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Celebrating Our 77th Year

# Alumni



# Chatter



## 2ND ANNUAL BOB TURCO OPEN MARCH 8TH

By: Rich Paschall, Tarantulas, 1960's



It may be cold outside but it is time to warm up your table tennis game. Registration begins Monday January 7th, 2008 and continues until the field is set! After the popularity of the First **Bob Turco Open** there may be no spots available by the date of the second alumni table tennis tournament. Sign up early! The fun takes place in the NBGC game room on Saturday, March 8th at 3:00 p.m. (warm ups at 2:00).

The first 32 players in with the \$40.00 entry fee will compete in a double elimination tournament. **Bob Turco** will run the tournament and present the awards to the top 3 players. An "after party" will follow so that the fellowship and the story telling can continue into the evening. More details will follow and those with an email address on file with the Club will get the news and their next Chatter earlier than the rest.

The tournament is open to all alumni, so spread the word to your teammates and former opponents. **Andy Johnson** looks forward to defending his Championship while many others look to take home the coveted **Bob Turco Trophy**. **Glenn Stahl** and **Mark Payne** reported that some look forward to moving the tournament along so they can get to the pizza and beer quicker. The proceeds will be used to purchase another table and some new equipment for the Neighborhood Boys and Girls Club game room. Send your \$40.00 to the Club to reserve your spot. Credit cards can now be accepted in person at the Clubhouse or over the phone. You may call **Chris Prokaski** Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse, to sign up and pay by phone, (773) 463-4161, ext. 10.



## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND CHICAGO CUBS ROOF TOP GAME SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2008



We're going back up on the roof! The Cubs are going back to the playoffs in 2008 and the NBGC is going back to the roof top at 1010 W. Waveland. This was the site of our first rooftop game back in 2006. Last year, in April, this rooftop was closed for renovation. **1010 W. Waveland is LARGER THAN LIFE!** Everything is over sized! The bleachers are huge, the food and drink service bars are huge, even the pictures on the walls are over sized! Where else can you have a private sky box big enough for 200 of your closest friends or colleagues?

The club house has 2 huge plasma screen TVs, two bars, restroom facilities, a balcony looking into the park, great spaces for display boards or presentations and bar seating. The roof boasts a HUGE beer garden, room to get in out of the sun, marble and granite restrooms, 2 massive bars - one for food and one for drinks - and rows and rows of "bar bleachers". This means each person is sitting at a bar with staggered heights where you can see the game bellied up! The pictures on the website, [www.beyondtheivy.com](http://www.beyondtheivy.com), speak for themselves. There is a picture of the worst seat in the "bar bleachers" and the best seat; who can tell the difference?  
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## ALUMNI OF ALL ERAS

### JOIN FORCES

By: Rich Paschall

In the past two years, former NBC/NBGC members from every decade from the 1930's through the 1990's have joined forces to revitalize the NBGC Alumni Association. With the enthusiastic support of Executive Director, **Jim McNulty**, and Director of Development, **Bill Abplanalp**, a number of former members have stepped forward to organize and lead events, most notably **Bob Turco**, **Scott Goerner**, **Howard Baden**, **Frank Hashimoto**, **Arpad Horvath**, **Jack Pittges**, **George Demes** and a list of volunteers too numerous to mention. Special thanks go to **Tom Vandebosch**, **Dick Schroeder** and his wife, **Arlene**, for their hard work at the Golf Outing. Also, the ideas provided at the quarterly meetings by all the members are invaluable (as well as lively and entertaining).

The Alumni Nominating Committee of **Jim Kartheiser**, **Howard Baden** and **Jerry Johnson** have provided a slate of candidates for 2008 and 2009 that, once again, ensures representatives from all decades. Event chairmen are already planning next year's events and the Association is looking for ideas for other outings, particularly for the fall.  
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In many cases, legacy gifts keep giving past your lifetime. For example, an endowed gift provides permanent support by using only a small fraction of the fund you established while the majority of the fund remains invested for the future. Focusing on methods of giving that endure and choosing an organization, cause or program that is close to your heart enable you to preserve your values for future generations.

One final strategy is leverage. A life income gift allows you to make a gift in trust; in return, you receive an annual amount for life. This type of plan provides you with needed retirement income, and the remainder leaves a legacy for tomorrow.

Call Bill Abplanalp at the NBGC today to talk about designing a legacy—large or small—that will represent your enduring values. There is no obligation, and any information you provide will be kept confidential.



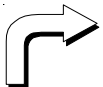
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There are many ways to donate to the NBGC other than with a cash contribution. In-kind gifts also make a great difference. The gift may be the time it takes to repair our hockey boards, mount a hand towel dispenser, troubleshoot our network system, donated tickets to a high school, college, minor league or professional sporting event, raffle prizes, equipment and office supplies for the kids' programs and much more. Thanks to the NBGC Friends listed below for making recent in kind gifts.

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## LOST ALUMNI



When we sent out the September Alumni Chatter, the following mail was returned. If you can reconnect these alums and friends with us, please e-mail their new information to NBGC1931@aol.com.

**Brigid Blume, Ed Brandt, Dorothy Jung, Ken Lieske, Herbert Swanson, Ralph Crome, Robert Brader, John Karl Krueger, Paul Quinn, Henry Wright, Tarek Faizi**

## FOUR ALUMS TO BE INDUCTED INTO 16" SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME

By: Bill Abplanalp

Chicago is well known for many reasons - its architecture, museums, beautiful open lakefront, rich social and political history, blues music, a storied professional sports history, and its diverse ethnic mix. There is a unique sport, though; one that has been played by thousands of men and women for generations for both fun and glory over eight decades, a game that is truly unique to Chicago... 16-inch softball.

Chicago softball is played barehanded with gnarled fingers and knuckles that tell stories of errors and victories in games long past. It's safe to say that most Chicagoans have played the game in school, at a picnic, or in league play. It's a fabric of our generations. All past and current NBGC members have experienced the great game of 16" softball. So it is with great joy that this year **John Barrett (Wasps '60s)** will be inducted in the "Wall of Fame" category for his unselfish support of softball and being instrumental in keeping the Aces softball team together. They will play their 40th season of softball in 2008. There are many ex-NBC'ers still playing on the Aces softball team. **Jerry Rhea (Wasps '60's)** will enter the Hall of Fame as a player. Jerry helped organize the Flying Circus softball team in the 70's, which also featured many ex-NBC'ers. Under the team category, **Tom Horn (Hornets '70s)** and **Bob Egan (Wasps '70's)** will be part of the 2007 class inducted as members of the Daily News softball team.

The Chicago 16" Softball Hall of Fame was organized in 1996 by founders **Al Maag** and NBGC alum **Tony Reibel** (Demons '40s). Annual dinners have attracted over 600 attendees, each year, to meet the new inductees. Besides being instrumental in starting the 16" Softball Hall of Fame, Tony Reibel was inducted to the Hall in 1996. Another alum, **Joe Hutmacher** (Comets '40s), was inducted in 1999. This year's dinner is Saturday, January 26th, 2008, 7:00 p.m. at Hawthorne Race Course. For more information on the dinner or the Hall of Fame, visit <http://www.16inchsoftballhof.org/index.cfm?webAction=home>



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**The NBGC Moms' Club is sponsoring the sale to raise funds for the programs.** Orders will be taken from Nov. 26th through Dec. 14th. **Pick up and payment is on Tues. Dec. 18th.** Order forms will be available at the office. **Spread the word to your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers!**



## CHRISTMAS TREE SALE DEC. 8TH



Looking for a fresh, full tree to warm up the home can be a hassle. The **NBGC Dads' Club** wants to make it easy for you. They will be selling fresh-cut Fraser Firs, as well as roping and wreathes, in back of the Clubhouse. The sale will take place on **Sat. Dec. 8th from 8:00 a.m. until sold out**. This one day sale will feature a **limited number of 7 - 9 foot Fraser Firs and pre-orders are strongly encouraged**. The money raised goes right to the boys and girls programs, so you'll be helping your community if you buy a tree from NBGC. To place your order, call **Chris Prokaski** at 773-463-4161, ext. 10, or e-mail [chrisnbgc@yahoo.com](mailto:chrisnbgc@yahoo.com).



## BEARS BASH DECEMBER 17TH!



Hey football fans, IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! **The NBGC DADS' CLUB'S 24th ANNUAL "BEARS BASH"** is coming up on **Mon. Dec. 17th**. Save that date and watch the Bears even the score against the Minnesota Vikings. By then, **the Bears will be back in the race!** Men and women 21 and older are welcome to join an avid group of Bear Fans for an "all you can eat" Ray Harrington's corned beef dinner with unlimited beverages, and top it off by watching the Bears go for a victory! This year's BASH will be bigger and better than ever! If you've never joined us you won't want to miss it.

The doors open at 5:30 PM in the St. Andrew's Gymnasium, 1658 W. Addison. Dinner will be served at 6:30 and the game will kick off at 7:30 PM sharp. Unlimited beverages will be served from 6:30 until 10:00. **There is a \$35.00 donation per ticket, payable in advance.** Tickets cannot be purchased at the door. The event always sells out and we know that neither you nor your friends won't want to be left on the sidelines. The night includes a free mug, a raffle, table prizes, football pools and LOTS OF FUN! Join the NBGC Dads' Club with a seat on the 50 yardline. Tickets can be purchased from Dads' Club members or at the NBGC administrative office. You'll have a great night and contribute to the program at the same time. Call Chris Prokaski at (773) 463-4161, ext. 10, or e-mail [chris@NBGC.org](mailto:chris@NBGC.org) for tickets.

## THANKS TO THANKSGIVING SPONSORS

NBGC is very thankful for the continued support of three families who support the ongoing tradition of Thanksgiving.

**George and Mary Howe**, along with alumni sons **George and Dan** (Pirates, 1990's), sponsor the annual Parent & Child Turkey Toss. The participants throw darts at paper turkey targets and the top teams in each league win a turkey.

**Mrs. Brenda Weigelt-Fowler and Family** co-sponsor the Turkey Bowl Classics in the memory of her late husband and longtime NBGC friend, **Johnnie Weigelt**. Mr. Weigelt ran one of the largest catering businesses in the area, at Damen & Byron, and helped start the tradition of hot chocolate on Thanksgiving.

**Wayne and Virginia Duckmann** also co-sponsor the Turkey Bowl Classics. Wayne and Virginia coached in the 1990's when their children, **Wayne and Christine**, were active members. They also own a local silk screening company, **Ultimate Sports Apparel**, and have been printing NBGC clothing for at least 20 years.

Thank you to our sponsors for helping us to maintain the greatest, and longest running, tradition of the NBGC.

## CHICAGO CUBS ROOFTOP GAME - from page 1

Besides a rooftop view of the game and the Cubs destroying the Pittsburgh Pirates, there will be food – Classic Chicago Hot Dogs, Grilled Veggie Pizza, Bratwurst, Italian Sausage, Char Broiled Hamburger/Cheeseburgers, Grilled Boneless Breast of Chicken, Veggie Burgers and Grilled Steaks. To wash down your meal there will be Domestic and Imported Beer, California Wines, Soft drinks and Bottled Water.

Due to the overwhelming demand for the rooftop seats we've sold the last 2 years, **NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN**. The cost for this fun day in the sun is **still only \$100.00**. You can pay by credit card or mail a check payable to the NBGC for the number of seats you want. Each person's first and last name (this is how you gain access to the rooftop) must be submitted to the Club no later than April 1st. An email address would help us contact you confirming your payment and the number of seats purchased. Please call **Chris Prokaski** at the NBGC, (773) 463-4161, ext. 10, to pay by credit card or if you have any questions. Seats will be sold on a first come, first paid basis. Don't be left sitting on the bench, or in Wrigley Field...call us today!



## NEXT ISSUE IN MARCH



If you have any news for the next "Chatter" please submit it by February 15th. If you can e-mail your news, please direct it to Jim McNulty, [NBGC1931@aol.com](mailto:NBGC1931@aol.com). The Alumni Chatter is printed in March, June, September and December.



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Your generous support allows us to continue offering boys football, basketball, floor hockey, baseball and softball, girls soccer, basketball, floor hockey, volleyball and softball, a younger children's Discovery Program, Summer Enrichment, Leader Program, Scholarship Program and more, free of membership fees to the 1,200 girls and boys who participate in one or more programs. *Just think what the Alumni Association could do for the kids if each contributor brought in one new contributor!*

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Noell Fowler and Brenda Weigelt-Fowler  
 at the Thanksgiving Day Classics



Left to right: John Diversey, Joe Cullotta, Joe  
 Prybell, Bill Swanson and Tom VanDenBosch  
 carry Luke Swanson into the end zone for a  
 touchdown as time expires

**Marty Costanza** (Trojans, 30's) and his girlfriend, **Carol Werkmeister**, were featured in a Berwyn-Cicero newspaper this past September. The pair of avid dancers were awarded the gold medal in the non-vocal dance category of the Senior Idol competition, which was held at the 12th Annual Senior Lifestyle Expo in Oakbrook Terrace. Carol did a stunning cabaret performance at our 75th Anniversary dinner.

Congratulations to **Jim Federici** (Locusts, 70's) on his wedding in August. Jim is a regional sales manager for Ajax Tool Works and now resides in Arlington Heights.

It was great to hear from **Jack Macholl** (Buccs, 1970's). Jack and his wife, Mary, live in the Edison Park area with daughter Julia and son Justin. Jack owns a small advertising and marketing firm in Arlington Heights and has taught on the faculty of Roosevelt University. Jack remembers many great times at the Club, participating in the Wheelmen Club as well as the NBC Bowling League.

**Gary Malan**, who works out of the Elston and Roscoe firehouse, gave me an update on his kids. **Katie** (1990's) is engaged and **Lou** (Falcons, 1990's) is an Electrician Apprentice. Many of us remember Gary for the many years he was the Recreation Leader at Paul Revere Park.

**Nick Anagnopoulos** (Locusts, 90's) visited recently. He was signing his daughter up for basketball. Nick lives in the area and is a security guard at Lane Tech.

Congratulations to **Tim Gibbons** (Wildcats, 60's) on his recent promotion to Chief in the Chicago Fire Department. Tim also runs **Tim's Snowplowing** and is gearing up for the winter.

It was nice to catch up with **Tony Huerta** (Leopards, 60's). Tony is a foreman for the Chicago Park District painters and stopped by when his crew was painting the outside of the clubhouse, as well as the washrooms. As always, they did an excellent job. Tony lives way out on the south side. He and his wife have five children, Anthony, Brian, Joseph, Angela and the newcomer, Samantha.

## YOU & ME NEWS

By: Jim McNulty

**Don Feuling** (1960's) recently won a Mike Ditka look alike contest, held at Ditka's. Don was featured on the 10:00 news posing with "Da Coach". He is usually in character at the annual Bears Bash.

**Maria Gomez** (90's), former Leader and scholarship winner, is majoring in recreation and sports management at the U of I in Champaign. She will be visiting Chicago during the holidays and says "Hello!" to everyone at the Club.

**Paul Flatley** (Hornets, 70's) will make sure that he eats breakfast next year before coming out to referee the Thanksgiving Day Football games, so he won't be hungry and have to eat his whistle again. By the way, congratulations are in order as Paul is now the principal of Prairieview School in Bartlett. He and his wife, Alana, reside in Anticoh with their sons Ian and Connor.

It was a pleasure to spend part of Thanksgiving Day with **Brenda Weigelt-Fowler** and her husband, **Noell**. They were on the way to have dinner with their daughter's family, **Carol and Dave Stahl**, in the Wrigleyville area. Carol and Dave's kids played at the Club in the 1990's. **Dylan** is preparing for the Bar Exam while **Esley** works at her dad's law firm. Brenda's sons, Keith and John, were members in the 1960's.

**Many thanks go out to those who made the Thanksgiving Classics a success**, from the alumni officials to the parents and friends who helped with the refreshments. We appreciate the support of **Matt Marino, Kitty Gale, Greg Czajkowski and Jill Solis** of the Chicago Park District for use of the fields and fieldhouse. Additional thanks go out to **Bill Abplanalp, Vicki Bauer-Spivey, Tom Boettjer, Joe Cullotta, Julie Dakers, John Diversey, Paul Flatley, Jason Frumkin, MaryGallery, Scott Goerner, Paul Goerner, Jr., Paul Goerner, Sr., Dennis Gonzalez, Andrew Gschwind, Joe Gudella, Steve Haftl, Dan Jensen, Wally Johnson, Nina Kanoon, Jim Kartheiser, Charlie Lema, Jim McGuire, Joe Miceli, Rich Paschall, Joe Prybell, Holly Schroeder, Ricardo Solis, Bill**

**Swanson, Luke Swanson, Tom VanDenBosch, Tim Ward, Kyle Welsh, Bonnie Werstein, Candice Werstein and Fares Zanayed.**

## THANKS TO THE STAFF & LEADERS

**The special group who really makes this Club work - *makes all activities possible* - is the NBGC Staff and Leaders.** Without these dedicated teens and young adults there would not be an NBGC!

Thank you to Program Director **Rene Torres**, Assistant Program Directors **Tom Gudella and Phil Jensen**, Coonley Kids Club Director **Farah Douglas**, NBGC Kids Club Director **Amanda Fox**, boys and girls League Directors **Jasmine Anza, Yasmine Marrero, Vince Millwood, Manny Miranda, Samantha Prodomos and Dan Ward** and Coonley Staff **Shatara Purnell and Shakila Reynolds**. They are here for the members and parents every day. I would also like to thank NBGC Director of Development **Bill Abplanalp**, Administrative Assistant **Chris Prokaski**, Volunteer Assistant **Gloria Goerner**.

The Leaders deserve our biggest "THANK YOU". Their job is difficult and often under-appreciated. They have the challenge of doing a public service for which their judgment is sometimes questioned. They handle themselves with poise and confidence, realizing that their work is appreciated when the kids grow up. Thank you to **Senior Leaders Mitchell Annis, Chris Brundidge, Russell Geschrey, Tim Geschrey, Kathi Jensen, Sammy Jensen, Tommy Nickels and Amanda Seegert** and to **Junior Leaders Jessica Anetsberger, Stephanie Benitez, Cynthia Castaneda, Sage Duckunue, Chris Gissendanner, Victoria Gonzalez, Denise Hearn, Derek Hearn, Timmy Jensen, Ariana Kroger, Tim McNamara, Liannie Melendez, Hannah Mellske, Valin Myers, Aldin Nusinovic, Miriam Ortiz, Bobby Palushek, Anna Parks, Nicole Przytulski, Rebecca Reynoso, Ashley Seegert, Tyler Seegert, Krystal Starr, Lito Torres, Ross Uhler, Michael VanDenBosch.**



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**2008 NBGC ALUMNI GOLF OUTING**



The 38th Annual NBGC Alumni Golf Outing will be held Sunday July 20th at the beautiful Cog Hill Golf and Country Club, which is located in Lemont, Illinois. We will have three of the four courses available this year, 1, 2 and 3, as Dubsdread is under construction. Golf Outing chairs **Frank Hashimoto** and **Arp Horvath** expect a sell out this year.

As a part of this fund raising event we will have dinner, raffle prizes, hole in one prizes, and various sponsorship opportunities. Reservations can be made starting March 15th, 2008. Just call **Chris Prokaski** at (773) 463-4161, ext. 10, with your credit card number.

We will keep you updated with more information via e-mail, as well as in the March Chatter. If you would like to be added to the golf list, just e-mail NBGC1931@aol.com.

**CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**  
**(OR BEAN BAGS)**

Yes, that's right, the NBGC Alumni Association and co-chairs **Jerry Johnson** and **Rick Abplanalp** will be hosting their first ever Cornhole Tournament (did you know that's the real name of the bean bag board game we've all probably played?). This new event will be held on Saturday, June 28th on the same grounds, and in conjunction with, the annual Family Fest (which starts on Wednesday, June 25 and runs through the weekend). There will be competitive divisions for singles and doubles as well as a social doubles division and a kid's recreational doubles division. The information for this event will be posted on our website, www.NBGC.org, some time near the end of December. Please take a look. If you want to be receive any future e-mail information on this event, just contact thecornholios@NBGC.org.

**75TH ANNIVERSARY**  
**YEARBOOK AVAILABLE**

A must-have keepsake for all alumni and friends - a 75th Anniversary Yearbook - is on sale. This collection of memories and photographs spanning the decades is the first-ever attempt to document the history of the organization.

There is a section on each decade filled with historical facts and dozens of photographs. Many of these photos have not been seen in decades, if ever! All total, there are 80 pages and more than 300 photos.

This historic collection is available now for \$35.00 (plus shipping and handling if unable to pick up at the NBGC). To order this special keepsake, just call **Chris Prokaski** at (773) 463-4161, ext. 10, or e-mail [chris@NBGC.org](mailto:chris@NBGC.org).

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The slate was unanimously approved at the December 4th quarterly meeting. The new officers are **Wally Johnson**, President and era Vice Presidents **Bob Mergens** (1930's), **George Demes** (1940's), **Howard Baden** (1950's), **Rick Abplanalp** (1960's), **Tom VanDenBosch** (1970's), **Scott Goerner** (1980's), **Amanda Fox** (1990's) and **Tim Ward** (1990's). Join up with us at the March meeting and have some fun with old friends.

**2008 NBGC ALUMNI CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH  
 SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH  
 SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH  
 TUESDAY, JUNE 3TH  
 WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25  
 SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH  
 SUNDAY, JULY 20TH

ALUMNI MEETING  
 2ND ANNUAL BOB TURCO OPEN  
 CUBS ROOF TOP GAME  
 ALUMNI MEETING  
 ALUMNI NIGHT AT FAMILY FEST  
 CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT  
 ALUMNI GOLF OUTING

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**ALUMNI & FRIENDS**

**Robert Fahey (1960's), November 2007**



**GET YOUR CHATTER**  
**VIA E-MAIL**



With all the events and news happening here at the NBGC, we would like to keep our alums up to date instantly. We can do this easily through e-mail so send us yours!

In your e-mail, please help us update our alumni database with your address, phone number(s), the year(s) you were a member and on which team(s) you played. We are always looking to our alums to help us find other alums. If you are still in contact with any NBC/NBGC'ers, please forward to us any information you have on them. We can verify the info against our database.

We now offer the option of sending your Alumni Chatter via e-mail only. There are more than 50 alumni signed up for "e-mail only". As this list grows, NBGC will realize a significant savings in the costs of printing and postage. Two of the nice features of receiving the Chatter via e-mail are that you will receive your e-mail copy 10 days before everyone else and all photos will be in color.

Send your request to **Jim McNulty** at NBGC1931@aol.com or **Bill Abplanalp** at BillNBGC@aol.com. Thanks in advance for helping NBGC stay connected with you.

**UPDATING OUR RECORDS**

Many of our Alumni Chatters do not reach our alums directly because we still have their parents' address. **Parents, please help us reach our alumni more directly** by passing along a current address. We will be happy to continue mailing a copy to your home.

Please call **Chris Prokaski**, between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, at (773) 463-4161, ext. 10 or e-mail [chris@NBGC.org](mailto:chris@NBGC.org). Thanks for helping us keep our records current!

## ALUMNI APPEAL CONTINUES

One of the key sources of funding for our many programs and services is the generous support of our alumni. Your support is vital to the Club. Our new fiscal year starts on January 1st. You can join our growing list of supporters. Just clip the form below and return it with your check.

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## FREE LEGAL CONSULTATIONS AT THE NBGC

The Chicago law firm of **Morici, Figlioli and Associates**, headed by NBGC alum and past Board of Directors president, **Jim Morici**, have been providing no cost legal consultations at the NBGC on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Dozens of members of the NBGC family have taken advantage of these free legal consultations. Those seeking advice have had the opportunity to meet, in private, with an attorney to discuss matters ranging from personal injury, workman's compensation, estate planning, real estate, criminal and traffic matters, as well as divorce and child custody.

Jim Morici reports that the program has been a wonderful success. He said, "Our experience in helping so many members of the NBGC family including alumni and current parents was extremely gratifying. Everyone we talked to was extremely pleased with the opportunity to have one of our attorneys analyze their legal needs and advise them on how they could best be served."

For an appointment, call Jim Morici at 312-372-9600.

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