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Circuit Court judge upholds Niles Election Board ruling

by Nancy Keraminas

A Cook County Circuit Court judge agreed with the Niles Election Board that petitions circulated by independent candidates Mary Marusck and Carol Panek confused voters because they did

not specify that the women were seeking trustee slots on the Niles village board.

Judge Eugene Wachowski issued a ruling on the appeal filed by Panek and Marusck Feb. 22,

after hearing arguments from the plaintiffs' attorney and representatives of the village election board and the private citizen who challenged their right to be on the

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Police nab youths responsible for graffiti

Two Chicago youths, a 17-year-old and a juvenile, went on a "tagging" spree Feb. 23 and spray painted graffiti in Skokie, Morton Grove, Niles and Park Ridge. They were apprehended about 4 a.m. at Maine East High

School, Park Ridge, when an off-duty Park Ridge policeman, working as a security guard at the school, noticed them acting suspiciously and called police.

Park Ridge police charged the

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Officials hope to entice first time home buyers to village

Niles offers low interest home loans

by Sheilya Hackett

Niles is giving a break to first time home buyers in the form of low interest home loans.

The Niles Village Board on Feb. 26 approved using the village's federal tax credits to fund low interest loans. The credits are based on a \$50 per capita rate and this year, Niles has \$1,518,150.

Trustee Jeffrey Arnold explained loan interest rates will vary, but are expected to be about two points below the current market rate.

Applicants earning no more than \$49,910 can apply for a loan on an existing home with a maximum purchase price of \$96,210. Loans are subject to FHA and VHA regulations.

With real estate continuing at a relatively high rate in Niles, it is

expected the loans would be more applicable to townhomes or condominiums. Arnold called the move "a start in the right direction."

The village ceded its tax credits to the state last year for the same purpose, according to Finance Director Gary Karshna. In that case, the buyers were not restricted to Niles and only one or two bought here, he said. This program applies exclusively to Niles, however.

Karshna expected 15-20 loans would be available on a first come, first serve basis when the program tentatively begins in May.

Several agenda items centered on waste disposal and recycling. Trustee Arnold gained board approval for paying a refuse collection rebate to several village condo associations. The concept of the payments received approval last year, but the actual payment was deferred until the end of the fiscal year.

Trustee Tom Bondi gained authorization for the village to go to bid, with the power to act upon purchase of recycling bins in order to keep on schedule with the anticipated start of curbside recycling May 1.

Village Manager Abe Selman said he is trying to get a government grant to defray the cost of the bins.

Selman said negotiations regarding contracts for curbside recycling and yard waste in 1991 continue with the village scavenger.

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From the Left Hand



by Bud Besser

In The Bugle's cryptography department we have a lady who believes the Nick Blase forces are actually writing and sending out news releases for independent trustee candidate Betty Beech. While she disclaims any expertise in comparing typewriter copy, she said Beech's script type-written copy looks similar to the copy The Bugle receives from Nick Blase's Maine Township Democratic Party's releases.

Releases from the Blase forces always have a headline in capital letters which are underscored and reads: "NEWS INFORMATION FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE". In Ms. Beech's releases the same head style appears above her body copy.

In the last village election independent candidate Carol Panek accused Blase of putting up an independent woman candidate who helped defeat Panek. If our cryptographer's sleuthing is correct, it lends credibility that Blase and

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Civic Center tax revenues could finance new project

by Sheilya Hackett

Whether or when Niles will build a new administration building at Civic Center Plaza, Oakton Street and Waukegan Road, is still a matter of conjecture.

In January, village trustees heard financial projections for the site from consultant Don Eslick of Kane, McKenna and Associates, financial advisors. They received little encouragement for any immediate building project if they rely only on money generated at the site.

Recently, Niles Finance Director Gary Karshna said two or three years of documentation are

needed before exact amounts of revenue can be determined.

It had been speculated monies the village gained from sales and property taxes at the site could be put toward a new administration facility. Construction of the 9-1-1 emergency phone system at the police station is taking over space used for village board meetings and Mayor Nicholas Blase has noted the need for bigger administration quarters.

Since the Oakton/Waukegan site is a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district, revenues generated

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Park District gets donation



The Niles Squares presented the Niles Park District with a donation check in the amount of \$1,200 for the use of their facilities over the past year.

The Board of Park Commissioners thanked the Niles Squares for their generous donation and continued support of the Niles Park District.

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Youth on Parade program set

The Park Ridge V.F.W. Post 3579 and its Ladies Auxiliary invite scouting organizations and their leaders to attend the annual "Youth on Parade" program to be held on Saturday, March 9, at the post home, 10 W. Higgins, Park Ridge (corner of Canfield & Higgins) starting promptly at 1 p.m.

Youth groups, scout leaders, scoutmasters and den mothers are asked to call the post chairman Ray Jemc at 1 (312) 777-7070 between 6 and 9 p.m. to indicate the number planning to attend.

Jemc encourages the groups to wear their uniforms and said they must be accompanied by their group leaders.

Auxiliary chairman Marilyn Buzinski stated the program will include a presentation of the origin of the flag, history of the U.S. flag and flag protocol presented by past post commander Warren Wirgau.

Any youth group in need of a flag may contact Jemc at 1 (312) 777-7070 between 6 and 9 p.m.

Financial seminar set for March 7

A seminar by Norah Lex to help organize finances for the beginner as well as the more advanced investor will be held March 7 from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Rogers Park Library, 6907 N. Clark. The seminar is free. Call (312) 248-9593 or (708) 647-1360.

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Nilesites visit Sister City



Nine Niles residents enjoyed their recent tour of the Niles Sister City, Pisa, Italy. Pictured from left to right are: Ann and Pete Kelly, Marilyn Bush (holding the Niles Chamber of Commerce Community Guide) Andy and Barb Beierwaltes, Helen Sparkes, Pat Saranecki and Sylvia and Ed Martin.

Center of Concern plans March events

The Center of Concern has announced the following calendar for the month of March:

Monday, March 4, 11, 18, and 25, Weight Loss Support Group, 11 a.m.;

Monday, March 4, 11, 18, and

25, Operation Desert Storm Support Group, 2 p.m. Registration is requested;

Tuesday, March 26, Book

Browsers Club, 2 p.m.;

Wednesday, March 6, Wills

Program. By appointment only;

Thursday, March 7, 14, 21,

and 28, Grief and Loss Support

Group, 2 p.m. Registration is

required;

Saturday, March 2, 9, 16, 23,

and 30, Legal Counseling, Personal

Counseling and Financial

Counseling. INCOME TAX

PREPARATION. By appointment

only; and

Saturday, March 30, Blood

Pressure Testing & Blood Sugar

Screening, 1-3 p.m.

All of the above programs will

be held in the offices of the

Center of Concern, 1330 N. North-

west Highway, Park Ridge, Suite

223. To make a reservation for

those programs which require

one, please call (708) 823-0453.

Foreman High plans reunion

Foreman High School class of 1941 is planning a 50th reunion on Sept. 12 from 5:30-11 p.m. at the Diplomat West, 17W681 West North Avenue, Suite 83 at North Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois.

The cost is \$30 per person. Contact Helen Janus Poterek (312) 237-6400.

For anyone travelling from afar, there is a Comfort Inn Motel right next door. You are welcome to make your personal arrangements directly with the motel at (708) 941-9444 or 1 (800) 221-2222.

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Niles Senior Citizens 967-6100 ext. 376

NILES SENIOR CENTER REGISTRATION
The Niles Senior Center is open to all Niles Seniors, 62 and over and their younger spouses. The center is located at 8060 Oakton, Niles, 967-6100.

WOODCARVING PROGRAM
The senior center is now accepting registration for the Woodcarving Program set to begin Tuesday, March 5. The class meets each Tuesday through April 30 from 7-9 p.m. at Ballard Leisure Center. The cost for a new student is \$16 and the cost will be determined on an individual basis for continuing students. Register in person at the senior center by February 28.

STAMP CLUB
The Niles Senior Center's Stamp Club will hold their March meetings on Tuesday, March 12 and 26 1:30 p.m. at Ballard Leisure Center, 8320 Ballard Rd. For information call the senior center at 967-6100, ext. 376.

MARCH TICKET SALES
March ticket sales will be held at the center on Monday, March 4 at 9:30 a.m. Tickets will be sold for the following events: March Lite Lunch is set for Wednesday, March 20 at noon. The menu will include tuna casserole, chips and dessert. The featured movie is "Carnegie" and the cost is \$1.75. March Trip is set for Thursday, March 21 from 10:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Our destination will be Niles Restaurant in Bridgeview for Festa Italiana! We will enjoy an Italian family-style meal of Minestrone soup, salad, chicken, baked mostaccioli, Italian mixed vegetables, roast potatoes, bread and butter, flaming cherries jubilee and coffee/tea/milk. Entertainment will be provided by the Italian singer, Mario and music by the Gondoliers. Tickets are \$23.25. March Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, March 27 at 12:30 p.m. The menu will include spaghetti, tossed salad with dressing, french bread, canoli cake. Entertainment will be provided by the Niles Senior Center Square Dance Group and the Line Dance Group. Tickets are \$4.25 each. For additional information on these programs, call the senior center at 967-6100, ext. 376.

DENTAL IMPLANT LECTURE
The Niles Senior Center will host a lecture on Dental Implants on Thursday, Feb. 28 at 2 p.m. The lecture will be given by a dentist, Dr. Michael Czarkowski. Information on preventing tooth loss and gum disease and proper care of your teeth will be discussed. Registration is required and may be made by calling 967-6100, ext. 376.

RULES OF THE ROAD CLASS
The next Rules of the Road class will be held on Monday, March 11 at 10 a.m. at the Ballard Leisure Center, 8320 Ballard Rd. The class prepares one to take the driver license renewal examination. The class is free, however, advance registration is necessary and may be made by calling 967-6100, ext. 376.

INCOME TAX FILING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Appointments for the filing of income tax forms at the senior center are available. To make an appointment, please call the center at 967-6100, ext. 376.

MEN'S CLUB MARCH TRIP
The Niles Senior Center Men's Club will host a trip to Medinah Circus and Zum Deutschen Eck for lunch. The trip will be held on Thursday, March 7, 9:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Please call the senior center for space availability at 967-6100, ext. 376. The cost is \$21 per person.

UROLOGY LECTURE
A lecture, Urologic Aspects of Aging will be presented on Wednesday, March 6 at 2 p.m. by Dr. Israel Berger, a urologist on staff and Rush North Shore Hospital. Incontinence and prostate problems that can occur because of aging will be discussed. Registration required, call 967-6100, ext. 376.

MEN'S CLUB ST. PAT/ST. JOE PARTY
The Niles Senior Center Men's Club has set Friday, March 15 for their annual St. Pat/St. Joe Party at the center. The party will begin at noon with corned beef, breads, salads and dessert being served. Entertainment from comedian and musician Ted Grayson will follow lunch. Tickets are \$4 each and may be purchased at the senior center. Call 967-6100, ext. 376 for additional party information.

S.I.J. 55 PLUS CLUB
Our thanks to the decorating committee for the very fine job you did in decorating and setting up the hall for our Valentines Party. It was a great and enjoyable party for everyone who attended. The food was delicious and a big thank you to our wonderful musicians Mario, Louie and John, who always keep our feet a-dancing. Many members were prize winners, and most happy were the winners of the table centerpiece, which was an adorable stuffed bear or puppy. Remember to pay your 1991 dues to our membership chairwoman Irene Seifert. To be a member in good standing dues must be paid by March 1 or soon thereafter.

As usual we had our traditional march led by President Ann Romeo, Irene Seifert and Florence Lencioni. This time the march was dedicated to our fighting men and women in the Persian Gulf. We hope and pray they all will be home soon.

President Ann Romeo and her committee are proceeding with plans for our St. Patrick, St. Joseph Party on March 17 in the Parish Hall, so it's not too early to make your reservations.

Congratulations to all members celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month. A big thank you to our photographer Gilbert Kaite who took many pictures at the Valentine Party.

Our prayers to all our sick members wishing them a speedy recovery.

Our sympathy to Mary Mueller and family on the death of her husband John. Please pray for him along with our other deceased club members.

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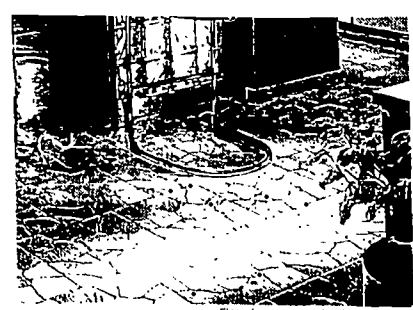
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F & M opens Skokie store



Photo by David Miller

The new F & M Discount Store celebrates its grand opening, in Skokie, near the intersection of Touhy and Laramie, across from the Village Crossing Shopping Center.

Toastmasters Club meets March 4

The newly-elected officers of the All American Speakers Toastmasters Club of Niles for the 1991 year are: President Bill Shipp, Educational Vice President Barbara Savoia, Admin-

istrative Vice President Joanne Linzer, Treasurer Jan Stojack, Secretary Susan Siebers and Sergeant At Arms Mike Shields.

Be our guest at the March 4 Toastmasters meeting and meet our new officers and the winner of the dramatic reading contest Jan Stojack.

We will have an international speech contest. The following people will compete. Bill Shipp, Batteries Not Included, Mary Eri, The Pendulum, and Joanne Linzer, The Gift.

The judges of the International Speech Contest will be from the Park Ridge Toastmasters Club.

We meet on the first and third Monday each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Niles Trident Center, 8060 W. Oakton St. For information call Bill (708) 825-6241.

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Care of photos discussed

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Baer will explain the process of restoring old family photos that may have been damaged with light, dust, cracking or just plain neglect. He will also show how to properly care for new photographs so that they may be enjoyed for years to come.

Examples of Baer's work, in before and after views, are on display in the lobby of the library.

The library is located at 5215 Oakton St. in Skokie.

Heritage Club meets March 3

The Heritage Club of Polish Americans will hold its next meeting on Sunday, March 3 at the Copernicus Cultural Center, 5216 West Lawrence Ave. at 2 p.m.

President Frank Bigs will review important events in Polish-American history. Tickets for the club's April 7 "Swieconka" will be available at this meeting. A special social activity will follow the meeting.

Guests are cordially invited to attend this meeting. There will be a charge of \$1 for non-members. For more information one can call (312) 777-5867.

Legion welcomes new members

The Morton Grove American Legion Post #134 eagerly offers membership to a new group of eligible veterans as time service dates have been opened for new areas.

Post Commander Roger Schmidt has listed these new eligibility dates: for those who served during the Lebanon, Granada and Panama conflicts, with actual dates of Aug. 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984; and Dec. 20, 1989 to Jan. 31, 1990.

Post #134 meets at 6140 Dempster St. and the Post meetings are usually held at 8 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Membership dues are reasonable, and there are subsidiary groups for the women members and youngsters of the veteran's family.

Schmidt has appointed Frank Mayer, 699-1753, membership chairman. Mayer will give additional data on presenting membership data and induction times. Schmidt may be reached at 679-1873 for further information.

Morton Grove Senior Citizens 470-5223

DIABETES SCREENING

Blood sugar is the fuel that runs the body. When blood sugar is out of normal balance, many types of symptoms develop because nearly all tissues in the body depend on it to function. There are two basic types of diseases associated with blood sugar. Diabetes mellitus is a condition in which the blood sugar is too high and hypoglycemia is a condition wherein the blood sugar is too low. Free, simple and quick blood sugar evaluations are offered from 9 to 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 5 in the Flickinger Senior Center. People coming in for the screening should not be known diabetics and should fast from the evening meal of the night before.

PRIME TIMERS

The North Shore Prime Timers Club invites interested residents to three appealing upcoming programs. They will enjoy "The Return of Father Jim Miller" for a fun packed all-organ show on March 10; then the play "Never Too Late" at the Devonshire Theatre in Skokie on March 23; and finally a night club at noon at April in Paris including the Bistro Dancers on April 10. For more information about the Prime Timers and their activities call Dodee Connelly at 966-8350 or Priscilla Godemann at 966-7363.

CHOLESTEROL SCREENING

A special clinic for cholesterol screening will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on Monday, March 11 in the Prairie View Community Center. The quick and simple test will give an accurate blood cholesterol measurement in just three minutes. For Morton Grove seniors (age 65+) who have never been screened before, there is no charge for the screening. There is a discounted fee of \$3 for those desiring follow-up screenings and \$4 for those under age 65.

LIFE ON THE ROAD BOOK REVIEW

Morton Grove Public Library Librarian, Barbara Todd, an accomplished book review dramatist will present a compilation of works by news reporter Charles Kuralt in a special review of his book, "Life on the Road" for Morton Grove senior citizens. The program begins at 12:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20 at the Prairie View Community Center. Coffee and cookies will be served and the program is offered at no charge.

TAXING FORMS

The Morton Grove volunteer income tax aides are available again this year to assist senior citizen residents with their federal and state income tax forms. The program assists those who would like help with the language, formulas, and the understanding of tax laws. Seniors can make a reservation for Mondays and Wednesdays at Prairie View, or Fridays at the Flickinger Center by calling the Senior Hot Line at 470-5223. There is absolutely no charge for this service.

LEGISLATIVE SPEAKOUT

The fifth annual "Speakout" on issues concerning senior citizen legislation in the 1991 Illinois General Assembly will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28 in the Rolling Meadows Holiday Inn, 3405 Algonquin Rd. Guest speakers will include State Senator Virginia MacDonald, and State Representatives James Kirkland, Bernard Pedersen and Kay Wojcik. Please R.S.V.P. by calling the Resource Center for the Elderly, 577-7070.

RETIREMENT PLANNING

A seminar on Retirement Planning will be presented at the Morton Grove Public Library on Thursday, Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. Harvey Kaluzna of The Greater Chicago Group in Northbrook will present information on retirement preparation pertinent to all ages. Included will be a slide presentation, handout materials, and a question and answer period.

ENTERTAINMENT AT OAKTON

Oakton Community College presents the following events open to the public at their Des Plaines campus at 1600 E. Golf Rd. in Des Plaines:

- "Noises Off" dramatic comedy at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 7 (free).
- Happy Cole the "happiest man in America" at 8 p.m. on Friday, March 9 (\$5).
- "War of the Roses" film at 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 14 (free).
- Ella Jenkins the nationally-known children's entertainer in an all family concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 14 (free.)

VILLAGE OF SKOKIE

The Smith Activities Center, located at Lincoln and Galitz, in Skokie will present a program "An Introduction to Chiropractic" on March 4, at 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Steven Demer, whose office is located in Skokie will talk on therapy based on the manipulation of bodily function.

For further information, call 673-0500, Ext. 338.

"After Medicare, Who Pays? Protecting Yourself, Protecting Your Assets" will be the subject of a talk at 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 11, at the Smith Activities Center, Lincoln and Galitz in Skokie.

The talk will be given by Murray Gordon, president of MAGA Limited Group, a consumer-oriented insurance agency based in Des Plaines. Gordon, whose career spans 28 years in the insurance field, has specialized for 15 years in long-term care protection. In addition to updating Medicare information, he will also answer questions from the audience.

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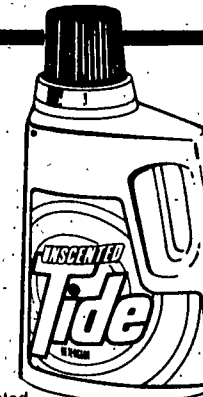
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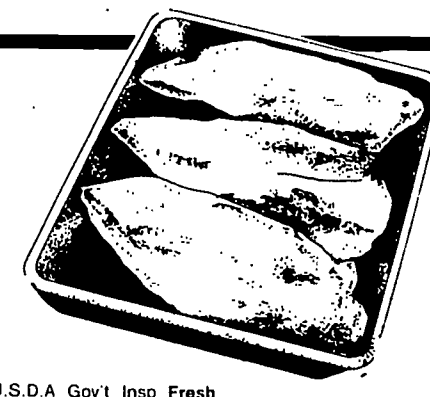
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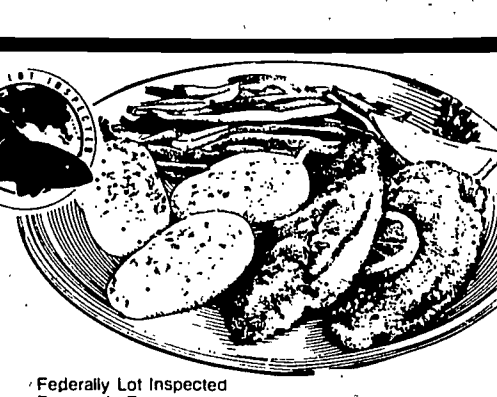
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L. Cpl. Jason G. Rigney is the son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Rigney of Niles.

He is a 1985 graduate of Maine East High School.

He joined the Marines in February, 1989, and is stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Cablevision sends postcards to the troops

Support troops in the Persian Gulf by wearing a symbolic yellow ribbon and/or dropping a note to a soldier.

Complimentary yellow ribbons are available at all Cablevision offices. Postcards and letters to those serving our country may be placed in the "military mailbox" located at each Cablevision office. Letters can also be sent directly to: Army, Air Force, and Marine personnel serving on the ground, Any Service Member, Operation Desert Storm, APO NY 09848-006; Navy and Marine Corp personnel serving at sea, Any Service Member, Operation Desert Storm, FPO NY 09866-006.

Cablevision offices are located at 820 Madison St., Oak Park, 8306 Cork Ave., Justice, 1285 Hartery, Evanston, 5120 Belmont Road, Downers Grove, 650 Ridge Road, Homewood, and 7601 Milwaukee Ave., Niles.

GI's families can save on insurance

If a member of your family is currently serving in Operation Desert Storm, you might be able to save significantly on your auto insurance premiums, according to Sue Berent of the Skokie based Berent & Co., Inc.

There are many factors used to determine the cost of auto insurance and when a driver is out of the country or stationed far from home, and cannot drive the car,

premiums can do down.

Also, if the principal driver of one of your autos is in Saudi Arabia, money may be saved by removing them from the policy. Also if a car is stored, and will not be used for some time, you may want to drop the liability coverage for that auto. Comprehensive coverage should be kept on the vehicle to protect the car from vandalism, fire or theft while in storage.

The insurance industry recognizes that for many families, having a family member away from home in the service creates financial hardship. Many insurance companies are helping with the cost of premium specifically for service people.

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Newsletter lists activities for widowed, singles

Maine Township residents are urged to check their mailboxes for the winter issue of "Mainely News" - the township newsletter.

The current issue includes information on ONE + OPTIONS, a new group for widowed and other single adults, ages 45 through 65. Among upcoming activities will be a St. Patrick's Day party at Hackneys on Lake Thursday evening, March 14.

Cost of the event, including Irish fare and musical entertainment, is \$12 for members and \$17 for guests.

ONE + OPTIONS members can also take advantage of other frequent dining adventures, free seminars, a Sunday Strollers group, rewarding volunteer opportunities, and trips.

The group is open to Maine Township residents. Membership is free and participants benefit from group rates on trips and activities. Non-residents are welcome to join, but will be charged a surcharge on fee-based activities. For information, call Sue Neuschel, 297-2510, ext. 240.

The newsletter also features information on the programs offered by MaineStay, the township's award-winning youth services department. MaineStay provides youth and family counseling by professional therapists, sponsors parent education programs, and administers a model juvenile restitution program. For information, call MaineStay at 823-0650.

Residents can also learn about challenging volunteer opportunities available at local social service agencies that receive township funds. The agencies are seeking "Volunteer Partners" to help them continue to provide high quality services to the community. For information, call 237.

A handy directory of township services and phone numbers is also included in the newsletter. The township offers special services for the needy, disabled, senior citizens, youth, property owners, voters, and residents of the unincorporated area.

"Mainely News" is distributed to all township residents by mail. If you do not receive a copy or would like information on township services, please call 297-2510.

Program focuses on separation and divorce

The Niles Township District of Jewish Family and Community Service will hold an 8-week support series for men and women, who are separated or divorced.

The group will meet Thursday, March 7 - May 2 (except April 14), 7 - 8:30 p.m. at JFCS, 5050 Church St., Skokie, 2nd Floor.

Led by Sheri Fox, A.C.S.W., JFCS Family Life Educator, participants will have the opportunity to explore feelings and concerns as they move from marriage to singleness, how to come to terms with the past, and dealing with present realities and moving on to new roles and relationships.

The fee for the 8-weeks is \$60, which can be adjusted to an individual's ability to pay.

For information and registration telephone Fox at (708) 675-0390.

Singles Scene

FEBRUARY 28 SINGLE PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY

S.P.S.'s "Midweek Gang" will meet this coming Thursday, Feb. 28, at Pacific Club, Lombard, from 5:45 - 8 p.m. for eating and socializing. Dancing generally begins around 8 p.m., so consider staying a while to dance. For more information about this event, call Trish (690-9034), George (969-0419), Nancy (260-0468), or Jim (961-5750).

FEBRUARY/MARCH TOWER SINGLES

Tower Singles meet Thursdays at the Leaning Tower YMCA, 6300 W. Touhy Ave., Niles, for dance classes featuring ballroom, jitterbug/swing, Latin, and disco dancing. Newcomers of all ages are welcome, and no partner is needed to register. Separate classes are programmed for beginners and experienced dancers. Seven weeks or seven classes costs \$42. For information or pre-registration, call (708) 675-4618.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB

Volleyball for single young adults, ages 21 to 38, will be sponsored by the Catholic Alumni Club from 8 to 10 p.m., on Thursdays in February and March at the Grandwood Park Community Center, Hutchins Rd., 1/4 mile north of Grand Ave. (Route 132), in Gurnee. The non-member fee is \$2 per evening. All levels of ability are welcome. For more information, or directions, call (312) 726-0735.

MARCH 1 CHICAGOLAND SINGLES

The Chicagoland Singles Association will sponsor a singles dance with the live music of Trendsetters at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, March 1, at the Marriott Oak Brook Hotel, 1401 W. 22 St., Oak Brook. All singles are invited. Admission is \$7. For more information call Chicagoland Singles (312) 545-1515.

MARCH 1/2 ST. PETER'S SINGLES

All singles invited to these two big dances: St. Peter's Singles Dance Friday, March 1 at 9 p.m. Aqua Bella Banquet Hall, 3630 N. Harlem. TWO BIG BANDS - TWO BIG HALLS Dance in both, members \$4, guest \$5, and Saturday, March 2, 9 p.m. Can Dance Park Ridge VFW Hall, Canfield & Higgins, \$4 with can of soup etc., \$5 without. Cans donated to various soup kitchens. For information call (312) 334-2589.

MARCH 2 NORTHWEST SINGLES ASSOCIATION

All singles are invited to the Combined Club Singles Dance with the live music of Sierra at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 2, at the Embassy Suites O'Hare Hotel, 6501 N. Mannheim Rd., Rosemont. The event is co-sponsored by the Northwest Singles Association, Young Suburban Singles, and Singles & Company. Admission will be \$8. For more information call (312) 725-3300.

MARCH 3 MIDWEST SINGLES

The Midwest Singles Association invites all singles to a "Snack and Dance Mixer" with DJ music at 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 3, at Doc Weed's Restaurant, 99 Yorktown Center, Lombard. Admission of \$6 includes snacks. For more information, call (312) 282-0600.

MARCH CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB

Volleyball for single young adults, ages 21 to 38, will be sponsored by the Catholic Alumni Club from 7:30 to 10 p.m., on Tuesdays in March, at Oak Park-River Forest High School, Lake St. and Scoville Ave., in Oak Park. The non-member fee is \$3 per evening. For more information, call (312) 726-0735.

MARCH 3 SIZZLING SINGLES

Sizzling Singles welcomes you to a gala singles party (25+) every Sunday at Private Eyes, Deerfield, Hyatt, Lake-Cook Rd., Deerfield, 7 p.m. \$6 includes scrumptious buffet. Proper attire requested. Where north shore singles meet! Info. 945-3400.

IN-BETWEENERS CLUB

Singles (40-65): The In-Betweeners Singles Club will host a place to dance on Sunday, March 3, 6:30 to 9:30 at St. Raymond's Hall located at Milburn (block west of 83) & Lincoln, Mt. Prospect. Music by "Mitchelars". Admission, guests \$5, members \$4. For information call 675-4426. Refreshments.

SUPER SUNDAY SINGLES

Sunday, March 3, 7 p.m. - 7:30. West Dempster, Niles, (exit Tollway #294 at Dempster East). Doc Weed's is located across from Lutheran General Hospital. \$6 admission includes: Dinner Buffet, Dee Jay Music & Special Door Prizes. Ages 25 - 7 - proper informal attire required. Join our Super Sunday Singles VIP Club. For information call: (708) 299-6000.

SPARES SUNDAY EVENING CLUB

The Spares Sunday Evening Club will host a singles "Special Dance" Sunday, March 3 at the American Legion Post, 6140 Dempster St., Morton Grove. Dancing to the music of Dick Wagner from 8 to 11 p.m. Members \$5, guests \$6. For information, call (708) 965-5730.

A. G. BETH ISRAEL SINGLES

A. G. Beth Israel Singles (35 and up). Open House Pre-Spring Party, dancing, socializing, refreshments, on Sunday afternoon March 3, 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., at the Synagogue, 3635 W. Devon Ave., Chicago. Admission is free. Meet new friends. For more information call (312) 549-3910.

MARCH 6 A. G. BETH ISRAEL SINGLES

A. G. Beth Israel Singles (35 plus). Meeting on Wednesday March 6, 8 p.m. at the Synagogue, 3635 W. Devon Ave., Chicago. Bess Toupin from Amnesty International will discuss "Human Rights." Donation \$3, refreshments served. Social hour follows. For more information call (312) 549-3910.

THURSDAY EVENING ADULT JEWISH SINGLES

We meet the first and third Thursday evenings every month at 8 p.m. The group provides speakers, socializing and refreshments. Cost is \$3. Thursday, March 7 we will be at Cong. Beth Emet, 1224 Dempster, Evanston (Ages 25 to 45 yrs.). Speaker: Barry Bernstein, accountant. Topic: Tax Saving Investments. Come on out and meet some new friends. Info. - Gary Kolb, home (708) 632-0082, office (312) 761-2400.

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Letters To The Editor

Merrill Street resident irate over Bugle article on shortwave radio listening

Editor's Note: While it is the policy of The Bugle Newspapers not to publish letters to the editor which are unsigned, we feel this is an exception since our reporter, David Miller has prepared an extensive answer offering possible help to the letter writer with their problem.

Dear David Miller:

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks for your story, "Shortwave radio listening gaining in popularity." It's just what we in Niles needed! Encouragement for a bunch of incompetent Ham radio operators!

It's not bad enough that we get constant interference on our televisions and telephones (some of us even get it on our radios) - you have to announce to the world to turn-up the power so they can get more information about the war. In the meantime, we can't even get a clear picture to watch the regular local newscast. Some things are better left unknown. This article was one of them.

We on Merrill Street get such tremendous interference, (well I wouldn't know what a regular picture looks like anymore), that most movies and shows aren't even viewed to the end.

I personally have had every type of filter known to man put on my television and telephone. The cablevision service man has been here so often he finally announced that you can't fight a HAM/Short Wave Radio.

Everytime someone announces the reach of a radio of this type, novice operators turn up the power, and knock-out unsuspecting citizens who, in turn, not knowing the problem spend hundreds of dollars trying to cure the incurable!

So once again, I would like to thank you for your misguided article! P.S. I'm sure Centel will be just as pleased as I am!

Sincerely,
A member of the Merrill Street Victims!

P.S.S. I hope you know it is virtually impossible to prove who it is who is interfering on any individual citizen. Therefore, any victim of this harassment doesn't have a leg to stand on.

Please next time, think before you write!

Response from David Miller:

An article that I wrote in the Feb. 14, 1991 issue of The Bugle drew quite an unexpected and somewhat confusing letter to my attention, here at The Bugle, and

signed only "A member of the Merrill Street Victims!" The letter admonishes me to "next time, think before I write" and concerns the piece I wrote on the recent increased popularity of shortwave radio listening since the beginning of the war in Persian Gulf, and in particular, to the international shortwave broadcasts from KOL, Radio Israel.

The irate letter states that "It's not bad enough that we get constant interference on our televisions and telephones...you have to announce to the world to turn-up the power so they can get more information about the war."

We weren't aware that The Bugle was read world-wide or that Radio Israel would be inclined to increase their power simply because of an article in a Niles, Illinois newspaper! Radio Israel would also be quite surprised to know that they are causing television and telephone interference here in Niles from their transmitting facility in Jerusalem, because local interference can only be caused by a local transmitting installation, not by someone simply listening on a shortwave receiver. The unidentified writer should understand that it is listening, not receiving that can be the cause of interference to other services.

It's too bad that the author of the letter didn't let me know how I might contact them, perhaps I might have been of some help. For the last 5 years or so of my 30-year career as an engineer for NBC-TV, one of my jobs was to help viewers solve unidentified television interference complaints. The most common source of the interference, it's interesting to note, was improperly installed TV amplifying devices added by viewers to improve their own TV reception. When used improperly, these amplifiers can oscillate and become VERY effective mini-TV transmitters that have the potential to block-out off-the-air reception to entire neighborhoods.

The second most common source that we found was leakage, sometimes quite pronounced, from shoddy cable TV installations. The cable companies took care of the problems promptly when we pointed it out to them because they are under federal mandate to do so.

All in all, I've never encountered a case of interference from someone simply listening to a shortwave radio broadcast, nor do I ever expect to!

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Niles village employees honored



Pictured above with Mayor Nicholas Blase are village employees (left to right) Keith Peck, John Gaba, and Rich Szalkowski, who recently received awards for 15 years of service with the village.

Commissioners elect new officers

Nicholas J. Melas was unanimously re-elected president of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago during its first meeting of the year held Thursday, Jan. 4.

This marks the ninth consecutive term Melas has served as president. He was first elected to the position in 1975. During his tenure, the District completed

massive expansion and improvement of its seven reclamation plants as well as completion of the first portion of its innovative, anti-pollution project - the Deep Tunnel.

At the same meeting, Commissioner Nancy Drew Sheehan was elected to a second term as vice president, and commissioner Gloria Alitio Majewski to a second term as chairman of finance.

Nilesite named to dean's list

Linda Steiner from Niles is among the 1,698 students named to the 1990 fall semester Dean's List at the University of Northern Iowa.

About 15 percent of the undergraduate student body were cited for scholastic honors and will receive a notice from the Office of Academic Affairs informing them of their accomplishments.

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Church & Temple News

Bnai Emunah slates events

March 1 and 2 Rabbi Dov Bard will conduct services at Cong Bnai Emunah.

On March 10, Congregation Bnai Emunah is having a Square Dance Dinner at 6 p.m. There will be square dancing, Texas two step and regular dancing.

Cost is \$15 per person.

Breakfast with the Rabbi set

The Ways & Means Ad Book Committee of Niles Township Jewish Congregation will hold a Kick-off "Breakfast With The Rabbi" for the Annual Ad Book,

on Sunday, March 3 at 10 a.m.

Chairman of Ways & Means, Richard Lettvin, of Skokie and Ad Book Chairman, Sheldon Glickman, of Skokie, announced that Mike Rosenberg, of Skokie, will speak on "Jewish Humor".

A Lox and Bagel breakfast will be served at a cost of \$4.

For further information contact the Congregation office at (708) 675-4141.

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Every year this victory is celebrated on the joyous Festival of Purim. And although the story of Purim happened thousands of years ago, its lesson of faith and trust in G-d is as relevant today as ever.

This year Purim starts on Wednesday night, February 27, and continues through Thursday, February 28.

The Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, urges all to celebrate Purim and its observances:

* On Wednesday night and Thursday morning, the

story of Purim is read in the Synagogue from the scroll of Esther. Make sure you're there, and bring the kids with you.

* On Thursday, Purim day, send a holiday package of at least two kinds of food to at least one friend.

* Give charity to at least two poor people, or put two coins in a charity box, on Purim day.

* Recite the "Al Hanisim" in all Purim prayers and Grace after meals.

* Eat a Festive-Purim meal on Thursday afternoon.

So this year, celebrate Purim, and send a message of true Jewish strength — that trust in G-d is stronger than anything.

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Soup and Bread Suppers

Come as you are Soup and Bread Suppers will be offered at 6:45 p.m. on each Wednesday during the Lenten Season through March 20 at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4704 Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood.

The suppers, for which there will be no charge, are sponsored by St. John's committees, followed by The Service of the Word at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel featuring visiting clergy.

For more information, call the church at (708) 673-3378.

NSJC plans Auction '91

Northwest Suburban Jewish Congregation is planning its Auction '91 on Sunday, April 28, at the Synagogue, 7800 Lyons, Morton Grove.

For further information about this evening please contact Mike Yesner, (708) 297-6024.

Obituary

Rose Kulig

Rose Kulig (nee Wijas) 93, of Niles, died on February 10 at Holy Family Health Center, Des Plaines. Mrs. Kulig was born in Poland on March 31, 1897. She was the wife of Teofil. Mother of Jean (Paul) Slowik, Wanda (the late Ray) Tuszynski, and Ann Kulig. Also the late Rose (Bar) Hufferkamp and Ted Kulig. She was the grandmother of nine, great grandmother of ten and great great grandmother of six. Funeral services were held February 11 at St. Ladislaus Church, Chicago. Arrangements were handled by Colonial Funeral Home. Interment was in St. Adalbert Cemetery, Niles.

The Teikyo Marycrest University Celebration Singers will present the musical "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat" at St. Luke's United Church of Christ, 9233 Sherman Road, Morton Grove, on Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

The performance is free and open to the public. Contact the church at (708) 966-9233 for information. "Joseph" is a musical set to the biblical story of Jacob and his 12 sons.

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MG church hosts guest minister

The Rev. Bruce Jensen, associate executive for Church and Leadership Development of the Chicago Presbytery, will be the guest minister this Sunday, March 3 at the Morton Grove Community Church, 8944 Austin Ave., Morton Grove.

Worship Service is at 10 a.m., nursery service is available. Sunday School meets at the same time at 10 a.m. The regular adult class will continue to meet at 11:30 a.m.

Game Nite and Dessert Fest sponsored by the Program Committee will take place Sunday afternoon, March 3, from 5 to 7 p.m. Admission - bring a dessert to share with all. There will be organized games of all types and will be of interest to all age groups.

Special Lenten Services will begin March 6 at 7:30 p.m. and continue on March 13 and 20 leading up to the events of Holy Week. The Rev. Mel Strain will be speaking on three of the major themes that show the unity of the Scriptures.

Call the church office if you need more information on any of the events mentioned at 965-2982.

Asher celebrates Bar Mitzvah

Henry Asher, son of Marc and Eileen Heisler of Evanston, was recently called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at Niles Township Jewish Congregation, Skokie.

Following the service, Marc and Eileen hosted a Kiddush in Henry's honor.

Rabbi Neil Brief delivered the charge and Hazzan Shlomo Shuster chanted the liturgy.

National music team performs at church

A group of seven young adults, known as Captive Free is touring the Great Lakes region.

Through concert and sing-along music, media presentations, personal word and witness, puppetry and drama, Captive Free provides a faith-encouraging program which emphasizes oneness in Christ.

Team members include: Jim Lewis, Eric Peterson, Michael Rieck, Deanne Gosse, Aimie Wesolik, Sheri Lovrod and Richard Schmidt.

Captive Free is a National Team formed and sponsored by Lutheran Youth Encounter, an evangelical Lutheran organization that offers relational ministry resources to the Church.

The public is invited to attend the "Captive Free" concert Sunday, March 3, 7:30 p.m. at Edison Park Lutheran Church, 6626 N. Oliphant Ave., Chicago.

World Day of Prayer slated

Niles Community Church, Presbyterian (USA), 7401 Oakton St., Niles, will host World Day of Prayer, March 1, at 1 p.m.

World Day of Prayer is an interdenominational, world-wide day of prayer sponsored by Church Women United which is celebrating its 50th Anniversary.

Christian women of Kenya, East Africa have authored the text of the worship service entitled "On the Journey Together". Come and celebrate "Harambee", the philosophy of peace, love and unity. Babysitter service available. The public is invited.

Engagement

Beierwaltes-Bour



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew F. Beierwaltes of Niles are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Gerise to Cameron Bour.

Mary is a 1985 graduate of Northern Illinois University. She is presently employed by Cinch Connectors, Elk Grove Village, as an inside sales representative.

Cameron is a 1982 graduate of the University of Iowa, and a 1986 graduate of DeVry Institute of Technology. He is a research electrical engineer for AT&T Bell Laboratories in Naperville.

The couple is planning an April, 1991 wedding. After honeymooning in the Caribbean, the couple will reside in Chicago.

Women in Management plans exposition

The Greater Indianapolis Chapter of Women in Management, Inc. presents "Strategies for Global Marketing", a full day seminar and business exposition on Friday, March 15, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Indiana Convention Center and Hoosier Dome, 100 S. Capitol, Indianapolis, Ind.

The registration fee of \$129 (\$99 for members) includes continental breakfast, luncheon and break refreshments. Call Betty Searles at (317) 637-4534 for reservations.

These topics will be addressed by panelists who work on a day-to-day basis in various facets of international business. The '90s Workplace "Trends and Opportunities" takes a look at where

ried and the mother of three adult children.

Women Helping Women is a not-for-profit organization, which provides support groups, a newsletter and general meetings. Registration and continental breakfast begin at 10 a.m., followed by a general business meeting.

Cost is \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members.

For further information contact Bess Sandroff at (709) 729-9567.

"The Challenge of Healthy Relationships" is the topic that will be presented at the Women Helping Women meeting Sunday, March 3, at 10:45 a.m. at the Oakton Community Center, 4701 W. Oakton St., Skokie.

Edie Kleinman, M.A., is currently a career counselor with the Jewish Vocational Services. She has had 12 years of counseling experience and has a private practice in Buffalo Grove for adults in transition, where she utilizes her expertise in the development of healthy relationships. She is married

B'nai B'rith Women meet

B'nai B'rith women, Anne Frank Chapter, will meet on Thursday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge (lower level).

The guest speaker, Erna Gans, is a representative of the Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois, located in Skokie.

Please come and bring a friend. For further information please call Ann at 679-6077.

Women's ORT announces graduates

The Northern Illinois Region of Women's American ORT is pleased to announce that the following members have recently completed the 1991 Leadership Development Program.

Beth Barnett of Evanston, Renee Cohen of Glenview, Fran Hoffman of Chicago, Elaine Lensky of Des Plaines, Linda Perlman of Niles, Mary Beth Rubin of Skokie, Dorothy Uman-sky of Glenview and Sylvia Kerpel and Eunice Shapiro of Wilmette represented the 2,300 women of the Northern Illinois Region at the seminar.

NOW Chapter meets Feb. 28

The Skokie-Lincolnwood Chapter of NOW will meet on Thursday, Feb. 28, at the Skokie Village Hall, 5127 Oakton St. in the Village Community Room (Lower Level), at 7:30 p.m.

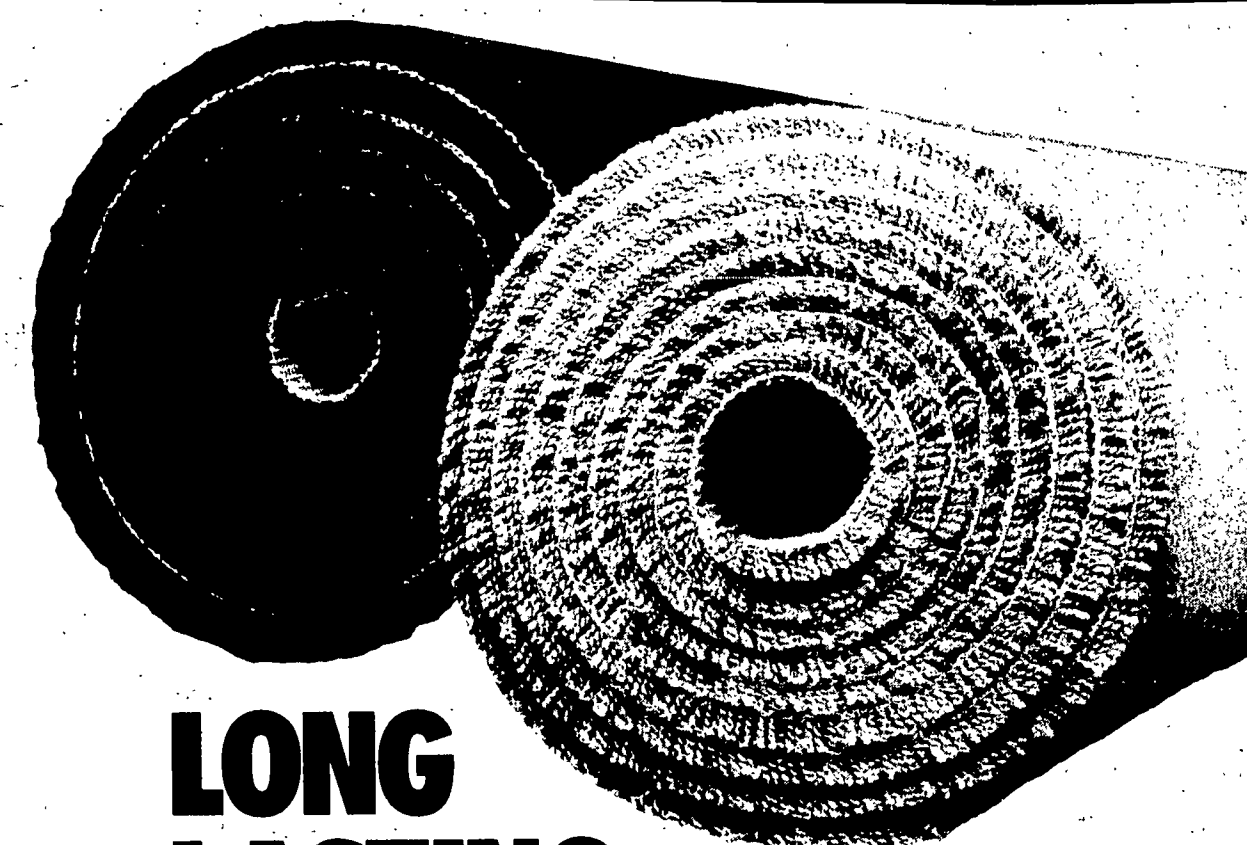
After a brief business meeting,

the evening will be devoted to writing letters to legislators and others on subjects of concern to chapter members. All interested persons are welcome.

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Police News

Workers settle dispute with violence

Two men argued at work and agreed to meet at the rear of a lot in the 6400 block of Oakton Street, Morton Grove, to settle matters the afternoon of Feb. 23.

A policeman on patrol saw the two, covered with blood, fighting over a baseball bat.

He found when the two met, the offender, a Skokie man, 46, exited his car with the bat and the victim, a Schiller Park man, 35, tried to grab it. In the struggle, the Schiller Park man was hit in the

head with the bat, but he hit the other man's hands several times. Neither man would sign a complaint.

Paramedics took the Schiller Park man to Rush North Shore medical center in Skokie and the Skokie man to Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge.

In his hurry to exit his car in the beginning, the Skokie man forgot to put his car in "park" and the car traveled across the parking lot and hit a fence.

Retail theft arrests

J.C. Penney security agents arrested a 35-year-old Bellwood man, for trying to obtain an improper refund for a knife set.

After the offender was turned over to Niles police Feb. 19, it was learned he was wanted by Bellwood police for an earlier retail theft incident. He will appear in court on the Niles matter March 6.

Another March 6 court appearance will be for a 19-year-old Chicago man who was apprehended at Penney's Feb. 20, reportedly for stealing \$45 in cologne.

A 31-year-old Edison Park man identified by police as having a record of weapons and dangerous drug offenses was apprehended by Venore security agents Feb. 23, reportedly trying to obtain an improper refund for a \$26.74 pair of jeans. The man will appear in court April 11.

After accident driver slaps Evanston man

Peace-making efforts by a Skokie policeman were of no avail Feb. 22 and a Morton Grove officer arrived at the scene of a car accident just in time to see an Ontario, Canada man, 18, strike the face of an Evanston man, 42, with his open hand.

The Canadian was charged with battery and has a March 18 court date. The incident occurred in the 9500 block of Central Avenue.

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Niles deputy chief retires



Bill Terpinas

Deputy Chief Bill Terpinas will retire from the Niles Police Department effective June 1, 1991.

Deputy Chief Terpinas has been with the Niles Police Department since 1960 during which time he has been assigned to the patrol, detective, and administration division.

A retirement party is planned for Deputy Chief Terpinas on May 3 at the Chateau Ritz in Niles.

Thefts from cars

Fishing tackle and poles valued at \$350 was missing from a car damaged in a Feb. 11 accident and towed to a firm at 6200 Gross Point Road.

The vehicle's trunk was damaged and could not be locked. The owner reported the theft Feb. 21.

A \$150 radar detector and \$250 bag telephone were stolen from a 1988 Ford parked in Niles Feb. 23.

An unknown object was used to shatter the car's window.

A 1984 Chevy parked at 9210 Milwaukee Ave. was similarly burglarized the same day and a \$269 radar detector stolen.

Damage to the car's passenger window was estimated at \$50.

Jewelry worth \$5,150 stolen

A resident of the 6400 block of Hoffman Terrace reported unknown offenders took jewelry valued at \$5,150 from the master bedroom of her home Jan. 10.

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NILES POLICE REPORT

Column

by Lt. Jerry Sheehan
Niles Police Department

AFIS...Automated Fingerprint Identification System

In January I wrote an article about a home invasion that our detectives solved largely in part due to fingerprint evidence developed at the crime scene. Fingerprints have long been an important aspect of criminal investigations and the most important means of identifying an offender involved in a crime. New technologies are constantly being introduced such as DNA analysis, but fingerprint evidence is still one of the most widely utilized forms of positive identification recognized by the courts.

Your fingerprints never change and contain a number of characteristics such as loops, whorls, arches, and other minutiae which are unique to you. A whole science, dactyloscopy, is devoted to the study of fingerprints as a means of identification. Many advancements have been made in the utilization of fingerprints in police work since the turn of the century when London, England's police commissioners, Sir Edmond Henry introduced a system of classification which still bears his name. Despite the advancements made in fingerprint technology, a great amount of work still has to be performed by the investigating officer at the crime scene or with gathered evidence. A suitable latent print has to be developed from evidence, then a suspect must be developed and you presently need all ten suspect prints for suitable comparison. If there is no suspect developed you may never clear that case.

Since the early 1980's a new technology has been evolving in fingerprint identification called AFIS - Automated Fingerprint Identification System. The San Francisco PD which was one of the early AFIS departments reported that with the inception of AFIS, burglaries were reduced 28 percent over a three year period. AFIS was also instrumental in solving the "Nightstalker" serial murder case in California.

There are presently two AFIS systems operational in Illinois, the Chicago Police Department and the Illinois State Police. The AFIS systems utilize databanks containing the known fingerprints of thousands of arrested criminals. A latent fingerprint from a crime scene is cleaned up and prepared for submission to a computer which reads the fingerprint and then compares the characteristics of the latent with the thousands contained in its data bank. A list of suspect fingerprints is then generated and a closer comparison made with the computer-generated suspect prints and in a majority of the cases, a match is made with one of the first sets of suspect prints listed.

Since 1968 the Niles Police Dept. has been a member of the Northern Illinois Police Crime Lab. This is a private crime lab that serves approximately 30 communities in Northern Illinois and handles all of their crime analysis needs. The Northern Illinois Police Crime Lab is now in the process of implementing its own AFIS system with the NEC corporation. Prior to its implementation, each of the member communities will input approximately 5,000-10,000 arrestee fingerprint cards to form a database.

Our AFIS system should be operational sometime this summer and naturally we have lofty expectations. Hopefully, this will be an important tool for local police departments to use in reducing and solving crimes in their communities.

CB radio taken from car in garage

Between Feb. 24-25, persons unknown took a CB radio valued at \$140 from the dashboard of a 1990 Chevrolet parked in a multi-car garage in the 5500 block of Lincoln Avenue, Morton Grove.

No other cars in the garage seemed to have been tampered with and there were no signs of forced entry on the garage door.

Dashboard damage was estimated at \$100.

Driving school cars damaged

The night of Feb. 16, unknown offenders damaged cars belonging to a driving school and parked in the rear of the 6000 block of Dempster Street, Morton Grove. Windshield wiper arms and a radio antenna were seriously bent on an '88 Plymouth Reliant.

'87 Plymouth Horizon were also irreparably bent.

Total damages were estimated at \$300.

Niles street gets pipe repairs

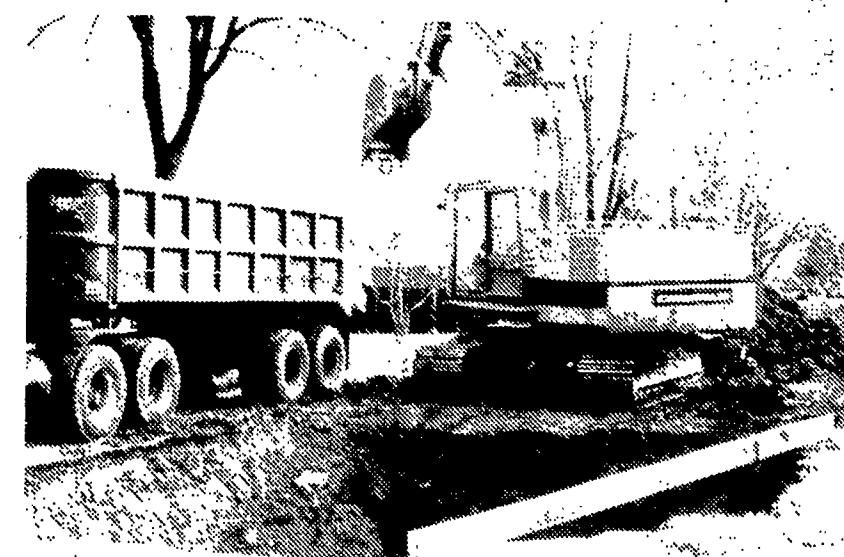


Photo by David Miller

Major underground pipe repairs are underway on Kirk Street at Harlem Avenue in Niles.

Crisis line calls increase

Calls to a toll-free crisis intervention phone line operated by Forest Hospital have increased by more than 30 percent since war began with Iraq, with many callers seeking counseling on war-related issues.

Counselors at the Forest Hospital Crisis Line (1-800-666-9600) responded to an average of 59 calls per day during the first week on January, said coordinator Lori Scacco. Since the fighting started in the Persian Gulf on Jan. 16, the number of calls has increased to an average of 80 per day.

Scacco said callers troubled by the war range from parents fearful for their children, to young people worried about being drafted, to Vietnam War Veterans.

Parents who have children stationed in the Middle East are "attempting to deal with the anticipation of loss, the uncertainty of what may happen," Scacco said. "Mail service between the states and Saudi Arabia is not very prompt, and that's affecting the people back home because they don't always receive quick replies to their letters."

"I spoke to one woman whose son is stationed in the Gulf who said her family has chosen to isolate themselves and not come together," she continued. "I recommended that she make a special effort to communicate with her husband and other children and join a support group. I also recommended that she take care of herself and not dwell on news about the war."

Factors linked to seat belt use

People who are concerned with physical well-being and satisfied with their lives are more likely to use seat belts than people who don't take care of themselves, according to a recent study released by the AAA-Chicago Motor Club.

The study recommends that research linking social, emotional and physical factors with seat belt use should be used in buckle-up campaigns to target groups with low seat belt use. Targeting groups with low self-esteem and, consequently, low seat belt use, can improve overall usage of safety restraints.

In addition, young drivers have the highest accident rate among all age groups, but have the lowest rate of seat belt use, according to the research, funded by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety.

The study also found that few people always use seat belts and few never use seat belts. This sug-

gests that each time a person enters a car, he or she decides whether or not to buckle up based on the immediate situation and social factors.

Sociologists at Bowling Green State University in Ohio conducted the study for the American Automobile Association's Foundation for Traffic Safety. The researchers gave questionnaires designed by the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta to participants of Bowling Green's "Fitwell Program," which includes students, faculty, staff, alumni and area residents.

Kevin M. Arendt
Marine Pfc. Kevin M. Arendt, son of Michael J. and Lynn J. Arendt of Des Plaines, has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

A 1990 graduate of Maine Township High School West, he joined the Marine Corps in October 1990.

Police News

Couple reports credit cards stolen

A couple who live in the 5800 block of Carol Avenue, Morton Grove, told police several workers and a friend were in their house the day their credit cards must have been stolen.

The woman was alerted to the loss when her card company noti-

fied her of an attempt to charge \$1,000 in merchandise on it.

The man's card company notified him of over \$1,000 in stereo equipment charged on his card in Riverside and of \$7,000 in attempted charges.

Flag, pole stolen

A 3' x 5' American flag and its five-foot pole were taken from a holder on a garage in the 9300 block of Oliphant Avenue, Morton Grove, between Feb. 17-19 by persons unknown.

The owner estimated it as a \$25 loss.

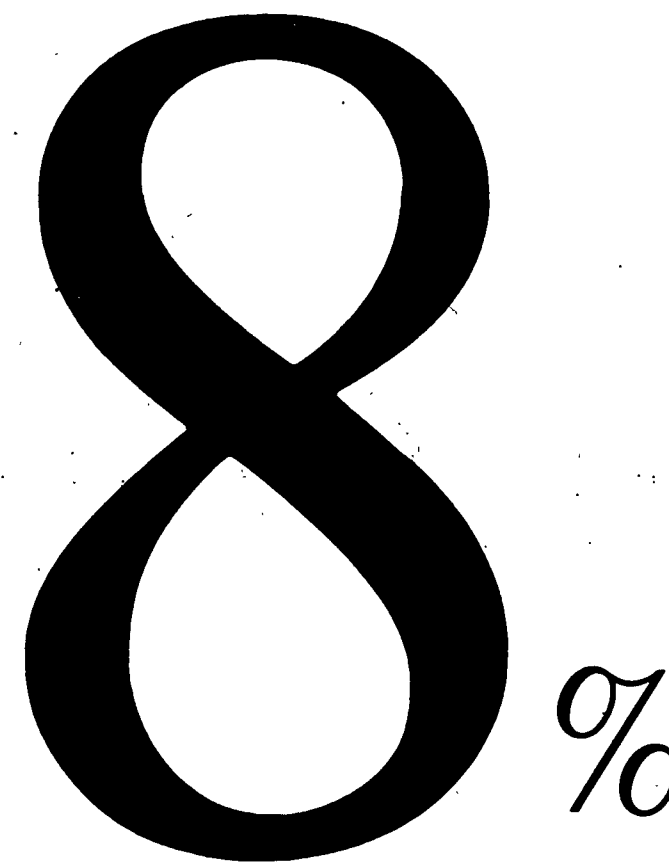
Locker room theft

A Skokie man reported \$30, a leather money clip and four credit cards were taken from his open, unlocked locker the morning of Feb. 18 when he left for five minutes to comb his hair. He was in the North Shore Club, 6821 Dempster St., Morton Grove.

Criminal damage to car

Someone used a hard object to break the rear window of a 1980 Ford parked in the 9200 block of Maryland Avenue Feb. 23, causing \$150 in damage.

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Politics

New state's attorney discusses plans



Jack O'Malley the newly-elected state's attorney of Cook County, recently appeared at a regular monthly dinner meeting of the Northwest Suburban Bar Association, to discuss some of his plans as state's attorney. Pictured are: George S. Bellas, president of the Northwest Suburban Bar Association; Jack O'Malley, state's attorney of Cook County; James Geocaris, presiding judge of the Third Municipal District in Rolling Meadows; and Tom Tyrrell, a private attorney with offices in Park Ridge.

Campaign party for Baczek set

A campaign party is being held for Marlene A. Baczek, candidate for Niles Park District commissioner. Hosted by her cousin, Rev. Gregory Sakowicz, the party is set for Saturday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m., 7135 Harlem Ave., Chicago. Donation is \$5 per person, refreshments will be served. Come and meet this new leader in our community.

This event is sponsored by the Committee for Baczek. Please call now to reserve a ticket in your name at 965-5725.

Northwest side legislators assume posts



Members of the Illinois General Assembly from Chicago's northwest side prepare to assume their new assignments in the House of Representatives. From left are: State Rep. Robert Bugielski (D-Chicago), a legislator for the past four years who was appointed vice chairman of the Executive Committee, and a member of the Consumer Protection Committee, Financial Institutions Committee, General Service Appropriation Committee, and the Insurance Committee; State Rep. Ralph C. Capparelli, a legislator for the past 20 years who was reappointed an assistant majority leader; State Rep. James A. DeLeo, a legislator for the past six years, who was appointed chairman of the Consumer Protection Committee and vice chairman of the Registration and Regulation Committee; and State Rep. Roger McAuliffe, a legislator for the past 18 years, who was appointed an assistant minority leader. The legislature is expected to focus on real estate tax reform and an austerity budget in light of the economic recession, corporate cutbacks and reduced revenue.

Mayor endorses village trustees

Mayor Blase wishes to remind the community that on April 2, there will be general elections for village board trustees, park district trustees and library trustees. It is important for people to understand these positions are very important and vital to the interest of everyone who lives in Niles. For example, the mayor pointed out the trustees that serve on the village board of Niles are involved in a multi-million dollar budgetary process that affects the daily lives of every resident. All of the village trustees presently running are people who have spent considerable time in business and in the professions and at the same time have devoted their time and energy to serving their community, Mayor Blase said.

Five members of Niles' village board who are running and will be on the ballot under the party name "Leadership With Economy Party" are: Bart T. Murphy, Tom Bondi, James A. Mahoney, Jr., Jeffrey M. Arnold and Andrew Przybylo. Running government today is a very complicated problem and requires the expertise of people educated and proficient in handling large sums of money. Among members of the "Leadership With Economy Party" are chief executive officers of large corporations, chief court administrator for the County of Cook, and people who are very successful in private businesses in our community.

The mayor said he is proud to endorse all of these people for public office and feel they deserve to be elected to continue their good work in providing the excellent services we have all gotten used to in the village. The theme of continuing to be the village with the lowest tax rate in the northwest suburbs of Cook County is important to everyone, he said.

Niles should address seniors' needs: Beech

As a candidate for Niles village trustee Betty Marie Beech said in a press release, she decided to run because the village is not looking far enough ahead as to what seniors' needs would be 10 years from now, and what the village should be doing to anticipate those needs.

"It is okay to say that we have a village meeting place where seniors can go and spend time and participate in programs, but questions arise for their future needs including health care and much wider use for the Meals on Wheels program, and greater recreation activities including physical exercise areas," the release stated.

"I do not see the village dealing with all of these questions at the present time, and my candidacy is there to alert them to the fact that these are areas of concern not only for myself, but for the many residents of Niles who will continue to live here, and who will continue to have greater needs in the future," Beech wrote.

School News

SJB Open House and Registration



St. John Brebeuf preschoolers love books. Here Freddie Dalmazio, Bobby Galassi, Bernie Costes and Doug Fosco are enjoying their books during playtime.

St. John Brebeuf will hold its registration for preschool and kindergarten children on Sunday, March 10 from 10 a.m. to noon in the school lobby, St. John's is located at 8301 N. Harlem, Niles.

For parents interested in observing the classrooms, meeting the principal and teachers, and learning about the curriculum, an open house for these programs will be offered also.

Operation Snowball set for March 8

In a continuing effort to make students aware of the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse, Maine Township High School District 207 will offer its annual Operation Snowball program on Friday, March 8, according to Joan Lampert, a social worker, and Jerry Kantovich, a teacher, this year's Maine East co-chairpersons. This is the seventh Operation Snowball for Maine Township students.

This year, parents of the students who attend will have a chance to come to a special program for them at 7:15 p.m. that day. Jeff Berkson, a well-respected adolescent therapist, will discuss the specific needs of adolescence that Snowball impacts. Operation Snowball is a statewide program for high school students and adults that encourages them to adopt a drug and alcohol free lifestyle by learning relational skills to deal with problems rather than turning to drugs.

Not a treatment program, it is a program designed to equip teenagers with the interpersonal skills to "say no to drugs."

Niles Elementary sets kindergarten registration

Registration for next year's kindergarten students at Niles Elementary School is scheduled for March 5 and 7.

The process includes completion of registration forms and readiness screening. Children who will be 5 years old by Sept. 1, 1991 are eligible for kindergarten. Youngsters age 3 and above will be reviewed for readiness or special educational needs.

Parents or the children ages 3 to 5 years old are encouraged to call the school at 647-9752 to schedule an appointment. The entire process takes about 30 to 45 minutes.

District 219 plans College Night

The Niles Township High Schools will sponsor College Information Night for juniors and their parents from Niles Township public and private schools at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 7 in the auditorium at Niles North High School, 9800 Lawler Ave., Skokie.

College admission experts will speak about various aspects of college selection in small 45-minute sessions after a general session. Each attendee will be able to attend two of the following sessions: State Universities, by Dr. Robert Magee of Indiana University; Selective Colleges, by Richard Johnson of Washington University, St. Louis, Illinois State Colleges, by Robert Burk of Northern Illinois University; Private Colleges, by Patricia Bower of Bradley University Peoria; and Two Year Colleges, by Dale Cohen of Oakton Community College.

College counselors from Niles North and Niles West high schools will be available to answer any questions. For more information, call Niles North College Counselor Shirley Foss at (708) 673-6900.

Notre Dame schedules placement exam

Notre Dame High School, 7655 Dempster St., Niles, will be administering a Placement Exam for 8th grade boys on Saturday, March 2, at 8 a.m. This placement exam is for 8th grade boys in public or private schools who have not yet tested for high school admission.

The placement exam is the first step for freshmen enrollment at Notre Dame High School for the fall of 1991.

The admission process at Notre Dame High School involves the taking of this exam, the evaluation and consideration of the student's junior high records, and the recommendations of his junior high teachers.

To date, 230 boys have taken the placement exam and applied for freshmen admission. Notre Dame High School is still accepting inquiries and applications for Fall 1991 admission. Please call Michael Hennessey, enrollment manager (708) 965-2900, for further information.

Math refresher workshops set

Free math refresher workshops will be held at Oakton Community College for those who need to take the math assessment test.

The sessions will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following Saturdays: March 2, April 6, May 4 and May 18 in Room 2157 at Oakton's Des Plaines campus, 1600 E. Golf Rd.

Members of Oakton's math faculty will review arithmetic and elementary algebra during these workshops. Space is limited, so advance registration is required. For reservations, call (708) 635-1658.

REKINDLE FRIENDSHIPS

NSJC Nursery School registration underway



Northwest Suburban Jewish Congregation Nursery School is now holding registration for fall 1991-92.

Programs include two mornings per week for 2 1/2-year-olds and 3-year-olds, Tuesday and Thursday; three mornings for 3 and 4-year-olds, Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and five mornings for 4 and 5-year-olds. All children must be class age by Sept. 1, 1991. A lunch and after-school program will be offered until 2 p.m. for all morning classes. For more information, phone Mrs. Perper, at 965-0900.

Friendship Week runs March 5-8

During the week of March 5-8, Niles South Elementary School will celebrate "Friendship Week."

This has become an annual event at the school, during which time the two fourth grade classes plan fun activities for the whole school.

Friendship Week is part of the ongoing weekly discussion groups around issues such as friendship, sharing, safety, problem-solving, and decision-making. During Friendship Week, the whole school spends time emphasizing just how important it is to be friendly to each other.

The schedule for the different days is as follows: Tuesday, March 5 - Tremendous Tuesday, and Crazy Hat and Button Day; Wednesday, March 6 - Wild, Wacky Wednesday, and Different Shoes and Crazy Sock Day; Thursday, March 7 - Terrific Thursday, and Backwards Day; Friday, March 8 - Funny Friday, and Crazy Hair and Crazy Jewelry Day.

As in the past, the students and the teachers try to wear funny clothes and accessories that emphasize the positive aspects of the week.

The students will participate in an assembly on Friday, March 8 at 1 p.m. Each class will do something in honor of the week.

Preschool class applications available

Applications will be available March 5 at the three District 207 high schools for parents to register children for two-hour preschool classes to be held at Maine East, Maine South and Maine West during the first semester of the 1991-92 school year.

The classes, conducted by junior and senior students under the direction of a certified child development teacher, are part of the "on-the-job" training program of the child care occupations course offered by the home economics department.

Ten to 18 children of preschool age will be enrolled in each session. To be eligible for acceptance, children must be three-and-a-half years old by Sept. 1, 1991. The preschool classes at the three high schools enable child care occupations students to observe the growth and development of young children and to gain experience in supervising their activities.

The programs at all the schools are similar, but vary regarding times and days on which they meet. A letter accompanying the application form will explain the specific program at the individual school. The forms will be available in the main office of each of the schools. Parents will be notified in early June of tance of their children.

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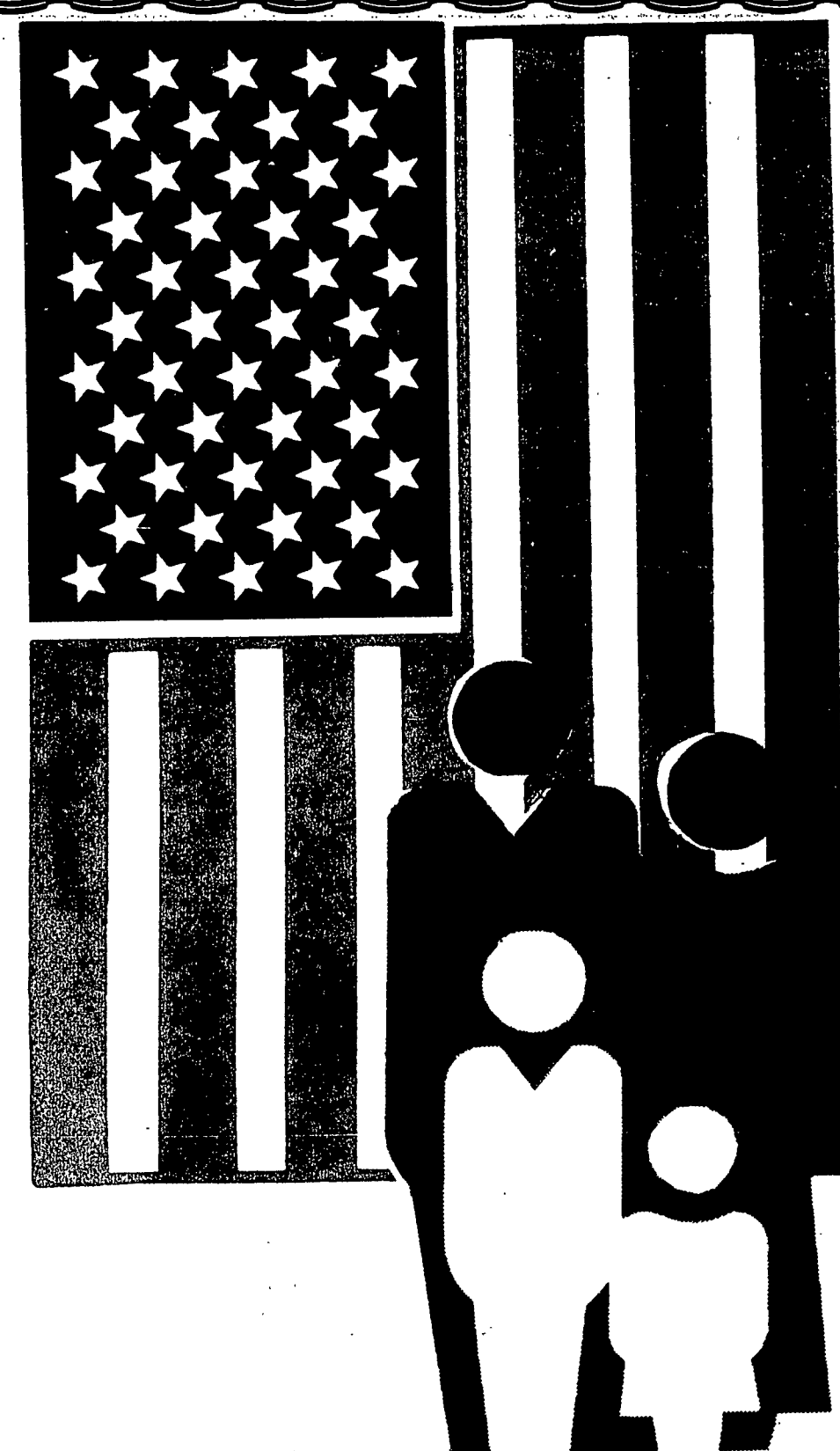
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Valentines sent to Persian Gulf troops



Photo by David Miller

Pictured above (left to right) are Esther Waxberg, Alice Shaw and Bertha Skolnik, residents of The Breakers retirement home at 8975 Golf Road, Niles, recently put together Valentine greeting cards for the troops in the Persian Gulf.

Glen Oaks vets get GI visitor



Staff Sergeant Scott Phillips of the United States Army trades war stories with Purple Heart veterans John Willis (left) and John Berry (right), long-term residents of Glen Oaks Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Phillips visited that Northbrook care facility while the residents wrote homemade Valentines to send to armed forces serving in the Persian Gulf.

Com Ed watches out for the elderly

A senior citizen living alone suddenly loses contact with the outside world. She does not answer her telephone. Her bills begin to accumulate, unpaid. His papers are piling up on the front porch. Does anyone recognize these signs of potential danger?

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Edison's award-winning e-Team, in cooperation with state and Chicago agencies, has been providing this community service, known as the Gatekeeper Program since August, 1989.

"There are many elderly people in need of help in our service area and Edison's customer contact employees are in prime positions to identify these individuals," says Gatekeeper administrator Jerry Bowman.

When these Edison employees encounter a senior citizen who shows signs of physical or emotional health deterioration, disorientation, elder abuse, or an inability to maintain his or her home, they telephone the Illinois Department on Aging or the City of Chicago Department on Aging and Disability. The professionals at the appropriate agencies do the rest.

To date, Edison employees involved with the program have made 400 such calls to assist elderly citizens throughout northern Illinois.

Nutrition Network provides seniors meals

Are you 60 years of age or over? If not, do you have a spouse 60 years of age or over? Are you tired of eating alone; are the four walls closing in on you? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, Community Nutrition Network (CNN) may be the answer for you.

CNN was formed to provide a nutritious meal to senior citizens aged 60 and over. CNN is funded by Title III-C of the Older Americans Act and the Illinois Department on Aging through the Suburban Area Agency on Aging. Any senior citizen aged 60 and over and their spouse (regardless of age) may attend.

Handicapped individuals, who reside with an age eligible senior in a non-institutional residence, and attend the nutrition site with that eligible senior, may also participate.

CNN is the largest provider of congregate and home-delivered meals to senior citizens in Suburban Cook County. There are currently 21 nutrition sites located throughout the Suburban Cook County area to serve meals to and to provide activities for seniors.

Aside from serving a hot nutritious meal, CNN congregate nu-

trition sites also offer a wide variety of activities for participants. These can include, but are not limited to: bingo, cards, sing-alongs, trips, crafts, guest speakers, and monthly birthday and holiday theme parties. Volunteer opportunities are also available for those who wish to donate some of their time helping others.

Although there is no set fee for a meal, there is a suggested donation to help offset the cost of the meal and to help expand services to other seniors in the area. The current suggested donation ranges from \$1 to \$1.25 per person, per meal. All donations are private and voluntary, and no one will be denied service due to inability to contribute.

Home-delivered meals are also available through most, but not all of CNN's nutrition sites, to those seniors who cannot attend a nutrition site due to an incapacitating illness or injury, or for those that have severe transportation problems.

If you would like more information on the CNN nutrition site nearest you, please contact CNN's Central office at (312) 207-5290.

Kiwanis plan music program

Kiwanis president Robert Swanberg announces that the Des Plaines Kiwanis will host two of their members for a music program on Tuesday, March 5. Kiwanians are asked to bring guests to this Tuesday luncheon meeting.

Dr. Ben Vinikour, retired Des Plaines dentist, will play violin music of Elgar, Rubinstein, Kreisler, Victor Herbert, and Monti. Bonnie Lindquist will accompany Dr. Vinikour on the piano.

Respite care available

For those of you who may need to find a short-term placement for someone you love—the Bethany Methodist Terrace can be the answer. The Terrace offers short-term or "respite" care which includes a room, meals, nursing care, as well as a variety of activities.

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Social director brightens up Glenview Terrace



Laureen Youtsey

Social Service is an important department at Glenview Terrace, not just to the residents, but to their families too.

Laureen Youtsey has been the director of Social Service for the past 1 1/2 years. Prior to becoming director, she worked for six months at the home. With a master's degree in social work degree, the local Glenview resident is currently enrolled in a master's program in gerontology (the study of aging) at Northeastern Illinois University.

Laureen sums up her job by saying its purpose is to "...enable residents to feel more vital and good about themselves. Residents have experienced so many losses in role and function. It is important to help them feel they still have control in their lives and to increase their self-esteem." All signs indicate that Laureen and her staff of four are doing just that.

Shortly after admission, Laureen meets with each new resident. Her focus is not from a medical perspective, but how the resident is feeling and how he is likely to adapt to nursing home living. She assesses his personal needs, both social and emotional, as well as his cognitive functioning. She attempts to alleviate his initial anxiety and help him as needed on an ongoing basis.

Because nursing home placement is often upsetting for the family as well as the resident, Laureen conducts a monthly Family Support Group. The group is specifically geared to new families, but also addresses problems and issues that are commonly shared by all families.

The group has been successful in letting family members feel that their decision to place a loved one in Glenview Terrace is an extension of their concern and care, and helps to alleviate the family's anxiety about placing a family member in the nursing home.

Families are helped to deal with the very emotional issue of inter-dependency and come to view nursing home placement as a positive step.

There are at least fifteen resident groups that are an active part of the Social Service Department. The groups are formed according to compatibility and topic interest, such as current events, sports, sewing, etc. The groups have no more than eight residents, which helps to form a sense of bonding and comradery among them.

Volunteers set record at Norwood Park Home

The results are in. In the year 1990, 157 volunteers at Norwood Park Home gave a grand total of 11,180 hours of their valuable time to make life more joyful for the home's nearly 200 residents.

Norwood Park Home, a retirement home established in 1896 on Chicago's far northwest side, has a long history of volunteerism. Today's volunteers are young and old, male and female, and of varying occupations, but all of them possess a sense of community and giving of self that deserves attention.

Volunteer tasks at Norwood Park Home include visiting one-on-one with residents, helping with various activities from bowling to ceramics to gardening, working in the Home's Beauty Shop, providing and helping serve home-baked goods for special events, and much more.

For information about volunteering at Norwood Park Home, call (312) 631-4856.

Thrift shop plans clothing sale

Medley Market, a thrift shop operated for the benefit of the Northwood Park Home, announces a half price sale on all men's, women's, and children's clothing, on Saturday, March 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and on Thursday, March 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Market is located at 6019 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago, opposite Norwood Park Home. Donations of clothing and household goods are welcome year round.

Medley Market is a project of the Women's Service League. For more information, call (312) 631-4856.

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Lawrence House salutes the Irish

Escape to the Emerald Isle on Friday, March 15 at the Lawrence House, 1020 W. Lawrence Ave., when the seniors invite the public to a free Salute to the Irish party from 1-3 p.m.

Grab your favorite bloke or lass and jig the day away with a top Irish hits countdown. If you need a few pointers, the largest Irish dance company in the U.S., Mullane Irish Dancers, will be performing at 1 p.m. Catch these dancing leprechauns now, because in 1992 they will be traveling to Dublin, Ireland, to compete in the World Championships.

As a special treat, guests will be able to show off their brogues

on Sunday, March 17 at the Lawrence House. Margaret Nelson will perform traditional Irish and Gaelic music at 2 p.m.

Swoon to enchanting tunes like "When My Love Parted" and "I'll Take You Home Again Kathleen."

Guests will be cheering "Erin Go Braugh!" as they swig down Green River soda at a re-creation of an "Irish pub." Wet your whistle, wear green and provide the blarney for a Gaelic-filled afternoon.

May the luck of the Irish be with you at the Lawrence House. Call Nancy Bolton at (312) 561-2100 for further information.

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Mercy Residence offers gamut of services



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Mercy Residence at Tolentine Center in Olympia Fields, Illinois, is a place with many support services for seniors.

The center provides a full meal service, planned by the director of food services, which is served in a common dining area. Snacks are available in small lounge area

on each floor. Maid and janitorial services are also provided for the residents. A front desk clerk is on duty 24 hours.

Daily Mass is celebrated in the chapel, which is open at all times. Other sacraments are celebrated periodically during the year. Pastoral care is provided by the Augustinian Fathers and Brothers.

There are ten activity rooms at the residence featuring a large TV lounge, small TV lounge and kitchenettes on each floor, game room, arts and crafts room and library.

Two types of rooms are available at Mercy Residence at Tolentine Center: a single room with

half-bath and a two-room unit with a half-bath.

Prices, which differ for single and double occupancy, include all meals and services. The residence furnishes carpeting, telephones in each room, mailroom, refrigerators in lounges, washer, dryer, irons and ironing board.

Mercy Residence at Tolentine Center is easily accessible from Chicago and the suburbs.

For more information contact Sister Armella Guiney or Sister Conleth Foley at the center, 20300 Governors Highway, Olympia Fields, IL 60461; or call (708) 748-9500.

Volunteers deliver meals to the homebound

For the past ten years, Bethany Methodist Terrace, together with the Morton Grove Health and Human Services and Niles Senior Citizen Services, has provided homebound and medically-qualifying residents with home delivered meals.

There are a total of four routes, which run Monday through Friday in the Morton Grove and Niles area. The midday meals are delivered at a cost of \$3.25 for a hot lunch entree, and \$2 for a cold dinner. Volunteers deliver the meals following a route, which is provided complete with directions.

Barbara Mace, food service director at the Terrace, said, "Almost 200 meals are delivered

each week. In Niles there is a waiting list for Meals-On-Wheels. Because we want to help everyone we can, we hope to expand the program."

Expansion in Niles would be dependent upon more volunteers who would be willing to deliver meals to the homebound. A volunteer would be responsible for a specific route assignment one day a week.

For more information about eligibility for Meals-On-Wheels or volunteering to deliver meals, please contact Cynthia Gow at the Niles Senior Citizens Services (708) 967-6100 or Nancy Reynolds at the Village of Morton Grove (708) 965-4100.

MAGA provides insurance for Luther Village

MAGA Limited Group of Des Plaines has been chosen as the exclusive provider of long term care insurance for Luther Village retirement community in Arlington Heights.

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For more information call, MAGA at (708) 699-4072 or the Luther Village marketing office at (708) 506-1919.

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Seniors salute armed forces



Maine Township senior citizens celebrated Lincoln's Birthday and Valentine's Day, saluted the armed forces in the Persian Gulf, and learned Hawaiian dances at their February luncheons at Banquets by Brigantes. Bill Wasmund of Niles (as Uncle Sam), brought in the flag, while Marie and Bud Garon of Park Ridge led the audience in singing "God Bless America" to get the luncheons off to a patriotic start.

Milwaukee Art Museum plans Senior Day

The Milwaukee Art Museum is pleased to announce another program in its ongoing series of mornings set aside to open the galleries to senior citizens.

On Wednesday, March 6, seniors may come to the museum free of charge from 10 a.m. - noon for special tours and complimentary refreshments. Art museum docents, or specially-trained volunteer museum guides, will lead tours of the exhibition Fashion and Furnishings in the Age of Mozart.

This exhibition, presented in conjunction with the city-wide festival commemorating the 200th anniversary of the death of Mozart, features costumes, ceramics, furniture, silver, prints, drawings,

paintings, sculpture and musical instruments of the period. The Age of Mozart gives visual form to the master's music. The exhibition is co-sponsored by the Milwaukee Art Museum and the Historical Keyboard Society of Wisconsin through a grant from the Milwaukee Foundation.

The Milwaukee Art Museum will remain open until 5 p.m., and seniors are welcome to explore the museum on their own after noon. The Art Museum Shop will be open, featuring unique books and gifts and seniors may buy lunch in the museum buffet. Reservations for Senior Day are required; call Judy Rupnow at 271-9508, ext. 245.



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North Shore 'Shenanigans'

Grab your shillelagh and your prettiest Irish lass because the seniors at The North Shore Hotel, 1611 Chicago Ave., Evanston, invite all to their free and open to the public North Shore Shenanigans, Friday, March 15, 2-4:30 p.m.

The North Shore's salute to the Emerald Isle is sure to bring out the Irish brogue in everyone. Irish eyes will be smiling when the Mullane Irish Dancers perform in the Grand Ballroom at 2:30 p.m.

These dancing leprechauns are the 1990 North American Champions in Irish Dance.

The luck of the Irish will be on your side because the entertainment won't stop there. Margaret Nelson and Phillip Cooper will be wearing their green and performing traditional Irish and Gaelic music at 3:30 p.m.

For further information contact Sandra Small at (708) 864-6400. Shamrock and roll over to The North Shore and don't forget to wear your green!

Bingo open to Maine seniors

The Maine Township Seniors will hold their monthly bingo games at noon Tuesday, March 5, at Oakton Arms, 1665 Oakton Pl., Des Plaines, and noon Thursday, March 7, at the Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Rd., Park Ridge. A 50 cent fee for coffee and sweet rolls will be collected at the door.

Nearly 3,000 residents are enrolled in the Maine Township

Seniors. Activities include monthly bingo, luncheons, workshops, and theater, sightseeing and vacation trips.

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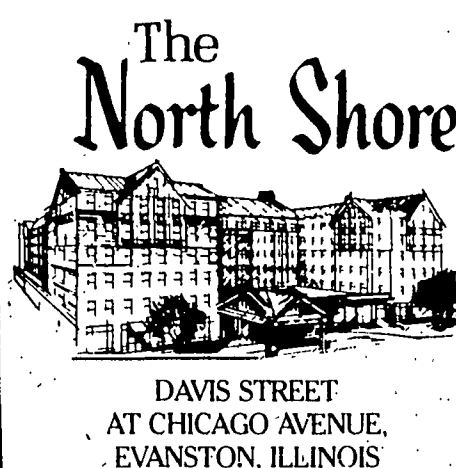


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Class on high blood pressure set

"Don't Let Your High Blood Pressure Get You Down" class will take place at Northwest Community Hospital, 800 W. Central Rd., in Arlington Heights, beginning Thursday, March 7 at 7:30 a.m.

The free class is taught by health educators from the Cook County Department of Public Health. The class series will be held for one-and-a-half hours every Thursday for six weeks. Blood pressure will be taken at each session. To register, call 865-6033.

Topics include medication, salt/sodium and low-salt diets, cholesterol, stress management, exercise and weight control. Practical activities such as food label reading, recipe modification and relaxation techniques are presented and healthy snacks are provided.

To register for the free blood pressure class, call the Cook County Department of Public Health at 865-6033.

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Plan ahead when applying for benefits

People nearing retirement age who will soon be applying for Social Security benefits can save time and energy with a little pre-planning, Thomas A. Curin, Social Security manager in Des Plaines, said recently.

People should contact Social Security two or three months before the date they wish to begin receiving benefits. This will allow sufficient time for processing the claim so that the first benefit payment will arrive the month retirement begins.

People can apply by telephone, or they can go to their local Social Security office.

Whichever way is chosen, they can save time by having certain documents handy. They will need their Social Security card or a record of the number. They must also have a birth certificate and the birth certificates of their spouse and children (if they, too, are filing for benefits), as well as evidence of recent earnings. This would be last year's Form W-2 or

a self-employment tax return for last year.

People who want benefit payments deposited directly into a bank account should have a checkbook or bank passbook in order to give the correct bank account information.

Anyone with questions about applying for benefits should contact Social Security. The people there will be glad to help. The nationwide toll free teletext number is 1-800-234-5554 (772). It's available Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Nutrition and the elderly discussed

Montay College presents "Nutritional Issues and the Older Adult," Monday, March 11 from 7-9 p.m., 3750 W. Peterson Ave., in Chicago.

Sharon Sugarman, MS, RD, Nutrition Research Associate of the Illinois Cancer Council and nursing home consultant, will present accurate facts based on the latest research regarding dietary fiber, cholesterol, sodium, vitamins and nutrition in the nursing home.

The session is open to anyone interested in eldercare and two continuing education credits may be earned by professionals.

Seminar fee is \$10 payable to Montay College. Call Linda Gabel, Director of the Montay College Gerontology Program, (312) 539-1919, for more information.

Montay is holding a review course for nursing home administrators for licensure exam, Saturdays, March 9 and 23 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The Benchmark breaks rental records



The Benchmark of Hoffman Estates' management team consists of (front row) Activity Director Starr Komacki, Retirement Counselor Susan Simonsen, (back row from right to left) Retirement Counselor Audrie Cudahy, Marketing Coordinator Lucile Steinken, Director of Community Relations and Care Management Eulene Cohan, First Health Care Associates owner Shael Bellows, Executive Director Robert Rados, and Director of Resident Services Nicki Spizziri.

The Benchmark of Hoffman Estates, a rental retirement community rented more than five times the national average of four units per month in December, despite a sluggish rental market in Chicago and despite the fact that December is traditionally the weakest month for rentals.

The record number of 22 rentals at The Benchmark were the culmination of a two-year marketing campaign, bringing the facility to 95 percent of capacity.

The marketing campaign was so successful because The Benchmark responded to the needs of caregivers and seniors, said Shael Bellows, president of First Health Care, owner of The Benchmark. Every single staff member became part of the integrated marketing effort.

Some seniors select a retirement community because they no longer can or want to prepare meals, others because they want the socialization of a congregate community, others can't drive any longer and still others have health problems. The rental staff of The Benchmark is trained to assess the needs of each family they meet with and then explain how The Benchmark meets those needs.

Rental retirement counselors Susan Simonsen and Audrie Cudahy call on other staff members of The Benchmark team to answer questions and describe programs that meet individual requirements. Other team members include Nikki Spizziri, registered nurse; Eulene Cohan, gerontological social worker; Starr Komacki, activity director and Cynthia Chow, registered dietitian.

The integrated marketing pro-

gram also brought The Benchmark to the attention of hospital discharge planners, social workers and others who might refer seniors to The Benchmark. Before they were aware of The Benchmark alternative, they were likely to refer seniors to nursing homes, said Bellows.

The Benchmark was recognized as the Senior Housing Rental Community of 1990 by the Apartment Council of Greater Chicago.

The Benchmark has come a long way since it opened three years ago with fewer than 10 percent of the 253 apartments rented. With a sluggish start, there was a perception that it was an unsuccessful project.

That image has been overcome and now The Benchmark is much in demand. "There is an immediacy we didn't have before," said Simonsen. "Families who always wanted to move to The Benchmark know we are almost filled and they have to select their unit now."

The Benchmark of Hoffman Estates, awarded Senior Housing Rental Community of the year 1990 by the Apartment Council of Greater Chicago, provides an active lifestyle with assisted living for senior citizens.

Residents can live independently and add personal care and monitoring, when and if needed, at affordable rates. They enjoy spacious apartments with fully-equipped kitchens, fine restaurant dining, 24-hour security, transportation, maid and linen service and a beautiful northwest location.

For more information, call Cudahy or Simonsen at (708) 490-5800.

Seminar on arthritis set

The Niles Public Library will host a program on March 12 at 2 p.m.

Colleen Gaughan, R.N., from Lutheran General Comprehensive Physical Therapy Services,

will provide information on how diet and exercise relate and effect arthritic conditions.

This program is free and open to all. Registration is required. Please call 967-8554.

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Maine seniors plan March activities

Maine Township Seniors can mark their calendars for a variety of exciting activities in March.

Seniors can begin the month by gathering for fun and friendship at one of two regular monthly Bingo games at noon Tuesday, March 5, at Oakton Arms, 1665 Oakton Place, Des Plaines, and noon Thursday, March 7, at the Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge. A 50-cent fee for coffee and sweet rolls will be collected at the door.

St. Patrick's Day luncheons promise typical Irish fare and the comic antics of leprechauns from the ever-popular troupe, "Those Very Funny Little People."

Members can choose one of two luncheons to be held at noon Wednesday, March 6, at Casa Royale, 783 Lee St., Des Plaines, and noon Tuesday, March 12, at Banquets by Brigitte, 2648 Dempster St., Des Plaines.

Cost of the luncheons is \$7.50 for members. Guest reservations at \$8.50 will be accepted on a space-available basis.

Seniors can take a nostalgic trip back to the "Roaring 20s" with a guided tour of Chicago gangland hangouts followed by lunch and a musical revue at Tommy Gun Sepakeasy. Members can choose one of two trips on Tuesday, March 19, or Wednesday, March 20.

Busses will leave from the Farmers Market parking lot, Lee and Perry, Des Plaines at 11 a.m. and return about 5 p.m. Cost is \$28 for members. Guest reservations at \$33 will be taken on a space-available basis.

Members can create a spring pot holder mitt at a craft workshop from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday, March 25, in the Maine Township Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road, Park Ridge. The decorative mitts, filled with flowers, cinnamon sticks and wooden utensils, make ideal kitchen accessories for home or gifts.

Participants should bring tacky glue and a pair of scissors. All other material will be provided. Cost of the workshop is \$7 and it will be limited to 36 participants.

To receive a membership application and obtain reservation information for activities and trips, call the Maine Township Seniors Office, 297-2510, ext. 240 or 241.

Older eyes need special attention

St. Francis Hospital Ophthalmologist Mark A. Rosanova will present a free lecture, "A Closer Look at the Aging Eye," Thursday, Feb. 28 at the Lincolnwood Public Library.

Learn the signs and symptoms of glaucoma, macular degeneration, cataracts and diabetic retinopathy, the four most common diseases that affect older eyes.

This free program is sponsored by St. Francis Hospital of Evanston and the Lincolnwood Public Library. The library is located at 4000 W. Pratt in Lincolnwood.

Reservations are required. Call (708) 492-7111 to reserve your spot.

Volunteer awards dinner planned

Payson Wild, former dean of faculty at Northwestern University, will be honored as Man of the Year along with three other residents at the 15th annual Volunteer Awards Dinner at The North Shore Hotel, 1611 Chicago Ave., Evanston.

The festivities will take place on Tuesday, March 5 at 6 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

At 85 years old, Dr. Wild doesn't know the meaning of retired. Wild is an active resident at The North Shore Hotel and lectures monthly on current events there. Instead of instructing classes at Northwestern University, Wild is now a student attending alumni classes.

Ambassador Daniel J. Terra will be the keynote speaker and will be honored in The North Shore's Walk of Fame.

Ambassador Terra's hand prints and signature will be unalterably installed in cement as a permanent testimonial to remind people of all ages what can be accomplished with perseverance.

Volunteer Award recipients will receive plaques for their valuable contributions and their role model status to the community.

For further information on The North Shore Volunteer Awards Dinner contact Mollie Wallstead at (708) 864-6400.

MONNACEP offers classes for seniors

"Drawing Anything I" is for the beginner to learn the basic techniques of drawing with charcoal, pencil and pen. It will meet for ten weeks from 9:30 a.m. - noon beginning Thursday, March 7. The fee is \$79. "Drawing Anything II" is an intermediate class for those who have completed "Drawing Anything I." It will meet for ten weeks from 1 - 3:30 p.m. beginning Tuesday, March 7.

"Tai Chi," the ancient Chinese martial art that reduces stress and blood pressure and strengthens muscles, will meet for ten weeks from 1-2 p.m. beginning Wednesday, March 6. The fee is \$45.

For information, call (708) 635-1414. Registration is underway for

several non-credit classes for senior adults offered by MONNACEP beginning March 5, 6 and 7.

"Contemporary Great Literature" will explore the stimulating ideas of great novelists and playwrights of our time. It will meet at the Leaning Tower YMCA, 6300 W. Touhy Ave., Niles, for eight weeks from 1-3 p.m. beginning Tuesday, March 5. The fee is \$53.

Three art classes will be offered at Oakton East, 7701 Lincoln Ave., Skokie. "Painting Anything," is for those who have some drawing experience. It will teach the use of water-based media. It will meet for ten weeks from 9:30 a.m. - noon beginning Tuesday, March 5. The fee is \$79.

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Ballard participates in tough accreditation program

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Eli Pick, Ballard executive director, said that Ballard will participate in a program sponsored by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, the premier health care accrediting body.

The Joint Commission is a professional non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of care provided by health care organizations such as hospitals and long-term care facilities.

The board of commissioners of the Joint Commission is made up of practicing professionals from the American College of Physicians, the American College of Surgeons, the American Dental Association and the American Medical Association.

Called the "Illinois Deemed Status Pilot Project," the program voluntarily submits the participant

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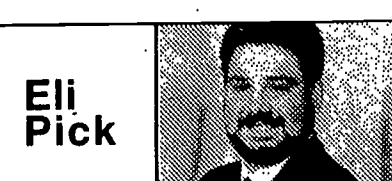
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Volunteer brightens holiday for St. Matthew Home resident



Volunteer Charlotte Puzo shares Christmas with St. Matthew Lutheran Home residents. Puzo encourages others to spend their holidays in this uniquely satisfying way.

Holidays are a time to spend with the family, right? Not always, according to volunteer Charlotte Puzo.

"I wanted to do something special for Christmas. I contacted Sue Neuschel at Maine Township, and she suggested I talk to Bonnie Lindquist about volunteering at St. Matthew," Puzo said. "At first I was horrified at the idea of 'giving up' my Christmas, but I thought about it, and wound up having a delightful lady and the staff was so lovely to everyone."

Lindquist, a Maine Township trustee and St. Matthew Home music therapist, actively supported the development of the + One Options program. "We're on the crest of a new wave. Volunteerism is gaining popularity, especially now because people have a feeling of social responsibility with the War in the Gulf going on. People are warming up to the idea of doing something for

someone else as a way of bringing new meaning to their lives."

When asked if she would spend another holiday with someone who needed a friend, she responded, "I'd really like to, and I'd definitely encourage others to give it a try. I came out of the day with Helen with a different feeling. I can't express it, I just felt like I was the one receiving the most out of the day instead of the other way around."

There are many opportunities to volunteer at St. Matthew Home, as with any social service program. "One-on-one visits with our residents means the most," explains Linda Anderson, St. Matthew activities director. "Many of these folks don't have any family left. To spend an hour or so a week with them can make a world of difference."

If you'd like to make a change in your life and make a world of difference in someone else's, call Linda Anderson at (708) 825-5531, or call the + One Options program at Maine Township.

Retirement planning seminar set

Montay College presents the second in a three-part financial planning seminar series, "For Retired and Near Retired," the "how to's" of financial planning by Norah Lex, a former teacher, consultant and school principal in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The session, open to anyone interested in retirement financial issues, will be held, Saturday, March 2 from 10 a.m. until noon

on the College's campus, 3750 W. Peterson in Chicago. Individuals will learn how to evaluate their personal situation, identify means to improve their financial resources while learning budgeting, dealing with cash reserves and insurance and saving taxes to maximize the retirement experience.

Seminar cost is a \$5 contribution to the College.

Finding the right nursing home

Great Opportunities Adult Day Care, 4555 Church St. in Skokie, will sponsor a program Thursday, March 21 at 7 p.m. on how to select a nursing home.

Learn what to look for and what to avoid in nursing homes, and how to prepare yourself for making this decision for an aging friend or relative.

Featured speaker will be Robyn O'Neil, nursing home ombudsman for suburban Cook County, who is an advocate for the elderly in nursing homes. A video will also be shown, which "walks you through" a nursing home and explains the admission process.

This special presentation is open to the public at no charge. For more information call Linda at (708) 679-5610.

Comic organist performs at Gateway Theatre

One of the most unique entertainers to appear in Chicago will be comic, theatre organist, and Eastern Orthodox priest, Father Jim Miller from Detroit appearing in concert at the Gateway Theatre (Copernicus Center), 5216 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, on Sunday, March 10 at 2:30 p.m.

The show is billed "The Return of Fr. Jim Miller!" as he is back by popular demand after a gang-buster show at the Gateway two seasons ago. Father Jim is widely recognized as one of the top theatre organists in the country and in addition to playing in the grand theatre organ style, he is famous for his New Orleans style jazz renditions. He is also famous for

his infectious humor, - those expecting a religious experience will be disappointed.

Father Jim will be playing the huge Gateway theatre pipe organ considered one of Chicago's finest remaining instruments of this type, these organs installed during the 1920s for use as replacements for pit orchestras accompanying silent films.

The Gateway Theatre is also considered one of Chicago's finest remaining movie palaces for the golden era. It was the northwest side's flagship theatre of the Old Balaban & Katz movie theatre empire, and in fact was the first theatre in the city to be built for the presentation of the "talkies."

The show is sponsored by CATOE (Chicago Area Theatre Organ Enthusiasts). Tickets are \$7 and available through the mail - CATOE Dept. G, 6244 W. Eddy St., Chicago, IL 60634. Tickets are available in person at the Gateway Theatre (Copernicus Center), 5216 W. Lawrence Ave., Music Box Theatre, 3733 N. Southport Ave., or CATOE, 6244 W. Eddy St., in Chicago. All tickets will be \$9 the day of the show. For more information call (312) 282-0037.

Local restaurants tempt the tastebuds

"Taste the World," a gourmet sampling benefit sponsored by the Morton Grove Civic Foundation, Benevolent Committee, will be held on Thursday, March 7 from 5-8 p.m. at Eugene's Fireside Inn, Morton Grove.

Approximately 15 area restaurants will prepare a variety of delectable entrees, appetizers and desserts from round the world to tempt the tastebuds of attendees.

Restaurants scheduled to participate at this time are: China Chef, Cory's Char House and Pub, Sea Port, Eugene's, Black Forest and Cooks Catering, all of Morton Grove; and Great Godfrey Daniels of Skokie.

Participating restaurants are donating their time, talents and cuisine to this gala. Additional restaurants are still needed. All proceeds will benefit the Morton Grove Civic Foundation, Benevolent Committee.

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Niles Library plans storytimes

Storytime is a good way to take children on to books.

Each of our storytimes is designed to appeal to a specific age group, and to provide children with an introduction to the Niles Public Library and the diverse materials it has to offer.

Toddler Time is designed for children who are between 2 and 3 1/2 years old and is held Tuesdays, March 12 - April 16, 10 - 10:20 a.m. The child's parent or caregiver should sit in with the child and join in the activities.

Preschool Storytime introduces

'Noises Off' starts March 7

"Noises Off," the hit comedy by Michael Frayn, will be performed for two weekends, March 7-10 and March 15-17, on the Mainstage at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Rd., Des Plaines.

The 8 p.m. preview performance on March 7 is free but complimentary tickets are required. Tickets for the remaining performances are \$5 general admission and \$4 students/faculty/staff/seniors. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door.

For ticket information call, (708) 635-1900.

es children who are 3 1/2 to 5 years old to books, songs, games, and fingerplays and is scheduled for Wednesdays, March 13 - April 17, 10 - 10:30 a.m. and 7 - 7:30 p.m. Parents and caregivers should remain in the building, but do not stay with the child during the program.

Stories and More is for kindergarten and school-age children, who would like to continue attending storytimes. Stories, songs, and activities, which relate to books will be presented.

Mondays, March 11 - April 15, 7 - 7:30 p.m. and 7:45 - 8:15 p.m.

For further information stop by the Niles Public Library at 6960 Oakton St., Niles, or phone the Children's Services Department at (708) 967-8554, ext. 30.

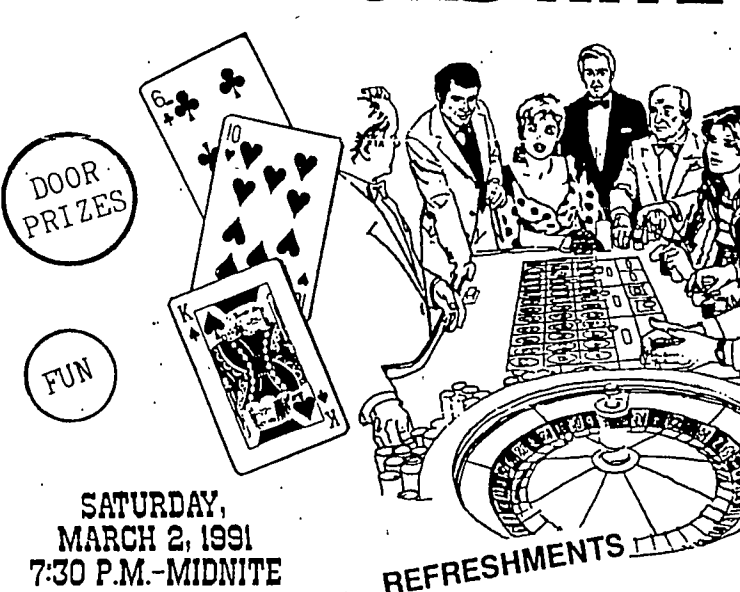
Dance recital

Tickets for the Morton Grove Park District's Annual Dance Recital are now on sale at the Prairie View Community Center, 6834 Dempster St.

The recital will be held Saturday, May 11 at 3 p.m. at Niles West High School.

For more information on the recital tickets call 965-7447.

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Travel agency opens in Niles



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Chamber's Fallor receives service award

Gordon Fallor, Fallor Insurance, was a recipient of a Kenneth R. School Distinguished Service Award at the Niles Chamber of Commerce and Industry Recognition Dinner on Feb. 1.

Fallor has been a member of the Niles Chamber for 35 years and is serving his 23rd year on the board. He truly is a model of what

a Chamber volunteer can accomplish.

Gordon Fallor served the Niles Chamber as vice president in 1972 and president in 1973. He has active as director emeritus since 1981. He has served on many committees such as finance, executive, program, membership etc. He was treasurer of the Chamber from 1968-1972.

He personally formulated and wrote the chamber by-laws, which basically, aside from some minor updating are still in use today.

He established the Chamber health insurance place in 1971, which was very instrumental in expanding the membership base.

Met Life appoints account representative

Dante Castillo has been appointed as an account representative for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's Oak Mill Branch located at 7900 Milwaukee Ave., Niles.

In this capacity, Castillo will be responsible for the sales and service of a wide range of insurance products including life, health, auto and homeowners. Castillo resides in Berkeley.

Workshop set for prospective entrepreneurs

Women interested in learning about entrepreneurship and the joys and pitfalls of owning their own businesses are invited to attend a workshop designed for them by the Women's Business Development Center.

The "Before You Start Your Business" workshop will be given on Tuesday afternoon, March 5, from 1 to 3 p.m., and also on Thursday evening, March 7, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., and Tuesday afternoon, March 14, from 1 to 3 p.m.

The workshop will be presented by Sara Shifrin, business consultant to the Women's Business Development Center, at the Center's offices, 230 North Michigan Ave., Suite 1830.

Registration fee is \$15. Those wishing further information or to register may call (312) 853-3477.

'Operation Mortgage Shield' underway

Cragin Federal Bank of Chicago will begin making full principal and interest payments for a period of up to six months for its mortgage customers who have been called to active duty as a result of the war in the Persian Gulf, according to Adam Jahns, Cragin's chairman. Cragin is offering the program for the next 60 days.

"We wanted to help ease the financial hardships that so many are suffering as a result of the call-up to active duty," said Jahns. "We consider it a privilege to use our financial strength to help those in need during this crisis."

Governor Jim Edgar also endorsed Operation Mortgage Shield.

"I applaud Cragin Federal Bank's initiative to cushion the financial burdens of this war for many of our men and women in the Persian Gulf and their families in Illinois," said Governor Edgar. "At this critical time, our men and women should not have to worry about financial matters back home."

Cragin's Operation Mortgage Shield program follows in the footsteps of a similar program announced by Security Bank S.S.B. of Milwaukee.

Service men and women who wish to take advantage of this program must follow these guidelines:

- Call Tim Lepucki or John Rajczyk at (312) 889-5626 within the next 60 days and provide a copy of their call-up orders. Upon approval, Cragin will make the loan payments for up to six months, or until the customer is released from active military duty-whichever comes first.

- The loan must be a first mortgage on a principal Illinois residence, originated and serviced by Cragin Federal Bank on or before Feb. 1, and issued in the name of the member of the Illinois National Guard or Illinois reservist, who has been called to active duty.

- Applications for Operation Mortgage Shield will be accepted through Friday, April 15, 1991 - at which time the program will be reviewed.

The program also applies to service men and women who are called to domestic active duty. For further information call (312) 889-1000.

Bank employee receives award



Irene Asien is congratulated by Alan Emerick, president of the First National Bank of Niles, for her 10 years of service to the bank. Irene began at the bank in 1981 as a receptionist and later became a customer service representative for eight years. Irene is currently working part-time as the bank's switchboard operator.

Business Institute slates seminars

The Institute for Business and Professional Development will offer the following seminars at Oakton Community College in the Business Conference Center, 1600 E. Golf Rd., Des Plaines.

Two purchasing seminars are scheduled to begin March 5. "Fundamentals of Purchasing," will teach you the fundamental principles of purchasing in five Tuesday evening sessions, from 6-9:15 p.m. Cost of the seminar is \$235.

"Legal Aspects of Purchasing" will teach the fundamentals of purchasing law, the legal system and the laws governing contracts and purchase orders. The one-day seminar will meet from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Cost of the seminar is \$185.

"Fundamentals of Finance and Accounting for Non-Financial Managers" will provide practical working knowledge of financial principles and how they relate to planning, budgeting, and decision making activities. Cost of the seminar is \$175.

"Inspection Principles," an entry level seminar meeting from

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. March 6, is designed to help newly appointed quality inspectors, lead inspectors, supervisors and managers to learn basic inspection principles. Cost of the seminar is \$185.

"Inventory Management - An Asset or a Liability?" will meet from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. March 6 and 7. This seminar will teach you how to manage inventory within today's changing manufacturing and distribution environments. Cost of the seminar is \$295.

"Fundamentals of Finance and Accounting for Non-Financial Managers" will provide practical working knowledge of financial principles and how they relate to planning, budgeting and daily management decisions. It will meet from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. March 7. Cost of the seminar is \$185.

Learn to use one of the most popular personal computer software packages in "Lotus 1-2-3 Basic 2.01" being offered from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. March 8 and 9. Cost of the seminar is \$295.

For information and registration, call Keri Thiessen at (708) 635-1932.

Bank makes writing to troops easy

Peterson Bank will conduct a program to encourage customers, and the neighboring community, to honor and remember our U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf. The program will run through March 15.

During this time, the bank will make it easier to write open letters to service men and women by providing stationery and mailing completed letters.

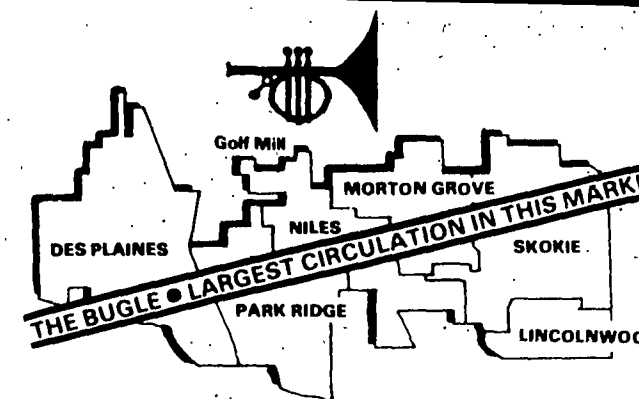
"From what we've heard, one of the real morale boosters for our troops have been letters to any service member which is specially welcomed by those who don't get much mail," says Mark

Robert, president of Peterson Bank. "We just wanted to make it a little easier for people to send these letters."

Peterson Bank will also make a contribution to the United Services Organization of Illinois Desert Storm Families' Fund for each new account opened during this period. This fund is used in a variety of ways to aid and assist the families of Illinois service men and women in the Persian Gulf.

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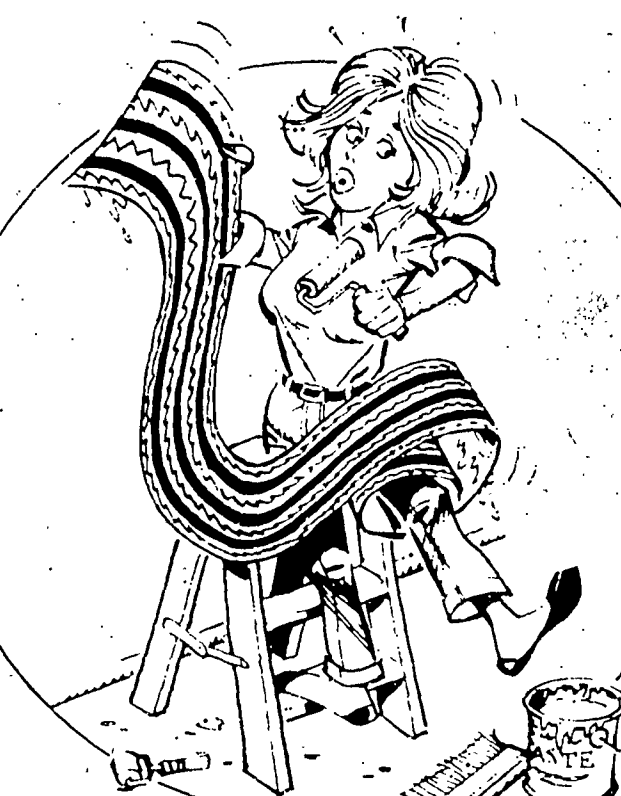
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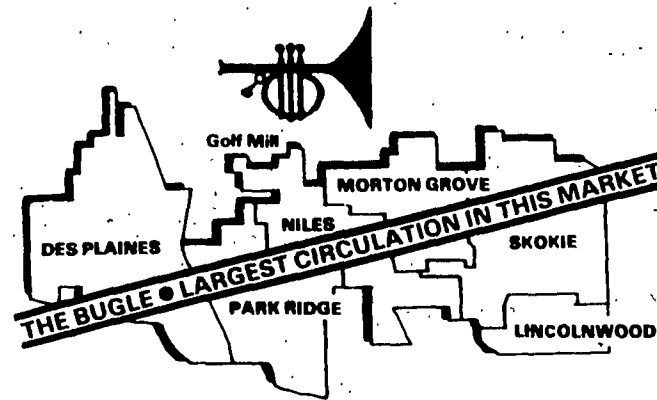
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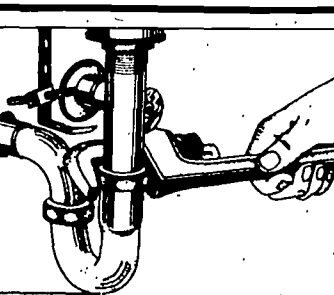
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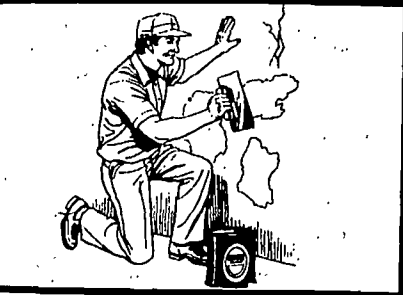
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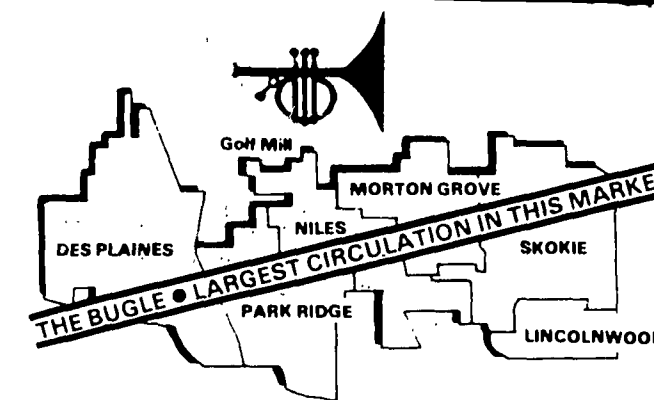
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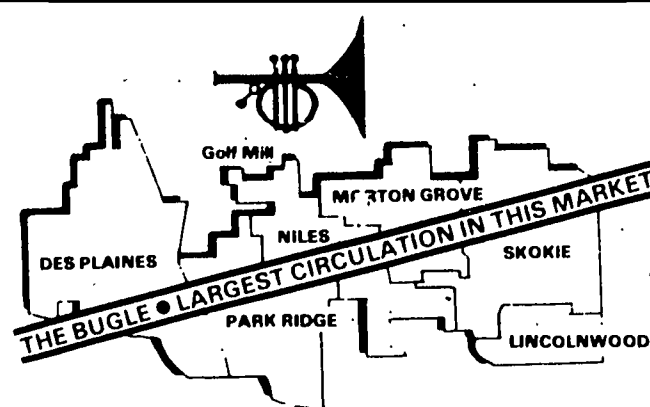
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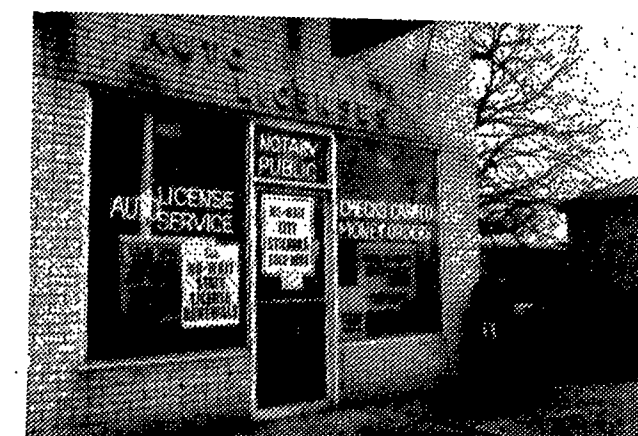
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MG computers ...

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Morton Grove Health and Human Services Director Jim Huber gives a demonstration of the village's newest piece of firefighting equipment: a personal computer to be programmed to give

firefighters information on the location, type and chemical properties of hazardous materials they might encounter during a fire or accidental spillage.

chemicals. Morton Grove's fire department, charged with enforcing compliance, has hundreds of such firms to check against some 575,000 possible chemicals and their properties.

"We're six months into it," Weides explained. "Jim did research into the law. I did research into the hardware and software. We've gotten through the first set of 20 occupancies and we've targeted more than 200 others."

"These are life safety issues," Huber told commission members. "Since firemen are called to these facilities whenever there's an emergency, it pertains to their safety and the safety of the community."

A laptop computer with the hazmat data material inputted will be inside the fire command vehicle. Huber and Weides painstakingly input a floor plan of each building and include the location

of exits, shutoffs and hazardous chemicals.

Ironically, a sprinkler system could pose as great a threat as a fire in the case of a chemical that becomes dangerous when mixed with water.

"They expect you to throw wet stuff on the red stuff," Weides said, "and it could worsen the situation."

"Some of these chemicals you can't chase down a sewer," agreed Chairman Raoul Smoczynski, a chemical engineer.

If, during a spillage, the chemical is unknown, firefighters can search the database using attributes of smell or color to isolate the proper firefighting technique, evacuation measures, protective clothing needed and other health hazards.

While larger Morton Grove companies such as Avon and Northern Telecom have their own

on-site safety engineers, most firms have not catalogued their chemicals in enough detail to satisfy the federal requirements or the fire inspections.

"The information from the companies has to be accurate," Huber said, detailing his joint inspections with Weides. "We've run into some resistance. We'll probably be in court with some of these people."

"This is tremendous," said Commissioner Dave Adamski, a chemist with a hazardous waste background. "I think your ability to interpret data (with this software) is critical. This could be really useful if there's a derailment with a container of hazardous waste on the side."

"We've tried to find a system that would fill the bill today as well as 15 years from now," Huber said.

Census ...

the 1980 figures and the number of blacks rose 80 percent over previous census figures.

The minority influence is being felt in area schools.

In Niles school district 71, Superintendent Eugene Zaleski said Niles Elementary, South, has 24 non-English speaking students whose English language proficiency falls below average and who need additional assistance.

Their language backgrounds are: Arabic, Assyrian, Cantonese, Mandarin, Polish, Greek, Korean, Spanish, Urdu, Gujarati and Hindi. Bilingual education is taught by Maria Pillati and a full time aide.

Pillati, who also teaches French, has a "unique" way in working with students "by using pictures and objects," Zaleski

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Bids will be opened on Tuesday, March 19, 1991 at 3:00 PM in the Conference Room, Administration Building, 7601 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Niles, Illinois. After review by the Public Works and/or Finance Committees, the bids will be awarded at the Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, March 26, 1991.

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said. Only eight students at Culver School need help.

Maine East High School in District 207 draws pupils from Park Ridge, Niles, Morton Grove, Glenview and Des Plaines.

According to the school report card of 1990, 70 percent of the students are white; 21.8 percent are Asian/Pacific Islanders; 4.8 percent Hispanic and 2.6 percent black.

Spokesperson Karen Larsen said 143 students at Maine East are enrolled in English as a Second Language classes to aid in language proficiency.

Glenview in 1980 recorded 1,000 Asians, 453 Hispanics and 275 blacks; by 1990, those figures had changed to 2,719 Asians, 898 Hispanics and 282 blacks.

The 1980 census tabulated 1,422 Asians in Des Plaines, along with 2,139 Hispanics and 152 blacks. In 1990, there were 2,408 Asians, 3,520 Hispanics and 304 blacks.

Voters ...

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noon Saturdays.

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DRIVERS... WATCH OUT FOR CHILDREN!

Tattoos ...

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corn, something catchy.

"I can't say there's none out there but it's not very common," the Cook County MEG officer continued. "In any kind of drug situation, parents should talk to their children and tell them about the possible dangers."

"We've made a few small buys out there, mostly when certain rock groups are on tour but it's not like a plague on the face of the earth," a Lake County MEG officer said. "The best thing to do is if you see something, bring it to your local police department and they can tell you if it is or isn't."

"No one's been able to really indicate that there is such a thing," said Dr. Eldon Gleichman, superintendent of East Maine School District 63. "It seems to come up once a year. We're always very cautious about things, however, especially about the health and safety of youngsters."

"Oh, that nonsense," commented Dr. Stewart Liechti, principal of Viola Nelson Elementary School, which serves Morton Grove and Niles. "It's always been nonsense. No one's ever

seen one."

"Somebody made it up as a prank," said Des Plaines Crime Prevention Officer Larry Marks. "We found out it's all bogus."

Part of the confusion may be that the word "tattoo" inaccurately describes the way the drug is absorbed into the system and that the drawings on the small pieces of paper may be stars, or cartoon characters or just about anything chosen by the drug artist.

"It's not a tattoo," said Niles police Sgt. Dean Strzelecki, explaining that the shift from sugar cubes to paper may have come when drug offenses were measured by the weight of the drugs confiscated. "Now, how much does a sheet of paper weigh?"

"I'm sure if it's here, it's concealed very well," said Niles Detective Robert Stankowicz, who said his agency had not seen any blotter acid recently. "It can be absorbed through mucous membranes or through the eyes. It's popularity has been diminished because there's no money to be made from it."

"It's not a threat," Stankowicz said.

New bus ...

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may be inspected and bids submitted at the Public Works facility from April 22 until 10 a.m. on April 27 when the bids will be opened and read publicly.

Board members also accepted a proposal from Water Technology, Inc., to evaluate the Harter and Oriole Park pools.

The pools will be inspected for any structural damage such as deteriorating concrete and the mechanical systems will be evaluated.

The firm will make an immediate and a long-term prognosis and propose a program for equipment replacement or repair.

Total cost of the evaluation will not exceed \$5,000. Water Technology, Inc., has done sim-

lar work for both the Niles and Skokie Park Districts, according to Balling.

In other business, commissioners approved a \$12,300 bid from Kelynn Press to print the district's 1991-92 brochures.

Balling and Commissioner Nick Bozox were optimistic about a trip made with Commissioners Staackmann and Steinman to Springfield on Feb. 14.

The group presented Oriole Park redevelopment plans to state officials in hopes of receiving a \$200,000 state grant to help finance the project. Officials will be notified in a few weeks as to whether the district will receive the grant.

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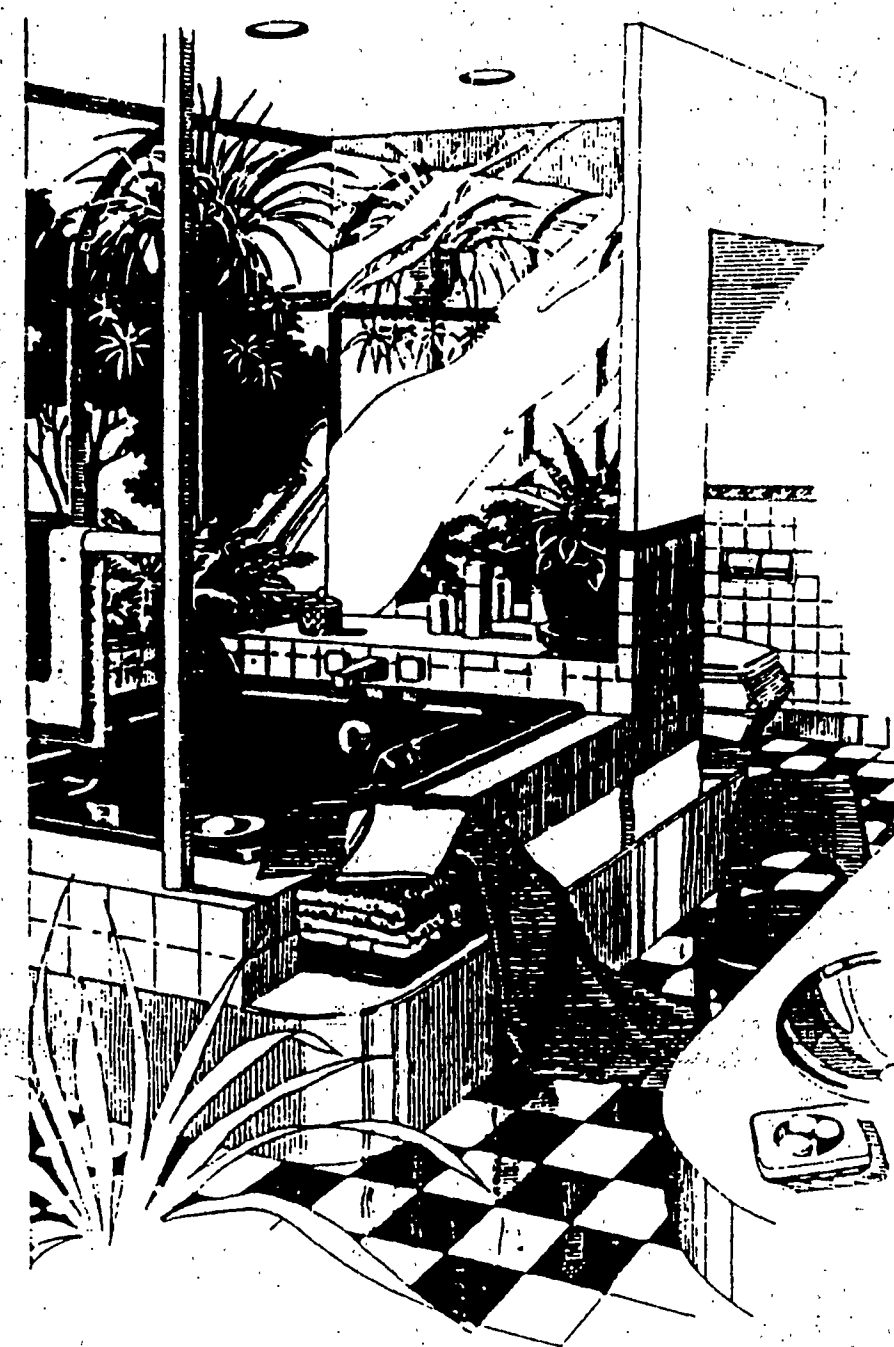
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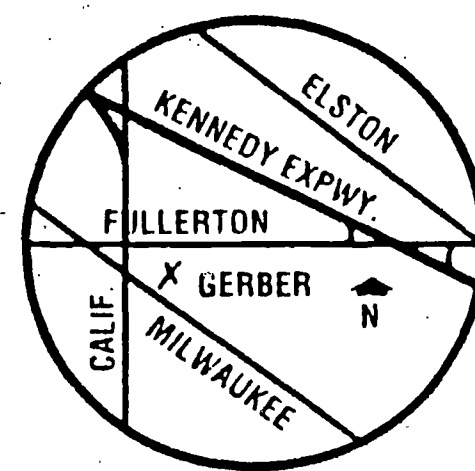


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