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Niles Trustee Callero calls letterhead switch a mistake

Callero says Blase had nothing to do with modified Chamber letter

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BY ANDREW SCHNEIDER editor@buglenewspapers.com

Commerce sent a clarification to newspapers Friday after a letter was faxed to local newspapers Friday, Mar. 11 on their letterhead endorsing the campaign of Niles Mayor Nick Blase and his candidates for village trustee, who are running under the name of "Present Leaders for Financial Security."

The letter, signed by local businessmen Todd Watkins of 3X printing, Nick Carter of Nightingale-Conant and Santo LaMantia, president of Shure, Inc., said that they endorsed Blase and his slate, but was not on Niles Chamber letterhead when they signed it, according to Trustee Bob Callero.

"We put it on letterhead," said Callero. "We thought it was OK. It

was an honest mistake."

The signatures were obtained by Niles Chamber Employee Denice Mack. She originally volunteered to obtain such signatures in January, according to Callero. He said that he thanked her and said that they might ask for them at a later date.

Callero later did just that, asking Mack to obtain signatures from the three men, who also serve as Chamber board members. She did so after the last Chamber board meeting. When they signed the letter, it identified them by their respective businesses.

By the time the letter was faxed to the local newspapers Mar. 11, however, those titles had been replaced with their positions on the Chamber, one of which was incorrect.

The letter itself contained no contact information and was identified as coming from Watkins, Carter and LaMantia, when, in fact, it came from the campaign for the "Present Leaders for Financial Security."

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A fax cover sheet which accompanied a letter sent by the slate of trustees supported by Mayor Blase. The cover sheet lacks any contact information or source. The fax number has been obscured by The Bugle.

Tuesday, Mar. 15 and asked by Mack to pull the letter, since it was unauthorized.

"It was my fault," Mack said Tuesday.

Callero said that Mack provided

the letterhead and that she said it was OK to put the letter on it. One campaign insider said that the situ-

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Niles to retire Central/Touhy TIF

he Niles Village Board was expected to vote to retire the Central/Touhy Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District last Tuesday, 17 years before they were required by law to do so.

"If you want to set up a model TIF, this is the way to do it," said George Van Geem, Finance Director for the village of Niles. "I would set this TIF up against any in the state."

TIF Districts are a tool used by municipalities to develop "blighted" areas. The district is established and all property tax assessments are frozen for taxing bodies except the sponsoring municipality. They can then make invest-

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Park Ridge approves TA2 demolition

BY JEFF BORGARDT jborgardt@buglenewspapers.com

he Park Ridge City Council approved spending \$1.6 million on the demolition of an existing reservoir and pump station this summer at Monday night, s meeting.

The work is expected to be completed over six weeks in June and July.

The city received five bidders and selected the lowest from a Michigan Continues...

DEMOLITION page 3.



Lively Debate

Candidates for municipal office in Morton Grove met for a forum at the Legion Civic Center last Wednesday. Pictured above are the candidates for trustee. For full coverage, turn to page 14.

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The 'Pointe Plaza" retail development, a product of Tucker Corporation and the village of Niles is the major development in the Central/Touhy TIF District, which the village board was expected to retire, Tuesday.



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property and recoup any funds invested through the increased assessments in property taxes. TIFs can have as long as 23- residential property taxes low. year life spans.

first formed in 1999 because a former ABDick industrial facility had been vacant for several years. Van Geem said that the space was difficult to fill because was built in the 1960s and was not attractive to businesses that were looking for more modern facilities. The property also had some environmental issues.

we "That's why involved," Van Geem said.

The village began looking for a developer and ended up working Corporation to develop what is now "Pointe Plaza," a retail development that includes a Cub Foods, Starbucks Coffee, Office Depot and a Walmart.

The village contributed \$4million to the \$60-million dollar redevelopment. In the six years since it created the TIF, it has recouped that money and increased sales tax revenue.

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ments in the district, seize supplemented our sales tax revenue." Van Geem said, adding that the sales tax revenue was what the village uses to keep

"This one has been hugely successful."

-George Van Geem, Finance Director Village of Niles

has another TIF District encompassing a Target retail store and a Costco wholesale store further to the west. Skokie created the neighboring "Village Crossing" in a TIF

The formula for a successful TIF district, Van Geem continued, was to identify a need, redevelop the site, pay off the municipal obligation and terminate it.

"That's the formula for a successful TIF," he said. "This "For us, it was a great oppor- one has been hugely success-

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Letter.

A letter signed by three members of the Niles Chamber's board that was faxed to local newspapers two weeks ago. The Bugle did not publish the text of the letter at the request of the Chamber.

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Nick Cothe Todd WARMER & La Manta

ation was unfortunate and primarily the result of an overzealous volunteer.

While the content of the letter was the same, the letterhead was improperly used, prompting the Chamber to send out a clarification because it was too late to pull the letter from at least one of the local newspapers.

"Our organization, as stated in our by-laws, is non-partisan, nonsectarian and nonpoliti(Continued from pg. 1)

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News

cal," wrote Chamber President Bob Richart "A letter of endorsement signed by members of the board of directors should be considered an endorsement by those members and not the endorsement of the Niles Chamber of Commerce membership as a whole."

The matter is further complicated by the fact that the village of Niles contributes \$10,000 to the Chamber each year. This funding began over a decade ago, when the organization's overall revenue was less than it is today. Blase said last week that it didn't surprise him that trustees running for re-election should want and expect an endorsement from the Chamber.

"The Chamber receives money from the village," he said. "I can see a trustee saying, we give money to the Chamber, we should get something in return.

In light of the confusion over this letter, Blase said that the funding should be revisited by the village board.

"Perhaps they ultimately shouldn't take money from the village so that they can be a completely independent organization." he

While Blase also remembered the trustees discussing the possibility of a Chamber endorsement, he didn't think it was necessary. "I've run 13 times and have never asked for

the Chamber's endorsement," he said. It is unclear whether members of "Present Leaders for Financial Security" thought that the letter constituted an endorsement by the Chamber

Campaign Signs Bloom Along Public Way in Niles

Besides tulips campaign signs have been property along Main and along Oakton even blooming along parkways in Niles over the last few days.

Contrary to a local ordinance prohibiting signs being posted on light poles and on public property signs for the "Present Leaders For Financial Security" party have been blooming near the village hall and next to the post office.

"I told our public works guys to pull them off of poles and the public way," said Mayor

Although Blase did not deny that the illegally posted signs were for his party, he said he didn't think it was important to make any effort to find out who placed the signs.

Opponents of Blase's slate however, have an explanation.

"The mayor is behind those trustees and they are responsible," said Trustee candidate Ray that has the resources." Czarnik said he had some of his own signs removed from private caught doing it.

though he asked the homeowner for permission.

"When you are an independent it gets pricey," said Czarnik citing the five to \$10 dollar cost of each sign.

Trustee candidate Joseph LoVerde said he initially brought the issue of the illegally posted signs to the attention Chuck Ostman of the city's code enforcement department.

LoVerde said, "I thought it was inappropriate. Nicholas Blase, "They are not supposed to be It's got to be an even playing field. I think we should protect the rights of all candidates." Niles Village Attorney Joe Annunzio said he

also saw signs posted illegally near the village

"It's an inappropriate spot, "he said. "I found it curious that the village trustee party would do

Although Annunzio said no one to his recollection has ever been prosecuted for posting Czarnik. "I think it's typical of the trustee party campaign signs on public property it does carry a \$50 fine under a local ordinance if someone is

Demolition

A Council motion was made to delay the majority of the funding until a later date but faltered. A second motion was then passed unanimously to approve the funding. "We either pay now or pay later," said sev-

enth ward alderman Jeff Cox.

He stated this plan was unanimously approved by the Public Works Committee. Public works director Joe Saccaomanno

(Continued from pg. 1) said if the funding was delayed, he would need another date to grant permission from the City Council

Mayor Mike MaRous noted this could be difficult since the council historically meets only once per month during the summer months when this project will be underway.

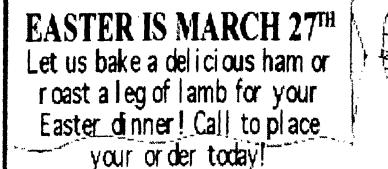
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Attorney Joe Baldi is a current

member of the Dist. 64 School

Board. He has also served on the

City of Park Ridge

Candidates for Mayor Choose One



Mike Tinaglia 'My top priority is to fight

Mike Tinaglia is a labor and employment attorney. He is currently serving as first ward alderman, a position he has held for the past eight years.

During that time, he voted to stop fighting O'Hare expansion and to withdraw Park Ridge from the Suburban O'Hare Commission. Tinaglia. attended

Northwestern University and DePaul University Law School. He said the City Council will have to determine the best way to find more space for the police depart- Army Corps of Engineers and oth-

"In my mind, the police have ing. established they need more space. The question is: what is the best way to do it? How can we fill that need and how to pay for it? Should we modify an existing building, build a new one or use an existing

He said his top priority is to fight

city structure."

"We have had some drug-related tragedies in Park Ridge. As mayor, I'd do everything possible to get rid of drugs," he said.

He also said he'd like to centralize youth services.

Finally, he wants to increase street paving.

Currently, City Hall repaves 6.3 miles of roadway per year. Tinaglia would like to increase this amount.

He said the cost of borrowing money is currently low and the city should take advantage of this if they need to borrow money to pave more roads.

Howard Frimark 'I'm a guy who gets things done and keeps my promises.'

Howard Frimark, 61, currently serves as 4th ward alderman. That term expires in 2007. If elected mayor, he would appoint a replacement candidate with the advice and consent of the City Council.

Frimark is a Park Ridge insurance agent. He said this is advanta-

geous since he is easily accessible to Park Ridge residents at his business place.

Frimark has served as president of the Park Ridge Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Development Economic Corporation and United Way.

He said he has a wealth of economic development experience. If elected, he would implement a



Howard Frimark

marketing plan to promote Park Ridge shopping and business.

He said he would hold daily "office hours" from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. for Park Ridge residents. He also said he would work with Des Plaines mayor Tony Arredia, the ers to ease Des Plaines River flood-

Frimark attended the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh and has lived in Park Ridge for 34 years.

Candidates for Alderman 4yr-term

1st Ward

John Iberl 'I am independent of city government, city staff and all political parties."

John Iberl, 50, owns three currency exchanges in Chicago. He is the third-term elected pres-



John Iberl

ident of the state-wide trade associ-Community Currency Exchange of Illinois.

He is also on the board of directors of the Financial Service Centers of America.

Iberl, a 16-year resident of Park Ridge, said his businesses are not in Park Ridge therefore he would not be susceptible to personal business interests interfering with official

"We have a pattern of that in Park Ridge over the years," he said. "But my business interests are totally outside of Park Ridge."

Iberl, who has a bachelors degree in accounting from DePaul University, has been active in the making decisions. Field School Parent-Teacher Organization. He and his wife helped produce a Field School variety show in 1998 that raised \$20,000 for the organization, he

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Joe Baldi hearing.' Kirke Machon 'I think I'm

Park Ridge Zoning Board of As an attorney, he specializes in bankruptcy cases and often serves as a bankruptcy trustee. He has lived in Park Ridge 26 years and volunteered on the Jaycees and

school board committees.

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School Board, he helped supervise

an organization with a \$42 million

annual budget. The city has a budg-

On the School Board, he helped

select new supt. Sally Pryor and

decided on \$7 million in budget

cuts over a 5-year-period.

He said he has gained the oversight experience needed to serve as Kirke Machon Park Ridge alderman. On the

5th ward

'Someone who listens to people and gives everyone a fair

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Local 2005 Choice

Thursday March 24, 2005

City of Park Ridge

Baldi, 55, attended Western Illinois University and DePaul University Law School. He said the



Joe Baldi

next Park Ridge City Council will have to consider capital development projects for a new library and police station.

He also said the council should supervise uptown development and "enhance the climate for business in park Ridge and monitor traffic and parking."

Bruce Gilpin 'I support open government.'

IT consultant Bruce Gilpin, 50, said he is running for Park Ridge alderman because he is a good problem solver and wants more transparent local government.

"Up till now, too many things have been done behind closed doors. I have a commitment to open-government," he said. Gilpin, a supporter of mayoral can-

didate Michael Tinaglia, said a police station upgrade will be a major issue for Park Ridge Changes will be needed to give police more work space and this could include a new building, he

Gilpin said police are running out of space to store evidence. He suggested the creation of a near-

northwest suburban storehouse for

police evidence that could include Des Plaines, Rosemont, Niles, Morton Grove and Park Ridge. This evidence storage plan would help reduce the size of a new police facility and would help all neighboring localities by sharing the burden of police evidence storage.

Gilpin, whose spouse runs nonprofit organizations, has never held elected office. His volunteer work includes serving as a soccer coach



Bruce Gilpin

and volunteering in the campaign of U.S. Sen. Barack Obama. Gilpin said he has been attending City Council meetings since last spring.

Marc Mazzuca 6th Ward 'I am going to harp on fiscal responsibility.'

Mazzuca, 29, is the youngest candidate in the field. Despite his younger age, he said he has plenty of financial experience. He is an assistant vice-president and analyst at First Midwest Bank.

He completed his MBA at the University of Chicago in 2003. "I want to make sure money is reasonably spent," he said. "I am

going to harp on financial responsi-He said he is opposed to spending

\$.5 million on a commons project in front of the library and also opposes an \$800,000 plan to build a commons in front of the Summit Square Retirement Community. "The city is writing a check for a

project when most of the benefit



Marc Mazzuca

goes to a private business," he said. Mazzuca supports Frimark for

Mary Winn Ryan 6th Ward Could not be reached

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Remember to Vote April 5

Morton Grove Park District

Four candidates are vying for Foundation which raised money Grove Park Board. Incumbents Paul McGivern and Jerry Coursey share the April 5 ballot and Kevin Lochner.

Dominick Burdi is running unopposed for a two-year seat.

million per year operating 14 community center.



Paul McGivern - Incumbent -

McGivern, 40, has lived in Morton Grove for 15 years. He is the owner of the Ace Hardware at 5035 Oakton in Skokie. He was active in the Skokie Youth

two six-year seats on the Morton for a teen recreational drop-incenter known as "The Spot."

The Skokie Youth Foundation held a carnival and fundraisers to with challengers Bob Branick assist "The Spot." The youth foundation was eliminated after In addition, incumbent two years and the Skokie Park District took over duties for the teen-center. McGivern has a The park district spends \$4 bachelor's degree in science from the University of Illinois. parks, two swimming pools and a Appointed in 2003, this is his first bid at elected office. He currently serves as treasurer for the Park Board. He is married and has four children.

April 5 because I recognize our number one responsibility is to protect our investment," he said.

Bob Branick - Challenger -

production manager of the Aurora Beacon News. Before that, he spent 23 years the Chicago Tribune and 10 years at the Elgin Courier News.

Branick was one of 11 applicants for the 2003 open seat they learned after attending parks appointment. The Park Board interviewed two candidates and selected McGivern.

Branick said more candidates should have been interviewed.

"They said they don't have enough time. But if 11 people are



Bob Branick

"People should vote for me interested in the parks, why not sit down with all of them?"

Branick said he'd bring independence to the board. He criticized the current Park Board for having employees of Morton Grove Village Hall and a mother Branick, 57, is the advertising and her son on the board at the same time.

"If you vote for me, you will get independence," he said.

He also stated that Park Commissioners should report back to the Park Board on what conferences.

> **Jerry Coursey** - Incumbent -Photo Unavailable

Coursey, 42, has lived in Morton Grove his whole life. He is employed with the village public works department where he oversees water pump treatment He won his seat on the board in 1999 and is now seeking his second term.

His mother is also on the Park

Responding to Branicks criticism, Coursey said his employment at Village Hall and his relationship with his mother should not be issues.

"Everyone is entitled to their opinion," he said. "But the village and parks are two separate entities," he said. "And as for being related to another commissioner, we are individuals with separate ideas...We've been fiscally responsible and added dozens of new programs,. The parks are in very good shape and we have a great team."

Kevin Lochner - Challenger -

Lochner, 34, is a crew leader for the Morton Grove Public Works department. He has worked for the village for 14 years. He also worked at the family-owned Lochner's Greenhouse. He would work from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the village and then put in more hours at



Kevin Lochner

the greenhouse.

After 85 years in Morton Grove, the greenhouse closed Dec. 31. Lochner said he feels things are

moving in the right direction and believes he can contribute to help the Park District implement successful programs.

As a father of three, he said he would work to develop more activities for children.

"People that don't have young children may not be as interested in developing programs for kids,"

Lochner said he "strongly disagrees" with the opinion that an employee of Village Hall should not be on the Park Board.

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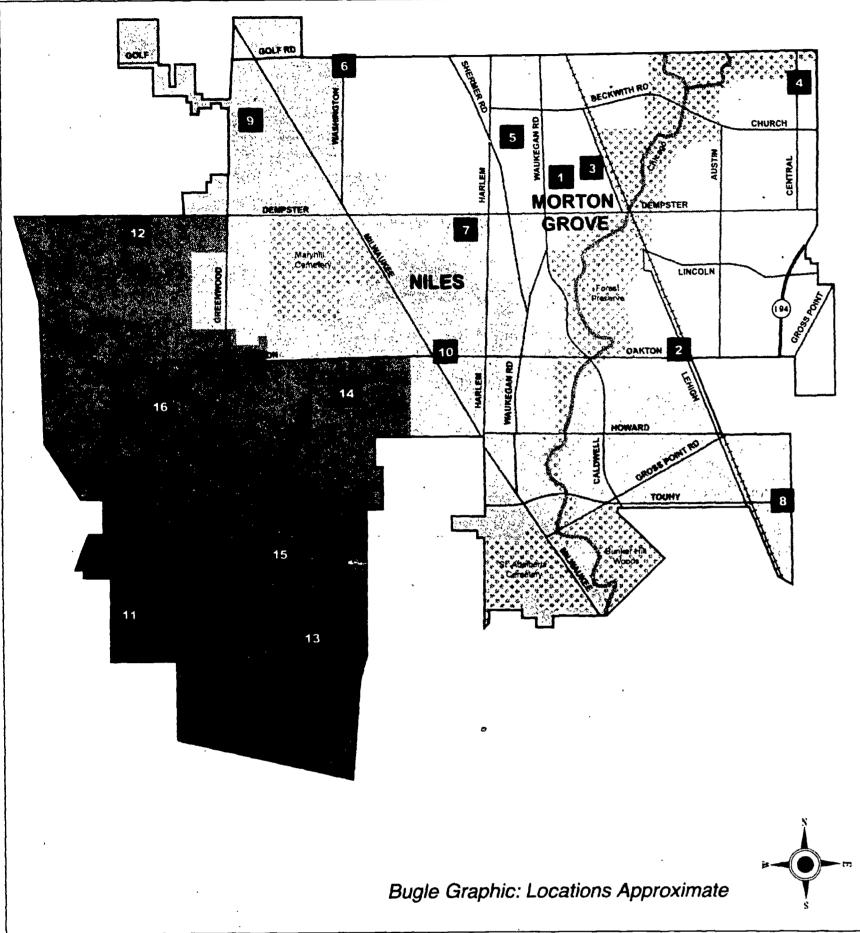
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Recognition



MORTON GROVE

from official reports of the Morton Grove Police Department for the week ending March 4, 2005.

Cross dressing shoplifters (**7200 Dempster**)

A security guard at Loehmann's clothing store told police he An Apple I-Book valued at \$1,500 observed two men dressed women walk in the store Friday night March 12 and take two women's handbags off a display and remove the security tags. The security officer told police one of the alleged women stooped down behind a rack of clothing to remove the tags. The guard told police the two alleged women walked out of the store and as police confronted them in the parking lot they dropped the bags and ran. The security officer said they later found the security tags in the store. Security said the alleged women fled toward

Retail Theft (6300 Oakton)

A 33-year-old Chicago man was arrested for shoplifting after a security guard at the Menards store in the 6300 block of Oakton watched A 47-year-old Morton Grove man the man take a pair of pliers from a display, open the package, and then someone used his debit card infor-

Tuesday afternoon March 15. The charges of \$58.50 and one of security guard waited for the man to leave the store and approached him The following items were taken in the parking lot. While searching the man security also found a 12 pack of Quad connecter which the man did not have a receipt for. The man has an April 1 court appearance in Skokie.

Burglary to auto (6800 Dempster)

An Apple I-Book valued at \$1,500 and a \$5 snow scraper where the (8000 Foster Lane) only two items stolen from a 19year- woman is 2001 Volkswagen Jetta while it was parked in the lot in front of Bally's in the 6800 block of Dempster about 5:30 a.m. March

Identity theft (9300 Luna)

A 62-year-old Morton Grove man told police Wednesday March 16 he was receiving phone calls from a collection agency in telling him his phone bill with Bell South in Miami Florida was delinquent. The man told the collection agency he lived in Chicago and after a number of calls the collection agency told the man to file a police report and fax it to him in Florida.

Identity theft

(7100 Church) told police Thursday March 16 place the pliers into his pocket mation to make two fraudulent

\$76.41. The man was advised by the bank to make a police report.

NILES

The following items were taken from official reports of the Niles Police Department for the week ending March 7, 2005.

noticed one of the men standing

near the entrance and the lights in

the hall were out. The man told

police he asked the man near the

entrance if he ordered a pizza and

the man told him it probably was

the people on the third floor. The

delivery man told police when he

entered the hall the man near the

entrance followed him and closed

the door behind him. The delivery

man said the man then turned the

light bulb and light the hall and then

turned it off. The delivery man said

when he reached the second floor

he was accosted by two men. He

said one had a small gun. The

A 37-year-old Mount Prospect woman told police someone used her J.C. Penny card to make A 44-year-old pizza delivery man \$1,519.30 worth of charges two told police three men robbed him days after she left her wallet at a using a gun and a small baseball bat McDonalds in the 7400 block of when he attempted to deliver a Skokie Boulevard Thursday March pizza to an apartment building at 8031Foster Lane Friday night The woman told police she March 18. The man told police when he approached the building he

received a call from J.C. Penny on March 6 regarding the purchases and at that point she cancelled the

The woman also told police she returned to the McDonalds on March 7 to recover her wallet and discovered someone had removed the J.C. Penny card.

statement from the account shows someone charged clothing. luggage, cookware, and towels.

Don't Hustle Me (7400 Oakton)

An eagle-eyed city inspector reported the 7-11 convenience store in the 7400 block of Oakton was in violation of the village's obscenity ordi-

nance after the inspector noticed the magazines were in plain sight According to ordinance the magazines have to be covered and behind the counter. The ordinance violation was issued after the inspector purchased a copy of Hustler from the display in violation. The store agreed to return copies of the mag-

Two Chicago men were arrested for azine back to the distributor. shoplifting at the Sportmart store in PARK RIDGE

demanded the delivery mani-

money. The delivery man told them

he had no money and told the to

keep the pizza. The started beating

the man who eventually escaped

the 7200 block of Dempster

Monday night March 14 after store

security watched a 19-year-old man

put on a pair of gym shoes and

leave the store. The security guard

followed the two men outside and

watched them enter a Blue Nissan.

The guard called Niles police with a

description of the men and the car.

Police pulled over the car in the

7200 block of Dempster. Police

said the 19-year -old admitted to

stealing the gym shoes. Police also

said a search of a 21-year-old man

produced a package of markers.

Police also said a subsequent search

of the car also produced four more

packages of markers and 13 cans of

spray paint. The 21-year-old man

told police he stole the spray paint

from Michaelis at 7225 Dempster.

The two men were taken into cus-

tody. Two other men, a 20-year-old

and an 18-year-old both from

Chicago, who were with the men

were released. Police towed the car

and charged the men with retail

theft. The gym shoes were valued at

\$59.99 and the markers and spray

paint were valued at \$152.52. The

two men have a court date of April

A 38-year-old Chicago woman was

arrested for shoplifting Thursday

afternoon March 17 after a store

security guard at the Wal-Mart store

in the 5600 block of Touhy watched

the woman take \$39.99 worth of

make-up from a display and walk

7 in Skokie.

Retail Theft

out of the store.

9 Identity Theft (200 Golf)

(5600 Touhy)

(7233 Dempster)

from the hall.

Retail theft

The following items were taken from official reports of the Park Ridge Police Department for the week ending March 3,2005.

Car stolen from driveway

A 2000 Mercury Grand Marquis was reported stolen from the driveway of a home in the 500 block of N.Rose Friday night March 11. The owner of the car told police the car was locked.

Purse snatched (2600 Dempster)

A woman told police someone stole her purse while she was in lunchroom in a building in the 2600 block of Dempster Friday morning March 11. The woman told police she only turned away for a moment and the purse was gone. She said the purse contained a cell phone. keys, and miscellaneous items along with \$10 in cash.

Burglary (1100 S. Vine)

Two laptop computers and an undisclosed amount of jewelry were taken from a home in the 1100 block of Vine Tuesday afternoon March 15. Police think the thieves may have entered through an unlocked door.

Burglary to motor vehicle

14 (800 Merrill)
Someone stole a Verizon cellular phone and an unknown

amount of currency from a 2002 Jeep parked in the 800 block of Merrill Tuesday night March 8. 15 (700 Busse)

Construction tools including a drill valued at \$250 were stolen from an unlocked 2003 Ford van parked in the 700 block of Busse Highway Tuesday March 15.

16 (1500 Brophy)
A cellular phone and an unknown amount of currency were taken from a 2004 Volkswagen Beetle parked in the driveway of a home in the 1500 block of Brophy early Saturday morning March 12.

SUMMARY OF CRIME: **Morton Grove**

Theft -6

Theft -5 Armed robbery -1 Park Ridge

Resident -1 Non resident 17

Calculas? It's Best to Teach Teens **Checkbooks and Plastic Usage**



THE BUGLE

While many of us slept in, the new version of the SAT, the dreaded college entrance exam, was passed out one recent Sunday to ashen-faced teenagers who nervously filed into classrooms and auditoriums across

The guinea pigs taking the test had to provide answers to tough questions many parents would struggle with. But here's my question: How many of these bright high school students can balance a checkbook? Or own a credit card without tumbling into a bottomless financial sinkhole that's scarier than anything Edgar Allen Poe or Mary Shelley could have imagined?

There is nothing particularly tricky about using credit wisely or keeping an orderly checkbook, but even kids with tremendous SAT scores won't intuitively know how to do it. Somebody is going to have to teach them how. And that somebody, more likely than not, is going to be the par-

It's important that moms and dads help teenagers establish excellent financial habits while they are still living at home, because if they don't, their little lambs could end up getting skewered.

It's not very encouraging when Nellie Mae, a button-down college lending institution, drops any pretense of being dispassionate when it lashes out at credit card companies for being "nasty predators" who like to ambush naive freshmen.

When college students arrive on campus, credit card companies bait them with offers of T-shirts, music downloads and other freebies. The kids will discover credit card offers stuffed in almost every new textbook, plastered on campus bulletin boards,

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and even flooding their e-mail in-

It's no wonder that most kids start college with no credit cards, but near-

all leave with one carrying a bal-

In fact, nearly half of all college students have at least four credit cards! Your job as a parent isn't to curse the pernicious reach of the credit-card industry, but to prepare your child to use plastic and every other financial tool intelligently. Here are some ways to pull this off:

- Encourage wise spending. When teenagers reach college, the temptation to spend money on all sorts of really dumb stuff is overwhelming You should teach your children to apply their own brakes long before they leave home. You can do this by introducing your child to the concept of budgeting. One way to accomplish this is to figure out how much you spend on your teenager every month. Give your child that amount each month to use for their expenditures.

Just what is included in this will obviously be negotiable. If your child blows through this wad of cash prematurely, that's too bad. By forcing your children to budget, it's amazing how they can turn into expert shoppers who stretch their cash and hunt

Resolve the credit card issue. Here's an old SAT analogy for you: Teenagers are to credit cards as arsonists are to matches. It's understandable that parents think in these terms when teenagers are whining about wanting a credit card. But there is a way to reduce the chances that the combination will be combustible.

Instead of waiting for your child to be accosted by slick credit-card peddlers at school, help him or her obtain one several months before college starts. While your child is still at home, it's easier to monitor your child's credit-card behavior and enforce your ground rules.

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Stir Fry Chicken

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Chopped Steak

w/grilled onions

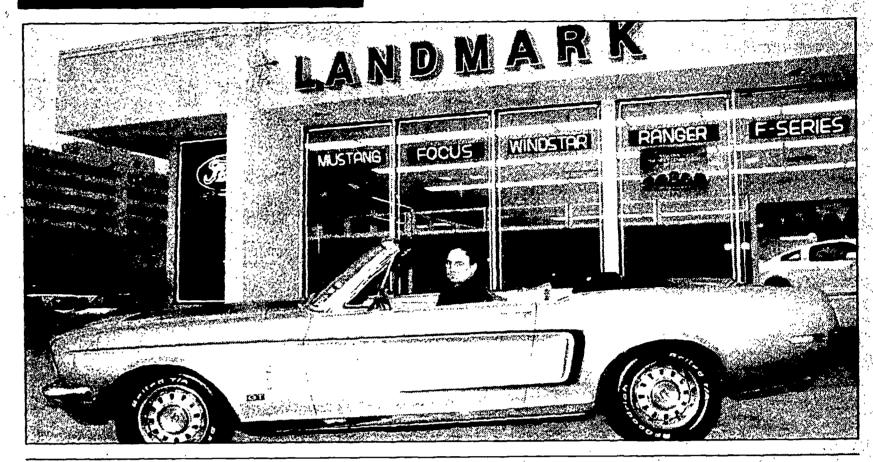
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Business Spotlight

BUSINESS



Dominic DiBiaso of Chicago shows off his 1968 Mustang at the Landmark Ford Hot Rod | Mustang display Friday evening March 18,2005. (Photo by Allen Kaleta)

Park Ridge Building Activity Up

Park Ridge building activity is Dempster St. steadily increasing.

The city garnered a total of \$82,153 in building permit fees in February This compares with \$50,040 in

building permit activity in Feb. 2004. The city issued two permits for new value at \$339,046. The new home of \$1.3 million. permits were issued for 1713 Vine Avenue and 1921 Glenview Avenue. Park Ridge issued four new home tear-down permits in January. Of the six new Park Ridge home teardowns to be built, they will average \$408,118 in value. Last year, they had issued 10 new home permits in However, the projects for the permits

January and February. Four businesses in Park Ridge are

SENIOR MENU

Above comes w/choice of soup or salad, potatoes or

vegetable, coffee, tea or iced tea. Dessert includes

rice pudding, tapioca or a chocolate sundae.

remodeling their facilities. The biggest new remodeling project is a \$148,589 project at the Crystal Palace banquet Hall, 26648

Grilled White Fish

• Chicken Parmesan

•Spaghetti & Marinara

Baked Chicken

6oz Skirt Steak

Liver & onions

Three other Park Ridge commercial remodeling projects were approved at 1400 Canfield \$124,000; 11 N. Northwest Highway and 678 Northwest

Last month, 20 home additions single family tear-down homes last and alterations were approved. month. The homes will average in These projects were valued at a total

In Jan. 2004, 21 projects were approved but they were worth only \$575,690.

The total number of Park Ridge building permits issued in Feb. 2005 was 107. This compares to 116 in

were worth \$6.99 million this year and the permit projects were valued at \$2.97 million last year.

The number of residential building projects last year-to-date was 48. This year there have been 37.

Niles Chamber Golf Outing 11:30am - 8:30pm Oak Meadows Golf Course Addison, IL Rose's ☐ Wednesday, August 10th Niles Chamber Business After-7502 N. HARLEM Radisson Hotel Northbrook 2875 N. Milwaukee, Northbrook

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Niles Park District

and fundraisers are also available.

Sunday 10:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

100 South Western Avenue, Park

Ridge will present a panel discus-

sion entitled, "Enjoy your life and

have peace of mind," on Monday,

Representatives from Holy Family

Medicare that a March 31 deadline is fast approaching. This is the deadline

to enroll in order to get the most from

a program which can provide signif-

icant savings on prescription drugs.

This credit of \$600 is available for

eligible Medicare beneficiaries to

help them save on their medications

Terri Gendel of the Suburban Area

Agency on Aging, one of the lead

agencies of Chicago Arca Access to

Benefits Coalition, reminds

Medicare consumers that, "March 31

is the deadline to sign up to get the

full \$600 credit. Once the credit is

used up, people who are enrolled can or \$17,321 (for a couple).

in 2005.

planning attorney Mary Frances 692-3597.

April 4 at 1:00

information, contact Julene at (847) 647-6777.

Niles Park District Events...

Skate Rental is \$3. Call (847) 297-8010 for further information.

Niles Park District Bright Beginnings Preschool Registration

please call the Howard Leisure Center at (847) 967-6633.

Pioneer Park Re-Opens for the Season, April 9th

Preschool Registration for the 2005-06 school year is in progress! We

offer morning and afternoon classes for 3 and 4 year olds. If interested,

Come out to practice your swing, whether it is with a golf club or a

baseball bat. Niles Park District Pioneer Park batting cages will be re-

opening for the 2005 season Saturday, April 9th. We have made some

new and exciting improvements on our miniature golf course, which will

be opening Saturday, April 30th. While you are working up an appetite,

visit our concession stand for a cool drink and something to eat. Parties

Our Spring hours are as follows: Saturday April 9th - Friday May 27th,

Pioneer Park is located at 7135 N. Harlem, near Touhy. For more

Mon. - Fri. 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.,

Holy Family participates in Panel

The Park Ridge Senior Center, Hegarty and financial planner

Nursing and Rehabilitation with appropriate trust arrange-

Center, 2380 East Dempster ments. For more information or to

Street, Des Plaines, will join estate register for the program, call 847-

Medicare deadline March 31

The Chicago Arca Access to Benefits save even more money through spe-

at Park Ridge Senior Center

p.m.

Spring Skate at IceLand

This Saturday Join us on Saturday,

March 26 from 12:05-1:20 p.m. at

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Road. There will be skating games

and fun for everyone. Fee is \$1 and

Chris Valentine in discussing how

families can plan for their futures.

Topics will include the "Five

Wishes" for health care: financial.

legal and funeral planning tools;

and ways to develop an estate plan

cial discounts that have been negoti-

ated with drug manufacturers."

There are more than 30 community-

based organizations that are working

together to help Medicare consumers

enroll in the prescription drug sav-

ple with disabilities in the Chicago

THE BUGLE

In Service to the Community

Editorial Board

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'Vote Krier for change in MG'

Dear Editor.

Rick Krier, Caucus Party mayoral candidate is now on the receiving end of all sorts of attacks, innuendos, half-truths and outright lies. Some of these attacks on Krier come from questionable sources hidden behind grandiose names.

Instead of attacking Mr. Krier the incumbents should run on their own proud record of accomplishments: instituting a garbage fee and awarding a no-bid contract to the same company that contributes to their campaign and wasting \$4 million on the Admiral Oasis TIF. On that land we now have a Walgreen's that was already in the village and a bank.

If you are unhappy with the behavior described above and would like real representative government, vote for the Caucus candidates.

Harold Cohon, Morton Grove

Waukegan Road Upgrades are a credit to **Morton Grove**

Dear Editor,

The Caucus Party claims that the Waukegan Road development is a failure. Does that mean they want to bring Waukegan Road back to what it was before the redevelopment?

Before the redevelopment, Waukegan Road between North of Dempster and South of Golf Road had three hotels that housed prostitution, illegal drug sales and use. One of the three hotels was next to the Golf School.

So if I understand the Caucus Party correctly, they claim that removing the three hotels, housing prostitution and illegal drug sales/use, reducing crime, and making it safer for the children at the Golf School was a failure.

Removing the three hotels also saved Morton Grove approximately \$250,000 a year. The police were called to at least one of the hotels once per day. The fire department was called once every other day. And, inspection services incurred one activity per day. So the Caucus Party would have you believe that saving at least \$250,000 per year and making those services more available to the rest of Morton Grove was a failure.

Waukegan Road is better off now than it was before the redevelopment. The seedy, blighted areas are gone making it much safer. Amcore Bank, Charter One Bank (located next to Golf School), Exchange Saab, Illinois Bone and Joint, McGrath Acura (one of the largest in the country), and Walgreens moved in along Waukegan Road after Morton Grove removed the three seedy hotels. Waukegan Road is also poised for future growth because a major water main was constructed during the redevelopment.

These are beneficial results enjoyed by Morton Grove and its residents, especially the children at the Golf School, this is success not failure.

John Pietron, Morton Grove

Secret Hearings set a bad precedent for Morton Grove

Dear Editor,

The Mayor's recent letter complaining of the new approach to fiscal discipline in Morton Grove requires a strict response.

The Mayor has been afflicted by crippling personal challenges that would have killed a lesser man years ago. He is brave. He is prise" was fiscal discipline didn't go away. strong. He has persevered.

the OTB question (supported by 400 signatures) off the ballot, this loss was crystallized ing, no mention made on public access, TV, or at the library, no notice on the Internet. Nor do called was completely understood by him. fers. This was a secret meeting seemingly orchestrated by Corporate Counsel Liston. At one point the Mayor apparently told Ms. Liston, "I didn't understand what you just had me 20 years earlier than full pension funding.

conflict of interests. It's no longer even clear if candidate and real estate agent Staackmann the real power lies elsewhere.

budgets were padded. This was effectively admitted by Ralph Czerwinski in published

Second, the Villages 2004 and 2005 "final budgets" include millions in T.I.F. real estate borrowings and spending that simply didn't and could't occur (in part because of new law suit problems putting the T.I.F. on hold known since the budget was prepared.)

Third, the only police official to die in the line of duty in this town, to my knowledge, was killed by a drunk driver - from our last Lehigh Avenue's biggest bar ever? The throw away all our tomorrow's. Mayor's comments of pensions "protecting" our officers betray years of previous under Christoper Arns, Morton Grove

funding, during his and Ms. Liston's adminis-

As for "surprise" I heard every single budget cut suggested by Rick Krier earlier delivered (and promptly ignored) personally by M.G. residents to the board twice, in June and October budget workshops. The only "sur-

It is shadow government that taxes resi-But this perseverance has been a tremendents of this Village. "Double-dip" pensions dous cost to the Village. After attending the that seemingly buy control over Village staff Village's Jan. 31 "Secret Hearing" knocking loyalties is the symptom of a deeper budget disease. Why should the Village administrator collect two (2) pensions from the Village? His in its clarity. I don't believe the mayor really hiring was supposed to "save" recruiter fees, knew that no notice was posted for this meet- not wallop our pension budget for a "Twofer." And he's not alone. The proper issue here is about protecting the integrity of Police and I believe that the meeting he supposedly Fire pensions from double dippers into its cof-

> Our shadow government should focus on paying back \$9 million in Waukegan road T.I.F. losses (and mounting). 1 That bill is due

We must, in the meantime, examine the We have been ruled for some time by a conflict of interest a shadow government who shadow government comprised of real estate should know better than to operate from a fake budget bloated by \$10.0 million in impossible real estate borrowings. Our last calls his own shots, amidst published reports corporate counsel, Gabe Berrafato, was allowed (by Ms. Liston and others) to draft a What it is clear the Mayor is removed from \$5.0 million T.I.F. handout (followed by a the facts. First, the Villages 2004 and 2005 \$420,000 follow-on) for the building of his

> Current corporate counsel (Suite mate of Mr. Berrafato's improper T.I.F. office building) and prior T.I.F. chairperson Liston has been strangely silent regarding a prior mayoral appointee appearing to operate the real estate company that secretly brought up Maxwells, RiverBank Plaza and the Studio, outside her T.I.F. window.

The OTB died from excessive sunlight. So must our "real estate" shadow government and the financial chaos they have brought to failed bar on Lehigh Avenue owned by Ms. Morton Grove. No one likes to tighten their Liston's family. Where was officer concern belt, least of all those running the trough. If during the secret hearing designed to open we miss our chance to clean up today, we

Niles Family Fitness Center holds classes for all ages

cation to creating quality chil- They will enjoy finger painting, dren's programs that are both educational and fun. Our children's classes have been designed to grow with the child and help guide them as they discover their new found abilities. To help you decide what class is the right one for your child, we have categorized them into 4 levels. Each level has its own set of goals that will enhance your child's learning experience at the Niles Family Fitness Center.

Have You Heard?

Level 1

Beginning classes for parent and child to explore and create together in a non-structured environment. Socialization, sharing and exploration are the goals for this level. What a great opportunity for parents to meet and network with each other.

months

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Parent tot playtime 1-2 years A social experience for both you and your child. Come meet other parents and interact with your child through movement activities, music, crafts and more. MINI PICASSOS 18-36

Our logo represents our dedi- to explore their creative side. play dough, bubbles, and more. Class may be messy so please dress accordingly

AQUA ANTICS 1-5 years Children will participate in active songs, water games, and circle fun while developing a comfort level and confidence in the water. This class is noninstructional, emphasis is on fun! **TUMBLE BEES 2-4 years**

MINI SPORTSTERS 2-3 years

An introductory sports class for your active two and three year Romp, stomp & ROLL 10-24 old. Basketball, soccer, scooters, and games will add to the fun.

This class is designed to give

Children will be introduced to basic tumbling skills by participating in activities that teach gross motor skills and organized movement such as jumping, skipping, hopping, and balance. Class includes basic introduction to the balance beam, floor and horizontal bar.

For many toddlers, this is the age of independence. They want to do things on their own, but they still want you there. They go from parallel play to cooperative play. Following simple directions, gross-motor skills, self esteem and separation are the goals for this level.

Me two 2 years

your two year old an opportunity to be on their own in a fun and inviting environment. It's a A great place for your toddler beginning class where parent and

Thursday March 24,2005

Niles Family Fitness Center

child can ease into separation. Activities will include art, music, playdough, puzzles and Level 3

These classes are for children who are ready to be on their own. For some, that's when they are 2 1/2. For others its later. An inviting and fun environment will be provided where they can learn through play. Reinforcing simple directions, socializing with peers, exploration, experimentation and process thinking are goals for this level.

PLAYTIME PICASSOS 3-5

Designed to explore your child's creative side! Arts and crafts, finger painting, gluing, watercolors, along with various age appropriate toys will highlight this play class. Class can be messy, please dress accordingly. Sports jam 3-4 years

Your child will love this creative sports and games class! Teamwork and group play will be taught through age appropriate games like Duck Duck Goose and Red Light Green Light. Gym shoes are recom-

New Chairman for Orthopedics announced

Thomas F. Gleason, M.D., was ship in general surgery and a resirecently named the new chairman of the Department of Orthopedics at Holy Family Medical Center, 100 North River Road, Des Plaines.

Dr. Gleason, a Glenview resident, is board certified in orthopedic surgery and is a founding member of More than 50,000 seniors and peo- | the Illinois Bone and Joint Institute. a 70 member multi-specialty orthometropolitan area are qualified for pedic group based in Des Plaines. the credit but haven't taken advan- He has published numerous articles tage of it. If people do not sign up by | and gives presentations and scien-March 31, the credit amount will be | tific exhibits at national and international meetings.

To qualify, consumers must have | Dr. Gleason is a graduate of Loyola Medicare and an annual income of University's Stritch School of less than \$12,920 (for an individual) | Medicine. He completed an intern-

dency in orthopedic surgery at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago. He is a Fellow with the American College of Surgeons and a member of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, American Medical Association, Illinois State Medical Society and other professional organizations. Holy Family Medical Center is part

of Resurrection Health Care, Chicago's largest Catholic health care system, including hospitals, nursing homes, retirement communities, a surgery center, behavioral health services, a home health com-



Thomas Gleason pany, hospice services and outpatient and medical office facilities

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Les vine village in more l'ise Loyente pui

We would like to express to the residents of Niles that this is the year that we have a cioses for a Vente would do a good job as Truster for the Village of Niles. His ded-Estion to the village is proven by all the sunts he accomplishes at the park district. Entered per and improved facilities, Dristhat parks insectase baseball fields, the CASE-DESC-10 TERM Termis & Finness and con-SETUCION OF A NEW MALIE-PURPOSE SACILITY FOR all ages to enjoy Non moortanty, is accomplished these

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shines walls lowering property taxes. This Paul and Naney Mass. Nie

The Party Line: Bugle Summary The candidates held a firm party

line at the Forum. Without exception, candidates with the Caucus Party criticized the Waukegan Rd. TIF, the garbage fee, and village openness. The Action Party candidates held firm and defended the same things. They said that the Waukegan TIF was worth the Admiral Oasis Hotel where there money to remove the "seedy motels" and that \$250,000 per year were being expended emergency response and code violations. They said that the garbage fee was the village's only option because it needed additional revenue and didn't want to increase residential property taxes. They also said that village was lauded for its openness and about \$8-million, we've brought in responsiveness to Freedom of new development and the sales tax Information Act requests as well as its website.

Both parties did agree, however, that the village needed to improve communications with the residents and that the budget process should be simplified.

Mayor, Rick Krier, Caucus Party. Dan Staackmann, Action Party

Question: How do you plan to attract more businesses to Morton Grove?

first step. We should also look at taxes that have been increased, like the food and beverage tax.

many others. Some of the problems we have are the size of the available deductible expense. retail spaces. When the Dempster Street Corridor plan begins being Question: Do you think the .25 per-

Question: Why are TIFs important

for development?

Staackmann: TIFs are an opportunity for municipalities to take blighted property and turn it into tax generating property. People don't always understand that municipalities have to maintain property taxes, not just for themselves, but also for school and park districts.

Krier: TIFs are neither bad nor good. Village Crossing in Skokie is retired early. Our Waukegan Rd. TIF is bad. Schools are generally the main opponents of TIFs. The problem with them is that because money is available for developers, the come in with their hands out. TIFs are not a panacea.

Question: Has the Waukegan TIF been a success? When will it be retired? Are you in favor of a 3rd

Krier: It hasn't. There are some good parts, like the removal of the was a great deal of crime. It will be retired in 2018 and it won't pay for itself. I'm open to the idea of a third TIF but would be leaning against it.

Staackmann: The Waukegan Rd.

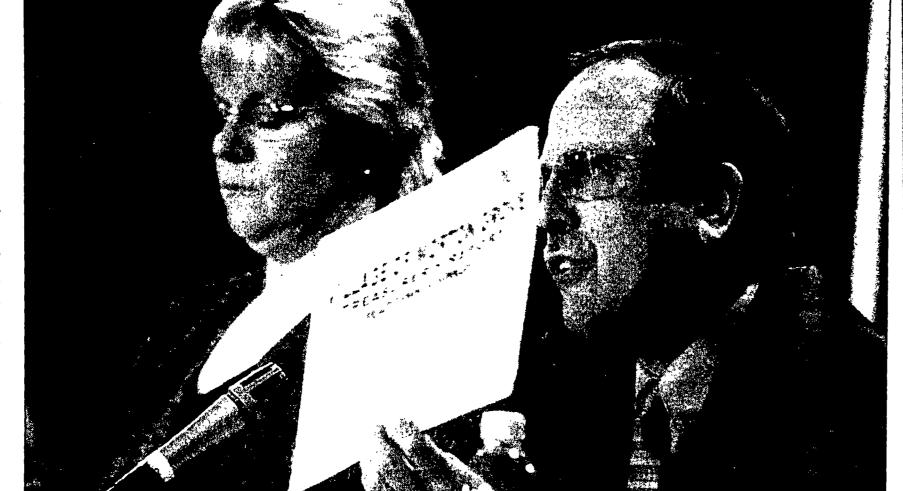
TIF has a 23-year life span and we're only 10 years in. When we're less than halfway through how can you say it's a failure? We're spent revenue is bringing in enough to pay the debt service. We also put a major water main in that will service the adiacent residential areas as well. We removed the hotels where there was crime, prostitution, drugs, even a murder. Ask the kids who walk to

Question: What is your position on the recent garbage fee?

Golf School is it's a success.

Staackmann: We went through five months of discussion looking Krier: We need to get our house for an alternative. It was either that in order first. I proposed \$900,000 or cut vital services like police and in cuts to the budget nd that's the fire. It has also made the community cleaner and help deter rodents.

Krier: I voted against it. The biggest problem we had was com-Staackmann: Morton Grove is munication. We were discussing it, already attractive to business. We we told residents we were and the have Menards, Acura, Saab and following weekend the cans showed up. And now, it's not a tax



Current Trustee Larry Gomberg holds a copy of the Morton Grove Treasurer's Report. He said it should be simplified for the benefit of both residents and trustees.

deterrent to new restaurants?

Krier: It is a deterrent.

oined the Illinois Restaurant Association to improve communication with the industry. It's just a Question: Should we remove offmatter of finding a good fit.

Village Trustees, Rita Minx, Caucus Party, Maria Toth, Action Party, Roy Kogstad, Caucus Party, Steve Blonz, Action Party, Georgianne Brunner, Caucus Party, Larry Gomberg, Action Party

important issues in the next four years?

Toth: The redevelopment of Dempster Street and increasing the amount of affordable housing for

oretical. We need to rebuild as a community, we need to work to create more loving and connected neighborhoods, we need to make sure we have the best schools.

Blonz: Dempster redevelopment, Waukegan Road redevelopment and the Lehigh/Ferris TIF. We already have a village to be proud of.

Brunner: We need to work on communication with the residents and the budget shortfall.

Gomberg: We need to promote economic development, keep taxes

cent Food and Beverage Tax is a low and focus on getting our state didn't have the chance to vote. I'm

Minx: We need to get our house Staackmann: I voted against it. It in order. We have too many taxes. Joliet and it looked like a sports bar. has a sunset clause. Currently we're Morton Grove needs the money As a trustee, I would have repretrying to attract new restaurants, we now, because of bad decisions made sented the people. in the past.

> track betting (OTB) as a permitted use from the zoning code?

it's the kind of business we want in have better communication.

believe it would be a viable business. It can produce a lot of revenue accounts. We can make them availfor the village. The public has obvi- able at each meeting. We should Question: What are the most ously stated, however, that they have regular cash statements. And don't want it anywhere near a high the budget should be simpler school. I think we need safeguards.

Minx: I wanted a ballot question. I don't think that everyone was against it but we couldn't tell. It the 275 pages and a Chicago telephone right place, it would be good, sure. Kogstad: My answer is more the- But I don't think there is a right budget hearings. Our budget is complace in the village.

Toth: I'm not a gambler, but I can't say I wouldn't look at it if another company was to apply. If it comes back, I think it's important to look at it.

Kogstad: I don't know what th residents want because we didn't get a chance to ask. When I was out collecting signatures for a referendum on this issues I did get a sense of the community and the residents didn't want it by about two-to-one.

Blonz: It's an interesting issue. I as a resident.

(Photo By Allen Kaleta/Bugle)

money for the Dempster Street plan. not opposed to gambling in the right place. I went down and saw one in

> Question: Should the budget process be simpler? Better?

Toth: Yes, I think it can be done better. Maybe we should have quar-Brunner: Yes, I don't think that terly treasurer's reports. We need to

Kogstad: It can be simpler. We Gomberg: In the right location, I don't have to wait once a year to find out about the balances in our because right now it's about as big as a Chicago telephone book.

Blonz: Right now the budget has book has 150 pages. We have open prehensive, it even includes subscriptions. I think the process is simple and clear.

Brunner: It would be great if it could be made simpler and it should

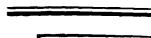
Gomberg: The budget is difficult to digest. I want the budget to be made simpler. The treasurer's report that I'm holding right now should be made simpler.

Minx: The budget book is really thick. It's hard to put it all together

Daniel Staackmann

Running For Mayor

"The Waukegan Rd. TIF has a 23-year life span and we're only 10 years in. When we're less than halfway through how can you say it's a fail-



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that the CONSOLIDATED ELECTION will be held in SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2005

The CONSOLIDATED ELECTION will be held in election precincts under the jurisdiction of the Election Department of the Cook County Clerk's Office. The Polls for said CONSOLIDATED ELECTION will be open from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

At the CONSOLIDATED ELECTION the voters will vote on the following:

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Maine Township Senior News

MaineStreamers Announce New Activities for Seniors

The following are some of the new classes, events, trips, and activavailable MaineStreamers, the social senior organization of Maine Township. For further information on free membership or any of these events, call 1-847-297-2510.

GRANDPARENTING PROGRAM

"Communication" Tuesday, March 29 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Presenter: Linda Waycie

No Cost - Registration Required Whether you are caring for your grandchildren once in a while or more frequently, grandparents and their adult children often disagree on parenting practices. There will

be a discussion on techniques that can be used to improve communication and reduce conflicts.

Thursday March 24, 2005

WOMEN'S TEA Thursday, March 31

10:30 a.m. to 12 noon Cost: \$2 Continental Breakfast

We will celebrate Women's History Month with a presentation by storyteller, Elyne Handler. This fun and interesting program will be about "Wild. Wise and Witty

INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNET

Wednesdays, April 13 to May 25 7 sessions - 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Gemini Jr. High School Library 8955 N. Greenwood, Niles Cost: \$25

Make your entry into the computer world with this introductory hands-on class. Trips on the Internet will be taken with valuable information. Learn how to do searches and create bookmarks to keep track of your sub-

Morton Grove Senior News

CROCHET CLASS

Diane Brunger leads this basic to advanced course highlighting fun and creative learning methods. The 13-week class meets on Fridays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 24). The class fee is \$28 for Senior Center Members and \$32 for non-members. Please register in person at the Senior Center. TRANSPORTATION

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The "Seniortran" Bus will transport those needing rides to their polling place on Tuesday, April 5. Voters must:

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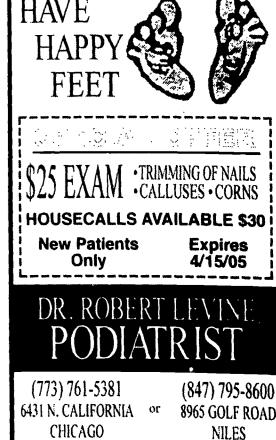


know the location of their

polling place when they call in; be Senior Center Members to ride at no cost (non-members call the Senior Hot Line

(847/470-5223) for a ride reservation before April 4. CHOLESTEROL SCREENING

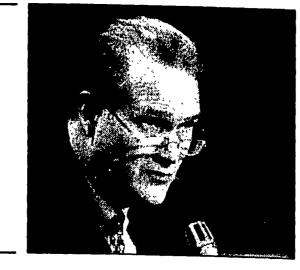
The Morton Grove Senior Center's monthly Cholesterol Screening will be held at 9 a.m. beginning April 1 (through June on Wednesday, April 6. Swedish Covenant Hospital will administer the screening, which provides a full lipid profile including total cholesterol, HDL, LDL and triglycerides. Results will 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.





Rick Krier Running For Mayor

[The Waukegan Rd. TIF] will be retired in 2018 and it won't pay for itself. I'm open to the idea of a third TIF but would be leaning against it."



The Bugle

SENIORS

Park Ridge **Senior News**

THE CHORALIERS

The Choraliers, the Center chorus, is rehearsing such songs as "It's a Grand Night for Singing" by Rogers and Hammerstein, "Pie Jesu" by Andrew Lloyd Webber and "God Bless America" by Irving Berlin among other great songs as a part of their spring concert series. You are welcome to join us in our

four part singing every Friday at up.me. No auditions required.

FOLK DANCERS

You won't have to solo, When you're hoppin" to a Kolo, Cause the Kolo is a happy circle dance. Your heart will start to quicken, when you're dancing like a Marvina Bowker who does a tribute neighbors. Chicken, so, come along and learn to Patsy Cline. Reservations are The Chicken Dance. Just a little ditty to get your attention....join the folk dancers on Mondays from 2:30-3:30pm.

The luncheon for April will be on Monday, April 18 at 12:30 p.m., doors open at 12 noon. Catering will be by a favorite, Inglenook, and will include chicken, sliced beef, and breaded pork tenderloin complete with potato, vegetables and required in advance and should be made according to our current registration policy. Charge for lunch and entertainment is \$13.00.

MONTHLY LUNCHEON FOR PANCAKE BREAKFAST The Men's Club annual pancake

breakfast will be Saturday, April 16 Monday-Thursday between 9 and from 8-11 a.m.. The Club puts out 12 and 1 and 4 p.m. If your income a great meal of all-you-can-eat pan- is less than \$40,000 excluding cakes as well as sausage, orange Social Security, call the Center, and under 12. Come in for breakfast senior. Membership in the Senior salads. Entertainment will be and bring your family, friends and Center is not necessary (although

INCOME TAX SERVICE

Income tax assistance continues with our volunteer counselors through April 15. That date is fast 20 from 8:30-11 a.m. Fasting for approaching so don't wait until the 8-12 hours is necessary. Call to last minute to make an appoint- register, Times are available ment.

juice and coffee. All for only talk to Gloria to make an appoint-\$3.50 for adults; \$1.50 for kids ment. This service is open to any welcome.)

WELLNESS SCREEN

A Wellness Screening at the Center is set for Wednesday, April 847-692-3597.



Hospice care: It's about having choices at a critical time of life

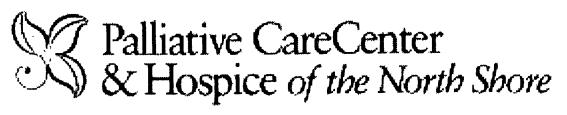
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Niles Senior News

NSC Highlights For a detailed description of programs & activities, or to ask about membership requirements, please check the Naturally Active Program Guides or call the Niles Senior Center at 588-8420 ~Visit us online at www.vniles.com.

MARCH REGISTRATION

Drop Off Registrations for programs and classes advertised in the APRIL Naturally Active will be due at the Center by Fri., April 1st. Walk-in registrations will be April 6th if space is available.

Third Annual NILES SENIOR CENTER INDOOR FLEA MAR-KET - Saturday, May 7th Mark your calendar so you don't miss this popular event! Open to the 8420. public, Niles Senior Center's annual Flea Market will be held on Saturday, May 7th from 9:00AM -1:00PM. Whether you come to browse or buy; you can find some really great deals at the Center just remember, the early shopper has the best chance of finding the best treasures. Over 50 Vendors, on two floors! Raffle. \$2.00 hot dog lunch beginning at 11:00AM until 12:30PM (or until we run out of hot

Niles Senior Center's Grief Workshop to Offer Support and Coping ToolsThree Session Series to Begin April 5.

Grief is a complex emotional reaction to loss involving a range of different feelings, such as sadness, anger and loneliness. Those who have experienced loss may find it helpful to meet with others to share common concerns and problemsolving strategies.

come to an individual workshop, or join us for the entire series. The entertainment.

workshops will meet on Tuesdays from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. and will focus on the following areas: Workshop #1. April 5 "What has happened to me?" "Why me?" can be a common question during the grief process. Trying to make sense of the many feelings you experi-

ence after the loss of a spouse or loved one is a difficult process. Workshop #2, April 12 "Dealing with expectations of ourselves and others." Dealing with other people's feelings and concerns can also raise anxiety, especially if we feel that children or friends want us to "move on" or "be happy again." Workshop #3, April 19 "On my own." The shift from being part of a couple to living alone changes many things. At this workshop we accepted beginning Wednesday, will explore the stress of living alone and ways to adjust to new

social roles and responsibilities. For more information, please call Bev Wessels, MSW, LSW, ACSW, or Melanie Amin, LCSW, at the Niles Senior Center (847) 588-

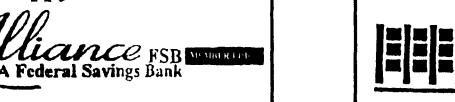
IT'S CELEBRATION TIME AT THE NILES SENIOR CENTER! OVER 90's BIRTHDAY CELE-BRATION – Friday, April 22, 3:00 PM - 5:30PM

Niles Senior Center is planning a very special birthday celebration for Niles Seniors age 90 and over. The event will take place on Friday, April 22nd. If you or someone you know would like to participate in this wonderful celebration, please call the Senior Center 847 588-

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CEL-EBRATION – Thursday, June 2 11:00AM-3:00PM

Niles Couples, celebrating 50, 55, 60, and 65 or more years of marriage in 2005 are invited to Niles Senior Center's annual Golden Anniversary Celebration. Niles couples, married in 1955, 1950, 1945, and 1940 or earlier are invited to be our guests at this annual event. This year's event Beginning Tuesday, April 5, the will be held at the Niles Senior Niles Senior Center will hold a Center on Thursday, June 2, 2005, three-session grief workshop for from 11:00 AM- 2:30 PM. Niles residents touched by the loss Anniversary couples will be honored of a loved one. Participants can with a catered luncheon, formal photographs to mark the occasion, and





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A Sausage For The Ages



BY JEFF BORGARDT iborgardt@buglenewspapers.com

The Morton Grove Lions club is looking to rewrite the annals of Bratwurst and Italian Sausage his-

They are now preparing for a summer cook-out featuring the largest Italian Sausage and Bratwurst ever cooked.

The Italian Sausage and the bratwurst will both measure 60 feet and six inches.

They will be cooked in a specially constructed 64-foot grill at the Morton Grove Days summer festival July 2.

The Lions Club is looking to shatter the previous record for the largest bratwurst prepared by a Wisconsin Lions Club.

That club cooked a bratwurst that was only 48 feet long.

As for Italian Sausage, the Morton Grove Lions Club is the first to attempt a giant sausage.

Every Wednesday evening, club members gather at Leading Edge Automotive in Morton Grove to assemble the giant grill

Steve Banks of Leading Edge is a self-described "welder, mechanic and back-yard engineer."

He says he prefers Italian Sausage rather than Bratwurst.

The Black Forest Restaurant in Morton Grove will supply the giant bratwurst and Vito Sausage of Chicago is responsible for the with an oven large enough. Italian Sausage.

In order to officially make it into the "Guinness Book of World Records" the foods must cook fully without first breaking apart.

To that end, Banks has been working with local butchers and developing a "top-secret cooking

Despite cajoling, he wouldn't reveal the plan to The Bugle. "I can't tell you that, like I said

Once cooked, the first bites of the mammoth eats will be auctioned off. Proceeds will benefit the Special Olympics.

After the auction, the rest of the food will be sold-off in normal sized sandwiches for \$3 or \$4.

"We are going to need condiments by the gallon," Banks said. "We are trying to find out but no one can say exactly how much is

The idea to cook the oversized food was hatched when a Morton Grove Lions Club member read about the Wisconsin Sausage in the

Since Banks has built large grills in the past for pig roasts, he told the Morton Grove Lions Club he could out-grill the Wisconsin Lions Club. Construction on the grill has faced some technical challenges.

They decided to use charcoal as fuel and even found a charcoal company to donate the supplies. They are also using sheet metal for the grill which was sold to them at wholesale cost.

The Lions Club has considered a giant bun, but couldn't find anyone

This grilling adventure has cost the Lions Club about \$1,200. Banks said anyone interested is sponsoring the event should contact the Lions Club.

At left, Steve Banks welds a section of the grill.

Below, Tom Segriti (left) and owner of Leading Edge Automotive Tony Lacorte check the welds on section of the 64 foot grill Wednesday night March 16,2005.

(Photos by Allen Kaleta)



SPORTS

Niles Senior Men Bowling League Bowling TEAM STANDING #8 Dr. Bello 40 16 #1 Seasons Hospice #3 Semko 34 22 Scores #4 FDR Post 31 25 #13 Alliance 31 25 30 26 #6 Colonial #1 16 Malec 29 27 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S 28 28 **BOWLING LEAGUE** #14 RE MAX Bowled-Wednesday, March 16, 200 27.5 28.5 #20 Northshore #18 Skaja #2 #2 Callero + Catino 24 32 23 33 High Scries/High Games "HOT SHOTS" Millie Kroll Gertie Schultz Melissa Lang Joe Sapienza Rosalie Calara Dan Stojek Al Steegmuller Sandy Panuc

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ND Prepares To Defend State Title

BY RYAN BISHOP rbishop@buglenewspapers.com

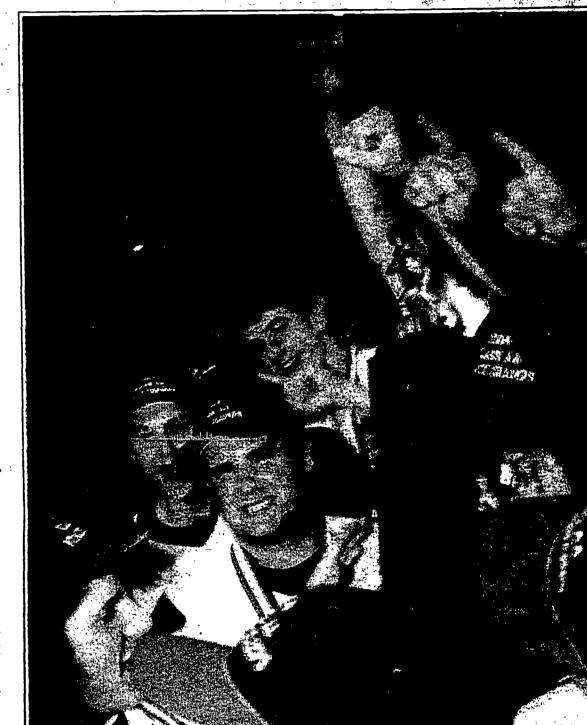
year after winning their first state championship I for the school, the Notre Dame varsity baseball team is ready to get back to business and defend their title.

Coming off a record for wins at 34-9 and a 6-4 victory over conference opponent Joliet Catholic in the title game, coach Bob Kustach and company will be hard pressed to top what they accomplished last

"Even though we lost some great seniors in Infusino, Pauley, Cademartori and Jeff Wisniewski, I think we have a group of guys that are striving to get back to the point we were last year." said Kostuch.

Cademartori has moved on to play centerfield for Southern Illinois while Pauley will get a chance to play shortstop at Butler University.

The team started practice

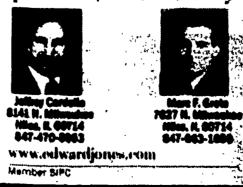


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Bottom, Notre Dame's Matt Kudlik singles to left scoring Jeff Wisniewski in the fifth inning to give the Dons a 5-4 lead and they never looked back. Top, the team clusters around their first-ever state championship trophy.

(Bugle File Photos)

SPORTS

field. Kostuch said with the first Kostuch said, junior Nick game less than a week away the Robinson will have to fill team has not been able to have Infusino's shoes at the leadoff a full squad practice.

pions will be all-conference be playing shortstop and third catcher Keenan Long, Kevin base. Mitchell(1B, CF, DH), all-state Senior outfielder Clint Simkins I'll be happy," he said. pitcher Matt Kudlik, John will be in the number two spot. Kratzmeyer(LF), and pitcher "Simkins is a player who and pitching more this year," Joe Leyhame.

Kostuch said,

and hitter who made the alltournament team last year. He is also number two academical- the void left by ly in his class."

who made all-conference as a said Kostuch. iunior, hitting .396. I look forhim to really develop as a sen- Dons along with Kudlik and

from a sickness, but he'll be Kloss, and senior Brian Flynn. our No.1 again, and he'll help year)."

"Leyhame is a senior left- in the Summer tournament."

said Kostuch.

spot this year. Kostuch said Returning for the state cham- the left-handed Robinson will

makes

Commenting on his team good contact and is bright aca- kids are feeling demically. He is very capable "Long is our toughest player of getting the job done for us," said Kostuch.

Will Harford will have to fill Pauley at shortstop and will bat Catholic to contend in the "Mitchell is a versatile player sixth or seventh in the order,

Toeing the rubber for the Leyhame will be junior left-"Kudlik is fighting back hander Nick Mort, junior Mike

us with the bat(50 RBI last a lot of time," said Kostuch, and Kloss pitched well for us Tuesday games.

The Dons continued their spring success by posting a 21-3 record in IHSA summer

Their big wins were against Continuing down the roster Downers Grove North and Lockport before losing in the playoffs to Carmel.

"Our team is pretty deep and we have great team speed," said Kostuch.

"If our hitting can come close to what we did last year,

We will rely on our defense said Kostuch. "I think the

the pressure of staying on top, but my job is to relieve that

Kostuch expects state semifinalists Carmel and Joliet ESCC along with Benet and Marist.

The first game for the Dons is Thursday at Wheeling High School at 4:30 p.m.

Leyahme is scheduled to be the opening day starter. Two "Flynn is a guy who will see road games follow on Saturday along with Monday and



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Notre Dame's Dean Cademartori hoists the Class AA Championship trophy to the cheers of parents and students.

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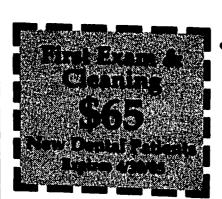
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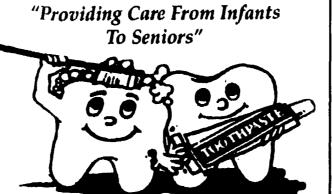
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Thursday March 24, 2005

gently just long enough to

glaze pears. Remove pears

from pan and arrange over

greens on serving platter or 4

Add herbs and remaining vine-

gar to pan and warm it 30 sec-

onds. Pour over pears and

greens and sprinkle with corn

cheese,

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8 to 10 ounces

Grated parme-

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taste.

salad plates.

EVENTS CALENDAR

GOVERNMENT

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Monday, March 28

-7 p.m. Morton Grove Village Board meeting Monday, April 4

-7 p.m. Maine Township High School District 207 board

-7:30 p.m. Park Ridge City Council meeting

-7:30 p.m. Park Ridge/Niles Elementary School District 64 board meeting

COMMUNITY

Friday, April. 1

-The Morton Grove Woman's Club will sponsor a "Just for Fun" luncheon and card games party on Friday, Apr. 1 at the Elks Club, 405 Lee St., Des Plaines. Play begins at 10 a.m., Lunch at 12:15 p.m. For tickets, call Lois Jarmuth, 847-965-2382.

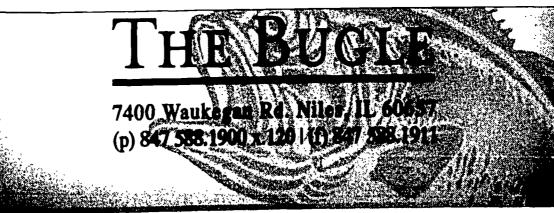
Saturday, April 2

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ALL-BRITE WINDOWS

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-The Morton Grove Historical Museum will host a walk along the Chicago River at 2 p.m. Saturday April 2. Retired Cook County Forest preserve naturalist and archeologist Ed Lace will guide the walk and discuss the history of the river which includes Native-American farmers and unique flora and fauna. The walk will include a stop at the Indian Fishing Weir. Children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. The walk kicks off at in the forest preserve entrance at St. Paul Woods across from the Morton Grove train station and behind the Morton House condominiums. Reservations required. Call (847) 965-0203.



Chef Harry presents Today's baby greens are in the bag

AND BABY GREENS

4 tablespoons olive oil

2 cloves garlic, minced

4 shallots, thinly sliced

1/3 cup balsamic vinegar

8 to 10 ounces fresh assorted

BY HARRY SCHWARTZ Copley News Service

2 pears, cored and sliced T think the baby green revo-2 tablespoons sugar lution, resulting in the **L** availability of bags of prewashed organic baby lettuce, colorful and crisp, available baby greens

and sold almost every grocery store, stems from impatience

If you live where it gets cold and snows in the winter, by the time lettuce begin to peek from the ground, after 🌉 careful incubation under protective plastic to rush the process, it is hard to wait until they are fully matured to cut the little buggers from the roots and eat them. This brutal whacking, when the greens are

barely beyond sprouts, seems a justifiable reward for our

They are so sweet! Tender and brightly colored, they are perfect for the spring table. Now 1/2 cup crumbled blue or gorthat they are so easy to get, buy them in the bag ready to use. It is easier and much less violent, although frustration in getting the bag open can result in a stabbing with a sharp

PEARS WITH CORN NUTS vinegar to pan and simmer plete meal in a bowl.

1 teaspoon dried Italian herb (optional) 1/2 cup toasted and salted corn

gonzola cheese

Yields 4 servings. Heat oil in large, heavy nonre-

active saute pan over mediumhigh heat and in it saute garlic and shallots, 1 minute. Add pears to pan and saute, I immediately. Garnish with minute. Sprinkle sugar over parmesan cheese and rosemary WARM BALSAMIC-GLAZED pears. Add about 2 tablespoons croutons, if desired, for a com-

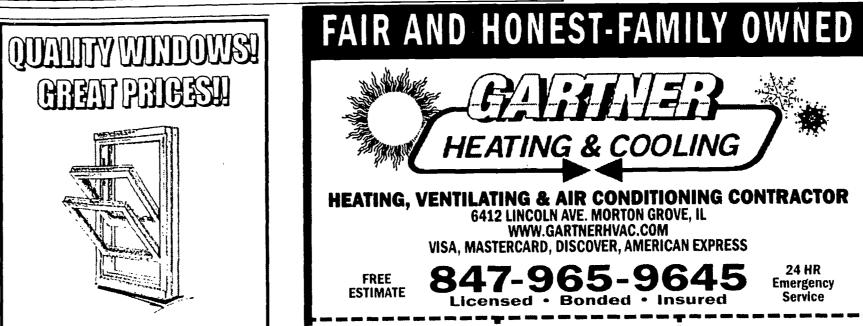
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Heat stock in 3- or 4-quart pot or Dutch oven over medium heat until simmering. Add tortellini and simmer just until

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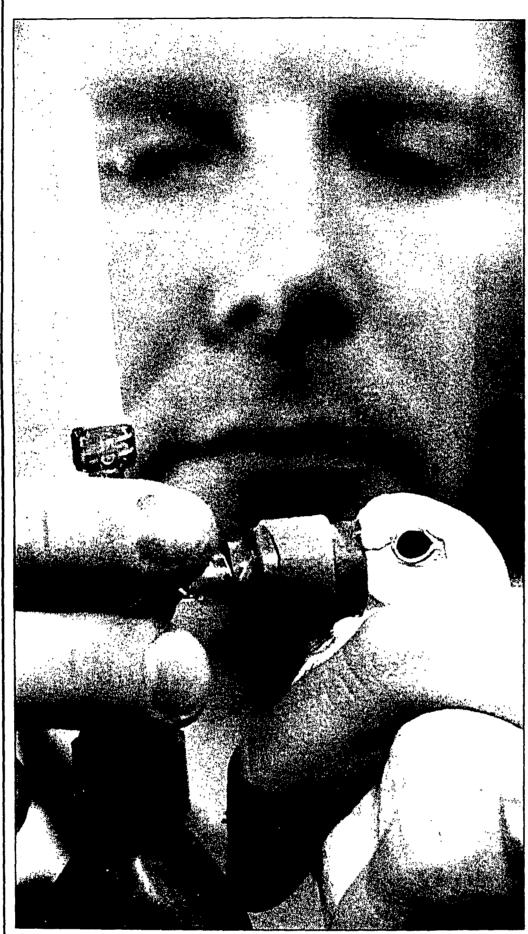
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Daily discoveries for the scientifically bent

The average urban Briton is caught on camera up to 300 times a day. - On Nov. 29, 1973, a Ruppell's vul-

"rest stops" are protected from overdevelopment or destruction. which would threaten the birds' ability to migrate successfully. To



ture collided with a commercial airliner over Abidjan, Ivory Coast. The string fine-mesh nets between tall plane was flying at an altitude of poles along migratory routes. 37,000 feet, making the vulture the highest-flying bird on record, albeit tiny face masks in which they posthumously.

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GETTING HIGH

University has developed a "bird Breathalyzer" to determine whether sparrows and warblers migrating up and down the east coast of North National Geographic magazine has ence of bayberries, gnats or other Audubon Society's Rowe Sanctuary icating. Rather, Kent Hatch hopes to sounds. identify the kinds of habitats where Visit the birds feed to help ensure these Geographic.com/nm/cranecam/.

gather data, Hatch and colleagues Snagged birds are then fitted with breathe pure oxygen from a balloon. - If the population of China walked The exhaled carbon dioxide is trapped and analyzed for specific would never end because of the rate carbon isotopes suggestive of certain foods.

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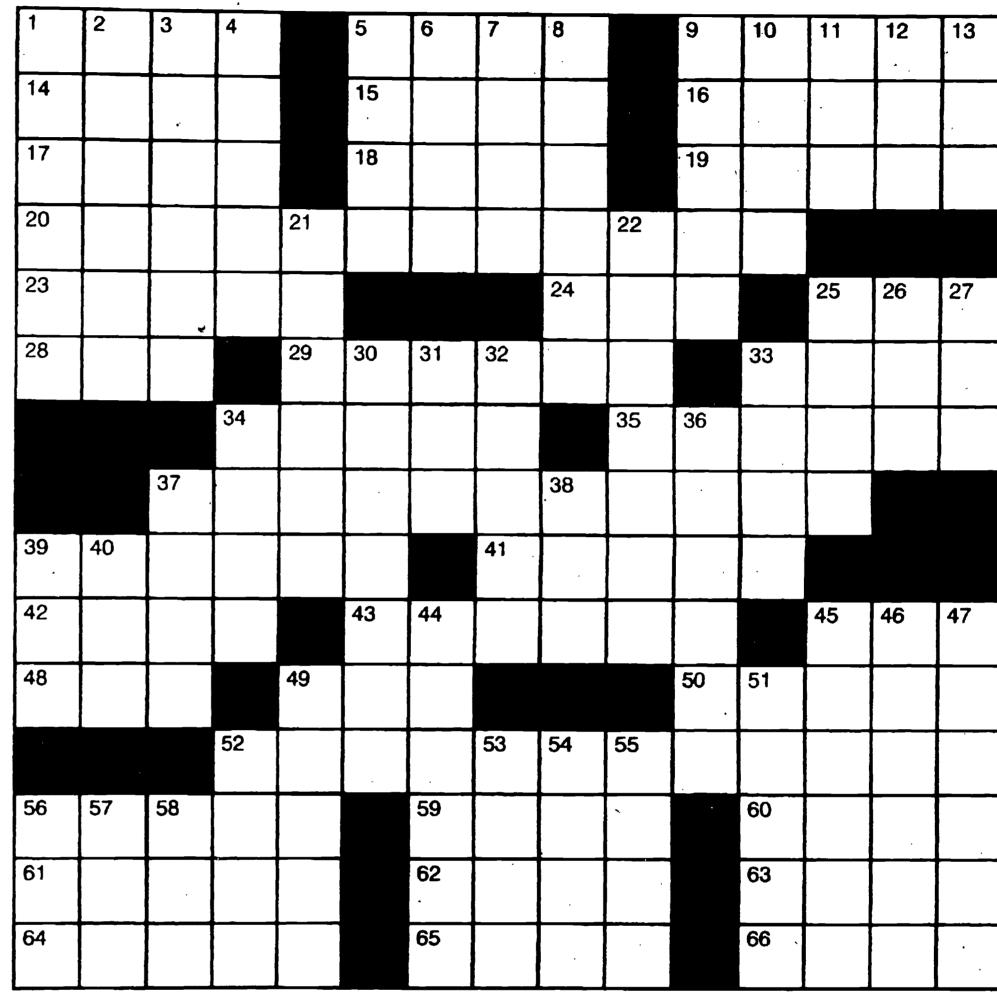
ELECTRON INK

A biologist at Brigham Young Every spring, roughly half-a-million Sandhill Cranes gather on Nebraska's Platte River for a brief respite in their annual migration. America are flying under the influset up a live "cranecam" at the foods. Not that eating gnats is intox- to record the amazing sights and

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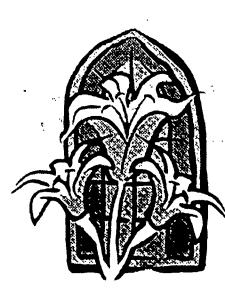
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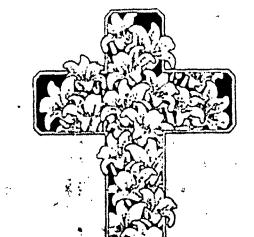
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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Sacrement of Reconciliation Sat., March 19-11 a.m. -12 noon (Confessions will be heard in both English and Polish)

Palm Sunday Masses — Blessing and Distributions of Palm at all Masses Saturday (March 19) 5:00 p.m. Sunday (March 20) 7:30,9:00,10:45 a.m. & 12:15

HOLY THURSDAY (March 24)

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:55 p.m. Night Prayer

7:00 p.m. Commemoration of the Lord's Supper with Adoration until midnight

-GOOD FRIDAY (March 25)-8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m.: Commemoration of the Lord's Passion & Death

- HOLY SATURDAY (March 26)-8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass 11:00 a.m. Easter Food Blessing

> -EASTER SUNDAY MASSES (March 27) — Sunrise Eucharist:6:a.m..7:30.9:00.10:45a.m. & 12:15 p.m.



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Maundy Thursday, March 24th Holy Communion, 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday, March 25th Tenebrae Service, 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday, March 27th Festive Easter Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

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8149 Golf Road, Niles, IL 60714 | 847-967-1060 **HOLY WEEK SERVICES – 2005**

> Holy Thursday, March 24 7:30 a.m. - Church open for prayer 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours 7:30 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord's Supper 9:00 p.m. Pilgrimage to nearby parishes 9:00 p.m. to Midnight - Keeping Watch with the Lord Good Friday, March 25

7:30 a.m. Church open for prayer until 10:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours 3:00 & 7:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord (Holy Communion will be given at both).

Holy Saturday, March 26 7:30 a.m. - Church open for prayer until Vigil 8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours 1:00 p.m. - Blessing of Easter Foods 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil followed by Agape (No Reconciliation nor 5:00 p.m. liturgy this day) Easter Sunday, March 27 Church - 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Holy Family Room - 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m

ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH SCHEDULE OF HOLY WEEK & EASTER

9201 West Higgins Road, Chicago, IL 60631 Rt. Rev, Jan Dawidziuk, Pastor

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2005

3:00 P.M. — Penitential Service for Youth and Adults

PASSION SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2005 4:00 P.M. — Meal in the Upper Room

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2005

8:30 A.M.—Blessing of Palms, Distribution & Holy Mass

11:00 A.M.—High Mass with Blessing of Palms, Distribution and Procession

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK.

MARCH 23, 2005

12:00 Noon—Sorrowful Lamentations (Polish)

7:30 P.M. Sorrowful Lamentations (English)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2005

7:30 P.M. Mass of Institution of the Blessed Sacrament, Procession to the Repository Altar, Stripping of the Altars

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2005

Our Cathedral will be open from 10:00A.M. -9:00P.M

10:00 A.M.—Mass of the Presanctified and Adoration of the Cross. Opening of the symbolic grave of Christ.

3:00 P.M. - Service at the Stations of the Cross - Youth will Participate in

7:30 P.M.—Tenebrae and Lamentations of the Polish National Catholic Church

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2005

10:00 A.M.—Blessing of the new fire, the paschal candle and water. Easter food will be blessed after the service.

3:00 P.M.—Blessing of Easter food in the Cathedral

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2005 FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

8:30 A.M.—Resurrection Mass with Procession and Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

11:00 A.M.—High Mass with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

St. Martha Catholic Church

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HOLY THURSDAY · MARCH 24, 2005 •Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 p.m. PRECEDED BY SEDER/POT LUCK DINNER 5:00 P.M. GOOD FRIDAY · MARCH 25, 2005

•ARS Viva Quartet Performing, Hayd's Seven Last Words of Christ Noon 3 p.m. (Small Church)

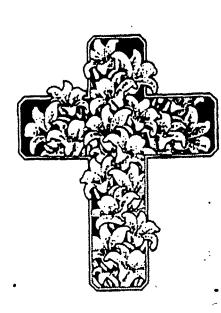
•Stations of the Cross-3 p.m. (Small Church) ·Lord's Passion-7 p.m. -(Auditorium-Chapel) HOLY SATURDAY MARCH 26, 2005 ·Blessing of the Easter Foods and Baskets - Noon

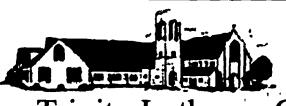
(Small Church) •Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter 7 p.m. EASTER SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE. MARCH 27, 2005

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Maundy Thursday, March 24, 2005 7:30 p.m. Service with Holy Communion Good Friday, March 25, 2005

10:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m. Service of the Lord's Passion Holy Saturday, March 26, 2005 Pancake Breakfast/Easter Egg Hunt 9:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday, March 27, 2005 8:30 a.m.

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at 12:00 noon and 7:30 p.m. at 10 a.m. **MARCH 27 - EASTER SUNDAY Worship Services with**

Holy Communion at 6:30 and 9:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.

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The Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord

7:30 p.m. Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper Mandatum (foot washing)
Procession to the Altar of Repose

Solemn Adoration until Midnight Night Prayer

11:30 p.m. GOOD FRIDAY, March 25 Divine Mercy Novena "Seven Last Words"

HOLY SATURDAY, March 26 7:30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Novena
Hallowfare (Blessing of Easter Food)
Easter Vigil Mass
Night Watch of the Resurrection EASTER SUNDAY, March 27 Easter Sunrise Mass (Candlelight Procession & Salubong) 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Masses

Happy Easter From

THE BUGLE

BY ROSE BENNETT GILBERT Copley News Service

Q: Our kitchen opens into the living room, so I'd like to do something special to help it blend in. I really don't like looking at pots and pans al the time. We're going with a blackand-white theme in the living area How weird would it be to paint the kitchen black-and-white, too?

A: Maybe not weird at all. Black has been showing up on the countertops and front panels of kitchen appliances for many seasons now, and white in a kitchen has always been a no-brainer. Just keep in mind that you are setting up a very sophisticated attitude with this, the most sharply contrasting of all color duos.

You'll have to live up to it by banishing all clutter - probably not hard for someone who already hates looking at pots and pans. Also not allowed: accessories with even a whiff of cutesiness about them. Again, not difficult when you consider the elegant results, to wit, the ordinary little kitchen in the photo we show here, where the contrast between the midnight-painted cabinets and the bright white walls is totally dramatic and exciting.

P.S. If you plan to paint kitchen cabinets yourself, it may be a good idea to unhinge one door and take it to a really good paint dealer for analysis. He/she can tell you what kind of paint will work best on whatever material your cabinets are made of.

Depending on whether they are wood, metal or a laminate, you'll need to follow certain processes and apply the right primers and paints to achieve the kind of slick, shiny finish you're after.

Q: We've been working with an interior designer to help make choices on colors and carpeting. Now, he's

Decor Score Kitchen is black-and-white and great all over



Thursday March 24,2005

insisting that we need to have a custom-made sofa for the front room. It will cost about \$2,000, plus another bunch for the fabric. My husband is highly resistant, to say the least. He can't see why we can't just buy a ready-made sofa for about half that. Is there a good reason to spend so

A: To, ahem, coin a phrase, you really do get what you pay for. A custommade sofa is like a tailor-made suit: it will fit you perfectly, meaning both your physical self and the room into which you put it.

When you have a sofa custom-made, you can adjust its height to yours, its length to your room size, and its degree of firmness to whether you like to sprawl or hate to struggle up and out of all that plushness.

Moreover, you will be getting a piece of furniture that is so carefully made by hand by skilled craftspeople that it will live on to become an heirloom antique, not just a "used sofa." Custom-made furniture starts with a kiln-dried hardwood frame and 8way-hand-tied springs, over which goes a filling of down and feathers (usually in a 60/40 ratio that keeps cushions from packing down). You may also have a blend of polyester,

When you order a custom-made sofa you also get to make style decisions, such as whether or not there will be a skirt - a pleated or plain or gathered skirt? Will the welting match the fabric (self-welt), or contrast? And will there be a "tight back" or loose cushions? With or without trimming?

Such options are expensive, compared to a mass-produced, one-sizefits-all approach. You can pay up to \$9,000 for a top-of-the-line model (say, from George Smith, a company

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vest sap from the American slash trees to collect it and place it in hollowed logs. When the sap froze, the ice could be a sugar maple is about 2 percent sugar, which might be high

diameter. Taps are drilled into Indians. They watched Indians around the tree. The sap flows the previous season. best on the sunny side of a tree,

removed and the sap was con- sap in the tree freezes and centrated. Or, hot rocks were thaws, creating pressure from gas expansion and contraction within the sap. Daytime temperatures in the 40s and nighttime temperatures in the 20s for a tree, but very low for produce the best flow. Long syrup. It takes around 40 gal- periods of high or low stable

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the country. In the South, gallon of syrup. All maple sap does not flow just because girdling the tree.

amounts of sap are needed. To hydrates are stored in the tree even more, making it harder to for squirrels that are hit by cars, starch is broken down into collected, excess water needs to sucrose. The amount of sugar in be removed. A large flat pan the sap depends on the tree's allows for more surface area Early settlers learned to har- the tree about 3 feet off the genetics, health, soil moisture and faster evaporation. Boiling ground and about 1 foot apart and growing conditions during water away takes a lot of ener-

> will be about 2 5/8 inch long higher temperature than water. Sap flow is created when the and about one-half inch in Finished syrup will boil at diameter, depending on the type around 220 degrees Fahrenheit. of spout used. The hole should slant upward, so the sap runs many people don't realize that out. The drill bit should be ster- this temperature is dependent ilized before use and if rotten wood is encountered, re-sterilized before being used again.

> > The spout is called the spile

tion of the hole and the sap.

The collection bucket can be The sugar in maple sap is include a lid to keep out dirt, gy. Syrup with a high sugar The hole tapped into the tree concentration will boil at a

While water boils at 212 F, on a barometric pressure of 29.92 inches of mercury. Syrup will burn if it gets too hot, so a good maple-syrup maker will and it serves to transfer sap boil pure water next to the from tap hole to bucket or syrup to determine the correct transfer tubing. It also often boiling temperature of water at provides the hanger for the that time and location. This bucket. Lastly, the spile seals ensures that the syrup doesn't the hole to prevent contamina- burn yet still achieves the prop-

a healthy tree will close in one artificial flavoring is often sold to three years. Future holes as maple syrup, but if you get red-tailed hawk eating a catshould be drilled at least 6 the chance to eat real maple inches away and several inches syrup, sugar or candy, don't

metal or plastic, but should Q: I know this sounds strange,

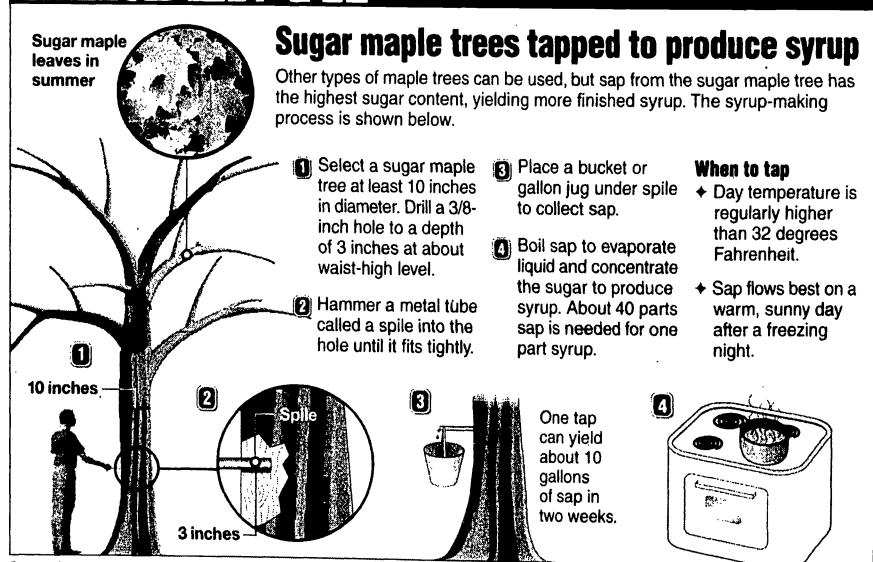
A: Back when Africa was first they realized they never saw dead elephants and so they thought that there must be an elephant graveyard filled with the bones and more importantly the ivory tusks of many centuries of dead elephants.

Unfortunately, they never won't find one for squirrels either. There is a large and diverse contingent of organisms on sanitation detail in every ecosystem. In a typical North American plot of land, there are birds, mammals, insects, bacteria and even plants that will clean up dead animal remains.

We usually think of vultures as the undertakers of the animal The spile should be sterilized Before cane sugar became world, but crows, jays and magbefore use. It is removed from easily available, maple sugar pies seem to quickly find dead the tree as soon as the sap-run- and syrup were valued com- animals, too. Woodpeckers will ning season is over. The hole on modities. Now, corn syrup with eat the fat on an animal carcass and I have taken pictures of a

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REAL ESTATE

Greener View

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fish. I saw a remarkable picture whitetail deer antlers in my move in quickly and devour all of a dead elk carcass that was local woodlots. I know half the of the soft tissues in a short visited by bald eagles, bobcats deer had two of them, so there and other scavengers on the is one for every deer. They same day. Raccoons, opossums should be visible on the bare as are dogs and coyotes. Once they couldn't be eaten all that only the bones and horns or fast, but I have never found insects antlers are left, small mammals

like mice and voles will gnaw

forest floor and I would think

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period of time. There are even insects that lay eggs on small dead animals and then dig a hole under the animal so that it can be hidden from other

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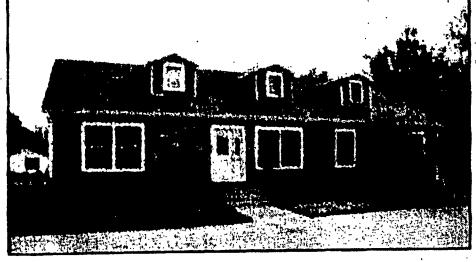
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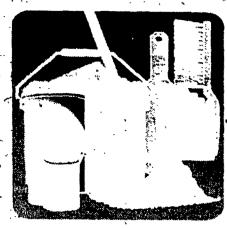
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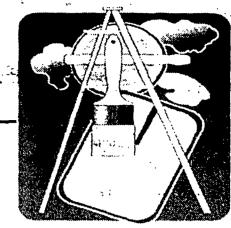
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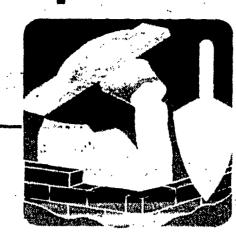
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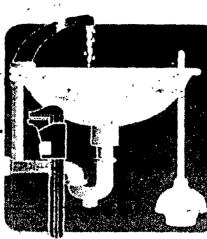
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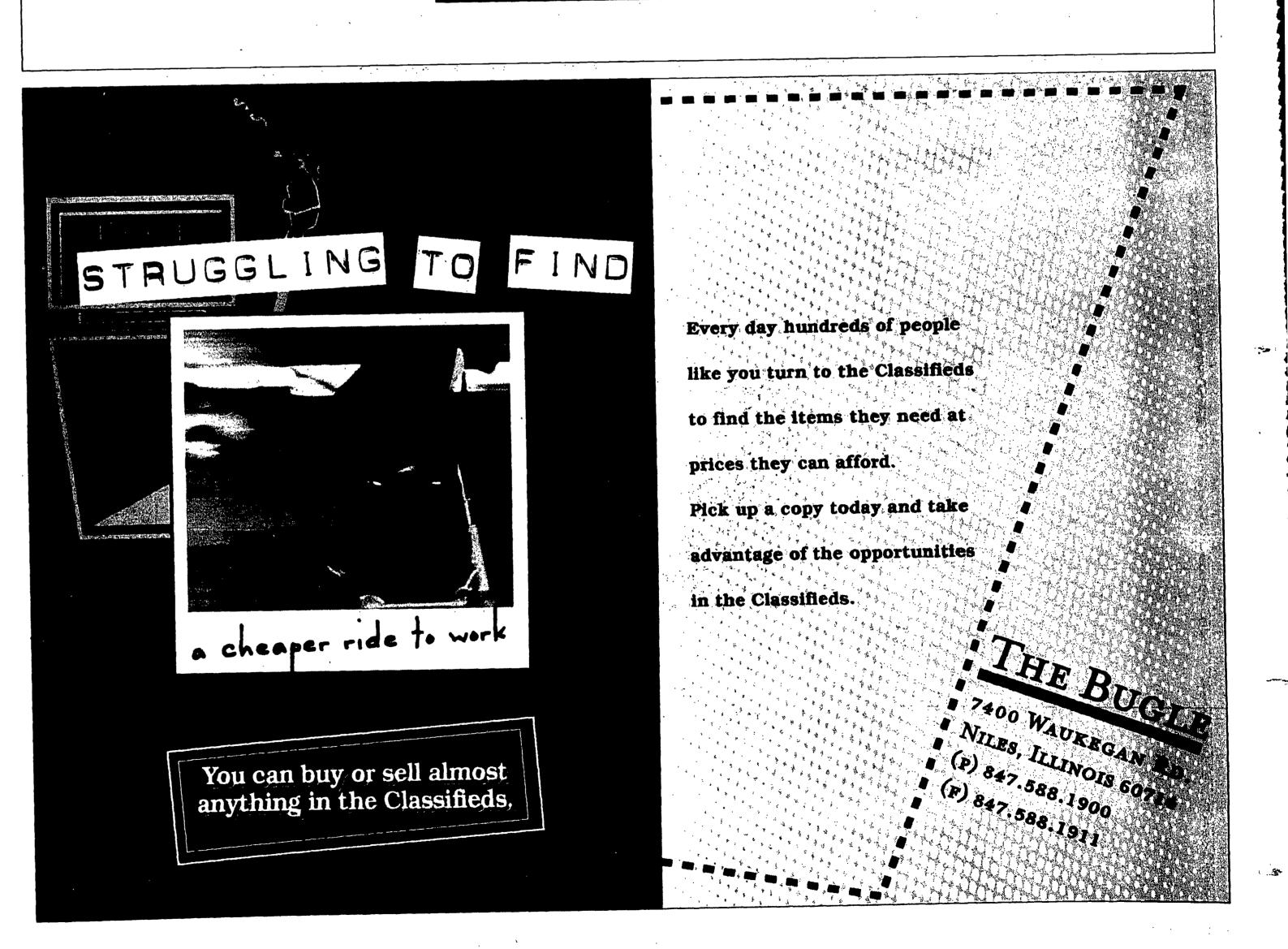
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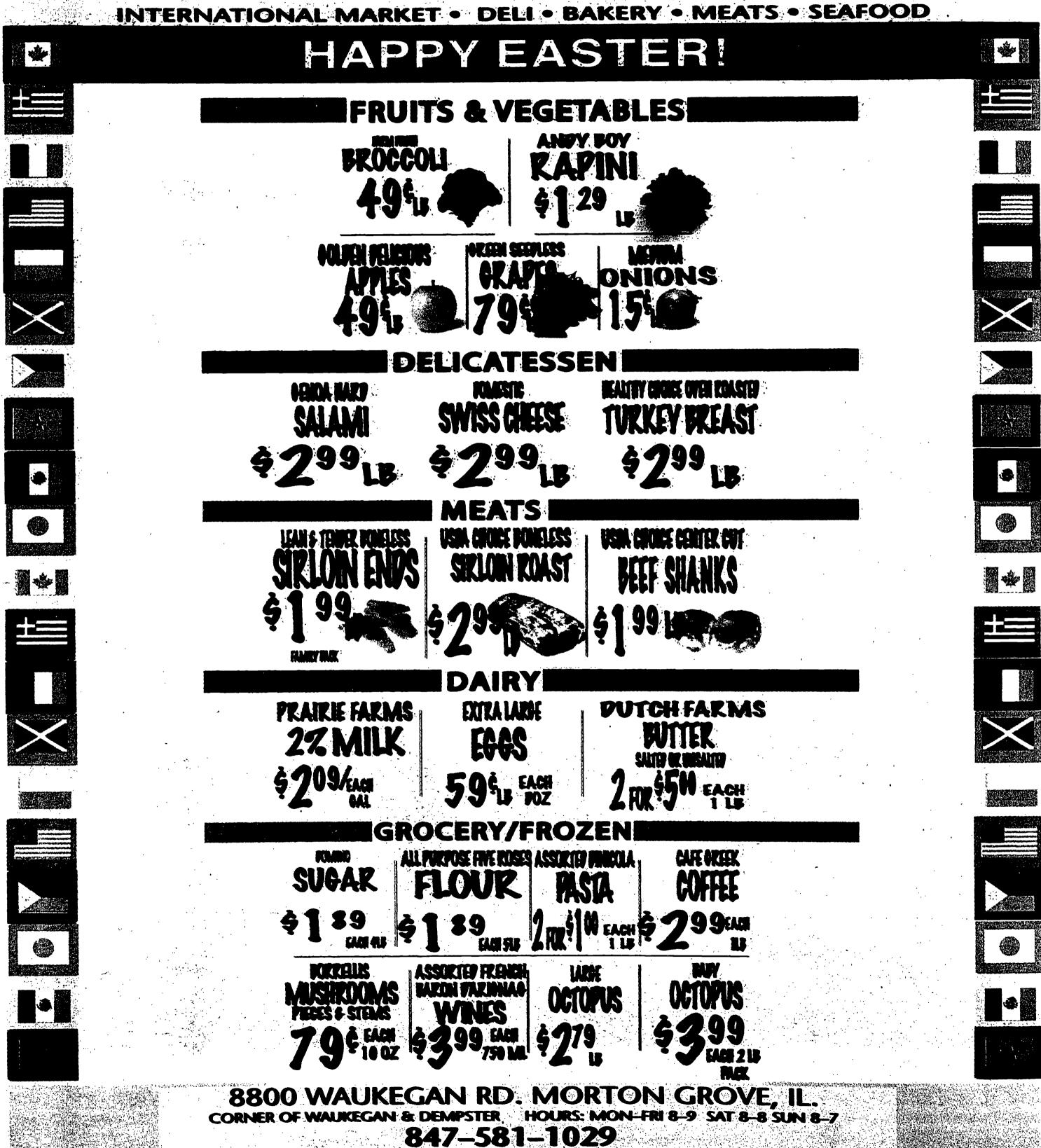
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