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Dist. 63 buys homes for \$560,000

The East Maine School District 63 closed on the purchase of two homes located on Central road near Apollo School.

Both homes were bought for a total of \$560,000 on July 31. The western home will be converted for use as maintenance offices and to store district archives. Plans are underway to make the eastern house compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for use in Special Education programs.

In other news, the board of education reviewed its second draft of the 2001-2002 school year budget amendments.

As outlined in the Budget summary, expanded employee benefits are projected to increase in cost by 39 percent, while salaries will be raised 3.3 percent.

In addition, the district agreed to create two positions for English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers at Washington

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HIV/AIDS stats for Cook County released

New reporting guidelines on AIDS/HIV infection instituted by the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) show a 108 percent increase in the amount of HIV case reports received.

According to CCDPH's 2000 HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report, summarizing reported cases in

suburban Cook County for the year 2000, CCDPH has seen a 108 percent increase CCDPH received 264 HIV case reports for 2000, up from 127 reports for 1999.

In 2000, CCDPH received reports on 94 newly diagnosed AIDS cases within its jurisdiction.

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Noise versus air debate continues for O'Hare

by George Pontikis

The noise and air pollution around O'Hare International Airport has been a target of fierce debate even before plans to expand the airport were discussed. However, a report by the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission shows a decline in noise pollution since 1997.

The news may be hard to believe for residents in the O'Hare

area, but the impact might soon be felt, as the commission is working with United Airlines to retire noisy aircraft, such as 727's equipped with "hushkits." The airline has already committed to eliminate these type of jets by 2003.

However, there are concerns that the quieter jet engines emit

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Ha-lo files for bankruptcy

by Barbara A. Mendelsohn

When Ha-Lo Industries announced July 30 that it had filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, speculation began as to how long the Niles-based, promotional-products company would occupy Helmut Jahn's showy house of glass at 5800 W. Touhy in Niles.

The bankruptcy has been attributed primarily to Ha-lo's \$128 million lease. With a 15-year term, rent for the space equals \$8 million per year.

An additional cause named was the company's acquisition of business marketer starbelly.com

for \$240 million, a move which has been deemed by one official as "worthless."

The Jahn building was "built to suit for Ha-Lo," said Rhonda Mork of CenterPoint Properties, which has an eight year business relationship with Ha-Lo.

Ha-Lo took occupancy last October as the building's only tenant, and the current lease commits the company to all its 267,344 square feet.

Under Chapter 11, a tenant has 60 days to assume or reject an unexpired lease. The code re-

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Size of structures to come under village code; protecting property values is main concern

Niles moves to regulate back yard sheds, gazebos

The Niles Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals approved an amendment regarding accessory buildings at this month's board meeting.

As explained by Code Enforcement Director Charles Ostman, an accessory building is a structure or a part of a building or structure that is of lesser value in the area, mass or design to the main structure, and is located on the same lot.

The changes made are as follows:

An accessory building in a back yard will be no less than three feet from any side property line and five feet from any rear property line, with the exceptions of gazebo's and sheds.

Sheds will maintain a distance of four feet from main buildings and three feet side yards, if one is provided. In residential zoning districts, sheds cannot exceed seven feet in height and 65 feet in area.

This change was prompted after it was discovered that "peo-

ple (were) putting (sheds) up without regulations," said Ostman.

Gazebos will keep a distance from the primary structure, at a

minimum of six feet. No accessory building(s) should have more than one story and cannot exceed 700 feet combined. The

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Couple found living in storage units

by Daryl Dee Moir

The Morton Grove Police Department discovered two individuals living in two side-by-side storage units on August 3 at U-Store-It, 8625 Waukegan Road in Morton Grove.

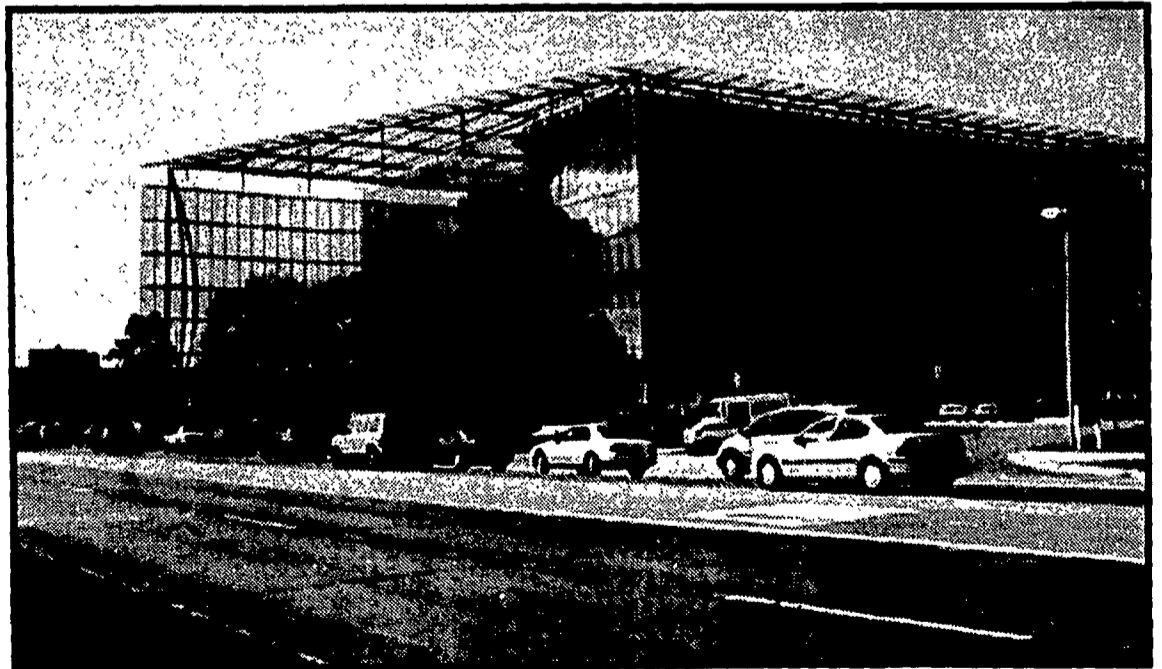
Following a routine premise check at 4 p.m., Sgt. James Weiss noticed laundry that was laid out to dry on the pavement. This was adjacent to the entry door at the northwest corner of the facility's west building. Sgt. Weiss approached the subject, a male Caucasian, age 41, no known address/phone no.

The subject related to Sgt.

Weiss that he rented two side-by-side storage units with his partner, a female Caucasian, age 43, not on the scene at the time. The subject volunteered to show one of the storage units to Sgt. Weiss. The officer observed what appeared to be furnishings set up in a manner not consistent with storage, but in a way indicating the man and woman had taken up residence. Inside one of the two storage units was a make-shift desk, black leather-like couch and a brown leather-like Lazy-Boy chair. In addition, there were cab-

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Future of Ha-Lo building in doubt



Following the recent filing for bankruptcy protection by Ha-Lo Industries, their continued occupancy at their 5800 W. Touhy building is not certain. The award-winning building was only occupied by Ha-Lo last fall.

The Bugle's community job listings can be found on
<http://www.ChicagoMetroJobs.com>



Park Ridge Toastmasters

Bob Roman, of Morton Grove, has been elected to the office of Vice President of Public Relations for the Park Ridge Toastmasters Club 381.

Pace to increase fares for handicap service

In order to combat projected budget bloat for 2002, the Pace Board of Directors approved a slight rate hike for its disabled transportation service.

Report from Knights of Columbus, #4338

Grand Knight Joe Tatkowski invites all brother knights to the next regular business meeting, Wednesday, Aug. 15, at Flanagan Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Immigration rights hearing

The Illinois Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on Senate Bill 36, which will require Illinois courts to inform criminal defendants who are not U.S. citizens that they could be deported as the result of a plea bargain agreement.

World's #1 skate superstore now in Skokie

Skokie now enjoys the first and largest skating superstore exclusively dedicated to figure skating, speed skating, in-line skating and aggressive skating in the country -- possibly in the world!

Celebrating the family



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton Grove, Cook County, Illinois, that sealed bids will be received for the "2001 SEWER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM BY THE PIPE BURSTING METHOD."

Bids will be received up to the hour of 10:30 a.m. Local Time, on the 11th day of September 2001, at the Office of the Director of Public Works, 7840 Nagle Avenue, Morton Grove, Illinois, and will be publicly opened and read at that time.

The bidding forms and documents are available at the Office of the Director of Public Works, Village of Morton Grove, Illinois upon payment of the sum of Twenty and 00/100 dollars (\$20.00) which is not refundable.

The Director of Public Works has the right to refuse to issue Plans, Specifications and Proposals to any person, firm, or corporation that he considers to be unqualified.

All bids offered must be accompanied by a bid bond, cash or certified check made payable to the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton Grove in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the aggregate of the bid as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, a contract will be consummated.

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Madhubuti speaks at NEIU's Center for Inner City studies

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Madhubuti, a poet, essayist, editor and publisher, will discuss his works at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 16, at Northeastern Illinois University's (NEIU) Center for Inner City Studies.

In some parts of the U.S. it was once believed that bringing splinters from a tree struck by lightning into a house would drive out fleas.

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Special Olympics Athletes compete

Nearly 600 Special Olympics athletes from throughout Illinois will descend on Decatur to compete in two state tournaments. Nearly 550 athletes are expected to compete in the Special Olympics Illinois State Softball Tournament on Friday, Aug. 17, and Saturday, Aug. 18, at Borg Warner Sport Complex, while 30 athletes will compete in the Special Olympics Illinois State Tennis Tournament on Saturday, Aug. 18, at Fairview Tennis Complex.

State Softball Tournament. Slow-pitch softball teams that won the right to advance from one of five Special Olympics district softball tournaments in Illinois are eligible to compete in the state softball tournament. The athletes will compete in slow-pitch softball, tee ball or individual skills competition at the state tournament.

Tournament play will begin at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 17. Opening Ceremonies for softball will be held at noon and teams will play until around 4:30 p.m. Competition will resume at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18. The tournament should conclude around 3:30 p.m. Aug. 18.

At the state tournament, each team will play at least two games. Certified umpires donate their time to officiate games. Games

will be played according to ASA rules.

Twenty-six of the 39 teams will demonstrate their athletic ability via slow-pitch softball competition on Diamonds 1, 2 and 6 at Borg Warner Sport Complex. The other 13 teams will play tee ball on Diamonds 3 and 4.

The 32 athletes participating in the individual skills competition begin their contests at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, on diamond 4. Individual skills consists of a series of four tests. Skills tested include the athlete's ability and speed running the bases, distance and accuracy of softball throwing, fielding ability and hitting distance off a batting tee.

State Tennis Tournament. On Saturday, Aug. 18, 30 athletes from around the state will compete in the state tennis tournament at Fairview Tennis Complex.

The tournament begins at 8:30 a.m. with Opening Ceremonies at the courts. Match play and individual skills competition begin at 9 a.m. and are expected to be complete around 3 p.m.

The state tennis tournament will again use the National Tennis Rating Program. "Using the NTRP has resulted in fairer competition and longer matches, and it enables Special Olympics athletes to compete in any other community program using this system, and most of them do use it," says Nancy Hoekstra, tennis tournament director.

Athletes competing in tennis individual skills will test their ability to use a tennis racket to bounce a ball on the ground and in the air, forehand volley, backhand volley, forehand ground stroke, backhand ground stroke, alternate ground strokes with movement, serve deuce court and serve ad court.

Athletes competing in the softball tournament and the tennis tournament must have trained in their sport for at least eight weeks prior to the tournament. The public is invited to attend these free events.

The Special Olympics Illinois 2001 State Softball Tournament and State Tennis Tournament are made possible thanks to Gold Medal Sponsors Cingular Wireless, the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Caterpillar and Silver Medal Sponsor Illinois Power.

Cingular Wireless and the Law Enforcement Torch Run are Official Partners of Special Olympics Illinois. Statewide sponsors include: CharitaBulls, Clark Retail Enterprises Inc., Illinois Knights of Columbus, i-mag-jen Charities, Ronald McDonald House Charities, ShopKo, Six Flags Great America and State Farm - Illinois Regional Office.

Special Olympics Illinois is a not-for-profit organization offering year-round training and competition in 19 sports for nearly 19,000 athletes ages 8 years and older with mental retardation or closely related developmental disabilities. Special Olympics programs enhance physical fitness, motor skills, self-confidence, social skills and encourage family support. If you are interested in learning more about Special Olympics, volunteering or providing financial support to help make Special Olympics programs possible, contact your local Special Olympics agency, call Special Olympics Illinois at 800-TEAM-ISO or visit the Web site at www.soill.org.

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Gaucher Disease Divot Classic

More than 120 guests came out to support the Gaucher Disease Divot Classic held at the Mission Hills Country Club on July 16. The event raised \$30,000 to support the education and outreach programs of the Chicago chapter of the National Gaucher Foundation and research to find a cure for Gaucher disease.



(From left) Event co-chair Cynthia Yannias and Deborah Vohasek, both of Morton Grove participated in the Gaucher Disease Divot Classic at Mission Hills Country Club in Northbrook.

The event featured 18 holes of golf at Mission Hills Country Club where 60 golfers braved the winding course. Dinner and presentations followed. The Fraida Foundation and William Blair & Company were honored for their continued generosity in supporting the programs of the Chicago chapter. The event co-chairs were Dan Grant of Wilmette, Cynthia Yannias of Morton Grove, Robin Sonenshein of Riverwoods, Ann and Ken Genender of Northbrook and Dr. Ned and Cindy Zallik of Highland Park.

Gaucher (pronounced go-shay) disease is an inherited disorder, which prevents the body from producing sufficient amounts of an important enzyme, which can lead to an enlarged liver and spleen, anemia, and weakened bones often extremely painful bone crises, called "heart attacks" of the bone. Researchers estimate Gaucher disease may be present in 10,000-20,000 Americans.

There is no cure, but in 1991 the first effective treatment was developed. Enzyme Replacement Therapy, a lifelong treatment, replaces the missing enzyme and rids the body of worn cells. Dr. John A. Barranger of the University of Pittsburgh is a pioneer in gene therapy and clinical trials have shown moderate success.

The National Gaucher Foundation (NGF) was founded in 1984 to assist patients and families living with the disease, develop patient education seminars and raise funds to find a cure for this painful disorder. The Chicago Chapter of NGF focuses on supporting patients and their families, increasing community awareness and funding research.

For more information about Gaucher disease and the Chicago NGF, call 847-604-0088.

Deadline for vehicle stickers

The Village of Niles has extended the deadline for the purchase of vehicle license stickers from June 30 to August 31. This extension recognizes that residents may be out of town for summer holidays, and allows sufficient time for compliance before the penalty is applied.

The fee for an automobile vehicle sticker is \$15, with a \$10 discount for drivers age 62 years or older.

All vehicles that are principally stored, parked or garaged in Niles must have a current vehicle sticker. This includes all leased vehicles used by Niles residents and businesses. The fine for driving without a valid vehicle sticker is \$50.

Vehicle stickers may be purchased at the Niles Village Hall, 1000 Civic Center Drive. The stickers are also available at selected currency exchanges and banks.

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DUI

On August 9 an officer was dispatched to investigate a one car accident at 7100 Milwaukee. Upon arriving the officer observed the driver standing outside the car. The officer asked the driver if he needed an ambulance and he replied no. The officer detected a strong odor of alcohol on the driver's breath. The driver's eyes were red and glassy. Further investigation revealed the car had driven off the road and struck a light pole. The driver failed field sobriety tests and was arrested for driving under the influence and no proof of insurance.

RECKLESS DRIVING/SPEEDING

While on stationary patrol on August 8 an officer observed a car going at a high rate of speed (69 in a 35 zone) at 6800 Touhy. The officer followed the car. The car almost hit bicyclists attempting to cross the road. The car was stopped and the driver arrested for reckless driving, speeding, no driver's license, no insurance and failing to wear a seat belt.

BATTERY

On August 7 two men playing pool at a cafe at the 6800 block of Milwaukee got into a disagreement about payment for losing. The men went into the parking

lot. One of the men was joined by two friends who proceeded to push, punch and kick the victim. The offenders took the victim's keys and threw them in the grass. The victim called the police who observed red marks on the victim's head, neck and shoulders. The offenders admitted to arguing with the victim but denied physical contact. One of the offenders had a scratched left knee that he could not explain. All three offenders were arrested for battery.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

Six people witnessed a man pulling a woman by the hair and dragging her along the pavement at a home improvement store at the 900 block of Oakton on August 7. When witnesses attempted to intervene the man began swearing and chased the witnesses. Officers arrived on the scene to find a partially clothed man with a knife in his hand shouting about his wife. Officers repeatedly told the man to drop the weapon and he refused to comply as he approached officers. Finally the man dropped the weapon and officers struggled with him to gain control. The man was irate and had a strong odor of alcohol on his breath. The man was arrested for aggravated assault and resisting peace officers.

BURGLARY

A pry tool was used on a sliding door to gain entry to a home at the 6900 block of Niles Terrace on August 5. The house was ransacked. A man's gold watch, a fur coat and jewelry were stolen. A BMW SUV was taken from the garage.

STOLEN CAR

On August 6 a four-door 1994 Honda Accord was stolen from a parking lot at the 9300 block of Milwaukee.

THEFT

An office supplies store deliv-

ered 80 chairs to a church at the 8200 block of Harrison on August 3. There was some confusion among church members as to whether the chairs were the correct ones ordered. Someone signed for the chairs and they were placed in the gym. No one has seen the chairs since.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE VEHICLE

On August 9 the brake lines of a Suzuki Grand Vitara were cut while it was parked at the 8900 block of Washington.

Egg was thrown on a Ford

Park Ridge

On July 28 a man was stopped at Cumberland and Albion. He was arrested for driving under the influence and improper lane usage.

ARRESTS

A man was stopped at Dempster and Northwest Hwy on August 2 and arrested for following too closely and driving on a suspended license.

On August 1 a man was stopped at Summit and Touhy. He was arrested for failing to reduce speed, no driver's license and no insurance.

A woman was stopped at 1700 Cumberland and arrested for driving under the influence and failure to provide information after an accident on July 29.

A man was stopped at Touhy and Elmore on July 28. He was arrested for driving on a suspended license and no insurance.

On July 27 a man was stopped at River and Higgins. He was arrested for driving under the influence, speeding and improper lane usage.

BURGLARY

A rear door was pried open at a

Crown Victoria parked at the 7500 block of Jonquil on August 5.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE PROPERTY

On August 6 chunks of asphalt were thrown through two windows of a school at the 6900 block of Touhy causing \$400 worth of damage.

Glue was put in the padlock of a vacuum cleaner at a car wash located at the 900 block of Oakton on August 6.

residence on the 1200 block of Linden between July 22 and July 29.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO MOTORE VEHICLE

On August 2 a BB gun was used to damage the driver side window of a Mitsubishi Mirage parked in the street at the 300 block of Knight. Estimated cost of repair \$150.

The rear window of a Toyota Camry was smashed on August 1 as it was parked in the street at the 1900 block of DeCook. Estimated damage \$300.

Tools were taken from a Ford Cargo van after the passenger window was broken. The incident happened between July 31 and August 2 while the van was parked in a lot at the 700 block of Busse.

Between July 27 and July 28 a brick was used to shatter the windshield of a Lincoln Town Car at the 100 block of Columbia. Estimated repair cost \$250.

CRIMINAL DAMAGE PROPERTY

Between July 31 and August 1 five garden lights were damaged at a residence at the 1000 block of Western. Damage estimated at \$1,000.

A tree was uprooted in a parkway at the 200 block of Busse sometime between July 31 and August 1.

On July 29 gasoline was used to set fire to a wind chime and paper in a garage at the 1100 block of Potter.

THEFT

A purse and wallet were stolen from a locked office at a business located at the 100 block of Northwest Hwy on July 28. A driver's license, credit cards and \$70 were in the wallet.

The organ is actually considered a wind instrument, since the sounds it makes are produced by a mechanically or electrically controlled air supply blowing across a pipe or set of pipes.

An ounce of prevention can put a stop to burglaries

One of the easiest ways to protect your home is by locking your doors and windows before leaving home. Seems easy, however, more than 600,000 burglaries in 1999 were committed without forced entry because people forgot this simple safety measure.

What else invites burglars into your home? Some unintentional welcoming signs include overgrown shrubs covering a home's entry points, a message on the answering machine offering the date of your return, a mailbox overstuffed with mail or a driveway full of snow with no tire marks. Referred to as a "target of opportunity" by the police, a home that appears unoccupied offers a burglar an open invitation to enter.

"It's easy for people to forget the simple, common sense steps to safeguard their residence. The key is to create an illusion of everyday activity," says Lauren Russ, executive director of the Burglary Prevention Council (BPC), a nationwide non-profit organization dedicated to educating the public on crime prevention measures.

"A burglary occurs every 15 seconds in this country," says Russ, an expert on crime prevention. "This is an alarming statistic that no one should take lightly. People need to know, however, that there are a number of easy and cost-effective security measures that can protect them and their homes."

Looking to get ahead in business?

Oakton Community College offers various business certificate programs to help current or future employees upgrade their skills, earn more money, embark on new careers and succeed in the workplace. Oakton has added several new certificate programs to its fall curriculum, including Professional Consulting, Human Resource Specialist, Pharmaceutical Sales, Direct Marketing, Executive Support Specialist, and Convention and Meeting Planning.

In addition, the College already offers an extensive list of business degrees, certificates and classes in accounting, marketing and management. Many of these classes are offered in two- to four-course packages known as Career Action Series. CAS allows students to complete six-credit-hour courses by attending class only one night a week.

Registration for the fall semester is under way. Classes are offered during the day and at night at the Des Plaines, 1600 E. Golf Rd., and the Ray Hartstein campus, 7701 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie. For more information, contact Sue Ciseo, professor and chair of Oakton's Marketing program, at (847) 635-1871 or visit www.oakton.edu.

10 Simple Steps to Safeguard Your Home

1. Close and lock all doors when leaving, even for short periods. This includes garage or connecting doors. Burglars want easy jobs. That's why they scan homes for the weakest point of entry.
2. Secure sliding glass doors. By placing a metal rod or piece of plywood in the track and installing vertical bolts, you can help prevent burglars from forcing the door open or lifting it off the track.
3. Never leave clues that you are away on a trip. Have a trusted neighbor gather your mail while you are away so items do not accumulate.
4. Keep some shades and blinds up and curtains open while you are gone. This will help to maintain a normal everyday appearance in your residence.

5. Use automatic timers. Timers can be set to turn on and off lights, radios and televisions at varying times of the day. Also, use them when on vacation or away for an extended period of time to give burglars the impression that someone is home.
6. Illuminate the yard area. Darkness is a burglar's best friend. Doorways and the rear of the house should be lit with cost-effective, low voltage lighting to minimize dark spaces.
7. Trim trees and shrubs surrounding the home. If overgrown, these areas serve as per-

fect hiding places for burglars and allow them to work undetected.

8. Start a neighborhood watch program. Local police departments can provide materials and assist in getting a program started. In the meantime, it helps to build a good relationship with your neighbors, so each one can watch the other's home while they're away.

9. Use window and door alarms. Alarms vary in their degree of sophistication, ranging from a door alarm that makes noise to silent alarms patched into your local police station. Burglars will typically leave when any alarm is sounded. In addition, an inexpensive alarm system also creates valuable peace of mind.

10. Take a complete inventory of your valuables and place valuable jewelry and documents in a safety deposit box. Videotape or take photos of all valuable possessions. These should also be marked with an engraving pen to help police trace and recover them if stolen.

For More Information

Tips and approaches to home security are described in detail in the Burglary Prevention Council's booklet, "Safe & Secure." The new booklet also provides valuable information on evaluating your home's current safety measures, evaluating your neighborhood, assessing your home's entry points, what attracts and discourages burglars and how to implement a cost-effective security program. The guide also contains a vacation checklist to help protect your home while away and a

list of home protection products that can be used in any home.

The free booklet can be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope plus \$1 for postage and handling

to the Burglary Prevention Council, 221 North LaSalle Street, Suite 3500, Chicago, IL 60601-1520, or downloading from the BPC Web site at www.burglaryprevention.org.

Sheriff honors deputy for humanitarian efforts



Cook County Sheriff Michael F. Sheahan (left) presents the Sheriff's Humanitarian Award to Deputy Sheriff Karen McIntyre (center) at the department's annual awards ceremony. Pictured with Sheahan is Undersheriff Zelda Whittler (right).

McIntyre was honored for her volunteer work outside of the Sheriff's Office in which she works as an advocate helping victims of violent crimes and their families. McIntyre is an active volunteer with the Cook County State's Attorney's Victim/Witness Unit, counseling victims and their families who are going through the legal process. She is also working as a member of a victim task force to create a national protocol to address the needs of victims' family members awaiting death penalty sentences.

McIntyre, a resident of Chicago's Northwest Side, has been a deputy sheriff since 1991.



BY JEFFREY CARDELLA
Special to The Bugle

Edward Jones: Long-Term Care Policy Can Protect You and Your Family

All of us hope to grow old gracefully, enjoying good health, living independently and never burdening our families. And many of us will be able to do just that, thanks to advances in medicine and a greater awareness of the lifelong importance of healthy lifestyles.

Nonetheless, the possibility exists that any of us could someday need some type of long-term care, such as that provided by a nursing home.

- Consider these facts:
- The odds are one in three that a man over 65 will need long-term care; for women over 65, the odds are one in two.
 - The average cost for one year in a nursing home is approximately \$50,000 -- but it can be close to \$100,000 in some major metropolitan areas.
 - Medicare will pay only a small portion of long-term care costs.
 - If you ever have to come up with this type of money, you may end up jeopardizing the financial security in retirement that you've worked so hard to achieve. Even worse, you could lose your financial independence -- and force your family to step in.
 - You can avoid these scenarios by transferring the risk of long-term care to an insurance company. Many insurers now offer long-term care policies that cover the costs of extended nursing home stays, home health care providers and other types of long-term care.
 - An investment representative can help you find the right long-term care policy to meet your individual needs. But here are some general guidelines to keep in mind as you consider long-term care coverage:
 - Look for a stable company -- You may not actually need to use your long-term care coverage for several decades -- so you'll want to go with a company that will be around. To make sure your potential long-term care provider is financially stable and secure, consult research from reputable independent rating agencies, such as A.M. Best Company, Standard & Poor's, Duff & Phelps and Moody's Investors Services.
 - Don't wait too long for coverage -- Consider buying a policy before you turn 60 or, at the latest, 65. Long-term care premiums typically increase sharply between ages 60 and 70.
 - Look for the best features -- Not all long-term care policies contain the same elements. The best policies pay for care in a nursing home, assisted living facility or a private home. You'll also want to find a policy that offers inflation protection, especially if you're under 65 when you purchase coverage. And you'll want a policy that offers a waiver of premium, so that you won't have to pay additional premiums once you start receiving benefits.
 - By starting early, taking your time and shopping around, you can find a good, solid long-term care policy that fits into your overall financial picture. And once you've got this coverage in place, you should be able to enjoy your retirement years much more fully. You'll have gone a long way toward protecting yourself and your family from an unforeseen -- but potentially catastrophic -- event.

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- The odds are one in three that a man over 65 will need long-term care; for women over 65, the odds are one in two.
- The average cost for one year in a nursing home is approximately \$50,000 -- but it can be close to \$100,000 in some major metropolitan areas.
- Medicare will pay only a small portion of long-term care costs.
- If you ever have to come up with this type of money, you may end up jeopardizing the financial security in retirement that you've worked so hard to achieve. Even worse, you could lose your financial independence -- and force your family to step in.
- You can avoid these scenarios by transferring the risk of long-term care to an insurance company. Many insurers now offer long-term care policies that cover the costs of extended nursing home stays, home health care providers and other types of long-term care.
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 - Don't wait too long for coverage -- Consider buying a policy before you turn 60 or, at the latest, 65. Long-term care premiums typically increase sharply between ages 60 and 70.
 - Look for the best features -- Not all long-term care policies contain the same elements. The best policies pay for care in a nursing home, assisted living facility or a private home. You'll also want to find a policy that offers inflation protection, especially if you're under 65 when you purchase coverage. And you'll want a policy that offers a waiver of premium, so that you won't have to pay additional premiums once you start receiving benefits.
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These babies dig the cold

Need a little color in your life? How about deep Indigo, or a mix of regal colors for your fall and spring garden? Fernlea Flowers' new Icicle™ Pansy colors can light up your life this fall and again next spring.

Super hardy, Icicle Pansies were launched last fall in a limited release to the North Eastern U.S. and filled many beautiful gardens until the winter's deep freeze. Reappearing after a particularly harsh winter season, these pretty Icicle Pansies show they really dig the cold.

Backed by a money-back guarantee, the line-up of Icicle Pansies and Violas is expanding to include the stunning Indigo Viola and Regal Viola Mix made up of

Yellow, Purple and Cream blooms. "Last fall, consumer demand for Icicle Pansies were exceptionally high," says Jeff Howe, U.S. Operations Manager, Fernlea Flowers, "so this year Icicle Pansy distribution will be expanded throughout the North Eastern U.S. in independent garden centers, larger chain stores, and major big box retailers."

Over 100,000 Icicle Pansies were planted in trial gardens last fall, including those at the American Horticultural Society. "Many plants flowered beautifully all winter long," states Janet Walker, the organization's Director of Horticulture.

Fernlea has also developed

more knowledge about creating the best planting success with these amazing bloomers including the fact that they will endure extreme cold as long as they are not planted in highly wind-exposed areas where they can dehydrate. In fact, Fernlea plans to expand the availability of Icicle Pansies to even more Northern climates this year in Canada.

Interested gardeners can sign up at www.iciclepansy.com to be notified when plants arrive at their local garden centers this fall. More plant information and tips are also published on this web site.

Home improvement tips from professionals

(NU)—When it comes to making improvements on your house, you never quite run out of things to do. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for your cash flow. But a new home improvement encyclopedia can help you make repairs that you can afford and, even better, that you can do yourself.

The "Home Improvement Encyclopedia: Problem Solving A to Z," from Ortho, has useful how-to information, in addition to helpful background tips on how you and your house can get along peacefully.

The book gives detailed information on shake roofing, electrical systems, metalworking techniques, skylights, kitchen design

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Getting ready to garden

(NAPS) -- Any time of the year can be the right time to get ready to add a garden to your home. Here are a few tips to get you started.

- There are two basic types of outdoor gardens: ornamental gardens and food gardens. The former includes flower, rock and water gardens. The latter includes herb gardens and vegetable gardens.

- When choosing a site for the garden select an area with good drainage. Also, remember a steep slope is difficult to plant and care for. Plus, water running down the slope can carry away nutrients.

- A successful vegetable garden needs a location that gets at least five hours of sunlight each day. Be sure to choose plants that are right for the climate of your region.

- Different kinds of plants need different amounts of room to grow well, so it's a good idea to sketch out your plan for the garden.

- To save space in a vegetable garden, you can grow spreading vine plants, such as tomatoes, on stakes or other supports.

- To get the most out of your available space, consider planting vegetables in succession. For example, after harvesting early onions, cabbages and peas, plant beans, eggplants and peppers in the same location.

- Make sure you have the basic equipment, such as a garden hose, watering can or sprinkler, a hoe, a rake, a shovel or spade, a spading fork, a trowel and gloves.

- Home gardeners troubled by the symptoms of repetitive stress injury, or known as carpal tunnel syndrome as well as arthritis, tendonitis or poor circulation, may want to consider a special type of glove.

- The glove, called Handeze, features a form-fitting design and is made of a stretch fabric treated by the Med-A-Likra process. The design of the glove traps natural body heat. This raises the temperature while keeping pressure on tissues and increasing blood flow to fingers, hands and wrists.

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Tile roofs hailed for protection against hailstorms

(NAPS) -- Each year, about 3,000 hailstorms pelt the United States, and most cause little damage. Since nearly all the hail that falls in the U.S. is less than 3/4 inches in diameter, tile-roofing systems can endure the majority of hailstorms that come their way.

However, sometimes these storms are driven by ferocious winds and can drop hailstones as large as softballs that cause catastrophic damage. Even a hailstone the size of a golf ball can be ruinous -- falling at 80-miles-per hour -- it has the same energy as a one-pound object dropped from the height of 44 feet.

Fortunately, roof tiles provide excellent protection against even large hailstones.

In laboratory tests conducted by Haag Engineering and the American Society of Testing Materials, roof tiles were evaluated for their impact-resistance to hail. The tests used molded, freezer-made ice balls of various diameters and weights that were shot from an air-cannon that attempts to duplicate the angles and velocities of real hailstones.

New roof tiles were used in the tests. The aim was to replicate newly-installed tile roofing material. How did tiles do?

The test showed that concrete and clay roof tiles can resist damage from hail as large as 1-3/4 inches, just larger than a golf ball. A regulation golf ball weighs 1.62 ounces, but a natural hailstone of the same size will weigh nearly twice as much. It's not hard to imagine the destructive force hundreds or thousands of hailstones falling at 80 miles an hour might cause to a roof.

In the end, the tests showed that roof tiles would withstand the impact of a hailstone that's greater in diameter and heavier than a golf ball. This could be why some insurers are beginning to offer lower rates for hail resistant roofing materials.

Consumers should know that concrete roof tile actually becomes stronger with age. Clay roof tile is extremely impact resistant straight from the box.

Experts at the National Tile Roofing Association point out that it's ironic that more costly damage may occur because of rainwater pouring through holes in the roof, than to the roof itself.

Need a new roof? Learn the warning signs

(NU)—If you're a home owner, you know that hidden costs often sneak up in the form of unexpected damage and unforeseen repairs. But if you want to keep a solid roof over your head, you'd better learn the warning signs of when you need a new one.

If your roof is older than 10 years, you may need to call in a professional. A faulty roof can cause leaks, cracks, excessive heating costs and other unexpected financial expenses.

The experts at The Home Depot, the world's largest home improvement retailer and the largest residential roofing company in the United States, offer these tips:

1. **Keep on top of your home—know your roof.** There are five layers to the house that water can penetrate if the roof is deteriorating. They are: the shingles, felt, wood decking, insulation and interior dry wall. The deeper the water penetrates, the more costly the repair to the home.

2. **Look for signs of deterioration to prepare for inclement weather.** They include: algae buildup, interior ceiling

stains; damaged flashing; loose, missing, curling, cracked, or rotting shingles; and a rotting deck.

3. **Be cautious when choosing a roofing contractor.** If you notice signs of deterioration, call in a professional roofing contractor. But keep in mind that 96 percent of roofing contractors go out of business within five years.

Be comfortable with who you choose as a contractor and that they will be in business throughout the life of the roof. Ask these questions: Does the contractor have complete workman's compensation insurance and general liability insurance in case something happens on the job? Is the contractor properly licensed?

Don't hire the contractor without a minimum of 10 references including names, addresses and phone numbers. Check with the Better Business Bureau to make sure there are no complaints against the contractor, too.

To receive a free roof estimate or more information on detecting warning signs of a deteriorating roof, call 1-888-481-ROOF (1-888-481-7663).

A new home can be a moving experience

(NAPS) -- Millions of people will move to a new home this year and of the 43 million Americans who move each year, more than half take on the challenge of relocating in the summertime.

According to Leslie Levine, relocation expert and author of *Will This Place Ever Feel Like Home?* (Dearborn Publishing), a few simple steps can make the adjustment easier.

"Moving can be unsettling in every sense of the word because it disrupts your accustomed ways of living," said Levine. "But there are ways you can ease the stress of moving and quickly create 'home' in an unfamiliar environment."

The following tips may help you ease into a new environment.

- **Bring "home" to you.** It's amazing how little things like the scent of newly-cut flowers or freshly brewed gourmet coffee can instill warmth and comfort in your new home. Many companies have created special products to help movers ease into their home. For example, Gevalia Kaffe, purveyor of fine European coffee, offers a housewarming

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Colorful ways to brighten a room, naturally

(NAPS) -- Can you answer this trivia question? What household purchase can serve as a paperweight, room freshener or window treatment? (Hint: It can also

Improvement . . .

and much more. And unlike most guides, this one provides easy-to-read graphics and explicit directions for getting your house in great shape.

From the start of home improvement to the bitter end, the instructions in Ortho's book are as simple or advanced as you want them to be. Some tips are straightforward and won't take a lot of your time, while others are more intricate for the home improvement junkie who just can't get enough.

For example, Ortho's guide tells you everything you ever wanted to know about bricks, and more. If you're laying patios and walks, Ortho lays out information on choosing the brick, choosing the base, installing edging and laying bricks in dry mortar. You can also choose from durable, classic and versatile bricks. Choose from running bond, lad-

Experience . . .

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basket in its online catalog. Replete with great comfort items including delicious lemon and butter cookies, rich coffee and other treats, the "Welcome Home" basket gives the new homeowner the perfect excuse to take a much needed break.

• **Take the initiative to befriend the neighbors.** An easy way to acclimate to your surroundings and feel at home is to meet your new neighbors. Instead of waiting for them to come to you with baked goods, turn the tables and invite new neighbors into your home to chat over a cup of coffee or tea.

• **Join in!** Getting involved instantly helps you feel more settled. Check out what your new community has to offer. Join a gym. Participate in local YMCA activities. Attend a new church or temple. Start a book club. Or volunteer at a local hospital or animal shelter.

Regardless of what steps you take, it's important to surround yourself with comfortable objects and familiar routines. The sooner you relate to the people and environment around you, the sooner you'll call your new place "home, sweet home," adds Levine.

These web sites are helpful:
www.gevalia.com -- to order fine European office and other items for your new home
www.FTD.com -- to deliver fresh flowers to your door
www.ymca.net -- to locate your local Y

www.movecentral.com -- to find relocation advice and a free and easy address change service.

do double duty as a color accent in your living room and a mood enhancer at the end of a trying day.)

The answer? Fresh flowers.

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der weave, jack-on-jack, half-basket weave, herring-bone and basket weave.

The book also provides extensive diagrams to help you figure out exactly what you need to do and where everything needs to go. It also details a whole range of materials, what their ideal uses are, and which ones would provide the greatest - quality and service for your use.

Keeping your home safe will be even more important to you once you make a lot of improvements, so Ortho gives you the keys to household security with information on lock types and different door strengths.

And when it comes to adding on to or changing your home, you also need to know about what your legal obligations are. Ortho gives complete information on zoning ordinances, building codes, code compliance, permits and inspections.

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Home Style

Fresh ways to transform a room for less than \$100

(ARA) -- Now is the time to throw out those wilted, brown plants you've been harboring all winter hoping that they would regain consciousness, those pea green bathroom accessories that were purchased at the thrift store for \$9.99—for the complete set—and that out-of-date Nagel print that no one has laid eyes on without wincing. Your home doesn't have to look like Martha Stewart gone awry any longer.

Though it's difficult to renovate your home with all the necessary furnishings and accessories without mortgaging an arm and a leg, you can make small, inexpensive changes that can make a dramatic difference. Below are 7 ways that allow you to decorate your home, the way you want, without getting a second job to pay for it.

1. Dim your lights
Believe it or not, just changing where light shines into a room can transform the entire place. most people don't pay attention to the lighting in their home, and opt to use the fixtures that came with it. But rather than using overhead lighting, you may want to place lamps intermittently throughout your home. Throwing light from the side, rather than from above, will cast a cozy and homey feel.

The warmest looks can be achieved with paper lamps, which diffuse and soften the light, and provide more atmosphere in your room. Minnesota-based Target, a general merchandise retailer, carries a wide variety of lamps for less than \$20.

2. Paint your walls
The newest colors for this season are greens and terra cotta, according to color expert and designer Jean Van Wie of Home Depot Minneapolis, Minn. "Greens are the newest neutral. Greens that are grayed, neutralized and earthy are being used quite a bit. And, I'm seeing a lot of terra cotta shades -- not the blues-reds, but russet-reds -- especially in the kitchen."

You're not limited to just brushing paint on the walls either -- Home Depot offers free training on techniques for decorative painting, such as stenciling and sponge painting. "Decorative paint techniques are great way to add color and texture," adds Van Wie.

Home Depot, www.homedepot.com, carries some of the largest manufacturers of interior paint, such as Behr, Glidden and Ralph Lauren, at prices you can afford (starting at under \$10 a gallon, up to \$26 a gallon). Of course, no one says you must follow the color experts. If green is not your favorite color, try something new. Try to stay away from plain white, however, which can make rooms feel stark.

3. Rejuvenate your bathroom

A place where we probably

spend too much time is the bathroom. Walking into some bathrooms is like walking into a bad thrift store -- nothing matches, there are usually three different patterns, and toiletries are everywhere. You can take control of your bathroom by replacing small accessories, such as toothbrush holders, cups and lotion dispensers in the same design.

Bed, Bath and Beyond, a national retailer specializing in domestic merchandise and home furnishings, has a variety of bath accessories that come in matching pieces for those decorating impaired. All ensembles include a toothbrush holder, soap dish, tumbler, lotion dispenser, wastebasket, tissue covering, and in some cases, jars to hold cotton balls and capture swabs. Prices start at \$5.99 for solids and \$12.99 for prints. And if you're feeling especially adventurous, they carry shower curtains to match all bath ensembles starting at just \$14.99.

4. Decorate with wall murals
Rather than wallpaper, why not try a wall mural? Wall murals are easier and take a significantly shorter time to put up than wallpaper. Environmental Graphics, a Hopkins, Minn.-based company, carries a wide range of designs from outdoor nature scenes to outer space, which retail for \$59 to \$89. Their murals have been used on the sets of numerous major motion pictures such as "Space Cowboys," "Clear and Present Danger," and "Thirteen Days."

No matter what your room color or design, Environmental Graphics has a coordinating mural. And they're perfect for nurseries and children's rooms. The Storybook Hollow motif, which looks like something out of Winnie the Pooh's Hundred-Acre-Wood, is great for children whose imaginations never seem to take a break. Or, if you're a map enthusiast, the World Map is one of their most popular sellers, which details an accurate world map in a 8'8"x13'0" mural.

Murals come with a non-toxic, environmentally safe, biodegradable starch paste that is safe enough to eat. All you need is a smoothing brush, bucket, sponge, a little elbow grease and two to three hours of your time. Visit your local Home Depot, Sherwin Williams or Lowe's to purchase murals, or go to Environmental Graphics' Web site at www.egproducts.com to view the wide variety of murals available. For a free brochure of their available designs, call 1-888-205-3441.

5. Hang prints or mirrors
Nothing opens up a room like mirrors. This is perfect for renters to make a small hallway or living room appear larger. Place an unusual mirror at the end of a short hallway to elongate it, or place a few thrift store finds in a small

room to make it appear larger.

Prints and pictures are also a great idea to make your home feel like your haven. You can hang photographs of friends and family in small groups along your wall to make one large collage, or you can hang large, prominent pieces throughout your house and mix it up with smaller frames. If you're

tired of banging nails into the walls to hang your frames. Pottery Barn (888-779-5176) sells shelves starting at \$19, as well as unique frames (starting at \$8), to lean your pictures against for an uncommon display idea.

Since a mirror or frame can be a focal point in the room, try to make it as individual as you. You

can find an assortment of unusual mirrors at Medina Imports (www.medinaimports.com), an online mail order company specializing in Moroccan designs, for as little as \$35.

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Business News

Demand for tech workers still exists

These days, students are very conscious of their job prospects when choosing a field of study. However, recent newspaper articles may have some students concerned. Numerous media stories describe massive corporate layoffs, disappointing corporate earnings and economic downturns in the stock market. At the forefront of discussions about the economy is the technology sector. With the recent demise of many dot-coms, many may ask what is the future of the tech industry, and what are the job prospects for technology graduates?

If current students interpret newspaper headlines to mean there is a shortage of positions for technology-educated workers, they are very mistaken.

Not long ago, it was common to read articles about the extreme measures businesses took to attract technology workers. Reports of free gifts ranging from Palm Pilots to BMWs were widespread. Today, however, some news stories attempt to contrast these past opulent images with visions of tech workers with few options but the unemployment office. This image was unreal a year ago, and it's unreal today. Students, make no mistake, if you want to be in demand after you graduate, and want a good paying job, a technology degree is still one of your best bets.

Not only do American businesses still need tech grads, the demand for them continues to rise. Media stories that suggest otherwise are doing a disservice to American business. Despite the dot-com bust, American companies continue to struggle

DP Chamber seeks nominees

For the past 39 years, the Des Plaines Chamber of Commerce & Industry has recognized those businesses that have gone beyond the norm when building and/or improving their businesses for the betterment of the Des Plaines community. A search for nominees for the 2001 awards is underway. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Chamber office by calling (847) 824-4200.

Nominees must be a Des Plaines business and the project/program must have taken place between October 2000 and August 2001. Qualifications include: new business development or expansion; business rehabilitation or renovation; substantial increase in employee-base; or new program development.

Recipients will receive a recog-

to find enough technologically educated workers to meet their growing needs. In fact, according to the Information Technology Association of America (ITAA), in 2001 alone, employers will attempt to fill more than 900,000 new IT jobs.

From a local perspective, IT jobs in Chicago continue to grow at a rapid rate. Due to the Chicago's affordable environment and established customer base, this city consistently attracts technology-based firms from the East and West Coasts and continues to add IT jobs to the local economy. Furthermore, new additions to Chicago's corporate landscape - like Boeing - will bring even more tech based jobs to the area.

Another positive indicator of job prospects for tech workers was the turnout a recent job fair at DeVry Institute of Technology in Chicago. Recruiters from Cannon, Panduit, Scudder-Kemper, Lucent and others showed up to compete for resumes. Director of staffing and placement for AD Solutions Group, Jay Kleinow, acknowledged the unceasing demand for tech workers when he said the company was continuing to hire IT professionals.

However, tech companies are not the only ones who are driving the demand for technical workers. Most businesses today need some form of network support to manage their information systems and/or e-commerce sites. In fact, non-IT companies remain the largest employers of IT workers in the country, employing 10 times more IT workers than IT companies, according to the ITAA.

ognition certificate, a spotlight article in the Chamber's monthly newsletter "Business Advocate," and inclusion in press releases to area newspapers and trade publications. Recipients will also be honored at the Chamber's October 27 Breakfast Meeting, following the Des Plaines Mayor's Annual Address to Business.

Forms can be picked and turned into the Chamber office at 1401 Oakton St. in Des Plaines. Completed nomination forms must be submitted to the by October 12, 2001. Business-ess may nominate themselves for the award.

USE THE BUGLE

Celebrating Life

by Jeanine Kromer

St. Andrew Life Center in Niles is a Senior Residential Community designed to aid residents in growing spiritually, socially, emotionally and intellectually in a loving and safe environment. The goal of St. Andrew Life Center is to provide a Catholic based warm and friendly atmosphere for those who desired to retain their independent lifestyle but needed minimal care in some area.

St. Andrew Life Center has a long and colorful history. The center was the inspiration of Monsignor Francis Rusch. Rusch spent his entire priesthood caring for orphans at St. Hedwig Orphanage. As the years passed he noticed an increasing need for elderly services, and in 1939 Rusch announced at a meeting of St. Hedwig Society that he wished to open a home for the elderly. Rusch's suggestion was met with an enthusiastic response, but then World War II took the stage and plans for the home were put on the back-burner. In 1945 economic conditions were ripe for the home and

the St. Hedwig Society set to work. The home was completed in 1952 and named after St. Andrew a Polish Jesuit who had recently been canonized.

St. Andrew Life Center is situated on 10 naturally landscaped acres and is staffed by the Felician Sisters. There are beautiful walkways and courtyards graced with life enhancing trees. Each neighborhood has its own Sun Parlor and Living Room for visits, activities or just plain lounging and reading a book. Private mailboxes promote confidentiality for residents. There are numerous rooms that afford a variety of scenarios. The Center enhances the attractive and independent living situations with a vast array of services.

Addressing spiritual needs of residents, St. Andrew Life Center offers a full time chaplain, daily mass and religious services. Each neighborhood has a Unit Manager to assist residents in their adjustment to life at St. Andrew Life Center. A kitchen is set up in each unit for residents to take pleasure in a home cooked meal.

There are monthly housekeeping services and a washer and dryer on each level, personal laundry and dry cleaning services may be obtained for an additional fee. St. Andrew Life Center also houses a barbershop and beauty salon for residents who want to gussy up.

The Social Director at the Center organizes a full array of activities and programs designed to include everyone. The Do Drop Inn is a wonderful central meeting place. Residents can purchase snacks, ice cream or coffee and just hang out and chat.

Routine and specialized care is provided by licensed professionals in the Wellness Center located on the first floor. Services include podiatry, dental, audiology and optometry. A staff doctor at St. Andrew Life Center will address special dietary needs including supplements for residents. Additional services for home care are arranged through a home health agency to set up and monitor medication or check blood pressure.

The doors are locked at 8 p.m. at St. Andrew Life Center to ensure a safe environment. There are television monitors and an alarm system to provide additional peace of mind.

St. Andrew Life Center is located at 7000 North Newark in Niles. They may be reached at 647-8332.

State Legionaires convention

Several officers and members of the Morton Grove American Legion Auxiliary Unit #134 attended the recent Eighty-first annual convention of the Department (state) of Illinois American Legion Auxiliary. Held in East Peoria, the group stayed at the Hampton Inn.

The delegation was led by retiring president Patricia Jordan and included incoming president Terry Selzer, past president Doree Connelly, Bernice Riley and Ruth Clark and past president Lorry Nehart.

Ricky Stahl was elected the 2001-2002 president.

Business sessions found chairmen and retiring officers presenting their year end reports.

A volunteer ceremony was held for the Auxiliary members who volunteer at the various VA Hospitals throughout the state.

Memorial services were conducted for the deceased Auxiliary members.

American Legion Auxiliary National President Kristine West addressed the group as did Dept. Legion Commander Elden Madden.

Gov. Ryan was out of town and unable to attend, but the assemblage did hear from Secretary of State Jesse White and State Treasurer Judy Barr Topinka.

Investment broadcasts

Zbigniew Bart Wojewnik, an investment representative with the financial-services firm Edward Jones, plans to offer free, informational broadcasts to the people of Niles on investment-related topics via the firm's private satellite network.

Edward Jones has one of the largest private satellite networks in the industry, serving more than 5 million investors with live, interactive broadcasts. Recent programs have included such timely issues as taking advantage of provisions in the 2001 Tax Relief Act, funding your retirement without Social Security and paying for your children's college education.

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and will include topics such as record keeping, estimated taxes, employment taxes, pensions, business use of car and home, and important information from the state.

The next workshop will be held on August 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the One Stop Capital Shop which is located at 3333 West Arthington Street, Suite 220 in Chicago.

Registration is required. If you need additional information or want to register, call Morgan Wise at (312) 886-0705 or (312) 746-6727.

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Founded in 1956 by the late Reverend Christopher Moore as a small church choir, today the Chicago Children's Choir conducts one of the largest, most comprehensive choral performance and training programs of its kind in the United States. The Choir brings together children from diverse racial, cultural, and economic backgrounds who learn not only to blend their voices but also to understand and appreciate one another. Currently nearly 3,000 children take part in the choir's In-School and After-School programs and the world renowned Concert Choir.

The Rogers Park Choir, under the direction of Conductor, Danny Wallenberg, is one of five after-school locations for the CCC that provides music theory, vocal training and performance skills. The Choirs rehearse twice a week, performs several times during the year and takes a short tour in the spring. Highlights over the past seasons include performing for such organizations as the Joffrey Ballet of Chicago's presentation of the Nutcracker, British Airways annual world sales conference, Chicago Park District, the Kohl Children's Museum, Association House, People's Energy, the Sauganash Women's Club, Rockefeller Memorial Chapel and the opening of the International Terminal at O'Hare Airport for both Governor Jim Edgar and Mayor Richard M. Daley. During the past few seasons the Choir has toured Maine, Cedar Rapids and Green Bay, WI.

The Choir's multilingual repertoire includes sacred and secular works, classical selections, American spirituals and folk songs from around the world. Mainly performance fees and corporate, civic and private sponsorships support this non-profit Choir. Parents are asked to pay tuition of \$380 for the Neighborhood Choir. Note however, scholarships are available for families needing assistance so that no child need be excluded for monetary reasons.

The Chicago Children's Choir is a multiracial, multicultural choral music education organization, shaping the future by making a difference in the lives of children and youth through musical excellence.

For more information regarding the audition and/or the program, call CeCe Hill, Program Coordinator at (312) 849-8300, ext. 250. Visit the Choir on the web at: www.cchoir.org or write the Chicago Children's Choir, Chicago Cultural Center, 78 East Washington, Chicago, IL 60602.

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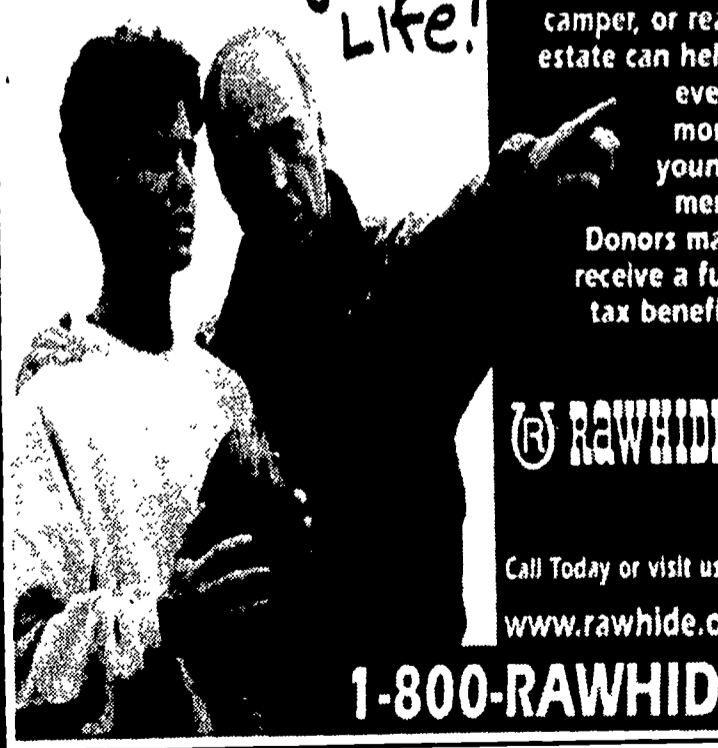
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**ESTATE SALE/
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St. Mary of the Angels Restoration Committee -
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Refreshments available.
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MORTON GROVE - 6538 Maple St.
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Morton Grove - Sat. Aug. 18th
8545 Fernald. 9-3. Furn., tools,
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Niles - 8296 N. Wisner
Sat. 8/18 - 9-4
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Chicago - 5731 N. Campbell Ave.
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Niles - 8030 N. Odell
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**Key & Door Opener
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petition in your hands. (name
petition)... This now becomes your
request and I ask you to place it in
the hands of God the Father. I
know He will grant this petition
because of His love for you, His
son. For this I thank you, O
miraculous Lord. Amen. (Say this
prayer 3X a day for 3 days and
your petition will be granted.
Publish) B.D.

POWERFUL PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT
You who solve all problems, who lights all
roads so that I can obtain my goals. You
who give me the divine gift to forgive and
to forget all evil against me and that in all
instances of my life, you are with me. I
want in this short prayer to thank you for
all things and to confirm that I never want
to be separated from you, even and in
spite of all material illusions. I wish to be
with you in eternal glory. Thank you for
your mercy towards me and mine. Say
this prayer for 3 consecutive days, and a
favor will be granted. Thank You. B.D.

Fascinating Facts About Life on the Farm

How Does Illinois' Garden Grow?

Illinois is a leading producer of soybeans, corn and swine with a climate and varied soil types which enables farmers to grow and raise many other agricultural commodities, including cattle, wheat, oats, sorghum, hay, sheep, poultry, fruits and vegetables.

Illinois also produces several specialty crops, such as buckwheat, horseradish, ostriches, fish and Christmas trees.

Illinois farmers produce more than 15 percent of the nation's corn crop, or enough to fill the Sears Tower in Chicago almost 18 times over.

Illinois farmers grew 398 million bushels of soybeans last year. That's enough soybeans to fill 113,700 railroad boxcars. Placed end to end, the cars would be 2,532 miles long, stretching all the way from Peoria to Boston.

If you combined the states of Delaware, Hawaii, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, you would have the approximate acreage of farmland in Illinois - 76,000 farms comprising 28 mil-

lion acres, or 81 percent of the state.

The average size of an Illinois farm is 368 acres. Most farm acreage is devoted to grain, mainly corn and soybeans. Nearly 10 percent of Illinois farms have swine, with beef cows found on about 23 percent of farms, and 3 percent boasting dairy cows.

Illinois' agricultural commodities generate more than \$9 billion each year with corn accounting for nearly 40 percent of that total. The sale of soybeans contributes about one-third, with the combined sales of livestock, dairy, and poultry generating about 23 percent.

Illinois agricultural commodities also provide the base for such products as animal feed, ink, paint, adhesives, clothing, soap, wax, cosmetics, medicines, furniture, paper and lumber.

Each year, 274 million bushels of Illinois corn are used to produce more ethanol than any other state - about 678 million gallons. Illinois also markets other renewable fuels, including soybean-based biodiesel, a viable alternative to gasoline.

Illinois has a competitive edge over many other states due to its central location and superior transportation system. More than 2,000 miles of interstate highway, and 34,500 of other state highway make trucking of goods fast and efficient. Chicago is home to the largest rail gateway in the nation, connecting eastern and western United States.

About 27 million bushels of corn are fed annually to Illinois hogs, supporting American farmers with almost \$173 million of grain.

Almost 18 million bushels of soybeans are fed annually to Illinois hogs, an amount of grain that costs nearly \$103 million.

A Preponderance of Pigs
Piglets weigh only 3-5 pounds when they are born; in 5 to 6 months, they can grow to reach 250 pounds. Imagine a human being being fully grown in only 6 months!

A male pig used for breeding is called a "boar" and a mother pig a "sow."

Sows and boars can weigh 400-500 pounds. That's the same weight as 40 watermelons or even 27 bowling balls!

Growing pigs drink up to 5 gallons of water a day.

A pig's squeal ranges from 110-115 decibels. The noise from a Concorde supersonic jet is usually under 112 decibels.

Each day, a pig consumes 15 pounds of corn and soybean feed. They eat their body weight in feed every 10 days!

Chocolate is sometimes added to what piglets eat. This helps them to gain lots of energy quickly.

Since sows weigh about 450 pounds, farmers have designed special pens to protect piglets from being crushed by their lumbering mothers. These pens give piglets their own room so they can safely get milk.

Because pigs can't sweat, they cover themselves in mud to cool off. And because their skin can sunburn easily, they usually live in environmentally controlled housing to keep them warm in winter and cool in the summer and out of direct sunlight.

"Gilts" are young female pigs that have not given birth, and "barrows" are young male pigs that are not used for breeding.

There may be as many as 18 piglets in a litter, however an average litter is eight or nine. A record number of 27 piglets was once recorded.

Pigs are one of the few animals that don't overeat. They eat to a certain calorie level and then stop. A pig eats about 870 pounds of corn and 120 pounds of protein

and minerals to reach market weight.

Wall Street got its name from pigs! Free-roaming hogs were famous for rampaging through the valuable grain fields of colonial New York City farmers. The Manhattan Island residents chose to block the troublesome hogs with a long, permanent wall on the northern edge of what is now Lower Manhattan. A street came to border this wall - named aptly enough, Wall Street.

How Now, Brown (Dairy) Cow
A cow only has bottom teeth. A cow has four stomachs. A young female is called a heifer, when a heifer is two years old, she is able to have her first calf. Once a heifer has a calf, she is called a cow.

When a cow is born it is called a calf. A calf weighs about 100 pounds at birth.

The gestation period for cows is nine months.

A cow only begins to produce milk after she has had a calf and will continue to produce milk until she has her next calf.

Cows are milked twice a day. A single cow can give nearly 150 glasses of milk each day.

The first form of domestic animal milk used by humans came from water buffalo milk as early 2000 B.C.

A full-grown cow weighs up to 1,500 pounds.

A cow will eat 90 pounds of food each day and consume 25-50 gallons of water each day.

CMI lights the way at Heartland AIDS Ride



Dozens of bicyclists "see the light" with their new Globe Strobes, an innovative safety device manufactured by CMI, Inc. of Skokie, IL, and presented free of charge to all participants in this year's Heartland AIDS Ride fundraiser. This unique product, on a necklace lavalier, can be seen for up to half-a-mile away, making cyclists more visible to motorists. CMI, Inc. imprinted the lights with the Heartland AIDS Ride name for this special occasion. For more information about how you or your business can put your name on a Globe Strobe, call (847) 933-8500.

CMI, Inc. of Skokie donated 2,000 Globe Strobe™ safety lights to bicyclists taking part in the 2001 Heartland AIDS Ride. The innovative Globe Strobe— which is manufactured by CMI—uses strobe light technology to make the wearer visible for up to half a mile. For this special event, CMI imprinted the Heartland AIDS Ride name onto all of the Globe Strobes. CMI's donation ensured that everyone taking part in the Ride received a practical souvenir that is perfect for bikers, joggers or anyone who enjoys outdoor activities at night.

"The Heartland AIDS Ride is about protecting people," said Bob Rubin, CEO of CMI, Inc. "The Globe Strobe is about keeping people safe at night. By imprinting the name of the ride on the Strobes, the riders will never forget their participation in this important event."

Worn on a breakaway lavalier, Globe Strobe lights are powered by lightweight watch batteries that are included and run for up to 100 hours before needing replacement. The weather-resistant lights carry a limited five-year-warranty.

CMI's products can be purchased at major participating retailers, including Ace Hardware, Bed Bath & Beyond, Linens 'N Things, PetSmart, True Value, Walgreen's, CVS, Marathon, and The Home Depot. For more information about CMI's Globe Strobe, Safety Strobe, or any other CMI, Inc. products, please log onto the web site at www.promolites.com or www.CMI-befirst.com. For more information about how you or your business can put your name on a Globe Strobe, call (847) 933-8500.

Learn turn-of-century ways during Adventure Weekend

See turn-of-the century automobiles, play old-time games and see authentic period clothing during "Adventure Weekends: Streets of Old Milwaukee," 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, August 18-Monday, August 20 at the Milwaukee Public Museum.

Experience a bygone era by strolling down the "Streets of Old Milwaukee," one of the Museum's most popular exhibits. Meet Granny, rocking in a chair in front of her Grand Avenue home; and the Watsons, one of Milwaukee's pioneer African American families. Pay a visit to Laab's drug store, featuring some old-time remedies such as leeches and Florentine Hair Promoter; and see an early Usinger's sausage shop and a Schlitz saloon.

Hundreds of original period objects and structural elements were used to build the "Streets of Old Milwaukee." Many of the doors, windows, counters, gingerbread trim and hardware pieces came from actual buildings built between 1850-1900, giving it authenticity.

All activities are free with admission. Visitors can:

- Tour the Watson Family House with Al Muchka, Museum curator of history. Muchka will lead a tour at 11:30 a.m. Monday, August 20. Docent-guided tours of "Streets of Old Milwaukee"

will be 11 a.m., noon and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18; noon and 1:30 p.m. Sunday, August 19; and 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. Monday, August 20.

- Put your hands in a muff and see authentic, turn-of-the-century apparel, including a man's walking stick and a woman's plumed hat; petticoats, spats and pantaloons; and a parasol, split drawers and union suits, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. August 18-20.
- Have your face painted, noon-2 p.m. Saturday, August 18.
- Take home a balloon sculpture, noon-2 p.m. Sunday, August 19.
- Take a free audio tour, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. August 18-20, and hear turn-of-the century stories, 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m.
- See silent films in the Nickelodeon Theater, including "Perils of Pauline," "The Silent Western" and "Mack Sennett."

Admission to the Museum: adults \$6.50, seniors (60+) \$5, children (ages 4-17) \$4. Milwaukee County residents are admitted free on Mondays with identification. For more information, call (414) 278-2702.

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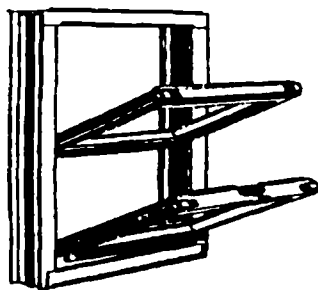
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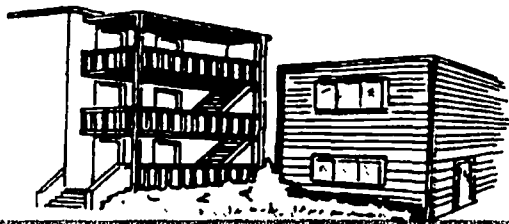
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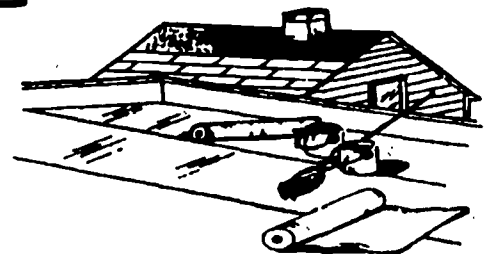
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