.

Other displays at the museum included: The Armor of Achilles; Calvin and Hobbes; Leonardo DaVinci Inventions; Lewis and Clark; Aztec Culture; and Dinosaurs.

"I think it's amazing," said Odilia Navarrete, the mother of an eighth-grader who participated in the project. "It shows the boys have been working hard on these."



Florian Kowalik explains his project, describing a DC electric motor. | Tamara Bell-Sun Times Media



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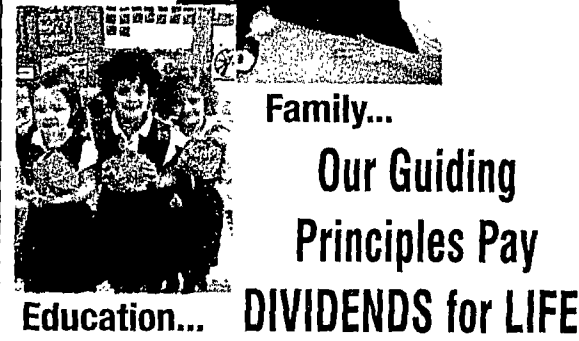
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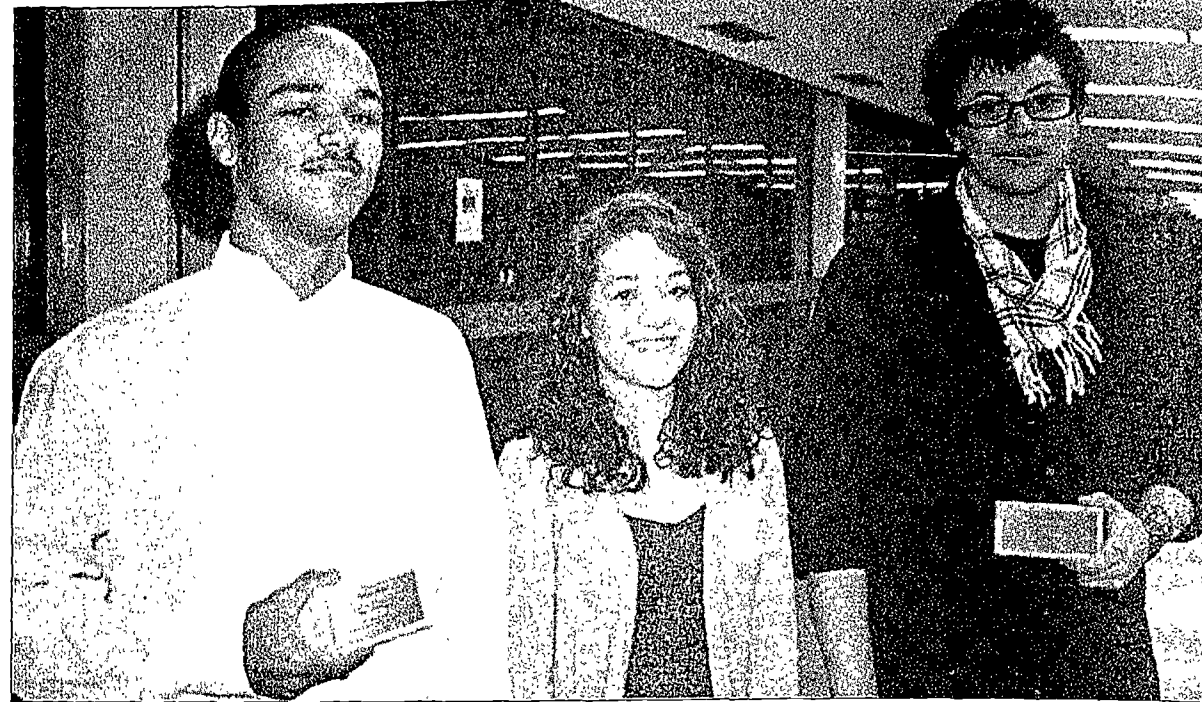
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The Board of Education has recognized "207's Best" students for January for improved performance. From left: Timothy Bauer, Jessica Galbraith and Jazmine Green. | Photo courtesy of District 207

### 'Best' award goes to most improved

Three seniors selected by Maine Township High School District 207 as "207's Best" for January were recognized during a recent Board of Education meeting. All three — Timothy Bauer of Maine East, Jessica Galbraith of Maine West and Jazmine Green of Maine South — were recognized for improved performance.

In her introductory letter, West Principal Audrey Haugan noted that Galbraith's academic performance as a freshman and sophomore was "average at best" and seemed to match a relative disinterest in school. That changed, Haugan wrote, during her junior year, when she earned a grade point average of over 3.0, a performance that she is maintaining as a senior. Haugan quoted counselor Brian Nagorzanski as stating that Galbraith "found a work ethic" that took her in a much different direction. She also

### DISTRICT 207

has become more active in extracurricular activities. She serves as a Warrior Pride mentor, participated in the winter play and has been a member of the track team. She plans to study illustration at Columbia College.

In his introductory letter, South Principal Shawn Messmer wrote that "academics are only one part of the school experience; another important goal is creating good citizens. We are proud of Jazmine because of that second mission — she is a model citizen. She is most improved because she did not start out that way." Messmer's letter explained that Green struggled as a freshman and had frequent contact with South's deans. But, he wrote, "Jaz returned to South in her sophomore year a more mature and focused young woman." He quoted one teacher as saying, "Seeing what she went through, then to turn a corner in school today and see her smiling, going to class, with a clear focus on her future is so truly inspiring." She plans

to attend community college next fall en route to eventually becoming a counselor.

East Principal Michael Pressler stated in his introductory letter that Bauer has "truly turned his life around." During his first three semesters at East, Pressler wrote, Bauer accumulated multiple suspensions for a wide variety of infractions. But during his junior and senior years, Bauer's contacts with the dean's office have all but vanished. He has found constructive alternatives to his previous conduct by playing football and basketball and performing in the spring musical and V-Show and doing volunteer work at East. Pressler's letter quoted East Varsity Football Coach Gabe Corey, who noted that "when (Tim) found a program that valued discipline, he thrived. When he was tested, he surpassed expectations." Bauer will attend North Park University and play football next fall.

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### ELECTION

## No objections in local races

By JENNIFER JOHNSON  
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No objections have been filed against the nominating petitions of any candidates running for school board in two area school districts.

No objections were filed in Park Ridge-Niles School District 64 or Maine Township High School District

207, representatives from each reported.

In District 64, three four-year terms are being sought by incumbents John Heyde and Genie Taddeo, and Dan Collins, Marshall Warren and Anthony Borrelli. Incumbent Scott Zimmerman and Kristie Bavaro are facing off for a two-year term on the School Board.

Collins, who had original-

ly filed to run for both a two-year seat and a four-year seat, withdrew his name from the two-year race, said District 64 spokeswoman Bernadette Tramm.

Three four-year terms are up for election on the District 207 School Board. Running are incumbents Joann Braam, Donna Pellar and Sean Sullivan, and Marjjo Bustos and Eric Poders.

### ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

## Future City team heads for UIC

By JENNIFER JOHNSON  
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St. Paul of the Cross Catholic School in Park Ridge will be sending a team of students to the 2011 Chicago Regional Future City Competition on Jan. 29. St. Paul's Future City Team took first place in the 2010 regional competition

and went on to participate in the national contest in Washington, D.C.

In the Future City Competition, middle school students use math, science, engineering and technology to design a future community. The community is designed with computer software and a physical model is also created with recycled

items.

The Chicago Regional Future City Competition will take place at the University of Illinois Chicago.

Other local schools registered to participate are Science Academy of Chicago in Niles and Bessie Rhodes Magnet School in Skokie. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

### DISTRICT 64

#### Alcohol use on downswing among middle schoolers

The results of a survey on the use of controlled substances among Park Ridge-Niles District 64 middle school students were reported at the Board of Education meeting on Jan. 10.

The Illinois Youth Survey, distributed the past February, revealed a small decrease in the percentage of District 64 eighth-graders who reported any alcohol use in the past month. In 2008, 23 percent of eighth-graders in the district said they used alcohol in the past month; 17 percent in 2009; and 14 percent in 2010.

District officials said they feel it's important to monitor the decrease to see if it continues in the future.

"The majority of our students report they do not use or experiment with any controlled substances," reported Diane Betts, assistant superintendent for student learn-

ing.

The survey also showed that District 64 students are physically active. But only 60 percent of the students are meeting the recommendations for the amount of sleep per night. Also, about a fifth of the students meet the minimum serving recommendation for vegetables, and about half of the students meet the fruit recommendation.

Board Member Scott Zimmerman questioned if the students are encouraged or reluctant to tell the truth on the test. Betts said that the test results are considered to be reliable.

#### New facilities manager hired in District 64

The Park Ridge-Niles School District 64 Board of Education at its Dec. 13 meeting approved the appointment of Scott Mackall as director of facility management. He was set to have

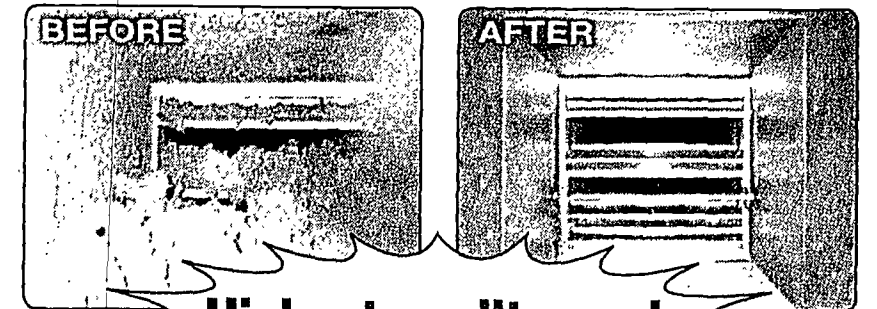
begun his new job the past Tuesday.

In his new capacity, Mackall will direct District 64's operations, maintenance and custodial services for all buildings, grounds, playgrounds and equipment. He also will oversee the student bus transportation program, coordinate the development of a new facility master plan, and work with Superintendent Philip Bender to plan and supervise all building upkeep, construction projects and other capital improvements.

Mackall previously worked as director of buildings and grounds with Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103.

The director of facility management is the new job title given to the position previously known as director of buildings and grounds. That position has been vacant since October. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

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LEGISLATURE

# Mulroe starts freshman term as senator in 10th

On Jan. 12 in the Illinois Senate Chamber, Sen. John Mulroe was sworn in to his first term as an Illinois state senator representing the 10th Legislative District, a news release from Mulroe's office stated.

Mulroe replaces longtime Sen. James DeLeo, who retired from the Senate the past fall after 17 years of service.

Mulroe is a lifelong resident of Chicago, where he obtained both a bachelor's degree in business administration and a degree in law from Loyola University. After completing his law degree Mulroe worked for the Cook County Assistant State's Attorney, prosecuting hundreds of misdemeanor and felony cases. In

1995 he opened his own law practice, where he has worked diligently for the past 14 years representing people in a wide variety of cases.

Mulroe has served as president of the Edison Park Community Council, as a member of the Edison Park Chamber of Commerce, as director of the St. Angela Education Foundation and has also coached numerous youth athletic teams in his community, the release stated.

"I am beyond excited and honored to take this next step by serving as a member of the Illinois State Senate," Mulroe said in the release. "There are new opportunities to be had here, and I look forward to work-



John G. Mulroe

ing closely with my constituents and the people of the 10th district to face the challenges that lie ahead."

Mulroe lives in Edison Park with his wife, Margaret, and their four children.

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

### THEFT

Someone stole a \$100 voucher Jan. 12 from Lucky Magee's on the 9200 block of Greenwood Avenue. The victim placed a bet on a horse race and when he went to the machine to get his winning ticket he did not retrieve the \$100 voucher, police reported. The victim saw a man take the voucher from the machine, and when he asked the man about it he denied taking it and walked away.

A woman was shopping Jan. 8 at Super H Mart on the 800 block of Civic Center when someone took her purse from her shopping cart. The purse contained a wallet, drivers license, sunglasses and \$105.

### POLICE BLOTTER

#### BURGLARY TO RESIDENCE

Someone reportedly burglarized a home Jan. 13 on the 8200 block of Elmore. Jewelry, watches and currency were stolen.

#### CRIMINAL DAMAGE

Someone shot BBs at a vehicle sometime between Jan. 7 and Jan. 8 on the 8100 block of Milwaukee Avenue. The offenders damaged the driver's-side front window and the paint on the rear trunk of the vehicle.

#### BURGLARY

Someone used an unknown tool to pry open the dashboard of a yellow helicopter ride between Jan. 5 and Jan. 6 in the common area of Golf Mill Shopping Center, 239 Golf Mill. The offender stole \$50, and the estimated amount of repairs is more than \$250.

#### DUI

Marek Ryzewski, 47, of 8315 N. Ottawa Ave., Niles, was arrested Jan. 13 at Mil-

waukee and Touhy avenues on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol and having no driver's license. He has a court date of Feb. 9.

#### LEAVING SCENE

Ashur Khoshaba, 27, of 8025 Lyons, Niles, was arrested Jan. 12 at Ottawa and Greenwood for leaving the scene of an accident and damage to property. Khoshaba was allegedly involved in a two-car accident at Ozanam and Dempster; police said the suspect admitted to leaving the scene of the accident. Bond was set at \$1,500. He has a Feb. 9 court date.

#### BURGLARY TO VEHICLE

Someone burglarized a vehicle between Jan. 15 and Jan. 16 on the 8200 block of Olcott Avenue and stole a GPS valued at \$250. The offender broke the front driver's-side window.

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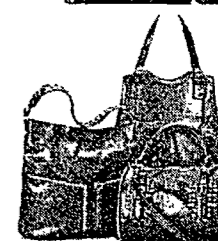
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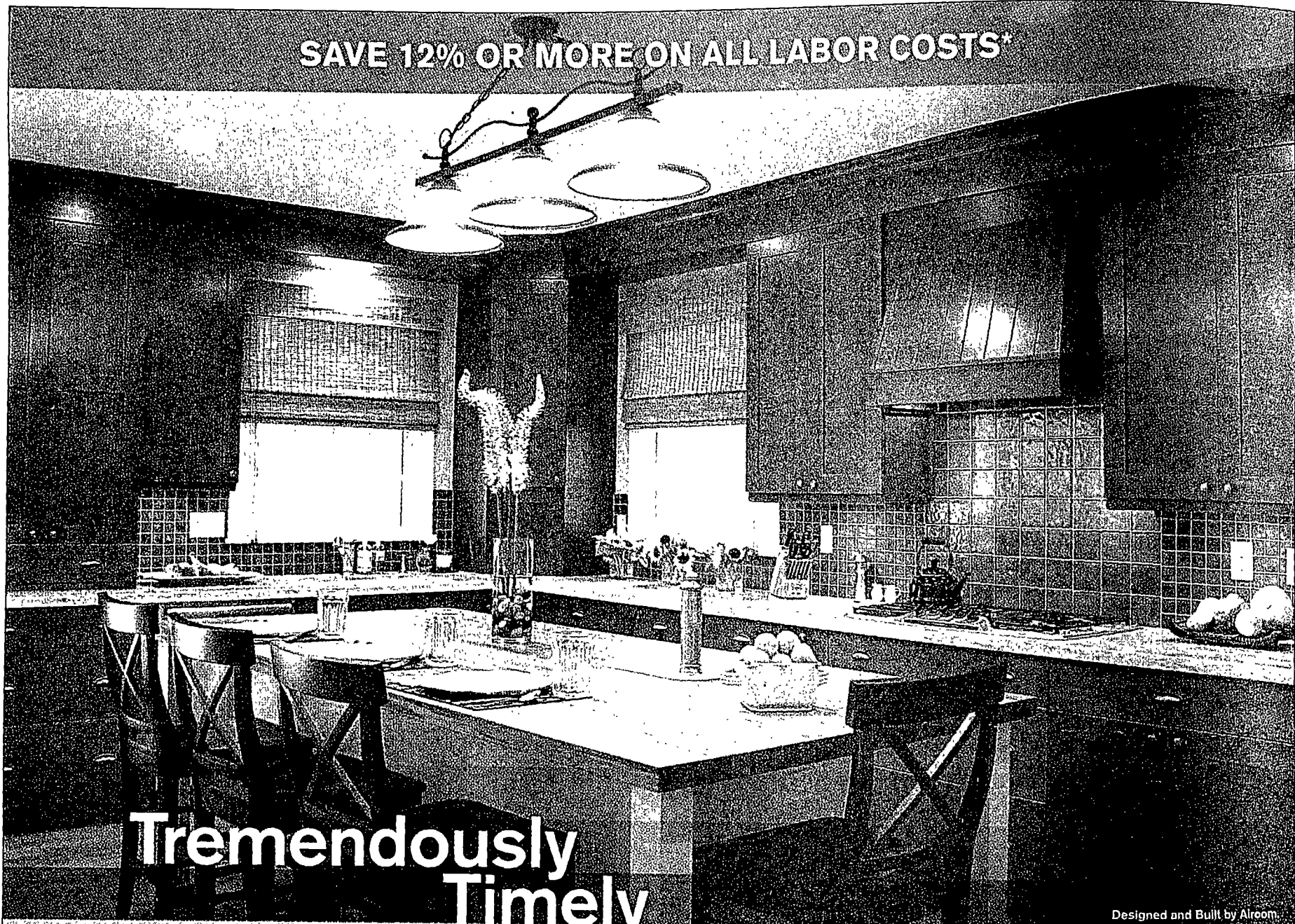
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### Carpenters

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northwest suburbs, but there are volunteers from Wisconsin, Indiana, Georgia, and Texas, too. There's almost always a skilled worker from Kentucky on the trips, Engle said.

Reboletti, a veteran Solid Rock participant, compared the home building to an old-fashioned barn raising: "It's a mix of skills — the handymen, the worker bees. Everyone is just working together to get the job done," he said.

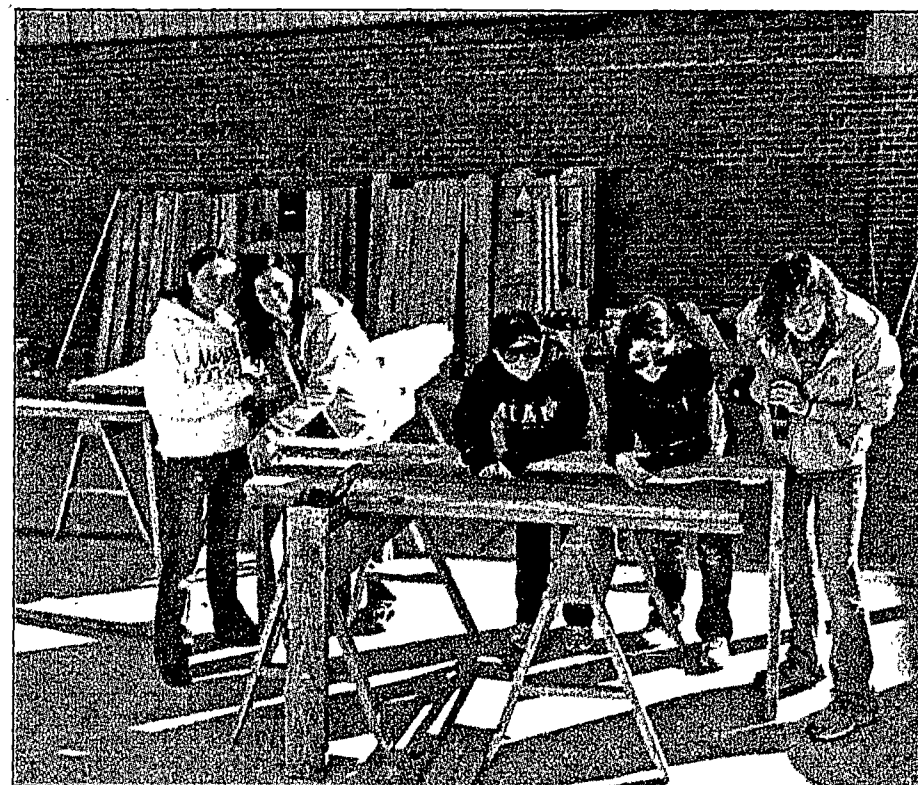
Since 2001, brothers Jeff, Scott and Mark Engle, and their father, Art, had traveled to Mississippi with a team from northwest Indiana to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity. When Hurricane Katrina struck in August 2005, their trip was canceled. The Engles decided to organize their own group and went to Slidell, La., six weeks after Katrina.

Jeff Engle said he remembers standing with homeowners whose houses had just been destroyed, trying to figure out what to do. They were all in shock.

"The life effect the devastation had on people was very profound," Engle said. "There's no way to understand it unless you personally and physically went there."

#### Home for the holidays

Solid Rock Carpenters provides that experience for thousands of people who long to give back. Its biggest



Erin Keller, Kelsey Engle, Megan Keller, Allie Keller and Molly Engle were among 140 volunteers who traveled to Louisiana with Solid Rock Carpenters in December. | Contributed photo

trip of the year is the annual holiday trip held between Christmas and New Year's Day. Engle said 140 people, including 10 families, participated in the 2010 trip. In years past as many as 240 people have gone.

Volunteers of Solid Rock's November trips are mostly skilled workers. The holiday trip in December is more family-oriented, especially for the Engles: Scott's three daughters and two of Jeff's daughters accompanied their dads on the last trip.

The holiday trip was the first time Jim Olsen and his wife, daughter and son volunteered with Solid Rock Carpenters. Olsen's wife has

family in New Orleans so they decided it was a great opportunity to both visit relatives and volunteer over the holidays.

At their first building site Olsen met Herbert Lewis, a neighbor who dropped by to chat.

Lewis invited the volunteers to see his home, which Habitat for Humanity had built five years ago.

Olsen and his family went to Lewis' residence a few blocks away, where they met his wife and grandson.

"He was proud for us to see his home," Olsen said of "Mr. Lewis," as he calls him.

Lewis invited the Glenview family to dinner the next time they were in town.

Olsen joked they would only return if Lewis' son, a chef, cooked for them. Lewis agreed that he would, and Olsen's 19-year-old daughter, Kristin, promised to keep in touch by mailing the Lewis' letters.

After meeting Lewis, "It struck me that all of us have the same desire to live in a nice, safe-place and just help each other," Olsen said.

Olsen said his family would participate in Solid Rock Carpenters' next holiday trip.

"I can't think of a better, more meaningful way to spend the holidays and finish the year," he said. "We'll do it again."

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# Opinion

## Researchers with swabs make us peevish



**PAUL SASSONE**

Don't touch that! It's filthy.  
 Don't touch what? Everything.  
 Not a day goes by that we aren't told that some normal, everyday object is going to hurt us, poison us or make us sick.

The latest threat is the ATM machine.  
 For reasons known only to them, researchers in England went around to ATM machines and swabbed the numeric keypads. Then — boy, those researchers really know how to have a good time — they took swabs of the seats of nearby public toilets.

What the researchers found was that the ATM and toilet swabs showed the same levels of bacteria that can cause sickness and diarrhea.

Now, we all know from "Masterpiece Theater" how fastidious the British are:

"Oh Lord Foppington, I believe there is a morsel of watercress sandwich on your waistcoat."

"On my waistcoat, your Majesty?"

"Yes, Lord Foppington. Guard! Escort Lord Foppington to the conservatory and chop off his

head."

"Thank you, your Majesty, I'm most grateful."

So, if the ATMs of the British — a famously clean and well-groomed people — are dispensers of potential illness as well as pounds, how dirty must our ATMs be? There is no Masterpiece Theater about Americans, you know.

But what are we to do? We can't live without money. We have to use ATM machines.

If only we didn't have to touch them.

This gives me an idea. A lot of people need jobs.

Suppose banks hired people to stand by their ATM machines and press the buttons for customers? These button-pressers could work on commission, so the cost of these jobs wouldn't cut into banks' usurious profits. No, that wouldn't work.

What if the button pushers were covered in bacteria of their own? We could get sick from them.

I suppose we might wear surgical gloves every time we use an ATM. But who wants to carry around a bunch of surgical gloves?

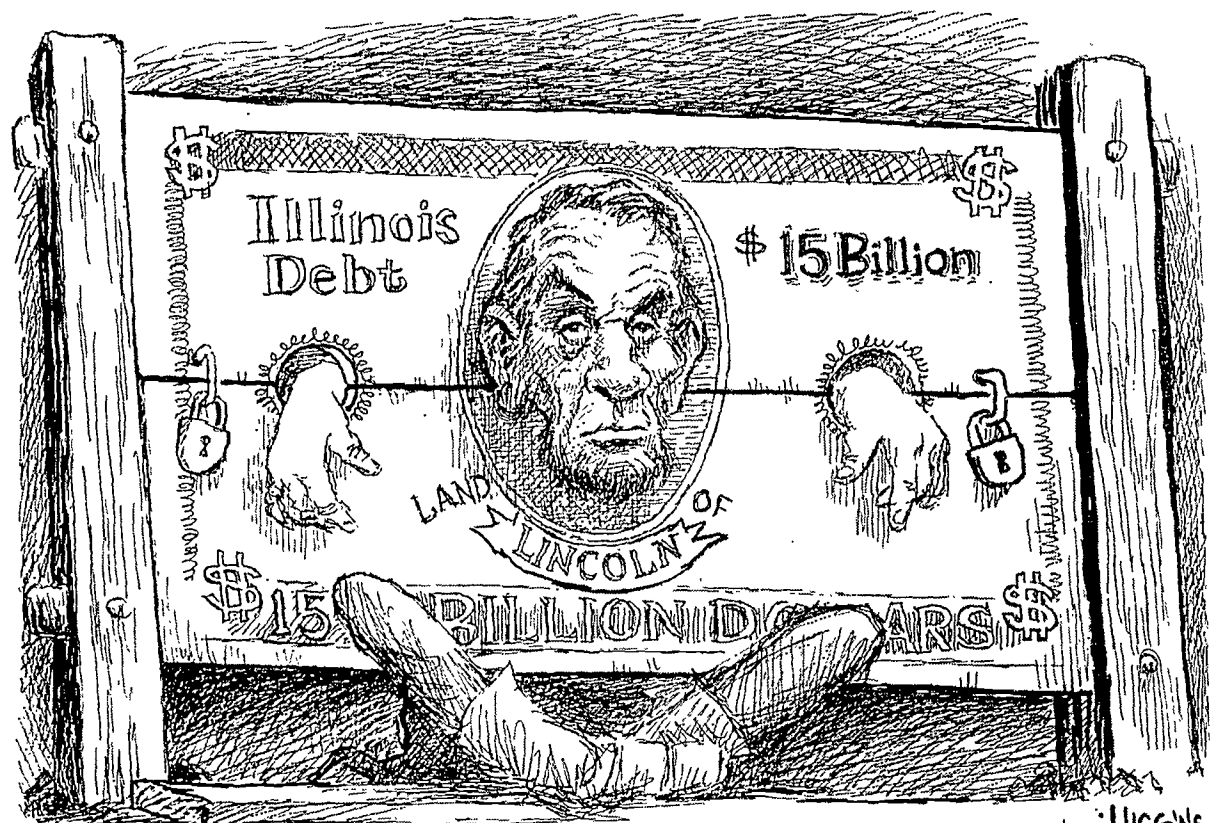
I guess we just have to stop using money after all and pay for everything by credit card.

But sales clerks touch our credit cards.

I wonder, have any researchers swabbed down sales people to see how much bacteria they contain?

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### 1000 WORDS BY JACK HIGGINS



## Whodunit: Dogs on the loose



**CHERYL O'DONOVAN**

### VAN MOM STRIKES AGAIN

En route to picking up my oldest son from high school, my youngest spied two dogs bounding along the sidewalk like Shawshank escapees.

The alpha resembled Balto and galloped ahead of his accessory, a mix between a Lab and a pygmy hippo, the kind of dog that could never keep a

New Year's resolution. Instantly, I sympathized with the chubby black furball. Keeping up with Balto would be like me sprinting alongside Jillian Michaels.

The friendly dogs trotted near grade-school children. I shoved the van into park and ran after them. Given my heavy ragged breathing, the kids were more afraid of me.

"Hey, do you know who those dogs belong to?"

Slack-jawed, knit caps askew, they blinked. "No." I whistled, promised them a Purina warehouse, offered them a scratch-and-sniff Lottery ticket, but the dogs look off. Channeling a 1970s detective, I returned to the van, flung myself behind the steering

wheel, and snarled at my partner, a.k.a. the youngest. Our tires squealed in full pursuit.

Affecting a grizzled cop with wary, squinty eyes, I "radioed" in. "Yeah, dispatcher. We have a 10-W-40."

"Ma'am, that's usually a petroleum oil. And some states are doing away with ten-codes."

"Two pooches loose," I growl. "I'm calling in backup."

"What?"

"There's a car in my way and if I don't back up, my insurance premium's going to rival a Mythbuster's."

"Ma'am, we don't dispatch squad cars for this. Call Animal Control."

"Say, is there a Teenager Control unit I can call?"

I hung up, frustrated. We feared the dogs would get hit by a car. We picked up my older son and for capture purposes, grabbed the non-violent form of a Taser: cheese. We resumed scouring the neighborhood.

Triumphant, we spotted the two animals at the end of a street. My children were very windy Starksys, and I had the leaden foot of Hutch. A wooden hutch.

What were the dogs running from, I wondered? A Rottweiler? Michael Vick? Another lame sequel to "Beethoven?"

Then I remembered the Illinois headlines.

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### Center of Concern

The **Center of Concern**, 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge, (847) 823-0453, calendar of events includes:  
 Tuesdays, through Jan. 25 - Employment counseling, by appointment.  
 Wednesday, Jan. 26 - Grief and loss support group (call first).  
 Saturday, Jan. 29 - Legal counseling, by appointment.  
 Saturday, Jan. 29 - Blood pressure and blood sugar testing, 10 a.m.-noon (no appointment needed).  
**Center counselors** also are available to help eligible residents apply for Illinois Circuit Breaker property-tax relief grants and license-plate discounts, Illinois Cares Rx (prescription-drug assistance), the senior-citizen real-estate tax exemption and deferral, the senior-citizen tax-assessment freeze, and the longtime-occupant-homeowner property-tax exemption.  
**Preparation of simple wills** and durable powers of attorney for health care and property also is available by appointment. For services that require an appointment, call (847) 823-0453 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The Center of Concern also offers housing counseling for seniors and others seeking affordable housing, programs designed to prevent homelessness, friendly visitors for the homebound, and volunteer opportunities in the office and in the field. See www.centerofconcern.org.

### Chamber

The **Niles Chamber Dollars for Scholars** Charter is an all volunteer committee dedicated to youth. In the past six years, this program has awarded three \$1,000 scholarships to graduating eighth-grade students and three \$3,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. The student must be a Niles resident or a Chamber member employee, or the son/daughter of a Niles Chamber member to apply. Applications are judged on service to the community and school, response to an essay, awards and honors, school transcripts and letters of recommendation. The Dollars for Scholars Committee has finalized all application information and is available online at www.nileschamber.com. This 2010-11 academic year, four \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors. All applications are due to the Niles Chamber office no later than 4:30 p.m. Feb. 25.

### Civic

As part of the 2030 Niles comprehensive planning process, join fellow residents and businesses for a fun and interactive workshop, led by the

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Village's planning consultant, Houseal Lavigne Associates, from 6:30-9 p.m. Jan. 27 in the Senior Center Community Room, 999 Civic Center Drive. The workshop consists of various interactive planning exercises aimed at creating a vision for what Niles will look like in 2030. Visit the comprehensive plan website, www.niles.com.

**Review the Village's sign ordinance** summary to see proposed changes and additions. Anyone with questions or concerns may attend the Planning and Zoning Committee meeting at 7 p.m. Feb. 7 or call Katie at the Niles Chamber office, (847) 268-8180.

**Maine Township** is accepting nominations for the first annual Sgt. Karen Cader Memorial Good Citizen's Award. Nomination forms are available at Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge, and will be accepted through March 22, 2011. A form can also be downloaded at www.maintownship.com. The recipient chosen for the award will be a Maine Township resident who has demonstrated strong support and dedication to his or her community. The winner will receive a plaque and monetary award which will be presented at the Maine Township Annual Meeting April 12, 2011. Contact Maine Township Town Hall at (847) 297-2510.

**A representative** from the Niles Township Clerk's office will be available 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays and evenings by appointment on the second and fourth Mondays of each month to accommodate residents with passport applications, voter registrations and temporary handicapped parking placards. To schedule an appointment at Niles Township in Skokie, call (847) 673-9300.

**The Maine Township Neighborhood Watch** meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month in the basement of Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road in Park Ridge. Meetings address issues within the unincorporated area of the township and all residents are invited. Reports from the Cook County Sheriff's Police, North Maine Fire Department, and the township's Code Enforcement Department are shared, and residents are invited to ask questions and report any concerns or problems in their neighborhood.

### Classes

**Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy Inc.**, is now offering "Introduction to Animal Assisted Therapy," dog training classes at various locations, including 6042 W. Oakton St., in Morton Grove. The fee is \$60. Contact Dorinda King at dking4@yahoo.com or call (773) 736-9021, for schedules and locations.

### Clubs

**The Sweet Singers of Congregation Ezras Israel** which entertains at nursing homes, retirement facilities and charitable organizations, meets the first Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Rosenberg Auditorium of Ezras Israel, 7001 N. California Ave., Chicago. Those who enjoy singing are welcome to join. Call the Ezras Israel office at (773) 764-8320.

**I Chiacchieroni** Italian-language dinner group meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at Salerno's, 1716 E. Kensington Road, Mount Prospect. The next meeting will be Jan. Feb. 10. This is a casual evening of conversation in Italian. Call Gabriella, (847) 292-0089, or e-mail: ichiacchieroni@yahoo.com.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7712** meet at 7 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Post at 7680 Caldwell Ave. (next to Tam Tennis in Niles on Howard Street). The Post is open also on Fridays 7 p.m. until closing. All veterans from Vietnam, Gulf War, Afghanistan Korea and World War II are welcome. Call Bernard Beverley, (847) 966-5479, e-mail james-bonds54762@yahoo.com or call (847) 470-9890.

**The Korean War Veterans Association**, Greater Chicago Chapter No. 25, meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Montclare-Leyden VFW Post, 6940 W. Diversey Ave. Call Joe Hennueller, (773) 774-9671.

**Join the Catholic Women's Bowling League** for Ladies Night Out at Classic Bowl, 8530 Waukegan Road, Morton Grove. Fee is \$15 per week. All skill levels welcome. Call Deanne Drozd at (224) 628-4009 or d.drozd@comcast.net.

**The Knights of Columbus** (North American Martyrs Council, Niles), provides ways for members to help others in the community while trying to improve their family and spiritual lives. Call Bob Galassi, (847) 965-0920.

**Niles Chapter Toastmasters** meets at 7:15 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Morton Grove, 6140 Lincoln Ave. Members learn how to feel comfortable and have self-confidence talking to an audience. Call (847) 583-9328.

### Community

**Immaculate Conception Parish** will present the play, "Put the Nuns in Charge," at 7 p.m. Feb. 19 (doors will open at 6 p.m.). A sequel to "Late Nite Catechism," this production features a jovial nun and her humorous take on the Catholic Church and the state of the world. The performance will be held at the Immaculate Conception's Parish Center, 7263 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. To purchase tickets, call (773) 401-7970 or stop by the I.C. Rectory (7211 W. Talcott Ave.).

**The Polish Fraternal Organizations** are again sponsoring "Dozin' With the Dino's" at the Field Museum, 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, on March 4. Children ages 6-12 and chaperones will spend the evening at the Field Museum beginning with a "Dinosaursia" workshop, then explore and learn about the exhibits, watch a performance and have a snack. They all will spend the rest of the night at the Museum. Reservations should be made as soon as possible. For basketball fans, the second Polish American Night with the Chicago Bulls basketball game will be April 5 at the United Center, 1901 W. Madison St., Chicago, which is also available for the entire

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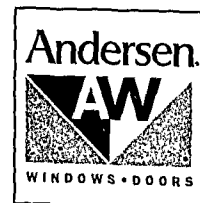
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1. "Beau Jest" will be presented by Big Noise Theatre Company through Feb. 6 at the Prairie Lakes Theater, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. \$23; \$21 for senior citizens; \$16 for youth 13 and under. Visit [www.bignoisetheatre.org](http://www.bignoisetheatre.org) or call (847) 604-0275.

2. Music of the Baroque presents "Haydn Symphonies ... Mozart Concertos" at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 23 at First United Methodist Church of Evanston, 1630 Hinman Ave. Tickets are \$38, \$45, \$60. Free pre-concert lecture by Peter Van De Graaff at 6:30 p.m. Call (312) 551-1414 or visit [www.baroque.org](http://www.baroque.org).

3. "Jazz in January," 8 p.m. Jan. 21-22 at Park Ridge Community Church, 100 S. Courtland, Park Ridge, featuring local musicians Kent Wehman, Mike Levin, Wally Hustin, Neal Wehman and Bruce Nelson. Tickets are \$30 and can be ordered by calling the church office, (847) 823-3164.

4. Capitol Steps presents "Liberal Shop of Horrors" at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 20; 8 p.m. Jan. 21; 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Jan. 22; and 3 p.m. Jan. 23 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. \$44-\$48. Visit [www.northshorecenter.org](http://www.northshorecenter.org) or call (847) 673-6300.

## Cathy Richardson to rock Skokie Theatre

Cathy Richardson  
8 p.m. on Jan. 21, Skokie Theatre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. \$20-\$25. (847) 677-7761. [www.skokieitheatre.com](http://www.skokieitheatre.com).

By J.T. MORAND  
[jtmorand@pioneerlocal.com](mailto:jtmorand@pioneerlocal.com)

For Cathy Richardson, enjoying old footage of Pete Townshend smashing guitars isn't surprising.

When she was a child in the 1970s and expressed a desire to play the electric guitar, her parents gave her an acoustic guitar instead because the store clerk told them that's what girls play. Electric guitars were for boys.

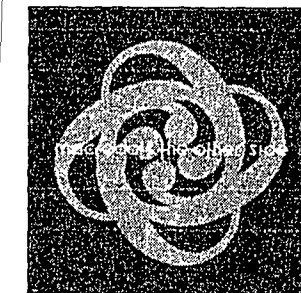
That didn't set well with the girl from Elmhurst who would go on to get some airplay on WXRT-93.1 FM, sing with Big Brother and the Holding Company and with Jefferson Starship, and play Janis Joplin in the original Off Broadway production of "Love, Janis," as well as crank out her own rock albums. Her latest effort is a hard-driving record, "The Other Side," with the band she assembled called Macrodots.

Richardson, 41, is known to put on raucous live shows, including one at Halsted Market Days in 2002, when she finished her set with the Who's "My Generation" by throwing her guitar on the ground Pete Townshend-style.

### Calmed down

But, she'll go back to her formerly begrudged acoustic roots when she performs at the Skokie Theatre tomorrow backed up by her fiddle/percussion player Anne Harris.

Fans should not expect her Skokie gig to be devoid of intensity, though.



Cathy Richardson's new band is the Macrodots.

However, it will be sans guitar-flinging.

"I also rock out with the acoustic guitar," Richardson said, adding she refers to the Halsted Market Days show as "the \$800 impulse" because the throw-down was spontaneous and she had to replace the neck on her Ovation Viper ax for a pretty penny.

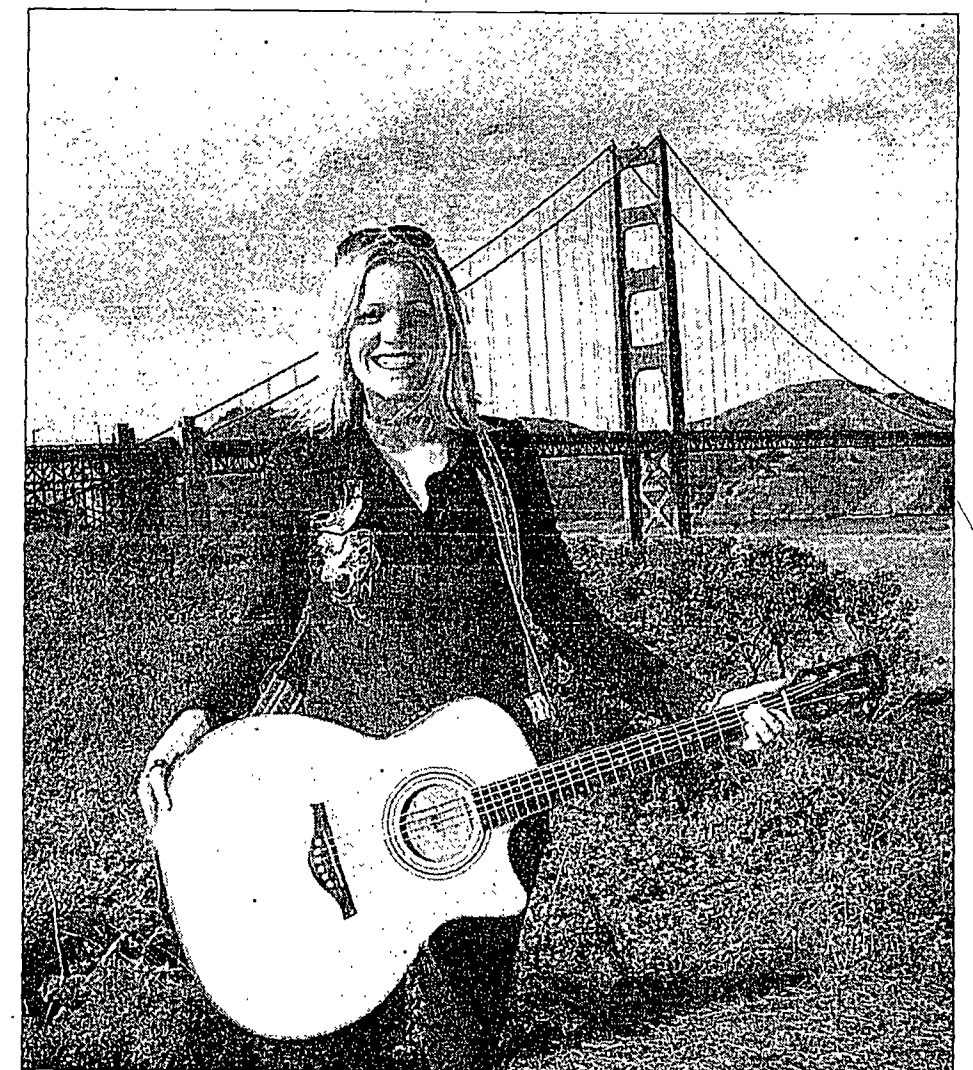
Fans can expect to hear "If I Could" and "Beautiful Girl" from the Macrodots album, which came out in 2010, and songs from her last two solo albums, "Delusions of Grandeur" (2006) and "The Road to Bliss" (2003), which was nominated for a Grammy for Best Recording Package. Richardson said she might also play some new songs as well.

"If I Could" is one of her favorite songs to perform live because it allows her to do everything a singer wants to do.

"It's so vocally wailing," she said. "It's fun to completely lose yourself and enshrine yourself in a song."

Speaking while wearing a Starship "We Built This City" T-shirt (ironically not a shirt promoting Jefferson Starship, with whom she still performs) before

rehearsing for a show with Ides of March and Survivor



Cathy Richardson, an Elmhurst native now living in San Francisco, comes to town for a show at the Skokie Theatre.

founder Jim Peterik, Richardson said she is grateful for the experience of portraying Janis Joplin between 1999 and 2003 because it taught her to be a better singer.

"Janis had such a unique voice and could do different things with her voice," Richardson said, contrasting Joplin's soft voice on her early folk songs with her scratchy vocals on her rock songs. "She really knew how to change her

voice and be a chameleon."

### Rock heroines

Long before that role, Grace Slick, the former female singer for Jefferson Airplane/Jefferson Starship/Starship, and sisters Ann and Nancy Wilson of Heart were the people who propelled Richardson into rock 'n' roll.

"Grace Slick was my hero," she said. "(Heart) was such a huge inspiration for me. They proved

girls can do this. They were just rocking out so hard."

And, Slick and Heart were unmistakable, which Richardson is still shooting for.

"For a long time I had the hope to someday be a rock star. It kept me going for years and years," she said, before beginning to laugh. "That someday is actually right now. I'm getting the exposure without being famous."

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By **MYRNA PETLICKI**  
 Contributor

Theresa Przybylski bought a Siberian and contacted a serious case of Musher Mania for this gentle, hardworking pure-bred breed. She will share her knowledge and love of these energetic sled dogs, 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1 at Oakton Sports Complex, 2800 W. Oakton St., Park Ridge.

"I'm going to bring my sled and two dogs and the equipment that I use for mushing," Przybylski said. "I'm going to give a talk about dog sledding — the history of the Siberian and how they were used to pull sleds. I'll talk a little bit about the serum run in 1925 where the dogs carried the serum to save the children in Nome who were dying from diphtheria."

Przybylski will show how the dogs are hooked to the sled and how she starts training them. Because the event will be held indoors, the dogs won't pull the sled.

Przybylski and her dogs attended the 2004 Iditarod Sled Race in Alaska but didn't race. They have participated in shorter races in Michigan, though.

The program costs \$10 for residents, \$15 for non-residents. Registration is required. For details, call (847) 692-3359 or visit [www.prparks.org](http://www.prparks.org).

**On their toes**

Classical techniques are combined with bold contemporary ideas by Elements Contemporary Ballet. The company, led by Artistic Director Mike Gosney, will perform a dance concert for all ages, 3-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23 in Petty Auditorium at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St.

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**An author's inspirations**

Kids in kindergarten through eighth grade, and their parents, will learn what it's like to be an author and illustrator from Grace Lin, 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25 at Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St. Lin's books, which include "Where the Mountain Meets the Moon," are often about the Asian-American experience because she believes that books can erase bias. Copies of her books will be

available for purchase. Registration is required. For details, call (847) 673-7774 or visit [www.skokieli-brary.info](http://www.skokieli-brary.info).

**A bad deal**

Shrek arranges to get his roar back so he can become a real ogre again in "Shrek Forever After." Unfortunately, that devious Rumpelstiltskin turns the green giant's world around with negative consequences for Fiona, Donkey and Puss in Boots. Lincolnwood Public Library, 4000 W. Pratt Ave., will screen the 93-minute PG film at 3:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24.

For details, call (847) 673-5277 or visit [www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org](http://www.lincolnwoodlibrary.org).

**Strike up the band**

Youngsters and their families will hear sounds from Northwestern University's Symphonic Band, during Banding Together, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Tickets are \$4-\$7 for this musical celebration of brass, woodwind and percussion instruments.

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L'chaim: Paul Giamatti in "Barney's Version"

**MOVIE REVIEW**

**Watered-down 'Version'**

By **BRUCE INGRAM**  
 Film Critic

**BARNEY'S VERSION**

★ ★ 1/2

Nobody does irascible, obnoxious, but soulful-underneath-it-all better than Paul Giamatti, and he outdoes himself in this picturesque tale of a hard-drinking, abrasive, possibly murderous schlock-TV producer looking back on his long, colorful, often-painfully bungled life.

It's a shame that the movie in general doesn't live up to his performance — unlike the 1974 "Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz," another adaptation of a Mordecai Richler novel about a crass, hard-nosed, Jewish hustler savvy to the ways of the world.

"Barney's Version" is an adaptation of Richler's sprawling, long-considered-unadaptable novel, which lays out the title character's own version of his life in reaction to a tell-all biography written by a retired detective who believes our anti-hero literally got away with murder.

The film opens in more-or-less present-day Montreal, where rude, crude Barney Panofsky, after a hard day of exhibiting contempt for the writers, director and stars of his long-running Canadian Mounties soap opera "O'Malley of the North,"

heads to his favorite bar (appropriately named Grumpy's), where the detective greets him, presents him with a signed copy of the book and says "You screwed over everyone you ever knew or cared about."

Well, that's a challenge that calls for flashbacks and lots of 'em. And that's what TV director Richard J. Lewis ("CSI: Crime Scene Investigation") and TV-movie screenwriter Michael Konyves proceed to give us, by touching on the circumstances surrounding Barney's three marriages: To a troubled young woman (Rachelle Lefevre) during his youthful expat days in Rome, then a Jewish Canadian Princess meant to be so loathsome that she isn't even given a name (Minnie Driver), and finally to the love of his life, Miriam, (Rosamund Pike), whom he falls for at wedding number two.

All of that jumping back and forth through time makes it difficult for the story to stay anchored in Barney's past or his present. Worse, it soon becomes clear, despite the disgruntled detective's assessment of Barney's character, that he isn't quite the SOB he's reputed to be. He's often outrageously offensive, it's true, but he's also unfailingly loyal to his junkie failed-writer best friend (Scott Speedman), he's dutiful to

the first wife who claims to be pregnant with his child, he has a warm, loving relationship with his socially embarrassing ex-cop father (Dustin Hoffman), and he's capable of a long, deeply felt, passionate love for wife number three.

In short, Barney comes across, way too soon, as more of a grumbly teddy bear shielding a big, vulnerable heart than an all-out jerk, which effectively pulls the story's teeth and undercuts its complexity.

That said, there's still much to like about "Barney's Version." The performances, more or less across the board, are nicely nuanced — and the chemistry between Hoffman and Giamatti is simply a pleasure to behold.

The film also has a surprisingly deep romantic streak, best shown during Barney's desperate declaration of his love at first sight for Miriam, after leaving his wedding to chase her to the train taking her away to New York.

That's pretty much the situation that was so cringe-inducing in Elaine May's 1972 nightmare comedy "The Heartbreak Kid" (where Charles Grodin abandoned his wife for shiksa goddess Cybill Shepherd), but here, somehow, it's a charmer.

The only question is whether or not it was originally meant to be. *Comment: pioneerlocal.com*

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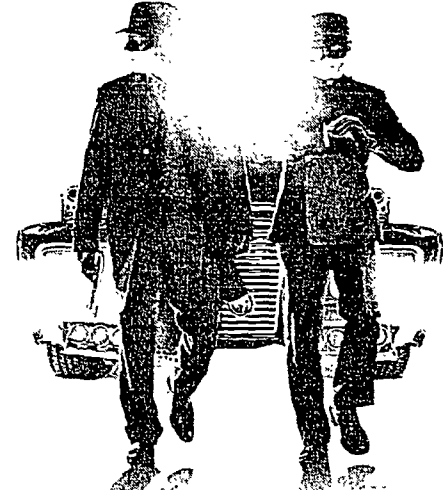
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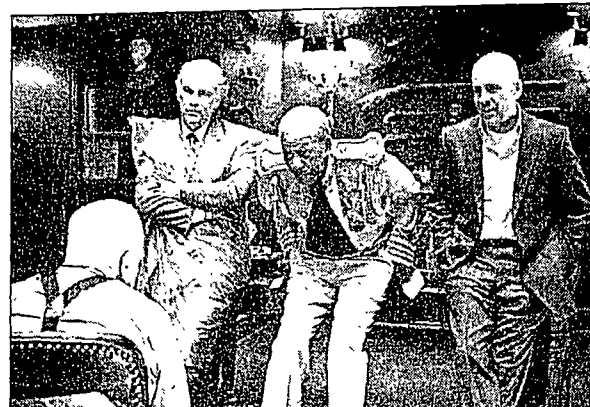
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## 'Red,' 'Secretariat' now on DVD

By BRUCE INGRAM  
Film Critic

DVD COLUMN



"Red"

### NEW THIS WEEK:

RED ★★ 1/2

Growing old definitely isn't for sissies in "Red," which features Bruce Willis as retired CIA black-ops expert Frank Moses, who's called back into action when a South African hit squad tries to gun him down — with a reluctant lady (Mary-Louise Parker) dragged along for the world's most dangerous first date. Director Robert Schwentke ("The Time Traveler's Wife") begins promisingly and for the first hour, handles things with energy, visual flair and an agreeably light touch. Unfortunately, the contrived plot, involving a murdered New York Times reporter, a list of soon-to-be-dead people (including our hero), and evil arms dealer Richard Dreyfuss, eventually devolves into a routine, predictable, tedious thriller. On the plus side, of course, there are Moses' fellow Retired Extremely Dangerous pensioners: John Malkovich, Morgan Freeman and Helen Mirren ("the best wet-work asset in the business"). Who cares about the plot, really, in a movie that includes the sight of Mirren in a ball gown working out with a heavy machine gun? (BI) Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of action violence and brief strong language. (Summit Entertainment)

SECRETARIAT ★★ 1/2

An uninspired inspirational horse-racing drama, which trails behind the 2003 racetrack hit "Seabiscuit" in all respects. Director Randall Wallace ("We Were Soldiers") adopts an awed attitude toward the superstar stallion — who

pouty, seemingly deeply unhappy child — and somehow manages to make him strangely likable. (BI) Rated PG-13 for sexual content, drug and alcohol use and language. (Sony)

### ALSO NEW THIS WEEK:

JOHN WAYNE: BIGGER THAN LIFE

This triple-disc set includes Wayne's 1963 Western "McLintock!" plus the 1990 documentary on his life, "Bigger than Life," and the Wayne-hosted 1970 documentary "No Substitute for Victory" about the threat of communism in Vietnam. Extras include TV appearances by Wayne on "The Art Linkletter Show," "The Colgate Comedy Hour," and "The Lucy Show." (Synergy Entertainment)



"Secretariat"

grade-C actor Marjoe Gortner exposed his own fake ministry. Produced by Eli Roth ("Cabin Fever," "Hostel"). (BI) Rated PG-13 for disturbing violent content and terror; some sexual references and thematic material. (Lionsgate)

THE SOCIAL NETWORK ★★ 1/2

"I don't want friends," says Facebook founder/college-boy billionaire Mark Zuckerberg early on in "The Social Network," and by the end he's got his wish: The one friend he had is suing him for \$600 million. But this brilliant, fast-paced, witty film by David Fincher ("Zodiac," "Fight Club"), featuring a hyper-intelligent script by Aaron Sorkin ("The West Wing"), is more interested in chronicling a cultural phenomenon than making moral observations. The always reliable Jesse Eisenberg ("Zombieland," "The Squid and the Whale") plays the prickly computer-genius Zuckerberg as a sort of arrogant,

### NOWHERE BOY

A drama about the early days of John Lennon (Aaron Johnson of "Kick-Ass") and the formation of the Beatles. Extras include a documentary on "The Untold Story of The Creation of the Beatles" and deleted scenes. (Sony)

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WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KANSAS?

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"Arms and the Man" will be presented by the Saint Sebastian Players Feb. 18-March 13 at St. Bonaventure, 1625 W. Diversey, Chicago. Curtain is at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$15; \$10 for students; \$7 for senior citizens. "Theater Thursday" performance, featuring refreshments and a post-show discussion, will be at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 24; tickets are \$21. Call (773) 404-7922 or visit [www.saintsebastianplayers.org](http://www.saintsebastianplayers.org).

"Beau Jest" will be presented by Big

Noise Theatre Company through Feb. 6 at the Prairie Lakes Theater, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines. Local playwright James Sherman's romantic comedy tells the story of charming but pressured Sarah Goldman, who weaves a tangled web to convince her parents that she's been dating a nice Jewish doctor. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$23; \$21 for senior citizens; \$16 for youth 13 and under. For information, visit [www.bignoisetheatre.org](http://www.bignoisetheatre.org) or call (847) 604-0275.

"Eclipsed," through Feb. 20 at North-

light Theatre, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Amid the chaos of the Liberian Civil War, the captive wives of a rebel officer band together to form a fragile community — until the balance of their lives is upset by the arrival of a new girl who can read and the return of a former captive turned rebel soldier. Curtain times are Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Feb. 1 and 8); Wednesdays at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (except Feb. 2); Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Fridays at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.; Sundays at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. (except Jan. 30 and Feb. 20). Tickets: \$30-\$50. Young adult tickets (ages 25 and under) are \$10. Call (847) 673-6300 or visit [www.northlight.org](http://www.northlight.org). Casual Friday, an informal evening of conversation and socializing, includes a pre-show cash bar, mingling with artists, and a short presentation and Q&A, followed by the evening's performance at 8 p.m. will be held at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 21. Salon Series, a panel discussion led by local experts for audience members to gain deeper insight into the play, will be held at 1 p.m. Feb. 6 with the topic "Human Rights on the World Stage." Reservations are required for special events. At [speialevents@northlight.org](mailto:speialevents@northlight.org) or (847) 679-9501, ext. 3555.

"Madagascar" will be presented by Next Theatre Company through Feb. 20 at the Noyes Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays; 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; and 2 p.m. Sundays. Added performances at 4 p.m. Feb. 5, 12 and 19, \$25-\$40. Visit [www.nexttheatre.org](http://www.nexttheatre.org) or call (847) 475-1875, ext. 2.

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Chicago a cappella performs in the Nichols Concert Hall at the Music Institute of Chicago, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. Tickets are \$35 for preferred seating, \$28 for general admission, \$22 for seniors; and \$12 for students. For tickets, call (773) 755-1628 or see [www.chicagoacappella.org](http://www.chicagoacappella.org). Feb. 12, 8 p.m.: "The Red Carpet of Sound: Musical Pairings, a capella and With Piano." The program, featuring pianist Patrick Sinozich, includes works by Franz Schubert, Max Janowski, Jonathan Miller, Robert L. Morris, Frederick Delius, Leonard Bernstein and others. An informal discussion will follow the performance.

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(Songs of the Next Life)," a cycle of four songs written especially for the Evanston Symphony Orchestra and soprano soloist Michelle Areyza by composer Gwyneth Walker, and Gustav Mahler's 4th Symphony. "Musical Insights," a free lecture/recital program, will be presented at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 28 at Presbyterian Homes, 3200 Grant St., Evanston. The program includes a presentation by Lawrence Eckerling, music director of the Evanston Symphony Orchestra, and Michelle Areyza, soprano soloist for the Jan. 30 concert. Special guest will be composer Gwyneth Walker. **Wayne Stage, 1328 W. Morse Ave. in Rogers Park, Chicago. (773) 381-4554. [www.waynestage.com](http://www.waynestage.com). Jan. 30, 11 a.m.:** WFMT presents Avalon String Quartet, \$10. Feb. 16, 8 p.m.: Fifth House Ensemble presents "The Weaver's Tale: Of Cinderella and the Devil." \$20 general admission in advance; \$25 general admission at the door. **Music of the Baroque performs at First United Methodist Church of Evanston, 1630 Hinman Ave., unless noted otherwise. (312) 551-1414. [www.baroque.org](http://www.baroque.org). Tickets are \$38, \$45, \$60. Jan. 23, 7:30 p.m.:** "Haydn Symphonies ... Mozart Concertos." The program includes Haydn: Symphony No. 102 in B-flat Major; W.A. Mozart: Bassoon Concerto in B-flat Major; L. Mozart: Trumpet Concerto in D Major; and Haydn: Symphony No. 104 in D Major (London). Free pre-concert lecture by Peter Van De Graaff at 6:30 p.m. **Music Institute of Chicago, Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. (847) 905-1500. [\*\*sinist.org. Jan. 23, 3 p.m.:\*\* Emilio del Rosario Memorial Concert. The program includes repertoire by da Falla, Finzi, Gershwin, Granados, Mozart, Rachmaninoff, Ravel and Schubert. Tickets: \\$25; \\$15 for senior citizens; \\$10 for students. Proceeds benefit the Emilio del Rosario Legacy Fund, which will support an annual merit scholarship at MIC and sponsor guest artists for performances or master classes. \*\*Feb. 5, 7:30 p.m.:\*\* Duo Turgeon performs as part of the annual Chicago Duo-Piano Winter Mini-Fest. The program includes 19th and 20th century music, including "Danza de Jalisco" by Aaron Copland, Sonata in F Minor Op. 34b by Johannes Brahms, "Tres Romances Argentinos" by Carlos Guastavino, "Capriccio" by Michael Conway Baker and "La Valse" by Maurice Ravel. Tickets: \\$25; \\$15 for seniors; \\$10 for students. \*\*Feb. 13, 3 p.m.:\*\* Russian pianist Sergei Babayan appears in a solo concert. The program includes Fantasia in C Minor, Op. 21 by Vladimir Ryabov, as well as works by Scriabin, Chopin and Rachmaninoff. \\$25; \\$15 for senior citizens; \\$10 for students. \*\*Feb. 19, 7:30 p.m.:\*\* Axiom Brass, Bronze Medal winners at the 2010 Fischhoff National Chamber Music competition, performs in recital. On the program are Argentine tango composer Astor Piazzolla's "Fuga y Misterio" and the Brass Quintet No. 1 in B-flat Major by Russian composer Victor Ewald. \\$25; \\$15 for senior citizens; \\$10 for students. \*\*North Shore Choral Society presents its 75th Anniversary Gala Concert at 7 p.m. Feb. 12 at the Unitarian Church of Evanston, 1330 Ridge Ave., Evanston.\*\*](http://www.mu-</a></b></p>
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The program includes works by Fauré, Mendelssohn, Copland and others, as well as the premier performance of a work composed by Anne Helder for the occasion. Featured are accompanist Sharon Rich Peterson and baritone Corey Grigg, winner of the NSCS 2010 Donald Chen Young Artist Competition. Tickets: \$25; \$22 for senior citizens; \$15 for students. Visit [www.northshorechoral.org](http://www.northshorechoral.org) or call (773) 741-NSCS. **Northwest Symphony Orchestra, Paul Vermel, music director, presents concerts at 3:30 p.m. Sundays in the Theatre for the Performing Arts at Maine West High School, 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. Pre-concert commentaries by Carolyn Paulin, a staff member of radio station WFMT, begin one hour prior to each concert. Tickets: \$20; \$15 for seniors; \$10 for students. Children under age 14 are admitted free when accompanied by a paying adult. Visit [www.northwestsymphony.org](http://www.northwestsymphony.org). Jan. 23: "Music of Vienna," with soloist Daniel Gingrich, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's co-principal French hornist. The program includes Mozart's Horn Concerto No. 3 in E-flat Major; Robert Schumann's Third Symphony ("Rhenish"); Johann Strauss Sr.'s Radetzky March; and Johann Strauss Jr.'s Emperor Waltz. **Park Ridge Civic Orchestra presents concerts at the Pickwick Theatre, 5 S. Prospect, Park Ridge. Tickets are \$25; \$20 for students and senior citizens. Visit [www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org](http://www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org) or call (847) 692-PRCO or (847) 823-8861. Feb. 13, 2:30 p.m.:** "Opera & Symphony," with Anne Marie Lewis, mezzo-soprano soloist, Peder Reiff, tenor**

soloist, and Peter Van De Graaff, narrator. The program includes Rossini: Overture and excerpts from "William Tell"; Mozart: Excerpts from "Così fan Tutte"; and Sibelius: Symphony #2 in D, Opus 43. **Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 467-4000. [www.pickstaiger.org](http://www.pickstaiger.org). Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m.:** Philharmonia Quartett Berlin will perform Shostakovich's String Quartet No. 13 in B-flat Minor; Beethoven's String Quartet No. 8 in E Minor; and Debussy's String Quartet in G Minor. \$24/\$22/\$12. **Jan. 23, 7:30 p.m.:** Violinist Arnold Steinhardt, a founding member of the Guarneri String Quartet, will perform Mozart's Violin Sonata in G Major, Janacek's Violin Sonata, Schumann's Romance from "F-A-E Sonata" and Dvorak's Piano Quintet in A Major. \$24/\$22/\$12. **Jan. 29, 7:30 p.m.:** Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra, with Northwestern University Concerto Competition-winning clarinetist Jack Marquadt. The program will include Cesar Franck's "The Accursed Huntsman"; John Corigliano's Clarinet Concerto; and Richard Strauss' "Also Sprach Zarathustra." \$9/\$7/\$5. **Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit [www.skokieetheatre.com](http://www.skokieetheatre.com). Jan. 30, 2 p.m.:** Soprano Emily Becker performs works by Mozart, Puccini, Poulenc and others. **Feb. 13, 2 p.m.:** Pianist Vladimir Leyetchkiss presents works by Bach

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and Chopin. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Skokie Valley Symphony Orchestra performs at 3 p.m. Sundays at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. Tickets are \$23-\$37; \$10 for children. Free pre-concert lectures begin at 1:45 p.m. For tickets, call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.svso.org. Feb. 27: All-Beethoven program featuring the Symphony No. 3 (Eroica) and Symphony No. 8.

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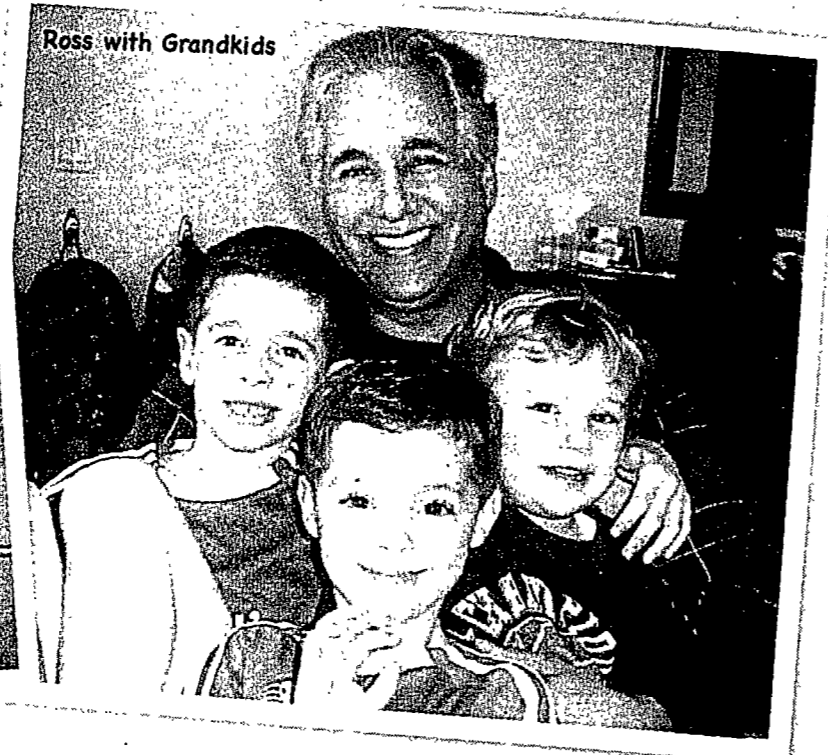
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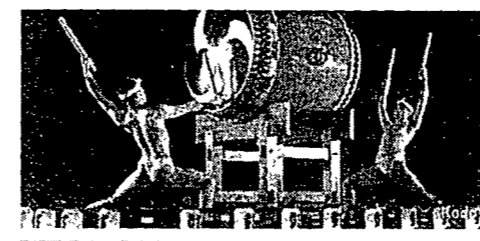
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the Teacher with Maria Blues. Feb. 17, 8 p.m.; Grammy Award winner Buckwheat Zydeco. General admission is \$20 in advance at www.ticketmaster.com; \$25 at the door. VIP tickets, which include guaranteed seating in the first few rows of tables, are \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door.

Irish American Heritage Center. 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. (773) 282-7035. www.irish-american.org. Feb. 5, 7:30 p.m.; Winter Warmup, featuring live music and dancing with the Mickey Finns. The Chance Brothers, Irish step dancers and more. \$5 cover.

"Jazz in January." 8 p.m. Jan. 21-22 at Park Ridge Community Church, 100 S. Courtland, Park Ridge, featuring local musicians Kent Wehman, Mike Levin, Wally Hustin, Neal Wehman and Bruce Nelson. Tickets are \$30 and can be ordered by calling the church office. (847) 823-3164. Libations and light edibles will be available for purchase.

Mayne Stage. 1328 W. Morse Ave. in Rogers Park, Chicago. (773) 381-4554. www.maynestage.com. Jan. 20, 8:30 p.m.; Waco Brothers (alternative country rock) and Amanda Shires. \$15. Jan. 21, 9 p.m.; Deals Gone Bad, The Crombies, and Cold Water Mystic. \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door. Jan. 22, 9 p.m.; Eyes Manouche (gypsy rock). Mas Trueno opens. \$15. Jan. 29, 9 p.m.; This Must Be the Band (Talking Heads tribute). \$15.

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. (847) 673-6300. www.northshorecenter.org. Feb. 12, 8 p.m.; Broadway Singer Linda Eder. \$61-\$69.

Rosemont Theatre. 5400 N. River Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. For more information about the theater, call (847) 671-5100 or visit www.rosemonttheatre.com. Jan. 28, 7 p.m.; Miranda Cosgrove and special guest Greyson Chance. \$27 and \$32. Feb. 12, 7:30 p.m.; Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith. \$35, \$49.50, \$65.

Skokie Theatre. 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokietheatre.com. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, unless noted otherwise. Jan. 21, 8 p.m.; Cathy Richardson. Jan. 22, 8 p.m.; BritBeat (Beatles tribute band) presents "All You Need is Love," a concert to benefit Heartland Animal Shelter. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Jan. 23, 2 p.m.; Steve Richard's Neil Diamond Birthday Bash. Jan. 26, 1:30 p.m.; Rob Dorn's "Crazy 'Bout Broadway." Jan. 28, 8 p.m.; Bucky Halker presents "Folk Music in the Heartland; Pete Seeger and Woody Guthrie." \$15. Feb. 5, 8 p.m.; Cabaret singer Joan Curto in "Nothin' But Love." Feb. 18, 8 p.m.; Anne Harris. Feb. 25, 8 p.m.; Bucky Halker presents "Folk Music in the Heartland; The Folk songs of Illinois." \$15.

S.P.A.C.E. 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston. www.evanstonospace.com. (847) 492-8860. Shows at 8 p.m., unless noted otherwise. Jan. 20: The Flatlanders

(country/rock). \$30/\$35. Jan. 21: Leo Nocentelli's The Meters Experience (soul). \$20/\$25. Jan. 23, 7 p.m.: Songwriters Circle, hosted by Ingrid Graudins, Justin Roberts, Amelia White, Phil Angotti and David Ramont. \$10/\$14. Jan. 27: Nellie McKay. \$17/\$20. Jan. 28: The Nadas with Alison Scott (folk/rock). \$12/\$15. Jan. 29: Stuart Rosenberg and Jon Spiegel, founders of The Otters. Jan. 30: Freedy Johnston and Darden Smith. \$17/\$20.

**ART GALLERIES**

Block Museum of Art at Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-4000. www.block-museum.northwestern.edu. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Admission to the museum is free; unless noted, admission to all programs is also free. Through March 13:

"Thomas Rowlandson; Pleasures and Pursuits in Georgian England." One of the most popular caricaturists of his period, Thomas Rowlandson (1757-1827) applied his lighthearted, deft humor and masterly drawing ability to satirical depictions of political and social life in the late 18th and early 19th century England. "The Satirical Edge in Contemporary Prints and Graphics" also will be on view. Jan. 29, noon-4 p.m.; "Printpalooza" print fair. Drive By Press will demonstrate the printmaking process and offer attendees the opportunity to select designs, purchase and watch the inking and pressing of T-shirts. Artist Eric Fuentes will

create prints with a custom-made "Dumbo Press" while Brooklyn's Cannonball Press will display large-scale print canvases. Also, Chicago's Spudnik Press and the other participating artists will have original prints for sale. Feb. 9, 5:30 p.m.: "The Language of Visual Humor before Rowlandson and How He Developed His Own Dialect" lecture will be presented by Constance McPhee, associate curator of drawings and prints at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Dittmar Memorial Gallery at Northwestern University's Norris Center, 1999 Campus Drive, Evanston. www.norris.northwestern.edu/dittmar.php. (847) 491-2348. The gallery is open from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Admission is free. Through Feb. 6: "Emotional DIY," featuring "emotional functioning" sculptures by Soo Shin, Chicago-based artist Soo Shin rummages through junkyards and scouts city streets in search of discarded building materials and household furnishings that she salvages and transforms into art.

Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Visit www.lincolnwood.org/artgallery.cfm. Through Feb. 28: Steel sculpture by Eric H. Steele. Artist's reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. Jan. 20.

Mather's - More Than a Café, 7134 W. Higgins Ave., Chicago. Through Feb. 1: Photo exhibit by Sherry Avila. A member of Edison Park United Methodist Church, Avila took the photos while on a Volunteers in Mission trip to the

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# Bad guys make good music at Marriott

**'Guys and Dolls'**  
 Marriott Theatre, 10 Marriott Drive, Lincolnshire. 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sundays. Jan. 26-March 27. \$40-\$48. (847) 634-0200 or www.marriotttheatre.com.

By MYRNA PETLICKI  
 Contributor

Two north suburban good guys are going bad in Marriott Theatre's production of "Guys and Dolls."

Rob Rahn of Lincolnshire and John Lister of Evanston play gangsters in the Tony-winning musical by Frank Loesser (music and lyrics) and Jo Swerling and Abe Burrows (book), based on a story by Damon Runyon.

The show focuses on Sky Masterson (Brian Hissong), a legendary gambler who romances a Salvation Army officer, Sarah Brown (Abby Mueller), on a bet and loses his heart in the process. But the musical is filled with many other colorful characters, like Harry the Horse (Rahn) and Big Julie (Lister).

**Big bad guy**

Rahn describes Harry the Horse as "a pretty tough guy. If there's bad guys in this show, on a scale of 1 to 10, with Big Julie being 10, I'd say he's about an 8. But I don't think there's anybody in this show who's really nasty." Harry may not be nasty but he's hardly a candidate for son of the year. Rahn noted that in the first scene Harry tries to hustle a crap game with a cash windfall he received when he collected the reward on his father.

"Even the bad guys are fun and funny," Rahn declared. He enjoys playing Harry because, "Every time he comes on stage, he's got a good line."

Big Julie is "kind of a straight-out-of-central-casting gangster," Lister said. "He's really the only



Rob Rahn has lots of great lines as Harry the Horse in "Guys and Dolls."

guy in the show that sort of bandies about a gun. It's his way of controlling everyone. He is what he says he is. He's Big Julie, a big, big gangster from east Cicero, Illinois, who's in New York to try and win as much money as he can playing craps but he's not doing so well."

Lister noted that because Big Julie is an "iconic gangster role," it's a challenge to make the character something more. Before rehearsals began, Lister worked on developing the character, but when queried as to whether he did it by threatening people with guns, he declared, "No more than usual."

This show is a definite change of pace for Lister. "I haven't done a musical since grad school," he reported. "Fortunately, Big Julie is a role that mostly just acts in this show. He has a couple of lines in a couple of songs. I'm lucky that I get to be an actor in a musical. If you're the body type to be Big Julie, you're not really going to be a dancer."

**Round of laughs**

Rahn, who has appeared in a number of shows at the Marriott, really enjoys performing in the round there



John Lister plays the Cicero gangster, Big Julie, in "Guys and Dolls."

because of the performers' proximity to the audience. He noted that in that setting, you have to keep moving. Lister concurred, indicating that it's especially imperative for him. "With someone my size, wearing an even bigger gangster suit, you've got to keep moving or the people behind you won't see much of the rest of the show."

Lister added that audience members seem to appreciate looking across the stage and viewing the reactions of the audience members on the other side. "If a laugh starts," he said. "It definitely spreads a lot faster in the round than it does in a regular proscenium stage."

Both performers are "Guys and Dolls" fans. "I love the show. I love the music," Rahn said. "I think it's a touching, fun, funny show."

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**A woman's story**

Evanston actress Jacqueline Williams stars in "The Trinity River Plays," three short, connected stories by Regina Taylor that follow a young woman who leaves home, marries and returns after her divorce, seeking comfort but finding a changed world. Through Feb. 20 at the Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn St., Chicago (312) 443-3800 or see www.goodmantheatre.org.

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Philippines in 2009. Exhibit hours are 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Fridays; 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call (773) 774-4804.

Oakton Community College, Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines, (847) 635-2633, www.oakton.edu/museum. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays. Through Jan. 21: "Mies van der Rohe's Bruxelles Pavilion: The Building in the Middle," featuring a recreation of modern architecture pioneer Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's Bruxelles Pavilion, Germany's never-constructed entry to the Brussels International Exposition of 1935. Supported by the Graham Foundation and the architectural technology department at Oakton, architects William Huchting and Brian DuBois recreated Mies' monument from surviving documents.

**AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES**

**STAGE**

Petite Opera Productions of Park Ridge is accepting appointments for adult actors for upcoming productions, including understudy for the male lead (non-singing) role in its original opera spoof, "Al Fresco, Life Through Opera-Colored Glasses" (May 2011). Understudy is guaranteed one performance. Actors must demonstrate exquisite comic and musical timing, and physical flexibility. Prepare a one-

minute comic monologue, and be prepared to read from the script. Auditions will be held Jan. 22-23, and are by appointment only. No housing provided; local talent only. E-mail audition requests to petiteopera@gmail.com. Include name, telephone number, headshot (jpg or pdf), resumé, preferred audition date (Jan. 22 or 23) and preferred time of day (morning, afternoon, evening). Role descriptions, scheduled audition date, time and location will be sent via e-mail. For information, call (847) 553-4442 or call www.petiteopera.org.

Auditions for the Performing Arts at Oakton production of "M. Butterfly" will be held from 6-9 p.m. Jan. 24-25 at Oakton Community College's Footlik Theater, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. No appointment is necessary. The director seeks culturally diverse men and women of all ages. Prepared monologues and cold readings will be heard; monologues need not be memorized. Production dates are March 3-13. For information, call (847) 635-1901.

The Rising Stars Theatre Co. will hold open auditions for the Gershwin musical "Crazy for You" from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 11 and 1-5 p.m. Feb. 13 at 6850 W. Addison, Chicago. Seeking a large cast ages 16 and up. Especially need male and female dancers — both tap and non-tappers — and a strong male lead who can tap. Prepare either 16 bars of a ballad or 32 bars of an uptempo song. Songs from the show welcome, but not necessary. Accompanist provided; bring sheet music in your key. Be prepared to dance. Bring tap shoes if auditioning for a tap role. Audition by appointment; e-mail auditions@risingstarschicago.com or call (773) 736-2490. Walk-ins welcome but will be seen as time permits. Performance

dates are Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons from May 7-22. All roles open, no pay. For more information, visit www.risingstarschicago.com.

**MUSICIANS**

Canzonetta Youth Orchestra is seeking players for the 2010-11 music season. Directed by Hilel Kagan, Canzonetta is a chamber orchestra that offers specialized instruction for children interested in developing their orchestral skills. Training orchestra, for 7- to 10-year-olds with beginning orchestral experience, meets from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturdays. The Intermediate orchestra, for 10- to 13-year-olds with more advanced training, meets from 3-4:30 p.m. Sundays. The Senior orchestra, a high school group for advanced musicians, meets from 1-3 p.m. Sundays. There will be at least four concerts throughout the year. All orchestras meet at the Wilmette Recreation Center, 3000 Glenview Road. For audition information, call Hella Schramm, (847) 328-0570.

**SINGERS**

Petite Opera Productions of Park Ridge is accepting appointments for trained adult vocalists interested in auditioning for cover roles for its original operetta, "Al Fresco, Life Through Opera-Colored Glasses" (May 2011), and principal adult roles and the leading child role in "Amant and the Night Visitors" by Giancarlo Menotti (November and December 2011). Auditions will be held Jan. 22-23. All roles are open, and an accompanist will be provided. Covers are guaranteed one performance. Adults auditioning for principal or cover roles should prepare two selections

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**One actor, five stories of Muslim American women**

**'Unveiled'**  
 Beth Emet The Free Synagogue, 1224 Dempster St., Evanston, 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. (847) 869-4230, ext. 301 or reception@bethemet.org.

By **MYRNA PETLICKI**  
 Contributor



Rohina Malik

Five very different Muslim women living in America tell their stories in Rohina Malik's one-woman play, "Unveiled." Howard Sachs, a member of the congregation of Evanston's Beth Emet The Free Synagogue, was so moved by the play that he organized a performance of it at the synagogue on Sunday, Jan. 23.

"My wife Lisa and I went to see Rohina's performance of 'Unveiled' at the Next Theatre in Evanston last September," Sachs said. "We spoke with her afterwards for a while." He thought the play would be welcomed by Beth Emet "because we're a very progressive-minded congregation. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. spoke to our congregation in the late '50s."

"The heart of what inspired the play was the backlash after 9/11," said playwright and actor Malik, a near west suburban resident who was born and raised in London. "Growing up in a very racially tense environment definitely had an impact on my art as a playwright and performer."

**9/11 reaction**

Despite difficult childhood experiences, "Not even the racism of London prepared me for the backlash after 9/11," she said. "People were murdered. I really felt a need in my heart to share with an audience the perspective that is often not seen on mainstream media. Being part of the Muslim community, I've always found the women really interesting because they're so diverse

and they're so not what the stereotype is."

One character Malik portrays is a rapper, "which always surprises the audience," she said. "But hip-hop is an art that you find all over the globe, particularly in communities where people feel voiceless." The playwright noted that hip-hop is very popular in her native London.

Another character is a Pakistani immigrant, living on Devon Avenue, who is a seamstress. "She creates art out of the clothes that she designs," Malik said. "The idea of that came from my mom who is amazing with fabrics."

A third woman featured is an African American convert to Muslim who lives in the South.

Malik, who studied in Morocco while attending DePaul University, also portrays a Moroccan-American lawyer who tells the story of a hate crime she experienced.

The fifth character is a Middle Eastern restaurant hostess. "As the audience is waiting for a table, she shares a very personal story about what happened to her on 9/11 when a mob approached the mosque in her community," Malik said. "That was loosely

based on the incident that happened in Bridgeview, Ill., on 9/11."

Malik noted that one unifying element in the play is tea — which four of the women serve or talk about. The African American character has a bitter Middle Eastern coffee instead.

**Normal lives**

"One of the things about the women is how normal they are," Malik concluded. "And how many of their daily concerns are the same as everyone else."

"Unveiled" had its world premiere at 16th Street Theater in Berwyn in 2009 and was reprised there last year. Malik also performed it at Victory Gardens Theater in a co-production with 16th Street Theater. She called that staging, "a dream come true for me."

Malik is currently working on "The Mecca Tales," commissioned by Goodman Theatre.

Organizer Sachs said, "With so much Islamophobia going on in this country the last few years, I think it's important that people get to know our neighbors on a personal level, not just what they read in the media."

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## Snow sculptors return for Winterfest

By Tracy Evans Boyd  
Special to Pioneer Press

Lake Geneva heats up this winter with the return of the elite U.S. National Snow Sculpting Championships. The icy cold battle takes place along the banks of Geneva Lake as part of the annual Winterfest celebrations, with carvers traveling from as far as Alaska for a piece of the action.

Starting Wednesday, Feb. 2, each team of three, representing a single state, will battle the elements and strict artistic limitations to create the winning sculpture. Among the requirements, their material must be a uniform three-ton, ten-foot-tall cylinder of artificial snow provided by Grand Geneva Resort & Spa. The artists must derive the sculpture purely from water, snow and ice as well as carve it without the use of power tools. Many team members, artists themselves, work with not only saws and sculpting implements but also a variety of their own contraptions to create the exacting designs.

"The main thing is it's still an art form, whether wood, marble or in this case, snow," describes George Hennerly, president of the Lake Geneva Area Convention and Visitors Bureau. "The artistic element is a requirement for judging, both the level of difficulty and design."

The artistry begins long before venturing outdoors. Many competitors create permanent models from material such as clay and scale the image up in size for the competition. They then use the model as a

visual guide for their snow sculptures under the more limited time constraints. One detail that remains unrestricted is their vision, which can range from a campy three-little-bears scene to an elegant egret sculpture such as Wisconsin's first place winner last year.

The artists themselves do the judging of this sanctioned national competition. The winner is the U.S. representative for the international snow sculpting competitions. Another winner, in keeping with Winterfest's family-friendly atmosphere, will be selected as the People's Choice on Saturday as well.

As the teams work furiously to execute their designs, public viewing is encouraged, says Hennerly, and the artists often chat as they work. Children's sculpting demos are among the Winterfest lakefront events, which also include helicopter and horse drawn carriage rides, a 1 mile, 5K and 10K walk/run and the Grand Geneva Resort & Spa's winter carnival. Downtown Lake Geneva celebrates the festivities by offering several food and retail specials as well.

Hennerly admits the Winterfest traditions are a great way to make the most of a long winter season; "A lot of people curse the cold weather and snow, but looking at it a different way, you can do some pretty neat stuff to it too."

For additional information on the U.S. National Snow Sculpting Championship and Winterfest, visit [www.lakegenevawi.com](http://www.lakegenevawi.com).

LAKE GENEVA SCHOOL OF COOKING

## A place to gather

By Tracy Evans Boyd  
Special to Pioneer Press

The winter ritual of tailgating food and playoff football games affords the perfect excuse to get together, sometimes in the most unexpected places. At the Lake Geneva School of Cooking's Football Tailgating Traditions class, Sundays in January got a little more fun.

From start to finish, even the armchair quarterbacks can lend a hand in preparing delicious game day dishes, all without missing a moment of the action. The games are broadcasted on the kitchen's large TV, a feature that contributes to the relaxed atmosphere during Chef John Bogan's classes.

"How many times do you go over to someone's home, where it feels especially warm and friendly, and everyone ends up in the kitchen," says the owner, who served as chef at the French Country Inn for 15 years before taking over the school in 2008. "Whether you're experienced or not, we've created a hands-on class where you get to socialize during the whole cooking process."

For the tailgating-themed class, Bogan brings in Chef Dominic Trumfio of Water's Edge Bed & Breakfast to share his family recipe for sausage making. His grandmother's Italian-style sausage calls for a course ground pork blend, which serves as the basis for several of the day's dishes, from topping grilled Caesar salad to Giambotta with roasted potatoes and onions. Students can work with the basic recipe to create their own spice and flavor combination, using options like fennel seeds, chili flakes or garlic to name a few. Bogan always sees that everyone has a few pounds to take home with them as well.

The cooking class is an ideal way for wives to enjoy the company of their husbands in the kitchen, or even for a

group of men to bond outside of barbeque season, says Bogan.

"We see guys taking our classes more and more," he says. "I think men today realize there's more to cooking than just the grills in the summertime."

When the cooking is over, the students can relax, enjoy a buffet filled with their creations and take in the rest of the game. The sports season will culminate with a special three-hour course for Superbowl Sunday, expanding on the tailgating dishes and of course, finishing in time to give full attention to the big game.

The New Year brings several great opportunities to visit Lake Geneva Cooking School, known for teaching the culinary essentials in a comfortable atmosphere that encourages student creativity. While the majority of the classes are built around hands-on learning, Chef Bogan does offer demonstrations for those that would rather relax and enjoy their meal on a more intimate level.

This January, Chef Bogan plans to bring back the popular New Year, New You classes, focusing on signature seafood recipes like Ahi Tuna in Soy Marinade and centered on quick, vegetable-packed meals. When possible, the school draws from a variety of locally sourced meats and produce to offer the freshest ingredients for each recipe.

"It brings family members and friends together," says Bogan, who refers to his many return devotees as 'alumni.' When the atmosphere is so approachable and fun, it's easy to see why the Lake Geneva School of Cooking is a perfect answer to "what's for dinner?"

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## Fireside Dinner Theatre swings in

By Tracy Evans Boyd  
Special to Pioneer Press

For a truly exceptional outing this winter, travel back in time at the Fireside Dinner Theatre in Fort Atkinson, Wisc. The entertainment destination will debut its 2011 season with a lively look at the music and culture of the 1940s.

The eight-piece live band, led by Steve Watts playing the piano, consists of some of the region's most talented musicians performing its seventh year of live band music at Fireside. Together with eight singers and dancers cast from auditions in New York, Swing on a Star will recreate a tribute to the era when Big Band and Swing music was at its height.

"The music of the '40s is popular again, and young people are going out and enjoying swing dancing now- what's old is new again!" says Julie Nordeen, Fireside's Marketing Manager, who lists the '50s and old Hollywood as previous Big Band performance themes.

The show, slated to run from Jan. 13 through Feb. 27, will highlight the music of Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra, the Andrews Sisters and more memorable favorites of the era. Between songs, historical and cultural tidbits and mesmerizing swing dance performances will keep audiences tapping their feet. The theater in the

round is designed for an intimate feel, where every one of the 650 seats receives a stunning experience of sight and sound.

For many guests, a trip to Fireside includes dinner before the show. The restaurant, housed in a pyramid-shaped building since 1964, with seating around an inviting fireplace, was the first business venture at the family-run destination. It took four dining room expansions for the growing demand to extend to a neighboring performance space, opened in 1978. The restaurant still hosts its popular family tradition of a Friday Fish Fry, as well as award-winning fine dining menus created with fresh homemade ingredients.

The family-run gift shops at Fireside provide yet another reason to stay and linger between dinner and a show, where guests can shop for one of a kind collectibles, pottery and music paraphernalia.

All tickets to the shows include dinner at The Fireside's restaurant. Swing on a Star will run seven shows weekly, from Wednesday through Sunday, at a variety of show times, with different menu options at the restaurant. Reservations are recommended and can be made online at [www.firesidetheatre.com](http://www.firesidetheatre.com) or through the box office at (800) 477-9505.



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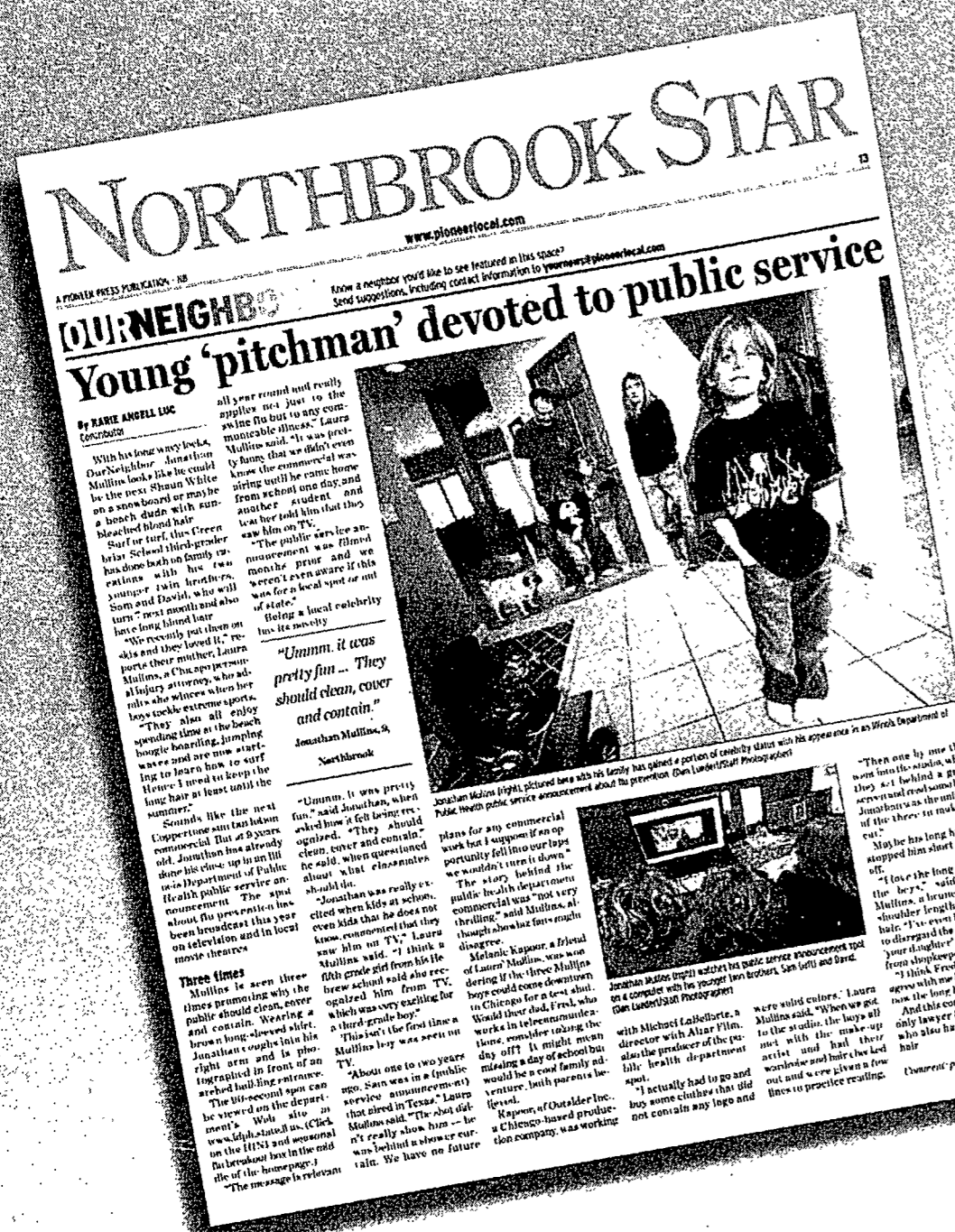
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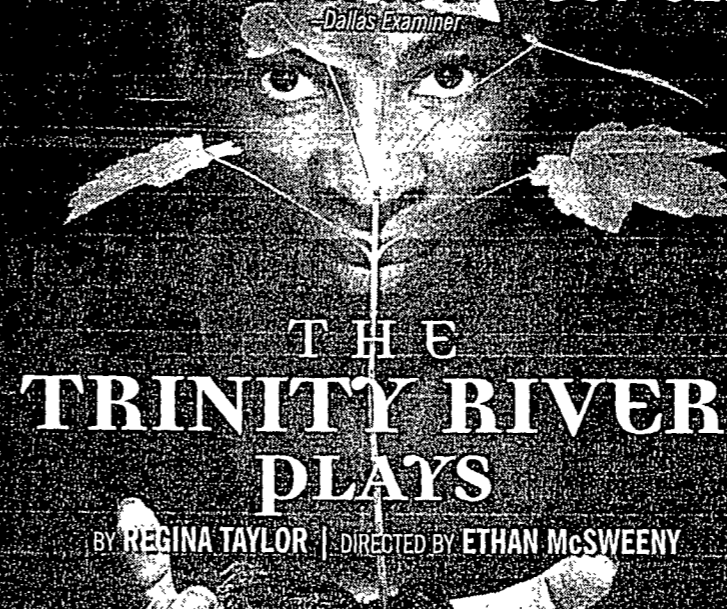
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Park Ridge Chorale will hold auditions for its spring concert from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Jan. 24 and 31 at the Park Ridge Nonprofit Center, 720 Garden St., Park Ridge. Rehearsals are held from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays. The concert, "Audience Choice," will be presented April 9 and is a compilation of previously performed songs. For information, call Kyle Cartwright, (847) 825-5499.

**BENEFITS**  
"Plea," the Chicago Bar Association's annual Christmas Spirits Revue, will be presented at 8 p.m. Jan. 29 at Oakton

Community College's Footlik Theater, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. The revue takes a satirical look at the past year's political, sports and celebrity newsmakers. Proceeds from the performance will benefit the student scholarship fund. Tickets are \$50, which includes a reception following the performance. For tickets or information, call (847) 635-1893.

Park Ridge Civic Orchestra has its annual gala, "Mardi Gras," at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 26 at Café la Cave, 2777 N. Mannheim Road, Des Plaines. The evening includes music by Brass from the Past, cocktails, dinner, raffles, silent auction and dancing. \$125 per person. Call (847) 692-PRCO or visit www.parkridgecivicorchestra.org.

**BOOKS & POETRY**

Barnes & Noble, 55 Old Orchard Center, Skokie. (847) 676-2230. Jan. 28, 7:30 p.m.: Elizabeth Eulberg discusses and signs *Prom and Prejudice*. Jan. 29, 3 p.m.: Lo Bosworth discusses and signs *The Lo-Down*.

Love Is Murder Mystery Conference will be held Feb. 4-6 at the Intercontinental Chicago O'Hare Hotel, 5300 N. River Road, Rosemont, featuring novelists Rhys Bowen, Joseph Finder, Carolyn Haines, Joan Johnston, Jon Land, F. Paul Wilson and others. Events include author panels, master writing classes, weapons demonstration, crime lab and evidence discovery experts, bookstore and other vendors. Full and partial registrations available. For more information, visit www.lovesmurder.net or call (773) 774-3372.

**RHINO/the Poetry Forum** invites all poets to its poetry workshop & peer exchange, to be held from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Jan. 23 in Room 108 at the Evanston Public Library, Church and Orrington Streets, Evanston. Attendees bring 17 copies of a poem to be critiqued, and participate in a discussion of poetry and poetics. No registration is required. \$5 donation. The session will be led by Cin Salach, an Illinois Arts Council award recipient and author of *Looking for a Soft Place to Land*.

**CHILD'S PLAY**

Allstate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (800) 745-3000; the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The information line is (847) 635-6601. Jan. 26-27, 7 p.m.; Jan. 28, 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; and Jan. 29-30, 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.: Disney On Ice: Disney/Pixar's Toy Story 3. Tickets: \$19-\$82.75.

"Fiddler on the Roof Jr." will be presented by Christian Youth Theater at 9:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Feb. 10 and 15; 7 p.m. Feb. 11 and 18; 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Feb. 12, 19 and 20; and 2 p.m. Feb. 13 at Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines. Tickets are \$9-\$12 in advance; \$11-\$14 at the door. Call (847) 516-2298 or visit www.cychicago.org.

Three Cat Productions offers theater and cabaret classes for children and teens at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. The winter term runs Feb. 16-March 26. "Golly Gee Glee," for teens, will be held from 4-5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays and will cover singing, dancing and the mechanics of show choir. Other offerings include "Off the Cuff," an improvisation class for second- through fifth-graders; "Broadway Bound," for second- through fifth-graders; and a youth production of "Cinderella." Call (847) 461-3228 or visit www.threecatproductions.com.

**COMEDY**

North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie. www.northshorecenter.org. (847) 673-6300. Jan. 20-23: Capitol Steps presents "Liberal Shop of Horrors." Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Thursday; 8 p.m. Friday; 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday; and 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$44-\$48.

Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokieththeatre.com. Jan. 29, 8 p.m.: Jim Wiggins' "The Last Hippie." \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. Feb. 4, 8:30 p.m.; The Edge Comedy Club. \$15. Feb. 11, 8 p.m.: Pop Culture Power Radio presents "It Was the Night Before Valentine's Day and Other Great Horror Stories," featuring comedic short-form improv games. \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door.

**DANCE**

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Evanston Dance Ensemble presents

"Body of Work: The Dance of Art" at 7 p.m. March 11; 4 p.m. March 12; 2 p.m. March 13 and 19; and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. March 18 at Northwestern University's Josephine Louis Theatre, 20 Art Circle Drive, Evanston. Tickets: \$22; \$15 for students and senior citizens. For information, call (847) 491-7282 or visit www.tic.northwestern.edu.

**GROUPS & LESSONS**

Happy Twirlers Dance Club offers square dance lessons from 7-9 p.m. Mondays, starting Jan. 31, at The Summit of Uptown, 10 N. Summit, downtown Park Ridge. First lesson is free with fee of \$5 per lesson after that. Accepting new students Feb. 7 and 14 as well. For information, call (773) 685-8407 or (847) 729-5805.

Happy Twirlers Dance Club provides round and square dancing at 7:30 p.m. the second Saturday of the month, through May 14, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Thacker and Lee streets, Des

Plains. \$6 per guest. For information, call (847) 698-5501 or (773) 685-8407. Square Spares & Pairs Square Dance Club, a club for couples and singles, dances the second and fourth Mondays of the month all year long at the Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge. Rounds start at 7:30 p.m., with squares from 8-10 p.m. \$5 for members; \$6 for guests. For information, call (773) 775-9427 or (708) 442-8646.

**FILM**

Block Cinema, in the Pick-Laudati Auditorium at the Block Museum of Art, Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-4000. www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu/block-cinema. Admission is \$6; \$4 for Block Museum members and students with ID, or as noted below. All films shown at 7 p.m., unless noted otherwise. *The Roger Corman Film School series* - Jan. 20: "Dementia 13" (Francis Ford Coppola, 1963). Jan. 27: "Piranha" (1978). A massive horde of genetically modified piranhas with a taste for human blood is unintentionally released into the waters of a summer resort. *Art on Screen series* - Jan. 21: "Marwencol" (2010). Nearly 10 years after a brutal assault left him traumatized and brain damaged, Mark Hogancamp fights his demons on a battlefield of scale models and dramatically posed action figures, which he lovingly photographs. *Twentieth Century Fox series* - Jan. 28: "Cluny Brown" (Ernst Lu-

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"I lived in a large 3,400-square-foot, four-bedroom, 2 1/2-bath house in Cary, that was on an acre of land too," said Foss. "I downsized to a 1,600-square-foot condo and I certainly don't miss taking care of that acre yard."

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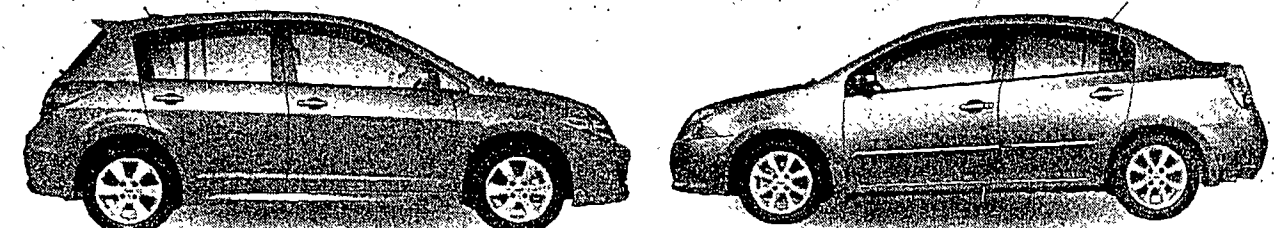


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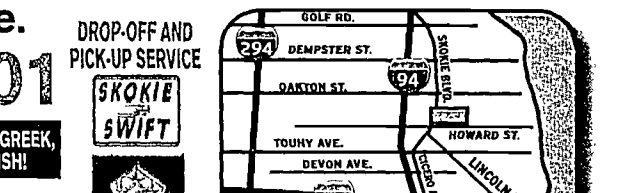
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## 2011 Jaguar XJ is on the prowl

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is a rich and contemporary, though somewhat busy, environment.

It's perhaps too modern as well; Jaguar has replaced traditional gauges with a 12.3-inch high-definition screen that projects computer-generated gauges. The screen features a central speedometer that is usually flanked by a tachometer and fuel and temperature gauges. Depending on the situation, though, the outer gauges can be replaced by warning messages, gear selections and trip or vehicle information menus. The system works well, but it can wash out in direct sunlight and it lacks the watchlike quality of fine gauges. While I like the "flashlight effect" that makes the numerals closest to the needles brighter, I'd prefer traditional gauges with a trip computer screen between them, as is the norm in most rivals.

The XJ also comes standard with a navigation system that includes a 30-gigabyte hard drive for music storage. Unfortunately, Jaguar hasn't made the touch screen easy to use, so it will take some time to learn. The XJ also has a rotating shift dial instead of a traditional lever. Some will like it as kitschy. Others will be confused by it.

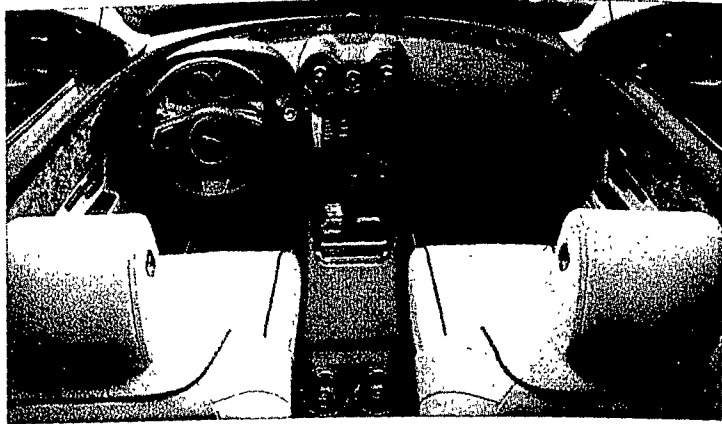
Interior space is not an issue. A roomy front seat teams with 18 standard seat adjustments and a standard power tilt/telescoping steering wheel allow just about anyone to be comfortable. The front seats are heated and cooled and the rear seats are heated. The rear seat in the short wheelbase model is comfy, too, though legroom may get a bit tight if four basketball players are aboard.

The long wheelbase body style has a limolike 44.1 inches of legroom, which is probably about what Shaquille O'Neal needs. It also adds

fold-down rear trays, an electric rear sunshade, manual rear side window sunshades and four-zone automatic climate control, all of which are designed to let businessmen get some work done and be comfortable while doing it.

While the trunk has a cavernous 18.4 cubic feet of space, that's it. There is no fold-down rear seat, nor is there a ski pass-through. That's a shame because a car this big should be able to carry a lot of stuff.

Jaguar chose not to provide a folding rear seat in the name of structural stiffness. Like the outgoing model, the 2011 XJ employs an aluminum body structure that gives the car a weight advantage over most competitors. The new XJ has gained a couple hundred pounds, but it is still lighter than the competition and Jaguar says it's 11 percent stiffer with 20 percent less body roll. That translates into a car that drives



smaller than its considerable size. On the road, I found the XJ to be impressively sporty. The steering is light but direct and quicker than you'd expect in a large luxury car. The relatively light weight helps the XJ attack turns with verve and string together moves, like in a slalom, with impressive agility.

Despite the sporty character, the XJ has a bit of an uneasy feeling - like it sits about an inch too high. This can cause a bit too much head toss for passengers following minor steering adjustments at highway speeds. And since the steering is so quick, this can happen more often than some would like. One would expect the XJ to feel a bit more relaxed.

Otherwise, the suspension strikes a nice balance between ride and handling. Ride quality is firm, but forgiving. That's probably because Jaguar has chosen tires without too low of a profile, allowing the sidewalls to absorb some road impacts. There's a caveat, though. The supercharged models come with summer performance tires that will leave Chicagoans spinning their tires not just in snow, but all too often when the temperature dips below freezing.

Engine performance is also improved, thanks to three all-new 5.0-liter overhead cam V-8 engines, each of which defines a model. In the \$72,700 naturally aspirated base model (\$79,700 in long wheelbase), the engine makes a healthy 385 horsepower. The \$87,700

Supercharged model (\$90,700 LWB) boosts output to 470 horsepower, and the high-performance \$110,200 Supersport model (\$113,200 LWB) increases the supercharged horses to 510. All three engines send power to the rear wheels through a smooth-shifting and responsive six-speed automatic transmission with steering wheel shift paddles.

The base engine has more than enough low-end torque to get the car up to speed quickly, and passing is a breeze. Jaguar quotes a 0-60 mph time of a scant 5.4 seconds, which seems right. The two supercharged engines are basically overkill. I drove the Supersport model. It has roughly the same willing low-end response as the base engine, but adds gobs of extra midrange and high rpm power. Jaguar says the Supersport can reach 80 mph in just 4.5 seconds, but Road & Track magazine achieved a time of 4.4 seconds with the less powerful Supercharged model, with the long wheelbase to boot. Impressive.

With all that power and capable handling, the new Jaguar XJ truly is a worthy competitor for its Audi, BMW and Mercedes rivals. The same wasn't often said of the last model. And the new looks help the XJ stand apart from that staid German crowd. Now if Jaguar really wants to get some attention for its new big cat, I have an idea for an ad campaign starring Tawny Kitaen. Here we go again.

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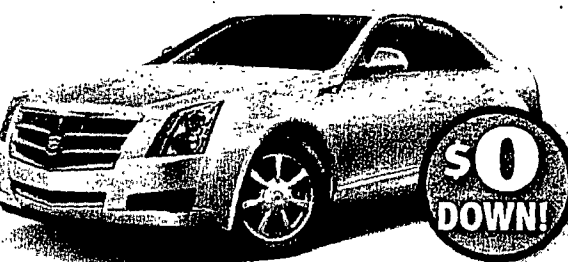
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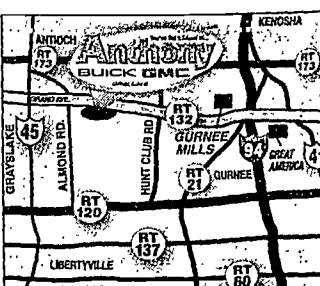
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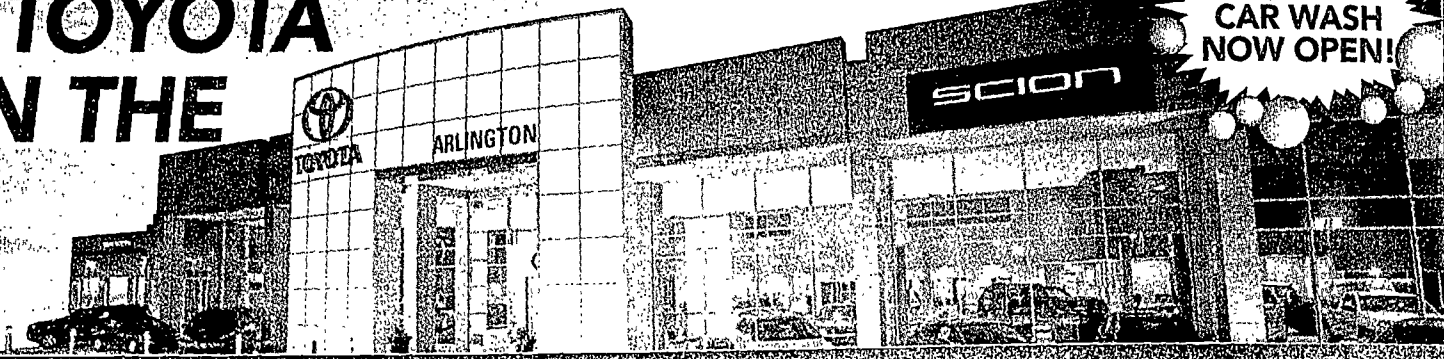
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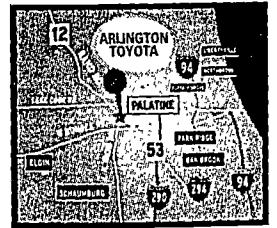


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**Empty-nesters drawn to 'streamlined' lifestyle at The Heritage**

Today's empty-nesters are drawn to a more streamlined and maintenance-free lifestyle at The Heritage of Palatine Condominiums and Brownstones on Greeley Street and Brownstones in downtown northwest suburban Palatine.

"The Heritage offers something for everyone's tastes, whether a luxury condominium or a brick row home. These homes are ideal for empty-nesters who desire a maintenance-free lifestyle without giving up the space of a single-family home," said Katie Campbell, sales manager for the development. "The Heritage is perfect for buyers who want to downsize from a large home and have no exterior maintenance, but also want to have enough living space for when grandchildren visit or for their college-age kids that still live at home."

As The Heritage of Palatine Condominiums approaches close-out, buyers have a choice of eight distinctive two-bedroom and two-bedroom-plus-den floor plans with 2 baths. They range in size from 1,456 to 1,716 square feet of living space and prices start from \$249,900.

"Right now, we have eight custom condominiums available for purchase and five of them are beautifully decorated models at the 48-unit community," said Campbell.

According to Campbell, several empty-nester buyers recently sold their townhomes and single-family homes to move to a luxury condominium at The Heritage of Palatine.

"As a matter of fact, these new buyers had little trouble selling their existing homes and were delighted to be moving into a brand new luxury condominium in such an incredible location," said Campbell.

Kevin Foss, 51, recently downsized and purchased a Carlton model at The Heritage of Palatine Condominiums.

"I lived in a large 3,400-square-foot, four-bedroom, 2½-bath house



Two-bedroom luxury condominiums are available for sale at the Heritage of Palatine Condominiums in downtown Palatine.

Heritage of Palatine Brownstones which features about 2,300 square feet of living space with three bedrooms, 3½ baths and a bonus room.

"We really like the fact we will have all the space of a single-family home in the Brownstones, even a two-car garage-yet we will have a maintenance-free lifestyle," said Alison Gildemeister.

"We really wanted maintenance-free living because my husband works so much and we just wanted to enjoy ourselves on the weekends."

The Heritage of Palatine Condominiums and Brownstones are part of an extensive land plan with lavish landscaping that has been designed to blend with the neighborhood.

The Village of Palatine has put considerable time and effort into a downtown revitalization project that has attracted stores, restaurants, and other amenities to the area, Campbell said.

"Everything is within walking distance, the train station, shopping, restaurants, churches, schools, parks and park district facilities," she said.



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elementary District 15 and Fremd High School in District 211.

A recreational attraction in the town is Palatine Trail, a bicycle, hiking and nature trail, which extends through the Palatine Park District.

"It is easy for a buyer to find exactly what they are looking for in Palatine," said Campbell.

The Heritage of Palatine Condominiums and Brownstones sales center is at 50 South Greeley St. and is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 847-705-6238 or visit [www.rfranczak.com](http://www.rfranczak.com).

The Palatine Park District has



TRANSACTIONS

Below are some of the homes sold recently for \$250,000 and up. For a complete list of all Chicago-area transactions, see "recent sales" at www.searchchicago.com/homes.

**Antioch**
1128 Bowles Rd: Anders, James L & Janet E: \$478,000
43385 N Scott St: Neubiser, Richard E & Jody L: \$253,000

**Deerfield**
855 Holmes Ave: Weiner, Douglas L



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& Jocelyn J: \$838,000
506 Sandpiper Ln: Enou, Tudor I: \$269,000

**Evanston**
345 Ashland Ave: Lilley, Austin P & Carmen M: \$500,000
2233 Dodge Ave: Gilbert, Scott & Miller, Laura: \$489,000
2335 Hastings Ave: Anderson, Max & Shelli: \$670,000

2123 Keeney St: Daniels Jr, Churchill & Daniels, Kerri E: \$287,000
2222 Main St: Ward, Michael C & Ward Jr, Michael C: \$750,000
1501 Oak Ave: White, Willmon & Barbara K: \$348,000
59 Salem Ln: Zamarelli, Robert & Mines, Kimberly A: \$490,000
2229 Simpson St: Dufek, Ann M: \$325,000
1215 Washington St: Funovits, Frianz & Max, Cree: \$275,000

**Highland Park**
866 Auburn Ct: Ostberg, Emil & Vivian: \$282,000
701 Barbary Rd: Cardenas, Jorge Alex & Jenny Lynn: \$261,000
2069 Burr Oak Ln: Gershman, Jeff S & Jenna H: \$575,000
387 Moraine Rd: Rudy, Kerry & Marika: \$1,200,000
1520 Oakwood Ave: Henkin, Jack & Pearson, Louise S: \$1,250,000
755 Sumac Rd: Salcena, Sara: \$315,000
890 Woodleigh Ave: Galvin, Aaron & Amy: \$445,000

**Glenview**
2225 Butterly Ln: Roth, Michael D & Ashley L: \$505,000
1044 Crystal Ct: Shreer, Jason W & Feng, Qi: \$550,000
2957 Independence Ave: Bahceci, Erkut & Wulfilda: \$1,050,000
3308 Lakewood Ct: Via, Walter & Alema: \$470,000
2108 Linneman St: Omalley, Gwenn: \$295,000
2201 Mint Ln: Carr, Kevin J: \$475,000

**Ingleside**
25628 W Oakland Dr: Bernard, Troy D & Johanna M: \$540,000

**Kenilworth**
620 Exmoor Rd: Pennington, Matthew W & Crystal S: \$665,000
43 Kenilworth Ave: Hart, Gregory L & Carrie M: \$314,000
150 Winnetka Rd: Milligan III, Robert

J & Merchant, Heena: \$400,000

**Grayslake**
354 Belle Ct: Hall, Lauren: \$251,000
34360 N Stonebridge Ln: Oechsle Jr, Jerry A & Oechsle, Leah T: \$319,000
18698 W Brooke Ave: Bradley, Michele: \$285,000

**Lake Forest**
60 Atteridge Rd: Hatfield III, Asa Q & Hatfield, Angela Beth: \$501,500
1105 W Anna Ln: Craft, Charles E & Hendrix, Mary J: \$2,275,000
1910 W Southmeadow Ln: Hensel, Terri Lin: \$1,100,000

**Libertyville**
28092 N Bradley Rd: Thomas, Steven & Ashley: \$305,000

**Lincolnshire**
32 Lancaster Ln: Liu, David & Tricia W: \$310,000
325 Rivershire Ct: Shen, Lisa: \$390,000
14570 W Mayland Villa Rd: Shtrombrand, Igor & Vinokur, Kira: \$740,000

**Mettawa**
13976 W Emma Ln: Mansilla, Leonard A & Michelle C: \$470,000

**Morton Grove**
7621 Beckwith Rd: Thomas, Christos & Penny: \$285,000
7237 Foster St: Dimoulas, Virginia: \$306,000
9423 Merrill Ave: Trogub, Helen: \$300,000
8612 Prairie St: Penafiora, Rexly & Myra: \$318,000

& Milligan, Tina Davis: \$635,000

**Lake Bluff**
305 Rathbun Ct: Bentz, James & Jennifer: \$780,000

**Northbrook**
2105 Clover Rd: Goodwin, Andrew J & Amanda K: \$506,000
1931 Deercrest Ln: Durakovic, Mirsad & Amela: \$575,000
830 Juniper Ln: Boston, Rebecca & Jason Robert: \$310,000
1333 Landwehr Rd: Chung, Duk D: \$380,000
3810 Mission Hills Rd 508: Schwartz, William R & Marlene D: \$275,000
4040 Phyllis Rd: Weinstein, Jennifer: \$430,000
1250 Rudolph Rd 2H: Ross, Sheri K: \$250,000
640 Sanders Rd: Rosenberg, Richard L & Sandra R: \$318,000
933 Shermer Rd: Weiner, Gary: \$1,050,000
1702 Silver Pine Dr: Smith, Keith G & Marissa R: \$470,000
2514 Stonebridge Ln: Grossman, Ronald F & Ruth G: \$595,000

**Winnetka**
1065 Chatfield Rd: Rieck, Yale A & Adrienne G: \$929,000
700 Locust St: Pigott, James & Heather: \$1,715,000
1152 Scott Ave: Marrero, Albert & Carrasquillo, Beatrice Rada: \$755,000

**Skokie**
5323 Conrad St: Momchilov, Andrea: \$250,000
4505 Keeney St: Duong, Minh Q & Tran, Thanh: \$252,500
4050 Kirk St: Kim, Norm & Chak, Kimna: \$375,000
7542 Kostner Ave: Azam, Waheed Q & Pari Q: \$295,000
9552 Kostner Ave: Ly, Leng & Thai, Sue: \$400,000
9321 Lowell Ave: Cherny, Eugene & Lily: \$575,000

**Third Lake**
60 N Lake Ave: Dishaw, Jonathan P

8732 W Bruce Dr: Suszko, Robert M & Marian: \$350,000
8439 W Roseview Dr: Nedeljkovic, Dejan & Milena: \$252,000

**Vernon Hills**
343 Alpine Springs Dr: Grollman, Michael: \$295,500
1851 Trevino Ter: Koh, Jason Jae Hyun & Jee Hyen: \$388,000
245 W Camargo Ct: Pomerantz, Jeff M & Valerie H: \$597,000

**Wilmette**
114 Girard Ave: Freeborn, Nathan & Rebecca: \$475,000
610 Leamington Ave: Rodriguez, Raul & Jimenez, Edith: \$295,000
2350 Meadow Dr S: Roseborough, Chaunda & Smith, Charley: \$567,500
2121 Parkview Ct: Koening, Sheryl L: \$276,000
1041 Ridge Rd 509: Boros, Sally P: \$252,500
1500 Sheridan Rd 11: Oroure, Rosemary C: \$325,000

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On the move
WHERE WE LIVE | Sales underway at 'active adult' McHenry project

BY JEREMY SCHNITKER

Construction and sales have begun at the Patriot Estates subdivision in McHenry. The "active adult" community, which is built for residents over the age of 55, has a handful of occupied homes and, when finished, will consist of three neighborhoods of 101 single-family homes, 100 adjoined homes in two-unit buildings, and 204 townhomes in four-unit clusters. It sits at the corners of Bull Valley Road and Crystal Lake Road.



Most of the homes will have ranch-style floor plans, while the community will have a 1.6 mile walking trail, a perennial garden, putting greens, chipping greens and croquet and bocce courts. Baird & Warner agent Bob Robinson is listing a to-be-built home at 819 Hanson Ave. that will have two bedrooms and two bathrooms. The single-story ranch will have nine-foot ceilings and a two-car garage. It's listed for \$195,000.

Robinson said buyers are attracted to Patriot Estates' active atmosphere and its pastoral setting. "People will really like the hiking trails and the clubhouse," he said. "And we're right at the start of the Chain O' Lakes, so it's a nice, peaceful setting."

ON THE MARKET
ROUNDUP OF NEW LISTINGS

Grayslake: A three-bedroom, 1.5-bath home at 229 Highland Road is listed for \$130,000. The ranch home, listed by Susan Ligmanowski of RE/MAX Unlimited Northwest, has aluminum siding, a two-car garage, a basement and hardwood or wood laminate flooring.

Buffalo Grove: A corner-lot home at 143 Bernard Drive is on the market for \$359,900. Patricia Crossin of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage is the listing agent for the three-bedroom, 2.5-bath home, which features a fenced yard with a deck, hardwood flooring, a fireplace and vaulted ceiling in the family room and an eat-in kitchen.

Evanston: A recently rebuilt home at 1119 Oak Ave. is on the market for \$1.055 million. Michael Bernard of Prairie Shore Properties is the listing agent for the six-bedroom, five-bath home, which features a chef's kitchen with breakfast bar, recreation room, hardwood flooring and a fireplace.

—Tim Horneman

MARKET WATCH

Table with columns: City, For sale, Median price, Rate of foreclosure, # of sales, # of foreclosures. Rows include Barrington, Buffalo Grove, Des Plaines, Evanston, Gurnee, Highland Park, Lake Forest, Park Ridge, Skokie, Wilmette.

SOURCE: CHICAGO.BLOCKSHOPPER.COM. DATA TRACK LAST 12 MONTHS OF SALES.



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Open plan: The kitchen at 819 Hanson Ave. in the Patriot Estates subdivision will feature updated finishes and be open to the living room when it's built. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

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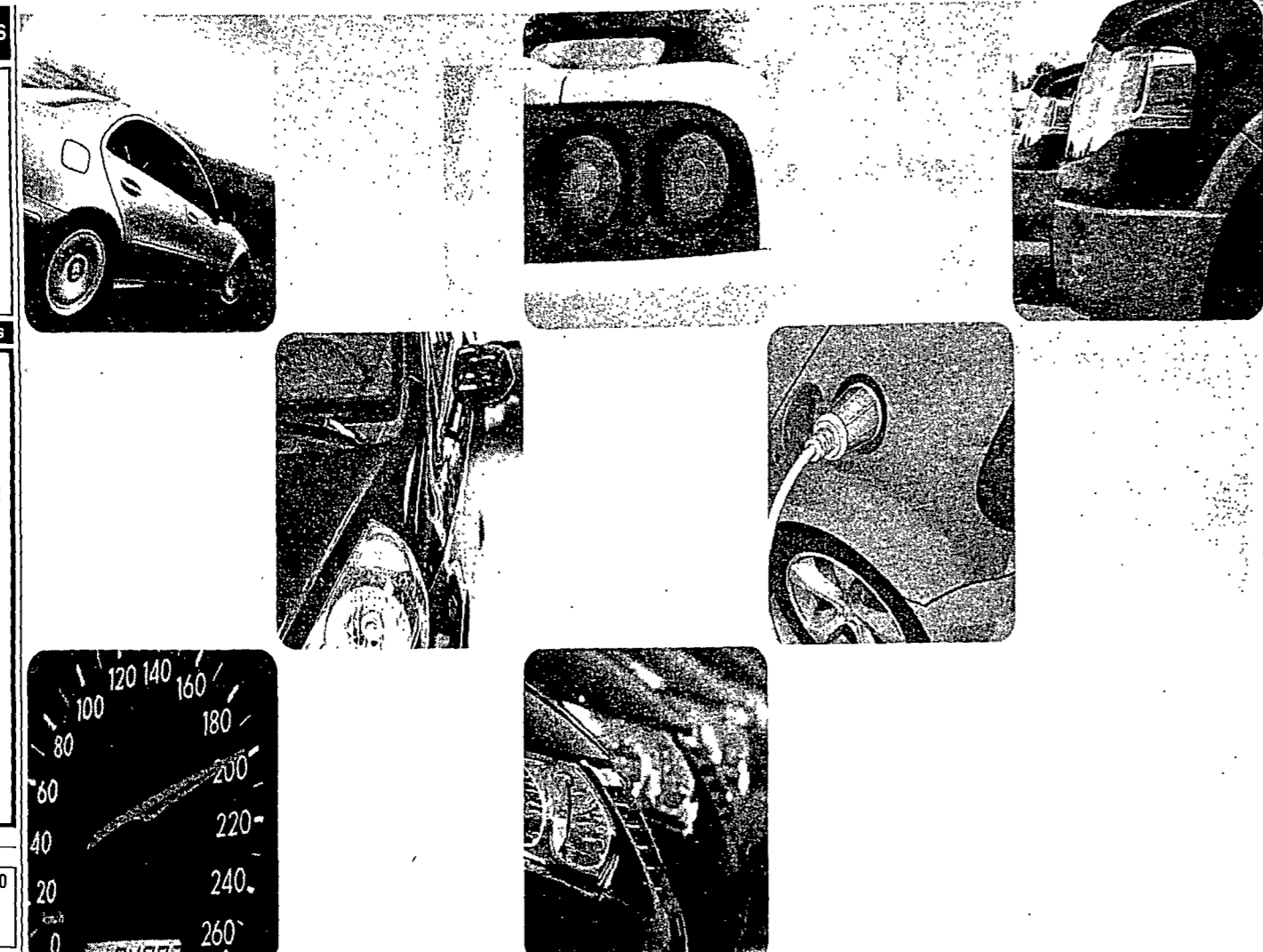
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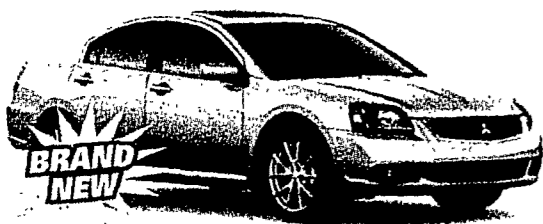
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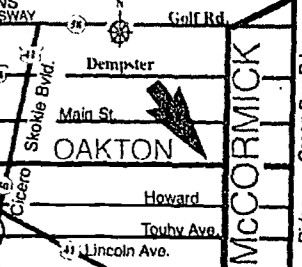
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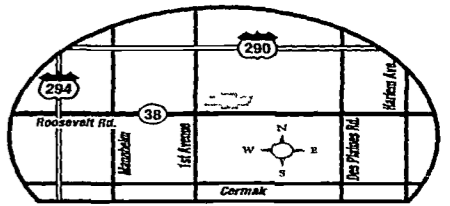
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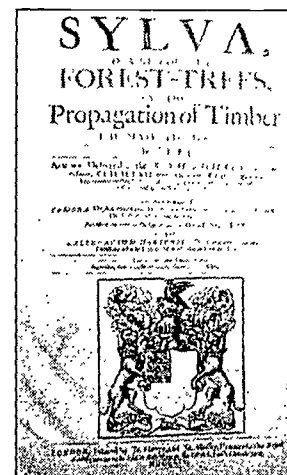
If you've been wracking your brain for a good way to get a jump on celebrating 2011 as the United Nations' International Year of Forests, then wrack no more: The Chicago Botanic Garden has made it easy.

The Bibliotheca Sylva exhibit (that's Books about Trees for those who don't speak Latin), on display through Feb. 6, features three selections from the Rare Book Collection of the Botanic Garden's Lenhardt research library — all devoted to the theme of deforestation and reforestation.

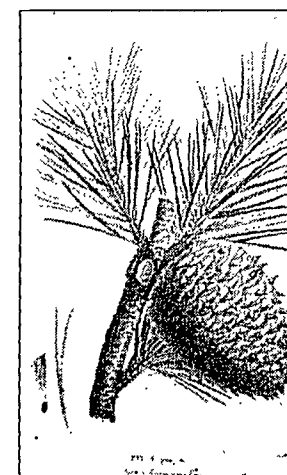
"We create four rare book exhibits a year, varying the topics according to the seasons and other events," said library director Leora Siegel. "Part of our goal is to highlight the beauty of these rare books, but we also try to emphasize some sort of scientific message, something that reflects the mission of the Botanic Gardens."

Bibliotheca Sylva allows visitors to view representative plates from these rare volumes:

*Sylva, or, A Discourse of Forest-Trees, and the Propagation of Time in His Majesties Dominion*, by John Evelyn (1664). The first major publication from England's Royal Society of scientists provided the court of King Charles II with recommendations for the development of forests in the



The title page of John Evelyn's "Sylva," published in 1664, on display at the Chicago Botanic Garden's "Bibliotheca Sylva" exhibit.



An engraved illustration from Francois Michaux's 1819 "North American Sylva."

United Kingdom.

*Jitsuyo Mokuzai Meikan: Kitada to Keisetsu*, by Kanzo Hibino (1934). Published with accordion-style binding, Hibino's book details the practical uses of a variety of Asian

wood, featuring 120 genuine wood samples. The only known copy in existence in North America was presented to Chicagoan Dr. Samuel Grober by Emperor Hirohito in gratitude for his assistance in restoring the

Imperial Forest after World War II.

*The North American Sylva, or A Description of the Forest Trees of the United States, Canada and Nova Scotia*, by Francois Andre Michaux (1819). The result of a ten-year survey of North America, Michaux's "Sylva" features 156 hand-colored plates by famed engravers Pierre Joseph and Henri Joseph Redoute.

If Bibliotheca Sylva whets your appetite for living, growing examples of trees detailed in the exhibit, they're likely to be found in the 385-acre living plant museum of the Botanic Garden — though it might be best to wait until spring to look for them.

You might also take a good look around your neighborhood.

"A great many of the tree

species depicted in these volumes can be seen in the parks and avenues of Chicago land, where migrating native trees and imports (such as the ancient ginkgo) have found a suitable environment, even on mean urban streets," said Arthur Plotnik, author of the contemporary Sylva guide *The Urban Tree Book* (featuring fine illustrations by Mary Phelan). "The variety is one of the best to be enjoyed anywhere."

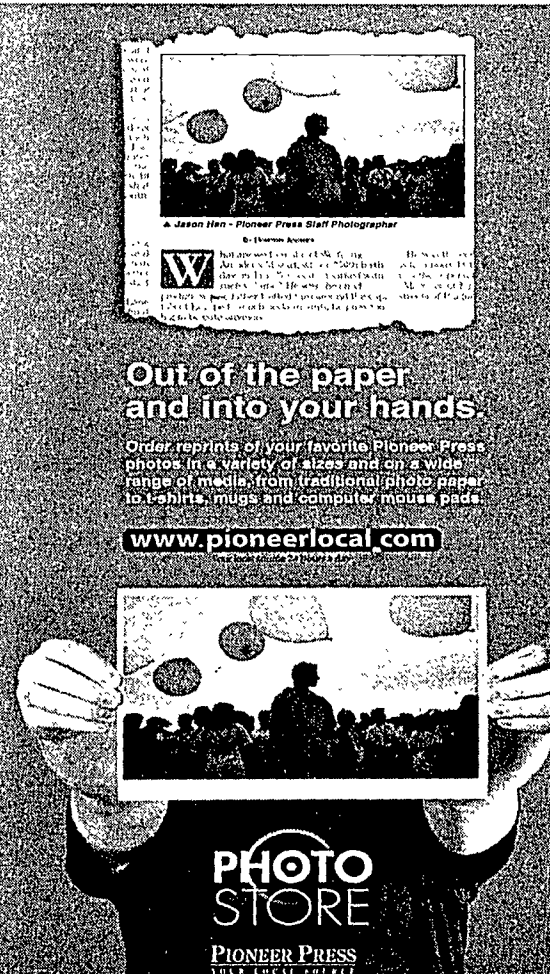
Bibliotheca Sylva continues through Feb. 6 at the Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe. Additional volumes in the Rare Book Collection may be viewed by appointment. Admission to the Botanic Garden is free. Parking is \$20. Call (847) 835-5440 or visit [www.chicagobotanic.org](http://www.chicagobotanic.org). Comment: [pioneerlocal.com](http://pioneerlocal.com)

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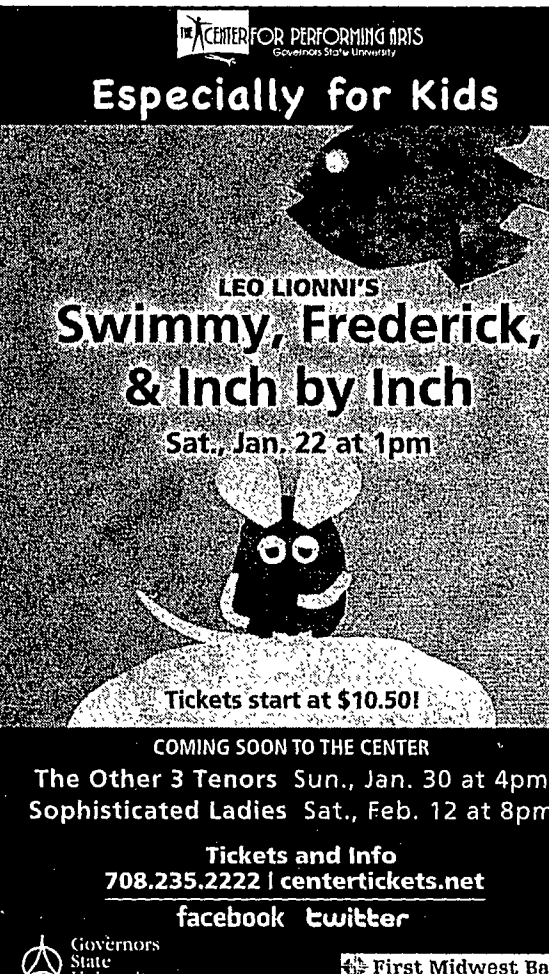
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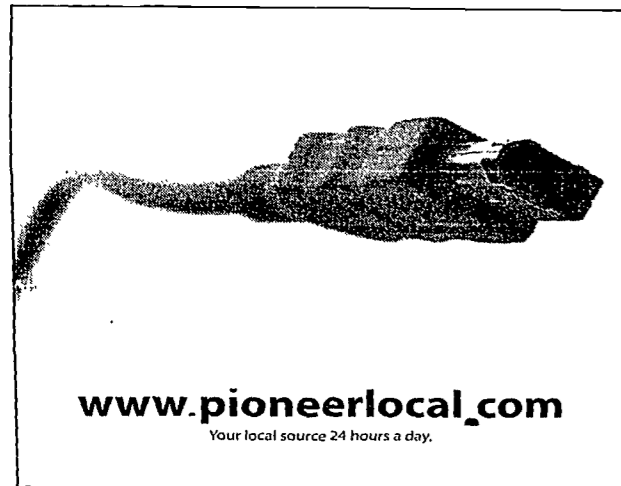
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bitsch, 1946). Jennifer Jones plays Cluny, a plucky young maid working at an English country estate.

#### ORGANIZATIONS

Des Plaines Art Guild meets at 7 p.m. on the second Friday of the month at the Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. New members are welcome. For information, visit [www.dpag.org](http://www.dpag.org).

International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 43 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 21 in the South Conference Room at Saint Francis Hospital, 355 Ridge Ave., Evanston. Members will perform. The club welcomes prospective members who are interested in magic, as well as magicians of all skill levels. Guest admission is \$5, which can be applied to membership. Contact Robert K. Miller at (847) 272-3850 or [miracles@magicmiller.com](mailto:miracles@magicmiller.com).

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second, fourth and fifth Sundays of the month at the Brunswick Zone Mount Prospect, 824 E. Rand Road. No advance reservation required. Fee is \$20 for league members; \$25 for non-league members; \$10 cover for socializing without bowling. Upcoming dates are Jan. 23 and 30; Feb. 13 and 27; March 13 and 27; April 10 and 17; and May 1 and 15.

Paramount Tall Club of Chicago, [www.tallclubchicago.org](http://www.tallclubchicago.org). Paramount Tall Club of Chicago is a singles club for taller than average people. Men must be 6'2" or taller and women must be 5'10" or taller. All members must be 21 years or older. Jan. 21-23: 65th anniversary weekend at the Hilton Garden Inn, Des Plaines. For information, call (312) 853-0183.

Spare Singles Sunday Evening Club holds ballroom dances from 7:30-10:30 p.m. the first and third Sundays of each month at the American Legion Hall, 9757 Pacific Ave., Franklin Park. Admission is \$8 for members; \$9 guests. Feb. 6: No dance. Feb. 13: Valentine's Dance, with music by Dick Elliot. Feb. 20: Music by Chuck and Friends. Spares Club dinners are held at 4 p.m. on non-dance Sundays. For information, call Rosemary Bartley, (847) 806-0493. Jan. 23: Graziano's, 5960 W. Touhy, Niles. Jan. 30: Jimmy's, 1440 Rand Road, Des Plaines.

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Call (847) 635-1414 or visit [www.oakton.edu/emeritus](http://www.oakton.edu/emeritus). The Times They Are a Changin': The '60s in Film (HUM C06-71) screens and discusses films that captured the era's confusion, change and hope. The course lineup features both U.S. and European movies, including "Breakfast at Tiffany's" (1961), "The Graduate" (1967) and "Easy Rider" (1969). Eight-week course meets from 1:45 p.m. Mondays, starting Jan. 24. Course fee is \$156.

#### ET CETERA

"MoonIE the MagnificEnt: Foolish Mortal", starring Chicago actor Philip Earl Johnson, 7 p.m. Jan. 23 at the Evanston Arts Depot, 600 Main St., Evanston. MoonIE the MagnificEnt, a silent clown in the European tradition, presents juggling, music and the manipulation of various everyday objects. Tickets: \$14; \$10 for children. Family ticket \$40 (two adults, two children, additional children at \$8). Tickets available at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com).

Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. (847) 825-3123. [www.parkridgelibrary.org](http://www.parkridgelibrary.org). January: "Pickwick Theatre: Poem in Stone," a special display on one of the Midwest's great Art Deco movie palaces, featuring architectural studies, historical news articles, memorabilia, photographs and more.

#### MUSEUMS

Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie.

(847) 967-4889. [www.ilholocaustmuseum.org](http://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org). Admission: \$12; \$8 for students and senior citizens; \$6 for children ages 5-11. Special exhibitions are free with museum admission. Jan. 23, 2 p.m.: Writers Theatre of Glencoe will present "The MLK Project: The Fight for Civil Rights." The cross-cultural, multimedia performance interweaves poetry, hip-hop and history as it follows a young girl's search for truth and self-discovery through the Civil Rights Movement. Discussion follows the performance. The one-woman show, written by Yolanda Androzzi, is suitable for students in sixth grade and older. Free with museum admission. Reservations required. Feb. 4-May 31: "Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow: Jewish Refugee Scholars at Black Colleges." The exhibit tells the story of Jewish professors who fled Nazism and came to America in the 1930s and 1940s, finding teaching positions at historically black colleges and universities. Free with museum admission. Feb. 6, 1:30 p.m.: Screening of the film, "Driving Miss Daisy." Discussion follows. Free with museum admission. Feb. 13, 2 p.m.: Lecture, "Racial Laws: Nuremberg and Jim Crow." Holocaust historian Michael Berenbaum and Mary Lee Webeck, Director of Education, Holocaust Museum Houston, will discuss whether a shared suffering under anti-minority legislation was a motivating factor in the alliance between American Jews and blacks from World War II through the Civil Rights era. Free with museum admission. Reservations required; education@ilhmec.org or (847) 967-4844.

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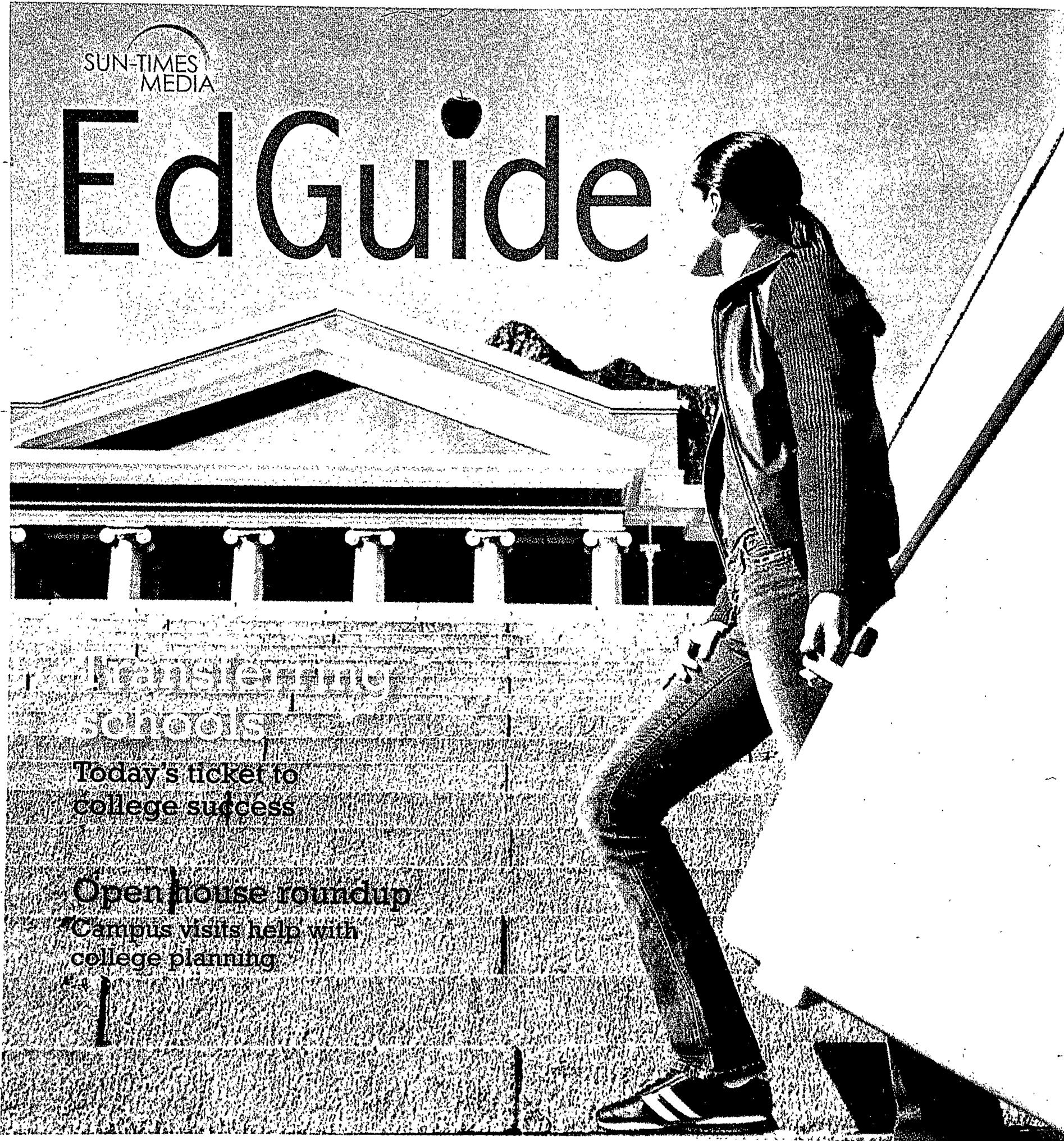
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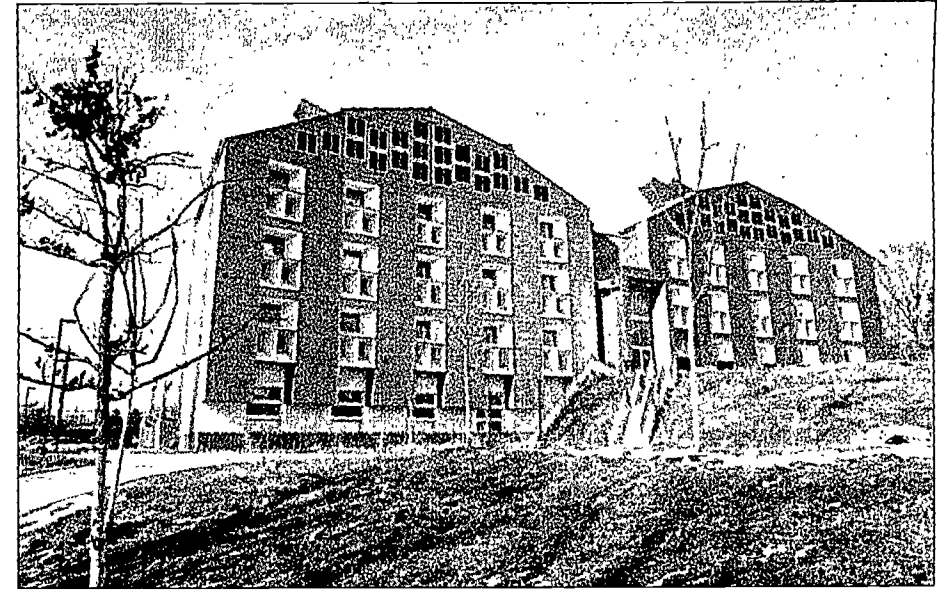
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**Adler School of Professional Psychology:** Open houses are scheduled for 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 5 and May 24 at 17 N. Dearborn. Call (312) 662-4100 or visit [adler.edu](http://adler.edu).

**Benedictine University:** BU offers several open house options. Preview days offer small group sessions from 9 to 11 a.m. Jan. 22, Feb. 5 and 12 and March 5 and 19. The next preferred visit day runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 21 and the spring open house is noon to 3 p.m. March 13. BU is at 5700 College Rd. in Lisle. Call (630) 829-6300 or visit [ben.edu](http://ben.edu).

**Calumet College of St. Joseph:** The spring open house runs from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Feb. 12. An information session is offered from 6 to 7 p.m. April 14 and a transfer student visit day is offered from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 14. CCSJ is at 2400 New York Ave. in Whiting, Ind. Call (219) 473-4215 or visit [ccsj.edu](http://ccsj.edu).

**Computer Systems Institute:** This school offers computer, health care and other certifications at 8930 Gross Point Road in Skokie. Call (888) 355-8945 or visit [csinow.com](http://csinow.com) to arrange a campus visit.

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from 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Upcoming preview days for all majors include an overnighter Feb. 20-21 and a daytime event April 8. Judson is at 1151 N. State St., Elgin, and 1055 Featherstone Rd. in Rockford. Call (847) 628-2500 or visit [judsonu.edu](http://judsonu.edu).

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## Tips for making the most of an internship

Today's college kids are well aware of the job market that awaits them upon graduation. With an economy still on the mend and unemployment rates still high, college students across the country know that their post-graduation dream job is no guarantee.

As daunting as entering the job market right now might seem, college students and recent graduates can take steps to make themselves more attractive to prospective employers. Perhaps no such step has been more popular over the years than securing an internship. Internships are designed to give current students or recent graduates an entry into a field that interests them, providing an opportunity to gain hands-on experience and build a resume.

As valuable as a good internship can be, it can also prove a lost opportunity for those students who don't recognize the opportunity at hand. To make the most of an internship, consider the following suggestions:

**Find one that's the right fit.** Some students accept an internship simply because it looks good on a resume. While it's true an internship stands out to hiring managers or other human resources personnel, students must find the tight fit to make the experience truly valuable.

For example, students who accept an internship outside of their major might not approach it with the same work ethic they would if they were to find an internship in a field they want to work

in. Indifference, coupled with the lack of financial compensation commonplace with most internships, might lead to a less inspired effort, which won't lead to a strong recommendation from bosses down the road. The recommendation could prove as important as the internship itself when it comes time to look for full-time work. So when seeking an internship, students should not simply settle on one because it's offered. Rather, students should choose an internship that's in a field they're genuinely interested in.

**Routinely meet with supervisors.** Because most internships are during the summer, interns have a way of getting lost in the shuffle while their supervisors are away on vacation. Interns should meet, or at least discuss via the telephone or e-mail, regularly with supervisors to review their performance. This exhibits enthusiasm and a willingness to learn, while also putting interns in a position to get the most out of their internships.

**Treat the internship like a full-time position.** At times, being an intern can prove pretty awful. Most interns don't get paid, despite working long hours and wearing many hats for their employers. As difficult as it may seem at times, interns should treat their internships as if they're getting paid. That means showing up on time, working hard, staying late if necessary, and most of all, not complaining. Negative attitudes have ruined many an intern. Interns must remember

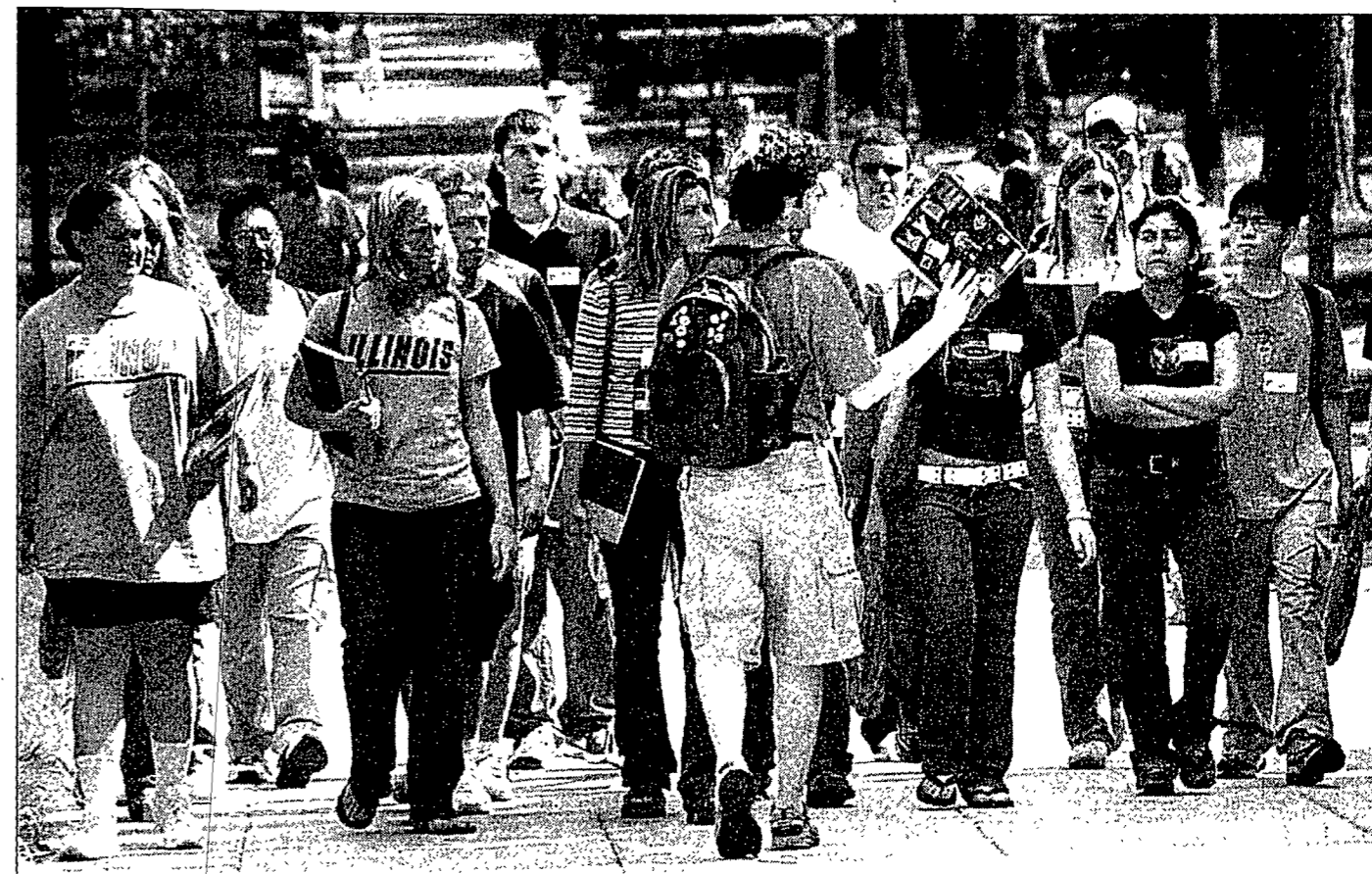


Interns can take several steps to make sure their internship is a rewarding experience that pays dividends down the road. AP PHOTO

that an internship is not a right, but a privilege, one that can lay the foundation for a successful career.

**Don't be pigeon-holed.** Some internships are better than others, and the best ones often rotate interns throughout several departments. That enables interns to learn more than one aspect of the business, possibly helping them choose the area they like most and the area they would prefer to avoid when it comes time to job hunt.

Even if a company does not rotate its interns, that doesn't mean it's impossible for an intern to learn more than his or her job entails. Before going it alone, interns should discuss with their immediate supervisor if it's possible to learn additional aspects of the business. Offer to come in on off days or stay late to see how the whole operation works. This also allows interns to meet more people, which can only help when the time **INTERN** continued on pg. 7



Freshman and transfer students get a tour of the University of Illinois campus in Urbana. AP PHOTO

## Transferring schools Today's ticket to college success

BY JEAN GUARINO

Thinking of transferring to another school? You're not alone. Today transfer students comprise more than a third of the enrollment of both community colleges and universities in Illinois. And the decision of these students to pick and choose schools cafeteria style is driven primarily by both cost and finding a curriculum that best meets their goals.

According to Cheryl Warmann, director of enrollment services at Oakton Community College, 39 percent of students surveyed between 2006 and 2009 have transferred from another school. Oakton serves the north suburbs with campuses in DesPlaines and Skokie.

"We're an affordable alternative for students who attend a four-year school but transfer to a community college for a semester or a year to take the prerequisite courses required for their major for just a fraction of the cost," Warmann said. "And, as long as they take courses that meet the criteria of the university, their transcript

will be accepted when they transfer back to a four-year institution."

At Eastern Illinois University in Charleston 37 percent of students have transferred from other schools and that number continues to edge up. Rita Pearson, a transfer coordinator at EIU, attributes the strength of the curriculum at community colleges as a major reason more students are opting to move from school to school to earn a bachelor's degree.

"Initially community colleges offered only technical courses with very little that could be transferred to a four-year school. But today they have segued into an affordable option where students can earn their general education requirements before transferring to a college or university," Pearson said.

The impetus for this change came in 1970 when a group of counselors in colleges and universities throughout the state recognized the unique problems transfer students faced while moving from one school to another. They formed the Transfer Coordinators of Illinois and began targeting these issues.

The result was the Illinois Articulation Initiative, a statewide transfer agreement, transferable among more than 100 participating colleges and universities in Illinois. All participants agree to accept a "package" of IAI general education courses in lieu of their own comparable lower-division general education requirements.

Detailed information on the IAI and other specific resources can be found at [itransfer.org](http://itransfer.org), a new Internet tool created as a portal of transfer assistance in the state of Illinois for students seeking to transfer between higher education institutions within the state.

You can browse the site to learn the basics of transferring, the transfer process, different types of transfer credits and what you can do to ensure a smooth transition. And for answers to specific questions, you can also e-mail counselors at [itransfer@itransfer.org](mailto:itransfer@itransfer.org) or call (309) 438-8640.

Among the invaluable links on this website is u.select, a nationwide Web-based transfer information system. In one central location, students

and advisors can determine program requirements, view course equivalencies and create a personalized degree program. Check the site for the Illinois institutions that participate in this free online tool.

"You still need the human touch, someone who will sit down with you and provide guidance on what courses you will need and what school has the curriculum that will help you reach your goals," she said.

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Another helpful link is College Zone, a centralized website powered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission that provides help on scholarship search, financial aid, student loans and even default prevention.

But, however useful students find these websites, Pearson cautions that it is not intended to replace an academic advisor.

Today most colleges and universities provide that guidance with a specialized staff trained to assist transfer student in making a smooth transition to their new school. EIU, with a separate Office of Transfer Relations staffed by four transfer counselors, is typical of the help that is available on most campuses.

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## There's still time to take ACT or SAT



College admissions tests – the ACT and SAT – are a huge part of the college application process. High school counselors typically provide students with the lowdown on when to take these all-important tests. The following is a brief guide to how to register for the tests and the test dates for the rest of the 2010-2011 school year.

### ACT

Sign up online ([actstudent.org/register/index.html](http://actstudent.org/register/index.html)) or use the packet provided by your high school counselor or found in your school's college guidance office. The cost is \$33 for the test without a writing portion and \$48 for the exam with the writing test. Fees include the option of sending scores to four colleges of your choice for free; the fee for additional schools is \$10 per school.

Remaining test dates are April 9 (March 4 deadline) and June 11 (May 6 deadline). For more information about ACT registration, call

(319) 337-1270.

### SAT

Students can register online ([collegeboard.com/student/register/sat/calendefees/fees.html](http://collegeboard.com/student/register/sat/calendefees/fees.html)) or through packets provided by high schools. The cost is \$47 for the basic SAT. Additional optional fees include a \$21 registration fee for subject tests, \$21 for language tests and \$10 for each subject test. Registering by phone costs another \$13. Fees include sending scores to four colleges of your choice for free; the fee for additional schools is \$10 per school.

Remaining test dates are March 12 (Feb. 11 deadline), May 7 (April 8 deadline) and June 4 (May 6 deadline). For more information about SAT registration, call (866) 630-9305.

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## Campus news: New programs make schools competitive

**Adler School of Professional Psychology:** Today's veterans long have been a marginalized population within society. Collectively as a group they suffer above average rates of substance abuse, suicide, chronic homelessness and other psychological problems. Many military veterans also face challenges related to reintegration into society, preparing for additional deployment, recovering from a traumatic injury or trying to further their education.

To meet the growing needs of today's veterans, active military personnel and their families, the Adler School of Professional Psychology has developed a specialized track in military psychology within the school's clinical psychology program. This doctoral program prepares students to work as a clinical psychologist either as a member of the uniformed services (Army, Navy, Air Force or Public Health Corp) or as a civilian employee working in areas such as the Department of Defense, Veterans Administration or public and private sector programs.

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**Benedictine University:** BU's newest doctoral program targets organization consultants and senior business executives looking to provide value-driven leadership. The deadline for applying to the Doctor of Philosophy/Doctor of Business Administration program is Jan. 31. The three-year program will prepare business leaders to run organizations from socially and environmentally responsible perspectives with a focus on integrity and honesty. It's modeled after BU's award-winning doctorate program in organizational development.

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**Calumet College of St. Joseph:** Ranked as a leader in diversity among Midwest colleges by U.S. News & World Report, CCSJ historically has been a college of opportunity for first-generation students, nontraditional students and other individuals for whom the idea of going away to school was impossible.

However, the addition of an athletics program now attracts students from across the state of Indiana. The college has developed 18 athletic teams for men and women and is competitive in the Chicagoland Athletic Conference of the NAIA.

Located in an urban setting, the college is only a 30-minute drive from downtown Chicago and a short walk from Lake Michigan's beaches and is surrounded by quaint ethnic neighborhoods and major industrial facilities. From this community, the college derives its urban mission of social justice and practices regional stewardship.

While based on liberal arts principles, the college offers many professional programs that appeal to the practical needs of its diverse student body. Blending a career-oriented curriculum with the values of a Catholic education, the college imbues graduates with excellent skills, high



Skokie Skokie School District 73.5 has forged a close partnership with National-Louis University and has started a unique internship program. Several student teachers are not only working in the schools but play much bigger roles in the school than typical student teachers. Rena Rozen is one of the interns. TAMARA BELL | SUN TIMES MEDIA

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**Southwest Chicago Christian Schools:** This parent-run school system provides a Christ-centered education for students. For more than 110 years the goal has remained the same: to provide an educational experience that integrates a Reformed understanding of the Christian faith. This does not mean, however, that families must attend churches from the Reformed tradition. In fact, an increasing number of parents from other Christian churches are choosing SCCS for their children.

Parents believe the school is an extension of the Christian home and reinforces the faith and values taught there; the teachers and administrators are important role models for students. Each student is challenged to develop his/her abilities to serve others and effect change in society. All students

are encouraged to participate in a wide variety of community service projects coordinated through the campuses.  
Today the SCCS private school system serves nearly 1,000 students across three campuses in Oak Lawn (preschool through eighth grade), Tinley Park (kindergarten through eighth grade) and Palos Heights (Chicago Christian High School). Each school offers a broad educational program, including core curricular subjects as well as Bible, art, music, computer science, physical education and many co-curricular activities. The Oak Lawn campus offers a before and after school program as well as a full preschool/day care program. SCCS owns and operates a fleet of buses, so transportation is readily available to students within its transportation boundaries.  
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comes to find full-time work.

**Remember: It's temporary.** Some interns love their internships and don't mind working free for long hours. Others are not so lucky and fight the urge to quit on a daily basis. For the latter, the best advice is to remember an internship

is only temporary. As hard as it can be to get out of bed and go work for no pay all day, interns must keep a positive attitude regardless of how little they like their internship. Internships last roughly three months, so even the worst one with the worst boss will be over soon and students will still be able to make a valuable addition to their resume.

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## Navigating the financial aid process

**W**ith scores of high school seniors across the country enjoying their final year of high school, many of those students and their parents are getting acquainted with the financial aid process. With college on the horizon and the economy in flux, more families are expected to seek financial aid to help finance their kids' college educations.

Even for parents who have done it before, the financial aid process can be confusing. For parents of high schoolers in their secondary school swan song, consider the following tips to successfully navigate your way through the financial aid process.

• **Don't stall or procrastinate:** Financial aid partially works on a first-come, first-serve basis, so it's best to apply as soon as you can. You can estimate income or simply look at your final W-2 for the year to answer questions regarding yearly earnings and finances.

• **Begin with the FAFSA:** The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) should be the

first form you complete, even if you're aware you don't qualify. Other types of financial aid, such as state grants and loans, typically require that you fill out the FAFSA, so this should be done first and as soon as possible.

• **Go for the gold:** Students should apply for all types of available aid, be it a loan from Uncle Sam or individual grants and scholarships. Each school has unique scholarships and grants, and parents and students will never know about them unless they ask. It's typically free to apply, so it can't hurt to apply for anything and everything.

• **Seek help and advice:** Particularly for parents going through it for the first time, the college and financial aid application process can be overwhelming and even intimidating. High schools have counselors who have been through the process numerous times and who are more than glad to help. If your child has a particular school in mind, contact that school's financial aid office and ask for help. That's why such offices exist.

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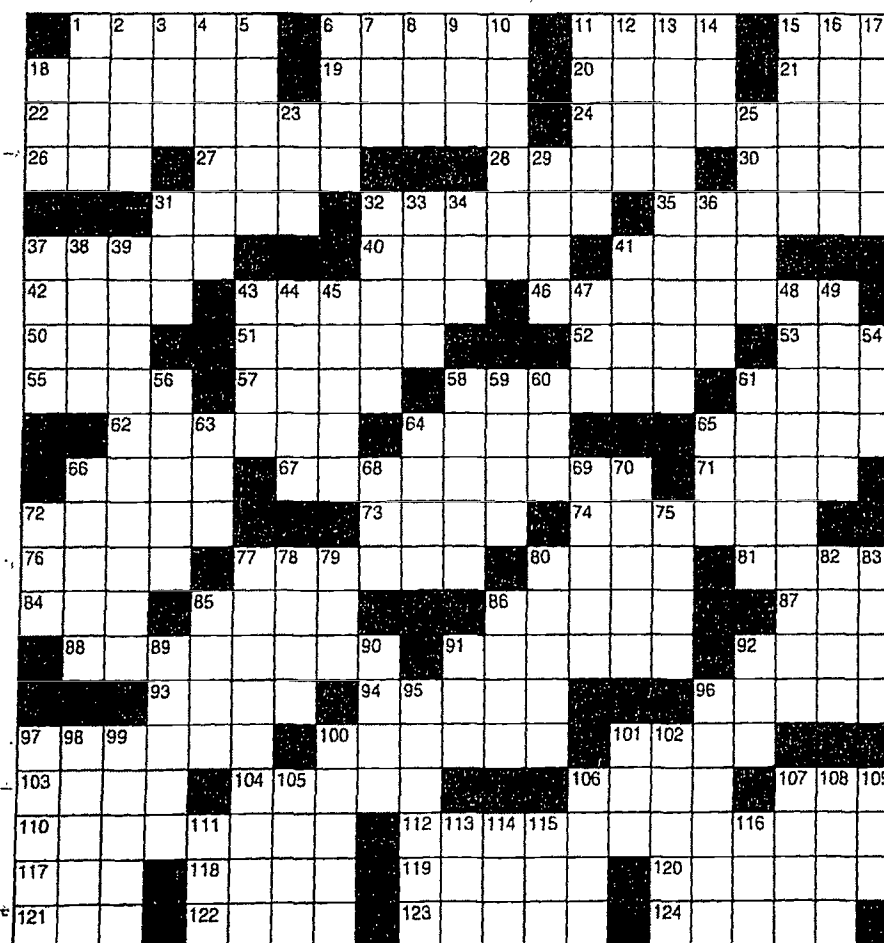
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  - 112 Gene Krupa's bandleader
  - 117 Sky light?
  - 118 Part of NB
  - 119 Stalin's predecessor
  - 120 Stereo components
  - 121 Choose, with "lor"
  - 122 Bird food
  - 123 "Maria —"
  - 124 Clear the slate
  - 1 "— All Over" ('64 hit)
  - 2 Choir member
  - 3 Cadge
  - 4 Wind instrument?
  - 5 Vamish ingredient
  - 6 Tore
  - 7 Pine product
  - 8 Burro
  - 9 Robert of "Quincy, M.E."
  - 10 See
  - 15 Across
  - 11 Roast host
  - 12 Annealing oven
  - 13 '56 Ingrid Bergman film
  - 14 Silent
  - 15 Use one's noodle
  - 16 Overact
  - 17 Patron
  - 18 Vigoda or Fortas
  - 23 Placekicker's prop
  - 25 It's spotted out West
  - 29 Lexicographer
  - 31 Actress
  - 32 African antelope
  - 33 "Why don't we?"
  - 34 Berg or Drabowsky
  - 36 "New Jack City" actor
  - 37 Saharan
  - 38 Actor Calhoun
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  - 43 Leander's love
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  - 69 Florida grad
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  - 75 Quite
  - 77 "Shaft" star
  - 78 Without — (daringly)
  - 79 Decimals
  - 82 Secretary, e.g.
  - 83 Diminutive suffix
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Answers: Inside today's classified section

## HOROSCOPES

For the week of Jan. 26 — Feb. 1

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** The week continues to encourage the forming of new personal relationships and the shoring up of those that might be weakening. New contacts also dominate the workaday world.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** While the bold Bovine might want to move quickly to deal with sudden plan changes, it might be best to wait until you can come up with some solid facts behind the unexpected turn of events.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** It's a good week to consider how you'll move on matters both personal and professional. In either case, the more you know about them, the more likely it is that you'll make the right decisions.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Although you might find more colleagues ready to support your plans, some of them could ask for changes you don't approve of. Be ready to defend your position if necessary.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** This is a good time for Leos and Leonas to think about opportunities that might be outside your usual interests. You could be surprised to find something well worth your consideration.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** You can turn a troublesome workplace issue to your advantage by prompting that Virgo penchant for preciseness to take over where all else has failed. An old friend makes contact.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** A friend's unexpected work-related news could be a wake-up

call to get you to reassess your position. See if you need to make changes to strengthen your position at this time.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** You might want to review a decision to work alone on a project. You might see it as efficient and prudent, but some might see it as unnecessary secretiveness, even for a Scorpio.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Don't be put off by a lukewarm response to a recent effort. Perhaps you didn't present a strong enough argument. Rebuild your case with more facts, and try again. Good luck.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** A surprise development in the early part of the week could be linked to an ongoing situation. Before you decide to take further action, consider calling for a group discussion.

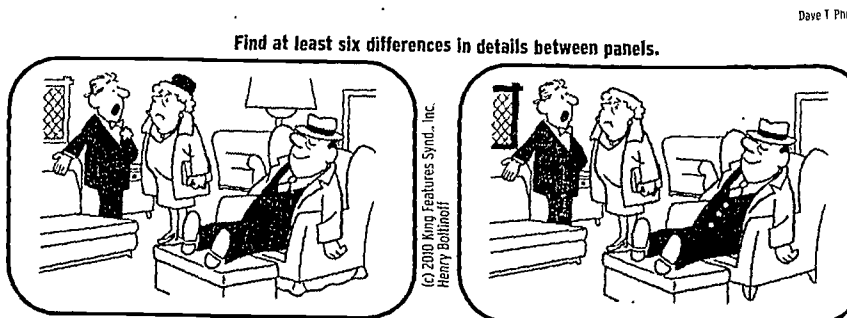
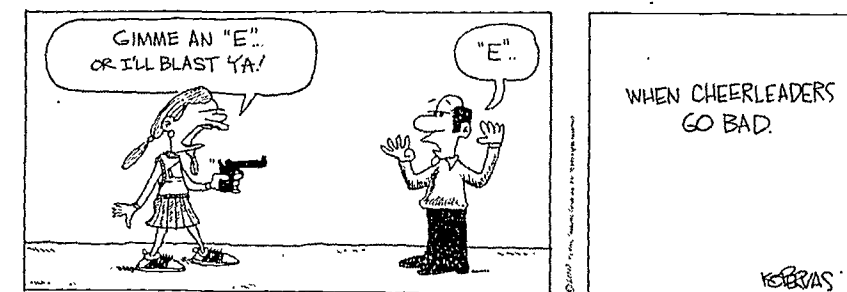
**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Your sensitive side helps you work through an emotionally difficult situation with a minimum of bruised feelings all around. A welcome change bows in by the week's end.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** While the week still favors new pursuits, some things from the past also make a claim for your attention. The weekend is open for good times with some of the people closest to you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a wonderful gift for seeing the best in people.

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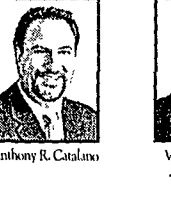
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**Grant, Margaret M.**  
Age 88, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, formerly of Park Ridge, died Friday, January 14, 2011, after a lengthy illness. Margaret is survived by her husband, John; daughter, Barbara (Brett Nitzschke) Grant of Cedar Rapids; and daughter-in-law, Arlene Grant of Milwaukee, WI. She was preceded in death by her son, Bob Grant; parents; and sister, Florence Marshall. Margaret was born March 19, 1922 in Houghton, MI to Herman and Clarice Jones Wieder. She married John J. Grant in Houghton, MI on May 4, 1946. Margaret was a loving and devoted wife and mother who always put her family first. She was an avid Cubs fan. Memorials may be directed to Operation Threshold, P.O. Box 4120, Waterloo, IA 50704 or the American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Road, Des Plaines, IL 60018. A tribute or memory for the family may be left at [www.cedarmemorial.com](http://www.cedarmemorial.com) under obituaries. Sign Guest Book at [legacy.pioneerlocal.com/obituaries](http://legacy.pioneerlocal.com/obituaries)



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Death Notices

Krause, Meta 68, formerly of Park Ridge, IL, passed away on Friday, January 14th following a long illness. She is survived by her husband of 45 years. Alfred: step-mother, Marlys; sister, Ingrid Erbe of Niles, IL; brother, Werner Gross; sons, Peter, Paul and Matthew; and grandchildren, Anna, Gretchen, Philip, Brian, Jonathan, Julia, Oliver and Amalie. Meta graduated from Lutheran General Hospital School of Nursing in 1964. Meta and Alfred married in 1965 and moved to Park Ridge in 1973. They were members of Park Ridge Community Church, the German American Singers of Chicago and the Field Folk. In 1996, Meta and Alfred moved to Custer, WI, and joined Trinity Lutheran Church in Stevens Point. Meta played in the church hand bell choir. Visitation 1pm, service 2pm, Saturday, January 22nd at Trinity Lutheran Church. Donations to Trinity Lutheran Church Hand Bell Choir, 1410 Rodgers St, Stevens Point, WI 54481 are appreciated. Sign Guest Book at legacy.pioneerlocal.com/obituaries

Kuras, Renatta A.

passed away very peacefully in her sleep on January 13th, 2011. Born Sept. 14, 1922 in Chicago. Was the wife of the late Stanley Kuras. Mother to Kristie Carlsen and Kurt A. Kuras. Loving Grandmother of Melissa (Adam) Schmitz, Krystal A. Kuras and Johnny Kuras. Son in-Law and friend Chuck Carlsen. Visitation Sunday, January 16, 2011 from 3-9pm at Cuneo-Columbian Funeral Home. 10300 W Grand Ave. Franklin Park, IL 60131. Funeral Service Monday, January 17, 2011 at 10:00am at Cuneo-Columbian. Interment Eden Cemetery, Schiller Park, IL - 847-455-1200. In lieu of flowers donations in Renatta's name to Rainbow Hospice would be appreciated. Sign Guest Book at suntimes.com/obituaries

Manacsa, Gualberto "Bert" D.

a resident of Mundelein and formerly of Skokie, passed away January 15, 2011, at the age of 77. Born in the Philippines, he immigrated to America on the day Man first reached the moon, braving his own jump into the unknown to find a better life for his wife and young children. There, he helped create a good life for a family now grown into a clan spanning four generations. Bert also helped lead the Principal Financial Group at the Lincolnwood Agency, where he mentored a generation of agents and helped countless families find financial security. Bert is survived by his wife Dolores "Lolly", his children Odette (Billy) Prudencio, Gilbert (Buck Winslow), Rosela (Chuck) Simpson, and Gerry (Karina), his grandchildren Christine (Ian) Anderson, Kevin (Claudia Gavina) Prudencio, and Solange Simpson, his great-grandchildren Owen and Kyle Anderson, his sisters Porfiria "Puring" Valerio and Digna "Denny" Casupang, his nieces Grace (Ronnie) Garcia and Loida "Looewe" Manacsa, his great niece Grachelle (Mark) Linton, his great nephew Ryan Garcia and his caregiver Teresa. A funeral mass is scheduled for Friday, January 21, 2011, at 10:30am at St. Peter's Catholic Church 8116 Niles Center Rd, Skokie, IL, followed by interment at Memorial Park Cemetery in Skokie. Family and friends may visit on Wednesday January 19, and Thursday January 20, 2011, from 4:00pm until 9:00pm with a wake service on Thursday at 7:00pm at Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium 410 E. Bevelier Rd, Grayslake, IL 60030. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation at www.mmrf.org 383 Main Ave, Norwalk, CT 06851. For information, call 847-223-8122 or log on to www.strangfuneral.org



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Moore, Edward F. Age 78 of Park Ridge. Retired longtime salesman from IBM. Beloved husband of the late Maureen. Loving father of Michael (Heather), Kathleen (Bruno) Mangiardi, Brian (Kelly) and Mary (Matthew) Becker. Devoted grandfather of Ryan, Madeline, Matteo, Juliana, Brendan, Colin, Nolan, Audrey and Matthew. Visitation was held Monday, Jan. 17, at Ryan-Parke Funeral Home in Park Ridge. Funeral Mass was Tuesday Jan. 18, at St. Paul of the Cross Church, Park Ridge. Interment was private. Memorials to the American Cancer Society appreciated. Sign Guest Book at legacy.pioneerlocal.com/obituaries

Rademacher, H. Fred

beloved husband of Kathleen; loving father of Paul and John (Emily); grandfather of Maria (Garry), Kristina (Matt) and John; great-grandfather of Garrison; brother-in-law of Ethel Doogan; uncle of Nancy (Rob), Kathy (Chris), and Patty (Sean). In lieu of flowers, contributions to Nazarethville, 300 N River Rd, Des Plaines, IL, 60016. Sign Guest Book at legacy.pioneerlocal.com/obituaries

Sullivan, Madelyn L.

(nee Simmonds), 95, died January 9, 2011, the beloved wife of the late Joseph, devoted mother of two sets of twins, Gail Sullivan, Dennis (Phyllis), Ralph (Margie) and Roger (Sue) Sullivan, loving grandmother of eight grandchildren, great-grandmother to nine, and a very special aunt, Madelyn, a 67-year resident of Morton Grove, worked for the 1st National Bank of Skokie for 20 years and was a member of the Morton Grove Woman's Club since 1955. She leaves family, friends, neighbors and colleagues who will dearly miss her sense of humor, indomitable spirit. A luncheon celebrating her long and rich life will be announced at a later date. Memorials donations may be made to the Morton Grove Woman's Club c/o Simkins Funeral Home, 6251 Dempster St, Morton Grove, IL, 60053, #847-965-2500. Sign Guest Book at legacy.pioneerlocal.com/obituaries

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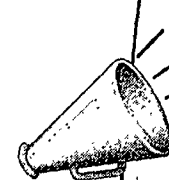
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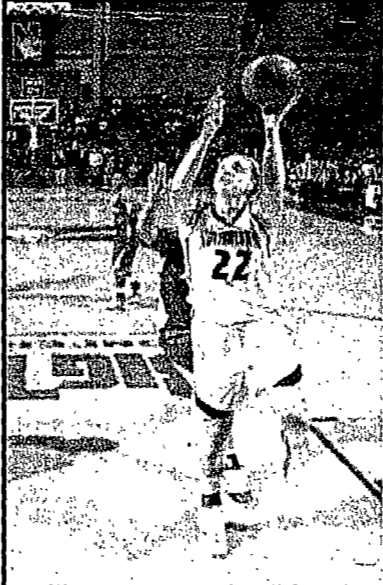
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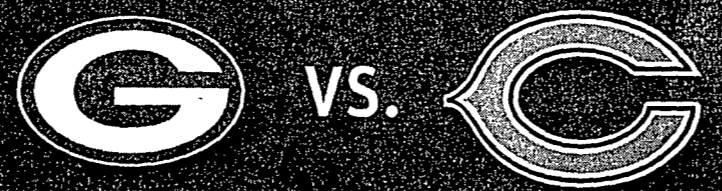
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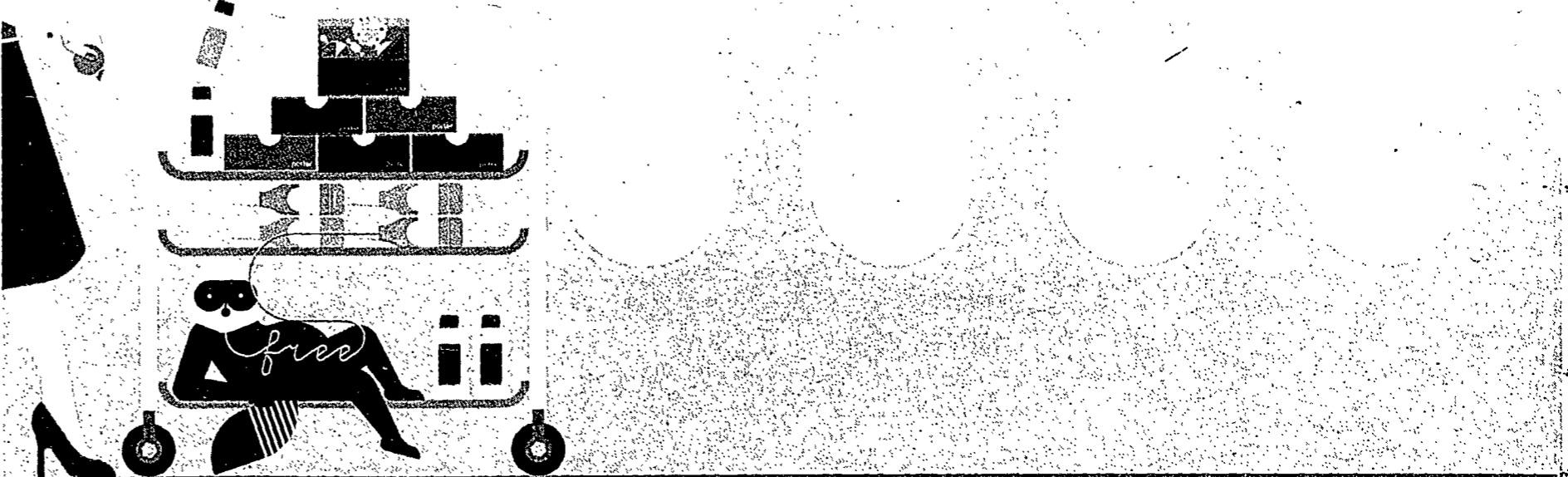


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| 30 yr fixed   | 4.500       | 0.000       | \$1995   | 20%    | 4.981 | 30 yr fixed  | 4.750 | 0.000  | \$450  | 20%    | 4.981 | 30 yr fixed  | 4.875       | 0.000       | \$1200   | 20%       | 4.939 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 yr fixed   | 3.875       | 0.000       | \$1995   | 20%    | 4.431 | 5/1 ARM  | 3.250 | 0.000  | \$1150 | 20%    | 3.003 | 15 yr fixed  | 4.125       | 0.000       | \$1200   | 20%       | 4.233 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/1 ARM  | 4.250       | 0.000       | \$1995   | 20%    | 4.209 | 30 yr jumbo refi   | 5.375 | 0.000  | \$995  | 20%    | 5.396 | 10 yr fixed  | 3.500       | 0.000       | \$1200   | 20%       | 3.654 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/1 ARM   | 3.000       | 0.000       | \$1995   | 20%    | 3.610 | 15 yr fixed  | 4.125 | 0.000  | \$1150 | 20%    | 4.242 | 30 yr jumbo  | 5.625       | 0.000       | \$1200   | 20%       | 5.650 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 30 yr fixed   | 4.750       | 0.000       | \$850    | 20%    | 4.795 | 30 yr fixed  | 4.750 | 0.000  | \$945  | 20%    | 4.815 | 30 yr fixed  | 4.750       | 0.000       | \$1700   | 20%       | 4.840 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 yr fixed   | 4.000       | 0.000       | \$850    | 20%    | 4.076 | 30 yr FHA refi   | 4.625 | 0.000  | \$945  | 4%     | 5.003 | 15 yr fixed  | 4.250       | 0.000       | \$1700   | 20%       | 4.404 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/1 ARM   | 3.500       | 0.000       | \$850    | 20%    | 3.234 | 7/1 jumbo ARM refi   | 4.125 | 0.000  | \$1490 | 20%    | 3.755 | 5/1 ARM  | 3.500       | 0.000       | \$1700   | 20%       | 3.276 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/1 jumbo ARM refi  | 3.875       | 0.000       | \$850    | 20%    | 3.176 | 7/1 jumbo ARM (interest only) refi   | 4.375 | 0.000  | \$1490 | 20%    | 3.982 | 7/1 ARM  | 4.000       | 0.000       | \$1700   | 20%       | 3.568 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 30 yr fixed   | 4.875       | 0.000       | \$1782   | 20%    | 4.970 | 30 yr fixed  | 4.750 | 0.000  | \$1560 | 20%    | 4.885 | 30 yr fixed  | 4.750       | 0.000       | \$995    | 20%       | 4.802 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 yr fixed   | 4.250       | 0.000       | \$1782   | 20%    | 4.412 | 20 yr fixed  | 4.500 | 0.000  | \$1560 | 20%    | 4.612 | 30 yr jumbo  | 5.500       | 0.000       | \$995    | 20%       | 5.521 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/1 ARM   | 3.375       | 0.000       | \$1782   | 20%    | 3.236 | 15 yr fixed  | 4.125 | 0.000  | \$1560 | 20%    | 4.266 | 5/1 jumbo ARM  | 3.750       | 0.000       | \$995    | 20%       | 3.134 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30 yr FHA   | 4.750       | 0.000       | \$1782   | 4%     | 5.475 | 10 yr fixed  | 3.625 | 0.000  | \$1560 | 20%    | 3.826 | 15 yr jumbo  | 4.750       | 0.000       | \$995    | 20%       | 4.785 |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 30 yr fixed   | 4.750       | 0.000       | \$914    | 20%    | 4.798 |  |       |        |        |        |       |  |             |             |          |           |       |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 yr fixed   | 4.250       | 0.000       | \$914    | 20%    | 4.333 |  |       |        |        |        |       |  |             |             |          |           |       |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/1 ARM   | 3.875       | 0.000       | \$914    | 20%    | 3.370 |  |       |        |        |        |       |  |             |             |          |           |       |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7/1 ARM   | 4.375       | 0.000       | \$914    | 20%    | 3.709 |  |       |        |        |        |       |  |             |             |          |           |       |      |      |           |      |      |      |           |      |      |      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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MOMMY on a SHOESTRING

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- You will need:  
1 C Greek yogurt  
2 T honey  
3-4 T red wine  
Place yogurt in a bowl and



Beth Engelman creates a simple moisturizing face mask from Greek yogurt, honey and red wine. | Suzanne Tennant-Sun-Times Media

slowly mix in honey and wine. Apply to face and leave on for 15-20 minutes before rinsing off with lukewarm water.

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Who knew mayo and eggs were so versatile? This recipe will leave your hair soft and shiny.

- You will need:  
1 egg, beaten  
2 T mayonnaise  
1-2 T olive oil  
Combine egg, mayonnaise

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1 C Epsom salt  
Essential oil (vanilla, orange or lavender work well)

Mix a few drops of oil in with Epsom salt. Store in an airtight container until ready to use. When ready, place 1-2 tablespoons in bath and enjoy.

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**Bethenny Frankel**

## Giveaway

Bethenny Frankel knows a thing or two about finding balance. The "Real Housewives of New York City" alum and recent "Skating with the Stars" contestant is a new mother and wife. I recently caught up with Frankel and asked her to weigh in on what she would do with an hour, an afternoon or an entire day to herself.

■ If I had an hour, I'd snuggle with my baby daughter.

■ If I had an afternoon, I'd go on a walk with my husband and baby and look for a new restaurant to try.

■ If I had the entire day, I'd probably do yoga, get a massage, and cook something healthy for myself. If my girlfriends were there, we'd do something that included Skinny Girl Margaritas!

You can learn more about Frankel including behind the scenes anecdotes, gossip, recipe ideas and how she learned to let go and find happiness at her upcoming show, *Skinnygirl Night Out - A Conversation with Bethenny Frankel* on Jan. 28 at the Genesee Theatre in Waukegan and on Jan. 29 at the Rialto Square Theatre in Joliet. For more information visit [www.bethenny.com](http://www.bethenny.com).

To celebrate, we are giving away two pairs of free tickets to see Bethenny at the Genesee Theatre at 8 p.m. Jan. 28. To enter, leave a comment under this article online telling us what you would do if you had an hour, an afternoon or a day to yourself.

We will randomly pick two winners at 5:30 p.m. CST on Jan. 26, so be sure to enter before then. Good luck!

### RANCHY ROMAINE SALAD

Makes 6 servings (2 cups salad each)

**Salad ingredients:**

18-ounce bag Romaine lettuce, chopped

1-1/2 C grape tomatoes, halved

**Dressing ingredients:**

1 C cashews

3/4 cup almost-boiling water

3 T fresh lemon juice

1 T apple cider vinegar

2 cloves garlic, minced

1/4 tsp. dried dill

1/4 tsp. dried oregano

1 tsp. each sea salt and black pepper

2 T finely chopped fresh chives

In food processor or blender, puree dressing ingredients (except chives) for 3-4 minutes, until creamy. For best results, add water in gradually as food processor/blender is running. Stir in chives. Drizzle dressing on chopped romaine and tomatoes.



Whip up this tasty, healthy salad dressing made only of cashews, lemon, water and herbs. | Suzanne Tennant-Sun-Times Media

### Indulge in healthy fare

Keep your healthy glow with a delicious, nutritious and indulgent meal. Dietician Dawn Jackson Blatner, who is the author of the hit cookbook, *The Flexitarian Diet* (McGraw-Hill, 2010), suggests making recipes that feel indulgent by including potatoes, cheese, olives, guacamole or creamy dressing in the mix. Her Ranchy Romaine Salad includes a rich, creamy dressing (without the cream) and her Slow Roasted Tomatoes with Giant Beans and Olives is the perfect antidote for a cold afternoon.

### SLOW ROASTED TOMATOES WITH GIANT BEANS & OLIVES

- Makes 6 servings (1/2 cup each)  
1 pound (about 7) plum tomatoes, halved  
Cooking spray  
6 whole cloves garlic, peeled  
2 T olive oil

Salt and pepper, to taste  
2 cans (15 oz. each) butter beans, rinsed and drained

1 can (2.25 ounces) sliced black olives

1/2 C chopped fresh parsley

Balsamic vinegar, to taste

6 slices whole grain baguette, toasted

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Put tomatoes flesh

side up in baking dish misted with cooking spray and top with drizzled olive oil, salt and pepper. Bake for 30 minutes. Add beans and olives to tomatoes and bake an additional 30 minutes. Stir in parsley and balsamic vinegar. Serve with toasted bread.

Thank you to Dawn Jackson Blatner at [www.dawnjacksonblatner.com](http://www.dawnjacksonblatner.com) for these recipes.

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family. The Chicago Bulls will host the Phoenix Suns, beginning at 7 p.m. The Fraternalists has a special discounted price on these tickets. Bulls game tickets can be purchased and picked up at the Polish National Alliance. Call the Polish National Alliance, Paul Odobina at (800) 621-3723, Ext. 316; visit [www.pna-znp.org](http://www.pna-znp.org); information is in the "Events" section on the main page or call Polish Women's Alliance, Sharon Zago, (888) 522-1898, Ext. 208; Polish Roman Catholic Union, Anna Sokolowski, (800) 772-8632, Ext. 2601.

**The Intergalactic Bead & Jewelry Show** will be held from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 22 and 23 at White Eagle Banquets, Victoria Room, 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles. Exhibitors from around the nation will display a spectacular array of precious and semi-precious gemstone beads, sterling silver, unique findings, fantastic freshwater pearls, beautiful hand blown glass beads, vintage beads, crystals, delicacies and more. For a \$2-off admission coupon, visit [www.beadshows.com](http://www.beadshows.com) or call (888) 729-6904.

**St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church**, 5000 N. Cumberland Ave., Chicago, hosts bingo on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 5 p.m., and bingo starts at 7 p.m.; pull tabs, raffle, computers, food and refreshments. Handicap accessible; plenty of parking. Call (773) 625-4805.

**Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center**, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, (847) 967-4800, [www.ilholocaustmuseum.org](http://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org), offers the following programs: **Live Theatre:** The MLK Project: The Fight for Civil Rights: This cross-cultural, multi-media performance interweaves poetry, hip-hop and history as it follows a young girl's search for truth and self-discovery through the Civil Rights Movement. Presented by Writers' Theatre, Glencoe. This one-woman show is suitable for students in sixth grade and older. Discussion follows performance; 2 p.m. Jan. 23. Free with Museum admission. Reservations required. (847) 967-4889.

**Special exhibition:** Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow: Jewish Refugee Scholars at Black Colleges: Exhibit tells the story of Jewish professors who fled Nazism and came to America in the 1930s and '40s, finding teaching positions at historically black colleges and universities. The exhibition explores the encounter between these scholars and their students, and their impact on each other, the Civil Rights Movement, and American society. Daily, Feb. 4 to May 31. Free with Museum admission. **The film, "Driving Miss Daisy"** will be shown at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 6. Based on Alfred Uhry's play, which explores the relationship of an elderly Southern Jewish woman and her African-American chauffeur from the 1940s-1970s. Discussion follows. Free with Museum admission. Reservations recommended; (847) 967-4889.

**Lecture: Racial Laws:** Nuremberg and Jim Crow with leading Holocaust historian Dr. Michael Berenbaum and

Mary Lee Webeck, director of education, Holocaust Museum Houston, to discuss whether a shared suffering under anti-minority legislation was a motivating factor in the alliance between American Jews and Blacks from World War II through the Civil Rights era at 2 p.m. Feb. 13. Free with Museum admission. Reservations required, go to [education@ihmecc.org](mailto:education@ihmecc.org) or call (847) 967-4844.

**The Solid Waste Agency** of Northern Cook County has established a location for residents to drop off electronics on a weekly basis at no cost at the Glenview Transfer Station, 1151 N. River Road, 9-11:30 a.m. Saturdays. Under the new Electronics Products Recycling and Reuse Act (SB2313), only the following items will be accepted: Computers - PCs and laptops, scanners, computer monitors, mobile phones, peripherals - mice, keyboards, zip drives, MP3 players, televisions, PDAs - printers, VHS players, fax machines, DVD players, video game consoles, and DVR/cable boxes. Electronics from businesses, institutions or schools will not be accepted. Visit [swancc.org](http://swancc.org).

**This year the Maine South Athletic Pass**, entitling bearers to admission to all home football and basketball games (except IHSA games), is available exclusively through the Maine South Athletic Boosters for \$30. See [south.maine207.org](http://south.maine207.org), click on Organizations, then Hawk Boosters and then the membership link to obtain a membership/pass application - or call Laurie Kovalick, membership committee chairperson, at (847) 292-1665 or John Wolf, Booster president at (773) 935-5585 for more information or an application. Consider becoming a member in addition to purchasing the pass for the good and benefit of all Maine South athletics.

**Any women interested** in joining the Rainbow Hospice and Palliative Care Threshold Singers can contact Kathy Huber at (847) 685-9900. Practices are held on two Thursdays each month starting at 6:45 p.m. in Park Ridge. Threshold Singers are trained to sing in groups of two and three at the bedside of those who are sick and dying. The songs are generally traditional or simple rounds, chants, lullabies and hymns that can be chosen to respond to musical taste and spiritual direction. Singers go through patient care volunteer training, but there are no auditions; only requirements are a love of music and a desire to serve others.

**Avenues Thrift Shoppe** offers great prices and specials on gently used clothing for infants, children and adults, shoes, household items, books and small furniture. On Wednesdays, seniors 60 years and older receive 10 percent off all regularly priced items. The main shop is located at 7710 W. Touhy Ave. in Chicago, and the "boutique" shop at 7700 Touhy Ave. features upscale clothing, outerwear, collectibles and finer merchandise. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays and 1-8 p.m. Thursdays. Donations are accepted 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays only. Donate only gently used clothing; broken or obsolete electronics cannot be accepted.

Purchases help adults with developmental disabilities. Avenues to Independence is a nonprofit organization based at 515 Busse Highway in Park Ridge that offers a variety of programs to enhance an individual's work, social, and daily living skills. For information on donations or to volunteer, contact Michael Frustini, (773) 631-6230.

### Fitness Center

**Niles Family Fitness Center**, 987 Civic Center Dr. Niles, (847) 588-8400 or [www.nilesfitness.com](http://www.nilesfitness.com).

**Plates Exo Chair** is a semi-private two-person class. *Exo Chair Express* is a 30-minute semi-private class providing a challenge to take on chair exercises and enhance mat exercises on the exo chair for an ab blasting, stability challenging workout. (Mat experience recommended). *Core Blast Express* is a 30-minute semi-private class focusing on challenging core musculature. *Exo Chair Express* is conducted 10:15-10:45 Mondays, 6-6:30 p.m. Wednesdays or 8:15-8:45 a.m. Thursdays; *Core Blast Express* is held 7:45-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays. Cost is \$14, members; \$19, nonmembers.

**Plates Reformer** Class options: Private Pilates Mat Training; Private Pilates Reformer and Chair Training; Pilates Individual Reformer and Chair Training, half session; Pilates Reformer and Chair, semi-private. To schedule an appointment, call Group Exercise Coordinator Danielle Desherow at (847) 588-8410. **Fall swim lessons** for ages 3 months to 13 years run six weeks and each lesson lasts 35 minutes. Bring a towel from home. Group lessons are \$54, members; \$69, nonmembers.

### Food Drives

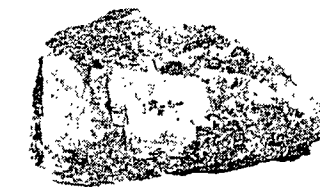
**The Maine Township Food Pantry** is in desperate need of nonperishable items, including: canned vegetables, canned fruit, jelly, peanut butter, hamburger/chicken helper, cookies, crackers, spaghetti, rice and snack bars. Items may be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Niles Chamber of Commerce office, 8060 W. Oakton St., inside the North Side Community Bank building.

### Fundraisers

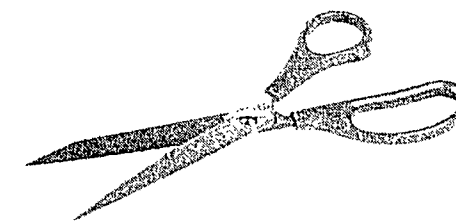
**The Maine South High School Swim Team** is conducting a fund-raiser. **Jan. 20**, 4:30-7:30 p.m.: At Potbelly Sandwich Works, 107 S. Northwest Highway in Park Ridge; percentage of all sales during these hours will benefit Maine South High School Swim Team. Also, available beginning Jan. 20, will be "Coach Kura's Cookie Collision" milkshake; for each milkshake sold from Jan. 20 - Feb. 20, a donation will be made to the swim team. **Like New Auto Spa, Inc.**, 1050 Busse Highway, Park Ridge, has introduced a special fund-raising program that benefits Advocate Lutheran General Hospital/Advocate Lutheran General Children's Hospital. Anyone who visits Like New to have their car washed or detailed, or buys a gift card from the company - and also asks for the Lutheran General discount - will receive a price cut for

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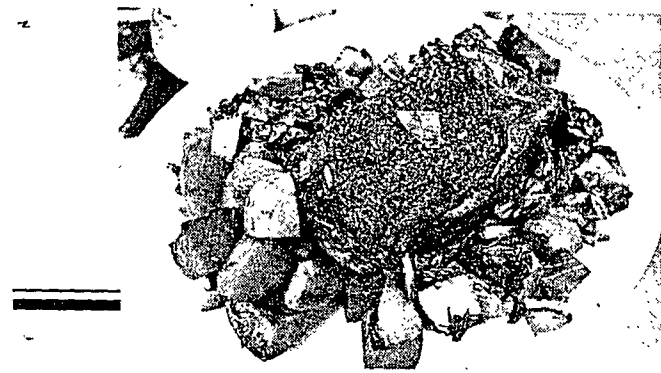
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Sirloin roast with Swiss chard, turnips, potatoes and other vegetables. | Suzanne Tennant ~Sun-Times Media

## To your health: A roast to toast

Roasting recipe showcases a surprisingly colorful array of vegetables and healthy cooking techniques

By **VERONICA HINKE**  
Contributor

Historically, the technique of roasting — cooking foods for long periods of time at high heat — has produced some of the most classic comfort food dishes. And the simplicity of popping a roast with vegetables into one pot and leaving it on an oven rack to cook for hours is an appreciated timesaver.

What's more, roasting helps preserve many of the nutrients that can be lost by cooking foods by boiling or other cooking techniques. But some roasted winter-time favorites can be laden with added oil.

More and more chefs are finding ways to make roasted meat and vegetable dishes as healthy as they are comforting (well, almost).

Case-in-point: Lavender-hued turnips turn up in Chris Dugenske's sirloin roast. Dugenske, executive chef at Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel in Northbrook, dices the potassium-packed root vegetable to roast in a pot with herb-sea-

soned sirloin, potatoes, carrots and onions.

For different flavor and color, he replaces the more common roasting vegetable, celery, with boldly colored rainbow Swiss chard. It's a hearty, leafy green vegetable that resembles rhubarb. Dugenske dices the Swiss chard stalks, which are each colored bright orange, yellow or red.

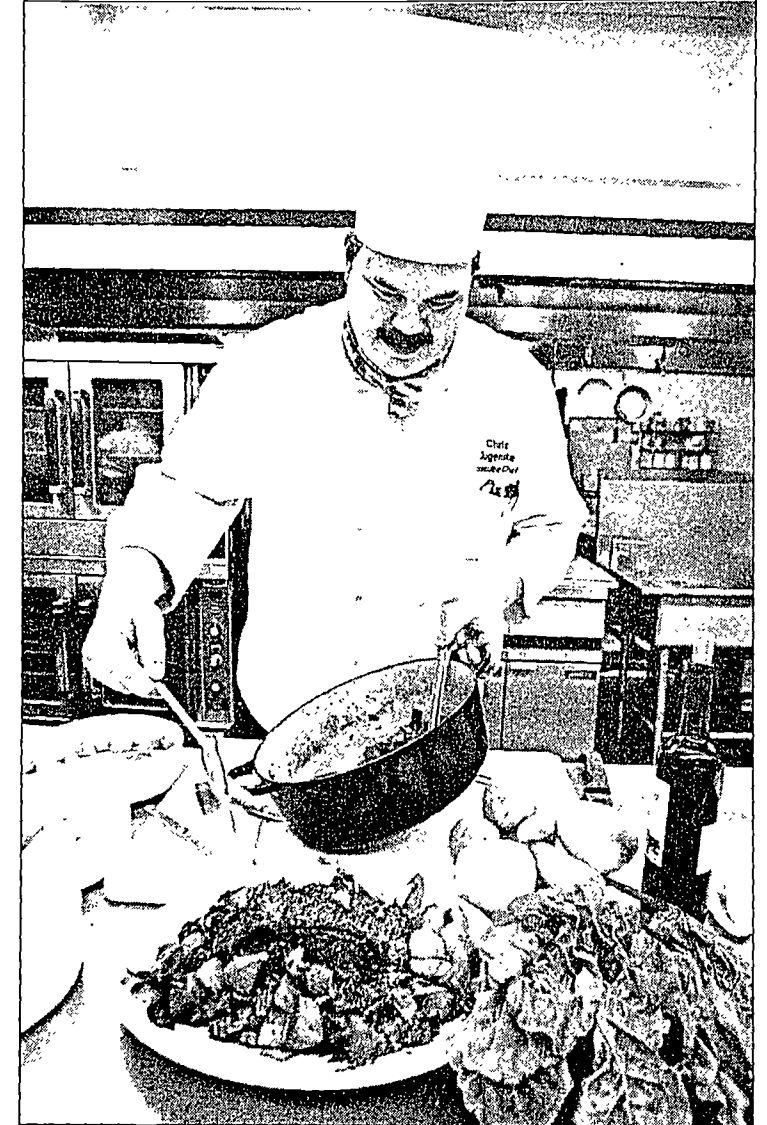
"Try including beets, winter zucchini or acorn squash; solid vegetables of substance," Dugenske suggested.

Dugenske's recipe cuts out oil completely, which is sometimes used to sear meat on the stovetop to seal in juices. Instead, he roasts the meat and vegetables in a pan at 450 degrees for the first 20-30 minutes. His technique seals in juices and caramelizes the meat with a nice crust — without using oil.

"Why add oil when plenty of oils will be released from the meat?" Dugenske asked. "Don't mess with Mother Nature."

His recipe's one guilty indulgence: Red wine. Any favorite varietal will work.

"Pour half of a bottle of red wine into the pot with the meat and veg-



Executive Chef Chris Dugenske finishes his sirloin roast with some au jus. | Suzanne Tennant-Sun-Times Media

etables and drink the other half while it roasts," Dugenske joked.

### More healthy tips

"To keep your roast as healthy as possible, put a rack in the roasting pan so that the fat can drip away from the food," said Olga Kras, a registered dietician in Lake Forest.

Kras suggested replacing bastion oils with fat free liquids like lemon juice, orange juice, balsamic vinegar or vegetable broth.

But oils can be part of a healthy diet.

"Fats can aid metabolism and the absorption of different nutri-

ents," Kras said. Choose healthier oils, and ones that can withstand high heat.

"Healthy fats, mostly mono and polyunsaturated fats, are good choices for roasting. Grapeseed oil would be a better choice than olive or canola oil due to its high smoke point, neutral flavor, and health benefits," Kras said. She suggested using a separate pan to roast vegetables, so they don't soak up oils from the meat. But that idea conflicts with another, strictly selfish, benefit: "Roasting, which allows for one pot meal preparation, minimizes dishwashing," Dugenske said.

### Sirloin Roast

(Chris Dugenske Renaissance Chicago North Shore executive chef)

- 3 lbs. sirloin roast
- 1 lb. carrots, peeled and large diced
- 1 lb. Yukon Gold potatoes, large diced
- 2 yellow onions, large diced
- 1 lb. Swiss chard, large diced
- 1/3 C rosemary, chopped
- 1/4 C garlic, chopped
- 2 tsp. marjoram
- 1 tsp. ground pepper
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 lb. turnips, peeled and large diced
- 1/2 bottle red wine

Preheat oven to 450 degrees.

Place all vegetables and herbs on bottom of roasting pan. Pour in wine. Place roast on top of mixture, and rub marjoram, pepper, salt and rosemary on top. Putting a drip pan in the bottom of a roasting pot will help keep oils away from meats.

Place pot inside oven for 20 minutes at 450 degrees, then turn oven down to 300 degrees for approximately 90 minutes (30 minutes per pound).

When internal temperature of the meat is around 135 degrees, remove from oven. Remove meat from pan and set aside for 15 minutes to rest. This will keep juices inside while slicing.

Place vegetables on platter and slice roast on another platter. There should be a small amount of juice (au jus) left in the pan to pour over the roast.

Note: Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel will feature executive chef Chris Dugenske's sirloin roast for \$9.95 Jan. 24-28.

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the service, with a portion of the proceeds going specifically to benefit the Older Adult Services program of the hospital. Call AiMee Madden, Lutheran General Development Office, (847) 723-8518; Steve Radakovic at Like New Auto Spa, (847) 823-9274; or visit [www.likenewautospa.com](http://www.likenewautospa.com). The fundraising program is featured on the home page with a link to a more detailed flyer containing the discount and donation matrix. This offer is not valid with an outside wash only, or any other promotion/program.

### Health

**Chicago area hematologists/oncologists** will answer questions from leukemia, lymphoma and myelodysplastic syndromes patients and their families from 1-4 p.m. Jan. 30 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Feinberg Pavilion - Conference Room A, 251 E. Huron St., in Chicago. The program is hosted by the Leukemia Research Foundation. Individuals diagnosed with these blood cancers can learn the latest about their disease and pose questions to a panel of medical experts specializing in child and adult hematology/oncology. Complimentary parking (vouchers handed out at check-in) will be available at the Huron/St. Clair parking garage. Reservations are appreciated, but walk-ins are welcome. For more information or reservations call (847) 424-0600 or visit [www.leukemia-research.org/TownHall](http://www.leukemia-research.org/TownHall).

**National Alliance on Mental Illness**, Cook County North Suburban, invites the public to "Ask the Doctor Your Questions About Mental Illnesses" with Dr. John Zajecka, associate professor of Psychiatry and clinical director of the Depression Treatment and Research Center at Rush University Medical Center. Zajecka is an expert in affective disorders including bipolar disorder and depression, anxiety disorders, and schizophrenia. Come prepared to ask your questions about mental illnesses. The free program will be preceded by a 6:30 p.m. business meeting. The education program takes place from 7:30-9 p.m. Jan. 24 at Kenton-Knox Conference Center, 9701 N. Knox Ave., (at Rush North Shore Medical Center), in Skokie. Park in the lot on the left side of the street. Call NAMI CCNS at (847) 716-2252; visit [usatwvnamiccns.org](http://usatwvnamiccns.org). **Pediatric developmental screenings** offered at no cost. LYNX Therapeutics, 9436 Ozark Ave., Morton Grove, provides specialized occupational therapy services and learning instruction programs to children with physical, social, emotional, and learning difficulties. Contact: Ingrid Kenron at (847) 791-1631 or (847) 966-1505.

**A local dialysis clinic**, Fresenius Medical Care Niles, 9371 N. Milwaukee Ave., has started a new night-time program for dialysis patients. The new service allows patients to receive treatments in the clinic at night, for eight hours, while sleeping or resting, usually three times a week. In addition to having their days free for other activities, patients often report having more energy and better dialysis results. Medicare-certified Fresenius Medical Care Niles is now accepting new dialysis patients. Call (847) 581-0334.

**Resurrection Medical Center**, 7435 West Talcott Ave., Chicago, will offer the following health programs. Advance registration is required, unless noted otherwise, by calling 1-877-737-4636. Free on-site parking is available. **American Heart Association** - Infant CPR Anytime will be held from 9-10 a.m. Jan. 22. A self-directed learning program, developed in collaboration with the American Academy of Pediatrics, effectively teaches the core skills of infant CPR and relief of choking. With Infant CPR Anytime, parents, grandparents, siblings, and anyone caring for an infant can learn these life-saving skills. \$50 includes a baby mannequin and skills DVD. **Freedom From Smoking** - American Lung Association Smoking Cessation begins from 5-6:30 p.m. Jan. 25. Learn a variety of techniques to help you quit the addiction of smoking. This program takes a step-by-step approach to unlearn the automatic behavior of smoking and includes various relaxation techniques. Fee: \$150. **Senior Advocate of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital** offers free blood-pressure screenings 10 a.m.-noon on the first Wednesday of every month at the hospital's Patient Resource Center, 8820 W. Dempster St., Niles (across from the hospital). No appointment is necessary. Call (847) 723-7277.

### Kids

All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2011 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held at 9 a.m. Jan. 22 at St. John Brebeuf School Gymnasium, 8306 Harlem Ave. The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district and state competitions. Boys and girls will compete in their respective age divisions. Contact Michael Curtis at (847) 663-1733.

### Library

**Niles Public Library**, 6960 W. Oakton St., (847) 663-1234 or online at [www.nileslibrary.org](http://www.nileslibrary.org). Registration is required for most programs unless indicated otherwise.

**Niles Public Library** District residents are encouraged to attend a Town Hall-style meeting at the Niles Public Library at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 20 to share their thoughts, ideas and suggestions on the Niles Public Library's future with Dan Wiseman, an independent, experienced library consultant. Individuals with an interest in the community who would like to attend are asked to contact the Niles Library via e-mail at [director@nileslibrary.org](mailto:director@nileslibrary.org) or call (847) 663-6699.

**Reading Challenge** - Sixth- to eighth-graders who are up for a challenge and like to read can get together a team of 2-6 people, find an adult sponsor, and call (847) 663-6623 or drop by the Youth Services Department to register. Then get reading from the library list of 30 hand-picked books. Sixth-graders who participated in Battle of the Books may also register. Teams compete in April and May for the Reading Challenge Championship. Champions will be taken to lunch in a limousine. Deadline for registering is March 1, 2011.

**Weekly, counselors** from the Chicago Chapter of SCORE, the Service Corps of Retired Executives, will be at the Library to help small business owners and anyone considering starting a small business. SCORE counselors are successful executives and business owners who can help with a wide variety of business issues. These experienced businesspeople offer private one-hour sessions of business coaching. SCORE is a nonprofit association of volunteers. Weekly sessions are held on alternating Tuesday evenings or Wednesday mornings. Sessions are free but an appointment is required. To set up an appointment online, visit the counseling page at [www.scorechicago.org/](http://www.scorechicago.org/). If there are questions, call (312) 353-7724 or e-mail [info@scorechicago.org](mailto:info@scorechicago.org).

**In January**, visit the Niles Teen Library web site and submit a book review for the Book Bowl Blog. Forms will also be available in the Teen Alley. All reviews are entered in a drawing for a \$50 Barnes & Noble gift certificate.

**Sports Reading Clubs** - Stop by the Youth Services Department and pick up a reading log to win prizes from the Chicago Wolves, Chicago Bears or Northwestern University.

**Youth programs** on a drop-in basis - *Babytime*: 11 a.m. Mondays, for babies age 2 and under. Continuous year-round drop-in program for children with an adult. Includes stories, songs, fingerplays and extended playtime afterward. *Rise & Shine Storytime*: 10 a.m. Thursdays, ages 2-6 with caregiver, enjoy stories, songs and more.

### Maine Township

Maine Township's annual Senior Expo will offer new demonstrations, along with classic entertainment, informational booths and free health screenings. "Swing into Spring" will take place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 29. The MaineStreamers and Golf Mill Shopping Center are again joining forces for the annual event and exhibit spaces, available on a first-come, first-served basis, are selling fast. To reserve a booth, contact the Expo Office at (847) 698-5069. For information, call MaineStreamers at (847) 297-2510 or visit the [www.maintownship.com](http://www.maintownship.com).

**Maine Township's FISH** (Friends Indeed Serve and Help) is in need of volunteer drivers to provide residents free transportation to medical facilities in and near Maine Township. Volunteers may choose how much time they wish to devote. Requirements include a current drivers license and proof of auto insurance. The program requires residents in need be mobile, or be able to use a cane or walker. FISH also asks that appointments be set three or more days in advance. To become a volunteer driver call Ed

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### Parks

**Maine-Niles Association** of Special Recreation offers people with physical and mental challenges, behavior and learning disorders, hearing and visual impairments and emotional disabilities an opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreation activities. MNASR serves Des Plaines, Golf-Maine, Lincolnwood, Morton Grove, Niles, Park Ridge and Skokie. To receive a seasonal brochure, or to offer support for people with special needs by volunteering, call (847) 966-5522.

**NILES New 3's Preschool** - This class offered at Niles Park District is for children who turned 3 after Sept. 1, 2010, missing the deadline for the regular 3-year-old preschool. Children will experience their first classroom experience. Classes are held Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30-2 p.m. at Howard Leisure Center. Session runs to May 20. Call (847) 967-6633.

**Resident and nonresident registration** for Niles Park District Bright Beginnings Preschool for 2010-11 is still being accepted. Spaces are still available in the morning and afternoon for 3- and 4-year-old classes. Registration

is accepted at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St., until classes are filled. Call (847) 967-6633.

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**Niles Park District** is offering private piano lessons (30-45 minutes) for beginning and intermediate students Wednesdays and Thursdays at Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St. Lessons will focus on the fundamentals of technique, music theory and good practice habits. Call (847) 967-6633 to reserve a lesson time.

**GOLF MAINE**  
Visit one of the *Golf Maine Park District* offices, *Feldman Recreation Center, 8800 Kathy Lane (one block south of Golf Road on Western Avenue), Niles; or Dee Park, at the corner of Dee and Emerson Roads, Des Plaines; or call (847) 297-3000; www.gmpd.org.*

**The Painting Studio** classes for adults start in February, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays, Thursdays and 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Feldman.

**Sixth-Eighth Grade Coed Winter Basketball League** - Games begin in February. Feldman. Sign up now.  
**Adult Fitness** - Jacki's Aerobic Dance: Done to invigorating music 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; Jacki's Strongstep: 7-8 p.m. Mondays; 8:30-9:30 a.m. Saturdays. Next sessions

start in January at Dee Park.  
**Ballet & Tap** - Ages 3 years to adult. Next session starts in January. Dee and Feldman Parks.

**Tiny Tots Open Gym** - Parents may drop in and supervise their 1-5 year-old any Wednesday or Thursday from 9-11:30 a.m. for a variety of gym games at Dee Park.

**Belly Dance** - Participants age 16 and up can study under the expert guidance of world renowned instructor, Jasmin Jahaj; Feldman Park.

**Jelly Bean Sports** - Classes are geared for children ages 2-3 and include soccer, T-ball and sport shorts. Class days and times vary but next sessions begin in March. Dee and Feldman Parks.

**Preschool** - There are still spots available for second-semester preschool (for 4-year-olds) starting Jan. 17, 2011. Offered are morning (5 days per week) and afternoon classes (Mondays through Thursdays). All classes are at Dee Park.

**Tae Kwon Do** - Popular martial arts classes for children (ages 7-15) and adults offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays all year round.

**Various rooms/gyms** are available for rental for parties, meetings or ongoing activities. Call (847) 297-3059.

**The Golf Maine Park District** offers a selection of ENERGY STAR qualified compact fluorescent light bulbs for sale to the public from a Lights for Learning kiosk. Proceeds from the sale of every bulb will directly fund the scholarship program sponsored by the district. The scholarship program allows children the opportunity

to attend camp when they may not have the resources to do so on their own. The kiosk will also house the Lights for Learning teacher tool kits, designed for educators and organization leaders, to provide informational materials on the overall Lights for Learning Program. ENERGY STAR Activity Books for children, as well as ENERGY STAR home energy-conservation and electronics information, will also be available. A recycling bin for used CFLs will also be available. CFLs may be purchased at Feldman Park, 8800 Kathy Lane, Niles, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m. Call (847) 297-3000.

**The Golf Maine Park District** offers the community an opportunity to recycle paper products. A recognizable green-and-yellow container supplied by Abitibi Bowater was dropped off in the Feldman Park lot, 8800 Kathy Lane, near the corner of Western Avenue and Kathy Lane. Products that can be recycled in this container include: newspapers, magazines, office paper (fax and copy), shopping catalogs, mail and envelopes, catalogs, folders, colored paper and shredded paper (bagged), no cardboard or phone books. All money raised will fund the scholarship program, allowing children to attend summer camp and other programs. Call (847) 297-3000; www.paperretriever.com/.

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mornings from 9:15-11:15 a.m. - Jan. 26: The Rev. Richard Fragomeni, "Finding a Vibrant Faith on a Sinking Ship and Reaching for a Plank Before We Drown." Feb. 9: Margaret M. Nykaza, "Living Out the Faith in Harmony, Hope and Healing." Feb. 23: Wayne Messmer, "Keep the Faith Or ... Nobody Ever Said It Was Going to be Easy." March 2: Todd Williamson, The Third Edition of the Roman Missal: Promises and Challenges. \$35 for the full series or \$10 per lecture. Contact: Mary Lou Murphy, (773) 774-4421.

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evening events are on sale now and must be purchased in advance. For reservations, contact event coordinator, Glenn Woerz (Class of 1966), at MassReunion@gmail.com or (847) 757-8377. Maine South alumni can also subscribe to the "Hawk Droppings" newsletter via the above e-mail address to receive updates and ongoing information on classmates and relevant information.

**St. Peter Canisius** is sponsoring an all classes reunion at 7 p.m. March 25, 2011 at the Park Ridge VFW, 10 W Higgins Road, Park Ridge. Cost is \$40 per person. Call (847) 556-8655.

**The 1966 Class** of Ridgewood High School is planning a reunion and looking for graduates. Anyone with information concerning alumni is asked to e-mail haydeju@comcast.net or call (217) 352-7254.

**St. John Brebeuf** is looking for all St. John Brebeuf School alumni. Alumni should contact Libby Ryder, (847) 966-3266, or e-mail lryder@sjb-school.org, and submit their name, year graduated, address, phone number, maiden name (if applicable) and e-mail address, and may share a story or tell how St. John Brebeuf made an impact on their life.

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## Scout team

On Jan. 9, the Boy Scouts of America Troop 965, chartered to St. Juliana Parish of Edison Park, held an Eagle Court of Honor. This Court of Honor bestows the awards recognizing those scouts who have earned scouting's highest rank over the past year. Less than 4 percent of scouts earn the rank of Eagle. The Scouts are: William Hopkins, Timothy Dombai, John O'Connell, Mike Oulvey and Michael Gibson. | Contributed photo



Mike Oulvey, Michael Gibson, Timothy Dombai, John O'Connell and William Hopkins. | Contributed photo

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over the city to engage and contribute to their local government. Students were strongly encouraged to reflect on various ways that they believe education is the key in realizing their potential.

A panel of independent professionals, including artists, civic leaders and local media celebrities reviewed all entries and voted for the top 10 finalists. As finalists, Brennan and Mor-dan will each receive \$100 savings bonds. All finalists will be presented with honorary resolutions during a special ceremony in City Hall.

**The Resurrection College** Prep High School student literary journal, *The Innerview*, received a first place award from the American Scholastic Press Association for the 2010 publication. *The Innerview* was judged in the areas of coverage, organization, design, presentation and creativity. *The Innerview* is a literary

and art magazine published annually by students of Resurrection College Prep High School. It expresses the talents of Resurrection students of all grade levels through essays, short stories, poetry, art and photography. The editors of the 2010 issue of *The Innerview* were Resurrection 2010 graduates **Lisa Crocco, Kristin Vioria and Mary Mieszala.**

### ST. JOHN BREBEUF

**Six-thousand dollars** of a \$15,000 goal was reached for the "Pounce Program" at this year's gala. "Pounce" will assist an immediate academic need; this year's need is new math textbook for the entire student body. Another funding initiative was the "Teacher's Wish List," which raised \$2,400. Each teacher received \$100 to spend in his or her classroom.

**If there is something exciting** going on in the school, the WSJB Channel 4 News team will get the scoop. The majority of the eighth-grade class has chosen to participate and has been reporting the news every Friday

morning. The students' responsibilities include writing stories to be read on the air, working the cameras to film the news, operating the audio and video technical boards, directing the broadcast, and reading the stories on the air. The WSJB news is also available on the school's website, under the "What's New" category. A new responsibility of working the technical board is to operate the computer; edit the video files, and convert the files to create a DVD copy of the broadcast. Each script and DVD is now preserved for future generations to enjoy. Guerrieri and Taylor have been working hard to moderate each broadcast and assist the students whenever needed.

### SAINT PATRICK

**Saint Patrick High School**, 5900 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, will host a make-up placement exam at 8 a.m. Jan. 22 for eighth-grade boys who have not yet tested at a Catholic high school. The test will run from about 8-11:30 a.m. Students should bring a \$25 test fee, two No. 2 pencils, a

pen and calculator. Entrance will be at the main school doors on Belmont Avenue. For more information call (773) 282-8844 or e-mail in fo@stpatrick.org.

### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

**St. Paul Lutheran School**, 5650 N. Canfield Ave., Chicago, is hosting an Open House for prospective students, PreKindergarten 3-year-old through Eighth Grade and their families from 1-3 p.m. Jan. 30. Teachers from each class will be on hand to provide information and answer questions along with parents giving tours of the facility. Refreshments will be served.

St. Paul offers small class sizes, a comprehensive curriculum including a Spanish language program (K-8th grade), art, music, physical education, library, Accelerated Reader program, SMART interactive boards, computers in the classrooms as well as a mobile computer lab of laptops. Additional highlights include: Full-day and half-day Preschool programs; Special Education Resource teacher; many extracurricular and service op-

portunities; before and after school care from 7 a.m.-6 p.m.; on-site hot lunch program; multiple child discounts; and tuition assistance.

For more information, view [www.stpaulwildcats.org](http://www.stpaulwildcats.org) and contact Debbie Townsend, School Principal at (708) 867-5044.

### ST. PRISCILLA

**The Academy of St. Priscilla** at Divine Savior, 7750 W. Montrose Ave., Norridge, will hold an Open House from 6-7:30 p.m. Feb. 3. Call (708) 452-0323.

### ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

**St. Robert Bellarmine School** will host an Open House from 1-3 p.m. Jan. 30. There will be a Family Mass at noon in the church, followed by the open house. Visitors can tour classrooms; meet teachers, parents, and students; learn about programs offered for 2-year-olds through eighth grade; and find out more about the new Summer Program starting in June 2011.

The school is located at 6036 W. Eastwood Ave. in

Chicago (at Austin). More information about the school's programs and other open house dates can be found on the school website: [srb-chicago.org](http://srb-chicago.org).

**The next session** of Tiny Tot's for 2-year-olds will begin Jan. 27. The class meets Thursday mornings from 10-11 a.m. for a 10-week session which will run from Jan. 27 through April 7. The total cost is \$50. Class size is limited to 15. Registration forms are available on the Tiny Tot's page of the school website, [srb-chicago.org](http://srb-chicago.org), or from the office, (773) 725-5133.

**St. Robert Bellarmine School** will begin offering Young Rembrandts Drawing Classes in January 2011. The Young Rembrandts program offers a step-by-step curriculum developed to teach foundational art skills in a fun, nurturing environment. Classes will be held at the school, on Mondays from 2:45-3:45 p.m. Dates for the first session are Jan. 24 to April 11. The cost is \$90 for the 10 week session. Registration forms are available from the school office, (773) 725-5133.

### BRICKTON MONTESSORI

**Brickton Montessori School**, 8622 W. Catalpa Ave., Chicago, will hold an Open House for parents of prospective students from 12:30-3 p.m. Jan. 23. The Open House will feature an introduction to the century-old, well-respected "whole child" Montessori philosophy of education; as well as the opportunity to tour the facility, meet faculty and speak with current Brickton parents and students.

Brickton offers its comprehensive educational approach to students in a variety of programs: Toddler (ages 2-3), Children's House (ages 3-6), Lower Elementary (ages 6-9), Upper Elementary (ages 9-12), and Middle School (ages 12-14). For parents in need of a workday solution is the school's full-day option, which offers a safe and caring environment from 6:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Limited enrollment opportunities remain for the upcoming 2011-12 academic year and 2011 Summer-Time Wonder Camp. For further information, prospective

parents should contact Director of Admission Molly Arnoldt at [molly.arnoldt@brickton.org](mailto:molly.arnoldt@brickton.org). Visit [www.brickton.org](http://www.brickton.org).

### DISTRICT 64

**Park Ridge-Niles School District 64** will host its annual District Spelling Bee at 4 p.m. Jan. 25 at Washington School, 1500 W. Stewart Ave. in Park Ridge. The top three spellers from each District 64 school — selected during school-wide spelling bees — will compete for district champion. The winner will then advance to a regional competition.

### EMBERS

**Embers Elementary School**, 2000 W. Sibley Ave., Park Ridge, hosts Open Houses for fall enrollment for PK3, PK4 and K-5th grades from 10-11:15 a.m. Feb. 5 and March 5.

Participate in interactive classroom visits and a parent information session. Embers is a private, independent school serving PK3 to fifth grades. Reservations are request-

ed; call (847) 518-1185 or e-mail [info@emberselementary.org](mailto:info@emberselementary.org).

### GUERIN PREP

**A make-up entrance exam** for any eighth-grade student still interested in attending Guerin College Guerin College Preparatory High School, 8001 W. Belmont Ave., River Grove, will be held at 8 a.m. Jan. 29 at the school.

Students must contact Valerie Reiss, director of admissions, at (708) 453-6233, Ext. 4732, to register.

Students must bring their Social Security number, two no. 2 pencils, a calculator (four function) and the \$25 testing fee (cash or check made payable to Guerin Prep.

Guerin Prep does accept tests scores taken at another Catholic high school.

Admission to Guerin Prep is based on seventh- and eighth-grade state test scores, seventh- and eighth-grade report card grades, entrance exam results and recommendations from eighth-grade math and/or English teachers. For more information, see [www.guerinprep.org](http://www.guerinprep.org).

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[inprep.org](http://inprep.org).

### RESURRECTION

**Resurrection College Prep High School** is offering an Entrance Exam for eighth-grade girls who were unable to attend the exam on Jan. 8. The Entrance Exam will be given on Jan. 22 from 8 a.m. until approximately noon.

Testing on this date will ensure that a student will be eligible for the best selection of classes at registration on March 5 for the 2010-11 school year. Students who test at Resurrection will qualify for the Top Ten Scholarship Award based on the Resurrection Entrance Exam test results.

Pre-registration is necessary for the Jan. 22 testing date. Contact Debbie Gillespie at [dgillespie@reshs.org](mailto:dgillespie@reshs.org) or (773) 775-6616, Ext. 129.

On the morning of the exam, students should arrive by 7:45 a.m. and enter through the main entrance at 7500 W. Talcott Ave. Bring number 2 pencils, a calculator and a \$25 testing fee (cash or check made payable to Resurrection College Prep High School).

**Seventh- and eighth-grade girls** are also invited to participate in a Shadow Day to spend the day with a current student and experience Resurrection firsthand. Contact Debbie Gillespie at [dgillespie@reshs.org](mailto:dgillespie@reshs.org) or call (773) 775-6616, Ext. 129, to schedule a Shadow Day.

**On Dec. 3, 2010** five Madonna Scholars from Resurrection College Prep High School participated in a workshop at Josephinum Academy, sponsored by the Gannon Scholars of Loyola University. The Gannon Scholars are a select group of Loyola students who participate in a structured four-year experience designed to develop their leadership as women. The five Resurrection students joined nearly 90 current high school students who are part of the Madonna Scholars program in the young women's leadership retreat.

The Madonna Scholars at Resurrection College Prep High School are: senior **Amanda Rage**; junior **Alexi Negron** and **Kelci Larsen**; sophomore **Nicole Gardner**; and freshmen **Sandy Cerrill-**

**fo, Ariel Lee and Alexa Vargas.**

The Madonna Scholars is a scholarship program of the Madonna Foundation, which is sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago. The Madonna Foundation is focused on increasing access to Catholic high schools in the Chicago area for young urban women, as well as supporting their spiritual, psychological, academic and social dimensions.

**Resurrection College Prep High School** students junior **Kristen Brennan** and senior **Emily Mordan** had their designs selected as two of the top 10 submissions in the city of Chicago's 16th Annual Vehicle City Sticker Design Contest.

All Chicago high school students in grades 9 through 12 were invited to participate in the design contest. The theme for the 2011-12 vehicle sticker was "Education Is Key." The goal of the art contest is to create city-wide awareness on a selected topic and allow high school students from all

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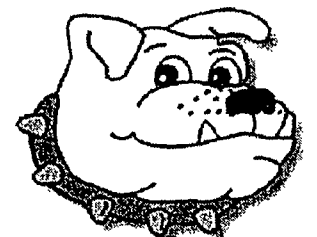
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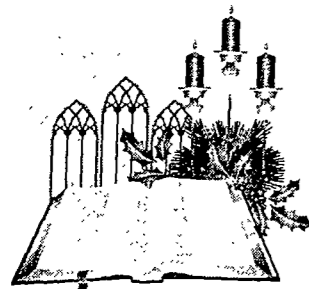
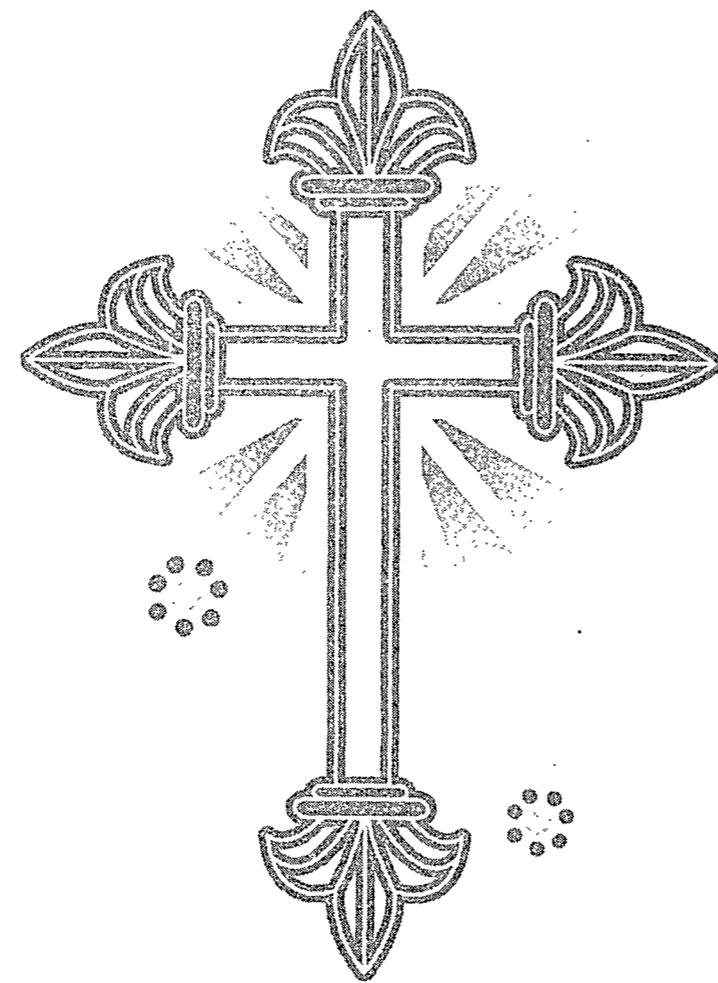
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# Total team effort takes down Lane

Vikings finding support for scorer Nader

By DAN SHALIN  
Contributor

**BOYS BASKETBALL** — Foul trouble and Deerfield's sagging defense combined to hold Niles North senior Abdel Nader to just 15 points, nearly nine below his average, Friday night in Skokie.

Earlier in the season, that might have spelled doom for the Vikings.

But on Friday, Nader's teammates, particularly sophomore Malachi Nix, upped their offensive contributions. The Vikings also turned in a fine first-half defensive effort as they hung on to defeat the Warriors 52-45.

North (12-5, 3-2) then defeated Lane Tech 58-34 on Saturday, its seventh win in eight games.

"(Friday) we were in a little foul trouble and we played large portions of the second half) without (Nader) in there. But we maintained the lead," North head coach Glenn Olson said. "It was a very solid team effort. Both nights were. That was the

best thing about (last) weekend, we came together more as a team."

For stretches of both games, North played the kind of defense normally associated with a great basketball team. The Vikings led Deerfield 23-10 at halftime. The following night, North went on an 18-0 second-half run and limited Lane Tech to just two second-half baskets.

"When you're holding a team that runs their stuff as well as Deerfield does to 23 points, you have to be pleased," Olson said. "Against Lane, we came out in the second half, played hard, made plays and wore them down. We had a great first half against Deerfield and a great second versus Lane."

Offensively, Nix continues to show signs he has broken out of an early-season shooting funk, which Olson attributes to some nagging injuries. The guard registered 13 points on Friday and 11 on Saturday.

Nader, who scored 21 Saturday, and Nix continue to be the names at the top of North's scoring charts, but several other players are joining the offensive act.

Senior Cassius Bell contributed eight points on Friday, while senior Jovan

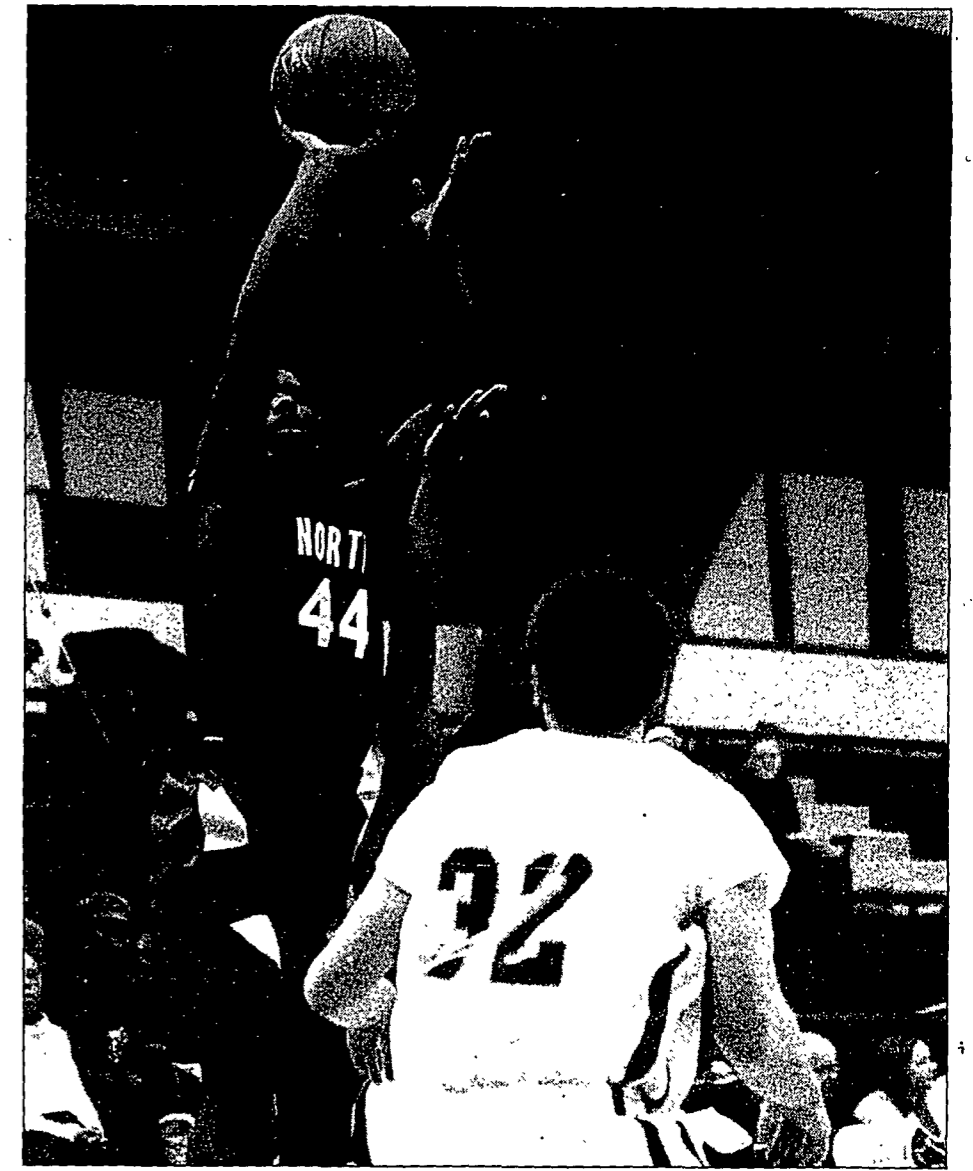
Williams had eight. On Saturday, 10 North players scored, with senior Sam Sharples (8 points), Bell, senior Andre Shaw, Williams and Montreal Sykes all doing their part.

Olson said Nader's ability to find open teammates has contributed to a more balanced attack. The New Mexico-bound senior dealt four assists against Deerfield and five at Lane Tech.

"(Nader) is the focal point. In conference play, these teams are preparing for a week to stop him," Olson said. "But he's making great assists, and we feed off of that. He's becoming a more complete player and our other players have improved a lot, which is making it easier for (Nader) to be more complete. We're making the extra pass and hitting jump shots and the kids are having fun playing together."

The Vikings begin their second swing through the conference at 7:30 p.m. Friday, when they host Glenbrook North. The Spartans defeated the Vikings 74-71 on Dec. 7 when GBN junior Joseph Prince hit a three-pointer at the buzzer to offset a school-record 49 points by Nader.

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Niles North's Cassius Bell (44) scored eight points as part of a balanced attack last week against Deerfield. | Curtis Lehmkuhl-SunTimes Media

# Records fall during preparation for stretch run

By DAN SHALIN  
Contributor

**BOYS SWIMMING** — Niles North prepped for its most important stretch of the regular season by sweeping a pair of home duals with Maine East and St. Viator last weekend.

The Vikings have their eye on a CSL North crown, but to win one they will need to defeat Deerfield on Friday (5 p.m.) and upset Glenbrook North on Jan. 28.

The Niles North swimmers have long been targeting the Glenbrook North meet as an opportunity to prove they can compete with the perennial power.

"Glenbrook North always has been kind of the powerhouse, along with Deerfield, over the years. We've kind of crept up slowly and have been working our way toward GBN," Niles North head coach Seth Orlove said. "I think it's going to be a fantastic duel against them and we're looking forward to seeing where our team is in comparison."

Orlove said he used last weekend as an opportunity to experiment with lineups in order to keep his swimmers excited and fresh and to help him determine the best rotation. "I mixed up the lineups a little to give the boys a chance to swim events they don't normally swim. It gives us an idea of where their times are and takes their focus from their main events for a little bit,"

Orlove said. "Also, I'm trying to make some final decisions for conference and for Deerfield and GBN."

On Friday, North defeated Maine East 142-44.

One of the Niles North highlights came in the 200 free relay where Karol Mlynarski set a school record (22.19) in the 50 free. Swimming leadoff, he broke a mark set just a week earlier by teammate Javed Avidic. North defeated the Demons in a time of 1:33.59. Niles North's Chris Rior-

dan won the 200 IM with a personal-best time of 2:13.00, while Richard Gomez turned in a strong performance in winning the 200 freestyle (1:50.22).

Other individual winners for North on Friday were: Mlynarski in the 50 free (22.29); Ian Frendeis in the 100 butterfly (1:03.03); Gomez in the 100 free (51.49); Avidic in the 500 free (4:57.23) and 100 breaststroke (1:05.2); and Ammar Shah in the 100 backstroke (1:00.10).

On Saturday, Avidic won the 100 fly in a school-record 53.71. The old mark had been held by former Viking Will Ikeda.

Also winning for North were: Avidic in the 200 free (1:50.56); Mlynarski in the 200 IM (2:02.47) and 100 free (48.76); Chris Moon in the 50 free (23.85); Ian Crane in the 500 free (5:16.4); Gomez in the 100 back (58.76); and Max Wall in the 100 breast (1:06.19).

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# ND keeps control of Mount Carmel

**HOCKEY** — Notre Dame's 3-2 win over Mount Carmel at IceLand in Niles on Jan. 10 marked the fourth time the Ice Dons defeated the Caravan this season, all by a single goal.

Notre Dame scored in each period and then hung on as the Caravan found the net twice in the final two minutes.

The Ice Dons opened the scoring with 4:15 left in the first period as Kevin Sanetra scored the first of his two goals, on a power play assisted by Michael Indurante and David Fabris. With five minutes gone in the second period, Fabris scored on a backhand, assisted by linemates Vince Pergande and Sanetra.

Sanetra netted the final goal on a saucer pass from Fabris in the third period. Mount Carmel never surrendered and pulled the

goalie in the final two minutes.

Notre Dame goalie Ryan Maize made 32 saves.

Returning to IceLand on Saturday, the Dons lost to fifth-ranked St. Rita 5-1 in a penalty-marred game where each team was whistled 11 times.

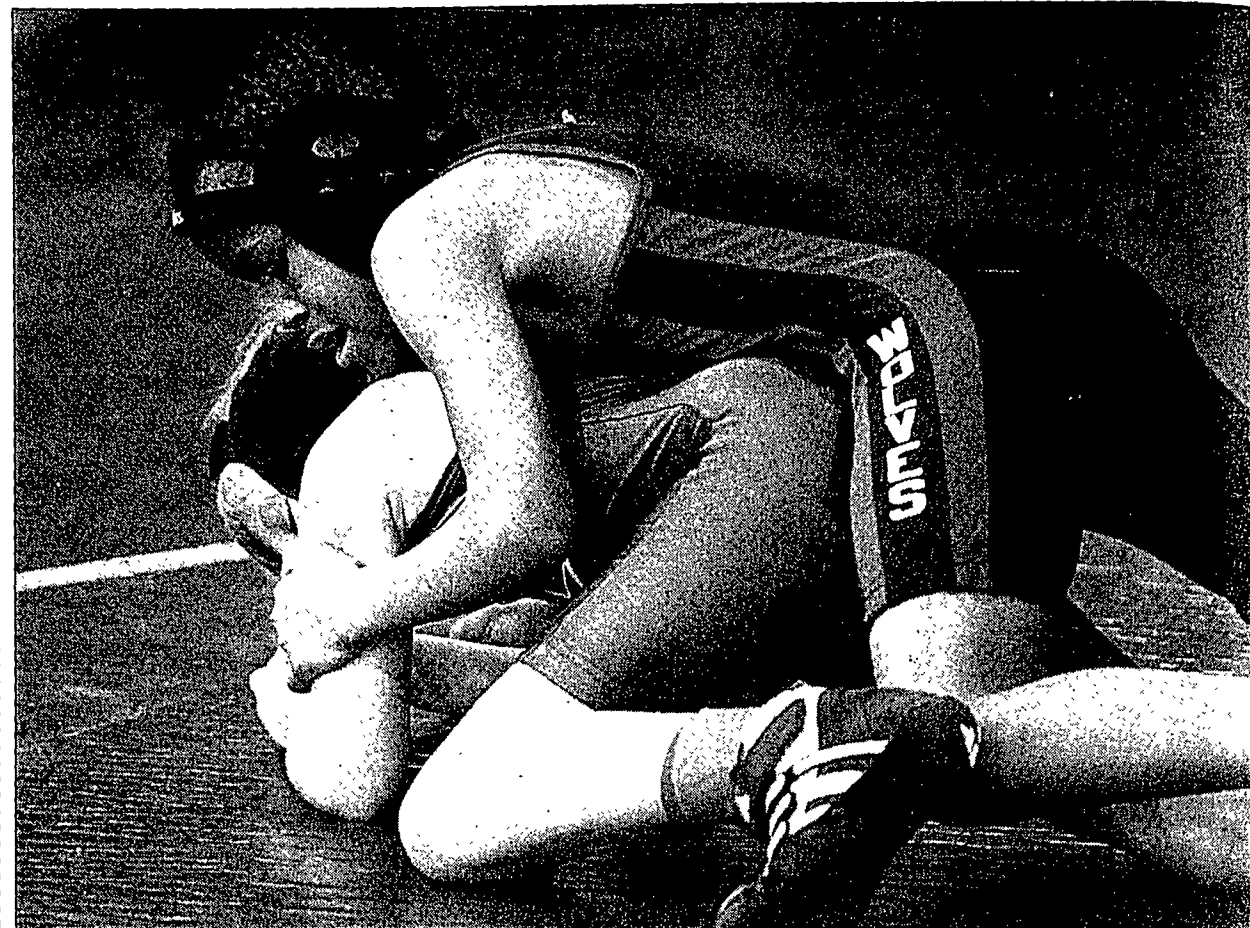
The Ice Dons struck first on Sanetra's shot with five minutes remaining in the first period, on an assist by Fabris.

The Mustangs responded with five unanswered goals, including the first two on power plays.

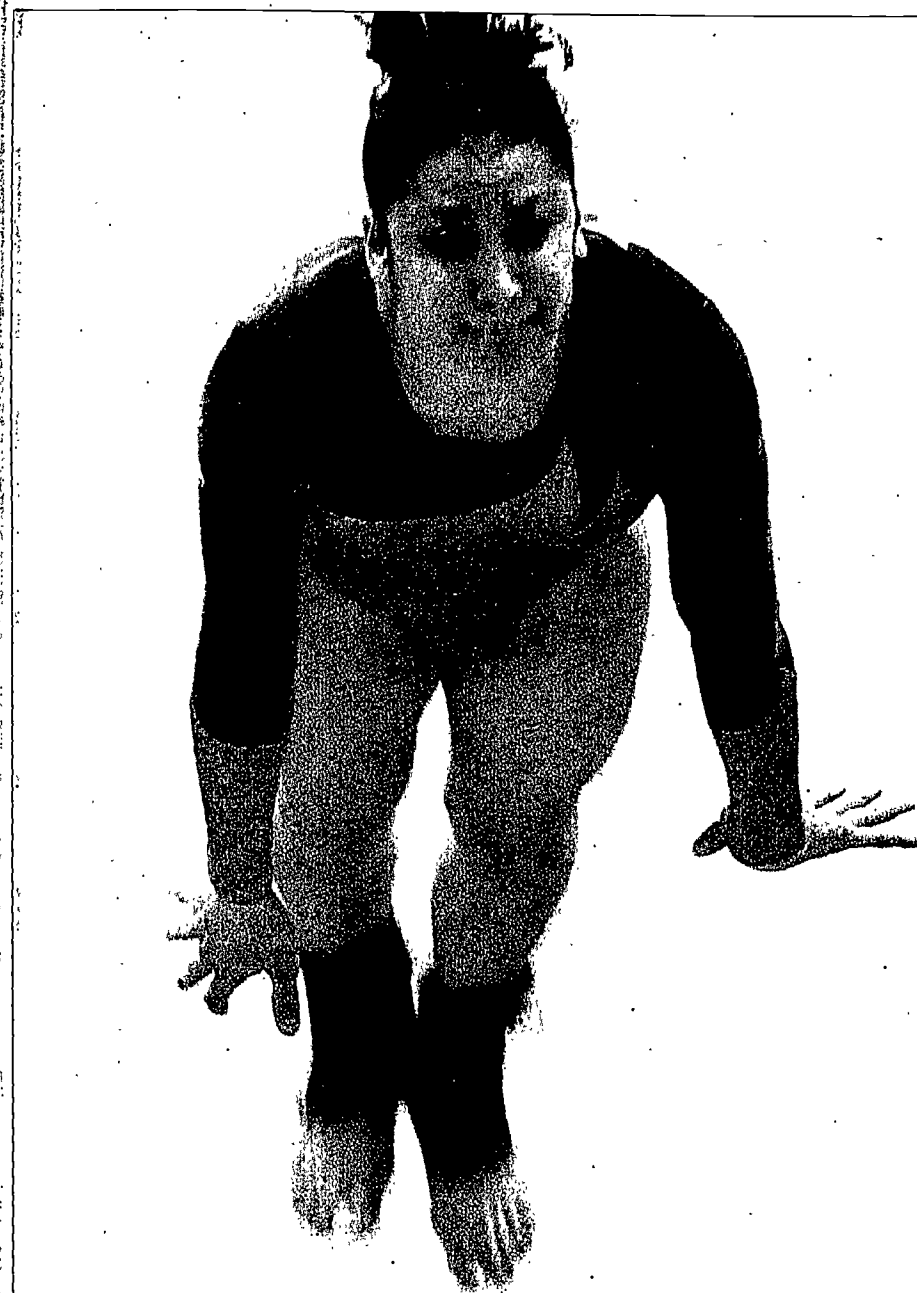
Maize made 39 saves in the loss.

ND's next game at IceLand is against Providence at 8 p.m. Saturday. A day later, ND travels to Seven Bridges to play Benet at 7:20 p.m.

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**Wrestling Wolf** Tyrese Daniels of the Niles West Wolves (top) wrestles Joey Wyshel of Maine South recently at a youth tournament at East Leyden High School. | Shauna Bittle-for Sun-Times Media



Niles North's Citali Cuevas flips off the vault during the Lake Forest Invitational. Cuevas took first place Saturday on vault at the Niles North Invite. | John Konstantaras-for Sun-Times Media

## Cuevas carries Vikes to 4th at Invite

**GIRLS GYMNASTICS** — Niles North had little trouble with Maine West in a CSL North dual meet, trouncing the Warriors 133.1 to 59.6 on Jan. 11.

Citali Cuevas led the Vikings to victory, placing first in each event. She won on floor exercise (9.4), vault (9.3), balance beam (9.2) and parallel bars (8.9), and was No. 1 in all-around (36.8).

North's Deborah Steinberg also had a strong meet, finishing second on vault (8.6), bars (8.4) and floor (8.4), and placing third on beam (8.2). She ended up second in all-around (33.6). Maddy Neuhaus aided the

Vikings' cause with a second-place finish on beam (8.5), and Erin Morgan finished third on vault (8.2).

On Saturday, the Vikings placed fourth with 99.35 points at the Niles North Invite, while Palatine posted 106.525 to nose out new Trier (104.725) for the title. Niles North's best rotation was vaulting, paced by event champion Cuevas (9.75). Steinberg came in eighth at 8.9.

On bars, Cuevas took team honors with a 14th-place 7.95. She topped the Vikings on beam with a fourth-place mark of 8.975 and came in runner-up on floor (9.275)

behind Niles West's Callie Sher (9.375). Her all-around score of 35.950 took second to Palatine Nicole Kuksuk (36.7625).

### at Niles West

The Wolves placed sixth at the Niles North Invite with 96.80, guided by Sher's fourth-place 34.925 in all-around.

In addition to her first place on floor, Sher also tied for ninth on vault (8.8), took third on bars (8.9) and finished 13th on beam (7.85).

Teammates Valerie Fung and Stacey Delgado tied for 12th on floor at 8.575.

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# Wolves gunned down by hot St. Pat's

Pile of turnovers help do in West

By CHRIS PELLIZZARI  
Contributor

**BOYS BASKETBALL** — Niles West had momentum on its side going into its nonconference game against St. Patrick in Skokie on Saturday.

The Wolves defeated conference foe Waukegan on Friday and were looking to take advantage of home-court advantage to continue their winning ways.

But it was St. Patrick (9-7) — who upset No. 17 Notre Dame on Friday — continuing the wave of momentum, thanks in large part to an 8-0 run and a dominating defensive effort in the second period in its 63-46 victory over Niles West.

The Wolves kept things close heading into the second period. Tony Pierce, who led Niles West with 13 points, scored six points in a tight first quarter. Ram-san Younatham (8 points) buried two three-pointers in the period, and it appeared that a back-and-forth battle was ensuing.

But with the score tied 16-16 early in the second period, 6-foot-5 senior forward Kortney Darby (19 points, 10 rebounds) — who owned the paint all game — scored

| BASKETBALL       |     |
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| BOYS             |     |
| <b>CSL SOUTH</b> |     |
| Evanston         | 4-1 |
| Waukegan         | 3-2 |
| Maine South      | 3-2 |
| New Trier        | 2-3 |
| Niles West       | 2-3 |
| Glenbrook South  | 1-4 |
| <b>CSL NORTH</b> |     |
| Glenbrook North  | 5-0 |
| Maine West       | 3-2 |
| Niles North      | 3-2 |
| Deerfield        | 2-3 |
| Highland Park    | 2-3 |
| Maine East       | 0-5 |

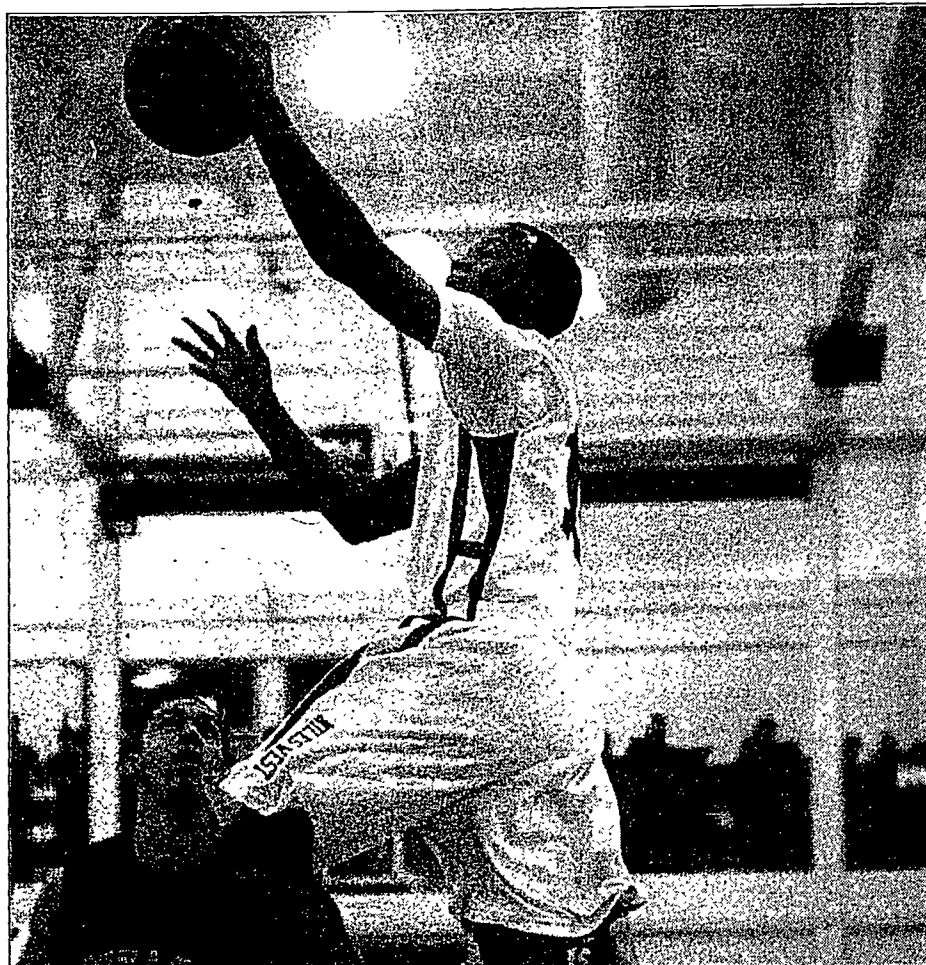
on two consecutive offensive putbacks. On the Shamrocks' next possession, 6-7 junior center Ismar Seferagic (12 points, 3 rebounds) scored off a post move.

The 8-0 run was capped off with a steal and layup by Royal Ewing (5 points, 5 steal) at the 4:50 mark.

Then things became really tough for the Wolves.

St. Patrick started to full-court press, and the decision paid off immediately. The Wolves turned the ball over on six straight possessions — which led to six Shamrocks points, four of which were scored by senior forward Jacob Williams, who led all scorers with 24 points. Ewing had three steals during the defensive flurry.

St. Patrick called off the dogs with 3:04 left in the



Niles West's Tony Pierce, floating for the layup against Glenbrook South, on Friday burned Waukegan for 25 points. | Curtis Lehmkuhl-Sun-Times Media

half and the Shamrocks holding a comfortable 32-18 lead. Niles West turned the ball over eight times in the period and scored only four points.

"It was a combination of St. Pat's pressure and us going back to our old habits," said Niles West

head coach Bob Williams of the second-period turnovers. "This is definitely a step backwards."

The Shamrocks sealed the victory early in the third period with an 11-2 run. Williams scored 12 points in the frame.

"It's very disappointing,"

said Pierce. "We played hard against Waukegan and just died here (Saturday)."

#### vs. Waukegan

This prep basketball season, the difference between the top of the Central Suburban South and the bottom is negligible.

That old saying about anybody being able to beat anybody else on any given night certainly rings true.

For more evidence, there was Friday's battle at Waukegan's Dog Pound in which the front-running Bulldogs were clipped by last-place Niles West 73-71 in an exciting, well-played contest in front of a full crowd.

Niles West (10-7, 2-3) rode long-distance shooting during its road victory. The Wolves hit 11-of-22 from three-point land and 24-of-47 overall.

"We came out with a lot of energy. We were able to knock down the three-point shot tonight," said Niles West coach Williams. "I'm proud of the kids. We persevered and had some big plays down the stretch."

After the visitors took a 71-65 lead with 1:34 remaining, Waukegan pulled to within 71-69 when Akeem Springs (21 points) drilled a three-pointer. Waukegan then tried to force a turnover before committing a foul with 18 seconds to go.

Pierce (game-high 25 points, 4 3's) converted both free throws to give Niles West a 73-69 advantage.

"Tony was very consistent tonight," Williams said. "He came out with a lot of confidence shooting the ball."

— P.J. Bonato contributed

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# Scott, Rothstein are double-trouble to Titans

By MATT HARNES  
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**BOYS SWIMMING** — Dan Vander Jeudt doesn't care much for keeping score during dual meets.

Results don't rank high on his list of priorities. The Niles West coach merely uses them to prepare for the postseason.

"I mean, it's fun to win," he said. "But what's great

about our league is that there are so many fast swimmers to compete against every week."

Niles West dropped to 1-1 in the CSL South with Friday's 98.5-87.5 loss to Glenbrook South. But the Wolves registered eight firsts, including two wins each by Konner Scott and Elliott Kerbel.

Scott captured the 100-yard freestyle in 47.00 and

the 200 freestyle in 1:44.77. His time in the 100 free is tops in the state.

Kerbel touched first in the 200 IM (2:06.69) and the 500 free (5:00.66).

"They probably swam better than us," Glenbrook South coach Keith MacDonald said. "They have a really strong team this year. Coming out of that meet, they probably were happier than us. Hats off to

them." The big highlight for Niles West was diver Zach Rothstein. He finished second to Glenbrook South's Adam Klosowiak, but Rothstein's score of 234.75 was a career best.

The following day the Wolves edged out Glenbrook South at the Titans' invitational. Niles West came in second at the seven-team meet with 216 points,

while the Titans took third with 210 points. Warren grabbed the title with 240 points.

Scott won the 100 free in 48.00 and helped the Wolves to firsts in both the 200 medley (1:42.39) and the 400 medley (3:43.64) relays.

Niles West swims against Maine South on Friday before competing at Buffalo Grove's invitational Saturday in the last big meet of

the regular season. The Wolves close out the season with league dual meets against New Trier and Waukegan.

"It'd be nice to get a win at that invite going into the end of the season," said Vander Jeudt, who predicted Cary-Grove and Lake Park are the teams to beat at Buffalo Grove.

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# ND catches St. Pat at the wrong time

Shamrocks pull pair of upsets

By MATT HARNES  
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**BOYS BASKETBALL** — Everybody in the gym at St. Patrick knew who was getting the ball for the last shot Friday.

After a timeout, Notre Dame executed its inbound play and got the ball to Quinton Chievous. Trouble was, the senior's best look came from 25 feet.

Chievous did more than his share of the heavy lifting, but his 23 points weren't enough to prevent a 55-51 ESCC loss to the Shamrocks in front of a full house in Chicago.

"We wanted to get up on him," said St. Patrick's Kortney Darby, who scored 12 of his 15 points in the second half in the come-from-behind victory over the ranked Dons. "We knew the ball was going to him."

But the Dons, who came into the game with one loss and ranked 17th, shouldn't



Notre Dame's Eddie Serrano dives for the loose ball at St. Patrick. | Allison Williams-for Sun-Times Media

have been in a position to need a game-winning shot at the buzzer. They were dominating the Shamrocks early and led by as many as 11 points in the second quarter.

But St. Pat's slowly chipped away and went into the half down four.

The Shamrocks continued their comeback in the second half. A 15-4 run midway through the third quarter put them up 39-33.

Chievous returned the lead to the Dons (15-2, 5-2) and added five more points in the fourth.

Notre Dame's other scor-

ing threats — Ryan Tompkins and Rodney Pryor — were mostly missing. Pryor spent a majority of the first half on the bench in foul trouble and finished with five points, while Tompkins made one three-pointer and one free throw for four points.



Notre Dame's Ryan Tompkins (22) looks for an open teammate during Friday's game at St. Patrick. | Allison Williams-for Sun-Times Media

Notre Dame, now ranked 23rd, last lost to No. 2 Benet 64-58 on Dec. 10.

At least one Shamrock thinks beating the Dons will be a springboard for them. "This is just the beginning

for us," said Darby, whose team won for the second time in a row Saturday with its 63-46 victory over Niles West, one of the hottest teams in the CSL South. Comment: pioneerlocal.com

# Dons bounce back after first loss in 24 matches

By MATT HARNES  
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**WRESTLING** — Jim Wallenberg still was disappointed days after Notre Dame lost its first meet of the season, Friday against Marist.

"I took it pretty bad," admitted the senior middleweight, who beat Joe Galason 1-0 at 145 pounds. It was one of five matches decided by one points. "We are capable of beating them, but we couldn't pull it off."

Marist, ranked No. 6 by Illinois Matmen and No. 9 by the Sun-Times, earned a 30-18 win.

Also Friday, the Dons beat St. Patrick 53-11. On



Notre Dame's Julio Perez, on top of Maine South's Boyan Savici, on Friday won his 215-pound bout during a dual meet with Marist. | Ryan Pagelow-Sun-Times Media

Saturday, they swept Grant and Lake Park to enter this week 25-1 in dual meets.

"Definitely we will learn from the loss," said Wallenberg, who's 30-3 on the

season and one of 10 wrestlers with at least 20 victories. "We know what it takes to wrestle against a tough opponent. This will only benefit us." Colton Kelly (189) and

Julio Perez (215) each escaped by one point against Marist. The Dons also dropped two one-point matches and two by two points.

ND's Jimmy Biancofiore won his match 5-1 at 140 pounds, Kevin Stahmer (171) was a 3-2 winner, Kelly (189) prevailed 3-2, Perez (215) earned a 1-0 victory and Quinn Machain (285) posted a 7-4 win.

"We should have beaten them," Notre Dame coach Augie Genovesi said. "But our goal is to win regional and place in the state."

"I thought we wrestled well, but we haven't peaked yet. We are not where we want to be."

In one of the feature matches, Notre Dame's Matt Sommers fell to Marist's Ryan Conklin 6-4 in overtime at 103 pounds. Both are ranked by Illinois Matmen.

That was a match Genovesi said got away from the Dons.

"Matt took him down three or four times, and he was ready to score in overtime before they stopped the match for blood," Genovesi said.

Notre Dame wrestles Carmel on today before hitting the road for Edwardsville, where they will compete against the host, Moline and Civic Memorial. Edwardsville and Moline both are in Class 3A,

while Civic Memorial is in Class 2A. Edwardsville reached the state tournament two seasons ago.

"It's awesome," Wallenberg said of the road trip. "It's going to be a great way to get ready for regionals and sectionals."

**NUMBERS GAME:** Individual records entering the week: Kelly (28-4); Sommers (26-4); Tim Donnelly (26-6 at 130); Stahmer (25-6); Joe Cortese (24-7 at 152); Sean Heneghan (24-8 at 125); Scott Smith (24-10 at 112); Machain (23-6); Biancofiore (23-9); Mark Rice (18-13 at 135); Charlie Doyle (18-8 at 160); Perez (11-2) and Brendan Moore (11-4 at 119). Comment: pioneerlocal.com



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Basketball at Whitney Young or Von Steuben, TBA  
Boys wrestling at Edwardsville and Moline, Civic Memorial, 9 a.m.  
Boys hockey vs. Providence at Niles-Ballard, 8 p.m.  
**Sunday**  
Boys hockey vs. Benet at Seven Bridges, 7:20 p.m.  
MAINE EAST

**Thursday**  
Girls gymnastics hosts Glenbrook North, 5:30 p.m.  
**Friday**  
Boys basketball at Highland Park, 7:30 p.m.  
Girls basketball hosts Highland Park, 7:30 p.m.  
Boys wrestling at CSL Tourn. at Niles West, 5 p.m.  
Boys swimming hosts Highland Park, 5 p.m.  
**Saturday**  
Girls gymnastics at 38th Annual Niles West Invite, 1 p.m.  
Boys wrestling at CSL Tourn. at Niles West, 9 a.m.  
NILES NORTH

**Friday**  
Boys swimming at Deerfield, 5 p.m.  
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Girls basketball at Loyola, 1:30 p.m.  
NILES WEST

**Thursday**  
Girls basketball hosts New Trier, 7:30 p.m.  
**Friday**  
Boys track hosts All Comers Meet, 5 p.m.  
Boys wrestling hosts CSL Tourn., 5 p.m.  
Boys swimming hosts Maine South, 5:30 p.m.  
Boys basketball at New Trier (Winnetka Campus), 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday**  
Boys wrestling hosts CSL Tourn., 5 p.m.  
Boys swimming at Buffalo Grove, noon  
Girls basketball at Danville, 2:30 p.m.  
Girls gymnastics hosts Invite, 1 p.m.

## McKinney returns to Demons

### Former ME guard heading to DePaul

By DAN SHALIN  
Contributor

**BOYS BASKETBALL** — Charles McKinney made his first visit to New York's Madison Square Garden on Sunday afternoon.

The former Maine East guard, in NYC for a high school basketball tournament, watched St. John's take on Notre Dame in Big East action. The Fighting Irish feature two of McKinney's friends, Jack Cooley of Glenbrook South and Alex Drageceovich of Glenbrook North.

Next season, McKinney might find himself playing at The Garden, site of the annual Big East Tournament, as a member of the DePaul Blue Demons.

Last month, the 6-foot-4, 180-pound shooting guard, who currently is a fifth-year student at Quality Education Academy in Winston-Salem, N.C., gave a verbal commitment to Blue Demons' first-year head coach Oliver Purnell.

"I like (DePaul's) style of play and how coach Purnell's teams at Clemson liked to get up and down the floor," said McKinney, who grew up in Evanston. "(Purnell) has a history of developing players and it will be nice to come back to Chicago so my family can see me play."

McKinney left Maine East before the 2009-10 season. As a sophomore and junior, he teamed up with Nus Khan and Danhi Wilson to lead East teams to 18 and 19



During his junior year at Maine East, Charles McKinney helped the Blue Demons post 19 wins. Last month he verbally committed to play for DePaul. | Dan Luedert-Sun-Times Media

wins, respectively.

Glenn Olson, now the head coach at Niles North, coached that team, while Abdel Nader, the Niles North forward who has signed with New Mexico, also was a member of the squad.

McKinney missed a number of games his sophomore season with an injury and also sat out a portion of his junior season due to academics. But Olson said McKinney always was an athletic and selfless player, and has continued to improve on the court and in the classroom since his move south.

"What separated Charles

from other talented players was his toughness. Also, the way he responded to a guy scoring on him or a turnover: He didn't place blame, he just went on to the next play. He sacrificed his offense for the good of the team and always did what it took to win," said Olson, who predicts McKinney will become one of the best defenders in the college game.

"(QEA) is a place where he wanted to be and obviously it's worked out incredibly well for him and academically, things have turned around. It's been a great story."

From a basketball stand-

point, QEA has offered McKinney a chance to regularly challenge some of the country's most talented players. The nationally-ranked Pharaohs play a schedule filled with the best prep school teams. QEA measures up well with a roster that currently features other Division I talents like Sir-Dominic Pointer and Dwight Meikle (both St. John's commitments), Anthony Fields (Wake Forest) and Lekan Ajayi (offers from Tennessee and Wake Forest).

"Practice is probably harder than the games, to be honest. It really is," said McKinney, who also consid-

ered Oregon State, Iowa, Bradley, Arkansas and Clemson.

McKinney, who has improved his shot, is averaging about 15 ppg for the Pharaohs, who won 17 of their first 20 games this season. He said he also takes pride in his performance on the defensive end of the floor.

"My shot has come a long way. It's real good right now," he said. "My shot and my defense have improved. People knew I could get to the rim and dunk. But what's gotten me noticed (by college coaches), is my shot and my defense."

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