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Arrests made after hijacking of Best Buy delivery truck

Lincolnwood police have apprehended two men who hijacked a truck June 24.

The chase started in Skokie and ended on the Edens Expressway with four shots fired at a police officer. Both the hijacked truck and a car driven by an accomplice were involved in the chase.

A Best Buy truck starting morning delivery rounds was hijacked by three men near Knox Avenue and Oakton

Street, in Skokie. They approached the driver and helper with a gun and took over the truck, said Lincolnwood Police Chief Dan Gooris.

One of the two men overcome used a cell phone to call Skokie Police, who put out an alert. A Lincolnwood officer saw the truck enter Edens Expressway southbound at Touhy and pulled the truck
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Report says Dist. 63 Special Ed. needs improvements

A consultant hired by Elementary District 63 to assess its special education program has presented his findings.

Louis Gatta, president of Educational Consultants and Research Associates, recommends stronger communication and staff development.

Superintendent Kathleen Williams said that Gatta took staff and parent surveys and held interviews to prepare his response.

Gatta recommends "inclusive settings," meaning

that students be placed in regular classroom settings as much as possible.

Williams said this is done, but Gatta feels the district could do better. The present efforts are not consistent, Williams said, and added that there's also need for staff development on this point.

Another point scrutinized is differentiated instruction, or tailoring teaching methods to a child's disability.

District 63's special education
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Skokie wants assurances of improved service before OK to AT&T Cable

Skokie trustees tabled approving cable service transfer to newly-formed AT&T Comcast.

Skokie officials want extra time to nail down certain issues, such as, which corporate subgroup will have responsibility for upgrades promised, like improving the level of customer service.

Skokie's cable liaison, Nori Van Elzen, expects to meet with AT&T Broadband officials about replacing outdated or non-functioning equipment at a public access studio on Gross Point Road. The village wants a specific date when upgrades at the studio will be completed.

The village also wants AT&T to improve broadcast

quality on channels that carry government and school programming.

Van Elzen indicated in a report to Skokie Village Manager Al Rigoni that AT&T has hired 150 new employees to improve customer service.

Skokie is one of 165 communities affected by the pending sale of AT&T Broadband to Comcast of Philadelphia. Each community must officially approve the franchise transfer agreements.

A group hired by customer communities to investigate Comcast has reported an opinion that the cable company can stand up to its agreements.

Skokie trustees expect to give transfer approval at their July 1 meeting.

32-year old janitor employed in Park Ridge schools; Previously worked at Emerson School in Niles

School janitor charged with stalking 11 year-old

A janitor at Franklin School in Park Ridge has been charged with one count of felony stalking of an 11-year-old female student.

Paul L. Roberts, 32, night janitor, admitted to the girl on the last day of school that he was the one who had left her notes, candy, and money throughout the year. When the girl told her parents about the items that were left in her locker, the parents assumed it was the work of an admirer who was another student.

One note stated that the writer would be made known on the last day of school.

When Roberts did identify

himself to the girl as "the candyman," the student told her parents who notified the school.

School officials notified district officials June 11. The district immediately launched
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Community quilt on display in MG July 4th parade

Morton Grove will have a special feature for its July 4th parade—a quilt sewed by the community.

The quilt was the idea of Jack Terrazas, commander of American Legion Post 134, who felt something special should be done this year and that the Legion should be involved.

When the Post asked for help more than 60 sections were contributed by the community. Designs are traditional patriotic themes—the flag, Lady Liberty, bald eagle.

The quilt will be on display at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center at 6140 Dempster Street and will be carried in the parade on July 4.

St. John Brebeuf preschoolers celebrate



The preschoolers at St. John Brebeuf School shared their last class with their parents in June. Each of the four groups put on a show of prayers, a story, and songs they had learned during the year.

Morning Graduates (Pictured) - Row 1: Jordan Foster, Leah Schneider, Erin Condon, Eric Ponzetti, Eva Hagman, Janessa Sacluti. Row 2: Colleen Murphy, Sophie Koziol, Ray Joseph, Tyler VonderHeide, Matthew Infusino, Jesus Guzman. Row 3: Natalie Fries, Kellie Murphy, Sophie Oswald, Angie Oswald, Seamus Concannon, Mark Neuhengen. Row 4: Mrs. Kathy Nichols (teacher), Brendan Concannon, Hannah Farley, Martin Breslin, Mark Sliwka, Tommy Polcyn, Sen Joseph, and Mrs. Margie Szajowski (aide).

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Administrative Assistant Betty Rolla retires



After almost 42 years of service, Betty retired as Administrative Assistant to the Fire Chief on April 20, 2002. Betty began her career as the first secretary of the Public Works, Building and Electrical Departments. She possesses a lot of information regarding Village and Fire Department operations, as well as a lot of history about the community.

Pictured above are (left to right) Mayor Nicholas B. Blase, Betty Rolla, and Fire Chief Harry Kinowski.

July 4 Seatbelt, D.U.I. Enforcement

Over 700 law enforcement agencies statewide are launching their third major enforcement blitz of the year as part of a statewide crackdown called CLICK IT or TICKET. This traffic enforcement blitz coincides with the nationwide campaign called YOU DRINK & DRIVE? YOU LOSE!

The message is simple: Illinois law enforcement will be taking a zero tolerance approach to seatbelt violators and impaired drivers. The enforcement period begins on July 1, 2002 and runs through July 14, 2002.

As part of the crackdown: local, county, and state law enforcement agencies will be conducting multi-jurisdictional roadside safety checks. The law enforcement agencies will take swift action by removing D.U.I. offenders by arrest and locking them up. Motorists are warned that the average cost for a D.U.I. arrest is \$11,500.

Although the number of deaths has decreased in recent years, alcohol and drug impairment remains a significant factor in 38% of all fatal motor vehicle crashes nationwide.

In Illinois, during the 2001 July 4 holiday, one traffic related fatality occurred. This year, law enforcement's goal is zero fatalities for the 4th of July holiday. Chief Sheehan has consistently emphasized the point that every motorist can play their part by buckling up their children and themselves every time they get in their vehicle. It is the best defense against drunk drivers and personal injuries. And, remember: **DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!**

It is not law enforcement's goal during this two-week blitz to write hundreds of seatbelt tickets and arrest D.U.I. offenders, however, if that is what it takes to save lives - the Niles Police Department will do their job!

Tobacco restrictions for minors



Village of Niles Inspector for Alcohol and Tobacco, Ken Flanieri, is shown discussing tobacco restrictions for minors, with a local service employee. The Village of Niles inspects all of its tobacco establishments on a monthly basis, to make sure that tobacco owners and employees are aware of the penalties involved in the sale of tobacco to minors.

Niles 4th of July Celebration

The village of Niles will be sponsoring a 4th of July parade on Thursday, July 4, starting at 9 a.m. the parade will commence at Notre Dame High school and proceed to Grennan Heights Park. The parade route is as follows:

South on Ozark to Main - East on Maint to Harlem - South on Harlem to Monroe - West on Monroe to Oketo.

Due to the bus line-up for parade units, there will be "NO PARKING" along the parade route and along Keeneey to Kedzie

from Olcott to Odell and along the streets bordering Grennan Heights Recreation Center at 8255 Oketo Avenue until 2 p.m.

The Niles Park District is sponsoring activities at Grennan Heights Park. A full line of entertainment, including the Fabulous Murray Brothers, family games, face painting, safety/information tent, pony rides and characters has been scheduled following the parade from Noon to 3 p.m. at Grennan Heights Park.

Passport to Adventure Unlocks Doors to Local Museums

Morton Grove children will have the opportunity to explore the magic of Museums this summer, while saving their parents the long hot drive to Chicago. The Morton Grove Historical Museum is participating in the Passport to Adventure which encourages residents to visit the smaller museums in their town and neighboring communities. Beginning Memorial Day and extending through Labor Day, participating receive a Passport which

provides information on participating local museums and nature centers. For each site visited, the child will get a stamp in their passport. Five stamps will earn a Certificate of Achievement, and seven stamps will earn a small prize. Passports can be picked up at the Morton Grove Historical Museum, 6240 W. Dempster or at the Morton Grove Public Library, 6140 Lincoln. For more information, call (847) 965-0203.

Free Vision & Hearing Tests for Children

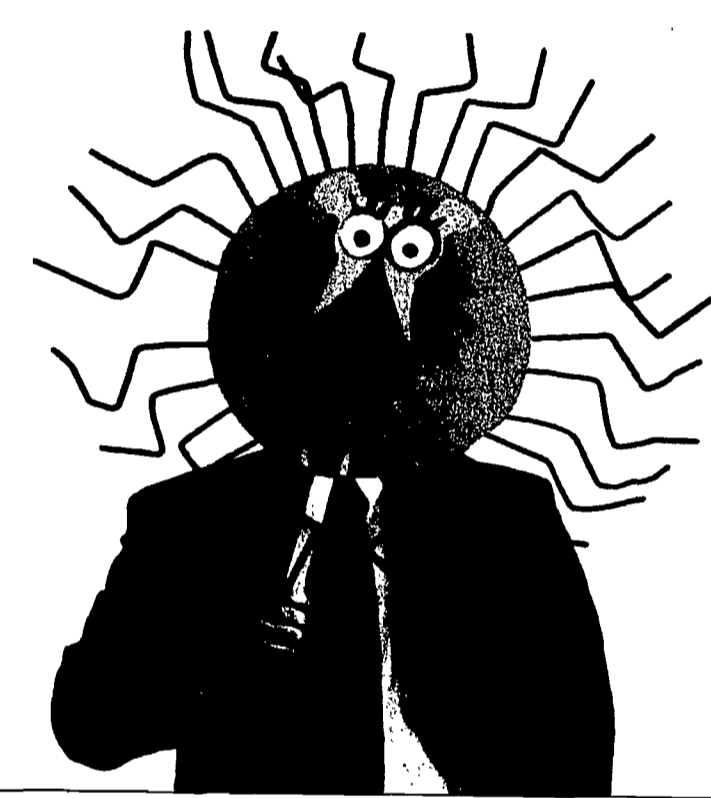
Free vision and hearing tests provided by the Cook County Department of Public Health will be available to children ages three to fifteen.

The screenings will be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden Education Center, Friday, July 19, 2002 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, and again from 1 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary and the tests take only a few minutes to perform.

Vision and hearing problems may often go undetected by parents, especially if a problem involves only one eye or one ear. Some vision problems in children, preschoolers in particular, can lead to permanent loss of vision, or make treatment more difficult if not treated early.

The Chicago Botanic Garden is one-half mile east of the Edens Expressway, at 1000 Lake Cook Rd., Glencoe. For information call Cook County Department of Public Health at (708) 492-2120. TDD for hearing/speech impaired: (708) 492-2002.

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We may play a game or two or just simply kick back, relax and enjoy good conversation, wonderful music, and great food. We will be both inside and on the patio, depending on the weather.

Registration Deadline Monday, July 8, 2002. No refunds after Wednesday, July 10, 2002. A \$5 processing fee will be charged for refunds.

Lincolnwood Seniors Club Input Session. Lincolnwood Community Center, Corner of Lincoln and Morse. Tuesday, July 23, 2002, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Cost is free.

The best way to make our club a success is to attend these sessions and give your input. As always, I will do my best to meet your requests for programs and events, but I cannot do this without your input. Please bring newspaper clippings, restaurant menus, movie suggestions, etc. Anything that you think would be helpful is appreciated. It is our club, let's make it the best possible and work together as a team!!

Registration deadline Friday, July 19, 2002.

Move Over Picasso Arts N' Crafts. Lincolnwood Community Center, Corner of Lincoln & Morse, Friday, August 16, 2002, 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 members; \$10 guests.

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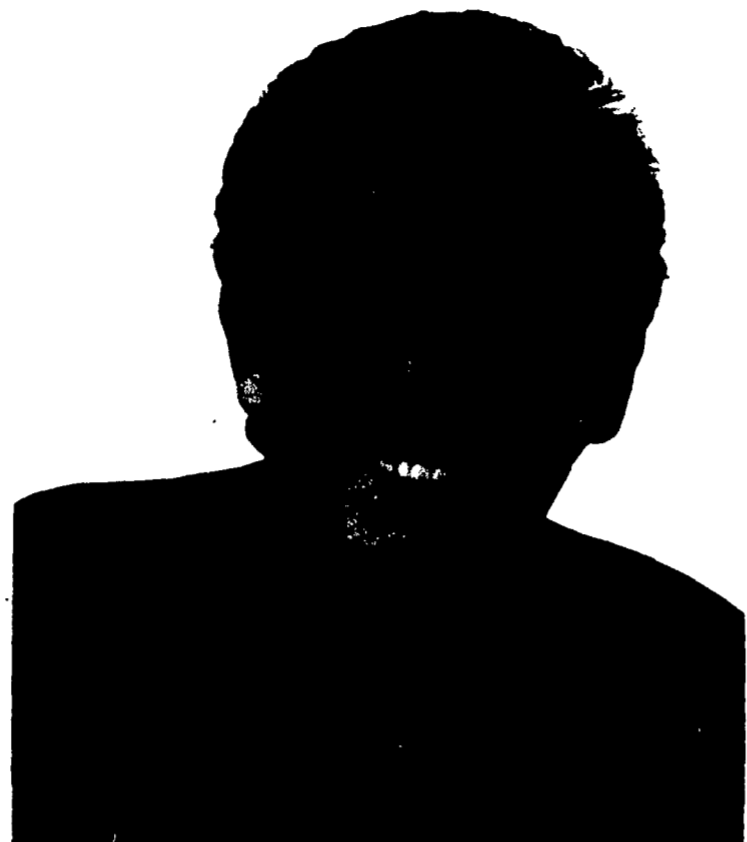
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Bill Acosta returns to Milwaukee's Festa Italiana



After a four-year absence, Bill Acosta returns to the Midwest. The largest ethnic fest in the country will be presented at the Summerfest grounds in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on July 18, 19, 20 and 21. Bill will perform 2 shows each day at 3 and 9 on the Miller stage.

Festa executive Paul Iannelli boasts his 9 stages of non-stop entertainment. Acosta was a Festa favorite for 7 yrs. straight before becoming a Las Vegas headliner. The Man of 1001 Voices premiered his "Lasting Impressions" show in Atlantic City at Trump's Plaza in 1997. A return engagement the following year earned Acosta a visit from the Luxor's casino. VP of entertainment. The deal was cut immediately following a standing room only crowd performance. Joel Fischman signed the show to a 12 week trial, in a theatre renovated specifically for Acosta. Twelve weeks evolved into two more extensions keeping Acosta at the Luxor for 2 yrs before moving to the Flamingo.

The Radio City Rockettes had been at the Flamingo for 5 yrs and rumor had it they were not going to renew. Jeane Bavaro, the writer, producer and director of Lasting Impressions, jumped on the opportunity to be center strip with an enlarged show, starring singer/impressionist, Bill Acosta. "As management for Bill for the past 13 yrs., I was extremely proud to have conquered the competition amongst 50 to 60 other producers for that historic showroom," states Bavaro. "We had one additional thing going for us that other producers didn't, momentum."

The show at the Flamingo featured 12 showgirls, a live orchestra and lavish costumes and sets. Finally Bill Acosta was seen in the perfect setting. Bill's buzz was strong on the strip and building even more momentum. The minute the show moved to a prime time, 8 performance, attendance began to double and triple. Three weeks later, 9/11 hit and tourism came to a screeching halt. The show closed on September 23.

Unlike most of us, Bill has been traveling extensively. He has traveled over 60,000 miles since the first of the year. He is booked at the LV Suncoast Casino September 6, 7, & 8 and will be at the Windsor Hotel & Casino in Canada the end of November beginning of December.

"We are currently shopping a permanent showroom in Las Vegas. As we all know, nothing anywhere has been the same since 9/11. When the right opportunity is presented for Bill Acosta's vast amount of talent, we'll know it! Bill's reputation is impeccable, the show is pure class and versatile and we are confident we will be right where we want to be, very shortly."

Bill said, "To date, Festa Italiana has always been the most receptive audiences anywhere I have worked in the world. I am very excited about returning this year. The audience response is an entertainers dream. Much of their crowds consist of Chicagoans.

Although my family and I now live in Las Vegas, we will always call Chicago home and look forward to being surrounded by family and friends. We'll see you in Milwaukee."

MG Historical Museum Prairie and Garden Walk

Learn more about Morton Grove's own prairies and native plants by participating in this special tour on **Sunday, July 14, 2002**. This walk includes guided visits at three sites:

At 2 p.m. join the volunteer steward of the Wayside Prairie (Dempster to Lehigh, about 1/2 block north of Dempster, turn left into Forest Preserve parking lot) to learn about this local prairie which was an old Morton Grove ball field until activists began to restore the prairie to its former grass and wildflower glory.

At 3 p.m. join the volunteer steward of the Morton Grove Prairie Nature Preserve (behind Prairie View Community Center) to learn about this 1.45 acre remnant of the tall-grass prairie which is perhaps the only surviving virgin land in Niles Township. Meet at the Lookout Platform, east of the prairie.

Finally, anytime between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. meet at a private garden in Morton Grove (9115 Major) which uses native plants and is gardened for wildlife. Over ten years, the owners of this special garden have documented 71 species of birds and 19 species of butterflies.

Participants provide their own transportation between sites. Children, accompanied by an adult, are welcome. Insect repellent is recommended. Call the Morton Grove Historical Museum for more information on this tour: (847) 965-0203.

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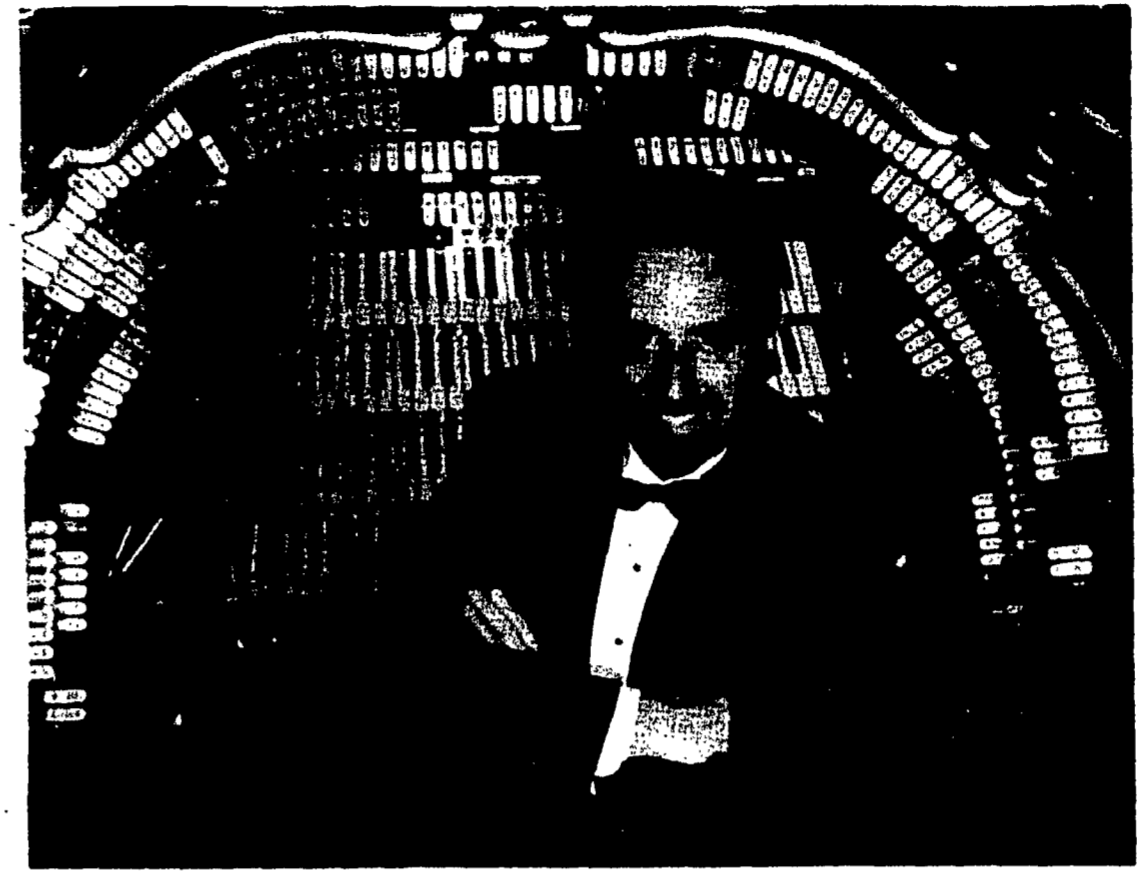
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Where: Gateway Theatre, 5216 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, IL.

What: The Silent Summer Film Festival.

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- July 19: "Safety Last!" (1923) - With special guest Suzanne Lloyd Hayes. Jay Warren at the Gateway Pipe Organ.
- July 26: "The Phantom of the Opera" (1925) - Dennis James at the Gateway Pipe Organ.
- August 2: "The Black Pirate" (1926) - Orchestra and organ accompaniment by The 30 piece Lincolnwood Chamber Orchestra. Philip Simmons, Musical Director. International Photoplay Organist Dennis James.
- August 9: "Pandora's Box" (1928) - Dennis Scott at the Gateway Pipe Organ.
- August 16: "Ella Cinders" (1926) - Jay Warren at the Gateway Pipe Organ. "Remember the Uptown Theater Night"
- August 23: "The Vanishing American" (1926) - Dennis Scott at the Gateway Pipe Organ.

When: Five Fridays (shown above). All times 8 p.m., except August 2.

Admission: Festival passes \$46, or \$40 for senior/student. Individual films \$7 to \$14.

Hosts: The Silent Film Society of Chicago. A not-for-profit film group devoted to heightening public awareness of the silent cinema through authentic and proper presentations of silent pictures.

Contact: Dennis Wolkowicz: (773) 777-9438 (pal2775@msn.com) www.silentfilmchicago.com

Pickwick Preservation Society hosts first annual picnic

The Pickwick Preservation Society, a membership group open to the public, sponsored by the Pickwick Theatre Council, will hold its first annual summer picnic on **Friday, July 12 from 6-8 p.m. in Hodges Park, Prospect, Vine and Courtland in Park Ridge**. The picnic will precede the Park Ridge Fine Arts Society's FREE concert in the park, "Broadway's Best," beginning at 8 p.m. The rain date for the Preservation Picnic is Friday, August 9, also preceding the concert that evening in Hodges Park.

The picnic will provide a fun way for society members to get to know one another and to learn details of the upcoming third season of PICKWICK Live, the performing arts series sponsored by the Theatre Council, as well as to find out about volunteer opportunities for the Council. Members will be welcomed by Jeane Fontana Ferrini, newly installed as Preservation Society President, and other members of the Council's board.

There is no charge for the picnic. The Preservation Society will provide soft drinks and dessert to members, who should bring their own lawn chairs or blankets.

The Pickwick Preservation Society is open to anyone with an interest in saving the Historic Pickwick Theatre, 5 South Prospect, in Park Ridge. The theatre has been on the National Register of Historic Places since 1975, and is considered one of the best remaining examples of Art Deco movie palace design. There are various levels of membership available, from student at \$20, individual at \$35, and family at \$50, to Lifetime for \$1,000. Those interested in joining or renewing their memberships in the PPS should call the Council office at (847) 692-6590. Reservations are required for the picnic, but memberships will also be available that evening. **Contact: Catherine Kenney, (847) 692-6590, ext. 1.**

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Bugle ad brings happy customer to June Moon

Some time ago a lady called June Moon Estate Sales in Des Plaines to say she had a house full of clutter and needed to dispose of it all before she could sell her house. She had found June Moon Estate Sales thru their regular advertising in the Niles Bugle.

An inspection of the home revealed boxes of antiques, bric-a-brac and household items stacked to the ceiling in every room in the house, basement and garage. The lady mentioned that this was the result of four households of belongings being brought into her

home. Because of the health problems of her and her husband, dealing with the mountains of clutter required the services of a professional they could trust and that would be able to get the job done promptly.

An estate sale on the premises of the home was recommended by June Moon Estate Sales. Work was immediately begun sorting through dozens of boxes, appraising and tagging items to be included in the sale, and creating displays on tables and in showcases for fragile porcelains and jewelry. There were several pieces of lovely antique furniture, lamps and paintings in the home, plus dining room and bedroom furniture, and this needed special evaluation and attention. Careful inspection and appraisal of each piece was done on-site.

A sale date was chosen with an outside and inside sale to be run at the same time to allow June Moon to dispose of as many items as possible in a three day sale. Signage and ads were created to promote the sale to as many potential buyers as possible. Since the family planned to sell their home after the estate sale, June Moon offered to obtain names of buyers also interested in possibly purchasing the home. There is no charge for this extra service that allows prospective home buyers to tour the home as they shop for antiques and household items during the conducted sale.

The weather was perfect for each day of the sale and all the furniture and antiques and collectibles and most of the worthwhile household items, many still new in the box, were sold, including outdoor furniture and garden ornaments. Sales exceeded initial estimates by more than 50%. Thorough preparation, proper display and evaluation of items and effective promotion paid off. The lady and her husband received more than they expected and cleaned out their home of years of clutter. Leftover items were sold after the sale directly or donated to charity.

Best of all, several of the estate

sale buyers expressed strong interest in purchasing the lovely home. June Moon Estate Sales turned over a list of prospective buyers to the owners for evaluation and follow-up by their real estate agent.

One of the estate sale shoppers is now also the new owner of the home. And the lady and her husband are making plans to move, with much less clutter and more money for moving expenses and medical bills. All thanks to an ad in the Niles Bugle.

June Moon Estate Sales can be reached by calling (847) 294-0018. Or you can stop by their store at 1486 Miner Street in downtown Des Plaines. Store hours are 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

SBC Ameritech puts profits over service again

Chicago - Red flags went up as SBC Ameritech announced that it will cut jobs, claiming that increased competition in the local phone market and service improvements are the reasons.

"SBC Ameritech's cutting of technicians who are responsible for maintenance and repairs may lead to a service meltdown like we saw in 2000," said Illinois Coalition for Competitive Telecommunications (ICCT) Executive Director, Gary Mack.

In a study released by the ICCT last year, workforce cuts were directly linked to a service meltdown that prompted public outcry and the passage of a new telecom law. SBC Ameritech was also able to boost its profits by investing less in its network.

Most recently, SBC paid a penalty of \$1.95 million for missing "access goals" as part of the 1999 merger agreement with Ameritech. The agreement stipulates that SBC Ameritech must provide other local phone companies new lines and switches as quickly as it does for its own divisions. SBC Ameritech missed these benchmarks more than six months out of 12 and has been fined each and every month since July 2000. Regional Bell Operating Companies like SBC Ameritech claim these benchmarks are impossible to reach.

"SBC Ameritech has an obligation to bring choice to Illinois consumers by providing adequate service to competitors. 'It's the law,'" said Mack.

Other local phone providers disagree with Ameritech's claims that competitors are taking away a significant number of its customers. According to the latest FCC data available, SBC Ameritech still has 90 percent of the local phone market.

The ICCT works to promote public policies that create and sustain a more competitive telecommunications industry to Illinois.

Calling All Golfers!

Are you a golf nut? Do you know someone who is? Then don't miss out on this great opportunity to play through not just one but two super golf events.

Whether you spend your time on the fairways or in the rough, Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation invites you to join them on Monday, July 8 at the Cary Country Club at 4 Muirwood Ct. in Cary for the 9th Annual "Golf For Bear's Friends"

Niles Park District offers girls/boys basketball camp

Niles Park District is hosting the North Shore Basketball Camp for girls and boys, ages 7 - 14. The one-week camp begins on August 5, 2002 and takes place at Grennan Heights Gymnasium, 8255 Oketo.

It is led by Everette Stephens, former professional player with the Indiana Pacers and Milwaukee Bucks. He is joined by trained coaches and staff who will provide extensive training in skills, fundamentals, team play and sportsmanship.

This camp is ideal for beginners and will also challenge more advanced players. Fees include free t-shirt, sports bottle, awards and prizes. Registration is being accepted at the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard Street. For more information, please call (847) 967-6975.

Catholic Charities adoption info meetings

Interested persons are invited to learn more about the adoption process, and options available to them, at informal meetings sponsored by the Catholic Charities/Adoption Department. Persons of all religious, racial or ethnic backgrounds are welcome to attend.

"Adoption Information Meetings" will be held on:
 July 11, 2002, 6:30 p.m.
 Catholic Charities Northwest Suburban Office
 1717 Rand Road
 Des Plaines, IL
 and
 July 18, 2002, 6:30 p.m.
 St. Bernard Hospital
 326 W. 64th Street
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Thanks for Baby Shower Support

Members of the North American Martyrs Council, Knights of Columbus, thank everyone that contributed to the special Baby Shower throughout the past few weeks at St. John Bebeuf Church.

Grand Knight Joe Tatkowski is extremely proud to announce that the Council will provide all donations to Women's Center, Chicago.

Golf Outing.
 Last year this event raised \$65,000 dedicated toward pediatric cancer research funding and small miracles focused on helping to make the lives of young cancer victims and their families just a little easier.

Participants will enjoy various golfing challenges, live and silent auctions, a cash raffle, and of course our world-renowned gerbil races - a favorite of all. Check-in starts at 11 a.m. with a noon shot gun start. Registration includes green fees, cart, lunch and refreshments, cocktail hour, goodie bag, dinner, and golf gift.

And...if one golf event just

isn't enough for you...we have another opportunity for you true golf fanatics to keep on swinging.

For those diehards who have always wanted to play 100 holes of golf in a single day, Bear Necessities "Longest Day of Golf" will take place on Monday, July 29 at the Crystal Lake Country Club at 721 Country Club Road in Crystal Lake, beginning at 7 a.m. Each golfer will be asked to obtain the required amount of pledges for each hole played and there is no other cost. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

For more information on either of these events, call Maureen Tokar at (847) 952-9164.

First aid classes for youngsters offered

Two American Red Cross first aid classes for children are being offered on Wednesday, July 10, at Resurrection Medical Center, 7435 West Talcott Avenue, in the hospital's Health Management classroom on the first floor.

Margie Balogh, R.N., a certified first aid instructor, will conduct "First Aid for Little People," for children five to eight years old, from 3 to 4 p.m. to familiar-

ize participants with a variety of basic first aid skills. There is a \$10 fee for this class.

From 4 to 5:30 p.m., Balogh will teach basic first aid skills to children eight to 14 years of age in "Basic Aid Training." The fee for this class is \$15.

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Ask your pharmacist: Outdoor First Aid

by Holly Vance

Q: I'm planning an overnight backpack trip this summer. How can I prepare for accidents that might occur while on the trail?

A: Create or purchase a compact first aid kit and pack it for easy access. Include enough antiseptic wipes, bandages, and antibacterial lotion to treat minor injuries for the duration of the trip. Pack moleskin and scissors to treat blisters and a pain reliever such as ibuprofen, which can also reduce swelling. Add sunscreen, itch cream, tweezers, and lip ointment. You may also want to include splints, wound closures,

and instant ice packs.

Whether you purchase an outdoor first aid kit (brand name: First Aid Only), or build one yourself, include items that may be needed if you're lost or immobile. An extra waterproof fire source and thermal blanket can make a big difference in an emergency.

Q: What's the best way to remove a tick, and how can I protect my family from Lyme disease?

A: Lyme disease is a bacterial infection transmitted to people by deer ticks. Defend yourself against ticks and diseases they carry by wearing long pants and a

long-sleeved shirt when hiking or camping in wooded areas. Light colored clothing makes ticks more visible. Consider wearing an insect repellent that contains the chemical DEET (Off!).

If you live or spend time in an area where ticks are a problem, check yourself and your family daily for ticks. You reduce the risk of a bite and infection dramatically if you remove the tick within 24 to 48 hours.

Remove the entire tick carefully as soon as you find it. If the tick has embedded in the skin, grasp it near its head with tweezers and gently pull it out. Use an antiseptic to clean the bite. Save the tick in a plastic bag and take it with you to the doctor if you or your child develops fever, muscle aches, joint pain, or a rash—especially one with a bull's-eye pattern.

Q: What's the best way to treat poison ivy or oak rashes?

A: Plants such as poison ivy, poison sumac, and poison oak release an oily sap that can cause an uncomfortable allergic reaction.

When hiking or camping in wooded areas, wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt. Wash the clothes after the trip. If you expect to encounter poisonous plants, apply bentoquatam lotion (IvyBlock) before exposure to help prevent a reaction.

If you touch a poisonous plant or a pet or item that has touched the plant, wash promptly with

soap (Burt's Bees Poison Ivy Soap) and water. Once itching starts, try calamine lotion (Aveeno, Caladryl) or an over-the-counter cream containing 1 percent hydrocortisone (Cortaid, Cortizone) to relieve discomfort. Call your doctor if a rash is severe, infected, or if it spreads to the face, eyes, mouth, or genital area.

Q: I would like to avoid using DEET. Can products such as citronella really repel insects?

A: Several alternative therapies can help prevent insect bites. None have been shown to be as effective as insect repellents that contain DEET.

Citronella-containing creams, sprays, candles, and lotion are popular insect repellents. They seem to provide some protection against some flying insects.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) hasn't approved Avon's Skin-So-Soft as an insect repellent, but people have used it for years to prevent mosquito bites. In contrast to DEET, which works for up to eight hours after one application, you must reapply Skin-So-Soft every couple of hours.

Some people believe that vitamin B-1 repels insects. It may work by giving your perspiration a taste and odor that insects find unpleasant. The FDA review of vitamin B-1 concluded that it's ineffective as an insect repellent. But since vitamin B-1 appears to be safe at recommended doses, you might want to give it a try if you spend a lot of time outdoors. Adults can take a dose of 150 mg three or four times a day, starting one day before exposure to insects.

Anti-Cruelty offers cat adoptions

Starting in spring, animal shelters around the country experience a surge in the population of cats looking for good homes. The Anti-Cruelty Society, Chicago's full-service humane society, has cats of all ages, types and temperaments waiting for you in its Adoption Center, conveniently located in River North at Grand and LaSalle.

In our increasingly complex world, one of the best antidotes to stress is a furry feline friend. Research indicates that cats help ease anxiety; the simple act of stroking a cat for a few minutes can promote a feeling of tranquility. A cat will also offer constant companionship and non-judgmental love. Who said a cat couldn't be man's (or woman's) best friend?

If you are looking for a new kitty companion, this is the perfect time to find one at The Anti-Cruelty Society. For the moderate adoption fee of \$55, you'll be on your way to adopting a new friend, complete with spaying or neutering and a microchip ID.

If you currently own a cat, The Anti-Cruelty Society urges that you have it spayed or neutered. The Anti-Cruelty Society offers spay and neuter services for any cat or dog for only \$25 and works with Alley Cat Allies and other groups to contain the feral cat population in our community.

If you have any questions about services offered at Anti-Cruelty, call (312) 644-8338.

Durbin amendment to strengthen emergency preparedness

The Senate Governmental Affairs Committee today approved an amendment offered by U.S. Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL) that would help to strengthen the nation's emergency preparedness efforts by improving public access to terrorism-related information, helping employers develop disaster management plans for workers and their families and working with organizations to improve security in their buildings.

The National Emergency Management Association indicated late last year that states need a single source of guidance from the federal government in order to manage the increase in terrorism-related information. A recent study also has shown that more than 30 percent of employers do not have disaster management plans for workers and their families, although the importance of such preparations was made apparent by the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center last September. Morgan Stanley, which had evacuation plans in place before that event, lost six of its 2,700 employees who worked at the site while other companies

suffered more severe losses.

"These extraordinary times have made necessary this important security effort," said Durbin, who is a member of the Governmental Affairs Committee. "We need to help improve our awareness and the efficiency of our response so as to keep pace with threats in the world we live in."

Durbin's measure was accepted as an amendment to a bill introduced by U.S. Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-CT) that would, among other things, create a U.S. Department of National Homeland Security. The Illinois senator's amendment would create a national clearinghouse for emergency preparedness to serve as a central source of information on federal grants and emergency preparedness tools. In addition, the amendment would establish a pilot program to make matching funds available for organizations so they can develop evacuation plans, better educate the users of their facilities and improve security. The measure also would establish an annual national Emergency Preparedness Week during the week in September that includes the 11th.

O'Hare expansion won't end mess warns SOC

The Daley-Ryan plan to expand O'Hare Airport would create the most delay-prone airport in the nation, the Suburban O'Hare Commission warned Congress today.

SOC Chairman, John Geils, also warned, "Worse yet, the proposed runway plan will produce a system that is guaranteed to fail miserably whenever the weather turns bad."

Geils made his remarks in prepared testimony before the U.S. Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee which was holding hearings on whether Congress should take the unprecedented action of locking in an unstudied airport expansion "concept" prior to the usual environmental and other regulatory reviews.

Congressional promoters of the plan argue that such unprecedented action is needed to ensure that the nation is not inflected with O'Hare delays that ripple across the nation's aviation system. Geils went to the heart of the argument by explaining that the Daley-Ryan expansion will actually make the impact of delays worse, while wasting billions in taxpayers' money.

"The closely spaced parallel runways cannot be used for simultaneous operations when the weather requires pilots to use instrument procedures," Geils said. "This means that half of the expensive new concrete poured at O'Hare would need to be taken out of service exactly when it is needed most—under poor weather conditions when O'Hare experiences most of its delays."

Geils argued that because a south suburban airport can be built quicker for less while providing the region with more aviation capacity than the Daley-Ryan plan, "the O'Hare construction plan is a spendthrift nightmare. Under existing law, the Federal Aviation Administration is responsible for weighing the "project benefit and cost." Congress added this responsibility to avoid situations in which taxpayer dollars are expended on projects that do not represent the best use of limited airport funds...SOC submits that the O'Hare construction plan flunks this test.

"The legislation also contravenes the established federal policy to "give special emphasis to developing reliever airports...By concentrating an ever-increasing number of airplanes in the finite volume of airspace of O'Hare, Congress would be frustrating the very reliever program it mandated the FAA to promote."

The Daley-Ryan plan also violates the legal requirement that airport projects be completed without unreasonable delay. "Attempting a massive redevelopment project at one of the world's busiest airports in the country is a recipe for project delays and massive disruption to the existing air

carrier activities at O'Hare," he said.

Even with changes in the legislation proposed by O'Hare expansion promoters, the legislation would substitute political considerations for expert judgment on operational environmental and other matters. "Viable, prudent, and indeed more desirable environmental alternatives exist than redeveloping an inherently delay-prone airport in close proximity to the city," Geils said.

Geils challenged expansion promoters to explain how they possibly can meet requirements for environmental and other thoroughgoing assessments, as well as for requirements for substantial public involvement under the timetable contemplated by the proposed legislation.

Geils pointed to the fact that the Chicago area currently is classified as a severe non-attainment area for ozone, and parts of the Chicago region are designated as moderate non-attainment for particulate matter. "Without amendment of the Clean Air Act," Geils said, the O'Hare expansion program would face difficult or insurmountable burdens under that statute."

As required by the Clean Air Act, Illinois has developed a State Implementation Plan (SIP) to bring the region into compliance with the national air quality standards under the Clean Air Act. "The SIP reflects a careful balance between the protection of the public health and welfare from air pollution on the one hand and the need for commerce and other activities, on the other hand.

Noting that O'Hare already is the state's largest air pollutant, Geils said, "Because of the high increase in air pollution (under the expansion plan), there is a major inherent conflict between the existing SIP and O'Hare expansion. Under normal SIP processes, the city of Chicago, the airlines, the state of Illinois, the U.S. EPA, the FAA, other federal agencies and the public would work together to amend the SIP to accommodate O'Hare's needs while balancing competing interests. (This legislation) completely avoids that consultative and deliberative process.)

"If this legislation is enacted, the city would be empowered to define O'Hare's SIP allocation, without the normal public participation process and without the participation of the state and federal agencies and other interested parties...This is unprecedented legislation. There is no public process, no balancing, only O'Hare claiming for itself the level of emissions it wants.

Geils concluded with this plea: "SOC strongly urges the Committee to reject any legislation fast-tracking an ill-conceived runway construction project at O'Hare, that would be inconsistent with the careful federal

framework established to govern the review and approval of airport development projects. Congress should not prejudice and interfere with the FAA's ability to exercise its expert independent and objective oversight functions with respect to airport development projects, to carry out its environmental review responsibility under NEPA, and to make sure that whatever airport development is undertaken will be the best possible solution for the Chicago region and the national air transportation system.

"The proposed legislation removes the FAA's neutrality and discretion. SOC believes that a rational and reasoned evaluation will establish that the development of a new South Suburban Airport is superior to O'Hare in every respect—that a new airport at Peotone would offer more capacity, and can be built at less cost, more quickly, and with fewer adverse environmental consequences. These are extremely important considerations which need to be resolved through the established federal review process. Congress should not attempt to resolve them here by political fiat."

CONTACTS: John Geils, 630-766-3232 or 630-564-2390; Craig Johnson, 847-437-0030 or 847-437-8226; or Joseph Karaganis, 312-836-1177 ext. 140, or 312-285-3777.

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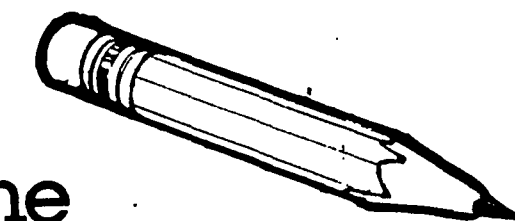
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Action Painting & Cleaning \$15,850.00, ADV \$ \$1,733.25, ADT Security Services \$1,547.36, Advocate Occupational Health Center \$6,707.00, Air One Equipment \$1,741.60, American National Bank \$12,296.25, Ameritech \$7,530.77, Arc Disposal and Recycling \$2,607.76, ARCH Communications \$1,864.84, Bark One \$893,775.06, Bark Associates \$3,890.75, Black Magic Dive Shop \$1,551.00, BlueCrossBlueShield of IL \$213,643.41, Cigo Petroleum Corp. \$3,110.50, Commercial Tire Service 1,968.88, Commonwealth Edison \$9,247.00, Communications Direct Inc. \$5,444.00, Cook County Treasurer \$1,789.60, Cummins/Onan Northern Illinois, Inc. \$1,130.00, Door Systems \$1,132.78, Equipment Management Company \$3,720.00, Fort Dearborn Life Insurance \$3,387.88, Fortis Benefits \$24,594.97, Global Fire Equipment \$1,422.37, Home Depot \$1,726.47, Illinois Public Risk Fund \$76,470.00, Journal & Topics Newspapers \$1,143.02, Kale Uniforms \$6,067.67, Laerdal Medical Corp. \$1,506.00, M.A.B.A.S Assessment \$3,850.00, MaryAnn Marcotte (St. Francis) \$2,600.00, MDS Matrix Medical Supply \$2,628.28, MKM Distributors \$1,882.88, MRL \$1,003.00, NIAFPD \$1,010.00, Nisor Gas \$3,877.77, NIPSTA \$5,267.00, North Maine Firemen's Pension Fund \$288,773.00, North Maine Utilities \$1,231.32, Northern IL Alliance of FPD's \$1,343.85, Office Depot \$1,361.69, Otosen, Trevarthen, Britz, Cooper, & Kelly, Ltd. \$17,270.01, Perfect Temperature Control, Inc. \$3,106.26, Praxair Gas Tech \$1,283.40, Principal Life \$7,292.05, Road Rescue \$66,145.27, Sam's Club \$3,369.84, Savin Corporation \$1,353.88, Don Showers and Associates \$10,851.71, Underwriters Laboratories \$1,216.00, Village of Glenview \$73,464.64, Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services \$19,483.00, Wrfs Industries, Inc. \$32,633.91, W.S. Darley \$7,543.86.

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Allan Altshul \$53,205.88, William Bandelin \$1,000.00, Robert Batey \$96,199.89, Stanley Bernstein \$3,000.00, Michael Bronk \$81,294.29, Richard Burggraf \$72,816.06, Richard Dobrowski \$70,633.11, Sid Cohen \$3,000.00, Robert Deibler \$1,000.00, David Drotta \$50,232.90, Lyle Edwards \$62,343.89, Philip Fastrum \$9,717.10, Rosalyn Fisher \$33,058.40, Michael Fox \$78,009.41, Jeffrey A Goldfarb \$113,250, David Hall II \$60,963.43, Leonard Johnson \$61,779.22, Donald Kobylski \$15,821.37, Mitchell Kushner \$1238.26, Robert McKay \$64,083.72, Sharon McLaughlin \$1,000.00, Paul Morrison \$3,000.00, David Neibar \$60,981.13, Lance Neuses \$48,872.55, Robert Paffy \$59,953.22, Michael Quinn \$51,844.37, Douglas Radloff \$3,949.05, Steven Redmond \$67,809.35, James Reid \$71,688.18, James Reinke \$3,000.00, James Sackley \$62,255.81, Michael Spehn \$62,462.75, Raymond Voyda \$60,160.92, Maynard Williams \$80,857.49, Arnold Witzke \$47,680.78.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Table with columns: Revenue, Expenditures, Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures, Other Financing Sources (Uses). Rows include Property Taxes, Personal Property Replacement Taxes, Interest, Ambulance Service Fees, Grant, Other, Current General Government, Ambulance, Rescue Service, Debt Service, Principal Retirement, Interest and Fiscal Agent Fees, Operating Transfers-In, Operating Transfers-Out.

Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses (\$349,838)

Fund Balances at January 01, 2001 \$5,257,314
Fund Balances at December 31, 2001 \$4,907,476

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP

Table with columns: Assets, Liabilities, Fund Equity. Rows include Cash, Investments, Receivables, Property Taxes, Personal Property Replacement Taxes, Prepaid Insurance, Due from Other Funds, Other Debits, Amount Available in Debt Service Fund, Amount to be Provided for Payment of General Long-Term Debt, Total Assets, Total Liabilities, Fund Balances, Reserved for Employees' Retirement, Reserved for Debt Service, Reserved for Future Liabilities, Unreserved - Undesignated, Total Fund Equity, Total Liabilities and Fund Equity.

That the undersigned has read the above and foregoing Statement of Receipts and Disbursements and that the same is true and correct.

James Reinke, Treasurer

Freshman class presents gifts to Red Cross

Special Education Continued from Page 1
tion program has come under fire twice this year, and was found out of compliance with state statute.

One month ago the district's autism program was ruled out of compliance on several points.

District 63 board president Jane Wojcikiewicz conjectured how the situation at District 63 evolved.

New people, for instance, come with new points of view, special education laws have changed over the years, and turnover of staff, may have contributed to the special education problems.

Gatta feels the district's special education department is understaffed, Williams added.

A new special education director, Brad Voehringer, hired that same evening, was on hand for the audit presentation.

Dist. 63 serves students in parts of Niles, Park Ridge, Des Plaines, Morton Grove, Glenview, and unincorporated Maine Township.

Notre Dame High School for Boys' freshman class presented the American Red Cross of greater Chicago with school supplies for underprivileged children overseas at the high school on Friday, May 10.

Freshman class President Matthew Bogusz (Des Plaines) sent a letter to retailers located in the general area to the Niles school. The letter asked for a donation of school supplies and included the list of supplies the freshman class hoped to distribute to the American Red Cross on Friday.

A treasure chest containing items such as notebooks, pencils, compasses, crayons, pencil sharpeners and a tape measure will be presented to American Red Cross greater Chicago representatives Jennifer Liedl and Karen Ryerson on Friday after school. A soccer ball and jump ropes will also be included with the supplies.

Mrs. Marilyn Mallek is the freshman class moderator. Each of Notre Dame's four classes is asked to perform one service project during the school year that will benefit those in need.

Janitor Arrested

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an investigation, said Superintendent Fred Schroeder of Elementary District 64.

District officials spoke with Roberts, with the girl's parents, with District 64's attorney, and with the president of the school board, but did not contact police. Said Schroeder, "We knew that some very odd and inappropriate things had gone on—not only inappropriate, but not to be allowed. We did not know if any criminal behavior was involved."

Schroeder believes that in a future case, the district would contact police more quickly. "But the police have told us we did the right thing," he added.

The girl's parents also contacted Park Ridge police.

Roberts, a resident of Woodstock, has been suspended without pay. He was janitor for District 64 for three years; two at Emerson Middle School in Niles and this year at Franklin.

A search of Robert's home uncovered items of children's clothing, including bicycle shorts and underwear.

Roberts appeared in Cook County Circuit Court in Skokie. His case was continued to June 28.

Truck Hijacking

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over near Pratt.

He stepped from his car just as a black auto following the truck drove past him. The officer saw a gun and dropped for cover as one occupant in the car fired four shots toward the officer, hitting his squad car.

The hijacker attempted to drive around the squad car but another squad had arrived and blocked the truck.

The hijacker in the truck was arrested and named two accomplices. One man in the accomplice car was arrested, and police are looking for the third. All three will be charged when the third is arrested.

Vacation Bible School

Jerusalem Lutheran School invites children, from preschool through eighth grade, to attend their annual Vacation Bible School for a week of Bible stories, songs, snacks, crafts and new friends! Jerusalem Lutheran is located at 6218 Capulina Ave. in Morton Grove, two blocks west of Village Hall. This year's VBS theme will be "God's Good News." Vacation Bible School will be held July 22 through 26, 9 to 11:30 a.m. To register or for more information, please call the church at (847) 965-7340, or come early on Monday morning, July 22.

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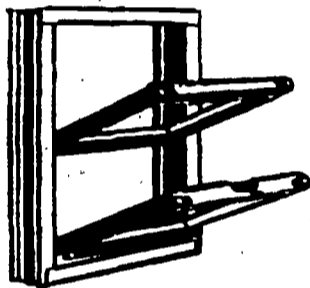
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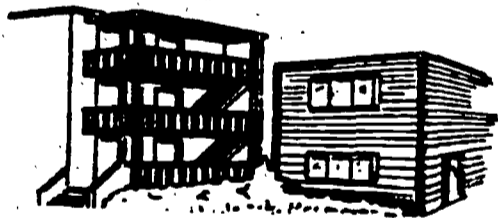
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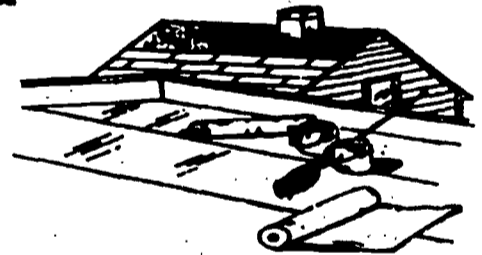
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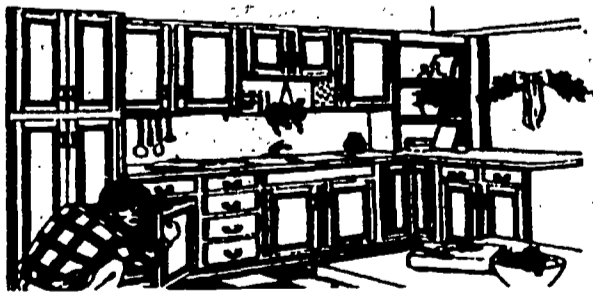


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