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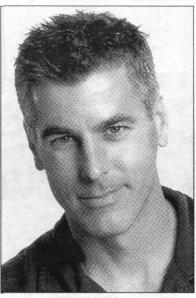
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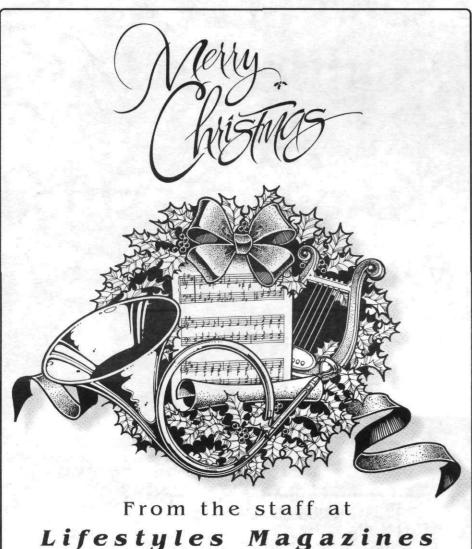
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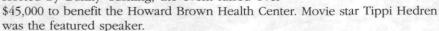
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Dear Reader,

This issue of *Barrington Lifestyles* wraps up another year of working with some wonderful people; advertisers and news submitters alike. You have made this past year a pleasure. Thank you.

Barrington is a busy community, as you will find in this issue.

This past fall, the "Handbags & Halos" benefit was held at the Palmer House Hilton and many Barrington women attended this lovely event. Hosted by Bunky Cushing, the event raised over



The 14th Annual Michael Joseph Foundation Benefit was held recently on the splendid estate of Jasper and Marian Sanfilippo. "Somewhere in Time" was the theme of the benefit and auction. The event raised over \$110,000 for families in crisis.

Several local ladies had fun raising funds for scholarships by modeling and hosting a fashion show. This was the third fashion show that the Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Panhellenic had sponsored.

Until next time (next year, really), have a blessed, merry Christmas and a memorable new year!

With warm regards, Glenne McMonigal Editor, *Lifestyles Magazines* 

# **About Our Cover**





#### Handbags & Halos—Sixth Annual Event to Benefit Howard Brown Health Center Noted Film Actress and Animal Rights Advocate Tippi Hedren Featured Speaker

Created and produced by Bunky Cushing, this year's benefit once again featured its exclusive luncheon and handbag sale. Held Oct. 9 at the Palmer House Hilton, this event is fast becoming a highlight of the fall social season. Guests were encouraged to bring a gently used handbag, which were donated to Howard Brown Health Center's Brown Elephant Resale Stores. In all, 195 guests attended the Handbags & Halos luncheon, raising over \$45,000 to benefit Howard Brown Health Center, along with proceeds from 12 designer handbags.

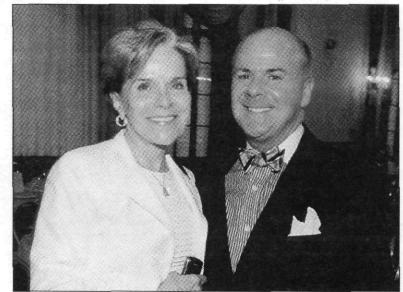
Tippi Hedren, a noted actress with a career spanning six decades, was the event's featured speaker. She is best known for her roles in Alfred Hitchcock's The Birds and Marnie, and for her extensive efforts in animal rescue at the Shambala Preserve, an 80-acre wildlife habitat which she founded in 1983. Hedren is the mother of actress Melanie Griffin, and they share credits on six films, notably Pacific Heights.

Michael Cook, president and chief executive officer of Howard Brown Health

Center said, "Bunky is a great friend to Howard Brown. His dedication to us and his generosity in creating and producing this event make it possible for us to serve hundreds of people who wouldn't otherwise be served. He's a real hero to us."

Bunky Cushing is a fundraiser and party-giver of such renown that Vogue has called him "Chicago's social tugboat." He has been a wonderful friend to Howard Brown Health Center, and he has supported the fundraising efforts of numerous organizations including The Chicago Historical Society, The American Friends of Versailles and The Preservation Society of Newport County.

Howard Brown Health Center is the leading provider of health and wellness services to meet the challenges of HIV/ AIDS, as well as a variety of other community health concerns in Chicago. Established in the fall of 1982, the first Brown Elephant Resale Store opened on North Halsted Street in the Lakeview neighborhood where it is still open today. Through the years, the Brown Elephant has opened



Judi Duchossois, Barrington Hills, and Bunky Cushing, host of the wonderful event, take time out for a photo.

three additional locations, though the sale take place only at the 3651 N. Halsted St. of all handbags from this year's event will location.



Cookie Cohen, Jovanna Papadakis and Susan Gohl, Barrington Hills, enjoy an afternoon of fun.



Hazel Barr (left), Chicago, chats with featured speaker Tippi Hedren.

## Stylin' for Scholars Fashion Show A Huge Success!

The Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Panhellenic organization recently held their third annual fashion show, "Stylin' for Scholars." Each year this organization gives scholarships to area women attending college. The event was held on Oct. 21 at the Makray Memorial Golf Club in Barrington with 200 guests attending. A delicious luncheon was served at noon followed by a silent auction and prizes. Each sorority created a special themed basket for the event—"Bears Ballgame day," "Shop-til-you-drop," "Welcome new baby," "Moving to a new home," "Italy basket," etc.

Joyce Strout of South Barrington was the emcee of the event again this year, along with being a model. Models from the area sororities were: Mary Herther, Alpha Gamma Delta; Claire Berghel, Alpha Omicron Pi; Michelle Hammer, Alpha Delta Pi; Marie Gilbert, Delta Gamma; Rikki Ragland, Phi Mu; Martha Swierczewski, Kappa Alpha Theta; Leah Kahoun,



Joyce Strout, representing Alpha Omicron Pi, narrates the fashion show where models representing area sorority alumnae take the runway.

Kappa Delta; KC Injian, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Marnie Kapuscinski, Gamma Phi Beta; Trudy Balogh, Zeta Tau Alpha; Joyce Strout, Alpha Omicron Pi.

Coldwater Creek from Deer Park Town Center, and Maria Rodriguez, provided all the fashions for the events. Joy Laho from Premier Designs Jewelry hosted a jewelry table for the show



Pictured (from left) are models Mary Herther, Claire Berghel, Marnie Kapuscinski, KC Injian and Michelle Hammer

consists of 26 women's fraternities, both national and international. The CNSAP is a group of delegates representing the alumni groups of these sororities in the northwest suburban area. For the past 25 years, the CNSAP has awarded scholar-

The National Panhellenic Conference ships to college bound women from area high schools. Last year four \$2,000 scholarships were awarded and several \$500 scholarships for past applicants who have pledged sororities. The Scholarship Banquet will be held on April 30, 2008, announcing the next winners.



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#### **New Illinois Law Allows Discrimination** Cases in State Court by Joette S. Doran, J.D.

To advance a valid claim for discrimination or harassment in Illinois, a Charge of Discrimination must be filed with an administrative agency such as the Equal **Employment Opportunity Commission** ("EEOC") or the Illinois Department of Human Rights ("IDHR"). If filed with the EEOC, regardless of the finding, an individual is allowed to proceed to federal court to have their case heard before a judge or jury. Beginning Jan. 1, 2008, an individual filing a charge of discrimination under the Illinois Human Rights lawsuit in state court. Previously, actions new law will allow claimants to choose



in the IDHR were limited to proceeding in the Illinois Human Rights Commission Act ("Act") will be able to proceed with a before an administrative law judge. The

# Trendwatch at Assemblé Cartal Colonie Putting the Pieces Together...

December finds us at a Fashion Crossroads, as we step from Holiday to Resort mode. So, how can we be sure to have the latest must-haves? There's no easier way to capture the look than a visit to Assemblé. Welcome!

Holiday is upon us and metallics are having a major moment. Lustrous fabrics create a visual jolt. Prim little knee-length dresses in pleated silver foil or twinkly geometric prints top our list for cocktails

The same sparkle and elegance can be captured by pairing one of our softly tailored trousers to a deliciously sophisticated top from Sweet Pea or Westonwear. Our extensive selection is renown.

Resort is to Love! It's not only something to start planning on, it's seasonless. So many of us live and work in such temperature-controlled environments that heavy clothing becomes a drag. Resortwear is clothing you'll be eager to put on throughout the year, even if you never pull out a suitcase.

cotton tissue-weight tees in "burnout" paisleys and lace. Hues of gunmetal, tahoe blue and cocoa provide rich, interesting

Cardigans and tanks from 3-Dot are timeless and eminently versatile for now and later.

Lucky Brand jeans bring us their "Sweet & Lo" fit to pair with their colorful red checkered cardigan.

Cotton tunics and henleys in whimsical prints and patterns from Language LA are happily wearable and refreshing silhouettes.

Dresses, jackets and tops from Sweet Pea and Westonwear provide everywhere flair and are easily packed.

Tiered palazzo pants from XCVI in warm tones of earth, coal and tarragon offer effortless dressing that's just plain

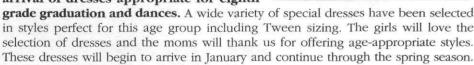
The collections arriving this month at Assemblé share an unmistakable sense of style and joy. We have what you want, what you need, what really works. Visit Look to Assemblé for wonderful us often-sizes go fast! See ya soon!

#### For that Very Special Occasion

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Visit A L'Amour often, as styles will continue arriving all during the spring season. Visit www.alamour.com for updates on special events.



between a hearing before the Commission cludes the often substantial cost of filing and a state court lawsuit before a judge and jury. In particular, claimants will be able to file a claim in a state court lawsuit if the charge is dismissed by the IDHR based on lack of substantial evidence or if the IDHR determines that the claim has substantial evidence to support the charge under Act. In that case, the claimant could either file suit on his or her own behalf, or request the IDHR file suit on his or her behalf. Also, if the IDHR does not finish its investigation within 365 days, a claimant can file suit in circuit court on their own behalf. Before this enactment, claimants were required to proceed in the Illinois Human Rights Commission which has limited discovery, no option of a jury trial and often with substantial delays. The downside of filing a state court action in-

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This article is not intended as legal advice. You should consult with an attorney for individual advice regarding your own

Ms. Doran is licensed in Illinois, all Illinois federal courts and is a member of the Federal Trial Bar. She is the past chairperson of the Employment Law Committee for the Northwest Suburban Bar Association, a past president of Barrington Area Professional Women and a member of the National Employment Lawyers Association.

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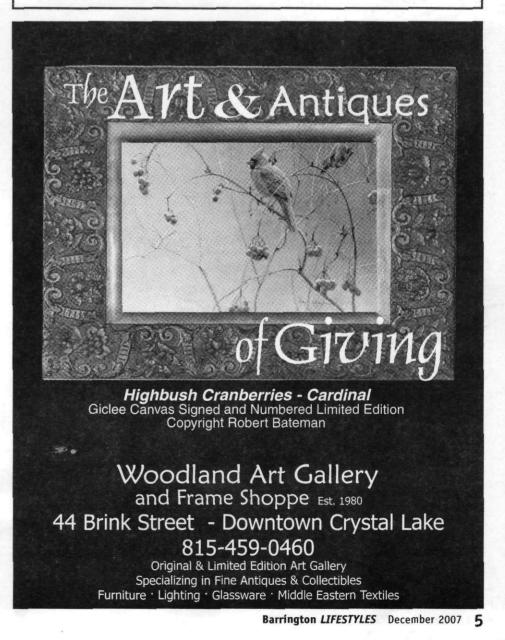
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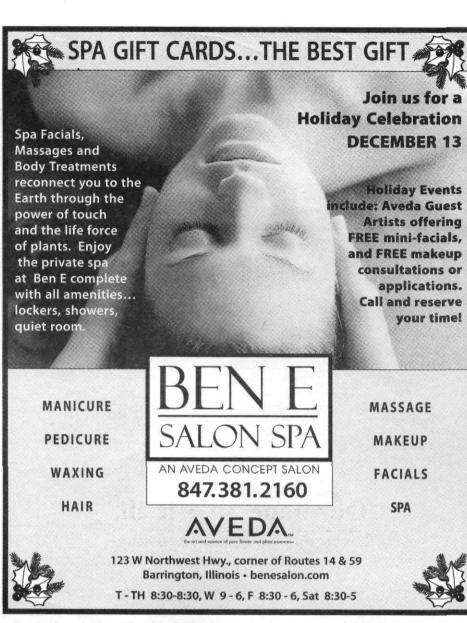
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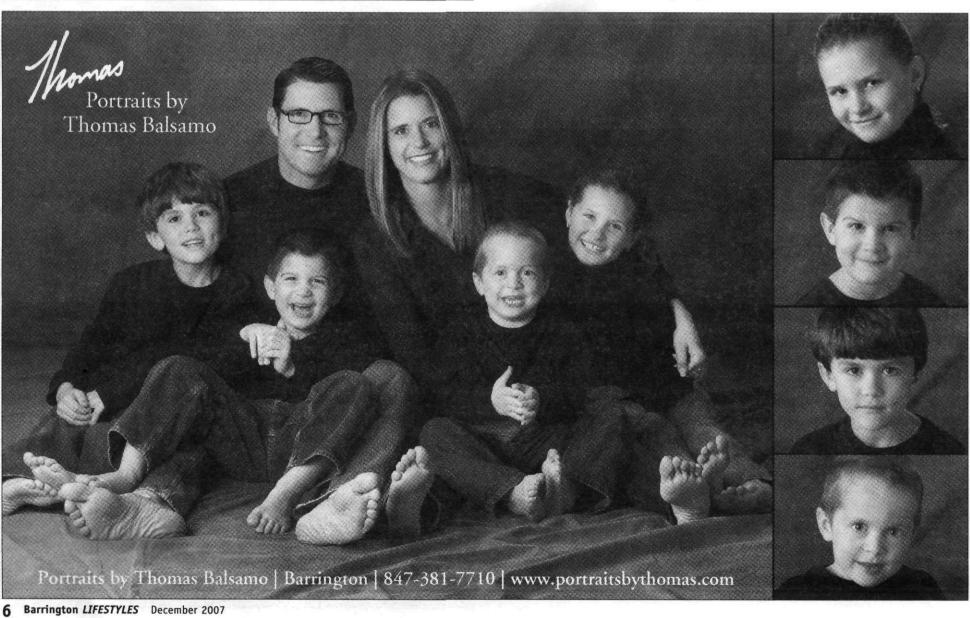
Additionally, Valker Hall at St. Francis de Sales Church will be transformed into a Winter Wonderland Boutique. Housewalk tickets will be available for pickup at the free boutique, which will feature over 40 vendors and artisans, displaying their unique gift items and holiday decorations. The Winter Wonderland Boutique is a great way to find one-of-a-kind gift items for the special people on your Christmas list. The Gingerbread Cafe will also be available for complimentary coffee, tea and special desserts.

Boutique hours are 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. (ticket pickup until 6:30 p.m. in Valker Hall). Houses are open for viewing from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 to 8:30 p.m. Tick-



Pictured in the photo are co-chairs Lori Gramm, Jill Ostrowski and Susan Bobrowski.

ets are \$30; \$25 for seniors. Tickets purchased at the door are an additional \$5. Tickets for Trimmings and Treasures can be purchased at St. Francis de Sales School in the Parish Gathering Space after Mass on Nov. 17, 18th, 23rd, 24th and Dec. 1 and 2nd, or at the Parish Ministry Center. For more information, contact the PTO hotline at 1-847-726-4786.



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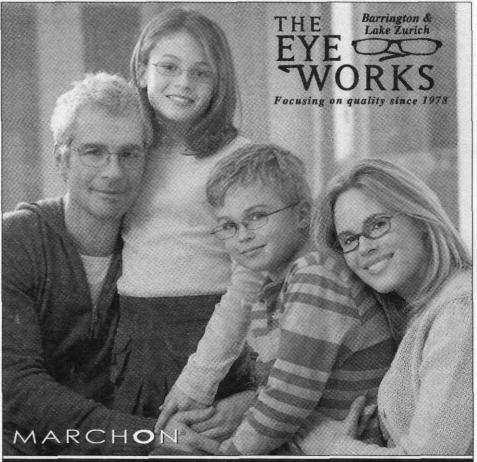
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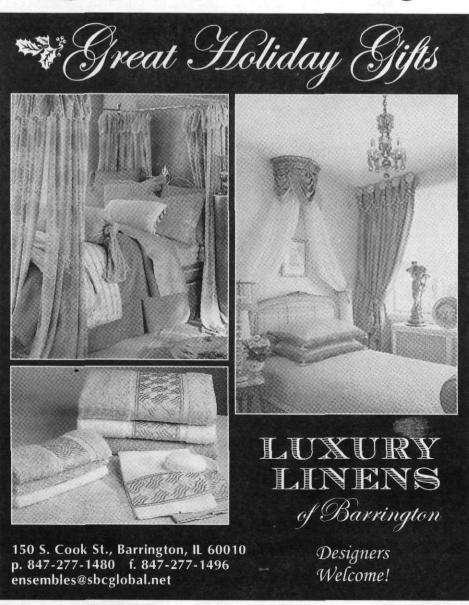
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# "Green with Envy"

"In the end, we will conserve only what we love. We will love only what we understand. We will understand only what we have been taught."

-Baba Diovím, conservationist

Much is written these days of conserving our environment, our resources, and our future. As the quote above suggests, it all begins with education. Without that, conservation is nothing more than a word on paper. As an interior designer, my passion and love is for all things beautiful; both new and old. Conservation is not a topic reserved for gasoline and recycling. The interior design industry is doing their part by using reclaimed hardwoods, recycled materials, and other renewable and sustainable resources. As a designer, it's my passion, privilege and duty to not only educate, but to continue working toward a more eco-friendly future.

At Designs Of The Interior (DOTI), we feel that nothing is more wasteful than disposable furniture. That's why we work with manufacturers of superior quality furniture that will last for generations. Our manufacturers are committed to using materials from sustainable resources. We have found that we need not give up style and comfort in the name of conservation. The products we apply to our designs are magnificent while still eco-friendly.

Here are some ideas of how you can promote conservation in your home de-

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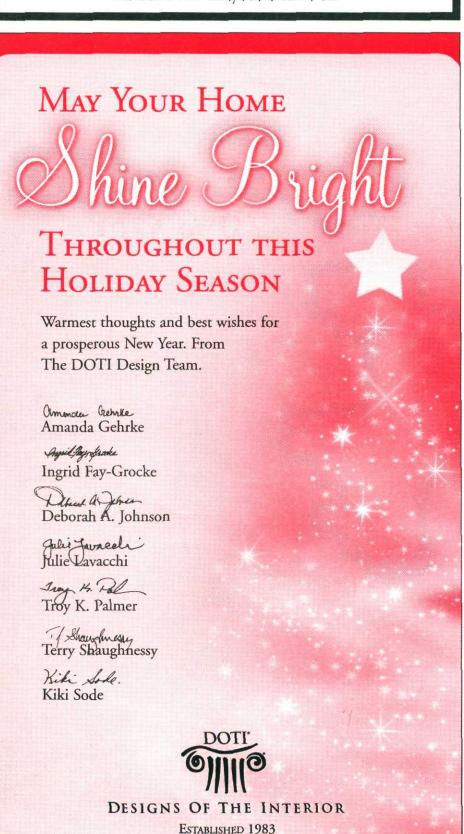
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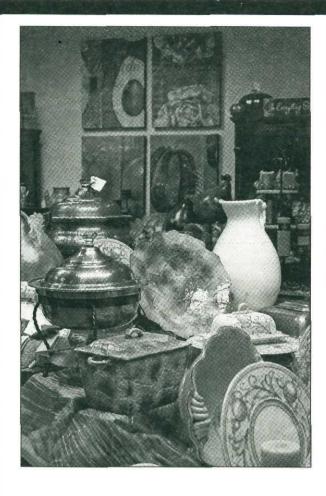


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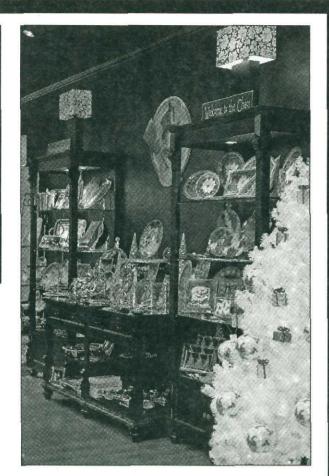
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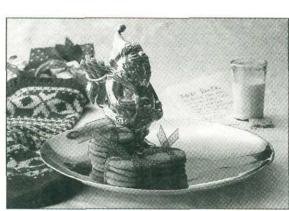
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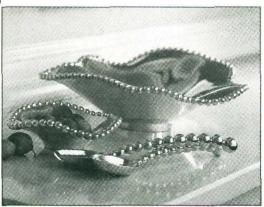
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Now through December 17, help those less fortunate this Holiday Season by choosing an ornament from the St. Anne's Project Hope Giving Tree located in the Mall common area. Ornaments will state a child or a families "gift suggestion". Customers should wrap the gift(s) and return the gift to the St. Anne's Project Hope Giving Tree at the Ice House Mall. Help provide gifts to over 200 needy children and families in the Barrington area and surrounding communities this holiday season.

On Thursday, December 6 from 9:30am to 7:00pm join us for our Holiday Open House and help needy families in our community. Shop for everyone on your holiday list and receive 20% off your purchases. Choose an ornament from the St. Anne's **Project Hope Giving Tree and receive** an additional \$10 off holiday coupon. Some restrictions may apply, see stores for details.

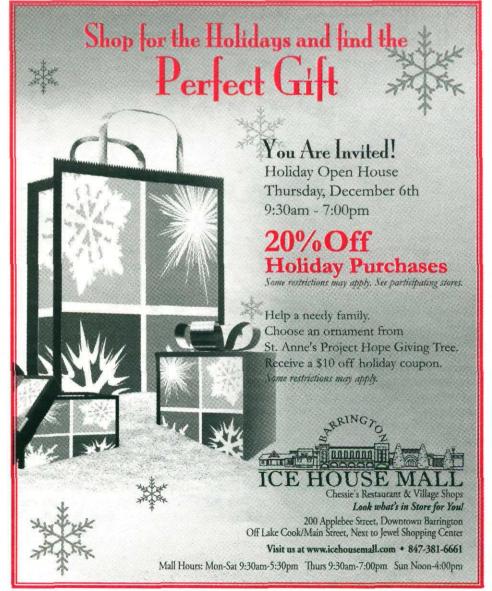
Bring the little ones to see Santa Arrive at the Ice House Mall & Village Shops on Saturday, December 1. Join Santa and his Elf for a magical morning of storytelling, face painting and cookies and milk from 10:00-11:30am. It will be a special morning for the whole family. No Santa hours December 5, 6th & 7th. No Santa Hours December 12, 17th & 18th.

During the holiday season, bring your little ones to see Santa in his magical winter wonderland. It truly is an old fashioned Christmas at the Ice House Mall. Bring your cameras and wish lists when visiting Santa Wednesday through Sundays from Noon to 4:00pm. Visit with Santa on Christmas Eve from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

On Thursday, December 13th come shop and help those less fortunate this holiday season. Our stores will donate 20% of your shopping purchases to The Home of the Sparrow; a shelter that helps provide transitional Shelter for Homeless Women and Their Children in the Northwest Suburbs, with Shelters in Crystal Lake, McHenry, and Palatine. Shoppers will also receive a \$10 holiday coupon for future purchases.

Tis the Season to find the perfect gifts at the Ice House Mall & Village Shops. Visit Savvy Spirit & Casual for unique casual apparel. Peter Daniel is

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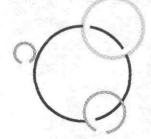


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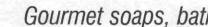


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#### **Barrington Area United Way Launches** 2007-2008 Residential Campaign

Whether it's a youth mentoring meeting or a senior lunch, the Barrington Area United Way's (BAUW) programs help the entire community-from the very young to the

BAUW has set a goal of raising \$550,000 for its 2007-2008 fundraising campaign. The 19 local agencies who will receive BAUW funding cover a wide range of services that address critical needs in the Barrington area.

Barrington Youth and Family Services (BYFS), for example, focuses on prevention and educational programs for at-risk youth. Among the programs helped by United Way funding are early-childhood-development initiatives, peer-mediation training, parenting-skills groups and support groups for children dealing with death or divorce. This year, BAUW funds will also help support

BYFS Youth Outreach programs that offer informed decisions. after-school tutoring, a summer sports program and a mentoring program for middle school students.

The Barrington Area Council on Aging (BACOA), on the other hand, serves seniors, family caregivers and the community. This year, United Way funding supports BACOA's Meals with Wheels program, BACOA's senior lunch and activity program, and support programs that help family caregivers cope better and make



North Barrington resident four-year-old Sean Behrens accepts an NFL football from BAUW Executive Director Leslie Luther-Jeschke at the Barrington Farmers Market United Way "Kick-Off" event.

The two agencies are among the 19 area agencies receiving funding this year from the BAUW. Among the other agencies are programs that provide counseling for the jobless, support to families of terminally ill patients, shelter to domestic-violence victims, and services for the mentally and physically disabled. The agencies include: Barrington Youth and Family Services; Girl Scouts-Sybaquay Council; Northwest Suburban Boy Scout Council; Roy Wilmering

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#### Rabine Promoted at Woodstock **Christian Life Services**

Deborah Rabine was recently promoted to the position of Director of Marketing and Fundraising at Woodstock Christian Life Services (WCLS). Rabine has been employed at WCLS for the past five years as the Manager of Marketing and Fundraising where she organized events such as the Hearthstone Senior Fair and the Little Hands, Big Dreams Gala and handled fundraising appeal mailings.

Woodstock Christian Life Services, a nonprofit community-based organization, is the parent company for Hearthstone Senior Living Community and Woodstock Early Learning Center.





Scout Cabin; Barrington Area Council on Aging; Catholic Charities; Lake County Against Sexual Assault; A Safe Place Inc.; Shelter Inc.; WINGS; Alexian Brothers Mental Health Center; Clearbrook; Countryside Association; Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association; Barrington Career Center; Ecker Center for Mental Health; Family Services: Prevention, Education & Counseling; and Hospice of Northeastern Illinois.

The BAUW board of directors has proposed a challenge grant this year, and the board's 19 members will match up to \$30,000 contributed to the general residential campaign. "The Barrington area residential campaign is the foundation of our community fundraising," said Brian Jarosch, co-chair of the 2007-2008 BAUW campaign.

Barrington residents who contribute to United Way through campaigns in their workplaces can make a local impact as well; they can designate their employee pledge contribution to the Barrington Area United Way.

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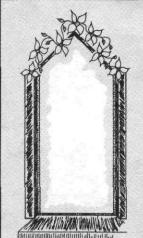
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# Caregivers Honored at BACOA Reception



At a November reception marking National Family Caregivers Month, Barrington Village President Karen Darch presented certificates to area residents who had completed BACOA's "Powerful Tools for Caregiving" course. Recipients included (from left) Kathy McLamore, Karen Darch, Mary Moy, Melinda Lomas, Claire Leininger, Carol Andler, Mary LaRocque, Mary Beth Benedict, Mary Eldridge, BACOA Executive Director Joyce Palmquist, Bob Benedict and Meg Peirce.

The Barrington Area Council on Aging nity Foundation. The six-week course, (BACOA) recently marked National Family Caregivers Month, and the fifth anniversary of its "Powerful Tools for Caregivers" course, with a reception at The Garlands of Barrington.

Barrington Village President Karen Darch recognized November as National Family Caregivers Month and issued a village proclamation at the reception recognizing the contributions made by caregivers and encouraging "all citizens to honor the selfless service of caregivers who support their loved ones in need." She also presented certificates to nine area residents who had completed the Powerful Tools

BACOA began offering the Powerful Tools course in 2002, with assistance from a grant from the Barrington Area Commu-

which BACOA offers several times a year, is designed for nonprofessional caregivers caring for a parent, spouse, or friend who lives at home, in a nursing home, or across the country. The program helps family caregivers balance their life, reduce stress, and strengthen their ability to find help and make tough decisions.

According to the Family Caregiver Alliance, unpaid family caregivers are the largest source of long-term care services in the United States; some 34 million people provide care for adults 50 and older. "Caregiving cuts across age, income and gender," says BACOA Executive Director Joyce Palmquist. "As the population ages, and Baby Boomers begin to face caregiving issues for parents, spouses and siblings, the numbers and needs of family caregivers

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#### **Barrington Area Infant Welfare** Plans Christmas Luncheon



Event planners for the Dec. 7 Christmas luncheon are assembled at the home of Cindy Zipparro of South Barrington. Pictured (from left, back row) are Renee Welsch, Norma Gates, Johanna Harden, Jerilyn Ugaste, Diane Zelcs, Linda Sowray, Kathryn Wilkes, Dixie Rogus, (front row) Penny Knopik, Cindy Zipparo and Eileen Daly.

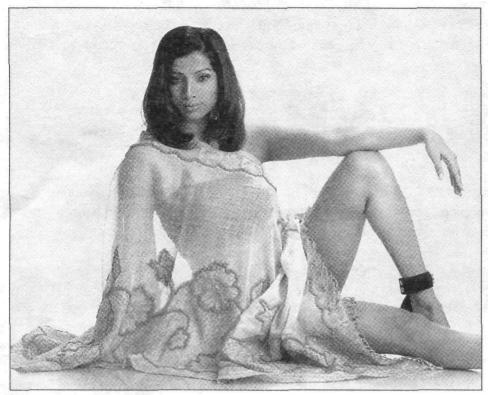
The Barrington Area Infant Welfare Society will hold its annual Christmas Luncheon at The Barn of Barrington on Dec. 7. The day will be filled with lots of surprises. Joseph's Florals of Libertyville will make a Christmas centerpiece, which will be given to a lucky winner. There will be a fantastic Christmas boutique from Joseph's Florals, many silent auction items, and entertainment by the Spring Valley Women's Barbershop Quartet.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch at 12:30 p.m. Invite your friends to spend an afternoon of Christmas fun and shopping. The cost of the entire event is \$35. Please make your check out to Barrington Infant Welfare and mail it to: Jerilyn Ugaste, 26737 Longmeadow Cr., Mundelein, IL 60060. Please note whether you prefer salmon or chicken as your entree. Call her with any questions-1-847-566-5333.

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are likely to increase. BACOA recognizes vide that through programs like Powerful the necessity of a strong support system Tools, as well as our support groups and

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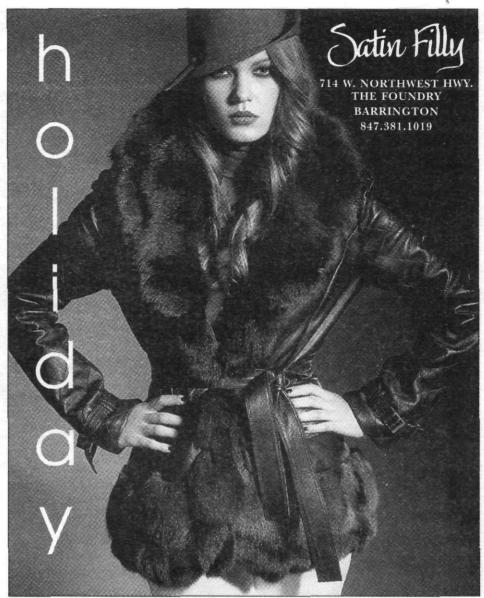


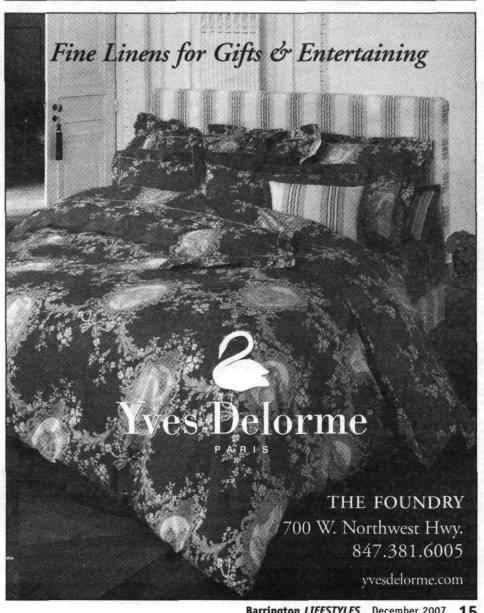
Tea towels, kitchen towels, dish towelscall them what you will, these little gems do more than mop up. In addition to drying, they can add an unexpected splash of color, a graphic pattern, or subtle texture to your kitchen. And it would be a real shame to restrict them to the kitchen. Tea towels make great placemats, napkins, and tray liners. Wrap one around a bottle of wine to delight a hostess. And for a beautiful, practical tea towel. try framing them for a striking accent on the wall.

But back to KP duty. Cotton towels are multipurpose—good for cleaning, drying,

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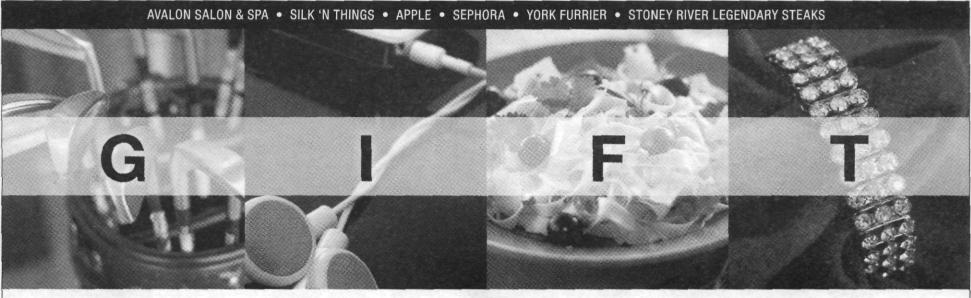


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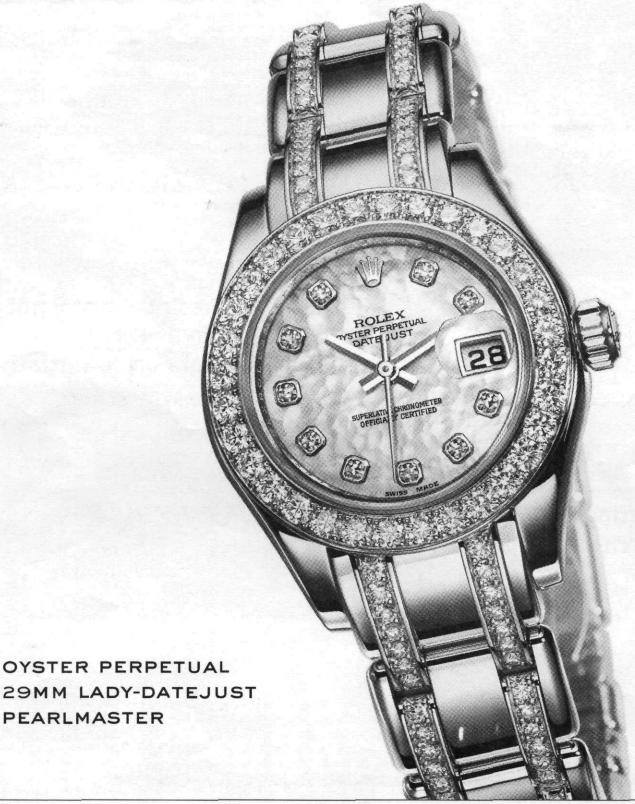
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ton High School Madrigals! Tickets are on sale now for \$30; a table of six can be reserved for \$160.

All are welcome! Barrington United Methodist Church is located at 98 Algonquin Road (at Route 59) in Barrington. Call 1-847-836-5540 for more information.

# The Second City Hosts Special Guests at 24-Hour Improv Benefit

City That Never Sleeps: Letters To Santa" City performers and featuring special guests-beginning at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4 and going till 7 p.m. on Wednes-

The Second City is proud to announce the day, Dec. 5 in The Second City e.t.c., 1608 sixth annual benefit event "The Second N. Wells, in Piper's Alley, Chicago. The benefit provides holiday presents for -24 hours of improvisation by Second needy children and families in the Chicago area. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the door.

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# **BYFS Receives Fresh Coat of Paint** from QTG/PepsiCo as Part of United Way Day of Caring Initiative



On Oct. 11, Quaker, Tropicana, Gatorade (QTG), a Chicago-based division of Pepsi-Co Inc., volunteered their services at Barrington Youth & Family Services (BYFS) as part of the United Way Day of Caring program. For five hours, 23 QTG Hot Fill/ Carbonated Soft Drink Quality Team employees worked at the BYFS facility, painting the agency's common areas and staff offices. The initiative was completely funded by QTG, who donated their time, as well as the cost of equipment and sup-

The United Way Day of Caring is a volunteer-based opportunity that matches a group of corporate volunteers who are eager to give back to the community with a United Way partner agency that requires assistance

QTG believes it has a responsibility to support, improve and give back to the communities where it manufactures and markets its products. OTG's community involvement is designed to encourage people and communities to adopt healthy lifestyles. Of particular interest is supporting organizations that develop creative ways to help children and youth in at-risk communities adopt a balanced diet and physically active lifestyle. The company supports the community in a variety of ways: employee volunteerism, product donations and financial contributions.

Barrington Youth & Family Services is a not-for-profit social service agency, dedicated to providing outreach, prevention and counseling services that support the social, psychological and emotional wellbeing of young people and their families. For 35 years, BYFS has serviced Barrington area residents in Barrington, Cuba, Dundee and Ela townships, within the boundaries of Barrington Community Unit School District #220.

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known improvisers take the stage for an entire 24-hour period to benefit "The Second City That Never Sleeps: Letters to Santa." Playing improvisational games, long-form scenes, monologues, and anything else to keep them awake, this group of Second City improvisers will be sup-

ported by special guest appearances.

Special guests Sally Timms & Jon Langford, Jeff Tweedy, Will Oldham (Bonnie Price Billy), Robbie Fulks, Steve Albini, and Kim and Kelley Deal have been confirmed to join the sixth annual benefit event.

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### **Barrington Newcomers & Neighbors Holiday Luncheon**

Barrington Newcomers & Neighbors will hold its annual Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, Dec. 13 at the lovely Biltmore Country Club, 160 Biltmore Drive, North Barrington.

Members and their guests are invited to a festive holiday luncheon, featuring a perfect setting, fabulous food and good friends, that should put everyone in the holiday spirit! The luncheon will include salad, choice of entrée, a special holiday dessert and coffee, tea and milk. A cash bar will be available.

Following the luncheon, the wonderful Madrigal Singers from Barrington High

School will entertain us with a selection of holiday songs.

The cost is \$30 per person. The reservation deadline is Dec. 5. For additional information regarding this event, contact Cherry Lyngaas at cmlyngaas@aol.com or 1-847-304-8825.

Barrington Newcomers & Neighbors is open to anyone living within the 60010 ZIP code or in School District 220. The annual membership dues are \$30. For more information about membership, contact Donna Worcester at 1-847-387-3398, Nicky Robson at 1-847-387-3051, or e-mail membership@barringtonilnewcomers.org.

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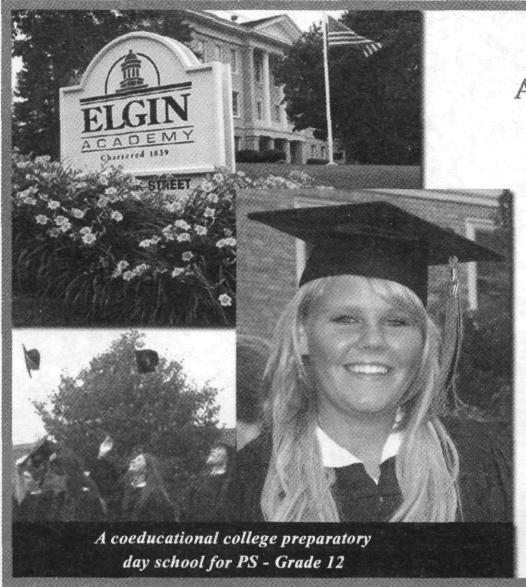
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#### Fifth Graders Collected Seed



Grove Avenue School fifth-grade students and teachers at Grigsby Prairie.

Fifth-grade students from Grove Avenue tall coreopsis, wild quinine, prairie bush School in Barrington recently collected seed at Citizens for Conservation's (CFC) Grigsby Prairie in Barrington Hills, led by CFC volunteers.

The students collected a variety of seeds including little bluestem, Indian Pezzuto and Todd Wiencek. grass, big bluestem, purple prairie clover,

clover, flat top goldenrod and mountain mint. The seed is now being sown in nature preserves in the Barrington area.

The fifth-grade teachers from Grove Avenue School are Tara Gerber, Michelle

# **BACOA Announces Support** and Education Groups for December

(BACOA) has announced its support and education groups for December.

· Caregiver Support—Authors Lynda Markut and Anatole Crane will speak. The two, who have both been caregivers, are the authors of Dementia Caregivers Share Their Stories. Markut is workplace education coordinator for the Alzheimer's Soci-

The Barrington Area Council on Aging ety of Southeast Wisconsin; Crane is president of the board of directors for Family Alliance in Woodstock. The group will meet Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m., at the BACOA office, 6000 Garlands Lane, Suite 100, Barrington.

 Alzheimer's—The Alzheimer's Association Support Group will meet Thursday, Dec. 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. at The Garlands

## Garden Club of Inverness Members Buy Floral Arrangements to Help Community

treated to a lively and informative holiday table-decorating event presented by Esther Galantowica, co-owner of Scarlet Petal, a floral design studio.

Galantowica also contributes to Bride magazine and The Wedding Channel. At the close of her presentation, she donated her creations, to be sold to Garden Club members. All proceeds went to support the club's community involvement projects and local scholarship fund.

Throughout the year there are special events that are available to members. Keeping with the theme of seasonal decorating, JoAnn Icenogle, known locally for her spectacular dried arrangements and her extensive Palatine garden, taught our group how to create an outdoor container arrangement which will last from now until next March. Our meeting room floor

At our Nov. 15 meeting, members were was covered in pine boughs, native grasses and a myriad of dried flower heads. There was much ooh-ing and aah-ing and lots of laughing as we tried to fit our huge, beautiful bouquets into our cars to take

> Our Jan. 17 meeting will feature Bill Shores who works with clients, such as restaurateurs Rick and Deann Bayless, to develop gardens, both indoor and out, for food production. Shores incorporates edible landscaping and native plant-scapes into urban and suburban gardens.

> The Garden Club of Inverness meets at 9:30 a.m. on the third Thursday of the month at All Saints Lutheran Church, 630 S. Quentin Road, Palatine. After a brief business meeting and refreshments, the program will begin. For information, call Carol at 1-847-381-2727. All gardeners, both male and female, are welcome.

of Barrington.

· Low Vision Education and Support-The group will continue its tradition of sharing home-baked goods, reading favorite short stories, talking of holiday plans and enjoying each other's company. Participants can bring a holiday treat or story to share. The group will meet Thursday, Dec. 13 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Lake Barrington Woods, 22320 Classic Court, Lake

· Parkinson's Education and Support— Linda Cao, of Meridian Movement Therapy, will give a tai chi demonstration. Cao,

who also works with Alexian Brothers Neurosciences Institute in Hoffman Estates, will be accompanied by Carol Hartman from Alexian. The meeting will be Saturday, Dec. 15 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Eastlake Dining Room at The Garlands of Barrington, 1000 Garlands Lane, Barrington. Please note: the December meeting is a week early due to the holidays.

For more information on any of the groups, please call BACOA at 1-847-381-5030 or visit the BACOA Web site at www. bacoa.org.

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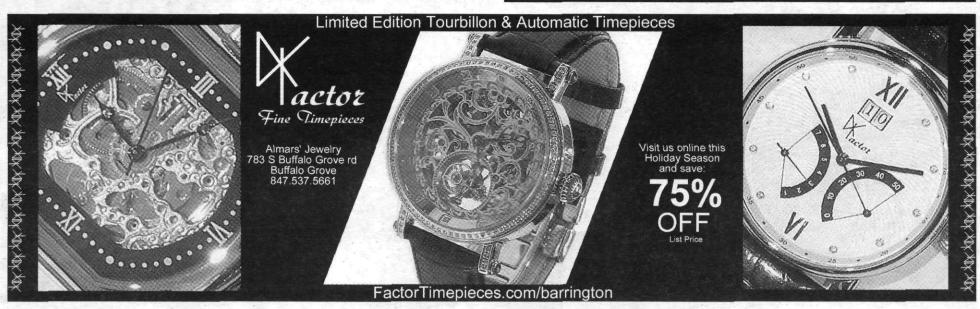






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#### **About Ingrid**

Ingrid received her Bachelor's of Fine Arts in interior design from Harrington College of Design. She's able to combine beauty, efficiency, comfort and convenience with bealth and conservation in mind. Ingrid believes a successful project is the result of

#### Four Seasons Garden Club Christmas Brunch

their annual Christmas brunch and gift exchange at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4 at the home of Elaine.

The Four Seasons Garden Club meets at 9:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, September through June. The meetings are usually held in a member's home or at the Barrington Library. Meetings include a social coffee, visiting among members and guests, a short business meet-

The Four Seasons Garden Club will hold ing, and a presentation or demonstration concerning some aspect of gardening and gardening interests.

The Four Seasons Garden Club is a member of the Federated Garden Clubs of Illinois Inc., District IX and the National Council of State Garden Clubs Inc.

For further information regarding the club or its activities, please contact Lenore Lawrence at 1-847-381-2883.

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# Happenings!

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# Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago Celebrates its 40th

Founded in 1968, the Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago (BCLOC) will welcome members, guests, and nonmembers to join them as they enter their 40th year. Lisa Saunderson, a native of the Barrington area and an experienced Lyric Opera vocalist, will present "With a Song in Her Heart for Barrington Lyric" beginning promptly at 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 13 at the Barrington Area Library, 505 N. Northwest Highway (1/4 mile north of Lake Cook Road) in Barrington.

An added attraction to the program will be the showing of a video featuring the activities and accomplishments of the Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera over the years.

Refreshments will be served following the program. As a gift to the community, there is no charge for this program. To reserve your seat for the program or for more information, please phone Margit



Lisa Saunderson, vocalist for the Lyric Opera of Chicago

Vogel, 1-847-304-0422, by Jan. 9. For inquiries on membership in the Barrington Chapter, call George Obermaier at 1-847-

You may want to visit Lyric Opera of Chicago's Web site, www.lyricopera.org.



### **OMNI's BOA Recruitment Reception** Featured Patrick McCaskey of the Chicago Bears Organization

Forty of OMNI's Board of Ambassadors (BOA) members and guests gathered at Le Titi de Paris on Oct. 16 for the 14th annual BOA Recruitment Reception. Fine food, camaraderie, and lively conversation, along with an inspiring keynote address from Patrick McCaskey of the Chicago Bears Organization, made this a memorable event for all who attended.

OMNI's Board of Ambassadors is comprised of dedicated business leaders and professionals who share OMNI's commitment to creating positive change for youth and their families through their financial support and volunteerism. If you are interested in the BOA, please call Linda Ballard at 1-847-353-1602.

Since 1972, OMNI Youth Services has been a leader in providing life-changing counseling and prevention services. With a specific expertise and passion for serving youth in overlooked and underserved communities, OMNI's experiential approach supports learning through doing and the development of skills these youth can use for a lifetime.



Tina Pickell of Mettawa (left) with Jim and Sylvia O'Donnell of Barrington.



Patrick McCaskey of the Chicago Bears Organization (left) with BOA co-founder Mike Sullivan of Barrington.



Mike Polisky of Libertyville (left), president and general manager of the Chicago Rush, and OMNI board member Ken Blumenfeld of Vernon Hills.



**BOA** member Rich Rosen of Wheeling and Sue Drake of Hawthorn Woods.

### The 14th Annual Michael Joseph **Foundation Benefit Raises** Over \$110,000 for Families in Crisis

On Oct. 13 the all-volunteer Michael Joseph Foundation held their 14th annual benefit and auction "Somewhere in Time" at the beautiful Sanfilippo Estate in Bar-

The purpose of the Michael Joseph Foundation is to provide transitional housing for families working towards selfreliance. In addition, the Michael Joseph Foundation, in cooperation with other well-known charities, has been able to provide counseling and job training aimed at building self esteem and ultimately selfsufficiency to over 450 families in Cook and McHenry counties who might otherwise be homeless.

The gala evening began with a tour of the Sanfilippo's "Grand Victorian Palace." The dinner and auction were then held in a separate building, the "Eden Palais," which houses a spectacular hand-painted European Salon Carousel along with other fabulous collections.

The outstanding auction featured, among many other exciting items, a Cubs Sky Box, a vacation package to the Accenture Match Golf Tournament at the Gallery Golf Club outside Tucson, a cocktail party for 50 people hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Sanfilippo, Medinah golf for four, a pig roast for 50 people, and much more.

We are grateful to all the generous corporate and individual donors who have helped make this benefit such a success.

The 15th annual dinner and auction will take place next fall. If you have any questions or would like to become involved, please call Ida Cardelli at 1-847-639-2334 or visit the Web site at www. michaeljosephfoundation.8M.com.



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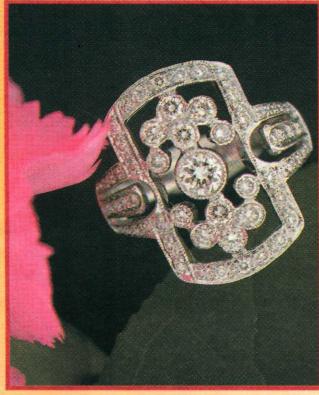
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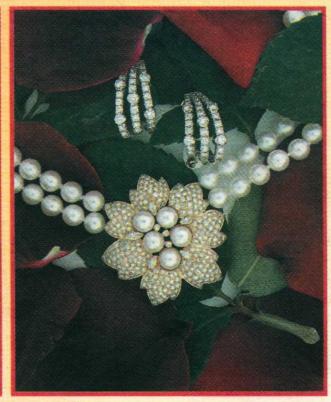


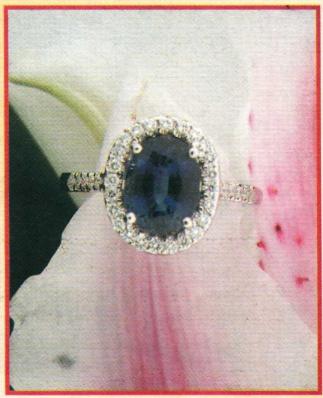
Marian and Jasper Sanfilippo, hosts of the benefit

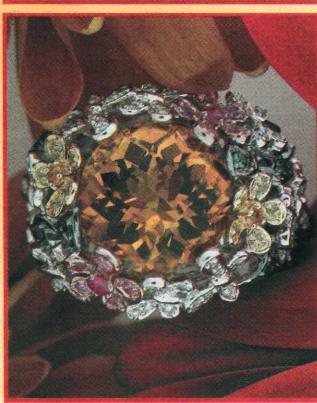


Daniel Delcore (standing), president, and Ida and Leo Cardelli, Michael Joseph Foundation board members









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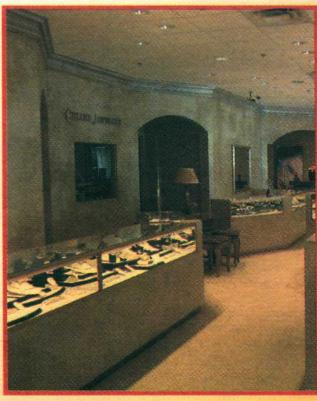
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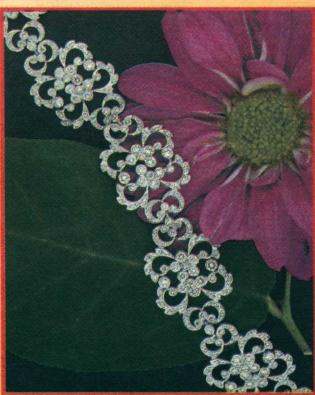
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Covered Bridges" was developed by the Historical American Engineering Record, a division of the National Park Service, and the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES); it is funded in part by the Federal Highway Administration.

Though they first appeared in Europe during the Middle Ages, covered bridges flourished in the United States in the 19th century, where they helped encourage the country's economic development by way of a growing network of roads. The first covered bridge in the country appeared over the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia in 1805, and by the country's westward

Covered bridges grew in popularity among the general public in the early 20th century and became attractive subjects for artists and advertisers. They appeared in advertisements for everything



from tires to thermal underwear, feeding the nation's desire for nostalgia. In some cases, advertisers took their messages to the bridges themselves, creating enormous billboards on both the interior and exte-

Despite their appeal, between 1870 and 1970, 90 percent of the country's covered bridges were destroyed by arsonists, natural causes and progress in transportation. Today only about 750 remain, concentrated mostly in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Vermont, Indiana, New Hampshire and Oregon. Community leaders in these states have recognized their value as a tourist attraction, and they have become symbols of community pride and history. Perhaps no single person did more for the covered bridge in recent times than authors Robert James Waller, whose 1992 book The Bridges of Madison County stayed on the New York Times best-seller list for more than 150 weeks.

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For more information, please call 1-847-836-5540. You may also visit our Web site at www.BarringtonUMC.com.

#### Horses from Double-Decker Truck **Accident Begin Being Released**

Forty-one horses that survived the tragic competent, caring, horse-savvy home." truck accident on Oct. 27 on Highway 41 in Wadsworth, Ill., have begun to recover from their trauma have begun being released to private homes, starting Nov. 14, according to Donna Ewing, president, Hooved Animal Rescue and Protection Society (HARPS).

HARPS, a Barrington Hills-based organization, has been given ownership of the surviving horses by the Great West Casualty Insurance Company. Ewing reports that the organization has received more than 250 requests to adopt the young horses, some of the applicants from as far away as Sweden. The surviving horses include Belgians, Percherons and four Haflinger-type ponies.

We are so heartened by the outpouring of offers from so many excellent homes,"

The HARPS committee that evaluates adoption applications includes investigators, horse trainers and seven veterinarians, according to Ewing. The committee works to select applicants who are (a) most qualified and (b) located within a 50-mile radius of the farm where the horses are being nursed back to health.

Many of the surviving horses remain in need of extensive veterinary care, Ewing said. In addition to cuts on their legs and bodies, they are suffering from traumatic stress from the accident and from badly stressed immune systems, thanks to a cold-like virus associated with travel, trailers and sales barns

"It is so difficult for us to decide who will be the lucky adopters of these gentle giants," says Ewing. "But it's wonderful for the horses! With more than 250 applications and only 41 horses, we feel sure that we will be able to place each animal in a

Ewing hopes that those applicants who aren't selected to adopt one of these horses will understand. For those local applicants who aren't selected, and for other applicants who simply live too far away to adopt a survivor of the Wadsworth accident, she has a suggestion: "Go to the sales barns and purchase one of the horses for sale there. Otherwise, these horses likely will have a horrible fate involving a miserably uncomfortable trip to Mexico or Canada where they ultimately will be slaughtered.'

The 41 survivors will end up with good homes, unlike the many other horses that were on the road at the same time but weren't "lucky" enough to be in a transport accident, Ewing said. She is more determined than ever to make meaningful changes to current legislation. "We desperately need to amend the Federal Equine Transportation Law, which is woefully inadequate. It does not protect all equines from being transported in double-decker trucks, and that's just exactly what it should do," she says.

"Laws ban the transportation of equines in double-decker trucks, but only under very specific conditions: The horses must be on their way to a slaughter house where the meat will be sold for human consumption. This means that many horses are still being crammed into double-decker transports and taken down the road to uncertain destinations for uncertain ends," Ewing said.

Persons interested in adopting horses from the accident or others available at HARPS, may contact them at: P.O. Box 94, Barrington, Illinois 60011-0843 or phone 1-847-382-0503.



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The Barrington Area Historical Society is located at 212 W. Main St., Barrington. For further information, call the society at 1-847-381-1730 or visit them on the Web at bahsil.org.

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#### A Little Girl's Fantasyland at Shirley's Dollhouse

Dolls of all sizes, teddy bears of all descriptions, old and new, big and small, can be found at Shirley's Dollhouse, 971 N. Milwaukee Ave. in Wheeling at the Sale Barn Square.

The shop has been in business there for 33 years. Owned by Shirley Bertrand, a collector of 42 years, she has been doing doll repair, doll dressing for customers, and buying and selling dolls-old and new-for the entire 33 years. The shop began with one room and has now grown to six rooms crammed with goodies—with over 1,000 dolls on display!

The dolls are from all over the world, featuring older ethnic dolls from every country. German dolls from Kathé Kruse. and Madame Alexander dolls, Tonner and Effanbee, all based in New York. Unique miniatures and doll house furniture can be found there, new as well as old. Every now and then an old doll house arrives on the shelves, but it doesn't stay long!

The bears are from Gund, Steiff bears 537-1632.

from Germany, and collector's bears such as Cooperstown bears, from all over, including Beanie Babies from right here in Illinois.

The shop is not only a collector's shop -during the holiday season the children's dolls appear like magic on the shelves, in buggies and on highchairs. Shirley's Dollhouse has had three, maybe four generations come in to choose that special doll for their child. Adora Babies, Lee Middleton, and Alexander baby dolls still seem to be the favorites. The 8-inch Alexanders have always been a shop favorite.

Stop by and see the hundreds of dolls and bears waiting to be taken home. Visit with the very knowledgable staff at Shirley's Dollhouse. They are open six days a week; closed Mondays. The holiday store hours are Tuesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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#### **BHS Musicians Selected for IMEA** Honors Band, Choir and Orchestra

Nineteen Barrington High School (BHS) Holly Pyon, Christy Rutherford, Colin musicians have been selected for the District 7 Illinois Music Educators Association Honors Band, Choir and Orchestra.

The Barrington High School Band students selected are Lynn Burnidge, Brian Lin, Allison Lyons, Kevin Poglitsch and Jeanne Zeller.

The Barrington High School Jazz Band students selected are Kevin Poglitsch, Kyle Schweizer and Amy Swail.

The Barrington High School Choir students selected are Megan Asher, Ashli Hessel, Lauren Janus, Arielle Johnston,

Smith and Katherine Woodrow.

The Barrington High School Orchestra students selected are Karis Ailabouni, Roelle Eugenio, Hannah Johnson and Ashlev Tsiao.

During the school year, the bands are under the direction of Randy Karon, the choirs are led by Nancie Tobison and Carol Sesso and Clark Sheldon direct the

For further information, please call the Fine Arts Department at 1-847-842-3214.



### Women's Club of Inverness Holiday Luncheon and Sounds of the Season

The December meeting of the Inverness Women's Club will be held Thursday, Dec. 13 at the Inverness Golf Club, Coffee and tea will be served at 9 a.m., with a business meeting at 9:30 a.m., followed by our program "Sounds of the Season" and our Holiday Luncheon.

This year's holiday program will feature our talented members who will entertain us with their musical skills. It is sure to be a fun and delightful time as we all join with them to start the holiday season. Please come prepared to get into the holi-

The Women's Club of Inverness meets September through May. Most regular meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month (special exceptions in November, February and April) at the Inverness Golf Club at 9 a.m., beginning with a brief meeting followed by an always informative and interesting program.

The Women's Club of Inverness is a philanthropic 501(c)(3) organization. All proceeds from our activities are distributed to local community-based organizations and scholarship grants to graduating seniors, college students and returning adults residing within the boundaries of school districts 211 and 220.

#### The Shoe Box Express

The club is always looking for donations and names of servicemen and women stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan to send care packages to. If you would prefer to help with the shipping cost, a monetary donation payable to The Women's Club of Inverness and marked "Shoe Box Express" will be specifically earmarked to be used for postage to mail these packages. The list of items needed by soldiers changes from month to month, so please call Gert at 847-382-6006 for additional informa-

#### **Prayer Service for Peace** in the Middle East

service for peace in the Middle East will be held at Lutheran Church of the Atonement, 909 Main St. in Barrington. The service includes reading from the Bible, music, and prayers for peace in the Middle

The service will continue to be held on org/middleeast for more information. the 15th of each month until a just and

On Saturday, Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m., a prayer lasting peace is achieved. The prayer service is part of an ecumenical effort in the United States and the world to pray daily until peace comes to the region. The people in Illinois are encouraged to join this prayer vigil.

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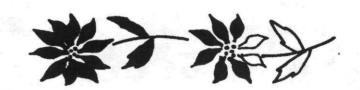


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#### Children's Holiday Concert with the Barrington Suzuki Strings

sure to put even Mr. Scrooge in the spirit as they celebrate Jingle All the Way! The Instrumental Holiday Concert will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 9 at Barrington High School, 616 W. Main St., Barrington.

This year's concert marks the 29th year that Barrington Suzuki Strings will delight audiences with holiday music. The music appeals to audiences of all ages. This performance is close to home and showcases the talent of local students of the Suzuki Music School of Barrington,

The Barrington Suzuki Strings will be ranging in age from 3 to 18. "The quality and professionalism of the concerts are a result of countless hours of rehearsal and many years of study," said Betty Mueller, director of the Suzuki Music School of Barrington.

> So bring your family and friends to celebrate the holidays through music.

> Tickets for the Dec. 9 concert at Barrington High School are \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students, with children under 5 free. For tickets, call 1-847-382-9517.

#### Ice House Mall

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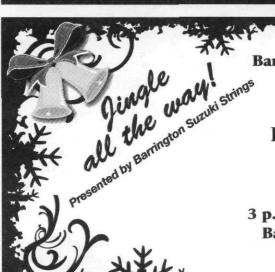
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A "Gala Christmas Dinner Dance" will be given by St. Charles Singles Club for all singles and married couples on Dec. 14 at Fox Valley Country Club on Route 25 in North Aurora. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar begins at 6:30 p.m.; buffet dinner at 7:30 p.m.; and dancing from 9 p.m. to midnight. Prizes will be awarded. Live music by "Incognitos." Tickets are \$35. Call for info or tickets—1-630-584-7632 and press 3. Please purchase your tickets in advance. Attire is formal to semiformal.

**Regular Dances** 

St. Charles Singles Club Ltd., a social non-

profit group, welcomes ages 30 and older to dances at Riverside Receptions, 35 N. River Lane, Geneva, Ill. Dances are on the second, fourth and fifth Mondays of each month from 7 to 11 p.m. Proper attire is required. Jeans are allowed only at the fifth Monday dances. Admission is \$6 for member; \$8 for nonmembers. All dances are smoke-free

Other social activities available include: pinocle brunches, breakfasts, dinners, movies, game nights and more.

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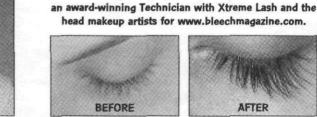
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#### **Barrington BloodLine Announces Fall Blood Drive Dates**

#### Cooperative Initiative by Community Organizations **Encourages Residents to Give Blood Year-Round**

Area residents are learning more about at St. Anne Catholic Church on Sunday, the ease of giving blood and the benefits to the community, through a cooperative initiative of the Barrington Area Development Council (BADC) and several local community organizations. The program, Barrington BloodLine, is intended to draw attention to a year-round schedule of Blood Drive events, to help fulfill the blood supply needs of Barrington's Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital. BADC is coordinating with the nonprofit Life-Source, Chicagoland's blood center, along with Good Shepherd Hospital and other participating community groups-including the Ministerial Association and the Barrington school district. Barrington Blood-Line has helped to promote periodic blood drive events at high-visibility venues this year, including the annual Freedom Festival in September.

will take place at Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital on Friday, Dec. 7 from 9

Dec. 9, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school caf-

LifeSource is the sole supplier of blood to Good Shepherd Hospital, and all blood donated at Barrington BloodLine events will support the needs of the local community. For more information, contact a Barrington BloodLine representative at 1-847-756-4184 or LifeSource at 1-847-803-

You are eligible to donate blood if you:

- · Weigh at least 110 pounds.
- Are in good physical health.
- · Are at least 17 years old (there is no upper age limit).
- · Have not given blood in the past eight weeks (56 days).

#### **Barrington BloodLine Schedule**

- · Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital, The next Barrington BloodLine events Friday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Lakeview
- •St. Anne Catholic Church, Sunday, a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Lakeview Room, and Dec. 9, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., school cafeteria

# **Sparrow Holiday Cards Available**

Once again, please consider supporting Home of the Sparrow when it comes to holiday cards! We have a darling greeting drawn by a child living in one of the Sparrow shelters! A colorful and happy snowman wishes you "Peace and Joy" (inside caption) on a bright winter day while leaving plenty of room for personal notes!

On glossy white, cards are available in packets of 10 cards (11 envelopes) for \$11, with imprinting available at separate charge. To arrange imprinting, please call Linda at 1-847-550-9435.

For your convenience, they are also available at the following generous area merchants: Ambrosia Euro-American Patisserie in The Foundry, 710 W. Northwest Highway, Barrington; The Barrington Home Shoppe (formerly The Canterbury Shoppe) in the Ice House Mall, 200 Applebee St., Barrington; Cricket Classics, 200 S. Cook St., Barrington; Second Nature Salon & Spa, 764 S. Rand Road, Lake Zurich; and Dalzell Jewelers, 23 N. Williams St., Crystal Lake.

Founded in 1986, Home of the Sparrow aids women of the northwest suburbs who find themselves in personal crisis, with a structured program of transitional

housing, counseling and job-skills training, enabling motivated individuals to become independent and self-reliant members of society. For more information, visit www.

We appreciate your participation in supporting this local cause at holiday time! All proceeds benefit Home of the Sparrow programs! Thank you!

#### **BHS Fine Arts Department Displays** the Watercolors of Charlotte Sasser

Arts Department is currently displaying the work of Glenview artist Charlotte pleted her Bachelor of Fine Arts at the

The Barrington High School (BHS) Fine Sasser in the Clair E. Smith Art Gallery. Sasser was born in Chicago and comSchool of the Art Institute of Chicago. She is also a graduate of the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts. A practicing artist her entire life, she settled on transparent watercolor as a medium that best suits her strategy. Her work is twofold approach to finding a balance between pure abstraction and

illusionism, creating an environment using the inner structures of organic elements as a component of her images.

The gallery is open during school days and on evening during performances. For further information, please call the Fine Arts Office at 1-847-842-3214.

#### What's Happening at Starr Couture

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• Day of Shopping—Dec. 10. Enjoy some holiday cheer while you shop and receive a gift with purchase valued at \$200 (while supplies last).

• Men's Shopping Days—Dec. 13, 14th and 15th.

It's shopping made easy with special displays for instant gift ideas, complimentary gift wrapping, gift certificates that never expire and special holiday hours: Dec. 13 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Dec. 14 and 15th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Whether shopping for yourself or searching for that perfect gift, you will find unique, European apparel, shoes and accessories not found in other stores. We can take away the stress associated with the holidays by offering you complimentary, personal shopping service. To save time, call or e-mail us with your wish list and budget. That way, when you arrive, preselected items are waiting for you.

We look forward to seeing you.

#### The Garden Club of Lake Zurich

The next meeting of The Garden Club of Lake Zurich will be held Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. 1-815-444-6289. at St. Matthew Lutheran Church on Old McHenry Road.

Just a Pretty Picture: Gardens with Personality" presented by Shirley Remes. Remes is a field editor and/or writer for Better Homes and Gardens, the Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Sun-Times, Chicagoland Gardening Magazine and more. The program begins at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

The Garden Club of Lake Zurich is a member of both The Garden Club of Illinois Inc. and The National Garden Clubs Inc.

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#### **Future Programs**

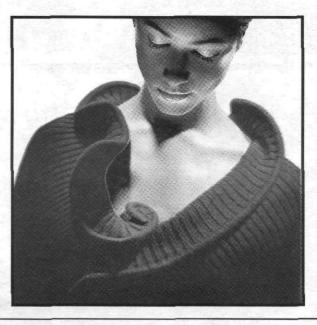
- Jan. 8, 7 p.m.—"Using Native Plants The Dec. 4 program will be "More than in the Landscape," presented by Peggy Simonson, Meredith Tucker and Karen
  - Feb. 5, 7 p.m.—"Success with Woodies," presented by Glenn Grosch, horticulturalist and certified arborist.
  - · March 4, 7 p.m.—"Sow, Divide and Conquer-the Scoop on Plant Propagation," presented by Mayo Underwood, owner of Underwood Gardens, a seed company.



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# **Barrington Children's Choir Winter** Concert 2007, "A Winter Gift"

The Barrington Children's Choir (BBC), under the direction of artistic director Peggy Crawford, will welcome this year's holiday season with the performance of its annual Winter Concert. This year's, "A Winter Gift," takes place on Friday, Dec. 7 and Saturday, Dec. 8 at Lake Zurich High School's Performing Arts Center. Performances will be on Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$17 for adults; \$12 for senior and students; and \$22 for preferred seating. For advance ticket purchases, please call 1-

The concert will feature a collection of

traditional and classical holiday favorites from around the world, all sung in native languages. Performances will be performed by BCC's four developmentally sequenced choirs: Chamber and Bel Canto choirs under the direction of Peggy Crawford, the Intermediate Ensemble directed by Melissa Touvannas, and the Noel Choir directed by Becky Clark.

Entering their 21st season, The Barrington Children's Choir, includes approximately 150 musically talented children in second through 12th grade. In addition to the winter concert, BCC is honored again this year to be performing in the Joffrey

## Over 400 Walkers Participated in the 25th Anniversary CROP Hunger Walk

Twenty-five percent of all funds raised in the Barrington area is kept in the area for Barrington Giving Day, Barrington Meals With Wheels, Wauconda-Island Lake Food Pantry, the Northern Illinois Food Bank, the People in Need program of the Barrington Area Ministerial Association, St. Anne's Project Hope and the FISH Food Pantry, Carpentersville. The rest of the money raised is used by Church World Service for disaster relief and hunger-related programs in the United States and around the world.



Leading the throng of walkers were co-Grand Marshal Barbara Schmidt (left) and bagpiper Terry Oldfield.

## **BACOA Senior Activity and Lunch Programs for December**

The Barrington Area Council on Aging's (BACOA) Monday Senior Lunch and Activity Program is held at the Barrington Park District, 235 Lions Drive, Barrington. Games begin at 10:30 a.m.; games begin at 11 a.m.; lunch is served at noon.

The suggested donation for the Monday lunch program is \$3. However, if underwriting is unavailable for special programs, there may be an increase in the suggested donation. Preregistration is required; please call BACOA at 1-847-381-

· Monday, Dec. 3—Games and lunch. Lutheran Home Services in Arlington Heights will sponsor lunch; Samantha Breden and Kevin Sullivan from Lutheran Home Services will present a program about their services in the Barrington area. Register for this special lunch by Wednes-

day, Nov. 28 by calling Linda Avellon at BACOA at 1-847-852-3892.

· Monday, Dec. 10-Games and lunch. The Wauconda High School Chorus will perform a special music program. Blood pressures will be taken, and December birthdays will be celebrated.

• Monday, Dec. 17—Annual Christmas Luncheon. There will be a Christmas luncheon for BACOA's lunch programs at the Barrington Park District and Greencastle of Barrington. Games and lunch; entertainment will be "Second Wind" (Joyce Palmquist and Doug Saylor). Call BACOA for reservations by Dec. 12.

· Mondays, Dec. 24 and 31st-Closed for the holidays

BACOA's lunch program will return on

Have a safe and happy new year!



Ballet's Chicago production of The Nutcracker on Dec. 21 and 22nd, as well as numerous charitable, civic, corporate and private events in the Barrington and greater Chicago area. The Barrington Children's Choir has toured both nationally and internationally, performing at choral festivals and concerts in such notable venues as Carnegie Hall, The Grand Hotel in

Mackinaw Island, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and Smetana Hall in Prague. The Chamber Choir is looking forward to touring in July 2008 with the Pacific Rim Children's Festival in Hawaii.

For more information or to download a ticket order form from our Web site, visit www.barringtonchildrenschoir.org.

#### Plastic Surgery and People's Fears

by Gary S. Churchill, MD

Many people think and talk about getting plastic surgery for years but fear prevents them from taking that final step and actually carrying through with it. Their concerns are understandable, and undergoing surgery is certainly not something to be taken lightly. Yet many of these fears can be eased with a little more knowledge and some accurate information.

#### Fear of the Results

A facelift is probably the procedure most feared by patients. One concern they have is that a facelift won't look natural; nobody wants to look pulled or too tight. The goal is to look refreshed and not as if surgery was performed. So how is this accomplished? Rather than depending on to be removed. extensive skin undermining and pulling as is commonly done, we use a less invasive technique that depends more on tightening the deeper layers beneath the skin. This lifts and tightens the skin in a more natural way, distributing the tension from beneath the skin rather than directly from the incisions. The result is a faster recovery, a longer lasting result and a very natural look. This technique also minimizes the tension on the incisions resulting in far better healing.

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Stacie McClane, MD Gary Churchill, MD

ear where a telltale scar will be seen, we hide the incisions in all the natural creases around and then just inside the ear. We also use dissolving sutures in all the incisions so no staples or sutures ever need

The fear of post-operative pain prevents some people from considering undergoing surgery. However, facial surgery is not generally painful. During a facelift, the skin around the incisions is lifted. The skin will be numb at first, reducing postoperative pain. Most patients describe a facelift as feeling "tight." Very few people complain about pain.

#### Fear of Anesthesia

Anesthesia is far safer now than ever before. The newer anesthetic medications and monitoring equipment have revolutionized the field of outpatient surgery. There are new and effective medications to reduce or eliminate post-operative nausea even in those very sensitive patients. better sooner than ever before.

#### Fear of Hospitals

that it preserves the hairline in its natural Many people don't like going to the hosposition. While most surgeons place their pital or having medical procedures of any (Please continue on page 34)

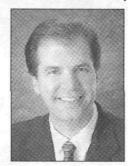
# Al Buschauer—A True Specialist

by James T. Gavrilos, D.D.S.

Good esthetic dentistry requires the cooperation of many specialists. An orthodontist, oral surgeon, periodontist and endodontist are key players in creating a beautiful and long-lasting smile. It is up to the cosmetic dentist to assemble this team and evaluate their work to make sure that they share the same passion for dentistry and commitment to quality. I recently had to add a new member to this team... a photographer.

We recently remodeled our office and we decided to have our walls decorated with portraits of patients that have had their smile restored with us. I needed a true specialist in portraiture to capture my patient's personality as well as their new smile. I needed someone that goes beyond the usual "tilt your head and smile" technique. This specialist is Al Buschauer.

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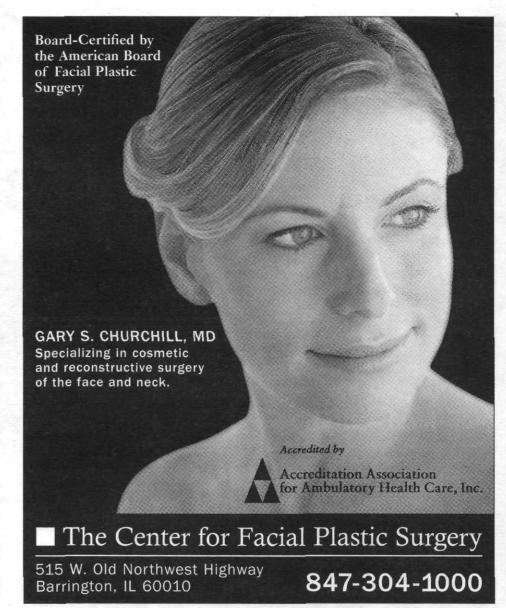


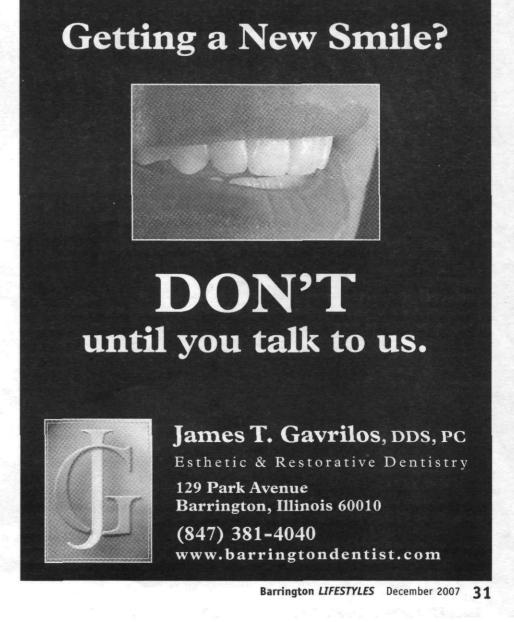
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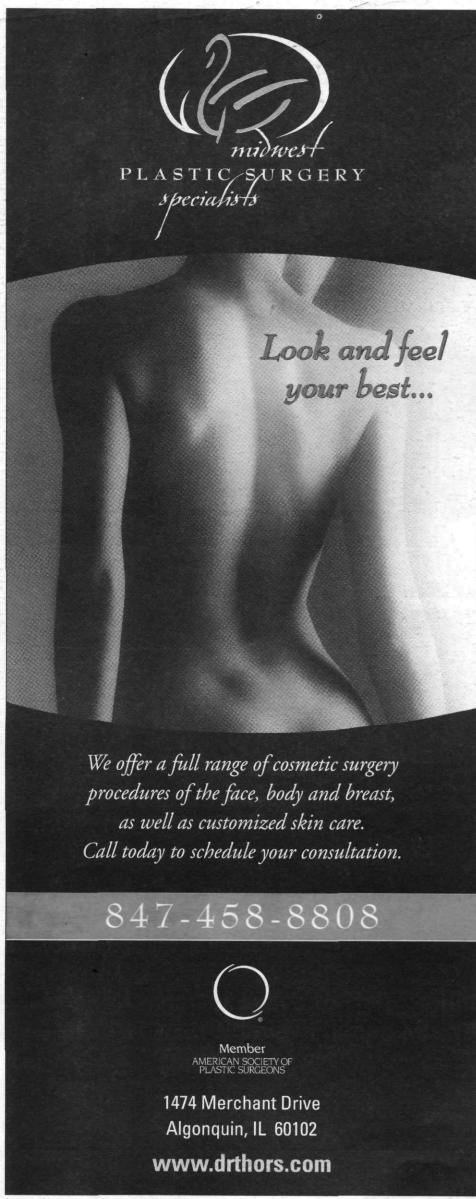
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# Family Service "After Hours" Fundraiser



Pictured (from left) is event sponsor Brian Lewis, Pro Football Hall-of-Famer Dave Casper, and event sponsors Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kolar.



Pictured (from left) are councilman Jim Kirsch with wife Heidi, and Family Service Executive Director Bob Wolf.



Pictured is board member Hank Wisniewski and wife Joyce (at left) with Faye Hoag and Family Service Executive Director Bob Wolf.

On Friday, Oct. 12, Family Service hosted its inaugural Friend-Raiser cocktail reception at the new Lincolnshire Gourmet in Highland Park to benefit its programs in the Barrington Area and throughout Lake and Northern Cook counties. Lincolnshire Gourmet owner Terri Pedone graciously allowed Family Service to use of the exclusive, members-only lounge and patio area for the evening. More than 65 guests gathered for hors d'ouevres and sparkling firm of Baizer, Kolar & Lewis and Floral sake and learned about opportunities to Gardens.

support Family Service's local prevention, education and counseling programs serving more than 3,100 area families.

Among the group was Pro Football Hallof-Famer Dave Casper, board member Hank Wisniewski and wife Joyce, councilman Jim Kirsch and wife Heidi, Ronnie and Alan Schwartz, Josi and Anthony Vole, and Bob and Tobrina Goldbaum.

Local event sponsors included the law

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The office, at 18 E. Dundee Rd., Bar- available if needed. rington, will be open from 9 a.m. to noon,

families will assist the seniors as needed. Refreshments will be served, and gifts distributed to participating seniors.

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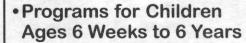
Our center is located at 560 Carl Ave. in Barrington. We have many activities to keep young minds busy. Our highly qualified staff strives each and every day to ensure that all the children here have a positive first-school experience. Our cur- 847-381-0272.

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ners for every car that presents a Wonderland of Lights "Community Voucher." "Community Days" are Monday through Thursday.

"The scope and audience of Wonderland of Lights is tremendous," said Clearbrook President Carl M. La Mell. "The show is open every single night for six weeks straight and draws people from distant suburbs throughout Chicagoland. Other worthwhile organizations could benefit from an event that we already have established and we are happy to open our gates to them during the holi-

day season." Bartlett Cheerleading Association, Faith Lutheran Church, Gigi's Playhouse, OMNI Youth Services, UPS for DownS and Voice of the Retarded are among the current nonprofit partners. Major event sponsors include: Arlington Park Racecourse, Chicago Magazine, the Daily Herald, WTMXradio Chicago 101.9 FM "The Mix" and Sheraton Chicago Northwest.

Wonderland of Lights is open nightlyall holidays included-from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day. A million colorful lights and animated displays, including Twelve Days of Christmas, Reindeer Flight

School, Holiday Fairy Tale Lane and Victorian Holidays, will be on display. The event hours are Sunday through Thursday from 5:30 to 9 p.m. and Friday through Saturday from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Admission Monday through Thursday is \$10 per passenger car; Friday through Saturday, \$12 per passenger car. A \$2-off coupon is available at clearbrook.org.

To learn more about partnering with Clearbrook during "Community Days" and raise money for your organization, contact Brynn Kordik at 1-847-385-5009 or bkordik@clearbrook.org. For more information about Wonderland of Lights, visit clearbrook.org or call the hot line at 1-847-577-4646.



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(Continued from page 31)

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are Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 1-847-304-0504 or go to **shopbelongings**. com and browse our photo albums of merchandise

Belongings benefits Wellness Place, a not-for-profit Palatine-based cancer resource center. Wellness Place enhances the quality of life for those touched by cancer, their family members, friends and caregivers through education, encouragement and empowerment. Through generous donations, all programs and services are offered at no cost to participants. Wellness Place serves 60 communities in the northwest suburbs of Cook County, and parts of McHenry, Lake and Kane counties. For information, call 1-847-221-2400

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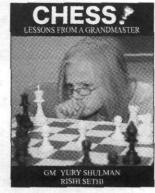
Chess! Lessons from a Grandmaster, a textbook for chess by Grandmaster Yury Shulman and Rishi Sethi, is a testament to the power of a community, school district and businesses working together to be a force for greater good. A portion of the profits from the sale of the book will continue to support nonprofit educational programs locally and worldwide. Students Austen Murrow and Eleanore Van Marwijk Kooy will serve as project leaders, upholding the tradition established by the Barrington Chess Program to combine learning chess with philanthropy.

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-B.J. Armstrong, former NBA player for the World Champion Chicago Bulls



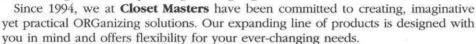
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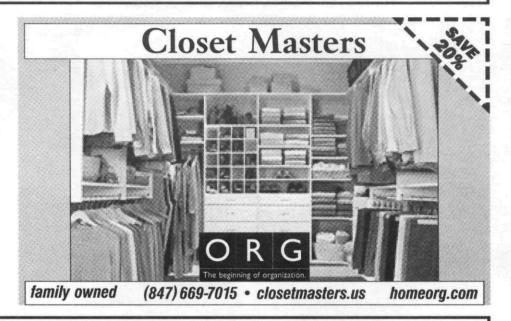
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# Holiday Fun for the Whole Family

women are planning fun events for the whole family that will benefit WINGS, Women in Need Growing Stronger. On Dec. 9, Chrissie Mena and Michelle Lovelace will chair the Third Annual Home for the Holidays family brunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Stonegate Banquet Center in Hoffman Estates.

Home for the Holidays, presented by Kimball Hill Homes, will feature a holidaythemed brunch with special treats for both children and adults. Everyone in attendance will enjoy storytellers, magicians, face painting, carols and cookie decorating. Santa will be there for photos with the kids and a photographer will take a picture of the entire family or capture a family memento of the children. The best feature will be the chocolate fountain!

Register for the amateur gingerbread house contest and bring them along to the event. Judges will be on hand to determine the winners. In addition, there will be a phenomenal prizes, including toys and cookie jars filled with fresh-baked cookies.

Home for the Holidays builds on the

This holiday season, several Barrington very successful events held the last two years. On hand this year, the new WINGS calendar, Beautiful Things with WINGS, will be featured. This unique calendar of children dressed as angels, fairies and little aviators was completed by April Graves of Lightdrawn studios, who donated all of the session fees. All proceeds from the sales of the calendars, which make great gifts for teachers, friends and employees, will go to support WINGS housing and

> Home for the Holidays is truly a community effort that supports a great cause while providing a fun family atmosphere. WINGS is dedicated to helping victims of domestic violence and their children with emergency and transitional housing, along with counseling, career services and children's services.

> The success of WINGS' programs depends on the support of the community. Sponsors and volunteers are needed. For more information on sponsorship opportunities, to purchase tickets or to purchase calendars, please call 1-847-908-0910 or visit www.wingsprogram.com.

#### Financial Counselor to Explain Medicare Part D at Wellness Place

Programs," presented by Patient Financial one of three hosted by Wellness Place in

Are you interested in learning how you Counselor Nadine Staveris, Monday, Jan. can benefit from Medicare Part D and 14, 6:30 p.m. at Wellness Place, a cancer other resources to help offset your health- resource center at 1619 W. Colonial Parkcare expenses? Attend "Patient Assistance" way, Palatine. This featured program is

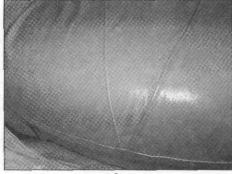
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early 2008; all are open to the community and provided at no cost to participants through generous donations. Preregistration is required by calling 1-847-221-2400.

On Thursday, Jan. 24, at 6:30 p.m., Chadi Nabhan, M.D., clinical assistant professor with Oncology Specialists, S.C., at Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, will present "Prostate Cancer: When Hormone Therapy No Longer Works." Nabhan will discuss hormone-refractory prostate cancer, its causes and current therapies as well as clinical trials and future directions in treatment.

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Wellness Place provides professional, cancer-related counseling, services and programs, at no cost to participants, to enhance the lives of people living with cancer, their families and caregivers. The not-for-profit cancer resource center serves 60 communities in the northwest suburbs of Cook County, and parts of McHenry, Lake and Kane counties. For more information, call 1-847-221-2400 or visit www. wellnessplace.org.

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# **CWD Incidences Continue— Deer Feeding Regulated**

Many people like to feed wildlife during the winter months. However, that may be a problem for deer. Deer may spread a serious disease at such feeding sites. Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a relatively new disease of deer in the Midwest which has spread across the country, says John Church, University of Illinois Extension educator, Natural Resources, Rockford. As hunting season begins in Illinois, the current numbers are timely to consider.

During the fall of 2002, CWD was officially diagnosed in Boone County, which was the first time in Illinois. Prior to that time, it was found in southern Wisconsin and had been present in western states for a number of years. Since then, much of the state's incidences of the disease have been concentrated in the Winnebago, Boone and MeHenry County area, although surveys for the disease are conducted across the state. The high rate of incidence continues in these counties.

As of June 2007, Illinois Department of Natural Resources reported a total of 75 deer tested positive for CWD in Boone County and 79 in Winnebago, which have the highest incidence of the disease. Since 2003, a total of 189 cases have been reported in Illinois, in Boone, Winnebago, Ogle, McHenry, LaSalle and Dekalb Counties, which is up by 42 cases since approximately one year ago.

The means of transmission between

deer is not yet completely understood. It is thought that the disease can be passed between animals in a herd, so preventing new feeding sites may help in reducing the spread of the disease. It may also be spread from mother to offspring. Unlike many other diseases, CWD is not an infection by a living organism (such as bacteria), but appears to be caused by an abnormal version of a protein that normally occurs in the animal's cells. This infectious protein particle is called a "prion." It is not easily eradicated by environmental factors, heat or disinfection, so transmission from a contaminated environment may also be possible.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources has passed regulations as a precaution to help control the disease. This includes a ban on feeding deer, which includes salt or mineral blocks, grain feeders, etc. There are also restrictions on the importation of hunter-killed deer and elk

More details of the CWD issue in Illinois can be found at dnr.state.il.us/cwd. The Web site includes the latest data, information on deer testing during hunting, and maps of the CWD incidences. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources also has an excellent Web site at www.dnr. state.wi.us/org/land/wildlife/whealth/ issues/CWD. Another Web site that contains information is the Chronic Wasting Disease Alliance at www.cwd-info.org.

#### Renzio Gracie and Master Lawson Attend Event

Famous jiujitsu/mixed martial artist Renzio Gracie and Master Lawson, director of Barrington Martial Arts, sign their approval before an International Fight League event at the Sears center in Hoffman Estates this past November.



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#### 2007 Ron Santo Walk for the Cure



Members of the Alpha Gamma Delta Alumnae Club and their families receive instructions for registering walkers at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 14 for the 2007 Ron Santo Walk for the Cure at Busse Woods in Schaumburg. The Alpha Gams have assisted with registration for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation walk-a-thon since 1981. More than 35,000 walkers participated at this walk-site raising over \$1.3 million for research.

# Winterizing Steps Control Heating Costs and Keep You Warm

Colder temperatures mean higher heating cent. If two eight-hour setbacks of 10 debills, but don't forget simple steps to make your home more energy and cost effective this winter. Energy dollars can pour out of your living space through drafty doors and windows as well as unused portions of the home. Safe Electricity, a national awareness program, encourages people to make a small investment of time for big dividends in keeping your home and night. or apartment warm and cost efficient this winter.

Safe Electricity is a multimedia public awareness program designed to provide information to consumers. Safe Electricity was founded in 2001 by the Illinois Electric Council, a not-for-profit educational organization of electric utilities, the University of Illinois, and other organizations dedicated to promoting electrical safety and efficiency.

"Most winterizing steps can pay for themselves relatively quickly with heating bill savings," says Molly Hall, executive director of Safe Electricity. "And don't overlook simple energy-saving steps such as closing vents and doors to rooms you don't use. These are effective energy-saving tips that cost you nothing."

Costs associated with heating and cooling account for the majority, about 44 percent of utility bills. Lowering the thermostat is the easiest way to save energy. Energy use is reduced for every degree dialed down. With an eight-hour setback of 10 degrees, the savings is 5 to 15 per-

grees lower are used while sleeping and during time away from home, a 15 to 25 percent savings can result. Turn it down when you are away from home or sleeping, and keep it to the lowest comfortable level when you're at home. Consider installing a programmable thermostat to automatically adjust the temperature day

Use these tips to help cut costs and improve heating efficiency and safety:

· Replace your furnace filter every month to save energy and improve heat circulation. And if you haven't already, it's not too late to have a professional check and service your furnace system to ensure peak efficiency and safety.

· Use sunlight's natural heat to your best advantage. Open curtains and blinds on sunny days to let the sunlight warm your home, and close them on gloomy days and at night to keep the heat inside.

· Close your fireplace damper when you're not using the fireplace to prevent heat from escaping and cold from entering through your chimney.

· If you have older or leaky windows, consider temporary fixes, such as plastic film kits that create the effect of an interior storm window.

· Weather stripping is relatively easy and available at your local home improvement store. Stop drafts from coming in, and heat from leaking out of your home through drafty doors and windows. You could save

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· Use caulk to seal gaps in the walls of your home or apartment. Wherever different building materials meet, or wiring comes out of a wall, there are gaps that may contribute to the loss of heat in your

· Invest in a water heater insulation blanket. If the top of the electric water heater is warm to the touch, you are wasting energy; this means that the heater has to work even harder to heat the water in your home and therefore, uses more en-

· Use electronic timers for lamps and appliances. Timers can be used to automatically turn appliances on and off. This is especially useful for those times of the

day that you are out of the home.

 Using a microwave to cook meals uses about half the energy of a conventional oven

• Replace incandescent light bulbs with more efficient, compact, florescent ones. Besides saving energy, you will also save money in the long run, since the life span of a fluorescent bulb is substantially long-

"Most people will be pleasantly surprised to realize double digit percentage savings on their heating bills by using these simple measures," says Hall. "And don't forget, saving energy is the cheapest and cleanest way to add to our energy

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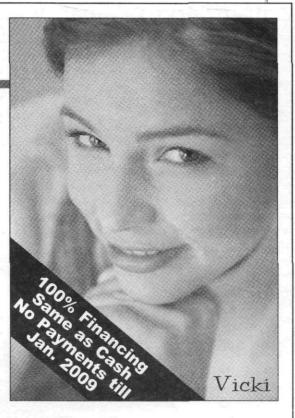


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### **Cancer Survivor Beauty and Support Day**

resentatives, and by proclamation in the Illinois Senate, the first Tuesday in December (beginning Dec. 4, 2007) each year in Illinois will be known as Cancer Survivor Beauty and Support Day for all men, women and children cancer survivors

Barbara Paget, the creator of this program, urges everyone across the country to help make this day a success by hosting or attending a Cancer Survivor Beauty and Support Day at a salon or spa near where they live. What makes this a special and unique event is the relaxed, comfortable setting in which it takes place, away from a medical environment. Paget has the support of Gilda's Club worldwide, the Y-Me National Breast Cancer Organization, the Ovarian Cancer Coali-

By resolution in the Illinois House of Rep- tion, and the Day Spa Association. The National Cosmotology Association who host an annual "look good, feel better" day, also supports this program. The more participants in this special day, the more likely it will soon become a nationwide

> At this point in time, U.S. Rep. Melissa Bean (Ill.) will be introducing this proclamation onto the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives this fall. Hopefully, the measure will also be brought to the floor of the U.S. Senate sometime this fall. For more general information about Cancer Survivor Beauty and Support Day, or for specific information about how to plan or participate in this special day, please contact Barbara at bnphp@aol.com or Highland Park Councilwoman Terri Olian at

#### Cassandra's of Long Grove Closing

We are in a chapter of "New Beginnings." After almost 16 years, we will be closing Cassandra's of Long Grove and the Long Grove Art School by Jan. 15, 2008.

The plan for now is to move Cassandras' business to the Internet and look for a new home for our art school. Art classes that are scheduled will continue till then. And we can still schedule classes for December and most of January.

you and it has been an important part of our lives. We will miss that! We will, however, look forward to a new horizon and hope you might be part of that somehow.

During these last months, our retail merchandise will be drastically reduced-stop in if you'd like to take a peek. Artwork, florals and home accents all need to find new homes before the closing date.

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#### **Educate The Children** Giftwraps During the Holidays

Gift-wrapping during the holidays has volunteers. been a tradition for the Barrington-based Educate the Children Foundation, an organization that year after year contributes to the education of children in impoverished countries. The gift-wrapping is free and patrons can learn more about the organization as they wait for the service and/or contribute for a good cause. Stop by the Barnes & Noble store in Deer Park between Dec. 19 and 22nd and talk to our

Last year, Educate The Children helped build schools, purchased equipment and continued to subsidize the education of children in India, the Philippines, Vietnam, Uganda, Rwanda, Ethiopia and Boliviapaying for the school fees of over 900 children

For information on how to help or contribute, visit www.educatechildren.org or call Marianna Zeidler at 1-847-726-9371.

#### Catholic Charities' 2007 **LOSS Meeting Dates**

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago invites those who have experienced the loss of a loved one to suicide to participate in its Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide Program (LOSS).

#### **Meeting Dates and Locations**

- · Sundays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Catholic Charities Northwest Office, 1717 Rand Road, Des Plaines, on Dec. 9.
  - Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Holy Fam-

ily Church Counseling Center, 2515 Palatine Road, Inverness, on Dec. 19.

• Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m. at Carmel High School, One Carmel Parkway, Mundelein, on Dec 27

To learn more about Des Plaines-based Catholic Charities' Northwest Suburban Services and how they may help you or someone who needs help, please phone 1-847-376-2118.



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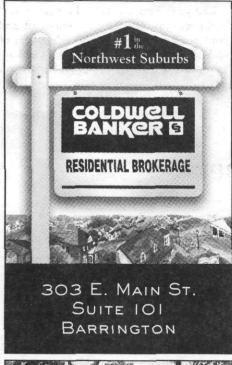


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#### From a Woman's Point of View

by Amy Wickstrom, Wickstrom Ford Lincoln Mercury

Do you like Christmas music? If you answered yes, you're not alone. A couple of local radio stations have been playing Christmas music 24 hours a day since Nov. 1. Now at the time I thought that was a little excessive (I hadn't raided my kids' Halloween candy or taken down the fake cobwebs yet), but on a chilly day some good Christmas music can really lift your

In at Wickstrom Ford Lincoln Mercury we usually wait until after Thanksgiving to start our Christmas music. We use DirecTV for our "muzak," so we could play any genre of music at anytime of the year. I always thought it would be fun to have a "Christmas in July" sale and play Christmas music for a few days. Sadly, I was the only one who liked that idea.

This is actually my favorite time of year at the dealership. People have big smiles on their faces, and it's fun to talk about our plans for the holidays and what our kids think they want for Christmas. When Grace was a baby, Tim invested in a showroom display consisting of a life-size sleigh and animated Santa and reindeer. Richard and I still laugh when we look at the pic-



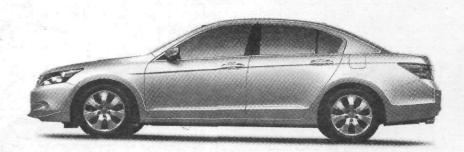
tures of Grace seeing it for the first time. The Santa figure no longer waves, but the kids still love to see him.

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