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# **District 64 board OKs tentative budget**

**Bv ANDREW SCHNEIDER** aschneider@pioneerlocal.com

A tentative budget was approved July 14 by the board of Park Ridge-Niles School District 64. A public hearing on the budget has been set for Sept. 22.

The total budgeted for expenses for 2008-09 is \$61 million, with anticipated revenues of \$69.2 million. Revenues are expected to be up 15 percent next year budget, primarily due to the property tax increases approved by last year's referendum. Property taxes represent about 83 percent of the district's revenues. Expenses are expected to increase by 8 percent, including "life safety" proj-

ects being undertaken by the district. If those projects are excluded, spending would increase by an estimated 5.5 percent.

The district is also budgeting revenues of more than \$200,000 which it expects to receive from the city of Park Ridge through an agreement to share revenue from a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district in the Uptown area.

The district's fund balance has also grown sufficiently that tax anticipation warrants most likely will not be needed this fall, even if tax revenues are delayed. The Cook County Board of Review announced earlier this month that it had completed its property assess-

when that board's work was delayed, it has affected determining the final tax hille

If tight fiscal controls are maintained, the school district forecasts that it will be able to hold the line on any new tax increases for two years past the referendum's promise of 2018, to 2020.

The budget that was approved July 14 is likely to change as data comes in over the summer. That includes final enrollment data as well as the costs of benefits for employees. The district has budgeted a 15 percent increase in health benefits and a 6 percent increase in dental benefits.

# **Budget approval set for Aug. 21**

The board of Niles Township High School District 219 signed off on a second draft of the 2008-09 budget Monday

Under the budget's second draft the district is planning on expenses of \$117,339,797, up 5.9 percent from \$116,663,261 in the first draft and around \$108 million last year. Total revenue for the year is expected to be \$129,830,907.

Following approval by the board, the budget will go on public display, available for review through the district and at all public libraries within the district.

In other board news: The board of Niles Township High School District 219 held its first "paperless" board meeting Monday and took a variety of actions.

Approved two intergovernmental agreements with Niles Towntional services at the Julia Molloy Education Center. During the 2008-09 school year the district expects services from NTSDSE to reach \$152,571, up from \$139,063 in 2007-08.

Approved security upgrades to the district's buildings as part of an ongoing project at a total cost of \$90,229.

Approved an intergovernmental agreement with several other school districts to form the Niles Township English Language Learners Parent Center for the purpose of enhancing com-

munication with parents who are learning the English language.

Authorized Law Firm Franczek Sullivan P.C. to act on the district's behalf and intertax.appeals pending in circuit court including, Old Orchard Shopping Center, currently assessed at \$59,043,700, FC Skokie, LLC, 4901 Searle Parkway, valued at \$7.048.897 and Rand McNally & Company, 8255 Central Park Ave., valued at \$4,498,482. The law firm estimates. that a 15 percent reduction in the value of the three properties could cost the district \$680,622 and a 25 percent reduction could cost \$1.134.371.

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# **Radio causes bomb** scare at bank

While it turned out to be a false alarm, a Niles covered outside, according to a police report.

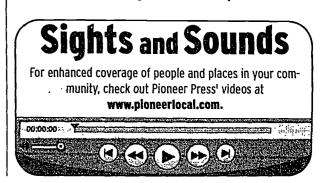
A small blue and black radio was found unattended outside a Citibank branch at 8400 W. Dempster St.

The radio was sitting on top of a cement railing that divides the drive-up

portion of the bank from the walk-up lobby entrance, police reported.

Investigators determined that the radio was suspicious and Niles police contacted the Cook County Bomb Squad, and evacuated the building. The bomb squad later cleared the radio and the bank was reoccupied. - By Tony Bertuca

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# Library program more than play time

By TONY BERTUCA tbertuca@pioneerlocal.com

Damian Farejowicz is going to be the next Tom Cruise.

At least, that's what he says.

But before the 17-yearold Notre Dame student can master the skies as a maverick flying ace or hustle big money playing pool, he has to be content with the "Awkward Turtio"

That's one of the roles he played in the Niles Public Library's July 26 production of "Danny and the Fableworld." He was also a dragon and a wizard.

"The turtle is my favorite," Damian said. "He gets in the way and he's just funny."

The play was entirely written, produced and performed by a team of five teenagers. Well, Katherine Szczepanski, who plays an owl, is technically not a teenager, yet; she's 12, but she said she'll be 13 by summer's

**BV MIKE ISAACS** 

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North Shore Festival of

Art at Westfield Old Or-

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TYLER STOFFEL/PIONEER PRESS John Depa, Michaela Laws, Damîan Farejowicz and Natasha Laws, from left, perform a short play Saturday at the Niles Public Library.

North Shore Festival of Art set for weekend

end.

"We had a lot of ideas," she said. "The lesson of the play is to not let evil people take control of your life. Just keep doing what you like to do."

The theater group met three times every week for more than a month to flesh out ideas. Donna Block, a refer-

ence librarian who runs the program, said the youngsters seemed to learn a lot from their collaborative efforts. "We improvised bits as

we went," she said. "I think its a lot of fun for them. It's a big time commitment. But at this age, where else can they write their own play and put it

on for people?'

The play that took shape was about a young boy named Danny, who has lost touch with the world of make-believe. He is then magically transported to Fableworld, where he encounters an assortment of animals whose voices have been stolen by an evil wizard.

The other players include Michaela Laws, 15, who was cast as a lion. her sister Natasha, 14, who played both a kitten and lamb, and John Depa, 13, who starred as Danny. "Danny is your average

teenager," John said. "He doesn't like learning about animals. He has a fight with his mother. But then, he finds himself in a living fable."

John said he and his friends had a good time creating their own world and bringing people into

"I just love acting," he said. "It's exciting to entertain people."

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### WEB UPDATE

The Niles Board of Trustees was slated to discuss a controversial expansion to Assi Plaza at its Tuesday meeting.

Assi Plaza is bordered by Milwaukee Avenue. Dempster Street, Ballard Road and Washington Street. It is home to a Ko

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**Cardinal Francis** George, archbishop of Chicago, will help Maryville Academy.commemorate its 125th year with the celebration of an anniversary Mass at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the academy's Des Plaines campus, 1150 N. River Road.

The Mass will be followed from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. by a reception with light refreshments.

"The Archdiocese of Chicago was most instrumental in our founding and has been supportive of our work through our long history," said Sister Catherine M. Ryan, OSF, executive director of Maryville, in a news release. "We hope that everyone will feel free to join us for this landmark occasion."

Founded in 1883 by Archbishop Patrick A. Feehan as St. Marv's Training School for Boys — a home and refuge for homeless youths ---Maryville has continued to serve children and has adapted to the needs of children as an orphanage, refuge and provider of specialized services for

children and their families. according to the release. Maryville now offers

programs at sites, includ-

### **BV RONNIE WACHTER** rwachter@pioneerlocal.com

From one campus with 880 acres — a large parcel even for rural Cook County 125 years ago -Maryville Academy has expanded its reach across Illinois, today encompassing 21 outposts with more than 10,000 clients.

And it has continued to survive despite tragedies of fire and ice, as well as a depression that sent it a rush of customers in need of its services.

and to produce the festival this year," said Amdur Productions President Amy Amdur.

The festival, which has been held in the area for 18 summers, has attracted a loyal audience. It will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the shopping center.

The North Shore Festival of Art, which has no entrance fee, will feature a full array of two- and three-dimensional art media from painting and jewelry to fiber and photography, from sculpture to furniture.

Displayed work will include batik pieces by award-winning Los Ange-

Amos Amit; rich acrylic floral still life paintings by Canadian artist Oleg Sceniov; wood lamp creations by Kyle Dallman of Oshkosh, Wis.; gold and silver jewelry by Israel's Stacy Givon; and vibrant oil paintings by New Yorkbased David E. Gordon.

Givon lived in Skokie until age 15 and went to Sharp Corner Day School and Old Orchard Junior High School.

"I moved to Israel with my family after my first year at Niles North High School," she said. "Old Orchard shopping center was one of my favorite places and I spent a lot of

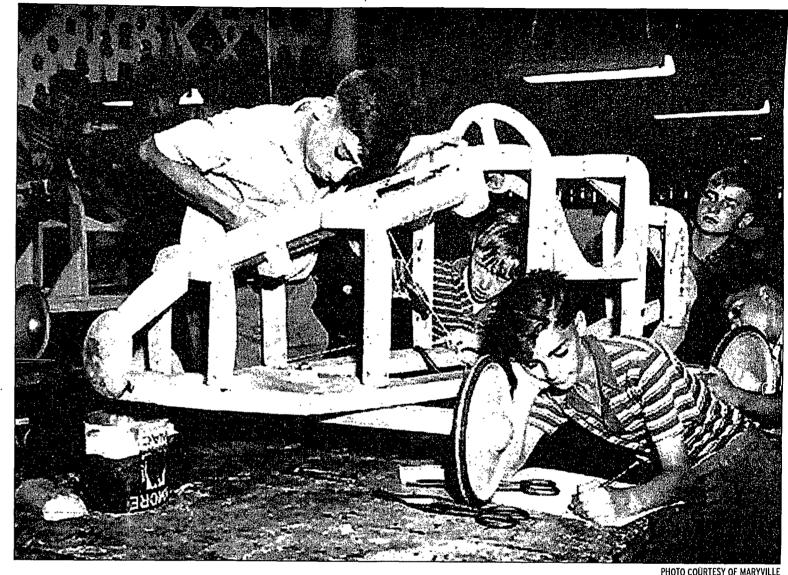
les-based and Israeli-born my free time there shopping with friends."

Other local artists include fiber artist Joanna Alot, whose returning customers include Hillary Clinton, the NBC Channel 5 News Team, and Juanita Jordan; and color photography artists Jerrold Goldberg and Loel Martin.

Visitors this weekend can enjoy continuous live music and food from local restaurants. Families can also collaborate on art projects in the National City Family Art Tent and paint on a real car at the Fields Auto Paint-A-Car tent

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# Maryville Academy marks 125th year



Boys work on their Soap Box Derby car in the early 1950s.

ing: its main campus in Des Plaines; the Scott Nolan Center, a psychi-

atric hospital; Eisenberg Campus in Bartlett; the Farm Campus in Durand;

and Crisis Nursery and Healthcare Center for Children, in Chicago.

For more information, including parking options for the anniversary event, go to www.marvvilleacademy.org, or call (847) 294-1982

# School stands tests of time, toil, tragedy

Originally known as the

for Boys, the organization

St. Mary Training School got its start as a project of the Archdiocese of

Chicago. Archbishop Patrick Feehan authorized the Archdiocese not only to provide a refuge for homeless Chicago boys, but also a workshop where they could learn a trade. The school became

known as Feehanville — a name that still adorns a street in Mount Prospect

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Archbishop Patrick Feehan founded St. Mary's Training School for Boys.



Sister Catherine M. Ryan, OSF, has been Maryville's executive director since 2004.



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# Crime ring targeted suburban banks, police say

Mount Prospect man's identity used in fraud

### **By JENNIFER JOHNSON** ijohnson@pioneerlocal.com

Two men suspected by police of being members of an organized Polish crime ring were arrested last week in Des Plaines, accused of defrauding several suburban banks by using stolen identities and falsified paperwork to ob-

Grzegorz Glod, 41, of 5125 W. Addison St., Chicago, and Artur Bledowski, 41, of 8901 Western Ave., unincorporated Maine Township, have been charged with four counts each of bank fraud, identity theft, forgery and felony theft in Des Plaines. They are accused of stealing more than \$100,000. Glenview police have also charged Glod with identity theft, forgery and

theft by deception in con-

nection with a loan obtained from a Chase Bank branch that was used to purchase a 2008 Lexus from a local car dealership.

Police in Niles, Chicago; and Island Lake are also investigating similar crimes.

Des Plaines police said Glod and Bledowski obtained car loans from banks using altered vehicle titles, bogus sale bills from dealerships, and the identities of other individuals. Once the loans were approved, the checks were deposited into a bank account and the money was used to purchase expensive cars, jet skis, all-terrain vehicles or recreational vehicles. The vehicles were then shipped to Poland, police said.

It was not until after the loan had been defaulted on that the banks discovered the paperwork submitted was fraudulent, said Des Plaines Police Cmdr. Dan Niemann. "We're pretty sure the

fraudulent paperwork

they are using is for bogus companies that are being used as fronts for them and their scams to get money from banks," Niemann said. "As far as we know, we don't have a legitimate business that has any ties to them."

Police took Glod and Bledowski into custody on July 17 after the men attempted to obtain a loan from First Bank, 678 S. Lee St., in Des Plaines. Niemann said.

Niemann said area banks that had fallen victim to similar frauds had sent out alerts, and an employee at First Bank became suspicious about a loan applied for by a man later identified as Glod.

Police were contacted, and when Glod and Bledowski arrived at the bank to sign off on the paperwork and obtain their loan, they were arrested, Niemann said.

The three other Des Plaines Banks allegedly targeted by the pair were U.S. Bank, 750 S. Lee St.; Fifth-Third Bank, 510 Metropolitan Way; Citicorp, 1525 Ellinwood St. Glod was the individual

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who applied for the loans, while Bledowski accompanied him and acted as a translator. Niemann said.

One of the identities allegedly used to obtain a loan belonged to a Mount Prospect man who told police he did not know Glod nor Bledowski and was unaware of how they had accessed his personal information. Bond for Bledowski

was set at \$750,000 for the Des Plaines charges. and bond for Glod totals \$1 million for both the Des Plaines and Glenview charges, Niemann said. Both men were also or-

dered to surrender their passports, Niemann said. Des Plaines police are

also working with investigators from the Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force and the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

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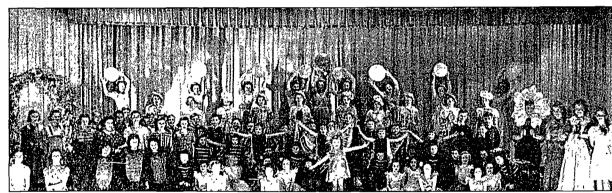
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Children put on a stage production in the late 1930s or early 1940s.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARYVILLE The Rev. John Smyth was executive director of Maryville from 1970 to 2003.

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- and from its inception welcomed boys of every race and religious background that Chicago had at the time.

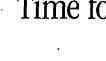
Detractors criticized and nature, and gained traction shortly after its founding, when five boys froze to death one frigid night. Then, another tragedy struck in 1899,

when a fire destroyed every building on the campus.

But the Catholic community saved the school by donating the funds to rebuild. The campus welcomed its first girls in 1911, but once again came into desperate need in the 1930s, when the Great Depression sent whole families into the streets.

St. Mary became Maryville Academy in 1950 and, like its monikers, its mission has gone through adjustment. A Pioneer Press Publication

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CHRISTIE'S For a complete list of open houses visit ksgmacOpenHouses.com. View photos, descriptions and virtual tours. time in office. The school

As with many charitable institutions taking on the weight of the world to care for young people in dire circumstances, it has been a balancing act over the years to take unhappy, lonely or angry youngsters, give them a steady home, caring guidance and a positive example, and send them out prepared for an independent future. The Marvville alumni tend to be a loyal group, and a separate group of enthusiastic and prominent donors have helped the archdiocese to keep the Maryville pro-

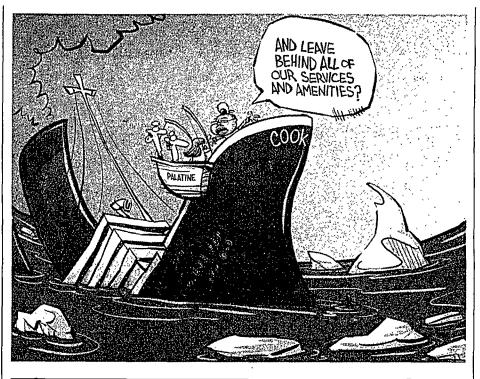
# DINION WE SAY Maryville: many faces at age 125

A key figure at Maryville's campus for many years was the Rev. John Smyth, who was asked over and over to extend Maryville's long reach and add one more facility after another to the Maryville network. No longer was it just one institution. Many more troubled young people arrived at Maryville's doors. And eventually even the state realized that one organization and one individual could not be expected to successfully solve all these problems on the state's terms.

Sister Catherine M. Ryan, OSF, is now the executive director. Maryville's administration and programs and missions continue to evolve as the state reevaluates what it wants to require and expect of institutions to whom it entrusts young people. Reconfigurations of how best to use Maryville, City of Youth, have been in the works for several years, but its other programs continue in locations across the Chicago area.

And meanwhile the people whom Maryville has helped go out into the community and become a part of it. Maryville is no longer an isolated institution, miles from anything. It has become a neighbor, welcoming others to use parts of its campus. For many groups that choose it as a gathering place from the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine worshipers to the Chicago area's annual SS Crocifisso di Cominna celebration to immigration activists and archdiocesan events — it continues to share a message of grams funded through the courage and support.

## **1000 WORDS**



# **Confessions of a villainoholic**



# PAUL SASSONE

My Batman suit — XX with the elastic waist — is at the cleaners, so I couldn't go see "The Dark Knight" over the weekend.

The movie is getting raves for the late Heath Ledger, I heard one critic say Ledger's Joker was the best villain in movie history.

That really intrigues me because I am a villainoholic. If a movie has a great bad guy/gal performance the movie is a success, as far as I am concerned

I have my favorite villain performances, as I'm sure you do. By villain, I don't

mean just a rotten character, but the character

who is in conflict with the main character, the antagonist of the protagonist, like the Joker is to Batman.

Here are — in my opinion and in no particular order - the 25 best villains in movies I have

1. Robert Mitchum. "Night of the Hunter."

2. James Cagney, "White Heat."

3. Gene Hackman, "Unforgiven."

4. Henry Fonda, "Once Upon a Time in the West." 5. Bette Davis, "The

Little Foxes."

6. John Huston, "Chinatown"

7. Robert Mitchum. "Cape Fear."

8. Chris Cooper, "Breach."

9. Edward G. Robinson, "Key Largo,"

10. Sydney Greenstreet, "The Maltese Falcon."

11. Richard Widmark, "Kiss of Death." 12. Joseph Cotten,

"Shadow of a Doubt."

13. Daniel Day-Lewis, "Gangs of New York."

14. Robert Walker. "Strangers on a Train." 15. Laurence Olivier, "Spartacus."

16. Orson Welles, "Touch of Evil."

17. Basil Rathbone,

"The Adventures of Robin Hood." 18. Christopher Plum-

mer, "The Silent Partner." 19. Helen Mirren, "Excalibur."

20. Peter O'Toole,

"Night of the Generals." 21. Robert Ryan, "Billy Budd."

22. Joe Pesci, "Goodfellas."

23. Wes Studi, "Last of the Mohicans." 24. Barbara Stanwyck,

"Double Indemnity." 25. Charles Bover. "Gaslight."

I know I've left out some great performances. Who are your favorite movie villains? Drop me a line and I'll share your favorites. E-mail me at psassone@pioneerlocal.com, Or write me a line at Pioneer Press, 1140 Lake St., Oak Park IL 60301

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### Hope is out there

The increase in cost of living, oil shortages, and loss of many jobs do scare us and public confidence, of course, suffers. Perhaps a review of the economy for the last 25 years will help dispel some of the gloom.

In the last 25 years, we saw the greatest period of prosperity in human history. More people than ever before were delivered from poverty, unemployment was kept below 5 percent, there was more wealth created (IRAs. stocks, funds, 401Ks, etc.), all with a huge economic growth in the USA and the world. This meant a longer and better quality of life for all. Many positive thoughts were brought to bear by Harvard graduate Patrick Toomey in his address at Hillside College in Michigan.

Much of this progress was the result of these three important factors: broad expansion of trade and economic freedom here and worldwide; major deregulation (less government, lets people run their own business); reduction in marginal tax rate - this incentive encourages more spending and economic activity, resulting in more sales tax income. construction. etc.

The 1996 statistics show that 75 percent of people in this nation owned a car. many owned two. Of all households in this nation, more than 90 percent owned a color TV. The poor in this country fare much better than elsewhere in the world.

Two important steps that the next president should take are drilling for more oil and keep taxes low. Reduce government spending rather than add to the tax burden.

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PATRIOTIC PROJECT Students from Children's Learning World, a Montessori School in Niles, created a flag made of plastic cups for the Fourth of July holiday.

# **Board of Review reports record** property assessments appeals

On July 7, Cook County had a substantially higher success rate in 2007 with Board of Review Commis-81 percent of appellants receiving a reduction in Larry R. Rogers, Jr. transassessment when committed the Cook County pared to the last Northern triennial when there was a 66 percent overall success rate. In 2007 the commissioners added several new technology initiatives that they said bolhearing the most appeals stered accuracy and rein the 69 years that the duced processing time, allowing the agency to do more with a smaller budget and fewer staff. cent increase in actual ap-

sioners Joseph Berrios,

Brendan Houlihan, and

Board of Review's final

decisions for the 2007

Northern (Cook) Trien-

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county appeals process

There was a 25 per-

peals filed in 2007. The

Board of Review heard,

277,443 parcels in 2007

which passes the totals

2006 City of Chicago re-

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**Residential appeals** 

Ava Socik of Niles has

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has been in place.

In light of the subprime mortgage crisis, lending fraud, and a analyzed, and processed downturn in the housing market, the Board of Review Commissioners partnered with Chicago parcels reviewed from the Mayor Richard Daley in reopening closed townthe record 2007 volume is ships and extending filing deadlines for pending townships. The response the total parcels appealed to the reopening from the citizenry resulted in more than 35,000 new appeals

that were filed

Berrios said, "Mayor Richard Daley's extraordinary efforts to identify and address the ongoing economic distress in the city afforded our agency the opportunity to hear thousands of new appeals from taxpayers who would not have otherwi had a remedy."

Houlihan said, "Internal automation initiatives at the board have taken much of the burden off of the residential homeowner in assembling evidence which corresponds to greater access for taxpayers and a clear decision. We are committed to improving the agency and the essential services that it provides to taxpay

For more information about the Board of Review, contact Chief Deputy Commissioner Scott M. Guetzow at (312) 603-4166.

## **CAMPUS CLOSE-UP**

Elk Grove Village.

The IAMPEF Scholarship Award was established in honor of industry leader Ted Farrell to recognize outstanding students throughout Illinois who have demonstrated academic ability, as well as

a commitment to learning, achievement and community service. The scholarship assists young students in their pursuit of higher education and their desire to achieve a leadership role after post-secondary graduation.

## How Illinois lawmakers voted in Congress Week ending July 18

Bush Medicare veto: Voting 70-26, senators joined the House (below) in overriding President Bush's veto of a bill to continue Medicare payments to doctors at their current level this year and raise them by 1.1 percent in January. A yes vote was to override Bush's veto and enact HR6331. Sen. Richard Durbin: Yes; Sen. Barack Obama: Not voting

Global AIDS funding: Senators authorized, 80-16, \$50 billion over five years for U.S. support of global programs to combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis. A yes vote was to pass a bill (HR5501) that would fund programs in sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America, Sen. Richard Durbin: Yes: Sen. Barack Obama: Not voting 1 2 3 4 5

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"Use It or Lose It": Members failed, 244-173, o reach a two-thirds maiority needed to nass a ill giving oil firms a "use it or lose it" mandate to either drill on 68 million acres of federal land and offshore tracts they have leased or give up their right to do so. A yes vote was to pass HR6515. Spy budget, energy: Members refused, 200-225, to send the 2009 intelligence budget (HR5959) back to committee, where it would be changed to require an estimate of the impact of global energy conditions on U.S. security. A yes vote backed the GOP bid over arguments it was a delay tactic. Bush veto override: Members voted, 383-41. to override President Bush's veto of a bill (HR6331)

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that would cancel the administration's 10.6 percent cut in Medicare payments to doctors. A yes vote was to enact a bill that sharply cuts spending on the privatized Medicare Advantage program.

Impeachment bid: Members referred, 238-180, to the Judiciary Committee a bid to impeach President Bush based on the reasons be gave for invading Iran. The namel has ruled out impeachment but may hold bearings on the Bush presidency. A yes vote was to dispatch HRes1345 to committee

Backup paper ballots: Members failed, 248-170, to reach a two-thirds majority needed to authorize \$75 million in grants to help state and local officials buy backup paper ballots for use in this year's elections if electronic systems break down. A yes vote was to pass HR 5803.

For a more detailed description of the issues, see our Web page at www.pioneerlocal.com and pick your hometown paper, click on News and click on Politics.

# **Analog-to-digital switch** not perfectly clear



THE FIXER - Chicago Sun-Times

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Dear Fixer: In a recent column, you mentioned that TVs that are already hooked up to cable will not have to do anything more when broadcasting switches to digital in February 2009.

Yet Comcast insists that I will need digital converters. If at all possible, please clear this up. **Dorothy Schultz** 

Dear Dorothy: You're not the only one who finds the whole analog-to-digital switch confusing. We asked

Rich Ruggiero, vice president of communications and public affairs at Comcast, and he said there are two separate things going on here: first, the government-mandated transition of the broadcast channels. and second, a programming change at Comcast.

What you were probably hearing about is the change within Comcast in which two of the channels previously on basic cable, Comcast Network (a local channel with high school sports and other programming) and Leased Access. will require either a digital set-top box or a TV with a digital tuner or a Cable-CARD

As far as the February 2009 transition to digital, if all your TVs are connected to Comcast, you're all set to receive your local broadcast channels just as you do now. More info is at www.comcast.com/dtv.

For Fixer readers who watch their analog TVs using a rooftop antenna or "rabbit ears," you can either get a government

coupon to help buy a digital converter box, buy a new TV that has a digital tuner, or break down and get cable.

Getting the runaround about a consumer problem? Tell it to The Fixer at www.nioneerlocal.com. where you'll find a simple form to fill out. You can also mail a brief description of your problem, along with your name, address and telephone number, to: The Fixer, 3701 W. Lake Ave., Glenview IL 60026. Don't send original documents. Letters are edited for length and clarity. Contributing: Liza Roche, Piet Levy

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But problem pockets exist for some customers

### By RUTH SOLOMON rsolomon@pioneerlocal.com

The vast majority of ComEd customers never have to throw away a freezer full of food or sit for days in the dark: More than 1.2 million ComEd customers had no outages in 2006; another one million had only one outage.

But tell that to customer number "L 431." who went through five

**By TODD SHIELDS** tshields@pioneerlocal.com

Commonwealth Edison officials refer to last summer's angry cloudburst as the "August Blast" ---when 634,000 customers lost power for up to three days. Many learned a lesson: Get your own backup power

In a press release. ComEd described the Aug. 23 event "as the first devastating storm of the 21st century in the Chicagoland area."

But it doesn't take a storm of historic proportions to disrupt power. A typical hard downpour knocks out 90,000 ComEd users

Since August, some suppliers of permanent home backup generators — priced at \$8,000 to \$20,000 — have seen a dramatic increase in sales. At Steiner Electric Co., located in Elk Grove Village, 327 were sold after the August Blast, compared to 99 from January to July.

"Residential sales are very weather-related, but in storms like last August, our sales have tripled," said David Easler, senior vice president at Steiner. We have a lot more re-

# **Big crowd at Big Greek Food Fest**

The Big Greek Food Fest hosted by St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox Church in Niles was a huge success, festival workers reported. The three-day celebration attracted about 20,000 people the past

weekend. "We really thought we wouldn't have so many people with the economy and the chance of rain," said Tom Andrews, a

parishioner who helped organize the festival. "We had a little rain but people came." Andrews said it must

have been the food

"The food was excellent." he said. "The loukoumathes were really great."

It is not vet known how much money the

A crucial link to the gyro-making process, Katerina Kiriazopoulos, of Des Plaines, and her college roommate, Angela Schrubbe, of Wisconsin, add ingredients to the Greek staple during the annual Big Greek Food Fest Friday at St. Haralambos in Niles.

festival raised but Andrews said the church will use the funds to-

24. R. B. A.

# **POLICE BLOTTER**

The following incidents were listed among official reports of the Niles Police Department. An arrest does not constitute a finding of quilt. Only a court of law can make that determination.

### BATTERY

Russell Reynolds, 43, of 8890 N. Prospect Ave., Niles, was charged with domestic battery July 18 on the 8900 block of North Prospect Avenue. He was released on \$20,000 bond and is due in

Andres Cajigal, 54, of 8642 W. Golf Road. Des

Plaines, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol July 17 on the 8600 block of West Golf Road. He was released on \$1,000 bond and is due in court Aug. 12.

■ Daniel Gibbons, 39, of 26 N. Prindle Ave., Arlington Heights, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol July 17 on the 8400 block of North

Milwaukee Avenue. He was released on \$1.000 bond and is due in court Aug. 7. able.

ward the construction of

a grade school on its

property.

■ Seong Yun, 34, of 7932 N. Waukegan Road, Niles, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol July 20 on the 7100 block of West Oakton Street. He was released on \$3.000 bond and is due in court Aug. 7.

### THEFT

■ Alicia Vega, 29, of 5156 S. Paulina St., Chicago, was charged with retail theft July 18 of \$197 worth of merchandise

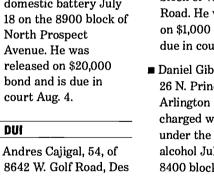
from a store on the 400 block of Golf Mill Center Her court infor mation was not avail-

- Theresa Muehlenbeck. 43, of 481 W. Edward Court. Des Plaines, was charged with theft July 15 of a woman's purse containing \$100, a cell phone valued at \$300 and a gold chain valued at \$200. She was released on \$5,000 bond and is due in
- A car was stolen July 19 from a parking lot on the 8200 block of West Oak Avenue.

court July 24.



# court Aug. 4.



# **ComEd earns passing grade on system reliability**

consecutive years with ex- suffered monetary damcess outages, losing power seven times in 2006. In 2006, L431 was one of 360 ComEd customers who had gone more than three

years with excess outages and one of 1.5 million customers with more than one outage a year, according to the latest annual report ComEd is required to file with the Illinois Commerce Commission. which regulates utilities.

And ComEd's own customer satisfaction survev for 2006 showed a doubling in the number of customers --- from 4 percent to 8 percent— who

liable power than most

can happen when bad

weather comes," he said.

Ken Stevens, owner of

"Over time, it's not a lot

Breakwater Electric in Al-

sip, also said more home-

owners are investing in

permanent generators.

of money to install a gen-

erator, when faced with

emptying a food freezer

several times during out-

At large retail stores,

purchases of portable gen-

erators were storm-

driven, said Jen King, a

tornado that destroyed

portable sales during

storms, but we have not

selling more in the Mid-

west or northern Illinois."

University Park.

Home Depot spokesman

in Atlanta, citing a June 7

homes in south suburban

"We do see a spike for

seen a trend in buying and

ages," he said.

parts of the Midwest, but

we're not immune to what

ages due to outages. mostly by throwing away spoiled food.

There is no centralized, publicly available data comparing the reliability of electrical utility companies. But data pieced together from utility filings in several states indicates ComEd earns a fair grade on overall reliability, when compared with other utilities in the Midwest. When major storms are factored out, the average number of outages for ComEd customers systemwide was about one per year in

2006, lasting an average of 82 minutes. The average number of non-storm outages increased to 1.3 a year in 2007, but they only lasted 70 minutes. ComEd officials said in a July 1 interview at Pioneer Press offices in Glenview

The company says its strategy is to improve reliability systemwide, not circuit by circuit.

"Our investment plan is designed for our system as a whole. This strategy is appropriate because our goals of reliability and customer satisfaction apply systemwide," ComEd

ComEd reliability

said in its 2006 report to regulators

Systemwide, the utility has had a 29 percent reduction in the frequency of outages since 1998. said Mike McMahon, vice president of engineering. And when outages do occur, they are 30 percent shorter, he said.

After a storm last August, the utility spent \$50 million to restore power. In 48 hours, 90 percent of those without power, or 600,000 customers, had their lights back on.

During such storms, the utility makes use of a mutual assistance pact.

ComEd's record of power outages, both length and frequency, was about average for utilities covering major

cities in the Midwest in the year 2006, the last year for which data is available. Exact comparisons are difficult due to such factors as amount of overground versus underground equipment, rural versus urban customer

mobilizing lineman from as far away as Tennessee Kentucky and Missouri. ComEd employees made up only about 30 to 40 percent of the workers in that August storm, utility officials said.

Asked whether the company has enough maintenance workers in the field on a non-emergency basis. ComEd representatives say efficiency has improved and that their improved reliability figures show their workforce levels are adequate. even though the company has fewer workers than a decade ago.

# Many customers learn lesson, invest in backup generators

### For critical emergency services and operations, such as hospitals, computer-reliant offices and fire and police stations, the need for backup electricity was evident and in some cases are required under the law.

she said.

"Events like hurricanes

Katrina and Wilma showed many firms just how catastrophic a loss of power can be," said Jalane Kellough, executive director of Electrical Generating Systems Association. Boca Raton, Fla.

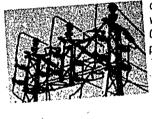
In 1996, Schaumburg Village Hall was connected to an automatic switchover power grid owned by ComEd that operates during emergencies, said village manager Ken Fritz.

Though utility companies are responsible for delivering reliable power, hospitals are expected to be ready with very reliable emergency systems.

Medical facilities fall under "the recognized doctrine of force majeure - meaning a major force of weather or an act of God, said David Overbye, dean of university administration for DeVry University, in Oakbrook Terrace.

"The courts will expect you to take additional steps - backup generators, redundant systems and so on. As we saw with Katrina, many of these proved to be inadequate," he said.

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lo not include storms. The federal government has no uniform method for
collecting data on reliability, leaving it up to individual state commissions,
which vary in whether they require data with or without major storms.
ComEd said its own internal comparisons with its peers across the U.S.
which vary in whether they require data with or without major storms. ComEd said its own internal comparisons with its peers across the U.S. put it in the top 40 percent in reliability.

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Cleveland Electric	124.95	—	1.20		—	
Ohio Edison	88.98	-	1.44	—	—	
Toledo Edison	86.28		0.91	—	-	
Xcel Energy (Northern States Power), Wisconsin	—	—	—	116		0.87
We Energy (WEPCO), Wisconsin	—	-		103	—	0.70
Alliant Energy (Wisconsin Power & Light)	_	_	-	98		0.92
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation		-	-	234		1.56
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Average duration = Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) the sum of customer interruption durations in minutes divided by the annual number of customer interruptions

Customer average number = Customer Average Interruption Frequency Index (CAIFI) the average number of interruptions experienced by customers who experienced at least one interruption during the year

System average number = System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) the total annual number of custome erruptions divided by the average total number of customers served a yea

Sources: Illinois Commerce Commission, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, Public Utility Commission of Obio

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Worst-performing circuits

Sleeping in the store, during storms

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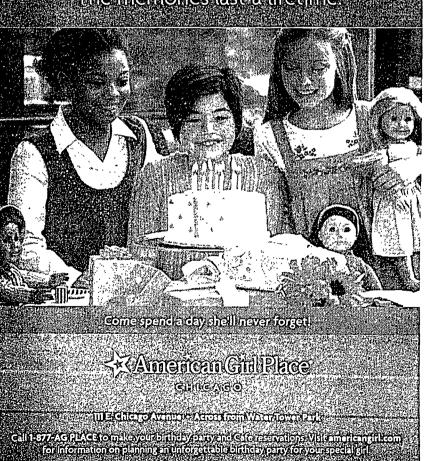
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Nobody can tell a person who lost their job that this is not a recession, but there is much to be thankful for; this has happened before, there is help and hope out there. Pray for and vote for good leadership to guide us through

## Des Plaines Townships provide

**Bill McNutt** 

### strong social programs

When considering the elimination of townships ("Do townships serve a purpose?" July 10), we should consider the strong social programs they provide. I cannot think of another agency providing the same services as the Niles Township Food Pantry (NTFP) for the hungry people in my community. Not only does it pro-

vide emergency food as-

sistance, but it's also a central place for residents to help their neighbors directly by donating necessities. Without our township's pantry, where would the 19,300 people they served last year go for holn?

In a period of economic downturn, we should make every effort to make sure we maintain the best social services possible for our community.

### Cynthia Changyit Levin Morton Grove

### Sox fan pulls no punches

I loved your "we say" column concerning the White Sox and especially their fans. Being a lifelong Sox fan I have done everything in my power to stay quiet and composed, but your article was the one that did it.

I became very ill earlier this week when I read an editorial in the Tribune about naming a street after Ron Santo. Lest we forget, his beloved Cubs shipped him away in 1974

to finish his career with the White Sox. In 1975 the Cubs sent another Cub immortal, Billy Williams, to the Oakland A's. The Cubs: What an honorable organization at a time when teams held onto their so-called legends.

Back to the point, that inferiority complex you speak of is jealousy on your part as a Cub fan. We have this banner hanging that says 2005 World Series Champions ---Chicago White Sox! The discussion has ended from a Cub perspective. We may have less fans but our team is a winner and has delivered. Pity the poor lost souls who line up to enter Wrigley much like sheep to an eventual slaughter.

I believe the most popular team in Chicago is the Bears. Don't their followers still talk of 1985? Talk about living in the past. There is a pattern here. Bears and Cubs are of the same ilk much like their fans.



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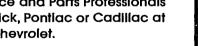
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1969 — thank Ron Santo's

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Those are the kind of ac-

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leads, and keep you out of

Yes, I hope for a city

series. The Sox would be

underdogs and their fans

chip on their shoulders. I

like our chances. After all,

we are playing the Cubs!

As I tell all my Cub fan

John Ostrowski

Morton Grove

friends, let me know when

you win something, I will

be dead and gone.

History is on our side.

would carry that immortal

wrong way, blow large

the Hall of Fame.

Giants, 1984 vs. Padres,



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**By BRUCE INGRAM** bingram@pioneerlocal.com

Brideshead Revisited \* \*

Here's the bad news: On a point by point comparison with the superb 1981 miniseries adaptation of Evelyn Waugh's "Brideshead Revisited," this new version suffers on all counts.

Here's the good news. It only takes two hours to watch this mediocre, severely altered "Brideshead," compared to 11 hours for the really, really good one. So, if you're in a hurry, and you want a shot of Britlit culture and you don't really care if Waugh's complex characters and sophisticated dialogue have generally been dumbed down for easy access...

Actually, you know what? Forget that.



**BRUCE INGRAM** 

FILM CRITIC 

five nights. You'll be glad you did. Waugh, who made his reputation as an

acidly comic novelist satirizing upper class British society, wrote "Brideshead Revisited" during the latter part of World War II, in which he served as an officer. The novel tells the story of Charles Ryder, Waugh's alter-ego, an aspiring painter who becomes involved with the aristocratic Flyte family in

the 1920s while studying at

Right Across

From Six Flags

Don't watch this movie. Even at 135 minutes, it's basically a waste of time. Do yourself a favor and rent the Granada mini-series. Watch it over

Oxford. Ryder is initially attracted to the childish, tragic, charming and doomed Lord Sebastian Flyte, Through Sebastian, the young atheist, Ryder comes to know all of the Flytes, whose lives are governed, to varying degrees, by Catholicism - and gradually falls in love with Lady Julia, Sebastian's sister. Much of the novel is devoted to the vanishing way of life of England's aristocracy and the rise of various odious modern trends — much abhorred by Waugh — observed by Ryder with melancholy detachment. "Brideshead Revisited" is also intended to illustrate the complexities of religious faith, particularly the Catholic faith, which Waugh had embraced before the war.

Director Julian Jarrold, best known for lighter fare such as "Becoming Julia" and "Kinky Boots." and screenwriters Jeremy Brock ("The Last King of Scotland") and Andrew Davies ("Bridget Jones' Diary") had the unenviable task of trying to boil the dense, com plicated plot of

"Brideshead" down to the running time of "Speed Racer." They only had two choices: Fast-forward through a reasonably complete and faithful adaptation at triple speed or reduce the story to its essentials. Fortunately, they chose the latter, Newest Indoor but they also took some Waterpark.

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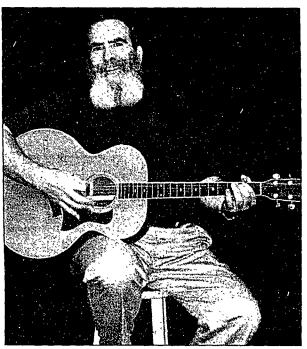
# Musical magic gives spider a big surprise

### **BY MYRNA PETLICKI** Contributor

With his full beard and broad smile, Allan Lieberman bears a slight resemblance to Santa. The Parents' Choice award winning singer/songwriter also brings kids a gift --the joy of music. Lieberman will present "Feeling Good and Singing Good," for ages 3-8, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Friday, July 25, at the Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton St.

Lieberman likes to involve his young fans. "The most important thing is that the kids are singing and moving," he said. If his audience consists mostly of preschoolers, Lieberman will primarily sing familiar songs — with a unique twist.

When he leads, "The Itsy Bitsy Spider," Lieberman said, "I make believe.

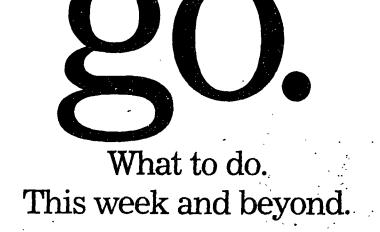


Alan Lieberman performs at the Skokie Public Library.

that they turn the spider into a larger spider and they turn the larger spider into an octopus. I conveniently forget the secret word to turn the octopus

back into a spider. Then I ask for a volunteer with a large van to take him to the lake for me." If the audience mainly

consists of kids 5 and up,



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### Tales and tunes

Children will join Neil Whitham onstage to sing familiar songs and provide sound effects for original numbers when the singer, storyteller and guitarist performs from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 31, at Prairie View Park, 6834 Dempster St., Morton Grove. Admission is free but audience members are encouraged to bring nonperishable food items for the Niles Township Food Pantry.

For details, call (847) 965-1200.

## SUMMER CONCERTS

Arlington Park, 2200 W. Euclid Ave., Arlington Heights. www.arlingtonpark.com. Miller Lite Party in the Park, Friday afternoons, First race and first song at 2:30 p.m. - July 25: 0-101.1 Up and Coming Artists Show. Aug. 1: A Kangaroo Court (alternative rock), Aug. 8: Elevation (U2 tribute). Aug. 15: Q101.1 Up and Coming Artists Show, Aug. 22: Soda (classic rock), Aug. 29: Bucket Number Six (classic rock). Sept 5: Libidio Funk Circus ('70s rock). Sept. 12: Members Only ('80s pop). Sept. 14: Steve Arvey & the Saxtells (rock). Sept. 19: R-Gang (Motown, R&B) Also, live bands play between or after races on selected dates. (847) 385-7500. Aug. 9, 11:45 a.m.-6 p.m. (between races): 7th Heaven.

Bluesmobile Cruise Nights sponsored by the Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Association will feature music on selected Saturday nights in the ME-TRA west parking lot. corner of Route 83 and Northwest Highway. (847) 398-6155. Aug. 9: Graffiti Unlimited Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe. (847) 835-5440. www.chicagobotanic.org. Admission is free. Parking is \$15; free for members.

Carillon Concert Series - Through Aug. 25, 7 p.m. Mondays, featuring music from the carillon bell tower located on Evening Island. Concerts feature carilionneurs from all over the world, in addition to the garden's resident carillonneur, Wylie Crawford, who serves as president of the World Carillon Federation. Visitors can pick up dinner and a bottle of wine from the Garden Grille

### A little bit country

You'll feel like you're down on the farm at the Wildwood Nature Center, 2701 Sibley Ave., Park Ridge, during the Country Farm Fair, noon-3 p.m. Saturday, July 26. The free event features a pie eating contest, potato sack races, tug of war and water balloon toss. There will also be a petting zoo, \$3 pony rides and 50 cent hayrides. Popcorn, ice cream and hotdogs will be sold.

For details, call (847) 692-3570.

### Star quality

• A miniature world will come to life when Dave Herzog's Marionettes perform at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 30, at Lorel Park, Cleveland and Lockwood, Skokie, Audiences will enjoy an intergalactic experi-

or bring a picnic dinner. Picnicking is

the Ruehler Enabling Garden, Carillon

Esplanade - Through Aug. 26, 6-9 p.m.

Tuesdays. Spanish guitar, jazz and big

tours start at 5:30 p.m. Music on the

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will be available for a variety of prices

Hot Summer Nights - Through Aug. 28.

6.9 n.m. Thursdays. Light fare will be

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wa Dance Troupe. Aug. 7: Chicago con

The Silver Beams, Aug. 21: Big City Wind

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Evanston's 2008 Starlight Concert Se-

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able at (847) 448-8058. Music begins

at 7:30 p.m. for each concert. Free ad-

mission. July 24: Reggae Cowboys at

James Park. July 29: Ken Arlen Orches-

Dawes Park, Aug. 5: Patrick De Santos,

West African vocalist, at Dawes Park.

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19: Ruby Jane, 13-year-old fiddle prod

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Pavilion on Evening Island and nea

ence during "Stringing on a Star," featuring Zork, captain of the Starship Puppetron. Performance is part of the Skokie Park District's Magical Merry Go Round summer series. For details, call (847) 674-1500.

### Wheel adventure

X-Games medalist Matt Wilhelm will perform amazing stunts and talk about bicycle safety at the Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Ellinwood St., 2-3 p.m. Sunday, July 27. He will tell how he didn't let a bully keep him from becoming a champion. Wilhelm will also encourage young people to avoid drugs and set worthwhile goals.

For details, call (847) 827-5551.

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### Keaton Silent Movie Night at Dawes Park; David Drazen plays original

Family Fun on Thursdays Morton Grove Park District presents free children's entertainment from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on the lawn of Prairie View Park, 5834 Demoster. In inclement weather shows will take place in Prairie View Community Center, Information: (847) 965-1200 July 24: Mark Nichols Punnel Theatre. July 31: Neil Whitham (interac tive music). Free children's concert with Dave

Rudolf from noon-1:30 p.m. Aug. 2 at the Pavilion Gazebo, Biesterfield and Wellington, Elk Grove Village. (847) 437

Free summer concerts at 7 p.m. at Pavilion Gazebo, Biesterfield and Wellington, Elk Grove Village, unless otherwise noted. In inclement weather, concerts will be held in the Pavilion Multipurpose Gym. (847) 437-9494. Aug. 3: Déià Vu.

Hot Summer Nights, Cool Music concerts at 7 p.m. Sundays and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at North School Park, Eastman Street and Arlington Heights Road Arlington Heights (unless noted otherwise). Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Alcohol and dogs not allowed. In the event of inclement weather, concerts are canceled. Hotline: (847) 577-3003. ext. 1. July 27: Groundspeed (bluegrass). Aug. 6, 7 p.m.: U.S. Air Force Band of Mid America (tentative) Aug. 13: Arlington Heights Community Concert Band.

Lake Summer Entertainment Series. 7 p.m. at Lake Park Memorial Pavilion,

Steppenwolf Theatre Downstairs, 1650 N. Halsted St., Chicago, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays, Sunday evening shows through July 27 only; 3 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays; 2 p.m. July 30, Aug. 6 and 13. Runs through Aug. 24. Post-show discussions after every performance. \$20-\$68. (312) 335-1650. www.steppenwolf.org.

### **By LILLI KUZMA** Contributor

James Meredith, an Evanston native now living in Oak Park, plays the role of a Chicago policeman, Officer James Hailey, in Steppenwolf Theatre Company's new production, "Superior Donuts." But the "cop in a donut shop" stereotype ends there.

"I never get to eat a donut in the course of the show!" said Meredith 37, voicing his only complaint about the world premiere comedy, written by Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning ensemble member, Tracy Letts. Meredith is making his fifth Steppenwolf appearance.

Of course donuts are not the point, Meredith explained. The play is about the dynamics of the relationships, problems, and friendships, of a diverse group of people, who happen to cross paths at a run-down donut shop in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood, and Letts captures the spirit of this group. "Tracy has a precision to his language, it's so crisp, but everyday

speak," said Meredith: The play boasts a big star, Michael McKean, whose credits include "Laverne & Shirley," "Saturday Night Live," "Spinal Tap," "Best in Show" and "A Mighty Wind," among others. He plays the donut shop owner and a strong cast of accomplished actors backs him up. Di-

# STAGE Whole cast savors success of 'Donuts'





MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

Waukegan native Jon Michael Hill (from left), with Cliff Chamberlain and Robert Maffia, formerly of Morton Grove, have a serious discussion in "Superior Donuts."

MICHAFI BROSILOW PHOTO

Yasen Peyankov (left) and Evanston native James Vincent Meredith go nose to nose in "Superior Donuts" at Steppenwolf Theatre.

rected by ensemble member, Tina Landau, "Superior Donuts" has had an excellent first run, and will continue through August 24.

### **Everyone works**

Meredith also has praise for the show's director: "Tina (Landau) she's one of those supporters of (many) viewpoints in the rehearsal process. the only director I know that's done that," he said. "It got the cast centered. Everybody is so good. And everyone knows they're good, so we just concentrate on the work. And Kate (Buddeke, his cop partner in the play) is a blast!" Buddeke, who grew up

in Wilmette and is now living in New York City, noted some of the challenges of her role: "A friend of mine is a female Chicago cop, and I talked to her for a really long

time. She is not allowed to cry on the job. That's the hardest thing --- to be tough and still be a woman. And (to complicate things) my character has a crush on Arthur, the donut shop owner."

Buddeke, a four-time Jeff winner, who has worked in film and TV. and on and off Broadway, is happy to be back in Chicagoland. "New York City does not offer such an artistically free environment," she said. "I want to stay in Chicago. Chicago theater is about Chicago actors again. Tracy and Steppenwolf have a lot to do with that. And Tina is a joy, incredible to work with her."

### **Energetic teen**

Jon Hill, 22, a Waukegan native living in Chicago, is enjoying working with Landau again, and appreciates his role as black teenager Franco

MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

Kate Buddeke, a former Wilmette actor (left), writes up Yasen Peyankov in Tracy Letts' "Superior Donuts."

Wicks, who is a "whirlwind of intelligence and energy. He shakes things up, and his playfulness hooks the (donut shop) owner into hiring him." said Hill.

Hill previously appeared at Steppenwolf in

"The Unmentionables." He performed with Yale Repertory Theatre in 2007, and played Puck in a "A Midsummer Night's Dream" right out of college for the Public Theater's Shakespeare in the Park in New York.

"My ultimate goal (in acting) is breaking down barriers of conventional theater," said Hill. "I want to give the voice of small towns like Waukegan a voice in the theatre. Here at Steppenwolf, Tina's (Director Landau) attention to detail is unparalleled. She is the best collaborator I know, letting the actors find their way through a play."

Robert Maffia, formerly of Morton Grove, and now based in Los Angeles, is also excited to be in this play and back to Chicago. The veteran actor, recipient of multiple Jeff citations from his Chicago days, has a long list of television and film credits. But he didn't think twice about leaving Hollywood for this role.

"I've always wanted to work at Steppenwolf," said Maffia. "I did over 35 shows in Chicago, and got my Screen Actors Guild card here. This is a great opportunity, working with Tina and the cast, and there's a lot of respect for Chicago theater. Out in L.A., I've gotten work solely on my theater resume from Chicago."

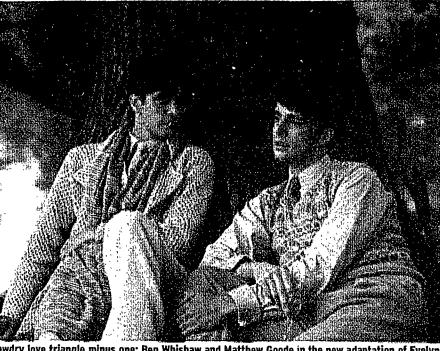
# 'Revisited'

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questionable liberties. When Charles

(Matthew Goode, satisfactory, but lacking the gravitas Jeremy Irons brought to the role) meets Sebastian (Ben Whishaw, whose petulance is no substitute for the tragic dimension Sebastian requires) at Oxford, their attraction to each other is portrayed in more explicitly romantic terms than it is in either the novel or the Granada mini-series. That seems to me to be a sound, if not particularly subtle, decision. It's more honest and direct and it demonstrates, when Charles shows just a hint of reserve when they kiss one day at Brideshead (Sebastian's ancestral home) that they're not entirely on the same page about where their friendship is going.

The new "Brideshead" makes a serious mistake,



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Tawdry love triangle minus one: Ben Whishaw and Matthew Goode in the new adaptation of Evelyn Waugh's "Brideshead Revisited.

however, when it proceeds to collapse much of Waugh's story by contriving a tawdry love triangle between Sebastian, Charles and Julia (Hayley Atwell). After writing Julia into a trip to Venice with Charles and Sebast-

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ian, Brock and Davies suggest that it's Sebastian's heartbreak when Charles transfers his affections that precipitates his subsequent downslide into alcoholism and ruin - and not his tortured relationship with his mother

(played here with a more obvious poisonous streak by Emma Thompson).

At this point, the new "Brideshead" loses its credibility as an adaptation and probably becomes only marginally interesting for anyone unfa-

miliar with the story --because the story begins to play like a Masterpiece Theater production crossed with a telenovela

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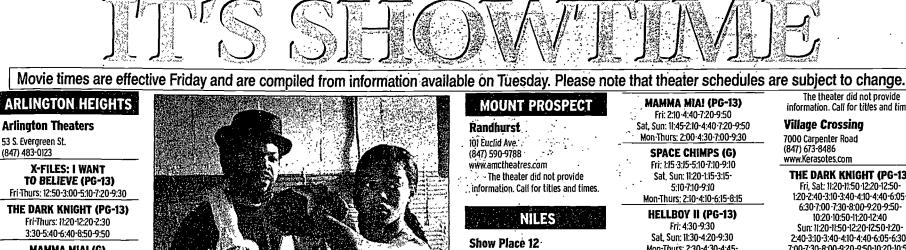
There are other problems. The new

"Brideshead" is heavyhanded in its foreshadowing of Sebastian's doomed status and in its portrayal of his mother as a psychotherapist's goldmine ("Be a good boy for God and Mummy," she says to the cowering undergrad). The film also takes a surprisingly dark view of the religious life of the Flyte family, underscored by its omission of an essential revelation at the end of the story. Most surprisingly, it suggests that Charles is essentially a jumped-up social climber and opportunist, who is motivated primarily by his desire to claim Brideshead and all it rep-

resents The worst thing. though, is the way this new adaptation mixes tan-



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WALL-E (G) Fri-Thurs: 12:15-2:30:4:45-7:00-9:15

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with great passion before the long-frustrated pair leap into a nearby bed and it probably would have driven Waugh completely bonkers. One slight misstep by Goode and Atwell and it would have played like a scathing parody of upper-class English affectation. Which is the sort of thing Waugh did better than anyone else.

talizing samples of

Waugh's dialogue, so per-

fect in its representation

of the time and class of his

characters, with truly ba-

nal attempts at faux so-

phistication. Consider this

admittedly rough approxi-

mation of the exchange

that takes place between

Charles and Julia when

they meet on an ocean

now."

vou."

liner after a long separa-

Julia: "You're married

Charles: "Yes: So are

Julia: "How ridiculous.

That last line is uttered

.. Tell me this is fate!"

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**GET SMART (PG-13)** Fri-Wed: 11:25-2:05 4:45-7:25-10:05

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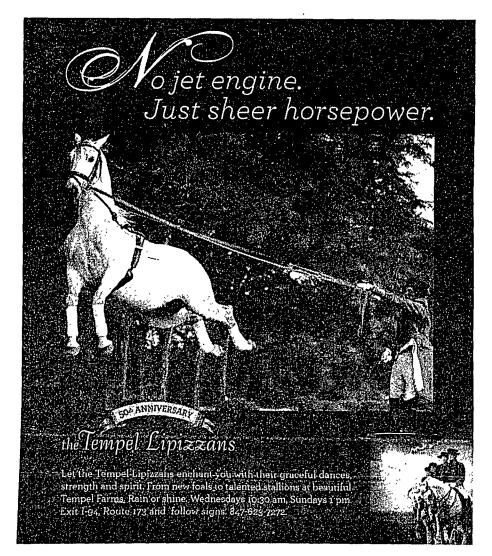
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MONGOL (R) Fri-Wed: 9:20 SPACE CHIMPS (G)

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THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) Fri-Thurs: 8:35

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WALL-E (G) Fri-Thurs: 12:00-2:15-4:30-6:45-9:00

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MAMMA MIA! (PG-13)

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**Highland Park** 445 Central Ave. (847) 432-3300 MAMMA MIA! (PG-13)

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Fri: 4:45-7:15-9:15 Sat: 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:15 Sun: 2:15-4:45-7:15 Mon-Thurs: 4:45-7:15

SEX AND THE CITY (R) Fri: 5:00-8:00 Sat. Sun: 2:00-5:00-8:00 Mon-Thurs: 4:15-7:00

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Sat, Sun: 2:00-7:00 IRON MAN (PG-13) Fri. Sat: 4:30-9:15 Sun-Thurs: 4:30

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Fri-Thurs: 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:15 FUGITIVE PIECES (R) Fri-Thurs: 12:50-3:10-5:50-8:2

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Mon-Thurs: 1:50-4:15-6:50-9:45 HANCOCK (PG-13)

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### PARK RIDGE

Pickwick 5 S. Prospect (847) 604-2234

THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) Fri Thurs: 2:00-5:00-8:00 MAMMA MIA! (PG-13)

Fri-Thurs: 1:30-4:30-7:00-9:15 KIT KITTREDGE: AN AMERICAN GIRL (G)

Fri Mon-Thurs: 1:30-4:30-7:00-9:00 WALL-E (G) Fri-Thurs: 1:15-4:00-6:30-8:45

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JOURNEY TO THE CENTER

OF THE EARTH (PG) 3-D

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Sun: 11:00-1:30-4:00-6:40-9:10

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HANCOCK (PG-13)

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WANTED (R)

Fri-Thurs: 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:40

GET SMART (PG-13)

7:40-10:15-12:50

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THE DARK KNIGHT' REDEFINES WHAT A SUMMER POPCORN MOVIE CAN BE. "EPIC. ONE OF THE BEST MOVIES OF THE YEAR." "THIS IS POWERFUL AND PROPULSIVE FILMMAKING." KENNETH TURAN, LOS Angeles Times "I LOVE THIS MOVIE! IT'S SENSATIONAL." DARK KYNIGHT WARKEN BOOS PRIVALS PRESENTS HER HOLM CHYSINAN BALL. THE BARK KINGH OCTATION WITH USING AT POTUNES ASTROPY PRODUCTION A FLAX BY C ANDRIAL CHE HEANINGSTE GANY DENAN TAIAN KXWAT TAIGSTE STIEDMAA AN MEANING HIGHAA Ny Taikee Jaarshwitci invisit faasteety erhaan kennes menalte usaa kynne ta ny teraas in IAMAN DEREV VANCANTANAN AND AND AND PODIESKEPOR KONS STOAV CHARDAVIA NAAN ADAMIS KOVA Charder Chertren Catanan and Angeneraan and and podieskepor konst Sereen Lay Johan and Angeneraan and an podieskepor charls kovan taala tadaks chardava nalah DLEGENDARY OF STALAPT PR-1 NOW SHOWING - CHECK DIRECTORIES FOR LISTINGS EXPERIENCE IT IN THEATERS AND IMAX LNSHIRE IMAX PORTAGE IMAX RANDALL IMAX CINEMARK IMAX THEATE HTMINE PORTOR BOXWA SEVEN BRIDGES Woodrid WOANGE #239 219/764-7469 630/482:3456 BOQTANDANGO #1113

Jane." "Kinky Boots") directed this adaptation of the celebrated novel by Evelyn Waugh, Reviewed in this section. (BI) (135 min.) Rated PG-13 for some sexual content. THE LONGSHOTS

**OPENING THIS WEEK** 

BRIDESHEAD REVISITED

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Julian Jarrold ("Becoming

Keke Palmer ("Akeela and the Bee") stars in this film about the 11year-old who became the first girl to play in the Pop Warner football tournament. Ice Cube is featured. Unrated at press time.

MY FATHER, MY LORD An ultra-orthodox rabbi struggles to balance his spiritual life with his role as a father and husband in this Israeli drama. In Hebrew with subtitles. (72 min.) No MPAA rating.

### STEP BROTHERS

Two grown men who have never left home (Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly) battle for dominance when their single parents marry. Adam McKay ("Talladega Nights") directed the comedy. Rated R for crude and sexual content, and pervasive (an-

### THE X-FILES; I WANT TO BELIEVE FBI agents Fox Mulder and

Dana Scully (David Duchovny, Gilliar Anderson) return in another standalone story updating the enormously popular TV series mixing mystery, sci-fi and unexplained phe nomena. Co-written and directed by series creator Chris Carter.

## STILL PLAYING

THE DARK KNIGHT **★★★ 1/2** 

You can't trust that Joker character. He's a vicious, amoral, psychopathic, murdering maniac and, given half a chance, he'll steal vour movie. Jack Nicholson did it in the 1989 "Batman" and Heath Ledger most definitely does it in the generally excellent "Dark Knight," though their approaches to the character couldn't be much more different. Nicholson camped it up, but Ledger took the Joker seriously – and found a way to make the demented character seem uncomfortably, almost disturbingly, real. Writer/director Christonher Nolan ("Memento") returns with star Christian Bale after "Batman Begins" with the Big Bat suffering more angst about his moral ambiquity while cleaning up Gotham City as a dark vigilante. Our hero has proanized crime on the run and he's looking forward to the day when he can hang up his Batsuit and settle down with feisty assis ant DA Rachel Dawes (Maggie Gvilenhaal). There are two problems

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with that plan though: Rachel's fallen for her square-jawed heroic boss (Aaron Eckhart) and the Joker has. decided Gotham's ready for a crazier class of criminal. "The Dark Knight" looks fantastic and the adrenaline pumping action sequences are spectacular, but it's Ledger's powerfully strange performance that makes it a must see. If he doesn't get an Oscar nomination, it'll be a bigger crime than the Joker ever dreamed of. (BI) (152 min.) Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violence and some menace.

### HANCOCK $\star\star$

Superman, Drunk, burned out, sleeping off a hangover on a park bench. Really annoyed by the whole superhero thing. Wishing the world would go away and leave him alone. Not much chance that's going to happen. That's the great high-concept idea at the heart of "Hancock." which starts strong, looks destined for great things, and then disappoints. Badly, If you're looking for a good-time movie, it might not be a complete waste of time to check out this Will Smith action comedy. but sayor the fun stuff in the first half. That's all you're going to get. And be warned before taking the kids: The PG-13 rating on this hahy should be taken seriously. Smith plays the burnt-out superhero who serves time in prison as part of an image makeover engineered by a nice-guy PR man (the reliable Jason Bateman) and and pretty much gets his life back on track - until he discovers he has a surprising history with the PR quy's wife (Charlize Theron). Director Peter Berg is a talented guy who's made good films in the past (including "Very Bad Things" starring Jeremy Piven, "Friday Night Lights") and you can see where he was heading with this. but he ultimately loses his grin in a big way. The plot abruptly spins off in a direction that has little to do with the first half of the film aban dons its comic sensibility and fails to satisfy in its new, melodramatic and exceedingly violent mode. The narrative becomes confused, logical inconsistencies abound and, worst of all, the fun completely disappears, (BI) (92 min.) Rated PG-13 for some intense sequences of sci-fi action and violence, and language.

### HELLBOY II; THE GOLDEN ARMY $\star \star \star$

Rude, brutish and not very bright. That's how the brainy, ectoplasmic leader of Hellboy's team of freaky superheroes describes the cigar-chomping, wise-cracking Son of Satan. He may have a point, too, but big Red's still a good guy to have around whenever there's a giant forest god or an army of giant mechanical robots that needs to be clobbered. The second installment in a likely trilogy of Hellboy sagas has the same mix of dark, snarky humor and spectacular supernatural action as the 2004 debut (based on the similarly entertaining Dark Horse comics series), but

writer/director Guillermo de Toro has made this one even more evepoppingly fantastical — apparently finding work for every weird crea ture he couldn't iam into "Pan's Labyrinth." The plot is more-or-less standard comic book action-extrav aganza stuff, with a pinch of dungeons and dragons for flavor. A dark prince of the magical world wants to destroy mankind with a giant mechanical army because of the way we've chetto-ized all the fairies and oures and trolls and so forth. Frankly, you can't blame the guy. But Hellboy says heck no. (BI) (110 min.) Rated PG-13 for sequences of sci-fi action and violence, and some language.

Rated PG-13 for some sex-related

SPACE CHIMPS

The grandson of the first

chimp into space gets his chance to

carry on the family name on a mis-

sion to save a distant planet from

Warburton and Jeff Daniels are fea-

tured in the animated family adven-

dering when PIXAR's winning streak

answer is: Not this time. Not on the

Stanton, who's had a hand in rough

ly half of the animation production

notably "Finding Nemo," has creat-

ed what amounts to a classic silent

comedy (with a few lines of dia-

century Wall-F is a faithful little

trash-compacting robot, still dili-

gently cleaning up planet Earth

hundreds of years after its inhabi-

the place, have abandoned it and

headed for the stars. It's a lonely

tants, having thoroughly mucked up

existence until a robot scout named

EVE (for Extraterrestrial Vegetation

Evaluater) arrives, discovers the lit

tle green plant Wall-E keeps in a

boot that looks a lot like the one

Charlie Chanlin devoured in "The

Gold Rush," and heads back to

news - with the love-struck little

robot right behind her. "Wall-E" is

funny (it's sharply satirical at times

fast-paced, action-packed and

and some of the sight gags are

inspired), but, best of all, it man

mawkishly sentimental. Chaplin,

most likely, would be impressed.

er than others. Russian fantasy

Bekmambetov ("Nightwatch."

"Daywatch"), made this heart-pad-

dle jolt of a movie about a miser-

able office drone named Wesley

(James McAvoy looking, initially,

recruited by a sexy hit-lady

decidedly unmacho), who gets the

chance to change his life when he's

(Angelina Jolie spectacular) to join

a secret society of super-powered

chief stock in trade is a flamboyant

visual style combined with a pedal-

telling, but he's also known for his

to-the-metal approach to story-

dark, sardonic sense of humor -

and that's the quality that makes

this movie considerably more fun

non-stop orgy of ultra-violence)

than the average action extrava-

ganza. (BI) (110 min.) Rated R for

strong bloody violence throughout

(if fun's the right word to describe a

ultra-assassins. Bekmambetov's

WANTED  $\star \star \star 1/2$ 

Some career changes are riski-

(BI) (103 min.) Rated G.

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ages to be touching without being

mankind's mothership to report the

loque here and there) for the 21st

artistic front, at any rate. Oscar-

winning writer/director Andrew

company's best efforts, most

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### KITT KITTREDGE; **AN AMERICAN GIRL**

Aspiring young reporter Kitt (Abigail Breslin of "Little Miss Sunhine") investigates the charge that a camp of hobos is responsible for a crime wave in Depression-era Cincinnati, Patricia Rozema ("Mansfield Park") directed the adventure derived from the American Girl doll line. (101 min.) Rated G.

### MAMMA MIA! \*\*\*

I have to admit that I'm one of those grumps who break out in a rash whenever I hear a song by the insistently upbeat '70s supergroup ABBA, Even so, this infectiously fun musical romp, which draws on the hits and the back catalog of the Swede popsters to tell a story of young love, not-so-young love and a big happy wedding on a sundrenced Greek island resort, managed to win me over. For the most part, Meryl Streep (obviously having a blast), plays a middle-aged former nightclub chanteuse, whose daughter (Amanda Sevfried) invites the three men who might possibly be her father (Pierce Brosnan, Stellan Skarsgard and Colin Firth) to her impending nuptials, confident that she'll know her true dad at first glance – and ask him to give her away. That's a classic romantic comedy setup that might have appealed to Shakespeare, and "Mamma Mia!" makes good use of it, as Donna and her three former suitors are thrown into a tizzy of unresolved emotions and uncertain paternity. The big, bouncy, songand-dance numbers often look like leftovers from "Grease." but that doesn't matter, really. The main reason to see this is Streep, who channels pure joy from time to time, in the lead role. She also knocks those solid-gold pop songs out of the park. Especially the show-stopping "Winner Takes it All." Hey, I didn't say they were bad songs; I just said I hate them. Most of the other usually non-singing cast members acquit themselves at least reason ably well, though there were some audible groans in the mostly female preview audience when Brosnan tuned up. It didn't matter, though. All was forgiven when he finally took off his shirt. (BI) (108 min.)

# STAGE Nina Simone: speaking out in song

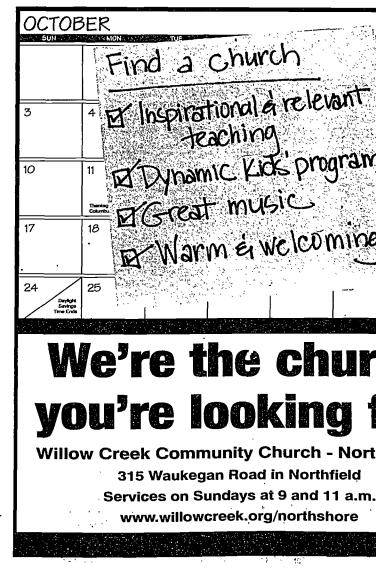
### **WINA SIMONE**

**BETWEEN THE KEYS'** Fleetwood Jourdain Theater. Noves Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noves St., Evanston, 7 p.m. Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sundays, July 2 through Aug. 10. \$15 adults, \$10 students, \$7 seniors, (847) 448-8260

### **By CATEY SULLIVAN** Contributor

When disco replaced the Movement, the High Priestess of Soul attacked her audiences.

"You ought to be ashamed of yourselves. You call yourselves freedom fighters?" Nina Simone blazes during a concert recreation within Evanston Township High School alumni Ebony Joy's new play "Nina Simone: Between the Keys." The musician screams



pervasive language and some sexu-- Reviews by Bruce Ingram



PHOTO BY BASIL CLUNIE Yahdina U-Deen plays Nina Simone in "Nina Simone: Between the Keys" at Fleetwood Jourdain Theatre.

with fury at the people

who paid to hear her extraordinary singing: "Can't you see this country is trying to kill us man? I'm especially talking to you men out there. How could you let them kill our revolution? You all

some damn cowards." "You start yelling at your audience, that's how

you lose support, but Simone was a truth-teller," said Joy, 28, the Artistic Director of Evanston's Fleetwood Jourdain Theatre where "Between the

Keys" opens July 26. "So many of her friends had died — Martin, Malcolm, Lorraine (Hansberry), Medgar (Evers). She couldn't believe people were dancing at discos. She was disgusted by that."

### Musical prodicy

As controversial as Simone was in the Civil **Rights Movement**, there was never any argument about Simone's musical genius. Playing the iconic, mercurial singer in Joy's dramatic biography "scares me to death" said leading lady Yahdina U-Deen, who won both a Black Theater Alliance and a Jeff Award for playing Simone in a 2006 production at Chicago's Black Ensemble Theatre. "She had vision. She

moved through whatever life threw at her," U-Deen said

Born in North Carolina in 1933 ( when a black child's grandparents might well have been born into slavery), Simone was recognized as a musical prodigy by the time she was 5 and playing intricate piano concertos as if she'd written them.

Her tiny town pulled together to pay for her education, and by high school, she was studying at New York's Julliard School

"Everybody loved her. White folks and black folks paid for her education. I don't think her race ever occurred to her as a child," said U-Deen. That changed when Simone applied to Philadelphia's Curtis Institute, and was

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turned down flat. The offi cial reason for the rejection? Simone lacked talent. Conventional wisdom has it that racism was to hlame

The young woman everyone expected to become an acclaimed concert pianist moved to Georgia and went to work entertaining in tiny, segregated dive bars.

### **Determined visionary**

"She started out in this hole in the wall in 1954," said U-Deen, who has researched Simone's life exhaustively. "She came out to perform in white opera gloves and a chiffon gown and she sat straight up at that piano. Refused to begin until every single person in that room was paying her complete atten-

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By Marcy Marro SPECIAL TO SUN-TIMES NEWS GROUP

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have three complete levels of finished living area, two to four bedrooms and a loft, per plan, that can be config-ured into an extra bedroom. The Belden Place sales center is in

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Aspen Pointe

Jacobs Homes has opened another phase with newly reworked designs

at Aspen Pointe, a community of 132 rowhomes in Vernon Hills. Taking some of the best clements of the floor plans offered in the first phase, Ja-cobs has honed the plans to continue to attract a wide range of buyers. The maintenance-free rowhomes feature three-story brick and cast limestone exteriors. Buyers can choose from two floor plans with three

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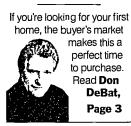
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**DS Development** begins new-construction townhomes in Wilmette.



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# **JAMESON REALTY GROUP** Budget-conscious condo shoppers have choices

. CHICAGO SUN-TIMES NEWS GROUP Budget-minded first-time home shoppers hunting foran af-fordably priced new or renovated condominium should take a tour of several projects being market-ed by Jameson Realty Group. Jameson lass a nyriad ofafford-ably priced new-construction and rehabbed condominiums avail-

rehabbed condominiums avail-able to those seeking to move into a new home. From condos in newly constructed three-flats and high-rises to charming vintage units in courtyard buildings. there are dozens of condomini-ums priced less than \$250,000. Many are found in North Side

neighborhoods including Ander neighborhoods including Aldet-souville, Edgewater. Rogers Park and Albauy Park. There are also affordably priced condos avail-able in emerging neighborhoods such as East Garfield Park. "You don't need to drain you savings to buy a condominium in Chicago." said Charles Huzenis

president of Jameson Realty Group. "There are plenty of units on the market priced around \$250,000 or less — some as low as \$179.900 — and many of them are available for innuediate occu

Rogers Park

pancy." "If you buy a condo priced at \$250.000 or less, you may end up owning a home for about the same price you're paying for monthly rent, but you would also be build-ing up equity." Ite added. "One of the best things about these affordable residences is that they baye many of the amenities they have many of the amenities ind in more expensive develop nients — hardwood floors, gran-ite kitchen countertops and stainless-steelappliances." Huze-nis said. "All arc typically includ-

d in the purchase price." The affordable market isn't just for first-time buyers leaving their rental apartments. Empty-nesters are also returning to the city and looking for something affordable.

Huzenis said. "We're seeing more and more appliance package.



empty-nesters returning to the Other standard amenities in-city after raising their families out clude marble baths with whirl-

Here is a look at some of the affice barries will will a marke barries will will be and the barries will will be affordable condominium cloices offered by Jameson Realty Group: The Yellowstone. This 27-unit the Yellowstone of the State Strange State S

neighborhood. All of the condos have private balconies, oak hardwood floor balcomes, oak hardwood Hoor-ing, marble baths and kitchens have granite countertops and a stainless-steel appliance package. Condos also have gas-forced heat-ing and air conditioning sys-toms

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vidual storage area per unit. Kitchens include 42-inch maple struction at Odyssey Lofts, a luxury adaptive-reuse loft devel-opment at 775 W. Jackson Blvd.. just east of Halsted Avenue in the heart of the West Loop's Greek cabinets. 1.25-inch-thick granite countertops. microwave. doubleowl stainless-steel sink and a stainless-steel appliance package. Bathrooms have Travertine tile Town neighborhood. The 70-unit classic timber poring and tub surround, maple heam loft huilding features size vanity with 1.25-inch-thick gran floors of fully restored condomin unis topped with two floors of

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Odyssey Lofts features one-to three-bedrooms plans with one to 2.5 baths. Prices range from \$244.900 to \$629.900. The devel-opment is 50 percent sold, and im-mediate occupancy is available. Floors one through six feature exposed brick walls, timber ceil-ings with exposed steel spiral ducts as well as private patios, bal-conies or roof decks accessible from the living/dining room. Kitchens feature 42-inch maple cabinets with dovetail drawers, granite counterlops and a stain at (312) 335-3258. **Winthrop Terrace Condominiums**. Only one two-bedroom, 2.5-bath duplex residence is available at this vintage condominium build-ing located at 4936-4938 N. Win-throp in the Uptown neighborhood. The unit is priced at \$205,900. Condos at the 19-unit development feature new wood decks, hardwood floors. marble baths and kitchens with grauite countertops and a stainless-steel appliance package. Contact Jameson at (312) 751-0300 to see the unit.

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# Sperling, Walker receive major promotions within Sun-Times News Group

The Sun-Times News Group las promoted Michael Sperling to senior director. automotive and builder advertising. This promotion adds sales strategy for Today's New Homes. the Sun-Times News Group's vi-brant. comprehensive real estate print publication launched in June. to Sperling's automotive sales management duties. Also. the Sun-Times News Group las promoted Rita Walker to builder advertising sales man-ager. building on her sales experi-

ager. building on her sales experi-ence with homebuilder and retail advertisers. Mike and Rita have taken lead-

Mike and Rita have taken lead-ershiproles in launching new prod-uct offerings for the Sun-Times News Group, and they continue to provide the strong leadership skills needed to move the group's exciting new print and ouline prod-ucts forward." suid Barbara Swan-son. group vice president advertising and marketing for the Sun-Times News Group, Sperling will report to Sterling. "Last month, we took the bold step of launching a new Sun-Times News Group-wide builder section in the midst of a very tough housing market." said Swanson. "The reps and manag-

Swanson. "The reps and manag-ers who sell to builders pulled together as a team to produce this great new section bundled with a fantastic online component. It so fantastic online component. It so-lidified our belief that this catego-Idined our benefitiatins catego-ry of business is still extremely viable and in need of asales group that collaborates in meeting the unique needs of this important group of advertisers and their agencies."

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Michael Sperfing Rita Walker this year. He and Walker will work with sales managers ou staff to continue to build SearchChicago's home Web channels, working closely with the Sup-Times News Group's on-Gouletas, the nation's con-dominium-conversion king, must know something. He has converted 40.000 apart-ments to condominium own-ership since the early 1970s, and some experts say he is responsible for creating much of the ownership stabil-ity in Chicago's lakefront neighborhoods.

the Sun-Times News Group's on-line advertising managers and representatives. Sperfing joined the company in 1995. He has held avariety of sales and sales management roles, in-cluding as a local sales representa-tive for the Chicago Sun-Times; national sales representative in New York; West Group sales man-ager in Oak Park and nost recent-ly. Sun-TimesNews Group director of automotive advertising. Sperfing isa graduate of Bradley University and resides with his family in Northbrook. Walker.28. joined the Sun-Times News Group in 2003. She has sold local retail advertising for the com-pany's Pioneer Press and Midwest Suburban Publishing groups of suburban newspapers. In July



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of 2008. That's 93.000 units below a year ago. Although housing prices have declined sharply in other markets, prices in the Chica-go-area appear to be stabilized and experts say sales activity here is on the rise. The Illinois Association of Realtors (IAR) reported an upswing for home sales in

upswing for home sales in May from April of 2008 in Chi-cagoland. Total home sales — both single-family homes and neighborhoods. The housing recovery may already be underway because the excess supply of for sale homes finally beginning to shrink, analysts say. The U.S. coudos - were up 13.7 per-ceut to 6.927 units in May

from 6.096 units in April. The IAR also reported that the median home-sale price in May was \$251.000. off c homes for sale nationwide stood at 456.000 units in April

With an abundance of new aud existing home and condo-minium listings on the mar-ket, now could be the best time in decades to stop collect-ing rent receipts and step across the threshold of your first home ownerd course

across the threshold of your first home, experts say. And, home-loan interest rates are holding in the low 6-percent range, about 1 per-centage point above a 40-year bottom. First-time buyers who can qualify for a 1-year adjust-able-rate conventional mort-gage will pay an average of 5.17 percent interest now, com-pared with 5.71 percent a year ago.

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Also, the current buyers'

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sessments. So, where does a first-time buyer find the best deal on those first digs? "One of the best places to shop is the renovated condo market." said Charles Huze-nis, president of Jameson Real ty Group. Group. For example, in such North

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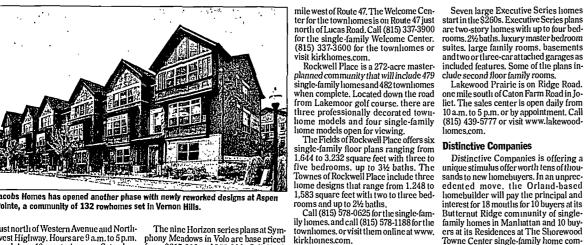
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sion). Lakewood has keptits management team intact during the re-cent industry downturn and is positioned to achieve even greater success in the coming upturn. "One reason we have managed so well in the current conditions is because we are a privately-owned firm with a deep local her-itage and we are able to better and can do so quickly and more effectively than the large national firms that are mired with layers of management and red tape.

### First time FROM PAGE 1

rowhonies at Aspen Pointe. An onsite sales center and furnished models are currently open. For more in-formation on Aspen Pointe, please call (847) 362-4700. Call (847) 945-6500 or visit the online gallery at www.jacob-shoues uet omes.net.

### The Trails of Dawson Creek

Gerstad Builders is proud to introduce two new two-story floor plans at The Trails of Dawson Creek in Poplar Grove. The addition of the 2,844-square-foot Madison and the 3,177-square-foot Georgian brings the number of available floor plans to 12. Base priced at \$270,990 and \$285,990 respectively, the three- or four-bedroom homes feature partial basements and will be set on quarter

acre home sites. Dawson Creek has 200 single-family homes with basements, and offers four



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visit kirkhomes.com. Rockwell Place is a 272-acre master-planned community that will include 479 single-family homes and 482 townhomes when complete. Located down the road from Lakemoor golf course, there are three professionally decorated town-home models and four single-family home models open for viewing. The Fields of Rockwell Place offers six single-family floor nhans ranging from homes.com.

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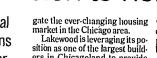
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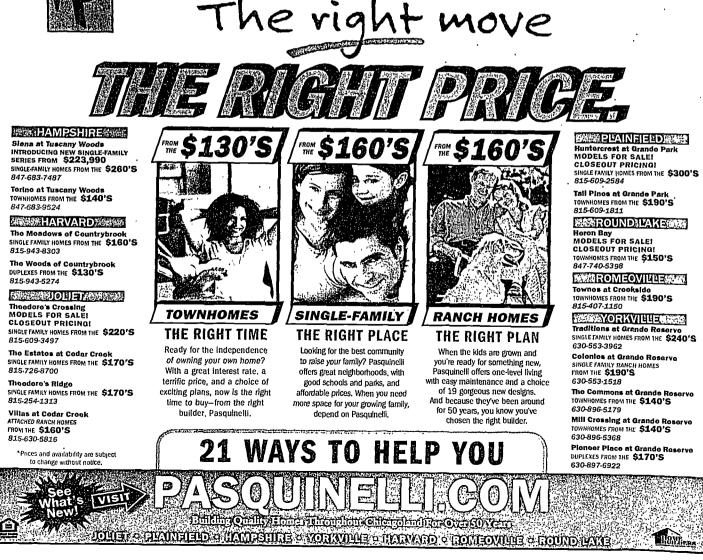
### **Distinctive Companies**

Distinctive Companies is offering a unique stimulus offer worth tens of thou-sands to new homebuyers. In an unprec-edented move, the Orland-based homebuilder will pay the principal and interest for 18 months for 10 buyers at its Puttornu Didra companyity of circle Butternut Ridge community of single-family homes in Manhattan and 10 buy-ers at its Residences at The Shorewood Towne Center single-family home com-munity in Shorewood.



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# LAKEWOOD HOMES New division to help navigate changing housing market

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Located in the heart of Chica-o's North Shore, Wilmette is

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# **BUSCHMAN HOMES** Single-level living on one-acre sites at StoneCreek Crossing

The adage "Necessity is the mother of invention" played an im-portant role in deciding on the addi-tion of two new ranch plans at StoneCreek Crossing. a semi-cus-tom home community of 82 single family homes on one-acre sites in McHenry County. Impressed with the large home sites and the country atmosphere intrinsic to the peaceful prairies of Soring Grove, many visitors re-

spring Grove, many visitors re-quested larger single-level living and complete customization.

and complete customization. Always in tune with the pulse of the market, Buschman Homes added two ranch styles to its existing product lineup. Three important buyer hot buttons were private master suites on one side of the home separated from the secondary bedrooms, 10-foot ceil-ings for au open, airy feeling, and dis-tinctive exterior elevations. inctive exterior elevations. "The Claridge and Bayport floor

"The Claridge and Bayport noor plans include everything our buyers wantandmuch more," said Gary Bus-climat, vice president of sales and marketing. All the rauch homes have become 'raussor un-termine Out-of town guests can remain for an extended stay, and you can keep your privacy," said Buschman. "Rauches are also more suitable homes when in-laws theed a tempo-termine to the suitable 'raussor un-termine 'raussor un-termi

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traditional and country architecture to please many buyer preferences. At StoneCreek Crossing, ranches can be as spacious as two-story homes and expand to 4,000 square feet. Large basements are perfec for creating a spacious recreation room for teenagers, or they could be transformed into in-law quarters with a full bath.

Anticrease are also more stift able top sellers because in diure adults want the convenience of single-level living, in part because it eliminates having to walk up and down staines comfort and relaxed living is their first priority, but these homebuyers also want spare bedrooms for when their kids are home from college. Other empty nesters are interested in a home large enough for their grandchildren's frequent visits. In addition to the benefits of one-level living, younger buyers are at-tracted to the architectural design open floor plans establish a feeling arcase 4 to 2000 the angle more suit able to the walk-in constant wo pillars leading into the walk-in closets and a dehaxe dou-ble-bowled master bath. With its is command the state of the angle to the architectural design of spaciousuless. Separate bedroom arcase 4 to 2000 the angle of the constant wo pillars leading into the diving room. The master bed-room at the back of home las lis and open floor plans establish a feeling arcase 4 to 2000 the angle of the angle of

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"Theytoldus they got what they expected for their townhome. We also liked the qual-ity of construction evident in their homes which was far superior to the townhome we were living in, "said Ken. "Our initial meeting with Gary con-firmed that he was very upfront and straightforward," said Ken. "He gave us a fair price for our townhome — a little over market value — and we were thrilled."

added Annie. "Gary cared about our being happy about our new home," she said. He

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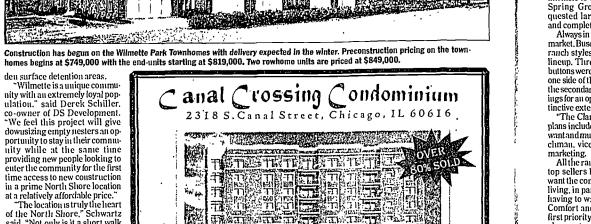
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Construction begins on Wilmette Park Townhomes

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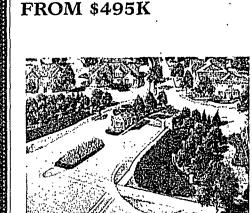




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### **BUSCHMAN HOMES**

# Townhome trade-in helps couples puchase dream homes

### **Relatives become neighbors**

Since the Johnsons lad such a great trade-in and new home purchase experi-ence, they invited their cousins to become their neighbors. Joe and Becky Miller took Gary upon a trade-in offer too. The Millers negotiated a townhome deal and chose the four bedroom. two-bath Kensington

model, which is under construction. When referring to the Johnsons, Joe says that they're not just relatives, they're great friends, too. They love to go fishing in Lake Elizabeth, which is only 10 min-

ter island and breakfast room. Mahogany colored maple cabinets in 42" heights are glazed in ebony and topped in granite. Appliances include astainless steel Kitch-en Aid 36-inch built-in refrigerator, six-burner cooktop, and built-in wall oven. Adjacent to the kitchen is the two-story family room with ontional firenlace family room with optional fireplace

The second-floor master bedroom i cludes a lavisli bath with corner soak tub and his and hers walk-in closets. A fourth bedroom may be added above the family room. Radiant heat floors are a nice addition to the garage which is shown with a storage area and built-in work

The couple enjoyed a conifortable and satisfying experience will the Buschman Homes team which educated them on the construction process every step of the way. When it came time to make their selec-garding the townhome trade in offer from tors, the Johnsons worked with Ann Ken-nedy, a certified kitchen and bath designer for Buschman Homes. "The process was great, and Ann showed us computer-generated images of our kitchen and baths. Shedidan excellent job of selecting the things we would not. Since Buschman Homes is a custom



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## **KOPLEY GROUP**

# Two-year price buy-back guarantee at two loft projects

The Kopley Group announced a groundbreaking program in residential realestate. This is a no-ques-tions-asked, two-year price buy-back guarance at its two residential loft projects located in Chicago. The company will buy back lofts sold now at the price buyers paid for them if the new owners recon-sider any time during that period. It is not necessary for the new owners to provide a reason. One half of the 37 Renaissance Lofts, in the his-toric 1920s building located at 1791 West Howard. huwe already sold and closed. The first units were finished in December of 2007 and closing started then.

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The remaining units, ranging in price from \$186,000-\$299,000, will be completed in the next

### StoneCreek FROM PAGE 7

The 2,030-square-foot Claridge is a three-bedroom, two-ball ranch whil an optional two-sided theplace opening into the hearth room. A front porch leads into a foyer and straight altead is a 15-by-17 great room. The peninsula-shaped kitchen has a large breakfast room. Optional volume ceilings are available in the spa-cions master bedroom with its de-luxe master ball. Two additional bedroomsarelocated on the other bedroons are located on the other side of the residence for complete privacy. This loome has a three-car garage and is priced from \$310,700.

\$310,790. Currently available for occu-pancy, the Claridge has been built as a spec home with many customized options on a 1.3-acre premium she in a family-friendly cut de sac location. "Empty nesters and families with children can choose either two-story or ranch homes an StoneCreek Crossing, a rural community forthose who desire

a simpler way of life, yet all the comforts and conveniences of everyday life are nearby. "Our buyers understand the value of building a home on a here accented by an appreciate

large scenic loi and appreciate the serene rural ambiance iliai Spring Grove offers," Buschman added.

Spring Grove offers," Buscliman added. Homes live large with 2,022 to 3,124 square feet of space and have expansion possibilities up to 4,000 square feet and include a full basement. They are priced from \$320,270 to \$385,380. StoneCreek Crossing homes have many luxurious appoint-ments such as spectacular kitch-ens with center islands, a hearth room with a see-through fire-place opening into the family room, arched openings to the liv-ing room and dining room, dra-matic two-story foyers and volume ceilings. Another important reason buyers are attracted to this com-munity is their opportunity to customize. "It doesn't matter whether

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six months. The two-year guarantee is also being offered at the other Kopley project. Lofts at 1800. Lofts at 1800 is a 91-unit conversion of a former cap and gown factory a short distance from Wrigley Field. The site manufactured caps and gowns worn by every president since FDR. Delivery of the units at Lofts at 1800 is expected in June of 2009. The Kopley Group is also giving away free Vespa Scooters at both projects. The sales centers at both projects. Mednesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Renaissance Lofts is at 1791 West Howard in Chi-cago. Lofts at 1800 is at 1800 West Grace. six month The two

their wish lisi," Buschman said. "Today people want to express their individuality and we believe in giving our customers exactly what they want." A natural wonderland sur-rounds the Spring Grove area. The Chain O' Lakes State Park is a water-oriented recreation area close to StoneCreek Cross-ing which is popular with boat-ers, anglers and skiers. Ten sparkling lakes make up the chain and a 44-acre lake sits in the heart of the park. Visitors enjoy picnicking, nature walks, ltorseback riding, camping, boat-ing, fishing and winter sports. Family-related activities such as little league baseball, the White Lightening soccer team and the Richmod/Spring Grove wrestling club abound. Recre-ational and cultural activities in-clude the snownobile club; the garden club, the Horse Show as-

clude the snowmobile club; the garden club, the Horse Show as-sociation, North Hill Farm horse-back riding and the creative arts center are also available. Shop-ping, movie theaters and an old fashioned drive-in theater are a few minure output in Bickmend few minutes away in Richmond, McHenry and Fox Lake.

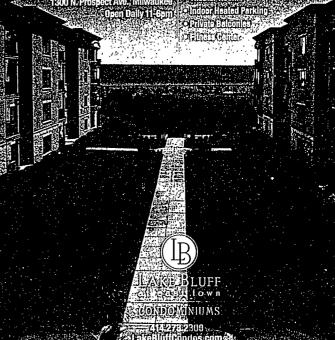
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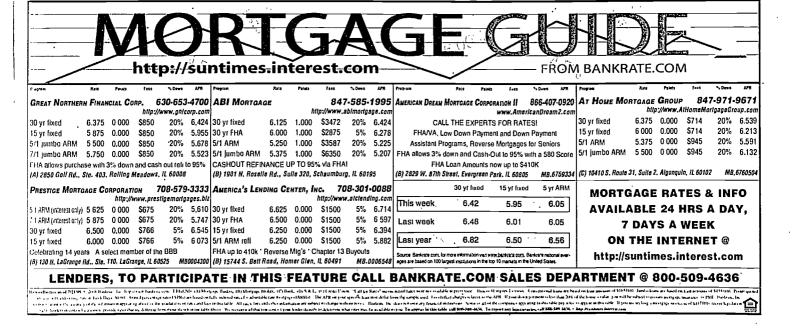
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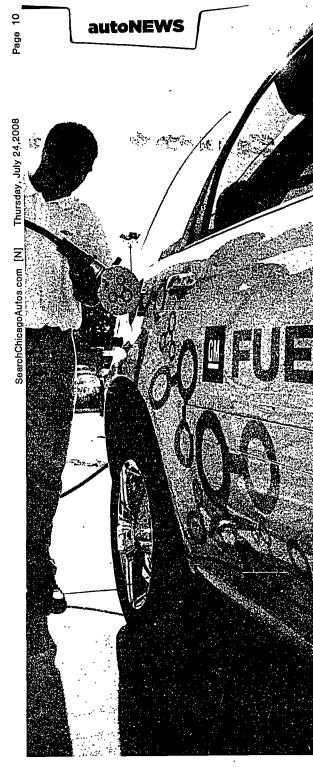












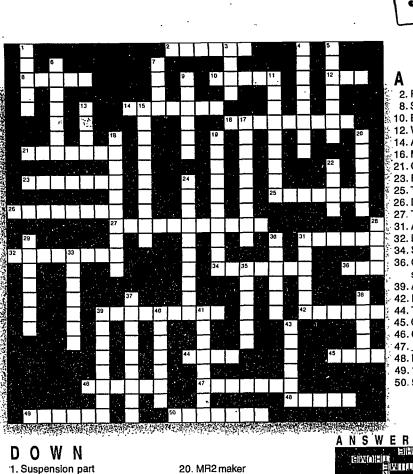
### GM and Clean Energy work to expand hydrogen infrastructure

DETROIT, MICH. AND SEAL BEACH, CALIF. - General Motors Corp. and Clean Energy Fuels Corp. announced Clean Energy will open a hydrogen fueling station in Los Angeles with support from GM. The two companies also announced that they are exploring fur-

ther opportunities to expand the hydrogen infrastructure. As the first step in this effort, a hydrogen fueling station will be developed and located at Clean Energy's compressed natural gas facility near Los Angeles International Airport. The hydrogen station will be used by drivers taking part in Chevrolet's Project Driveway, the world's largest market test of fuel-cell vehicles. It is expected to be operational by early fall.

GM and Clean Energy are discussing potential opportunities to expand this first station into a network of hydrogen fueling stations by leveraging Clean Energy's natural gas fueling expertise and the real-world customer experience gained by fueling more than 14,000 vehicles daily at more than 170 CNG stations across North America. The LAX station will help both companies better understand the

synergies between hydrogen and natural gas fueling.



22. Indy beverage

29. Ex-Chrysler boss

30. Sequola-related

37. Voltage controller

39. A fine Ford with flair 40. This Buick was a bird-

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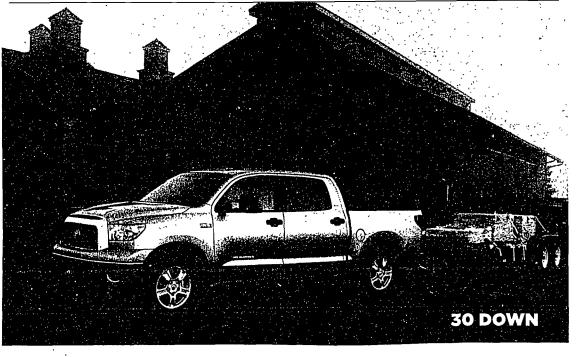
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- 9. Gearhead's Mag
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# **Readers add their ideas to Vinikour's** new rules of the road

Al Vinikour's Driver's Side Diatribe ("Musings from a traffic jam") last week elicited quite a response from readers. Here's what vou said: ...

I have my SouthTown delivered every day but never paid much attention to the SearchChicago-Autos section as I'm not in the market for a car ... but the headline in the ≥ 14 July edition "Musings from a traffic jam" caught my eye.

In a nutshell, Al Vinikour is my kinda guy. I swear, if the SouthTown had a "Drivers Only Sound Off" section, you'd fill two pages - every day.

In my 47 years of driving (one disputed ticket) the ineptitude of some drivers amaze me. I still remember the words of my high school driver instructor - "don't watch the car in front of you, watch the one in front of him - drive defensively as anything can happen at any time."

Don't moan about those big-rig truckers as they literally saved my life. A reckless driver cut me off while on the southbound Interstate 294-Interstate 80 merge that sent my car into a frightening 360-degree spin. The big rigs saw it, swerved out and blocked all three lanes of traffic behind me. When my car stopped after two complete circles I was facing, head on, two idling Macs and a Peterbilt. Shaken but safe, I pulled off onto the shoulder. - Clarence Nowicki

Dear Clarence: Few things make my day, but you just made my MONTH! Thanks so much for taking the time to express your feelings about my column and to share your views on truckers. I car shows up or, hoping no cops are around, have always been of the mind that the I run the light. - John Bercaw

unsung heroes of the highway are the long-haul class eight truckers. When I was a kid growing up in Valparaiso, Ind., my family owned East Gary Auto Parts. We used to get a lot of over-the-road truckers who would stop in and buy car radios for their rigs (that was long before the interstate highway development). I would marvel at how "cool" these guys were when they'd park their Macs, K-Whoppers, Brockways, International Emeryville diesels, etc. I either wanted to be like them when I grew up or I wanted to operate a Caterpillar D7 bulldozer pulling an earthmover. Instead, I became a journalist. Go figure! - Al

## More rules for the road:

1. Drivers who stop short of the intersection or the car in front of them. and then creep up during the red light.

2. Drivers, intent on making a left turn, who stop at the white line instead of pulling into the intersection and wait for a chance to turn, thereby ensuring that drivers behind them will not have time to make the turn. Even worse is when they sit there and never turn.

3. Drivers who back into parking spaces. Backing into the space is more difficult than backing out and they are not pulling out of the pits at Indy. What the hell is that all about? This last one is not about cars and driv-

ers; it is about traffic signals that do not recognize motorcycles. I'm sick of sitting through red lights because the sensors in the ground fail to recognize anything smaller than a tank. I end up having to wait until a

Great article on the new rules! Here is one of my favorites: Anyone driving a vehicle in the left-hand lane, with traffic backing up behind them, and vehicles constantly passing to their right, needs to get their head out of the clouds and move into the right-hand lanes. "Slower traffic - keep right" needs to be reworded to "Slower-thinking drivers - keep right." Just thought I would add my two cents worth. Keep the great articles coming. I read

the SearchChicago-Autos section of the Waukegan News Sun. Thanks again. - John French

Dear John: Thanks for your kind words and your two cents worth. Two cents isn't a lot but you're right on the money. There should be a roving Sikorsky sky crane that prowls the skies above freeways and looks for the exact type of driver you mentioned. When seen they should be whisked from the road and deposited in the next work camp for two months.

I've got so much hate in me, John, that I could write a daily column. I'll add your name to "Al's Army," the code name for my loyal readers. Take care and again, thanks for writing. - Al

Here is one for you to consider. Anyone who changes lanes without warning in front of you, not using their turn signal, should be FORCED to try that in front of a M-1A1 Abrams main battle tank at 50 miles an hour. - Anonymous



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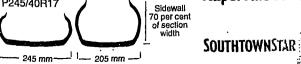
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With the summer heat finally starting to kick in, I can't imagine anything better than cruising down Lake Shore Drive in a convertible.

I recently had the chance to take a turn in the 2009 Mercedes-Benz SLK 350 and my jaunts down Lake Shore were both exhilarating and relaxing at the same time. Exhilarating because of the neck-snapping acceleration and invigorating wind rushing through the open cabin. Relaxing because of the smooth ride and the wide-open views of the sailboats on the lake.

With rear-wheel drive and minimal cargo room, the swift little two-seater is made for fun summer drives. It also made my daily commute something worth smiling over.

Luckily, we had a mostly dry week during the test period, but the sleek hardtop cover goes up with the touch of a button in 22 seconds. There are no latches or hooks to fasten and the car does all the work. There's also a nice little icon that appears when the top is in operation, so you know when the top is finished going up and down.

With the top storing in the trunk, cargo volume is severely limited. With the top up and the cargo cover lifted, there are 9.8 cubic feet of cargo volume. But with the top down and cargo cover in place, storage space reduces to 6.5 cubic feet. Soft-sided duffels and backpacks work best below the cargo cover.

For 2009, the SLK gets a minor design over-

haul with a restyled front grille, front and rear fascias, side mirrors, taillights, exhaust pipes and steering wheel. In theo

One of the bigger changes for 2009, however, is power increase for the non-AMG models. The entry model is now the SLK 300, which replaces the SLK 280, and it is powered by a 228-horsepower V-6 engine. The SLK 350, a k a the test vehicle, has a 3.5-liter V-6 "sport" engine that delivers 300 horsepower. The extra horsepower in the SLK 350 does

The extra horsepower in the SLK 350 does make a difference; you can definitely feel the power when merging with traffic or passing on the highway.

As you would expect from an automaker like Mercedes-Benz, ride and handling in the SLK 350 is downright sublime. The 3,318-pound curb weight and short 161.5-inch length really allow you to flight this car around corners and maneuver through traffic. It's easy to drive and parallel parking has rarely been easier.

Though I didn't do too much top-up driving, I didn't notice any unwieldy blind spots. You do have a small spot over your shoulder that is a bit difficult to see, but that's what side mirrors are for.

I really like pretty much everything about the SLK, with a couple of exceptions.

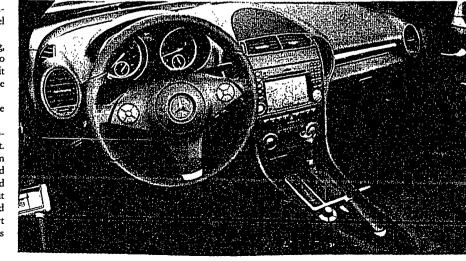
The first issue I have is with the lumbar support – or, should I say, lack of lumbar support. The test vehicle included the optional premium one package (\$2,950), which supposedly included four-way lumbar adjustment. But I'll be darned if I could get enough support so that I noticed it existed. If I were going to own this car, I would need to buy some kind of pillow or support pad, which I refuse to do with a car that costs 50,000.

Mercedes' SLK350 makes summer cruisin' a breeze

The other issue I have is with the cup holders. In theory they are well-placed above all the dials on the center stack. They don't interfere with the armrest or the gearshift. But they do hinder visibility out the front and to the right.

The test vehicle didn't have the optional navigation system, which was fine with me because I'm not a fan of the Mercedes-Benz system. Without the optional navigation system, the standard audio interface was simple and intuitive. I like the small digital screen that mimics an oldfashioned analog dial.

The entire interior is classic. In fact, if you've been in one Mercedes model, you won't see anything radical in the SLK 350. The silver-rimmed gauges behind the wheel are attractive and the



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digital info screen between the speedometer and

with standard safety features. You have the ex-

pected front dual-stage airbags, front and rear

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stability control. The unusual standards include

knee airbags, acceleration slip regulation, dual in-

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easily drive every day during the summer in Chi-

cago. And it's great for a weekend away. But you

might rethink those long road trips if you're go-

ing to cart a lot of luggage. There's just no where

The SLK 350 is one of those cars that you can

For such a tiny car, the SLK 350 is packed

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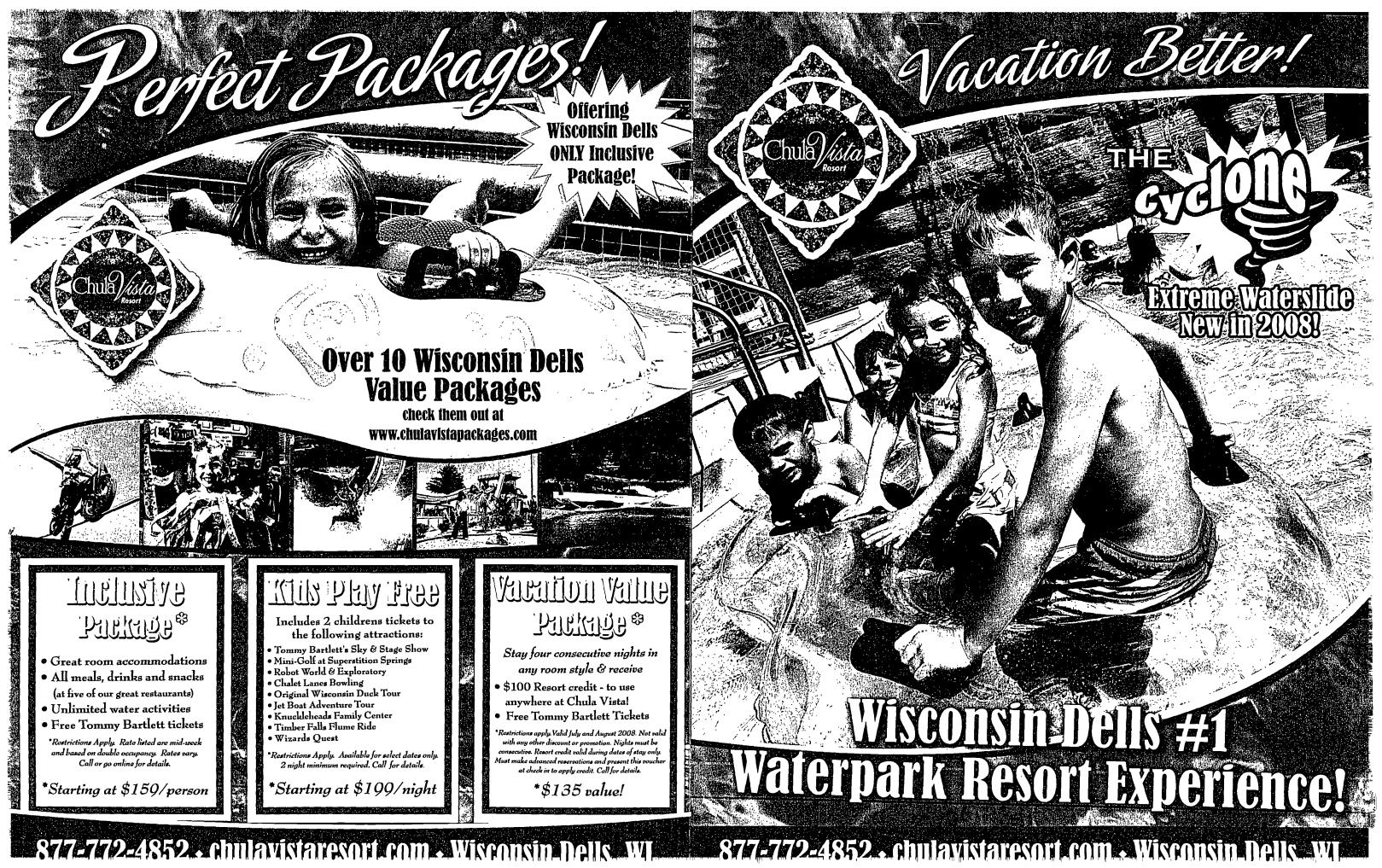
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Midsummer Downtown Block Party sponsored by the Mount Prospect Chamber of Commerce will presen The Fairlanes (rock) at 8 p.m. July 26 at Emerson Street and Busse Avenue Mount Prospect Community Band free summer concert series is held at 7:30 p.m. Mondays in the Lions Park Veterans Memorial Band Shell, 211 S. Maple St., Mount Prospect, in the event of rain, concerts will be held in the Lions Park gym. Call (847) 640-1000 for infor mation. July 28: 15th annual "Do-It-Yourself Sousa" concert with John Philip Sousa enactor Michael Golemo. Mount Prospect Veterans Memorial Bandshell, 411 S. Maple, presents concerts shonsored by the Mount Prospect Park District at 7 n.m. Thursdays. In the event of rain, concerts move inside the Lions Recreation Cen ter. July 24: British Export (Beatles). July 3t: Bopology (swing).

Niles Park District sponsors free fami ly concerts at 7:30 p.m. Fridavs at Oak Park. Lee and Ottawa streets. Each concert preceded by children's entertainment at 6:30 p.m. Food will be sold Bring lawn chairs and blankets. (847) 967-6633, July 25: ABBA Salute, Aug. 1: Lesley Byers and the Jazz Cats (swing) Aug. 8: Soul Cookin', Aug. 15: 215 West (rock/pop). Aug. 22: Final Say (rock). Norridge Park District concerts will be held at 4631 N. Overhill (Lawrence and Overhill), at 7 p.m. Thursdays. If it rains, shows will be held in the Recreation Gymnasium, Food and beverages available for purchase. (708) 457-1244. July 24: Glassworks (jazz/blues). July 31: Johnny Russler & the Beach Bum Band (Buffett, Caribbean). Aug. 7: Barefoot Hawaiians

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Summer Concerts on selected Sunday evenings are presented by Ridgeville Park District at 908 Seward, Evanston. (847) 869-5640, www.ridaeville.org. July 27. 5:30 p.m.: Mark Cleveland Band (singer-songwriter).

Sunday Sundown Concerts at 7 p.m. at Devonshire Park, 4400 Greenwood, Skokie sponsored by the Skokie Park District. (847) 546-8558. July 27: The Best of Devonshire Playhouse, Aug. 3: Waterhouse - Sounds of Jamaica, Aug 10: 1969 (rock). Aug. 17: The Saturday June Band (rock).

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"Bleacher Burns," July 25-Sept. 6 at Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 111 W. Camobell St., Arlington Heights, Per formances at 7:30 n.m. Thursdays: 8 p.m. Fridays: 7 p.m. Saturdays. Includes some adult language and themes: parental guidance is recommended Tickets: \$27. Call (847) 577-2121. "The Bowery Boys," at 8 p.m. July 24-25: 2 and 8 p.m. July 26: and 2 p.m. July 27 in Northwestern University's Hal and Martha Hyer-Wallis Theater. Theatre and Interpretation Center, 1949 Campus Drive, Evanston. This workshop production of the world premiere musical is a developmental co-production of the American Music Theatre

Northwestern faculty and staff: \$10 for students, Call (847) 491-7282. "Dangerous Beauty " at 8 p.m. July 25-26, July 31, Aug. 1-2, Aug. 7-9 and Aug. 14-16; and 2 p.m. July 27 and Aug. 3 10 and 17 in Northwestern Universi ty's Ethel M. Barber Theater, 30 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. A world premiere musical, "Dangerous Beauty" tells the tumultuous tale of Veronica Franco, a notorious courtesan and poet of 16th century Venice. Tickets: \$30: \$27 for senior citizens and North western faculty and staff; \$10 for students. Call (847) 491-7282. "Dr. Jekvli & Mr. Hyde," presented

Sept. 17-Oct. 26 at Northlight Theatre. located at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts 9501 Skokie Blvd. Skokie, Performances on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. (except Oct. 7 and 21); Wednesdays at 1 p.m. (except Sept. 17 and 24) and 7:30 p.m. (except Oct. 8): Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.; Fridays at 8 n.m. Saturdays at 2:30 n.m. (excent Sept. 20) and 8 p.m.; and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. (except Oct. 5, 19 and 26). Previews: Sept. 17-24. \$25-\$49. Regular run: \$25-\$55. Opening night. Sept. 25, \$75 includes a post-show re ception with the company. (847) 673-6300 or www.northlight.org. "Election Day." presented by ensem

ble113 at 8 p.m. July 24: 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. July 26: and 2 p.m. July 27 at the Skokie Theatre, 7342 N. Lincoln Ave, Skokie, Tickets: \$20: \$15 in advance and for senior citizens: \$10 for students (847) 677-7761 or www.skokietheatre.org.

Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre 2008 Reading Series. "Powerful Playwrights Under 30." featuring plays by emerging African American writers from around the country. Readings are presented at 3 p.m. the second Saturday of each month at the Evanston Public Library. 1703 Orrington St. Free. For information call (847) 448-8260 ext 109 or email eiov@citvofevanston.org. Aug. 9: "A False Moment" by Monique Simpson. Sept. 13: "Juneteenth Street" by Reginald Edmund. Oct. 11: "Ode to the Wash ermen" by Andre R. Hogan II. Nov. 8: "The Broken Sun" by S.K. Memphis. Dec. 13: "The Skinny" by Samantha Irby. "Footloose." presented by ArtReach Educational Theatre and Spotlite Theatrix Production Company at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 1: 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Aug. 2: and 2 p.m. Aug. 3 at Stage One Theatre, 620 Lee St. Des Plaines, Tickets are \$13 in advance: \$16 at the door. Reservations are recommended. Group discounts are available. For tickets, call (630) 808-5852 or visit

www.artreachspotlite.com. Rent." presented by Up and Coming Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 1-2 and 7-9 and 2:30 p.m. Aug. 3 and 10 at the Forest View Educational Center, 2121 S. Goebbert Road, Arlington Heights. www.uactheatre.com. "Iolanthe." by Gilbert and Sullivan presented by Light Opera Works at 8

17. 20 and 24 at Cahn Auditorium, 600 Fmerson St. Evanston, Tickets: \$85. \$65 and \$45 for main floor; \$65, \$45 and \$29 for the balcony. Half-price tickets for ages 21 and younger. Call (847) 869-6300 or visit www.LightOpe aWorks.org.

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"Nina Simone: Between the Keys." presented by Fleetwood-Jourdain The atre July 26-Aug. 10 at the Noves Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noves St. Evanston. Performances at 7 p.m. Saturdays: 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$15: \$10 students: \$7 senior citizens. Call (847) 448-8260. "Picnic," presented by St. Patrick

Summer Theatre Aug. 1-10 in the Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, Performances at 7:30 p.m. Fr days and Saturdays: 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$10: \$8 for students. Visit www.stpatrick.org or call (773) 286

""repeat w/Madeline." presented by Blue Heron Theatre through Aug. 14. at 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Tuesday and Thursday performances will be at Fausto's Italian Kitchen and Catering, 16 S. Evergreen (in Evergreen Plaza ). Arlington Heights. Monday and Wednesday performances will be at Noble Tree Café 2444 N. Clark, Chicago, Tickets: \$10. For reservations or information. call (773) 502-0227.

"Seussical," a musical for all ages, will be presented by St. James Community Theatre through July 26 in the Prospect High School theater 801 W Kensington Road, Mount Prospect, Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are \$15 in advance: \$17 at the door, For information visit www.stjamesah.org/play or call (847) 253-6305. ext.178.

'SpeeDating the Musical." at 10 p.m. Saturdays, through Aug. 30, at Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 111 W. Campbell St., Arlington Heights. Suggested rating: R for adult language and content, Tickets: \$16.50, (847) 577-52121 or www.MetropolisArts.com.

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Allstate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com.or (312) 559-1212: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The information line is (847) 635-6601. Dec. 4, 7:30 p.m.: Soprano Sarah Brightman. Tickets: \$45-\$250 National High School Music Institute concerts, featuring high school musicians from around the country, are held on Northwestern University's Evanston campus at Pick-Staiger Con cert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, and Lutkin Hall, 700 University Place, as noted below. All concerts are free and open to the public. For information call (847) 491-5441 or visit www.pickstaiger.org. July 24. 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Summer Jazz Fn semble and NHSMI Jazz Combos, in

p.m.: NHSMI Wind Ensemble and Honors Chamber Ensemble Recital, in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall. July 27. 1 p.m.: NHSMI Solo and Chamber Music Recital, in Lutkin Hall, July 28, 7:30 p.m.: NHSMI Honors Solo Recital, in Lutkin Hall, July 29, 7:30 p.m.: NHSMI Evening of Strings, in Lutkin Hall, July 30, 1:30 p.m.: NHSMI Voice Recital, in Lutkin Hall. July 30, 7:30 p.m.: NHSMI Piano Recital, in Lutkin Hall, July 3L 1:30 p.m.: NHSMI Composition Recital, i Pick-Staiger Concert Hall. July 31, 7:30 nm: NHSMI Jazz Combos in Pick-Staiger Concert Hall. Aug. 1. 2 p.m.: NHSMI Gala Finale in Pick-Staiger Con cert Hall. Choral works will include Robert Schumann's "Zigeunerleben" Anton Bruckner's "Os Justi": and Alber to Grau's "Kasar mie la gaji." The orchestra will perform Mendelssohn's "Hebrides Overture" and J.S. Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor. The wind ensemble's program will include Malcolm Arnold's "English Dances" and Tam O'Shan Opera in Focus, Rolling Meadows Park District Park Central Facility. 3000 Cen-

tral Road. Puppets performing scenes from popular operas at 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays Thursdays and Saturdays doors open a half-hour before the performance. \$12, \$11 for senior citizens. \$7 for children. Reservations required (847) 818-3220. ext. 116. or www.operainfocus.com. Through Aug. 16: A Tribute to Master Punneteer and Costume Designer Paul Guerra (1944-2007). Featuring scenes from "Turandot" by Puccini: "La Traviata" by Verdi: "Thais" by Massenet: and Schubert's "Ave Maria"

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive Evanston, Information: (847) 491-5441: tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public: senior citizens and NU faculty and staff: and student rate. July 27, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Summe Chorus will perform Morten Lauridsen's "Lux Aeterna" and P.D.O. Bach's "The Seasonings," as edited by Profes sor Peter Schickele, \$7/\$5/\$4, July 29. 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Summer Orchestra, featuring clarinetist Kristin King. The program includes Mozart's Clarinet Concerto in A Major and Brahms' Symphony No. 4 in E Minor. \$7/\$5/\$4. July 30. 7 p.m.: Northwestern University Summer Band, featuring euphonium player Katheryn Aucremann. The program will include works by Ralph Vaughan Williams Gustav Holst Franz Schuber Ron Nelson, Dmitri Shostakovich and others. \$7/\$5/\$4. Regenstein Recital Hall at Northwest

ern University. 60 Arts Circle Drive. Evanston, (847) 467-4000, Most tickel prices listed in three categories: general public: senior citizens and NU faculty and staff: and student rate. July 29.7 p.m.: Faculty recital with Charles

> taxes, froze wages and sent boys to Viet Nam; her song, "To Be Young, Gifted and Black" became the Black National Anthem.

Blues Band.

"Look at the war. At the economy," said Joy. "Her politics are as relevant today as ever."

Comment: pioneerlocal.com

Tony Award-winner Mandy Patinkin returns to the Centre East stage for the 2008-2009 season. which features 15 presentations showcasing a broad spectrum of music, dance, theater, comedy and family entertainment. Other evenings include comedy from Susan Essman of "Curb Your Enthusiasm" and the outspoken Jackie Mason, dance by Gus Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago and Chicago's River North companies, and for kids, "School House Rock Live!" Performances begin Saturday, Oct. 25 and continue through Saturday, May 9 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts in Skokie, 9501 Skokie Blvd. Subscriptions are currently on sale; single tickets go on sale Saturday, Sept. 6 at 10 a.m. Tickets to all performances can be obtained by calling the Centre East Box Office at (847) 673-6300.

### Dudu Fisher:

"Jerusalem," The singer celebrates the 60th anniversary of Israel with Broadway music, traditional Hassidic, Yiddish and cantorial music. 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25. \$72

"Defending the Caveman." Rob Becker's exploration of the gender gap. 5 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1. \$44

Susie Essman, the celebrated comedian brings a range of comedy to the stage. (May include language not suitable for younger or more sensitive audience members) 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, \$60.

Mandy Patinkin in Concert, with Paul Ford on piano, one of the great interpreters of theater music and popular standards. 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28. \$85.

**Civic Ballet of** Chicago's "The Nut-

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tion. In her vision, she was at Carnegie Hall."

Simone's vision didn't fail her. She made her Carnegie Hall debut in 1963. It was a bittersweet triumph. "She had to realize (that) if there was another chocolate person in the building, they were cleaning the bathrooms." said U-Deen.

Project and the Marriott Theatre. Tick-

ets: \$25: \$23 for senior citizens and

For director Joy, Simone's unswerving belief in her vision hits close to the bone. At 16, Joy auditioned for Julliard. Her appearance, she believes. had everything to do with the rejection. As a senior at Evanston Township

estimates she weighed "in the 400s." Inspired by icon

p.m. Aug. 16, 22 and 23, and 2 p.m. Aug.

High School in 1998, Joy

Joy thought of Simone picking herself up after being denied admission to Curtis, and moved to New York City anyway. She enrolled in the American Music and Dramatic Academy, wrote her first

play, and changed her lifestyle. Since, she's lost more than 200 pounds.

"I made myself move forward. Now I'm 28 years old, I'm still losing weight and I'm the artistic director of a theater company. That's not bad," she said.

Simone's music became inseparable from her politics by the late 1960s. She a government that hiked

wrote "Mississippi Goddamn" in response to the 1963 Klan bombing that killed four Alabama school girls praying at Birmingham's 16th Street Baptist Church. She tackled the taboo topic of African American skin color gradations in "Four Women." "Backlash Blues" attacked

# STAGE **Centre East announces 2008-2009 season**

Broadway star Mandy Patinkin sings at Centre East Dec. 27 and 28.

cracker." The holiday fairy tale told in dance, colorful costumes with Tchaikovsky's magical music. 3 p.m. Saturday Dec. 13 and Sunday, Dec. 14. \$34

to celebrate the King's 74th, featuring tribute star Shawn Kush and others. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, \$49.50.

Capitol Steps satire arrives just in time to celebrate another inauguration. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, \$44; 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, \$46; 5 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, \$48 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25,

Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats bring their Cirque D'Or, a display of breathtaking skills and beautiful routines to entertain the whole family. 2 and 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1. \$32

Giordano Jazz Dance

Chicago makes its Centre East Debut with a special Valentine's Day concert. 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, \$16

"I Love You, You're Perfect...Now Change," a musical comedy revue celebrating the highs and lows of dating, romance and marriage. 5 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21. \$46

"School House Rock Live!" TheatreBam's lively kids' show that teaches history, grammar, math and science to a new generation via fun and music. 1 and 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28. \$18.

"Get Back!" The cast of Beatlemania recreates the era and music of the Fab Four. 8 p.m. Saturday, March 14. \$42.

**River North Chicago Dance Company** presents a show that speaks to the heart of its audience through works that are spiritual, emotional and entertaining. 8 p.m. Satur-

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Dudu Fisher celebrates the 60th anniversary of Israel with song on Oct. 25 at Centre East.

day, April 18. Call for prices

Junie B. Jones performs silly songs that provide insight into her first grade experiences, based on Barbara Park's children's books. 1 and 3 p.m.

Sunday, April 19. \$18. Jackie Mason in his 8th and final one-man show and an outrageous take on politics. 7:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, April 21-23. \$72.

featuring a tribute cast singing hits like "That's Amore," "Fly Me to the Moon" and "Mr. Bojangles." 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9. \$58.

"The Rat Pack is Back" Comment: pioneerlocal.com

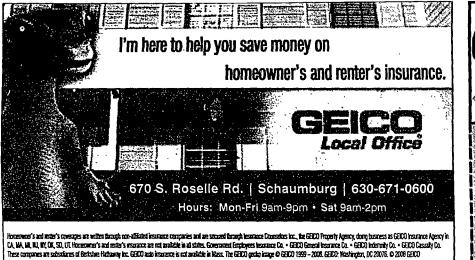


Susie Essman brings her raucous comedy to Centre East on Nov. 15.

Elvis Birthday Tribute

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Black Ram Steakhouse, 1414 Oakton St., Des Plaines. (847) 824-1227. www.blackramsteakhouse.com, Fridays and Saturdays, 8-11:30 p.m.: Live jazz and dance music. The Celtic Knot Public House 626

Church St., Evanston, (847) 864-1679. www.celticknotpub.com. No cover un less noted otherwise. Mondays, 8 p.m.midnight: Bluegrass and roots music with the Mudflapps. Tuesdays, 7-10 p.m.: Irish music session, Aug. 2, 10 p.m.; Henhouse Prowlers, Aug. 16, 10 n.m.: Bluegrass Advocates, Aug. 24, 8 p.m.: Andy White. Aug. 30, 10 p.m.: The Black Oil Brothers. Chambers, 6881 N. Milwaukee Ave.

Niles. (847) 647-8282. www.thechambersonline com Tuesdays and Wednes days, 7:10:30 p.m.; Buddy Charles, pianist/singer, Thursdays, 8:30 p.m.-midnight.: Jazz Jam with John Bany, Char lie Braugham and Don Stille. Sunday music is from 5-9 p.m.; Friday-Saturday music is from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Ellinwood St. (847) 376-2787 www.dppl.org. Advance registration required for activities unless noted otherwise. Aug. 3, 2 p.m.: The Neverly Brothers will present rock n' roll. Aug. 6, 7 p.m.; Indie rockers The High Strung will present a one-hour music set. followed by a 30-minute improv session where they'll write a song from scratch with the help of the audience. Famous Freddie's Roadhouse, 1799 S. Busse Road, Mount Prospect, (847) 593-2200, www.famousfreddiesroad house.com. Shows start at 9 p.m. Fridays and 10 p.m. Saturdays, July 25: Jaktripper. July 26: 7th Heaven (danci to alternative/originals). Aug. 1: 80oz On Tap ('80s covers). Aug. 2: Tramp Stamp, Aug. 8: Rock of Ages (70s to current). Aug. 9: Liquid 7 (party rock). Aug. 15: The Walk-Ins (pop/rock/acoustic). Aug. 16: Kashmi

(Led Zeppelin tribute). Aug. 22: J.P. & the Cats. Aug. 23: Coverguri. Aug. 29: Rebel Highway. Aug. 30: Drunken

Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago. (773) 282-7035. www.irishamhc.com. Entertainment a 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays in the Fifth Province Lounge, no cover - July 25: Matt Stedman Band July 26: The Paddy Homan Band, No scheduled bands in August.

Josephine Louis Theater at Northwestern University, 20 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston. Aug. 15, 8 p.m.: Songwriters Showcase, featuring lyricists and performers from across the country presenting an evening of original music. Tickets: \$15. (847) 491-7282.

Kafein Espresso Bar, 1621 Chicago Ave., Evanston, (847) 491-1621, Mondays, 8:30-10:30 p.m.; Open mic event for musicians, noets, and light comedy. sketches. Sign-up starts at 8 p.m. Metropolis Performing Arts Centre, 111 W. Campbell St., Arlington Heights. (847) 577-2121.

www.metropolisarts.com. Through Aug. 24, 3 p.m. Sundays: Ron Hawking in "A Tribute to the Men and Their Music." The show celebrates the music o Bobby Darin, Ray Charles, Frankie Valli and others. Tickets are \$50; \$60 for stage tables.

Na Mele Aloha, the Hawaiian music ensemble from Oakton Community College, performs at 7:30 n.m. the first Tuesday of the month at The Tiki Ter race, 7597 Lee St., Des Plaines; and at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the

nonth at Cheeseburger in Paradise 1472 Market St., Des Plaines. For infor mation, call Earl Essig, (847) 272-0762, or e-mail earlessig@aol.com. The Park Ridge Chorale presents its summer concert. "From Tony to Oscar" at 7 p.m. July 26 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 205 N. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. The program includes music from "Hairspray," "Dreamgirls," "Swee ny Todd" and more. There will also be a raffle Tickets in advance are \$14.\$12 for senior citizens. Tickets at the door are \$16: \$14 for senior citizens. Admission is free for children under 18. For information, call Kyle Cartwright, (847) 825-5499 or Patti Bonk, (847) 825-2216. Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. 🛸 Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. (847) 825 3123. www.parkridgelibrary.org. Aug. 3. 2 n.m.; Dave Rudolf's Beach Party, featuring Rudolf performing Jimmy Buffett tunes.

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall at Northwestern University, 50 Arts Circle Drive. Evanston. Most ticket prices listed in three categories: general public: senior citizens and NU faculty and staff: and student rate. Information: (847) 491-5441; tickets: (847) 467-4000. www.pickstaiger.org. July 24, 7:30 p.m.: Northwestern University Summer Jazz Ensemble and NHSMI Jazz Combos in a program featuring music by Count Basie Thad Jones and Bill Holman with a quest appearance by jazz pi anist Joan Hickey, Free, Aug. 16, 8 p.m.: Johnny Mercer Celebration Concert. with quest artist Heather Headley pre senting Mercer's Broadway musical fa vorites. The evening also includes performances by composer/lyricist Andrew Lippa, Nashville recording artist Lari White, the cabaret act of Beckie Menzie and Tom Michael, and students of the Northwestern Music Theatre Program, Tickets: \$30, (847) 491-7282 Sears Centre, located in the Prairie Stone Complex on Interstate 90 between the I-59 and Beverly Road exits, Hoffman Estates, (888) 732-7784. www.SearsCentre.com, Aug. 5, 7:30 p.m.: Rod Stewart with Bryan Adams. Tickets: \$227, \$127, \$97, \$52, Aug. 10, 7 p.m.: "The Unforgettable Tour." a show of Bollywood songs, dance and costumes. Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.: Carrie Under wood \$55 \$45 \$35

**Skokie Theatre Music Foundation** presents concerts in the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave., Skokie, Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokiethe atre.com. Concert tickets \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. July 25, 8 p.m.: Bruce's Blues All Star Jam starring Jimmy Johnson.

S.P.A.C.E., 1245 Chicago Ave., Evanston (847) 492-8860. July 24: Natalia Zukerman. July 26: Deep Blue Organ Trio. July 31: UnTwelve. Aug. 1: Danielia Cotton. Aug. 2: David McMillin, Aug. 15; Anna Fermin's Trigger Gospel and Bunkertown, Aug. 21: An Evening with Trever Garrod of Teal Leaf Green, Aug. 23: Long Gone Lonesome/Flving Nowakowski Bros.

WFMT Midnight Special Folk Festival 3-7 p.m. Sept. 28 at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, The all-ages festival will air live over WFMT 987 FM with a simultaneous live webcast at www.wfmt.com. Artists performing include singer-songwriter Tom Paxton. Grammy Award-winning duo Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer, Anne Hills, Small Potatoes and Vance Gilbert General admission tickets are \$35 and \$50. VIP tickets, at \$100 each, include premium seating and admission to a private lounge to meet the artists, Call (847) 673-6300 or visit www.northshorecenter.org.

### **ART GALLERIES**

Art + Science Salon, 811 Church St., Evanston. Gallery hours: 9 a.m. 9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Fridays: 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, Through Aug. 8: "Final Takes." framed prints by Anita Ivy Miller, Visit with the artist from 9 a.m.-noon July 26. Call (847) 767-6875.

As You Like It Gallery, 825-B Chicago Ave., second floor, Evanston, (847) 864-3101. www.asvoulikeitsalon.net. Through October: "An Art Odyssey," paintings by Pat Rose, including figure, landscape and still life. Block Museum of Art at Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive. Evanston, (847) 491-4000, www.block museum.northwestern.edu. Open 10

Wednesday-Friday; noon+5 p.m. Satur

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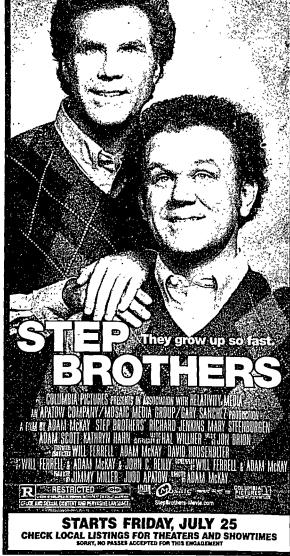
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days and Sundays, Admission to the

museum is free; unless noted, admis-

sion to all programs is also free. Do-

cent-Led Tours, 2 p.m. Saturdays,

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able each day the museum is open.

Scheduled tour requests should be

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Darwin: From William Morris to Frank

Lloyd Wright." The exhibit explores the

English and American decorative arts

during the half-century following the

publication of Charles Darwin's Origin

of the Species (1859). Aug. 7, 6 p.m.:

relationship between evolutionism and

Through Aug. 24: "Design in the Age of

tours to groups of eight or more. The

45 minute to hour-long tours are avail-

cent-Led Group Tours, by appointment.

a.m.•5 p.m. Tuesdays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Gailery Talk, Block Museum curator Corinne Granof will present a talk about "Design in the Age of Darwin." Dittmar Memorial Gallery at Northwestern University's Norris Center, 1999 Campus Drive, Evanston. (847) 491-2348

www.dittmar.northwestern.edu, Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Admission is free. Through Aug. 10: Laurie Rubin photography exhibition. Evanston Art Center, 2603 Sheridan

Road. (847) 475-5300. www.evanstonartcenter.org, Through Aug. 17: Blennial Adult Student Exhibition, a juried exhibition showcasing the work of Evanston Art Center adult students in ceramics, digital arts, drawing painting, fiber, figure sculpture, jewelry, metal sculpture, mosaic, photography and printmaking. Frame Warehouse, 814 Dempster St., Evanston. (847) 869-5210. Aug. 1-8:

Paintings by Andi Steinberg. Artist's reception from 7.9 p.m. Aug. 1. Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, (773) 282-7035. Gallery hours are 1-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, Through July 27: "Irish Cottage and Castle Birdhouses" featuring decorative and garden birdhouses modeled on cottages and casties throughout the Irish countrysid Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, Gallery hours: 9 a m-5 n m Monday-Friday Contact Shirley Engelstein, fine arts coordinator, (847) 674-3806. Through July 31: "Circles," graphite on canvas and paper plus acrylic on canvas. Mitchell Museum of the American In dian. 3001 Central St., Evanston, (847) 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum.org Admission to events is included with an entrance donation to the Mitchel Museum. Suggested donation is \$5 for

adults: \$2.50 for senior citizens, students and children. Maximum admis sion per family is \$10. Through Sept. 4: "Transfusion," an exhibit of contemporary paintings, photography and sculpture by four Native American artists. including Craig George who is of Navaio and Thai descent: John Joe, who is Navajo, Zuni and Irish: Chris Pappan, who is Osage (Kaw), Cheyenne Rive Sioux and Scottish; and Debra Yepa-Pappan, who is Jemez Pueblo and Ko-

Oakton Community College, Koehnline Museum of Art, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines. (847) 635-2633. www.oak ton.edu/museum. Through Aug. 28: "Nuances of Printmaking." Various printmaking methods, from etching and lithography to woodcut and linocul, are the focus of the exhibition. Skokie Public Library, 5215 Oakton Sl (847) 673-7774. www.skokielibrary.inf

Through July 30: KIDS Global Network Inc. presents "Connecting Continents a photographic exploration of a rural South African community by Jon Lowenstein Students and teachers at Manyeleti Primary School in Gothen burn. South Africa, are featured. Tucker Gallery, 1939 Central St., Evanston. (847) 570-9825. www.tucker gallery.com. Through Aug. 14: Local Artist Show, featuring works by Sallie Stanley, Bonnie Zak, Jordan Scott, Den nis O'Malley, Meta Joutras, Eileen Jorgensen and others.

Noyes Cultural Art Center Gallery, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. (847) 491-0266. Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Through Aug 31: "Galesburg," photographs by Chris Verene, on display in the first floor gallery, Through Sept. 9; "Photographic Compositions in E Major." works by

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### **AUDITIONS & OPPORTUNITIES**

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**Legends** of the Stars The Evanston-based Savovaires Theater Company will hold auditions for all voice parts for Gilbert & Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance'' from 1-4 p.m. Aug 2 and 6-9 p.m. Aug. 3 at the First Conaregational Church House 1417 Hinman ve. Evanston, All roles are available. including chorus parts. Those auditioning are asked to prepare one song. preferably by Gilbert & Sullivan. An accompanist will be provided. Performance dates are Oct. 10-19 at Chute Auditorium in Evanston. Call (773) 764-3313 for an audition appointment. Rising Stars Theatre Co. will hold open auditions for Rodgers and Ham merstein's "The King and I" from 1-5 p.m. Aug. 10 and 7-9 p.m. Aug. 11 at 6850 W. Addison, Chicago, Seeking men and women ages 16 and up for principal roles and ensemble. Also, two hovs ages 12-15 for the roles of Louis and the Prince plus children ages 6-12 Prepare 32 bars of a song, preferably om the show, and bring sheet music in your key. Accompanist and score from the show provided. Those audi tioning may be asked to dance or read from the script. All roles open, no appointment necessary. There is no pay. Performance dates are Nov. 8-23 at th Stahl Family Theatre, 5900 W. Belmont Chicano For information call (773) 736-2490 or visit www.risingstarstc.org. North Shore Players seek actors and singers for a new musical. Stage experience a plus. Performances in Octobe Call (847) 502-8916 for information The Open Door Ensemble invites those age 55 and over to join its group of area seniors in creating, directing and producing one-act plays and monologues. The ODE meets at the Levy Senior Center 300 Dodne Ave. Evanston, regularly throughout the year. Playwriting and acting classes taught by professional instructors also are available. Most of the staged readings are performed in public libraries. schools, community and senior centers, and retirement and nursing homes at no charge. In addition, a more complete showcase of juried plays and monologues is presented ar nually, Call Norm Bowers, (773) 274-1981. or Colleen Keaveny, (847) 272-

### MUSICIANS

Evanston Symphony Orchestra will hold auditions for all strings at 7 p.m. Sept. 2. The ESO is an all-volunteer orchestra under the direction of Maestro Lawrence Eckerling that performs four regular series concerts along with a holiday concert and a pops concert. For information and to schedule an au dition, call Paula Fisher, (847) 679-

Canzonetta Youth String Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Hilel Kagan, begins its third season Sept. 6-7. Training Ensemble (ages 7-11) meets from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturdays; Interme diate Ensemble (ages 10-14) meets from 3-4:30 n.m. Sundays' Senior Fosemble (ages 13-18) meets from 1-3 p.m. Sundays. All practices take place at the Wilmette Recreation Center. 3000 Glen view Road, Wilmette, For information call Helia Schramm. (847) 328 0570 or Wendy Shelton, (847) 251-0781.

The Orchestra of Exploration is currently holding player auditions for strings, brass, woodwinds and percussion. Rehearsals are held from 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Skokie Theatre Music Center 7924 N. Lincoln Ave., Skokie Th newly formed orchestra is dedicated to performing new and undiscovered mu sic by contemporary composers. To schedule an audition or to submit an audition tane visit www.orchestranfex nloration.org

The American Symphonietta youth orchestra is looking for new members The orchestra provides outstanding repertoire and performances through numerous concerts nationally and abroad. Rehearsals are held in Mount Prospect, Call (773) 960-6385 for more details and to schedule an audition The Chicago Celtic Pipe Band, a 10vear-old band featuring bagpines and drums seeks drummers for member ship in the band. The band rehearses from 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays at the Joseph Seib Center, 4009 N Ozark, Norridge, All are welcome renardless of age, gender or experience. Free lessons and refresher lessons are provided. For information. call Jim Enright. (773) 286-7833

Mount Prospect Community Band seeks new members. Rehearsals are from 7:30-9 n.m. Mondays in RecPlex Music Room, 420 W. Demoster St. Mount Prospect, Anyone with high school or college band experience ma ioin. Music and percussion equipment provided, Call (847) 640-1000. Na Mele Aloha Hawaiian music en semble seeks musicians who play ukulele or upright string bass. Rehearsals are held in Des Plaines. Call Earl Essig. (847) 272-0762. or e-mail earlessig@aol.com. The North Shore Chamber Orchestra an Evanston-based nonprofit organiza

tion, has openings in all string sections. No audition is necessary, but or chestral experience is preferred. The NSCO is a "teaching and learning" orchestra, whose conductors, soloists, coaches and composers are students at Northwestern University's School o Music, Rehearsals are held from 7:30 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the lower level rehearsal room of Alice Millar Chape on the campus of Northwestern Uni versity. Call Harvey Treger. (847) 864

North Suburban Symphony, under the direction of Ron Arden, is a community volunteer orchestra performing out of the Gorton Auditorium in Lake Forest. The symptony seeks to fill snaces in all strings, trombones and bassoons, Call Arden. (847) 746-3472. or Marc Needlman. (847) 948-8996.

Northwest Symphony Orchestra, Paul Vermel, music director, seeks string players, Rehearsals are from 7:30-10 p.m. Mondays in Maine West High School. 1755 S. Wolf Road, Des Plaines. Call June Gordon. (847) 965-7271. The Oakton Jazz Band is seeking new members. Musicians interested in join ing the band must have some previous rming experience and may audition by appointment. Music will be provided. and students also may prepare their own piece. Call Carey Polacek, (847) 635-1937, or e-mail cek@oakton.edu.

### SINGERS

Biomson Male Chorus invites male singers to join in four-part choral singing. They rehearse at 8 p.m. Thursdays in the Park Ridge VFW Hall, Higains Road and Canfield Avenue, September-June, and sing American and Scandinavian selections at various Incations. Call (847) 741-4210 or (847) 546-2050

Chicago Swedish Glee Club male chorus is seeking experienced singers who

enjoy performing four-part choral music. The club annually performs a Christmas concert, spring classical concert and many summer Swedish events. There is no need to be of Swedish heritage. The group rehearses from 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays. September through June, at Diemasters, 2100 Touhy Ave., Elk Grove Village. Singers must be age 18 or older. Prospective members may attend a rehearsal and arrange an audition with the music director, Steve Burke, For information, call Walter Magnuson, (773) 631-4534. Des Plaines Harmonaires welcome singers to join them from 9:15-11:15 a.m. Thursdays at Good Shepherd Church Howard and Lee streets. Des Plaines. No audition needed. Call Alberta Fisch er. (847) 699-0546. Irish Heritage Singers rehearse at

7:30 nm Thursdays at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave. Chicago. The singers are a mixed choral group performing in the Irish-American tradition. Call Mary Grimes. (773) 282-7035

Mellotone Senior Chorus rehearses at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at Merrimac Park, 6343 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago, Senior citizens age 55 and older are encour aged to join the four-part mixed chorus, which sings a variety of Broadway natriotic, sacred, Hawaiian and holiday songs. For information. call Rudy Oliva. (773) 777-4226.

Mount Prospect Community Chorus seeks singers. No auditions or experience required. The chorus meets from 7.15-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Mount Prospect Park District Rec Plex, 420 W Dempster St.

The Normennenes Singing Society is looking for singers who enjoy fourpart choral singing. The group performs throughout the year singing Norwegian and American songs an coordinates a festival of song each spring. The chorus also participates in a bi-annual "Sangerfest." which is held in different locations around the country. Rehearsals are held from 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays at the Estonian House in Lincoloshire September to June Call Chuck Kessell, (773) 481-5941, or Karl Tangeros (773) 631-9682, or visit www.norwaysings.org.

The Oakton Community College A Cappella Chorus is looking for those who enjoy singing, with or without experience. No auditions. Chorus meets from **7-9** p.m. Wednesdays at the Des Plaines campus. 1600 E. Golf Road. Call Michael Adamczyk, (847) 635-1937. Paul Lindblad Choristers, a concert children's choir for ares third grade and older, promotes musical literacy. performs quality repertoire with a high level of artistry, and offers a concert series. Choristers' 19th season will begin with a choir day camp in August. Ir addition to choral music vocal technique (breathing, posture) stagecraft stage presence, improvisation, musiship (ear training, music reading, sight singing), and principles of drama are also taught. Call (847) 420-9200 of visit www.plchoristers.org. Skokie Concert Choir has openings for all voice parts, especially tenors,

baritones and basses. Rehearsals are 7-9 p.m. Mondays in Old Orchard Junio High 9310 Kepton Ave., Skokie, There are no auditions: prior singing experience is a plus. Call (847) 674-3219.

### ARTISTS

Tonti Council Knights of Columbus seeks artists, crafters and vendors for ts 12th annual Art in the Park, to be held Sept. 20-21 at Portage Park, Chica go. Fee is \$55 per booth if paid by Aug. i: \$80 after that date. For an application, call (773) 405-8983. Seeking crafters for the GLCW Craft

Fair. to be held from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct.

25 at Grace Lutheran Church 2700 N Harlem Ave., Elmwood Park, For an ap plication, call the church office, (708) 453-4897, or Nancy Smetana, (708) 457-0662

Brickton Art Center, 147 Vine Ave. Park Ridge, is accepting submissions for solo exhibitions. To have work con sidered submit the following: a letter of interest station the type of exhibition proposed: a slide sheet of 8-20 slides digital files or prints, with name title of work, size of work, medium. date of completion; a résumé or cur riculum vitae: an artist's statement: self-addressed stamped envelope if slides/prints returned are to be returned: and a \$15 non-refundable submission fee made payable to Brickton Art Center, Submissions will be held until reviewed by gallery jury panel. Call (847) 823-6611 Lincolnwood Village Hall, 6900 Lincolo Ave. seeks artists to exhibit their

works. Call Shirley Engelstein, fine arts coordinator. at (847) 674-3806.

### MISCELLANEOUS Skokie Northshore Sculpture Park is

seeking volunteers to assist the nonprofit organization with its docent program, arts educational programs work ing with students in classroom, and administrative work. Training sessions are informal and informative. No wledge of art required. The Skoki Northshore Sculpture Park is located on the north channel of the Chicago River separation the cities of Skokie and Evanston. Showcasing the large scale work of more than 60 artists throughout two miles of riverbant park, the sculpture park combines out door recreation with the aesthetic and intellectual enjoyment of fine art. The sculpture park is run by a volunteer board of trustees and is funded through public, private and corporate contributions For information call (847) 679-4265 or visit www.sculpturepark.org.

### **BOOKS & POETRY**

Des Plaines Public Library, 1501 Ellipwood St. (847) 376-2787. www.dppl.org. Advance registration required for activities unless noted oth erwise. Aug. 5, 10 a.m.: Suite Francaise by Irene Nemirovsky, Aug. 14, 7:30 p.m.: Discussion of Finn by John Clinch. Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. (847) 825-3123. www.parkridgelibrary.org. Aug. 26.7 p.m.: Daniel P. Smith will discus his popliction book. On the Job: Behind the Stars of the Chicago Police Depart

### CHILD'S PLAY

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Alistate Arena, 6920 N. Mannheim Road, Rosemont, Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com or (312) 559 1212: the ticket prices listed below do not include service fees. The informa tion line is (847) 635-6601, Aug. 9-10. 1:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.; "Pop Go the Wiggles Live!" \$18-\$38.

Center for Musical Development, 8201 N. Karlov, Skokie, Kindermusik classes offered are Village (0-17 months): Our Time (11/2-3 years): Imagine That (3-5 vears); and Young Child (5-7 years). For information, contact Pat Heineman-Vernon at (847) 679-5121 or phycfmd@aoi.com. Creative ceramic classes and workshops for children 5 to 13 years old will be offered in artist Lautev Fisher's studio in Skokie. Summer classes available weekdays and weekends. Projects will emphasize self-expression and

imagination while teaching handbuild-

ing and glazing techniques. No experi-

ence necessary, all materials and fir-

ings included. Call (847) 674-1191 for information and registration Des Plaines Park District's Live at the Lake summer entertainment series fo families. All performances take place in the Lake Park Memorial Pavilion on Lee Street, north of Touhy Avenue, in the event of rain, entertainers will perform on the Prairie Lakes Theatre Stage, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines, For informa tion, call the hotline after 6 p.m. the day of the performance at (847) 391-5705 #3. July 24, 7-8:30 n.m. The Lennys, family rock and roll hand. Kohl Children's Museum, 2100 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, (847) 832-6600. www.kohlchildrensmuseum.org. Hours 9:30 a.m.-noon Mondays: 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; noon-5 p.m. Supdays, Special members-only hours from 9-9:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday. Admission \$7.50: \$6.50 for senior citizens: free for children under 1. Through Aug.

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painting and drawing classes for children. Call (847) 673-0345

31: Chanall for Children, hands-on and interactive exhibit designed for children up to age 8. The exhibit features 14 multi-sensory exploration stations. each incorporating a high-quality reproduction of one of Chanall's works. Specific art principles such as color. composition, light and texture are showcased, and many stations feature audio accompaniment. Kolor Me Kid 8 B. West Devon Ave

Park Ridge, offers a variety of art classes such as hand sculpting in ceramic clay and polymer clay drawing/painting, cartooning and paper maché, for students K-eighth grade and young adult. "Artsy" birthday parties and Scouting events also available Call (847) 692-3744 Lincoln Terrace Arts Studio and Gallery, 5027 Warren St., Skokie, offers

Mitchell Museum of the American Indian 3001 Central St. Evanston (847) 475-1030 www.mitchellmuseum.org. Suggested donation is \$5 adults: \$2.50 senior citizens. students and children. Maximum suggested admission per family is \$10. Kids Craft Mornings are offered from 10:30 a.m.-noon, Museum staffers and volunteers lead informal workshops where children learn to construct simple versions of traditional Native American objects and engage in other hands-on activities related to native culture. Admission is included with an entrance donation to the museum. Kids Craft Workshops are recommended for children ages 5 and up, but there is no minimum age requirement. Participants must be accompanied by an adult. No pre-registration is necessary, July 29: Northwest Coast button blankets, July 31: Frinned anklets and hear claw necklaces. Aug. 5: Dream

catchers Aug 7 Readed bracelets Aug. 12: Great Lakes fishing lures. Aug. 14: Tablitas, Aug. 19: Dream catchers Aug. 21: Demonstration of powwow dancing, with Mike Pamonicutt of the minee Indian tribe Niles Public Library, 6960 Oakton St. (847) 663-6623, www.nileslihrary.org "Bahytime" offers stories, soons and play for children up to 2 years of age at 11 a.m. Mondavs. Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S.

Prospect Ave., Park Ridge, (847) 825-3123. www.parkridgelibrary.org. Registration required unless noted other wise, July 28 and 31, 3-5 p.m.; "YouTub Moviemakers," Participants will create a mini-movie, from filming and editing to music and sound effects, and learn how to post it on YouTube, July 30-1 p.m.: "Say Cheese!" Youth going into grades 5-6 will learn how to use a digital camera, download pictures and

more. Aug. 1, 6-8 p.m.; After-hours release party for Breaking Dawn by Stephenie Meyer, the newest book in the Twilight saga. Featuring trivia. book giveaways, costume contests and more. Starbucks Book Discussion -Meet at Starbucks on Northwest High way in Park Ridge. Aug. 21, 4 p.m.: Breaking Dawn by Stephenie Meyer Skokie Park District offers an indoor playground for children, the Explorito rium at the Oakton Community Center 4701 Oakton St., Skokie, It provides both physical and educational play in art, science and imagination-building computer lab, children's performances with costumes, water play and more Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays. Wednesdays. Fridays and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays, Regular admission is \$4-\$5 depending on residency status; and \$1-\$7 for adults and children under 2. Call (847) 674-1500 ext. 2700

Skokie Theatre Music Foundation presents programs in the Skokie The atre 7924 Lincoln Ave. Skokie Call (847) 677-7761 or visit www.skokiethe atre.com, Through Aug, 20, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.: Wednesday Afternoon Summer Youth Programs, Free admission; reser vations required. July 30: "The Magic of Green." Aug. 6: "Pinocchio," present ed by the National Marionette Company of Chicano, Aug. 13: "Brass Works." Aug. 20: "The Magic of Memory." Wilbur Wright College, 4300 N. Narragansett Ave., Chicago, offers summer dance camps. Children ages 4 and up can enroll in the special summer class es which range in price from \$20 to \$50. "Movement for Fun." Aug. 14-15. will use upbeat music to help kids get fit. Returning from last summer's offe ings is "Rainbow Connection Dance

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is \$5 for members: \$10 for nonmembers. Proper attire required: no blue ieans or shorts allowed. Must be 21 o older. Call (773) 467-0177 or visit www.iitterbugchicago.com, Aug. 2 and 16: Regular dances.

The Chicagoland Chapter of USA Dance, the national organization rep resenting amateur ballroom dancers Lesson begins at 7:30 p.m.; general dancing begins at 8:15 p.m. Admission \$8 members: \$10 nonmembers: \$6 col lege students with ID. Call (847) 426-7978 for more information. Dance music for all swing. Latin and ballroom dances. Partners not required - singles

welcome. Beginning dancers encouraged. The Chicagoland chapter of USA Dance is a national nonprofit organiza tion dedicated to promoting ballroom dancing as a healthy recreational activity and as a competitive sport known as DanceSport. www.chicagous abda.com. Aug. 2, 7-11 p.m.: USA Dance is co-hosting an event at the Interclut Academy of Dance, 7350-52 N. Milwau kee Ave. Niles, Aug. 9, 7 n m \* "Summe Swing" at The Center at North Park 10040 Addison. Franklin Park. The featured lesson. West Coast Swing. will be taught by Angle and Paul Cameron. Chicago Dance Club. (847) 622-4466 Dance to DJ music from the '50s to to day from 7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturdays at American Legion Hall, 8664 W. Grand Ave., River Grove, Mostly swing dancing. some ballroom, Latin and line dancing. Open to ages 21 and older. \$5 members: \$9 nonmembers, Membership fee \$25. Upcoming dates: July 26

Aug. 9 and 23; Sept. 13 and 27; Oct. 11 and 25; Nov. 8 and 22; Dec. 13. The Dance Academy, 5721 W. Irving Park Road. Chicago. (773) 736-6677. Of fers beginning through advanced classes for ages 3 through adult in iazz, tap, ballet/pointe, modern exer cise dance, and hip-hop. Call for a complete schedule and list of prices. Dance Center Evanston, located in Evanston Plaza, 1934 Dempster St. Evanston, (847) 328-6683, Accepting registration for the summer session of dance classes, camps and workshops A six-week session of classes are avail able for children ages 3-18 in Tippy Toes, ballet, modern, jazz, tap, hip-hop character and pointe. Special classes are available just for boys. Adult class es are designed for beginning continu ing and advanced dancers in ballet, tap and jazz. Camps and workshops are offered for ages 6-18.

### **MOVIES**

DanceSport Center, 999 N. Elmhurst Road (Randhurst Shopping Center). Mount Prospect offers hallroom and Latin dance classes for children are 5 and older and adults. No partner is necessary. Call (847) 342-0567 or visit www.chicagodancesport.com. Denim and Diamonds hosts line dances from 7-10:15 p.m. Tuesdays at the White Eagle Banguet Hall, 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, All ages, Begin ners lessons given at 7:30 n.m. Retro Night is on third Tuesday, Admission of \$6, \$4 for those 17 years and under. includes weekly lessons and review. Call (847) 965-6353.

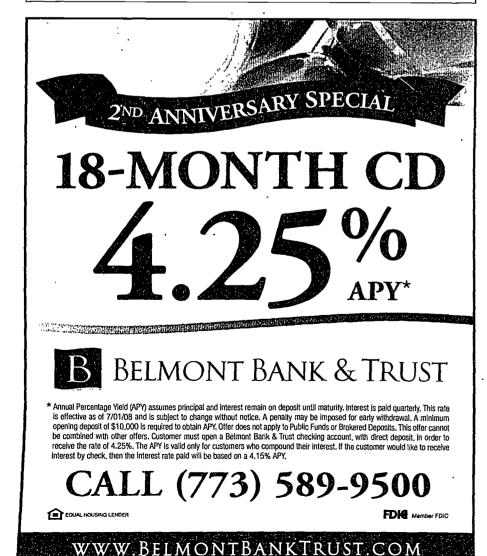
Frisbie Senior Center, 52 E. Northwest Highway Des Plaines, Mondays; Big Band Night 7-9 p.m. dance to big band music: \$3 for members, \$5 nonmembers. Tuesdays: Line dancing from 10-11 a.m.: \$2.50 for members. \$3 nonmembers; square dancing, 12:30-2:30 p.m.,











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Happy Twirlers Dance Club provides round and square dancing on the second Saturday of the month. September-May, in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Thacker and Lee streets Oes Plaines. Rounds begin at 7:30 p.m. Call (847) 827-6500 or (773) 685-0407.

International folk dancing from 7:30 10:30 p.m. Mondays at the Lake Street Church, Lake Street and Chicago Avenue, Evanston. Beginners are welcome and no partner is needed. \$5. Call (847) 492-9393

It's Thursday! dance nights, July 24. July 31, Aug. 7, Aug. 14 and Aug. 21 outdoors at the 909 Davis Plaza, Maple Avenue and Church Street, Evanstor Dance instruction from 6:30-7:15 p.m. and live band plays from 7:30-9 p.m. Fach week features a different dance style, including R&B, salsa, oldies, ballroom New Orleans and rock/pop classics. Free: all ages welcome. For infor mation, visit www.evmark.org. July 24: Professor John Band presents Chicago R&B with a New Orleans twist. July 31: Angel Melendez y Su Orguesta present Latin dance music

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Kaleidoscope Dance & Movement Center, 3944 Church St., Skokie, offers classes in hallet, jazz, hip-hop, tap, and modern, Call (847) 679-7842 or visit www.kaleidoscopedance.com.

Karon's School of Acrohatics and Dance, 805 N. Northwest Highway, Park Ridne, (847) 292-0255, Offering professional instruction in acrobatics, tum bling, jazz, hip-hop, ballet, tap, and mu sical theater. Competitive Dance class

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es and one-day "Flip" clinics for cheerleaders also available. Karen's is also offering adult group and private dance Instruction for singles and couples. Professional ballroom dance Instructor Patricia Kassanits offers group classes in social dance, salsa dance, ballroom dance and swing dance. Kassanits also specializes in preparing wedding couples for their "first dance" and is available by appointment for private or group instruction; call (630) 306-1761 or (630) 671-9407 for information Leaning Tower YMCA, 6300 Touhy Ave., Niles, offers ballroom dance classes in the Skyline Room on Tues days Levels 1 and 2 meet 6:45-8:15 n m · Levels 3 and 4, 8:15-9:45 p.m. Sin gles and couples welcome. Dance par ties are held 7-10 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month in the Skyline

room: cost is \$10: \$7 for Y members

Register by calling (847) 410-5118.

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Leikarringen "Heimbug" dancers welcome those age 16 and older interested in Scandinavian folk dance to join them from 8-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the First United Methodist Church of Des Plaines, 666 Graceland Ave, No pri or dance experience or partner neces sary, Call (847) 823-7596 or (847) 692

I vnette's School of Dance, 517 Talcott Road, Park Ridge, offers classes in ballet, pointe, tap, hip-hop, jazz and tumbling, beginners to advanced, for ages 3 to adults. All teachers are certified degree instructors Call (847) 823-7334 May I Have This Dance, 5246 N. Elston Ave., Chicano, (773) 635-3000. www.mayihavethisdance.com. S.O.S (Swing on Sundays) for basic and inter mediate levels, every Sunday, Basic and intermediate levels. All ages we come and no partner is necessary. Hustle lesson from 6-6:30 n.m.: We

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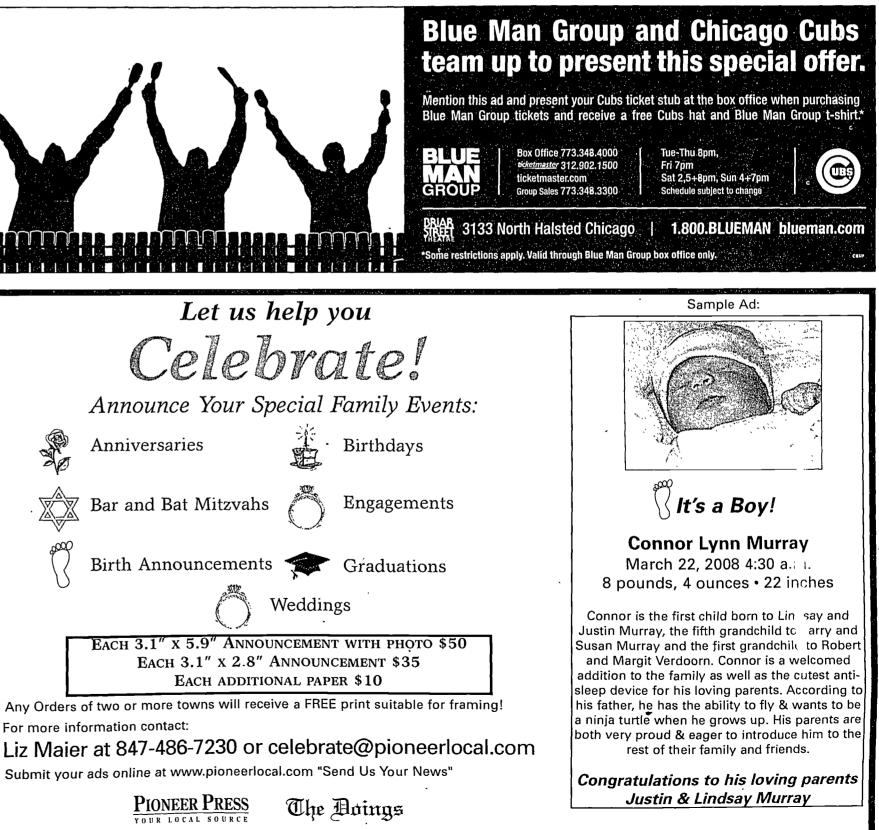
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(847) 692-3600. Professional and nonprofessional classes for ages 3 to adult in tap. jazz. hip-hop. lyrical ballet and classical ballet/pointe. Portage Park Center for the Arts, 5801 W. Dakin St., Chicago, offers belly dance classes on Mondays: Classical Egyptian, 6-7 p.m.; or American Tribal, 7-8 p.m. \$10 per class. Call (773) 205-

Spares Sunday Evening Club holds ballroom dances from 7:30-10:30 p.m. the first and third Sunday of the month at the American Legion, 9757 Pacific Ave., Franklin Park. Admission is \$8 for members; \$9 guests. Call (847) 965-5730. Aug. 3: Music by Chuck and Friends. Aug. T7: Music by the Dick Elliot Orchestra.

Square Spares & Pairs, a nonprofit square dance club, dances the second and fourth Mondays of the month all year long at the Park Ridge Senior Center, 100 S. Western Ave., Park Ridge. Rounds start at 7:30 p.m., with squares from 8:10 p.m. Admission: \$5 for members; \$6 for visitors. Square dance lessons are held from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Glen Park Center. Room 201. 2400 Chestnut Ave., Glenview. First lesson is free. For information on lessons, call (847) 663-0116 or (847) 398-8087.

Studio of Dance & Drama, 6126 Northwest Highway, Chicago, (773) 631-7373. Offering dance and theater programs for children and adults, including Fairy Tale Ballet, Little Starz, Dance Like a Star and Tap Happy, with hip-hop and jazz. The schedule also includes both day and night classes in classical ballet training in Russian technique. including pointe, for children and adults. Swing 'N' Country Dance Club offers dances and lessons in couples country western and swino dances. Dance lessons are offered on Wednesdays every month: 7:30 p.m. for beginners: 8:35 p.m. for intermediate dancers. Cost for monthly lessons \$30 for members: \$40 nonmembers. Dances are held the first and third Friday of every month. Doors open at 7:15 p.m.; open dancing from 9 n.m.•midnight, Admission is \$6 for members: \$12 for nonmembers. All lessons and dances are held at Centre at North Park, 10040 W. Addison, Franklin Park. For information, visit www.swingncountry.org or call (847) 638-7621

#### FAIRS & FESTIVALS

North Shore Festival of Art, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. July 26-27 at the Westfield Old Orchard Shopping Center in Skokie. The event includes continuous live music. food by local restaurants, and art projects in the National City Family Art Tent. Free admission and parking. For information, visit www.amdurproductjons.com.

Annual Ice Cream Social, 1-4 p.m. July 26 on the grounds of the the Evanston History Center's Charles Gates Dawes House, 225 Greenwood St., Evanston, Featuring The Ridgeville Band at 1 p.m.: a circus entertainer from the Actor's Gymnasium at 1 p.m.; Keith Cobb's Magic and Comedy Show at 2 p.m : musician Jim Kendros demonstrating historical instruments at 3 p.m. and face painting by Amanda Cohen from 1.4 p.m. A neighborhood architectural walking tour departs at 3 p.m. from the Dawes House. Free. Call (847) 475-3410 or e-mail jenny-thompson@northwest ern.edu.

Lakeshore Arts Festival, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Aug. 2-3 at Oawes Park. Sheridan Road at Church Street. Evanston. The event features works by 125 juried artists. entertainment by Jacob Hertzog. jazz guitarist. Emily Hurd. vocalist/pianist. juggler/magician Andy Head, performers from Actors Gymnasium and Angela Allyn/Pirate Girl, a children's craft tent, a silent art auction each day. and food by local restaurants. Admission is free. Call (847) 448-8058 or visit www.cityofevanston.org/arts.

"Rev Up for Summer Fun," 1-4 p.m. Aug. 3 on the grounds of the Park Ridge Public Library. 20 S. Prospect Ave., Park Ridge. Featuring a display of "muscle cars" from 1-4 p.m.. and "beach party" music by Dave Rudolf from 2-3 p.m. Food will be available. (847) 825-3123 or www.parkridgelibrary.org.

Malott Japanese Garden Summer Festival, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 16-17 at the Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, Activities include a tea ceremony demonstration at 10:30 a.m., taiko drumming at 12:30 p.m., traditional folktales told by storyteller Anne Shimojima at 1:30 p.m., and koto (Japanese harp) music by the Chicago Koto Group at 2:30 p.m. Hands-on activities such as writing haiku, raking miniature dry gardens. trying chopsticks, and practicing calligraphy will be available. Children can take part in traditional craft projects such as make ing uchiwa paper fans, Japanese kites and origami paper lanterns. Visitors can also pick up a self-quided tour activity card in the Shoin House in the Malott Japanese Garden or at McGinley Pavilion during the day or take a guided tour at 3:30 p.m. Admission is free Parking is \$15: free for members. Call (847) 835-5440 or visit www.chicagob otanic.oro/forfamilies.

#### FILM

Block Cinema, in the Pick-Laudati Auditorium at the Block Museum of Art Northwestern University, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston, (847) 491-4000. www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu/ block-cinema. July 31. 7 p.m.: Screening of rare films from the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y. The twohour program will include commentar by David Filini, film and video curator at Wexner Center for the Arts. Ohio State University, Free, Block Cinema will present a summer outdoor movie series on the East Lawn adjacent to Norris University Center, 1999 Campus Drive. Admission is free. In the event of rain, films will be shown at Norris University Center's McCormick Auditorium. 1999 Campus Orive. July 30, 8:30 p.m.: "The Simpsons Movie." Aug. 6. 8:30 p.m.: "Touch of Evil." Aug. 13. 8:30

p.m.; "Inherit the Wind." Canine Lovers Cinema, 2 p.m. Aug. 10 at the Skokie Theatre, 7924 Lincoln Ave.. Skokie. A series of short films featuring dogs as the main characters will be shown. Admission: \$10 in advance: \$12 at the door. Tickets can be ordered online at www.skokietheatre.com. A percentage of the proceeds will benefit CARE (Community Animal Rescue Efforts) in Evanston. For information. contact Marilyn Goler at (847) 987-8755 or mgoler@sbcglobal.net. Evanston Art Center. 2603 Sheridan

Road. (847) 475-5300. www.evanstonartcenter.org. Cinema Under the Stars, held behind the Evanston Art Center, between the lake and the mansion. Shows begin at dusk Free. July 25: "Harry Potter and Socerer's Stone, Aug. 22: "Willy Wonka." "Long Way Down." a documentary featuring Ewan McGregor and Charley Boorman riding motorcycles through 20 countries from Scotland to South Africa, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. July 31 at the Niles Showplace. 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles. Ticket's are available at the theatre box office or online at www.FathomEvents.com. Capannari Ice Cream. 10 S. Pine St. Nourt Prospect (442) 302-277

Mount Prospect. (847) 392-2277. www.capannaris.com. Aug. 12. dusk: Outdoor Mooovie Night series featuring "Hairspray."

Mitchell Museum of the American Indian. 3001 Central St., Evanston. (847) 475-1030. www.mitchellmuseum.org. Admission to events is included with an entrance donation to the museum. Suggested donation is: \$5 for adults: \$2.50 for seniors. students. children. Aug. 3.1 p.m.: Independent producer director Michelle Danforth, an Oneida Indian from Green Bay, Wis., will screen and discuss her new television documentary. "The Oneida Speak." The video includes interviews with contem porary Oneida historians, cultural preservationists and elders, plus dramatic re-enactments of incidents related by Oneida elders who took part in a Depression-era oral history project funded by the federal Works Project Administration

Park Ridge Public Library, 20 S. Prospect Ave,, Park Ridge, (847) 825-3123. www.narkridgelibrary.org. Films. @ the Library – No registration needed. Doors open for seating one-half hour before show time. July 24, 7 p.m. "Charlie Wilson's War." rated R. July 31. 7 p.m.; Into the Wild," rated R. Aug. 12, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.; "Enchanted," rated PG. Aug. 7. 7 p.m.: "Raise the Red Lantern." rated PG. Aug. 14, 7 p.m.: "The Counter feiters," rated R. Aug. 21, 7 p.m.; "The Orphanage," rated R. Aug. 28, 7 p.m.: "Persepolis." rated PG-13. Travel films. at 2 p.m. Thursdays – July 31: Alaska's Denali Wilderness. Aug. 7: Beijing. Aug. 14: Germany, Aug. 21: Spain, Aug. 28:

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Portage Theater. 4050 N. Milwaukee Ave.. Chicago. (773) 736-4050. www.portagetheater.org. July 26: Classic horror/sci-fi double feature. including "Godzilla vs. The Smog Monster" at 7:45 p.m. and "Forbidden Planet" at 9:30 p.m. \$10 for admission to both films. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. for collectibles sale in the lobby. Silent Film Society of Chicago's 2008 Silent Summer Film Festival. held Fridays through Aug. 22 at the Portage Theater. 4050 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. For more information, visit www.silentfilmchicago.com.

"WarGames," the 1983 cyber-thriller film starring Matthew Broderick, will be screened at 7:30 p.m. July 24 at the Niles Showplace. 301 Golf Mill Center, Niles. Tickets are available at the theatre box office and online at www.FathomEvents.com.

#### LECTURES

Des Plaines Public Library. 1501 + Ellinwood St. (847) 376-2787. www.dppl.org. Advance registration required for activities unless noted otherwise, July 30. 7 p.m.; "The Faces and Places of China," a slide presentation by Bill Helmuth.

#### ORGANIZATIONS

The American Jewish Artists Club is currently accepting new members. The group, founded in the early 1920s, focuses on the broad aspects of visual art and serves to enrich the cultural fiber of the Jewish community at

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Lincoln Terrace Art Studio, 5027 Warren St., Skokie, offers art lessons for kids and young adults. For rates and schedule, call Sonya Osseny, (847) 673-0345

Mosaic Yarn Studio, 1585 Ellinwood St., Des Plaines, offers ongoing classes n knitting and crocheting. Call (847) 390-1013

Skokie Art Guild Figure Drawing workshops are held from 7-9:45 p.m. Thursdays and 10 a.m -1 n.m. Saturdays at the Devonshire Cultural Center, 4400 Greenwood St., Skokie. Fees are \$10 for Skokie Art Guild members and \$15 for nonmembers, per session. Live models, no instructor. Call Richard Wilberg, (847) 677-3461.

#### MUSIC

Academy of Irish Music offers adult group music classes from 7:30-9:30 o.m. Wednesdays at the Irish American Heritage Center, 4626 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, Class focus is on teaching the Irish style on violin, viola, cello, flute. piano, harpsichord and voice. A back ground of ensemble playing in guartets, orchestra, Suzuki-style training is helpful. Contact instructor Noel Rice at (847) 564-1338

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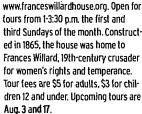
Prairie Lakes Community Center, 515 Thacker St., Des Plaines. There is a \$3 fee for nonmembers. For information, call Margaret Newman, (847) 824-8952, or visit www.dpag.org. Skokie Photographic Society meets at 7:30 n.m. the third Thursday of each month at Skokie Village Hall, 5127 W. Oakton St. All levels of photographers welcome. Call (847) 677-8324. Josephine Louis Theater at Northwestern University, 20 Arts Circle Drive,

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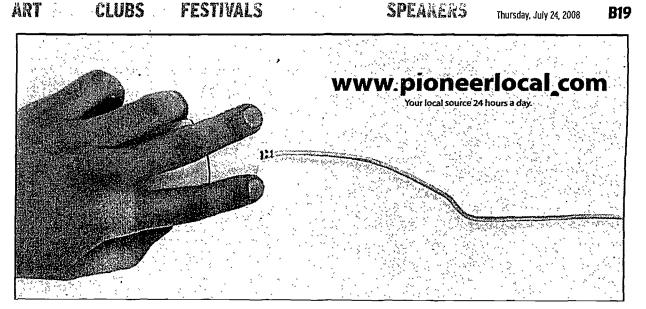
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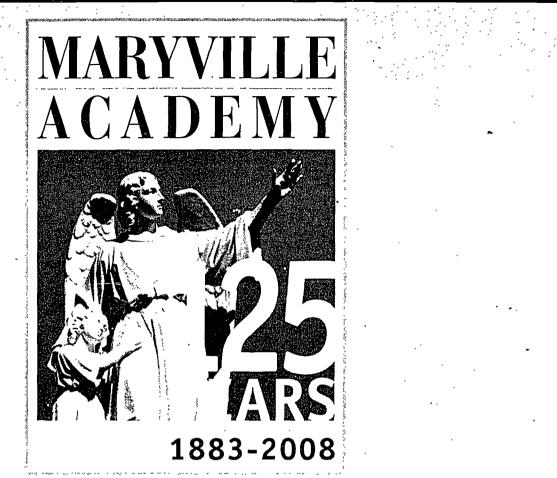
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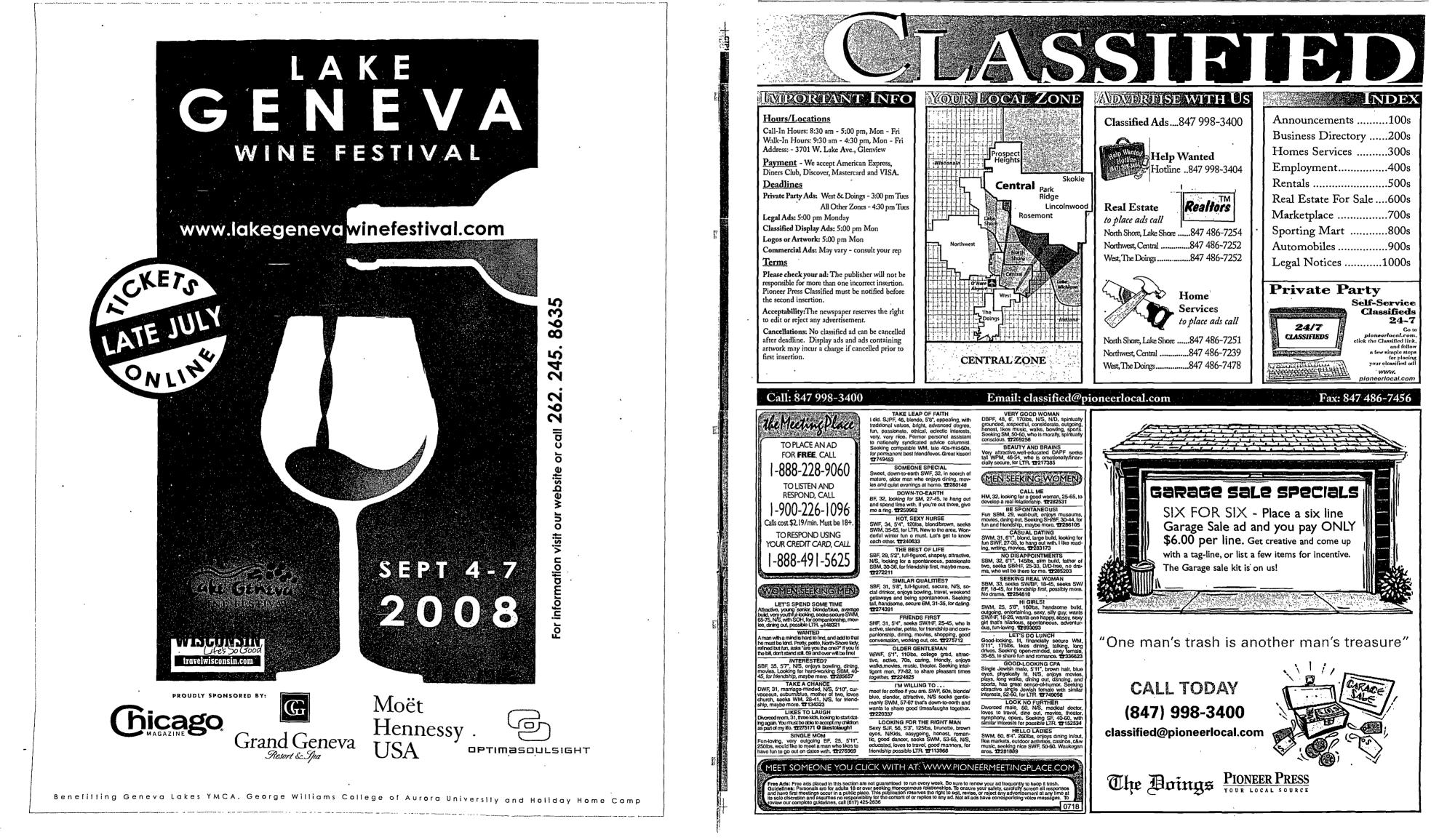
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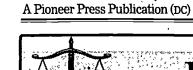
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Mt. Prospect Old Orchard Villa Reduced, 3BR, 2BA gar balcy Maggio RE 708-395-4800	ACACIA PARK- Irving Park & Cumberland Cemetary 8 plots - Garden sect. will separate \$1500 an 847-998-5300	TCF NATIONAL BANK: Plaintiff. vs.	Decatur, Illinois 62525 (217) 422-1719 ext. 23. Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act	718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell a public auction to the highes bidder for cash, as set fort below, the following descri	hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes. special assessments. or special taxes levied	hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes. special assessments. or special taxes levied	title or recourse to Plaintiff. Prospective bidders are ad- monished to review the court file to verify all information.	
	Indea Bark Cometeny Lake	DRAGOSLAV SIMONOVIC: SUZANA SIMONOVIC: UN- KNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS: Defendants.	Firm of Heavner. Scott. Beyers & Mihlar, LLC is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt	bed morrgaged real estate:   P.i.N. 10-35-310-032.   Commonly known as 662   North Harding Avenue   Lincolnwood, 11, 69712.	ogainst said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and with- out recourse to Plaintiff and	offered for sale without any representation as to qualify or quantity of title and with- out recourse to Plaintiff and	Clerk, Fisher and Shapiro. 4201 Lake Cook Rd., 1st floor. Northbrook, 111inois 60062. (847) 498-9990, between 1:00	
	Irving Park Cemetery, Lake side section . 6 lots \$1200 each or all 6 for \$6000540-972-3600 or email smerna@ comcast.net for further information.	08 CH 6695 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE. BY GIVEN that pursuant to c Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the 60,200 mil- led cause on June 26,200 mil- tercounty Judicial Sales Cor- poration will on Tuesday. Au- gust 26, 2006 at the hour of TJ C.m., in their office at 120 West Modison Street. Suite Yika, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash. as sell forth below, the following descri- Commonly known as 7447 W. Carmen Avcc. Herwood Heghts, LL 60706. Ditter Sale for the state is improved with a single family residence.	and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. 1111173	The mortgaged real estate is Improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 10% down by	in 'AS IS' condition. The sale is further subject to confirma- tion by the court. If the sale is set aside for any	In "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirma- tion by the court. Upon payment in full of the	p.m. and 3:00 p.m. weekdays only. 197271 Published In Pioneer Press	
EQUAL HOUSING	MEMORIAL PARK 2 spcs- Birch sec. value \$7000 sell \$6500/obo. Joanne 847-425-3713	Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above enti- tled cause on June 26, 2008 in- tercounty Judicial Sales Cor-	7/24. 7/31. 8/7/08 (1606335) C	certified funds, balance, b certified funds, within 2 hours. No refunds, The prop erty will NOT be open for in spection	/ reason, the Purchaser of the 4 sale shall be entitled only to a - return of the deposit paid. - The Purchaser shall have no further recourse gaginst the	Sale that will entitle the pur- chaser to a deed to the real chaser after confirmation of	MORTON GROVE	1
OPPORTUNITY All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advartise	MEMORIAL PARK Two side-by-side lots in Monorah section, \$9,000.	poration will on Tuesday. Au- gust 26, 2008 at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office.at 120 West Madison Street, Suite	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY.	For information call Sale Clerk at Law Offices of Ira T Nevel. 175 North Franklin Street. Chicago. Illinois 60606	Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser	the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and plain- tiff makes no representation	OF COOK COUNTY. ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION	-
any preference. limitation or discrimination based on age. race. color. religion. sex. handicap. familial status or	(647)732-6196 Rosehill Cemetery, 6 lots for	public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following descri- (bed mortgaged real estate;	COUNTY DEPARTMENT. CHANCERY DIVISION WASHINGTON MUTUAL	(312) 357-1125. INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer. (312) 444-1122	will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the pur- chaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale	as to the condition of the prop- erty. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all infor- mation	NATIONAL CITY BANK. SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST VIA MERGER TO MID	
national origin, or intention to make any such preferences. limitations or discrimination.	Sale, Section 12, Lot 48, # 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 773-383-9006	Commonly known as 7447 W. Carmen Ave Harwood Heights. (L 60706. P. I.N. 12-12-410-003.	BANK. Plaintiff V. SANDEEP PALAKKAL: MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC	Published in Ploneer Press 7/24. 7/31. 8/7/08 (1606337) C	The property will NOT be open for inspection and plain- tiff makes no representation as to the condition of the prop-	If this property is a condo- minium unit. the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee	AMERICA BANK FSB. A UNITED STATES CORPO- RATION: Plaintlff.	
Act prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental or advertis- ing of real estate based on fac tors in addition to those or	Section Memorial 1 Lot 431 3 graves. 847-251-2992	improved with a single family residence. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance. by	REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR SI- ERRA PACIFIC MORT- GAGE COMPANY, INC.,	LINCOLNWOOD IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY.	erty. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all infor- mation.	shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act. 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4)	EVA AYALA: FRANCISCO J. AYALA: UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS:	
tected under federal law. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any adver-	633- Out-of-State Property	certified funds. within 24 hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection	MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS. INC AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST NLC FINANCIAL	ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION	minium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments	IF YOU ARE THE MORTGA- GOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO RE- MAIN IN POSSESSION FOR	Defendants. 08 CH 2433 NOTICE OF SALE BUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE	
tising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised	LAKE GENEVA WI For sale or rent w/option to buy! BR/2BA Interlaken condo on Lake Como. Lake views, lake	David T. Cohen at Plaintiff' Attorney. David T. Cohen & Associates. LTD., 10729 West 159th Street, Orland Park, II-	08 CH 1664 NOTICE OF	AS TRUSTEE: Plaintiff. vs. DANIEL SALIVO A/K/A	and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act. 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).	30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSES- SION. IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C)	isiven that pursuant to a Judg- ment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause on April 29, 2008. Intercounty Ju-	
are available on an equal op portunity basis. To complain of discrimina- tion call HUD toll free at: 1-	\$1200/mo 847-967-6470	linois 60467-4531. (708) 460- 7711. INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION	FORECLOSURE SALE Fisher and Shapiro file # 08-1427 (It is advised that interested	DANIAL SALIVO: LUCINE OSHANA: Defendants.	GAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER EN-	GAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http://service.attv-	dicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday. August 26. 2008, at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison	
800-669-9777. The Bainas	650- Keal Estate Wanted	Selling Officer. (312) 444-1122 /111040 Published In Pioneer Press 7/74 7/31, 8/7/08 (1606326) C	attorneys before bidding at mortgage foreclosure sales.) PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby	NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and	TRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION. IN ACCORD- ANCE WITH SECTION 15- 1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS	pierce.com. between the hours of 3 and 5 pm. PIERCE & ASSOCIATES. Plaintiff's Attorneys. One North Dear-	Street. Suite 718A. Chicago. Illinois. sell to the highest bid- der for cash. the following de- scribed mortgaged real es- tate:	
PIONEER PRESS	savemefrom foreclosure.com 847-217-8253		given that pursuant to a Judg- ment of Foreclosure entered on May 8. 2008. Kallen Realty Services. Inc., as Selling Offi-	Sale entered in the above enti- tled cause on October 4. 2006 Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Monday.	MORIGAGE FORECLO- SURE LAW. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: The Sale Clark CODU 15 & ASSOCI-	CHICAGO. IL 60602. Tel No. (312) 476-5500. Please refer to file number PA0719006.	Commonly known as 7906 Central Ave Morton Grove. 1L 60053. P.1.N. 10-29-207-010.	1
The Doings and Pioneer Press Newspapers		LINCOLNWOOD IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY.	Cial Will at 12:30 p.m. on Sep- tember 3. 2008. at 205 W. Randolph Street. Suite 1020. Chicago. Illinois. sell at pub- lic auction to the bighest bid-	August 18, 2008 at the hour of 11 a.m. In their office at 120 West Madison Street, Sulte 718A, Chicago, Illinois, sell at public guetion to the bighest	ATES. P.C 15W030 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD. SUITE 100. BURR RIDGE. IL 60527. (630) 794-9876 between the	CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive 24th Floor Chicago. IL 60606-4650	The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence consisting of a living room, dining room, witchong family room	
Elmwood Park Open House 1826 N. 76th Ct Sun 1-3	Our Automotive	COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION	der for cash. as set forth be- low. the following described real property: C/K/A 6423 NORTH DRAKE	bldder for cash, as set forth below, the following descri- bed mortgaged real estate; Commonly known as 3659	hours of 1 and 3 PM only and ask for the sales department. Please refer to file number 14:07-U449.	(312) 236-SALE 1108467 Published in Pioneer Press	bedrooms and four and one- half bathrooms with a built-in two car garage. Sale terms: Bidder's must	
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LOMBARD-3Bedr,2Bath.Fin Base. Quiet. Great Yard (630) 244-1833 \$274,900	Car you are	SOUTH HOLLAND. UNITED STATES of AMERICA- DEPARTMENT of the TREASURY-INTERNAL	The property will NOT be open for Inspection. The judgment amount was \$295.455.09. Sale terms: 10%	residence. Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds. balance. by certified funds. within 24	(312) 236-SALE CODILIS & ASSOCIATES. P.C.	MORTON GROVE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY.	funds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.	4
MORTON GROVE OPEN SUN 1-4 6037 Crain 4BR. 2BA. Park View-Niles W By appt. (847)965-1276 Acking \$499 500	looking for.	REVENUE SERVICE. STATE OF ILLINOIS- DE- PARTMENT OF REVENUE. STATE of ILLINOIS- DE-	at conclusion of auction, bal- ance by noon the next busi- ness day, both by cashier's Checks; and no refunds. The	hours. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection For information call William	ROAD. SUITE 100 BURR RIDGE. IL 60527 (630) 794-9876 Attorney File No.; 14-07-U449	COUNTY DEPARTMENT. CHANCERY DIVISION BANK OF NEW YORK. AS	For Information call Mr. Francis J. Pendergast III at Plaintiff's Attorney. Law Offi- ces of Crowley & Lamb, P.C. 200 North Lac Gui Stand Chi	•
ASKIII 9477, 300.		ARIMENT of REVENDE- LOTTERY PROGRAM, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS. INC., solely as nom-	sale shall be sublect to gener- al real estate taxes, special taxes, special assessments, special taxes levied, and su-	Dutton at Plaintiff's Attorney. DUTTON & DUTTON. P.C 10325 West Lincoln Highway. Frankfort, Illinois 60433.	ARDC# 00468002 Attorney Code. 21762 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices	TRUSTEE FOR THE CER- TIFICATE HOLDERS CWALT, INC. ALTERNA- TIVE LOAN TRUST 2005- NORT ACE	cago, Illinois 60610. (312) 670- 6900. INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION	í.
		Defendants. 08 CH 834	Perior liens. If ony. The prop- erty is offered 'as is.' with no express or implied warran- tles and without any repre- isentation as to the auglity of	(815) 806-8200, INTERCOUNTY JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION Selling Officer. (312) 444-1122	Act. you are advised that Plaintiff's attorney is deemed to be a debt collector attempt- ing to collect a debt and any information obtained will be	THROUGH CERTIFICATES. SERIES 2005-86CB. Plaintliff V.	Selling Officer. (312) 444-1122 (11103) Published In Pioneer Press	t t
	Buying or	given that pursuant to a Judg- ment of the above Court en- tered in the above entitled cause on April 30, 2008. The	title or recourse to Plaintiff. Prospective bidders are ad- monished to review the court file to verify all information.	Published in Ploneer Press 7/24. 7/31. 8/7/08 (1606338) C	used for that purpose. 1107191 Published In Pioneer Press 7/10, 7/17, 7/24/08 (1601369) C	LILIANA REPTA: JULIAN REPTA: MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRA- TION SYSTEMS. INC., AS		F.
Norridge FSBO 5036 North Knight. Updated 3BR 1½BA Brk Ranch. Eat-in klt w/sit-	Selling,	Judicial Sales Corporation will at 10:30 a.m. on August 25. 2008 in its office at One South Wacker Drive. 24th	Clerk. Fisher and Shapiro, 4201 Lake Cook Rd., 1st floor, Northbrook. Illinois 60062. (847) 498-9990. between 1:00	MORTON GROVE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY.	MORTON GROVE	COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS. INC Defendants 08 CH 1071	Norfhbrook, Illinois 60062. (847) 49990. between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. weekdays only. 197271 Published In Pioneer Press 7/17.7724.7731/08 (1604530)C MORTON GROVE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY. ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION NATIONAL CITY BANK. SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST VIA MERGER TO MID AMERICA BANK FSB. A UNITED STATES CORPO- RATION: Plaintlif. VS. EVA AYALA: FRANCISCO J. AYALA: FRANCISCO J. AYALA: FRANCISCO J. AYALA: UNKNOWN OWNERS NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE Is hereby given that pursuant to a Judg- ment of Foreclosure entered in the above entilled cause on April 29.2008. Intercounty Ju- dicial Sales Corporation will on Tuesday. August 26.2008. at the hour of 11 a.m. in their office at 120 West Madison Street. Suite 718A. Chicago. Illinois. sell to the highest bid- der for cash. the following de- scribed mortgaged real es- tate: Commonly Known as 7906 Central Ave Morton Grove. IL 60053. P.I.N. 10-29-207-010. The Improvement on the property consists of a single family residence consisting of a living room. dining room. Kitchen. family room. four bedrooms and four and one- half bathrooms with a built-In two car garage. Sale ferms: Bidder's must present. of the time of sale. a cashier's or certified circle check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar NITE Property will NOT be open for Inspection. For Information. call Mr. Francis. J. Pendergas JII of Plaintiff. NORRIDGE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CONLY MORTGAGE FUNDING INC. Plaintiff. V. Selling Officer. (312) 444-1122 INTIEC COUNTY JUDICIAL STALE COUNTY JUDICIAL STALE COUNTY JUDICIAL STALE COUNTY JUDICIAL STALE COUNTY JUDICIAL STALE COUNTY JUDICIAL STALE COUNTY DEPARTMENT. CHANCERY DIVISION GREENPOINT MORTGAGE FUNDING. INC. Plaintiff. V. SULLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT. CHANCERY DIVISION GREENPOINT MORTGAGE FUNDING. INC. Plaintiff. V. AUGUST MID STALE COUNT OF COUNT MORTAGE CONT ST	
fin, filed bsmt w/ kit. Pennoyer School, \$449,000 (773)837-8079	Pioneer	nois 60606, sell at public auc- tion to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real peo	p.m. and 3:00 p.m. weekdays only. 198945 Published in Ploneer Press	ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT- CHANCERY DIVISION	OF COOK COUNTY. ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION	NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Fisher and Shapiro file # 07-8768D	GREENPOINT MORTGAGE FUNDING. INC. Plaintliff.	3 22
Ma . CAV	Classified	tate: Permanent Index Number: 10-35-302-046-0000 Property Address: 3875 Pratt	LINCOLNWOOD	AL TRUST COMPANY. AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-7	RESIDENTIAL FUNDING COMPANY, LLC Plaintiff. -v	un is advised that interested parties consult with their own attorneys before bidding at mortgage foreclosure sales.)	JAN SROLL. et al Defendants 08 CH 642	
	is the place	Were concomwood, 12 60/12 The real estate is improved with a single family resi- dence. The judgment amount was	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY. ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT.	-V- MYUNG SOON KIM, et al Defendants	PANAGIOTIS SAKELLARIADIS A/K/A PANAGIOTIS SAKELARIADIS. et al	PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judg- ment of Foreclosure entered on April 30, 2008. Kallen Real-	NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and	•
Park Ridge Open Sun 1-3pm	for you!	\$449.933.13 Sale terms: The bid amount shall be paid in cash immedi- ately by the highest and best	CHANCERY DIVISION	07 CH 38087 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE 1S HERE- BY GIVEN that pursuant to a	97 CH 33692 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN that pursuant to a	Ty Services, Inc., as Selling Official will at 12:30 p.m. on August 13, 2008, at 205 W. Randolph Street, Suite 1020. Chicago, Illingis sell at out-	sale entered in the above cause on April 29, 2008, an agent of The Judicial Sales Corporation will at 10:30 AM on August 21, 2008, at the of-	
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	(847)	said real estate and is offered for sale without any represen- tation as to quality or quanti- ty of title and without re-	INC., F/K/A MERITECH MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC., AS ITS ATTORNEY IN-FACT, ASSIGNEE OF	on August 12, 2008, at the of- fice of The Judiclal Sales Cor- poration. One South Wacker Drive - 24th Floor, CHICAGO.	on August 8, 2008, at the of- fice of The Judicial Sales Cor- poration. One South Wacker Drive- 24th Elever Chicago	C/K/A 5722 LYONS STREET, MORTON GROVE, IL 60053, TAX ID NO. 10-17- 221-006 The montgraged roal estate	tion to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate : Commonly known as 4841 N.	
Park Ridge Prime location, near park and grade school. Major structrual repair or teardown.	998-3400	further subject to confirma- tion by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchase	AKGENI MORTGAGE COMPANY, L.L.C., Plaintiff, vs, MARGARET I, KHIO	tion to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:	1L. 60606. sell at public auc- tion to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:	Is improved with a dwelling. The property will NOT be open for inspection. The judgment amount was	IL 60706 Property Index No. 12-12-323- 016 The real estate is improved	<b>1</b> 後1 (1) (1)
847-698-0176	CLASSIFIED	shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the re- al estate after confirmation of	Defendants. 07 CH 38402 NOT ICE OF SALE	FERRIS AVENUE UNIT #4 Morton Grove, IL 60053 Property Index No, 10-20-112 055-1004	Commonly known as 9343 SAYRE AVENUE. MORTON GROVE. IL 60053 Property Index No. 10-18- 120-004-0000	\$334.471.66. Sale terms: 10% of successful bid immediately at conclusion of auction, bal- ance by noon the next busi-	Defendants 08 CH 642 NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERE- BY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered In the above cause on April 29. 2008. an agent of The Judicial Sales Con August 21. 2008. ot the of- fice of The Judicial Sales Cor- portation. One South Wacker Drive -24th Floor. CH (CAGO. IL. 6066. sell at public auc- tion to the highest bidder. as sel forth below, the following described real estate: Commonly known as 4841 N. OPAL AVENUE, Norridge. IL 60706 Property Index No. 12-12-323- 016 The real estate is improved with a single family resi- dence. The ludgment amount was \$336.881.66. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction: the	, ,
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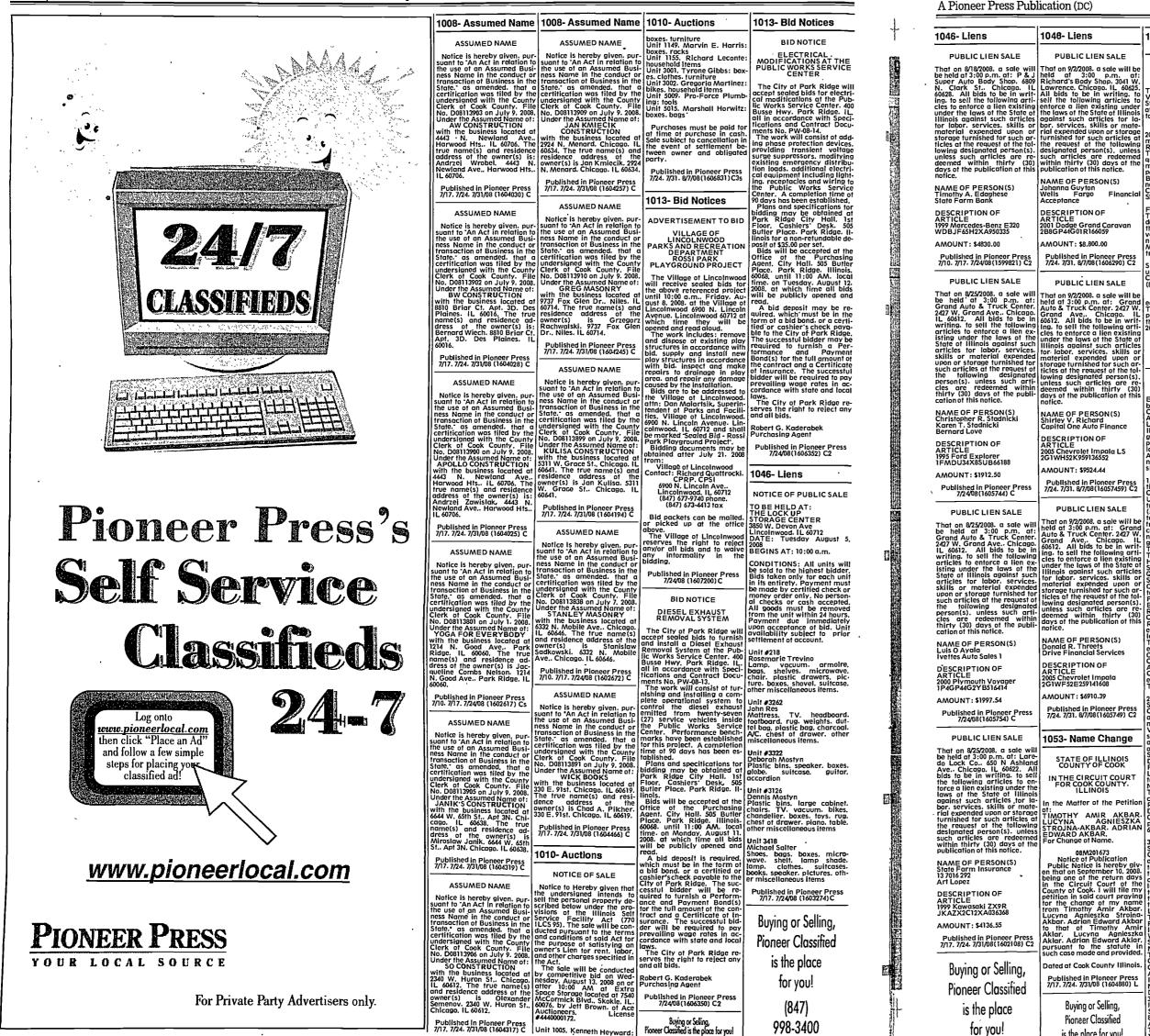
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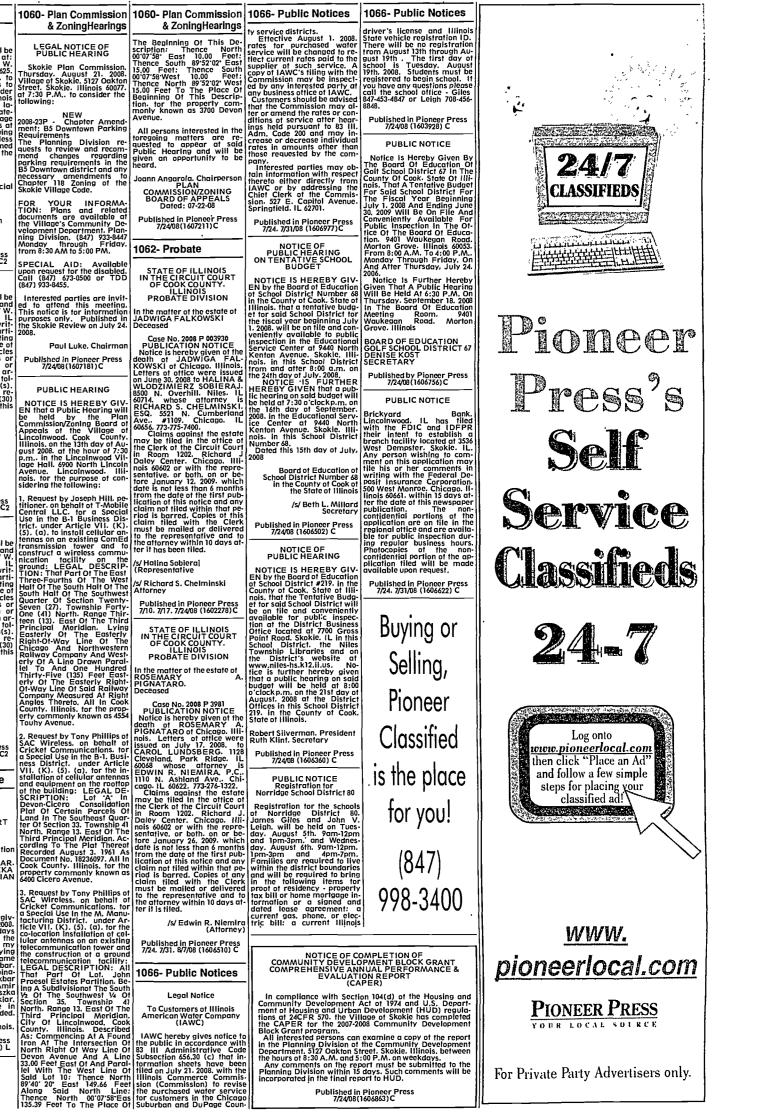
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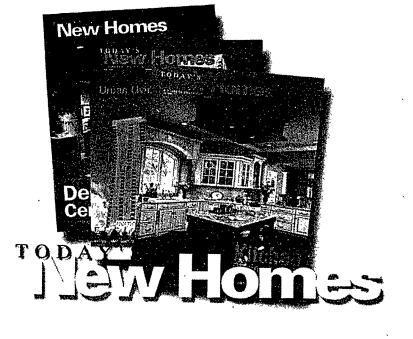
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David Kwon of Park Ridge follows through with a drive at the Park Ridge Golf Range as the clouds roll in.

# **Oakton Driving Range a 'hidden gem' of Park Ridge**

of a hidden gem," said Scott Yopchick, the range's golf pro. "The people here are great and it's a great location."

"I like it because it's kind

Yopchick leads classes for the Park Ridge Recreation and Park District and also offers private lessons to golfers. In addition to the 29 artificial turf stalls and driving area, the range boasts a putting green and a sand trap.

"It's great, it gives every-

one a chance to do something different," Yopchick said. "There's quite a few people that go over and hack around in the sand."

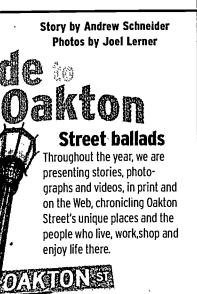
Or patrons of the nearby batting cages, ice rink or pool at the Oakton Sports

Complex might decide to check out the range. "A lot of people say, they're next to a driving range, let's take the kids and try it out," Yopchick

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Sometimes things go well at the range and sometimes they don't.

## PEEK AT THE WEEK

#### DEADLINES

Submissions for Community Calendar are required 10 days preceding the date of publication. Send to: Nicole Wagner, Managing Editor, Pioneer Press, 130 S. Prospect Avenue, Park Ridge IL 60068. Information may be faxed to (847) 696-3229 or emailed to nwagner@pioneerlocal.com.

#### BENEFITS

From noon to 5 p.m. July 26, supporters, families, and friends will join at Arlington Park Race Track for WINGS' Annual Day at the Races. The day of live racing will commemorate the life of Cindy Bischof and provide support to WINGS to assist women and children fleeing domestic violence. Michael Bischof, co-president of the foundation, will kick-off the event with an opening address about legislation that will make a huge impact in the race to end domestic violence. Live-racing, a lavish buffet, open bar, silent auction and raffle complete the day. Tickets can be purchased online at www.wingsprogram.com or by contacting WINGS administrative offices at (847) 908-0910, Ext. 221. The organization is currently working to pass the Cindy Bischof Bill, which passed unanimously in the Illinois House and Senate. The bill calls for tougher enforcement for domestic violence offenders through the implementation of the "Cindy Bracelet" program — a GPS monitoring system to be worn by violators of orders of protection. To learn more about the bill. visit www.cindysmemorial.org.

#### **CENTER OF CONCERN**

The Center of Concern, 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge, (847) 823-0453, Calendar of events includes:

Mondays through July-28 — Nutrition support group, 10 a.m.

Wednesdays through July 30 — Employment counseling, by appointment

Wednesday, July 30 -Grief and loss support group (call first).

July 26 - Blood-pressure and blood-sugar testing, 10 a.m. to noon (no appointment needed).

#### Center tax counselors

are available to help eligible residents apply for Illinois Circuit Breaker property-tax relief grants and license-plate discounts. Illinois Cares Rx (prescription-drug assistance), the senior citizen real estate tax deferral, and the senior citizen tax-assessment freeze.

#### **Employment** counseling and preparation of simple wills and durable powers of attorney for health care and property also are available by appointment.

#### Support groups for

Alzheimer's caregivers, those suffering from grief and loss, and seniors seeking to improve their nutrition are available at the Center of Concern in Park Ridge. The center also offers affordable personal counseling to adults of all ages. For more information call center social worker Myrna Fogarty, (847) 823-0453. The center is at 1580 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 310, Park Ridge. The center also offers housing counseling for seniors and others seeking affordable housing, programs designed to prevent homelessness, in-home health care referrals, friendly visitors for the homebound and volunteer opportunities in the office and in the field.

COMMUNITY

Avenues to Indepen-

**dence** will hold a sale at its

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W. Touhy Ave., Chicago.

The sale will be from 10

a.m. to 5 p.m. July 25 and

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#### said.

At least one patron on a recent Friday was glad that the facilities are combined: Al Hain, of Chicago, brought his two sons, Chris, 15, and Tim. 19, to the sports complex. Chris loves golf and scores in the low 90s while Tim took a few extra "practice" swings at the driving range and would prefer to spend more time at the batting cages.

"We did the batting cages first, the (Chris) and I go golfing," Hain said. "Everybody's got to be happy."

Hain said that he and his sons come to Park Ridge from Chicago because the suburb has better facilities.

"Park Ridge has the best facilities for whatever you're doing," he said. "It's head and shoulders above what we have in Chicago.' Stan Aley of Niles comes

to the Oakton Driving Range to stay loose, be-

clude dishes, flatware, clothing, jewelry, toys, books and games. The annex offers sofas, chairs, tables, artwork, dressers. bookcases, lamps, dining sets and carpets. All proceeds benefit Avenues to Independence, a nonprofit organization which provides residential and employment programs for adults with developmental disabilities. For more information contact Ann Marie Ehrlich, (847) 292-0870. ext. 108.

#### CRAFTS

**Community Presbyter**ian Church, 407 N. Main St., Mount Prospect, will host a Fall Arts & Crafts Festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 4. Indoor tables are \$35 each or \$60 for two. Outdoor spaces are \$45 for a 15-foot by 15-foot space. Tables are not included for outdoor spaces. Crafters may contact the church office, (847) 392-3111, or e-mail

info@cpchurch.org to re-

quest an application. Applications are due by Sept.

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#### St. Thecla Women's

**Council** is looking for crafters with handmade items for its 2008 Arts & Craft Show to be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 18 in Falcon Hall, located across the parking lot from the church at 6725 W. Devon Ave., Chicago. Spaces (8-feet by 8-feet) are available for \$45. Tables and electricity are available for an extra fee. Reservations are being accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Deadline for reservations is Sept. 18. For applications or information, call Rita at (773) 792-2189, or Bernie at (773) 774-6897.

The Holiday Boutique in Park Ridge, sponsored by the Center of Concern, requests participation at its Boutique and Craft show which will be from noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 18 and Oct. 19 at St. Andrews Lutheran Church, 280 N. Northwest

Highway, Park Ridge. Space rental ranges from \$20 to \$80, in addition to 10 percent of sales. Contact Jenine, (847) 823-0920 (evenings), or leave name, address and phone number to have an application sent

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and try it out."

#### Wright College is seeking artists and crafters for its annual indoor Craft Fair from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 7 at the college, 4300 N. Narragansett Ave., Chicago. Tables for this noadmission fair range from \$65 to \$100. Wright's Center for Lifelong Learning sponsors the fair. Deadline for reserving a booth is Aug. 1. Tables will be assigned on a "first-appliedfor, first-assigned" basis. For more information, contact Mary Dicks at (773) 481-8914. Also, a vendor application is on Wright's Web site: wright.ccc.edu.

Applications are available for Resurrection High School's fall Arts and Craft Fair scheduled for 10 a.m.

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The Annual Knights of Columbus Council 4338 will host its Steak-Fry Aug. 23. This year's dinner, complete with salad, baked potato and corn-amber fluid or wine and dessert will cost \$20 per person, widows and widowers discounted to \$16. The dinner will be held at St. John **Brebeuf** Parish Ministry Center, 8305 N. Harlem

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Maine Township Regular Republican Organization will hold its annual miniature-golf fund-raiser from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. July 24 at Mountain View Mine course, located at Prairie Lakes Park, 515 E. Thacker St., Des Plaines. Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$25 per couple; \$5 for anyone younger than 18; children younger than 6 are free. Tickets include unlimited golf and a picnic dinner. Event and hole sponsorships are available, as well as an ad book. Proceeds will be used to fund the

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get-out-the-vote efforts for the fall campaign by the organization. For tickets or information contact Committeeman Mark Thompson, (847) 824-8350.

#### HEALTH

**Resurrection Medical** Center, 7435 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago, will offer the following health programs:

For those having a hard time losing weight or who are inexplicably losing weight rapidly, a thyroid screening will take place from 8 to 10 a.m. July 28. There is a \$10 fee for lab test. Test results will be mailed. Advance registration is required by calling 1-877-737-4636.

Allergist Dr. Mark Miller will discuss various types of allergies such as bee stings, food allergies and asthma on July 31 from 7 to 8 p.m. A question and answer session will follow this free lecture. Advance registration is required by calling 1-877-737-4636.

Children ages 8 to 14

and their parents can participate in the Family Fitness Camp held every Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m. in the ClubRes Fitness Center located in the Professional Building, entrance B, ground floor. This program focuses on family nutrition, exercise and general health and fitness. Weekly attendance is encouraged but not mandatory. A card system will allow the purchase of 10 classes (\$50) or 20 classes (\$80) to be used at anytime for up to one year. Advance registration is required by calling 1-877-737-4636.

Yoga is not only a great natural way to conquer stress but also a healthy way to relax. It improves the body physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. Classes meet at Resurrection Medical Center Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$8 per class or purchase a class card (10 classes/\$75) Call the Health Manage-

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A perusal of the drink

winter." Gonzalez said.

menu at Fuego crystal-

fruit margaritas, fruit

martinis, fruit mojitos.

fruit twists on the Brazil-

ian rum drink, the caipir-

inhia and fruit-loaded san-

The idea, he said, is to

"A lot of people are just

margarita with a mix they

bend diner's impressions.

used to a Jose Cuervo

buy at the store. But

when you give them

he explained.

ber margarita.

and Cointreau.

drink.

The 'aah' factor

something using fresh

fruit, they are amazed,"

Most amazing, per-

haps, is a margarita made

from a fruit that over-

whelms many suburban

countertops in midsum-

mer. Yes, it's the cucum-

"It's very refreshing,"

he said of the drink which

liquor mezcal (or mescal)

For Todd Gunderson.

director of operations at

Maya Del Sol in Oak Park,

refreshment should be the

goal of any summertime

"The most important

thing is that it be nice and

refreshing. It needs to be

something that quenches

your thirst and leaves you

combines seeded and

blended cucumber with

the lesser-know agave

lizes the point. There are



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5 pieces star anise

lemon (zest and juice)

Pinch of salt

Place all the ingredients (except the

vanilla extract, if using) in a non-reac-

tive medium pot. Boil uncovered, stir-

ring occasionally, for 10 - 15 minutes.

until cherries are soft and the mixture

Strain through a fine mesh sieve.

pressing as much juice out as possible

Return to the stove over low heat and

allow to cook at a low simmer until re-

duced by half. The syrup should heavily

coat a spoon when done. (If using ex-

tract, add after removing from heat.)

Syrup can be stored in refrigerator

For soda

Shaved ice.

Club soda

Lime wedge

Add shaved ice to a glass. Spoon

Allow to cool before storing.

thickens slightly.

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at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 6.

#### Niles Public Library will

relive the era of the 1969 Woodstock Music Festival with its Rock Documentary Series featuring music films from the 1970s, complete with insight from Pat Wilsey, educator, musician and rock 'n' roll fanatic for more than 40 years. Head to the Niles Public Library for one of these shows. At 2 p.m. Aug. 9: "The Filth and the Fury: A Sex Pistols Film." winner of Chicago Film Critics Association 2001 Best Documentary. charting the rise and fall of the band that changed rock music. Registration is required. This series is "A Night at the Oscars early Registration Punch Card" qualifier and part of the free seat-cushion giveaway.

The Go Club for ages 6 to 12 usually meets the first and third Saturdays of each month on a drop-in basis.

#### Read a great book aloud, enter its writer's imagination and talk about it with others. Join the Niles Public Library for a Flash Fiction Break, where you may come to listen or bring a story to read. Flash/Sudden Fiction Break will be at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 5 and 1 p.m. Aug. 9. Reading is limited to 15 minutes per story. Refreshments will be provided.

## "Benjamin Franklin, in

Search of a Better World," an exhibit, will be displayed from Oct. 15 to Dec. 5 at Niles Public Library, with special programs and events for both children and adults. The exhibit is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association.

## MAINE TOWNSHIP

#### Maine Township's FISH

(Friends Indeed Serve and Help) is in need of volunteer drivers to provide residents free transportation



BRIAN O'MAHONEY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Juan Luis Gonzalez, executive chef at the Fuego Mexican Grill & Margarita Bar, holds one of his Mojitos.

with a nice flavor. In the summertime that usually means something that revolves around some kind of fresh fruit," he said.

That, he said, is why all of his restaurant's fruit-inspired drinks use only fresh fruits and fresh fruit iuices.

"If you use a concentrate it dilutes the quality and the intensity of the flavor. We prefer to spend a little more money and get a higher quality produet."

One way to extend the life of fresh fruit flavors and add an extra complexity to cocktails, Gonzalez and Gunderson agreed, is to infuse fruit flavors into liquor.

To do this, Gonzalez said, "You take the tequila (or other liquor) and put it into a jar with the fruit for three weeks."

When pairing summer drinks, Gonzalez recommends starting up the grill.

"You can grill seafood, you can grill meat, if you grill anything out it makes a good complement to a summer drink," he recommended.

Not all summer drinks require a 21-or-up identification.

"I think of alcoholic drinks and non-alcoholic

combinations with seasonal fruits and I think of things like floats and milkshakes." **Blended bliss** Though people may think making shakes and smoothies is complicated. "It's really not." she said.

drinks, because not every-

one drinks," said Marv

McMahon, pastry chef

and culinary director at

Evanston. "So, as a pastry

chef. I think of fun flavor

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bet, sorbet, frozen fruit) and half of your thinning ingredient (yogurt, milk, fruit juice. water). McMahon even makes

making sodas.

and pair that up with ice cream in the summer."

the farmer's market, to see what looks good, then to go home and experiment

"Don't be afraid to exflavor combinations," she said.

#### Cucumber Margarita

This unusually refreshing drink is adapted from the recipe used at Fuego Mexican Grill and Margarita Bar, Arlington Heights. Chef Gonzalez recommends infusing the mezcal with cucumber for at least 10 days.

11/2 oz. mezcal 1/2 oz. Cointreau (an orange liqueur) oz. cucumber juice (made by peeling, seeding and blending cucumber pieces with a little water) 3 oz. Margarita mix

Shake and serve over ice in a margarita glass.

Sour Cherry Soda

A non-alcoholic summer drink from Now We're Cooking, Evanston

"If you have a blender the possibilities are endless. All you need is a formula."

McMahon suggests a starting formula of half of your thickening ingredient (ice cream, fruit, sher-

her own fruit syrups for

"I make a cherry soda

Her advice, to anyone willing to try, is to head to

periment with flavors and

for 6 to 8 weeks. For syrup: 4 C sour cherries, washed and pitted. 3/4 C sugar 1/4 C water syrup over ice to taste. Pour soda over 1/4 vanilla bean, split and scraped to remove seeds (or 1 tsp. vanilla extract) ice and syrup. Serve with a wedge of 1 cinnamon stick lime.



ety of fruity drinks, including, (front to back:) the Molito, *La Granadita*, and Cucumber Margarita or *Margarita de* pepino.

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details.

Parent-Child Golf will take

place at Tam O'Shanter Golf

Course on Aug. 3. This is an

opportunity for children 7

years and older to have an

enjoyable experience with

the game of golf. Lunch is in-

cluded in the fee of \$55 per to medical facilities in and near Maine Township. Volcouple for residents and \$65 unteers may choose how per couple for nonresidents much time they wish to de-(gas carts are not included in vote. Requirements include the fee). Tee times start at 11 a current drivers license a.m. To register, come to the and proof of auto insur-Howard Leisure Center, 6676 ance. The program re-W. Howard St., or call (847) quires residents in need be 967-6633 for more details. mobile, or be able to use a Niles Park District is ofcane or walker. FISH also fering Drama Classes for asks that appointments be youth this summer. Sumset three or more days in

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2510, ext. 283.

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Niles Park District offers

free family concerts at Oak

Park. Main and Ottawa

streets, on Friday evenings.

Children's entertainment be-

gins at 6:30 p.m. with the

main stage performances at

7:30 p.m. - July 25: Mike

Mauthe (magic and juggling

show); ABBA Tribute. Aug.

1: Dan Lemonnier (songs

and storytelling); Lesley By-

ers & The Jazz Cats. Aug. 8:

Ken Schultz ("The Flying

Fool"); Soul Cookin' (soul

field trip, swimming,

mer Theatre Camp I, ages 6 to 8. will run July 28 to Aug. 1. During this one-week camp, participants will learn every aspect of theatre while putting on a play. They will act, sing, and create set, prop and costume designs. Summer Theatre Camp II, ages 9 to 14, will run Aug. 11 to 15. Students will practice acting, singing, dancing and create a set. All drama students will then present a final play or skit at the end of their sessions. Registration is being accepted at Howard Leisure Center. For more information, call (847) 967-6633.

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#### Sign up for the second session of summer camp. A wide variety of summercamp programs for 3-yearolds through incoming eighth-graders are offered. Stop by the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St., to register. Campers will enjoy swimming at the new Oasis Fun Center, weekly field trips, arts, crafts and sports. Call (847) 967-6633 for more information.

Relive old memories at the Park District's annual Classic Cruisers Car Shows which will take place every Thursday night, weather permitting from 7 to 9 p.m. at Pioneer Park, 7135 N. Harlem Ave.

#### Family Fun Nights at Pioneer Park, 7135 N.

Harlem Ave., are at 5 p.m. every Friday. The \$5-perperson fee includes a round of miniature golf, a batting-cage token, and a hot dog and small drink for each family member. Call (847) 583-2746 for more information.

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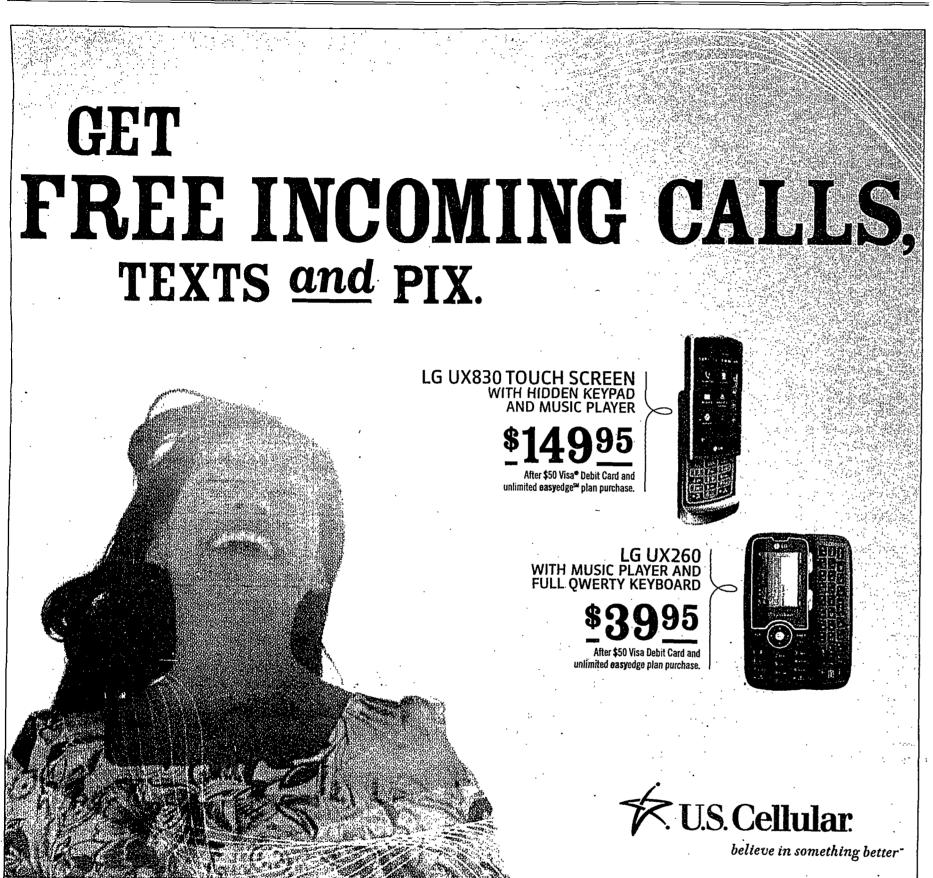
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and Motown). Aug. 15: Chuck Field (ventriloquism); 215 West (Rhythm and blues, classic rock, disco, blues). Aug. 22: Jeff Bibik (magic and comedy); Final Say (rock 'n' roll to today's hits). A mini-session of camp is available for children in kindergarten through sixth grade and will include a

sports, games and crafts. Registration is required. The two week session will begin Aug. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The camps will be held at the Oasis Fun Center. 7877 Milwaukee Ave. Campers should bring a swimsuit, towel and a sack lunch with beverage daily. To register, come to the Howard Leisure Center, 6676 W. Howard St., or call (847) 967-6633 for more



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#### Allan R. Serstad

A memorial service was held July 17 at St. Philip Lutheran Church. 1609 Pfingsten Road, Glenview, for Allen R. Serstad. The 80-year-old Glenview resident died Saturday in Watersmeet, Mich

Born March 31, 1928, in Stoughton, Wis., he graduated in 1953 from the Uni-

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is taking registrations for: Summer Camp for kindergarten through sixth-graders. Treat your child to a summer of sports and games, arts and crafts, science and cooking projects, special events, field trips and swimming. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Before- and aftercamp child care is also

Preschool. Sign up now for the fall 2008 semester. Early registration is urged. A five-day morning program and four-day afternoon program are offered for children turning 4years old by Sept. 1.

For more information visit one of the Park District offices, Feldman Recreation Center, 8800 Kathy Lone (one block south of Golf Road on Western Avenue), Niles; or Dee Park, at the corner of Dee and Emerson Roads. Des Plaines; or call (847) 297-3000.

## RELIGION

Theology on Tap, a summer speaker series exclusively for people in their 20s and 30s continues at St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church, 320 S. Washington St., Park Ridge. Programs are at 7:15 p.m. in Mother Cabrini Prayer Garden (rain location is the Morello Parish Life Center). Pizza and beverages are served. July

## **OBITUARY**

leisure, enjoying traveling between Glenview and Army Air Corps from 1946 South Padre Island, but especially loving his time spent at the cabin in Miss & Mr. Shops in Niles, Michigan's Upper Penin-Northbrook, Deerfield, Elk ຣາງໄລ

> Survivors include: his wife, Marian (nee Moe); two daughters, Karen (Jimmy) Elkins and Kristin (Joe) Haffner; five grandchildren, Cody and Nick Elkins and Haleigh,

Harte and Hunter Haffner; a sister, Alice (Robert) Hansen; a nephew, Neale Hansen; and a niece. Kirsten Hansen.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Philip Lutheran Church, 1609 Pfingsten Road, Glenview IL 60025, or the Salvation Army, 5040 N. Pulaski, Chicago IL 60630.

available. Register early.

in the World of Work," by Cook County Judge Paul Biebel: Aug. 5: "The Quest for Happily-Ever-After," with Dr. Kelly Schilder Ray, clinical psychologist. For more information contact Kelly Heus, (847) 692-6025, or e-mail kellyheus@vahoo.com.

versity of Wisconsin. Mr.

to 1949, and was founder

Grove Village and Round

Lake Beach. He served on

the Board of Directors of

Golf-Mill State Bank and

was a mason for 50 years.

retired in 1986 to a life of

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According to family, he

and co-owner of Little

Serstad served in the U.S.

#### REUNIONS

The Class of '73, St. Paul of the Cross School, Park Ridge, will hold a 35year reunion at 7 p.m. Aug. 9 at St. Paul of the Cross Parish Life Center, Northwest Highway and Washington Street, Park Ridge. The cost is \$40; teachers are free. For reservations or more information call Luke Atwood, (847) 368-0561

Immaculate Conception

School on Talcott Avenue in Chicago is establishing an Alumni Association. In preparation for its 100thanniversary celebration the school is searching for its missing alumni. If you attended Immaculate Conception School or know someone who did, e-mail ICalumni@icparish.net, or call the rectory, (773) 775-3833. Alumni who prefer to reach the association by mail are encouraged to send their first, maiden or last name, phone number, e-mail address, the year in which they graduated, along with their favorite IC memory and favorite IC teacher, to: IC Alumni Association, c/o Immaculate Conception Parish, 7211 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago IL 60631. Submissions may also be dropped off at the IC Parish Rectory during normal business hours or after Masses on Sunday. An All-Class Reunion is planned for Oct. 4: details will be available at a later date

#### St. Vincent de Paul

School (Kenmore Avenue in Chicago) is planning an all-class reunion of alumni and friends Oct. 5 at the Des Plaines Elks Lodge. For more information email

stvincentreunion@aol.com. or call Barbara LaSpesa, (847) 390-0088.

Taft High School Class of 1978 will hold a 30th Reunion Aug. 16 in Colletti's 5707 N. Central Ave., Chicago. A cocktail reception will start at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7:30 and entertainment, dancing and Trivia contest beginning at 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$75 per person via PayPal (details to follow). For more information, contact tafths.30threunion@yahoo.com. classmates.com or rreunion.com.

Taft High School, class of June 1959, will hold a 50th reunion Sept. 24-27, 2009. For more information contact Larry Marsh at fairseas2u@cox.net, or (703) 444-6255; Pat Santell Lutz, patlutz@comcast.net, or (847) 259-0120); or Kent Meyer; carolekent@accelplus.net, (765) 362-9262). See also www.taftreunion1959.com.

#### The Maine South High School Class of 1988 is looking for classmates for a 20th reunion in July. To

receive an invitation, send mailing address information to Mary Gabriel Mac-Gabhann at mmacgabhann@yahoo.com.

Tilton (GW) Elementary

School Chicago will hold its annual Reunion Picnic on Sept. 6. St. Mel's "kids" are welcome and encouraged to attend. For anyone interested, or who knows the whereabouts of others. e-mail tiltonelementary@hotmail.com, or call Pat, (815) 788-0905

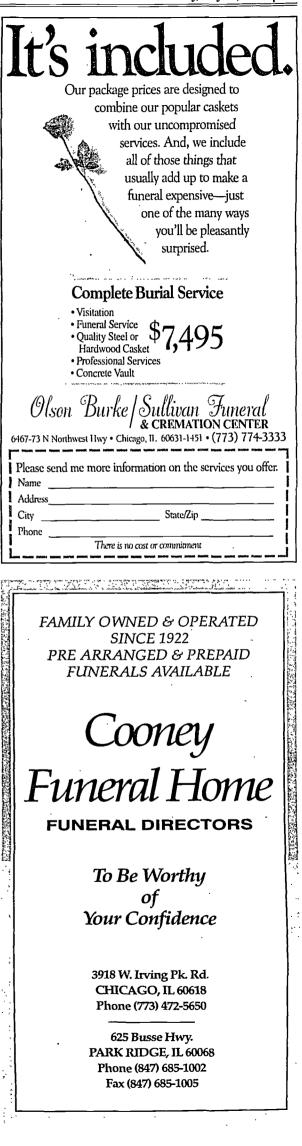
Wildwood School classes of 1959 will be celebrating their 50th reunion in June 2009. January and June graduating classes will be included, as well as people who were classmates sometime between kindergarten and eighth grade, but moved away before graduation. For more information e-mail wildwood09@gmail.com, or call Kathy Anderson Walsh, (773) 775-5011.

The Lane Tech Century Foundation is planning a 100-Year Celebration Oct. 18 at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare. The event will commemorate 100 years of educational excellence with a dinner and entertainment. For more information call Lane Tech High School, (773) 534-5400, Ext. 45661, or e-mail mmgrubich@cps.edu.

St. Patrick High School announces it will host class reunions in 2008 on the following dates: Class of 1963, Sept. 27; Class of

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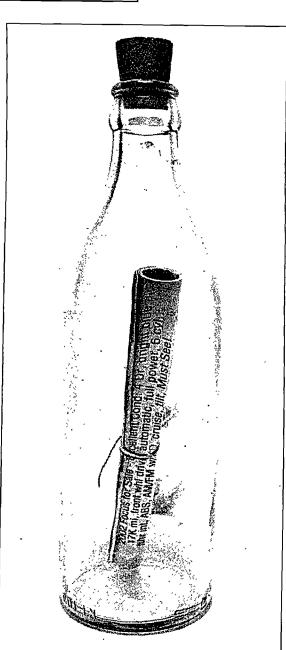
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1968, Sept. 27; Class of 1983, Oct. 4; Class of 1973, Oct. 18; Class of 1978, Oct. 18. Reunions are in the Lowell I. Stahl Cultural Centre at Saint Patrick High School. Anyone interested in becoming a reunion representative is asked to contact Jeff Ardito, (773) 282-9563, or jardito@stpatrick.org.

## MAINE SENIORS

The Maine Township MaineStreamers program offers a variety of opportunities for residents 55 and older. Membership includes a free subscription to the MaineStreamers monthly newsletter, which details activities for the upcoming month. Most activities are at Maine Town Hall, 1700 Ballard Road. Park Ridge, unless otherwise noted. For information contact the MaineStreamers, (847) 297-2510, or go to www. Mainetownship.com.

Bring the children on an Intergenerational trip to

Noble Horse Theatre and Lincoln Park Zoo from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 25. Participants will start at Rock 'n' Roll McDonald's for lunch, then head to the Noble Horse Theatre for a performance of "Quadrille," watching the horses perform stunts, then on to the Lincoln Park Zoo. The cost is \$25 for children; \$35, adults. All day trips depart from Golf Mill Shopping Center in Niles.

A Trip to Fort Atkinson, Wis., to see "The Rock and the Rabbi" is planned from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Aug. 15. The music sets the stage as Simon, a simple fisherman, draws audiences of all ages into his story. Lunch will be served before the show and features chopped salad, roasted New York strip sirloin of beef, mushroom flan, scalloped potatoes, asparagus spears, and banana crème brulee. Cost is \$79

for members; \$84, guests. All Day Trips depart from Golf Mill Shopping Center in Niles.

**SENIOR CENTER** 

The Niles Senior Center

offers free membership to

Niles residents age 62 and

Only center members may

older, and their spouses.

register for classes or

trips, or purchase tickets.

Drop by the Niles Senior

Center, 999 Civic Center

Drive, Niles, or call (847)

588-8420, for an applica-

The Laughter Club, facil-

itated by Om Johari, "Cer-

tified Laughter Leader,"

meets from 10:30 a.m. to

11:15 a.m. the second and

fourth Mondays of each

month. Research shows

laughter has health and so-

cial benefits. Call the cen-

ter for more information

The social Scrabble

every Friday in Room 231,

and welcomes participants.

Thunderbird Singles will

feature a dance party with

Meetup.com at 8 p.m. July

25 in the Hyatt Woodfield,

Schaumburg. Admission is

\$7. Call (847) 604-3446 for

North Shore Singles

will host a dance at 6 p.m.

1070 S. Milwaukee Ave.,

Wheeling. Admission is

The Single Gourmet will

enjoy brunch at Sixteen in

Wabash Ave., Chicago. Re-

\$8. Call (847) 604-6518

for information.

Trump Tower, 401 N.

ception will begin at 11

a.m., with brunch at 11:30.

Cost is \$99. Call (773) 772-

Crohn's & Colitis Foun-

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9:30 p.m. every third

St., Room 1063, Park

meets from 7:30 p.m. to

Thursday of the month at

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July 27 in the 94th Aero

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1800 E. Golf Road.

more information

**group** meets at 10 a.m.

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tion.

A day trip to see the Dancing Horses at Delevan, Wis., will be from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Aug. 24, and features an array of horse breeds that perform alongside trainers with a backdrop of lights and fountains. A buffet lunch is included. Participants also may visit the Baby Animal Barn and the wildlife zoo. The cost is \$73 for members; \$78, guests. All day trips depart from Golf Mill Shopping Center in Niles.

Maine Township is asking for assistance in locating good, reliable handymen in the area. If you know of someone and would like to submit a name, contact Therese Tully, (847) 297-2510, Ext. 260, and she will forward a form to complete.

Maine Township, in cooperation with the Cook County Sheriff's Office, is collecting used cell phones to be converted for emergency 911 use for seniors. Donate phones at Maine Town Hall.

#### **SENIORS**

Retired adults who want to continue learning are invited to attend the Lifelong Learning Institute's Open House from 1 to 4 p.m. July 31 at National-Louis University's third floor Public Forum Room, 5202 Old Orchard Road, in Skokie. The Lifelong Learning Institute is a peer-led, non-traditional educational and social program covering two 15-week semesters and two fiveweek winter and summer sessions during the year. At the July 31 Open House, participants will have an opportunity to discover the wide variety of classes, social events and "edventures" to be offered this fall, as well meeting and interacting with current participants. For further information, contact Joan Marks at (224) 233-2366 or www.nl.edu/lifelonglearning.

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coping more effectively with the illness. For more information call (847) 827-0404

#### **The National Alliance**

for Mental Illness Cook County North Suburban holds monthly support groups for caregivers of children with mental illness, diagnosed or undiagnosed. Groups meet 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. the second Thursday of each month except August at Kenilworth Union Church, 211 Kenilworth Ave., Kenilworth, and 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. the third Friday of each month except August at Wilmette Public Library, 1242 Wilmette Ave., Wilmette. Groups are run by NAMI-trained facilitators and are confidential. Parents of a child suffering from school phobia, sleep disturbances, friendship difficulties, keeping it together at school but falling apart at home, rages, depression, smoking, drugs. anxiety or eating disorders are invited to share and seek help and understanding from other parents. For more information call (847) 716-2252, or go to namiccns.org.

**Resurrection Medical** Center sponsors a variety of free cancer-support groups for both patients and their family members. All support groups are free and meet in the Cancer Conference Room (ground floor, Entrance C). For more information contact Carol Flanagan, (773) 792-

The Cancer Support Group for cancer patients, families and friends meets monthly from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. every last Wednesday

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The Leukemia & Lymphoma Family Support Group for people with leukemia, lymphoma, myelodysplastic syndrome, multiple myeloma, Hodgkin's Disease and their families meets every first Wednesday of the month.

The Butterfly Club is a support group for children ages 6 to 13 whose parent

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or caretaker has been diagnosed with cancer. The group meets every first Wednesday of the month. Registration and parental consent are required.

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Wednesday of the month. The Teen Cancer Support Group is for teens ages 13 to 18 whose parent or caretaker has been diagnosed with cancer. The group meets every third Wednesday of the month. Registration and parental consent are required.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets the last Saturday of each month in the Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. For more information call (773) 594-7856.

Alzheimer's Support Group meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Health Management Classroom. The session is free. For more information call Health Management, (773) 792-5022.

Afterglow Support Group for stroke survivors and their family and friends meets the second Wednesday of the month in the Resurrection Rehabilitation Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C.

Parkinson's Support Group meets the third Wednesday of the month from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at **Resurrection Rehabilita**tion Center of Chicago, first floor, Professional Building, Entrance C. For more information call (773) 594-7866.

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital is forming a support network for women living with breast cancer. The Breast Cancer Networking Group will meet from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month. The support group provides breast-cancer survivors the opportunity to share information and experiences with other women. The group will be

at Lutheran General's Center for Advanced Care, 1700 Luther Lane, Park Ridge, in the ground-floor conference room G104. For more information call (847) 723-8130

#### Families Anonymous is a free, 12-step, self-help

support program for family members and friends who are concerned about the substance abuse or behavioral problems of a loved one. Families Anonymous meets weekly from noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays at the Park Ridge Community Church, 100 Courtland Ave., Park Ridge; use the side entrance on Butler Place. There are no dues or fees. First names only are used at the meetings to preserve anonymity. 'This is a nonprofessional and nonreligious program. Advance notice is not necessary. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call the church office, (847) 823-3164, or contact Families Anonymous, 1-800-736-9805, or www.familiesanonymous.or

**Catholic Charities** of the Archdiocese of Chicago invites anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one to suicide to participate in its Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide Program (LOSS). Programs will be from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9 and Dec. 14, at the Catholic Charities Northwest Office, 1717 Rand Road, Des Plaines. For more information call (847) 376-2118.

Butterfly Group for Bereaved Parents meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the St. John Brebeuf rectory, 8307 N. Harlem Ave. All bereaved parents, family and friends are welcome whether their loss is recent or many years ago. Call Anna LaCorte, (847) 965-2771, or the rectory, (847) 966-8145.

Midwest Palliative & Hospice CareCenter grief support groups meet at various locations across its service area. Grief support groups are free; donations are accepted. Call (800) 331-5484 to register or for more information. The schedule for 2008 winter/spring includes: At 2050 Claire Court, Glenview — Adult Loss, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays; Daytime Spouse Loss, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays; Evening Spouse Loss, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays; Sudden Loss, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays. At 6133 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago — Families with Children Loss Group meets every third Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., or in Glenview, 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Wednesdays beginning March 19.

#### The Counseling Center

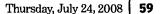
of Advocate Medical Group offers a free Healing Our Lost Dreams (HOLD) support group twice a month for people who have experienced pregnancy and infant loss. Meetings are from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the center, 1610 Luther Lane, Park Ridge. Parents, grandparents and other adult family members are invited. For more information call (847) 795-3100.

A new Al-Anon group is being formed at Messiah Lutheran Church, 1605 Vernon Ave., Park Ridge. For information call the church office, (847) 823-6984, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. during the week.

#### The National Alliance

on Mental Illness Cook County North Suburban invites the public to attend its Caring and Sharing monthly support group. This group is for family and friends of people with a mental illness and offers the opportunity to share problems and learn how others have overcome them. This program is free and meets from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Kenton-Knox Conference Center (Rush North Shore Medical Center), 9701 N. Knox Ave., Skokie. For more information call NA-

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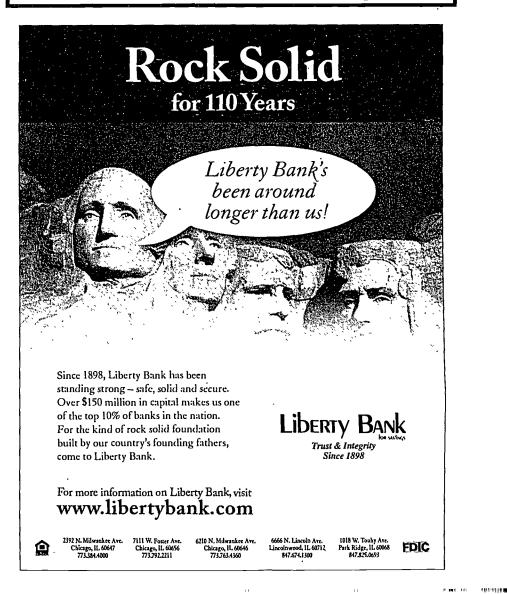
#### Announcing a medical research study for people with depression.

Depression isn't just feelings of sadness - it can affect the way you see the world. Your body may feel constantly fatigued, and your mind may dwell on thoughts of worthlessness and guilt. If you are currently depressed and not taking an antidepressant, you're invited to see if you may qualify for a medical research study to determine the effectiveness and safety of an investigational medication for the management of Major Depressive Disorder. If you qualify, you'll receive investigational study medication, medical exams and lab tests at no charge. Financial compensation for time and travel may also be available. To learn more, visit www.DoYouFeelDepressed.com or call an area physician listed below:

Contact: lan 847-484-1900

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MI CCNS, (847) 724-1460, or visit www.namiccns.org.

Northwest Suburban Interstitial Cystitis/Painful Bladder Syndrome Support Group of Illinois meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month in Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, 1775 Dempster St., Park Ridge, Conference Room 1064. E-mail: bzarnikow @aol.com for more information, or to be added to the e-mail list for meeting announcements.

**Rainbow Hospice Be**reavement current support programs include the following: •

General Grief - July 27, 2 p.m., Our Lady of the Brook, 3700 Dundee Road, Northbrook: Interfaith Memorial Service, an ecumenical prayer service for family and friends whose loved ones were served by Rainbow Hospice and/or

who participate in its Adult Grief groups. All community bereaved who wish to remember their loved ones are welcome. Registration is requested.

Parental Loss -Wednesdays, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Sept. 10 through Oct. 15, Rainbow Hospice, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge: Adult Loss of Parent, a sixweek group for adults grieving the loss of a parent. Registration is required. Fee is \$90 for six sessions. A six-week Motherloss group is planned for September, time, dates and location to be announced:

Spousal Loss -Wednesdays, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Rainbow Hospice, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge: Holding Onto Hope, a monthly day-time group for widowed persons 55 and older who are grieving the loss of a spouse. Registration is required. Fee is \$5 per session.

Widowed Support

and 26, Sept. 9 and 23; 7 to \$5 per session. 8:30 p.m., Rainbow Hospice, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge: An ongoing support group that addresses the losses faced by persons, as a general guideline, who have been widowed less than two years. Fee is \$5 per session.

Younger Widowed Support Group - Tuesdays, Aug. 12, Sept. 9; 7 to 8:30 p.m., Rainbow Hospice. 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge: An ongoing support group for younger widowed persons who have dependent children at home and/or are 55 years of age or younger: Fee is \$5 per session.

Life Transitions Group - Tuesdays, Aug. 26, Sept. 23; 7 to 8:30 p.m., Rainbow Hospice, 444 N. Northwest Highway, Suite 145, Park Ridge: An ongoing support group for those who, as a general guideline, have been widowed for one to four years.

The Good Mourning Children's Program - Aug. 18, 6:45 to 8 p.m., Lutheran General Family Care Center; 9375 Church St., Des Plaines: A monthly support group for children, teens and families who have lost a loved one through death. Preliminary interview required prior to registration.

Fees are waived for family/loved ones of Rainbow Hospice patients. For more information or to register, call Rainbow Hospice Bereavement Support at (847) 692-8884.

The Maryville Crisis Nursery, 4015 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, offers a safe harbor for children 5 and younger when parents have nowhere to turn during a family or personal crisis. It is a free, centerbased program where children may stay for as long as three days. Its goal is to prevent abuse and neglect of children and help a fam-

Group - Tuesdays, Aug. 12 Volunteer facilitated. Fee is ily stabilize its situation by providing support and resources. Examples of a crisis include domestic violence, parental stress, medical emergency or respite care. The 24-hour Help Line is (773) 205-3637.

> An area Alzheimer's support group for caregivers and family members of people with Alzheimer's Disease meets at 10:30 a.m. every second Saturday at Central Baptist Village, the Commons Theater Lounge, 4747 N. Canfield Ave., Norridge. New members are always welcome. Call Jessi Lenth. group facilitator, (708) 583-8509

#### Queen of All Saints

hosts a weekly meeting for female survivors of sexual abuse. The meetings are from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Mondays in the Benedict Center Chapel, 6275 N. Ionia. To participate in the confidential, 12-step program, contact Queen of All Saints Rectory, (773) 736-6060, for more informa-

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are from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Fridays at St. Juliana Parish Center, 7200 Osceola Ave. Call Linda, (773) 271-2281.

### **TEEN CENTER**

The Niles Youth Council is a group of teenagers in sixth through 12th grade who provide support and advice on Teen Center programming, develop leadership skills and work to serve the Niles community. It meets at 5 p.m. the first and third Thursday of every month. Call (847) 375-8949, for more information. The Teen Center is located at 373 Golf Mill Center in Niles. Summer hours are 2 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. through Aug. 22.

Teen Movie Night is from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. July 25 and Aug. 22, Bring a pillow or blanket. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. No registration is necessary. The cost is \$3, or \$2 for center members.



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Gymnastics coach Glen Marks works with 6-year-old Anthony Restivo at the Elk Grove Gymnastics School. Marks was recently presented with the Tim Rand Award, a national honor from the International Gymnastics Institute.

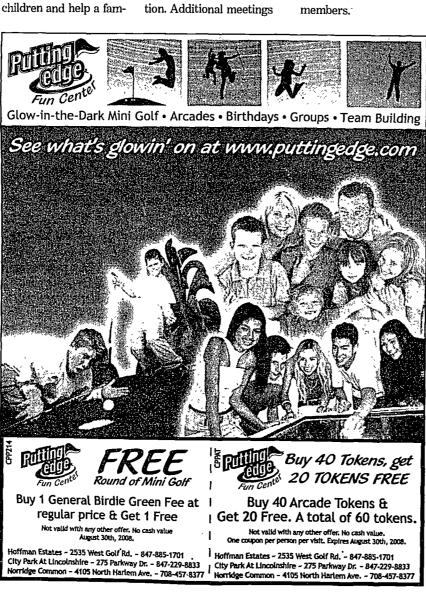
A long time ago, Glen Marks fell in love with gymnastics. And since those days,

three decades ago, Marks has dedicated himself to being the best coach, mentor and ambassador of the sport he possibly could. Now, after years of introducing and teaching gymnastics to children of every age and gender, Marks has been recognized for his accomplishments.

This spring, Marks, 49, was presented with the Tim Rand Award. The national honor is awarded by the International Gymnastics Institute to, "the kindest and most supportive coach of his or her athletes." Marks received the award at a competion for Junior Olympians, held at Navy Pier.

"I was so surprised about the award," said Marks, a resident of Mount Prospect and coowner of the Elk Grove Gymnastics School. "I said, 'Are you sure?' "





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# **Marks earns national** gymnastics award

#### By JIM EDISON

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were indeed certain of their selection for the award, which was presented for the first time ever. Marks, who has been the partner and assistant coach of Hall of Fame girls gymnastics coach Betty Axelson-McClelland, was a perfect choice.

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"Glen has the patience of a saint," said Axelson-McClelland, who is coowner of EGGS. "He understands the different learning levels of the kids he works with and that is very important. Plus, I think the biggest thing that sets him apart from other coaches is his wonderful ability to make any-

thing, even the most tedious drills, fun." In addition to his work and EGGS, Marks has coached the United States junior team at the 1991 Pan American Games, a National Team coach in 2006 and coach for the 2007 Special Olympics World Games in China.

Marks began his long relationship with gymnastics in the mid-1970s when he was a student at Maine East High School and competed as an allarounder for coach Tom Gardner. It was there that he met Axelson-McClelland, who was the Demons' girls varsity head coach, and began a lifelong friendship.

After graduating from East, Marks returned to the Park Ridge school as Axelson-McClelland's assistant coach. He remained in that role until 1985, when he and Axelson-McClelland opened EGGS.

One of Marks' best success stories regards Special Olympian Mark Janovics of Rolling Mead ows. Janovics, 29, won several medals in China. He and Marks were featured on a number of tele vision shows including Good Morning, America and World News Tonight.

"His biggest dream is to be on a Wheaties box someday," Marks said of Janovics. "We are so proud of him, and he will be living on his own this fall at Elmhurst College."

# BASEBALL Cardinals split 2 games at Northern Illinois University tourney

**By JIM EDISON** jedison@pioneerlocal.com

The lengthy trip to DeKalb last week proved to be a journey of mixed results for the Lakeside Cardinals baseball team.

While the Cards got two solid pitching performances from their starters, hitting was a problem. The lack of offense, combined with two games being rained out, left coach Bill Palmer's squad with a record of 1-1 at the Northern Illinois University Tournament.

With just one weekend emaining for the 2008 season. Palmer is hoping his team can improve its hitting ability when it participates in the Indiana Breakers Invitational in Valparaiso, Ind.

"We had a couple of nice pitching efforts out there," Palmer said. "But we didn't hit all week (Lakeside also fell to the Kenosha Indians 9-2 on July 15). "I would really like to see us pick up the

finish to the year."

Lakeside traveled to NIU July 17 and faced the Fox Valley Royals in the opening round of the 12team competition. The Cardinals had Michael Trotta (recent Notre Dame graduate) on the hill and the former Don racked up seven strikeouts while scattering seven hits en route to the 2-1 victory.

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On Friday, Lakeside was back on the diamond, this time against the Du-Page Dragons, Despite sensational pitching from Havey, the Cardinals fell 3-1.

"Havey had 10 strikeouts in five innings." Palmer said. "In one stretch, he had five (strikeouts) in a row." Unfortunately, Havey

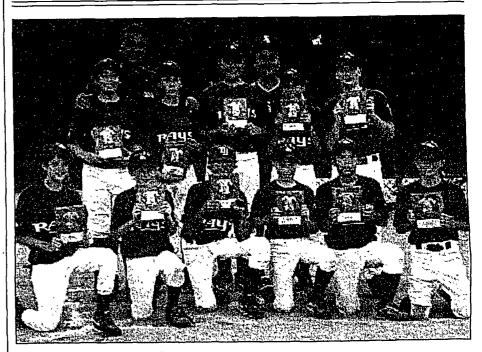
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#### **Bill Palmer**

Palmer's team went ahead 1-0 in the second inning when Brendan Ryan (Niles West) had an RBIsingle. After Fox Valley tied the game at 1-1 in the fourth inning, the Cards went ahead for good in the sixth inning when Jack Havey (Loyola Academy) singled in Chris Kon-

reached the desired pitchcount Palmer had set for him, and left the game. The Dragons scored two runs in the final inning off relief pitcher Andy Czerwionka (Notre Dame '08 graduate) to win the con-

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RAYS OF SUNSHINE The Rays won the Niles Bronco League Baseball World Series by defeating the Rockies 5-4 in the second game of the best-of-three series. The Rays, who finished with an overall record of 14-5-1, won the first game 6-5. Members of the team are: (front row, from left) Joe McCormack, David Ulis, Matt Pena, Charlie Ward, Lucas Parker, Matt Infusino, (back row, from left) Gino Fasso, coach John Fasso, Bobby Dombai, James Coakley, coach Lupe Pena, Michael Liberty and David Stamate.

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# BASEBALL Dons' showing in summer bodes well for spring

By JIM EDISON jedison@pioneerlocal.com

If, as many observers believe, the summer league is a good indicator for the future, Notre Dame's baseball team may be successful in 2009

The Dons, who were seeded 10th recently at the Palatine Regional. surprised almost everyone in reaching the championship game last week. And while ND was unable to pull off the ultimate upset against top-seeded Warren July 17, it laid solid groundwork for next spring.

The Dons finished the summer session at 14-8 after falling to Warren 14-4 in six innings. Previous to the loss to the Blue Devils, however, Notre Dame racked up three straight victories in the playoffs.

"We hit the ball well throughout the tournament," said Dominick Catalano, who is one of the tri-coaches along with Mike Paskvan and Dom Savino. "And even today,

The Notre Dame High

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Notre Dame's Kevin Kloss pitches during the Dons' game against Warren in the High School Summer League Baseball Tournament championship game at Palatino July 17.

But Warren answered right back. And that is a credit to a great team.

"But I felt we had a productive summer. We were in every game. I think these guys got the we got off to that 3-0 lead. taste in their mouths to be successful. Now they have to stay hungry and work hard over the fall and winter." After defeating Glen-

brook North 6-3 in the opening round of the tournament July 14, the

Dons came right back the following day and rolled over Niles West 13-4. Matt Moser was the winning pitcher and A.J. Fedoruk got the save. Danny Fries was 3-for-4 with a threerun double

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park homer. Unfortu nately, starting pitcher **Billy Kerber** got in trouble in the third inning as the Shamrocks rallied for six runs.

But the Don hitters re-

match with No. 1-seeded Warren (19-1), the Dons jumped on starter Sean Kennedy for three runs in the second inning. Fedoruk and Joe Wietcha led off with back-to-back doubles. Key RBI hits followed from Eric Hennessey, Joe Romano and Fries.

But with the game tied at 4-4 in the fourth inning. the Blue Devils exploded for eight runs on seven hits, two walks and one error. Warren added two more runs in the sixth inning to end ND's season via the 10-run slaughter rule.

# WHAT'S NEW

## First alumni soccer game to be Aug. 16

Notre Dame will hold its first alumni soccer game at 4:30 p.m. Aug. 16 at the high school stadium, 7655 West Demp-

A cookout will follow the game at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Augie Genovesi at (847) 779-8649 or agenovesi@ndhsdons.org.

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hockey program in."

sponded with seven runs in the fifth inning to take an 11-6 lead. The key hit was a towering two-run homer by Sam Bungum. ND added five more in the final two innings for a convincing 16-6 triumph.

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ster Street in Niles.

In this dramatic week, the story of mortgage rates has a The burst of big-headline news was quite stirring. 12 months ending in June, and they've been going up at Then came the surprise ending. Bankrate's weekly a faster rate than that in the last three months twist ending. The benchmark 30-year fixed-rate mortgage fell 6 mortgage survey is conducted on Wednesdays. Bankrate "We have a stagnating economy with rising inflation," basis points, to 6.42 percent, according to the Bankrate. had collected much of the rate data by the time says Joel Naroff, economist and principal of Naroff com national survey of large lenders. A basis point is the Consumer Price Index was released Wednesday Economic Advisors of Holland, Pa. Those are red-flag one-hundredth of 1 percentage point. The mortgages in morning. The CPI showed that inflation had been higher words to anyone who remembers the stagflation of the this week's survey had an average total of 0.45 discount than expected in June. late 1970s and early 1980s, but Naroff says things aren't In reaction to the news of higher-than-expected nearly as bad as those days, which are remembered for and origination points. One year ago, the mortgage index was 6.82 percent; four weeks ago, it was 6.62 inflation, many lenders raised mortgage rates -- after long lines at gas pumps, unemployment above 8 percent Bankrate already had collected rate data. and 18 percent mortgage rates.

FDIC conservatorship.



Gallagher played his Junior A hockey at St. Michael's College in <sup>•</sup> Toronto in the Ontario Provincial Junior Hockey League. The OPJHL is part of the Ontario Hockey League and has

produced some of the NHL's biggest stars such as Hall of Famer Frank Mahovlich (Toronto Maple Leafs, Montreal Canadiens), Hall of Famer Dicky Duff (Toronto Maple Leafs, Montreal Canadiens), and Eric Lindros (Philadelphia Flyers, New York Rangers).

"We are excited to have a coach of Chris Gallagher's caliber leading our hockey program," said the Rev. John Smyth. president of Notre Dame High School. "His hiring will encourage more of our current students and future students to become involved with hockey. Gallagher also has the expertise and experience to expand opportunities for our dous addition to (the players beyond Notre Notre Dame) program." Dame."

Lake Forest head coach Tony Fritz, who is a 31-year coaching NCAA Hall of Fame veteran, said, "Chris has a tremendous passion and love for the game of hockey, and he is a true student. His enthusiasm and work ethic is unmatched by most people. Chris will be a tremen-

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percent. The 30-year, fixed-rate jumbo mortgage was CPI shows higher inflation unchanged, too, at 7.64 percent.

promise to protect mortgage financing giants Fannie percent in 12 months. Mae and Freddie Mac. TV business shows and blogs

The benchmark 15-year fixed-rate mortgage Had the timing been different, the rate survey might Faced with a stumbling economy and rising inflation fell 6 basis points, to 5.95 percent. The benchmark have shown a rate increase of 5 basis points to 10 basis the Federal Reserve faces a dilemma: Cutting short-term 5/1 adjustable-rate mortgage was unchanged, at 6.05 points compared with the previous week.

The overall Consumer Price Index advanced 1.1 big swings as investors digested news of the failure of ending in June. The core inflation rate, which disregards stability," Naroff says. IndyMac Bank, as well as of the federal government's food and fuel, rose 0.3 percent in June, and was up 2.4

and whether any would go the way of IndyMac into The biggest culprit was rising energy prices, particularly easing investors' fears that Fannie or Freddie could go for car fuel. Energy prices were up 24.7 percent in the under. Then the CPI tipped mortgage rates higher.

rates could exacerbate inflation. Raising short-term rates could send the economy further into a funk.

"So monetary policy, out of necessity, is moving Over the last week, rates moved up and down in fairly percent in June, and was up 5 percent in the 12 months away from rate changes to liquidity and financial

That's what the backstopping of Fannie and Freddie was about. The Fed announced that Fannie and Those rates are higher than most investors expected. Freddie could borrow through the discount window, if were full of speculation about the fate of regional banks Higher inflation means higher long-term interest rates. necessary. The announcement stabilized the market by

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