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From the Desk of The President



Trustees Steker, Yurkovich, and Perry, with Representative Chris Welch and President Pulia in Springfield March 20, 2013.

APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS

Happy April Fool's Day! There are many theories surrounding the origin of April Fool's Day, none of which are very compelling. The most popular theory about the origin involves the French Calendar reform of the 16th century. In 1564 France reformed its calendar, moving the start of the year from the end of March to January 1st. Those who failed to keep up with the change stubbornly clung to the old calendar system and continued to celebrate the New Year during the week that fell between March 25th and April 1st and had jokes played on them. Pranksters would surreptitiously stick paper fish to their back. The victims of this prank were thus called Poisson d'Avril, or April Fish, which to this day, remains the French term for April Fools, and so the tradition was born. I prefer my fish on a plate, and not on my door step wrapped in newspaper.

Some of the most notable April Fool's Day hoaxes of all time are:

INSTANT COLOR TELEVISION:

In 1962 there was only one television channel in Sweden, and it broadcast in black and white. But on April 1st, 1962, the station's technical expert appeared on the news to announce that, thanks

to a new technology, viewers could convert their existing television sets to display color reception. All they had to do was pull a nylon stocking over their TV viewing screen. He demonstrated the process. Thousands of people were taken in and put the stocking over their TV sets. Color broadcasting did however, occur in Sweden on April 1st, 1970.

THE TACO LIBERTY BELL:

The Taco Bell Corporation took out a full page ad that appeared in 6 major newspapers on April 1st, 1966, announcing it had bought the Liberty Bell and was renaming it the Taco Liberty Bell. Hundreds of outraged citizens called the National Historic Park in Philadelphia where the bell was housed to express their anger. Their nerves were only calmed when Taco Bell revealed a few hours later that it was all a practical joke. When then White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry was asked about the sale, he responded that the Lincoln Memorial had also been sold and will be known as the Ford Lincoln Mercury Memorial.

THE LEFT HANDED WHOPPER:

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Fire Department

Home Fire Safety Tips



Maltese Cross

The Maltese Cross is used throughout the Fire Service in the United States as a symbol of Honor, Courage, and Dedication. But, where did it come from and how did it transform into the symbol of the Firefighter? According to many websites, we need to go back to 1113 AD.

This is when a special group of Knights were founded in Jerusalem by a Benedictine monk. These eleventh century knights, who were serving in a Jerusalem hospital, became known as the Order of Knights Hospitaller and later became the Knights of St. John. This charitable organization shared the compassion as do today's Firefighters by caring for the ill with great compassion. Later they assisted the Knights of Crusaders in their effort to win back the Holy Land. As the Knights of St. John and Knights of Crusaders defended the city walls, their fierce opponents who were called, the Saracens, staged an aggressive attack and hurled fire bombs containing highly flammable liquids. As the Knights banded together they were forced to fight the flames of their attackers. It was during this intense fire fight that the courage of our Firefighting ancestors was demonstrated. The Knights banded together, risked life and limb for their Brothers and fought the flames, and saved many fellow Knights. The Knights were later recognized for their bravery during the epic battle located on the Island of Malta.

Today, Firefighters continue to display the same qualities as those brave Knights so many years ago. Regardless if the history of the Maltese cross is directly related with the fire service, it is a true symbol of sacrifice and courage, which are the same qualities of a Firefighter.

Did you know that 50 percent of child fire deaths affect those under the age of five? Escaping from a fire can be difficult for very young children, because they generally lack the motor skills and mental capabilities needed to quickly escape a burning building. The U.S. Fire Administration provides fire prevention information to teach children and their caregivers about the dangers of fire. Protect your kids: install and maintain smoke alarms and residential sprinklers and practice home fire escape plans to ensure your children will be safe if a fire were to start in your home.

Children and Fire: Life Saving Tips

Young children are not able to sense danger in the same way as adults. They have a very limited ability to react quickly and properly in an emergency situation, as well as little control over their environment. This increases their risk of death and injury in a fire.

- Keep matches, lighters and other items used for ignition in a secured drawer or cabinet out of the reach of children.
- Teach your children to tell you when they find matches and lighters.
- Always dress children in pajamas that meet Federal flammability standards. Avoid dressing children for sleep in loose-fitting, 100% cotton garments, such as oversized t-shirts.
- Teach children not to hide from firefighters, but to get out quickly and call for help from another location.
- Show children how to crawl low on the floor, below the smoke, to get out of the house and stay out.
- Demonstrate how to stop, drop to the ground, and roll if clothes catch fire.
- Develop and practice a home fire escape plan and designate a meeting place outside. Get out and stay out.
- Familiarize children with the sound of your smoke alarm.
- Replace mattresses made prior to the 2007 Federal Mattress Flammability Standard.
- Check under beds and in closets for burnt matches, evidence your child may be playing with fire.

Prevention Starts with You!

Ninety-six percent of homes in the United States have at least one smoke alarm. **However, only three-quarters of all homes have at least one working smoke alarm.***

Almost two-thirds of reported home fire deaths in 2003-2006 resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

* Source: National Fire Protection Association

Make a Fire Escape Plan

In the event of a fire, remember - time is the biggest enemy and every second counts! Escape plans help you get out of your home quickly. In less than 30 seconds a small flame can get completely out of control and turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for a house to fill with thick black smoke and become engulfed in flames.

Important

- Practice escape plans every month.
- Plan two ways out of each room.
- Immediately leave your home when a fire occurs.
- Never open doors that are hot to the touch.
- Designate a meeting location away from your home
- Once you're out, stay out!



Important

Having working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home dramatically increases your chances of survival. Smoke alarm batteries need to be tested every month and changed with new ones at least once a year. Also, consider replacing the entire smoke alarm every ten years, or as the manufacturer guidelines recommend.

Profile



Name: Brian Lamphere
Rank: Police Officer
Years as Police Officer: 7

What made you choose police officer as a profession:

From as young as I can remember I wanted to be a Police Officer. I set a goal as a child that I would serve for my Country in many different ways and I have been blessed to say I've done it as a Sergeant in the Army during the Iraq war and as a Police Officer.

Describe a good day at work:

When there's no drama and everyone works together (teamwork)

What is the best part about your job?

Knowing that when I come to work I always give 110% and that I'm always ready to help others in need.

What advice would you give to someone who wants to follow your career path.

I would tell them that it's a great career choice but if you want to be happy in this profession choice the Department you want to work for wisely.

What would occur on your perfect day off?

Going to church on Sundays with my family and focusing on our commitment to The Lord.

Texting and driving is illegal

Distracted Driving puts us all at risk...

If you text, e-mail, or read your phone while driving, you are 29 times more likely to become involved in an accident. Texting while driving prohibits you from driving defensively. You cannot focus on all that is constantly evolving in traffic while you are messaging.

Thirty nine states, including Illinois have laws that ban texting while driving.

In Illinois, "A person may not operate a motor vehicle on a roadway while using an electronic communication device to compose, send, or read an electronic message." But just sit at any stop light and observe how many times that law is broken.

So before you pick up that phone, I-Pad or other communication device, ask yourself a few simple questions:

1. Is this message worth the price of my life or someone else's?
2. Is this message so important that it can't wait for me to pull off the roadway and park before I take the chance to answer?
3. Can I afford a traffic citation which includes a \$120.00 fine (plus court costs), loss of pay- day off work, and a possible increase in insurance premiums?



4. Are my children learning my dangerous texting habit?
Remember...

Texting while driving is illegal and dangerous. Be smart, be safe, and pull over.

Police blotter

At 11:07 pm on February 19th 2013, a **Theft Arrest** was made at 5 Westbrook Corporate Center. Security officers observed a subject removing steel pipes from a construction site and was arrested at the scene.

a **Burglary to Shed** was reported on the 9900 block of Derby Lane. It was reported that between February 15th and February 25th unknown person(s) gained entry into his unlocked storage shed and removed a snow blower and ice melt.

At 1:57 pm on February 21st 2013, a **Residential Burglary** was reported on the 10400 block of Canterbury. The resident reported that between 8:30am and 1:57pm unknown person(s) forced entry to the residence and removed a game system and jewelry. Two subjects were subsequently arrested on February 22nd and charged in relation to this burglary.

At 4:05 pm on February 28th 2013, a **Theft** was reported at the Jewel Foods located at 2128 Mannheim Road. The complainant reported that while shopping an unknown person removed a wallet from their purse.

At 10:47 pm on March 13th 2013, a **Criminal Damage to Property** was reported on the 2100 block of Gardner Road. The resident reported that an unknown person drove their vehicle on the front lawn, damaging the grass and landscaping bricks.

At 9:07 pm on February 21st 2013, a **Burglary from Vehicle** was reported in the Dominicks Foods Parking lot at 3040 Wolf Road. It was reported that between 5:00pm and 9:00pm unknown person(s) removed a purse from their unlocked vehicle.

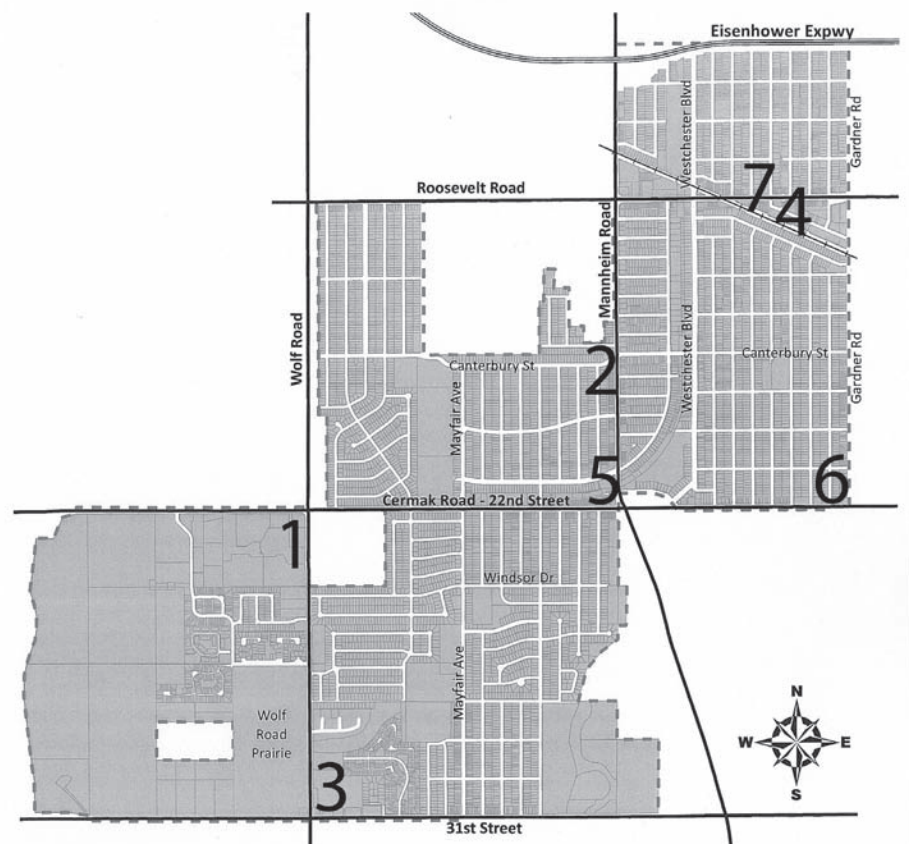
At 12:03 pm on March 15th 2013, a **Theft of Wallet** at the Kentucky Fried Chicken at 9950 Roosevelt Road. A customer reported that their wallet was stolen while standing at the counter placing an order.

At 3:39 pm on February 25th 2013,



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NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH



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Burger King published a full page ad in the April 1st edition of USA TODAY announcing the introduction of a new item to their menu: A "Left-Handed Whopper" specially designed for the 32 million left-handed Americans. According to the advertisement, the new Whopper included the same ingredients as the original Whopper, but all the condiments were rotated 180 degrees for the benefit of their left handed customers. The following day Burger King issued a follow-up release revealing that although the Left-Handed Whopper was a hoax, thousands of customers had gone into their restaurants requesting the new sandwich, many others requested the "Right-Handed Version." I often wondered why my wife Maureen lifts off the top of the bun of the Whopper she orders. I guess she is checking on the rotated position of the condiments. Now I know...

The April 2013 Holiday and Events calendar is quite expansive this month.

According to www.Apples4theTeacher.com Sunday April 7th is NO HOUSEWORK DAY; followed by Monday April 15th TAX DAY; My Favorite is Saturday April 20th HUSBAND APPRECIATION DAY; Monday April 22nd is EARTH DAY; Wednesday April 24th is ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY; and Friday April 26th ARBOR DAY.

PEOPLE YOU SHOULD KNOW

It has recently come to my attention that 2 residents that I call my friends have reached out to people less fortunate than us. They do not know I am writing about them, but I feel it is the right thing to do.

Both are Doctors of Dentistry and have been operating a business at Roosevelt Road and High Ridge Parkway for 30 years. Those Dentists are none other than Dr. Thomas Sullivan and Dr. Keith Suchy.

In recent conversations, Keith informed me that he regularly donates his time and expertise at a free dental clinic located in Wheaton, Illinois in DuPage County. At first blush, I was surprised that there was such a need in DuPage County, but after realizing the mobility factor of the population migration throughout all of the collar counties, I soon came to grips with the fact that the need for professional dental care extending almost everywhere. Keith, I commend you for your service to those that surely are happy you came into their lives.

The second servant of the poor is

my friend Dr. Thomas Sullivan. For those attending the Divine Infant St. Patricks Celebration, the singers were singing was not the tune "H.A. double R. I. G.A.N.", but rather "S.U. double L.I.V.A.N. spells SULLIVAN". Dr. Sullivan has recently returned from an adventure only a few individuals I know have ever been a part of. Tom spent a week serving the poor in South America specifically in the mountains of Honduras. Tom and a doctor friend attended to many a man, woman, and child who walked many miles to seek medical and dental assistance. Tom reflected that he alone pulled well over 200 teeth in the short 5 days he provided his expertise to the poor. Both of these men certainly deserve our recognition and thanks for all the things they do to make Westchester and the world a better place. Thanks Guys!

WESTCHESTER NATIVE WINS YOUNG EDUCATOR AWARD

I would like to note a special congratulations to my nephew Dr. Michael S. Pulia, MD FAAEM in his "Young Educator Award" from the American Academy of Emergency Medicine (AAEM). This award recognizes an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to AAEM through work on educational programs. The recipient must be out of residency less than five years and be a member of the AAEM. Dr. Pulia is an Assistant Professor in the Division of Emergency Medicine at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health. Congratulations Michael on your award and outstanding achievements from the entire Pulia family!

PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION ARTICLE:

As you may be aware, the Village has been exploring the option of consolidating E-911 dispatching services with NORCOMM. This would mean the Village would no longer be the host of a dispatching center. I have provided you with a special feature article regarding this option within this issue of the newsletter. I believe this article will answer many of the questions and alleviate any concerns you may have regarding this matter.

FROM THE BOARD

At our March 12th Village Board meeting the Board amended Chapter 5.36 entitled "Liquor Sale" of Title 5, "Business Licenses and Regulations." The amendment created a Class G License to allow consumption of alcoholic beverages and liquor at the Westchester Park District Banquet Facility. The Westchester Park District, as a liquor license holder, may provide



Dr. Michael S. Pulia recipient of the Young Educator Award from the American Academy of Emergency Medicine.

alcohol beverages for consumption in conjunction with a meal package, for which a flat rate is charged. If a person rents the facility without contracting with the Westchester Park District for a food or beverage package, the renter may serve alcohol beverages at the Mayfair Banquet Facility provided it is part of a food and beverage package, subject to the following conditions: The license holder and all renters of the Mayfair Banquet Facility shall designate someone to be present at the Mayfair Banquet Facility when alcoholic beverages are being consumed that has completed an Illinois State Training "Bassett" program. The license holder or any renter is prohibited from operating a tavern, bar, saloon, cocktail lounge or selling alcoholic beverages separate from a meal package for which a flat rate is charged. The license holder and all renters of the Mayfair Banquet Facility shall obtain liability insurance so as to hold harmless the Village of Westchester from all financial loss, damage or harm from the use of the Park District and from the delivery and consumption of alcoholic beverages. All delivery and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Mayfair Banquet Facility must be done in compliance of section 8-19 of the Park District Code (70 ILCS 1205/8-19), the Illinois Liquor Control Act of 1934 (235 ILCS 5/1-1), and the Westchester Park District Policy Manual.

Also at the March 12th meeting, the Board tabled the vote to "Authorize the Execution of an Agreement with NORCOMM". We also tabled the termination of our photo enforcement program with RedSpeed, as well as the approval of a new agreement with SafeSpeed for red light photo enforcement.

During the Committee of the Whole

meeting of March 12th, P.W director David Stoiser presented the aggressive street re-surfacing plan he has been working on for the past few months. Since the Village is acting as the general contractor for the program, Dave has broken down the bids for a concrete component and an asphalt component. Bids have been received for the concrete component only as of this writing for both phase 1 and phase 2 concrete work. G&M Concrete of Addison, Illinois submitted the lowest bid of \$569,509.00 for the concrete work. The highest bid received was \$786,635.00.

The asphalt component of the project will be bid out separately during the latter part of March with the numbers not available at this time.

Phase 1 is scheduled to begin April 15, 2013 with a completion date of May 31, 2013. Phase 2 is scheduled to begin on July 8, 2013 with a completion date of August 30, 2013.

Phase 1 Streets:
Nelson Square
Wellington Ave.- Nelson to Wakefield

Lancaster Ave.- Wolf to Wellington
Fleet Street- Mayfair to Sunnyside (South Side only)

Preston Street
Hull Ave.- Gladstone to The Strand
Hull Ave.- Cermak Rd to Kent.
Bond Street- Westchester Blvd. to Portsmouth

Phase 2 Streets:
High Ridge from Canterbury to Boeger Ave.

Hiedorn- from Canterbury to Charles Street

Charles - from Wolf to Boeger Ave.
Newcastle Ave. - from Roosevelt to the north end of The Strand

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Public Works is also planning on paving another 2,000 tons of patches in-house throughout the Village this construction season.

The Village Board also discussed upgrading the Village owned electronic sign located at Mannheim Road and Balmoral Ave. The upgrade will include raising the sign 2 feet above its present height. The electronic message center will be replaced with a double sided Daktronics 50" by 121" full color display.

To possibly reduce the number of water main breaks, Director Stoiser is requesting we move forward with an engineering study to add "Soft Start" mechanisms to the water pumps at the Crestwood Pumping Station located at Mannheim & Crestwood Ln. Presently there are four pumps located in the basement of the station. Only one has a "Soft Start" mechanism. The "Soft Start" mechanism is designed to gradually control the flow of water upon start up. An analogy would be turning your kitchen sink faucet on full blast all at one time versus turning the handle slowly to reach maximum volume and pressure. Pumps without "Soft Start" controls cause a water hammer effect where our older underground water pipes could rupture, causing water main breaks in greater frequency.

LEADER IN OUR MIDST

At the beginning of our March 12th Village Board meeting, I congratulated Village Trustee Nick Steker on his appointment to the State of Illinois Fire Advisory Board. Nick, a 17 year career firefighter, and Lieutenant for the Village of Franklin Park, was appointed by Governor Pat Quinn to the board on February 20th. I cannot remember a time where a sitting elected official has been appointed to a state wide board of governance. Nick, who recently married, is also working on his Masters Degree from Lewis University.

SENIOR BREAKFAST

On March 15th, I hosted a Senior Citizen Breakfast at St Joseph High School. I brought along our Village Manager Janet Matthys, Finance Director Anne Burkholder, Community Development Director Melissa Headley, Police Chief April Padalik, Management Assistant Molly (Magee) Keane, Public Works Director David Stoiser, IT Manager Greg Hribal and Village Trustee Walter

Novak. Each presented important information on their role with the Village and answered questions asked by the 60 plus seniors in attendance. St. Joseph President David McCreery also presented some information regarding the redevelopment of the 10 acres of land located where the old St. Joseph school and gymnasium now reside. Many thanks to Dave McCreery, Stephanie Morton, and Joseph Tortorich, as well as the students from the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) club who assisted with the event on their day off from school.

TABLE GRACE GATHERING

On March 13th, I was honored to be invited to a meeting of the Table Grace Group at the old convent at Divine Providence. The topic I was invited to speak about was the History of Westchester. Since being born in Westchester in 1953, I certainly could talk about my experiences growing up in town and remembering the construction boom of the late 50's and 60's. I must give credit to the Westchester Historical Franzosenbusch Heritage Society for a great deal of background information surrounding the early days of Westchester. The group meets on alternate months at the D.P. Convent (ministry center) and at Grace Lutheran Church, (the first church in Westchester). Thank you for your hospitality and your fellowship towards each other.

WCMC LEGISLATIVE DRIVE TO SPRINGFIELD

Each year during the spring session of the Illinois Legislature the West Central Municipal Conference schedules a legislative drive down to Springfield. The goal of the trip is to get face time with not only our own representatives and senators, but to meet additional legislators as a unified group to proffer the legislative objectives of not only individual municipalities but those of the entire region. As President of the WCMC this year, I have encouraged all of the mayors, trustees, and management staff to attend. I, along with Village Manager Janet Matthys, Village Trustees Nick Steker, Tom Yurkovich, and Frank Perry were able to attend to represent Westchester.

TOWN HALL MEETING

On Wednesday, April 3rd, from 6:30 to 7:30pm, our State Representative Emmanuel "Chris" Welch is having his first town hall meeting for Westchester. As you know, Chris has his office in Westchester on Roosevelt Rd. and Newcastle across from Ashland Addison Florist. Please stop in and say hello to Representative Welch.

Refreshments will be served.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING IS BACK

Saturday, April 13th, from 9am to noon will kick off this year's Village E-Waste (electronics recycling) events. Computers, television sets, phones, laptops, printers, scanners, video games and basically anything electronic will be accepted. Volunteers are always welcome to assist the Green Committee in accomplishing our goal to reduce landfill space, comply with state laws, and protect our environment. Please note that the set hours of 9:00a-12:00p are subjective to change based on weather conditions. We do not want to put any volunteers in any danger that may be caused by inclement weather.

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday, April 20th-It's Oscar Night at the Divine Infant Raffle Party. The DI Adult Choir, Strings of Faith, Youth Ensemble, cantors, instrumentalists, dancers and guests will be joining together to celebrate the silver screen and Hollywood's colorful music history with an exciting choral revue entitled, "Cinemagic!" Purchase of a \$100 raffle ticket, with a chance to win \$5,000, provides entrance for two to the CINEMAGIC show, as well as dinner, dancing and a silent auction. The action begins at 6pm. It's a gala you won't want to miss! You may even be surprised to see Maureen and I, and others as guest performers. A special thanks to Janet Reif, Divine Infant's Music Director who is coordinating the entertainment for this gala event, and all others who are donating their time and talents to make this event a success. Come out and join us, you may be surprised to see the hidden talents that some of your friends and neighbors possess.

Saturday, April 20th-Is also the St. Joseph Charger Feast featuring a Pot Luck Extravaganza and Celebrity Pasta Cook -Off! The evening will feature a pot luck cook-off, celebrity pasta eating contest, trivia, DJ, Joyce Garro (IHM alumna from 1970) singing live, split-the-pot, raffle, auction, games of chance, and more! Charger Feast is also home of the 2013 Super Raffle Drawing where \$23,500 will be given away in cash prizes! The Charger Feast event tickets are only \$15! Food and drink tickets are available for purchase. Must be 21 or older to attend. All proceeds will be used as financial aid and scholarships for young men and women attending St. Joseph High School. Charger Feast will take place on the SJHS South Gymnasium, 10900 West Cermak Street, Westchester, Illinois from 6:00 pm - 12:00 am on April 20, 2012. For more information,

visit www.stjoeshsalumni.org or www.stjoeshs.org or email/call Stephanie Morton, smorton@stjoeshs.org /708-562-7488, ext. 148.

Saturday, April 13th-Divine Providence will have its Spring Event from 6pm until Midnight. This year's theme is "A NIGHT in the OLD WESTchester" and will feature the Annual Dinner Dance and Auction. Advance purchase of tickets at \$60 per person/\$55 for seniors. Included is dinner, open bar, raffle games, dancing and entertainment, live and silent auctions with a Western themed bbq menu. Tickets are \$70/person at the door.

VILLAGE CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, April 27, has been designated as a Village wide cleanup day. Several service groups have been invited to assist with our spring clean-up. This year, the Village's lawn maintenance contractor, Alliance Turf Management. Please contact Molly Keane mkeane@westchester-il.org or 708-345-0020 to volunteer your time, effort and energy. The event will take place from 8am until noon and a light lunch will be provided to volunteers following the event.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Mark your calendar and please join us for the RELAY FOR LIFE of WESTCHESTER on June 8-9th, 2013 sponsored by the American Cancer Society. The Event starts at 6pm at Mayfair Park. Each of us knows someone who has suffered from this dreaded disease that we must find a cure. For more information please contact Marian Slahor at mslahor@comcast.net or Danielle Villari Swets at 312-279-7276 or danielle.swets@cancer.org.

MIRACLES IN PROGRESS

As mentioned in the last issue of the newsletter, at the Westchester Chamber of Commerce Celebrate Westchester one of the recipients of a Person of the Year Award was Ms. Susan Watson. Susan, along with Judy Saraceno-Swenson are involved in a non-profit organization called Miracles in Progress. The organization is dedicated to maximizing the lifetime potential of individuals with brain injuries-specifically children. Their mission is to provide therapeutic, medical, educational, recreational and alternative care options for those who are brain injured, i.e., cerebral palsy, stroke, neurological conditions and other related special needs.

The organization is hosting a Golf outing on Friday, May 17th, at Carriage Greens Country Club in Darien. For more information on how you can help contact www.miraclesinprogress.org.



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April: Registration for Youth spring programs and story times at Library continues. Register in Youth Department or call 708-562-3573.

Registration forms for Westchester Community Church's June 15th Flea Market are available. Please call the church office (708)865-1282 for further details. Deadline to reserve space is June 2.

Monday, April 1

April 1-5 Easter Break - No School, Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

April 1st - April 5th Divine Infant Jesus School is closed for Easter break. School will resume on Monday April 8th.

Spring Break - No School, WPS

Tuesday, April 2

Classes Resume, WPS
BOE Committee of the Whole Meeting at WMS (6:30 PM)

Wednesday, April 3

Blackout Poetry at 5:00 PM at Library. Poetry workshop using books and markers -with a twist. For teens in grades 8-12.

Family Film Night featuring "Frankenweenie" 6:30 PM at Library.

8th Grade Washington, D.C. Parent Meeting at WMS (7:00 PM)

Divine Providence Over 50 Club will meet on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 in the Mayfair Room at the School at 1:30 p.m. Doors will open at 1:00 p.m. Guests are welcome for a \$1.00 donation. We will be discussing the Mother's Day/Father's Day Luncheon for May. If you need more information regarding the Club call President Betty @ 708-562-2765

Town Hall Meeting with Representative Emmanuel "Chris" Welch from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM in the Village Hall Board Room.

Friday, April 5

Eucharistic Adoration, 8:00 AM
Opening Prayers until 7:00 PM
Benediction, Divine Providence Ministry Center, 2540 Mayfair

Saturday, April 6

St. Joseph High School Booster Club NCAA Final Four Night at SJHS Gymnasium. Doors Open at 4:00

pm. Admission: Adults \$20.00 (21 and over) and includes dinner and 10 - \$1 Raffle Tickets. Cash Beer and Wine Bar (Dinner served @ 7 pm). Questions: Please call the SJHS Athletic Office, 708-562-0767.

Come watch the nocturnal courtship display of the amorous male woodcock from the deck of the Prairie House. We will be watching for his spiraling flight and listening for his call at 7 pm 11225 Constitution Drive just west of Wolf Road. For more information call 708-354-5512 or visit savetheprairiesociety.org.

Sunday, April 7

Westchester's own Strings of Faith will perform at two upcoming Sunday worship services of Westchester Community Church, United Church of Christ, 1840 Westchester Blvd. The special services - at 10 a.m. on April 7 and June 2 - will be open to the public. The Strings of Faith, whose home base is Divine Infant Church, have been playing Christian music for years. (insert photo)

Monday, April 8

EDC Meeting at 7:00 AM in the Community Room of Village Hall.

Classes resume, Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

Tuesday, April 9

Consolidated Election Day! You can find your local polling place by going to www.cookcountyclerk.com.

Consolidated Election Day, Teacher Institute Day, No School for Students, WPS

Divine Infant Jesus School Advisory Board Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Rectory, 1601 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Village Board Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall Court Room with the Committee of the Whole Meeting immediately following.

Wednesday, April 10

Family Film Night featuring "Brave" 6:30 PM at Library.

All School mass at 8:00 am at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Thursday, April 11

Incoming Kindergarten Parent Meeting at WPS (7:00 PM)

Newly reorganized American Legion Col.A.L.Brodie Post 1437 in Westchester is looking for new members. If you are a veteran and would like to join our post, we meet the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Our post is at 3034 S. Wolf Road, next to Dominick's. Our dues are \$30 per year. For more information call Don Schultz at 708-562-5666 or Stan Kolodziej at 708-790-9640.

Saturday, April 13

Spring Event : "A NIGHT IN THE OLD WESTchester," Dinner-Dance and Auction, 6:00 PM until Midnight, Divine Providence McInerney Center, 2500 Mayfair Avenue. For Information, call 708-562-2258.

Westchester AYSO soccer registration will be held from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at Immanuel Lutheran School Gym, 2329 S. Wolf Road. Please pre-apply at www.eayso.org, and bring signed forms to registration. No computers will be available on site. Earlybird player registration fee is \$80.00. For more information, visit www.WestchesterAYSO.org.

Michael J. Lisuzzo Benevolent Foundation Event at Eden Lanes from 8 pm - 11 pm. Supports Catholic Education at St. Joseph High School. \$30 open bar. Email questions to mjlbenevolentfoundation@hotmail.com.

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The Divine Infant Women's Guild is sponsoring a Mother/Daughter Mass & Fashion Show. Mass will be at 9:00 am at Divine Infant Jesus Church with continental breakfast and fashion show to follow in Langan Hall at Divine Infant Jesus School, 1640 Newcastle Avenue. Contact the rectory at 708-865-8071 for more information.

Sunday, April 14

A Taste of China at 2:00 pm at Library. Chinese tea ceremony & sampling

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Please join State Representative

Chris Welch's

OPEN FORUM

Wednesday, April 3
6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Westchester Village Hall
Board Room
10300 W. Roosevelt Rd.
Westchester

Please join Rep. Chris Welch and Westchester Village President Sam Pulla for an open discussion on current issues and legislation impacting local residents and our communities. Residents are encouraged to attend to share their concerns and provide suggestions to help improve the quality of life in our area.

For more information, please contact Rep. Welch's Constituent Service Office at 708-450-1000 or repwelch@emanuelchriswelch.com.

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of Chinese classical dance & music. Advance registration is requested. Contact Adult Dept or call 708-562-3573.

Wednesday, April 17

Recycle it! (teen craft program) at 5:00 PM at Library. Learn how you can save the plant one craft at a time. For teens in grades 8-12. Contact Youth Dept or call 708-562-3573.

Family Film Night featuring "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Roderick Rules" 6:30 PM at Library.

WIS Spring Chorus Concert (7:00 PM)

All School mass at 8:00 am at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Thursday, April 18

Friends of the Library Scrabble &

Game Night at 6:30 PM at Library. Membership in Friends required, non-members can join at the door.

Incoming Kindergarten Visitation Days @ WPS (12:15-12:45 PM)

Board of Education Meeting @ WMS (7:00 PM)

Friday, April 19

Incoming Kindergarten Visitation Days @ WPS (12:15-12:45 PM)

All-School Mass, 9:00 AM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair

Taize Prayer, 7:30 PM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair

Teetering Tots Playgroup 9:30-10:30 a.m. Teetering Tots Playgroup would like to welcome tots between the ages of 0-4 to a playgroup in the Divine Providence gym twice a month. The group has been established to provide stay-at-home and part-time working parents with a local activity to promote friendships and provide emotional support to parents with children in the early years of their live. We welcome the very young of Westchester, with a parent, into Divine Providence School for some entertainment and

socialization. Parents are encouraged to bring any items from bottles to bears that will make the experience more enjoyable for their children.

Saturday, April 20

The Eastern Prairie Fringed Orchid is one of the rarest prairie plants in the nation. It was once known to Wolf Road Prairie in the past. Last August, rare seeds from the plant were re-introduced to Wolf Road Prairie in the attempt to return the plant to the preserve. On April 20 at 1:30 PM, Cathy Pollack, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, will present a program on the Eastern Prairie Fringed Orchid and what is being done to preserve this plant. We are hoping that the Orchid will one day bloom again at Wolf Road Prairie.

Love This Planet: Storytelling for the Whole Family at 1:30 PM at Library. Contact Youth Dept for more information, 708-562-3573.

Market Day Pick Up @ WMS (10:00-10:30 AM)

Westchester Community Church 9:30 am - 11:00 pm will hold a Scrapbooking Fundraiser. Please call the church office (708) 865-1282 for further details.

Westchester Community Church 10:00 am - 2:00 pm will be making iris fold greeting cards, volunteers make cards to send overseas to our military to send home to their families, \$5 for lunch. Please call the church office (708) 865-1282 for further details.

St. Joseph High School hosts 2013 Charger Feast from 6:00 pm to midnight at the SJHS Gymnasium. Pot Luck Extravaganza, Celebrity Pasta Cook-Off, Meatball Eating Contest, Super Raffle Drawing, Auction, Trivia, DJ, Split-the-Pot, Games of Chance. Admission: Adults \$15.00 (21 and over). RSVP to Stephanie Morton at 708-562-7488, ext. 148.

Divine Infant Jesus School will host a Red Carpet Gala Oscar Night Choral Review & Raffle at 1640 Newcastle Avenue. The purchase of a \$100 raffle ticket provides entrance for two to the Cinemagic show in the Divine Infant gym in addition to the dinner and dancing in Langan Hall from 6:00 pm to Midnight. Also included is a silent auction and a chance to win up to \$10,000 (based on ticket sales). For ticket sales or more information contact the rectory at 708-865-8071 or the school at 708-865-0122.

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Village Branch Pick-up

Village branch pickup will begin Monday, April 1, 2013.

The Public Works Department will pick up branches the first full week of every month.

All brush must be put out on the front parkway no later than 7:00 a.m. on the designated pickup day. Branches can be up to 7' in length and stacked with the butt ends facing the street in the same direction. If not stacked properly, a "restack" notice will be left.

Public Works Crews will only pass through a designated pickup area once due to time schedule and other workload responsibilities.

Thursday and Friday are Open Load days for pickup of any brush that will not fit through the chipper, such as logs, stumps, and large limbs. These must be cut for one man to lift.

*Please make every effort to cut oversized limbs/stumps for one employee to lift and be sure to remove the dirt from the root ball to allow for pick-up. Landscaping contractors are responsible for their own brush pickup and disposal.

Branch Pick-up Schedule

MONDAY

From Mannheim Road west to Wolf road and from Canterbury south to Windsor-including both sides of Windsor Drive. Also, Waterford, Waverly, Camelot and Concord.

TUESDAY

Roosevelt Road south to Cermak Road-from Gardner Road west to Mannheim Road.

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April
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April 1-4

May
branch
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May 6-9

May 2013						
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WEDNESDAY

From Roosevelt Road north to the expressway and from Gardner Road west to Mannheim Road. Also, Roosevelt Road south to Canterbury from Haase west to Heidorn.

THURSDAY

From Bellevue west to Wolf Road, Martindale Drive to 31st Street

Please Note: The Branch Pick-up Schedule is subject to change based on the amount of debris being picked up and weather conditions. If we miss your pick-up, we will return the following day.



WESTCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Food for Fines

Help stock the Westchester Food Pantry at the village hall and clear your overdue fines, too – all in celebration of **National Library Week!**

From **Sunday, April 14 through Saturday, April 20**, you can receive \$1 credit toward payment of your current overdue fines for every can or box of non-perishable food you bring to the Circulation Desk. (If you don't have fines, we will still welcome your donations for the pantry!)

Credit for food donations applies only to overdue fines on Westchester-owned items and not applicable to fees; replacement costs for lost, billed, or damaged items; nor fines on items from other libraries.

The Westchester Food Pantry

helps feed needy families in our community. Please be considerate in your donations by making sure items you donate have not exceeded the expiration date on the package. Also, products like ramen noodles or Kool-Aid packets do not qualify for this promotion.

New Group Study Areas

Where can a small group talk without disturbing others? In response to patron requests, the Library now has three new group study areas located in the Adult Department and designed for use by small groups of 2-4 adults or teens (providing at least one member is age 14 or older).

Groups are given top priority in the use of a group study area. A group can be a cluster of high school students working on a project for school, a couple conversing while perusing the newspaper together, or a project team needing to meet away from disruptions at the office or shop.

As a courtesy to members of our community, groups of Westchester residents or local business staff may reserve a group study area up to 3

days in advance by contacting the Adult Reference staff (708-562-3573). A same-day reservation is available for any group, providing the requested time slot is available.

Reservations are only available to groups and limited to one 2-hour block of time per day; however, the group may remain in the study area if no other reservation is pending. Likewise, an individual using the Library may request use of a group study area if one is unoccupied and not reserved for group use.

Note: the panel-partitioned areas are not soundproof, so users will still need to talk in moderate tones.

Museum Adventure Pass

The Museum Adventure Pass is alive and well and now includes LegoLand Discovery Center in Schaumburg, along with other favorite suburban locations like Brookfield Zoo. Visit the newly designed website for admission details for each of the participating museums:

www.museumadventure.org

Westchester patrons can obtain a pass at the Adult Reference Desk for the museum of their choice upon presentation of a valid Westchester library card. Due to a limited number of passes, only one pass is available per family per 7-day period.



Put some **SPRING** in your step with these! See more in the calendar (this issue) and on our website: www.westchesterpl.org:

- For kids: **Love This Planet (storytelling)** - Sat, Apr 20, 1:30 pm
Day of the Child/Read to Brickles - Sun, Apr 28, 1:30 pm
- For teens: **Blackout Poetry** - Wed, Apr 3, 5:00 pm
Recycle It - Wed, Apr 17, 5:00 pm
- For adults: **A Taste of China** - Sun, Apr 14, 2:00 pm
Look Good & Feel Good - Sun, May 5, 2:00 pm
- For Friends: **Scrabble & Game Night** - Thurs, Apr 18, 6:30 pm

WESTCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY • 708-562-3573 (TTY/TDD 708-562-9364) • askus@westchesterpl.org • www.westchesterpl.org

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30 am-9:00 pm, Friday 9:30 am-6:00 pm, Saturday 9:30 am-5:00 pm, Sunday 1:00—5:00 pm.

Westchester Civic Theatre

Presents our spring play

Leaving Iowa

by Tim Clue and Spike Manton

Saturday, April 6, 7:30 PM • Sunday, April 7, 2:00 PM
 Saturday, April 13, 7:30 PM • Sunday, April 14, 2:00 PM

www.WestchesterPlays.com

Tickets: Call 708-928-5010 or visit website
 \$13 Adults • \$11 Seniors and Students
 \$9 Child 6-12 • under 6 free

WCT Performs at: St. Joseph High School Theatre, 10900 W. Cermak, Westchester



Proposed consolidation of E-911 dispatch

As many residents have heard, the Village is exploring the option of consolidating its E-911 Dispatch center with NORCOMM. The topic came up as a budgetary consideration at a Special Meeting of the Village Board on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 that was called to discuss the public safety departmental budgets for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2014. This is not the first time the subject of consolidating the E-911 Dispatch Center has come up. The Board entered into a consolidation study in 2011 to determine the costs/benefit of consolidating our E-911 Dispatch Center with the Villages of Broadview and Hillside. Due to financial and political considerations, that consolidation was not determined to be in the best interests of the Village. We hope to address many of your questions and concerns in this article.

NORCOMM proposes creating a Public-Private Partnership with the Village of Westchester by providing the Village of Westchester with emergency dispatch services, by consolidating its 9-1-1 Center with NORCOMM's privately owned consolidated dispatch center. By entering into a contract with NORCOMM, the Village of Westchester becomes insulated from the immeasurable and significant financial liabilities and risks associated with staffing and equipping a 9-1-1 Center, such as personnel costs (salaries, insurance, pension), maintenance of a 9-1-1 telephone system, maintenance of a computer aided dispatch system (CAD), funding of a capital improvement plan for dispatch center equipment, funding of maintenance agreements.

Who is NORCOMM?

NORCOMM Public Safety Communications, Inc. (NORCOMM), located at 395 W Lake Street, in Elmhurst, IL, was founded in 1994 to provide emergency dispatch services and professionally trained 9-1-1 dispatch staff and dispatch equipment to rural, urban, and suburban communities and fire protection districts throughout Illinois, including the Bellwood Police and Fire Departments, the Franklin Park Police and Fire Departments, the Melrose Park Police and Fire Departments, the Bensenville Fire Protection District, the Cicero Police and Fire Departments, the Elk Grove Rural Fire Protection District, the

Leyden Fire Protection District, the Northlake Fire Protection District, the River Grove Police and Fire Departments and the Stone Park Police and Fire Departments. NORCOMM operates the first privately owned consolidated 9-1-1 Center in the State of Illinois.

NORCOMM is a privately held company and is affiliated with Superior Air-Ground Ambulance Service, Inc. (Superior), as both have common ownership. Superior Air-Ground Ambulance Services, Inc. began providing EMS services to Du Page County, IL in 1959 before such services were being offered through Fire Departments. Since 1959, Superior has grown to be the largest independent locally owned and operated private EMS provider in the greater Chicagoland area, and also serves Rockford, IL, areas in Lake County, IL, northwest Indiana, and Detroit, MI. Through Superior and its affiliate companies, it employs over 1600 individuals and operates a fleet of over 200 ambulances. By integrating strong family values of integrity and character into its daily operations and corporate vision, Superior has created partnerships with over 100 renowned healthcare service providers throughout five Midwest states.

Superior's corporate headquarters are in DuPage County, IL, and operate from 25 ambulance stations throughout the Chicagoland area. Through the company and its affiliated companies, they currently service over 72 municipalities, fire districts, and industrial facilities. In each discipline, they are dedicated to supporting the communities they service. Through its family of businesses in the firefighting, EMS, and 9-1-1 industry, they are uniquely positioned to watch trends develop in private industry and to provide specialized services, staffing, and equipment programs to their clientele in the public sector.

Personnel Qualifications

NORCOMM will provide qualified personnel to perform emergency 9-1-1 dispatch services in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations of the State of Illinois, any applicable municipal ordinances, and policies and procedures of the Village. All regular and replacement personnel will serve under the supervision and direction of the management staff at

NORCOMM. The management staff regularly meets with its advisory board, which is represented by Police and Fire Chiefs from NORCOMM's client communities.

All personnel provided shall be trained in accordance with standards established by the State of Illinois and the Illinois State Police for access to the Law Enforcement Agency Data System (LEADS) and all other applicable standards. NORCOMM personnel, whether Police or Fire Dispatchers, are all trained to LEADS standards, regardless of discipline.

All personnel provided will carry current Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) licensing for Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) Certification. Per Illinois Compiled Statute 210 ILCS 50/3.70 and the Illinois Administrative Code Title 77: Chapter I; sub-chapter f; part 515.70 each 9-1-1 center is required to its Resource Hospital, Loyola EMS system. NORCOMM uses the National Academy of Emergency Medical Dispatch, an internationally recognized program, to provide pre-arrival medical instruction to callers. Each NORCOMM Telecommunicator is provided with 24 hours of initial training, and additional training through ongoing Continuing Education Program (CE) each month in compliance with Loyola EMS system's policies, which is under the direction of Dr. Mark Cichon. NORCOMM does employ its own IDPH Lead Instructor to conduct its EMD continuing education training. NORCOMM plays an active role in the EMS community, as representatives in the MABAS Division 20 EMS committee and Illinois APCO EMD Committee.

NORCOMM personnel are certified in APCO Public Safety Telecommunicator I and APCO Fire Service Communications. Each class is 40 hours in length, and serves as the foundation for the Telecommunicator. Classes focus on a broad array of topics from radio frequency technology, stress management, call taking, law enforcement and fire dispatch. The APCO classes are taught by its certified in-house instructors to minimize turnaround times on training. These classes serve as the initial part of its classroom academy.

The NORCOMM academy is a 160 hour classroom environment that prepares the Telecommunicator for

a career as a 9-1-1 Telecommunicator. The program focuses on call taking, radio dispatching, computer aided dispatch (CAD), equipment, and policies and procedures. They also train personnel on the policies and procedures of its client agencies. NORCOMM specifically trains its Telecommunicators for a specific discipline, either fire service or law enforcement. The trainees are released from training only after attaining a 90% or above scoring average on tests and quizzes. Geography is only the beginning of the training in this section. Personnel are exposed to the Village's operations through coordinated ride-along with our police department and fire department personnel, identifying unit numbers, names and familiarization of our personnel. Each NORCOMM Telecommunicator is ready to be exposed to their shadow phase of training once released from the Academy by NORCOMM's APCO Certified Training Instructors (CTO), where daily observation reports are completed to document training milestones. The Company's training program is designed to meet APCO Project 33 standards, which defines the best practices for training programs for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP). The Company's program is also designed to meet future training standards for 9-1-1 centers.

All personnel provided will have undergone a background check via fingerprint inquiry and possess a valid Permanent Employee Registration Card (PERC) in accordance with the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations (IDFPR) per 225 ILCS 447/35-30.

Integration of Dispatch Services for Westchester PD and FD and other Public Safety Agencies

NORCOMM personnel shall operate under the direction of the Executive Director. The Executive Director and the NORCOMM Operations Group will work with Westchester's Police and Fire Chiefs or any persons designated by the Police or Fire Chief as per chain of command of the Westchester Police and Fire Departments. When performing dispatch duties, NORCOMM's personnel shall fulfill any and all lawful duties and assignments as directed by the Police and Fire Chief

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or their designated officers.

NORCOMM meets with its "Board of Advisors" ("Board") on a regular basis to assist in the coordination of the overall function of the Dispatch Center and NORCOMM's provision of communication services. The Board serves in an advisory capacity on issues, which concern communications, and dispatching. NORCOMM will adhere to all of the operational practices and procedures required by the Board. The Board consists of police and fire chiefs whose departments utilize NORCOMM for primary dispatch.

NORCOMM's personnel will adhere to the Village of Westchester protocols, guidelines or procedures for responses to medical and fire related calls for service. NORCOMM strongly encourages its client agencies to work together collectively and mutually agree upon policies that provide uniform responses to incidents. In doing so, the agencies create a more streamlined dispatch process and partnership. NORCOMM agencies meet monthly by discipline to discuss policies and procedures at monthly Board meetings.

Emergency Medical Dispatch

al architect and Supervisor of the 9-1-1 Center since its inception back in 1991, it was always my intention to be able to provide Emergency Medical Dispatch service to you our residents and guests. Minutes can be critical during the time you or a loved one, God forbid, would be having a heart attack. Providing life saving techniques over the phone may be the difference between life and death. Not presently having two dispatch personnel, working each shift, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, limits our ability to provide this valuable service. Our present dispatch personnel are one of the best in the field and will be able to continue to provide you with the valuable service they have provided since being employed. NORCOMM has stated they will be able to retain 4 of our dispatch personnel to continue to receive telephone calls from Westchester and send Westchester Police/Fire/ Ambulance personnel to your home. NORCOMM also currently has two Westchester residents on staff. There will be no delay in dispatching help to your home. The 3 remaining personnel will be offered employment with the Superior Ambulance group of



affiliated companies. Consolidation and combining municipal resources in order to provide the best service is not a new phenomenon. The Village of Hinsdale combined with Southwest Central Dispatch last year, and the Village of Oak Brook entered into an agreement with DuPage County's DuComm System in 2011.

Funding E-911 Dispatch Services

The Village of Westchester E-911 Dispatch Center is currently manned by a Supervisor and seven telecommunicators. The E-911 Dispatch Center is funded through general revenues (i.e. property taxes, state income taxes, state sales taxes) as well as from dedicated state taxes on telephone landlines and wireless phones. The budgeted expenditures of the E-911 Dispatch Center projected for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2014 at the current level of service is \$1,037,000.

The Village is not currently providing Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) due to a lack of sufficient staffing. In order to upgrade our personnel to be able to provide EMD, we would have to increase current staffing levels which would add an additional expenditure for personnel and benefit costs of \$275,000, bringing our E-911 Dispatch Center budget

to \$1,312,000.

The Village has also been notified recently that the State of Illinois may be reducing its Local Government Distributive Funds (LGDF) paid to the Village by \$11.40 per resident; this translates to a reduction in general revenues received by the Village of approximately \$192,000. The State is also considering keeping the Wireless Emergency Telephone System Act (WETSA) funds that it currently remits to local municipalities; this would result in an approximate \$115,000 reduction in revenues in the Village's E-911 Fund. If the Village incurs the reduction of these two revenues in the aggregate amount of \$307,000 per fiscal year, combined with the increase in personnel costs to provide EMD, the Village's budget could potentially incur a deficit of \$582,000.

As a non-home rule community, the Village does not have the ability to generate new revenue sources without going to referendum. This additional deficit in the budget would result in necessary lay-offs or furlough time throughout the Village that could quite possibly result in a decrease in services (police, fire, public works) to all residents.

We have estimated that by consolidating the E-911 dispatch services, the Village would have

costs savings of approximately \$1,184,000 over five years at the current level of service and as much as \$2,630,000 over five years as compared to the Village providing EMD service.

In Summary

The Village Board of Trustees has a fiduciary responsibility to preserve the safety and to provide services for all residents in the most cost effective manner. If the Board votes to consolidate the E-911 Dispatch Center with NORCOMM, it will only be after a thorough evaluation of the safety of our citizens, services provided and the financial impact to the community.

We, as elected officials, must make decisions, sometimes unpopular ones, for the good of all the 16718 residents and not just employees. The decision will not be an easy one for any of us. If you would like more information on NORCOMM, they will be hosting four open houses for Westchester residents at their facility in the lower level of the Leyden Fire Department located at 2600 N. Mannheim Road, Franklin Park, at the following times:

Saturday, April 6	10 - 2pm
Thursday, April 11	6 - 9pm
Tuesday, April 16	6 - 9pm
Saturday, April 20	10 - 2pm

Crackdown on Illegal Conversions of Two-Flat Buildings in Westchester

Over the years there have been reports of 2-flat buildings being converted into 3-flat buildings with basements being used as a domicile. Such conversions not only result in overcrowding, but are outright illegal and very dangerous. When a complaint is received regarding an alleged illegal conversion, our Community Development Department makes personal visits to these resi-

dences and informs the building owners and occupants that such conversions, if they exist, are illegal and in violation of the Village Ordinances and present dangerous safety issues. Any landlord of a 2-flat building who converts the basement to livable space and rents the space or allows people to reside in that area of the building without proper zoning, permits and in-

spections are in violation of the Village's Ordinances and may be subject to legal prosecution. Basements in 2-flat buildings often result in overcrowding and do not have the requisite egress needed in case of an emergency. This overcrowding and lack of egress presents a definite safety hazard. In case of fire, without proper egress those in the illegal unit could become trapped and

succumb to the smoke and/or fire. The bottom line here is that conversions of 2-flat buildings without proper zoning, permit and inspection are ILLEGAL and need to be REMOVED IMMEDIATELY. If the building owners need further guidance please contact our Community Development Director, Melissa Headley at 708-345-0020.

Westchester Business Retention Survey

Are you a business owner in town or know someone who is? In an effort to support the Village of Westchester's 2012 Strategic Plan, the Economic Development Committee created a village business survey to assess the needs of village business owners. The goal is to create a thriving local economy by maxi-



TAKE SURVEY

mizing Primary objectives of the survey include the understanding of: -The challenges and opportunities for Westchester businesses within the community -Strengths and Weaknesses of Westchester as a place to conduct business -Perceptions of local barriers for retention, expansion and attraction of business

-Probability of business expansion, relocation, closure or sale. Business owners are invited to take the survey online at www.westchester-il.org under the business tab choose "Business Retention Survey". If you would like a hard copy mailed to you, please give us a call at 708-345-0199 or email at mheadley@westchester-il.org.



Choose Westchester Shop & Dine Local



Celebrate Earth Day & Reduce Your Carbon Footprint

Locally owned businesses can make more local purchases, requiring less transportation, and they generally set up shop in commercial corridors rather than developing on the fringe. This means less sprawl, congestion, habitat loss, and pollution.

Choose Westchester Businesses First

Did you know that all the businesses that hold a current business license are listed on the Village's website?

You can search for businesses by name or by category. Just go to www.westchester-il.org under the business tab choose "Local Businesses".

Are you a business owner in the Community and don't see your

business listed? Give us a call 708-345-0199 or email at mheadley@westchester-il.org



Village of Westchester

Would like to welcome its newest businesses:

Dunkin Donuts
Northeast Corner of
31st & Wolf
708-562-0875
Restaurant

Novacare Services Inc
10001 Derby Lane
708-655-4573
Home Care

Norvilla LLC
2205 Enterprise Dr,
Ste 250
630-669-9522
General Contractor

Cinco de Mayo 2013 Fiesta

Join us for the first family fun fiesta!

Saturday, May 4, 2013 @ Gladstone Park
from 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm

*Enjoy music, dancing,
food, drinks, and special
performances!*



This event is made possible by the collaboration of the Village of Westchester, the Westchester Park District, the Westchester Chamber of Commerce and School District 92 1/2.

Westchester Spring Cleaning Day

Saturday, April 27th

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Anyone interested in earning service hours by beautifying our community is encouraged to participate.

We will be picking up litter, raking leaves, mulching, planting, etc.

The Village of Westchester is looking for volunteers for the Spring Cleaning Day.

The Village will provide clean up materials but volunteers are asked to dress for the weather, be prepared to get a little dirty, and bring their own gloves.

A lunch will be provided to volunteers following the clean up.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Molly Keane at the Village mkeane@westchester-il.org or 708-345-0020.



Students choose their destination

Stephanie DelFiacco
Assistant Principal - WMS

Westchester District 92½ Intermediate and Middle Schools implemented a new program called Destination ImagiNation. Destination ImagiNation is an educational program in which student teams solve open-ended challenges and present their solutions at tournaments.

We began with an all school assembly to show students what Destination ImagiNation was all about. During the assembly, students participated in mini challenges performed in front of the entire school. This sparked interest

and we soon had a list of students who wanted to take part in this challenge.

Following the assembly, a parent meeting was held to further explain the details, time commitment, role and responsibility of being a part of Destination ImagiNation. From this meeting, six teams were created. The team names were: Hot Pocketz (WMS), The Lemon Lords (WMS), La Vaca Hace Moo (WMS), Bamboo Pandas (WIS), X-Factors (WIS), and Challenge Crushers (WIS). Teams were presented with six different challenges with special focuses in the areas of technical, science, fine arts, improvisation, structural and service learning. Each team picked

one challenge and developed a solution to present at the tournament. Additionally, all teams completed an on-site Instant Challenge that is revealed at the tournament. Instant Challenges may be performance-based, task-based or a combination of the two. Each team practiced for the Instant Challenges at school by completing activities that developed their creative problem solving and time management strategies as well as teamwork.

On March 2nd, with just six weeks to work on their challenges, the teams traveled to the DestiNation Imagination Tournament in Libertyville. Each team met their challenge head on, and through

much diversity, the Middle School team "Hot Pocketz" won the DaVinci Award for creativity. Their challenge was to present a team-created story about a character that uses a disguise. They could only use non-verbal techniques to present the story and had to construct two masks to enhance the story. Hot Pocketz will continue on to compete at the state tournament at Northern Illinois University on April 13th. The Hot Pocketz team members are Serena Burton, McKenzie Carlson, Arisa Fernando, Trisha Fischer, Stephanie Guralnick, Sarah Weiner and Siriya Yuttapibool.

We are very proud of all our teams and wish Hot Pocketz luck at state!

CALENDAR

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Monday, April 22

EDC Meeting at 7:00 AM in the Community Room of Village Hall.

Tuesday, April 23

WPS Book Fair Family Night (6:30-8:30pm)

The Divine Infant Jesus School student body will be praying the rosary - 2:10 pm at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Village Board Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall Court Room with the Committee of the Whole Meeting immediately following.

Wednesday, April 24

TAG - Teen Advisory Group monthly meeting at 4:00 PM at Library. For teens in grades 8-12. Contact Youth Dept or call 708-562-3573.

Family Film Night featuring "Big Miracle" 6:30 PM at Library.

WMS Spring Band Concert (7:00 PM)

All School mass at 8:00 am at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Market Day pick-up from 5:30 - 6:30

pm in Langan Hall at Divine Infant Jesus, 1640 Newcastle Avenue. Call the rectory at 708-865-8071 for more information.

Thursday, April 25

WPS McTeacher Night at McDonald's, 31st & Wolf Rd, (5-8 PM)

WMS Senior Concert (10:00 AM)

The Spring Choral Concert will be held at 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm at Divine Infant Jesus School, 1640 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Saturday, April 27

First Communion, 11:30 AM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair

Market Day Pickup 8:30-9:30 a.m. Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org;

Spring Fling Dance at Westchester Community Church 1840 Westchester Blvd. Westchester, IL. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Live music by Matt Gheraldi on the keyboard from 7:00pm -10:00pm. Appetizers will be served. Tickets \$12.00 if purchased by Sunday, April 21st. \$14.00 at the door. Call the church office, 708-865-1282, to purchase tickets.

Eucharist Retreat at Divine Infant Jesus School - 9 am to noon for 2nd graders of Divine Infant Parish making their First Communion. Contact Sr.

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Pictured from left to right: Emily Bramos, Maddie McDowell, Camille Jefferson, and Makayla Williams.

X-Factors

The WIS 4th grade girls were members of the X-Factors Team. They had four minutes to complete a challenge whereby they had to create a device that would move an egg from the floor to the tabletop using only the following materials: 1 envelope, 1 clothespin,

1 binder clip, 1 mailing label, 2 straws, and 1 plastic egg.

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6th-add	\$ 25.00	\$ 62.50	Family of 6	\$225.00	\$500.00
7th-add	\$ 25.00	\$ 62.50	Family of 7	\$250.00	\$562.50
8th-add	\$ 25.00	\$ 62.50	Family of 8	\$275.00	\$625.00
9th-add	\$ 25.00	\$ 62.50	Family of 9	\$300.00	\$687.50
10th-add	\$ 25.00	\$ 62.50	Family of 10	\$325.00	\$750.00

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Saturday, May 11th

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Instructor: Jeanine Dent

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April

APRIL

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 Parent/Tot Sports All Star Soccer	2	3 T-Ball / Spicy Salsa Chess Scholars Rhythmic Gymnastics	4 Easy Yoga	5 Baby & Me Tumble Tots	6 Golf
7	8	9	10 Busy Babies Messy Me's	11	12 Alphabet Soup	13 Tot Rock Kid Rock
14	15 Busy Builders Adult Tennis	16	17	18 Foam Roller Workshop	19	20 Ocean Friends
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Jr. Robotics Boot Camp	30 END OF EARLY BIRD POOL PASS RATES				

MAY

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2 Shake, Rattle & Roll	3	4

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Entrees

Celebrity Pasta Cook-Off

St. Joseph proudly welcomes local establishments to join a pasta cook-off challenge. Watch as your favorite restaurants battle for the title of the 2013 ChargerFeast Past Cook-Off Champion.

If you are a restaurant owner and want to compete, please contact Stephanie Morton at 708-562-7488, ext. 148/smorton@stjoeshs.org ASAP.

So far... the following restaurants/companies have confirmed their participation...

Side Dishes

Raffle, Auction, Trivia, DJ, Split-the-Pot, Games of Chance *and this just in...*

Our **ChargerFeast Master of Ceremonies** will be....
Frank Kasprzak, St. Joseph Class of 1982

AND...



Joyce Garro (www.joycegarro.com), alumna of the IHM Class of 1970, recently confirmed that she will be singing a few songs at ChargerFeast!!



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Why ST. JOSEPH?



"At St. Joe's I studied, worked, and played hard. St. Joe's has a strong math curriculum that provided a solid foundation for my studies in the sciences."

- Paul Weaver, Class of 1986



Written by: Tony Quattrochi, Faculty Member

He has a Ph.D. in Molecular Genetics and Bio-Chemistry and is registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). He's **Paul Weaver, St. Joseph High School, Class of 1986**. This former Hillside resident was just as busy in high school, before earning a bachelor degree from Loyola University, a doctorate from The Ohio State University, and being a post-doc fellow in Immunology at the University of Minnesota.

"I played soccer, wrestled, and was a member of the Honors Program and National Honor Society," Paul recalled in a phone interview from the Kagan Binder law office in Stillwater, Minnesota, outside of the Twin Cities. "At St. Joe's I studied, worked, and played hard. St. Joe's has a strong math curriculum that provided a solid foundation for my studies in the sciences."

Paul now represents inventors and clients in the medical device, chemical, agricultural, and pharmaceutical industries. *"I prepare, file, and procure patent applications with the USPTO based on client inventions. I also perform patentability and due diligence analysis of patent portfolios. I keep pretty busy. The Twin Cities has a robust medical device industry, but our clients are from all over the US, as well as Europe and Asia. I've worked on some pretty interesting technologies including drug delivery devices, transgenic crops and microorganisms, molecular diagnostics, and large molecule therapeutics."*

Paul is married (his wife is an attorney doing similar work) with three children.

We are very proud of this Charger! Congratulations, Paul!



St. Joseph Alum Bringing TV Production to Chicago

Written by: Tony Quattrochi, Faculty Member

While it provided an enticing income, driving a milk truck out of high school was never a long-term goal for St. Joseph's **Troy Okoniewski, Class of 1980**, but it did provide an opportunity to create a dream which turned into a reality. *"At 4 am there's little distraction on the road and I often thought of ideas for movies. I enjoyed reading and creative writing and I especially remembered one of my English teachers, Mr. Spielberg. He had us read the novel "Heart of Darkness" by Joseph Conrad and then took us on a field trip to see "Apocalypse Now" which was adapted from that book. Seeing the words jump from the page to the screen had a lasting impact on me."*

From then on it was a whirlwind of education, including classes in photography at Morton College and then on to Columbia College as a Film Major/Writing Minor. As he explains, Troy "fell" into film editing. *"We had a group project in class and everyone wanted the high profile jobs of directing, producing, camera and audio, but no one wanted to edit, so I said I would do it. When I sat down in the edit bay with the footage for our film I realized the storytelling power of editing and it became a significant part of my career. Editing has also made me a better writer and cameraman in the planning of and capturing the most impactful footage."*

After Columbia, Troy moved to Los Angeles to work with a company that produced High School Assembly programs. *"I liked working on these shows because they had positive messages. I started with the company as a touring tech but I was able to move into the production department and develop my skills as a writer, editor and producer. It was a great training ground that lead to opportunities as an editor on music videos and TV shows"*

Troy earned an MTV nomination for Aerosmith's music video "Amazing", and edited several other Aerosmith videos including "Cryin'", "Crazy" and the box set "Big Ones You Can Look At." Troy also earned an Emmy nomination for the HBO Special, "Bette Midler's: Diva Las Vegas." He has also received several Telly awards for commercial projects.

Troy has edited numerous music related projects featuring artists such as Garth Brooks, Mark Anthony, Bon Jovi, ZZ Top, Scorpions, AC/DC, Black Crows and the documentary "Monsters of Rock in Moscow." He even dabbled in comedy editing the opening sequence for Jerry Seinfeld's HBO Special, "I'm Telling You for the Last Time." Troy has developed and produced numerous personal projects as well as projects for Fox, NBC, ABC, HBO, Showtime, etc. He was an editor on the highly acclaimed TV show "American Detective" and supervising editor on "World's Wildest Police Videos" and "World's Wildest Police Chases."

Troy recently moved back to the Chicago area and is developing his own personal projects while still serving clients. *"Chicago has a great talent base and I'm hoping to tap into it and create TV projects from start to finish here and negate the need to travel to LA to work on other peoples' projects."* Currently, Troy is working with the Chicago Mustangs, the semi-pro football team in the MSFL (Mid-States Football League) and is developing a reality show around the sport as well as pursuing the broadcast of a live MSFL Game-of-the-Week.

Piecing a story together from start to finish has been a continually rewarding challenge throughout Troy's career. *"Working on reality shows is very challenging as you do not have a script as a roadmap. It's like a puzzle. Someone gives you hundreds of hours of footage and says, 'figure it out.' I enjoy being back in Chicago and am looking forward to the unique opportunities this city has to offer."*

St. Joseph High School is proud of this Charger. Congratulations, Troy, welcome home and good luck!



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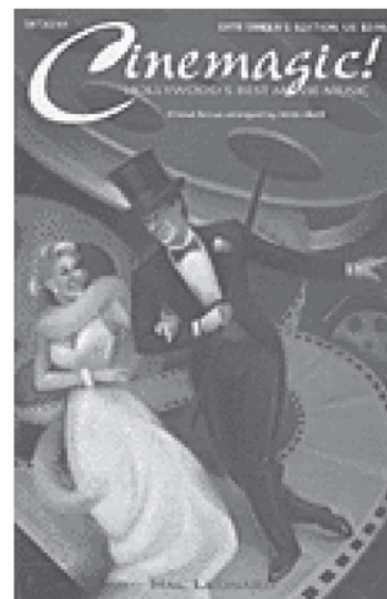
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Celebrate, remember and fight back at Relay on June 8

Westchester and Hillside, Ill. - For area residents battling cancer, "Happy Birthday" takes on a whole new meaning.

Local volunteers will devote their time, talents and energy over the next several months to saving lives faster and creating a world with more birthdays as they prepare for this year's American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Westchester to be held on June 8-9 at Mayfair Park 10835 Wakefield Street, Westchester IL 60154.

Relay For Life is an overnight event that brings the community together in the fight against cancer to celebrate the lives of those who have cancer, remember those lost to the disease, and fight back against a disease that takes too much. Teams of local businesses, schools, churches, community groups and families raise funds - prior to and at the event - to support cancer research to help find cures and to provide local programs aimed at helping people stay well, get well and fight back.

"Just like each birthday, I look forward to putting a team together each year for Relay and celebrating together," said Relay For Life Logistics Chair Summer Jarrette. "This family-friendly event is open to everyone. Whether you take in the entertainment for a couple of hours or stay all night, we hope that you will make plans to support your Relay For Life of Westchester and our efforts to eliminate this awful disease forever."

Relay For Life of Westchester starts with local cancer survivors uniting to walk the first lap of the event. They are then joined by family, friends and co-workers; the caregivers who helped them through their battle with cancer.

The Luminaria Ceremony

will be held at 9pm, just after dark, to honor and remember loved ones. Honorees include survivors, caregivers and those who have lost their battle against the disease. Hundreds of luminaria will line the track and continue to burn throughout the night to remind participants of the incredible importance of their loved ones' contributions. Luminaria are available by calling Danielle or by visiting www.relayforlife.org/westchesteril. They will also be available at the event.

American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Westchester and Hillside organizers hope to raise \$40,000 at this year's event.

On average, 183 Illinoisans are diagnosed with cancer every day. Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer related death in Illinois, followed by colorectal cancer.

Relay For Life helps fund the American Cancer Society's efforts to advance cancer prevention, treatment, patient services and cures. This includes the Society's Patient Navigation Services program, designed to fill a critical void in health care and social services by acting as a full-service navigator to anyone touched by cancer. The services provided by the American Cancer Society include transportation assistance to treatments; discounted lodging at hotels for patients who need to travel to receive care; insurance coverage assistance; resource matching and referrals; and cosmetic help such as free wigs or headware for patients who have lost their hair due to chemotherapy. The Society also offers cancer information and access to support groups via its call center, accessible anytime at 800-227-2345, and at its Web site, www.IllinoisCancerHelp.org.

For more information on how to



get involved in Relay For Life of Westchester and Hillside, contact the American Cancer Society at (312) 279.7276 or visit www.relayforlife.org/westchesteril.

About the American Cancer Society The American Cancer Society combines an unyielding passion with nearly a century of experience to save lives and end suffering from cancer. As a global grassroots force

with more than 100,000 volunteers in Illinois and millions elsewhere, we fight for every birthday threatened by every cancer in every community. As a result, more than 11 million people in America who have had cancer, and countless more who have avoided it, will be celebrating birthdays this year.

To learn more or get help, call us any time at 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org.

CALENDAR

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Susan Majcen at 708-865-8086 for more information.

Sunday, April 28

Day of the Child: Read to Brickles the Dog at 1:30 PM at Library. Registration is required. Contact Youth Dept or call 708-562-3573.

Family Mass, 10:30 AM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair

Tuesday, April 30

Field trip to the Chicago Symphony at 9:00 am for Band students at Divine Infant Jesus School, 1640 Newcastle Ave. For more information, call the school office at 865-0122.

Wednesday, May 1

All School mass at 8:00 am at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 865-0122.

Wednesday, May 2

Board of Education Meeting @ WMS (7:00 PM)

Saturday, May 4

First Communion for 2nd graders of Divine Infant Jesus Parish - 1:30 pm Mass at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1640 Newcastle Avenue. Contact Sr. Susan Majcen at 708-865-8086 for more information.

Sunday, May 5

Look Good and Feel Good at 2:00 PM at Library. Tips & strategies for women to reduce stress, look better & feel better! Advance registration is requested. Contact Adult Dept or call 708-562-3573.

Friday, May 10

WMS Musical (7:00 PM)

Saturday, May 11

WMS Musical (2:00 PM)



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Westchester Resident to walk in the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer

Lace up your sneakers and get ready for the 2013 Avon Walk for Breast Cancer season! It's that time of year again: the annual participation in the AWBC is just around the corner, and Westchester resident Joan Steinhauer can't wait! Steinhauer will walk the distance of a marathon and a half (39.3 miles) as one with a community of thousands for that entire weekend. This is her fourth year participating and is already well into her intense physical training.

Steinhauer, who is also the Chairman of the Westchester Blood Program, was inspired to take part in the Avon Walk Chicago because her family has been touched by breast cancer. "The opportunity to change more lives is powerful and once you've experienced the Avon Walk, it's part of your life forever," said Joan.

The Avon Walk weekend kicks off with an inspiring opening ceremony on Saturday morning, followed by walking up to a marathon throughout the day. Participants spend the night at the Avon Walk "Wellness Village," a "tent city" complete with two-person pink tents, hot showers, hot

meals, entertainment, and activities. On Sunday, walkers complete the final 13.1-mile leg of their journey, followed by a poignant closing ceremony and the presentation of local grants.

Steinhauer chose this event because she's so impressed that the Avon Foundation for Women addresses the whole picture: medical research into the possible causes, prevention, treatment and cure of breast cancer; and because she knows too many people who have struggled with and been affected by this awful disease.

During the 2012 Avon Walk season, more than 17,000 participants raised nearly \$47 million for hundreds of breast cancer organizations in the nine Walk cities and across the United States. Steinhauer was just one of those fearless fundraisers.

Steinhauer also stated, "I have to admit: I also do it because it's the best weekend I have all year! It's a community of many diverse people coming together with one single goal— to end breast cancer! We are greeted as heroes with every step. It's very powerful, and it's a lot of fun!"

The Avon Foundation is continuously inspired by the devotion, passion and energy of each and every Avon Walker and Crew member," said Avon Foundation for Women President Carol Kurzig. "Over the past decade, our dedicated participants like Steinhauer have helped raise more than \$470 million, enabling the Avon Foundation to award grants to organizations in the Walk cities and around the United States that are conducting life-saving breast cancer research and providing access to breast health screening and care for those in need."

MAKE A DONATION

It's easy for you to join Steinhauer— no walking involved! Your tax-deductible donation will not only help her reach (and hopefully exceed!) her fundraising goal. It will also move us closer to the end of breast cancer.

Please consider making a donation to Joan's fundraising campaign directly on to her personal Avon fundraising web page by visiting www.avonwalk.org and click on the pink "Donate Now" button. Once



there, click "find a walker; and enter Joan's first & last name. If you prefer to write a check, have it payable to: Avon Walk for Breast Cancer and mail to Joan Steinhauer P.O. Box 8204 Westchester, IL 60154.

For more information or to register for an Avon Walk for Breast Cancer, visit www.avonwalk.org or call 888-541-WALK. The Avon Walk for Breast Cancer series is a project of the Avon Foundation for Women, a 501(c)(3) public charity so don't forget to claim your tax deduction for 2013. Whatever you can give will help; you really do make a difference!

West Suburban Senior Services hosts lunch

West Suburban Senior Services is proud to host a weekly Lunch & Discussion group geared toward Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Seniors every Friday (closed Good Friday) at our Forest Park office at 8300 Roosevelt Road from 11am-2pm. Each week we discuss a new topic of interest or host an interesting

and educational speaker and enjoy food and friendship. New participants are welcome. The program is also looking to expand to a weekly Crafters Night on Monday evenings and a Monthly Movie Night. In addition, the LGBT Seniors Program offers free case management and mental health counseling to LGBT Seniors in the

western suburbs.

West Suburban Senior Services is in the process of becoming an affiliate of SAGE - Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders, the country's largest and oldest organization dedicated to improving the lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) older adults. We hope to launch as

an affiliate in spring or early summer 2013, with an eye to celebrating Pride Month in June as a new SAGE affiliate.

For more information or to make a referral, please contact LGBT Program Director Eric Vironet at 708-234-1859 or Eric@wsseniors.org or through WSSS's Main Number, 708-547-5600.

Community's 2nd Blood Drive April 20

An excellent way to save a life. On Saturday, April 20, the Westchester Blood Program will sponsor its second blood drive of the year.

It will be held from 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Mayfair Room of Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Ave. Originally, it was scheduled for another venue, but scheduling problems mandated the switch to D.P. School.

The WBP collected 113 units of blood at its first drive, Jan. 19 - also held at D.P. - and it has now taken in (for area hospitals) 23,669 units since its founding in 1974.

That is more than enough to serve the needs of 65,000 patients. That's because each unit (pint) can be divided into its three components to help three patients.

The WBP, which holds six drives a year, remains among the most productive community blood programs in the United States. It has been honored for nine years by LifeSource Blood Services as the No. 1 community program in the Chicago area.

Donating blood requires less than 40 minutes. One needs to be at least 17 years old, over 110 pounds and in generally good health.

The dates and sites of the remaining four drives this year:

May 15, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., Bloodmobile at Westbrook Mall, 31st and Wolf.

July 20, 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m., Divine Providence School.

Oct. 19, 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m., Community Center, Westchester

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3 bedroom brick Baltis ranch home features a large eat in kitchen with bay window, big living room and 3 first floor bedrooms. Finished bsmt. has a full bathroom, fireplace and a brick bar. Furnace, A/C and gutters new in 2010. Fenced yard and 2 car garage.



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Very clean and well maintained 4 bedroom 2 bathroom brick cape cod. Hardwood floors throughout. Formal living and dining rooms. Full finished basement. Beautiful yard features an oversized wood deck and a 2 car garage.



\$184,900

Solid 3 bedroom ranch in the heart of Westchester on a large corner lot. Formal living room w/ fireplace plus formal dining room. Full finished basement. Hardwood floors. Huge fenced-in yard with 2 car garage. 2 blocks from park district.



\$190,000

Lovely, well kept brick ranch in south Westchester!! Modern kitchen, formal dining room Thermopane windows. Full finished basement with rec room. Beautifully landscaped yard with rose garden and concrete patio.

Westchester Real Estate Market Info

2/16/13 – 3/15/13

Average Sales Price: \$155,547
-2.4% Year over Year*

Total Number of Homes Sold: 21
29% Increase Year over Year*

Average Listing Market Time: 182 Days
9% longer Year over Year*

615	Newcastle	\$ 35,000	2	1	1338	Highridge	\$ 138,000	3	1.5	2317	Kensington	\$ 175,000	3	2
716	Suffolk	\$ 80,000	2	2	1522	Haase	\$ 138,500	2	2	1512	Newcastle	\$ 179,900	3	1.5
734	Manchester	\$ 114,000	2	1	1318	Evers	\$ 149,900	3	1.5	10264	Pelham	\$ 182,000	3	2
1931	Hull	\$ 122,289	3	1.5	1932	Hawthorne	\$ 150,000	3	1.5	1413	Bristol	\$ 199,900	3	2
1629	Heidorn	\$ 125,000	3	1	1440	Heidorn	\$ 165,000	3	1.5	1959	Hull	\$ 230,000	5	2
915	Portsmouth	\$ 130,000	3	1	2302	Downing	\$ 172,000	2	2	2351	Stratford	\$ 235,000	3	1.5
1932	Suffolk	\$ 135,000	2	2	1300	Evers	\$ 175,000	2	2	2912	Kensington	\$ 235,000	3	2

**Year over Year: These statistics compare data from the same time period the previous year.*

This chart represents all detached and attached single-family homes that closed in Westchester according to MRED data between 2/16/2013 and 3/15/2013. Data supplied by MRED may not reflect all real estate activity in the market. MRED is not responsible for the accuracy of the data supplied.



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April Networking Luncheon !!

Alpine Banquet Haus. April 23rd from 12:00 to 1:00pm Come join us for some networking, good food and to hear our guest speaker Bill Ernst of Ernst Landscaping. Bill will be discussing landscaping and gardening ideas for the home and business and about lawns, flowers, shrubs and evergreens. Alpine Banquet Haus, 11141 W. Roosevelt Rd, in Westchester. Cost is 17.00. Please RSVP by April 16th
Don't Miss It !!!

Milestone !!!!

This month, Thomas Michael Hair will be celebrating 48 years at 10405 Cermak Rd in Westchester. We want to thank all the Village of Westchester residents and those of you from the surrounding communities for your support. Our goal remains the same as it was 48 years ago, to provide our clients in a friendly, personal and professional manner offering the finest in Hair Care Services. We look forward to serving all your Hair Care needs in the future. Thank you again for your Loyalty. Thomas Michael and staff.

After Hours Social Networking Event!!

Join us for breakfast on April 9th at Midwest SOARRING Foundation's Native American Cultural Center at 1 Hickory Lane, Westchester. President and Founder, Joseph Standing Bear Schranz will give an overview of the Foundation and its plans/goals. We will have different Native American demonstrations like beading, flute playing, rattle and flint knapping making arrowheads and a dance demonstration.

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April 2013 Good Neighbor Nominations

Nominees: Kevin & Susie Lah, 1500 block of Bristol
Nominated by: Carl Panek
Why are they a good neighbor?
 My family has lived in the same home for nearly 50 years. During that time, we have had at least eight different families next door, in the house just south of us. Not one of them came close to being as friendly, helpful and generous with their time as the Kevin Lah family. I often tell them they're "the best neighbors in Westchester," but I'm sure they chalk it up to flattery. Not true. When it snows, Kevin and/or his two young sons and one daughter clear our walks, even the driveway apron. In the summer, they offer their help in other ways: If we are on vacation, they collect the mail and newspapers, just as we do for them. On top of all that, both Kevin and Susie are active volunteers with the Westchester Blood Program, and Kevin is a regular donor. In addition, both are active members at Divine Infant Parish and in the community's youth baseball program.

Nominees: Michael & Diane Otters, Balmoral Ave
Nominated by: Sherry C. Pudelek
Why are they a good neighbor?
 Very friendly, always say hello to us and our dogs. They walk their dog daily, up and down Balmoral Avenue. They try to speak to all of the neighbors that are out and their animals. They are always a friendly voice and full of thoughtful words. They introduce themselves to most people they don't know and meet new people.

Nominee: Wally Nalepa 10300 block of Chaucer Street
Nominated by: Rosemary Accardo-Gomez & Jack Accardo
Why are they a good neighbor?
 Wally is a nice neighbor who genuinely cares about people. He snow blows most of the block! There are many senior citizens on this block and he always seems to clear the way. We appreciate Wally and are thankful for all he does for us!!

Nominee: Nick Perez, 11000 block of Shelley
Nominated by: Richard and Audrey Ritter
Why are they a good neighbor?
 We join Mario and Kathy Ricciarelli in nominating Nick Perez for our "Good Neighbor". How remarkable that such a young man would show such concern for the seniors who are his neighbors. It's ironic that he just called as we write this, to remind us NOT to do any snow removal, (our biggest snowfall of the year). He just got home from work (11:00 am) after an all night shift where he works for the Illinois Tollway making the highways passable and safe for everyone and is getting ready to do what he always does for his neighbors. Over the past when we had so much trouble with power outages, Nick used his generator to hook up the refrigerators of the Ricciarelli's and us so that we would not lose our food. He could have used it solely for himself but his passion to help others again proved what a caring person he is. How fortunate are we to have not only a good neighbor but a good friend. He's always there for us – and as he constantly reminds us, he's only a phone call away if and when we ever need him. Bless you Nicky...

Nominee: Donna and John Swasko & family, 10800 block of Claridge St
Nominated by: Ruth E Fuller
Why are they a good neighbor?
 They take my garbage cans in on Wednesday. They look out for me, and make me feel secure living next to them.

Nominate a Good Neighbor

Do you have a Good Neighbor you would like to nominate to be recognized in the Westchester newsletter? Praise the efforts of local residents, organizations, and businesses by nominating them as a good neighbor. We are looking for those friendly folks, good deeds and special neighborly touches that make living in Westchester special. A nomination form is included in this issue below. Nominations for the next newsletter must be received by the 15th of this month by sending them to newsletter@westchester-il.org (Subject Line: Good Neighbor Nomination) or 10300 W. Roosevelt Rd. Westchester, IL 60154 (Attn: Good Neighbor Nomination). We look forward to sharing the good news!

Good Neighbor Nomination Form

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Name and Address of the person/organization/business you are nominating _____

Why are they a Good Neighbor to you?

Congratulations Proviso West High School Honor Roll Students from Westchester

Lillis, Jasmine 12 Roll	High Honor	McMahan, Laquan Honor Roll	12 A	Honor Roll	Ortega, Luis Enrique 10 Honor Roll	10 B
Nwankpa, Anita Honor Roll	12 High	Salinas, Daniel 12 Smith, Amber 12 Williams, Dimitri Honor Roll	A Honor Roll A Honor Roll 12 A	Honor Roll	Stokes, Dejanae L 10 Honor Roll	10 B
Pidu, Meleeza 12 Roll	High Honor	Boyce, Andre 11 Bryant, Diamond Honor Roll	A Honor Roll 11 A	Honor Roll	Tanksley, Marquia D 10 Honor Roll	10 B
Socorro, Jorell 11 Roll	High Honor	Raines, Diana 11 Fields, Ashley M Honor Roll	A Honor Roll 10 A	Honor Roll	Viramontes, Sabrina I 10 Honor Roll	10 B
Manfredini, Jonathan P High Honor Roll	10	Windham, Kaylan M Honor Roll	10 A	Honor Roll	Williams, Shakyrah L 10 Honor Roll	10 B
Moore, Icesa S Honor Roll	10 High	Brooks, Adia Eunice 9 Honor Roll	9 A	Honor Roll	Carr, Alexis Renae 9 Honor Roll	9 B
Ortega, Miguel Honor Roll	10 High	Feratovic, Adis 9 Honor Roll	9 A	Honor Roll	DeJesus, Cody Michael 9 B Honor Roll	9
Oyetayo, Akintola Ayobami High Honor Roll	10	Manning, Tamia Seane 9 Honor Roll	9 A	Honor Roll	Grimes, Dominique Deija 9 B Honor Roll	9
Rule, Chanel A Honor Roll	10 High	Nwankpa, Vanessa Oluchi 9 A Honor Roll	9	Honor Roll	Rios, Liliana 9 B Honor Roll	9
Guerra, Luz-Mariana Honor Roll	9 High	Ortega, Maria Guadalupe 9 A Honor Roll	9	Honor Roll	Robinson, Kierra Jasmine 9 B Honor Roll	9
Pop, Jessica Anna Honor Roll	9 High	Rule, Destinee 9 A	9 A	Honor Roll	Shepherd, Savannah Michelle 9 B Honor Roll	9
Collier, Erin 12 Guevara, Jennifer Honor Roll	A Honor Roll 12 A			Honor Roll	West, Calyah Jatou 9 Honor Roll	9 B
				Honor Roll	Williams, Monique Dashay 9 B Honor Roll	9



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Saturday, April 13, 2013
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

AT VILLAGE HALL BEHIND THE WESTCHESTER POST OFFICE

ACCEPTED ELECTRONICS INCLUDE;

- COMPUTERS, MONITORS, & LAPTOPS
- PRINTERS, FAX MACHINES, & SCANNERS
- T.V.s DVDs/VCRs & STEREOS
- PHONES, CELL PHONES, MP3s & IPODS
- PERIPHERALS, MICE, KEYBOARDS
- & ALL OTHER COMPUTER PARTS.

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TO VOLUNTEER AT THIS EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT TRUSTEE NOVAK AT WNOVAK@WESTCHESTER-IL.ORG

CAB Reminds Residents to Donate to the Food Pantry

The Citizens Advisory Board would like to remind residents that the Westchester Food Pantry is always in need of donations.

Donations can be dropped off at Village Hall between the hours of 8:30 am—5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Non-perishable items are accepted as well as toiletries, monetary donations, and gift cards. Thank you in advance for your donations.

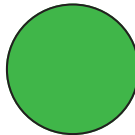

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please call Village Hall at 708-345-0020.



Construction season is starting, so if you see our men out working on the streets please drive carefully and slow down!



Ash Tree Removal

 If the parkway tree is marked with a **green dot**, it indicates the tree will not be trimmed due to it being scheduled for removal at a later date.
 If the parkway tree is marked with a **pink X**,  the tree will be removed in the near future. The Village forester will determine, on a case by case basis, whether a replacement tree will be placed in the same or nearby location. In some instances, tree replacement will not occur at all, due to proximity of existing trees in the parkway. Questions can be directed to the Public Works Department at 708-345-0041.

50/50 Programs

50/50 Shared Cost Sidewalk Replacement Program

The Village offers a shared cost sidewalk replacement program. If the sidewalk in front of your residence is in poor condition and you would like to replace it, the Village will split the cost with you. Call Public Works at 708-345-0041 to register.

50/50 Shared Cost Parkway Tree Program

Beautify your yard and add to the curb appeal of your home! The Village offers a 50/50 shared cost program that includes the purchase and planting of a new parkway tree. Residents have a choice of 4-5 types of trees indigenous to the area. The trees will be planted in November 2013. Call Public Works at 708-345-0041 for more information or to register.

More Info from Public Works

Parkway Restoration

The Public Works Department will be repairing parkways damaged by sewer and water excavations and snow plow damage. Also, as a result of Ash tree removal at various locations, stump grinding and parkway restoration will continue.

Pothole Repair

The Public Works Department continues to fill potholes throughout the Village, weather permitting. Please call Public Works at 708-345-0041 to report potholes.

As Always.....

Village residents are asked to call Public Works at 708-345-0041 or the Police Non Emergency number after hours at 708-345-0060 if an unusual amount of water is visible in the street or parkway. This could be a main break or water leak that requires our immediate attention.

Waste Management News

Yard waste pickup will begin Monday, April 1, 2013. Free yard waste stickers for reusable yard waste receptacles are available at the Public Works office and the Village Hall.

Remember WM will also pick up your branches, bushes, etc., on your regular garbage day as long as they are tied in bundles no more than 4' in length.



2013 Street Rehabilitation Program

The following Village streets are planned for rehabilitation this year; the Program will be broken up into 2 phases...a Spring phase (Phase 1) which will commence late March/early April with completion scheduled by the 4th of July. The second phase will commence after the 4th of July with completion scheduled for the end of October. This planned work includes complete concrete curb and gutter removal and replacement, concrete driveway removal and replacement, pavement removal and replacement, and restoration of disturbed areas with sod. Residents affected by this work will be notified by hand delivered notice of actual start date which will include information on relocation of vehicles when the curb and apron work is being accomplished. Curb and apron work will occur on one side of the street at a time to allow for parking in the street for residents displaced from their driveways while new concrete is allowed to cure. Garbage pick-up and mail delivery service will continue as usual.

Phase 1

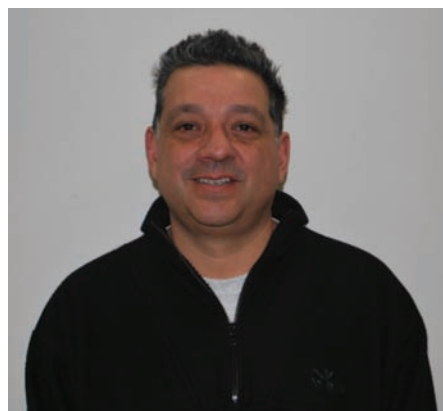
- Nelson Square
- Wellington Avenue
- Lancaster St. from Wolf Rd. to Wellington Ave.
- Fleet St. (south side only)
- Preston Street
- Hull Ave. from Gladstone St. to The Strand
- Hull Ave. from Cermak Rd. to Kent St.
- Bond St. from Westchester Blvd. to Portsmouth Ave.

Phase 2

- Highridge Ave. from Canterbury St. to Boeger Ave.
- Heidorn Ave. from Canterbury St. to Charles ST.
- Charles St. from Wolf Rd. to Boeger Ave.
- Newcastle Ave. from Roosevelt Rd. to the north end
- The Strand

Questions regarding this project can be directed to the Public Works Department at 708-345-0041.

Public Works Profile



Name: Carl Muell
Position: Public Works Supervisor
Years in Profession: I have been in Public Works for 21 years.

What made you choose public works as a profession?
 I enjoy working outside and could never picture myself in a factory or office setting.

Describe a good day at work.
 A good day at work is accomplishing all the goals for a specific day,

with no interruptions.

What is the best part of your job?

The best part of my job is doing different things on a daily basis. It's never repetitive.

What advice would you give someone looking to go into this profession?

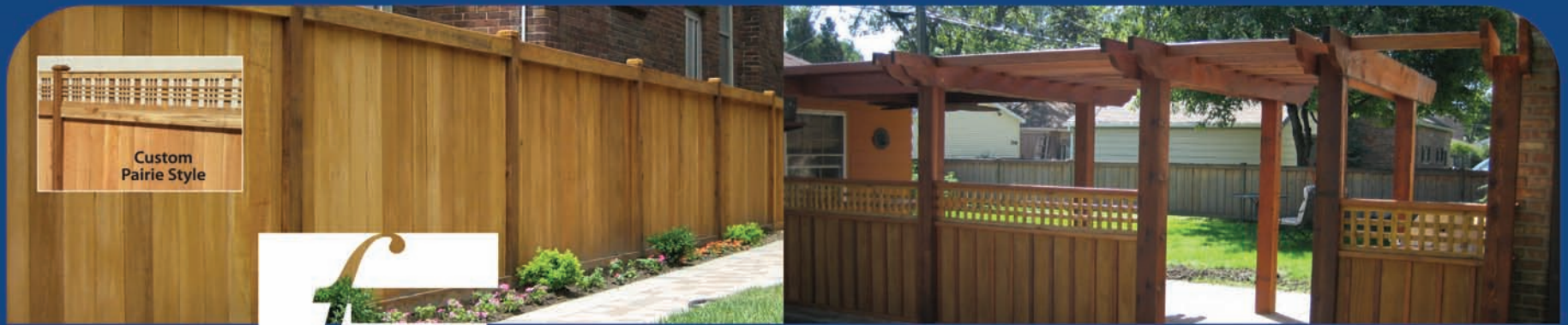
The best advice for this job is to make sure you like working in all the different weather elements.

What would occur on your perfect day off?

A good day off for me is watching one of my daughters playing softball.



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Roger Freeman has been in the fence industry for over 25 years and is president-elect of the Chicago chapter of the AFA

