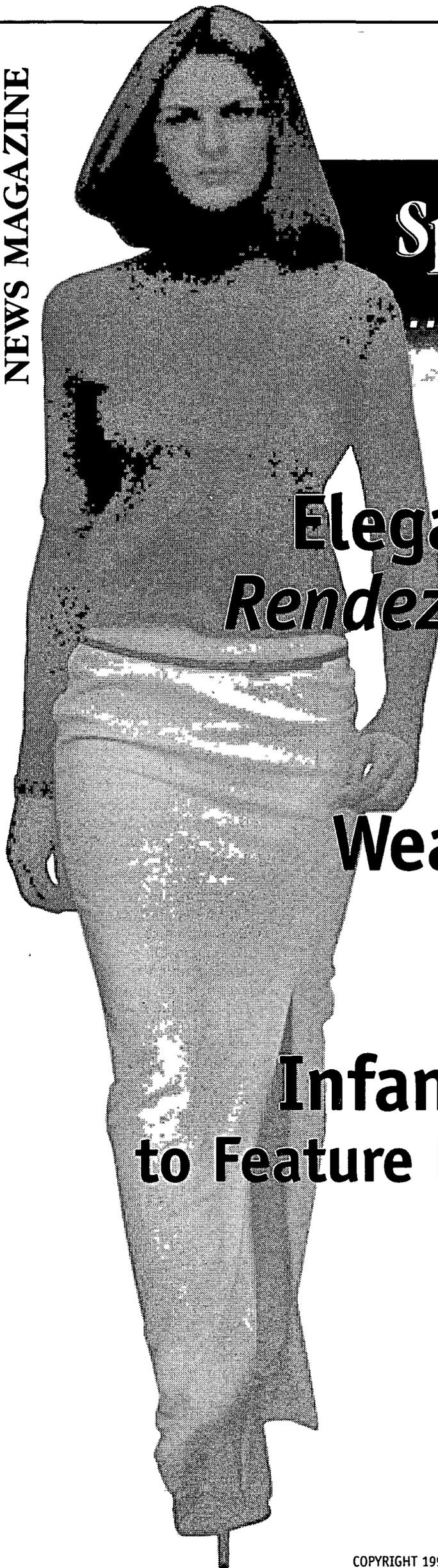


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Editor's Ink

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Dear Reader,

There are many spring events you won't want to miss! Take, for example, Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago's elegant gala *L'Opera Rendezvous* on May 13. This event will benefit Lyric Opera Center for American Artists (LOCAA), an internationally renowned young artist professional development program. Reservations are limited to this outstanding event, so make them now to avoid disappointment.

Wearable art hits the runway on Friday, April 14, as BAAC (Barrington Area Arts Council) presents "A Touch of the Arts." Presented will be unique, one-of-a-kind fashions and accessories sure to delight the audience.

The Barrington Chapter of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago will hold their Annual Spring Fashion Show on April 19 at the Biltmore Country Club. Proceeds will go to the Infant Welfare Clinic in Chicago. In addition to lovely fashions, a boutique sale and silent auction will be held. Among the items to be auctioned is a beautiful Victorian-style dollhouse created by Barrington's own Don Larsen.

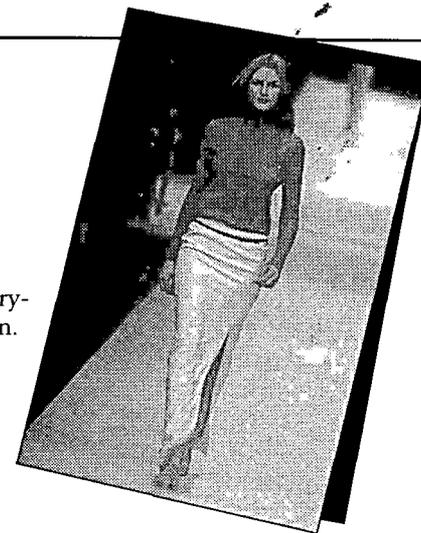
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With warm regards,
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Wearable Art Takes to the Runway for BAAC's Annual Spring Show

Friends of BAAC (Barrington Area Arts Council) cordially invite those who love unique, one-of-a-kind fashions and accessories to join them on Friday, April 14, for the 5th annual wearable art luncheon and fashion show benefit for BAAC. This festive midday occasion called "A Touch of the Arts" will be held this year at Biltmore Country Club in North Barrington, getting underway at 11 AM, with social hour and limited silent auction. There will be complimentary valet parking.

According to co-chairmen Kathy Ard and Louise MacKenzie, luncheon begins at noon with fashions interspersed throughout the meal. Models wearing creations handmade by local and nationally acclaimed artists specializing in fiber art will be seen on the runway with commentary provided by fashion consultant Starr Kondos of Starr Couture in Barrington. Many of the selections in the show will come from the juried exhibit featured in the BAAC Gallery during the month of April, entitled "The Feel of Fiber." Once again, fashion design students from Harper College will also participate and there will be an occasional treat of European influence as well.

Boutique

A boutique area is also planned, open from 11 AM to 3 PM, featuring the work of several talented artisans whose creations include sweaters, scarves, jackets, jewelry, hats, purses and more. Among those expected to participate are: Liny Freeman of Deerfield, (scarves and shawls); Mary Derbyshire of Knit Wits, Evanston, (Irish imports, sweaters, etc.); Eva May of Chicago, (hats, handbags and more); Debra Stromsdorfer of Rockford, (unique jackets); and Joann Bauman, (jewelry).

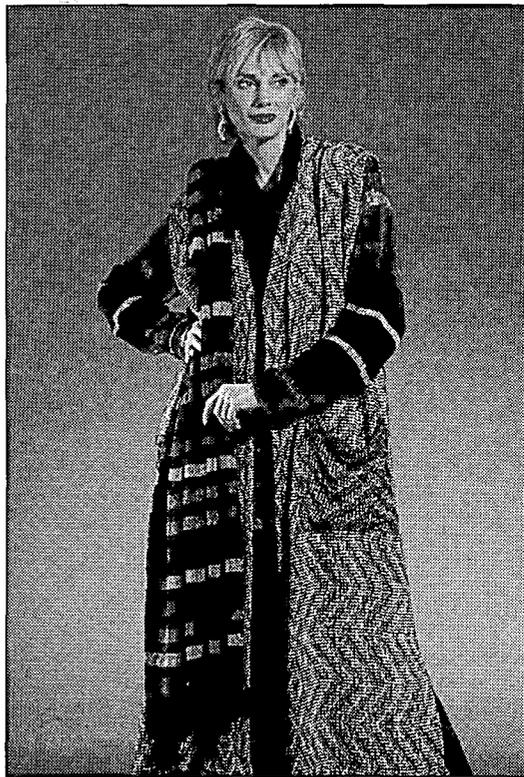
This year, a select silent auction features baskets with themes such as gardening, wine connoisseur, holidays of all kinds, an Easter basket fit for the Easter Bunny and one for soup lovers among others.

Special Features

Four "A Touch of the Arts" prize items include Motorola Talkabouts walkie talkies, a mink Teddy bear from Furs by Talidis, a case of 1998 Chalone Echelon Syrah from Chalone Wine Foundation and a \$200 gift certificate from Starr Couture distinctive apparel and accessories in Barrington. Tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25.

In addition, there will be a special prize; a piece of jewelry generously offered by M.J. Miller & Co. in Barrington.

Michelle Szczesny and her staff at In the Spa Light Salon in Barrington will provide



Handwoven chenille garments by Santa Fe artist Barbara Holloway will be among the ensembles shown at "A Touch of the Arts."

table favors as well as hair and makeup styling for models. Music is by Rick Cornwall of Fox River Grove and Barrington Flower Shop is assisting with centerpieces.

Tickets are \$50 or a table of 10 for \$500. This event sells out quickly, so avoid disappointment by reserving promptly. Proceeds from "A Touch of the Arts" benefit BAAC's programming in the visual, literary and performing arts. For an invitation or additional information, please call the BAAC Gallery at 847-382-5626.

Committee

Assisting Ard and MacKenzie in the planning of this popular spring benefit are: Dede Wamberg, Donna Hannay, Sarah Bowers, Janese Killian, Sharon Advani-Kantanen and Kathleen Amatangelo, all of Barrington Hills; Trowby Brockman, Arline Aalfs and Dorothy Dobrath of Lake Barrington Shores; Michele Gillett of Tower Lakes; Crickett Kelly of North Barrington; Betsy Smentek of Fox Point; Nancy Spaulding of Lake Barrington; Teddi Martin, Pam Stephenson and Sue Abare of the Village of Barrington; Paula Dau of Lake Forest; and Anne Blanchard of Palatine.

Models include: Sharon Advani-Kantanen, Gretchen Grant and daughter, Claire, Colleen Noyes and Janese Killian, all of Barrington Hills; Cheri Schleich, Cary; Lu Gustafson and Kiki Stinek of Lake Barrington Shores; Mary Ann Roeser of Crystal Lake; Dyllis Braithwaite of Barrington; and Lesley Zappen of Fox River Grove.

Young Artists Exhibit

The Barrington Area Arts Council invites you to their annual Young Artists Exhibit to be held April 22 through May 7 at the Ice House Mall, 200 Applebee St., in Barrington. The exhibit is partially sponsored by Junior Women's Club of Barrington.

Stroll the mall and enjoy artwork from

elementary and middle school students in District 220 and St. Anne. Each school will display up to 75 pieces of artwork. An opening reception to honor the artists will be held on Thursday, April 27, from 6 to 8 PM at the Ice House Mall. For more information, please call 847-382-5626.

Barrington Lyric to Host Biennial Gala to Benefit Lyric Opera Center for American Artists



During a recent *L'Opera Rendezvous* planning session in Marian and Jasper Sanfilippo's Eden Palais, Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago benefit committee members are pictured on the exquisite 18th century carousel: (from left), Louise Sullivan, Barrington Hills; Chairmen Louis and Anne Gross, Inverness; and Marilyn Hayden, Barrington Hills.

At 5 PM on Saturday, May 13, Jasper and Marian Sanfilippo will graciously open their Barrington Hills Victorian Palace and Eden Palais for Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago to host their biennial benefit *L'Opera Rendezvous*. This elegant gala will benefit Lyric Opera Center for American Artists (LOCAA), Lyric Opera of Chicago's internationally renowned young artist professional development program. William Mason, General Director of Lyric Opera of Chicago, will serve as Honorary Chairman. Tickets are \$150 per person, (\$75 tax deductible). Valet Parking included. Limited reservations. Please respond by May 1 to Mrs. Roger Gabbei, 602 E. Ivy Lane, Arlington Heights, IL, 60004. Or call 847-392-0388.

The social hour will take place in the magnificent Eden Palais which houses the most spectacular hand-painted European salon carousel in existence. Guests will enjoy passed hors d'oeuvres as they review the many extravagant silent auction items. Following a gourmet Bordeaux beef tenderloin dinner, guests will be transported to Sanfilippo's Victorian Palace for a docent-led tour of the world's largest collection of restored antique music machines. This memorable evening will conclude in the glorious private theatre

with musical entertainment provided by the superb young artists from LOCAA.

The silent auction items will include golf days at Biltmore and Inverness Country Clubs, a diamond and tourmaline ring courtesy of F.K. Jewelers; Elgin Symphony Orchestra's Gala Concert featuring violinist Itzhak Perlman and reception with Mr. Perlman; Pfaelzer Brothers' "A Steak for all Seasons"; Louis Vuitton carry-on luggage; Arlington International Racecourse Day at the Races in The Million Room; gift certificates; gourmet restaurant packages; and more. Advance bids, checks and credit cards accepted.

Assisting Co-Chairmen Anne and Louis Gross of Inverness are committee members: Kathleen Amatangelo, Tressa and Ben Borkon, Dorothy Dobrath, Marilyn Hayden, Penny Knopik, Rosemary Maude, Catherine Mura, Elizabeth Nearing, Heather Sholeen and Louise Sullivan, Barrington; Dorothy Gabbei, Mary and Howard Robins, Arlington Heights; Vincent Galati, Niles; Glenna McMonigal, Crystal Lake; David Nelleman, St. Charles; Susan and George Obermaier, Schaumburg; Janice Semerad and Maribeth Totten, Inverness; and Mary Wajda, Palatine.

For inquiries on the Barrington Chapter, phone Howard Robins at 847-437-2158.

Hawthorn Woods Woman's Club Spring Charity Luncheon and Fashion Show

The Annual Hawthorne Woods Woman's Club Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show will be held on April 29 at Kemper Lakes Golf Course at Old McHenry Rd. in Long Grove.

This year, we are very pleased to feature designs from The Arts and Fashion Department of Harper Community College. This show promises to be a new and refreshing look at the fashion trends

for now and the future.

Please join us at 11 AM for cocktails and our Charity Silent Auction followed by lunch at noon. Tickets are \$35 per person for members or \$40 for non-members.

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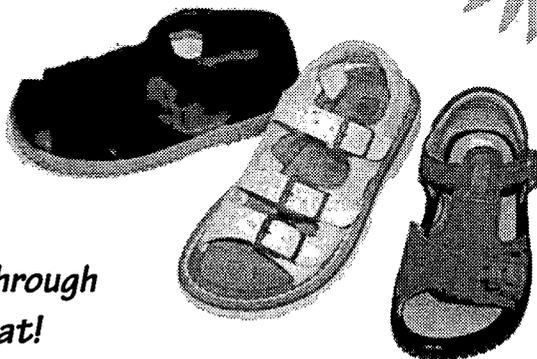
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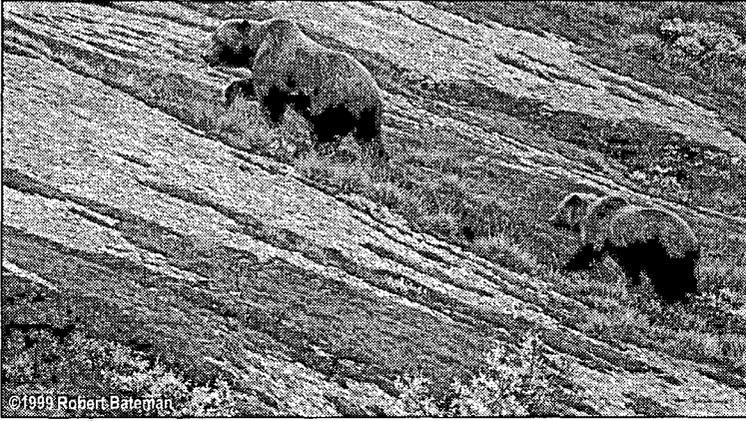
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Woodland Art Gallery Features Artist Gerhartz



Alaskan Autumn by Robert Bateman

Woodland Art Gallery is pleased to announce the addition of Daniel F. Gerhartz to its collection of featured artists. Working primarily with oil paints, Gerhartz publishes his originals as limited edition serigraphs. His newest release, *Dream Lake*, is now on display at the gallery for your pleasure.

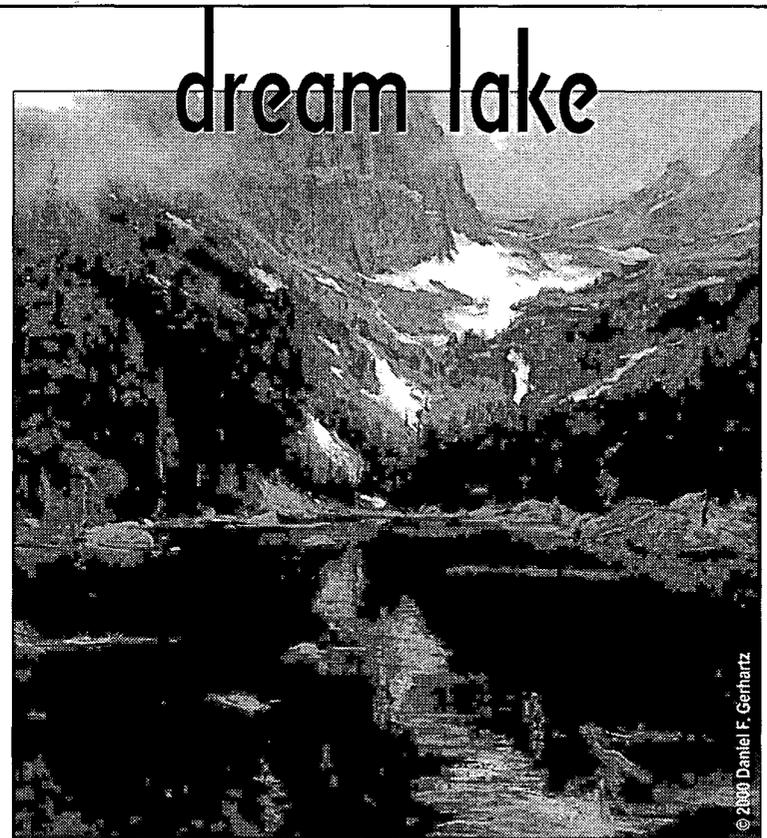
Woodland Art Gallery is pleased to announce another new release this month, this one from the gallery's most famous and popular artist, Robert Bateman. Entitled *Alaskan Autumn*, this limited edition print shows the diversity of nature from the palette of this world-renowned wildlife artist as a grizzly bear mother is followed by her cub amidst a backdrop of autumn colors in the tundra. The work, along with another new release from Bateman, *Eyes in the Grass*, is also on display at the gallery.

play at the gallery.

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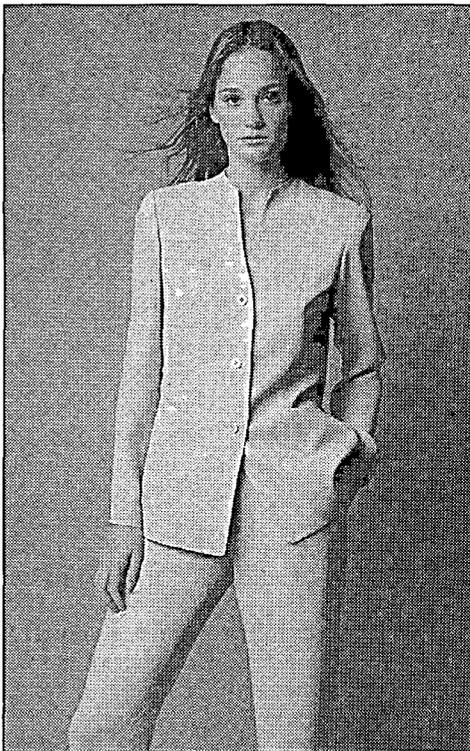
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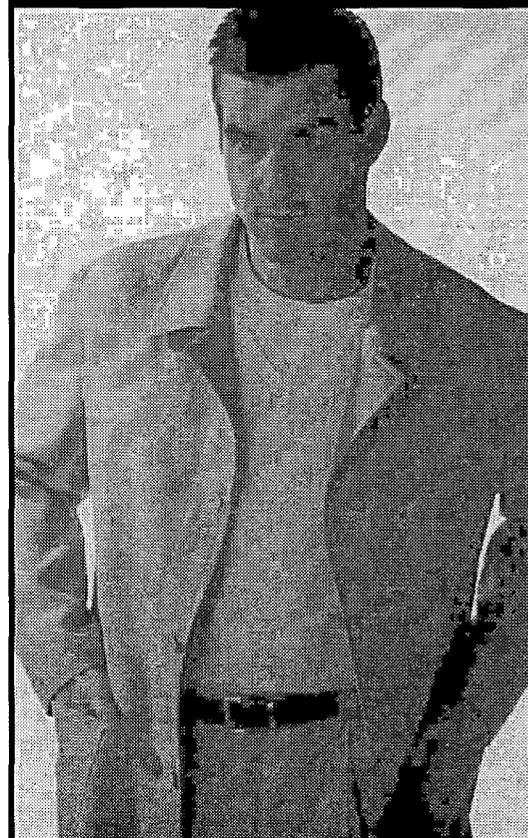


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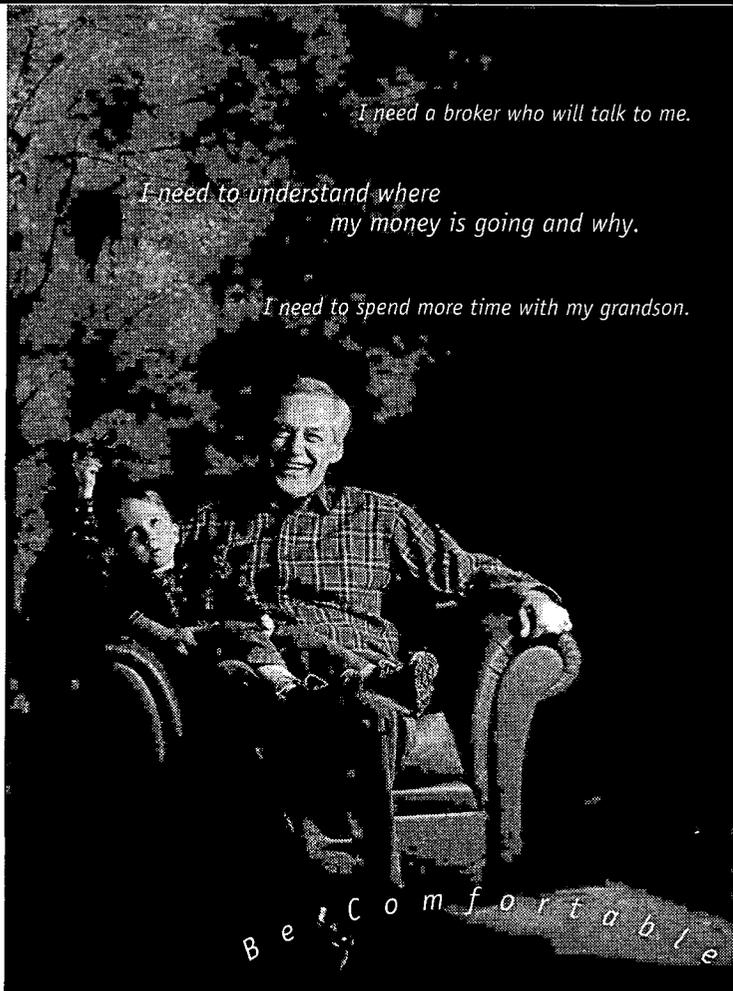
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Time for Learning, Volunteering at Safety Town

Safety Town is once again welcoming area kindergartners and volunteers this summer for learning and fun!

Registration for the early childhood safety education program will be held on Saturday, April 15 from 8:30 to 11:30 AM at Health World in Barrington. The program is open to any child residing within the School District 220 area who has just completed kindergarten or who will be entering kindergarten in the fall. Applications may be made in person at registration for one child and one additional friend at the same time. Instruction will be offered during two sessions: Session One runs from June 12 to 23; Session Two runs

from June 26 to July 11 (no classes July 3 and 4). Class times during each session are 9:15 to 11:15 AM; noon to 2:00 PM; and 2:30 to 4:30 PM. The program will be held Monday through Friday during each session at Safety Town, a permanent miniature town at JFK Health World in Barrington. The fee is \$40 per child.

Volunteers are at the heart of making Safety Town work. Under the direction of two site directors and their assistants, about 150 area sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders are needed to pair up as team leaders to guide the Safety Towners through their lessons. Volunteer sign-ups will occur at Health World on April 15 at

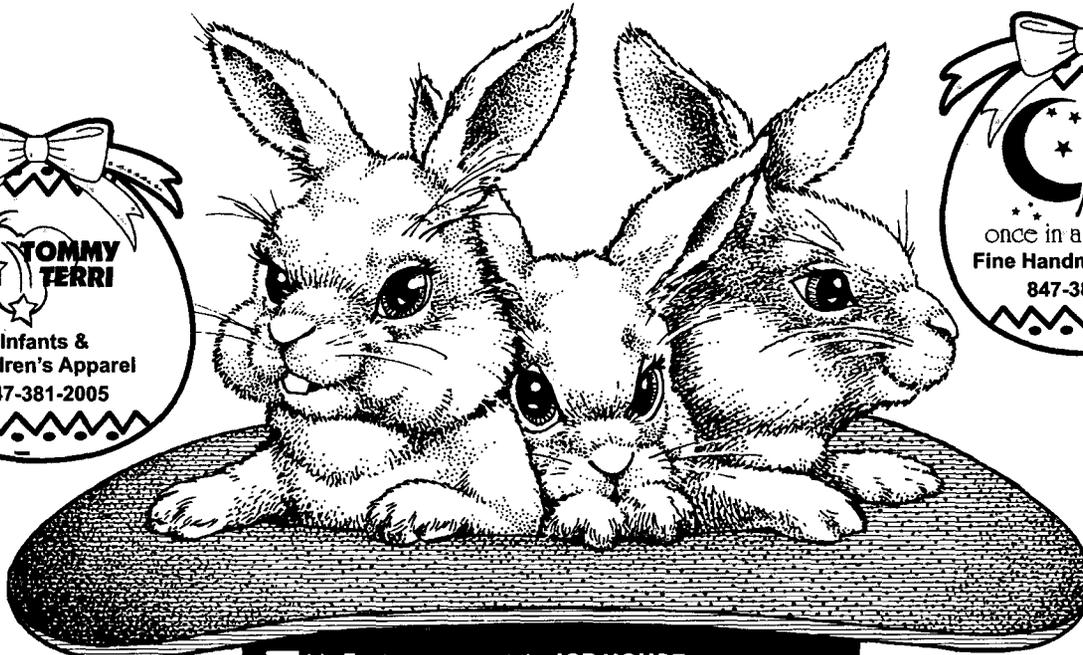
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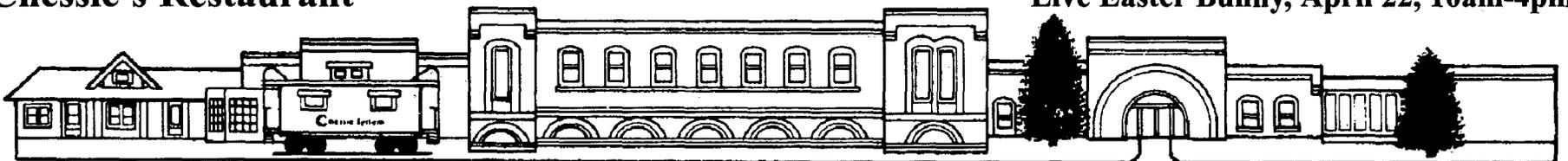
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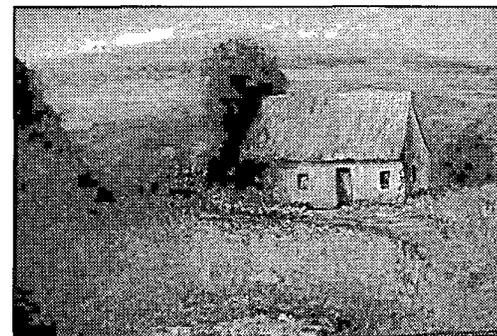
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Dunton Gallery invites you to purchase original fine art *Tax Free* on Saturday, April 15, 2000. This offer will apply to purchases made in the gallery but only made that day. We hope that this will give both loyal current and new clients an opportunity to bring home treasures that will last a lifetime while getting a break from the tax man.

On Friday, April 28, from 6 to 9 PM, the gallery will be hosting an opening reception for a one-woman show featuring the work of Georgia Maskalunas, a Long Grove artist. The artist will also be in the gallery on Saturday, April 29, from noon to 4 PM.

This show, entitled "A Floral Celebration," will feature Georgia's still-life as well as a few of her landscape paintings. Just as we have with many of our local artists, this will be a first formal gallery show fea-



Cottage by Georgia Maskalunas, 30" x 48"

turing her work exclusively. Georgia has received some of her training at the Art Institute as well as through workshops with many of today's leading artists such as David Leffel, Ovanes Berberian and Clyde Aspivig.

The gallery will also be hosting a fund-raising benefit for the Metropolis Youth Symphony on Sunday, April 30. For additional information, feel free to call the gallery for details.

Dunton Gallery is located at the Dunton Avenue end of the Evergreen Center in downtown Arlington Hts. Our primary operating hours are: Tuesday through Thursday, 11 AM to 5 PM; Friday, 11 AM to 8 PM; and Saturday, 10 AM to 4 PM. Appointments are gladly accommodated at all other times. Just call us at 847-818-0694 or visit us on the web at www.duntongallery.com.



Still-life by Georgia Maskalunas, 24" x 24"

Whisk Your Spring Cleaning Chores Out the Door

The ritual of spring cleaning has mellowed since the age of wood and coal burning stoves. Nonetheless, the need for a thoroughly deep cleaned house still courses through our veins each year. But who has the time or the energy after a grueling day at work to scrub floors, pumice hard water deposits and wipe down baseboards?

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Caregiver Education and Support Programs

The Barrington Area Council on Aging, Inc. (BACOA) and the Lutheran Church of Atonement invite you to participate in the following Caregiver Education and Support Programs being held at the Barrington Library, 505 North Northwest Highway. All programs will be from 7 to 9 PM.

- Tuesday, April 4, "Thinking of Becoming A Caregiver: Things You Need To Know"—Presented by Joyce Palmquist, Executive Director of BACOA, this pro-

gram will present an overview of the many aspects of being a caregiver including developing a plan, resources and caring for yourself.

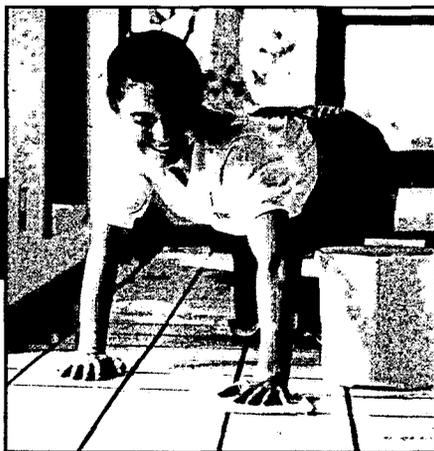
- Tuesday, May 2, "Tools and Toys to Support Independence."

- Tuesday, June 6, "The Normal Aging Process."

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Our March Trunk Shows were a tremendous success. If you missed them this



Starr Kondos, Owner

time, we hope you will plan on attending our next trunk shows in July.

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At this new larger space, they continue to have wonderful children's clothing for sizes preemie to four toddler as well as exquisite, upscale Ragazzi furniture, twin beds, bunk beds, dressers, cribs and bed-

ding, along with the latest in cradles.

Easter will soon be here and our spring fashions are arriving daily—all the brands you love! Accessories such as hair bows, hats and caps give the finishing touch.

So look for **Little Munchkins** at their new address—141 S. Northwest Highway in Barrington.

Step into Spring with a More Beautiful You

I can't believe spring is here; it is the most beautiful season when the flowers start to grow and the trees are budding.

Now is the time to book for your facial, to have your esthetician look at your skin through our mag lamp to see if there is any damage from the winter. The epidermal layer of the face has a difficult time changing with the season. Dead cells appear and the skin becomes lifeless, casting a sallow look. In our facial room, we treat the skin for the condition it's in. We steam, vacuum, remove black heads, brush, exfoliate, massage and then a special mask is applied according to the skin type.

Spring is a good time to have a new make-up look. Spring make-up is totally different from winter.

We have a couple of new services now. **Body Bronzing**—you can have a beautiful tan all over your body and face without any sun damage. It is fantastic! Our other new service is for the hands and feet using glycolic acid to remove dead skin and help remove sunspots and then a moisturizing treatment is given.

Our wonderful day spa is going very well. People are coming for the Vichy Shower to have a spa glow. What a great treatment! Having the warm Parafango Mud on their back or placed on problem areas of the body is a great stress remover.

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I am very pleased to announce that my son, Jeffery Powers, will be coming into the business as a manager in April. The business has grown so much in the past years—"I need help!" Now I can spend more time with lectures, product development and teaching.

I hope to see all of you in our studio and day spa soon. Have a happy, healthy Easter and, most of all, have fun!

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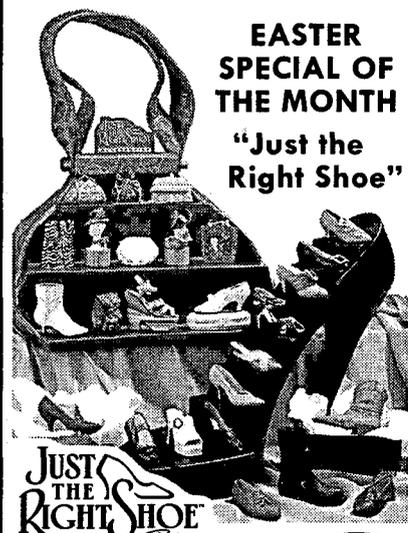


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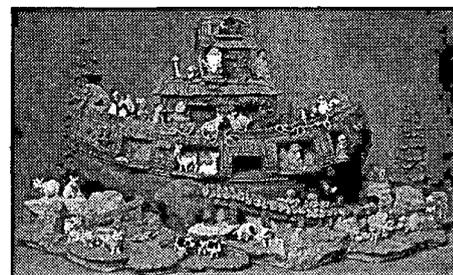
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store is not in a major shopping area, the store has earned the support of the community because of her beautiful selection of gifts, art and collectibles. Most of the customers are delighted with the store's charm and the personal attention they get from the owner. **Time & Treasures** represents many fine brands, such as: Armani, Fenton, Howard Miller, Edna Hibel, Windsor Bears and Willet Shoes to name a few. The store is worth the trip, so make it one of your shopping destinations. This month, they are featuring many gift items for the Easter holiday.

Their store is a refreshing experience and well worth the trip.



Amy Rebecca's Floral Garden

Spring Gardening Programs

Spring is here! Whether you are an avid gardener or just starting to experience the joys of gardening, you will want to attend the classes offered from 7:30 to 9:30 PM on April 13 and 27 at Langendorf Park in Barrington.

In the first class, "Water Gardens," Richard Walsh will show how to add a new dimension to your garden by teaching the basics of water gardens. A well-designed pond or water garden can require as little as 15 minutes maintenance per week. Mr. Walsh will cover all aspects of water gardening from the materials to start the design and construction to the best plant selection. You will be shown how to select plants for beauty and for maintaining the health of your water garden as well as how to use special stones in your pond or waterfall. Maintaining a "balanced" water garden, large or small, will be demonstrated. The "balance" is provided by different types of plants such as deep water aquatics and oxygenators as well as aeration, so that algae does not form and the pond does not become a mosquito haven.

On the second evening, April 27, two separate programs will be presented. The first, "Between a Rock and a Hardscape," will show how to unify your garden and add interest with benches, fences, edgings, arches, pathways, patios, walls, gazebos and statuary. You've seen the perfect bench; you've fallen in love with a little statue; but where do you place them? Will they add to or distract from your garden? Lisa Pollman, founder of Landmark Design, Inc. in Bartlett, will show how to choose hardscapes which will achieve balance, rhythm and contrast.

The second program on April 27 will cover exterior lighting. Learn how to pro-



Lisa Pollman will focus on hardscapes.

duce the drama of exterior lighting, softening the night and adding a new perspective to a garden while illuminating pathways and promoting safety. Dave Askelson will show how to achieve the best results with exterior lighting. Presenting today's possibilities, you will be able to weigh the factors of durability and cost when making choices, and setting priorities for the evening garden.

These programs are sponsored by the educational focus committee of the Council of Barrington Garden Clubs and the Barrington Park District and will be held at Langendorf Park, 235 Lions Drive in Barrington. The fee is \$10 for each evening. Barrington Park District residents who preregister pay only \$8. All are encouraged to preregister as they will be guaranteed copies of handout material. Contact the Barrington Park District at 847-381-0687 or council representatives at either 847-526-2590 or 847-381-0085.

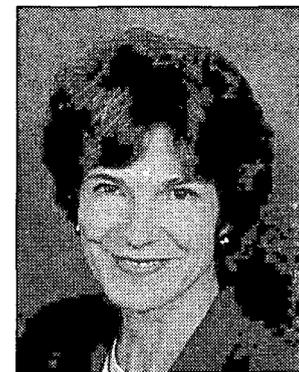
"Historical Architecture" Topic for Art Associates

The final lecture of the Members Present Art Series of the Barrington Community Associates of the Art Institute of Chicago will be Thursday, April 6, 1 PM, at the Barrington Area Library, 505 N. Northwest Hwy.

"Historical Architecture," a slide lecture by Mary Thennes, will highlight various styles of architecture including the historic beginnings of Greek, Classical and Tudor architecture and their eventual revivals in the United States. Styles most popular in the Midwest will be included, such as: Queen Anne, 2nd Empire, Prairie Four-square and Craftsman.

Mary Thennes will explain why architectural styles came into fashion and also the reasons for their inevitable fall from grace. Changes in building technology, such as The Balloon Frame, and their effect on architectural styles will also be included.

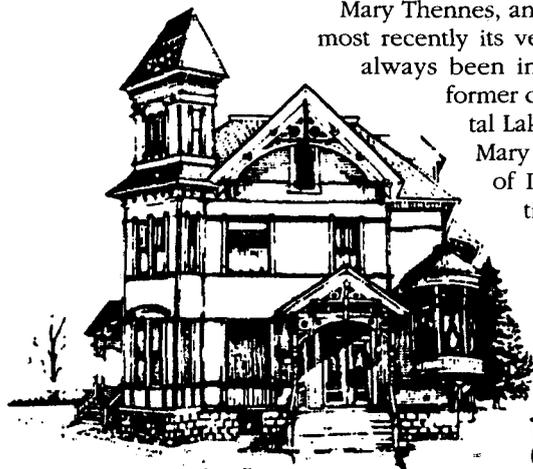
Mary Thennes, an Associates member for 15 years and most recently its very capable Publicity Chairman, has always been interested in old houses. She is the former chair and current member of the Crystal Lake Historic Preservation Commission. Mary is the current Illinois State President of International Questers, an organization dedicated to antique study and historic preservation.

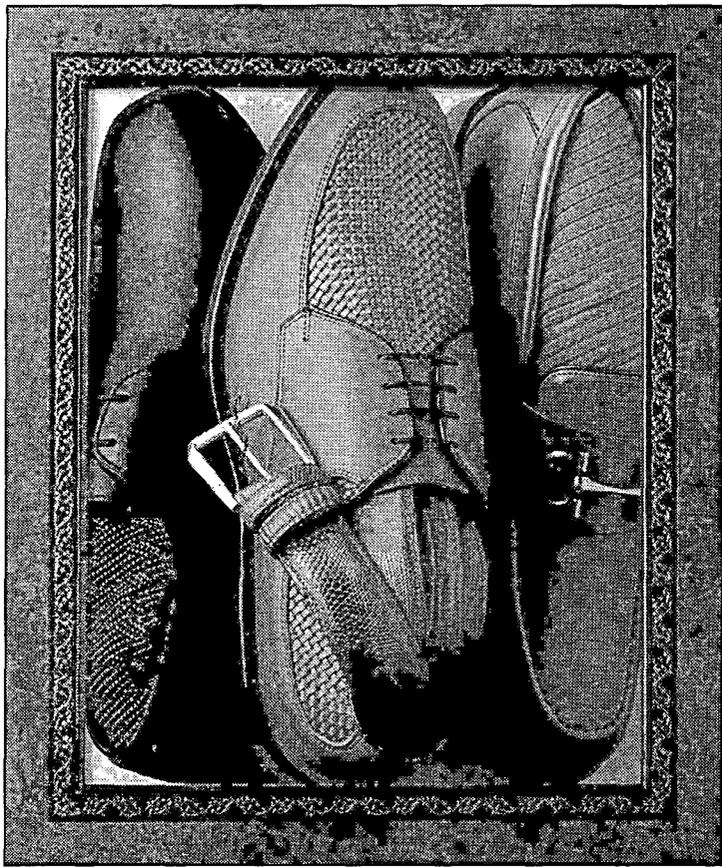


**Mary Thennes, lecturer
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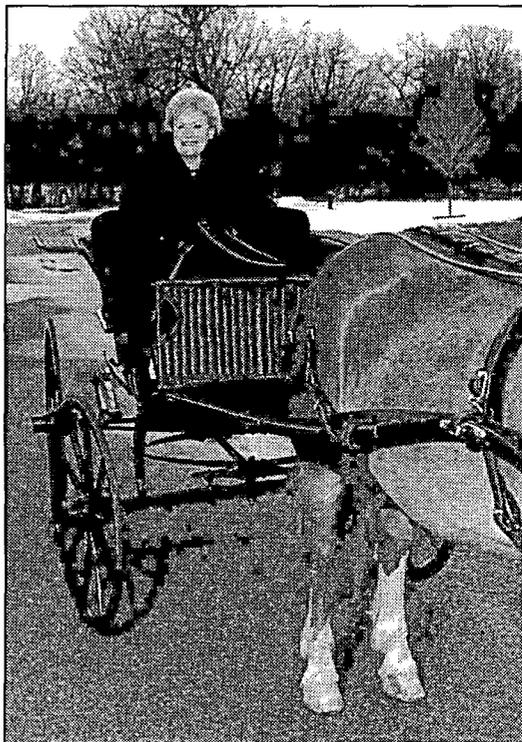
This exciting preview takes place at **Chuck Hines** on Main Street in downtown Barrington.

Ms. Fitz Rummage Sale

Mark Saturday, April 15, on your calendar for this year's Ms. Fitz Rummage Sale at Countryside School in Barrington Hills, (corner of Brinker and Lake Cook Roads). The annual sale is celebrating its 50th year in service to the surrounding communities.

Announcing this year's historical event is Ms. Fitz, (a.k.a. Mrs. Jean Mason, Principal of Countryside School), seen here in one of the beautiful carriages at Tudor Oaks Farm, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stephenson.

As has been true over the years, the parent volunteers supporting Ms. Fitz are busy collecting really wonderful items from which to select bargains, including furniture, housewares, electronics, sports equipment, books and tons of clothes. As always, there will be a special boutique with lovely goodies. The sale will be from 8 AM to 2 PM. There will be a bag sale from 3 to 4 PM. If you should have any questions, please contact Stella Hedden at 551-1908.



Mrs. Jean Mason, Principal of Countryside School in Barrington.
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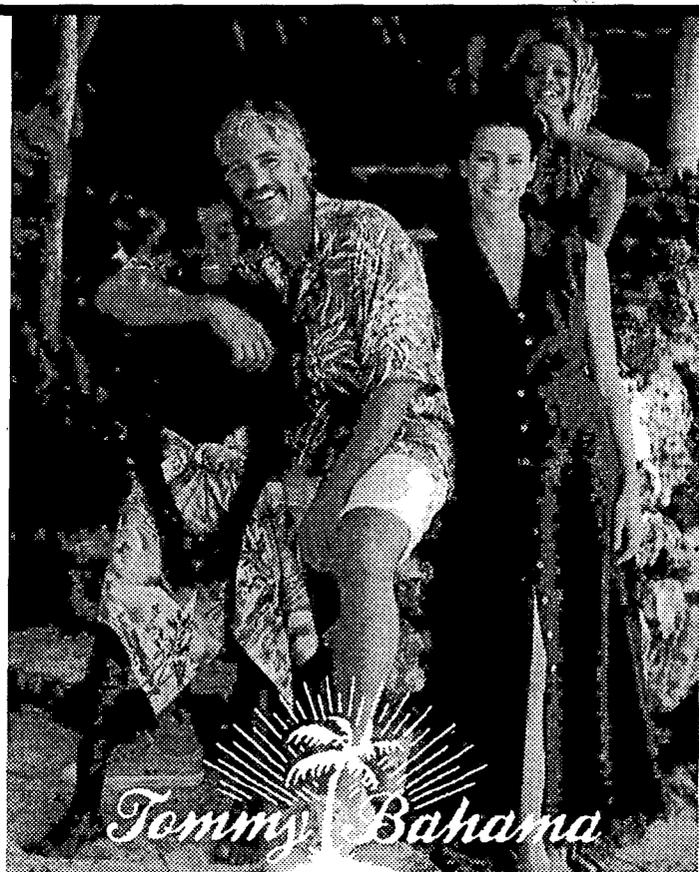
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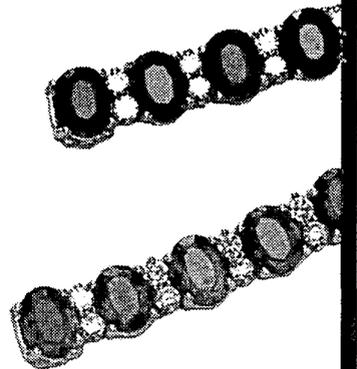
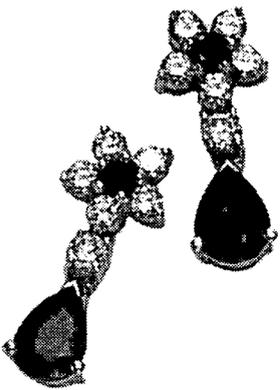
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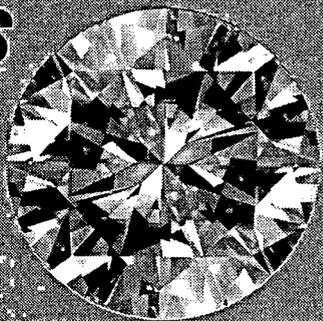
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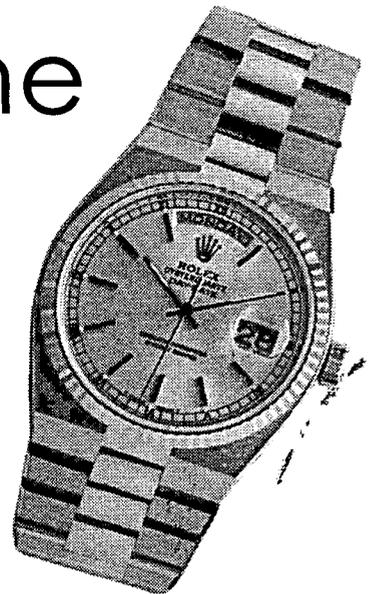
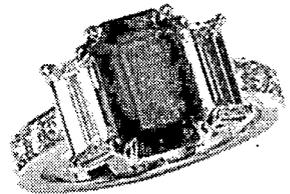
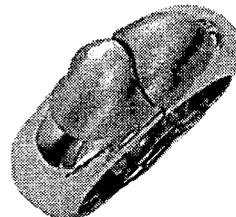
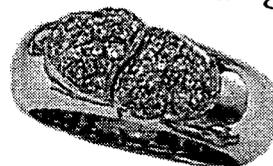
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Lakeside Moms and Tots Announces April Activity Schedule

Lakeside Moms and Tots has announced their April calendar of activities including the first Park Play Day of the season.

Lakeside Moms and Tots aims to provide a social and educational outlet for parents, caregivers and children. The group provides a monthly newsletter to each member detailing the planned activities taking place throughout the community. All parents or caregivers of young children are invited to come to an event to find out more about the group.

For more information about joining, please call Elizabeth at 726-8567 or Janice at 540-8571.

April Calendar of Events

- April 3, Noon, Rinkside Sports, Gurnee
- April 5, 10:30 AM, Fantasia at IMAX in Lincolnshire
- April 6, 9:30 AM, Members Breakfast, New Life Church, Lake Zurich

- April 7, 10:30 AM, Sesame Street Live.
- April 8, 10:00 AM, Hot Wheels Roller Rink, Mundelein
- April 10, 11:00 AM, Open Gym at Wauconda Parks and Recreation
- April 11, 2:30 PM, Buffalo Restaurant and Ice Cream Parlor, Buffalo Grove
- April 13, 10:00 AM, *Beauty and the Beast*
- April 17, 11:30 AM, Lunch at McDonalds, Lake Zurich
- April 19, 9:30 AM, Mall Walk and Meet the Easter Bunny
- April 25, 10:00 AM, Serpent Safari and Lunch at the Food Court, Gurnee Mills
- April 26, 3:00 PM, Star Wars Exhibit at Lake County Museum
- April 27, 7:30 PM, Mom's Night Out Fundraiser with Various Home-Based Businesses, Lake Zurich
- April 28, 1:30 PM, Park Play Day at Old Mill Grove Park in Lake Zurich

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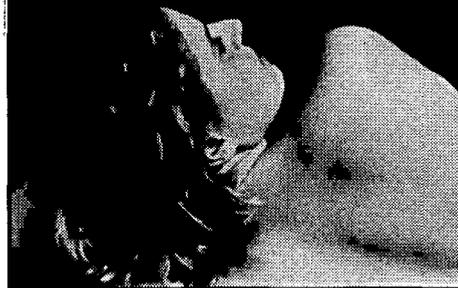
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New Generations Presents Evening of Fun and Information for Teens

New Generations, a nonprofit organization that gives local teens the opportunity to plan and implement activities for themselves and the community, will present "Keeping It Real," an evening of fun and information, on Wednesday, April 19, 2000, from 6 to 9 PM at the Barrington Park District. The program is for high school age young adults and high school seniors preparing for college are especially encouraged to attend.

Three different areas of interest will be explored, presented by adult professionals with plenty of time for questions and

answers. "Good Nutrition on a Budget" will be presented by Here's Health Barrington and Melissa Dotson, CPA. Jeanette Repp, a 2nd degree blackbelt in Ceido Karate, will demonstrate "Self Defense" techniques. "Massage Techniques for Stress Reduction" will be demonstrated by Kara Ehrle, certified therapeutic masseuse.

Dinner will be served and door prizes awarded. There is no fee for this program, but registration is required.

For more information and to register, call Libby Rieke, Executive Director of New Generations, at 381-2277.

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Along with all of our services, **Claude Thomas** is introducing our exclusive and exciting new service, **The Smart Peel**. Compared to a chemical peel, this exfoliation treatment offers the benefits of higher precision and enhanced results. The combination of skin exfoliation and slight suction stimulates the production of new living cells at the base level of the skin. This causes cell turnover and improved blood flow. The result is a healthier, fresher skin with enhanced elasticity and skin texture.

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 - Restores sun damaged skin

Along with **The Smart Peel**, **Claude Thomas** has the **Stimulating Lift Treatment**. This program will help take years off the appearance of aging skin without surgery. Signs of aging, such as sagging skin and wrinkles, are usually the results of poor muscle tone. The most important function of the **Stimulating Lift** is to tone up and contract the underlying muscles of the face and neck, helping to restore and recondition the tone and elasticity of both the skin and muscles to provide a firmer, more youthful condition. The treatment minimizes wrinkles, blemishes, age lines, crepe-like throats and sagging facial and neck muscles.

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is substandard and will knot and appear dull and fake-looking in a very short time. We use two systems. One is the **Polymer Attachment System** and the **Micro-Links System**. The **Polymer Attachment System** attachments are polymers equal to the human hair structure, not glue, wax or twisting and braiding that damages your own hair. We use 100% human hair, with the cuticles all going the same direction. We do not use synthetic hair or hair without cuticles that get tangled and become dull after a few washes. This hair is easy to perm or color. After a consultation, we would determine what would be right for you.

Permanent Makeup will be offered at **Claude Thomas** exclusively in May. This service will be done by Claudia. Call us and find out more about these exclusive services. Check out our **Easter Break Specials** too.

Our Spring Break & Easter Specials are **20% off on all gift certificates** for our spa services. This makes a great Easter gift! **Claude Thomas** has **weekend nails** that last for a week or more without damage to your natural nails. The cost for weekend nails this month is **\$40**.

Special introductory offer—**Mark**, our European stylist, and **Maureen**, our nail technician, are offering **20% off** for first-time clients. Plus, **re-book** and receive **30% off** your next visit.

Not sure what style you want for the spring and summer? Come in for the **computerized virtual make-over** for **\$30**. Or maybe you have a friend or relative that needs a change? Send them on in.

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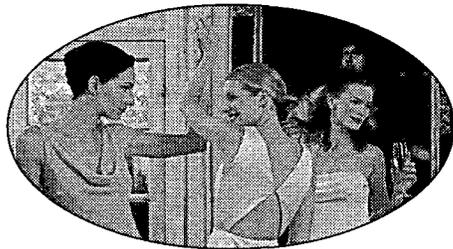
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Spring has arrived at **A'Amour** with beautiful selections for Prom and Blacktie as well as mothers and guests of the wedding.

Spring also brings special events. **A'Amour** is proud to feature two very special trunk shows.

On April 7, 8 and 9, *Watters and Watters* and *Watters* too will be showcased. These award winning designs for bridesmaids, mothers of the wedding and informal bridal are always exciting to preview.

On April 20, 21 and 22, *Mera Couture Bridal* will be showcased. Valerie Michelle, the designer for *Mera*, will be on hand to personally assist you with her designs and customize your selection so you can make it uniquely your own.

Reserve your appointment now for these special events at **847-381-5858**.

May events include a spectacular Bridal Sample Sale on May 5 and 6 and a special Mother's Day Celebration on May 13 with sales and service strictly dedicated to moms!

Martha, Martha, Martha!

She's everywhere: T.V., newspapers, cable, the floor of the New York stock exchange and don't forget the books and magazines! Talk about super woman. Seems she has an opinion on everything and everyone has an opinion on her opinion. But there's one thing we can't dispute—she has great taste. From the wreath on her door to the bow on her package to the deckled edge on her stationery, each element is produced with natural elegance and clean simplicity, an unbeatable combo.

There is only one real way to create these mini-masterpieces. Pair your idea with great tools and materials. At **CLIX Photographs & Savables, Inc.**, we try to find and stock the papers, pens, inks, stamps, waxes and seals that will give your correspondence the quality that will be cherished and saved for generations. Why not write a love letter to your child on Mulberry paper from Thailand for a graduation present? Or dedicate an Italian leather journal to your mother and

have your siblings, nieces and nephews do the same on successive pages? Or put together a memory book of Dad's best fish pictures—no offense, but they probably outnumber the pics he has of you—and add maps so he can mark his best fishing hole. What a hit that would be! Very thoughtful and very "you."

Are your ambitions grander than that? **CLIX** has dozens of choices in handmade paper, calligraphy pens and archival scrapbooks. Let your imagination fly or visit us first and we can get your brain jump-started. Maybe you're more the "Martha wannabe-type." Never fear. We've got you covered there too. Even if you don't want to deal with the cut/color/glue thing yourself, we can find something that will look like you do. All you'll have to do is wrap it up.

Join the handmade revolution. Even Martha has to start with materials and tools. **CLIX, Photographs & Savables** is where to start.

Tell them Martha sent you!

GSH Auxiliary Scholarships

For the twenty-first year, the Auxiliary of Good Shepherd Hospital is offering scholarships for students residing in the hospital service area who will be attending school in the State of Illinois and pursuing an education in a health-related field. The hospital is located north of Barrington and its service area includes the following zip codes: Algonquin, 60102; Barrington, 60010; Carpentersville, 60110; Cary, 60013; Crystal Lake, 60012 and 60014; Dundee, 60118; For River Grove, 60021; Hoffman Estates, 60195; Island Lake, 60042; Lake Zurich, 60047; McHenry, 60050; Mundelein, 60060; Palatine, 60067 and 60074; Round Lake, 60073;

Wauconda, 60084; and Woodstock, 60098.

The number of scholarships to be awarded will be based upon the numbers and qualifications of applicants. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of attitude and desire toward education, leadership, citizenship, personality and financial need.

Applications must be postmarked or hand-delivered and filed with the Scholarship Committee no later than April 30. The recipients will be notified by early June. For further information and applications, call the Volunteer Office at Good Shepherd Hospital at 847-381-0123, ext. 5093 or 5104.

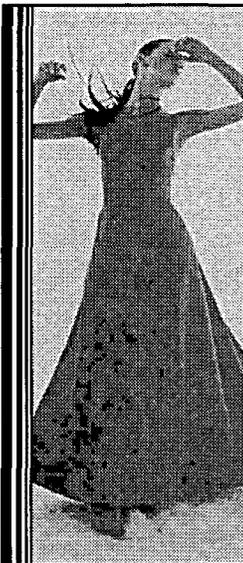
Artists Needed

Artists are needed to exhibit at the 41st Annual Art Showcase on August 19 and 20 at the Hemmen's Cultural Center in Elgin, IL. This is a juried fine arts show and sale. Only original work, displaying quality and creativity, will be accepted.

Art Showcase has been presented in the Elgin area for the past 40 years by the Elgin Area branch of American Association of University Women. For the past 8

years, it has been a centerpiece of the Elgin Fine Arts Festival, a weekend celebration of art. The festival features a wide range of entertainment, including a free concert by the Elgin Symphony Orchestra on Friday evening, August 18.

Entry deadline is May 1 or until all sites are filled. For an entry form, send a #10 SASE to: Art Showcase, 602 Prospect Street, Elgin, IL, 60120.



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Barrington Lyric Presents "Inside Lyric Opera"



Rick Jarvie, Lyric Opera of Chicago's wigmaster and make-up guru, applies make-up on Samuel Ramey for his role as Mefistofele.

The Board of Directors of Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago takes pleasure in inviting you and your guests to "Inside Lyric," a behind the scenes lecture by Lyric Opera of Chicago's Rick Jarvie, wigmaster and make-up guru. The program will begin at 2 PM on Friday, April 7, in a lovely Barrington Hills residence. Members are \$15; nonmembers are \$20. Reservations are limited. Send

checks payable to BCLO to: Judy Allen, 1350 Carlisle, Barrington, IL, 60010. Or call 847-382-6750.

Coordinated by Jan Semerad, Inverness, a light dessert buffet will be served. For information, phone program chairwoman Bonnie Westphal at 847-885-2794.

For inquiries on the Barrington Chapter, (over 240 members and still growing), phone Howard Robins at 847-437-2158.

The "Skinny" on Body Wraps!

Wrapsody recently took over the spot that Wrap Me Slender has occupied for the past 18 months.

"We are using the same Suddenly Slender™ Body Wrap technique that the former owner was offering. We have added an aromatherapy line and expanded our inventory of all natural supplements and bath and body products," Says Donna Anthony, the owner of Wrapsody.

Donna was a Body Wrap Technician for Wrap Me Slender when the owner decided to retire. "I saw this as a great opportunity to help people immediately feel better about themselves. We guarantee a loss of 6 to 20 inches in the first wrap, and the inches will stay off unless you gain weight. However, this is not a weight loss wrap, but a size loss technique. It's a non-invasive procedure which tones and firms the skin and decreases cellulite while removing toxins from the body and shrinking the spaces between fat cells."

How does it work? Before you are wrapped, measurements are taken. Next, porous elastic bandages soaked in a mineral solution are wrapped around the body, concentrating on problem areas such as the thighs, hips and midriff. The client then does mild movement for an hour while the solution works on removing everyday toxins such as sugar, caffeine, nicotine and pollution which build up in the body. This contributes to a feeling of renewal and well-being, as well as the pleasure of having clothes that were too tight suddenly fit again.

Who gets the body wrap? Anyone who wants to look and feel better. Clients range in age from 6 to 73, and about 85% of them are female. Many people come in to prepare for a vacation or wedding. This time of year, most are trying to get back into their summer clothes (or buy a completely new wardrobe in a smaller size)!

It's time to get in shape for spring... call **Wrapsody** for an appointment at **847-550-8978**.

Creating a New Look

Are you in the throes of redecorating or remodeling? As you proceed, you may find the artwork you have is not working in your newly designed space. Perhaps the colors now clash, the frames do not blend with your new furniture style or the pictures look dated.

Many times, we like the actual artwork but are tired of the mat colors or frame style. These pictures or canvases can be easily updated with new framing. When you choose to bring out a different color in an image with new mats and frame, you change the whole look of the art

piece. In this way, the piece can be designed to compliment your new décor.

Frame styles are changing with decorating styles. Very distressed looking woods with a gold trim are very new now. Gold and silver hand-gilded frames are now available. Dark woods have made a recent comeback. The Asian influence has inspired some exciting frame mouldings.

Visit us at **Maura's Frame Shop & Art Gallery of Lake Zurich** to see the newest trends in art and framing. We're at 91 S. Rand Rd., Lake Zurich. Or, for more information, call **847-438-6878**.

BWC "April Showers" Benefit



Ginny Schomberg and Luisa Bremer and planning an "April Showers" card party on April 19 to raise funds for the Barrington Woman's Club Scholarship Fund.

"April Showers," the Barrington Woman's Club annual fundraiser to benefit its scholarship fund, will be held on April 19 at Inverness Golf Club.

It will begin with a continental breakfast at 9:30 AM. Cards and score sheets for all bridge games will be provided. Board game players will bring their own games. A duplicate tournament, boards and cards

provided, will be held; players must arrange for their own partners.

Reservations are due by April 15 and checks for \$40, made to BWC, may be sent to: Ginny Schomberg, 986 Hampton Park, Barrington, IL, 60010. Non-game players may attend the luncheon only for \$35. Your check is your reservation. For information, call 847-382-1251.

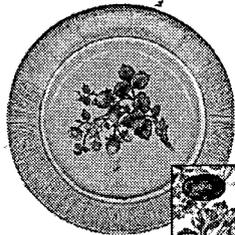
The FOUNDRY of BARRINGTON

We are Celebrating Our 3rd Anniversary!

This April, we want to make you part of our celebration. It is our way of saying "Thanks." The **L'Auberge** Hair Design Team has just finished an extensive education with the Toni and Guy Artistic Team. Our stylists have just learned the latest looks for spring of 2000! Texture is

in and we want to share it with you. Let us create a new look and provide you with the tools to make it happen. This month, check out the 2-for-1 specials with our KMS Hair Care line. Join in the celebration and call **847-277-7000** for your appointment.

Easter Celebrations Begin at Little Shop of Papers



For Easter and springtime entertaining, **Little Shop of Papers** has new tableware from Caspari and Paper Products in bright, colorful designs. Our candles, in solids and plaids from Beeswax, will add a glow to your holiday table.

Children will delight in our bunny, packed to his ears with snickerdoodle cookies. Or, fill a basket for them, wrapped with our decorated cellophane and topped with a bow!



G. Whiz, It's Almost Easter

Easter is just around the corner, so be sure to stop by and see all of our wonderful Easter and spring collections. Peek through our Boyd's Bear collection of adorable plush bunnies or our fantastic selection of sterling earrings for your favorite little girl! We guarantee you'll find something perfect for any girl's Easter basket—no matter what age! And while you're at it, be sure to sneak in a few of the new sour jelly beans from Jelly Belly—they've just added five new flavors!

The Jelly Belly will be at our store again on Saturday, April 22, along with a petting zoo and free photos with the Easter Bunny. Lookout for some special sur-

prises this year!

While you're shopping for Easter, preview our fantastic new selection of spring items. From birdhouses and butterfly houses to stationary and gourmet foods, our selection is endless and quite unusual! You're sure to pick up spring fever after you preview our new collections!

And don't forget confirmations and first communions—praying bears, rosaries, porcelain boxes and wonderful ceramic bisque crosses and angels from Margaret Furlong are just a few of the many ideas we can share with you!

Spring is in the air—so come in and take a peek!

The Blue Flower Discussed

The Barrington Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Luncheon Book Club will discuss *The Blue Flower* by Penelope Fitzgerald on Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at the Kelsey Road House, 352 Kelsey Road, Barrington, from 12:30 to 2:30 PM.

AAUW is a national organization com-

mitted to educational equity for women and girls. The Barrington Area Branch sponsors monthly programs, hosts social activities and is active in the Barrington community. Membership is open to anyone with a baccalaureate or higher degree from an accredited college or university. For information, call 847-381-5012.

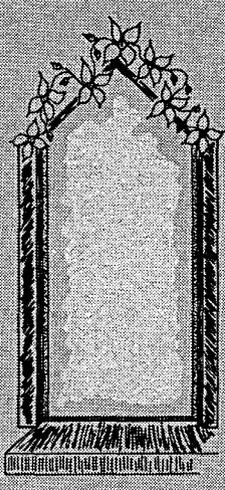
BHS Choir to Travel to Washington D.C. and Havana, Cuba

The Barrington High School Madrigal Singers and Chamber Choir are competing on April 10 in the Gold Choral Festival at the Kennedy Center. Four members of the choir—Caitlin Tomaszczek, Kent Haina, Tim Shelton and Capron Hannay—have been named to the National Honor Choir. They join fellow singers Beth Stittle, Kevin Keleher and Scott Viohl, All-State Honorees in high accomplishment of expertise.

While in Washington DC, under the direction of Dr. Ottley, retired conductor of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, our singers will join 24 invited choirs from across the

U.S. and Canada for three mass choral numbers as well as our own presentation. Arrangements have been made for several performances at national monuments. The singers are juniors and seniors under the direction of Nancie Tobison.

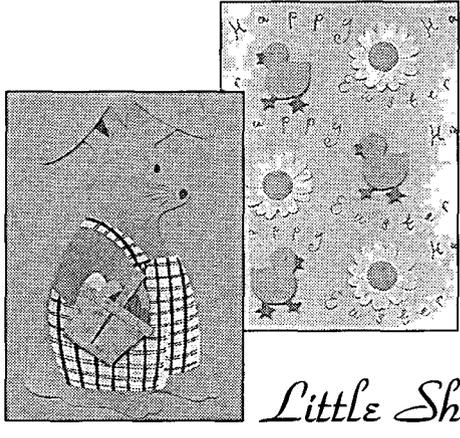
In May, members of the Barrington High School Choir have been invited to the first ever International Music Festival in Havana. It is sponsored by the Cuban Ministry of Culture. Our singers will perform in the famous 16th-Century Basilica as well as perform an exchange concert in a Havana High School and sing mass in the cathedral. Joining over 400 singers



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The Foundry of Barrington wants you to meet the Easter Bunny, the Jelly Belly Bean and Madeline! On Saturday, April 22, from 10 AM to 2 PM, The Foundry will be hosting the Easter Bunny, the Jelly Belly Bean, Madeline and a petting zoo. Bunny helpers will be taking free photos with the Easter Bunny who will be located near Baird & Warner. Each child will also receive an egg and treats from the bunny. The Jelly Belly Bean will be in front of G. Whiz handing out bunny corn and jelly

bean samples! Madeline will be in front of The Toy Connection ready to pose for pictures. A petting zoo featuring baby ducks, chicks, rabbits, pigs and over 35 animals will be available free of charge to all visitors. All merchants will be offering treats to any child that stops in!

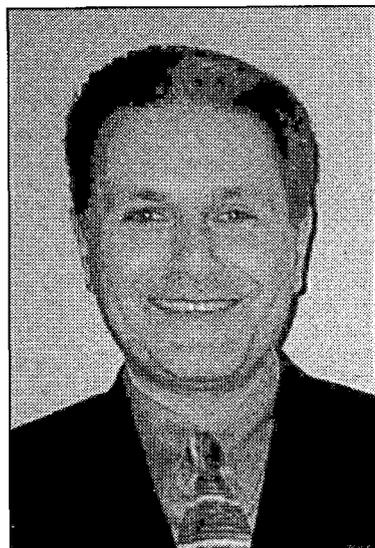
The Foundry is located on Northwest Highway in Barrington, one mile west of Route 59. Please call 847-304-0255 for further information or questions.

from around the world, they will perform the finale in German—Beethoven's *9th Symphony*. A benefit for this group will be held at the home of Dede and Tom Wamburg on April 15. Call Jan Sauer at 847-304-8115 for tickets.



Teenage and Adult Foot Problems

by Erwin Friedman, D.P.M.



Erwin Friedman,
D.P.M.

Do you suffer from **LOW BACK PAIN? HIP PAIN? KNEE PAIN?**

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INGROWN TOENAILS: This painful condition results when the nail grows into the skin.

Treatment: A wedge of the nail and the underlying nail bed is removed by chemical treatment.

WARTS: Plantar warts caused by a virus grow painfully into the bottom of the foot.

Treatment: Topical acid, liquid nitrogen or surgical removal is recommended.

FUNGUS: Fungus infections of the foot and nails spread in warm moist areas.

“Athlete’s Foot” makes skin itchy and scaly, nails thick and yellowish.

Treatment: Creams, oral antifungal medication or nail surgery is recommended.

HAMMERTOES: An inherited muscle imbalance, short shoes can make smaller toes buckle. Corns form when these toes rub against the top of shoes.

Treatment: Square, open toed or prescription shoes may increase comfort. If corns keep growing back, surgery may be recommended.

BUNIONS: An enlargement of bone in the joint at the base of the big toe, bunions are most often inherited; tight shoes don’t cause bunions, but they can aggravate them. Bunions cause pain, swelling and skin irritation.

Treatment: Wearing wide shoes and protective pads can ease the pressure, but surgery is often required to correct bunion formation. The procedure used varies with your age and the amount of deformity.

PLANTAR NEUROMA: When two metatarsal bones are abnormally positioned and tight shoes squeeze them together, the nerve between them is irritated. An enlargement or growth called a neuroma results. The neuroma causes sharp pain in the ball of the foot and numbness between the two toes.

Treatment: Orthotics or cortisone injections are applied. If pain persists, surgical removal of neuroma is recommended.

If you suffer from any of the above foot conditions or any other foot condition and would like state-of-the-art treatment, please contact me at 847-437-9889 or schedule an appointment for an evaluation.

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Stacy's professional dedication, positive attitude as well as her spontaneously cheerful disposition toward the clients and fellow employees alike undoubtedly deserve our most sincere thanks and congratulations!



Improving Your Skin

by Gary S. Churchill, MD

It is inevitable. We will all age. And as we do, we will all experience certain signs of aging such as fine lines and uneven discoloration of the skin. Almost everyone has some degree of damage on their skin, whether it is from the sun or some skin condition such as acne. The good news is that usually even problem skin that hasn't responded to the common treatments can be improved through the modern products and techniques employed by our clinical esthetician.

The first step in improving your skin is to design a custom treatment program that addresses your particular needs and desires. This is done in consultation with our licensed clinical esthetician. You may want to start with a simple home skin care regimen for which there are many new and effective products available. If you would like to go further, our clinical esthetician can offer a number of different techniques that would enhance the results of your home care. We would like to highlight two of these new treatments—The Micropeel and Microdermabrasion.

The Micropeel

The Micropeel treatment is a 30-minute, non-abrasive treatment that will leave your skin free of dead, flaky skin and bring it back to a smoother texture.

Step One—The Micropeel treatment begins by cleansing the face with a mild medical cleanser and a toner. The first process is called dermaplaning and consists of exfoliating the outer epidermis. The esthetician accomplishes this by using a scalpel edge to exfoliate, or slough off, dead skin on the surface of the face. With each scrape, flaky, dead skin accumulates on the scalpel and although the procedure sounds painful, it is not.

Step Two—During this step, the esthetician will decide what chemical solution would be best for your particular treatment. Everyone's skin type and concerns are different. The most common skin types treated are hypersensitive, environmentally damaged, hyperpigmented, acne prone or active acne. The solution will be applied and left on the face anywhere from 30 seconds to two minutes followed by a cold water rinse. Most patients claim

they feel a light tingle or a light burning sensation which subsides once the cold water rinse is applied.

Step Three—The final step consists of extracting any blackheads or whiteheads. At this point in the treatment, the extractions are easier because the pores are free of any skin that blocks their way out. Once the extractions are completed, a smoothing moisturizer along with a sunblock is applied.

Following Micropeel treatment, the skin feels refreshed and appears to have a healthy, pink glow.

Microdermabrasion Treatment

Step One—The skin will be cleansed using a medical cleanser and toner. Once the skin is completely dry, step two will begin.

Step Two—This step is the most beneficial part of the treatment. During this step, aluminum oxide crystals are circulated through a plastic handpiece and are projected through a small opening in the handpiece allowing the crystal particles to come in contact with the skin. There is a suction-like sensation as the handpiece glides over the area being treated. Once this process is completed, the crystals are either brushed off or vacuumed.

Step Three—The final step consists of extractions of any blackheads or whiteheads. Once completed, a soothing moisturizer is applied with a sunblock.

Once the moisturizer has been absorbed, make-up can be applied and the patient can resume normal daily activity. There is virtually no downtime with either procedure. Monthly treatments are recommended to accomplish desired skin rejuvenation results.



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The final meeting of the club year for members of the Garden Club of Inverness will take place on Thursday, April 20, 2000. The meeting will feature the appearance of Kay MacNeil, who is the Birds and Butterflies Chairman on the Board of the Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc. She is an author, conservationist and garden designer. Kay has chosen to discuss the Bluebird, one of the best loved songbirds of North America, because of its beautiful colors and its sweet song. She entitles her program "More Than You Wanted To Know About Bluebirds." This beautiful songbird is found east of the Rocky Mountains from Southern Canada to the Gulf of Mexico and fortunate is the

person who spots one. They are named for the bright blue feathers that cover the head, back, wings and tail of the adult male. Kay will bring in bird houses, explain monitoring, will give bird feeder information and what books to use. She will also show bird nests, have handouts and will share many anecdotes with good humor.

It will be a fun-filled and most informative program, so plan on attending. The date again is April 20, at 9:30 AM, at Holy Family Church, 2515 West Palatine Road, Inverness. If more information is needed, please contact Membership Chair, Mary Jo Bregenzer, at 776-6557. Hope to see you there.



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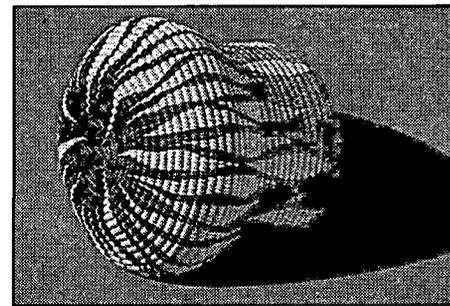
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"The Feel of Fiber" Brings a Touch of The Arts to The BAAC Gallery

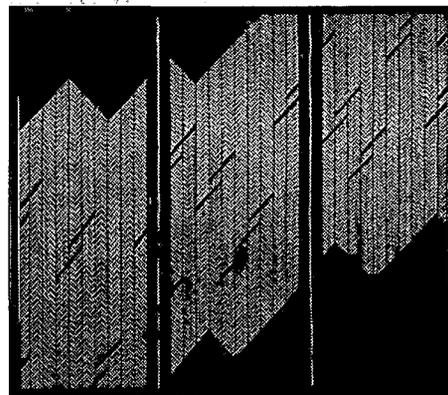
The Barrington Area Arts Council (BAAC) announces the opening of the BAAC Gallery's April exhibit, "The Feel of Fiber," on April 7, 2000. The exhibit features an exciting array of unique fiber art: woven silk hangings; painted floor cloths; a wool felt wall-piece created by six artists; hand-painted silk and velvet clothing; beaded and metal jewelry; and a variety of scarves, hats and purses. The body of work on display is presented by 17 fiber artists and students from the Fashion Design Department at William Rainey Harper College.



Reaching by Char Wiss of Wilmette, IL. 8½" x 7" x 7".

Exhibiting artists from Illinois are: JoAnn Baumann, Glencoe; Diane Bloomer, Dyllis Braithwaite and Sandra Clark,

Barrington; Leslie Eaton and Marla Florio, Hoffman Estates; Kathy Herrman, Itasca; Sharon Joseph and Barbara Nelson, St. Charles; Jennifer Dunbar Pompe, Roselle; Pat Semple and Deborah Stromsdorfer, Rockford; Fan Chih Tsai and Char Wiss, Wilmette.



Daybreak by Jennifer Moore of Sante Fe, NM. 28½" x 32½".

Out-of-state exhibitors include: Barbara Holloway, Galisteo, NM; Jennifer Moore, Sante Fe, NM; Susan Shinnick, Iowa City, IA; and Alice Watterson, Sante Fe, NM.

The BAAC invites the public to attend an Opening Reception on Friday, April 7, from 7 to 9 PM at the BAAC Gallery, 207 Park Avenue, Barrington, IL. The exhibit is on view from April 7 through 29, 2000. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 AM to 4 PM, and Saturday, 10 AM to 2 PM. The gallery is closed Mondays. For more information, call 847-382-5626.



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If a person dies intestate, without a will, the process can be fraught with problems. It is not unusual for single individuals and young couples to put off executing estate documents. They may assume that an estate plan is for those with children or money or both.

However, if you die intestate, without a will, your property will be divided according to the laws of the state in which you reside. For example, if you have no children and you and your spouse die together, your estate will be divided among your next of kin. In most states, that means your parents. If they are deceased, your estate will be divided among your siblings.

If one spouse dies and there are no children, the surviving spouse usually inherits the entire estate. This could create a problem if you have family heirlooms. Without a will, there's no way to ensure those items remain in your family. And upon your spouse's death, your in-laws could be the beneficiaries of everything that you owned.

Drawing up a will is not a complicated



process and it is well worth the time and effort to reduce the pain and expenses that your loved ones will incur if you die intestate. Make a complete inventory of everything you own. Make sure the beneficiaries of your life insurance policies and retirement plans are up to date and be sure to identify a contingent beneficiary. Then, if your beneficiary has predeceased you, the proceeds will go directly to the contingent beneficiary without having to go through probate.

Compile a list of personal and sentimental items and decide to whom you wish to leave them. An estate plan can include provisions that will make a difference after you are gone. You can provide for elderly parents, disabled individuals or special friends and charities. You can even name a guardian for your dog. Take the time now to provide for those that you care for and lessen the pain of your loved ones.

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Art Associates to Attend "An Artistic Legacy: The Chicago Renaissance"

On Friday, April 14, members of The Barrington Community Associates of The Art Institute of Chicago will attend the Joint Program 2000 at the Art Institute and Symphony Center. "An Artistic Legacy: The Chicago Renaissance" is based on the traveling art exhibit "To Conserve a Legacy: American Art from Historically Black Colleges and Universities." The Art Institute is the only Midwest venue for this nationally touring exhibit.

"To Conserve a Legacy" highlights the invaluable treasures from the permanent collections of six historically black colleges and universities: Clark Atlanta University, Fisk University, Hampton University, Howard University, North Carolina Central University and Tuskegee University. The more than 200 paintings, prints, drawings, sculptures, photographs and collages recognize the extraordinary collections of these universities and celebrate their significant contributions to American society.

The exhibition features the works of celebrated 19th- and 20th-century African-American artists including: Romare Bearden, Aaron Douglas, Frederick C. Flemister, Jacob Lawrence, Mary Edmonia Lewis,



Jazz: (Chicago) Grand Terrace Ballroom—1930s, Romare Bearden, 1964. Collection of Howard University Gallery of Art, Washington DC. Photo Courtesy of The Addison Gallery of American Art, Andover, MA, and The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY. Photo Courtesy of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Archibald Motley, Jr., Horace Pippin, Henry Ossawa Tanner, Charles White and Hale Woodruff. In addition, the exhibit includes important modernist works by Georgia O'Keeffe, Arthur Dove, Charles Demuth and Marsden Hartley.

At 10:15 AM, Daniel Schulman, Associate Curator of the 20th-Century Galleries

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Barrington Suzuki Recital Concert

The Barrington Suzuki Strings Group Recital Concert will be held at the Elgin Community College Visual and Performing Arts Center (Renner Drive in Elgin) on Sunday, April 9. The concert will begin at 1 PM with the Piano and Classical Guitar Students. There will be a short reception

before the 3 PM performance of the violin, cello and flute students. The concert is free to the public and will include all levels of players ranging in age from 3 to 18. For more information, contact the Suzuki School at 847-382-7517.

at the Art Institute and coordinator of the Chicago exhibit, will discuss selected works concentrating on the Chicago ties of the artists represented. In Orchestra Hall at 11:15 AM, Dr. Johann Buis, Musicologist at the Center for Black Music Research, Columbia College Chicago, will discuss the musical implications of the culture in which these painters lived. Many of them flourished during the pe-

riod 1933-1950, now referred to as The Chicago Renaissance. Their vibrant social life revolved around music, both sacred and secular, and many images in the paintings relate directly to musical subjects. Music performed by a string quartet and pianist from The Chicago Symphony Orchestra will feature the works of important black composers. The program includes: *Fantasy Negre*, *Troubled Water*, *Sonata for Violin and Piano*, *Lamentations*, *Calvary* and *Wade in the Water*.

The fee for this interesting day is \$55 and includes lunch. The bus departs from Langendorf Park at 8:30 AM and the Art Institute at 3:00 PM. For information on this members-only event, contact Bonnie Maturano at 847-359-7059. For membership information, call Pat Fein, 847-382-5953, or Sue Johnson, 847-381-4551.



Man With a Brush, Frederick C. Flemister, 1940. Collection of Clark Atlanta University Art Galleries, Atlanta, GA. Photograph Courtesy of The Addison Gallery of American Art, Andover, MA, and The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY. Photo courtesy of The Art Institute of Chicago.



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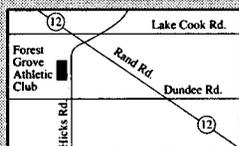
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3. *Question—Tell me about your present members. Who are they?*

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Answer—Within two weeks, you'll see a definite improvement in your cardiovascular fitness if you work out for 30 minutes, three times a week. Muscular changes will take a little longer.

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Square D Foundation Commits \$75,000 to Home of the Sparrow

Square D Foundation recently committed a \$75,000 grant to Home of the Sparrow, Inc., a transitional shelter program for homeless women and children.

Home of the Sparrow operates shelter homes in Palatine, Crystal Lake and McHenry. The agency focuses on helping women achieve self-sufficiency through employment and education.

The Square D grant, which will be awarded to Home of the Sparrow over three years, will be used to support the Palatine shelter.

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American Dental Association. The least expensive material is not nearly as accurate, but is often used in price driven, insurance oriented practices, PPO's and HMO's. The same is true of the amalgam used to make "silver fillings" where a 420% difference exists. The difference in the quality of materials makes a big difference in the accuracy of the fit of a dental restoration and also in the longevity of that restoration.

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the Palatine Advisory Committee. The advisory committee works in conjunction with Home of the Sparrow's Board of Directors.

"Not only has the Square D Foundation contributed much needed money to us, but many of their employees volunteer and contribute a lot of work to the shelter. In every respect, the company has totally supported Home of the Sparrow," Canning said.

For the past four years, Square D has also sponsored the Palatine 5K Home Run, a run/walk held each fall to benefit Home of the Sparrow. This year's run will be on October 1 in downtown Palatine.



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Reservations may be made by sending your check for \$25, made payable to CHASI, for the brunch and one appraisal to Edith Hill, 670 Country Club Rd., Crystal Lake, IL, 60014. For more information, call 815-459-6263. No checks accepted after April 3. No tickets will be mailed but your name and those of your guests will be added to the reservation list. We look forward to seeing you. It will be a fun time for all.

Healing Through Balance

It never ceases to amaze me how perfectly ordered life is. What appears to be a tragedy in the microcosm of existence is actually a perfect balancing in the macrocosm of existence. Does this mean that all past action, thought and belief must be balanced? Of course! One very dramatic example of this dynamic showed itself during a past-life regression session with Linda.

Linda's Story

"Linda, look down at your feet; tell me what you're wearing." ... a standard question posed to anchor a scene and begin expanding awareness. Linda had been through several past-life regressions and her awareness was usually quite acute. A highly respected and well educated school administrator, Linda was not prone to flights of fancy. "I don't know," she replied, "maybe sandals... yes, with brown leather straps going up my legs. My legs are hairy; I must be a man. I'm wearing some kind of a tunic, looks like a soldier, I don't know... I hear the name Caesar Augustus." As soon as she said this, the scene switched and this time came in very clearly.

"Now I'm a little girl. I'm naked with my sister in a cattlecar. I'm going to be put to death in the concentration camps; it's the holocaust... there's a soldier... he's, ah, herding us. I don't like him; *he's just doing what he's told.*"

Linda and I stayed in that lifetime for

about 45 minutes doing deep healing/forgiveness work. I then asked, "What does this have to do with the Roman soldier?"

Immediately, she went back to the time of Caesar Augustus; this time the meaning was very clear. Linda, at one time, had been one of the soldiers participating in putting Jesus Christ to death. She was a soldier *just doing what he's told.* The synchronicity of the universe is unfailing.

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BJWC Serves Seniors Fun at Spring Fling

The crocuses and tulips have poked their first green leaves through the soil. Spring can't be far behind!

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seniors to join them at their Annual Spring Fling scheduled for May 2, 2000, from 11 AM to 2 PM at the Barrington Park District. The fun will include a delicious luncheon, wonderful entertainment and exciting games with prizes. Seating is limited to 120 persons and will be on a first come/first served basis.

Spring Fling is the finale to a year full of fun for the Seniors committee. Most recently, Valentine's Day offered the occasion for a party at Governor's Park Rehabilitation Center in Barrington. The room was bright with balloons and streamers. While the guests enjoyed cake, ice cream and beverages, Andy Olrich, (North Barrington), and Kevin Keleher, (Fox Point), two students from the Barrington High School Music Department, played musical

selections on guitar and violin. The entertainment also included a sneak preview performance of the variety show act by Girl Scout Troop 968 (4th graders from Roslyn Road School). The girls provided special assistance with the games and the refreshments as well.

Last November, the committee entertained the residents at Good Shepherd Manor for a fun-filled Thanksgiving/Winter Holiday Party which included cake, coffee, prizes and a beautiful holiday vocal presentation by the Barrington High School Madrigal Singers. The party went smoothly with the help of local Girl Scouts who assisted by serving refreshments and by cheering on game players. For more information about Spring Fling or about BJWC, call 847-622-3838.

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Area 3rd Graders Meet "The Kids on the Block"



"Kids on the Block"—3rd graders at Grove Avenue School in Barrington meet Jennifer (learning disability) and Brenda (a friend) at a recent performance.

Each year, the Barrington Junior Women's Club (BJWC) sponsors "The Kids on the Block," a nationally organized educational puppet program developed by a teacher in 1977. The curriculum involves a series of programs which enlighten children on the issues of disability awareness, medical-educational differences and social concerns. Its goal is to address children's questions, concerns and needs in a lively and entertaining manner.

The performances are definitely lively! Students and their teachers are encouraged to ask questions, play games and interact with the puppets. This year, the puppets will address such issues as asthma, divorce, cerebral palsy, hearing impairment, blindness, Down's Syndrome

and learning disability.

The local BJWC "Kids on the Block" troop performs for hundreds of 3rd grade students at various Northwest Suburban schools, from Barrington to Mundelein, from Palatine to Crystal Lake and more. The committee is co-chaired by Penny Bartlett and Heidi Schmelting of Barrington and the "Troopers" include: Jan Ackmann, Laurie Gray, Mary Ice, Holly Koepsel, Michele Polvere, Janet Ramsey, Jackie Schneider and Stephanie Skopek of Barrington; Mary Mathews and Sue Fassel of Deer Park; Elisabeth Partyka of Lake Barrington; Suzanne Allison of Lake Zurich; Lynne Nozicka of Palatine; and Chris Girard and Susan Viohl of South Barrington.

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National Bereavement Teleconference— "Living with Grief: Children, Adolescents and Loss"

On Wednesday, April 26, Hospice of Northeastern Illinois and The Church of Holy Apostles will join more than 2,400 organizations across the United States and Canada as a local host for the Hospice Foundation of America's 7th Annual National Bereavement Teleconference. "Living with Grief: Children, Adolescents and Loss," a live-via-satellite video teleconference, will focus on ways to help children and adolescents cope with loss. The program will offer insight and practical suggestions for those assisting young people with issues that include death, serious illness, divorce and other traumatic incidents. The program will be moderated by Cokie Roberts of ABC News and will feature a distinguished panel of experts.

Hospice Foundation of America, a non-profit organization that assists those who cope either personally or professionally with terminal illness and the process of death, grief and bereavement, produces the teleconference. Service Corporation International sponsors the teleconference with additional support from Project on Death in America. Last year's teleconference was seen by more than 150,000 people in over 2,400 communities.

The program will begin at 11:30 AM with light lunch provided free by Robert Mrachek, owner of Peter M. Justen Colonial Funeral Home, McHenry. The teleconference will begin at 12:30 PM and continue until 3:30 PM. It will include discussion sessions with bereavement

counselors and chaplains from Hospice of Northeastern Illinois. McHenry County Funeral Directors Association is providing companion books for the program.

Ms. Roberts will moderate the 2½-hour panel discussion. The panel will include Nancy Boyd Webb, DSW, BCD, RPT-S, a social worker and expert on play therapy for bereaved children; Charles Corr, PhD, professor and author who has written extensively on children, adolescents and grief; Kenneth J. Doka, PhD, Lutheran minister and professor of gerontology at the College of New Rochelle; Margarita Suarez, RN, PNP, MA, a pediatric nurse, former school teacher and Executive Director of AVANTA in Washington state; Dottie Ward-Wimmer, a pediatric nurse and children's bereavement counselor with the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing in Washington, DC; and Sheila Holt, a counselor with the DC Public School System, will join the panel for a discussion on intervention.

Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credits are available for the teleconference for a wide variety of professions including nurses, social workers, counselors, funeral directors, clergy, psychologists, physicians and nursing home administrators. While the teleconference itself is free, there is a \$20 CEU processing fee payable to Hospice Foundation of America.

Reservations or more information on the teleconference can be made by calling The Church of Holy Apostles at 815-385-5673.



Currently, the group is actively seeking new "Troopers." The experience is fun and rewarding, and puppeteers are generally responsible for just one or two performances a month as schedules allow. Interested individuals, whether members of BJWC or not, are encouraged to learn more about "Kids on the Block" by calling 847-622-3838.

"Kids on the Block" is just one of the ways in which BJWC serves the children

of our area. Another is the Safety Town Program, held each summer at Health World. The program is open to District 220 children who are entering or just finishing kindergarten. Registration for this summer's sessions will be held at Health World on April 15 from 8:30 to 11:30 AM. Volunteer sign-up for 6th, 7th and 8th graders will also be held that day. For further information on Safety Town, please call 847-622-3838.

Creating a New Look

Are you in the throes of redecorating or remodeling? As you proceed, you may find the artwork you have is not working in your newly designed space. Perhaps the colors now clash, the frames do not blend with your new furniture style or the pictures look dated.

Many times, we like the actual artwork but are tired of the mat colors or frame style. These pictures or canvases can be easily updated with new framing. When you choose to bring out a different color in an image with new mats and frame, you change the whole look of the art

piece. In this way, the piece can be designed to compliment your new décor.

Frame styles are changing with decorating styles. Very distressed looking woods with a gold trim are very new now. Gold and silver hand-gilded frames are now available. Dark woods have made a recent comeback. The Asian influence has inspired some exciting frame mouldings.

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"The Barrington View"—Focus Groups Now Forming

by Judy Kaplan, MS

The millennium has brought us so much in the way of change. One of the biggest changes from "yesteryear" is the open, broad range of communication that goes on in our world. Topics range in scope from the most worldly current events to the most private personal issues. People from all walks of life and of all ages communicate on the media, the internet, social groups, networker groups, schools, businesses, focus groups and one-on-one.

There is something so positive and stimulating about groups of people sharing their views, learning from one another and broadening their individual perspectives. As an offshoot of the "craze in communication," I have recently begun facilitating small, local focus groups within the community. For example, women who are interested in establishing goals and objectives and wishing to communicate with others to get feedback can gain new

ideas and receive support. There are numerous topics that are of "universal" interest to men and women, like relationships, finances and raising children. There are also topics that are geared specifically to women or men. Men have expressed interest in the male mid-life crisis phenomenon, career changes and loss of interest in their relationships. Likewise, women have expressed special interest in their growing needs to move toward achieving their highest potential (especially in mid-life), dealing with an empty nest, the feelings that erupt and continue after divorce and depression or anxiety.

"Collective wisdom" can be very powerful. If you are interested in forming a focus group on a particular topic or would like to participate in a group that might be forming, call me at 847-842-9365 or e-mail me at mstherapy@aol.com. I will be happy to help you get involved.

7th Annual Amazing Graze Benefit

The Little Sisters of the Poor and members of the St. Joseph's Auxiliary have completed plans for the Annual Amazing Graze Benefit Gala at Mia Cucina Restaurant to benefit the St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly in Palatine. It will be on Sunday, April 30.

Amazing Graze has grown from a small gathering of dedicated benefactors who raised \$30,000 seven years ago to a sold-out event in 1999 that netted \$212,000. Thanks to the committee members who solicit donations for all the prizes, the silent auction, printing, door prizes, etc.

With gratitude to the owners and staff of Mia Cucina who donate the majority of their time and treasure, 95% of all proceeds last year went directly to the care of the elderly!

For the seventh consecutive year, the owners of Mia Cucina will host the party in support of the mission of the Little Sisters. Restaurateurs Dan and Andrea Heuret and Jay Heuret will welcome guests to the 4 PM reception with abundant appetizers, antipasto, cocktails and wine and followed by a gourmet Italian dinner and entertainment. Winners of the

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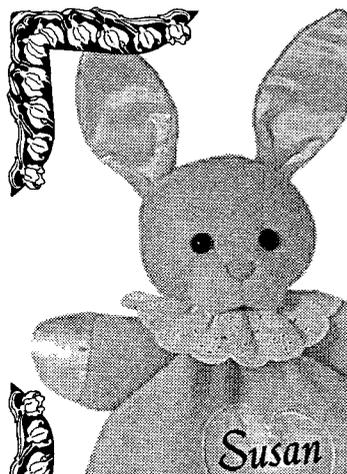
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Dinner tickets are \$125 and are available at St. Joseph's Home, 80 W. Northwest Highway, Palatine. Call 847-358-5700. Or, call Kay Hartlieb at 630-307-0035.

For 33 years, the Little Sisters of the Poor, an international missionary commu-

nity, have owned and operated the home in Palatine. Every day of every year for 24 hours a day, the Little Sisters provide loving and gracious care for the elderly poor until the Lord calls them home to Heaven. With only half of the financial needs of the Home being met by state and federal benefits, the Little Sisters depend on the generosity of benefactors and fund-raising events to meet their escalating operating expenses for medicine, utilities, insurance, maintenance and employee wages.

Alan Wolton Returns to The Studio of Long Grove *Revisiting Venice*

A Master Impressionist, Alan Wolton revisits Venice and brings to canvas his interpretations of the "City of Romance." Without a doubt one of the world's most important impressionist painters, Wolton has discovered subjects that stimulate and challenge the artist. In this exhibit, his new works include paintings of the canals of Venice depicted both during the day and at night, as well as some of his finest American landscapes.

Appearing in seven previous shows, Wolton has become the gallery's leading artist. **The Studio of Long Grove** will present this exciting new collection of original paintings on Friday, April 14 from 6 to 9 PM and continuing through May 11. The artist will not be present at this preview event, but will be in attendance at The Studio's largest-ever showing of Alan Wolton's work in the fall.



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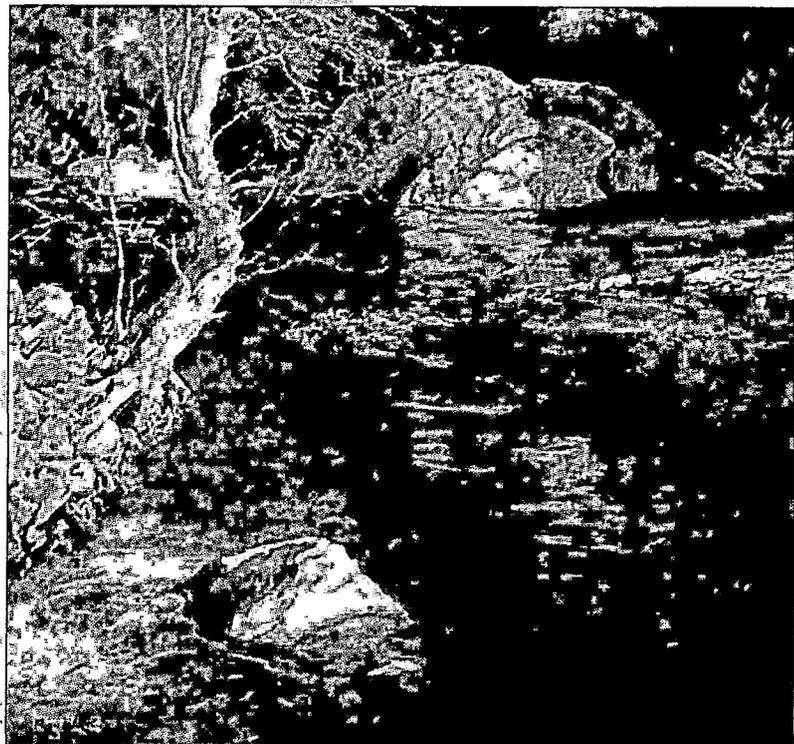
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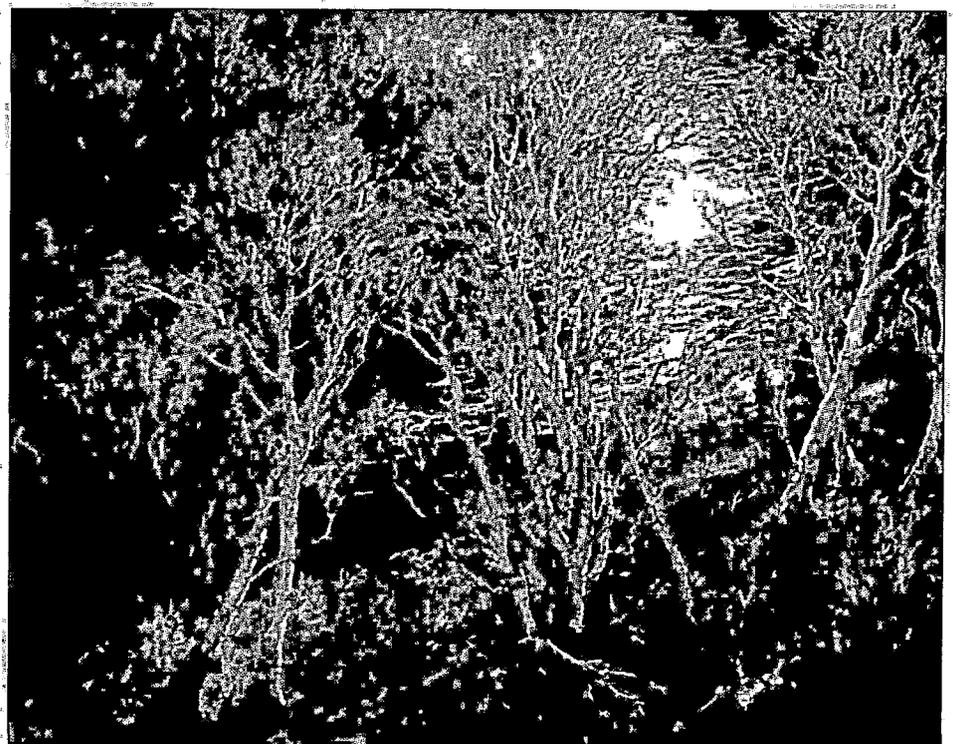
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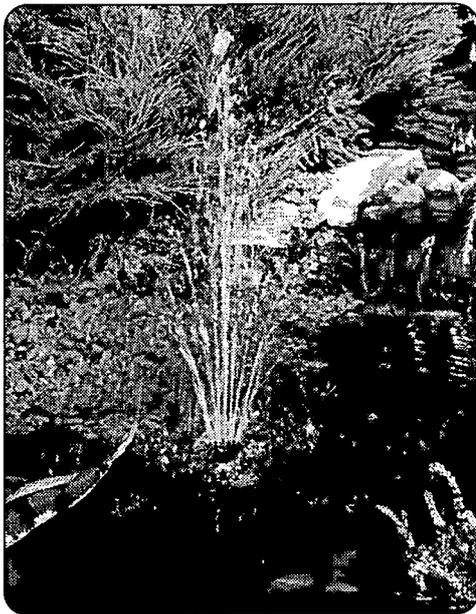
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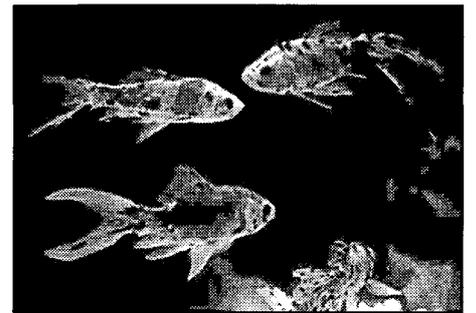
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"Monet to Moore: The Millennium Gift of Sara Lee Corporation"



Camille Pissarro, French, *Woman Bathing Her Feet*, 1895.
Oil on Canvas; 28½" x 36". A Millennium Gift of Sara Lee Corporation to The Art Institute of Chicago, [Cat. 39].

The Art Institute of Chicago is the final venue on a five-city worldwide tour of the exhibition "Monet to Moore: The Millennium Gift of Sara Lee Corporation." The exhibition of 52 works represents a concise survey of European avant-garde painting and sculpture from 1870 to 1960 by artists ranging from the great French Impressionists of the 19th century to 20th-century masters of early modern art. Among those represented in the exhibi-

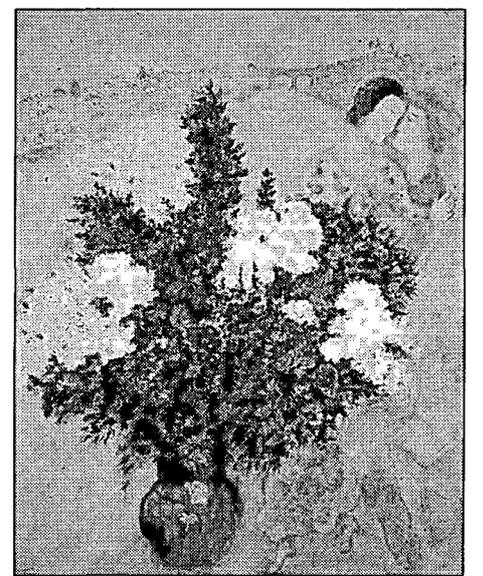
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In June 1998, Sara Lee Corporation embarked upon a remarkable act of corporate philanthropy. In a ceremony held at

the Art Institute and attended by First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, the Chicago-based corporation announced that it would distribute the entire top tier of its distinguished art collection to museums around the world. In all, a remarkable 52 works were ultimately chosen to be presented to 40 institutions on four continents. While other American corporations have dispersed their art collections by sale or have gifted individual museums with artworks, Sara Lee is the first corporation to donate a collection of important works by many of the public's favorite artists to a truly global network of institutions.

After the announcement of the Sara Lee Millennium Gift, an exhibition of the 52 paintings, sculptures and works on paper that comprise the gift was assembled for a final tour to five international museums. Following the tour, the works will be installed in their new homes. The Chicago presentation of "Monet to Moore" (on view now through May 29, 2000), offers the public one last chance to view the best of Sara Lee's renowned collection in one place.

Recipients of Millennium Gifts literally span the globe. The 25 U.S. museums range from New York to Los Angeles, and from Chicago (including The David and Alfred Smart Museum of Art) to Mississippi. The 15 institutions outside the United States can be found in Canada, Great Britain, Europe, Asia, Australia and Israel. All of these museums are located in cities where Sara Lee or its subsidiar-



Marc Chagall, French, Born Vitebsk, Russia; Present-Day Belarus;
The White Lilacs, 1930-34.
Oil on Canvas, 35" x 28½".
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ies do business.

The Art Institute is the greatest beneficiary of Sara Lee's generosity, with 12 masterworks donated to the permanent collection. These include two paintings by Georges Braque, *Antwerp* (1906) and *Woman at an Easel (Green Screen)*, (1936); an Edgar Degas pastel, *Breakfast* (Please continue on page 55)

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Shirley's Dollhouse is celebrating its 25th anniversary. Shirley started the doll shop in one room doing mostly doll repairs. Now, she has a thriving retail business. In the last 25 years, the shop has expanded into two large buildings. The doll shop carries the finest in dolls, accessories, doll furniture, books, trunks and anything a doll collector or that little girl could desire. She has a very nice selection of antique and collectibles also.

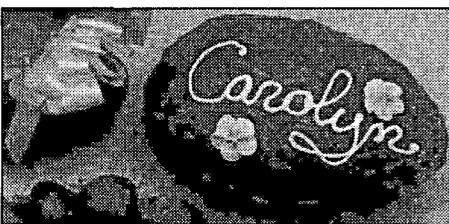
Her second shop, **Shirley's Annex**, is full of teddy bears, plush animals and beanies. She is having sales throughout the entire year. Stop by and take a look.



The doll shop is located on Milwaukee Ave. between Lake Cook Rd. and Deerfield Rd. at the Sale Barn Square. There are many other nice shops in the complex, so plan on spending some time and having a look around. Hours are 10 AM to 5 PM everyday or 11 AM to 4 PM on Sunday. (The annex is closed Mondays.)

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Sparrow's Palatine Charity Gala

Palatine Friends of Home of the Sparrow is holding their third annual fund-raiser, "Splendor of the Night," to support Home of the Sparrow's local shelter on April 15, 2000, at 7 PM at The Cotillion in Palatine. Home of the Sparrow, Inc., founded in 1986 in McHenry, is a transitional shelter program for women and their children.

Starting with shelters in McHenry and

Crystal Lake, the non-profit agency expanded into Northwest Cook County with the opening of its Palatine shelter in June, 1997. Home of the Sparrow also operates several graduate apartments in McHenry and Cook Counties and Sparrow's Nest Thrift Stores in McHenry, Cary and Arlington Heights.

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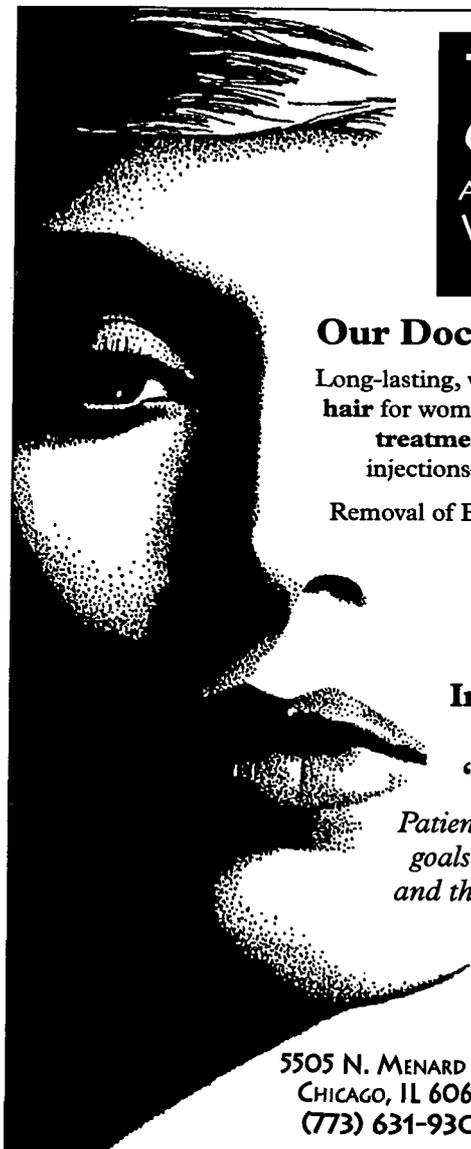
for its residents through education, counseling and job-skills training. In turn, the shelter residents are expected to share communal responsibilities, respect house rules, secure employment within two weeks of entering the program, save 70% of their net income after expenses towards future housing and participate in counseling and training sessions.

Palatine Friends of Home of the Sparrow, a volunteer group dedicated to supporting the Palatine home, is organizing this year's benefit gala to help fund the shelter's operating costs. Co-chairs Linda Mikkelsen, Chairwoman of Palatine

Friends, and Faith Alexander invite everyone to the big event. The evening's festivities will include cocktails, a silent auction, dinner, a live auction and dancing "under the stars."

Individual tickets for the gala are priced at \$100 each. Table sponsorships are available at two different levels—\$3,500 for Grand Benefactor or \$1,500 for Benefactor. A table will seat ten people. Dress is black tie optional.

Contact either Linda Mikkelsen at 847-991-1275 or Faith Alexander at 847-634-1001 for reservations or additional information.



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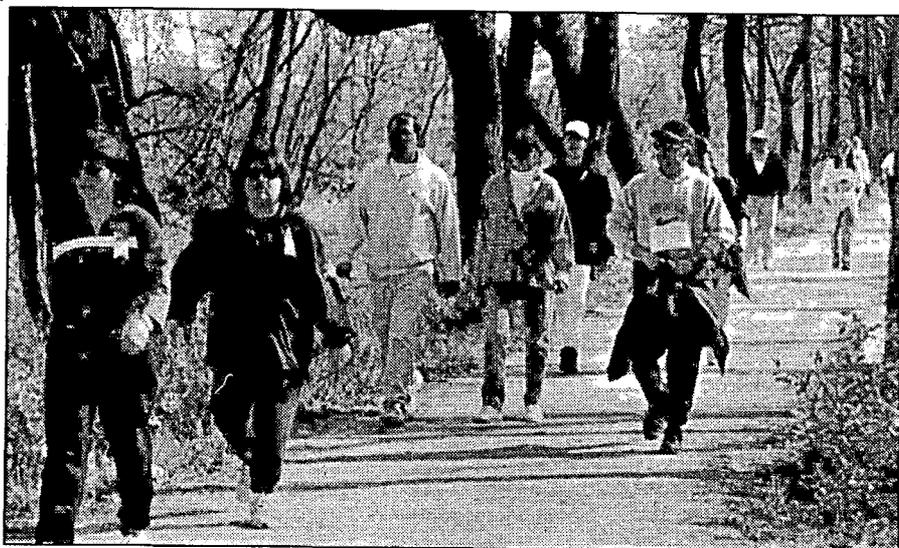
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Eight Routes Available for 2000 MS Walk on April 9



Chicago's lakefront, forest preserves and riverside trails will be among the landscapes experienced by participants in the Mercedes-Benz 2000 MS Walk on Sunday, April 9, at routes in eight northern Illinois communities. Proceeds of the pledge-based event will benefit research and

program services offered by the Greater Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society to 11,000 persons with MS in 73 Illinois counties. For sponsor forms and route details, call the MS chapter at 312-423-1179.

Countryside Association Presents "Swing Into Spring"

Countryside Association, which has been serving individuals with developmental disabilities since 1954, is hosting its first fund-raising event of the new millennium, "Swing Into Spring." The event will be on

Sunday, April 30, 2000, at 12:30 PM at the elegant Harrison Manor House in Lake Bluff, IL. Enjoy a lavish buffet and dancing to the wonderful big band sound of the 16-piece Bobby Sanders Orchestra.

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The doctors at **Total Health Concepts, Ltd.**, an Elk Grove Village based medical clinic, are happy to introduce new ways of treating patients by combining years of medical experience with the latest advances and techniques in 21st century technology.

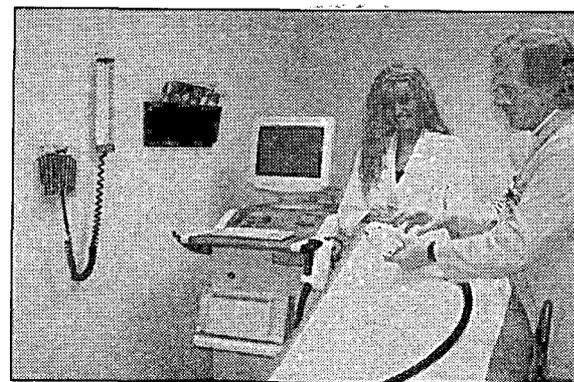
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Find Out How You Can Offer Low-Cost Benefits at the April WIM Meeting

The April meeting of the Lake Cook Chapter of Women in Management will feature Karen Wells of AFLAC who will discuss low-cost, no-cost benefits for businesses.

The meeting on April 26 will begin with breakfast at 7:30 AM at Holiday Inn Mundelein, 510 E. Route 83 in Mundelein. The cost is \$14 for members or \$17 for non-members. (No shows will be billed.) To make a reservation, call 847-855-4768 or

fax to 847-855-4502. Please RSVP by Wednesday, April 19.

To become a member of the Lake Cook Chapter of WIM, call 847-855-4768. The membership fee is \$100 plus a one-time application fee of \$20.

Women in Management, Inc. is a support organization for professional women founded to facilitate the exchange of experiences and ideas and to promote self-growth in management.



There will be an exciting silent auction including many celebrity items, sports memorabilia, beautiful jewelry, great entertainment and dining gift certificates as well as many other surprises. It is hoped that over \$20,000 will be raised to assist the hundreds of people with disabilities that Countryside serves.

Tickets for this fantastic event are available for only \$50 each for adults or \$35 for their disabled children and those under 12.

Through special events such as this, Countryside is better able to achieve their mission to promote personal growth and

encourage movement toward living and working in the communities for the disabled individuals that they serve. Countryside Association is a 501(C)3 non-profit social service organization serving over 700 individuals with developmental, physical and mental disabilities and their families in Lake and Northern Cook Counties. They operate two work and training centers, located in Palatine and in Waukegan, as well as respite and home-based community outreach programs.

To reserve tickets, donate auction items or for more information, call Karen Harter at 847-438-8855, ext. 3705.

DAR Program "Stitches in Time"



Guest Speaker Marge Edwards to present program, "Stitches in Time."

Signal Hill Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at the Barrington Area Library in Room A, first floor, on April 11, at 11:30 AM. Regent Linda Wichman welcomes all members for refreshments and a social period followed by a business meeting and election of officers.

The program, "Stitches in Time," will be presented by our guest speaker, Marge Edwards, President of West Dundee Historical Society. Marge Edwards and her husband, David, have lived in the Dundee area for more than 30 years. Their three children grew up surrounded by reminders of the past. An interest in collecting and history lead to her involvement with Dundee Township Historical Society and, as Program Coordinator, granted her the opportunity to research the people and events of the past. Collecting has become a passion and the Edwards house is filled

with a variety of collections including quilts.

Part of the joy of having these treasures is sharing them with others. "Stitches in Time" is a program which relates the history of quilting, tells of the superstitions and customs involved in the craft and, as each quilt unfolds, a story is told. Although every quilt may not appear to be beautiful to the viewer, each has something that makes it special. Each member is encouraged to bring a quilt to share with other chapter members.

Any woman who is at least 18 years of age and lineally descended from a man or woman who served in the United Colonies or States as a recognized patriot is eligible for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution. For further information, call Registrar Iva Lea Van Buren at 847-382-4449 or Membership Chairman Becky Kartalia at 847-381-0133.

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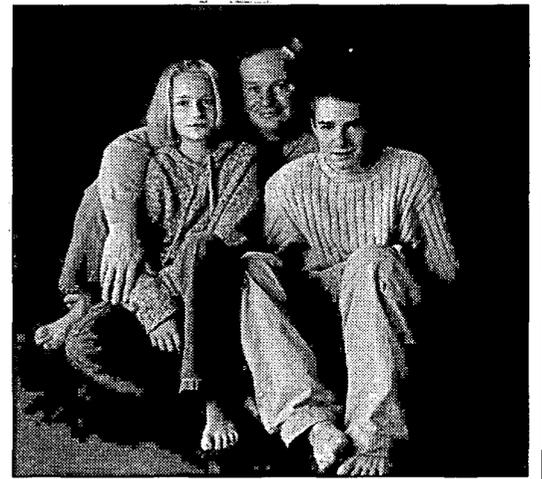
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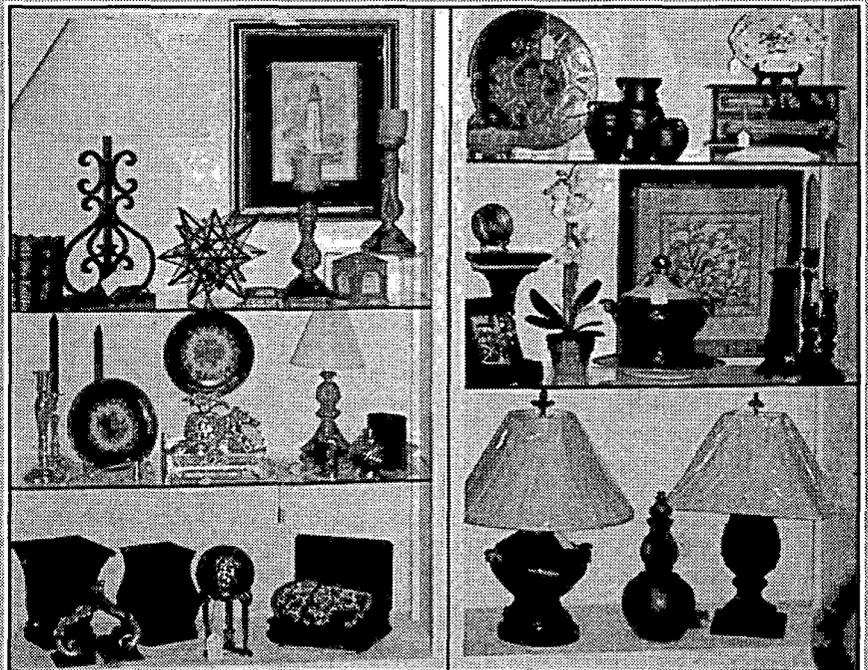
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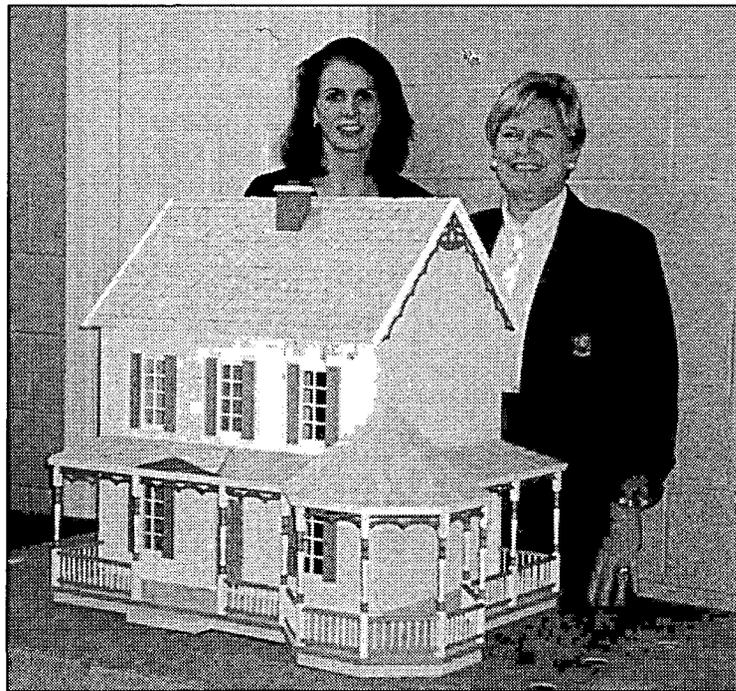
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Infant Welfare Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon



Lisa Schor, Silent Auction Chairperson, and Liz Rodosky, VP Projects, admire the hand-crafted Victorian-style dollhouse to be auctioned at the Infant Welfare Fashion Show on April 19.

The Barrington Chapter of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago has scheduled their annual Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon fund-raising event on April 19, 2000, at the Biltmore Country Club in North Barrington. The benefit will include a silent auction, boutique sales and a luncheon and fashion show produced by Fashions with Flair of Oak Brook.

The main attraction of this year's expanded silent auction is a hand-crafted Victorian-style dollhouse created with meticulous detail and care by Don Larsen of Barrington Hills. His dollhouses are well known throughout the area and this lovely creation is greatly admired by all that view it.

The members of the Barrington Chapter meet monthly September through May in the spirit of volunteerism and compas-

sion for those in need. We help support—along with 28 other Auxiliary Chapters throughout the whole Chicagoland area—the Infant Welfare Clinic located at 1931 N. Halsted in Chicago. We concentrate on fund-raising for the clinic but are also committed to interacting with the families that the clinic serves through reading programs, field trips for the children and supportive clerical work.

The Infant Welfare Clinic has been providing comprehensive healthcare to the families of the uninsured, working poor of Chicago and beyond since 1911. The Barrington Chapter was founded 60 years ago and continues to this day to help further the well-being of those less fortunate.

We welcome your participation and questions about the work we do. Please feel free to call 381-8695 for information.

Barrington Sparrow Plans Annual Luncheon

Join Barrington Sparrow at its "Carousel" Luncheon for a 360° look at the work of this local organization!

Barrington Sparrow invites the community to attend its spring meeting "Carousel" on Thursday, April 27, from 11 AM to 2 PM, at Barrington Hills Country Club, 300 W. County Line Rd., Barrington Hills.

At this time, an annual report will be given concerning accomplishments of past Sparrow work as well as an overview of goals for future activities. Speaker will be the Reverend Karen Stunkel, Executive Director of Home of the Sparrow, which is headquartered in McHenry and has additional locations in Crystal Lake and Palatine. Home of the Sparrow provides transitional housing and counseling ser-

vices to women and children who are engaged in efforts to overcome and/or avoid homelessness.

Barrington Sparrow is a local organization providing advocacy, financial support and volunteer contributions to Home of the Sparrow. Presentation of the "Wings" Award will honor an individual who has provided outstanding volunteer service over the past year or years.

Join us for a lovely spring outing and a chance to update information about this worthwhile local program. Baby-sitting is available.

For information concerning the luncheon or to reserve a place by April 21, please contact Gail at 847-304-0066 or Sue at 847-526-3981. Tickets are \$30 each.

WC of Inverness Spring Luncheon



Committee Chairmen for the Women's Club of Inverness Annual Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show include: Trina Toms, President; Bo Tyler, Co-Chairman; Carol Parke, Ad/Program Book; Lisa Englehardt, Prizes; and Raisa Bratkiv, Chairman.

The Women's Club of Inverness' enormously popular spring fund-raiser luncheon and fashion show is scheduled for Friday, April 14, 2000. This year's original theme, "Volunteers are a Work of Heart," celebrates the women who worked for so many worthy causes in the last century. In the 21st century, they are unstoppable, working through their hearts!

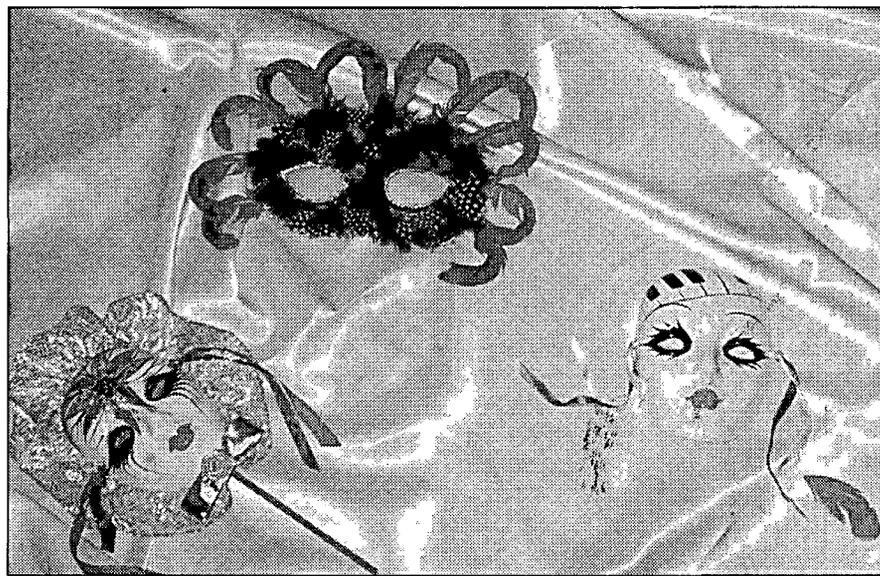
The Hyatt Regency, Woodfield, is the location for the day. The popular boutique will open at 10:00 AM for old favorites and new delights. At 11:00 AM, cocktails will be available to share with friends. At 12:30 PM, the luncheon will be served. To greet the 21st century, we will have 21 prizes during the lunch. American Airlines has donated 2 tickets as a prize, as has the

Drury Lane Theatre. Each prize grouping will also include a retired beanie baby. For information, please contact Raisa at 847-991-3136.

The spectacular fashion show this year is presented by "Fashions with Flair" of Oakbrook. Some designers featured this year will be Patricia Rhodes, St. John and Luca Luca.

Donations for this wonderful day are only \$45 per person. Tickets will be available at the door. Please call Debbie at 847-934-0363 for reservations for you and all of your friends! It will be a delightful day, with proceeds benefiting the many worthy causes supported by the Women's Club of Inverness!

April 29 Draws Near for MJF



On April 29, The Michael Joseph Foundation will hold their annual fund-raiser at a private residence in Barrington Hills.

"Millennium Masquerade" has been selected as the theme of the gala and will include a cocktail hour, a formal dinner and many unique and interesting items to bid on. Those attending will have the opportunity to view many museum pieces of yesteryear. The After Five Orchestra has

been secured for an evening of music and dance. American Airlines has been generous in donating two tickets to both Europe and the continental United States.

Since 1992, The Michael Joseph Foundation has been dedicated to assisting those in serious need of transitional housing in the Northwest Suburbs.

For more information, please call Hildegard Zimmermann at 847-382-3375.

Celebrate Cinco De Mayo at Julio's

Julio's Latin Cafe is a wonderful change of pace for lunch or dinner. Well known for their selection of excellently prepared dishes from countries throughout South America, including Mexico, Cuba, Brazil, Argentina, Chile and the Caribbean, you'll feel as though you've been transported south of the border. **Julio's** has also gained popularity with their live entertainment on the weekends.

Cinco De Mayo will be celebrated in true Mexican style on **Thursday, May 4**, starting at 5:30 PM. A delicious four-course Mexican dinner and lots of margaritas will be offered, along with entertainment by the strolling guitar duo of Lombardo Guerrero.

Treat Mom to a delicious dinner at **Julio's** on **Mother's Day, May 14**. **Julio's** will be open at 12:30 PM for your dining pleasure.

Julio's Latin Cafe is open for lunch Monday through Friday and dinner ser-



vice begins nightly at 5:00 PM. Entertainment is provided on the weekends and reservations are always recommended and can be made by calling **847-438-3483**. Open at 4:30 PM for dinner on Easter Sunday too!

Handbell Concert by Exaltation!

Exaltation! Fox Valley Community Handbell Ensemble will present its annual spring concert on Friday, May 5, 2000 at 8 PM at St. Paul's United Church of Christ located at 485 Woodstock Street in Crystal Lake.

Each of the auditioned members is a music director at his/her home church or an accomplished ringer. This year's dynamic program will entertain you with superb original compositions along with some familiar songs such as *Amazing Grace* which will include handbells, brass quintet and organ. The Crystal Brass will

also be performing a solo piece for the freewill offering. Tom Wibbels, organist at First United Methodist Church in Crystal Lake, will be opening the concert with a solo organ introit. Cindy Salvino will be featured with her flute on *Suo Gan* and percussion will accompany Exaltation! on a lively arrangement of *Ride the Chariot in the Mornin'*. Exaltation! has become well known in the area for its high level of exciting performance. The 2000 spring concert promises to carry on the tradition. For information, call 815-455-3325.

Michael York to Headline Elgin Enrichment Series Presentations

"Women's Lives in Historical Perspectives," "Rouges and Vagabonds"... These are the upcoming presentations as the **1999-2000 Elgin Enrichment Series (EES)** continues in the new millennium with Dr. Patricia Palmieri and actor Michael York at the Elgin Community College/Visual Performing Arts Center.

Dr. Patricia Palmieri, scholar/author, presents "Women's Lives in Historical Perspective" on Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at 10 AM. Her presentation clarifies the contributions American women made to our culture. Why have many of these contributions been rendered invisible? She makes family history, women's history and U.S. social history come alive! Sponsors are the Hoffer Plastics Corp. and Marison Industries.

Michael York, award-winning actor, performs and lectures about art and the profession of acting on Wednesday, May 10, 2000, at 10 AM in "Rouges and Vagabonds," the term used in Elizabethan times to describe performers. His creative program highlights the last five centuries of theatre and includes a lighthearted review of the critics' contribution. Sponsors are Home Federal Savings and Seagren/Shales, Inc.

Complimentary coffee will be available starting at 9 AM. Remaining series package for both presentations is \$35. Luncheon tickets may be purchased individu-

ally or for both presentations at \$18 each by Series Ticket holders only. All luncheons are held at the Elgin Country Club in Elgin immediately following the presentations. Seating is limited to 200 people.

The **Elgin Enrichment Series** is a non-profit organization established in 1995 by a board of 10 volunteers for the purpose of bringing to the Fox Valley high-profile speakers from the fields of education, entertainment, communications and other professions, to truly enrich the lives of community members. First Community Bank in Elgin sponsors the **Elgin Enrichment Series-Morning Forum**.

Palmieri and York follow a successful first-half of the 1999-2000 **Elgin Enrichment Series** with popular actor Edward Asner, scholar Dr. Elliot Engel and marine biologist Dr. Sylvia Earle. Since the introduction of its first 1997-1998 series, powerful presenters such as fashion designer Bob Mackie, retired White House Chef Henry Haller, scholar Dr. Elliot Engel, actress Rita Moreno, mental health advocate Kathy Cronkite, journalists Bill Kurtis, Linda Ellerbee and Judith Viorst, and director/screenwriter Peter Bogdanovich have all been a part of the successful **Elgin Enrichment Series**.

The total cost for both presentations is \$35 to attend Dr. Palmieri and Michael York's presentations. Call **847-289-4332** for information.

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Thai Avenue Restaurant Celebrates Song Khan—The Thai New Year!

If you have traveled to Thailand during mid-April, you'll never forget the experience of how we celebrate the new year in Thailand! Every year, people will spend the whole three days doing nothing else but celebrating. The towns will be colorful because people dress up in different colors and parade along the streets. There will be musicals and Thai dance shows everywhere in town, especially in the temple where most people gather. People splash water on each other as a blessing. We believe that the water will wash away all the bad things and leave only the good remaining.

There will be foods being sold everywhere on the street. You'll find Thai egg rolls, satay, Pad Thai noodles and lots more. You won't go hungry while you're enjoying the shows.

This year, **Thai Avenue** would like to share some of the experience with you and you won't have to go all the way to Thailand to eat those foods. **Thai Avenue Restaurant** is offering our own version

of the new year's celebration. On Sunday, April 16, **Thai Avenue** will feature an enticing 4-course meal including appetizer, soup, buffet-style entrees and a sweet table, Thai beer and Thai specialty drinks will be specially priced for the occasion.

There will be a traditional Thai musical show featuring Thai instruments to entertain you while you enjoy dinner.

Don't miss our first time celebration event of the year! Reservations are being taken for two seatings. The first seating will be at 4:30 PM; the second seating will begin at 7:00 PM. Only \$22.75 per person. For reservations, call **847-726-0036**.

Carryout will also be available during the celebration. Lunch specials are offered Tuesday through Friday from 11 AM to 2 PM for \$4.95 to \$5.50 per person and include the soup of the day. Friday lunch buffet—11:30 AM to 2:30 PM—only \$6.95 per person.

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Lake Shore Ski Club Will Host Spring Banquet

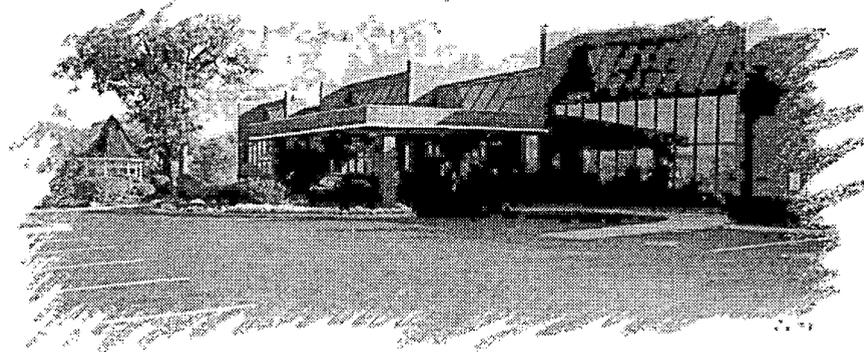
Lake Shore Ski Club will host its Annual Spring Banquet at Galleria Marchetti in Chicago on Friday, April 28, 2000. The evening's festivities will include cocktails at 6:30 PM and dinner at 7:30 PM. Following the dinner at 8:30 PM, the Ski Awards for the 1999-2000 ski season will be presented and the 2000-2001 Board of Directors will be announced. Dancing will begin at 9:30 PM. All who are interested are cordially invited to attend and learn about the exciting year ahead as well as

the advantages of becoming a Lake Shore Ski Club member. Cost is \$48 per person and advance reservations are required by April 26, 2000.

Lake Shore Ski Club was founded in 1955 and has over 1,200 members from throughout the Chicago metropolitan area, Northern Indiana, Southern Wisconsin and Western Michigan.

For further information and to place reservations, call 312-777-1200 or visit our website at www.lssc.org.

Join the Easter Bunny for Easter Brunch

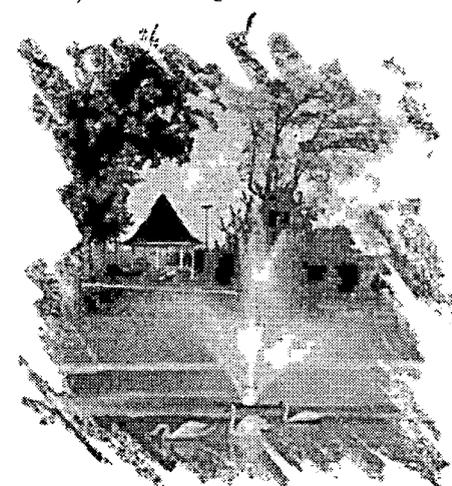


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Emmett's serves dinner daily starting at 5:00 PM. Beginning in May, Emmett's will be open weekdays for lunch from 11:30 AM until 2:00 PM. Private parties and banquets from 20 to 100 people are accommodated Sunday through Thursday. Enjoy live music in the pub on Friday evenings. Emmett's is only eight miles from downtown Barrington. For further information, call **847-428-4500**.

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BHS Fine Arts Calendar Update— Dates and Locations

Due to the ongoing renovation at Barrington High School, there have been changes in the locations of several events that would normally take place in the Richard C. Johnson Auditorium. If a location is to be announced, please call the Fine Arts Department at 842-3214 as the date approaches to confirm the location. Please take time to mark your calendar for the following fine arts events that you won't want to miss:

- April 5-6, Choir Concert, 7:30 PM, BMS Station Campus
- April 14-15, Orchestris Dance Concert, 7:30 PM, location TBA
- April 16, Orchestris Dance Concert, 2:30 PM, location TBA
- April 20-22, Experimental Theatre, 7:30 PM, location TBA
- April 28, Java & Jazz, 7:30 PM, BHS Student Resource Center
- April 26, Orchestris auditions, 3:00 PM, location TBA
- April 29, Master Dance Class, 10:00 AM, BHS Wrestling Gym
- May 4-6, *Vanities* and *The Invitation*, two one-act plays, 7:30 PM, location TBA
- May 7, Band Banquet, time and location TBA
- May 11, Band Concert, 7:30 PM, location TBA
- May 16, Choir Concert, 7:30 PM, location TBA
- May 18, Orchestra Concert, 7:30 PM, location TBA
- May 25, Honors Recital, 7:00 PM, location TBA




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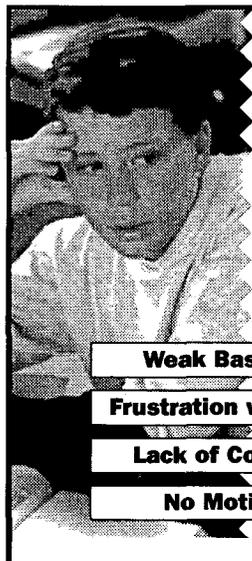
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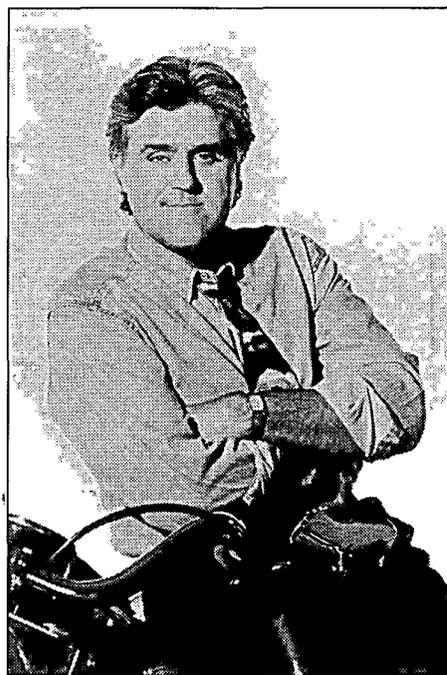
A Mixture of Laughter and Medicine at the Garden Ball

It's one thing to laugh with him every weeknight on national television. Now, Chicago area residents will have the opportunity to see world-acclaimed comedian and talk show host Jay Leno live and in person as he headlines the 14th Annual Garden Ball hosted by Alexian Brothers Medical Center (ABMC) Foundation on Saturday, May 20, 2000.

One of the country's premier comedians, Jay Leno is best known as the host of NBC's Emmy Award-winning and number one late-night talk show, "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." Since 1992, Leno has lead the show with his signature topical monologue as well as welcoming thousands of guests and performing hilarious comedy bits throughout the late-night television performance.

The 14th annual Garden Ball will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace on Saturday, May 20, 2000. Tickets are \$250 each. For more information on this historic and extraordinary Alexian Brothers Medical Center Foundation 2000 "Millennium"

Garden Ball, please contact the ABMC Foundation Office, 800 Biesterfeld Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois, 60007. Or call 847-437-5500, ext. 4388.



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Far From the Maddening Crowd Discussed

The Barrington Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Evening Book Discussion Group will discuss *Far From the Maddening Crowd* by Thomas Hardy on Tuesday,

April 25, 2000, at 7:30 PM at a member's home.

AAUW is a national organization committed to educational equity for women and girls. The Barrington Area Branch

Openings Now Available for Toddlers

Barrington Community Child Care Center offers a 5-day preschool program. The classes are for children ages 3 through 5 years who are toilet trained. The hours for the preschool day are 9:00 to 11:30 AM or 9:00 to 12:30 PM with a hot lunch provided. No appointment is necessary to tour the center. We are conveniently located at 560 Carl Avenue in Barrington, (one block west of Burger King off Northwest Highway).

Registration is now being accepted for all age groups in our child care program also. Have peace of mind while you work and know that your child is in a safe environment. Being at the **Barrington Community Child Care Center** means fun with music, art activities, water play, sandbox fun, stories and more.

The curriculum for the **Barrington Community Child Care Center** offers age appropriate and challenging activities. Our many activities promote self-esteem, independence and cognitive growth. Individual needs and the child's unique ways of learning are key in the type of planning and structure that is presented in the en-

vironment. Program enrichments are also offered, such as "Computer Tots." And, as a convenience, haircuts by a Barrington salon owner are offered every six weeks.

One less worry for parents, nutritious snacks and a hot catered lunch are offered each day. Daily communication between teachers and parents helps to achieve continuity and consistency between home and school. Our staff is highly qualified and continues their education and training on an ongoing basis. In addition, our staff is certified in CPR and First Aid techniques.

Barrington Community Child Care Center is a private center serving children 6 weeks to 6 years. Our facility offers over-sized classrooms with a homey feel and an environment to meet the needs of young children. As well, our large outdoor playground is enjoyed by all.

Barrington Community Child Care Center offers year around structured activities and care. Registration is now being accepted! We are happily celebrating our 7th year in the community. *Come join the fun!*

Poor Report Cards—What to do?

Report card day brings stress to many families. If you and your child are unhappy about a report card, what should you do? When you look at your child's report card and performance record, the most important things to evaluate are these: Is your child doing his or her best? Is he or she achieving his or her highest potential?

According to Dr. Raymond Huntington, founder and president of **Huntington Learning Centers**, "Parents know their own children. If you believe your child could be doing better than his or her grades show, you owe it to your child to remedy the situation."

"More than current grades are at stake," Huntington continues, "If grades are mediocre or poor, it means your child is not gaining valuable skills. This can come back to haunt your child later. The skills children learn in school are like building blocks. If a skill is not learned adequately, future skills will suffer. When a child tries to build advanced skills on a shaky foundation of knowledge, there is likely to be trouble ahead."

Mediocre or poor grades can result from a variety of problems. Dr. Huntington offers the following suggestions for what to do when a child brings home a poor report card:

1. *Examine the situation realistically.* It's important to remember that every drop in grades indicates that valuable skills are being missed. An effort should be made to learn and reinforce those missing skills. While this is being done, it's also important to identify and remedy

the basic problem, so it does not continue to hurt your child's education.

2. *What is really the problem?* Is there a behavior problem? Sometimes, bright students get bad grades for behavior related activities. Does your child hand in homework? Is it correct and on time? Is your child bored with schoolwork, and so is not paying enough attention? These are not excuses; they are symptoms of different problems. You must identify the problem before you can remedy it.

3. *Talk with your child.* Why does your child think he or she got poor grades? Does he or she take the situation seriously? How does he or she plan to do better? It is important that your child knows you take the situation seriously. Work with your child to develop a plan that will help him to achieve better grades. Let your child know that you are supportive and that you believe in his or her abilities.

4. *Talk with your child's teacher or counselor.* Your child's teacher or counselor is a professional educator. What are his or her observations? What does he or she recommend?

It is important to remember that the difficulty that caused these poor grades may be a serious problem. Your child may have missed one or more important basic skills. It is vital that you get help for your child as soon as possible, before the problem gets worse.

Parents who want additional information or who wish to discuss a specific problem are encouraged to contact the **Huntington Learning Center** in Barrington at 847-382-3655.



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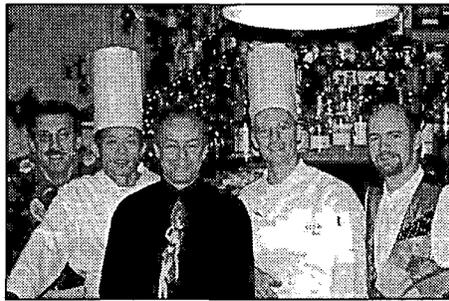
one with a baccalaureate or higher degree from an accredited college or university. For information, call 847-381-4791.

Chers Amis...

April in Paris...

That sure sounds great, so if you have a chance to go, well... just do it!

But for the ones who won't get that lucky this soon, here is the alternative... "Travel to Paris" at **D & J Bistro** on Sunday, April 30, 5 PM. Mrs. Melanie Karsen, reputed travel consultant, Francophile and francophone, will present her collection of slides and great knowledge of Paris. She will enlighten and entertain you with anecdotes and recommendations. We will then follow with a three-course dinner, typical of a Parisian bistro, along with the appropriate wines—the whole package for the very fair cost of



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—Merci, Dominique

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Looking for the perfect, magical getaway? Nothing provides magic and excitement quite like a Disney vacation and the **Carlson Wagonlit Travel** location in Barrington announces special offers that capture the magic of Walt Disney World, Disneyland and Disney Cruise Line vacations. The **Carlson Wagonlit Travel/Disney** offers can be booked from March 19 to April 30 for travel throughout most of 2000.

"A Walt Disney World experience is the most popular vacation among our customers and with the ongoing Walt Disney World Millennium Celebration, there is no better time to visit," stated Carol Slipper, Manager of the local **Carlson Wagonlit Travel**. "Epcot serves as the focal point for a spectacular celebration of this exciting passage of time into the 21st century."

Focused at Epcot, the Walt Disney World Millennium Celebration takes place from now until January 1, 2001, and features show-stopping entertainment, ground breaking technologies and sights, sounds and tastes from around the globe. Each night, the celebration is topped off by a dazzling procession and an all-new pyrotechnic and laser spectacular.

Starting at \$462 per person (based on double occupancy), **Carlson Wagonlit Travel's** offer combines three-night accommodations at a select Walt Disney World Resort hotel; unlimited Magic Passes for unlimited admission to the Magic Kingdom, Epcot, Disney-MGM Studios, Disney's Animal Kingdom, Disney's three themed water parks and Pleasure Island; and one choice per person from Disney's Flex Feature options including a special

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This August, Disney Cruise Line guests can set sail on a magical new, seven-day cruise experience aboard the Disney Magic to the ports of St. Maarten, St. Thomas and St. John as well as Castaway Cay, Disney's private Bahamian island paradise. Packages for the seven-day cruise are available for most sailings between August 24 and November 16, 2000. The exclusive Disney Cruise Line seven-day land and sea package, good for most sailings between April 30 and November 16, 2000, features a stay at the Walt Disney World Resort and a visit to the Bahamas.

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Carole Comments

by Carole Childers, C.N., L.N.C., All Ways Healthy

A friend asks: "Are energy food bars a good source of nutrition?"

Carole Comments: There are many types of "energy" bars out there (Balance Bar, Power Bar, Cliff Bar, etc.) and my best advice is to read the label on each to determine their nutritional value.

As a snack or a mid-morning pick-me-up, an energy bar is a fine choice, especially as an alternative to something like a doughnut, candybar or other nutritionally void item.

However, make sure you know what's in your energy bar. Check the fat grams and opt for one with total fat grams ac-

counting for less than 10% of the calories.

In addition, don't rely on energy bars as a replacement for a nutritional meal. They are meant to offer a healthy way to achieve quick energy, not a substitute for whole, fresh foods.

Some manufacturers have developed bars that address specific health concerns such as weight-management, muscle-mass-building and sports. Because of their convenience, price and nutritional elements, energy bars will continue to appeal to many. As with any other manufactured product, I urge you to read the label and be informed.



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New Generations Hires Executive Director



New Generations Teen Board with new Executive Director Libby Rieke (left to right): Zareen Hansotia, Secretary; Jen Habicht, President; Libby Rieke, Executive Director; Clare Cragan, Vice President; Melanie Thakkar, Treasurer; and Linzee Fortunato, Vice President.

New Generations is pleased to announce the hiring of Libby Rieke as its first Executive Director. Libby comes to New Generations with a wealth of experience in working with Barrington teenagers, most recently with the youth group at St. Michael's Episcopal Church. She will be responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the organization. New Generations is unique to Barrington in that it is student-driven and adult-supported. Therefore, her most important role will be in working with the teens of Barrington as they plan and implement activities for the community and work toward their

personal goals. Past New Generations events have included: The January Jam, Mini-Ravinia, Battle of the Bands and several concerts at the "Back Door" located at St. Paul United Church of Christ. Plans for the spring include classes for teens called "Keeping it Real" and an all-board retreat for the Adult and Teen Boards. A long-term goal is to establish a teen center in Barrington where teens can have a comfortable place to relax and socialize.

The Adult Board is headed by John Hipsky, President, along with: Jim Otis, Vice President; Wendy Habicht, Recording Secretary; Carroll Jackman, Corre-

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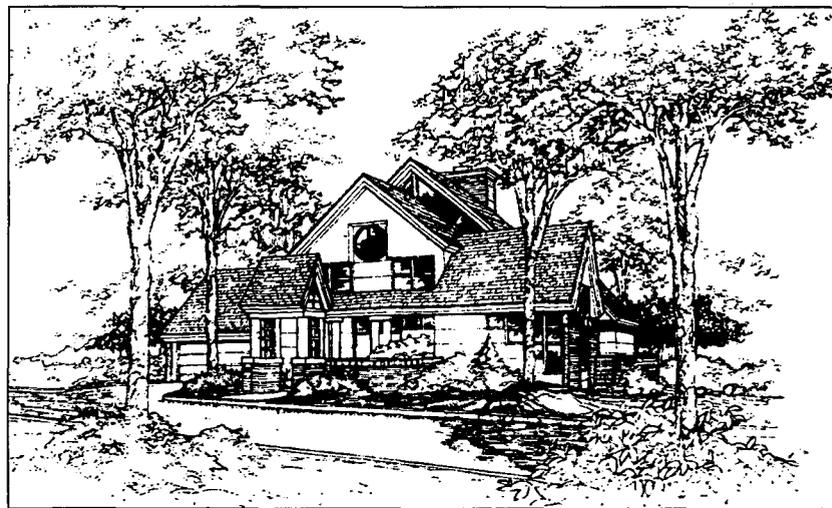
sponding Secretary; and John Meier, Treasurer. Additional board members are: Barb Cragan, Christine Garry, Robert Irvin, Terry Jennings, Suzanne Knell, Jeff Lawler, Rochelle Schulman, Brad Stetson, Rich Towers, John Vosnos and Judy Weiss. The Adult Advisory Board is comprised of: Steve Allen, Kris Andersen, Nadia Bleibel, Syl Boeder, Alan Brostoff, Craig Failor, Hugh Frebault, Leigh Furda, Jeanne Hanson, Gail Howard, Julie Kerr, Julie Lee, Kate Mills, Sam Oliver, Jerry Piper, Lawrence Weiner, Joyce Wisniewski and Ann Wonak. The Teen Board is made up of: Jen Habicht, President; Clare Cragan and Linzee Fortunato, Co-Vice Presidents; Zareen Hansotia, Secretary; and Melanie Thakkar, Treasurer.

New Generations was born out of the need for teen activities, a need identified by the Healthier Community Project of the Barrington Area. A work group was formed with representatives from the community. The work group identified a successful organization to emulate—CROYA, Committee Representing Our Young Adults, a 20-year-old organization based out of Lake Forest and Lake Bluff that is youth-driven and gives teenagers responsibility for determining their own direction and policies. CROYA's Adult Board acts as a resource for the programs, oversees budgets and serves in a support

capacity to the Director and staff. With the help of Interact, The Rotary Clubs of Barrington and Barrington Youth Services, a forum was set up to assess the needs and goals of Barrington area teenagers. The result of this forum produced a group of teens interested in a student-driven organization which they called New Generations. With the leadership of Rotary Club representatives, an Adult Steering Committee was formed to assist the students in defining their goals. In the fall of 1998, New Generations elected its first Adult Board of Directors and an Advisory Board. Committees were formed, bylaws developed and incorporation as a nonprofit organization was completed. Thanks to the generosity of two major donors—the Duchossois Foundation and an anonymous donor—New Generations has been able to hire its first Executive Director. With her help, New Generations is ready to take the next step in providing Barrington teens with an outlet for their ideas and creativity.

Libby grew up in the Barrington area and lives here with her husband, Todd, who is also a lifelong resident. They have two adult daughters who grew up in Barrington. New Generations is pleased to welcome her to our organization. If you'd like further information about New Generations, please call Libby at 381-2277.

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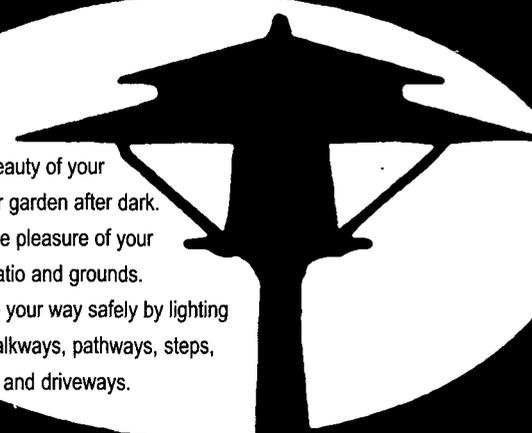
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One Sweet Story



Shown is Dr. George Pepper, Palatine resident and member of the Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago, with "Carmen" Denyce Graves.

George was a supernumerary in the opera *Carmen*. Supernumeraries are "extras" who do not sing. Here, he is dressed as a Moor as he had appeared in Acts I and II.

Knowing that international opera diva Denyce Graves loves desserts, he went to Ambrosia Patisserie in Barrington and had them design a special "Carmen" cake, complete with the fateful red rose.

Ms. Graves was so impressed by the beauty of the cake, that when she came on stage in Act I, she whispered to Dr. Pepper, before she started to sing, "Are you the guy who brought the cake?"

He said yes he was.

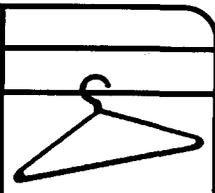
She replied, "It's beautiful."

Dr. Pepper said, "So are you!"

Later, Ms. Graves posed with Dr. Pepper after she had a chance to sample the cake and told him it was not only beautiful, but incredibly delicious. This led to a wonderful embrace.

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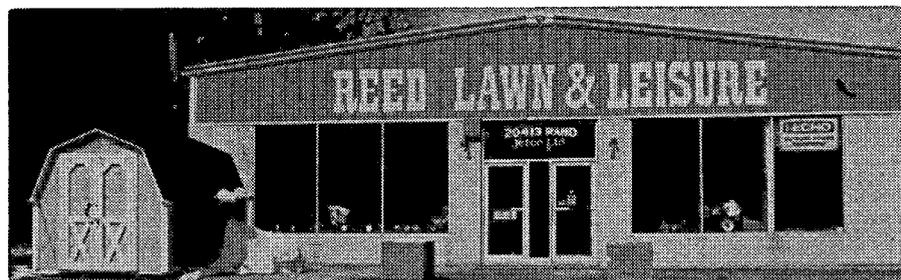
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Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

This exciting event for all ages will include pictures and a continental breakfast with the Easter Bunny. In addition, we will be making crafts, playing games and having an Easter egg hunt. The breakfast will take place on Saturday, April 15, 2000, from 9:30 to 11:30 AM at the YMCA.

Cost is \$6 per person for members/limited members or \$10 per person for non-members. Advanced registration is required and forms can be picked up at the front desk of the YMCA of McHenry County, 701 Manor St., Crystal Lake, IL, 60014. For more information, call 815-459-4455.

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Barrington Newcomers Hosts Barbara Rinella as "Harry Potter"

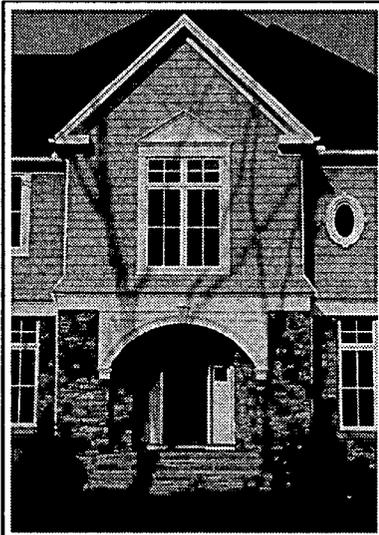
Newcomers Club of Barrington is pleased to announce its exciting April program—a book dramatization by the popular Barbara Rinella featuring J.K. Rowling's bestselling *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. This program will include lunch at the Millrose Brewery and Restaurant in South Barrington on Monday, April 10 at 11:30 AM. Ms. Rinella, who has dramatized numerous bestsellers including *Memoirs of a Geisha*, *The Greatest Generation* and others, will conclude her performance with a book review. Please call 847-381-9478 to reserve your place.

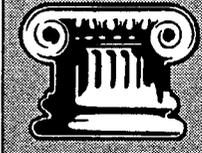
Newcomers Ladies Golf resumes in April on Wednesday mornings at area courses. Please call 382-1331 to hit the links with new friends. Also in April, there will be a couples social event and another fabulous Explore Chicagoland outing. Watch for details.



Barbara Rinella will give a book dramatization.

With more than 120 members, Newcomers offers a variety of activities and events to satisfy your interests and open the door to new friendships. Call 277-0914 for membership information and a calendar of events. We can't wait to meet you!

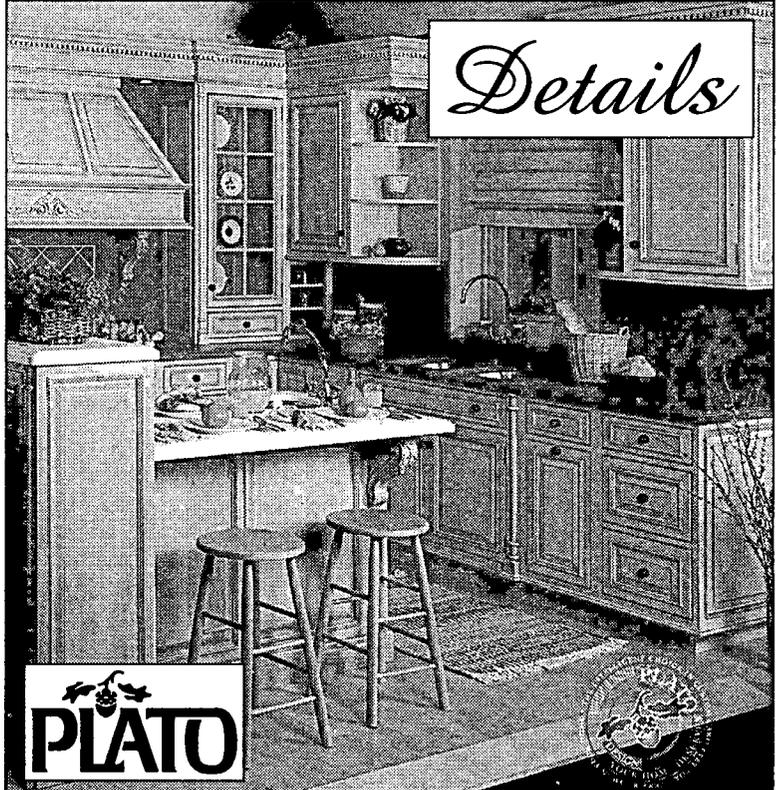




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Responding to the notification that Barrington High School is one of 100 schools to receive this recognition, Julie Salk, Fine Arts Department Chair, stated, "We are proud to be recognized by the Grammy Foundation for our music program a sec-

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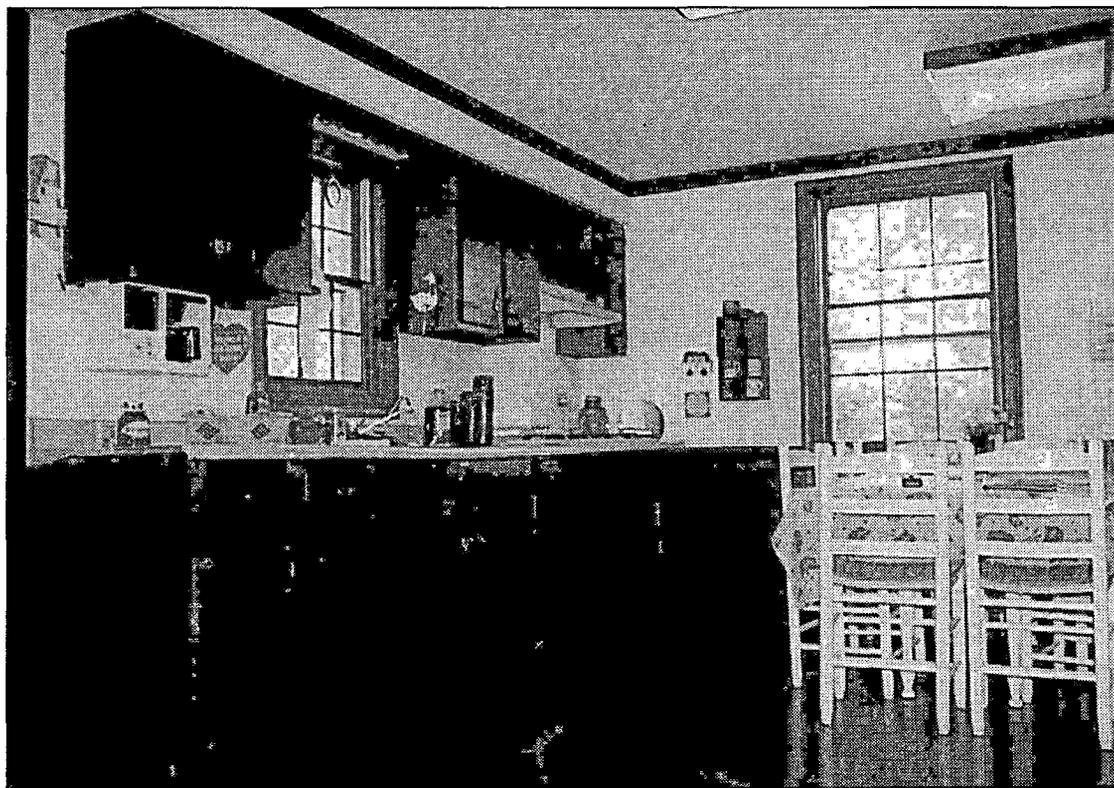
REMODELING 2000... STORY #2

"As bright as possible and more work space!" were just some of Nate and Margaret Nyman's wishes for their new kitchen. After living with dark cabinetry and dark oak floors for many years they were ready for a change. More counter top and storage space was a must for this busy family of... NINE! The Nyman's chose to work with **Barrington Kitchen & Bath Studio's** designer Deborah Vinopal, ASID. "Margaret waited a long time for the kitchen of her dreams. She made the right decision to work with a professional team who could guide her through the many and sometimes confusing choices of remodeling," says Vinopal.

The other member of the team referred to is **Barrington Kitchen & Bath Studio's** sister company **Delta Renovations**. While Margaret and Deborah were deciding on white cabinetry and countertops **Delta Renovations** was assisting with new window choices that would bring the much desired light into the new space. "This team approach is extremely helpful for remodeling a kitchen or bath. All aspects of the job are handled out of this one office, therefore cutting down the amount of footwork for the home owner," says Vinopal.

Along with seven children come twice that in friends! For this reason Vinopal planned a large island with seating. The extra countertop space was a necessity for food preparation and the seating allowed for those children to visit with Mom without being in the work triangle. The island design also allowed for a clear flow of traffic to move through the kitchen. This was a must with the amount of traffic that would take place.

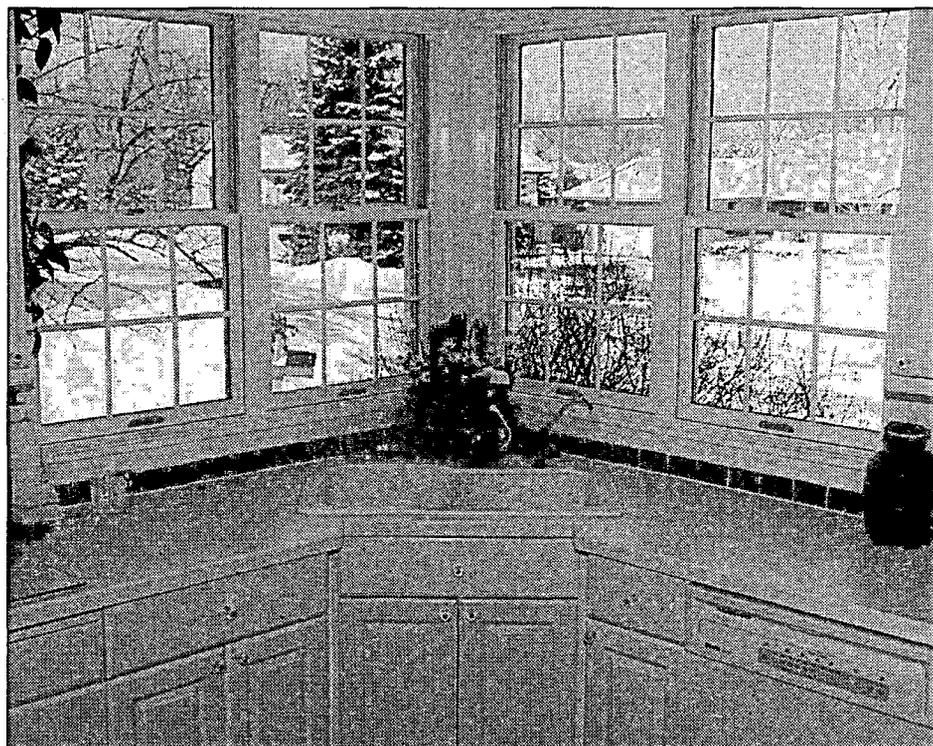
Corsi Custom Cabinetry was chosen for its sturdy construction and beautiful white high gloss door style. The door surface, manufactured in Rigid Thermofoil, was selected for its extreme durability; an important choice with the size of the family. "The white gloss leaves the eye with a crisp, bright clean feeling," states Vinopal. Careful planning was done to keep a relaxed sense to the room so that it would flow together nicely with the rest of the home. This was achieved by repeating the oak from the floor in a rope moulding



With a family of nine to feed daily, Nate and Margaret were in need of additional storage and work space. (Time for new cabinets, too!)

ding attached to the crown moulding atop of the cabinetry. Small touches, such as these suggested by a designer, are important in making the room come together as a whole.

Margaret is so happy with her new kitchen and the quality and professionalism of **Delta Renovations**. (And that makes Nate happy too!) Stop in to see the beautiful showroom at 319 W. Northwest Highway in Barrington. The designers at **Barrington Kitchen & Bath Studio** look forward to helping you achieve your wish list for the kitchen of your dreams.



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Why **The Sound Lab** sells "high-end"—Some customers may wonder why **The Sound Lab** has committed so much of its time and energy promoting high-end audio and video products. "Aren't they ignoring the average consumer? Who actually buys all that expensive gear anyway?" These kind of comments are typical of how misunderstood the concept of "high-end" is in the marketplace.

We take issue with the thought that the term "high-end" is synonymous with "expensive." While some high-end products are costly, our definition of high-end has more to do with the design philosophy of the manufacturer than the price the component sells for. High-end is not merely upscale mid-fi. True high-end products are built with the appreciation of the live musical event in mind, rather than bells, whistles and gadgets. It follows that anyone who enjoys the beauty and excitement of a live performance is a candidate for high-end components.

Amplifiers are not microwave ovens—We believe high-end manufacturers are better suited to meeting the special needs of today's consumers. Their relatively small size, compared to mass market competitors, dictates that they remain focused. Their attentions are not divided between amplifiers and microwave ovens. High-end designers build niche products that are engineered to accomplish specific goals. The structure of high-end companies provides fertile ground for new

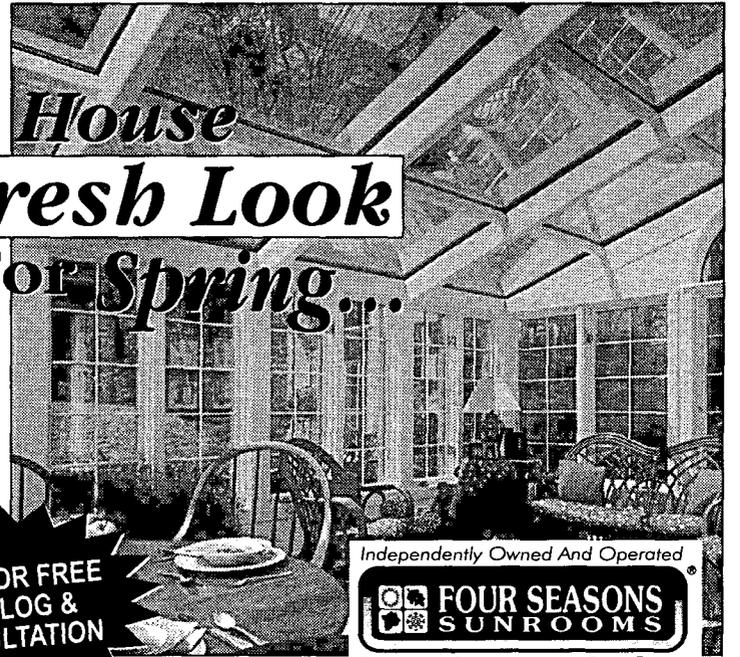
ideas.

"Anything that looks so complicated must sound good!"—High-end companies disdain the proliferation of gadgets in home entertainment systems. Indeed, many consumers confuse flashing lights with technical sophistication. Components built with a high-end philosophy show us just the opposite is true—that less is often more. **The Sound Lab** has embraced the "high-end" philosophy in our approach to audio-video retailing. By focusing on this segment, we can differentiate ourselves from those who are more interested in moving boxes than in educating consumers. Moreover, high-end components allow us to convey the essence of a live performance beyond the limitations of typical mid-fi.

"But I've never heard of these brands before!"—For the specialty audio-video retailer, the lack of consumer awareness about high-end is daunting. Unfortunately, high-end companies have had little success fighting the misconception that their products are too costly and esoteric to be seriously considered by the average person. Further evidence of this failure is that many consumers still believe all hi-fi gear comes from the Orient, and would be shocked to discover that most of the world's finest audio components are built in the United States by American companies. Sadly, high-end's aggressive marketing toward the enthusiast has alienated

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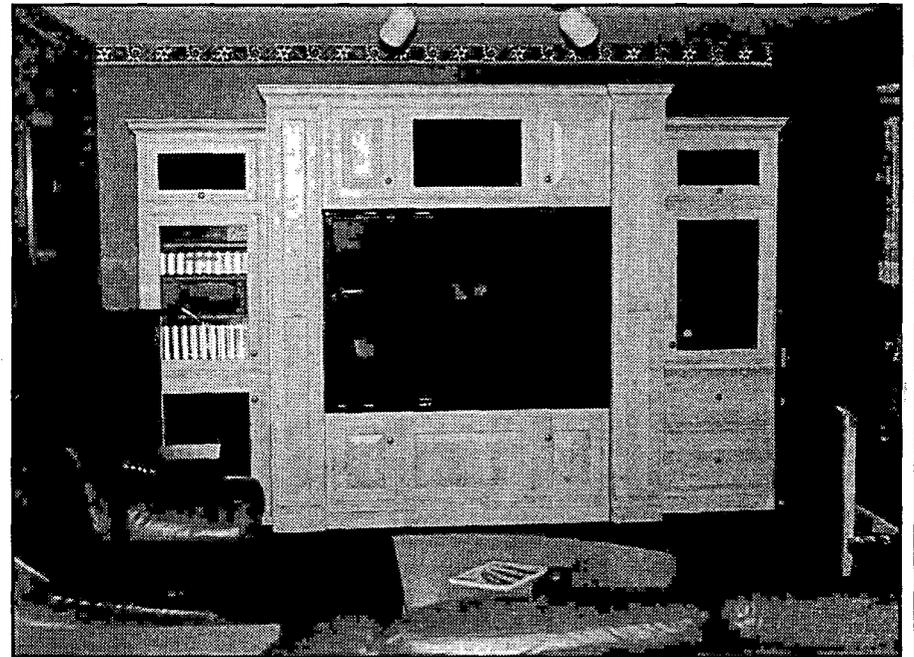
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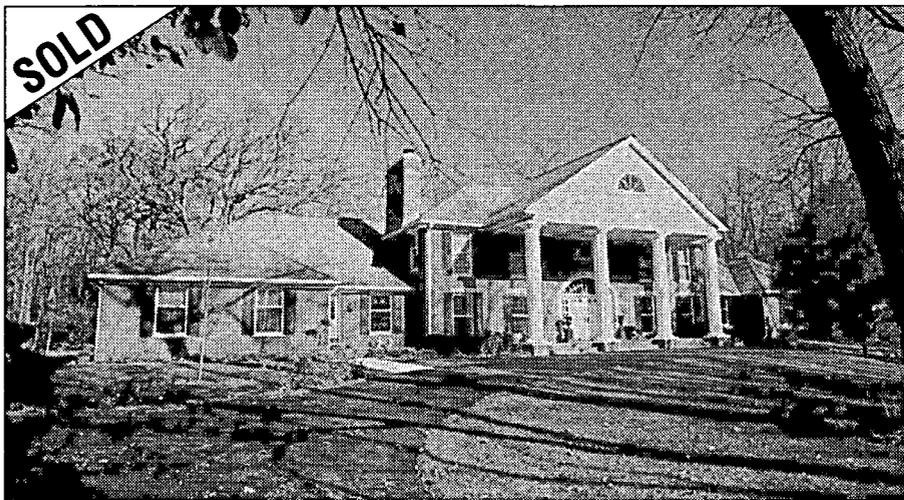
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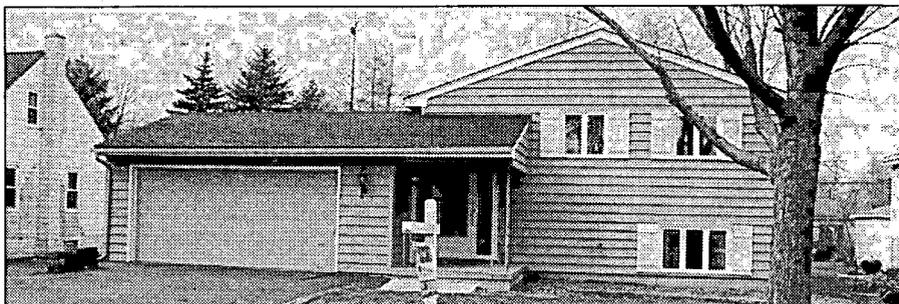
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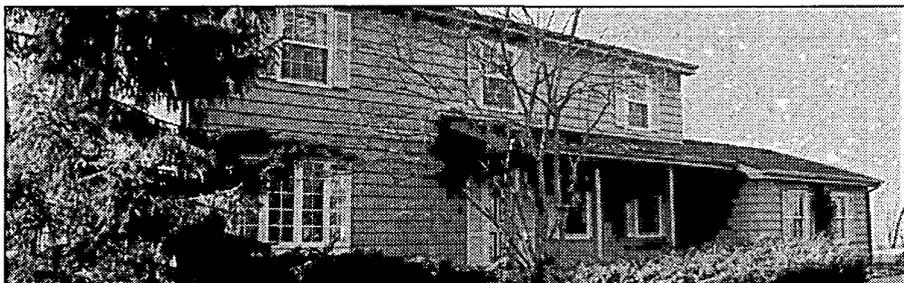
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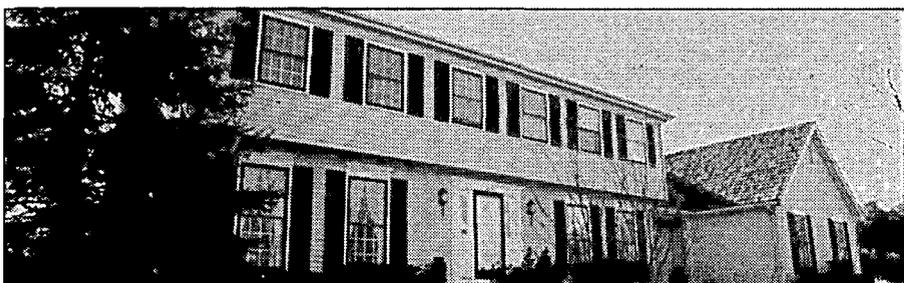
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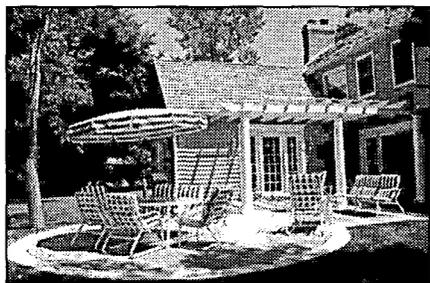
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Does Your Landscaping Need "Renovating"?

Are you tired of living with overgrown shrubs and trees? Has your once-designed landscaping outgrown its initial purpose? "With many people in the Barrington area owning older homes, we are finding a large part of our work has been in the 'remodeling' of existing landscaping," says John C. Cazzetta, Landscape Architect and owner of **BonnerCodd Associates, Inc.**, a Barrington landscape construction firm. "Many species planted in the 1960s and 1970s were not installed in a manner that allowed for their extensive growth habits. And, in many cases, only a few uneventful species were used. The result is an overgrown and unaesthetic landscape," adds Cazzetta.



If your property has grown out of control or just fails in adding the proper value to your home, call John C. Cazzetta for a free consultation. He will be happy to design a way to use some existing species while adding new species to re-create your garden design, or suggest a complete make-over. Either way, as a Landscape Architect and Contractor, he will be able to solve even the most difficult areas. Please call **BonnerCodd Associates, Inc.** at **847-382-4838**.

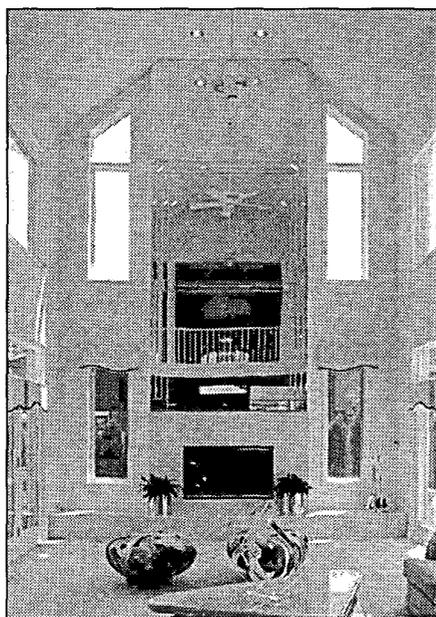
The Magic of Mirrors

Years ago, the average home featured a rather mundane bathroom. Builders would skimp on the size. And frankly, the only mirrors were usually a small mirror clipped over the vanity. Times have changed. Today's discriminating homeowner demands the ultimate when it comes to the bathroom. It's a stressful world out there and many people find that they can luxuriate in their whirlpool and relieve stress. Mirrors create an atmosphere that makes you want to pamper yourself.

The fireplace shown on the right required the combined skills of the designer and the skilled craftsmen final touch. The unique custom beveling design ties in beautifully with the existing windows.

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Twelve School Students Sought for GSH Future Physician Program Participants

The Future Physician Program of Good Shepherd Hospital is seeking 12 high school seniors for the prestigious, one-of-a-kind program for students interested in health related careers. Selections will be based upon personal interviews, a written essay and recommendations as well as academic record, maturity and motivation for choosing a medical career.

The Future Physician Program is a six-week, summer educational program that offers students the opportunity to observe the daily activities of various hospital areas including surgery, radiology, the laboratory, obstetrics, the emergency room,

orthopedics and nursing units. Participants are accompanied in the various departments by physicians, registered nurses or other department staff members. Participants also will spend time with primary care doctors and specialists from Good Shepherd's medical staff in their offices.

The full-day sessions will be held each weekday from June 12 through July 21. Students will be paid a stipend at the end of the program. The moneys for the program have been donated by Dr. and Mrs. Richard Smith, members of the Good Shepherd Hospital medical staff, members of the Good Shepherd Hospital Auxiliary,

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Since it began in 1991, more than 70 students have completed the Future Physicians Program at Good Shepherd Hospital. For more information about the program or an application, contact Mary Rampale of Good Shepherd medical staff services at 847-842-4447 or visit Good Shepherd's website at www.advocate-health.com, (see Future Physicians Program). Contributions to the Future Physicians Program can be directed to Good

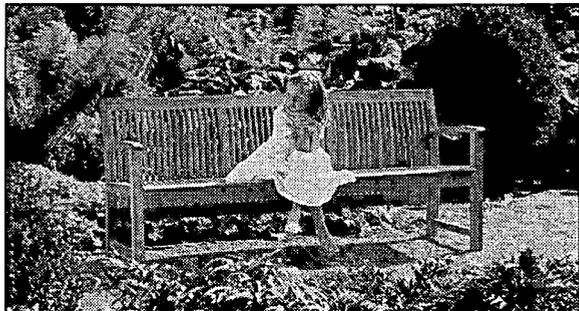
Shepherd Hospital's development department at 450 W. Highway 22, Barrington, IL, 60010.

Good Shepherd Hospital, located in Barrington, is a 156-bed health care facility with nearly 400 physicians representing 35 medical specialties. The hospital is a state designated Level II Trauma Center with a designated pediatric treatment area and a Fast Track treatment area. Good Shepherd is also a state designated Level II plus birth center. The hospital is part of Advocate Health Care, one of the largest health care organizations in the Chicago area. Advocate is related to both the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and the United Church of Christ.

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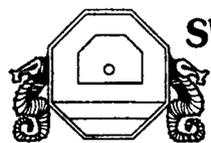
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BJWC Serves Fun to Seniors for the Holidays

At Barrington Junior Women's Club, the holidays are always reason to celebrate. And the BJWC Service to Seniors Committee has proven just that at two recent holiday parties which were well attended and great fun for guests and hosts alike.

Most recently, Valentine's Day offered the occasion for a party at Governor's Park Rehabilitation Center in Barrington on Sunday, February 6. The room was bright with balloons and streamers. While the guests enjoyed cake, ice cream and beverages, Andy Olrich (of North Barrington) and Kevin Keleher (of Fox Point), two students from the Barrington High School Music Department, played musical selections on guitar and violin. The entertainment also included a sneak-preview performance of the variety show act by Girl Scout Troop 968, (4th graders from Roslyn Road School). The girls provided special assistance with the games and the refreshments as well.

Last November, the committee entertained the residents at Good Shepherd Manor for a fun-filled Thanksgiving/Winter Holiday party which included cake, coffee, games, prizes and a beautiful holiday vocal presentation by the Barrington High School Madrigal Singers. The party went smoothly with the



Danielle Shanahan helps with a prize at BJWC's recent Valentine Party at Governor's Park in Barrington.

help of local Girl Scouts who assisted by serving refreshments and cheering on the players.

The BJWC Service to Seniors Committee includes co-chairs Cindy Shanahan

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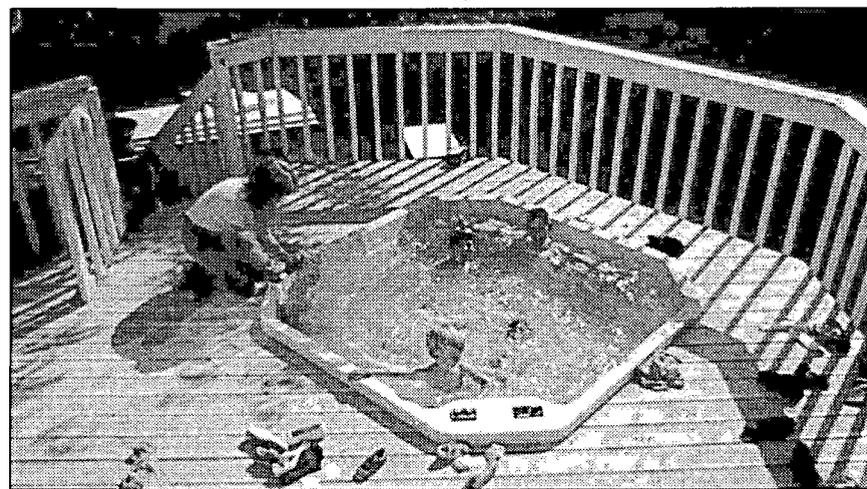
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All those interested are encouraged to

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For information, call Shelter's Volunteer Coordinator at 847-590-6188, ext. 22.

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On Saturday, April 29 at 8:30 AM, Citizens for Conservation will host a Flint Creek Savanna Bird Walk. Keep your eyes open for spring migrants, bluebirds and sandhill cranes. And bring your binoculars!

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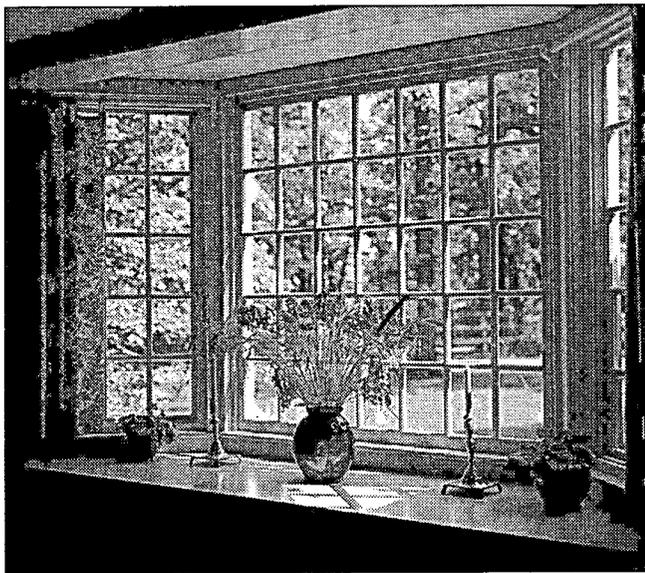
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and Karen Comyn, both of Barrington; Gail Beveridge, Sally Douglas, Laurie Eichelman, Claire Hamilton, Diane Kerekas, Jeanne Michaels, Ann Miller and Janet Swenson of Barrington; Susie Lopez of South Barrington; and Karen Latshaw of Deer Park.

The committee is looking forward to the Annual Spring Fling scheduled for

May 2, 2000, from 11 AM to 2 PM at the Barrington Park District, where all area seniors are invited to enjoy a delicious luncheon, wonderful entertainment and exciting games with prizes. Seating is limited to 120 persons and is on a first come/first serve basis. For information about Spring Fling or about BJWC, call 847-622-3838.

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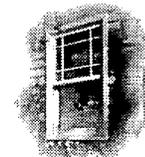
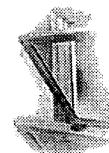


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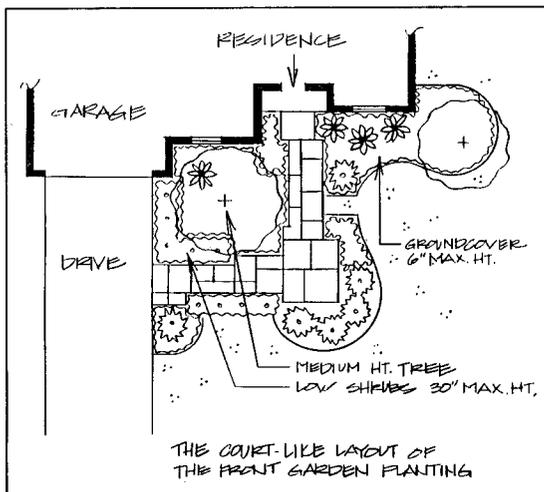
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Your Personal Landscape II— The Front Garden Planting

In our previous article, we discussed the importance of the entry walk. The same principles discussed there are true for the front planting. The planting of the front garden should compliment and enhance the architecture, and lead your eye to the front door.

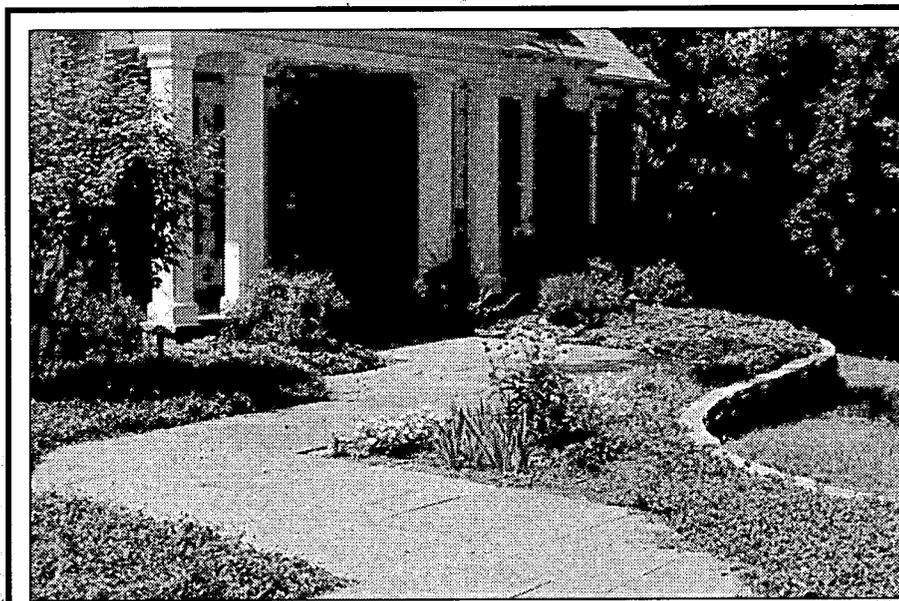
The scale of the plant material utilized around the entrance walk and home is one of the most important aspects of planting design. We have all seen residences where the selected plants have grown above windows or over doors and generally obscured the home from sight. The majority of plants used in the front garden should maintain a low profile, growing anywhere from six inches (6") to thirty inches (30"). As these plants mass together, (as opposed to a series of individually trimmed geometric shapes), they provide a unified appearance that compliments the home. Another advantage to using smaller scale plants that mass together is the reduction of pruning and maintenance.

Avoid the common practice of planting visually strong plants such as those that



are predominately yellow, red, variegated, have contorted branching, etc. Many of these plants, in addition to being short-lived, are visually distracting as opposed to complimentary. It is difficult to find the entrance through all of this type of commotion. If you love these types of plants, then plant them away from the public side of the home.

In our next article, we will discuss the importance of screen planting for privacy for the front garden.



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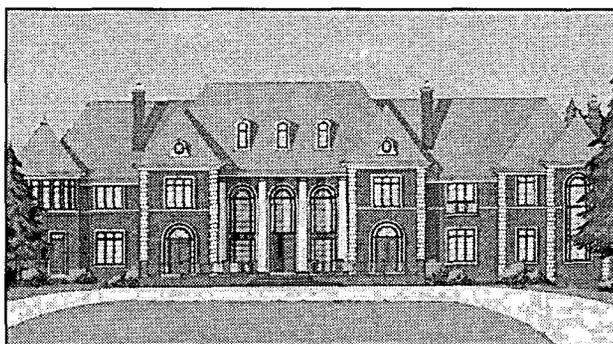
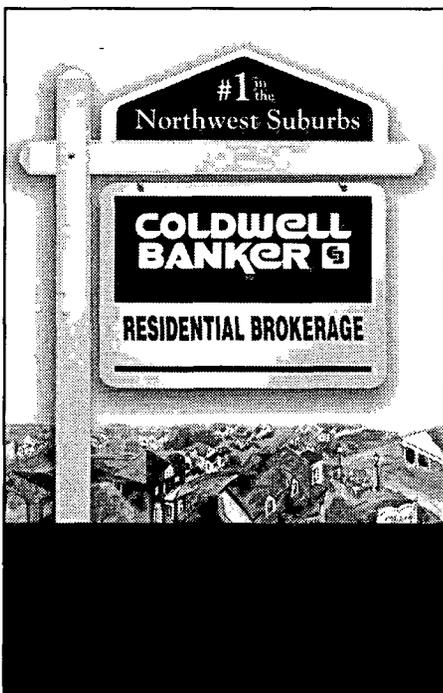


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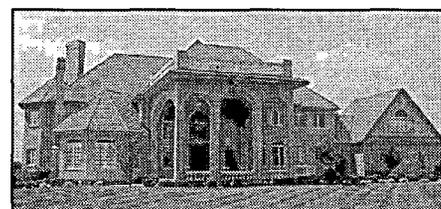
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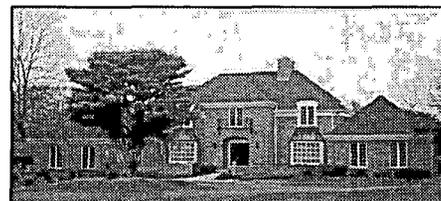
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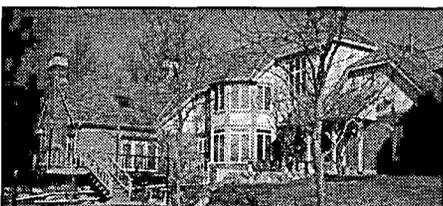
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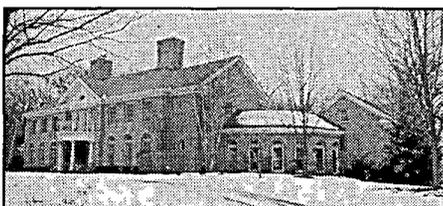
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Barrington Hills **\$1,200,000**

Brick Georgian, 5 wooded lakefront acres features outstanding detail, beautiful millwork & molding, 4 frpls, handsome study, solarium & grand foyer.

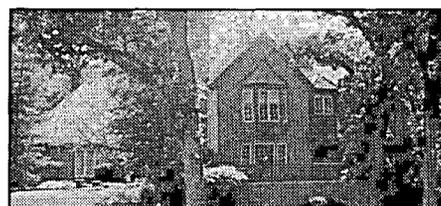
Meg Cleavenger **847/465-2259**



Barrington Hills **\$1,200,000**

Spectacular brick estate home, 5 years new. 4 BR, 3+ BA. 5.7 private wooded acres w/ double entry security gates. Circular tree-lined driveway. Finest quality t/o.

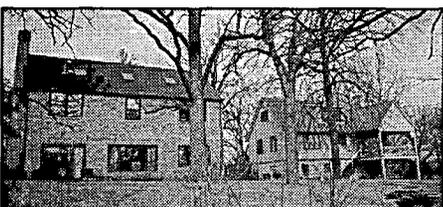
Tressa Borkon **847/465-2256**



North Barrington **\$1,125,000**

Set on a heavily wooded lot in Wynstone w/ classic 17th Century architecture. 4 BR, 4.5 BA, paneled 2-story FR, sunroom, study, screened porch & dream kitchen.

Sheri Wheeler **847/465-2290**



Barrington Hills **\$1,050,000**

Rarely found 6.9 wooded acres w/ approximately 600' of shore out front and back door on Keene Lake. 6 BR, 2 full & 1 half bath. Natural setting & lake views.

Suzanne Luby **847/465-2211**



Barrington Hills **\$1,700,000**

10 waterfront acres w/ pond & on Lake Melissa. Offers 4 bedrooms, 4 baths & indoor pool. Also available on 5 acres at \$999,900.

Meg Cleavenger & Barb Wessberg **847/465-2259**



Barrington **\$899,900**

Custom cedar home w/ waterview ambiance. In a sequestered site, on 2+ acres, stunning great room, 5 BR, 4.5 BA. Walkout lower level w/ indoor pool wing.

Barb Wessberg & Meg Cleavenger **847/465-2298**



Barrington Hills **\$879,000**

Set on 5 acres in Barrington Hills, this graceful country home will delight you, 3 fireplaces, hardwood floors, new kitchen, study, wooded lot & just minutes to town.

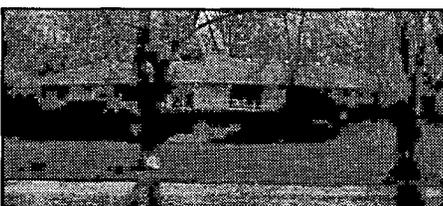
Sheri Wheeler, **847/465-2290**



Barrington **\$860,000**

5 BR, 3.5 BA. 1st floor all hardwood, 2-story entry, living & family room, full fin walkout lower level. Pro landscaping, circular drive & private location. 4 years old.

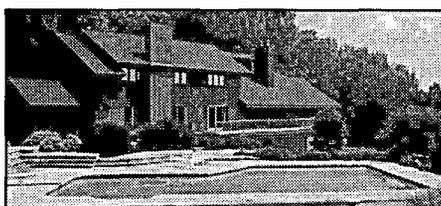
Sheri Wheeler **847/465-2290**



Barrington Hills **\$835,000**

Waterfront on Heather Lake. Brick & stone ranch w/ walkout LL. New kit w/ maple cabinets, Corian counters & large eating area. Spectacular views!

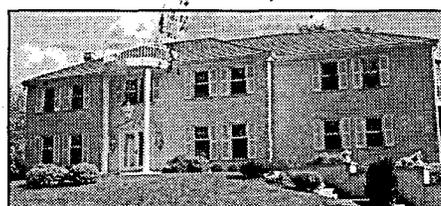
Ron VanDeVelde & Nancy Herr **847/465-2282**



Barrington Hills **\$822,500**

Exceptional 5-bedroom, 4.1-bath home on 5 rolling acres. 1st floor master, vaulted entry, 4 fireplaces. Hot tub, pool & finished English basement.

Greg Bradley & Margaret Semrad **847/465-2232**



Hawthorn Woods **\$799,000**

Huge price reduction! On 5 wooded acres, this gated home features 13 spacious rms & the finest quality. 5 BR incl master suite w/ loft & frplc. Fin LL w/ huge wet bar.

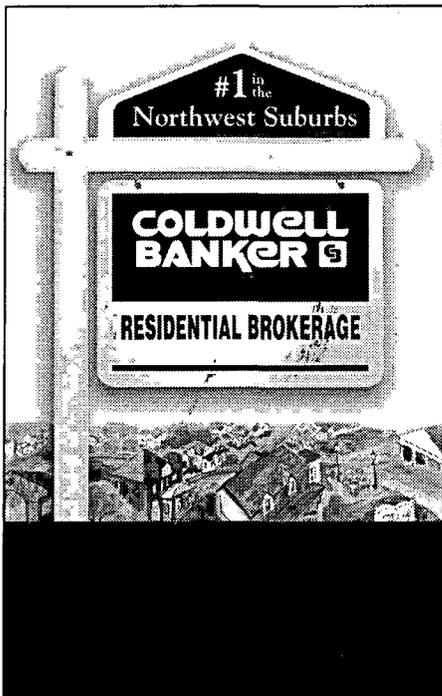
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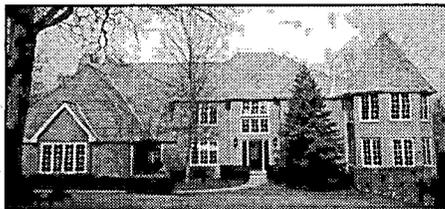
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Barrington \$795,000
Premier wooded 1.4 acres is the setting for this magnificent brick French Chateau. Immediate possession. 4 BR, each w/ own bath. Neutral. Finished walkout LL.
Ron & Jeanine VanDeVelde 847/465-2282



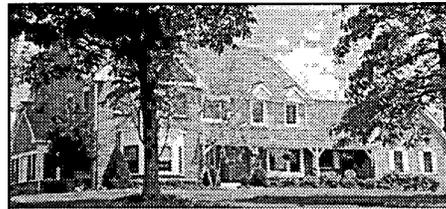
Barrington \$789,000
Sun-drenched all-brick beauty in Braymore Estates w/ vol entry, oak floors, gourmet kit, octagonal sunroom, 2-story FR w/ Palladian windows, den & full finished LL.
Suzanne Luby 847/465-2211



Barrington \$729,000
Stunning 4-BR, 4 full & 2 half BA new construction w/ open floor plan. 12 large rooms, 4-car garage & LL walkout. 1 acre w/ wooded privacy. Quality abounds.
Donna Veller 847/465-2228



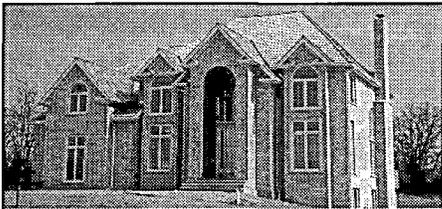
Barrington Hills \$714,900
Lovely country home on 6 acres. Sumptuous master suite, delightful cook's kitchen, finished walkout lower level. In-ground pool & barn. 4-car garage.
Meg Cleavenger 847/465-2259



Barrington Hills \$699,000
No expense was spared. Elegant home w/ soaring ceilings, gourmet kit, fab master suite, separate apt, fin w/o, 4-car gar. Minutes to town, train, O'Hare & I-90.
Meg Cleavenger 847/465-2259



Barrington \$689,000
4 BR, 3.5 BA. Open, flowing floorplan, dramatic 2-story family room, gourmet kitchen, sunny solarium, cozy den, ultra master suite, 4-car garage. Summer delivery.
Donna Veller 847/465-2228



Barrington \$682,000
Brick & cedar 4-BR, 3.5-BA 2-story on wooded lot w/ English LL. 2-story FR w/ stone fireplace & built-in entertainment center. Sunny eat-in kitchen w/ maple cabinets.
Suzanne Luby 847/465-2211



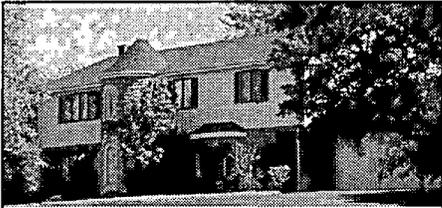
Barrington \$649,900
Charming 4-bedroom farmhouse w/ barn & other great facilities in a tranquil setting. Features an in-law apartment for family or help. In-home office too.
Suzanne Luby & Barb Uskup 847/465-2211



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Impressive Wynstone Home. Maintenance free. Private. Wooded site. Spectacular great room. Vaulted ceilings. Mint condition. 3/4 bedrooms, 3.1 baths. Quick Poss.
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Sherl Wheeler 847/465-2290



Barrington Hills \$589,900
Charming 9-rm home on 5 beautifully-landscaped acres w/ fruit trees. 2-story foyer, hrdwd fling, gourmet kit w/ granite counters, 4 BR, loft & sun-filled FR w/ frplc.
Barbara Wessberg 847/465-2298



Barrington Hills \$547,000
Charming vintage farm house w/ country kitchen, paneled family room, 2 fireplaces & large porch. Peaceful setting w/ 6-stall barn & ample turnouts.
Meg Cleavenger 847/465-2259



Barrington \$524,900
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Remodeled by top builder. New cherry kitchen granite counters, maple floors, hearth room w/ fireplaces. Crown moldings.
Mary Balistreri 847/465-2296



Barrington \$474,500
3.7 private acres yet has wonderful neighborhood feeling! Cul-de-sac location, 4 BR, hrdwd flrs, 1st floor office, fin LL, 3-car gar. Gorgeous views! Must see.
Ron & Jeanine VanDeVelde 847/465-2282



Barrington \$459,900
Walk to train & school. Quiet cul-de-sac. Offers swimming, tennis & sailing. Updated & tastefully decorated top to bottom. 5 BR, 3.5 BA, hardwood floors, & fin LL.
Bonnie Paice Legue 847/465-2223



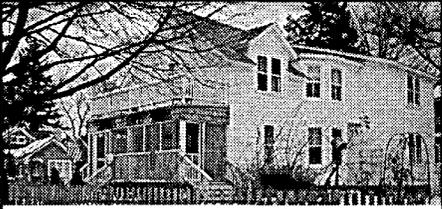
Tower Lakes \$457,000
Exceptional custom 4-bedroom, 2.1-bath home situated on wooded private 1.7-acre lot. Neutral & newer (10+ years-old), this beauty offers room to room or expand.
Suzanne Luby 847/465-2211



Wauconda \$449,500
3-year-old 5-bedroom colonial on wooded cul-de-sac. Hardwood floors, volume ceilings, 3 fireplaces. Den & office on 1st floor. Finished walkout LL w/ full bath.
Ron & Jeanine VanDeVelde 847/465-2282



Barrington \$420,000
This traditional New England Colonial offers a walk to every location. 3 frplcs, gleaming hardwood flooring & updated kitchen. 4 BR, 2 BA & low Cook County taxes.
Donna Veller 847/465-2228



Barrington \$379,000
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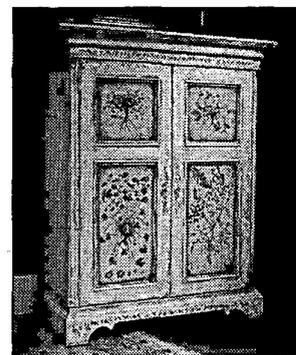
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Tips from the Top

Margaret R. Semrad
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Recently, the marketing committee for the Barrington Office met to put together a mailing piece to be sent to clients and customers of **Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage**. The mailing will focus on the 1997 tax law regarding the gift that Uncle Sam gave to homeowners. This tax gift could save some property owners hundreds of thousands of dollars over a period of years.

The question is: how long will it last? Good ol' Uncle Sam could give and good ol' Uncle Sam could take... especially if there is not enough of a revenue stream to satisfy Congress. My guess is that this tax relief will be modified or drastically reduced in time.

Who are the "prospects" for this tax gift? Anyone who owns property and has made excellent appreciation on their personal residence can escape taxation of up to \$500,000 in capital gains (if married and filing taxes jointly) or \$250,000 (if single or married filing singly). However, the people who will benefit most from this tax gift are the people who are cur-

rently living in the large family home with no mortgage, attained large real estate gains and are ready to downsize or retire.

The nice thing about this tax rule is you can do this over and over. *It is not a one-time rule.* You can sell your personal residence, take the tax free gain, move into another home making it your principal residence, live in it for two years and sell it—again taking the gain tax free.

So where do you fit in? Is it time to take advantage of the tax law of 1997 by taking your money out of your investment without paying capital tax on your gain? It's what you get to keep that counts. Maybe this is your "window" of opportunity.

Start the process now by calling one of our real estate professionals. The real estate market has changed dramatically in the last few years. Our **Coldwell Banker** Realtor will happily explain the entire selling and buying process. Call us today. We are the Dream House Headquarters.

Happy Easter!

TOCOS Events

Town and Country-ites (TOCOS) is registering golfers on Wednesday, April 26, 9:30 AM, at Thunderbird Country Club, Barrington. The nine-hole league begins play on May 3 with tee-off between 7 and 8 AM. Golf league cost is \$26 in addition to TOCOS membership dues of \$15. Please call Carol at 847-381-3038 for further information.

The woman's social group also includes various book discussion and bridge groups and ladies night out activities. Yearly dues of \$15 include a newsletter of events, yearbook and special subsidies at events.

For information, call Marion at 847-658-8485 or Heidi at 847-382-4805. For bridge information, call Diane at 847-381-4133.



Please join us for a social hour beginning at 11 AM with lunch at noon and program at 1 PM. All women in the Barrington area and its surrounding communities are invited to attend this social

and informative afternoon.

For reservations and cost of luncheon, please call Joan at 847-382-0886 or Ann at 847-277-7700. Deadline for reservations is April 7.

Chelsea Flower Show Topic for Four Seasons Garden Club

The Four Seasons Garden Club will meet on April 4, 2000, at 9:30 AM at the Barrington Library. Adele Kleine, Flower Show Judge, will present the Chelsea Flower Show. This will be a slide presentation on the premier English gardening event. No tired feet for the viewers as the extensive grounds of the Chelsea Flower

Show are explored through the artistic eye of the photographer.

For more information, please contact Judy Palmer at 304-8801.

The Four Seasons Garden Club will meet May 2, 2000, when the topic will be Attracting Birds to the Garden.

Antiques, Antiques, Antiques!

The Welcome Wagon Club of Barrington is pleased to present a program on antiques by Mr. Edwin Phillips on Tuesday, April 11, at Biltmore Country Club. Mr. Phillips is the owner of Antique Markets

in St. Charles and teaches at Wheaton and DuPage Colleges. He will be speaking about antiques in general while helping to fine-tune our appreciation and selection of such objects.

From a Woman's Point of View

by Gail Wickstrom, Wickstrom Ford

One of our sales staff got an e-mail that I got a real kick out of from one of our customers. The customer had just purchased the new Explorer Sport Trac, which is a four door Explorer with a pick-up bed behind it. He was so excited that he got up during the night to go down into his garage to admire his new Sport Trac.

I know exactly how he felt because Tim is driving a new Sport Trac and he's like a little kid about it. All of our friends have had to take a ride in it, or at least let Tim show it to them. Tim's favorite feature is the bed extender. The pick-up bed is a short bed, but the fold out gate extends the length another two feet.

It's a good thing it's so comfortable inside, because we seem to be taking it everywhere.



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"How Did it All Start?"

This was a question I asked John at **The Barrington Auto Spa** on Northwest Hwy. He quickly replied, "Well, I was enjoying a great retirement, loving all the things I had anticipated doing for so many years. My son Ray, who owns Sound Lab Designs (specializes in the best of Home Theater and Stereo systems) as well as Big Boys Toys (brokers and sells exotic cars) in Palatine, asked me to come down to a place where he had his cars detailed. The shop was being shut down and there were several forlorn employees waiting around for Lord knows what. The place was in shambles; all that was left was a carcass of a building. Nevertheless, the next day I was the owner of the new **Barrington Auto Spa**."

I asked, "Did you know anything about detailing cars?"

"Not really, however I was an educated consumer and, like my son, have a great passion for cars."

"With all the high end cars in Barrington, weren't you taking a risk?"

"Sure, but I kept the same crew, added more experienced detailers, purchased the latest equipment and bought the finest waxes and materials available. In my past life, I spent 25 years in management for a major pharmaceutical company. One of

my assignments during that time was to give seminars to employees throughout the country on the 'Quality Process.' The Quality Process transcends implicitly in detailing cars, that is, build a good team, give the best service and put out the best product possible. Adding to that, I've invited industry experts to come in and give further training to our detailers. I have gone to seminars myself to study the latest equipment, materials and finishes."

"Is the business growing?"

"In leaps and bounds! Our car dealers, which are our mainstay during the winter months, continue to increase in number. Plus, we are building a loyal private clientele mainly by word of mouth and *Lifestyles*. The spa is now offering a maintenance program so that we can keep our customers' cars in pristine condition throughout the spring and summer months."

"Well, John, this conversation gives me an idea why we see such a plethora of beautiful cars in front of the spa every day. By the way, do you have an opening for my Lexus on Tuesday? Seriously, my car needs one of your makeovers..."

The telephones for the spa are **847-712-1818** or **847-304-9020**.

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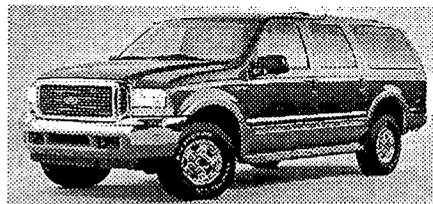
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"Monet to Moore"

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after the Bath (1895-98); an early Paul Gauguin still life, *Clay Jug and Iron Jug* (1880); Alberto Giacometti's 1950 painting *Diego Seated in the Studio*; two paintings by Fernand Léger, *Reclining Woman* (1922) and *Still Life* (1926); *Lemons on a Pewter Plate*, a painting of 1926-29 by Henri Matisse; Henry Moore's life-size bronze sculpture, *Falling Warrior* (1956-57); Berthe Morisot's Impressionist painting *The Garden* (1882-83); *Woman Bathing Her Feet* (1895) by Camille Pissarro; and Edouard Vuillard's large-scale canvas of 1918, *Foliage—Oak Tree and Fruit Seller*. Most of these will be on view in

the permanent collection galleries at the Art Institute beginning June, 2000.

The Art Institute showing of "Monet to Moore" marks the end of a tour that began at the Singapore Art Museum (April 1 through May 30, 1999); continued to the National Gallery of Australia in Canberra (June 11 through August 22, 1999); then traveled to the U.S., where it has been seen at the North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, (September 10 through November 7, 1999) and the Portland Art Museum, Portland, Oregon, (November 19, 1999 through January 23, 2000).

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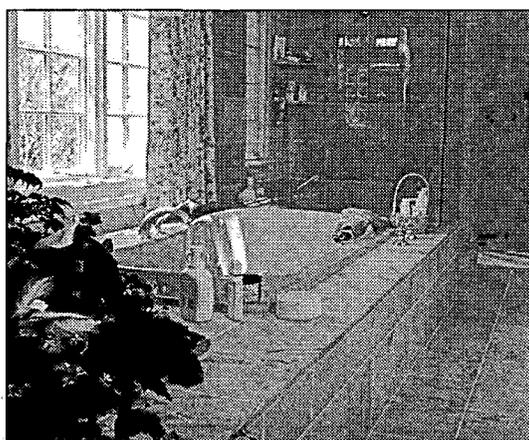
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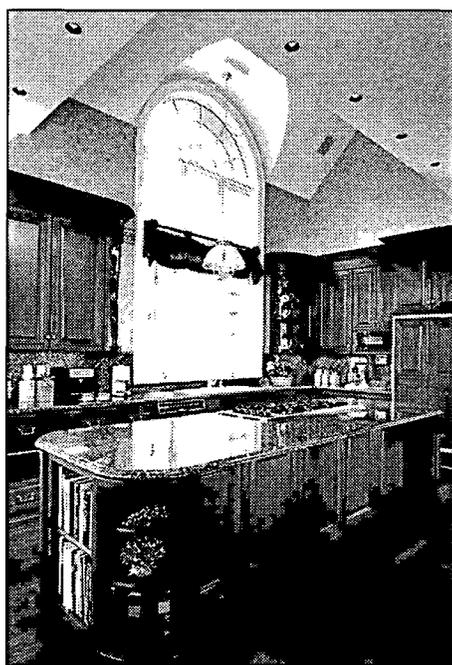
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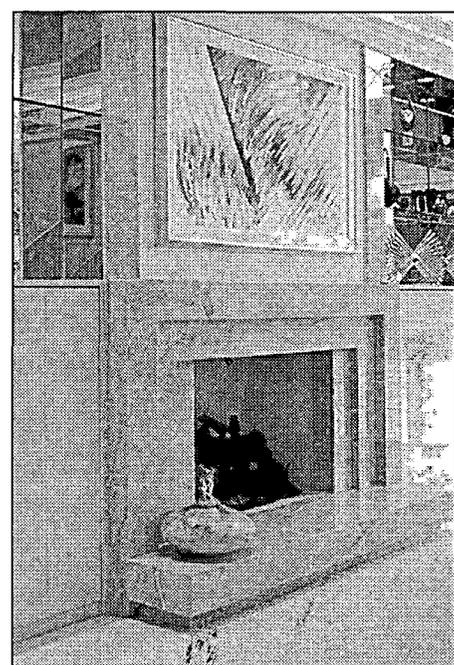
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