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Five year old, **Alexandra "Alex" Wigdale**, daughter of Brad and Susan Wigdale of Winnetka, graduated from Child's Voice School on June 1, 2007. Child's Voice is a school that teaches children who are deaf and hard of hearing how to listen and speak. Alex began at Child's Voice three years ago when she entered the Toddler Program. During this time, they attend in-

dividual and group sessions provide them the opportunity to learn vocabulary, speech, and language in a variety of settings. When Alex turned three years old, she entered the Child's Voice School Program. Child's Voice follows the Moog Curriculum and teaches language, speech, and auditory training skills to children who are deaf and hard of hearing by certified teachers of the deaf. The goal of the school is for the student to be fully mainstreamed back into his/her neighborhood school

while still in the early stages of his/her elementary school career. Next year Alex will attend Hubbard Woods School in Winnetka.

Geoffrey C. Centner, of Winnetka, has joined Merrill Lynch as regional sales manager, vice president for Illinois/Wisconsin region in its Chicago office. Centner a 17-year financial industry veteran, previously worked with Morgan Stanley as a Detroit complex manager. He graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in Marketing in 1990.

Thomas Handler, of Winnetka, was named Chairman of the track on Family Practice and Governance at the Annual Family Office Forum hosted by the Institute for International Research in Chicago, Illinois June 5-7, 2007. This has traditionally been the largest family office conference in the world. Mr. Handler will also present a session on Asset Protection Strategies and Estate Planning Structures. Mr. Handler is a partner and founder at Handler, Thayer & Duggan in the Chicago Loop.