



FOCUS ON NILES

Community Newsletter

"Where People Count"

Village Hall Closed

March 25
(Spring Holiday)



Trustees Robert Callero, Louella Preston, Kim Biederman, Andrew Przybylo, and Mayor Nicholas B. Blase Discuss the upcoming Milwaukee Ave. Corridor Project Scope of Work

Milwaukee Avenue Corridor Study

The Niles Board of Trustees reviewed a scope of work as proposed by Village staff and the planning firm of Camiros, Ltd. for a Milwaukee Avenue Corridor Study to be funded by a grant.

The goal of the study is to develop a plan to create and foster an environment that encourages people to travel within the Milwaukee Ave. corridor, use its resources, utilize public transportation, and develop a lively productive character benefiting the region's economy and quality of life.

Shop Niles



Niles Residents Taxed Less

We attained the survey below conducted by the City of Park Ridge indicating that the residents of Niles contribute one of the lowest amounts in dollars for Village services.

We are proud of this record and will continue to do everything we can to keep the cost of

running government as reasonable as possible.

Mayor Nicholas B. Blase, Trustees Louella Preston, Andrew Przybylo, Robert Callero, Kim Sychowski Biederman, Tom Bondi, & Bart Murphy.

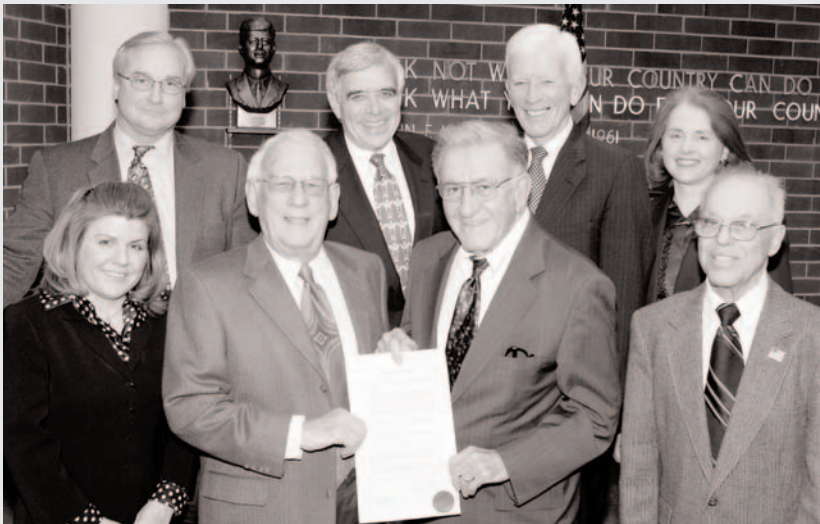
Revenues Received From The Average Home In One Year

Community	County	Vehicle License	Dog License	Garbage Charge	Yard Waste Charge	Recycling Charge	Water Bill	Utility Tax	Sewer Charge	Total Property Tax	Total Direct Payments
Arlington Hghts	Cook	\$30.00	\$12.00	\$254.40	\$18.00		\$388.16	\$34.20	\$31.04	\$469.92	\$1,237.72
Downers Grove	DuPage			\$208.00	\$24.00		\$361.20	\$119.80	\$193.50	\$259.20	\$1,165.70
Des Plaines	Cook	\$30.00	\$3.00	\$153.12			\$351.43	\$86.40	\$73.92	\$467.20	\$1,165.07
Mt. Prospect	Cook	\$36.00	\$5.00		\$21.00		\$381.21	\$107.58	\$37.83	\$543.88	\$1,132.50
Naperville	D/Will		\$4.00		\$16.20		\$291.95	\$177.60	\$237.45	\$311.58	\$1,038.78
Park Ridge	Cook	\$35.00	\$8.00				\$378.70	\$187.64		\$400.08	\$1,009.42
Palatine	Cook	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$228.00			\$157.14	\$22.80	\$36.86	\$474.40	\$949.20
Northbrook	Cook	\$30.00	\$10.00	\$169.80	\$16.80		\$305.55	\$5.70	\$77.60	\$273.20	\$888.65
Niles	Cook	\$25.00			\$12.00		\$332.71	\$141.70		\$299.20	\$810.61
Skokie	Cook	\$20.00	\$6.00				\$248.92			\$487.60	\$762.52
Schaumburg	C/DuPage	\$20.00	\$4.00	\$173.76			\$382.70	\$34.20	\$74.69		\$689.35
MEAN		\$27.89	\$6.33	\$197.85	\$18.00	\$0.00	\$325.43	\$91.76	\$95.36	\$398.63	\$986.32

Village of Niles, Illinois

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COMMUNITY NEWS



The Village Board honored Representative Ralph C. Capparelli for his service to the Village of Niles. Pictured from left to right are: Trustee Kim Biederman, Trustee Andrew Przybylo, Ralph Capparelli, Trustee Bob Callero, Mayor Nicholas B. Blase, Trustee Bart Murphy, Trustee Louella Preston, and Trustee Tom Bondi.

Board of Trustees

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Marcia Jendreas

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Mary Kay Morrissey



Roger Seiniz, Senior Accountant, is honored for his 15 years of service by Finance Director George VanGeem and Mayor Nicholas B. Blase



Bruce Ringquist, Fireman, is honored for his 25 years of service by Fire Chief Kinowski and Mayor Nicholas B. Blase

Village Employee Retirements

Mayor Nicholas B. Blase is given a Certificate of Appreciation by St. John Brebeuf School celebrating Catholic Schools Week. Pictured from left to right are: Joey Mahoney, Mayor Nicholas B. Blase, Alexis Bargione, and Assistant Principal Mary Stachura of St. John Brebeuf



Village Clerks Office

Local Elections 2005

The Consolidated Election will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2005. At that time, Village residents will elect a Village President and four (4) Village Trustees.

All residents not registered to vote, are encouraged to register at Village Hall prior to March 8, 2005.

Absentee Voting for those who will be out of town on April 5, will begin on Monday, March 14 and run through Monday, April 4, 2005.

For election information, please call the Village Clerk's Office at (847) 588-8003.



All Nicor Gas Employees Wear Identification

If you receive an unexpected visit from someone stating he or she is an employee or contractor working on behalf of Nicor Gas and wants to enter your home, please request to see their company-issued photo identification badge before allowing them on your property or in your home.

Need Help Paying Nicor?

The **Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)** helps eligible low-income households pay for energy services. Administered by the Illinois Office of Energy Assistance, qualifying households receive monetary relief once per year to be used for energy bills. Eligibility is based on several factors including household size, location and income.

Congress approved an additional \$300 million in funds for the period of October 1, 2004 -- September 30,

2005, so more people will receive home heating assistance this year.

LIHEAP Income Guidelines

To qualify for LIHEAP, your monthly income cannot exceed 150 percent of the federally established poverty level, as shown below:

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Max Monthly Income</u>
1	\$1,164
2	\$1,561
3	\$1,959
4	\$2,356
5	\$2,754
6	\$3,151
7	\$3,549
8	\$3,946

For each additional household member under 18 add \$398.

How to Apply

Contact your nearest LIHEAP Intake Agency between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays.

Cook County, call 312 456-4100; Outside the City of Chicago, call 800 252-8643; TDD for the hearing impaired, call 1 800 785-6055. Seniors may also contact the Illinois Department on Aging senior hotline at 800 252-8966 (voice and TTY).



BANK ONE

Pay Property Tax Bill At Bank One

The Cook County Treasurer's Office is entering a partnership with Bank One, which will replace LaSalle Bank. This change to Bank One takes effect with the First Installment property tax bills that will be mailed at the end of January and due March 1, 2005.

You may find a list of Bank One locations on the Cook County Treasurer's website: cookcountytreasurer.com.

Bank One has more than 250 locations in area

This service at Bank One is free of charge

Payments are no longer accepted at LaSalle Bank

Niles Free Bus

The Free Bus is here for you! Pace Routes 411, 412, & 413 are free and will meet most of your needs as you travel throughout the Village. Take the 411 to the Niles Fitness Center!

Take the Free Bus to shop, visit Village facilities, and even connect with other bus or train routes. Call (847) 588-8000 for information.





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