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OBITUARIES

VIRGINIA HUNT DONNELLY, 87
 Virginia Hunt Donnelly, 87, a local poet who celebrated a lifetime of everyday writing in her self-published book "Poetic Journey Through Life," died Wednesday, Oct. 31, of lung cancer in her Markham home. The book, published this spring, opens with her first poem, "Moon, Star and God," written in cursive at the age of 6. It draws on works in the voluminous journals that Mrs. Donnelly kept throughout her youth in Chicago; her life with Lloyd, her husband of 39 years; and the independent years after his death when she obtained a bachelor's degree from South Suburban College in South Holland at the age of 72. Her creative energy had led her to meet her husband at a Chicago theater group in the early 1930s. After moving to Markham in 1946, they founded the Markham Village Players, which performed many of their original plays. In addition to her writing, Mrs. Donnelly worked as an elementary school teacher's assistant and volunteered at South Suburban Hospital in Hazel Crest. After her husband's death, Mrs. Donnelly "buckled her armor and trudged along," said her daughter Susan Stolz. "She had this inquisitive mind and loved to write." Undaunted by new challenges, she went cross-country skiing at 67 and discovered the joys of woodcarving at 75. Survivors include two other daughters; Dru Carl and Teri Hajek; a son; Lloyd Jr.; a sister, Beverly Nelson; 9 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. Services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday in the McKenzie Funeral Home, 15618 S. Cicero Ave., Oak Forest.

BENJAMIN P. GILL JR., 53
 Benjamin P. Gill Jr., 53, an attorney and the 1997 Les Turner ALS Foundation "Patient of the Year," died Wednesday, Oct. 31, at his Bloomingdale home after an eight-year battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Mr. Gill lived much of his life in Baltimore. He earned his undergraduate degree from Towson State University and his law degree from the University of Baltimore. Before moving to the Chicago area, Mr. Gill was the

general counsel for Alexander & Alexander Inc., an international insurance brokerage firm. He and his wife, Sally, moved to Bloomingdale in 1991 when Mr. Gill became general counsel for Itasca-based Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. After being diagnosed with ALS, Mr. Gill approached the disease with a strength and intellectual curiosity that was inspiring to his family and friends, his wife said. "He had this ability to eternally process this whole situation and have this calm and peace—more that of an intellectual processing than a spiritual awakening," Sally Gill recalled. He became very active in the Skokie-based Les Turner ALS Foundation, developing friendships with other ALS patients and even penning essays about the disease that the organization distributed. In 1997, the organization named him "Patient of the Year" for speaking out on the need for research funding and compassionate drug use and for helping others who had ALS. In 1998, Mr. Gill wrote, "But more than providing me with some fresh insights, ALS has given me the ability to expand my mind." Besides his wife, Mr. Gill is survived by a daughter, Lori Smelser; and a brother, William. A memorial service will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Medinah Baptist Church, Sycamore and Foster Avenues in Medinah.

BURTON W. KANTER, 71
 Burton W. Kanter, 71, a tax attorney who handled the estates of some of Chicago's most prominent residents and taught a class at the University of Chicago Law School for 15 years, died of cancer Wednesday, Oct. 31, in his Highland Park home. He represented such clients as Bobby Hull, Hugh Hefner and Sam Zell, as well as rock groups Santana and Creedence Clearwater Revival during his 45-year career. A philanthropist and art lover, he formed the Kanter Family Foundation in the 1980s, which has donated to a variety of causes, including the Museum of Contemporary Art and the U. of C. Law School. He was raised in Danbury, Conn. Mr. Kanter earned his undergraduate and law degrees from the U.

of C. and he taught law for a year at Indiana University. He also worked as an adviser to the U.S. Tax Court in Washington, D.C., before returning to Chicago in 1956 to begin private practice. Mr. Kanter also was the longtime editor of "Shop Talk," a monthly column in the Journal of Taxation that provided an open forum for tax professionals. Mr. Kanter is survived by his wife, Naomi; two sons, Joel and Joshua; a daughter, Janis McCormick; two brothers, Carl and Jerry; and five grandchildren. A service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday at Chicago Sinai Congregation, 15 Delaware Pl., Chicago.

ANDREW M. KING, 42
 Andrew M. King, 42, a former Chicago Board of Trade broker and St. Charles native, died Tuesday, Sept. 11, in the World Trade Center attack. The Princeton, N.J., resident worked as a partner and senior vice president of Cantor Fitzgerald subsidiary eSpeed. Mr. King enjoyed being in the thick of the action, said his brother, C. Spencer King. "He liked getting in there and getting his hands dirty and getting in the middle of it." Mr. King handled pressure well, a trait gained in the many sports the gifted athlete played, including golf and soccer. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill and attended the Center for International Relations at Georgetown University. As a member of the St. Andrew's Society and Robert Burns Society in New York, Mr. King was particularly proud of his Scottish heritage, wearing a kilt to festive and formal events. "He was larger than life," his brother said. The gregarious man had such a huge sense of presence, heads turned in search of a celebrity when he entered a room, his brother said. "He would never just shake hands," his brother said. "He would give you a bear hug." His mother, Joan, called him "our shining star." Mr. King also is survived by his wife, Judy; two daughters, Cece and Carley; a son, Andrew; his father, Wesley; and a sister, Page Prusank. Services have been held.

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