

Local Focus

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Do you use the Web to try to find the best travel deals?

Results: 58 percent said yes, 21 percent said no, 21 percent said sometimes.

News you can use

- The 20th annual Show & Shine car show will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at Fullerton Avenue and Bloomingdale Road in Glendale Heights. Registration is \$15 on show day. Trophies will be awarded and door prizes and food will be available.
- The DuPage Peace Through Justice Coalition will conduct a peace vigil from 1:30 to 3 p.m. today on Washington Street near Chicago Avenue in downtown Naperville. The event will protest U.S. involvement in Afghanistan and oppose expansion of the war to Iraq, Columbia and the Philippines. For details, visit www.DuPagePeace.home.att.net.

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German Fest back with all the oompah it had before

BY ROBERT SANCHEZ
Daily Herald Staff Writer

If you go ...

What: German Fest sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish
When: 3 to 11 p.m. today and 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday
Where: parish parking lot and parish center, along Elizabeth Street about a block south of St. Charles Road

After a two-year hiatus, the sounds of German music and the smells of grilled bratwurst have returned to Lombard. Sacred Heart Parish's German Fest is back this weekend to give festivalgoers an alternative to typical summertime events. "We worked to get the word out through other parishes that German Fest is back. It's a big community

event," said Christopher Leonard, festival chairman. A German theme for the church fund-raiser was dropped in 2000 and temporarily renamed Family Fest. Meanwhile, construction of a parish center prevented Sacred Heart from hosting a festival last summer. Oompah bands and sauerkraut officially returned Thursday when German Fest kicked off four days of food, games, live music and carnival rides in Sacred Heart's parking lot

along Elizabeth Street, about a block south of St. Charles Road. The festivities continue from 3 to 11 p.m. today. Sunday, the event opens at 1 and closes at 9 p.m. Organizers are expecting today to be the biggest day, in part because the festival will coincide with downtown Lombard's Saturday cruise nights. "They don't have entertainment this week," Leonard said. "So we are hoping to get some carry-over crowds." Classic car buffs and festivalgoers

alike will be treated to live music performed by the Dancing Noodles from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. A German music band, Jimmie's Bavarians, is expected to take the stage from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. Marge and Jerry White said the only thing they like better than the German music is the food. The Lombard couple was among the first to attend the festival's opening night. They were pondering what to eat from the menu of bratwurst, German potato salad, sauerkraut, pizza, ice cream and other

goodies. "I am going to get a beer, sit down under a tent and plot my next move," Jerry White said. The decision-making tonight will include whether to play bingo from 5 to 10 p.m., or try casino gambling from 7 to 11 p.m. Both are being held inside Sacred Heart's new air-conditioned parish center. There's also carnival rides, a raffle with a \$10,000 prize and other events. For more information, call Sacred Heart Parish, 114 S. Elizabeth St., at (630) 627-0687.

Acid wash



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Four westbound lanes of I-88 at the York Road toll plaza in Oak Brook were closed for about three hours Friday after a tanker leaked about a gallon of sulfuric acid. Jim Streu of the York Center Fire Protection District hoses down the spill. One driver was sprayed with the acid through an open car window. He was treated for burns to his face, chest and arm and then released from Hinsdale Hospital. State police were still investigating late Friday to determine if charges against the truck driver were warranted.

Time capsule items wanted in Wheaton

BY VICTORIA PIERCE
Daily Herald Staff Writer

What will Wheaton be like in 50 years and how will it compare to today? The Wheaton Chamber of Commerce is hoping to give future generations a chance to make the comparison for themselves with the creation of a time capsule. The capsule will be opened in 2052.

The chamber is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year. The time capsule is in honor of the organization's first century. The time capsule is going to be sealed and buried in Adams Park in downtown Wheaton during a ceremony at 4 p.m. Sept. 26.

Adams Park was chosen because the park's donation to the city requires that it always remain a park and not be redeveloped, said Jennifer Biesk, marketing director for the chamber of commerce. "Who knows how the world will be?" Biesk said.

The chamber is seeking donations for the time capsule from the community. Items smaller than a breadbox are preferred, such as price lists, photographs or videos, Biesk said.

"We want to get as much as we can

Time capsule

How to donate: Take items to the Wheaton Chamber of Commerce office at 108 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. All donations should be received by 5 p.m. Sept. 6.

Info: (630) 668-6464

and if they're big and bulky we won't be able to include as much," she said. The chamber would also like to include some letters to the future, she said, encouraging younger Wheaton residents to write letters about what they think the future will be like 50 years from now.

Items may be donated at the Wheaton Chamber of Commerce office at 108 E. Wesley St. between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. All donations should be received by 5 p.m. Sept. 6. If an overabundance of items is received, any excess will be given to the Wheaton History Center, which will display the donations and then add them to its collection of Wheaton memorabilia.

For more information, call (630) 668-6464.

Race Unity Day looks to foster peace, harmony

BY KARI HARTMAN
Daily Herald Staff Writer

No matter where you live, no matter what your culture, race or religious beliefs, the Baha'i Community of Lisle is inviting you to a parade and picnic Sunday in honor of Race Unity Day. The day is sponsored every year by the Baha'Is of the United States. The event is meant to bring people of all races, cultures, religions and nationalities together in a celebration of the unity of mankind.

In Lisle, people can gather at the south corner of Ogden Avenue and Main Street at 12:30 p.m. They are welcome to bring banners or wear T-shirts that promote racial unity. They also are invited to participate in the parade, which steps off at 1 p.m.

A picnic will start at 2 p.m. at the south shelter of Community Park at corner of Route 53 and Short Street in Lisle. Free food and beverages will be available.

The festivities are being sponsored by the Baha'i Communities of Lisle,

Naperville, Wheaton, Glen Ellyn and Downers Grove.

Organizers are expecting about 100 parade participants, said Roya Hosseini, secretary of the Baha'i Community of Lisle. It's the fifth year a parade and picnic have been hosted in Lisle to commemorate Race Unity Day.

People have come from as far as Chicago, Joliet, Buffalo Grove and Vernon Hills to participate, Hosseini said.

The picnic runs from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

and usually brings out many families. Several stations will be set up at the picnic, including literature on Baha'Is and a display on how the Underground Railroad pertained to DuPage County.

Hosseini said she hopes participants take away a message from the events. "The unity of mankind, that we are all created by the same God and the sooner we start to like each other and tolerate each other, the easier life will become," she said.

DuPage County in 60 seconds

Warrant issued for defendant:

Police searched Friday for a Chicago man who disappeared as a jury deliberated during his burglary trial. Ricky J. Lott, 52, was last seen Thursday at the DuPage County courthouse. Lott, who was out of jail on bond, was accused of burglarizing China Star Restaurant March 1, 2000, in Wheaton. An assailant kicked in the front door and stole a cash register. The owner reported \$144 missing. Police, meanwhile, had stopped Lott for speeding. His tennis shoe matched a partial footprint found at the crime scene, and a crow bar and \$144 were found in his car. The defendant disappeared Thursday before the jury came back at 7:45 p.m. with a guilty verdict. Judge Robert Anderson issued a no-bond warrant for Lott's arrest.

Religious fervor snarls traffic:

West Chicago police are asking

people who visit a grove where images of the Virgin Mary and Jesus have been reported on trees to be mindful of traffic. A couple of minor fender benders were reported on Washington Street near Main Street, and the parking lot of the adjacent hardware store has been jammed with sightseers. Cmdr. Spencer Kroning said Friday. "A little bit of religion and a little bit of hope isn't going to hurt anybody in this town," Kroning said.

Polo club hosting fund-raisers:

Two fund-raisers are taking place at the polo matches at the Oak Brook Polo Grounds on Sunday. They will benefit the Illinois Police Work Dog Association and the Union League Boys and Girls in Chicago, which runs a camp and after-school activities. The polo club on 31st Street, just west of York Road, hosts matches starting at 1 and 3 p.m. every Sunday

through Sept. 8. Regular admission polo tickets are available at the gate and cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors; children younger than 13 are free. Parking is free.

Church rallying against O'Hare:

Parishioners of Bensenville's St. John's United Church of Christ will host their annual Service of Worship at 10 a.m. Aug. 25th at St. Johannes Cemetery 601 N. Rt. 83. A collection will be taken to help pay legal fees to save both the cemetery and church from O'Hare expansion. Church spokeswoman Karen Ahlgrim said parishioners felt it was important to let the city of Chicago see the strength of the congregation at the outdoor ceremony.

DEA leaders come to Naperville:

The National Drug Enforcement Officer's Association is sponsoring its 32nd annual training conference

from Monday through July 25 at the Holiday Inn-Select at Naperville and Diehl roads in Naperville. The conference will bring together 200 local, state and federal law enforcement officers from across the country.

Arboretum opens to bicyclists:

Today is the one day of the year where all bicyclists are invited to pedal their way through the Morton Arboretum at 4100 Route 53 in Lisle. The arboretum will open the east side of its grounds to bicyclists from 5 to 8 p.m. The car entry fee has been reduced to \$1. For details, call (630) 719-2465.

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