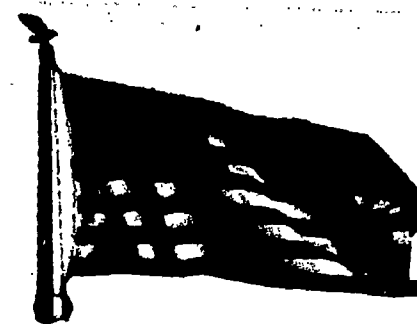


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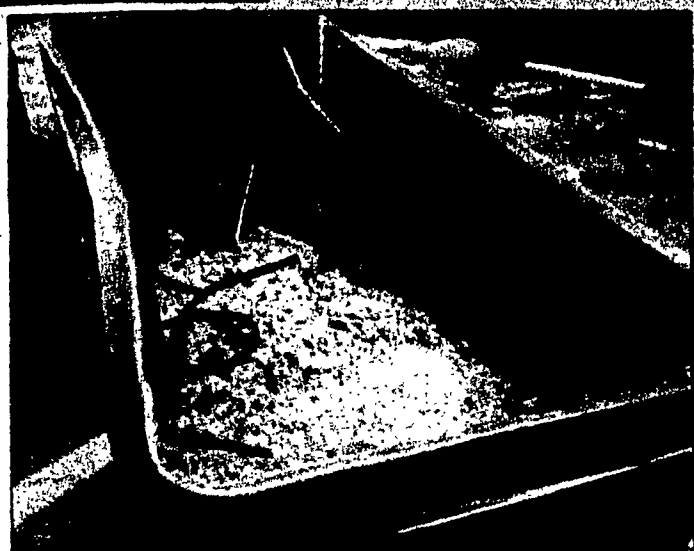
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Car Crashes Into Post Office

Broken glass and twisted steel are all that remain of one door of the Morton Grove Post Office after a car drove between two barricades Monday. See pg. 14.



Wolves fall to Trojans

Niles West third baseman Andre Fuller bobbles a ground ball by New Trier's Andy Volger in the top of the third inning of their game at Niles West Thursday afternoon, April 22. For the story, see page 15.



A Natural Habitat

Morton Grove resident Jim Thill checks his bee box for activity. Thill and his wife Marian have created a natural habitat in their Morton Grove yard. For the story, turn to page 21.

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D63 fundraiser went 'like hotcakes'

BY ANDREW SCHNEIDER
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Mark Twain Elementary School principal Nick Maldonado pours coffee for Mark Twain resource teacher Marlene Feldman (left) and Heather Walsh of Emma Melzer School at the District 63 fundraiser at Flapjacks, Wednesday afternoon, April 21.

Diners lined up outside of Flapjack's Restaurant in Niles last Wednesday, Apr. 21 to donate money to East Maine School District 63's Total Learning Center (TLC), and have a good meal.

"People were actually lining up outside the restaurant," said Pam Surber, director of the TLC. "We were really moved by the turn-out."

Over 500 people came to Flapjacks between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m., hours when the restaurant is usually closed. Surber lauded Flapjack's Owner David Eddy for his generosity. He donated all the proceeds of the evening to the TLC: approximately \$3,500.

"The Flapjack's staff was very accommodating," said Surber. "David Eddy is a very generous

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Morton Grove preps for summer events at St. Paul Woods

The Village of Morton Grove is bracing itself for a series of large events that have been permitted by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County. St. Paul Woods in Morton Grove has been designated as one of five "super site" by the Forest Preserve District. Those sites will host the largest events permitted for the summer of 2004.

"The philosophy is that they

focus their efforts of these five sites," said Morton Grove Village Administrator Ralph Czerwinski. "We're indicating that we're willing to take a few but we're concerned about their impact. But they're arguing that we won't even know the difference."

One of the village's concerns is a lack of necessary parking at St. Paul Woods. Czerwinski said that other

locations in the village were better suited to receive large groups.

"We think that Harms Woods would be a better place," he said. "There's a large parking garage there that can handle the large numbers of cars better than residential streets."

The County has assured Morton Grove that they will not be impacted by the planned

events.

"They've issued permits and we've had discussions about traffic," Czerwinski said. "We thought they were going to use the 'meadow' for parking but they've indicated that there will not be any landscaped parking because of concerns about pollution and erosion."

That leaves St. Paul Woods

Story Continues...

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And They're Off

Runners take off in the 5K at the fourth annual Anelise's Run beginning at the Park Ridge Community Center, Sunday morning April 25. The event drew over 2000 people. For the story, turn to page 4.

Photo by Allen Kalata/Bugle

NEWS

D63 Fundraiser

individual. We were there from 3 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. We didn't sit down. It's the best tired we've ever been."

The TLC was established by a grant awarded to District 63 from the U.S. Department of Education. Its mission is to provide a wide array of expanded education and enrichment opportunities for students, families, and the entire community when school is not in session. The entire staff of the TLC was on hand to serve guests at the fundraiser. The principals from all of District 63's schools were also on hand as well as the superintendent, Dr. Kathy Williams.

"The superintendent was the hostess with the mostest," Surber quipped.

Surber and the TLC staff were so thrilled with the event that they plan on doing it again within the next year. Surber had lunch at Flapjack's on

Saturday and discussed the event with Eddy.

"We talked on Saturday," she said. "We were talking about how we could improve the event and serve more families. We're considering having Flapjack's take reservations next time."

No date has yet been set for the next fundraiser.

"We would like to do it again," Surber said. "Certainly within a year."

Overall, Surber, the staff of the TLC, and District 63 staff were overwhelmed by the community's support.

"No one expected that kind of turnout," said Surber. "We're extremely grateful for the outpouring of support and generosity of the community and of David Eddy and Flapjack's."

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District 63 registered nurse Mary Bonkoske sells raffle tickets at Flapjacks.

Ovarian Cancer walk held at Bunker Hill Woods

A walk for Ovarian Cancer is scheduled for this Saturday, May 1 at the Bunker Hill Woods in Niles. It will be held in conjunction with another walk in The Riverwalk, Naperville.

The event, called the "Ovarian Cancer Walk for the Whisper" will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. The walk will begin at 9:45 a.m. It is sponsored by the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition (NOCC) Illinois Division.

Potential ovarian cancer symptoms include pelvic or abdominal pain or discomfort, vague, but persistent gastro-intestinal upsets such as gas, nausea and indigestion, frequency and/or urgency of urination in absence of an infection, unexplained weight gain or loss, pelvic and/or abdominal swelling, ongoing unusual fatigue, or unexplained changes in bowel habits.

For more information about the symptoms or risk factors of ovarian cancer, contact your doctor. For more information on the cancer walk in Bunker Hill Woods, contact the Illinois Division of the NOCC at (630) 718-0047.

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going to be a nice event."

The village has also taken steps to help mitigate the influx of vehicles and will work with the individual groups to post signs helping visitors find St. Paul Woods.

al event for the community according to Czerwinski. It will be held on Sunday, June 13.

"This festival has run every other year for the last 24 years," he said. "They're very organized and very professional. I think it's

mits are already issued."

Large events are scheduled for June 6, 13, 20, and 27, July 4, 11, 17, 18, and 25, August 15 and 22, and September 6, 12, and 18.

"Some of the events have planned attendance as high as a

couple thousand," said Czerwinski. "Some are under a thousand."

But it's not all dark clouds. The Jewish Folk Art Festival, one of the largest events scheduled for the summer will be a nice cultural

St. Paul Woods

with only 472 paved parking spaces.

"Our concern is overflow parking," said Czerwinski. "Their equation calls for a four-to-one parking ratio. We're going to see how it rolls out because the per-

NEWS

Morton Grove Public Library

•Monday, May 3, 7 pm: Fruits Basket: A Great Transformation? (Anime, No rating, 123 minutes)
•Friday, May 14, 2pm: Nowhere in Africa (German, R, 141 minutes)
•Saturday, May 15, 2 pm: Spellbound (Documentary, G, 97 minutes)
•Thursday, May 20, 2 and 7 pm: Something's Gotta Give (New Release, PG-13, 128 minutes)

•Friday, May 28, 2 pm: 21 Grams (New release, R, 121 minutes)

Concerts:

•Sunday, May 23, 2 pm: Acappellants in Concert
This talented quartet of attorneys began performing at the Chicago Bar Association's "Christmas Spirits" review and have been a hit ever since. You're sure to enjoy their intricate harmonies of jazz, pop, ballads and novelty tunes.

Special Interest Programs

•Sunday, May 2, 2:00 pm: Art and Architecture in The Da Vinci Code
•Art historian Suzanne Epstein, PhD, will demonstrate how author Dan Brown used great works of art and architecture to enrich his fascinating novel, The Da Vinci Code.

•Tuesday, May 4, 11:30 am: Asian Folk Tales

In celebration of Asian heritage Month, storyteller Elyne Handler will entertain and educate the audience with her folk tales from China, India, Japan, Korea, Vietnam, and the Philippines.

•Sunday, May 16, 2:00 pm: Travel to India

Professional photographer Paul Berg will guide you on an armchair tour of India. You will see slides of the historic cities of Rajasthan, Jaipur, Jodhpur, and Jaisalmer as well as the Taj Mahal, Bangalore, Calcutta, Darjeeling, Delhi, Goa and the Andaman Islands.



Talking Trash

Members of the newly formed Maine Township Citizen's Committee met recently to discuss the specifications needed for a single waste hauler for the entire township. The Committee was formed following a successful March referendum that approved a proposal allowing the Township to go to bid for a single hauler for the unincorporated area of the Township. The current situation is unregulated and causes many problems.

Pictured are: front row, Loraine Ostrinsky and Jack Alscher, middle row, Barbara Goodsell, Norbert Lundberg, Dagmar Rutzen, Casey Edwards, back row, Township Supervisor Bob Dudycz, Gary Warner, Marcia Oswald, E.J. Arendt, Francis and Robert Bielawa.

Roadwork closes 2 lanes on I-90

Two lanes on the eastbound side of the Northwest Tollway will be closed during the next month as an I-PASS lane is constructed at the River Road Toll Plaza.

The two left-most lanes in the plaza

were closed Sunday night, according to tollway officials. The construction of the I-PASS lane is expected to take 28 days to complete. But the second automatic lane is expected to be open after two weeks following concrete work.

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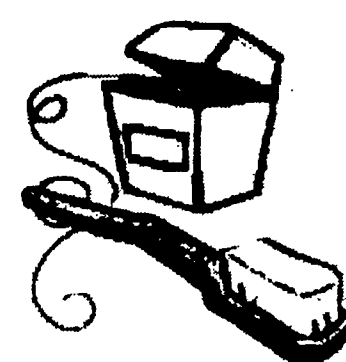
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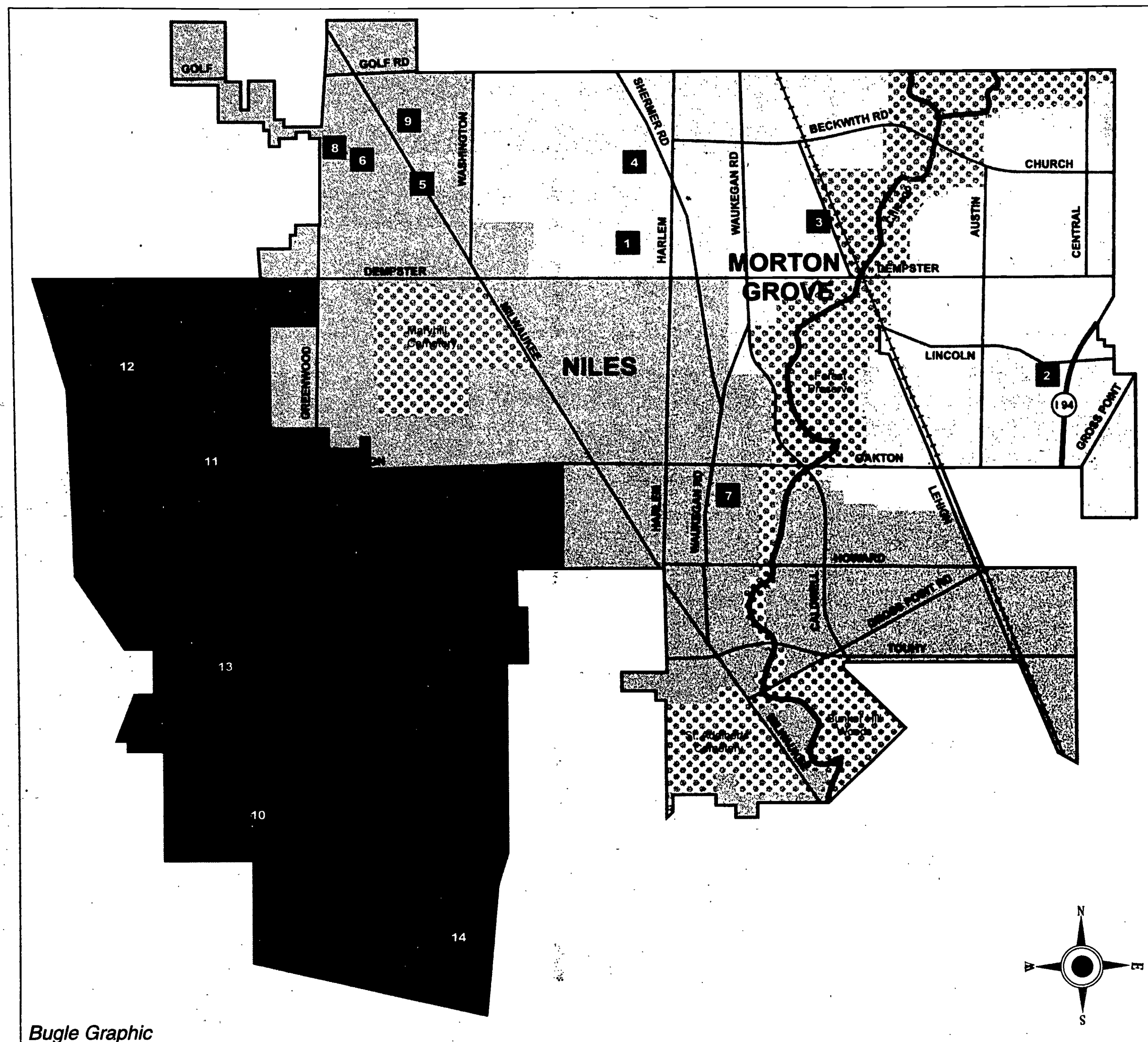
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The following items were taken from official reports of the Morton Grove Police Department for the week ending April 26, 2004.

1 Senior scammed (8900 Oleander)

A 78-year-old woman was burglarized Wednesday afternoon April 21 after a man posing as a repairman entered her home and distracted the woman while someone went into her bedroom and stole \$100. According to police, the woman said a black van pulled into her driveway and a man came to the door telling her he had installed the driveway to her home and was there to repair some cracks. The woman told police the man asked her to step outside so he could show her the expansion joints that were filled with weeds. She said they walked back into the house and the man walked her to the front window to point out his yellow work truck that was in the area to assist in the repairs. About that

time, the woman said she heard the screen door shut.

The woman said the man asked her for buckets of hot water which she filled about 7 times. She said he took the water outside but she did not know what he did with it.

Coincidentally while the woman was trying to find out who called the repair company her oldest son called. When she handed the phone to the repairman he spoke to the woman's son for a moment then put the phone down and walked out of the house and left.

The woman fearing for her safety grabbed a butcher knife and waited at the top of the basement stairs in case another offender was in the house. When police arrived they searched the house and the woman discovered \$100 missing from her dresser.

The woman described the man as between 20-30 years old, light complexion, about 5 feet 8 inches tall, heavy build with a goatee or stubble. She said she wore a black baseball cap, a navy blue

jacket, and black glasses. She said the black van he arrived in had no windows.

2 Vehicle theft (8300 Major)

A home in the 9000 block of Neenah was burglarized Thursday morning April 22 after a thief entered the home by breaking a basement window.

3 Burglary (9000 Neenah)

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4 Unlocked cars burglarized (Osceola and Arcadia)

An 18-year-old Des Plaines man was stopped by police about 3:30 a.m. Sunday morning near Osceola and Arcadia after the officer saw the man standing in the parkway. The officer said he asked the man where he lived and why he was in Morton Grove. The officer also said when he searched the man he found \$14.75 in change, a lighter, and a flashlight. Among the loose change was a Deutsch Mark, and an Indian coin.

The man later told police they walked along the street looking for unlocked cars. When they came upon a car they took whatever they could carry. The man told police in most cases it was loose change.

5 Identity theft (9400 Milwaukee)

An 21-year-old Hoffman Estates man told police someone used his identity to purchase a 1994 Ford Crown Victoria from a dealer in the 9400 block of Milwaukee Ave. sometime in March of 2001. The man told police he was contacted by Ford Motor Company about the account. The man said he was 18-years-old at the time of the alleged purchase and had no knowledge of the purchase.

6 Retail theft (Golf Mill)

A 19-year-old employee of a cellular phone provider in Golf Mill told police someone walked off with a plastic bag containing the business's entire proceeds Friday night April 23. The woman said she was closing at the time. Taken was \$1352.33 in cash and \$685.58 in checks.

7 Car stolen from Civic Center lot (900 Civic Center Dr.)

A silver 2003 Volkswagen Jetta was stolen from the Civic Center lot Friday night April 23. The owner told police she misplaced her keys and that whoever stole the car must have found her keys and drove off with it.

8 Earring in nose leads to arrest (339 Golf Mill)

A Glenview man was arrested Friday April 23 after a security guard watched the man remove one earring from a package and put it in his nose. The man then wore the ring out of the store and was arrested.

9 Car parts stolen (900 Milwaukee)

Thieves removed the bumper and hood of a 1993 Ford Tempo that was parked in the lot of Golf Mill Ford sometime around April 22.

PARK RIDGE

The following items were taken from official reports of the Park Ridge Police for the week ending April 16-22, 2004.

10 Burglary (1000 S. Lincoln)

A \$600 nail gun and a \$200 mitre saw were stolen from a rented U-Haul truck Thursday morning April 22.

11 Vandalism (1000 N. Western)

The drivers side window of a 2002 Chrysler 300M was broken Thursday morning April 22.

12 Theft (2200 Manor Lane)

A mountain bike was removed from the driveway of a home in the 2200 block of Manor Lane Thursday April 22. The bike was valued at \$350.

13 Theft (1500 Touhy)

Two speakers were stolen from the Park Ridge Community Center Thursday April 22. Thieves removed the speakers from the fitness room by cutting the wires.

14 Robbery (1800 Linden)

An aggressive thief pushed away his victim and took off with two toolboxes valued at \$150 Tuesday night April 20. The owner confronted the thief when he saw him grabbing the tool boxes and the thief pushed the man and fled.

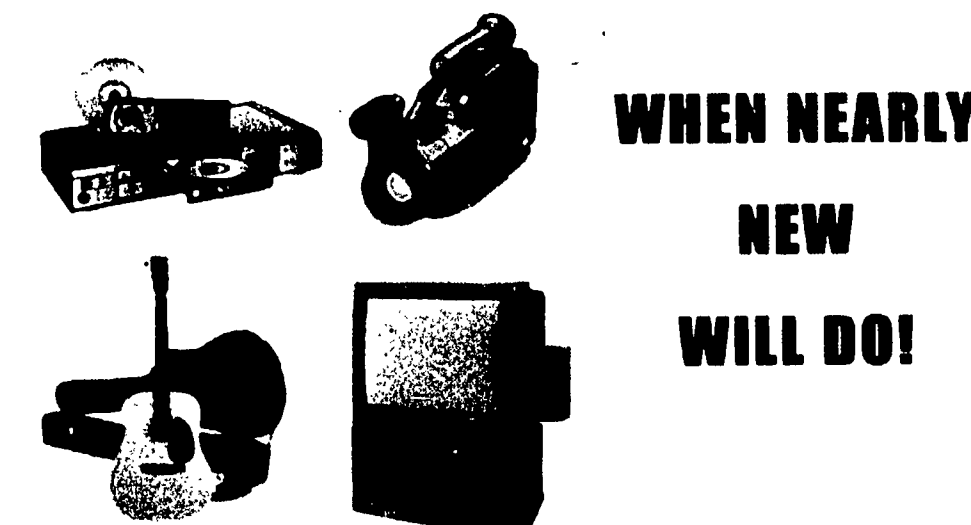
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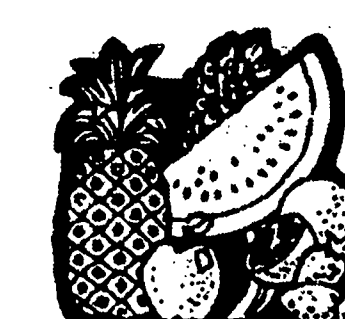
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CIVICS

Monday, May 3
 -8 p.m. Park Ridge City Council meeting
 -7:30 p.m. Village of Niles Plan/Zoning Commission meeting
Wednesday, May 5
 -7 p.m. Morton Grove Board of Trustees Town Hall meeting.
Monday, May 10
 -3 p.m. Village of Niles Fire & Police Commission Meeting
 -7 p.m. Village of Morton Grove Board of Trustees regular meeting.

COMMUNITY

Friday, April 30
 -Niles West High School will present "Just for the Fun of It...Jazz Night" starting at 7:30 in the cafeteria, 5701 W. Oakton, Skokie.
Saturday, May 1
 -St. John Brebeuf's annual Super Flea Market will be held on Saturday, May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is 50 cents. The flea market, taking place at the church, 8307 N. Harlem, is sponsored by SJB's Youth Ministry and Boy Scouts.
Thursday, May 6
 -The Chicago Archdiocese will host a forum on postpartum depression from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 6 at St. Martha Catholic Parish, 8523 Georgiana Ave., Morton Grove. Attendance is free. For more information, contact Kim Hagerty at (312) 751-8351.
 -St. John Lutheran of Niles will be holding a special time of prayer on Thursday, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. The gathering is in recognition of the "National Day of Prayer." The gathering will be held on the grassy area under the flag pole.
Tuesday, May 11
 -The Garden Club of Morton Grove will hold its annual Spring Luncheon at Bristol Court, 828 E. Rand Rd., Mount Prospect, on Tuesday, May 11. A program entitled "Spring Floral Delight" will be presented by Noreen Rasmussen. Noreen is a noted floral designer. A raffle will follow the program beginning at 11 a.m. For ticket information call (847) 966-4264.

PARKS

Thursday, May 6
 -7:30 p.m. Park Ridge Park District Board meeting

Meetings for governmental bodies are held in the following locations:

Niles
 Village of Niles: Niles Civic Center
 1000 Civic Center Dr., Niles IL.
 Niles Park District: Howard Leisure Center
 6676 Howard St., Niles, IL.
Park Ridge
 City of Park Ridge: City Hall, 508 Butler Pl., Park Ridge, IL.
 Park Ridge Park District: Maine Park Leisure Center
 2701 Sibley Ave., Park Ridge, IL.
Morton Grove
 Village of Morton Grove: Village Hall, 6101 Capulina
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"I think pretty much everything is true except the advertising." Liz Williams, 16, Park Ridge.



"I believe everything in the newspapers, that's how you find out what's going on in the world." Stacy Bucich, 16, Park Ridge.

Opinion

Who's looking out for local business?

Dear Editor,

As a new storeowner of Dominic's Kitchen Store and a Park Ridge native I have seen this town grow or not grow depending on how you look at it. Everyone is familiar with the Uptown Redevelopment plan by now and that the five developers have made their presentations as to the future of the Uptown area. What the citizens of Park Ridge may not know is what has been presented. Of main concern to myself and other fellow retailers in the area is the proposition of more retail space and big names to draw people to the town. Of course, most are familiar with Borders and Burkes Books, but what are some of the other names that have been mentioned? Some of those names are Sur La Table, Williams Sonoma, and Crate and Barrel. My question to our city officials is....who's looking out for current Park Ridge retailers? When one developer made their presentation a city official posed a question asking if a Crate & Barrel could be brought in town. Now, I know it is a couple years away before any retail space is added, but as a new retailer uptown how can I be sure the redevelopment will not put me out of business? Have any city officials been into my store for more than 5 minutes to see what products and services I offer? Have any of them asked any of the current retailers what stores would complement them and not hurt their businesses? Has anybody asked the current residents of Park Ridge what they would like to see? No, nobody seems to want to know either. Everyone is aware of how hard it is for retailers to make it in Park Ridge, but throw in some stiff competition and it can be impossible. Dominic's Kitchen Store has been open for only 5 months and the response we are getting from consumers has been great. We have filled a niche in Park Ridge and we would like to be a permanent fixture Uptown. We have plans in the near future to expand our store and build a kitchen so we can offer cooking classes and demonstrations. The question is, do we invest a large sum of money into a kitchen only to have a Williams Sonoma or Crate & Barrel come in town and put us out of business?

D.C., Park Ridge

Bugle Readers invited to visit MEC

Dear Editor,

With reference to Mr. Schneider's article (MEC neighbors fly the flag upside down, 4-22-04), I counted on Friday, Apr. 16 five flags upside down at noon time around the MEC. Mr. Kansoer is not telling the facts. Other neighbors have participated in the mediation and members of Mr. Kansoer's group also participated in the two meetings, later they boycotted.

There are more than 150 Muslim families living in Morton Grove. They proved themselves to be good neighbors for the last 15 years. The students, staff and community members who pray in the gym would like to have a dignified, designated place for worship, which they call a Mosque. Every parochial school, hospitals, even airports have a Chapel for prayers and meditation. MEC school children and the Muslim community deserve a dignified place of worship. The gymnasium cannot be a permanent place of worship and meditation.

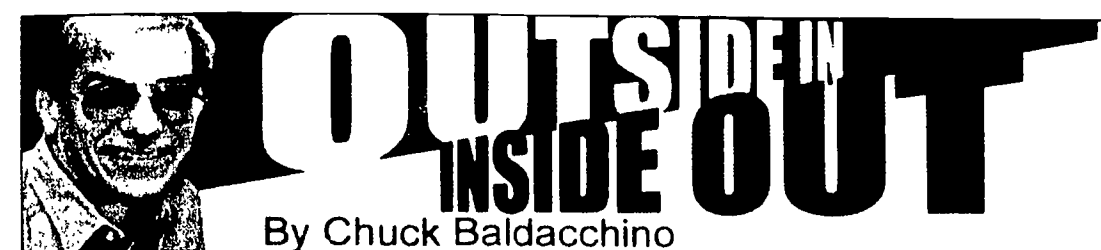
I request that the readers of Bugle to come and see on any Friday (1:15- 1:40 PM) and see what problems MEC is creating. You will find around 50 cars on the streets for 30-40 minutes, when most of the residents are in offices and children are in the school. Mr. Kansoer and his small group filed a law-suit to stop Muslims from praying in the MEC. Is this fair?

The combined floor to area ratio (FAR) of existing and proposed structure is 0.29 far less than 0.6, allowable by the ordinance. MEC has more than 4+ acre site with lot of green space for the community to use.

Let us have another place of worship in the Village of Morton Grove and live peacefully following the commandments of our Creator.

S.Q., MEC

PARK RIDGE NEWS



By Chuck Baldacchino

A Glimmer of Light

When I think of the members of the Park Ridge City Council, the feelings that come to mind are not normally respect and hope.

But there is one person on the Council who gets close to what civic leaders ought to be. He is Larry Friel, the senior alderperson of the 7th Ward. He sees the strength and vitality of citizens here and the promise of this town.

What distinguishes Larry from his peers on the Council? Three things come to mind immediately.

1) He's the Council member most in touch with his constituents. He has sponsored and conducted the ONLY ward/town meetings in this city, to get feedback from his constituents on things THEY think important and to hear them on ANY things that bother them. And he is the ONLY alderman who actively seeks out constituents immediately when he hears they have problems.

2) he's the Council member with the most nerve. He not only has participated in the withdrawal of Park Ridge from SOC (saving us \$250,000/year on a fight that wasn't ours and that we couldn't win, but where's the \$600,000

we left in Peotone, alderman?), but he's held the line on what he's heard most from his constituents: that their primary concerns in Park Ridge are for repairing the deteriorating infrastructure, reducing flooding by the additions of storm sewers, and their concern for public safety on our streets and in our homes.

3) He's not afraid to change his mind when powerful and cogent arguments are presented to him. He has his opinions, like all of us do. But his vote represents what his constituents want and think or what is the right thing to do when there's some controversy.

OK, he's not perfect, but few of us are. Larry Friel recognizes that he is a REPRESENTATIVE of the people, that he is the conduit through which the views of his constituents flow. And he has recognized that there are issues facing Park Ridge and issues that can make Park Ridge a better place to live and to raise a family that, even though not yet on the constituent radar screen, deserve consideration by the Council - because Council members are the civic leaders of this community.

Could he do even better? Yes. As conceived by this country's Founding Fathers, our elected representatives weren't supposed to just hold their fin-

gers to the wind and blindly go in that direction. They were supposed to discern the wind's direction and then filter that information through their own personal wisdom, experience and heightened sense of the common good to arrive at what is in the true interest of their constituents. Sometimes Larry could be a better filter and less of a pure conduit.

Are there issues that he should be even stronger on? To be sure; but for that he needs even more support from not only his immediate constituents but from residents of the entire town. (He does, after all, represent ALL of us on issues outside of or greater than those of just his 7th Ward.)

The rest of the Council would do well to emulate Larry Friel. The rest of the Council SHOULD be holding ward/town meetings to get a better grasp of what their constituents think and want. The rest of the Council should be using meetings like that to present their views on the important topics on which they will vote.

The Council was NOT elected to make decisions unilaterally. They were NOT elected to take Park Ridge deep into the 21st Century solely on the basis of what THEY think.

Larry sees that. Larry sees that light. Would that the others would throw off their blinders.

Thanks, Larry.

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Bond set for former residents in bank robbery

Bond was set last week for Michael G. White, 21, and his brother Kenneth White, in connection with the robbery of Harris Bank, 615 Busse Hwy. in Park Ridge Friday, Apr. 16. Both brothers were former residents of Park Ridge. They were arrested at their residence in Antioch. Michael White's bond was set at \$100,000 and Kenneth White's was set at \$80,000. Deputy Police Chief Tom Swoboda said that Park Ridge detectives were able to identify Michael White from the bank's surveillance videos because the police were familiar with them from their time as residents of Park Ridge. Swoboda said that they had only moved from Park Ridge within the last few months.

Park Board elects new officers

The Park Ridge Park Board elected its new officers at their last meeting, Thursday night, Apr. 15. Bob Trizna was elected president, Fred Angelini, as vice president, Lauren Streff, as secretary, and Marty Maloney, Jr., as treasurer.

City postpones Uptown meeting

A meeting on Uptown Redevelopment scheduled for last Wednesday, Apr. 21 was postponed until yesterday, Wednesday, Apr. 28.

According to Public Information Officer Mary Ann Irvine, the meeting was postponed so that the city staff could compile financial information on the developers' proposals. "All the developers presented their information in a different format," said Irvine. "We want to put it together so that the Council members are comparing apples to apples."

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BUSINESS



Bugle hosts after-hours

Members of the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce visited The Bugle's offices for a Business After-Hours earlier this month. The event was held for about two hours and allowed visitors

to meet The Bugle's staff and learn about the process involved each week in creating the newspaper. Pictured here are Jim Simkins of Simkins Funeral Home and Lisa Williams of Minuteman Press.

**Dollars
and sense**

by David Uffington

IRS Tax Notice

April 15, 2004 is over, and your tax returns have been sent off to the Internal Revenue Service, leaving you free of tax angst for another year. But — as happens to millions of tax-

payers annually — the IRS sends you a notice that something is wrong with your return. The first thing to do if you receive one of those tax notices, is not to panic. Just be sure to deal with it as soon as possible. Start by finding the CP (collection process) number at the upper right-hand corner on the first page. This identifies the area in question. You will then be guided to the instructions specific to that issue.

The following lists some commonly issued CPs and the items to which they relate:

- CP-12: Math Error — Overpayment of \$1 or more
- CP-14: Balance Due, No Math

- CP-49: Overpaid Tax Applied to Other Taxes You Owe
- CP-90 & CP-297 (sent simultaneously): Final Notice — Notice of Intent to Levy and Notice of Your Right to a Hearing
- CP-91 & CP-298 (sent simultaneously): Final Notice Before Levy on Social Security Benefits
- CP-161: No Math Error, Balance Due
- CP-501: Reminder Notice — Balance Due
- CP-504: Urgent Notice — Balance Due
- CP-523: Notice of Default on Installment Agreement
- CP-2000: Notice of Proposed

Adjustment for Underpayment or Overpayment
(Note: You can get CP numbers not listed on your tax notice by calling the IRS toll free at 1-800-829-1040. (Hearing impaired persons and TTY users can call 1-800-829-4059.)
Next week I'll cover the basic step-by-step process for responding to a tax notice.
Write to Mr. Uffington in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475 or send e-mail to letters.kfws@hearstsc.com.

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**Morton Grove Chamber
plans annual golf outing**

The Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce will hold its 26th annual Golf Outing and Dinner Fundraiser on Monday, June 28. Check-in and Lunch are at 11:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. The dinner and raffle will follow at 6 p.m.

This year's outing will take place at the Highland Park Country Club, 1201 Park Avenue West, Highland Park. Tickets for

the event range from \$130 for lunch, dinner, golf, a raffle ticket, and two complimentary drink tickets, to \$75 for golf and lunch, or \$50 for dinner only.

Reservations for the event must be made and paid in full no later than Friday, June 18. For more information, contact Natasha Demos, Golf Committee Chair at (847) 540-5271 or Vicky Cosa, executive assistant, (847) 965-0330.

**Niles Re/Max Associates
hailed for 2003 sales**

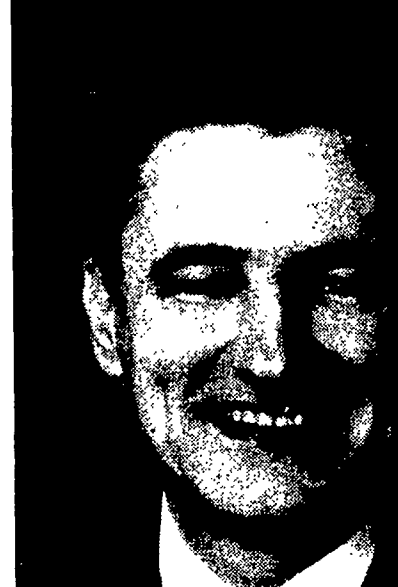
Nine associates at Re/Max All Stars, 7900 Milwaukee Ave., Niles were recently saluted by Re/Max Northern Illinois for sales success in 2003. They were named to membership in one of five honorary clubs that recognized varying levels of achievement based on commissions earned.

Halina Kraszewski, Valeria Ranalli, Susan Durkalski, Richard Harczak, William Tyminski and Carol Ficarra were recognized with

membership in the "100% Club." Members in the 100% Club have annual sales productivity at least twice that of the typical member of the National Association of Realtors (NAR).

Eileen Day, William Cornelius and Anthony Ranalli were awarded with membership in the "President's Club." Members in the President's Club have sales productivity nearly 20 percent high than that of the average NAR member.

**BUSINESS
PEOPLE**



**Victoria Atanus honored
with Sterling Award**

Park Ridge Realtor Victoria Atanus of Coldwell Banker was recently presented with a Sterling Award for her achievements.

"I am honored to present the Sterling Award to Victoria Atanus," said Alex Perriello, President and CEO of Coldwell Banker Real Estate Corporation. "She is an invaluable asset to the Coldwell Banker family and has proven her acumen on a consistent basis."

Atanus was also praised for upholding Coldwell Banker's standards of professionalism and aiding the company growth.

"Coldwell Banker holds itself to a high standard of quality and professionalism," said Perriello. "After several years of unprecedented growth in the housing market, it is people like Victoria who are ensuring that the reputation of Coldwell Banker as the leader in the real estate industry remains strong."

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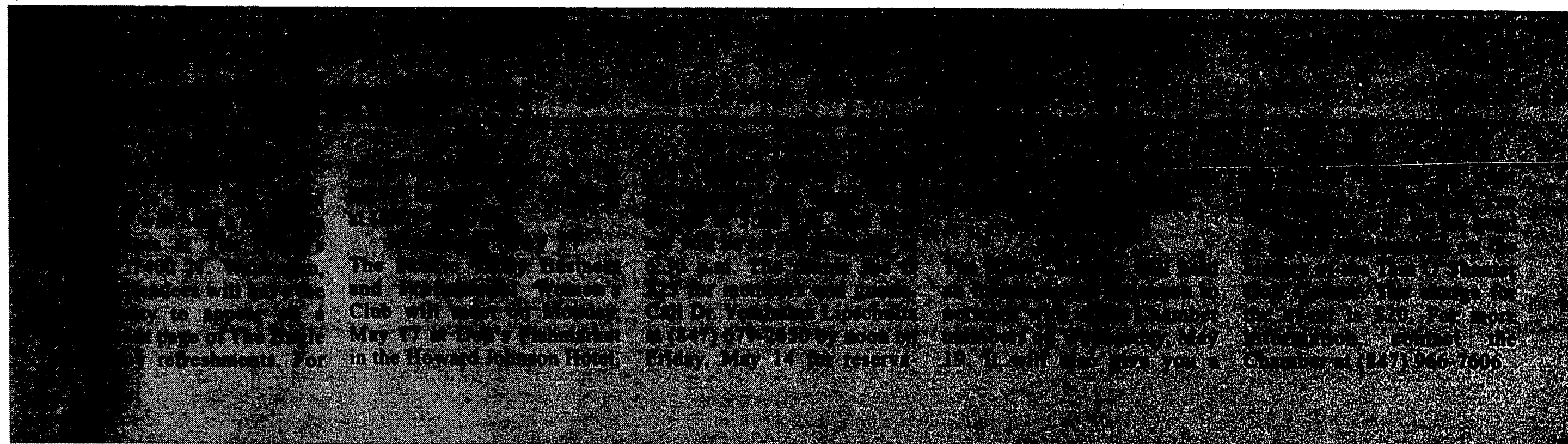
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Maine East

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Janik, Erik Moy, Monika Nowakowski, Dhvani Patel, Rintu Philip, Justyna Roszkoska, Daniel Sadlowski, Brittany Taylor, and Eric Williams; in English as a Second Language: Krasimir Bonchev, Jiksy George, Oliyapurathu, Hilario Lopez, Blanca Ortiz, Priya Rawat, and Solongo Zorrig; in Foreign Language: Jessica Badal, Gilberto Gonzalez, Kristiyana Kaneva, Milena Kuzebaska, Jessica Stephens, and Larry Volpert; in Mathematics: Drew Beierwaltes, Daniel Rechitsky, Shrikant Shah, and Justyna Zuber; in Music: Mathew Ferrer and Antonina Pondo; in Physical Education and Health: Pooja Patel, Kathryn Comia, Amanda Ilic, Jijo George,

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Culver School announces third quarter honor roll

Congratulations to the following Culver students who have qualified for the 1ST quarter honor roll. To qualify for Red Honors, a student must have an average of 3.50 or higher. To qualify for White Honors, a student must have an average of 3.00-3.49.

Red Honor Roll
7th Grade-Jessica Ang, Jorey Guillermo, Nicole Groshon, Art Jataputra, Aleeza Jivraj, Trevor Lee, Nicole Melfi, Anjeanette Mendez, Joanna Mocarska, John Nasshan, Samantha Parlich, Abraham Pineda, Kelly Plach, Patrick Sen, Mark Wozniczka

8th Grade- Nashida Alam, Heather Anderson, Alexander Arsenijevic, Aqsa Asif, Susan Borkowski, Katie Dessent, James Hong, Olga Ilyaguyeva, Kenneth Kaufhold, John Paul Monreal, Berner, Jennifer Sherovskiy, Ellen Shin, Dana Wierzbicki, Laura Wilczynska, Joseph Willer, Jasper Yu, Cory Zielke

White Honor Roll
7th Grade- Imaad Ali, James Alvarado, Brian Byrne, Brent Carducci, Haesun Chang, John Chen, Christian Dioso, Robert Fahey, Ryan Goldmann, Andrew Kang, Josefina Ionescu, Fareha

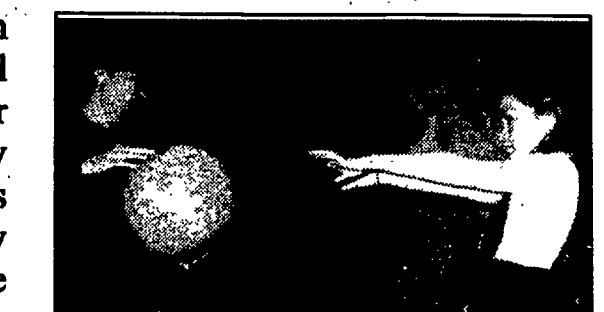
Khatoun, Darek Krolezyk, Patrick Lodding, Shaizan Malik, Steven Morzy, Jessica Nieves, Priya Pandya, Jaclyn Peterson, Brendan Ryan, Aaron Smart, Diana Szafaryn

8th Grade- Florian Damsa, Elbron Eramia, Christopher Galicia, Maaheen Gaffar, Brittany Gerstenberger, Megan Gibbons, Michael Gorski, Kelly Gremley, Justina Jamroz, Jamie Kim, Ha-Young Kim, Tim Kosiba, Richard LaRoussa, Jumi Lee, Shannon Meyer, Rebecca Ostrega, Brad Springer, Daniel Toy, Ryan Volkodav, Jake Wengerski, Ramina Youmara

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NEWS

Car crashes into Morton Grove Post Office

BY ANDREW SCHNEIDER
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Workers and patrons at the Morton Grove Post Office, 9114 Waukegan Rd., were surprised Monday when a Honda Civic crashed through the front door around noon.

No one was injured in the accident that destroyed a portion of the Post Office's front entryway, closing it down for the rest of the day.

Postmaster Hal Hermes expected the Post Office to reopen Tuesday.

"It was frightening," said Window Clerk Thomas Wilson, a long-time Morton Grove resident who was selling stamps at the time of the accident. "I was shaking."

The driver of the vehicle wedged it between concrete barriers in front of the building, preventing larger vehicles from approaching. Workers on duty at the time said it sounded as if there had been an explosion.

After the car came to a stop, the driver was reportedly apologizing to Postal employees and patrons. Paramedics removed the driver and a woman who had been in line at the time of the accident when



A workman constructs a temporary wall to replace the one demolished by a Honda Civic that unexpectedly drove through the front door of the Morton Grove Post Office Monday. The car passed between concrete barriers in front of the building.

she fainted.

"I was a little afraid until I realized it was just an accident," said Wilson. "The driver of the car was apologizing to everyone."

Though the Post Office was closed, Hermes and Wilson stood

out front, accepting mail that was already stamped and informing those they turned away about the accident.

"I have the fun job of explaining why people can't cross the line," said Hermes.



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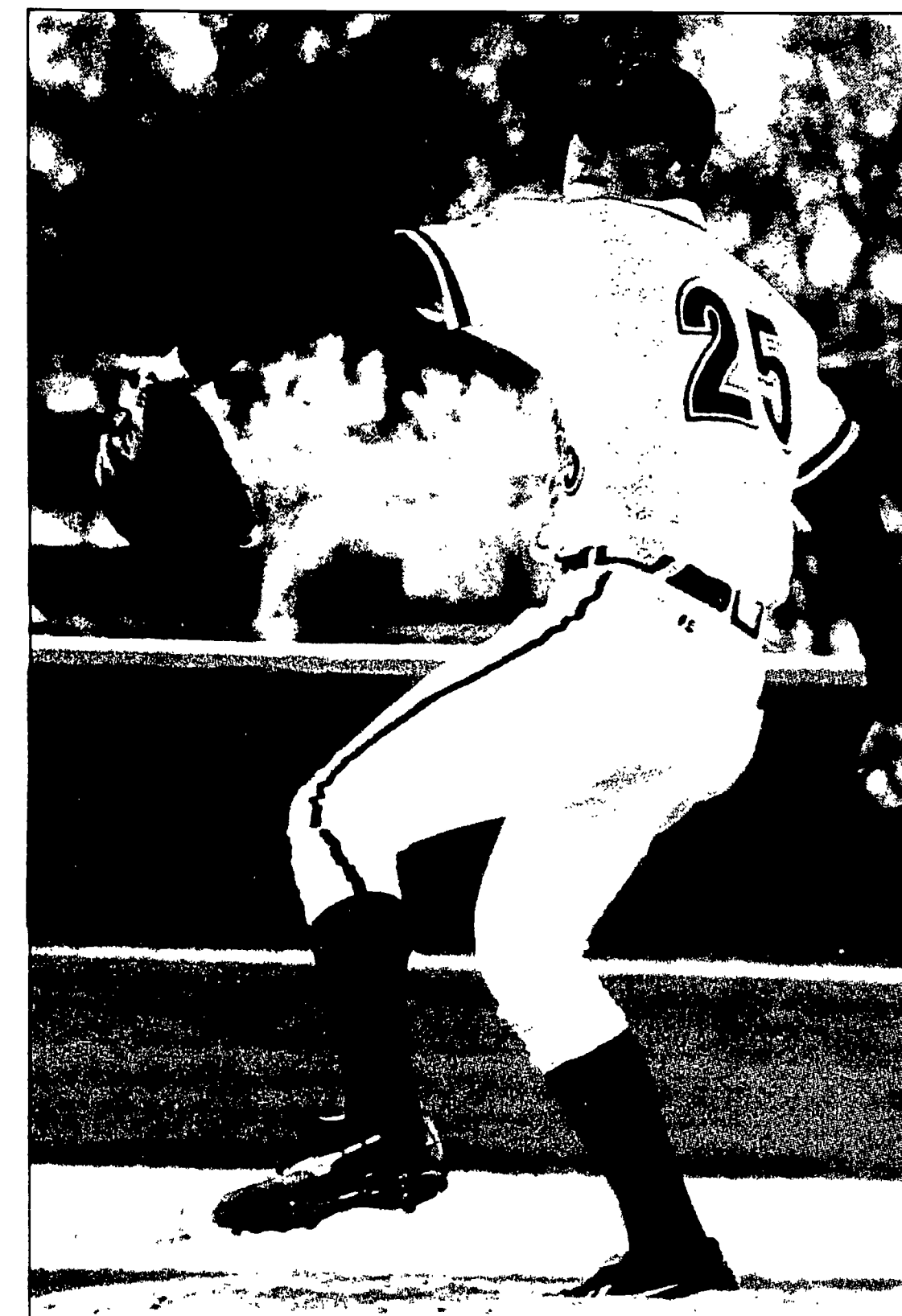
BY RYAN BISHOP
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Last week in Niles West baseball was a critical one, as the team was scheduled to play North Shore power New Trier twice and a much improved Deerfield squad. The Wolves had a big challenge ahead of them, needing to win all three games to get back to the .500 mark. They did their part on Monday, defeating Deerfield 2-1 behind an outstanding pitching performance.

Coach Garry Gustafson and staff knew they had to turn up their game a couple of notches to hang with the Trevians, who have been one of the hottest teams in the state-posting a record of 16-1. The Wolves could not solve the 1-2 pitching combination of 6'4, 230 lb. senior John Tschantz and Junior Miles Clauss. Falling further from the standing with 8-2 and 10-1 losses, it was a disappointing outcome to say the least.

Thursday's game was a cold, blustery one in which New Trier's Clauss and Ryan O'Rourke combined to no-hit the Wolves. Miles blew his fastball by the Wolves' hitters, striking out nine, walking three batters in six innings, thus improving his record to 4-0 on the season. O'Rourke came on to close out the game in the seventh.

The Trevians got on the board off of pitcher Mike Rosin in the first scoring, two runs after a Dusty Napoleon groundout and strikeout of Kevin Rogers. Austin Turban fought off four pitches to draw a walk after falling behind 0-2. Third baseman Andy Vogler then executed a hit and run single that drove in Turban all the way from first. Vogler advanced to third on a passed ball and a steal. Aggressive baserunning by the Trevians resulted in a steal of home by Vogler as Rosin dropped the ball from catcher Ben Kim.



Niles West starting pitcher Mike Rosin deals toward home in the top of the third inning of their game against New Trier, Thursday afternoon April 22.

The Wolves were retired in order the first two innings before Chris Rizzo became the first baserunner to lead off the third inning, walking on five pitches. However, his teammates failed to move him over as center fielder Alex Tejada struck out and Matt Shedroff flied out to left field. The Trevians did some more damage in the third. Outfielder Mike Logan drove in two runs with a

single up the middle and outfielder Austin Turban singled down the first base line driving in Rogers for a commanding 6-0 lead.

The Trevians once again scored all their runs after two outs. A beautiful pickoff move by Rosin gunned down Vogler at first for the second out and six batters later Clauss grounded out to second but not before three runs crossed the plate.

WEEKEND WARFARE

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Boy's Gymnastic Meet CSL South Conference Championship

When: 6:30 PM, April 29

Where: Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton St., Skokie, IL

Outlook: When Maine South and Niles West last met the Niles West Wolves were victorious, outscoring the Hawks 117-105. One week later they meet again with another four teams thrown into the mix to compete for the CSL Conference title. With the amount of talent coming to Niles West both teams will have to improve their scores if they hope to earn the title.

Maine South Boy's Track at Glenbrook North Spartan Relays

When: 6PM, April 30

Where: Glenbrook North High School, 2300 Shermer Rd., Northbrook, IL

Outlook: Historically some of the top of the runners have come to compete at the Spartan Relays held at Glenbrook North. The meet should be a good test for the Hawks who are soaring high after talking first at the annual District 207 meet. The meet, which pits Maine South, Maine East, and Maine West was easily taken over by the Hawks early in the meet. Maine South will now face some tough competition in Northbrook to prepare them for a run at the conference championship as well as preparing some runners for state competition.

Notre Dame Baseball vs. Joliet Catholic

When: 10AM, May 1—Double Header

Where: Notre Dame High School, 7655 W. Dempster St., Niles, IL

Outlook: One of the top teams in the state, Joliet Catholic (11-3), will travel to Niles to play a double header in which Notre Dame (15-4) will be able to steal a game. Joliet Catholic is playing very strong right now, but don't count Notre Dame out. The returning ESCC Conference champions have set some high goals for themselves. With fifteen wins they are already well on their way to achieving their goal of 20 wins. With the ability to strike at any moment the Dons hope to grab both games to put their goal of 20 wins only three away.

Does your team whether high school, grade school, or park district, have an exciting game coming up? We want to know about it! Email msantor@buglenewspapers.com with details and contact information and your team could be featured in next week's Weekend Warfare!

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| Tuesday | Time | Begin Date |
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| Wednesday | Time | Begin Date |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Have a Ball | 6:30 p.m. | May 5 |
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| Thursday | Time | Begin Date |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solid Gold | 9:30 a.m. | May 20 |
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be served. Kids will receive 6 game tokens for the game room, bowling shoes and cosmic bowling. Fees are Res \$35 per couple; Non-Res \$45 per couple. Don't miss out on this special event at Niles Brunswick Bowl, 7333 N. Milwaukee. Event time is 12:30-3:00 p.m. Call 847-967-6633 for further information.

IceLand Ice Show: "Mighty Blades"
The Niles Park District staff is hard at work getting ready for the 2004 Annual Ice Show "Mighty Blades".

Over 200 skaters participate in this extravaganza of music and lights. The IceLand show gives students an opportunity to share their talents. Show times are Fri, May 14 at 7:00 p.m., Sat, May 15 at 2:00 & 7:00 p.m., and Sun, May 16 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are now on sale. Seats are \$8.00 and \$6.00. For more information on the Ice Show, or any of IceLand's many programs, please call IceLand at (847) 297-8010. IceLand is located at 8435 Ballard Rd. in Niles.

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Ages 6-12
Sessions begin June 14th and run through August 20th. We offer both full and part-time registration for your convenience. Don't delay register today before sessions fill.

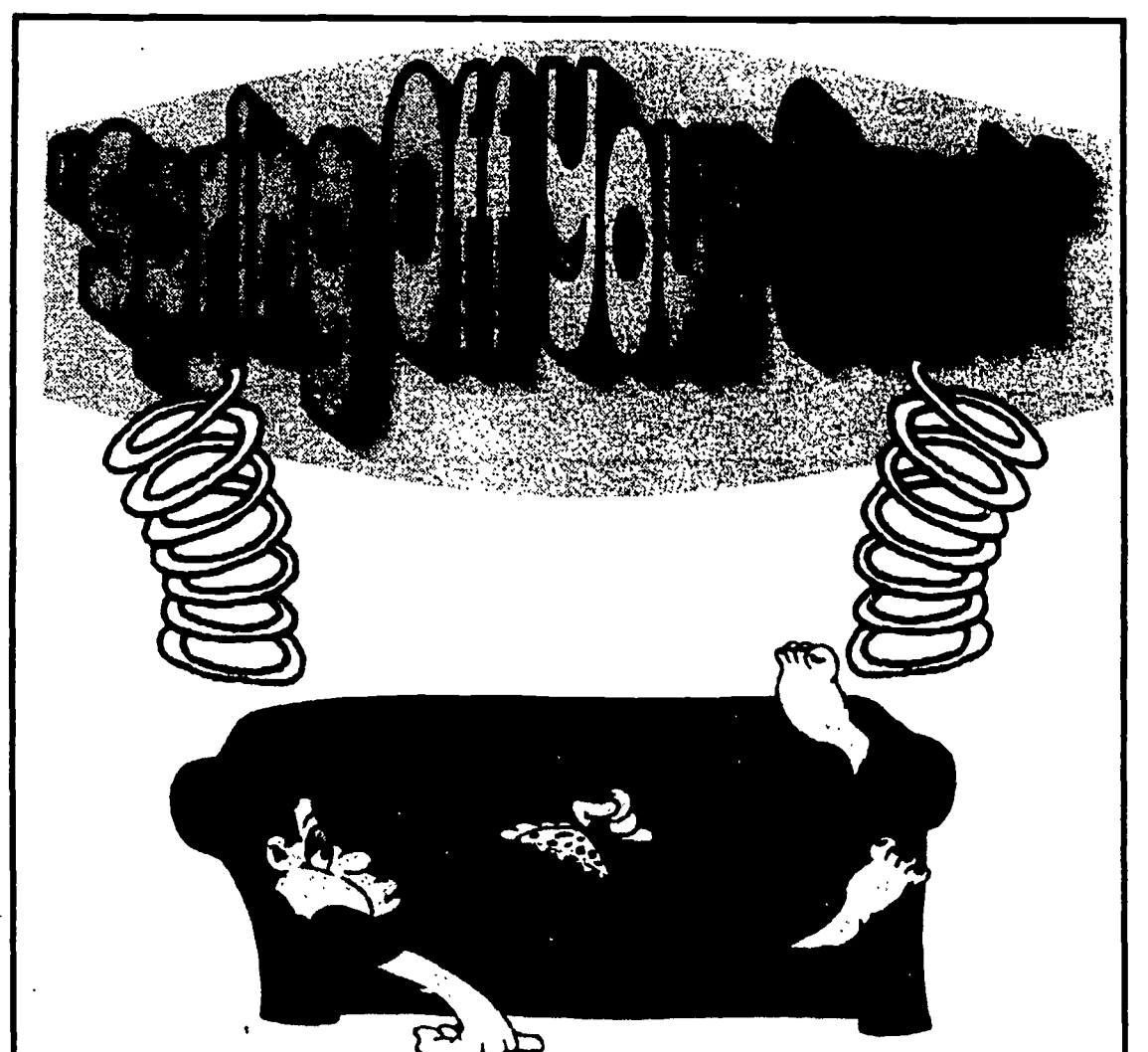
Girls Night Out
Enjoy a Friday night with friends designing & creating personal keepsakes like picture frames, jewelry, candles and more. Swimming, music, snack and more will get you into the party mood.

Ages: 9-12
May 7th
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Maine Township Senior News

MaineStreamers Announce Senior Activities and Classes

Listed below are a few of the new May and June programs for all Maine Township seniors. All activities and programs are held at Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Rd., Park Ridge unless otherwise indicated. For further information on these and all senior programs and activities call 847-297-2510 or visit www.mainetownship.com.

BEGINNERS/INTERMEDIATE TAI CHI
Thursdays, May 13 to June 17 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Maine Drop-In Center
9511 Harrison, Des Plaines
Instructor: Sylvester Marshall
Cost: \$30.00 for 6 classes

Learn and review your Tai Chi postures and stances in this class. Time will be allotted for both Beginning and Intermediate students. Newcomers are welcome to participate in this healthy exercise program.

"How to buy a Computer?"
Tuesday, May 18
3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Cost: \$10.00 - Registration Required
Presenter: Lee Huber

Confused with all the choices for a new computer? Do you really need an 80GB hard drive? Do I need a DVD reader? Should you

get a laptop or desktop computer. All of these questions and more will be answered.

55 ALIVE DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE
Mon., May 24 & Wed., May 26 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Instructor: Stanley Fukai, AARP
Cost: \$10.00* check made payable to AARP

This two-part class helps you update your knowledge of age-related changes and rules of the road. Upon completion your automobile insurance company will offer a discount.

HANDY MAN GUIDES AVAILABLE

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Day Trips
The following Day Trips are currently on sale. In order to sign up for a Day Trip you must first sign up to be a member and then a reservation form will be sent to you. To become a member call the MaineStreamers at 1-847-297-2510 and ask for an application. All Day Trip departs from the State of Illinois Building, 9511 Harrison St. in Des Plaines.
"TEN CHIMNEYS" TRIP
Near Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Thursday, June 3
2 times: 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

or 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Trip Rate 2
Cost: \$75.00 members/\$80.00 guests

Today's destination is home of Broadway legends Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontaine, "Ten Chimneys." You will be treated to one of the most inspirational Historic House Tours in America! Almost all of the estate's enchanting personal décor and collections are intact and unchanged since the Lunt's first assembled them in the 1930's and '40s. Ten Chimneys is simply overflowing with memorabilia. You will enjoy a full estate tour of the three main buildings and grounds. Please note: This trip requires stairs, walking and standing. Before our wonderful tour, we will have lunch at The Union House, a Genesee Depot Landmark since 1861. The menu is Grilled Chicken with Raspberry Sauce and Wild Rice Salad with Fruit Garnish, Bread and Butter and Caramel Flan for Dessert!

After the Ten Chimney's tour we will make a quick stop at The Elegant Farmer - Wisconsin's largest farm market. Stock up on Fresh Fruits, Vegetables, Culinary Delights, Prize Winning Cheeses, Cider Baked Hams and their Signature "Apple Pie Baked in a Paper Bag."

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Niles Senior News

Senior Center Week - Senior Centers on the move

May 10th - May 14th
Across the country, senior centers are celebrating Senior Center Week May 10th through May 14th. This year the Senior Center week theme is Senior Centers on the Move! And we certainly fit the picture! Almost every day our rooms are filled with events, classes, arts and crafts, health lectures or screenings, support groups, and many other activities. For Senior Center Week we are planning specific events with daily raffles and snacks:

Monday, May 10th, 1:00pm - Intergenerational Songfest. Free Songfest features Culver students & our Niles Senior Choral Group: The Golden Notes.
Tuesday, May 11th, Wednesday, May 12th, & Thursday, May 13th, 2:00pm-4:00pm
Play mini-golf throughout the Center. Free

Seniors will be able to play mini-golf throughout the Senior

Center on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Top scores go to our Tournament on Friday. Senior

members need to sign up for a playing time at the front desk. Thursday, May 13th, 9:00am-11:00am - Pancake Breakfast & You be the Judge. \$5

Join us for Pancakes, Waffles, Eggs, & Sausages prepared by the Senior Center staff.

After Breakfast play "You Be the Judge" and win prizes. Friday, May 14th, 2:00pm-4:00pm - Mini-golf Tournament throughout the Center - Free

An exciting end of the week mini-golf Tournament throughout the Senior Center.

Top scores from the week's mini-golf games compete in the tournament! Don't forget to sign up during May Registration.

HELP PLAN THE ANNUAL DINNER DANCE
Introductory Meeting - Thursday, May 6th, 1:00pm
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MORTON GROVE SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS RELEASE
Contact: Bud Swanson, Family & Senior Services, 847/663-6110
April 26, 2004

"MEDICARE MODERNIZATION ACT" LECTURE

Learn about the new laws passed by the U.S. Congress regarding Medicare benefits at 1 p.m. on Monday, May 3 in the Morton Grove Senior Center. Jean Cleland of the North Shore Senior Center will discuss pharmaceutical benefits for seniors. Please register for this free program by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223.

"SOME CALL HER 'OLD GLORY'"

Learn the symbols and meanings of how the U.S. flag got its colors, nicknames, and reputation. Diane Walsh of the Illinois Secretary of State's Office will provide this informative lecture and video along

with War Veteran, Stephanie Lacey who will speak about services available from the Veterans Administration. This program will be held starting at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4 in the Morton Grove Senior Center. This is a free program, but please sign up by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223.

"TONY N' TINA'S WEDDING"

It's a wedding! It's a feast! It's a show! Come see the acclaimed Piper's Alley mainstay, "Tony N' Tina's Wedding" as it celebrates 10 years on stage on Wednesday, May 5. Be a guest at this hysterical satirical Italian-American wedding which is a complete entertainment package, including a pre-wedding cocktail, cash bar, a ceremony full of mishaps and madcap comedy. The cost is \$56 for Morton Grove Senior Center members and \$65 for non-members. Depart from the Center at 10:45 a.m. and return at 4:15 p.m. Registration deadline is March 30 in person at the Senior Center.

CHOLESTEROL

SCREENING

The Morton Grove Senior Center's monthly Cholesterol Screening will be held at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, May 5. Swedish Covenant Hospital will administer the screening, which provides a full lipid profile including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL and triglycerides. Results will be available within seven working days. Reservations are required by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223. Fasting for 12 hours is also required but water and medications are allowed. The cost is \$10 for residents age 65+ and \$12 for non-residents and residents under age 65.

"I.D. THEFT" LECTURE

Brian Millich of the Cook County Sheriff's Department will present this special program describing how people can protect themselves from identification theft at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 6 in the Morton Grove Senior Center. There is no charge for this program, but please register by calling the Morton Grove Senior Hot Line at 847/470-5223.

North Suburban Hearing seeks Centenarians with Hearing Loss

North Suburban Hearing in Niles is looking for centenarians with hearing loss. It's part of a national program that

will award pairs of digital hearing aids to 100 people with hearing loss who are celebrating a 100-year milestone.

To suggest a centenarian for the program, contact North Suburban Hearing at (847) 966-0060. Deadline for applications is May 17.

Niles Seniors

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for people 18 years & older for the very low cost of \$25. A Blood Draw will allow lab tests for a Complete Blood Count (CBC), Complete Metabolic Panel (CMP), Cholesterol (Lipid Profile), and a Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) for men only. Advanced registration is required. Please sign up at the front desk of the Senior Center and pick up instructions. You may also sign up for a free 10-minute fully clothed massage from the Chicago School of Massage Therapy. We suggest you sign up as soon as possible for both the lab tests and massage as space is limited. In addition, the Fitness Center will offer fitness testing for seniors & provide information on how you stand compared to National Standards.

SIX-WEEK GRIEF GROUP BEGINS IN JUNE

Grief is a complex emotional reaction to loss that can involve a range of different feelings, such as sadness and loneliness. Those who have experienced loss may find it helpful to meet with others experiencing a similar transition. Beginning this June, the Niles

Senior Center will hold a weekly Grief Group for six weeks. The group is an opportunity to support Niles residents who have experienced the loss of a loved one during the past year. Please call Melanie Amin or Bev Wessels at 847/588-8420 for more information on meeting dates. Note: We have left off the start date of the group to encourage participants to first call us so we can better assess their needs.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF SENIORS

Thursday, June 10th, 11:00am - 2:30pm
Niles couples, celebrating 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 years of marriage or more in 2004 are invited to the Niles Senior Center's Annual Golden Anniversary Celebration. Niles couples married in 1954, 1949, 1944, 1939, 1934, or earlier are invited to be our guests at this wonderful

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BY JEFFREY CARDELLA
Special to The Bugle

**Edward Jones
529 Plan Can Help You Cope With College Costs**

In a few weeks, the school year will be coming to an end. If you have young children, you're that much closer to the day when they head off to college. And if you want to help them pay for their schooling, the time to start saving is now, because college costs are moving in only one direction — up. Just how high are the costs of higher education? Consider these figures from the College Board: In 2003-2004, the average annual charges (tuition, fees, room and board) at a four-year public institution total \$10,636, while the corresponding figure for a four-year private school is \$26,854. And if college expenses continue to rise faster than the general inflation rate, you can expect much higher costs in the future.

Fortunately, you've got some attractive college savings vehicles available — and one of the best of these is the Section 529 plan, named after that part of the Internal Revenue Code authorizing these accounts. You can choose from two types of Section 529 plans: a pre-paid tuition program or a savings plan. In a pre-paid tuition plan, you buy future tuition credit — at today's prices — at an in-state, public school. If your child or grandchild decides not to attend your state college, you can transfer the value of your contract to private and out-of-state schools.

In a Section 529 savings plan, you put money in specific investments. All withdrawals will be free from federal income taxes, as long as the money is used for a qualified college or graduate school expense of the beneficiary you've named — typically, your child or grandchild. (However, the money will appear as income on the child's tax return.) Withdrawals for expenses other than qualified education expenditures may be subject to federal, state and penalty taxes. This tax benefit is effective through

2010, unless extended by the U.S. Congress.

Section 529 Plan Benefits

Of the two types of 529 plans, the savings plan is far more popular. In many ways, it offers more freedom than the pre-paid tuition plan, and, of course, it has tax advantages. But the 529 savings plan also offers other key benefits, including the following:

- High contribution limits — Section 529 plan contribution limits are typically quite high — more than \$200,000 per beneficiary in many state plans. Special gifting provisions apply. As with many investments, before investing in a 529, you should consult your tax professional.

- No residency requirements — You can generally contribute to the Section 529 plan of any state you choose, even if you don't live there. However, if you participate in your own state's plan, you may receive additional tax benefits.

- Investment flexibility — If you want to move your investment around, you can generally change to a different option in a 529 savings plan once a year. You also can transfer your account to a different state's program as often as once every 12 months.

- Estate-planning advantages — If you're a grandparent, you may be especially interested in the 529 savings plan. Because you can contribute large amounts of money to the plan, you'll be able to reduce the size of your taxable estate. Plus, even though the assets are out of your estate, you retain control of them. You decide who will get the money and when he or she will get it. You can even change the beneficiary to another family member.

So, there you have it — some reasons to consider investing in a Section 529 plan. If this plan is appropriate for your individual needs, it can be a great way to help boost your college savings. As for your children's grades — well, that's up to them.

JEFFREY Cardella can be reached at Edward Jones, 8141 N. Milwaukee, Niles, 847-470-8953

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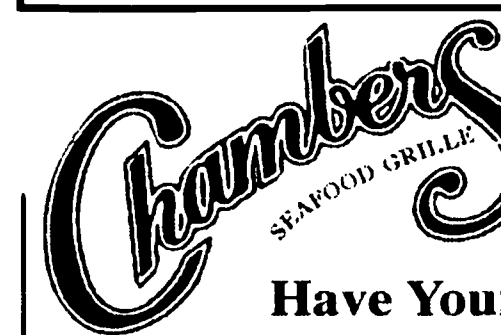
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Morton Grove residents turn yard into migration pit stop

BY WENDY ELLIS
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Jim and Marian Thill are expecting company this week and they couldn't be more excited. The visitors will fly in anytime now and hang around in the Morton Grove couple's back yard for a week or two before continuing on their long journey, and Jim and Marian intend to spy on them the whole time they're here.

That's not as rude as it sounds when you realize their visitors are migrating birds on their way back north for the summer. Like the swallows in Capistrano, the Thills backyard has become a popular stopover for warblers of all kinds, not to mention other forms of wildlife, since the Thill's transformed their yard into a natural habitat about a dozen years ago.

"We always enjoyed nature in the open areas," said Marian. "But we looked around the neighborhood and noticed nobody lived here, nothing moving, no life."

The well manicured lawns of the suburbs don't lend themselves to the type of habitat our natural wildlife enjoys, so the Thills decided to change that on their own little plot of land on Major Street. Jim Thill built a pond out back, and has expanded and improved it to include a waterfall and natural stone around the bathing pools. Birds literally wait in line to take a turn in the pools. Almost every plant is either a nectar or a seed producer.

"We cut nothing down," said Jim. "We leave them up because the birds eat the seeds from the seed heads on the plants." In the winter time the Thills put out seed for their year round friends. "Because we feed the birds in the winter the hawk comes here to feed," said Marian. "He dines on the pigeons that come and we're fine with that. Pigeons are non-

native. What he leaves behind the other animals use. The other birds use pigeon feathers for their nests. It's such a great cycle."

At this time of year many of the plants, like the Service Berry bush and the Cardinal Flower are just beginning to come alive.

specific. In other words, they won't lay eggs on any other plant. That's why violets are left alone in the Thill's yard. They are a butterfly favorite.

If it's hummingbirds you want be sure to have plenty of tubular plants around, like Morning Glory

yard can bring your blood pressure down. The coo of a morning dove, birds splashing in the pools and pond, the birds chirping and playing as they fly from roost to roost, it's hard to believe anything could disturb this setting. But an occasional Mallard flies in and gets

slices," said Marian. "They come in six to a group and stay about two weeks and pair off. Then all but one pair leaves, and those two stay for most of May."

So why doesn't all this life come to rest in other backyards? According to the Thills, our pruned and prettied up neighborhoods have made it hard for wildlife to find what they need. In our efforts to be neat, we have stopped planting trees that "shed". But that means we have been planting only male trees and many species of trees need both male and females to flourish. Every fall we work feverishly to rake up our leaves before the last leaf truck goes by, but if we swept them into our garden they would be the perfect mulch. "It's the cheapest mulch you can get," said Jim. "If you look in the woods you'll see the most fragile plants push their way up through years of leaf litter every spring."

It's the water that attracts the warblers. "We call them flying gems," said Marian. "because they come in all colors." Spring migration only lasts six weeks, while fall's trip can go from mid August to November. The Thills know if they want to enjoy it all they must keep constant vigil. "You'd better be watching because you never know who's going to drop in." The couple has documented 74 species of birds passing through since 1992 and 19 species of butterflies in the past 6 years.

Marian Thill shares her love of nature and expertise by giving talks and seminars. She will be conducting a Bird Watch at Linne Woods through the Morton Grove Historical Museum on May 15. Information is available through the museum by calling 847-965-0203. Marian is a Certified Naturalist and is a bird watcher for the Bird Conservation Network of the Audubon Society.



Marian and Jim Thill have created a haven of natural beauty in their front and back yards in Morton Grove. Most of the plants are native foliage reflecting the Thill's belief that local wildlife needs native plants to thrive.

Butterflies and Hummingbirds are also fond of this yard because the Thills have made a point of planting the plants that attract them. "When you are gardening for butterflies you want to garden in color mass," said Marian. "You don't want just one, you want a group, maybe bright yellow or orange." Butterflies lay their eggs on host plants, and many are host

vines. "They are tubular with nectar at the end," said Jim. "No other bird can reach it." Jim also built a "Bee Box" and there are signs that babies have been laid in the box and sealed in by their mothers. When they are ready to come out, they will unseal the hole and emerge into mother nature at her best.

Just sitting in the Thill's back-

chased away by Jim. The Thill's ears are always tuned to new sounds. They had a frog visit for a couple of weeks, and even a small fox appeared one day to check things out. The song of the red wing black bird is one of the earliest in the spring, and Marian always has her ear tuned for the trill of the Baltimore Oriole.

"We attract them with orange

Mother's Day's U.S. Origins May Surprise You

(NUI) - On Mother's Day, it's customary to shower moms with gifts, flowers and candy. But have you ever stopped to think about the holiday's origins? Here are some facts you may not know about the history of Mother's Day in America.

In the early 1850s, Anna Reese Jarvis, an Appalachian homemaker who never married, organized a day to raise awareness of poor health conditions in her community. She believed this cause would be best advocated by mothers and called the event "Mothers' Work Day."

In 1905, after Jarvis' death, her daughter, also named Anna, began a campaign to memorialize the work of her mother. She began to lobby prominent businessmen and politicians, including Presidents William Taft and Theodore Roosevelt to support her campaign to create a special day to honor mothers. She hoped Mother's Day would increase respect for parents and strengthen family bonds.

The first Mother's Day observances were in church services honoring the elder Jarvis held in Grafton, W. Va., and Philadelphia on May 10, 1908. By 1911, every state held its own Mother's Day observance. On May 8, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill recognizing Mother's Day as an official national holiday.

As Mother's Day became more commercialized, however, Jarvis became upset, and even was arrested for disturbing the peace at a convention selling carnations for a war mother's group. Before her death in 1948, Jarvis is said to have confessed that she regretted ever starting the Mother's Day tradition.

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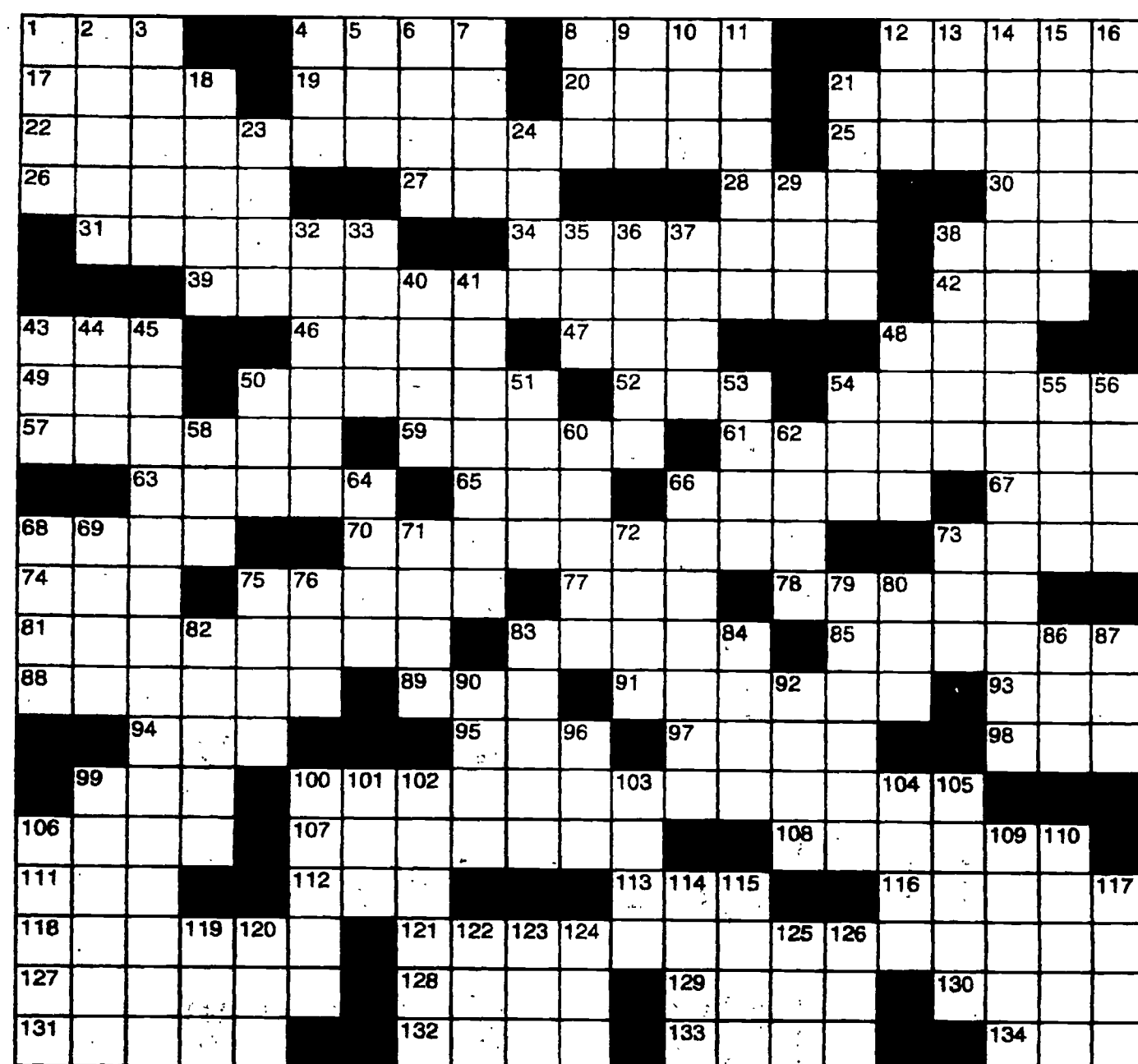
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- 1 Weaken
 - 4 O'Connor's
 - 8 Composer Bartok
 - 12 "Ad - per aspera" (Kansas' motto)
 - 17 Meadow mamas
 - 19 Pro foe
 - 20 Sleep like -
 - 21 Wide belts
 - 22 Comic-book hero
 - 25 "Oh, How I - Get Up"
 - 26 Error's partner
 - 27 Procure
 - 28 - Paulo, Brazil
 - 30 Tons of time
 - 31 Box up
 - 34 Masters Tournament site
 - 38 Urban problem
 - 39 Animated TV series
 - 42 Hwy.
 - 43 Bud
 - 46 Taj town
 - 47 Tallahassee sch.
 - 48 Rita - Brown
 - 49 Tankard filler
 - 50 Step parts
 - 52 Even if, informally
 - 54 Durango district
 - 57 Maestro Lorin
 - 59 Rent

- 61 "The Hustler" setting
- 63 Crowded
- 65 "Just - thought!"
- 66 Petite pest
- 67 Genetic info
- 68 Actress Anna
- 70 Tammany Hall name
- 73 Left open
- 74 Item in a lock
- 75 Premiere
- 77 Baby butter
- 78 Fracas
- 81 Advance
- 83 "This - Moment" ('60 hit)
- 85 Hut
- 88 Van of "Shane"
- 89 Cycle starter
- 91 Barely there
- 93 Baseball stat
- 94 Pinnacle
- 95 - roll
- 97 Bailiwick
- 98 TV's "My Sister -"
- 99 "Gocha!"
- 100 '80 Stevie Wonder hit
- 106 Worry
- 107 Result
- 108 Singer Stratus
- 111 Knock
- 112 Russian river
- 113 Superlative suffix
- 116 Sans emotion
- 118 Lets up
- 121 "F Troop" role
- 127 Kidman of "To Die For"
- 128 Columnist Bombeck
- 129 Nerves or Spector
- 131 Hardened
- 132 "of the Cat" ('77 hit)
- 133 Side
- 134 - Aviv
- 11 '92 Wimbledon winner
- 12 Battery letters
- 13 Fast way to the UK
- 14 O'Neill drama
- 15 Shot another photo
- 16 For - (cheaply)
- 18 "Unsolved Mysteries" host
- 21 Shallow area
- 23 Jai
- 24 Coup d' -
- 29 Part of NATO
- 32 Sluggish sorts
- 33 - Benedict
- 35 Like some TV channels
- 36 "Beau -" ('39 film)
- 37 "No dice!"
- 38 Bandit Belle
- 40 City on 112 Across
- 41 Polo's place
- 43 Shriver of tennis
- 44 Dothan's st.
- 45 '64 Shangri-Las hit
- 48 Boy or bear
- 50 Cartoon canine
- 51 Lip Jash?
- 53 Mayberry moppet
- 54 Marsh
- 55 New Rochelle college
- 56 General Bradley
- 58 - Buddhism
- 60 Alaskan city
- 62 "Against All -" ('84 film)
- 64 Recedes
- 66 Curative
- 68 Frosh's superior
- 69 Grocer's measure
- 71 Eject
- 72 Assumed manes?
- 73 - standstill
- 75 Wet blanket
- 76 Velvet finish
- 79 Graceland, for one
- 80 Yesterday's your
- 82 Rub it in
- 83 Sal of "Exodus"
- 84 Irene of "Fame" fame
- 86 La-la lead-in
- 87 Tasty tuber
- 90 Coll. cadets
- 92 Tree house?
- 96 Jacket part
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- 100 "Archie" character
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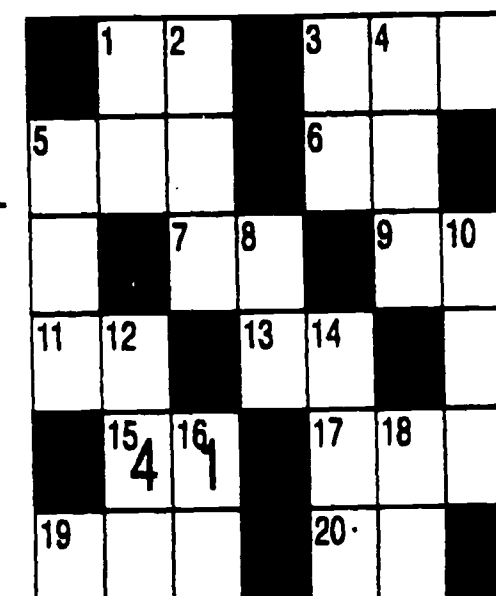
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- ACROSS**
- 1. Digits of 3-Down reversed
 - 3. Twenty less than 5-Down
 - 5. 10-Down minus 19-Across
 - 6. Three more than 1-Down
 - 7. Nine more than 20-Across
 - 9. Same digit repeated
 - 11. Digits of 15-Across reversed
 - 13. 1-Across minus 18-Down
 - 15. Nine less than 18-Down
 - 17. Four times 14-Down
 - 19. 11-Across times 16-Down
 - 20. Three less than 9-Across
- DOWN**
- 1. Twenty less than 8-Down
 - 2. Three times 15-Across
 - 3. Four less than 13-Across
 - 4. The first digit is the sum of the other digits
 - 5. 4-Down minus 17-Across
 - 8. 14-Down minus 1-Across
 - 10. Two times 3-Across
 - 12. Same digit repeated
 - 14. Forty more than 2-Down
 - 16. Seven less than 3-Down
 - 18. Five times 16-Down

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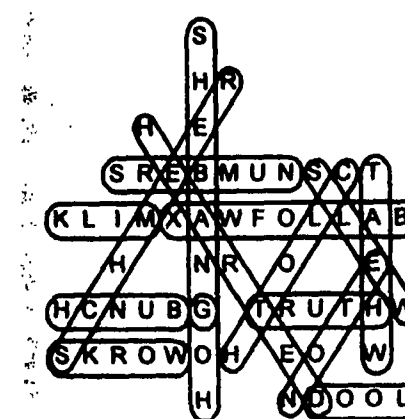
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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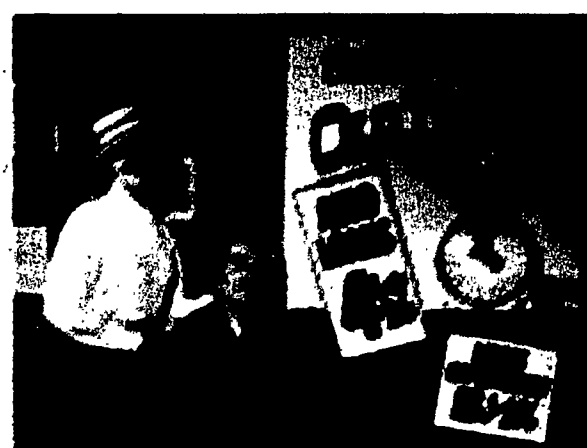
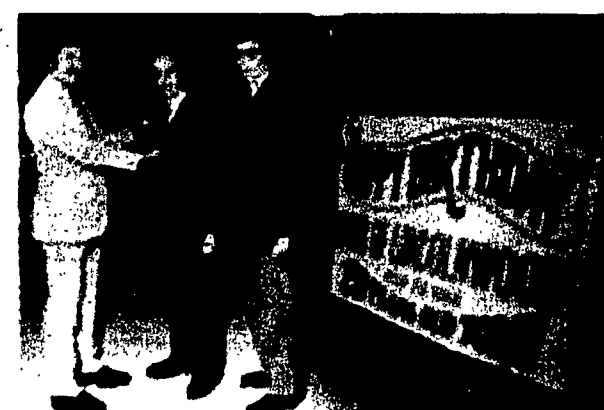
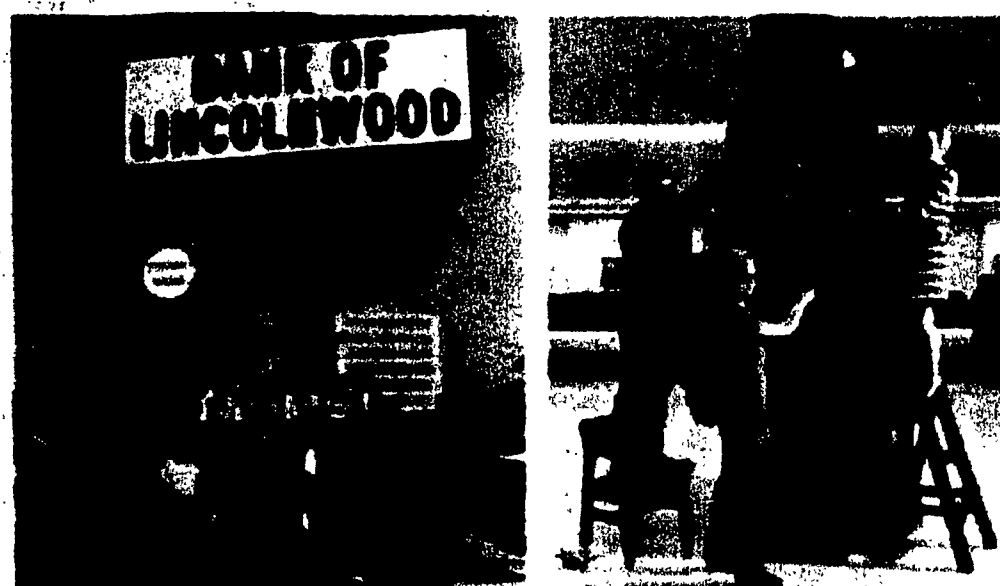


Rational Numbers answers

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| 2 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 5 |
| 0 | 3 | 9 | 3 | 3 |
| 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| 4 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 2 |
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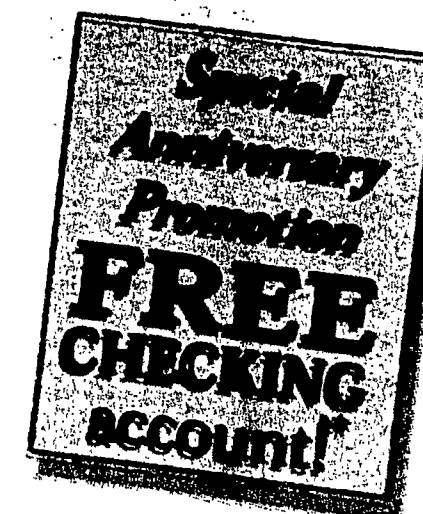


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