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Celebrate the Fourth of July in Skokie

The Village of Skokie 2009 Independence Day festivities kick off on Saturday, July 4 at noon with a parade on Oakton Street beginning at the Oakton Community College parking lot, heading east from Downtown Skokie to Oakton Park. The parade takes place rain or shine.

The celebration continues into the evening with a concert and fireworks display at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton Street. The first concert begins at 6 p.m. featuring Josh & The Empty Pockets, followed by the 7th Heaven.

The Village of Skokie is known for its breathtaking fireworks display and this year is no exception. The spectacular 3-D Fireworks Fest begins at dusk. Skokie's traditional customized 3-D fireworks glasses will be distributed to the first 10,000 visitors. In the event of rain, the fireworks will be held on Sunday, July 5 at Niles West High School.

The following business locations will have parking lots available for July 4 parking overflow:

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Topco Associates 7711 Gross Point Road Skokie

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For more information, please contact the Village Manager's office at 847/ 933-8257, or visit www.skokie.org.



The 2009 Evanston Celebration Is Being Planned for Another Best Ever Year

2009 Theme: “E Pluribus Evanston - Together We Are One”

The Evanston Fourth of July Association proudly Celebrates its 88th year. “We are anticipating a fantastic celebration this year with all of the previous activities and venues” said Joan Ducayet, Vice President and Celebration Manager. The organization has difficult financial needs this year and appeals to all who can help. “That is why we are asking all of you who can contribute to do so and are asking many entries including commercial and others to make a donation while participating in this glorious yet costly event”

Sports and games all day on the 4th of July

The Evanston's Fourth of July Association's mission is to provide a full day of safe and family-oriented activities. Occupying a big part of that day are the many playground sports and games that are offered at parks throughout Evanston. From three-legged races to pie-eating contests, there will be something for everyone. Organized every by the Evanston Department of Parks and Recreation, playground sports and activities promise fun for the whole family.

Parade

As many as 140 entrants are expected to wind their way from Central Park Avenue East on Central Street to Ashland Avenue, beginning at 2 p.m. on July 4. Lawn chairs may be placed along Central street beginning July 1st, 6:00 AM in accordance with City ordinance.

Lakefront Performers

Clark Street beach on Evanston's lakefront will come alive at 5:30 p.m. when the first of three acts takes the stage before the fireworks extravaganza at 9:15 p.m.

The 2009 Fireworks Show will be another Blockbuster

This year's show will once again be launched from Clark Street Beach immediately after the Palatine Band concert.



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PRESBYTERIAN HOMES BRINGS AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR OLDER ADULTS TO WEST ROGERS PARK

Presbyterian Homes, a nonsectarian provider of retirement living in Evanston, IL, will offer 33 units of affordable housing for older adults in a newly renovated, four-story brick apartment building at 1950 W. Devon Ave (Devon & Ridge). The West Rogers Park building is the latest addition to the organization's Neighborhood Homes program. Occupancy is scheduled for July 2009.

Residents must be 65 years old with income not to exceed \$42,200 a year for a single individual or \$48,250 for two persons (in 2008). Rents are determined on a sliding scale based on 28 percent of adjusted income. Older adults who are interested in residency should contact Donna Musgrave, director of the Neighborhood Homes, at 773-477-4160, regarding applications.

The building offers studio, one and two-bedroom units of up to 885 sq. ft. Other features include reserved parking, sprinklers, smoke detectors and telephone security intercom systems. The units are air-

conditioned, have baseboard hot-water heat and are pre-wired for cable television. Each unit has a new full-size kitchen and bath and in-unit laundry hook-ups.

Residents must be independent and able to do their own shopping, cooking and cleaning. The Neighborhood Homes director and a social worker will assist residents in locating social service agencies when needed.

The Neighborhood Homes program has two other apartment buildings in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood. The program helps older adults with limited financial means to remain in their neighborhoods where gentrification has reduced the availability of affordable housing. The Geneva Foundation, the charitable arm of Presbyterian Homes, funds the Neighborhood Homes. Donations to the foundation provided the means to purchase and renovate the building.

Resident Meta Toerber of the Neighborhood Homes' Lake View Place at 416 W.



Barry in Chicago says, "Lake View Place is a gift from heaven. We have weekly computer classes, low-impact exercise classes, and bus service to the grocery store. There is a 24-hour maintenance man and we have a wonderful sense of community, but you still have your privacy. For me, the personal interest Presbyterian Homes takes in you is worth a billion dollars."

Ned Russells, another Lake View Place resident added, "Presbyterian Homes has made my life totally different. I've been here 14 years, and they have enabled me to live with dignity in a building that is safe and well-maintained and in the community where I have lived a great many years."

About Presbyterian Homes

Founded in 1904, Presbyterian Homes is a not-for-profit, non-sectarian organization with a national reputation for creating extraordinary retirement communities. Presbyterian Homes serves older adults through its residential and healthcare programs on campuses in Evanston, Lake Forest, Arlington Heights and Chicago. The organization is accredited by the CARF/CCAC, the nation's only accrediting body for retirement communities.

Presbyterian Homes' mission also provides a significant charitable component. Last year, its Geneva Foundation spent more than \$7 million in benevolent programs, serving more than 300 older adults with limited financial means. Among these programs is the Neighborhood Homes Without Walls program in Lake County, providing subsidized living or rental assistance to individuals with limited financial resources. (See our ad on page 5)

In future editions we will be highlighting other local companies to enable you to...

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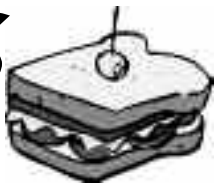
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20th Annual Evanston
Garden Walk Held July 12th

The 20th annual Evanston Garden Walk, by Keep Evanston Beautiful (KEB), will be held on Sunday, July 12, 2009, from Noon to 5 p.m. Featured are seven private gardens and 3 public gardens in Evanston. The Garden Walk is a nice way to gather design ideas and observe plants that do well in our area. You will have a chance to talk to the owners in most of the featured gardens. The proceeds of the Garden Walk support KEB's environmental education programs for the community.

Advance purchase tickets are \$10 for KEB members and \$15 for non-members.

Beginning June 15, tickets will be sold at the Evanston Ecology Center Monday through Friday and on Saturday, July 11 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mail orders may be sent to: KEB, Evanston Ecology Center, 2024 McCormick Blvd, Evanston, IL 60201 or purchase via PayPal at www.evanstonkeb.org. Garden Walk Sunday, tickets will be sold only at the Ecology Center from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Same day ticket prices are \$20 for KEB members and \$25 for nonmembers.

The following Evanston businesses will be selling tickets beginning June 15: Bloom 3, 1503 Chicago Ave; Natural Things Flowers, 2904 Central Street; Saville Flowers, 1712 Sherman Ave; and The Chalet, 3132 Lake Ave, Wilmette. For more information, call KEB at 847/448-8256, ext 105 or visit: www.evanstonkeb.org



Parents and Adults – Be
Responsible Over the Summer

There is no justification for teaching a child how to break the law. Children in their pursuit of the excitement of setting off and using fireworks is teaching them how to break the law.

Contributing to the delinquency of a minor is when a person puts a child at risk. Fireworks are becoming more powerful and dangerous. They should be left to the professionals who are legally licensed to set them off for display purposes.

When, and if, a child loses his or her hand or fingers or receives damage to his or her face through the unlawful use of fireworks, it's because they have been put in harm's way by the adult who has allowed it.

Kids will always be kids. They haven't changed much over the years. We, as adults, can probably still remember when we thought we knew it all.

A child will possibly find access to illegal fireworks, but it's our responsibility as adults to not promote it or allow it.

When I was young, I knew a boy who lost his eye when a firework went off in his hand. They were not illegal back then, and he thought he knew what he was doing. He has done well in life, but maybe could have done better with two eyes instead of one.

Laws are usually enacted to protect us after an unfortunate incident brings attention to the condition that exists.

Showing children, through your example, how to obtain illegal fireworks or leaving them to their own devices around those fireworks, is not being a responsible adult. Ultimately, children are the responsibility of their parents and you, as a parent, are accountable for their actions.

On and around July 4th, love your children, but don't love them to death!

EVANSTON'S ETHNIC ARTS
FESTIVAL JULY 18-19

Stay at home, yet sample the world. Set sail for a land cruise around the world as Evanston's lakefront turns into a global village for the 24th Annual Ethnic Arts Festival, July 18-19. For one weekend only, experience the song, dance, cuisine, and arts and crafts of countries near and far- all without draining the bank account. This family festival is open Noon to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in Dawes Park, Sheridan Road at Church St., Evanston. Admission is free, and complimentary shuttle bus service is provided from the Northwestern University parking lot, three blocks north of the festival.

The Evanston Ethnic Arts Festival kicks off at Noon Saturday, July 18, with a colorful Parade of Nations ceremony featuring the flags of more than 100 nations. Among the other festival highlights are a juried arts and crafts sale, artist demonstrations, interactive art activities, ethnic foods, and live entertainment on two stages. This year's performers include Curumin, JASC Taiko Youth Ensemble, VonOrthal Puppets, storyteller Linda Graham, S.O.U.L. Creations, and Sones de México Ensemble. A complete schedule is at www.cityofevanston.org/ethnic.

The festival is sponsored by the City of Evanston's Cultural Arts Division and partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency. Additional support is provided by the Homestead Hotel and Quince Restaurant, Cherry Family Foundation, ABC 7 Chicago, Chicago Reader, Evanston RoundTable, and Whole Foods Market.



Starlight Concerts
Keep the Beat



Keeping the beat at twice a week, Evanston's free outdoor Starlight Concerts continue at James and Harbert Parks, July 9 & 14. Mexican-American sound voyagers Allá perform their post-psychedelic sound at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, at James Park, Dodge Ave. at Mulford St. Then jazz vocalist Lucy Smith sings the night away starting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 14, in Harbert Park, 2500 Dempster St. (east of the canal). Both concerts are free and open to all ages. Bring a blanket, pack a picnic and enjoy the entertainment. In case of rain, concerts will be moved indoors. If rain threatens, call 847-448-8058 after 4 p.m. the night of a concert for the latest site information.

Evanston Starlight Concerts are presented by the City of Evanston's Cultural Arts Division and are partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency. Sponsors include The Homestead Hotel and Quince Restaurant, Chicago Reader, Chipotle Mexican Grill, and Evanston RoundTable.

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SAINT FRANCIS HOSPITAL HONORS EVANSTON MAYOR LORRAINE H. MORTON WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

On Tuesday, June 2, Saint Francis Hospital in Evanston, IL honored Evanston Mayor Lorraine H. Morton with its first annual C.A.R.E.S Award, held in the Saint Francis Hospital Dining Room. The award honors one Evanston community member who has exhibited the values of Saint Francis Hospital and Resurrection Health Care: Compassion, Accountability, Respect, Excellence, and Service.



Mayor Morton and CEO Jeff Murphy are surprised when greeted by over 200 people.

The selection committee—comprised of the Saint Francis Hospital executive team and other leaders at Saint Francis Hospital—unanimously chose the Evanston Mayor for its first annual award. Mayor Morton recently retired from her 16-year position as Mayor of Evanston.

“We look to Lorraine as a heartfelt example of what it means to serve the community with dignity, grace, good humor and respect,” said Angelique Richard, vice president of Patient Care Services.

Morton spent 25 years in public office, first working tirelessly as an Evanston City Council Member for nine years and then as Mayor for 16 years, after she retired from a 35-year career with the Evanston school system as a Junior High School Principal and teacher.

“Mayor Morton learned as a principal and teacher to protect and defend her students. As a Mayor, she has been the protector of the health and safety of all her Evanston constituents. She has fought to enrich the lives of those she represented and has helped all learn to be better people,” said Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin.

“Lorraine has been a personal inspiration to all of us. After two “retirements” now, the question is not what she will do next, but can we all keep up with her?” said Margo Schafer, director of public relations at Saint Francis Hospital.

In her remarks at the award ceremony, Mayor Morton, with characteristic humility, deflected the honor and instead spoke about the value of Saint Francis Hospital, “I am not surprised that Saint Francis was designated as one of the best places to work...it is a gem that is shining with a brilliance that will not go away.”

Saint Francis Hospital is a Level I Trauma Center and has a long history of leadership and “firsts” in cardiac medicine and technologies. Saint Francis Hospital performed the first cardiac bypass surgery in the Chicago metropolitan area; it was the first Accredited Chest Pain Center in Illinois and is the only Accredited Chest Pain Center on Chicago’s North Shore; it was the first hospital in Illinois to offer a specialized, 64-slice 3-D Computed Tomography (CT) test for the heart; and it was the first hospital in the U.S. Midwest to use the cardiac marker Troponin to diagnose heart attacks.

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Skokie People Speak

By Alfred S. Nathan

One of Skokie’s very valuable, ongoing traditions is our exceptionally strong spirit of cooperation from the”grass roots” to the Village government, library, park district, Township, and non-government organizations. Cooperation is exemplified every day in many ways, in all levels of society. Here are a few of the virtually unlimited examples.

Police officer Terrence Alexander has been providing the Skokie grammar schools with a very successful program for many years. The public library’s Holly Jin works with the schools and parents on special activities for physically and mentally challenged children. Oakton Community College provides without charge teachers of English as a second language to new immigrants with children in school. The Park District and Village government share expenses for the combined Fourth of July float of the Festival of Cultures with the Human Relations Commission. IMODS - Independent Merchants Downtown Skokie,whose president is Randy Miles, owner of the Village Inn, and the Skokie Chamber of Commerce, whose director is Howard Meyer, have been working with a Village government for several years to reinvigorate downtown Skokie. The Human Relations Commission, whose Chairman is James O.Coney, works with the schools on a special goodwill project of ethnic diversity. Village manager, Albert J. Rigoni, requires the full cooperation of all Village employees. The Dept. of Public Works, under Director Max Slankard, is involved with Cook County in the reconstruction of Old Orchard Road. The Village of Skokie Works closely with other municipalities in the Northwest Municipal Conference and the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County.

The Skokie Festival of Cultures was created 19 years ago by Rotary members Carolyn Anthony, Director of the Library, and then Chief of Police, William Miller, in response to the many ethnic diverse people moving to Skokie. It involves the cooperation of volunteers supported by the Village government, the Library, the Park District, Rotary, Kiwanis, other government and non-government organizations, and businesses. This major, 2-day weekend, May community event is Chaired by Park District Superintendent of Recreation, Michelle Tuft, with the Director of the Library, Carolyn Anthony, as Co-chair. The Skokie Park District plays a major role in this nationally known celebration of our ethnic and cultural diversity. It currently includes over 30 ethnic groups. For information, call Pamela Zeid a the Park District, 847-674-1500.

Skokie’s Trail to Fitness is a cooperative event of the Skokie Park District, the United Way, the Village of Skokie, and the Skokie Chamber of Commerce. It involves walking or biking to various locations in Skokie, ending at the Back Lot Bash. It is part of a program to improve health and fitness.

Skokie’s next major event is the Back Lot Bash. This third yearly event takes place, August 28 and August 29 in downtown Skokie. It involves the Park District, Village, the Chamber of Commerce, IMODS, and the Library. Skokie Park District Superintendent of Recreation, Michelle Tuft is coordinating the Bash. More information will be provided in a future article. Details can be found at www.backlotbash.

Your comments are welcome: alfrednathan@sbcglobal.net.her, Skokie People Speak commentary.



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SKOKIE TRANSIT UPDATE

Skokie Swift

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) announced that the Skokie Swift Yellow Line rail service will run permanently on the weekends. Weekend service began in March 2008 in a pilot project to gauge rider support.

According to the CTA, daily ridership has averaged more than 1,800 rides on Saturdays and more than 1,300 on Sundays.

For more information, please visit the CTA website at www.transitchicago.com or call 1/888-YOUR-CTA (968-7282) or for the hearing impaired/TTY, call 1/88/CTATTY1 (282-8891).

Skokie Bus Route

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) announced that the #54A North Cicero/Skokie Boulevard bus route hours will be extended until 7 p.m. on weekdays. This service will run from the Cook County Courthouse to the Skokie Yellow Line rail station. The new extended hours will begin on Monday, June 15, 2009.

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Friday Films at the Main Library will feature *Gosford Park* (2001, 137 min, rated R) on Friday, June 26 at 3 pm in the Community Meeting Room at the Main Library at 1703 Orrington Avenue. Aristocrats gather together for a weekend shooting party at an English country estate with their dutiful servants in tow. Greed, vengeance, snobbery, and lust abound and lead to the inevitable country house murder, with multiple motives and multiple suspects. (Michael Gambon, Helen Mirren, Clive Owen, and Kristen Scott Thomas star.)

Caring for Our Aging Parents in Hard Times will be the topic of discussion on Sunday, June 28th at the Evanston Public Library, 1703 Orrington Avenue. Laura Solomon and Linda Walker, JD, MSW, LCSW of Covenant Methodist Home Care will discuss talking about the future with your folks, assessing options for staying at home, retirement communities and assisted living, building a support network, finding community resources and entitlements, and legal considerations. The program will be held from 2:00 to 3:30 pm in the Community Meeting Room.

Teens are invited to the **Saturday afternoon movie** in the Evanston Public Library Loft on Saturday, June 27th at 2 pm. In *What a Girl Wants* Daphne, a young American girl goes to London in search of her long-lost father. When she finds him, she sets out to prove that love can conquer all, but finds that her unique, impulsive style threatens the relationship she has waited for all her life. Rated PG. 1 hour, 45 minutes. Teens only!

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SKOKIE ART GUILD

SEE OUR ART FAIR AD ON PAGE 1

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4400 Greenwood St., Skokie



Evanston Art Under Glass

Art Under Glass Project, a collaborative effort of the Evanston Arts Council’s Arts & Business Committee and Evmark. The project was dedicated with an opening reception on Wednesday, June 17, in the lobby at 708 Church Street. The project aims to beautify currently vacant downtown storefronts with artwork by Evanston artists.

Evanston Art Gallery

An exhibition of paintings by Evanston artist Virginia Scribner Mallard, “Celestial Bodies and Earthly Forms” opens Thursday, June 25, at Evanston’s Noyes Cultural Arts Center Gallery. An artist reception, free and open to the public, will be held 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 28, in the gallery.

The exhibition includes paintings from several of Mallard’s series, including works inspired by her study of the universe, ancient warriors and Egyptian and Asian cultures.

“Celestial Bodies and Earthly Forms” will remain on display through Aug. 11. The Noyes Art Gallery is at 927 Noyes St., Evanston; admission is always free. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. The building is accessible, and group tours are available. For information, call 847-448-8260.

Once on This Island Opens June 13

What is the true price of love? Caribbean traditions, mystical gods, tropical heat, well-established class lines and a hurricane collide in the haunting legend of love, Once on This Island opening June 13 at Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre in Evanston. Written by Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty, Once on This Island combines powerful vocals, heart-racing emotions and awe-inspired physicality to produce a gripping musical love story set on a Caribbean island. Directing the show for Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre is Runako Jahi, with musical direction by June Smith and choreography by Vaune Blalock.

Performances of Once on This Island are at 7 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays, June 13-July 26, at the theatre in the Noyes Cultural Arts Center, 927 Noyes St., Evanston. Individual tickets are \$15, \$10 for students with IDs, and \$7 for seniors age 55 and older. Group discounts are available. For more information, call 847-448-8260.

An African-American theatre company, Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre produces theatre and cultural events that address the African-American experience or reflect the culture of people of African descent.

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FOR KIDS - Summer Youth Program

Summer Youth Program Tickets are \$4 in advance and \$5 at the door. Niles Township residents only \$2 unless otherwise listed.

July 8 at 10:30 am My Dreams - Victor Pacini

July 15 at 10:30 am Jigglejam with Jodi Koplin

July 22 at 10:30 am Jeff Bibik - “The Magician”

July 29 at 10:30 am Magic That Quacks You Up from Steve Belliveau

POP/JAZZ/FOLK

June 27 at 8pm “Always On My Mind” a musical tribute to Elvis by Tony Bernard Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door

June 28 at 2pm WHERE THE BOYS ARE starring Keely Nicole Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door

June 28, at 7pm Marlene Muzik: A Tribute to Marlene Dietrich the Actress, the Music, the Desire with Suzanne Petri and Musical Director Bob Moreen Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door

July 1, at 1:30pm HEADLINERS FROM THE VEGAS STRIP - from Dean Martin to Ric Martin featuring Tony Bernard Tickets are \$10.

July 8, at 1:30pm Music of the World Tickets are \$10.

July 12 at 7:30 pm FATUM BROTHERS JAZZ ORCHESTRA Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door.

July 15 at 1:30pm A TRIBUTE TO AMERICA Tickets are \$10

July 22, at 1:30pm The 50’s Songbook with Marcus Gentry Tickets are \$10.

July 24, at 8pm Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Three Cat Media is proud to present “It’s So Easy: The Music of Linda Ronstadt”

July 25, at 2pm STAND BY ME - Soulful Salute to the 50’s and 60’s by Marcus Gentry and Friends Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door.

“It’s My Party” starring Jeanne Scherkenbach & Carolyn Wehner Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door “It’s My Party” -- Two popular Chicago cabaret performers, vocalist Jeanne Scherkenbach and singer/pianist Carolyn Wehner, present a tribute to the many sounds of American popular music in the 1950s and 1960s. Lesley Gore’s hit song kicks off a show that highlights standards from the Great American Songbook (Beyond the Sea, Secret Love, Everybody Loves Somebody Sometime) -- alongside hits by performers and composers who defined the changing sound of the ‘60s -- Burt Bacharach, Carole King, Petula Clark and many others. Favorite selections from Broadway and the movies are also included.

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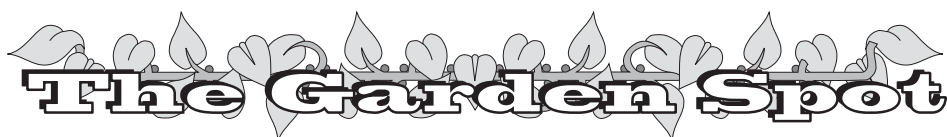
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GREAT OUTDOORS



How Does a “Heat Wave” Affect Your Plants?

by: Nick and Gerard Urhausen, Urhausen Greenhouses, Lincolnwood

Once again this year our Chicago weather has changed from the cool of Spring to the heat of Summer almost overnight. This sudden and rapid change from cold to hot impacts the growth of your flowering annuals in ways of which you may not be aware. The average gardener often does not understand the role that temperature plays in the performance of his/her plants. What we will focus on today is the impact which temperature has on blooming.

For all plants there is an ideal temperature range consisting of a night time low and a day time high which is optimal for producing blooms and flowers. Having a heat wave the night time low is usually not cool enough, and the day time high is often exceeded. When this occurs, most plants tend to slow down, just like people do, when it is hot. Some plants will either go out of bloom completely or decrease the number of blooms significantly. This is the survival mechanism of the plant kicking in. The plant will shut down blooming to concentrate on just staying alive. Dianthus and snapdragons are some example of plants that often times go out of bloom when the real heat hits. This does not mean that the plant is dead. Continue to water, and when the weather cools the blooms and flowers will magically reappear. In other plants the number of blooms will not decrease, however the size of the flowers will shrink. New Guinea Impatiens and nonstop Begonias will often follow this pattern. Again, keep up the watering and continue feeding the plants every two weeks, and all will be fine when the weather cools down. During a heat wave all a gardener can really do is just wait for the cooler more moderate weather to return.

Urhausen Greenhouses is located at 6973 N. East Prairie Road in Lincolnwood. Their phone number 847-675-1573. urhausengreenhouses.com

Racing to Mackinac For 101 Years

By Sophia Venetos

The Chicago to Mackinac Sailboat Race is one of the longest annual freshwater sailing distance race in the world at 333 miles (289.4 nautical miles), with boats beginning at the mouth of the Chicago River, crossing Lake Michigan, and finishing between the lighthouse on Round Island and the race committee trailer on Mackinac Island, Mich.

The 101st running of the race will begin on July 18, 2009.

The first Mac Race was run in 1898 as an informal race of 5 boats. The boat Vanenna won that year in 51 hours. The second Mac Race didn't take place until 1904 and then occurred irregularly until after World War I. Since 1921, the Chicago to Mackinac Race has been run every year. Last year's race marked the 100th anniversary.

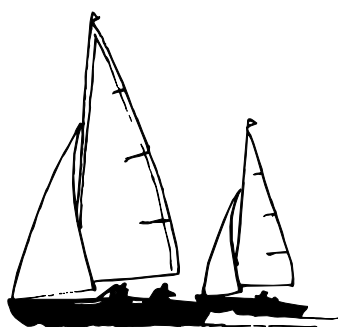
Usually, there are around 300 boats and 3,000 crew members participating in the annual race, according to the race's Web site. To join, you must receive an invitation from the Chicago Yacht Club, the association that runs the race. Last year, a record-number 460 boats entered the race.

Since it is an amateur event, no prize money is awarded for winning the race. However, section winners receive a plaque, a flag, and bragging rights for the next year. The overall winners also have their names engraved on the permanent trophies that are displayed at Chicago Yacht Club, according to the race's Web site.

One man who has maintained his bragging rights since 2002 is Roy Disney, who set the monohull racing record of 23 hours, 30 minutes and 34 seconds with his boat Pyewacket. Steve Fosset claimed the record for multihulls in 1998 with the boat Stars and Stripes, finishing with a time of 18 hours, 50 minutes and 32 seconds. Most entrees finish the race between 40-60 hours.

Racers who have completed 25 Mackinac races can join the exclusive “Island Goat Sailing Society.” Called “Island Goats,” these sailing veterans were originally named for their appearance, scent, and conduct upon reaching Mackinac Island after the race. The society was established by Hobart “Red” Olson in 1950, according to the race's Web site.

For more information about the Chicago to Mackinac Race, visit <http://www.cycracetomackinac.com/>.



LOCAL FARMERS' MARKETS

LINCOLNWOOD

Beginning Thursday, June 4, the Lincolnwood Parks and Recreation Department will be operating Lincolnwood's 3rd Annual Farmers Market. The market will run every Thursday through August 20th, between the hours of 8 am – 1 pm, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4707 W. Pratt Avenue. This location was chosen because of its visibility from Pratt Avenue, accessibility of parking, and neighborhood location.

The goal of the Lincolnwood Farmers Market is to offer an event that brings residents and the business community together, while offering the opportunity for individuals living and working in Lincolnwood to buy fresh produce and natural products. Our vendors will set up displays that may include fruits, vegetables, bread, pastries, cheese, flowers, honey, and more.

Thursdays, June 4 – August 20, 8:00am – 1:00pm St. John's Lutheran Church, 4707 W. Pratt Ave., Lincolnwood, IL FREE – Open to the Public

For more information contact the Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation Office at (847) 677-9740.

EVANSTON

Date: Saturdays, May 16 - Nov. 7, 2009 Time: 7:30am to 1pm

Place: Intersection of University Place and Oak Avenue

Enjoy the bounty of Midwest farmers every Saturday throughout the summer. For over 30 years, the Evanston Farmers' Market has been a crowd-pleaser with 30+ vendors of fruit, vegetables, meat, flowers, cheese and bakery items. Now We're Cookin' and Home Grown Artists are going to be at the Market certain Saturdays throughout the summer. Free parking is available in the Maple Avenue Parking Garage. Senior coupons for Farmers' Markets are available through the Commission on Aging.

SKOKIE

Visit the “Best on the North Shore” Skokie Farmers' Market held on Sundays beginning Sunday, June 28 through Sunday, October 25. The market is open from 7:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Arrive early for the best selection. The market is conveniently located in the Village Hall parking lot, 5127 Oakton Street. The Skokie Consumer Affairs Commission, a volunteer commission, hosts the Skokie Farmers' Market. For more information on the Skokie Farmers' Market, contact Terry Oline, Market Master at 847/933-8224 or visit www.skokie.org.

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"A Theatre Review"

"Pump Boys and Dinettes"

**Drury Lane Oakbrook Theatre Terrace
100 Drury Lane Road, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois**

Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

Ah! Shucks Folks! Summertime is about to descend on us and Drury Lane Oakbrook is celebrating with its production of "Pump Boys and Dinettes" that is being directed by Shawn Stengel.

The show opened off Broadway in 1982 and Oakbrook's production is a gentle and intimate musical compared to what sells in New York nowadays with the big scale musicals.

The show was conceived and written by John Fley, Mark Hardwick, Debra Monk, Cass Morgan, John Schimmel and Jim Wann.

The show opened at Chicago's Apollo Theatre several years ago and had a long run and later had a run at the Marriott Theatre.

The Pump Boys are being played by Shaun Whitley, Brian Burke, Alan Bukowiecki and the return of Jesse Kazemek to Chicago Theatre after being absent from the Chicago scene for a few years. The Pump Boys sell high octane fuel on North Carolina's Highway 57 and they perform a rousing, down home, mix of country, blue grass and rock 'n' roll and play musical instruments that will knock your socks off.

The sassy sexy dinettes are played by Chicago favorite Tammy Mader who is also the show's dynamic choreographer and Liza Jaine as Rhetta and Prudie Cupp who run the Cupp diner next door and while they are baking pies sing up a storm.

The music ranges from ballads, rock, ragtime, and rock-a-billy that includes such songs as "Mamaw Sisters," "Mona" and "The Night Dolly Parton Was Almost Mine."

"Pump Boys and Dinettes" runs through August 2. For performance days, show times and reservations call 630-530-0111. Tickets range from \$29 - \$33 and \$35 - bargain prices. The theatre has free parking. If you have dinner, the food comes highly recommended. The theatre is wheelchair accessible. - Four Stars -

"A Minister's Wife"

Writers Theatre, 325 Tudor Court, Glencoe, Illinois

Reviewed by Richard Allen Eisenhardt

George Bernard Shaw is a famous playwright and "A Minister's Wife" is based on his 1894 play "Candida." The show has been made into a musical in collaboration with Steppenwolf Theatre ensemble member Austin Pendleton with music and lyrics by Josh Schmidt and Jan Tranan.

Writer's Theatre artistic director Michael Halberstam has assembled an exceptional cast for this 95 minute world premiere production that he has directed.

Schmidt's other world premier musical "The Adding Machine" was first presented at the Next Theatre in Evanston before moving to an off-Broadway theatre in New York. After viewing this haunting and beautifully done production I felt it was more of an operetta.

Kevin Gudahl is the Reverend James Morell who is a charismatic minister and while he is a talented actor he is merely an adequate singer as you'll discover when he sings "sermon" along with the cast to let you in on what is about to unfold. Gudahl has appeared in several musicals over the years but is bet off in dramas and comedies. The beautiful and talented Kate Fry is back on stage after a maternity leave and plays the minister's wife Candida. We find that Morell is a pious minister but one wonders if their marriage is a happy one. A young poet played by Alan Schmuckler who thinks he is in love with the minister's wife. Schmuckler is a rising handsome talent who has a beautiful singing voice and we only hope we will see more of his work on stage.

Liz Baites is Prosperine the secretary of the minister and Adam Estes is Alexander Mill an apprentice minister. And both are "Yes" people to every whim of the Reverend. We get far more out in the open in the show's climax. "A Minister's Wife" is a chamber musical or operetta and runs at the Writer's Theatre until July 19. It is a most enjoyable evening of entertainment.

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Estate Planning: It's Not Just About the Documents



Chester M. Przybylo

An estate plan passes your assets to whom you want and in the manner you want after your death. However, some of your assets may not be controlled by your Will or Living Trust. This article discusses the various problems that can result when a thorough review of assets and ownership titles doesn't happen and how working with an experienced estate planning attorney can ensure that you avoid any planning pitfalls.

What is an estate plan? An estate plan is a plan that passes your assets to whom you want and in the manner you want after your death. However, an estate plan is more than

just documents. For example, some of your assets may not even be controlled by your Will or Trust.

Let's look at a case study. Mike had a Will which left everything to his wife, Sally. It also provided that if Sally did not survive him, it would have set up continuing Trusts for his kids.

Mike owned the following assets:

Family farm worth \$2 million, owned in joint tenancy with his sister, Mary

Retirement plan with \$2 million, opened when he was still single

House, worth \$500,000, owned jointly with his wife, Sally

\$5,000 in a checking account

Is this a good plan? Unfortunately, no, it is not. Sally may not get anything! How can this be? Well, first, the family farm, which was owned jointly with Mary, went to Mary, the surviving joint tenant, by operation of law at Mike's death. The retirement plan went in accordance with the beneficiary designation Mike had put in place before he even met Sally. Since he never changed the beneficiary designation, the beneficiary is still Susan, who was his fiancée at the time he opened the retirement plan. Sally will get the house. However, Mike and Sally refinanced the house when real estate values were high, so the mortgage actually exceeds his equity in the house. Sally gets only the checking account.

What did Mike do wrong? Mike failed to seek the advice of an experienced estate planning attorney. An experienced attorney who focuses in estate planning would have seen the problems with this plan and would have advised a better plan. For example, a better plan would have included changing the beneficiary designation on the retirement plan and changing the ownership of the family farm from joint tenancy to tenancy in common. Joint tenancy property passes to the surviving joint tenant, notwithstanding a Will, while tenancy in common property does not. Property governed by a beneficiary designation passes to the beneficiary pursuant to the most recent beneficiary designation, notwithstanding a Will.

Remember, your assets can pass by ways other than a Will:

By contract or other arrangement, such as Trusts, Partnerships, and Buy-Sell Agreements

By operation of law, such as joint tenancy or tenancy by the entirety

By beneficiary designation, such as life insurance, 401(k)s, and IRAs

An experienced attorney who focuses in estate planning can help you devise a plan so that nothing falls through the cracks. That way, you will have the security of knowing that the assets you've built up will be there for your family when they need them most.

Chester M. Przybylo has been elected to the Board of Governors of the prestigious American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys and has been engaged in the practice of law for the last 40 years. For more information or to attend an upcoming seminar, call (773) 631-2525.

Ready to Take the Plunge?

By Tammy Cook

A Few Tips for Professional Parents Returning to Work

CREATE A GREAT RESUME. Your first introduction with any potential employer is the resume and it has to look great. It doesn't matter if you are an electrical engineer or an administrative assistant, it is mandatory that your resume not only contains the nuts and bolts of your career, but is compelling and pleasing to the eye. Surf the internet and find a resume template that you can use as a starting point. If writing is not your strong suite, you can always hire a professional resume writer. It might cost you a few dollars, but with the alternative being a lousy resume, it may be money well spent. Remember to keep your resume simple and stay away from fancy fonts as you may have to email or upload it to a website.

PLAN YOUR FUTURE. Reentering the workforce is the perfect time to reevaluate where you truly want to be. Is your background in teaching, but you always wanted to get into graphic design? Take the time to consider your enjoyment or relevance in your old field and what it may entail to jump into a new one. Sign up for classes that will either allow you to catch up on your industry's trends and technology or acquire the skills needed for your new career.

CONSIDER A PART-TIME JOB. A great way to ease back into your career is by seeking and obtaining a part-time job in your selected field. More and more often these days, companies are considering the option of hiring career people into long-term, part-time positions. This emerging trend allows employers to have talented, capable employees who, because of the flexibility that part-time allows them, are often more efficient and productive. Part-time jobs can offer mothers (or others) returning to the workplace a chance to flex their career-muscles, increase their income and maintain a more satisfying work-life balance.

AVOID THE PARENT TRAP. For a parent returning to the labor force, probably the single most intimidating aspect of writing a resume or sitting in an interview is the large chunk of time spent raising your family. Don't address this in your resume, as the resume should simply document your work history. The best way to address the dreaded gap is to simply say "I took time off to raise my family." This also gives you the opportunity to mention some of the things that you may have accomplished during your time out of the workplace.

VOLUNTEERING COUNTS. When you are struggling to compose your resume keep in mind that all those school committees you sat on, every fundraiser you spearheaded, even the annual Cubs game for your friends and family you organized, might just be worthy of inclusion. You should certainly evaluate your past volunteer activities and determine if they might add value to your job search or indicate a direction for that job search.

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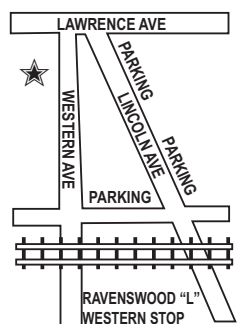
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Dog Food Continued

By Bosley

This article continued from Bosley last issue...

In fact, one of the most popular dog foods advertises a lot and its commercials show juicy meat and fresh veggies falling into the food. Take a look at the ingredients listed on the bag: Ground yellow corn, chicken by-product meal, corn gluten meal, whole wheat flour, animal fat preserved with mixed-tocopherols (form of Vitamin E), rice flour, beef, soy flour, sugar, etc.

The first ingredient listed is corn; therefore the majority of what we dogs are eating is corn? Does that make sense? Give me steak anyday!

What the heck is a chicken by-product? According to the dog food project: by definition, byproducts are those parts of animal carcasses other than the cuts of meat the animal was slaughtered for. This includes organs, intestines and their contents, blood, hair/feathers, feet, heads and so on.

Do I really need to go on? Border Collies aren't the only smart dogs; any of us can understand that this is not good for us. Plus, I am not even getting into all the chemicals and stuff, YUCK! So, please read the bag of dog food before you buy it! We dogs are counting on you to do the right thing! Next time I will talk about the good stuff in foods!

The very Hungry Bosley

For more information check out www.dogfoodproject.com

Submitted by Bosley's mom, Nicole Carfora, CMG, owner of Canine Corral.

ARTIST KATE HOLMES RAISES FUNDS FOR ANIMALS IN NEED

A Portion of the Artist's Proceeds will Benefit The Anti-Cruelty Society

The Anti-Cruelty Society and artist Kate Holmes have come together to benefit animals in need. Starting in June, Holmes will be selling her animal-themed paintings and donating 15% of the sale to The Anti-Cruelty Society.

"I have a great respect for animals. They inspire my art, my family and my life," said Holmes. "This is the perfect opportunity to give to animals that need help - people have a vital responsibility to protect these creatures."

Kate's art reflects the importance of animal welfare organizations like The Anti-Cruelty Society. That is why Holmes introduces her Give Back Campaign, which donates 15% of every print sale to select animal welfare organizations such as The Society.

As an animal adopter herself, Kate's family includes two young children, two rescue kittens and two dogs that hail from a long line of Mexican street mutts.

"The animals teach my family many things, but above all, the importance of unconditional love," said Holmes.

For more information contact The Anti-Cruelty Society at (312) 645-8015 or to purchase one of Kate's prints visit www.kateholmes.com.



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For more info on The Anti-Cruelty Society and our adoption process, please visit our website www.anticruelty.org or call (312) 644-8338.

Nikita: Nikita is a very striking looking 3-year old calico. She has very distinct markings with wonderful deep colors of tan, brown and white. Nikita is an affectionate and lovable girl who continually rolled all around during our visit showing me just what a sweet girl she is! She is pleasingly plump with just a tad of extra weight on her, but with a little help from you, she most likely will slim down in no time. Nikita came to us when her family was moving and couldn't take her along. She would do best in an adult home, as children would be a bit much for her. She is an amazing looking girl who will make a wonderful friend and companion. Won't you come and meet her? Nikita is at The Anti-Cruelty Society, just ask for Tab Band #678976. Want to see Nikita in action? Visit our Video Gallery!



Pinky: Pinky is a 9-month old youngster and is here with her sister, Rose, because their owner was ill and could no longer care for them. She's a very sweet girl, but pretty shy outside her cage and a bit stressed with the shelter environment. She'd like a patient, experienced pet owner and a low-key household in order to give her time to come out of her shell. She is a very sweet dog, but would prefer a no children household at present due to her shyness. She would probably do well with basic obedience classes after she

has time to adjust to her new surroundings to help build up her confidence! Pinky is a cutie - come see her today at The Anti-Cruelty Society and spend some quiet time with her. Just ask for her and mention Tab Band #683498!

Registration for Animal Explorer Camp is Open!

Calling all 6th - 8th grade students looking to discover the amazing world of animals!

Animal Explorers Camp invites middle school students to start making a difference in their world. This camp provides a meaningful opportunity for 6th-8th grade students to discover the amazing world of animals. Campers will be mentored by staff from two of Chicago's most note-worthy organizations- The Anti-Cruelty Society and the Jane Goodall Institute's Roots and Shoots.

Campers will get a chance to see the inner-workings of the largest animal shelter in the Midwest, interacting with kennel attendants, veterinary staff, a humane investigator and many four-legged residents!

Other highlights include a visit to the Hoofed Animal Humane Society in Woodstock, IL and an experience on the Chicago River. A theme of "making a difference for animals" is intertwined throughout the week and the class will have several service learning opportunities.

Dates: Session 1 - July 13 - 17, 2009; Session 2 - July 27 - 31, 2009

Time: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm (each day)

Place: The Anti-Cruelty Society Behavior & Training Center, 169 W. Grand Ave., Chicago IL 60654

Cost: \$240 for Roots & Shoots' members & ACS adopters; \$300 for non-members & non-adopters. For more information call 312-644-8338 ext. 348 or eserrano@anticruelty.org

Evanston Dog Beach Now Open

Evanston's dog beach, located north of the Church Street boat launch facility, opened for the 2009 season on Friday, May 1, and will remain open through Oct. 31. Hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. All dogs using the beach must have a pass. The fee for a 2009 dog beach pass is \$50 per dog owned by an Evanston resident and \$100 per dog owned by a nonresident. Applications for dog beach passes as well as dog beach rules and regulations are available at the Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave., or on the City's Web site at www.cityofevanston.org. Before obtaining a dog beach pass, owners must show written proof that their dogs are current on their vaccinations and have been examined within the past year for any communicable diseases. In addition, dogs must be currently licensed in Evanston or the city where the dog lives. For more information, call 847-866-2900.



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Village of Skokie Immunization Clinic

The Skokie Health Department offers immunizations to any child living in Skokie or attending a Skokie school. There is a \$5 clinic fee. Certain vaccinations are also available for adults. Consultations on required immunizations are provided by the Village's public health nurses. An appointment is necessary.

Immunization Clinics take place at Skokie Village Hall, 5127 Oakton Street, Skokie. Current clinic dates and times include:

- * Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon
- * Wednesdays, June 24, July 8 and July 22, 1:30 to 4 p.m.
- * Wednesdays, July 1 and 15 from 5 to 7 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment please contact the Skokie Health Department at 847/ 933-8252 or visit www.skokie.org to view the community calendar of upcoming events.

Skokie Health Department Continues to Encourage Residents to Take Precautions Against Novel Influenza A (H1N1)

The Village of Skokie continues to monitor the spread of novel influenza A (H1N1) virus in the Skokie community now that the World Health Organization (WHO) has raised the level of influenza pandemic alert to Phase 6 and officially declared a flu pandemic. A number of residents have confirmed cases of the virus and several have been hospitalized. The Skokie Health Department is notifying those who might have been exposed and are at risk of acquiring the infection. Since the outbreak began in late April 2009, the Skokie Health Department has worked closely with Skokie schools and health care providers to ensure that necessary precautions and proactive measures are taken to protect the health and well-being of the community.

"There is still much that we don't know about this virus," said Dr. Catherine Counard, Skokie Health Director. "The community must remain vigilant and take steps to be prepared should the situation worsen, particularly this fall during the traditional influenza season." The Skokie Health Department is working closely with regional, state and federal officials to limit the spread of the novel influenza A (H1N1) virus cases in Illinois, and to prepare for administration of influenza vaccinations in the fall.

The Skokie Health Department encourages all residents to practice the following:

- * Wash your hands often with soap and water to prevent illness. Teach your children this, too.
- * Anyone who is sick should stay home and get better. Do not spread illness at work, at school, at a store, at your house of worship or anywhere.
- * If you or a loved one has a fever over 100 degrees, a cough or trouble breathing, call your doctor or other health care provider.
- * If you have a respiratory illness, cough or sneeze into a tissue and discard it promptly. Teach your children this, too.
- * In addition, Skokie residents are encouraged to think about preparedness for an influenza pandemic or any other type of emergency. Information is available at www.ready.gov.

Critical information will be posted on the Village web site and updated as necessary, along with updates to 1660 AM Skokie radio station and to recorded information at 847/675-INFO (4636). For email news alerts, sign up for SkokieNews at www.skokie.org. The Village also is planning several influenza information sessions for early fall, 2009. Watch for dates and locations in the August/September NewSkokie and on the village web site.

Novel influenza A (H1N1) virus symptoms in people are similar to the symptoms of regular human flu and include fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. Some people have reported diarrhea and vomiting associated with novel influenza A (H1N1) virus. Antiviral medications have proven effective in treating novel influenza A (H1N1) virus.

Possible closures of Skokie schools will be considered on a case-by-case basis depending on the number of absentees and other factors. No Skokie schools were closed because of the virus during spring 2009. For more information, please visit www.skokie.org.

For more information on novel influenza A (H1N1) virus please visit the Centers for Disease Control web site at www.cdc.gov/swineflu. For novel influenza A (H1N1) virus information translations in languages other than English, courtesy of the Chicago Department of Public Health, visit www.cityofchicago.org. With other questions call the Skokie Health Department at 847/933-8252.

Village Cooking Corner

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Evanston Water Rate Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2010

Based on the fiscal year 2010 budget hearings, there will be an increase to the water rate for 2009-2010. This increase will fund an increase in the cost of water purchased from the City of Evanston and inflationary increases in other Water Fund expenditures.

Additionally, the rate increase allows for continued investment in the Village's aging water system infrastructure. The increase to the Village's water rate requires an adjustment to \$28.97 per thousand cubic feet. This means that an average quarterly water bill of \$93.42 (or \$31.14 per month) will increase to \$102.52 (or \$34.17 per month) which equates to an increase of \$3.03 per month.

Even after consideration of the rate adjustment, Skokie will continue to have the second lowest water rate among fifteen comparable area communities. Skokie's vast water system serves approximately 16,000 residential water customers and includes two 4.9-million gallon storage facilities and over 2,300 hydrants.


For more information on the Village's water system and the water rate adjustment, please see the Village of Skokie website at www.skokie.org.

Village of Skokie Document Destruction

The Village of Skokie and the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) are providing a one-day document destruction event for residentially generated paper such as medical forms, bank statements, personal files, retired tax forms, etc. This one day event will be held Saturday, July 11, 2009 at Niles West High School, 5701 Oakton Street. The event will run from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and there is no cost to attend. This event is open to any resident who lives in Skokie or any other SWANCC-member town, so please have your ID ready as SWANCC Staff will be checking each vehicle.

Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed from documents, but please remove binders. SWANCC staff will help take paper out of vehicles and place in totes. The documents will then be loaded into a shredding truck on site. The paper will be cross-shredded, baled, and recycled.

For more information on recycling in the community contact SWANCC at 847/724-9205 or at www.swancc.org. For information regarding residential recycling collection in Skokie, contact the Public Works Department at 847/933-8427 or visit www.skokie.org.

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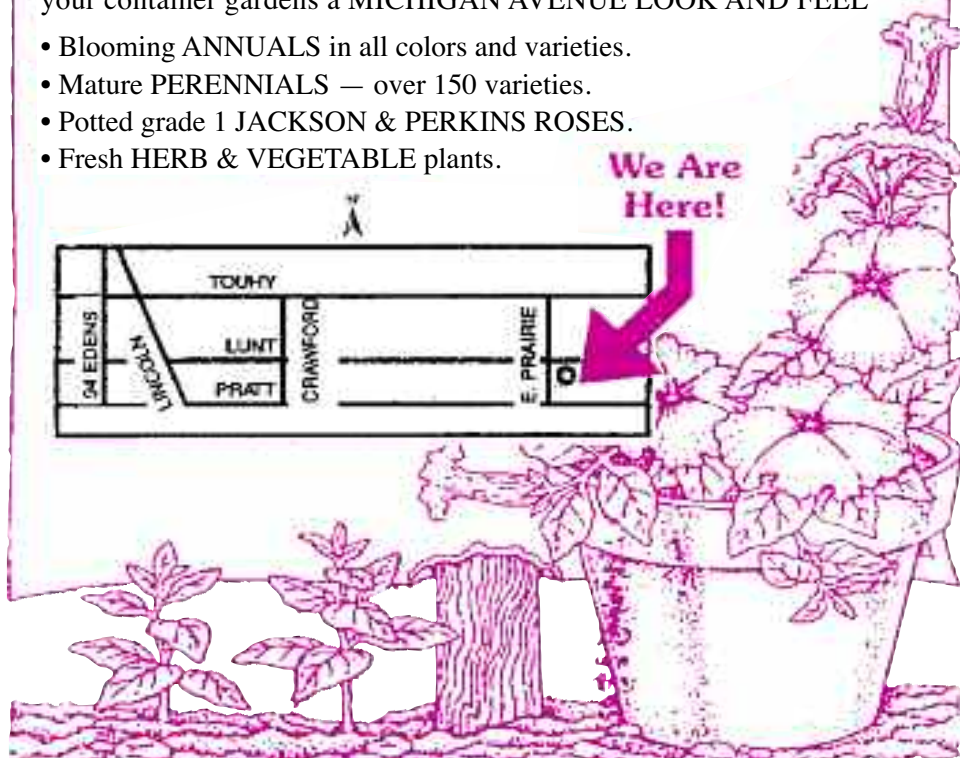
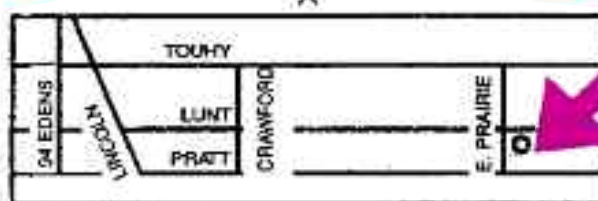
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