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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### AEROBICS AT NILES PARKS

Step aerobics classes and more on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings at the Tam Fitness Complex. Call 847-967-6633.

### CONCERT AT OAKTON COLLEGE

Tim Vana in concert with Rockin' Billy and the Wild Coyotes. Sunday, February 16 at 2 pm at the Des Plaines campus. For information call 847-299-4120.

### GLENVIEW SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Varied programs for concerts on February 16 and February 23. For times and locations call 847-920-9569.

### PHOTO EXHIBIT AT MG LIBRARY

Park Ridge photographer Kristen Seaholm Killean displays works from around the world. Photos on display thru February. For information call 847-965-4220.

### LINCOLN TO VISIT NILES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Lincoln impersonator Dick Anderson to perform on February 23 at 2 p.m. at the Niles Historical Society. For information call 847-390-0160.

### NILES WEST DANCE CONCERT

Niles West Orchesis dance concert on February 27 thru March 1 at 7:30 p.m. For information call 847-626-2815.

### SPRING GYMNASTICS CLASSES

Niles Park District offers gymnastics classes for ages 3 to 14 at Grennan Heights gym. Classes begin March 31. Registration now underway. For information call 847-967-6975.

## Snapshots From Our Town



A school bus slid off the road after being struck by an auto at Western and Ballard Rd. on Tuesday, February 4. Police and fire departments from Niles and North Maine responded. No serious injuries were reported.

Photo by S. Chemes



Morton Grove Women's Club members, from the left, Dorothy Beutler, Lue Halpap and Barbara Duffy are assisting in planning for the club's Golden Jubilee year. Last year the club raised over \$9,000 to assist local students and organizations.

**Skokie expands sculpture park to honor ethnicities**

An expansion of Sculpture Park was approved by Skokie village trustees for the area between Dempster and Church Streets, north of the present installations.

The first expected piece is a larger-than-life rendering of Indian statesman, Mahatma Gandhi, a gift from the Indian Community of Niles Township.

A group representative said they hope to reach their goal of \$100,000, have a sculptor named, and see the work installed by Oct. 2, the anniversary of Ghandi's birth.

A committee has proposals from artists both here and in India, said Omprakash Kamaria, committee president.

The concept of a heritage park arose after an Indian group approached the village about in-

**American Legion Meeting February 18**

The American Legion Gladstone Post #777 meet at the Edgebrook Community House, 6100 N. Central Ave., February 18, 2003, 12 p.m.-4 p.m.

All vets invited. Refreshments will be served. Call (773) 685-9568. John Goetz.

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**D219 opts to pass tax hike bid for now**

District 219 trustees, honoring the request of three local elementary school districts, will not seek a tax rate increase this April as previously planned.

Instead District 219 will wait. In the meantime they will focus on budget trimming and hiking fees.

That's what the voters want us to do, said Board President Robert Silverman, referring to the November 2002 referendum that was defeated 2-1.

A subcommittee studying the situation recommended District 219's next bid be substantially less than the 79-cent increase the district requested in November.

**Niles Fitness Center New Programs**

The Niles Fitness Center is now offering the following new programs. Call (847) 588-8400 for questions regarding the following programs or Club membership.

**Spring Break Camp.** Make the most of your spring break. Join us as we play sports, make crafts, go swimming and more. Daily and weekly registration available for your convenience. March 24-March 28. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Extended camp available from 3-5 pm. for additional fee. Deadline to register is March 14. Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information or to receive a camp application.

**Chicago Bulls Basketball School.** The Chicago Bulls basketball school will teach your child fundamental basketball skills including ball handling, shooting, passing, offensive and defensive moves, and rebounding. Grades K-3rd and Grades 4th-8th. **March 4-April 8.** Space is limited! Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information.

**School's Out Camp - President's Day.** Don't spend your day off school bored at home. Join us for swimming, sports, games and crafts. **Monday, February 17, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.** Ages 6-12. Contact the Niles Family Fitness Center at (847) 588-8400 for more information.

**Friday Fun Night.** Treat your child(ren) to a night out! Children will be divided according to age for a night filled with games, crafts, movies, swimming and more. **Friday, February 21,**

**Niles detective IDs thieves from security tapes**

A Niles detective recognized the female member of a theft team from surveillance tapes and followed a trail leading to her arrest and that of her partner, for two thefts that occurred in the village.

The tapes were part of the security system installed at Portillo's Restaurant, 8832 Dempster St., in Niles.

Portillo's reported that on Nov. 27 a bar cash register showed up \$720 short. A review of the security tape showed a black male reaching across the counter and taking money out of the register.

The tape showed the male was accompanied by a black female standing closeby, apparently functioning as a lookout.

The tape was given to Niles Police Department to hold as ev-

**Library Closing**

Skokie Public Library will be closed on Tuesday, Feb. 18 due to construction work. On Monday, Feb. 17, the Readers Services area and the 800s section of non-fiction will be closed to the public, however, other areas of the Library will be open that day.

At present, the crews are working on the first floor, creating a new Readers Services Area, a new west entrance to the Library and a new Circulation area.

The Library's expansion and renovation project is well underway. The 18 month project will include the construction of a new third floor and the renovation of the building's interior to include a patron entrance on the west side of the building, increased space for technology and audio-visual materials, and expanded meeting rooms. Library closings such as this one will be kept to a minimum, and Library services will continue throughout the project.

The public may call (847) 673-7774 for further information about Library services and events. Skokie Public Library, located at 5215 Oakton Street, is open to the public Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. Access many of our resources 24 hours a day at: [www.skokielibrary.org](http://www.skokielibrary.org)

**Arthritis Update**

- New treatments
- New drugs
- General information
- Question and answer session. Friday, February 21, 2003, 1 p.m. at American Legion memorial Civic Center, 6140 Dempster, Morton Grove.

No charge but registration required. Please call (847) 470-5223 to reserve a spot.

Presented by Dr. Patrick Schuette, Arthritis Specialist, Illinois Bone and Joint Institute.

**New Dist. 64 super comes from the ranks**

Sally Pryor, the new superintendent of Niles-Park Ridge Elementary District 64, comes to the post after 11 years of working in the district.

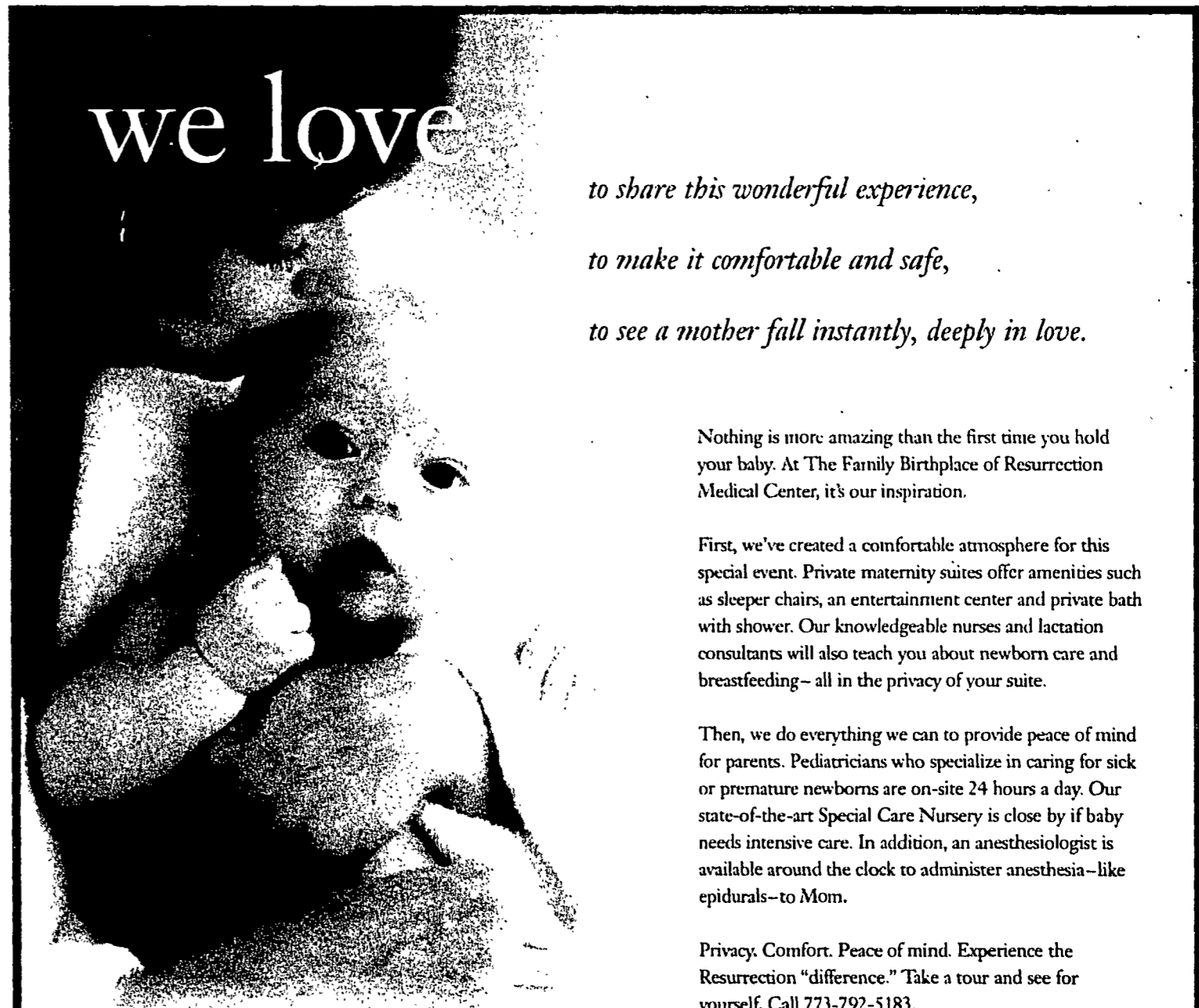
A search to fill the post began last fall with staff, board members and parents developing a profile of the desired candidate.

The vacancy was posted nationally and internationally through various sources, and a consultant group trimmed the candidate group to five who were interviewed by members of the school board.

Pryor was selected after the pool dropped to three and after more interviews.

She will step into the office held eight years by Fred Schroeder who will retire at the end of the present school year.

Schroeder, who has worked with her for eight years, says he knows Pryor to be a quality educator as well as a quality person.

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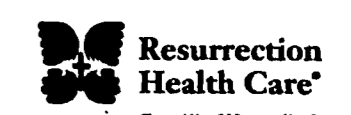
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**Dist. 72 to present referendum**

Elementary District 72, Skokie's Fairview School, will ask voters to approve nearly 18 percent increase in property tax rate.

The increase would serve Fairview's education fund and raise the total rate to \$2.01 per \$100 of equalized assessed valuation, up from \$1.71.

The education fund pays for classroom expenses and teachers' salaries.

The increase, if approved, would bring in an additional \$1.1 million in new revenue, would cancel a \$900,000 deficit,

**Norwood Park Home Valentine's Day Dinner**

Are you thinking about spending Valentine's Day with your "senior sweetie"? If so, you can set the stage for a romantic evening by attending a Valentine's Day Dinner in the colorfully decorated dining room of Norwood Park Home, 6016 N. Nina Ave. in Chicago. The event will take place on Thursday, Feb. 13, from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Dine on a dinner of chicken cordon bleu or chicken Kiev, rice pilaf, asparagus, and a parfait for dessert. Then relax and enjoy a performance by the Ballroom City Dancers as they present dance songs from Broadway and old movies. Cost is \$10 per person.

The event is sure to bring back memories of previous Valentine Days. The romantic atmosphere amid red and white streamers, balloons and hearts will set the mood for a fun-filled evening.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling Norwood Park Home at (773) 631-4856.

**Morton Grove fire chief honored with VIP award**

Chief Ralph Czerwinski was honored by the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce and Industry when it named him 2002 VIP Business Person of the Year recently.

Czerwinski was recognized for generously giving his personal time to many ventures over the years, among them his efforts toward establishing the new regional firefighter and police training center, plus volunteering on behalf of many Morton Grove and regional public causes.

At the ceremony Czerwinski received plaques from the Chamber of Commerce, the park district, the village, the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association and Northern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy.

He is president of the regional Mutual Aid Box Alarm System and an original planner of the Northern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy, plus a string of firefighting and emergency-related associations.

Czerwinski, a board member of the United Way of Skokie Valley, is a life-long resident of Niles.

**Resurrection Home Medical Equipment Has Moved**

Resurrection Home Medical Equipment has moved to 2433 North Harlem Avenue, the same building as Resurrection Adult Day Services Center. The new office is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Resurrection Home Medical Equipment provides rental, purchase and home deliveries of all home medical equipment and supplies. Free parking is available, and patients and their families are welcome to visit the new office.

and one of the state's largest home health care networks, Resurrection Health Care is cosponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth and the Sisters of the Resurrection.

**Smoking Cessation Workshop February 19**

Do something good for your heart this Valentine's Day. Stop smoking. Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is offering an eight-session smoking cessation workshop. "Freedom from Smoking" classes are scheduled from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday evenings beginning February 19.

"Freedom from Smoking" was developed by the American Lung Association and was designed to help smokers kick the habit permanently. The program focuses on behavior modification and relaxation techniques. Participants will learn skills to change the single most preventable cause of premature death in the United States.

The fee for the course is \$175. \$25 will be returned upon successful program completion. To register for the program, call 1-800-3-ADVOCATE (1-800-323-8622).

**Niles North Cheerleaders Win Contest**

Congratulations to the Niles North Varsity Cheerleaders who took first place in their division at the recent Joliet West Illinois Cheerleading Coaches Association (ICCA) Regional Contest. They qualified to attend the state competition that will be held March 8 and 9 in Springfield. The Junior Varsity team placed third out of eight teams, also making them eligible. Congratulations to both teams for their excellent performance.

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## LeBron James to play in EA Sports Roundball Classic

The EA Sports Roundball Classic, featuring high school basketball sensation LeBron James and over 20 other premier high school basketball players from around the country, will be played at the United Center on Monday, March 31, at 7 p.m. Ticket prices for the 39th annual high school all-star game went on sale to the public at 10 a.m. January 25. Prices for individual tickets are \$25, \$15, and \$7.50, and will be available at the United Center box office, Ticketmaster locations, online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), or by calling (312) 559-1212.

Founded by Sonny Vaccaro, the Roundball Classic has featured a number of basketball stars during its history such as current NBA standouts Shaquille O'Neal, Kobe Bryant, Vince Carter, and Tracy McGrady. The game has also generated more than \$4 million for charitable programs. Among the many recipients is a long list of non-profit organizations in the Chicago area where the Classic is now played each year.

## Foster Care Information Meetings

Catholic Charities is searching for loving foster homes. If you'd consider opening your home and your heart to someone in need of a home, you might plan on attending one of the following foster parenting classes. Everyone is welcome, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or economic circumstances. Information on how to become a Catholic Charities foster parent will be presented at the following meetings:

February 10, 2003 at 7 p.m. Catholic Charities, Northwest Sub. Office, 1717 Rand Road, DesPlaines, IL.  
February 20, at 7 p.m. Catholic Charities, South Suburban Office, 16100 Seion Drive, South Holland, IL.

For more information, call (312) 655-7200.

## Coping Financially With a Short-Term Disability

**Quick action and solid planning are key to avoiding long-term problems.** Experiencing a short-disability can dampen your financial outlook and add a great deal of unwanted tension to an already stressful situation. But before panicking about your circumstances or avoiding your financial picture altogether, it's best to determine a plan of action before creditors come calling.

"Procrastination in any financial situation never helps things get better," said Steve Rhode, president and co-founder of Myvesta, a nonprofit financial management center. "As soon as you're well enough to think, you're well enough to plan how you are going to get through this financial hiccup in your life."

Rhode advises to first take stock of your financial situation. "Gain a clear understanding of your financial picture by creating a history of your spending," Rhode said. "Go through a month or two of old receipts from everyday purchases, bank statements, credit card bills and anything else involving your finances to figure out your expenses. Remember to add in any new medical bills that you might have to pay in the future. Then write down all your sources of income including savings, disability pay from your employer, home equity or assistance from friends or family. Prioritize your bills putting housing, utilities, transportation and food above everything else and work

on a plan to use your, now lower income to cover your expenses."

If you cannot make ends meet after addressing your expenses and income, it's time to take quick action and contact your creditors.

"Contact your creditors at the first sign of trouble so you can make arrangements to stay current on your bills," Rhode said. "While being in this situation it's easy to over promise what you can actually pay just to appease your creditors. Be careful not to agree to any payment plan that you're not going to be able to stick with."

## Catholic Charities Adoption Information 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:

February 13, 2003 and February 20, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at Catholic Charities, 651 W. Lake Street, Chicago, IL.

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## Res Health Care Wins Awards



Anita Contow, Manager of the Resurrection Health Care Training Center, accepts Excellence in Training Award plaque from Eileen Burson, Chair, American Heart Association's Chicago Emergency Cardiovascular Care Task Force.

Resurrection Health Care Wins Awards for Emergency Cardiovascular Training Excellence.

Resurrection Health Care (RHC) has received four awards from the American Heart Association for its cathac life support training The Excellence in Training award was given for providing cardiovascular care training - including CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) - to more than 7,700 people during the 2001-2002 year. Anita Contow, Manager of RHC's Training Center, accepted the award.

Resurrection's Training Center is recognized by the American Heart Association as one of the top five Emergency Cardiovascular Care training centers in Illinois measured by the number of people it trains each year.

Individual awards were presented to nurses Christine Waller and Connie Drogos, Training Specialists at RHC's Saint Mary of Nazareth Hospital Center. Ms. Waller was honored for her 20 years of volunteer service with the American Heart Association's regional faculty and Ms. Drogos for five years' service. Eileen Kozak, Nursing Education Coordinator, Resurrection Medical Center, and outgoing faculty member, was honored for her past service.

Training in resuscitation of adults, children and infants is offered by the Center to nurses, physicians, radiology technicians, respiratory therapists and security personnel throughout the Resurrection Health Care system. The Center also trains personnel from 25 local fire departments, and offers CPR and other life support classes that are open to the community at all RHC hospitals.

The Training Center, Resurrection Medical Center and Saint Mary of Nazareth Hospital Center are all part of Resurrection Health Care, Chicago's largest Catholic health system, which in-

## Powerful Tools for Caregivers Program

**Powerful Tools for Caregivers** is an educational series designed to provide you with the tools you need to take care of yourself while taking care of a loved one with a chronic illness.

This program will help family caregivers: reduce stress, improve self-confidence, better communicate your feelings, balance your life, increase ability to make tough decisions and locate helpful resources.

Classes consist of six, 2-1/2 hour sessions held once a week. Two experienced class leaders will conduct each session. Interactive lessons, discussions and brainstorming will help you take the "tools" you choose and put them into action for your life. There is a nominal fee for the program.

Classes will be held at Mather Café Plus -- Norwood Park, 7134 West Higgins, Chicago, Illinois from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Sessions will be held on Thursdays, March 6, 13, 27, April 3, 10 and Wednesday, April 16.

## ENH Hospice seeks caring volunteers

Evanston Northwestern Healthcare (ENH) Hospice's Volunteer Program is offering a number of rewarding opportunities for compassionate people who are committed to working with patients and families dealing with a terminal illness. Hospice volunteers are needed to provide companionship and emotional support to our patients and relief for their caregivers. Volunteers are also needed to provide transportation, run errands, perform light household tasks and much more.

Hospice volunteers will meet others with similar interests, will work with a multi-disciplinary team, will gain valuable experience working with people in their last stage of life, and most importantly, will feel good about themselves while helping others.

A seven-week, 21 hour training course will be offered on Thursday mornings, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., beginning March 20 at our Skokie office. If you are looking for an incredible experience and can lend us a few hours per week, please call Nadine Francione at ENH Hospice, (847) 965-6020.

## Health

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## Tourette Syndrome Association Meeting Feb. 23

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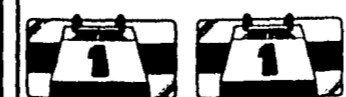
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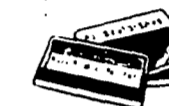
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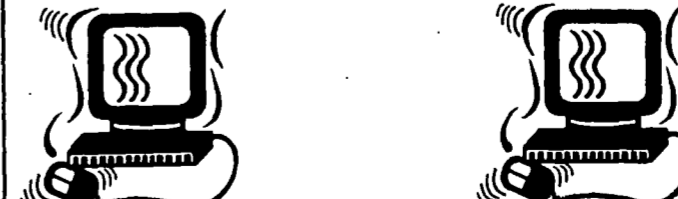
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03-2P 7 Albert Botkin  
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Niles Park District  
S/ Joseph V. LoVerde, Jr.  
Secretary

## National Library Week Promotion in DesPlaines

**Area Business Owners Invited to Offer Special Discounts During National Library Week 2003.**

Once again, the DesPlaines Public Library and the Des Plaines Chamber of Commerce and Industry are inviting local businesses to join in a special promotion during National Library Week, April 6-12, 2003. Businesses are being asked to offer a special value or discount to people who show them their library cards during that week. The type of special value or discount is entirely up to the individual business owner. Interested business owners must sign up by February 15 to be included in the advance

publicity. Last year, 42 area businesses participated in this promotion.

A letter with a registration form on the back will be included in the January 2003 issue of the monthly *Business Advocate*, published by the Chamber of Commerce. The letter and form will also be available on the library Web site and by calling Business Reference Librarian Joanne Griffin at (847) 376-2812.

The promotion will be highlighted in the April issue of the library newsletter. Participating businesses will be listed on posters at the library, on the library

Web site, and on flyers that will be distributed to library patrons. Participating Chamber members will be listed in the Chamber newsletter. Each participating business will receive a special poster to display during National Library Week. This is a unique way to thank customers and to recognize the contribution of America's libraries.

For more information, please phone Joanne Griffin at (847) 376-2812.

## Columbia Astronauts To Be Honored in Morton Grove

Post 134 of the American Legion in Morton Grove will hold a special Memorial Service for the seven astronauts who lost their lives in the space tragedy. Service will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2003 at 12 Noon at St. Martha's Auditorium, 8535 Georgiana St., Morton Grove.

The solemn ceremony will have in attendance representatives from the NASA Training Center in Houston, Texas; the Bush Administration; Naval Officers from Great Lakes Training Center, state-wide Legion commanders; plus state and local pub-

lic officials. Commander Jack Terrazas indicated that efforts are being made to have in attendance a former or present astronaut in the celebration of the seven lost lives. Religious services will be officiated by PC Phil Hutchins, Legion Chaplain, as well as Ministers of various faiths. The Rifle Squad of Post 134, under the direction of PC Jerry Weaver, will conduct the military honors.

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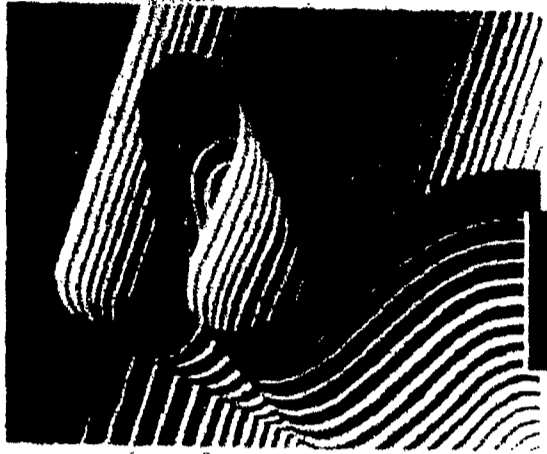
  
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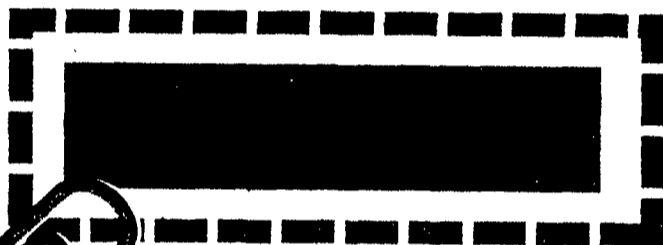


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