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"IF I WERE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN A GOVERNMENT WITHOUT A NEWSPAPER OR A NEWSPAPER WITHOUT A GOVERNMENT, I WOULD NOT HESITATE TO CHOOSE THE LATTER." THOMAS JEFFERSON

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1st Street utilities project almost complete

By Larry Andersen

Both lanes of Route 31 are now shut down and will remain closed through the weekend and into next week as Benchmark Construction finishes the final phase of the utility work project that began last October. All traffic is detoured to the east side of the river.

"This is the last stand for the contractor," said City Engineer Greg Chismark.

Chismark added there is a chance the

Benchmark crews will be paving the street on Monday, June 4, but he said that is a best-case scenario.

The construction that started last October was implemented to update and repair the utilities underneath 1st Street and other portions of the downtown area to support the new 1st Street Redevelopment Project. Although the large project has been an even larger headache for residents, business owners, and shoppers,

Chismark said the timing of the construction could not have been better.

The project began just after Scarecrow Fest last October and will be completed just before the Pride of the Fox Festival coming up next weekend.

"It's good to get this all out of the way," Chismark said. "Although utility work is not exciting, it feels good having completed this first element of

the 1st Street Project."

After the utility work is completed next week, city crews will start to tear up street and road bed on the southern end of 1st Street to rebuild the street to its final appearance. That work is expected to last through November.

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Heat exhaustion sends 12 students to hospital

By Larry Andersen

Twelve students at Richmond Elementary School on St. Charles' west side were taken to Delnor Community Hospital after development symptoms of heat exhaustion. Another sick student was not transported to the hospital after her parents arrived at the school.

The students were practicing for a fourth-grade musical when the first victim fell ill and collapsed. After the Fire Department arrived at the school, 12 other victims were complaining of feeling ill. Assistant Chief Joe Schelstreet said because of the number of students complaining of heat-related symptoms, he called in a box alarm, which brought six ambulances to the school. He also made the decision to evacuate the school so students could get relief from the heat because of the strong breeze outside.

Schelstreet said as a precaution, the fire department scanned the school for carbonmonoxide, but both tests came back negative.

The illnesses were blamed on the heat after a branch fell on a power line on the windy day with temperatures reaching into the 90s. School District

303's Public Relations Liaison Lynn Martin said Richmond Elementary School is not an air conditioned school, and fans may have been used to keep students cool before the power outage. Once the power went out, there was no relief for students and teachers inside the school.

"Obviously, even if the school district wanted to put in fans, they couldn't have," Schelstreet said.

Martin said the school went about the day as usual after the power went out. Shortly after the power outage, the first girl complained of feeling sick and then collapsed. Once the paramedics were called, they treated the girl for heat related illness, Schelstreet said. He said the fire department was called for a single student feeling ill, but when they arrived at the school, paramedics were approached by a staff member who said another student complained of having trouble breathing.

After the school was evacuated, parents started to come to the school to pick up their children.

Besides Richmond Elementary having no power, Martin said two other schools, Haines and Anderson, were without power as well.

Police arrest three teens for repeated vandalism

By Larry Andersen

Three youths were arrested in connection with a string of tires being slashed on the city's west and southwest sides. The three juveniles were charged with multiple felony counts of criminal damage to property.

The three juveniles, two 14-year-old boys and one 15-year-old boy, were also charged with stealing two vehicles, a Toyota and a Honda, along with burglarizing motor vehicles. The three also were charged with burning down two portable toilets.

The two 14-year-old boys were released to the custody of their parents, but the 15-year-old boy is being held in the Kane County Juvenile Center, waiting for a hearing status on June 6.

Paul McCurtain of the Police Department said plainclothes officers patrolled on foot and followed the suspects when reports of vandalizing started to come in to the station. The officers arrested the three juveniles in the early morning hours of May 23.

"As soon as the incidents started happening, we saturated the area," McCurtain said.

McCurtain said the Police Department is working with the State's Attorney's Office to count up the multiple charges. He said the charges were too numerous to pinpoint which ones were the most serious, and it will take some time to sort through all the felony and misdemeanor charges.

"The State's Attorney may choose not to charge the juveniles with all of (the counts)," McCurtain said. "They'll pick the best ones."

The teens will have to answer all the charges against them in juvenile court.

The police had been investigating multiple reports of vandalism on the city's west and southwest sides for almost a month. McCurtain said the investigation included multiple interviews with the victims and the neighbors of the victims whose cars and property were damaged.

"It was an extensive investigation," he said.



Red, white and blue

Two-year-old Jadin Behrends gets into the spirit of the event at the St. Charles Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 28. For story and more photos see page 40.
(Examiner photo by Lisa Kuharchuk)

North put on lockdown due to suspicious device

By Larry Andersen

St. Charles North High School went into lockdown on Friday when a suspicious device was found by a teacher at approximately 11:30 a.m.

The teacher notified the police school resource officer who contacted the Police Department in regard to the device that was located in an open courtyard on the south side of the school building.

Bomb Squad technicians dismantled the device and determined it was harmless. James Pniewski, 17, was charged with one count of disorderly conduct, a Class 3 felony.

Police said Pniewski was interviewed as a person of interest when the bomb scare took place. After questioning, Pniewski was arrested and transported to the Police Department.

Once the device was determined to be harmless, the school was taken out of lockdown at 12:45 p.m. School District 303 Public Relations Liaison Lynn Martin said the school was placed on lockdown for the safety of the students. Areas near the courtyard were evacuated.

Martin said once the school went on

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Police Reports

ST. CHARLES

Thursday, May 10

★At 10:20 a.m., Anthony J. Mirenda, 17, Geneva, was arrested on an outstanding warrant. He was released on bond and faces a June 7 court date.

Friday, May 11

★At 8:07 p.m., a complainant in the 1100 block of Ash Street reported an unknown offender(s) damaged the hood, fender and bumper to his vehicle. Estimated damage \$1,000.

Saturday, May 12

★At 8:11 a.m., a complainant in the 3000 block of Langston Circle reported an unknown offender entered his unlocked vehicle and took CDs and a CD holder. Estimated loss \$320.

Sunday, May 13

★At 2:22 p.m., police responded to the 2000 block of Wessel Court for a noise complaint.

Thursday, May 17

★At 12:35 a.m., Manuel Rodriguez, 20, Elgin, was arrested and charged with no valid driver's license and improper lane usage.

★At 3:52 p.m., Kathleen M. Hever, 29, St. Charles, was arrested on two outstanding warrants.

Friday, May 18

★At 2:49 p.m., Deneb M. Marin-Vasquez, 22, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with no valid driver's license and passing a school bus while unloading.

★At 9:19 a.m., Ernest F. Dean, 53, Aurora, was arrested and charged with illegal transportation of alcohol. He was also arrested on an outstanding warrant. He was transported to the Aurora Police Department and faces a June 14 court date.

★At 12:46 a.m., Ronald W. Weddell, 50, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with criminal damage to property. He was transported to the Bartlett Police Department.

★At 10:27 p.m., a complainant at 1725 Wessel Court, Wessel Court Apartments, reported an unknown offender might have entered his apartment though an unlocked sliding door.

★At 1:15 p.m., Kevin J. Mack, 23, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with public intoxication. He was released on bond and faces a June 21 court date.

★At 4:11 p.m., Joshua R. Swain, 26, St. Charles, was arrested on an outstanding warrant. He was released on bond and faces a June 28 court date.

★At 10:53 p.m., Eduardo S. Bravo, 22, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with driving while license suspended and disobeying a traffic-control device. He was released on bond and faces a June 28 court date.

Saturday, May 19

★At 10:17 p.m., Cindy O. Padilla, 19, Aurora, was arrested and charged with unlawful consumption of alcohol and illegal transportation of alcohol. She was released on bond and faces a June 7 court date.

★At 10:17 p.m., Carols L. Torres, 24, Aurora, was arrested and charged with driving while license suspended, illegal transportation of alcohol and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. He was released on bond and faces a June 18 court date.

★At 1:45 a.m., Steven M. Stolte, 26, Pingree Grove, was arrested and charged with public intoxication. He faces a June 28 court date.

★At 2:07 a.m., Keegan K. O'Brien, 33,

St. Charles, was arrested and charged with public intoxication.

★At 2:08 a.m., Nicole M. Melone, 22, West Chicago, was arrested and charged with DUI, BAC over 0.08 and improper lane usage. She was released on bond and faces a June 20 court date.

★At 10:50 a.m., a complainant at East Side Sports Complex, 2N300 Kirk Road, reported an unknown offender keyed his vehicle. Estimated damage \$1,000.

★At 3:46 p.m., Lisa Marie Ande, 44, Bartlett, was arrested and charged with criminal trespass to property and retail theft. She was held pending bond.

★At 9:53 p.m., a complainant at 3800 E. Main, Charlestowne Mall, reported an unknown male subject kicked a hole in some drywall. Estimated damage \$45.

Sunday, May 20

Sheriff's Deputies find deceased elderly man

Kane County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the 1100 block of White Avenue in Aurora Township in regard to someone damaging area residences early on May 29.

The initial responding deputies began checking the area for damage. When they checked the residence located at 1130 White Ave., they encountered an area resident fighting with a subject.

Upon taking the subject into custody,

★At 12:47 p.m., a complainant at Fairfield Inn, 2096 Bricher, reported he left his cell phone in his room after check out and when he returned, it was gone.

★At 11:02 p.m., Cheryl L. Puccini, 48, Geneva, was arrested and charged with DUI, BAC over 0.08 and improper lane usage. She was released on bond and faces a June 20 court date.

★At 4 p.m., a complainant in the 900 block of S. 7th Street reported an unknown offender entered his unlocked vehicle and took a Motorola Blackberry. Estimated loss \$50.

★At 1:06 a.m., police responded to 4051 E. Main, Pheasant Run, for the report of a fight.

★At 4:55 a.m., Michael L. Bishop, 19, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with unlawful consumption of alcohol by a minor.

Monday, May 21

★At 12:20 p.m., a complainant in the

deputies checked the interior of the residence and located the body of an elderly male.

The victim, Rosco Eby, 83, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Sheriff's Department detectives are interviewing the subject who was taken into custody, but no charges have been filed. Evidence technicians are processing the residence and an autopsy is scheduled for Tuesday, May 29.

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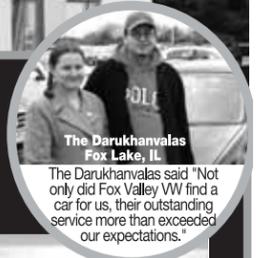
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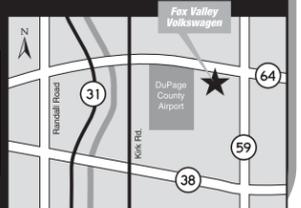
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1000 block of Howard Street reported an unknown offender(s) cut the canvas of his backyard trampoline. Estimated damage \$325.

★At 11:398 a.m., a complainant reported an unknown offender stole the rear license plate from his pickup truck.

★At 10 a.m., a complainant reported an unknown offender damaged a fox statue she had in the front of her building.

★At 9:23 a.m., a complainant at Perfect Plastics, 103 N. 11th, reported an unknown offender(s) damaged the entry doors to the building.

★At 8:53 a.m., a complainant in the 900 block of S. 7th Street reported an unknown offender entered her husband's unlocked vehicle and took a cell phone and currency.

★At 7:50 a.m., a complainant at Milestone Row, 400 S. 1st, reported an unknown offender(s) spray painted graffiti on an elevator door and three walls. Estimated damage \$350.

★At 7:50 a.m., a complainant at Milestone Row, 300 S. 1st Street, reported an unknown offender(s) spray painted graffiti in several areas of the building and destroyed construction materials. Estimated damage \$1,360.

★At 4:25 a.m., a complainant in the 700 block of Gray Street reported an unknown offender entered his vehicle and rummaged through the contents.

★At 3:20 a.m., a complainant in the 700 block of Westfield Drive reported four male juveniles entered two of her vehicles. Nothing appeared to be missing.

★At 4:36 p.m., a complainant in the 1300 block of Horne reported an unknown offender attempted to gain en-

try into her home.

★At 6:41 p.m., Melissa N. Zeman, 24, Geneva, was arrested and charged with retail theft. She was released on bond and faces a June 21 court date.

Tuesday, May 22

★At 11:58 p.m., Jhan F. Velez-Vaga, 25, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with no valid driver's license and improper lane usage. He was released on bond and faces a June 21 court date.

GENEVA

Monday, May 14

★At 3:07 p.m., police responded to the 100 block of Eastside Avenue for the

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Miscommunication while shopping

The other day I was going on one of my "shopping for something new" adventures. The weather had finally become tolerable and it was a great day to do some shopping.

I stopped in one of the local dress shops and began my mission to find some summer clothes. I wanted some new styles and knew this store would have what I was looking for.

Many of the styles were fresh and made for warm weather; however, they always keep some of the sale items in the back of the store. I was ready for something colorful and new so I decided not to browse through any of the old winter stuff in the back.

There were too many fun sweaters from which to choose and lots of slacks and silk shirts with lively prints. I liked just about everything I saw. They also had wall-to-wall costume jewelry to accessorize the outfits. There were dozens of gorgeous necklaces, bracelets and matching earrings hanging throughout.

I could hardly wait to try on some of the latest jeans and t-shirts and match them up with jewelry. I even found several great handbags and adorable watches to add an extra touch to any wardrobe. I wanted to try everything on and buy everything inside the store, but knew I didn't have the budget and certainly didn't want to give up eating food for the next six months.

So, I had to settle for things that made me look good but were not too overpriced. I had just gotten rid of most of the ancient-looking dust rags that had been stuffed into my closets for what seemed like an eternity. I was also tired of wearing heavy-duty insulated deep-freeze winter wear and flannel undershirts.

I started rummaging through racks of beautiful, colorful garments. I grabbed several armloads of mix-and-match pieces and knew if I didn't stop myself, I'd be spending my grandchildren's college fund. I just wanted something special to take home with me.

On the way to the dressing room, I spotted one of the employees wearing a beautiful sweater, one I would love to own. I wanted one just like it. Of course, the sales person wearing the sweater was about half my age and half my size, but the sweater looked so pretty on her. Didn't I just promise myself that I wanted something that no one else had?

I reminded myself that I only wanted something that was unique and here I was drooling over a sweater that one of the sales girls was wearing. She had to be a size two. Do they even make sweaters that small?

I had to have that sweater, I thought, even if I looked like lumpy Stella wearing it. I dumped my armload of clothes inside the dressing room, and ran to the part of the store with all the sweaters. I continued digging through the racks, praying to find my size. I reasoned, however, that I could always save it for next year and lose a few pounds if they didn't have one in my size.

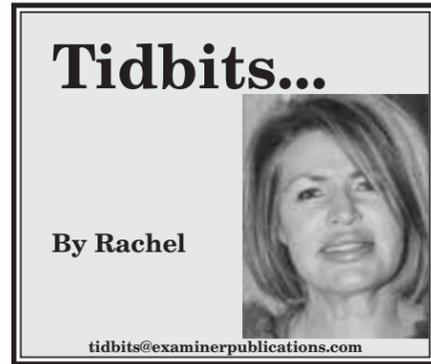
After combing through every rack, size and shape, I knew there were no more sweaters like the sales person was wearing. I walked up to her, in her size two sweater, and asked if there might be any others like the one she was wearing in the store.

She looked at me with her size two frame and said most of the sweaters were sold out and probably no longer available. They had been a sale item from the last holiday season.

Sale item? It was still cold and freezing outside, wasn't it? How can they be sold out of sweaters at a time like this? I was disappointed. I think she must have felt pity for me and wanted to make me feel better, so she agreed

to check the computer and see if any of the other stores might have any of the sweaters left.

She punched the style number of the sweater into the computer and came up with several stores that possibly



carried the item, or so we hoped. Sometimes, they may show an item in the computer but when they make the call, the item is no longer in that store.

Waiting for the sales person to find the information, I continued my quest. I overheard her trying her best to explain on the phone what it was she was seeking.

I heard her say, "No, I need only one sweater, in white and cream stripes with a hood attached. No, I don't want the caramel and banana split striped sweater. No, it's not the lime green and purple with the clown nose buttons on the front."

I could tell she was becoming frustrated by the miscommunication on the other end of the phone. Whomever was on the other side of the conversation didn't seem to comprehend what the sales person was asking. She had to repeat the item, the size and the color at least three or four times. The person on the other end of the phone kept asking for the sales person to repeat the question.

It was becoming obvious that the person in the other store couldn't understand what was being asked of her. My sales person became exasperated and more than annoyed by having to repeat everything over again.

Finally, she gave up and said she'd get back to her later. Like that was going to happen.

Fortunately, she found the sweater in one of the other stores. They even had it in my size. Of course it wasn't a size two, but I would settle for any size just to have that sweater. This time there was no problem finding it and having the item shipped to my home. I was thrilled that she had tracked it down. Even though I didn't get to buy much of the new spring clothes I wanted, I was happy for now.

I was told that the sweater would arrive within five to seven business days. All I had to do was wait.

There seems to be a problem with communication in this country. It isn't that people aren't willing to learn the English language, but sometimes when people speak to each other, especially during a phone conversation; it becomes difficult to understand what the other party is saying.

I've had many laughs and some tears trying to make myself understood by people when I first came to the U.S. When I started my first job, I didn't even know how to greet people in English. I decided that if I wanted to be understood, I'd better learn to speak the native language.

I'm still waiting for the purchase I ordered. I hope they are sending the right item and the right size.

The St. Charles East High School PTO awarded four outstanding seniors with \$1,000 scholarships at the 2007 Honors Night Program on Tuesday, May 15 in the Norris Cultural Arts Center. John Anthony DeMartino, Kelsey Kanies, Jeffrey LeFevre and Emily Staples received these scholarships for demonstrating excellence in service to their school and the community. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Kelsey Draus and Caitlin Gabehart who were among a tap dancing group which was awarded eight gold and one sophisticated gold places scores at a recent competi-

tion held in Arlington Heights!

A St. Charles girl, Savanna Lada, was recently selected out of over 800 contestants, to compete in the "International Presentation of Performers" to be held in Las Vegas this coming July. Lada is 12 years old, and has always had a flair for acting. She would love to be a professional actress. In Las Vegas, she will be auditioning in front of 3,000 people, some being reputable talent agents. This is an opportunity of a lifetime for her. She has been involved in a variety of fundraising activities to help her fund this venture. Several local businesses and families have sponsored her, and a Spaghetti Dinner is currently being planned for Saturday, June 2 between 5 and 8:30 p.m., at the Campton Township Community Center in the Wasco area. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Call Donna at 365-5690 for tickets or more information.

Congratulations to Douglas Mayo, who has graduated from Truman State University!

Congratulations to Michael O'Carroll, who has been named to Truman State University's president's list!

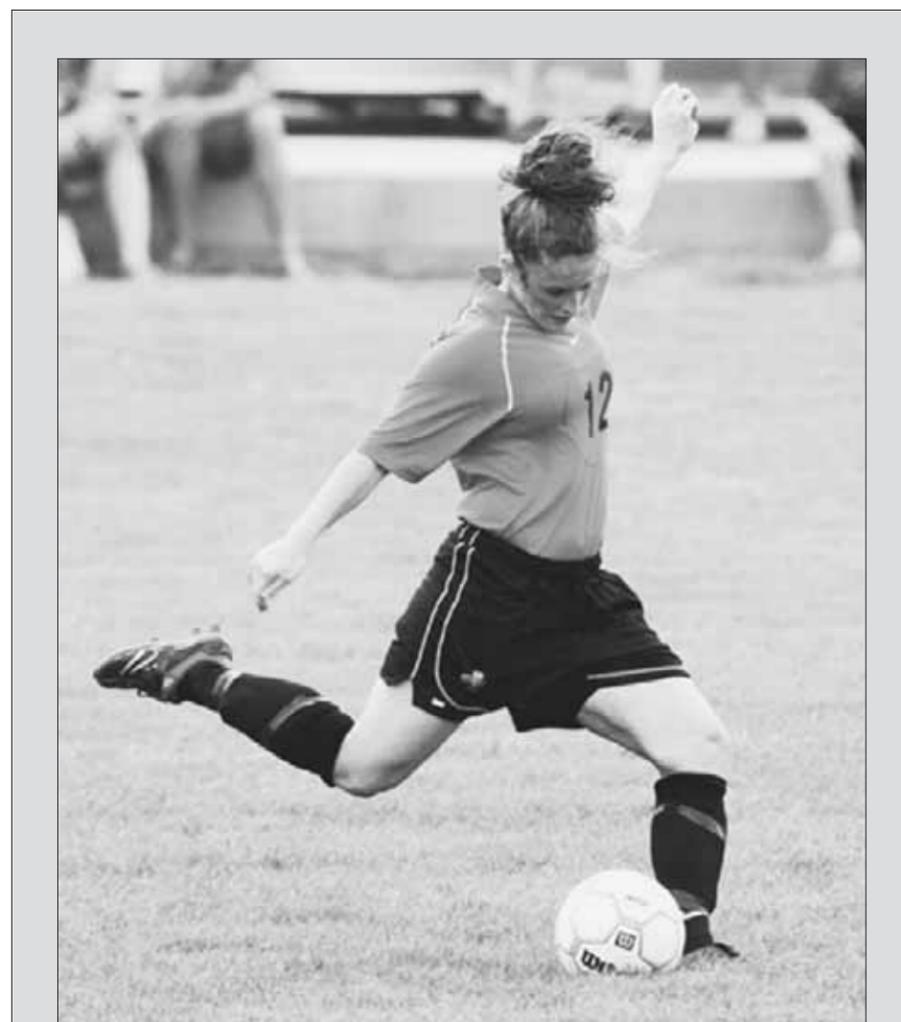
Congratulations to Alexander Koenen and Douglas Mayo, who have been named to Truman State University's vice president for academic affair's list!

Congratulations to Melissa Johnson, who has been named to the dean's list at Southern Utah University!

With the ever-increasing popularity of television's American Idol and karaoke becoming mainstream at the nation's night spots, there's never been a better chance to join the phenomenon than with Pride of the Fox RiverFest's Idol Search.

Unlike American Idol, which culminates in the naming of a single star, RiverFest's Idol search looks for and awards prizes and trophies in multiple categories, with Saturday given to 6- to 17-year-olds and Sunday to 18 and older. The contest is for vocal soloists only, separated into age and gender divisions. Adult winners qualify for the Karaoke World Series in Orlando, Florida, on Labor Day weekend. RiverFest's Harris Riverside Stage is the venue, First Avenue and East Main, across from City Hall, Saturday and Sunday, June 9 and 10. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. each day, with contestants appearing in order of registration, taking the stage at 1 p.m. Contestants are encouraged to bring their own CDG Karaoke disc (or select

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Aiming for a win

Maureen Smunt was one of the key players in the Saints' defense during East's regional win over Wheaton North on Thursday, May 24, at Wheaton Academy. For story and more photos see page 15.

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Committee forwards road impact schedule

By Patrick Deasey

With the document taking final shape, the Kane County Board's Transportation Committee agreed to and forwarded the county's new roadway impact fee schedule Friday, May 25, with the matter heading towards a June 12 passage by the full county board.

Subject to much discussion and disagreement over the previous 18-months of work by the subcommittee set up by the board to hammer out a new plan, the new schedule was still being tweaked as it headed to this near-final step of approval by the committee.

The changes presented to the committee should finalize the last changes the plan should see before approval, according to Carl Schoedel, County Transportation Director.

The most significant change over earlier "final" versions of the schedule will be in future treatment of those organizations identified as 501(c)(3) charitable groups.

According to the new plan, those groups will see impact fees that will reflect 50 fewer trips a day than will actually be seen, resulting in a significant savings for smaller organizations.

"Medium to small churches, your urban leagues. This would cover most of

them," said Board Member Gerry Jones (D, 7-Aurora), long a champion of assisting such organizations.

"Having them here in Kane adds to the standard of living," Jones said previously, when he first proposed assisting charitable groups with the impact fees last month.

As such groups will comprise only 3 percent of fee generators, Schoedel has indicated that reimbursements will likely be offered to such groups that have already assessed the fees since the Jan. 2004 decision to revamp the fee schedule.

At that time, a great deal of outcry was heard as the fee schedule was seen as skewed against the urban corridor, adding additional costs to river town's fees versus rural construction of the same size.

To address that, the former eight zone set-up used to generate fees has been replaced with three zones that will generate a more uniform fee rate across the entire county.

The fees collected through this program can only be used to increase volume capacity, and not general road upkeep or maintenance, and are assessed when building permits are issued for the project in question.

Interns hired by city to perform inspections

The City of St. Charles has hired summer interns to perform inspections on residential water shutoffs, trees, storm water sewer system, and electric components in the City. The inspections began on May 21, and will continue until the end of August.

The effort will identify City owned assets and will be incorporated into the City's GIS maps. City crews drive marked vehicles and will be parked on the neighborhood streets while the crew is working in the area. The interns are required to physically visit each and every item, so they will need to access some backyard areas. Part of the inspection may involve digging out a small amount of dirt if the water shutoff is buried and marking it with blue paint. The dirt will be neatly replaced when they have finished. People should not be alarmed or concerned if they see the interns carrying shovels, metal detectors and paint.

The crews can be identified by their lime green shirts with the City logo and will be starting as early as 8 a.m. and end at late as 4:30 p.m. The City is currently working on a schedule and plan for inspecting the different areas within the City. Once it is determined

where they will start, and their anticipated schedule and plan, the City will communicate that information via the City of St. Charles' Web site www.stcharlesil.org/news.

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Final phase of Route 31 construction begins soon

The final phase of the Route 31 construction project in St. Charles, just south of Route 64/Main Street, begins after Memorial Day. Northbound and southbound traffic will be detoured from May 29 through June 4. All work on Route 31 is expected to be completed and the roadways re-opened by June 5. Motorists driving through downtown St. Charles should anticipate congestion due to the detours and allow extra travel time or seek alternate routes. Please note the following:

- Illinois Street and the Illinois Street Bridge are open. Motorists will not be able to turn onto Route 31 from Illinois until the roadway is re-opened.
- 1st Street is now open from Route 64/Main St. to Prairie Street.
- Prairie St. is being used for the detour route. Motorists will not be able to turn northbound onto Route 31 from Prairie Street until the road is re-opened.

The Route 31 utility work is being done as part of the larger 1st Street Re-development project.

The City's contractor, Benchmark Construction, has been working extended shifts, seven days a week, to complete the project as quickly as possible. This third phase of the work includes sanitary sewer service extensions and connections across all lanes of traffic at various locations between Indiana and Walnut; water main extensions just north of Illinois and at the south end of the project; and water service disconnect just south of

Francesca's.

The next phase of the 1st Street infrastructure project will be the reconstruction of 1st Street. This work will begin in mid-June and include the complete reconstruction of the street from curb to curb, from Prairie to Route 64/Main Street. The low bid was approved by the City Council at the Monday, May 21, City Council meeting. Phasing and a project timeline are being finalized now and will be announced in the next two weeks.

City creates sprinkling regulations

The Municipal Code establishes lawn and garden sprinkling regulations that are in effect from May 1 through Aug. 31. During this time period, even numbered addresses may sprinkle on even numbered days of the month from midnight to 9 a.m. and from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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For more information, please contact the Public Works Office at 377-4405.

Public Works this week

For the week of May 29, the Electric Division will continue with work on the new tie line between Peck Road and the Prairie Street substations. Work will also begin on a new feed to pickup IYC along Route 38. Power pole change outs will also continue throughout the city at various locations. Street light bases along Main Street will be painted to freshen up their appearance. Normal activities will also continue.

The Street Division will continue with curb improvements on Beatrice Avenue, Union Avenue and North 15th Street along with coring out of 5th Place from Division Avenue to Moore Avenue. The asphalt crew will be busy paving 4th Place from Moore Avenue to Beatrice Avenue. Crews will also finish sidewalk inspections in the northeast quadrant of town and continue with tree trimming in the Commercial Manufacturing District. Other streets tasks will include redoing mulch and dirt for all trees planted during out 2006 Fall Program along

with clearing brush and trees at the corner of 2nd Avenue and Delnor Avenue.

The Water Division will be performing MFT work on Jobe Avenue and Roosevelt Street. Crews will also be evident doing monthly preventative maintenance. New construction work will be done at the Kane County Judicial Center, Hazen Building, 1st Street and Jaws Car Wash.

The Sewer Division will be working on storm sewer repairs on Union Avenue for MFT, storm sewer installation on Jobe Avenue for MFT and sanitary sewer repairs on Beatrice Avenue for MFT. Additional work to be done includes storm sewer repairs on 7th and State Avenues and also at 531 North Tyler Road. Crews will also continue with locations, the catch basin cleaning program and plan reviews.

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A View from the Cheap Seats



Honoring their memory

I realize I'm in the minority here with what I'm about to write. I'm sure that's true today. But I'm not certain I would have been in the minority 100 years ago, or even 50 years ago.

Memorial Day has always been the most sacred of days for me. It's a day during which we remember everyone who risked it all—who gave their all—for a cause much bigger than themselves.

There's something uplifting about that. We remember those who fell and, at the same time, we also honor those who survived. I know the latter is not the intent behind Memorial Day, but it's inevitable. There's no avoiding it.

The vets who turn out, year after year, to honor their fallen comrades, radiate a particular feeling that only they can explain: "There but for the Grace of God go I." They remember, so intensely, their friends who died too young and they know that the whims of fate could have easily led to an entirely different result. They stand there, remembering their friends, when it could too easily have been the other way around.

We have always honored the memory of those who fell in service of our nation, but the nature of the tribute has changed over the years. Or so it seems to me.

Once upon a time, we praised them for what they accomplished. Hundreds of thousands fell in the Civil War. We mourned the dead, but we also said their sacrifice had been an indispensable part of accomplishing something remarkable: holding the country together and beginning to correct injustices done to an entire race.

Tens of thousands fell fighting Hitler and Tojo. We honored them and we honored the cause they fought for in equal measure. Their sacrifice, we said, had not been in vain.

It's different today. We honor the person, but many of us don't want to hear about the cause. Before Viet Nam, the nation remembered the person and reflected on the cause that person had fought for. After Viet Nam, the dead became pitiful in many eyes; sacrificial lambs for a hopeless cause.

And I wonder: Have we grown to be realistic or cynical?

I'm alone here. I know that. But is life that precious? Our time on this earth is so damn short.

It seems as though we are so afraid of death that we judge any sacrifice in vain these days, except for those who die quietly in their sleep of natural causes after a century on earth.

I'm not pretending that I'm not afraid of dying. Of course I am. Yet, by the measure of eternity, does the exact span of our lives really matter that much? If we do indeed live forever,

then this form of existence is not even a blink in time. A life that ends after 20 years is tragic, but if that life ends in pursuit of a cause, larger than any of us, should that not matter? Should we not then do more than mourn, should we not honor?

Look, I'm not defending war as a rational means to solve our problems. But the fact is that part of being human is dealing with a whole world of irrational behavior. It's part of what makes life wonderful, even as it makes life exasperating and, sometimes, tragic.

There may come a day when we eradicate violence from the world, but it ain't happening today, or tomorrow, or next week. Until then, there will be people who use violence for selfish ends. We call these people evil. And, fortunately, there are people who have been willing to step up and respond with violence to combat evil. We call these people heroes. Or we used to.

Wars grew especially unpopular in this country about the time we got good at it. Up to—and including—World War II, the U.S. was always an underdog of sorts. The world believed we were to self-centered, too addicted to our wealth and comfort to make a difference in something that demanded as much self-sacrifice as armed conflict.

That changed after 1945. The spirit of the citizen soldier was finally recognized and the will and skill of the nation that supported the citizen soldier demanded respect.

And yet, once we had shown—beyond any doubt—that we could and would fight effectively for freedom, we began to minimize the efforts of the individuals who made that possible on the front lines. We transformed, in the minds of many, from underdog to bully. In fact, we were never either. We were, and are, simply a nation that's willing to stand up for what we believe is right and we possess the skill to stand up strongly.

Today, we mourn over 3,000 who have fallen in Iraq and Afghanistan. It is fitting and proper that we do so. Yet, compared to other wars, that's a remarkably low number of fatalities, and it's a drop in the bucket compared to the number of innocent civilians who have died at the hands of dictators and in the name of genocide and oppression in places like Iraq, Sudan and Cambodia.

We should remember every veteran who falls. We should shed tears for each life cut tragically short. But, on this Memorial Day, and every day, we should not confuse the tragedy of death with the triumph of spirit. Both matter and both should be honored, today and every day.

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Electric Dept. given 2007 Safety Award



IMUA First Vice President and City of St. Charles Electric Superintendent Glynn Amburgey (third from left) and Rock Falls Electrical Director Paul Jakubczak (far right) display the awards presented them by IMUA General Manager and CEO Ronald D. Earl (left) during IMUA's 2007 Annual Conference and Awards Banquet, held May 15 and 16 in Peoria. Other IMUA officers and board members pictured include, from left to right: IMUA General Manager and CEO Ronald D. Earl; newly-elected IMUA President Terry W. Draper; Amburgey; former IMUA Secretary/Treasurer and retired City of Sullivan Electric Superintendent Doug Lane; Gary Larsen, Director of Public Works, City of Batavia. (Courtesy photo)

The City of Rock Falls has been awarded the Illinois Municipal Utilities Association's 2007 Member Community of the Year Award while the City of St. Charles Electric Department has been presented with the Association's 2007 Safety Award.

Both municipalities were among the six member communities recognized by IMUA at its 2007 Annual Conference, held May 15 and 16 in Peoria.

City of Rock Falls Electrical Director Paul Jakubczak and St. Charles Electric Operations Superintendent Glynn Amburgey were presented with their respective awards by IMUA General Manager and CEO Ronald D. Earl during the Tuesday evening awards banquet of the two-day conference.

"IMUA is proud to recognize the commitment the City of Rock Falls, its leaders and its employees have made to the highest standards of utility operations and services," Earl said. "This award recognizes a member community's various achievements and accomplishments, which can include such things as system improvements, operating efficiencies, community and customer service, dedication to safety, environmental stewardship, economic development, institution of new projects and programs, and general dedication to a core mission."

This is the third year for the award, which recognizes an IMUA-member community for outstanding achievements in utility-related matters.

Earl said implementation of two new safety programs during the past year by the City of St. Charles' Electric Department were instrumental in significantly improving the overall safety record and index for employees.

"As a result of their implementation of a new safety program called 'Perfect 10', the department has achieved much greater safety consciousness and performance," Earl said. "In 2005, the utility incurred five lost-time accidents. By comparison and since implementation of the new program last year, it had none. In fact, the 14 members of the St.

Charles Electric Line Department worked more than 30,600 hours in regular and overtime hours during 2006, all without experiencing a single, lost-time accident or injury."

Earl also presented the IMUA-member municipalities of Batavia, Bethany, Carlyle and Princeton with awards recognizing them for a variety of safety-related achievements and accomplishments.

"Safety is, and always should be, a top priority among our members and their employees," Earl said.

In addition, a number of officers and directors were elected to the IMUA Board of Directors for the 2007-2008 calendar year. They include Terry Draper, city manager for the City of Mascoutah, President; Glynn Amburgey, Superintendent of Electric Utility Operations, City of St. Charles, First Vice President; Del McCord, Director of Utilities and Administration for the Village of Chatham, Second Vice President; Ron Dintelmann, Public Works Director, Village of Freeburg, Secretary/Treasurer; and, David "Louie" Diewald, City Superintendent, City of Red Bud, Immediate Past President.

Other IMUA Board Members include Gary Larsen, Director of Public Works, City of Batavia; Mike Lebshier, Gas Supervisor, Village of Edinburg; Kenneth Stock, Public Utilities Manager, City of Geneseo; Mike Buffington, Superintendent of Electric Operations, City of Geneva; George Q. Smith, Director of Public Works, City of Marshall; Mark Curran, Assistant Superintendent of Public Utilities-Electric, City of Naperville; Ron Wren, Alderman, City of Peru; Jason Bird, Superintendent of Electric and Telecommunications Operations, City of Princeton; Liz Killion, Alderwoman, City of Roodhouse; and Jay Bartlett, Chief Utilities Engineer, Springfield City Water, Light and Power, City of Springfield.

IMUA Associate Directors include Mark Steinmetz, of Drake-Scruggs Equipment Company of Springfield, and Randy Presnell, Account Manager, HD Supply, Inc. of Mattoon.

Letters to the Editor

Deadline for letters is noon on Monday. Please include a phone number for verification, and submit letters electronically.

Thank you
Dear Editor,

To all the donors and supporters. Thank you for your generous donations and support of the St. Charles East High School PTO Post Prom Gala, "Land of the Lost," which was held Saturday, May 5, 2007. Your contributions and support meant a great deal to our success. Thank you to all the volunteers for your valuable time and effort, it was much appreciated.

It is through the support of our business leaders, parents, community organizations, teachers and staff that we are able to provide a safe, alcohol and drug-free lo-

cation for our students to enjoy themselves after the prom. Decorations, games, prizes, and food were purchased with the donations. The event was fabulous and the students were very appreciative. We could not have done it without your support!

Sincerely,
Michelle Wilcox, Chairman
St. Charles East PTO Post Prom Gala

Salvia Divinorum Bill Passes Senate
Dear Editor,

A measure aimed at curbing the use of a

See Letters, pg. 26

City holds ninth annual Fine Arts Show



Michael McKee with one of his favorite paintings.
(Examiner Photos by Lisa Kuharchuk)



Artist, Chandra Stubbs from Sawyer, MI. Chandra's pottery has a wonderfully unique style.



Teresa De Ver, of De Ver Originals, helps customer Jane Cooper try on a necklace.



The streets of 1st Avenue, Illinois Avenue and 2nd Avenue were full of people taking in the sights of the beautiful art displayed at the ninth annual St. Charles Fine Art Show.
(To view photos go to www.examinerpublications.com)



Julie Kosinski carries tired Anya, 15-months-old as they browse the fine art.



Mom and dad, are we done yet? Joseph Dohertym 15-months-old is getting a workout walking the streets of St. Charles looking at art.

The ninth annual St. Charles Fine Art Show was held Memorial Day weekend, May 26 and 27 along the streets near the Fox River.

St. Charles welcomed some 95 artists from as many as 15 states, who brought a huge assortment of creative and beautiful items for all to view and purchase. People from all over the

area came to stroll past the booths and possibly find that one of a kind piece of art that moved or inspired them.

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North defeats East for first regional title



Saints' shortstop Ryne Ludke is unable to handle the throw to second as North's Jeff Holm gets back to the base in time. (Examiner photos by George Niman)

By Seth Hancock

To the uninformed observer, when a top-seeded team is pegged to play a No. 11 seed team for the regional championship, some might have expected a blow out.

However, when the No. 11 seed is the crosstown rival, which handed the top-seeded team one of only three conference losses during the regular season, and the top-seeded team has never won a regional title, it makes for an exciting game.

That is exactly what the St. Charles North High School baseball team had as it took some late-inning luck to tie it before rain suspended play on Saturday. This gave the North Stars new life and their first regional title in school history after a walk-off homer ended the game at 4-3 over St. Charles East on Monday, May 28.

In the bottom of the ninth, senior Jeff Roberts stepped up with one out and jacked the ball down the right field line, just barely making it over the wall.

"I was just watching it," Roberts said. "I didn't think I had it all at first."

As Roberts struck the ball, the North Stars bench cleared as they tried to will the ball over, and when Roberts threw his helmet in the air and started jumping with excitement, they knew the regional drought was over.

"I actually thought that he didn't have enough of it. Maybe it's just our time," said North coach Todd Genke. "Jeff Roberts had one of the best seasons of his high school career."

Sophomore Zach Hirsch took the victory pitching the two extra innings played on Monday, striking out four while allowing two hits.

"He's got command of four different pitches," Genke said. "He stepped up like a senior."

The North Stars didn't have time to break a sweat on Monday, but they probably didn't have any left after East dominated the game through most of Saturday.

The North Stars faced a 3-2 deficit going into the bottom of the seventh with the rain steadily falling.

With one out, senior Greg Stolzenburg started a rally by coaxing a walk that set up courtesy runner senior Jeff

Siemianowski to swipe second base.

This set up junior Brandon Nothnagel to hit a chopper to the East first baseman who misplayed the ball, and after trying to toss to the pitcher covering the bag, the ball sailed away, allowing the game-tying run to cross the plate.

"To be honest with you, I wasn't that worried. I thought we were going to get a run," Genke said. "The kids just battled back. We've done it all season."

The North Stars did it twice in the game as East took the lead early with a two-run, first-inning bomb.

North, with the help of its only hit on Saturday, scratched across two in the fourth to tie the score as senior Jeff Holm knocked in junior Jeff Thornton and senior Jordan Ask, each reaching via free pass, with a single to right.

East took the lead back in the sixth after a two-out double set up the exciting seventh.

With the win, North advances to the Larkin sectional with its record improving to 28-5 overall and 22-3 in Upstate Eight Conference play.

"We were going crazy every inning Saturday, and it was hard having to wait till today," Roberts said. "It's a great starting point for the team."



East catcher Steve Schenk waits for the ball as North Stars' Jordan Ask comes into home.



North Stars' Jeff Siemianowski beats the tag of Saints' second baseman Tony Demartino.



Saints' shortstop Ryne Ludke gets tangled up with North Stars' Greg Stolzenburg after he tags him out at second base.

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Wasco Elementary students have a field day

Wasco Elementary School held their field day on Thursday, May 24. There were plenty of activities for the children from tug of war to sack races. By far the most popular was the bucket brigade. Each classroom competed against each other, and the kids were given 15 minutes to see who could transfer the most water from one bucket to the other. At the end of 15 minutes the principal, Dr. Dave Abhalter, measured the amount of water to determine the winner. On this hot day the kids didn't mind getting a little wet and water spilled all over as they ran with the water buckets.



Second-grader Anne Ramsey cools herself off with some of the water.



Second-grader Clark Hageman jumps for joy after being declared the winning team. Isaac Anthony, Ally Zbindon and Tyler Barton celebrate with him.



First-graders Julianna Corrigan-Fredericks and Alivia Bella celebrate for winning the bucket brigade.



Second-grader Ryan Summerwill hurries and empties the water into the can.



First-grader Connor Dixon races to fill up the bucket.
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Symphonic band member Matt Vicencio adds the sound of the tuba.

(Examiner photos by Debbie Schutt)

Band remembers life of lost student



Horns-a-plenty were used to create the powerful sound of "Spirit".

The St Charles East High School bands presented a celebration of the life of Nicole Alaniz on Tuesday, May 22. This was no regular concert, it was a time to celebrate the life of a loving daughter, a best friend, a classmate and a beautiful soul.

Her friends remembered the first meeting in the band room, the things that made them laugh and her sassy attitude. Her instructor Jim Kull spoke of her love for music and her perfect pitch. He spoke fond-

ly of a crazy pair of checked shoes she would frequently wear to his class and the way she made people laugh.

Her father John took note of the way his daughter would act like her friends, while trying to get her to be her own person. He shared his gratitude for each of those friends as they have given bits of his daughter back to him throughout the past year. This was not a time of mourning, but one to look back on and cele-

brate a life cut short by a tragic accident. A time to celebrate the impact that one special person made on so many.

The students wanted to pay tribute and honor Nicole by commissioning Jim Bonney to compose a song just for her, which debuted that evening. Jim's song "Angels with Dirty Faces" closed the evening with a standing ovation and not a dry eye to be seen.

North faces defeat at hands of Hawks



It's the top of the seventh inning, the game is scoreless as both teams are laying it on the line. North Stars' Jackie Devitt makes an attempt to steal second base as Bartlett's Melissa Rieger gets ready for the tag.

By Seth Hancock

It's only been a week since both teams split a pair of slugfests with a combined 32 runs, but it only took the Bartlett High School softball team one run to beat St. Charles North on Tuesday, May 22, in regional play.

With the score remaining at 0-0 in the seventh inning, Bartlett delivered the game ending blow with a single to right field driving in the game winner after the lead-off batter reached on a single and reached second on a sacrifice bunt.

For the North Stars, this game ended somewhat of a tradition as North has knocked out Bartlett the previous two

seasons.

"That game was a little bit unexpected," said North coach April Stary. "Third time's a charm for (Bartlett)."

Christine Truesdell worked the complete game in the circle allowing six hits while walking three as she bore down in pressure situations.

Truesdell kept North in the game as Bartlett squandered three chances with runners in scoring position.

Bartlett missed its best opportunity in the fourth after a one-out walk followed by a single and a fielder's choice left runners at second and third with two away.

With the impressive pitching performance, the North Stars hoped to



In the third inning North Stars' Jessica Swanson makes the throw to first base for the out.

(Examiner photos by Lou Himes)

scratch across at least one run, but with only two hits they were unable to do so.

"They weren't getting runners on," Stary said. "(Bartlett's pitcher) got in a groove and was able to throw strikes."

North's bats were silent early as they went down in order the first three innings being struck out seven times.

But the bats heated up late breaking up the perfect game in the fourth as Kylee Sprengel reached on an error followed by a walk and a sacrifice bunt giving them a scoring opportunity.

"The couple of opportunities we did have, they just didn't put the ball

where it needed to be," Stary said.

Sarah Korth broke up the no-hitter with a lead-off single in the sixth, and Jackie Devitt notched the second hit in the seventh, but she was caught stealing to give Bartlett no one on with two outs.

"They played exactly the way they expected to," Stary said. "There wasn't a whole lot we could do."

North, the no. 13 seed, ends the season at 14-19 overall and 10-10 in Upstate Eight Conference play.

"I think we stayed with them far better than anyone expected," Stary said. "The only area we came up short was not being able to generate enough offense."

Police Reports

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report of an accident with injuries.
 ★At 1:05 p.m., police responded to Highways 84 and 41 for the report of an accident.

★At 3:15 p.m., police responded to the 800 block of Dunston Road for the report of an accident with injuries.

Tuesday, May 15

★At 9:55 a.m., police responded to Route 31 and County Highway 8 for the report of an accident with injuries.

★At 6:15 a.m., police responded to Route 31 and Fargo Boulevard for the report of an accident with damage.

★At 3:05 p.m., police responded to Anderson Boulevard and Peyton Street for the report of an accident.

★At 7:45 a.m., police responded to the 1000 block of Batavia Avenue for the report of an accident.

Wednesday, May 16

★At 11:20 a.m., police responded to the 1100 block of Kaneville Road for the report of an accident.

★At 2:13 p.m., police responded to the 300 block of W. State Street for the report of an accident.

★At 2:30 p.m., police responded to the 2100 block of S. Randall Road for the report of an accident.

Thursday, May 17

★At 1:25 p.m., a complainant at 404 S. Third Street, Little Traveler, reported an unknown offender stole four dolls. Estimated loss \$275.

★At 9:35 a.m., police responded to the 10 block of S. Second Street for the report of an accident.

★At 11:45 a.m., police responded to the 1000 block of W. State for the report of an accident with injuries.

Friday, May 18

★At 1:47 p.m., a complainant in the 200 block of Barnside Circle reported an unknown offender stole a \$55 check from the door handle of her residence.

★At 9:25 a.m., police responded to South and Second streets for the report of an accident with injuries.

★At 4:20 p.m., police responded to the 200 block of E. State Street for the report of an accident.

Sunday, May 20

★At 12:20 p.m., police responded to the 1400 block of S. Randall for the report of an accident.

★At 2:11 a.m., Michael J. Seydlitz Jr., 20, South Elgin, was arrested and charged with DUI and improper lane usage.

★At 2:11 a.m., Patrick M. Chandler, 19, Schaumburg, was arrested and charged with illegal consumption of alcohol.

Monday, May 21

★At 5:58 p.m., a complainant in the 100 block of Commons Drive reported an unknown offender broke the rear driver-side window to her vehicle. Estimated damage \$300.

★At 8:18 a.m., a complainant in the 900 block of Stonewood Glen Drive reported an unknown offender(s) entered a construction site and broke a double-pane window, damaged two sheets of drywall and dumped out two buckets of joint compound.

★At 12:37 p.m., police responded to the 200 block of N. Randall Road for the report of an accident.

★At 3 p.m., police responded to Williamsburg Avenue and S. Randall Road for the report of an accident.

Tuesday, May 22

★At 12:05 p.m., police responded to the 1400 block of Randall for the report of an accident.

★At 4:50 p.m., police responded to the 1400 block of S. Randall Road for the report of an accident.

★At 7:17 a.m., a complainant at 300 S. Randall, Delnor Community Hospital, reported an unknown offender(s) damaged a heavy-duty construction forklift and threw bricks through two windows. Estimated damage \$600.

SOUTH ELGIN

Wednesday, May 16

★At 12:10 a.m., Maria E. Perez, 42, Elgin, was arrested and charged with no valid driver's license and no rear plate light. She faces a June 25 court date.

★At 6:59 a.m., police responded to the 700 block of Chasewood Drive for the report of an accident.

★At 10:20 a.m., police responded to the 300 Randall, Bakers Square, for an activated panic alarm.

★At 12:21 p.m., police responded to Concord and Medford for the report of a tree blocking the view of a stop sign.

★At 12:53 p.m., police responded to 95 S. Gilbert Street, Painted Lady, to assist a citizen.

★At 3:22 p.m., police responded to 760 E. Main, South Elgin High School, for the report of a fight.

★At 4:43 p.m., police responded to the 600 block of N. Water for a burning complaint.

★At 5:21 p.m., police responded to the 600 block of Fieldcrest Drive for the complaint of an ATV in the area.

★At 7:33 p.m., police responded to 1140 W. Spring, State Bank of Illinois, for an activated burglar alarm.

★At 7:56 p.m., police responded to 1140 W. Spring, State Bank of Illinois, for an activated burglar alarm.

Friday, May 18

★At 5:47 p.m., police responded to Commercial Drive and Randall Road for the report of an accident.

★At 4:01 p.m., police responded to LaFox Street and Mavis Avenue for the report of an accident with injuries.

★At 6:11 p.m., police responded to Spring and Strathmore for the report of a suspicious person in the area.

★At 10:25 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of E. Thornwood for the complaint of a loud party.

Saturday, May 19

★At 11:04 p.m., James R. Schuett, 19, South Elgin, was arrested and charged with criminal damage to property.

Sunday, May 20

★At 10:28 a.m., a complainant in the 1000 block of Sunbury Road reported between May 19 and 20, a known offender called and harassed her approximately 50 times.

★At 4:25 p.m., police responded to the 1000 block of W. Kane for a check-on-well-being request.

★At 10:39 p.m., police responded to the 800 block of N. LaFox for an activated burglar alarm.

Monday, May 21

★At 7:57 a.m., police responded to Barry and Middle to assist a motorist.

★At 8:34 a.m., police responded to 336 Randall, The Great Frame Up, for an activated burglar alarm.

★At 10:14 a.m., police responded to Raymond Street and South Elgin Boulevard for the report of an abandoned vehicle.

★At 3:39 p.m., while in the 600 block of Dean Street, police observed an abandoned Mercury Sable with expired registration. The owner was issued a 17-day notice.

Tuesday, May 22

★At 4:42 p.m., while in the 600 block of Dean Street, police observed an abandoned Chevrolet Corsica with expired registration. The owner was issued a 17-day notice.

★At police responded to the 500 block of Dean Drive for the complaint of loud music.

★At 6:31 a.m., police responded to 96 N. LaFox, Citgo, for the report of a theft.

TOWNSHIPS

Friday, May 18

★At 8:36 a.m., police responded to 6N772 Tuscola, St. Charles, for the complaint of a disorderly employee.

Sunday, May 20

★At 2:54 p.m., Timothy L. Bartlett, 43, St. Charles, was arrested and charged with domestic battery. He was transported to the Kane County Jail.

★At 6:40 p.m., Carlos U. Rodriguez, 28, Aurora, was arrested and charged with burglary to motor vehicle. He was transported to the Kane County Jail.

Monday, May 21

★At 10:04 a.m., a complainant on Oakwood Street, St. Charles, reported an unknown offender(s) banged on his windows and doors and covered several trees with toilet paper.

★At 12:45 p.m., Andy R. Toledo, 30, Aurora, was arrested and charged with DUI, no valid driver's license, improper lane usage and disobeying a traffic-control device.

★At 6:11 p.m., a complainant in the 10 block of N. Wild Rose Road, St. Charles, reported an unknown offender called and harassed her.

★At 7:13 a.m., Rogelio A. Valdez, 37, Hampshire, was arrested and charged with DUI, BAC over 0.08, illegal transportation of alcohol, driving while license revoked, disobeying a traffic-control device and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle.

★At 6:49 p.m., a complainant in the 800 block of N. Route 31, St. Charles, reported she found a pontoon boat near the dock to her property.

★At 5:29 p.m., Omar Keik Garcia-Hernandez, 23, Carpentersville, was arrested and charged with no valid driver's license, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. He was transported to the Kane County Jail.

★At 3:56 p.m., Brandon A. Taylor, 29, Elgin, was arrested and charged with driving while license suspended, expired registration and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. He was released on bond.

Tuesday, May 22

★At 4:40 p.m., a complainant in the 400 block of N. Old Kirk Road, Geneva, reported between May 5 and 22, an unknown offender stole jewelry from her bedroom safe.

★At 3:05 p.m., police responded to Route 20 and Coombs Road, Elgin, for the report of an accident.

WAYNE

Monday, May 14

★At 4:43 p.m., police responded to 32W270 Army Trail Road, Wayne Country Store, for a 911 hang up call.

★At 3:23 p.m., police responded to Surrey and Army Trail Road for the complaint of two solicitors in the area.

Wednesday, May 16

★At 5:59 p.m., police responded to the 700 block of N. Powis road for the report of wires down and a fire on the ground.

★At 5:10 p.m., John E. Zimmer, 40, Elgin, was arrested and charged with driving while license suspended, improper lane usage and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. He was released on bond.

★At 5:13 p.m., a complainant in the area of Guild Lane reported suspicious vehicle in the area of the tennis courts.

★At 11:38 a.m., police responded to 5N443 School Street, Wayne School, for a 911 hang up call.

Thursday, May 17

★At 4 a.m., Maria S. Cervantes, 25, was arrested and charged with no valid driver's license and speeding.

Friday, May 18

★At 11:39 a.m., a complainant in the 500 block of W. Marebarn Road reported a suspicious vehicle in her driveway.

Saturday, May 19

★At 4:43 p.m., Paolo R. Castellano, 40, Elburn, was arrested and charged with driving 135 miles per hour in a 45 mile per hour zone. He was released on bond.

Sunday, May 20

★At 1:53 p.m., police responded to Woodland Trail for the complaint of reckless driving.

Monday, May 21

★At 6:30 p.m., a complainant in the 400 block of W. Lysle reported a suspicious vehicle in the area.

Tuesday, May 22

★At 5:19 p.m., police responded to the 100 block of W. Woodland Trail South for the complaint of a subject trespassing.

Wednesday, May 23

★At 6:50 p.m., police responded to Derby and Army Trail for the report of a loose horse.

★At 6:35 p.m., police responded to Route 59 and Smith for the report of an object blocking the roadway.

★At 4:09 p.m., while on patrol in the area of Powis and Jenlor, police observed a motorcycle in a ditch.

★At 11:17 a.m., police responded to Wayne Elementary for the report of an out-of-control student.

★At 7:34 a.m., a complainant in the 600 block of Rochefort Lane reported an unknown offender(s) put firecrackers in his mailbox on two occasions.



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Orchestra performs final concert of year



Sarah Olsen performs "A Renaissance Fair" on the violin with the Thompson Middle School Band. (Examiner photos by Debbie Schutt)

Budding musical talent flowed from the gymnasium at Thompson Middle School Wednesday, May 23. Orchestra students took the audience on a musical journey through the ages as members from the sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade orchestras performed. The journey traveled through the Renaissance, Baroque era, Classical, Romantic, and concluded in the Modern era. The final concert of the school year highlighted the hard work and dedication of the young artist. The evening concluded with a eighth-grade orchestra performing "Music from Wicked".



Opening the concert with a prelude of tunes Emma and John Maupin perform a duet on their violins.



Perfect posture and the correct position of the instrument is on the mind of Alex Gage as she plays with the sixth-grade orchestra.

East wins sectional, continues its season



There is no mistaking the look on the Saints' players faces as the team gathers around the sectional championship plaque.

Story and photos by Lou Himes

The East High School girls soccer team faced off against the Wheaton North Falcons for the IHSA Class AA Sectional Championship at the Wheaton Academy campus Thursday, May 24, in a game where the only other dominating force on the field, other than the Saints was the high winds.

The Saints jumped off to an early lead when junior Karen Nitti scored the

first goal of the game. The Falcons fought back, and with the wind to their backs, they attacked.

East responded by tightening up its defense as the Saints faced the Falcons' offense. Saints goalkeeper Angela Bradburn faced down countless attempts on the goal, making several heart-stopping blocks and saves.

The Saints offense also went on the attack, and after several attempts, it



It's a battle for the ball as Saints' Kelsey White is surrounded by Wheaton North players.

finally scored East's second goal off a corner kick by Cara Morawski that was headed into the net by Nitti with 5:45 left in the first half to bring the score to 2-0.

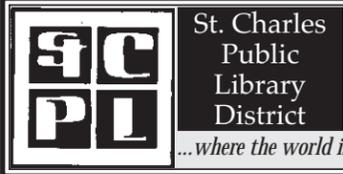
With the start of the second half, East found itself facing a reenergized Falcons offense after Wheaton North scored its first goal of the game less than five minutes into the half. The ball sailed just over goalkeeper Bradburn's outstretched

fingers.

The game was all but sealed with 7:20 left in the game when Saints freshman Hannah Ketterling booted one in for the Saints final goal of the game.

The Saints ended the game with a 3-1 victory over the Wheaton North, winning the IHSA Class AA sectional championship.

Next up for East is the super sectional, which will be held at Benedictine University in Lisle.



Read! Learn! Connect!

Celebrate summer at the St. Charles Public Library! Read about programs in the Library-wide program guide, The Program Pages: St. Charles Public Library's Calendar of Events, which is available at the library and online at www.stcharleslibrary.org. Enjoy an astronaut visit, chess workshops, sidewalk drawing, a gaming night lock-in, and more! Summer program registration will begin on Saturday, June 2. Visit the ASK ME Desk or call 584-9390 for more information.

Deathly Hallows Prediction

We know someone will die in "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows." Who do you think it will be? Enter the Youth Services' Deathly Hallow Prediction contest! Pick up an entry form beginning June 2, and complete it with the name of the person and when they die. For more details, stop by the ASK ME Desk. Prizes will be awarded at the Birthday Bash.

Mission to Read

Visit the Youth Services Department to register for this summer's reading club, Mission Read: To the Library and Beyond! There are reading clubs for everyone, from infants to students. The first day of summer reading log-in will be Tuesday, June 5. The last day to register for reading clubs will be Saturday, July 21 and the last day to log in will be Saturday, Aug. 4.

A Visit from Corduroy

Corduroy will be visiting the Library on Friday, June 8, at 11 a.m. Register for the program, bring a camera, see the bear, and have a photo taken with him! This program is brought to you in partnership with Barnes & Noble of Geneva. Books will be available for sale.

Babysitter Training

Babysitter Training allows students between the ages of 11 and 15 to become a certified Red Cross babysitter in one day. Training will cover all aspects of babysitter responsibilities, including first aid and how to respond to emergency situations. A child may sign up for one of three sessions this summer, all of which take place from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The sessions take place on Tuesday, June 12, Wednesday, June 13, and Monday, July 9. A completed application form, including a parent's signature, must be submitted at the time of registration. Questions regarding the training may be directed to the Fox Valley Red Cross at 443-8844. Students living outside of the library district may register beginning on Thursday, June 7, for the June sessions, and Monday, July 2, for the July session.

Thaddeus Rex

Thaddeus Rex is coming to the Library! The entire family is welcome to register for one of two fun, energetic concerts filled with original songs, play activities, and lots of dancing on Thursday, June 14, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. or 1 to 1:45 p.m. Recordings will be available for sale.

Astronaut Visit

While it may not be possible for students to visit space this summer, Astronaut Mark C. Lee, a veteran of four space flights, will visit the library on Friday, June 15, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Students who have finished kindergarten through grade 12, as well as adults, can register for this fascinating event and learn about his shuttle missions, look at images from space, see his flight suit, and ask questions.

For Adults:

Salad Supper

The Friends of the St. Charles Public Library will host a salad supper on Monday, June 4, at 6 p.m. in the library's lower level meeting room.

Anyone interested in learning more about this volunteer group is welcome to attend.

Mission Read

Join a summer reading club for adults or young adults! Earn prizes just for reading. Book logs are available at the Readers Services Desk. Log in begins Tuesday, June 5, and continues through Saturday, Aug. 4. Enter a weekly prize drawing and receive food coupons. Test your knowledge with a literary contest. It's all here at your library this summer.

The Write Stuff

St. Charles Writers Group: Saturdays at 9:15 a.m. On June 9, the group will discuss great writers on writing and on June 23 group members will read

from their work. Moderator Richard Holinger leads the group that is designed for both fledgling and experienced writers. Participants are encouraged to bring at least 20 copies of something they have written to each meeting. Workshops are for those ages 18 or older.

Spanish Audiobooks

The St. Charles Public Library continues to grow its basic collection of Spanish-language materials for adults and children. In recent months, audiobooks have been added to the adult collection, ranging from Dan Brown's "El Código Da Vinci" to John Gray's "Los Hombres son de Marte Las Mujeres son de Venus". The print collection covers various topics such

as using computers, health and learning English, as well as various fiction titles.

The Youth Services Department Spanish Collection is for children and students through grade eight. This collection includes books completely in Spanish as well as some in Spanish and English. There are picture books, easy readers, nonfiction, and chapter books for young children and students in elementary and middle school. There also are kits which include a book and a CD so you can listen to the book.

For more information about the Spanish collection, visit or call the Information Services Desk in Adult Services at 584-0076, extension 1.

Carol Stream's Summer Festival

All events are held at the Ross Ferraro Town Center
(SW corner of Gary Ave & Lies Rd.)

<p>Thursday, June 7th • 6-10 pm</p> <p>6-10 PM Beer Garden</p> <p>6 PM FABULOUS JANES (Glam Rock)</p> <p>8:30 PM MIKE & JOE (Rock n' Roll)</p> <p>Friday, June 8th • 6-11 pm</p> <p>6-10:30 PM Beer Garden</p> <p>6 PM THE SYSTEM (Bob Seger Tribute)</p> <p>8:30 PM PINK HOUSES (John Mellencamp Tribute)</p> <p>Saturday, June 9th • Noon-11 pm</p> <p>10AM-Noon Free Carnival Rides for people with special needs</p> <p>Noon-4 PM Home Depot Kid's Wood Workshop</p> <p>Noon-5 PM Chamber of Commerce Business Expo (Festival Tent)</p> <p>Noon-4 PM Cash Bingo (Festival Tent)</p> <p>1-5 PM Free Pony Rides</p> <p>4-10:30 PM Beer Garden</p> <p>3:30 PM DAIN BRAMAGE (Classic Rock)</p> <p>5:30 PM ARRA (Classic Rock)</p> <p>5-11 PM TEEN MUSIC FESTIVAL (Family Stage)</p> <p>7:30 PM SLIPPERY WHEN WET (Bon Jovi Tribute)</p> <p>9:30 PM DRAW THE LINE (Aerosmith Tribute)</p> <p>Sunday, June 10th • Noon-10 pm</p> <p>Noon-4 PM Home Depot Kid's Wood Workshop</p> <p>Noon-5 PM Chamber of Commerce Business Expo (Festival Tent)</p> <p>Noon-4 PM Cash Bingo (Festival Tent)</p> <p>1-5 PM Free Pony Rides</p> <p>3:00 PM STINGRAYS (Surfer Rock)</p> <p>4-9:30 PM Beer Garden</p> <p>5:45 PM TONY SPAVONE (Italian/Am. Classics)</p> <p>6:15 PM BAND ON THE RUN (McCartney & Wings Tribute)</p> <p>8:30 PM AMERICAN ENGLISH (Premiere Beatles Tribute)</p>	
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North volleyball takes down Saints



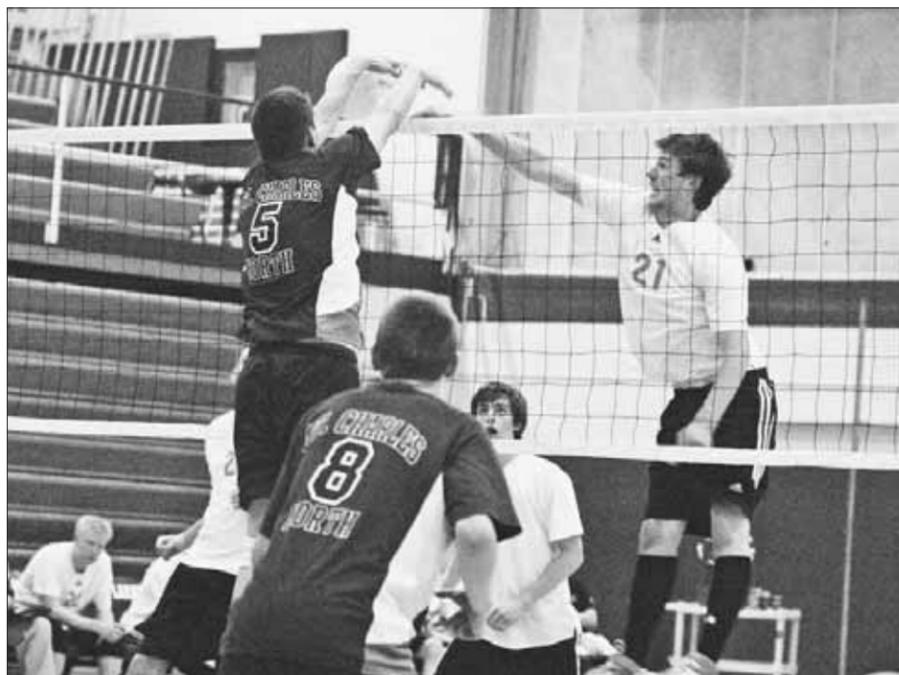
Austin Collingham gets up high for the spike.

(Examiner photos by George Niman)

The St. Charles North Stars met up with their crosstown rivals St. Charles East at the regional volleyball tournament at Larkin High School on Tuesday, May 22. Larkin's gym wasn't packed, but the fans that did show up made a lot of noise. East came out of the gate and took the first game with a tough 25-23 win. The North Stars stormed back winning the second game 25-20. In the third game East didn't play well, and the North Stars won 25-11 to take the match and move on.



The Saints' Shawn Courtney and Grayson Kimmel try to block Brett Ellis's spike.



North Star Rusty Lavaja gets to the net to block the Saints' Scott Francis from scoring.

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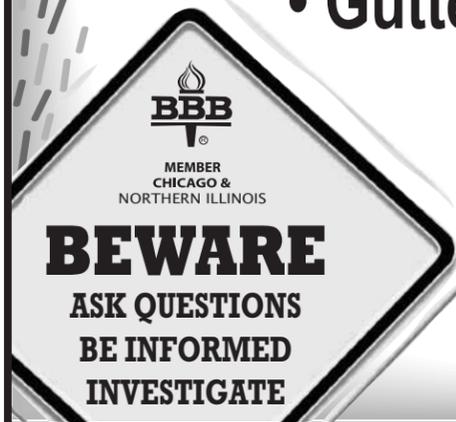
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Graduating seniors celebrate with BBQ



The crowd loved the fancy finger work of Scott Konecke.
(Examiner photos by Lisa Kuharchuk!)

A few hundred graduating seniors gathered at North High School on Thursday, May 24, for a BBQ in the commons.

What is it like to have the whole graduating class together in one place? From the smiles and conversation of the students, there was an energy of excitement, anticipation, telling of favorite stories and memories, but most of all the thrill of high school coming to an end. Most importantly, these seniors were making more memories to last a life time this final week before they take the walk over the stage to receive their diplomas.



When there is a BBQ you will always find master chiefs. Guidance Counselor, Matt Kirby and Assistant Principle Mark More are grilling everything to perfection.



It is great to be seniors. Pictured: Carolyn Wilkonson, Abby Burke, Raymond Hsu, Allison Stephens, Josh Eassa and Ben Zeman.

Fighting Saints win in regional playoffs



Zac Kennedy kept the Gators' bats silent with a variety of pitches.
(Examiner photos by Lou Himes)

The IHSA AA baseball regional playoff took place at East High School between the Saints and the Crystal Lake South Gators on Thursday, May 24.

The Saints took the lead in the first inning off Tony DeMartino's single. On the next play, DeMartino stole second and moved to third after seeing no one covering the base. The lack of coverage was a mistake that cost the Gators the game. Vince Frede then popped a ball up that allowed DeMartino to score. It was the only run for either team during the game.

The Gators tried to come back, but the Saints' defense and Zac Kennedy's pitching allowed them few opportunities to make it on base. East won the game 1-0 and advanced in the regional playoffs.



The Saints' third baseman Stephen Judd puts effort into his throw to first base in order to get the out.



St. Charles' Tony DeMartino hit a single that eventually enabled him to score the only run of the game.

St. Charles lacrosse hosts annual event



Varsity coach Anne Knudson, center, enjoyed sharing her thoughts on each player at the letter and participation awards portion of the banquet. Special recognition awards were given to, from the left, Jackie Green, Leadership Award; Lisa Blahut, MVP Offense; Taylor Vancil, MVP Defense; Tracey Moran, Unsung Hero; and Jackie Shirreffs, Most Improved Player.



The first St. Charles women's lacrosse club's coach James Wimberley, center, who recently moved to Maryland, came to the annual banquet and was presented with a custom blanket and memory book from all the players and the club board for his continuous devotion to the players as well as the sport.

Story and photos by Peter Booth

There were 109 supporters and 38 players of the St. Charles women's lacrosse club at this year's annual banquet held on Sunday, May 20, at the Hotel Baker. This year marked the club's seventh year of the cooperative between St. Charles North and East high schools' women. Enthusiasm, energy and spirit for this rapidly growing sport filled the air.

Club President Nick Giachino predicted the sport will be IHSA sanctioned in two to three years, as its popularity is quickly rising within the state.

"There are currently about 48 schools in Illinois that field (lacrosse) teams, with many new additions each year," Giachino said. "Once the number climbs to about 70 teams, the sport will be sanctioned as an IHSA state sport."

This year's 2007 varsity team earned a winning

record of 13-7-1. The team won its first playoff game in the state tournament, but was eliminated in the second round. In the Upstate Eight Conference, the St. Charles Co-op went 4-4-0, behind Naperville Central and Neuqua Valley high schools and ahead of Naperville North and Wheaton Warrenville South high schools.

James Wimberley, the club's founding coach who recently moved to Maryland, said the women's lacrosse game, unlike the men's game, is non-contact and therefore all about speed and finesse of the teams on the field. This fundamental difference, from Wimberley's experienced perspective, makes the women's game even more exciting, interesting and unique.

Wimberley spoke to the attendees not about the game itself, but how the game can, and does, impact

the players' lives.

"(Lacrosse) teaches the players to learn about themselves, about frustration, about teamwork," Wimberley said. "What do you, as individuals, take away from the field, and what you learn is what you take through life."

Departing senior co-captain Lisa Blahut, who told attendees in her thoughtful presentation that her play over the years has made a measurable positive difference in her life, later reinforced Wimberley's message.

Departing seniors Liz Becker, Lisa Blahut, Sally Fischer, Tracey Moran, Jackie Shirreffs and Brittany Smith were also recognized.

To learn more about this sport, log onto the Illinois High School Women's Lacrosse Association's Web site at www.ihswla.org.

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Saints celebrate graduation day



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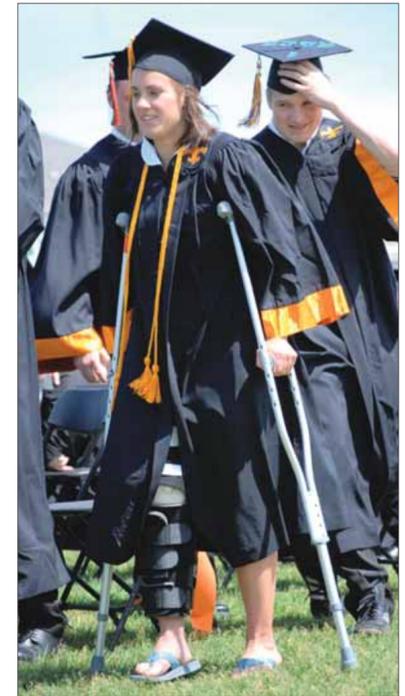
The pride of the Saints was easy to see as the Class of 2007 entered Norris Stadium on Sunday, May 27, for the commencement ceremony. The students enjoyed the crisp air and sunny skies as they took their final steps toward their diplomas. Principal Robert Miller spoke of the pride he felt for each of the students as they leave the hallowed halls of St. Charles East. The skills the graduates take with them have prepared them to be the people they are today. Some may choose a profession in education, medicine or the military, but no matter what the choice they will make their mark on the world taking a little piece of the pride of a Saint with them wherever they go.



Addressing the students Mario Espinoza talks about the journey one makes in life.



Enjoying the moment are Sarah Wohead, Abby Winter, Steven Wilkinson, Mike Yarbrough, John Voll, Nate Yucas, Jakub Wrobel, Ryan Wilknsn, Brendon Wilson, Nick Witting, Alvin Williams, Nathan Wiese, and Jenna Wright.



Jackie Swider and Chase Szorc make their way to the stage for their diplomas.



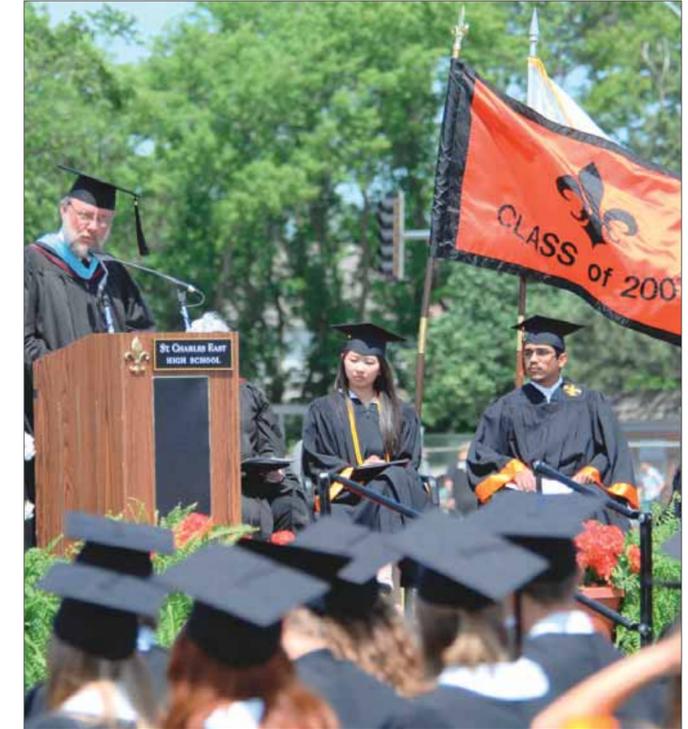
Kevin Ryan enters the ceremony ready to embrace the celebration.



Senior choir members close the commencement ceremony with the singing of the "Irish Blessing."



Jessica Yu spoke of the 4,982 hours in the experience of being a Saint.



Principal Robert Miller spoke of the skills the students have that make them the people they are today.



Thomas Friel had the students laughing as he started to make a kind remark about each one of them. He spoke of his love of the school and the positive atmosphere he has grown to love at East.



Abby Pleasant, Lauren Keller, Lauren Hunter, and Kristin Langhammer are a happy group at graduation.



The future is so bright for Charles Werner and Mili Hadzic they need shades.



Two thumbs up from Ian Hunt and Andrew Zers as they spend their final moments as Saints.

(To view photos go to www.examinerpublications.com)

East seniors create memories at breakfast



Mel Chavez, Tammi Andracki and Lauren Mourning want to capture the moment. (Examiner Photos by Lisa Kuharchuk)

Friday, May 25, the seniors of St. Charles East attended their senior breakfast at Indian Lakes Resort.

Like seniors everywhere, they have been preparing for the momentous day of graduation: finals are over, high school studies complete and school events are winding down. They are being fitted for caps and gowns, making plans with friends for the summer, attending graduation practice, and inviting family and friends to watch the grand event of receiving their diplomas; not to mention planning parties for afterward. Grad-

uation is a time for reflection, remembering these years of education, the friendships made, the fun and trying times, and the teachers that inspired and challenged them to become who they are today.

This breakfast was all about the seniors, from the friendly roasting, to the wonderful entertainment, to the presentation of senior favorites. You could tell that the faculty and teachers love and care about these young adults. This was a very special event that everyone will remember forever!



For the closing entertainment Bart Curtin and Jacob Boulay performed a rap song about their years, teachers and friends at East.



Valedictorian, Tom Friel, and Salutatorian, Diana Yu, smile as they were award plaques from Bob Miller.



Senior entertainment: End of Ennui playing "Stairway to Heaven" gave you an indescribable feeling! Beautifully done!



The banquet room of seniors was silent as Courtney Herr's voice captured everyone's attention.



Time to get down to business—chow time!

(To view photos go to www.examinerpublications.com)

North girls soccer ends 'incredible' season

By Seth Hancock

The St. Charles North High School soccer team gave it their all, but Wheaton North proved to be too much as North ended its season with a 3-1 loss in sectional play on Tuesday, May 22.

"I would stand by this team in anything—win, lose or draw," said North coach Ruth Vostal. "They built character, they built heart, and I'm incredibly

proud of them."

Throughout the first half, the defenses were tight to keep it scoreless until Wheaton North was able to head one past North Stars' goalkeeper Kristen Manski with five minutes left before the break.

The second half saw many North Stars chances early with a shot from Leah DeMoss, taking a near game-

tying shot that hit the cross bar.

"It was sort of how we've gone through the season, where we say we're a better second-half team," Vostal said. "I don't know what it was, but I think we absolutely dominated the second half. But we dug ourselves into a hole."

North had a scare when Haley Nothnagel went down after a shot to the back caused her to be carried off the field on a stretcher.

"She got a hit with her knee into her lower back where all that good stuff comes together," Vostal said. "She could feel stuff. She had some pain down her leg."

With under 16 minutes to go and the loss of Nothnagel on their minds, Wheaton North established some momentum as it took the 2-0 lead after a one-on-one match with Manski.

The North Stars came out aggressive and, with just over five minutes left to play, Caitlin Winkelman was able to find the left corner of the net just a minute after Wheaton North's final goal.

"After Caitlin scored that goal, I thought we could score another two or three," said North midfielder Lynda Judy.

That was all North could manage with time working against it and a two-goal deficit to overcome.

With the loss, North's season ends at 17-3-1 overall.

"We had the talent. Then we found we had the heart in the Barrington Tournament. We knew we had the leadership," Vostal said. "It just didn't go our way tonight, but we had an incredible season."

False assault accusation results in plea bargain

By Lynne Senne

Bartlett resident Gima Stevens plead guilty on Wednesday, May 23, to felony disorderly conduct and three misdemeanor charges of resisting a police officer, battery and disorderly conduct.

Stevens, 39, had accused three Kane County Sheriff's Deputies of sexually assaulting her in a squad car. Later in her report, she said the assault had occurred in the jail, sparking investigators to question the validity of the accusation.

Stevens entered her plea as part of an agreement with the prosecution, and the deal includes 100 hours of community service, 20 days in jail, \$850 in court fines and fees, and 24 months on probation.

Because she was eligible for day-for-day credit, Stevens was only required to serve 10 days in jail, which she has already done, according to Kane County officials.

When the alleged assault occurred,

Stevens had been taken into custody following an altercation at a gas station on Routes 64 and 47 on July 29, 2006.

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Forest Preserve board debates '07-'08 budget

By Patrick Deasey

Another sign of growth surfaced in Kane County, as the county's Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners undertook their first detailed examination of the District's capital expenditure budget for the upcoming year.

Ever.
"This is something that we have never done before," said Commissioner Jan Carlson (R, 26-Elburn) of the exercise, initiated by Commissioner John Fahy (R, 21-West Dundee).

Fahy's curiosity had been raised, after several weeks of poring over budget details, by finding himself still trying to grasp the preserve's budgeting methodology.

Surfacing during the Preserve's Utilization Committee meeting Thursday, May 24, Fahy first acknowledged his need for clarifications as the issue of building demolition arose.

With staff proposing the removal of the Nyman House at the Nyman-

Oury Forest Preserve in Rutland Township, the Campton House in the Campton Forest Preserve, Campton Township, and a single story garage in the Les Arends Forest Preserve in Batavia, Fahy wanted to know the process for such decisions.

"I've been looking and looking, but the only criteria I can find is 'unnecessary,'" Fahy said of current preserve policy regarding structure removal. "What do we use to decide the property is unnecessary?"

Fahy's arguments about the buildings we're joined by fellow commissioners Mike Kenyon (R, 16-South Elgin), Arlene Shoemaker (D, 3-Aurora) and Barb Wojnicki (R, 15-St. Charles) who felt the houses were worth saving.

"I've lived in worse houses," said Kenyon, debating the portrait of severe deterioration presented by staff as justification for the building's removal.

"I think the staff is painting a blacker picture than what it really is," Kenyon

said.

Though the staff was directed by the commissioners to save the buildings, even in light of the roughly \$50,000 in renovations the structures would likely need to return them to code, the matter will likely return to the board soon, as what to do with the buildings remains unresolved.

"Are we a Forest Preserve, or a rental agency?" questioned Don Wolfe (R, 18-Elgin), who favored the demolition, citing a future of expensive upkeep bills if the properties were returned to everyday use with the county as landlord.

A staff report on actual estimates to repair the structures for re-use is expected shortly.

As for the actual budget discussions, Fahy continued his questioning of what measures were employed to determine the necessity of some purchases.

I just think if we have a set of criteria set, we should follow them," he said,

characterizing some equipment requests as redundant or overlapping, and being purchased sooner than stated in current preserve policy, most notably in regards to vehicle replacement.

In the end however, no significant changes are to be seen in the approximately \$1.6 million preserve budget, a fact that will disappoint more than Fahy, as Commissioner Paul Greviskes (D, 6-Aurora) still looks to reverse the spending patterns all together.

"We do much more asphalt paving, and building things than developing the Forest Preserves themselves. I think we need to change our focus on how we do things," he said. "\$1 million for (capital outlays) and staff, \$500,000 for Forest Preserve Operations. That should be reversed."

Though he sympathizes with both Fahy and Greviskes, Forest Preserve President John Hoscheit (R, 12-St. Charles) sees the spending as reflective of the preserve's "success" over the last few years.

"Even since Arlene's time, we've quadrupled our size," he said referring to Shoemaker, former preserve president who returned to the board after a 8-year "retirement" from politics.

"It was a good thing to do," Committee Chair Carlson said of the examination prompted by Fahy. "I'll tell you, the commissioners know a lot more about the budget than they ever did, and now maybe they understand some the requests a little better than before."

Which will be necessary as the preserve will continue its expansion thanks to the recent \$85 million referendum passage, ensuring a continuation of the preserve's aggressive land acquisition program.

"It's not the Forest Preserve of 1948. It's bigger and more demanding," said Carlson

North graduates earn scholarships

On Sunday, May 27, at 3:30 p.m. St. Charles North will graduate a class of approximately 500 students. Weather permitting, the ceremony will be held at the North Stadium. (Rain location, the main gym).

Department Awards

- Outstanding Senior in Social Studies—Lauren Dutkiewicz
- Outstanding Senior in Foreign Language—Erin Walsh
- Outstanding Senior in English—Emily Burker
- Outstanding Senior in Music—Chad Downey
- Outstanding Senior in Art—Shelly Hemmerich
- Outstanding Senior in Math—Shannon Newman
- Outstanding Senior in Business—Bhumi Patel
- Outstanding Senior in Technology Education—Kyle Horn
- Outstanding Senior in Science—Ryan Sanders
- Outstanding Senior in Physical Education—Bryan Barker
- Outstanding Senior in Psychology/Sociology—Samantha Copping
- Outstanding Senior in Family and Consumer Science—Katelyn Keck

High School Organization Awards

- Tyler Caruso Memorial Scholarship—Stefanie Gutierrez
- St. Charles Education Association Scholarship—Joanna Besser and Stefanie Gutierrez
- People for the Arts Scholarship—Jack Finucane, Kevin Folk, Jessica Haney, and Sara Shankman
- School Store Internship Scholarship—Natalie Albers, and Amber Wesner
- St. Charles North PTO Scholarship—Jayde Huxtable, Kaylee Jamison, Ryan Sanders, and Adam Screeden
- St. Charles North Central Boosters Scholarship—Amanda Blumeyer, Bethany Figura, Keeley Mennie, and Ryan Sanders
- Willie Elke Boys Soccer Booster Scholarship—Matthew Dahl
- St. Charles North Drill Team Booster Scholarship—Brittney Lutsch, and Lindsey Richardson
- North Star Council Award—Bethany Figura, Adam Foster, Carolyn Nield, and Julia Robert
- North Star College Scholarship—Shannon Ratcliff

Community Organizational Awards and Scholarships

- American Legion Scholarship—Natalie Albers
- Appointment to U.S. Air Force Academy—Brendan Lanphear
- Community Foundation of the

Fox—River Valley, Karl Becker, Krysta D'Amico, Landon Goggins, Kaylee Jamison, Denise Lovorn, Brittney Lutsch, Shannon Newman, Isabel Perfect, Sara Shankman, and Keith True

• Greater St. Charles Education Foundation Scholarship—Ryan McGuire

• John E. Fleming Scholarship—Rebecca Orr

• Prudential Spirit of Community Award—Bethany Figura

• Tri-Cities Exchange Club, A.C.E. Award—Samantha Goff, and Anne Reuss

• Zonta Club of St. Charles, Geneva, Batavia—Lauren Dutkiewicz

• Unity Masonic Lodge # 48 Scholarship—William Thompson, Heather Tomassi, and Julianne Zoerlein

• Kiwanis Noon Club Scholarship—Denise Lovorn and Joseph Vierthaler

• Pottawatomie Garden Club Scholarship—William Thompson

• Central DuPage Hospital Scholarship—Karl Becker

• Delnor Community Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship—Heather Tomassi

• Margery Clark Burge Scholarship—Alison Conn

• Fox Volley Model A Restorers Club Scholarship—Matthew Pezzuto

• Douglas Hoeft Memorial Scholarship—Natalie Albers, Heather Tomassi, and Keith True

• West Suburban Alumni Club Scholarship—Bryan Barker

• Harris Bank Scholarship—Monica Miller

• Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award—Jeffrey Holm and Keeley Mennie

• Semper Fidelas Band Award—Ryan Sanders

• Marine Corp Scholastic Excellence Award—Samantha Copping and Ryan Goh

• Marine Corp Distinguished Athlete—Amanda Blumeyer and Erik Ellingson

• Phi Delta Kappa Scholarship—Natalie Albers

• Geneva Lions Club Scholarship—Karl Becker and Anne Reuss

• Stig P. Orum Memorial Foundation Scholarship—Megan Brucato, Ryan McGuire, Carolyn Nield, Heather Tomassi, and Amber Wesner

• Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship—Raymond Hsu and Shannon Newman

• National Merit Scholarship—Raymond Hsu

Special recognition goes to the following students who were nominees for these prestigious awards:

• Chicago Tribune All-State Academic Team—Raymond Hsu

• Daily Herald Academic Team—Kaylee Jamison and Raymond Hsu

• Daily Herald Leadership Team—Lauren Dutkiewicz and Karl Becker

• Daughters of the American Revolution—Natalie Albers

• IHSA Academic All-State Team—Anne Reuss and Erik Ellingson

• Principal's Leadership Award—Carolyn Nield

• Sons of the American Revolution—Derek Vancil

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& pretty arbor entrance! Newer Roof! Walk to Lake
Charlotte Park/fish/skate! Minutes to Town!



MAPLE PARK \$1,499,900
15 ACRES! BARN! 3 OUTBUILDINGS!
Grandiose long tree line drive leads to sophisticated
fenced 15 acre estate! Impressive home w/6,200 sq ft of
plantation style living! Inviting wrap-around porch for
sunset views! Distinctive floorplan & architecture! Huge
new "Personality Plus" designer kit! Gigantic cathedral
family rm! 3 outbdgs, 80x60 heated, 65x25 & 5 car
garage! 6 stall barn w/3 pastures! Stocked pond! Collector?
Have a Business? Horses? Burlington schools!



ST. CHARLES \$1,399,999
NEW CONSTRUCTION! 6775 SQFT!
New Construction! Ready! All brick & 6775sq ft! Spectac-
ular floorplan w/breathtaking floating curved staircase in
very dramatic foyer! Marble & hardwood on entire 1st flr!
Gigantic gourmet kit! 1st & 2nd flr master! 3 fp's! Huge
adl bdms! 7 bthrms! Finished bsmt! Suberb stately
curb appeal...look at the triple curved entrance!! 4 car
garage! Nicely located in luxury area of St. Charles! 1.29
acre lot! Close to Randall Rd corridor!



SOUTH ELGIN \$1,150,000
SILVESTRI CUSTOM BUILT MODEL!
Silvestri Built model home presented for 2006
Cavalcade of Homes! Experience the richness! Grand
foyer, iron staircases, hardwood/porcelain floor!
Sophisticated kit w/cherry granite, enormous island,
stone backsplash/ hood, hammered copper sink...
gorgeous! Extensive trim package! Walkout bsmt!
Screened porch! Includes smart home computer sys!
Wooded 3/4 acre!



SOUTH ELGIN \$899,900
RANCH! WOODED! WALKOUT!
Unsurpassed quality! Architecture! Floorplan! Newer
huge BELLEFLEUR built RANCH w/highend
features seen in multi-million \$ homes! 12 ft ceilings!
Niches/built-ins everywhere! Heated flrs! Extensive
Trim/transoms! Large Grand kit! Breathtaking
Sunroom! Exquisite finished W/O w/spectacular bar!
Media rm! 2nd sunroom! Unbelievable private
wooded lot! Luscious W/O landscapes!



ELGIN \$850,000
5100 SQ FT! IN-GROUND POOL/HOT TUB!
New home...gigantic w/5100 sqft! Spectacular curb
appeal w/large front/side porch area for relaxing! Gor-
geous private 1.3 acre lot overlooking water views!
Perfect 4 entertaining! Inground pool, hottub, shuffle-
board court & fireplace! 4 season sunroom! Lovely interi-
or! True 5 bdrm! 4.1 baths! 2 master suites! 1st/2nd flr!
Fabulous 4 inlaw/teen! Enormous Rec rm, office! 4 car
garage! This ones a beauty!



WAYNE \$750,000
SPECTACULAR VICTORIAN! 1+ ACRE!
Unique custom newer Victorian on pretty 1.6 acre lot in
Prestigious Lake Eleanor Estates! Extensive trim pack-
age! Transoms! What detailed architecture! Turret study
w/rench doors! Wonderful kit w/granite, ss, Cherry cabi-
nets, island, butler pantry! Hardwood on entire 1st flr!
Luxury master! Enormous 2nd flr bonus rm...so many
possibilities! English bsmt! Wraparound porch! Central
vac, security sys, intercom! 4200 sqft of charm!



ST. CHARLES \$625,000
WALK TO RIVER/DOWNTOWN
Spectacular Prairie style time w/exquisite architecture! Hot
area close to downtown/river/golfcourse! Wonderfully
renovated, this 1905 home is a masterpiece! Enormous high-
end kit w/top-of-the-line custom cabinetry, SS appl, butler
pantry w/wetbar, hrdwd flrs & big gorgeous windows w/views!
Wonderful master w/new private bath! Original stain glass!
Relax on 3 season porch! Everything newer...plumbing,
electric, roof, siding!!! Gotta see to believe this one!



ELBURN \$525,000
GOLF COURSE VIEW
Beautiful GOLF COURSE—Acre Lots!
Culdesac! Backing to the 10th and 13th
fairways! English and Walkouts available!
Packages starting from \$600,000! Close to
New Grade School, and New Grocery! Easy
access to METRA Train and I-88!



ST. CHARLES \$525,000
3 LAKES! ACRE!
Desirable Three Lakes (homes upto million!) this newer
home is Fabulous! Hardwood fls Everywhere! Executive
trim package, lovely custom millwork! Big Kit w/maple
cabs, seated island! Gorgeous large fam rm w/12" ceil-
ings & brick fp! 1st flr den! Nice master luxury suite!
Gigantic finished bsmt/bonus rm 4 kids!! Eye catching
stone front elevation w/sideload 3 car gar! Security sys!
Culdesac! Mature acre lot! Close 2 shops/grocery/190!



WEST CHICAGO \$489,900
STC SCHOOLS! 3800 SQ. FT!
Former Builders model w/3800 sqft & wow...what a floorplan!
Spectacular 2story liv rm! Dual staircase! Enormous Kit
w/Hickory cabs, double oven, Butlers pantry & unique Tech
center! Big Fam rm! 1st flr Den! Huge Laundry rm! Gigantic
master w/unbelievable bath, closet & sitting rm! Big bdms
w/Jack & Jill bath! Fabulous loft! Security sys! Intercom!!
Pristine condition! 3 car garage! Close to mall, grocery,
theater! St. Charles schools



ST. CHARLES \$439,900
3400 SQ. FT! SUNROOM!
Gigantic newer home...3420 sqft! Model perfect!
Tasteful & pristine! Huge kit w/hardwood flr, upgrade
glass front cabs! Stunning sunroom! Exceptional mas-
ter suite (26x20) includes spa bath & huge closet!
Loft...great 4 office/play rm! Big bdms! Finished bsmt
perfect for kids/entertaining! All this on large premium
fenced lot w/2 tier deck, waterfall/pond! 3 car gar!



ST. CHARLES \$429,900
BACKS TO FOREST PRESERVE!
What a GORGEOUS private wooded premium lot back-
ing to forest preserve & nature trail! 4000 sqft w/walk-
out! Popular Valeria model w/lots of extras! Gigantic kit
w/island, butler pantry, so many cabs! Big 2 story Fam
rm! Front/back dual staircases! 1st flr den! Pretty luxury
master! Fin finished walkout bsmt w/Stone flr, large rec
rm, 5th bdrm & awesome Theater rm! Brick front! 3 Car
tandem Gar! Walk 2 parks! A 10! Really!!!



ST. CHARLES \$395,000
PRIVATE! BACKS TO PRESERVE!
OOOh what privacy! Almost an acre w/spectacular
views! Updated & backing to campton forest preserve!
Unbelievable new big expanded kit w/granite, medallion
maple cabs w/glass fronts, ceramic flr, big island, ss
appl, double oven, huge walkin pantry! Spacious fam rm
w/hardwood flrs! Powder rm w/new cabinet, granite! 4
spacious bdms all w/walkin closets! 2nd flr new carpet!
1st flr ldy! Full front porch w/brick! Sideload garage!



GENEVA \$395,000
GOLF COURSE VIEW!
Enjoy peaceful maintenance free living...no
mowing/shovelin...but a single family home. Relax on
the wraparound front porch & 2nd flr coffee deck over-
looking 10th hole...golf course views! Newer home
w/large kit, upgraded maple cabs, big island & hard-
wood flrs! Pristine condition! Gigantic great rm w/FP!
Spacious bdms! Loft! Finished walkout bsmt! All appl
stay! Walk 2 new village center! Minutes to Metra train!



SOUTH ELGIN \$340,000
1.5 ACRES! STC SCHOOLS!
Here's your chance to own acreage on the Fox
River! 1 1/2 acres of unbelievable waterfront prop-
erty w/peaceful views, large mature trees! Nice
home in good condition...add on or build new!
Huge 2 car detached garage! Resort style
waterfront living right here in town!
St. Charles schools! Flood ins not needed...not
on flood plain!



ELBURN \$339,900
BACKS TO POND! FIN ENGLISH BSMT!
Enjoy peaceful pond serenity...overlooking wide open
water views! Private...no one behind! Well maintained
newer home w/all the amenities! Hardwood flrs! Island kit
w/ upgraded maple cabs & planning desk! Big fam rm
w/custom granite fp! Master w/whirlpool bath! Newly fin-
ished English bsmt w/rec rm, office, rough-in 4 bath! Huge
multilevel deck w/big screened gazebo to take in the beau-
ty! Pond is stocked 4 fishing! Minutes 2 metra train!



ELBURN \$329,900
PRIVATE ACRE!!!
Wow! Beautiful & affordable St. Charles acre lot!
Original owner! Nice spacious home...brick
front/side load garage! Updated kit w/Pergo flrs!
Formal liv & Din rm! Newer carpeting! Huge family
rm w/brick fp! Bring the kids...this has 4 bdms & 3
full baths! Need a rec rm or just storage area? Has
sub bsmt! All appl stay! Newer brick paver walkway!
St. Charles schools.



MAPLE PARK \$315,000
AFFORDABLE! QUALITY! NEW CONSTRUCTION!
Quality custom home just completed! Gorgeous! Brazilian
Timberana hardwood fls! Spacious kit w/upgraded cherry
cabs, large seated island, ss appl! Big fam rm w/FP!
Computer/office nook on 1st flr! Huge master w/spa bath...
whirlpool...separate shower...double basin! Gigantic
bonus rm! 4th bdrm (19x18), 2nd flr ldy! Full bsmt w/bath
roughin! Brick front & wraparound porch! Big home...2500



ST. CHARLES \$275,000
EASTSIDE TH! FIN. BSMT!
Beautiful mature views in this sophisticated area
of St. Charles! Peaceful setting & close to town
& shopping! Like new...entire interior just paint-
ed! New Carpeting! Pretty kit w/hardwood flrs!
Spacious 1st flr w/FP! Finished English bsmt
w/built-ins, full bath & bdrm! Balcony off master
suite! 2 Decks! All Appl. Stay!



SOUTH ELGIN \$225,000
3 BED! STC SCHOOLS!
Hard to find 3bdrm newer townhome w/St. Charles
schools! Beautiful Kit w/upgraded 42" maple
cabinets Oak spindle staircase leading to 2nd flr!
Formal liv rm and spacious family rm! Vaulted
master w/private bath & walkin closet! 2nd flr ldy! All
appl stay! Pretty open view off patio! Sport core
complex w/pool and clubhouse in subdivision! Easy
to Randall corridor & 190 4 all you commuters!



ST. CHARLES \$249,900
MANY UPGRADES! TH!
Run to see this striking 2 year New Home! Loaded
w/upgrades! Gorgeous Kit w/42" Maple Cabs, Cherry
Hdwd & SGD to Deck! Expansive & Bright LVRM/DNRM
Combo! Double door entry to MBRM w/full bath & walk-in
closet! BDRM 2 w/private bath! Oak Railings, 6 Panel
Doors, Ceramic Tile, Ceiling Fans, New Paint & Designer
Fixtures! Pretty courtyard area w/benches! Great
Eastside Location near shopping & restaurants!



BATAVIA \$240,000
TOWNHOME! ENGLISH BSMT!
Model like beauty in fabulous location! Backs to open
space (No One Behind)! Close to Randall
shopping/grocery! Bright & Cherry w/huge 2
story great rm! 1867 sqft! Lovely FP! Incredible
...neutral decor! Pretty Kitchen w/so many
cabinets! Large master suite w/luxury private
bath! Wow...English (daylight) Basement...so
many possibilities!!!



BATAVIA \$229,900
AFFORDABLE BATAVIA RANCH!
Affordable Batavia Ranch...w/so much space!
Hardwood Flrs! Spacious Liv Rm w/FP! Wonder-
ful kit w/new cabinets...gorgeous! 3 bed-
rooms on main level! Master has slider leading to
large deck! Fin Basement has big rec rm, 2nd FP,
full newer bath & 4th bed/office! Fenced Yard!
Windows, CA new in 2004! Roof 01! Furnace 00!
2 blocks to grade school!



ST. CHARLES \$225,000
NEWER EASTSIDE TH!
Spacious one level living in popular townhome
Eastside location of St. Charles! Newer Desirable
Harrison model w/large vaulted great rm! Dining
rm! Eatin kit w/upgraded ceramic flr, pantry, Slider
to Deck! Big sunny master suite w/private bath &
walkin closet! 6 panel doors! Wonderful model like
condition! Walk 2 grocery, shopping, theater!
Easy to Kirk & Rt59 4 all you commuters!



SUGAR GROVE \$212,000
1ST FLOOR MASTER! TH!
Light-filled end unit backs to open area, featuring
a first floor master suite w/cathedral ceiling,
walk-in closet & private bath! Kit has ceramic flr,
Corian counters, pantry & a breakfast nook
w/sgd to patio! LVRM w/2 sty vaulted ceiling,
hdwd flr & FP! Bedrm, Full Bath, Loft, & Storage
up! New carpet & paint! Walking path steps from
patio! Convenient! Near Jewel & I-88!



DEKALB \$200,000
AFFORDABLE! RANCH!
Well maintained ranch with full basement
that's affordable! Large open great room with
vaulted ceilings and woodburning fireplace!
Hardwood floor in kitchen! Oak woodwork and
trim throughout home! Large Master with
private bath! Full basement! Newly painted
throughout! New light and water fixtures! Fully
fenced back yard and landscaped!

East students receive awards at graduation

On Sunday, May 27, at 1:30 p.m. St. Charles East graduated a class of approximately 500 students. Weather permitting; the ceremony was held in Norris Stadium. The following information pertains to the St. Charles East Class of 2007.

- Valedictorian: Thomas Friel
- Salutatorian: Diana Yu

Academic Awards:

• Academic High Honors: Barrett Abraham, Melody Ahlstrom, Emily Alford, Kelsey Balance, Ruthvik Basavaraj, Kirsten Benjamin, Kathleen Benson, Natalie Berg, Emma Biagioni, Christopher Billquist, Andrea Blanco, Michael Blauvelt, Sean Bottorff, Carly Boven, Angela Bradburn, Meghan Brandonisio, Jennifer Bren, Jane Byington, Stuart Carney,

Amanda Carter, Robert Cassens, Tara Cesario, Elizabeth Chadwick, Matthew Chiappetta, Russell Chinn, Hannah Clark, Caleb Clausen, Samuel Cokinos, Jennifer Connelly, Michelle Cox, Bart Curtin, Jessica D'Amore, Alexander Deckrow, John DeMartino, Stephanie Dudley, Megan Lee Earl, Amy Farber, Catherine Fee, Kaitlin Flanigan, Scott Francis, Vincent Frede, Thomas Friel, Laura Gehrman, Christopher Geldes, Erin Gilroy, Rebecca Greetis, Erin Hague, Alma Hamzic, Lauren Hansen, Nicole Hatzis, Renee Hauger, Gregory Hecht, Christopher Held, Amber Hewitt, Aubree Hoeppe, Joshua Houswerth, Carrie Hrubec, Charles Ingersoll, Michael Jacobsmeyer,

Michael Jagodzinski, Kelsey Kanies, Hallie Kadza, Lauren Keller, Nolan Kelly, Zachary Kennedy, Lisa Kibiloski, Andrew King, Katrina Kopeck, Kristina Kurr, Nicholas Lalos, Katherine Lander, Kirsten Lang, Kristin Langhammer, Maria Lat, Jeffery LeFevre, Jessica Leyden, Richard Joseph Linchangco, Ryne Ludke, Conor Mackey, Kyle Mackey, Brandi Marinko, Jessica Martin, Lauren Matchett, Jessica Mate, Emma Maupin, Catherine Meyers, Cara Morawski, Kevin Mueller, Robert Mullen, Timothy Oldiges, David Palmer, Ashley Park, Dhruvi Patel, Sara Petermann, Deanna Pieniasek, Jennifer Pierce, James Pittman, Emma Porter, Lauren Possley, Lauren Quiroz, Kelsey Rankin, Alex Robertson, Brandon Rusnak, Angelina Sangalang, Kyle Sarvas, Jacob Schnell, Lindsay Silis, Maureen Smunt, Astri Snodgrass, Blake Sotern, Jake Springer, Emily Stables, Rachel Stearns, Ieva Straseviciute, Jackie Swider, Rebekah Taylor, Amit Thawaney, David Thomases, Tue Tran, Nicole Travis, Jennifer Turriff, Catherine VanDeraa, Logan Vogt, John Voll, Alexander White, Katherine White, Abigail Winter, Jenna Wright, and Diana Yu

- Student Council Leadership Scholarship: Jeffrey LeFevre and Lisa Kibiloski
- National Honor Society Scholarship: Christopher Billquist and Jeffrey LeFevre

Community Organizational Awards/Scholarships

- Joe Gaffney / American Legion Athletes of the Year: Jennifer Bren and Alexander Jackson
- Christopher B. Ahern Memorial Scholarship: Michael Jacobsmeyer and Amit Thawaney
- American Legion Post #342: Charles L. Ingersoll
- American Society of Newspaper Editors/Quill and Scroll: Emily Staples
- Norris Cultural Arts Center Scholarships: Jarrett Benjamin and Kevin Mueller
- Best Buy Children's Foundation Scholarship: James O'Malley
- Bus Driver Joe Klaput Memorial Soccer Scholarship: Alyssa Fuelner and Angela Bradburn
- Tyler Brett Caruso Memorial Scholarship: Caleb Clausen and Lisa Kibiloski
- Central DuPage Hospital Scholarship: Amit Thawaney
- Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship: Devon J. Hopkins

Letters

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dangerous hallucinogen has passed the Illinois Senate.

House Bill 457 makes *Salvia Divinorum* a Schedule I controlled substance and bans the use of the seeds, extract or other derivatives of the plant. The bill is similar to Senate Bill 226, which is currently awaiting a floor vote in the Illinois House of Representatives.

The DuPage County Sheriff called my attention to this after one of his employee's kids suffered severe depression and symptoms similar to that of using LSD after ingesting *Salvia Divinorum*. Even those that use *Salvia* advise that people under the influence have someone watch them at all times for any sudden ill effects. This herb is dangerous, not only to the user, but to all those around them.

Under the bill, anyone convicted of possessing *Salvia Divinorum* would be subject to a Class 4 felony, and anyone who manufactures, delivers, or possesses with intent to manufacture or deliver *Salvia Divinorum* would be subject to a Class 3 felony. HB457 was sponsored in the House by Representative Dennis Reboletti (R- Addison).

I am proud to partner with Representative Reboletti in sending this bill to the Governor's desk. I am hopeful this will not only protect both children and adults from this dangerous hallucinogen, but also hold those who traffic it accountable," Millner said.

HB457 passed the Senate unanimously on a 57-0 vote and will now be sent to the Governor for his consideration.

John J. Millner

The Face of Hunger

Dear Editor,

Hunger Awareness Day is June 5, 2007. The Face of Hunger Will Surprise you is more than a theme for Hunger Awareness Day 2007—it is a truism. Because hundreds of thousands of individuals throughout northern Illinois—our neighbors—are experiencing food insecurity or hunger, Northern Illinois Food Bank's goal is to raise awareness on this issue and to mobilize our communities in the fight against hunger. We also want to inform people who may be in need of assistance that there is help available. Hunger is a TODAY issue—we need YOUR help.

Events and activities (will) be hosted by Northern Illinois Food Bank throughout northern Illinois. You can also visit www.northernillfoodbank.org for more information on hunger. You can visit www.hungerday.org to learn more about events taking place across the nation to honor Hunger Awareness Day.

Hunger knows no season; hunger does not discriminate—it can affect anyone, at any time. Hunger may be silent—we are a voice for those who are struggling to make ends meet and to put food on the table. Join us at the table and please help

us in the movement to educate and engage people in this fight and raise awareness. There is something that each of us can do to make a difference. By working together, we CAN and WILL positively impact many of our neighbors, including children, seniors, and the working poor.

Thanks again for all of your help!

Amber Wood
Community and Public Relations
Manager
Northern Illinois Food Bank

Thank you

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Downtown St. Charles Partnership, the River Corridor Foundation—and the planning committee, specifically—we would like to thank everyone who helped make the inaugural Bob Leonard Walk-A-Thon such a grand success. We are especially grateful to the weather gods for a beautiful day to enjoy a stroll along the river through downtown St. Charles. Walkers enjoyed the St. Charles riverfront from Pottawatomie Park to Mt. St. Mary Park featuring the Sculpture in the Park exhibit. Notable among those responsible are:

- The honorable Mayor Don DeWitte for leading the walk and for his kind words at the dedication ceremony of the "Bob Leonard Walkway" section of riverwalk between Illinois Street and Indiana Street.
- All of the sponsors of the event, including the Daily Herald, The Private Bank and Trust, The City of St. Charles, St. Charles Park District, Medi Spa of Fox Valley Women and Children Health Partners, Blue Goose Supermarket, Colonial Café and Ice Cream, Valley Community Bank, First Street Development LLC, Keller Williams Fox Valley Realty, EmbroidMe of St. Charles, and Breadsmith.

• Each and every one of our committee members and volunteers, without whom the day would not have been possible.

• The St. Charles Noon Kiwanis members for their continued support of River Corridor functions and volunteerism during the Walk-A-Thon

• The family of Bob Leonard, especially Joan Leonard and Jennifer Leonard-Biddle—honorary co-chairs of the event, and Jeff Leonard for serenading everyone at the cookout after the walk.

• And certainly, the 150 Walk-A-Thon "pledgers" and walkers who turned out to experience the scenic beauty of the Fox River through downtown St. Charles.

Without the support and participation of everyone mentioned above, the Bob Leonard Walk-A-Thon would not have been such a fun and memorable event. We are pleased that Bob Leonard's tribute to St. Charles is in creating "a lively downtown riverfront environment—a community centerpiece—where residents and visitors can live, work, shop, dine, and play."

Sincerely,
Deb Pfaff and Kim Malay
Bob Leonard Walk-A-Thon
Co-chairpersons

• Illinois State Scholars (Top 10 percent of the state's top graduating seniors as determined by ACT or SAT scores and class rank at the end of the sixth semester):

Kelsey Balance, Ruthvik Basavaraj, Christopher Billquist, Carly Boven, Meghan Brandonisio, Jennifer Bren, Elizabeth Chadwick, Russell Chinn, Samuel Cokinos, Michelle Cox, Jessica D'Amore, John DeMartino, Amy Farber, Kaitlyn Flanigan, Thomas Friel, Christopher Geldes, Erin Gilroy, Rebecca Greetis, Keith Gullen, Alma Hamzic, Gregory Hecht, Amber Hewitt, Aubree Hoeppe, Joshua Houswerth, Charles Ingersoll, Hallie Kadza, Zachary Kennedy, Lisa Kibiloski, Katrina Kopeck, Katherine Lander, Jeffery LeFevre, Jessica Leyden, Brandi Marinko, Jessica Martin, Lauren Matchett, Emma Maupin, Catherine Meyers, Cara Morawski, Robert Mullen, Timothy Oldiges, Sara Petermann, Deanna Pieniasek, Jennifer Pierce, Lauren Quiroz, Kelsey Rankin, Alex Robertson, Brandon Rusnak, Angelina Sangalang, Kyle Sarvas, Jacob Schnell, Astri Snodgrass, Blake Sotern, Jackie Swider, Rebekah Taylor, Amit Thawaney, David Thomases, Tue Tran, Nicole Travis, Jennifer Turriff, Logan Vogt, John Voll, Alexander White, Abigail Winter, and Diana Yu.

National Merit Awards:

• National Merit Finalist: David Thomases

• National Merit Commended: Thomas Friel, Timothy Oldiges and Diana Yu

• Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholar: Thomas Friel, Christopher Geldes, David Thomases and Diana Yu

Department Awards

- Business Education: Lauren Quiroz
- Mathematics: Christopher Geldes
- Foreign Language Award: Elizabeth Chadwick
- Social Studies Award: Thomas Friel
- Art Award: Ross Ericsson
- English Award: Emily Staples
- Speech/Theater: Kirsten Benjamin
- Music Award: David Thomases
- Science Award: Aubree Hoeppe
- Technology Award: Robert Schneider

• Family and Consumer Science Award: Jessica Griffin

• Driver Education, Health, Physical Education Award: Lauren Matchett and Logan Vogt

High School Organization Awards
• School Store Intern Scholarship: Brendan Wilson, Christine Hermes, Alex Deckrow, Amy Farber

• Greater St. Charles Education Foundation: Elizabeth Chadwick

• John E. Groenings Charitable Foundation Scholarship: Amit Thawaney

• The Hansen-Furnas Foundation Scholarship: Jacob Boulay

• Harris Bank Scholarship: Jessica Zimmer

• Kiwanis Noon Club of St. Charles Scholarship: Isha Dhingra and Jeffrey LeFevre

• Model "A" Restorers Club: Garrick Taenzer

• Thomas J. McBride Memorial Scholarship: Conor Mackey

• People for the Arts Scholarship: Kirsten Benjamin, Christopher Billquist, Ashley Campbell, David Thomases

• Provena St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship: Lauren Matchett

• Sons of the American Revolution: Nathan Yucuis

• Stig P. Orum Memorial Foundation Scholarship: Nicole Travis

• Stryker Reed Memorial Scholarship: Claire Desormey and Jacob Grosser

• Zelda Strecker Memorial Award: Astri Snodgrass

• Saints Parents Teachers Organization Senior Award: John Anthony DeMartino, Kelsey Kanies, Jeffrey LeFevre and Emily Staples

• St. Charles Booster Club Scholarship: Kirsten Benjamin, Abigail Winter, Jeffrey LeFevre and Jacob Schnell

• St. Charles Education Association Scholarship: Tara Cesario, Sarah Cochefski, Deanna Pieniasek and Jamie Taylor

• St. Charles Education Support Personnel Scholarship: Zac Kennedy and Kaitlin Flanigan

• United States Army ROTC Scholarship: Tyler Halbert

• West Suburban Alumni Association Scholarship: Jennifer Pierce and Lisa Kibiloski

• Fleur De Lis Awards: Kelsey Balance, Emma Biagioni, Christopher Billquist, Thomas Friel, Lisa Kibiloski, Jeffrey LeFevre, Cara Morawski, Blake Sotern, Emily Staples, David Thomases, Abigail Winter and Diana Yu.

Campton Hills board hits variety of issues



The first Board of Trustees of the Village of Campton Hills gets down to business during its first public meeting. From left, Trustees Al Lenkaitis, Jr., Mike Millette and James Kopec, Village Clerk Rebbecca Lambe, Village President Patsy Smith, Village Attorney Bill Braithwaite, and Trustees Dr. Charles Cappell, Roy Pollack and Bern Bertsche.

Story and photo by Patrick Deasey

The newly incorporated municipality of Campton Hills got the business of doing business officially underway Tuesday, May 22, as the inaugural meeting of the Village Board of Trustees took place in the Campton

Township Community Center outside of Wasco.

"Well, I thought it was going to be a long meeting, and it was," said Village President Patsy Smith of her expectations regarding what would be a near 4-hour affair.

Featuring an agenda rich in the details of running a small government, such as the creation of a new village code, the adoption of liquor ordinances, picking an official seal, extending protection to historic landmarks, choosing a village bank and even discussing what to charge for photocopies of village documents, the board covered more ground than established communities might see for months.

First and foremost though, the issue of the soon-to-be-developed Campton Hills Police Department took center stage, as Keith Rippy of KRM & Associates, consultant on the initial police budgets put forth by the incorporation effort, declared that "we could have a police chief by the 16th of July, if we stick to the timeline."

That timeline, as put forth in Rippy's proposed selection process for the new top cop, is seemingly ambitious enough, without the extra necessity of finding someone who will have to build a department from scratch, but Rippy is confident that a candidate will emerge.

"This will not be your ordinary police chief's job," he said, noting the amount of hats the first chief will wear as the department is formed, but Rippy indicated that he already had interest in the position from "four to five" individuals.

This would be in addition to "three to four" contacts Rippy says to have received by those interested in patrolman positions as well.

With plans to advertise for the spots in the coming weeks as well, Rippy's plan envisions having to whittle the expected applicant pool for chief down to a group of four to six "semi-finalists" by mid June.

That group would then be further reduced to two to four finalists after a review/interview process to be conducted by a panel of local police officials, a trustee, and a member of the community at large, and will include an "open house" session where resi-

dents can speak directly with the candidates.

After taking the public input into consideration, by this calendar Smith would be in position to offer the slot on June 27, with the chief expected to assume duties, after routine background and medical evaluations, by no later than July 16.

The new chief's immediate duties would then include the hiring of three officers the village will have to have ready by mid-November when the Kane County Sheriff's discontinues patrol service to the village.

All of these matters however remain dependent upon the creation of an emergency appropriations budget that the village must form to allow for the spending of municipal money Campton Hills is expecting from the state.

As that issue comes with a July 31 deadline, Smith suggested a possibility of moving the chief's selection back even though earlier installation would allow the new boss more time to filter through potential police candidates.

Understanding this, Smith still moved forward her appointment of both Rippy and Trustee Dr. Charles Cappell, co-author of the proposed police budget, as co-chairs of the search committee, charged with the formation of the search panel and overseeing the selection process.

According to the budget for the department put forth during the lead-up to the incorporation vote, the new village is estimating approximately \$483,800 worth of expenses, of that \$80,000 would go towards the new chief's salary, with the new chief to be paid on a pro-rated basis.

As for the mundane, a temp seal was selected, a new village logo will be developed in a public contest soon, and the village's new Web site will be www.villageofcamptonhills.org. Regular board meetings shall take place on the first and third Tuesdays on each month at 7:30 p.m., preceded by the Committee of the Whole at 6:30 p.m.

Campton residents attempt disconnection

By Patrick Deasey

The Campton Hills honeymoon may already be over, as the new municipality is facing its first legal challenge from a group of residents initiating efforts to disconnect from the village.

The disconnection petition, filed by attorney Patrick Griffin on behalf of 41 families in the Prairie Lakes, Burr Hill and Wide View subdivisions, was met with a strong statement of opposition by the Campton Hills Board of Trustees.

The inaugural executive session resulted in a unanimous vote to fight the petition after emerging from during the village's first Board of Trustees meeting Tuesday, May 22.

Griffin, who led the effort to oppose the incorporation effort resulting in the birth of Campton Hills, did not attend the meeting, leaving the lone voice on the issue being that of resident Carmine Julian, during the evening's public comment portion of the agenda.

Having stood amongst the same group of people less than two weeks earlier seeking appointment to the new village board, Julian framed his interest in participation in the village around the concept of it being "the right thing to do."

His comment to the board, however, indicated that he had changed his mind on the matter.

"I just have a question for the village. I'm part of one of the communities that would like to disconnect, and if you're going to extend us that self-determination right to practice our own beliefs to not be part of this," Julian said.

His question would go unanswered until hours later when the board made its motion acknowledging its opposition to the petition.

The move to disconnect, initially described by Griffin in the days leading up to the board's appointment as involving "about 1,000 acres in the north and mid sections of the village," actually only involves approximately 250 acres.

This, however, is not the only disconnection petition to be filed in the coming weeks.

Town Hall Road resident Scott Horton has reportedly indicated his intention to organize neighbors to form a 160-acre parcel that will also seek release from Campton Hills.

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Chismark said there has been a valuable lesson learned working on a large-scale project such as the 1st Street utility construction. He said communication is the key.

"There were areas where we could improve communicating," Chismark said. "We just didn't do a good enough job communicating in the beginning, but we're doing it now."

Chismark added that the project went as smoothly as one could hope for, except for exciting moments such as utility crews busting through a gas main that had parts of the downtown area evacuated.

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Tidbits

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from a large inventory during registration) and prepare for a real Downtown experience. Round 1 of the competition is a cappella, round 2 a Karaoke number, and round 3 the finals. A panel of three judges will evaluate each contestant on physical presentation and costuming, crowd reaction, how the choreography/performance supports the song and lyrics, vocal presentation and overall performance. For RiverFest Idol Search information, phone 690-4386 or email bart@nitelife.org.

Friday and Saturday, June 8 and 9, Dancing Under the Stars at Pride of the Fox RiverFest, 6 to 10 p.m. Friday June 8—"Grease" Sock Hop Night, featuring The Crown Vics (50s rock and roll big band). Free Jitterbug dance lesson, dance contest, prizes for best costumes; also dance performance to music from Grease by State Street Dance Studio. From 6 to 10 p.m., Saturday June 9, Swing Night, featuring Grand Avenue Big Band (Big Band Era Dance Music, including Andrews Sisters-style vocalists). Free swing lesson, performance by State Street Dance Studio. For more information, call 584-8415, or www.PrideoftheFox.com.

Crafters, farmers' markets, flea market, raffle sales, home-based business vendors are welcome to join the Elburn Chamber of Commerce in its annual Craft Show and Sidewalk Sale on Friday, Aug. 17 and Saturday, Aug. 18. Applications are available at the Elburn Chamber of Commerce website and at www.elburn.com, or you can call the chamber office at 365-0068. Deadline for application is June 17.

"Salute Our Troops" promises an afternoon and evening of fun and entertainment on Saturday, June 2, to help fund Operation Uplink, the special program created by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) that provides free phone cards to the men and women currently serving in the United State military in Iraq and other overseas operations. Scheduled to run from 3 to 8:30 p.m. adjacent to the RE/MAX Excels office at 1772 S. Randall Rd., Geneva, the event offers free admission and an outstanding lineup of entertainment, including the Motown sounds of the marvelous Moods from 4 to 5:15 p.m. followed from 6 to 7 p.m. by vocalist Leslie Hunt of St. Charles, an "American Idol" finalist.

There will also be visits from Otis Wilson, star linebacker of the Chicago Bears 1986 Super Bowl team and Ozzie Cougar, the friendly mascot of the Kane County Cougars baseball team. Plus, there will be a variety of special activities for children, including the two special big-screen video games: Dance Dance Revolution and Guitar Hero, provided by Best Buy.

The most spectacular performance of the evening may be the 75-foot-tall RE/MAX hot air balloon, which will be on-hand, weather permitting, to offer tethered rides on a first-come, first-served basis from 7 to 8:15 p.m. The suggested donation for a balloon ride is \$10, which will go to Operation Uplink. Two separate raffles will be held. Bratwurst, hot dogs and pizza will be available for purchase during the day, with all proceeds going to the VFW in support of Operation Uplink.

The Fox Valley Bicycle & Ski Club will be hosting their 38th annual Swedish Day's Ride on Sunday, June 17. Family friendly, you can choose to ride 25/45/62/75/100 and 124 miles over the paved back roads of Kane County on well marked routes offering plenty of rest stops, food and beverages along the way. Proceeds of the

ride go to The League of American Bicyclists, League of Illinois Bicyclists, the Chicagoland Bicycle Federations, the Illinois Prairie Path and the Illinois Trails Conservancy. For more information, log onto www.fvbsc.org.

The Fox Valley Bicycle & Ski Club will be holding their Wednesday, June 13 meeting at 7 p.m. at Delnor Community Hospital in Geneva. This month's guest will be Karrie Ozyuk, from the Village Pedaler on Randall Road in South Elgin. She will be speaking on "Simple Things You Should Know To Keep Your Bike Running Smoothly." For further information log onto www.fvbsc.org.

Sybaquay Council and MaggieMoo's Ice Cream and Treatery will join together to bring you and your family an Ice Cream Fun-station. There'll be tattoos and lots of fun, and you'll receive more information about Girl Scouts and can join all in the same day. Everyone registering for Girl Scouts will get a tour of MaggieMoo's, create their own kid-size ice cream sensation at no cost—you'll also receive a free gift from Girl Scouts for joining that day! MaggieMoo's Ice Cream and Treatery, in the Prairie View Center at 562 Randall Road, South Elgin, Saturday, June 23 from noon until 4 p.m.

Did you know that you don't have to be in a troop to be a member of Girl Scouts? It's true. Today's girls are adventurous and busy as ever, but there is still a way to participate in all the fun. Join Girl Scouts as a "Juliette." Juliettes are independently-registered Girl Scouts who enjoy camp, badge work, council field trips and workshops and more. No troop meetings to attend and no dues to pay. Just become a member of Girl Scouts and attend any event you choose, when you choose. Girl Scouts is full of options for girls ages 5 through 17.

Volunteers are also needed, 18 years or older, to become Girl Scout leaders or to serve on planning committees and as short-term volunteers at council-sponsored events. Becoming a Girl Scout leader is a great way to share and expand your own skills and talents and make an impact on young girls' lives! For more information, call (847) 741-5521, ext. 118, or check out www.gs-sybaquay.org.

Girl Scouts-Fox Valley Council will host a forum called, "Reality Check: Moment of Choice." Held Thursday, June 7 at the St. Charles Public Library, 1 South Sixth Avenue in St. Charles, from 6 to 8 p.m. Parents, pre-teens, and teens 11 years and older are invited to join the discussion on decision making and some of the tough choices teens face today. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Megan Berck at 897-1565, ext. 115, or by email at megan@fvpsc.org.

Girl Scouts-Sybaquay Council has been celebrating all year, leading up to their spectacular Golden Gala Dinner! On June 23 Sybaquay invites Girl Scout adult volunteers, Girl Scout alumnae and friends of Girl Scouts to join in the celebration at its Golden Gala Dinner. This black-tie-optional affair will be held at the Marriott Chicago Northwest in Hoffman Estates and will feature a cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres and live music by a chamber group from the Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra, dinner, and entertainment by Robert Ian, magician and humorist. Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The cost of dinner is \$75 per person and reservations are required. The celebration will continue the following day, Sunday, June 24, from 1 to 4 p.m., at their camp Open House at Sybaquay's Mary Ann Beebe Center in Harvard, Illinois. There is no cost for this event and advance reservations are not required. For more in-

formation please visit www.gs-sybaquay.org, or call (847) 741-5521.

To maintain an adequate blood supply, Heartland Blood Centers urges all area residents to donate the gift of life this June at local blood drives and Heartland centers. As a thank you for sharing your good health during the critical summer months, Heartland would like to once again treat you to ice cream! Heartland's center locations and select blood drives will be giving all donors, in June, July, and August a coupon for free ice cream!

To be a blood donor, individuals must be at least 17 years old or 16 with written parental permission; weigh at least 110 pounds; be symptom free of cold, flu and allergies; and be in general good health. Donors who have traveled outside the United States within the past 12 months should contact Heartland at 1-800-7TO-GIVE to determine eligibility.

St. Charles, Saturday, June 23, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Zylstra Harley Davidson: 131 South Randall Road; each donor will receive an Oberweis gift card for one free quart of ice cream. Walk-ins are welcome. Photo I.D. is required.

The 2007 St. Charles Farmers Market opens Friday, June 1 at 7 a.m., running every Friday through the end of October. It is located at 4th Avenue and Main Street, along Baker Memorial United Methodist Church, and offers fresh from Kane County produce, fruit, cheese, eggs, pork, bacon, sausage, meat and poultry products, bountiful fruit and flowers from Michigan Orchards, as well as fresh flowers, garden plants, honey, produce and foodstuffs from Illinois growers. The market also offers a tempting array of gourmet food products, fresh baked bread, garden and landscaping products, jewelry, arts and crafts. The Market is an outdoor market, open rain or shine. For further information call, 584-6680, or visit www.bakermemorialchurch.org.

Gallery 28 will host an opening reception for woodturning artist David Bettinghaus on Friday, June 8 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Gallery 28, located in the North Historic District of downtown Geneva, at 28 North Fourth Street, 1 block north of Rt.38. The public is invited to meet the Geneva artist, and view his recent works. Bettinghaus' one-man show at Gallery 28 will run through June 30. More information is available at www.gallery28.biz, 845-9673

Cancer survivors and their caregivers will be celebrated at the upcoming Relay For Life of Glen Ellyn, Wheaton and Winfield, which takes place at Glenbard South High School, Friday to Saturday, June 8 to 9. The event kicks off at 6 p.m. with the opening Survivor's Lap. The Survivors Tent will open at 5 p.m. on June 8. This year's Relay For Life of Glen Ellyn, Wheaton and Winfield will be held from 6 p.m., June 8 to 6 a.m. June 9 at Glenbard South High School, on Butterfield Road in Glen Ellyn. To register as a survivor, visit www.acevents.org/relay/il/glenel-lyn, or call the local office of the American Cancer Society at 932-1141. Lumina may also be purchased through the Web site, or by calling the ACS.

Dragon Boats return to St. Charles for one weekend only, Saturday and Sunday, June 9 and 10, and Pride of the Fox RiverFest invites companies and groups to participate in the 16th annual races on the Fox River at Potawatomi Park during the festival. Deadline for submitting applications and fees is May 28. More details are available at www.PrideoftheFox.com or by contacting Kevin Morency at (630) 240-4299 or kmore15@comcast.net. No paddling experience is necessary and a good workout is

guaranteed, according to Kevin Morency, of St. Charles, Race Coordinator. Participants usually plan to spend the entire day picnicking in the park and are treated to a water ski show midday between races. Participating in the Dragon Boat Races offers many benefits to area companies, including team building, opportunity to double as the company outing—invite employees' families to cheer on the team (lunch is available from the local vendors or teams can bring a grill and have a picnic). A team is made up of 20 members and costs a total of \$425 for a day of racing. Included are paddles, life jackets, boats, an experienced steersman, coaching, practice sessions the week before the races and the Paddlers' Party.

For information on all events, visit RiverFest online at www.PrideoftheFox.com, or call the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce at 584-8415.

Coalition to Salute America's Heroes. For those of you that don't know who they are, the CTSAH is an organization that is committed to helping injured and wounded War on Terror veterans rebuild their lives and homes. All are invited to participate in this fundraiser, to be held at the Grand Geneva Resort and Spa in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, the weekend of July 13 and 14. On Friday night, July 13 there will be a Texas Hold 'em Tournament and on Saturday, July 14, there will be a golf outing. Fundraiser Web address is: warriorsgolf.org/Welcome.html. This is a great organization and a great event to help our extended family who have served this country.

Head coach Jill Waldron is seeking a few additional players for the Wasco Diamonds 18 and over team for this summer. The Diamonds 18 and over team will be playing in two or three local tournaments and is open to players 18 years old or over. Fees are \$100 per player and include tournament entry fees, insurance and a uniform shirt. Interested parties should contact coach Waldron at waldron@wascodiamonds.com.

The Fox Valley Wildlife Center's "Critter Classic" Golf Outing is scheduled to take place on Friday, June 22 at Settler's Hill Golf Course, 919 E. Fabyan Parkway in Batavia, beginning at 9 a.m. with tee times every 10 minutes until 11:30 a.m., and will end with a barbecue at 4 p.m. The fee for this year's golf outing is \$75 which includes 18 holes of golf, a cart and the barbecue dinner. Non-golfers may participate in the catered cook-out for \$20. Nissan of St. Charles has generously donated a 2007 350Z for the Hole-in-One Contest. Golfers may purchase a package for a \$30 donation that includes the Hole-in-One Contest along with the Longest Drive Contest, two Closest-to-the-Pin Contests and a Straightest Ball Contest. There will also be a Sacred Ball Contest—come see what that is! A silent auction, raffles and a 50/50 cash raffle will also take place during the day. Contest sponsorships and hole sponsorships are still available. For more information or to sign up for a tee time please call the Wildlife Center at 365-3800.

On Saturday and Sunday, June 23 and 24, thousands of amateur radio operators will put their emergency communication skills to the test for Field Day 2007. Amateur radio operators from the Fox River Radio League will compete in this annual event in which the public is encouraged to be a part. You can even help this club gain points in the contest by making radio contacts. Come experience the hobby they call Amateur Radio at Jericho Lake Park, part of the Aurora Park District. To find out more, visit www.frll.org.

The Examiner Asked

seniors at North High School

Over the last 4 years, who has become your favorite teacher?



"My favorite teacher would have to be Mr. Colton because everyday is a crazy adventure."

Michael Oakes, 17 years old



"Mrs. Herrera. Her students in her class really respect her and she organizes a lot of hands on activities. She has truly inspired me."

Stefanie Guterrez, 18 years old



"My favorite teacher would have to be Ms. Loudon. She was a great P.E. teacher!"

Lindsey Richardson, 17 years old



"My favorite teacher is Mr. Kevin Harrington. He always has a silly joke to share. After 2 years in his classes, I still thoroughly enjoy his class."

Karl Becker, 17 years old



"Mr. Genke by far! He is so much fun to talk to. He is not only a teacher anymore, he became a friend too!"

Dana Putman, 18 years old



"My favorite teacher is Mr. Dobbertin. He always believed in me and pushed me to do my best. He helped me become who I am today!"

Keeley Mennu, 18 years old



"Mrs. Shoaf challenged me to become a great writer and encouraged me to keep writing. I never learned so much about writing from any other teacher."

Stephanie Granquist, 17 years old



"Mr. Strobres because he has taught me so much about what it means to be a musician."

Chad Downey, 18 years old



"Mrs. Overton because she has made learning government very enjoyable and she has really helped me to be a better student when I get college."

Brittney Lutsch, 18 years old



"Mr. Dobbs was my PL Advisor for 2 years and he is a genuinely nice guy and fun to have around."

Alison J. Conn, 18 years old



"Ms. Boehle. She was my teacher in seventh-grade and then again in 10th. I love how her passion for teaching makes me want to learn."

Maggie Keen, 18 years old



"Mrs. D'Omofrio. I have had her for the past 4 years and I love how she teaches. I have always learned the most in her classes, but it was always a blast!"

Jessica Watson, 18 years old

(By Lisa Kuharchuk)

Women's garden club beautifies downtown



Garden club member Gloria Klimek plants flowers in the flower bed outside the municipal building. (Examiner photo by George Niman)

The Pottawatomie Women's Garden Club planted flowers all over downtown St. Charles on Wednesday, May 23. The City purchased the flowers from Heinz Brothers and the garden club planted them. They were planted in the flower beds along the North Ave. and Illinois Street bridges. They also planted the flowers by the municipal building and police station. The flowers planted were geraniums, marigolds and petunias.



CARRIER NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following carriers celebrating their birthday this month:

Spencer Noffke 5/19	Anna Suminski 5/25
Hannah Braulick 5/27	Alec Baumgartner 5/11
Jake Bortelton 5/3	Jordan Orchard 5/21

Hope you have a great day !!

WELCOME to the following carriers who have joined our staff this month:

Anna Suminski	Brandon Rvbino
Ryan Rvbino	Spencer Noffke
Chad Williams	Kenzie Rose
Hannah Braulick	Karen Geert
Derick Backer	

Awesome Collections were turned in last month by the following:

Hilary Waltmire	William Kennedy
Natalie Winkates	Jake Bortelton
Olivia Losurdo	

North Stars celebrate graduation day



Bright and shining futures are ahead for these North Star graduates.

(Examiner photos by Debbie Schutt)



Steven Vining is prepared for a very bright future.

The sun was shining on the North Stars as the Class of 2007 bid farewell, Sunday, May 27. The students entered the field following the traditional flags that represent the four years spent at St. Charles North High School. It was a time to remember the fun and friendships that were made. It was a time to appreciate the many long hours of study that got them where they are today. It was also a time to look to the future with anticipation and joy at what is waiting for these graduates in the future. No matter what path they choose the North Star Class of 2007 will blaze a trail that is bright and full of prosperity.



Caitlin Schneider, Scott Schowe, and William Schrooeder Jr. give the thumbs up for graduation.



Class President Stefanie Gutierrez bids her fellow students a fond farewell.



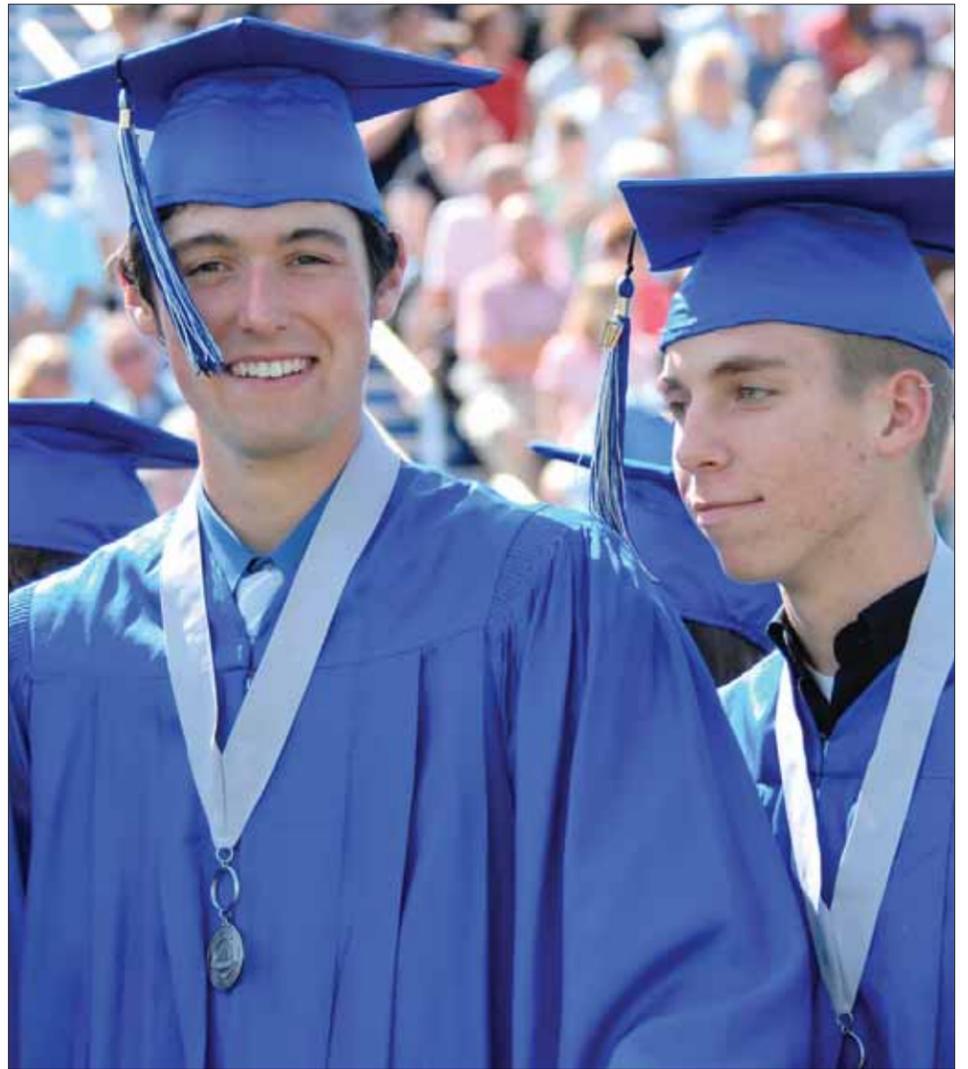
Stephanie Granquist, Robert Zimmer, Carolyn Nield, and Stefanie Guitierrez carry in the class flags to open the ceremony.



A smile of satisfaction can be seen as Lynda Judy has her diploma in hand.



Valedictorian Raymond Hsu addressed his fellow classmates during the commencement on Sunday, May 27.



Michael Reiland and Jordan Reimer couldn't be happier to attend the commencement ceremony.



Jessica Haney, Sarah Kefauver, Melanie Helgeson, Erin Walsh, and Lindsey Jackson perform "Just for a Little While."



Hats off to the North Star graduates of 2007.



Angela Dragoo accepts her diploma with a smile and a handshake.



The smile on her face shows how much Anne Reuss is enjoying the commencement ceremony. (To view photos go to www.examinerpublications.com)

Saints fall to Warriors in overtime play, 2-1



Renee Ruminski battles her opponent for the ball.

(Examiner photos by George Niman)

The St. Charles East Saints soccer team played Waubonsie Valley in the IHSA soccer super sectionals on Memorial Day at Benedictine College in Lisle. Defense was good on both sides as they went into the half with no score. Waubonsie got on the board first at the 19:27 mark. East answered about 4 minutes later with a goal from Kelsey White. Time ran out and the teams headed to overtime. Waubonsie Valley scored half way through the overtime period taking the game 2-1. Unfortunately, their had to be a loser. Congratulations to the Saints for a great year.



Kelsey White celebrates her second half goal with Natia Nutting and Alyssa Feulner.



The Saints walk off the field after a tough overtime loss in the IHSA soccer super sectionals.

First-graders take trip to Tekakwitha Woods



First-grade teacher Marge Traysor leads the children on a hike back to the bus. (Examiner photos by George Niman)

The first-graders at Wildrose Elementary School spent Wednesday, May 23, on a field trip to Tekakwitha Forest Preserve. The children went on a hike and learned a lot about nature. After the hike they went to the Nature Center and saw all the wildlife and insects that are out in the woods.

Financial Management opens doors to public



Liz Gibson, Lyndsay Oehlerking, Dan Meisinger, David Richards, Mark Lundgren, David Reedy, Denise DeVitt, Bethany How, Janet Wilson and Mayor Don DeWitte all came together to help Marcus and Anita Heinrich open their new business Forum Financial Management.

(Examiner photo by George Niman)

Marcus Heinrich and his wife Anita celebrated the opening of their new business Forum Financial Management with a ribbon cutting on Tuesday, May 22. Forum is a group of affiliated professionals who work together to address financial, legal and tax concerns. They are primarily a fee based personal finance advisor and wealth managers. The mayor and other village and business owners joined Marcus and Anita in the ribbon cutting.

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Full Size Mattress, extra long. 8 yrs. old but in decent condition. \$50. Two beige wingback chairs w/matching ottoman \$60. Faux Oak nightstand & matching dresser, \$30. Imitation cherry colored wood vanity with matching bench. Great for teen. \$40. 630-830-8848. TFN

Intex Frame Pool, 15ft round. x 3ft. w/filter, pump & ladder. \$100 OBO. 630-222-7874. 5/30

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PARKING

Bartlett: Parking Available for downtown commuters. 2-minute walking distance to train station. Call 630-837-4444 7/18

PERSONALS

Bean Bag League begins June 7, 6:30 p.m. Openings for several more teams are available. Call Bartlett Park District or me. I need a partner. Jack, (630) 837-1848.

Centennial Sixth-Graders-Way to go! All the best in middle school.

Congratulations Kyle Motz on your graduation. Have fun in college. The Vs.

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GARAGE SALES

BARTLETT

1146 & 1158 Alder Lane, Thursday & Friday, May 31 & June 1, 9 a.m. to ? . Baby items, clothes, toys, household items, & much more!

1344 Bay Meadows Drive (1 block north of Schick and Rt. 59). Friday, June 1, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Washer and dryer, china cabinet, book shelf, clothes, motor scooter, desk, cabinets, stools, bike, toys.

Multi-Family-29W553 Brentwood Court (by high school/Schick N on Carriage Way to sale!). Thursday, May 31 to Saturday, June 2, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Gigantic, lots to sell.

Living Lord Church Gigantic Rummage Sale-1044 Congress Drive (on Rt. 59, north of Army Trail Road, south of Stearns Road). Coming next week, Saturday only! June 9, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Multi-Family Sale, 1507 Derby Lane, Friday-Saturday, June 1 & 2, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

265 Jackson Ct. Th-Fri, May 31 & June 1. (Stearns to Grant to Jackson Ct.) Toys, clothes, home school books, storage bins, bedding, candle holders, lots to see.

530 West Morse Avenue. Friday, June 1, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, June 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lawn mower, double stroller, digital camera, kids/twins clothes and toys.

1086 Poplar Lane, (Apple Orchard Subdivision), Saturday, June 2nd, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Baby clothes, coats, boots, sandals, shoes accessories, play pen, mega saucer, toys, kitchen table set, glassware, vases, coach purses, wallets games, etc.

"Grocery Bag" Sale-868 S. Voyager Drive. Friday, June 8 to Sunday, June 10. Clothes, misc. items. Anything you can fit/plastic \$5, paper \$10/OBO.

403 S. Western Ave., Thurs.-Fri, 5/31-6/1, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Kids clothes, toys, Michael Jordan memorabilia, NASCar collectibles, home decoration items.

Annual Multi-Homes, Estate-Wilcox Drive (by library). Thursday, May 31 through Saturday, June 2, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

168 Wilcox Drive (off Prospect). Thursday, May 31 through Saturday, June 2, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CAROL STREAM

Multi-Family-908 Somerset Drive

NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE

Between County Farm & Fair Oaks, Off of Birchbark - follow signs.

Thursday, May 31 - Saturday, June 2 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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(near County Farm and Lies Road). Thursday, May 31 to Saturday, June 2.

600 Stuart Thu-Sat: May 31, 12:30-5:30pm, Jun 1, 10 am-5:30pm Jun 2, 9am-5pm. Toys, strollers, silver.

STREAMWOOD

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2 x 1.5" (or 1x3)	\$75	\$60	\$48	\$45
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Line Classified ads are 50¢ per word if placed on-line at www.examinerpublications.com.

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\$69 for one name \$6 for each additional name

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Monday at NOON
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Certified teacher available for tutoring K-8. All subjects. Call Ms. Stone at 630-653-7370



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16-21	\$90	\$60
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847-361-7974

Visa & Master Card Accepted

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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ACROSS

1. Inits. on an F-117
5. Was overly fond of
10. Arch
14. The Little ___ Prince
15. Poe family-name
16. Show fear
17. Walked
18. Tableau
19. Sometimes-bearded flower
20. Bled
21. Death row reprieve
22. Chair back ornaments
24. More irate
26. Sacred song
27. Quayle's st.
28. Humdrum one
29. Oola's Alley
32. Natives of Oulu
35. Health club amenity
36. All-terrain vehicle, for short
37. Open-mouthed
38. Cohere
39. "Diving ___ the Wreck" (Adrienne Rich)
40. Ending for king or bore
41. Grace under pressure
42. "Rocket Man" singer

43. Hindustani title
44. Artist Warhol
45. Tierra ___ Fuego
46. Norwegian
48. Fragrant firs
52. "El ___ de Coca Cola"
54. Word in Bush's infamous promise
55. Sheep's shout
56. Stringed instrument
57. Horse cry
59. Zephyr
60. Utilizer
61. Lock part
62. Inventor's start
63. Roman Polanski film
64. Simon's Plaza ___
65. Aerie

DOWN

1. Word on bottles of concentrated detergent
2. Plastic wrap brand
3. Amid
4. Provided sustenance
5. Did a cleaning job
6. Tony's cousin?
7. The Harder ___ Fall
8. Dusk, to a poet
9. Thanksgiving menu standard
10. Overflow
11. Dominant
12. Hit the runway
13. Costner's Untouchables role
21. Iniquities
23. Bear with a hard bed
25. Love token
26. Dried plum
28. Web-footed Disney heroine
30. Name of four Holy Roman emperors
31. Day laborer
32. Fashion passions
33. The Munsters' pet bat
34. Places on the ballot
35. Skid
38. Gives the nod
39. Maladies
41. Wrangler's pal
42. Elver's parents
45. Jane's Frasier role
47. Extraordinary things
48. Archie Bunker, e.g.
49. Wait
50. Lions' prides
51. Begin's Camp David partner
52. Sate
53. Artifice
54. Taylor of Ransom
58. Water, to Pierre
59. Take the gold

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEKS PUZZLE

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Residents view Memorial Day parade



In full uniform the St. Charles East High School band dazzles the crowd. (Examiner photos by Lisa Kuharchuk)



Leading the parade is the St. Charles American Legion Color Guard, Post 5036.

It's not everyday that Route 64 in St. Charles is shut down. However, on May 28, it was for the Memorial Day parade.

People from St. Charles and many other towns came to watch, hoping to see their son or daughter, brother or sister, niece or nephew, grandson or granddaughter march in the parade. The patriotic spirit was seen in the red, white and blue clothing, children waving flags, veterans proudly wearing their uniforms, and the music being played by the marching bands.

As we honor our veterans we must remember to be thankful for the land of the free that we live in!



Proudly marching! The Cub Scouts of Pack 165 needed a little leader help to keep the heavy banner straight.



St. Charles Fire Department helped add to the festivities.



St. Charles North's marching band had onlookers clapping to the beat.



Girl Scouts from Wasco School marched to honor our veterans.

(To view photos go to www.examinerpublications.com)