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Good in Dwight: A Day at the Dwight Historical Society

by Bill Pearch
*Discovering North America
Nine Innings at a Time*

During the Harrison administration, Rockford's Register-Gazette described Dwight, Illinois, as a first-class community that lacked any form of amusement. The newspaper suggested that the village of roughly 1,500 residents at that time, located southwest of Chicago, would make an ideal home for a minor league baseball franchise in the Illinois-Iowa League. That was 1892, and no minor league team has ever called Dwight home.

ther compound the drama, a cannon fired prematurely and accidentally shot a gentleman named Slane Turner in the arm and body. Despite the commotion, they played ball and Dwight defeated Pontiac, 20-13. The show must go on, right?

After joining the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) in 2016, I have enjoyed contributing to the organization's publications and Baseball Biography Project (BioProject). I have written about Game Two of the 1918 World Series, pitching coach Leo Mazzone, and stories about two games at Brooklyn's Ebbets Field (coming soon). Recently, I exchanged emails with Mary Flott, a retired speech and communications instructor from my high school who volunteers for the Dwight Historical Society. She asked if I knew that the Cubs had played an exhibition game in Dwight. That tidbit unlocked a treasure trove of Dwight baseball history relegated to the yellowing newspapers of yesteryear.



Fast forward to 1986 when my family moved to Dwight. Just a few months after unpacking, the New York Mets beat the Boston Red Sox in seven games to win the World Series*.

Around that time, I reached a high in my baseball card collecting. I had loads of Chicago Cubs, specifically Ryne Sandberg and Leon Durham. The piles of Mike Greenwell cards would soon follow. Over the next several years, I played high school and Pony League ball, I organized my wiffle ball league, and watched tons of MLB games. But oddly enough, that was when my card collecting dwindled. I also never knew much about Dwight's rich baseball history.

While living there, I heard the legend of the Prince of Wales' trip to Dwight in 1860. Traveling under the alias Lord Renfrew, the future King Edward VII visited the area while enjoying a hunting expedition. Subtle name, huh? Perhaps this event will weave itself into a future storyline of Victoria. Probably not, but one of Dwight's earliest baseball teams adopted the name Dwight Renfrews.

But there is a bizarre story about a baseball game from that era that appeared in the Chicago Tribune.

Prior to a game between the Renfrews and Pontiac Athletics on August 14, 1874, Dwight's Captain J.B. Parsons commanded an elaborate military spectacle. During the display, a steam engine from Pontiac's fire company exploded and injured a number of onlookers. To fur-

During high school, I heard about Col. Frank L. Smith. He possessed powerful political drive and was instrumental in Dwight's early days. Smith, who received his honorary title from Illinois Governor John Riley Tanner, gained notoriety on a national political stage, but I never knew of his passion for the national pastime and formation of the village's semi-professional team. Earlier this summer, I wrote his official SABR bio as an individual who was famous outside of baseball. He was responsible for bringing multiple professional teams to Dwight for exhibition games during his lifetime. The Detroit Tigers (1907), Washington Senators (1908), Chicago Cubs (1912), Pittsburgh Rebels (1915) and Chicago Whales (1915) appeared in Dwight because of Col. Smith's efforts.

After digging through my Col. Smith notes, I noticed the name Eddie Higgins kept appearing in box scores. Other than his pitching performance against the Tigers on October

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AUTUMN. When the trees their summer splendor change to raiment red and gold, When the summer moon turns mellow, and the nights are getting cold; When the squirrels hide their acorns, And the woodchucks disappear; Then we know that it is autumn, Loveliest season of the year.
Charlotte L. Riser

Positive COVID-19 Tests Close DTHS, DCS for Two Weeks

Due to recent positive test results reported by Dwight Public School staff members, DPS will be full remote through Friday, October 23.

After consulting the Livingston County Health Department about CDC guidelines and COVID protocols, the decision was made that all Dwight Common School and Dwight Township High School students will remain at home for remote learning for two weeks – returning to school for in-person instruction Monday, October 26.

“Our number one priority is the safety of students and staff, and we have contacted individ-

uals who have had contact with COVID positive staff members,” it read in a statement issued by DPS. “Additionally, we are doing everything we can to offer full-time, in-person instruction as soon as possible. We are working diligently to ensure a safe return.

A few important details to consider:

- Seniors will still report to the high school Wednesday, October 14, to take the SAT as scheduled.
- Students will **not** be expected to be online for remote learning Monday, October 19, and Tuesday, October 20, as those

dates are already designated as Teacher Planning Days. Students are encouraged to utilize those days to make up any missing assignments.

- LACC students will report to their classes per usual, and transportation will be provided.
- LCSSU/RAS classes will run during their normal days and times, and transportation will be provided.
- After school extra-curricular activities will be held as scheduled. Coaches will communicate with athletes about specific details.
- Faculty and staff will have the option to work from school

or from home. Building access will only be allowed from 7:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- The building will be closed to all students and guardians for two weeks.
- Students will utilize Google Classroom as the preferred platform to access their classes and assignments.
- PreK-4th Grade students will still be using paper/pencil activities when necessary and will be delivered to homes with meal deliveries Friday, October 16, or Wednesday, October 21.

Meal Deliveries

- October 16 – 5 days of meals
- October 21 – 5 days of meals



OLD ROUTE 66 FAMILY RESTAURANT, 105 South Old Route 66 in Dwight, has re-opened its doors! The restaurant temporarily closed in March, and began plans for major renovations – both inside and out – that have since been completed. You may visit and dine in, or they also offer carry-out and delivery. Pictured at the ribbon cutting ceremony are the Ahmedi family, owner/operators of the establishment, alongside area community members involved with the re-opening.

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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

October 1: Kelvin Hester, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.
 October 2: Lisa M. Witheft, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.
 October 3: Breia M. Barry-White, driving 21-25 MPH above limit; Gykese DeMichael U. Bailey, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.
 October 4: Joseph M. O'Connor, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

Persons in the police report are innocent of any charges until proven guilty in a court of law.

Dwight Police Blotter

October 2: 7:42 p.m., Dwight Officers were dispatched to W. Northbrook for a hit-and-run property damage. A semi driver advised his parked and unoccupied truck was struck by an unknown person/vehicle while he was in the building.
 October 3: 11:49 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to the 400 block of W. South St. A neighbor advised they were concerned about a dog at an open second floor window, with the screen partially out.
 October 7: 6:50 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched

to a motel on Northbrook Dr. for a domestic disturbance. Arrested were Steven P. Norris, 41, and Jennifer Williams, 46, for Domestic Battery. They were taken to Grundy Cty. Jail; 6:43 p.m., Arrested on an In-State Warrant was James Beier, 75, of Dwight. He was given a new court date.

October 8: 2:02 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to 12 W. Northbrook Dr. A semi driver advised a male driving another semi struck his vehicle and left the scene.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

October 1: Prairie, trauma, St. James.
 October 2: Renfrew, medical, Morris.
 October 3: Prairie, refusal.
 October 4: Franklin, fire; Mazon, medical, Morris; Dwight Rd., fire, mutual aid from Duffy's.
 October 5: Mazon, trauma, Morris; Mazon, trauma, Morris.
 October 6: Mazon, medical, Morris.
 October 8: Seminole, trauma, Morris.

Temps - 2020

Oct. 1 - high 59°, low 39° .04" precip.
 Oct. 2 - high 58°, low 39°
 Oct. 3 - high 56°, low 42° .27" precip.
 Oct. 4 - high 54°, low 30°
 Oct. 5 - high 63°, low 31°
 Oct. 6 - high 75°, low 50°
 Oct. 7 - high 79°, low 43°
One Year Ago - Oct. 14, 2019
 high 55°, low 32°

It's A Scam!

LaSalle County Sheriff Tom Templeton has issued a statement regarding scam telephone calls being received by citizens of LaSalle County.

Sheriff Templeton said that the caller will identify themselves as deputies of the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office and inform the victim that there is an arrest warrant outstanding for them. The caller then advises the victim to call a telephone number to make arrangements to post bail, generally requested bail is gift cards in various amounts or asks for a credit card number to pay the bail.

Sheriff Templeton wants people to know that his office does not make calls to serve arrest warrants. "These calls are a scam and the victim should immediately hang up and give the caller no information at all," Templeton said. "These scams occur from time to time and vary slightly in how they are phrased to the victim. At no time give out personal information over the phone to people claiming to be the Sheriff's office, either about an arrest warrant or asking for donations to the Illinois Sheriff's Association."

If there is a question if something is legitimate or not, call the Sheriff's Office at 815-433-2161.

Mobile Food Pantry in S. Wilmington

On Monday, October 19, at 4:00 p.m., Catholic Charities' Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food at St. Lawrence Church (135 Rice Road in South Wilmington) in the church parking lot (rain or shine).

Catholic Charities and the Northern Illinois Food Bank have partnered to deliver nutritious food (meat, produce, and nonperishable items) to people in need.

Participants are asked to stay in their cars. The Mobile Food Pantry will use a "drive thru" method to distribute pre-packed groceries to ensure that all participants are safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

You do not have to be Catholic to participate. For more information, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

It's History...



THE OLD KEPLINGER BLOCK on the northwest corner of Mazon and Franklin that burned on October 10, 1891. All of the wooden structures were gone in about two hours. Losers were George Keplinger, Star & Herald, North Star, Thomas Perry, Barr & Dame, Mrs. Koehnlein, M. Rinehart, Mrs. A. Strufe, John Crocker, Leslie E. Keeley Co., Ketcham & Smith, Mrs. Gertie Kayler, John Thompson, Jens Jacobsgaard, and Sam Lower.

Dwight Sales Tax Revenue Slips a Bunch in 2nd Quarter

by Tom Tock
 The second quarter 2020 Illinois sales tax report for Dwight showed a decrease of \$57,020 in revenue when compared to the second quarter of 2019. The second quarter, April, May, June of 2020 produced sales tax income of \$229,141 for Dwight. The same quarter a year ago produced sales tax of \$286,161.

The first quarter of 2020 sales tax revenue for Dwight was \$222,699.

The above numbers include Dwight's 1¢ sales tax added in July of 2016 and dedicated to infrastructure improvement. That 1¢ added \$80,411 to village coffers in the second quarter of 2020, \$110,195 one year ago.

The sales tax category of *Automotive & Filling Stations*

had sales tax production in Dwight, Livingston County, of \$79,052. It was \$101,986 in the second quarter of 2019. (Activity in this category for the Grundy County part of Dwight is never available.)

Meanwhile, *Drinking & Eating Places* in Dwight, Livingston County, had sales tax collections during the second quarter of 2020 totalling \$12,396. (No figures were available for the Grundy County portion of Dwight.) The total for Dwight, Livingston County, was \$17,787 in 2019.

The category of *Drugs and Miscellaneous Retail* showed collections of \$13,588 in the second quarter of 2020 compared to \$11,810 in 2019.

Dwight, Livingston and Grundy Counties, had 124 busi-

nesses reporting sales tax receipts in the second quarter of 2020, 129 in the second quarter last year, and 138 in the second quarter of 2018.

Below are year to year comparisons of sales tax revenue for selected communities in Livingston and Grundy counties:

	2nd Quarter Municipal Sales Tax	
	2019	2020
Dwight	286,161	229,141
Fairbury	181,251	219,747
Pontiac	706,710	711,362
Odell	12,809	7,897
Saunemin	4,736	3,028
Herschler	77,433	85,006
Gardner	47,930	44,551
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Avoid Financial Mistakes During Retirement

When you retire, you've learned a lot about all sorts of things, helping you avoid some of the mistakes you made earlier in life. However, you may still be susceptible to financial missteps specifically related to your retirement years. How can you dodge these errors?

Consider these suggestions:

- **Manage your withdrawal rate carefully.** You will likely need to tap into your retirement accounts - your IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan. But you should establish an annual withdrawal rate that's appropriate for your situation. By withdrawing too much each year, especially in the early years of your retirement, you risk outliving your resources. You may want to consult with a financial professional to determine the withdrawal amount that's right for you. (Keep in mind, though, that once you turn 72, you will be required to take out at least a certain amount each year - based on your age and account balance - from your traditional IRA and 401(k) or similar plan.)
- **Don't underestimate health care costs.** Once you turn 65, you will be eligible for Medicare, but you may still need a Medicare supplement plan and will probably also incur other expenses. In fact, A healthy 65-year-old couple who retired in 2019 will need nearly \$390,000 over their remaining years just to pay for health care, according to HealthView Services, which produces health-care cost projection software. Other estimates show different amounts, but they all amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars. So, when calculating your expenses during your retirement years, reserve a big space for health care.
- **Don't take Social Security too early.** You can start receiving monthly Social Security checks when you reach age 62, but your payments will generally be significantly larger if you wait until your "full" retirement age, which will probably be between 66 and 67. (The size of your payments will "max out" at age 70.) Of course, if you need the money at 62, you may have to take it, but if you believe you have longevity working in your favor, and you can afford to wait, you may be better off by delaying Social Security as long as possible.)
- **Don't invest too conservatively.** Once you're retired, you might think that you should take as few chances as possible with your investments - after all, you simply have less time for them to bounce back from a downturn than you did during your working years. Nonetheless, it's important to own a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments to help keep you ahead of inflation. Even at a low rate, which we've experience recently, inflation can erode your purchasing power over time.
- **Don't be more generous than you can afford.** If you have grown children who need financial help, or grandchildren heading to college someday, you'd no doubt like to do whatever you can to provide assistance. However, the hard truth is they simply have more time than you do to find workable financial solutions, whereas if you deplete your funds through your generosity, you could put yourself in a precarious position. So, be as giving as you can afford - but don't go beyond that. By preserving your financial independence, you'll end up benefiting your family, as well.

Retirement can be a wonderful time of your life - and you may enjoy it more by doing what you can to avoid costly financial mistakes.

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State Rep. Tom Bennett, 106th District

Madigan Investigation Halted Until After Election

Earlier this week I updated you on the developments in the House Special Investigating Committee's inquiry into the conduct of Speaker Michael Madigan.

Just a few hours later I was shocked to learn that the committee chairman has decided to postpone any further investigation until after Election Day. This is a grave disappointment to those of us who thought that Illinois might finally be turning a corner and making some progress on much-needed ethics reform.

This latest sad chapter began back in July when the electric utility ComEd entered into a deferred prosecution agreement with the U.S. Attorney in a bribery scheme which implicated Speaker Madigan. The Speaker has not been criminally charged, but the House of Representatives began holding hearings into the matter, separate from the U.S. Attor-

ney's ongoing investigation. After a couple of hearings and requests for documents, this week the committee chairman announced that the committee would conduct no further business until after the election. Speaker Madigan has not been called to testify in front of the committee.

The need for real ethics reform in Illinois is now clearer than ever.

October is Women's Small Business Month. This month is Women's Small Business Month and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity is marking the occasion with a series of webinars to showcase the resources available for women-owned businesses.

In partnership with the Illinois Manufacturers Association, the U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce, and many others, DCEO is seeking to use this month to highlight

ways for women small business owners to connect with both public and private sector programs to help their businesses grow, even during the pandemic.

How much do we owe? As of the time of this writing, the State of Illinois owes \$8,368,091,960 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$6.3 billion. This figure represents the amount of bills submitted to the office of the Comptroller and still awaiting payment. It does not include debts that can only be estimated, such as our unfunded pension liability which is subject to a wide range of factors and has been estimated to be more than \$137 billion.

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22, 1907, he did not feature prominently in the remainder of Smith's narrative. He was just a Dwight High School kid with great arm, right? But there was too much to discard. After all, Ty Cobb noted that Higgins displayed major-league potential. That's lofty praise for a 19-year-old kid from a future Hall of Famer.

I started digging deeper into the story of Thomas Edward "Eddie" Higgins (1888-1959). After pitching successfully for the F.L. Smiths in 1907, he began a circuitous journey through baseball leagues from 1908 through 1915. He donned uniforms and pitched for the Bloomington Bloomers, Little Rock Travelers, St. Louis Cardinals, Denver Grizzlies (one game), Terre Haute Stags, Tacoma Tigers, Peoria Distillers, Streator Boosters and Rockford Wakes. He also earned just as many nicknames ranging from Doc to Irish, Singing Hig to Caruso, and the most unusual Zimri. Higgins pitched in legendary ballparks like Philadelphia's Baker Bowl, Cincinnati's Palace of the Fans, New York's Polo Grounds, St. Louis' Robison Field, Brooklyn's Washington Park, and Chicago's West Side Grounds. While playing baseball he became a dentist, served at Camp Grant in World War I, and opened his own practice. Sadly, Higgins' story comes to a tragic ending. The last decade of his life, Higgins was hospitalized after suffering a heart attack and stroke which led to financial complications.

During his playing career, Higgins was not immortalized often on cardboard. Not having the deepest experience collecting baseball cards, I was not certain how easily if at all I could get my hands on one of these cards. Over the last two years, I have gotten to know Jason Schwartz, a co-chair of SABR's Baseball Cards committee. He admitted that minor-league to-



BILL PEARCH IS A DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL graduate. He lives in Chicago and is a member of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR). The following is from a Facebook post about a day in Dwight that he wrote. The baseball card is a 1911 image of Thomas Edward Higgins – who graduated from DTHS in 1908. Pearch has donated the card to the Dwight Historical Society.

bacco cards would be difficult to obtain as they do not become available often. Sure enough, magic happened. Earlier this month, he connected me to a card dealer who just found one in Los Angeles. I was able to get my hands on a 1911 Obak (T212) Eddie Higgins card that was listed as being in very good/excellent condition. On the card he is depicted as a member of the Class-B Tacoma Tigers of the Northwestern League where he pitched a one-hitter against the Vancouver Beavers on July 31, 1911.

Yesterday, I visited the Dwight Historical Society which is housed inside the village's Chicago & Alton train depot. The limestone building, designed by architect Henry Ives Cobb, was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1982. Just think, Ty Cobb (no relation to the architect) passed through this station when his American League-pennant-winning Tigers arrived in

1907. While there, I was able to reconnect with Mary Flott, her husband Bill (my eighth-grade math teacher), and Kim Drechsel (docent). I was honored to hand over the card to Kim as he donated countless hours researching the Dwight Star & Herald newspapers archives to unlock the baseball stories of Col. Smith and Eddie Higgins. If Dwight has a civic hall of fame, I fully endorse Mr. Drechsel's enshrinement.

* Dwight Gooden was 0-2 with an 8.00 ERA during that Series. He fanned nine batters in nine innings. And no, Gooden has no connection with the village. It was named in honor of Henry C. Dwight. While not a Mets or Yankees pitcher, he was a New York capitalist who provided funding to construct the railroad from Joliet to Bloomington. According to available records, he lost a fortune in the venture.

commentary

'Fair Tax' Just Doesn't Cut It

What do you think about the alleged "Fair Tax" that will be voted on in November? It is advertised by proponents as a very overdue income tax increase on those making more than \$250,000 a year, an increase that will help solve Illinois' financial problems at the same time it spares everyone with lesser incomes. So they say.

Taking more money from the rich has a certain appeal, of course, and might help somewhat, but soaking the rich will not solve Illinois' annual budget or long-term financial problems.

Presently, Illinois' pensions are underfunded about \$140-billion, and one tax increase after another over the years has only masked the real problem.

The proposed graduated income tax does nothing to solve it, say Ted Dabrowski and John Klingner of *Wirepoints*, an independent and commentary organization.

The pension problem

began as far back as Gov. Jim Thompson's governorship and has continued to this day, with one administration after another making pension promises that couldn't be financed, commonly known as kicking the can down the road.

Dabrowski and Klingner recently highlighted a solution to Illinois' pension problem with a four-point special report (complete with graphs) that is too long and detailed for publication in this paper, but is available for all to view at "*Wirepoint: Four Part Special Report*" on the internet. Every Illinois citizen should read it.

Basically, the report supports the contention that Illinois has really not underfunded its government pensions, just over-promised pension benefits which an eighth-grader with a calculator could see were unsustainable.

Voters should cast a "No" vote on the graduated income tax to be presented on the November ballot, and demand in-

stead that Illinois pursue an amendment to Illinois' pension protection clause in the constitution. The padding of government pensions has been pursued too long by politicians who use the process as a means for vote-getting.

Changes in the pension system are a priority, along with ending corruption and wasteful spending, improving ethical standards, and overhauling rules and regulations.

Mark Glennon, founder of *Wirepoints*, said it best months ago: "What's happened in Illinois is unique in American history. While other states or territories have struggled with deep-rooted poverty or changing circumstances, no other state has plunged from success to failure purely as a function of the manner in which it was governed. Illinois' failure as a state is a failure of its government."

Tom Tock

Bennett, Joyce Thank Local Farmers on National Farmers Day

In honor of National Farmers Day on October 12, Senate Agriculture Chairman Scott Bennett (D-Champaign) and State Senator Patrick Joyce (D-Essex) celebrated the hard work and dedication of local farmers and agricultural workers.

"Farmers are passionate about the work they do, and this day is an opportunity to acknowledge the work of the men and women devoted to feeding our community," said Bennett, who spends the harvest season helping out on his family's farm in Gibson City. "This is the perfect time to thank farmers young and old, past and present."

On National Farmers Day,

Bennett and Joyce encouraged people to show gratitude to farmers by supporting local farmers' markets or making charitable donations to area farms.

"While we appreciate and support farmers each and every day, the COVID-19 pandemic brought a new appreciation for the agriculture sector," said Joyce, a fourth-generation farmer and member of the Sen-

ate Agriculture Committee. "Today, we thank our farmers for their contributions to a healthier society and economy."

The lawmakers also recognized the dedicated animals that work alongside farmers every day and help them with daily tasks, such as plowing the field, transporting food, and cultivating the soil, especially during the busy harvest season.

Successful Crime Reduction, Prevention Effort in Kankakee County

Multiple law enforcement agencies in Kankakee County collaborated October 8 in a countywide effort to reduce crime, apprehend fugitives of the law, and promote safety throughout Kankakee County by reducing violence.

The countywide effort resulted in 20 arrests, which included Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Possession of a Defaced Firearm, Aggravated Driving Under the Influence, and Obstruction of Justice.

Both Kankakee County Sheriff Mike Downey and Kankakee City Police Chief Frank Kosman extended their thanks to each of the participating agencies for the sharing of their expertise and resources, including police K9's and telecommunications, which allowed for a successful operation.

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Limestone Library Has Gone Virtual

Limestone Township Library District (LTLD) may not be having programs at the library right now due to the pandemic, but that doesn't mean they are not doing programming. Like everything else during this pandemic season, they have gone virtual.

One of their favorite programs, Storytime, has been existing virtually with Ms. Holly and Ms. Karyn on Facebook.

sign up.

Other programs that will appear on Facebook or Discord include cooking programs, craft programs, and Science with Mr. Noffke. And it is possible to see past programs on Facebook and their YouTube channel. For information about upcoming programs, visit their website at limestonelibrary.org and click on the Newsletter tab.

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To get a library card, you need to take a driver's license, and a piece of mail such as a utility bill or a voter's card to show proof of residence. If you live outside of Limestone Township, you will want to call to see if you live in another library's district or if you are in the non-resident area. Bonfield residents are served by the Fossil Ridge Library in Braidwood. Those people in their non-resident area in the towns such as Herscher, Buckingham, and Reddick, to name a few, will pay an annual fee for library services.

A library card gives patrons access to their collection of books, movies, games, and much more. Patrons can access e-resources that include Axis 360 and Overdrive for ebooks, Consumer Reports for reputable information, and Creativebug which has hundreds of craft videos.

During the pandemic, they have remained open with some limitations. Seniors and immuno-compromised hours are Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00-11:00 a.m. All ages days are Tuesdays (10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) and Saturdays (10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) during which children under the age of 17 can go in the library with their parents/guardians. Public Access Computers are available for patrons in 30-minute intervals two times per day. Copy and fax services are available with staff assistance.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call them at 815-939-1696, e-mail them at info@limestonelibrary.org, or message them at Facebook or Instagram. Their website has more information.



Every Tuesday and Friday at 10:15 a.m., their staff members have been reading storybooks and sharing a craft that can be completed by pre-schoolers with a little help.

Mr. Austin has a chess club that meets through Discord. You need to sign up on the website and get a code in order to join in on the live event. To do that, you only need to call the library and

library card to view these programs? Just like in the days before COVID-19, the answer to that is no. You can take part in these programs without having a library card. But having a library card allows you to check out the books you have seen in storytime, in chess programs, and other programs such as the History of Dinosaurs in Pop Culture that just ran last Satur-

Town and Country 4-H Club Kicks Off National 4-H Week with Food Drive

#Opportunity4all is the theme of National 4-H Week celebrated across the United States October 4-11. Town and Country 4-H Club once again celebrated National 4-H Week by holding its food and toiletry drive.

Members took to the streets and passed out grocery bags and fliers and returned to collect non-perishable groceries and toiletries on October 11.

Town and Country 4-H club President Ava Schultz noted that the club's food drive is needed now more because of the pandemic.

"With so many people laid off and kids being home during the day when they used to be at school we know a lot of people are having a hard time making ends meet," Schultz said. "All of the items we collect stay in our communities and go to the Community Cares Food Pantry in Braidwood."

National 4-H Week serves as an opportunity to highlight the programming offered by local 4-H clubs. 4-H programming centers around positive youth development and is focused on hands-on learning in areas of science, technology, engineering, and math – or STEM.



Mary Kay O'Brien, leader of the Town and Country 4-H club, noted that this past year presented a challenge for programming that generally is done in person at club meetings.

"4-H programming is supervised through the University of Illinois College of ACES and based in local U of I Extension offices. When COVID-19 shut down the universities and offices, the staff quickly shifted gears to offer remote opportunities for learning for 4-H members," noted O'Brien, but

added "while the remote opportunities kept our members engaged, we really enjoy being together and are happy we can offer in person programming at our meetings."

All meetings are conducted while observing local requirements for social distancing.

4-H membership is open to all youth beginning at age five, with the Cloverbud program, through age 18. Anyone interested in enrolling in 4-H can find out more at <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu>.



FOLKS AT THE GRUNDY COUNTY FAIR & SPEEDWAY recently presented Illinois State Police Officers with some specialized fire suppression equipment, and extended their thanks to the race fans, drivers, and pit crews who came together at a recent race event to assist with the purchase of these tactical fire extinguishers. As a result, 48 ISP officers will now have their own personal fire suppression system.

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Early Voting, Vote by Mail, and Grace Period Registration and Voting will be conducted on the following dates prior to the November 3, General Election. **Regular Voter Registration closes on Tuesday, October 6, 2020.** See the Livingston County Website for additional registration and voting deadline information.

Dates	Location	Hours
MONDAY-FRIDAY September 24-November 2 (Closed October 12 for Columbus Day)	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St. - Pontiac	8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
SATURDAY October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St. - Pontiac	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon
WEDNESDAY October 21, 28	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St. - Pontiac	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
(Extended Hours Voting)		
TUESDAY November 3 (Grace Registration & Voting)	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St. - Pontiac	6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

What is Early Voting? Early Voting starts September 24 and ends November 2, 2020. This process allows any registered voter in Livingston County to use the above location to cast their ballot prior to Election Day. Early voters must be registered Livingston County voters. No excuse or reason is necessary to apply.

Vote by Mail Voting: Starts Tuesday, June 16, and continues through Monday, November 2, 2020. A person may request a Vote by Mail ballot by USPS no later than October 29. In order to be counted the ballot must be postmarked by midnight or returned in person by 7 PM to the County Clerk's Office on November 3. (Voters must check with their local post office to find out the time for the last pickup from their post office outside/inside drop boxes for postmark date.)

Grace Registration and Voting: Begins October 7 and continues through November 3. This is for new registrants and those who have transferred or moved and did not update their voter registration before October 7. Voting takes place at the same time registration is made in the County Clerk's Office.

Due to COVID-19, all 2020 General Election voters are encouraged to cast a ballot prior to Election Day, either by mail or during early voting. Voting by mail is an easy option for voters. You can request a vote by mail ballot through email, mail, or in person. An On-Line as well as a downloadable Vote by Mail application is available from our website (listed below). To register to vote or check your registration status, visit <https://ova.elections.il.gov> or visit our website (listed below).

Additional election information may be obtained from the Livingston County website at: www.livingstoncountyil.gov (Click on "County Services", "County Clerk", and "Elections"). If you have any questions regarding voter registration, or the above information, contact the County Clerk's Office at 815-844-2006.



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'18 Escape SE, 13K, FWD.....	\$18,900
'17 Escape SE, 30K, 4WD.....	\$17,900
'16 Escape SE, 41K, 4WD.....	\$16,900
'14 Edge SEL, 122K, AWD.....	\$10,900
'14 Encore, 69K, FWD.....	\$11,900
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Samantha and Samuel Williamson

Rybacki, Williamson Marry

Samantha E. Rybacki and Samuel J. Williamson were married on June 27, 2020, at St. Mary's Church in Downs.

The bride is the daughter of Donna and Mark German, of Dwight, and Lawrence Rybacki, of Largo, FL. She is a reading intervention teacher in Clinton.

The groom is the son of Laura and Bill Williamson of

Bloomington. He is a business analyst at State Farm in Bloomington.

A small reception was held at the couples' residence in Downs, due to COVID restrictions. They plan on having a big party once things are somewhat back to normal. The couple honeymooned in Marco Island and Key West, FL.



Cassandra and Jeffrey Carlson

Bexson, Carlson Married in Streator

Cassandra Bexson and Jeffrey Carlson were married September 12, 2020, at The Eastwood Golf Course in Streator, with Pastor Jan Chandler officiating.

The bride is the daughter of David and Angela Bexson of South Wilmington.

The groom is the son of Doug and Cathy Carlson of Dwight.

The bridal party consisted of Maid of Honor Sara Countryman, Matron of Honor Kara

Claypool, and bridesmaids Kristen Cullmann, Mallory Sisteck, Katie Wingate, and Laura Lenzie; Junior Bridesmaids Claire Robison, Callie Robison, Lily Buck, and Flower Girl Lexi Claypool. Groomsmen included Best Man, Andy Price, Andrew Funk, Craig Krug, Chase Perschnick, Cory Scoles, Brad Miller, and Ring Bearer, Jackson Cullmann.

The couple resides in Dwight.

Morris Hospital Auxiliary Announces Virtual Golf Tournament

In place of its annual Golf & Cards Tournament, Morris Hospital Auxiliary will host a virtual golf tournament now through October 27, with all proceeds benefitting the Morris Hospital Patient Transportation and Lifeline® programs.

Registration information is available at morrishospital.org/golf.

The Morris Hospital Auxiliary supports Patient Transportation and Lifeline® programs with proceeds from

the golf outing. Both programs provide vital services to the communities served by Morris Hospital.

October 27, at 5:00 p.m., is the deadline for submitting scorecards and pictures for the Auxiliary Virtual Golf Tournament. To register, view sponsorship opportunities, or purchase a 50/50 ticket, visit morrishospital.org/golf. For more information, contact the Morris Hospital Auxiliary and Foundation office at 815-705-7002.

Pontiac Elks Free Children's Podiatry Clinic November 6

Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation, in cooperation with Pontiac Elks Lodge #1019, will sponsor a free children's podiatry assessment clinic Friday, November 6, at the Cortese Foot & Ankle Clinic - located at Sullivan Center, 1508 W. Reynolds, Pontiac, with Dr. Steve Yeschek as the clinician in charge.

The Clinic starts at 1:00 p.m. and is by appointment only. To make an appointment, call the Illinois Elks Children's Care office at 1-800-272-0074 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. There are no charges for any services at this clinic.

No medical referral is necessary for the clinic, but physicians are welcome to refer patients to the clinic for a specific reason or second opinion. School nurses are welcome to

refer children and families to the clinic.

The Elks Organization has been working with physically challenged children since 1928 and this is one of the 17 clinic locations throughout Illinois. If your child has feet pointing inward or outward, or complains of foot pain, they can be seen at this clinic.

There is no charge for any diagnostic services at this clinic. The Elks will provide financial assistance to the best of their ability for children needing further treatment or specialty equipment when the family lacks sufficient resources to do so.

In the past, the Elks have purchased therapy services, corrective shoes, braces, wheelchairs, and augmentative communication devices to help children overcome a variety of physical challenges.

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MEMBERS OF THE HERSCHER AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY gathered for a photo at the October 8 meeting. Pictured are Secretary Penny Berger, President Joyce Goodwin, Sergeant-at-Arms Pam Plante, Chaplain Thelma Webber, member Paula Grob, Treasurer Carol Webber, and First Vice Jackie Eberle. Second Vice, Sandy Smith, not pictured, took the photo.

Herscher ALA Sets Poppy Days - Nov. 6 and 7

Members of the Herscher American Legion Auxiliary met October 8, with President Joyce Goodwin officiating over the business meeting.

Sergeant-at-Arms Pam Plante had set up the POW-

MIA table prior to the meeting.

During the meeting, it was announced Herscher Legion and Auxiliary members will be in the public with poppies that Veterans have made Friday, November 6, and Saturday, No-

vember 7. All donations are appreciated and are used to support veterans and programs that assist them.

After the meeting, Sandy Smith took a short video of HALA members sending a message to veterans at Manteno Veterans' Home, thanking

them for their service to the country.

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, November 12, during which time the 100th anniversary of the National Auxiliary will be celebrated.

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OBITUARIES

Robert M. Long

Robert M. Long, 80, of Pontiac passed away Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 8:05 a.m. at Evenglow Health Center in Pontiac.



A graveside service with full military rites was held Monday, October 12, 2020 at 11 a.m. in McDowell Cemetery, Dwight, IL.

Robert was born January 18, 1940 in Pinckneyville, IL to James Monroe and Elizabeth Pearl (McCarthy) Long. He married Delma Lucille Savage on December 25, 1959 in Mt. Vernon, IL. She passed away October 8, 2012.

Hager Memorial Home, Dwight, is in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his children: Kim (Pat) Condon of Pontiac, IL; Craig (Lisa) Long of Bloomington, IL; and Scott (Christy) Long of Pontiac, IL; a brother, Jesse (Jo) Long of Wisconsin; a sister, Kathryn Wolfe of Michigan; grandchildren: Amie, Christin (Adam),

Amber, Heather, Branden, Austin, and Devin; great-grandchildren: Max, Maizie, Della, Makenna, Bristol, Aubree, and Noah; and special friend, Joan Francis of Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Delma; three sisters; and one brother.

Robert was a graduate of Mt. Vernon High School, class of 1957. He served in the United States National Guard. He was a truck driver for many years and a custodian at Dwight High School.

Robert was a member of Dwight United Methodist Church in Dwight, IL. He loved spending time with his family, and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Online condolences may be made to the family at: calvertmemorial.com

Rita Styck-McWherter

Rita Styck-McWherter, age 75, of Herscher, IL and formerly of Wilmington, IL, passed away Sunday, October 4, 2020 at home.



Born September 25, 1945 in Kankakee, IL to the late Clayton Clarence and Margaret Mary (nee Larkin) Rynearson, Rita retired at the age of 62 from Plant Services contracted with Exxon Mobil.

She loved to bird watch and was a member of the National Bird Watchers Association. She also enjoyed horticulture and exhibited that through the many plants she grew. Rita enjoyed crafting and boating with her late husband, Mac, and most importantly loved spending time with family.

She married Henry (Wanda) Styck July 31, 1965 in Kankakee. They had two children: Tina (Don) Fleischauer of Herscher and Henry "J.R." (the late Cindy) Styck, Jr. of Dwight, IL.

Seven grandchildren: Holly (Robbie) Wilke, Dustin and Cassie Fleischauer, Jason, Brandy, Brittany and Jamie Stanton; four great-grandchildren: Emma, Sofia, and

Nevaeh Stanton, and Robert Donald Wilke; one sister, Sue (the late John) Fiessinger of Kevil, Kentucky; and many nieces and nephews survive.

Preceding her in death was her husband, William "Mac" McWherter (8-22-2018), to whom she was married September 5, 2005; brothers: James (Marcie), Kevin (the late Robyn) and Terry Rynearson; one sister, Sandra Dee Dickerson; and one sister-in-law, Kathy Rynearson.

Visitation was at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory Thursday, October 8, 2020 from 4 until 7 p.m. with the funeral service beginning at 7 p.m. All attendees were required to wear face coverings and maintain social distancing standards.

Cremation rites were accorded following the services. Inurnment: Custer Township Cemetery.

For more information and to visit her online guestbook, log on to www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or on Facebook.

Bro. David H. Pierce

Bro. David H. Pierce, 84, of Franklin, Kentucky died Monday, September 28, 2020 at his residence.

Funeral services were held Thursday, October 1, at 11 a.m. in the Faith Baptist Church, Franklin, Kentucky, with Bro. Tom Otto and Bro. Mark Rogers officiating.

Burial followed in Sulphur Spring Cemetery, Franklin. Nicholas Pierce, Jared Pierce, Kyle Perry, Justin Pierce, Landon Pierce and Josh Collett served as pallbearers.

A native of Clovis, New Mexico, he was the son of the late Victor Pierce and Blanche DeLozier Pierce.

Bro. Pierce had preached for more than 50 years, the last 35 years at Faith Baptist Church in Franklin.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard.

Surviving are his wife, Gay Pierce of Franklin; children: Michael (Jamie) Pierce of Dwight, Illinois; Mark (Lerinda) Pierce of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; and Patti (Kent) Perry of Franklin; grandchildren: Nicholas (Alisha) Pierce, Jared (Jenna) Pierce, Justin Pierce, Heather (Josh) Collett, Kacie Perry and Kyle (Katie) Perry; and great-grandchildren: Grace, Landon, Brody, Kennedy and Dakota Pierce; Grayson, Carter and Ava Collett; and Angelina and Nova Bradley.

The family has requested that memorial gifts be made to Faith Baptist Academy, 1008 West Cedar Street, Franklin, Kentucky 42134.

Services were in care of Crafton Funeral Home of Franklin, Kentucky.

Carl Wayne Carlson

Carl Wayne Carlson, 71, of Odell, IL passed away Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 8:55 a.m. in his home.



Private family services will be held at a later date.

Duffy - Baier - Snedecor Funeral Home, Pontiac, is in charge of arrangements.

Carl was born Wednesday, September 7, 1949 to the late Vincent and Virginia (Garlic) Carlson in Tipton, Iowa.

He was a graduate of Tipton High School in Tipton, Iowa. He was a member of the U.S. Army from 1970-71, based largely at Fort Knox, Kentucky, but also in Washington State and Detroit, Michigan. He was employed with Caterpillar Inc. for 25 years, until he retired in 2003.

He enjoyed metal detecting, spending time with good friends, and most of all, spending time with his faithful, loving four-legged companion, Cookie.

Carl had a generous spirit and would help anyone. His

kind spirit will be remembered by many, to include his son, Stuart Carlson; daughter, Olivia (Travis) Johnson; grandchildren, Kyle Johnson, Kallie Johnson, Brandon Carlson, Nikki Carlson, Aubrey Carlson, and Morgan Carlson; brother, Charles (Linda) Carlson; and sisters, Linda Hillyer and Becky (Stan) Severin; and many nieces and nephews.

Carl was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Charlotte "Mimi" Contreras; and brother-in-law, Donald Hillyer.

Condolences may be sent to Olivia Johnson, 37 Charvel Drive, Belleville, IL 62226. Donations can be made in person or by mail to Happy Tails Pet Hospital at 29005 N 1100 East Road, Blackstone, IL 61313 for their wonderful care of Cookie.

Online condolences may be made to the family at duffyfuneralhome.com or visit us on Facebook.

Mark C. Mau

Mark C. Mau, 57, passed away at his residence on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 in Cabery, IL.



A visitation was held Monday, October 12, 2020 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon at Calvert & Martin Funeral Home in Cullom, IL. Due to Covid-19, masks were required.

Burial followed the visitation in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Cabery, IL.

Memorials may be made to the family.

Mark was born June 27, 1963 in Kankakee, IL, a son of Everett H. and Catherine (Beatty) Mau.

Surviving children: Ashley Mau, Christopher Mau, Nikki Mau-Gualandi and Cheyenne Mau; brothers: Elton (Spring)

Mau of Arrow-smith, IL; Paul (Carol) Mau of Cabery, IL; sisters: Patsy (Pat) Delheimer of Cornell, IL and Valerie (Marc) Hoenig of Salt Lake City, Utah; and 11 grandchildren.

Mark was preceded in death by his parents.

Mark graduated from Tri-Point schools and went on to become a farmer. He enjoyed tinkering when he could, listening to classic rock music, and spending time with his grandchildren. He was loved and will be greatly missed by many.

This obituary may be viewed, and guestbook signed, at calvertmemorial.com

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The GOAT

The good old GOAT debate. Who is the GOAT (greatest of all time) when it comes to basketball? I believe I may have touched on this subject earlier in the quarantine during the Last Dance airing, but due to LeBron James winning his 4th NBA championship, and appearing in his 10th NBA finals, it comes up again.

Now, full disclosure, in my heart of hearts, I do probably think Michael Jordan is the greatest basketball player of all time. He had whatever you want to call the x-factor, the killer instinct, the ability to close. Whatever cliché you find best suited for him. He has that. I think that's the biggest case for him over LeBron.

The numbers and longevity side of things are at some point going to become irrefutably in favor of LeBron. He and Kareem are now the only NBA players since the merger in 1977 to have appeared in 10 NBA finals. (Kareem played a portion of his career prior to this, but also a big chunk of it after, so we're going to count it.)

Ten. I think whatever this number ends up at will ultimately be his calling card in the GOAT debate. If you were to randomly turn on an NBA finals game of the last 10 NBA finals, there was a 90% chance that LeBron was involved in it. He's made 9 of the last 10.

He also has the most playoff minutes played, and the most playoff points scored. This is to somewhat be expected given how many games he's played, but to play that many, you have to win that many.

Maybe my favorite pro LeBron stat is that he has played 260 playoff games. That's the equivalent of just over 3 full basketball seasons, but just of playoff basketball. The incredible part of that is he has missed zero games. Zero games of the highest intensity basketball played on the planet and he missed none of them.

He's also a great person off the court. I could go into countless things he's done for his hometown of Akron and numerous other initiatives in which he's been involved.

He's probably not the GOAT... but it's certainly a good debate.

Go Bears.
Aaron J. Boma
2016 ISU Grad

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ESTATE OF
ELEANOR H. SHEERAN,
deceased.
CASE NUMBER
2020 P 87

Notice is given of the death of ELEANOR H. SHEERAN whose address was 108 North West St., Odell, IL 60460. Letters of Office were issued on September 30, 2020, to James F. Sheeran, III, 206 East 143rd St., Dolton, IL 60419 as: INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR whose attorney is Briane Eggert, Zapolis & Associates, P.C., 9991 191st Street, Mokena, IL 60448.

NOTICE TO HEIRS AND LEGATEES
Notice is hereby given to any Unknown Heirs, who are heirs or legatees of the above proceeding.

The estate will be administered without Court Supervision, unless under section 28-4 of the Probate Act of 1975 (75 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Circuit Court Clerk.

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LEANN DIXON, CLERK OF THE
11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
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Name: Briane Eggert
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Special thanks to Victory Lanes, who went above and beyond for his memorial service. Also, Patterson Funeral Home, and all who traveled to be with us at this sad time.

Thank you to the medical staff, doctors, nurses who attended and treated Jim with dignity.

To the many others who helped with the service to make it truly memorable. Especially Lisa Koehler, who went above and beyond our expectations to make this possible.

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Relax and Unwind



Massages Proven to Have Benefits for Both Physical and Mental Health

by Bridget DeWaard
Contributors:
Destiny Connor, LMT
Kellie Theiss, LMT

For centuries, people have relied on massages to ease tension, both of the mind and body. There's nothing better after a particularly stressful work week, or as a small escape from the sometimes overwhelming stress and pressures of regular life.

Recently, however, more studies have shown that massages can be extremely beneficial for the overall health of your body, an important, valuable method to help safely and effectively manage your overall health and well-being.

While most know that a general massage entails, the science behind how and why it works is beyond interesting. When receiving a massage, your body experiences several physiological changes, which can be attributed to two different responses, the relaxation response and the mechanical response.

Brought on by a feeling of safety, comfort and connection via touch, in combination with pain relief, massage recipients will notice an immediate and involuntary response, known as the relaxation response. According to the University of Minnesota, "your heart and breathing rate slow, your blood pressure goes down, your production of stress hormones decreases, and your muscles relax." In addition, while more research is needed to confirm this, it is thought that this response may also promote higher levels of serotonin, a chemical essential to our mental health and well-being. It is theorized that this can lead to a reduction in both the physical effects and corresponding risks associated with stress.

The second response, referred to as the mechanical response, addresses the physical reaction of the body to massage. As reported by the University of Minnesota, the "two major effects [that occur] are an increase in blood and lymph circulation, and relaxation/normalization of the soft tissues (muscle, connective tissue, tendons, ligaments)."

Better circulation can also directly improve the transmission of oxygen and nutrients to muscle cells. Increased cellular health causes increased tissue productivity, leading to elimination of waste products, thereby reducing swelling and aiding the absorption of fluids.

An even more amazing effect of the mechanical response involves a freeing up of nerves via decreased compression, and a reduction in cramping/spasms. Once these nerves are relaxed, they can operate better, and can focus on their primary role of communicating with the brain, leading to not only better functioning muscles, but better functioning organs as well. Organs share neurological pathways with muscles, bones and nerves, and can end up mirroring muscle stress. By relieving the stress on your muscles, symptoms associated with organ function can improve as well.

It is no wonder, when privy to the science behind massage, why many have now recognized it as a viable treatment for a slew of both mental and physical ailments. Beyond the norm of muscle pain related diseases/stress, studies have now shown that massages can be immensely helpful for anxiety, digestive disorders, insomnia related to stress, and headaches (cite, Mayo Clinic).



Kellie Theiss, LMT

Hoping to receive more personal insights and information behind the experience of massage therapy, I spoke with two

Licensed Massage Therapists. Kellie Theiss, who lived and grew up in Dwight, and is now an LMT in Indiana; and Destiny Connor, who is an LMT and owns A Touch of Destiny, in Dwight.

"[I was] happy to hear about [this] article," Kellie said through message, "Because I do feel like massage therapy should be more of a necessity than a luxury."

There are a variety of different types of massage, and which would be best for your time, price point and specific needs can be determined by having a discussion with your LMT.

"Depending on client goals, we can do full body massages, or just specific parts of the body," Destiny Connor said. Along with Kris Schrader, who is also a massage therapist, A Touch of Destiny offers both therapeutic and relaxation massages.

For those that are busy and might not have time to come in for a full massage, they offer chair massages, which can last from 10 to 30 minutes. "These can be really beneficial for people who are not comfortable lying down, or for those that might need quick relief from tension in the neck and shoulders."

She also went on to describe their table massages, which can

seeking stress relief or treatment for specific health ailments, and heavy, which may be best for therapeutic needs.

Kellie also expressed a similar sentiment, that client goals will determine the best type and ideal length for a massage. Since these can vary, communication is absolutely necessary in determining what will work best.

"I tend to lean more into deep tissue; sports massage involves a lot of stretching and movements to encourage blood flow. There's also Trigger Point Therapy, which involves finding the particular pain pattern in the muscles caused by tension or adhesions and manipulating the muscle, forcing it to elongate or 'release,' therefore relieving referral pain or 'shooting' pain."

She also recommended Swedish massage, for those just needing a break or to relieve stress, which is one of the more common types of massages found at spas, health resorts or other massage related businesses.

There are several things to take into consideration when choosing an LMT, which will again focus on the specific goals and needs of the client.

"The key is finding someone passionate and focused in what they do," said Kellie. "Every massage therapist has their own style, education in different modalities, and opinions and preferences on how certain modalities should be performed."

In addition, the Mayo Clinic also advises to ask your potential LMT several questions, such as whether they are licensed, length and amount of sessions they believe you might need, cost of sessions/insurance options, and what training/experience they have.

Your massage therapist should also complete an assessment, to correctly determine amounts of pressure to apply, and how this might vary depending on your own needs, body and physical ailments. They should be willing to discuss the various techniques and massages they feel will be best with you.

There are some health fac-



A Touch of Destiny, Dwight
Destiny Connor, LMT

tors that may not be an option for successful treatment via massage, which can be best determined through speaking with the LMT as well as your physician.

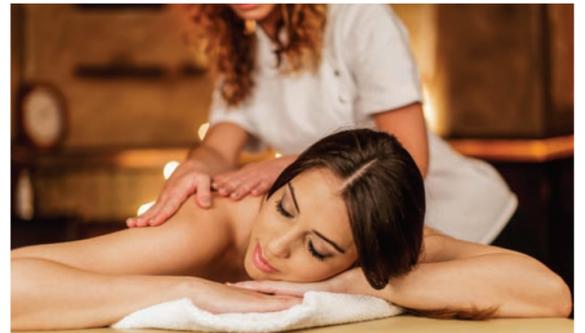
Both Destiny and Kellie have seen enormous improvements in their clients after massage therapy. "I have seen not only a decrease in chronic pain, but also less overall tension, and an increase in mobility," Destiny said. Kellie echoed similar results, also mentioning a reduction in anxiety induced pain and posture. "The benefits I have seen most lately are people being able to stand straight up. Stress can actually make your posture worse, because when you are anxious, people tend to raise their shoulders to their ears and breathe shallowly. This causes poorer posture, tense muscles and more pain."

Both became LMTs for different reasons, such as a desire to learn, or the ease of flexi-

bility to work while starting a family. But being able to help others through massage was at the core for both.

"It allowed me to interact with people on a one on one basis, and have a positive impact," Destiny said. "I hope most that each person who trusts me enough to receive a massage from me feels safe and comfortable during their time, and leaves feeling better than when they walked in my door." Kellie also mentioned the same, saying, "The detective work involved in massage therapy to help people get to the root of the problem, and then [the ability to] potentially solve it, it's extremely rewarding."

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Energy Boosting Smoothie Add-ins

Stress can take a toll on our physical and mental well-being, leaving us feeling sluggish, and exhausted.

Besides fruits and veggies there are some amazing superfoods that can be tossed in to help us recharge and fuel our bodies with healthy energy sources.

Chia seeds - These have just a slight nutty taste, which allows them to mix well with whatever other flavors you choose for your smoothie. They are believed to be high in Omega-3 fatty acids, which are linked to heart health, in addition to strong skin, nails and hair. Just add a tablespoon or two.

Goji berries - These have a very sweet taste, and can help sweeten up some of your veggie heavy smoothies. They have high levels of Vitamin C, and important antioxidants. Add about 1/4 cup to your smoothie.

Cacao Nibs - Their taste is comparable to dark chocolate, but are best in small amounts. By adding these, you can have the taste and energy boosting properties of chocolate, with-

out the fat, sugar and calories. They also have a super high antioxidant content and natural sugars for energy. Add two tablespoons, raw and chopped. Yogurt or milk can be added for a creamier taste.

Hemp protein - This is usually found in powder form, and has a slightly nutty taste akin to the chia seeds. It has high levels of fatty acids, which are metabolized well by the body, providing good, healthy energy. Add according to preference and taste.

Information sourced via: oster.com



Quick Tips for Healthy, Glowing Skin



“Your skin is the largest organ in your body. It protects, absorbs and keeps everything in. While the beauty industry is booming, and there’s millions of lines to choose from to solve specific issues, often the issues we see as ‘ugly’ are popping up because of an imbalance in the body or skin,” said Kellie Theiss, who in addition to being a Licensed Massage Therapist, is also an Esthetician. Some tips she shared:

Water & diet - of course, the number one tip is to improve what you are putting into your body. Skin cells are generated from the various foods and beverages you drink. Veggies and fruit contain essential fatty acids and antioxidants, which are key for healthy skin. Skin cell regeneration is directly correlated to the nutrients you provide it.

Kellie suggested things such as avocados, which are rich in Omega-3’s, and have inflammatory properties. Oranges and lemons are other good foods, which are good sources of Vitamin C. Papaya is also thought to be good for the skin, whether eaten or applied directly to the skin as a lotion/moisturizer.

SPF - something else we have all heard throughout the years, but sometimes forget just how important it is. It is a crucial tool,

not only to prevent early or ongoing aging of the skin, but also to shield your skin from ultraviolet rays from sunlight, the cause of most skin cancers.

“Having melanin in the skin means you are blessed with more protection, but it does not make you totally immune to skin cancers.”

Find a daily regimen - while everyone’s skin varies in what it needs and lacks, there are some things that can be used for common ailments and have been proven safe by dermatologists to use.

Kellie mentioned Witch Hazel, which is used to calm inflammation. She did also caution that it can be potentially very drying, and wouldn’t be recommended for anyone with extremely dry skin.

Rosehip oil is another suggestion, as it is full of antioxidants, and will promote cell regeneration.

She did also have one giant no-no; coconut oil. “It clogs your pores and your skin doesn’t absorb parts of it. It just sits there, creating a barrier much like vaseline, filling your pores and making them larger in appearance.”

She also mentioned apps such as “Think Dirty,” or “Healthy Living,” to be sure the products you are using aren’t full of unwanted or toxic ingredients.

While all of these at home tips can greatly help and improve your skin, nothing beats going to a professional for some additional help. “An esthetician can help determine your skin type, as well as ingredients and products that could best suit any issues or skin care goals.”

To the Electors of the State of Illinois:

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure for government and laws. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article. The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment. Proposed changes in the existing constitutional amendment are indicated by underscoring all new matter and by crossing with a line all matter which is to be deleted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IX – REVENUE

SECTION 3. LIMITATIONS ON INCOME TAXATION

(a) ~~The General Assembly shall provide by law for the rate or rates of any tax on or measured by income imposed by the State. A tax on or measured by income shall be at a non-graduated rate. At any one time there may be no more than one such tax imposed by the State for State purposes on individuals and one such tax so imposed on corporations.~~ In any such tax imposed upon corporations the highest rate shall not exceed the highest rate imposed on individuals by more than a ratio of 8 to 5.

(b) Laws imposing taxes on or measured by income may adopt by reference provisions of the laws and regulations of the United States, as they then exist or thereafter may be changed, for the purpose of arriving at the amount of income upon which the tax is imposed.

EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the “flat tax,” that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Illinois’ current tax system unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires and this amendment will set things right for middle-class and working people. Currently, it is unfair that billionaires pay the same tax rate as regular people. Voting “yes” on the amendment means that the State will enact a new tax structure where only those making above \$250,000 a year will see their taxes go up. This amendment is simply upgrading Illinois’ old tax system to a graduated system which is how the federal government and the majority of other states do it.

This Amendment Would Make Illinois’ Tax System Fair.

Approval of this amendment would enact a fair system that allows the state to tax wealthy people at higher rates and lower income people at lower rates, replacing Illinois’ current unfair tax system, in which wealthy people pay the exact same tax rate as lower and middle income people.

Illinois’ current tax system unfairly benefits millionaires and billionaires, and approval of this amendment will set things right for the middle class and working people. This amendment will help small business owners by creating a stable economic environment for their businesses to thrive.

While others try to mislead you, under the current tax system in Illinois, policymakers already have the authority to set any tax rate and to change tax rates at their will. The current system forces policymakers to charge the same tax rate to everyone, regardless of how much money they make. If this amendment passes, the State will have the ability to tax higher income earners at a different rate. In fact, upon passage of this Amendment, a new tax structure will go into effect where 97% of taxpayers will pay the same or less, while only those making more than \$250,000 a year will see a tax increase.

This amendment does not tax retirement income.

The Federal Government and Most States Use the Graduated Tax System Proposed in this Amendment, Not the Unfair System Currently Used in Illinois.

Illinois is among a minority of states that do not utilize graduated tax rates because the Illinois Constitution requires a “flat tax” that penalizes middle-class and working people and benefits higher income individuals.

A majority of states and the federal government already use the kind of graduated income tax system proposed in this amendment to ensure that wealthy people pay their fair share of taxes.

Nearby states including Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin are among the majority of states that have graduated tax systems.

Illinois’ Current Income Tax System Relies on Taxes from Middle and Lower Income Earners, While a Graduated System Would Lower that Burden and Fund Critical Programs such as Education and Human Services.

While some states have fair tax rates in which the highest income earners pay the highest tax rate, Illinois’ “flat tax” rate continues to rely unfairly on taxes from middle and lower income earners.

Under Illinois’ “flat tax” structure, a nurse making \$50,000 per year pays the same tax rate as an executive making \$4 million per year. A graduated tax rate would have the executive pay more.

Because of the way our current tax system is set up, the bottom fifth of Illinois taxpayers (those making below \$21,800) contribute 14.4% of their income to state and local taxes, compared to 7.4% for the top 1 percent of Illinois taxpayers.

If this Amendment passes, the State has already enacted a new graduated tax structure where 97% of taxpayers will pay the same or less.

Under the new tax structure, only the top 3% of Illinois income earners would pay more in income taxes. Everyone who makes \$250,000 or less a year would pay the same or less.

Over 95% of small businesses earn \$250,000 or less a year in profits, and their owners will not see a tax increase under the new tax structure.

This change will generate additional revenue each year that can help address Illinois’ budget deficit and fund critical programs, including the State’s education system, public safety, and social services like mental health and substance abuse treatment and domestic violence shelters.

After the COVID-19 Pandemic, We Need to Do All We Can to Help the Economy and Middle-Class and Working People.

Working people and essential workers like nurses, first responders, and grocery store clerks should not pay the same tax rate as the wealthy. Nurses making \$50,000 a year should not pay the same tax rate as an executive making \$4,000,000 a year.

Having wealthy people pay more would reduce the burden on working families. This is money that middle and lower income people need for housing, groceries, medicine, and essentials.

When the wealthiest people pay more, middle and lower income earners can pay less while the State funds critical services that our essential workers rely on.

ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

- 1) The Amendment gives the Legislature power to increase taxes on any group of taxpayers with no limits and no accountability and without any requirement to use the additional revenue to fund essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety.
- 2) Taxes and spending are out of control. The Legislature should not be allowed to keep raising taxes until they get their spending under control.
- 3) In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, now is the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.

The Amendment gives the Legislature power to increase taxes on any group of taxpayers with no limits and no accountability and without any requirement to use the additional revenue to fund essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety.

The proposed amendment would give the Legislature unlimited new authority to increase income tax rates on any group of taxpayers at will, including low-income and middle-income families and small business owners. There would be no limit on the number of tax brackets that could be created and no limit on how high tax rates could be increased on individual taxpayers. In addition, this proposed change will pave the way for a tax on retirement income.

Nothing in the amendment requires the Legislature to do anything to control spending. Nor does it require funds to be spent on essential needs such as healthcare, education, or public safety. It would simply give the Legislature a blank check to spend billions of dollars however they want, with no accountability.

Taxes and spending are out of control. The Legislature should not be allowed to keep raising taxes until they get their spending under control.

Illinois already has some of the highest property taxes and sales taxes in the nation. And the Legislature has increased Illinois income tax rates twice in the past decade to try to deal with the out-of-control spending in Springfield.

Even before the COVID-19 pandemic, our state had a huge and growing multi-billion-dollar budget deficit, and the unfunded pension liability skyrocketed to over \$137 billion. That’s because the Legislature has continued to increase state spending instead of eliminating government waste, corruption, and abuse.

Because they refuse to control spending or pass major reforms, the Legislature will just continue to raise taxes on everyone in Illinois, and middle-class families will be their next target.

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, now is the worst possible time for a massive tax increase.

The COVID-19 pandemic caused layoffs, unemployment, bankruptcies, and closures. As small businesses and local employers struggle to rebuild, this is the worst possible time to impose huge new tax increases. Even before the COVID-19 crisis, many residents and businesses were leaving the state because of the high tax burden. If the Amendment passes, it would be the last straw for thousands of small businesses, causing more jobs to leave the state, and making Illinois lose out on investments to rebuild our economy. This would mean fewer jobs and less opportunity for Illinois families.

FORM OF BALLOT

Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the “flat tax,” that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower income tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

YES _____
NO _____

For the proposed amendment of Section 3 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

Due to COVID-19, all 2020 General Election voters are encouraged to cast a ballot prior to Election Day, either by mail or during early voting. Voting by mail is an easy option for voters and you can request a vote by mail ballot through email, mail, or in person. An application is available from your local election authority or at: <https://elections.il.gov/electionoperations/VotingByMail.aspx>. To register to vote or check your registration status, visit: <https://ova.elections.il.gov>.

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



Jesse White

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois,
Done in the City of Springfield, this first day of June, 2020

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GSW PANTHERS BASEBALL

Tuesday, October 6 GSW vs. Kankakee Trinity Academy Varsity -

The Panthers were defeated, 7-3, by Kankakee Trinity Academy in baseball action October 6.

"Too many strikeouts at the plate (13)," admitted Coach Wills, "but hopefully facing a good pitcher now will help in the future. We rallied at the end, but unfortunately left the bases loaded in the seventh."

Brandon States led the GSW offense, batting in two runs on a single, and he was also struck by a pitch. Ryan Olsen also added an RBI. Blake Huston singled and doubled, while Cale Halpin hit two singles, stole a base, and scored a run. Kaden Grivetti singled, was hit by a pitch, and scored twice. Aiddan Daugherty added a single, with Caydan Landry

walking twice and stealing a base. Nathan Weese and Garrett Grant each drew a walk.

Huston was hit with the loss, allowing six runs on nine hits and one hit batsman, striking out six in five innings. Grivetti came on in relief, giving up one earned run on one hit, two walks, and two hit batsman, fanning two.

Thursday, October 8 GSW vs. Putnam County Varsity -

In their final contest of the season, the GSW Panthers were defeated by Putnam County, 9-4, despite a late-inning rally.

Brandon States suffered the loss, allowing three earned runs on five hits and two hit batsmen, striking out eight in five innings. Bennett Grant tossed an inning in relief, giving up three earned runs on one hit,

two walks, and two hit batters.

States had three RBI on two singles, a double, and a triple, scoring once, to lead the Panthers at the plate. Blake Huston had an RBI-double, while Nathan Weese, Cale Halpin (run), and Cacello (BB, run) each added singles. Caydan Landry (run), Kaden Grivetti, and Aiddan Daugherty each drew one walk.

"It was nice to get eight games in this fall," stated Coach Wills. "A lot of players got some experience that will hopefully help in the future."

GSW ends the season with an overall record of 4-4.



THE DWIGHT LADY TROJANS' GOLF TEAM competed in the 1A regional at Edgebrook in Sandwich October 7, coming in fourth place with a score of 430 – just short of qualifying for sectionals. Pictured, from left, are Sophia Anderson (119), Darien Guyer (135), Kelly Deterding (97 - team leader – one stroke shy of sectional qualifying), Kendahl Weller (112), and Isabelle Schultz (102). Dwight ended the regular season at 9-0 overall and took second place in the TVC conference.

SPECIMEN BALLOT LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 2020

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

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KRISTY A. MASCHING, COUNTY CLERK
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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CONSTITUTION BALLOT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 1970 ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

Explanation of Amendment

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For the proposed amendment of Section 3 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

- YES
- NO

FEDERAL

FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

(Vote for one)

- (JOSEPH R. BIDEN (KAMALA D. HARRIS) DEMOCRATIC
- (DONALD J. TRUMP (MICHAEL R. PENCE) REPUBLICAN
- (HOWIE HAWKINS (ANGELA WALKER) GREEN
- (GLORIA LA RIVA (LEONARD PELTIER) PARTY FOR SOCIALISM AND LIBERATION
- (BRIAN CARROLL (AMAR PATEL) AMERICAN SOLIDARITY PARTY
- (JO JORGENSEN (JEREMY "SPIKE" COHEN) LIBERTARIAN
- Write-in

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for one)

- RICHARD J. DURBIN DEMOCRATIC
- MARK C. CURRAN JR. REPUBLICAN
- WILLIE L. WILSON WILLIE WILSON PARTY GREEN
- DAVID F. BLACK LIBERTARIAN
- DANNY MALOUF LIBERTARIAN
- Write-in

CONGRESSIONAL

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- DANI BRZOZOWSKI DEMOCRATIC
- ADAM KINZINGER REPUBLICAN
- Write-in

REPRESENTATIVE

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEVENTY-SIXTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- LANCE YEDNOCK DEMOCRATIC
- TRAVIS S BREEDEN REPUBLICAN

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- CEMBERLY CUMMINGS DEMOCRATIC
- DAN BRADY REPUBLICAN

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- THOMAS M. BENNETT REPUBLICAN

COUNTY

FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- RANDY A. YEDINAK REPUBLICAN

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- LeANN DIXON REPUBLICAN

FOR CORONER

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- DANNY L. WATSON REPUBLICAN

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION

FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (MASON, TAZEVELL AND WOODFORD COUNTIES) (For an unexpired 2-year term)

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- JEFFREY EKENA REPUBLICAN

COUNTY BOARD

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT ONE

(Vote for not more than four)

- DANIEL R. HOBART DEMOCRATIC
- JOHN L. (JACK) VIETTI REPUBLICAN
- REGINA "GINA" MANKER REPUBLICAN
- MARTY FANNIN REPUBLICAN
- SCOTT MENNENGA REPUBLICAN

COUNTY BOARD

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TWO

(Vote for not more than four)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- JASON R. BUNTING REPUBLICAN
- JOEL BARICKMAN REPUBLICAN
- JOSEPH D. STEICHEN REPUBLICAN
- RONALD L. KESTNER REPUBLICAN

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT THREE (For a full term)

(Vote for not more than four)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- JOHN SLAGEL REPUBLICAN
- TIMOTHY R. SHAFER REPUBLICAN
- SETH L. WELCH REPUBLICAN
- Write-in

FOR MEMBER OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT THREE (For an unexpired 2-year term)

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- MIKE KIRKTON REPUBLICAN

JUDICIAL

FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Robert L. Freitag)

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- JASON CHAMBERS REPUBLICAN

JUDICIAL RETENTION

BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE

"Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

SHALL

JENNIFER H. BAUKNECHT be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?

- YES
- NO

SHALL

MATTHEW J. FITTON be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?

- YES
- NO



KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS AT SWGS, taught by Mrs. Olsen, sit at their desks practicing letters in shaving cream.



THE SECOND AND THIRD GRADE CLASSES at South Wilmington Grade School, taught by Mrs. Simms, got an up-close look at how soybeans are harvested.



SWGS FIRST GRADERS, taught by Mrs. Wurl, work on their new iPads – purchased by the Parents' Club.



victory lanes bowling, dwight

Commercial League Bowlers

HSG: **Men** – Doug Gassman, 258; Jeff Friedman, 238; Chuck Dudak, 227; Bill Green, 226; Brian Scott, 224; **Women** – Brandi Farcus, 199; Joyce Fox, 188; Sheri Colebank, 185; Kathy Hanold, 173; Paula Watts, 168. HSS: **Men** – Jeff Friedman, 644; Doug Gassman, 627; Brian Scott, 619; Chuck Dudak, 599; Curtis Price, 594; **Women** – Brandi Farcus, 532; Sheri Colebank, 519; Kathy Hanold, 454; Paula Watts, 439; Joyce Fox, 408. HHG: Chuck Dudak, 260; Sheri Colebank, 245. HHS: Jeff Friedman, 698; Sheri Colebank, 699. HSG/HHG: Muck Fike, 911 HSS/HHS: Muck Fike, 2706.

League Results

Sportsman League Bowlers

HSG: Michael Hallam, 277; Josh Gernentz, 269; Brandon Petry, 269; Doug Gassman, 246; Bob Babczak, 234. HSS: Josh Gernentz, 741; Brandon Petry, 709; Gregg Jensen, 655; Bob Babczak, 650; Todd Butcher, 643. HHG: Josh Gernentz, 269. HHS: Josh Gernentz, 741. HSG/HHG: Victory Lanes, 1024. HSS: Hallam Electronics, 2922. HHS: Jensen BP II, 2932.

League Standings	W	L
Hallam Elect.	19	5
Rury's Tap	18	6
Star Trucking	18	6
Victory Lanes	16	8
DeLong Ford	13	11
Rockey's Pub	11	13
Rambo Construct.	10	14
Willy's Pub	10	14
Jensen's I	9	15
Jensen BP II	8	16
Jeremy's Barber	6	18

League Standings	W	L
Whiskey Cavalier	19	5
Muck Fike	17	7
Victory Lanes	15	9
Pumpkin Patch	13	3
Willy's Pub	12	12
Pinkie's Out	10	14
Dairy Queen	10	14
Gaston Const.	8	16
Coleman/Son	5	19
Agritile	3	13

SWGS Keeping Students Engaged

by Cindy Christensen
SWGS Superintendent/
Principal

Prior to school starting this year, the staff at South Wilmington Grade School met to discuss ways to keep students engaged in learning with our shortened days. SWGS is operating under the hybrid model where our students attend in-person from 8:00 a.m. to noon each day and then have an hour of remote learning in the afternoon. Some parents have chosen to go fully remote when the state announced that all districts were mandated to offer this to parents.

The staff at SWGS is very dedicated to supporting our children in their new learning environments. They have worked diligently to put together lessons for in-person instruction and also remote learning. We will all admit that we've had bumps along the way, but that we've worked together with students and parents to resolve those issues.

While planning for this year, we had discussed that while we have a great need to make up for some learning gaps that happened due to COVID-19 closings in the spring, that we have to make sure

that we strive to make learning engaging and meaningful for our children. In other words, we have to keep learning fun and interesting.

Teachers are still working art projects and other likeable activities into their classroom lessons. Students are collaborating on assignments via Google Breakout rooms and projects are designed with options for students to complete either digitally or on posters.

Mrs. Simms' second and third grade classes recently took advantage of the beautiful weather to take a walking field trip to a nearby soybean field, where farmers were taking out the crops. Local farmers Chris Halpin and David Simms talked with the children about the process of harvesting soybeans. Students were able to pick up the bean pods and roll them in their hands to simulate the process that takes place in the combine drums. This field trip complemented the live virtual field trip that students had participated in earlier in the week where they toured a dairy farm and also learned about harvesting corn.

Kindergarten students have been practicing writing their letters in a variety of ways. While visiting

their classroom the other day, I found them very engaged in writing in shaving cream.

Each year, the South Wilmington Fire Department comes into our classrooms for the fire safety presentations. This year, we moved that activity outside for all of our grades. And, while students were not able to enter the ambulance and fire trucks, they were educated on the equipment and how it is utilized. This contact with our local fire department helps pave the way for students to have some comfort and understanding of what is happening if an accident or fire would occur.

As we complete our first quarter of the school year, we look forward to working with our parents and students in this unique learning environment. Please help keep our students and staff safe by following the guidance set forth by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Dwight Dawgs Top Gardner, 8-3

The Dwight Dawgs 9U team took on Gardner October 5, coming out on top by a score of 8-3.

Ryker Anderson started the game on the mound, with Rylin Woodin and Ace Eggenberger coming on in relief. Woodin had three K's, with two walks, while Eggenberger fanned six, walked two, and surrendered just one hit.

Leading hitters for the Dawgs were Logan Pakula with two hits, and Dalton DeLong, Landon Mortensen, and Eggenberger with a hit each.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the General Election to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd of November, 2020, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters of the County of Livingston and State of Illinois.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

"NOTICE

THE FAILURE TO VOTE THIS BALLOT MAY BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A NEGATIVE VOTE, BECAUSE A CONVENTION SHALL BE CALLED OR THE AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IF APPROVED BY EITHER THREE-FIFTHS OF THOSE VOTING ON THE QUESTION OR A MAJORITY OF THOSE VOTING IN THE ELECTION. (THIS IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS A DIRECTION THAT YOUR VOTE IS REQUIRED TO BE CAST EITHER IN FAVOR OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSITION HEREIN CONTAINED.)

WHETHER YOU VOTE THIS BALLOT OR NOT YOU MUST RETURN IT TO THE ELECTION JUDGE WHEN YOU LEAVE THE VOTING BOOTH".

CONSTITUTION BALLOT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 1970 ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

Explanation of Amendment

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For the proposed amendment of Section 3 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

- YES
- NO

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Dated this _____ day of October, 2020.

Kristy A. Masching

Kristy A. Masching, County Clerk
The County of Livingston and State of Illinois.

GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020, at the usual polling places in the County of Livingston and the State of Illinois, a General Election will be held for the following offices:

TO BE ELECTED:

- PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES
- STATE SENATOR
- REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
- REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
- REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (vacancies)
- SUPREME COURT JUDGE
- JUDGE OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
- COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS
- CIRCUIT CLERK
- CORONER
- STATE'S ATTORNEY

In the following precincts and polling places:

- AMITY.....AMITY TOWNSHIP HALL, 102 S EIGHTH ST, CORNELL
- AVOCA.....AVOCA TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 19115 E 1250 NORTH RD, FAIRBURY
- BELLE PRAIRIE, FAYETTE & GERMANVILLE.....FIRE STATION, 106 WALTER, STRAWN
- BROUGHTON & UNION.....CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 103 DIVISION ST, EMINGTON
- CHARLOTTE.....CHARLOTTE TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 33482 E 1300 NORTH RD, CHATSWORTH
- CHATSWORTH.....CHATSWORTH COMMUNITY HALL, 409 E MAPLE ST, CHATSWORTH
- DWIGHT 1, 2, 3 & 4.....ST PATRICK PARISH HALL, 118 W MAZON AVE, DWIGHT
- EPPARDS POINT.....EPPARDS POINT TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 12039 N 1500 EAST RD, PONTIAC
- ESMEN.....ESMEN TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 23997 N 1500 EAST RD, PONTIAC
- FORREST.....FORREST VILLAGE HALL, 323 S WILLIAM ST, FORREST
- INDIAN GROVE 1, 2, 3 & 4.....STAFFORD COMMUNITY CENTER, 708 N FIRST ST, FAIRBURY
- *LONG POINT.....AMERICAN LEGION HALL, 122 W FOURTH ST, LONG POINT
- NEBRASKA 1.....FLANAGAN COMMUNITY BUILDING, 101 E SOUTH ST, FLANAGAN
- NEVADA.....DWIGHT COUNTRY CLUB, 31577 N 2400 EAST RD, NEVADA TOWNSHP, DWIGHT
- NEWTOWN.....NEWTOWN TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 8583 MAIN ST, MANVILLE
- ODELL.....ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY, 301 E RICHARD ST, ODELL
- OWEGO.....LIVINGSTON COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 18034 N 2100 EAST RD, OWEGO TOWNSHIP, PONTIAC
- PIKE.....PIKE TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 900 E 1200 NORTH RD, CHENOA
- PLEASANT.....PLEASANT RIDGE TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 27572 E 1310 NORTH RD, WING
- *PONTIAC 1.....FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, 219 W CHICAGO ST, PONTIAC
- PONTIAC 2, 7 & 10.....PONTIAC CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 115 W HOWARD ST, PONTIAC
- PONTIAC 3.....U OF I EXTENSION OFFICE, 1412 S LOCUST ST, PONTIAC
- *PONTIAC 4.....GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 900 S MANLOVE, PONTIAC
- *PONTIAC 5 & 6.....PONTIAC COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER, 900 N ELM ST, PONTIAC
- PONTIAC 8.....FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, 515 N LADD, PONTIAC
- PONTIAC 9.....PONTIAC BIBLE CHURCH, 1611 W REYNOLDS, PONTIAC
- READING 1.....READING TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 1630 S ILLINOIS ST, STREATOR
- READING 2.....READING TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT, 1624 S VERMILLION ST, STREATOR
- ROOKS CREEK.....ROOKS CREEK TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 215 N MAIN ST, GRAYMONT
- *ROUND GROVE.....SACRED HEART PARISH HALL, 205 ELM ST, CAMPUS
- SAUNEMIN.....SAUNEMIN COMMUNITY BUILDING, 70 NORTH ST, SAUNEMIN
- SULLIVAN.....CULLOM VILLAGE HALL, 119 N OAK ST, CULLOM
- SUNBURY.....SUNBURY TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 15047 E 3000 NORTH RD, BLACKSTONE
- WALDO.....WALDO TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 2941 E 1200 NORTH RD, GRIDLEY

*Indicates new location of polling place

The polls of said GENERAL ELECTION will be open continuously from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

LEGAL

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2021

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTH WILMINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:

SECTION 1: That the following is the Budget of this District for the current fiscal year:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Cash on hand at beginning of year (\$9,018.00), Total estimated receipts (\$106,718.00), and Estimated balance at end of year (NONE).

SECTION 2: That there is hereby appropriated for the uses of the District for the current fiscal year, the following sums for the purposes set forth:

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Trustees' salaries (-0-), Legal expenses (3,000.00), and Total Trustees' Expenses (\$11,100.00).

BUILDING, APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Accumulation fund for building improvements and acquisition of fire fighting apparatus and equipment (\$8,618.00).

OPERATIONS

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes For fire fighting operations by South Wilmington Volunteer Fire Department (55,000.00) and Total Operations (\$87,000.00).

APPROPRIATIONS SUMMARY

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Trustees' Expenses (11,100.00), Building, Apparatus & Equipment (8,618.00), and Total Appropriations (\$106,718.00).

These appropriations are found to be necessary to carry out objects and purposes of this District.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED this 21st day of July, 2020.

President - Michael Residori
Secretary - Mark Finn
Member - David Doglio

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF GRUNDY)

I, the undersigned Secretary of the South Wilmington Fire Protection District, County of Grundy, State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of said District duly passed as required by law.

GIVEN under my hand this 21st day of July, 2020.

Secretary - Mark Finn

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF GRUNDY)

I, the undersigned Treasurer and Chief Fiscal Officer of the South Wilmington Fire Protection District, County of Grundy, State of Illinois, do hereby certify the following is an estimate of the revenues, and their sources, to be received by the District during the Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2021:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Property Taxes (\$91,250.00), Interest Income (50.00), and Total (\$97,700.00).

GIVEN under my hand this 21st day of July, 2020.

Treasurer - David Doglio

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
VILLAGE OF SOUTH WILMINGTON) SS.
)
COUNTY OF GRUNDY)

I, the undersigned Secretary of the South Wilmington Fire Protection District, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2020 - 01

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2021

Which was duly passed on roll call vote by a vote of 3 ayes and 0 nays of the Board of Trustees of the South Wilmington Fire Protection District on the 21st day of July, 2020, and approved by the Board of Trustees of the South Wilmington Fire Protection District on that date.

I do further certify that there are three trustees of said District authorized by law to be appointed.

I do further certify that I am the legal custodian of all papers, documents and records of the District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this certificate and affixed the seal of the South Wilmington Fire Protection District this 21st day of July, 2020.

Secretary - Mark Finn

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LEGAL

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-2

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVYING AND ASSESSING OF TAXES FOR THE REDDICK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN LIVINGSTON, KANKAKEE and GRUNDY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS FOR THE YEAR 2020

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REDDICK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN LIVINGSTON, KANKAKEE and GRUNDY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: That the sum of Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Two and 00/100 Dollars (\$99,482.00) be and the same is hereby assessed and levied upon and against all real and personal property subject to taxation within the limits of said REDDICK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, as that property is assessed and equalized for the current year, in order to meet and defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of the fire protection district as required by statute or voted by the people in accordance with the law, for such purposes as fire protection and ambulance service for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021.

SECTION 2: That the amount levied for each object and purpose shall be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes CORPORATE (37,764.00), AMBULANCE (37,764.00), TORT IMMUNITY (23,954.00), and TOTAL (99,482.00).

SECTION 3: That the Secretary of said Fire Protection District is hereby directed to file with the County Clerks of Livingston, Kankakee and Grundy Counties, in the State of Illinois, on or before the last Tuesday in December, 2020, a copy of this Ordinance, duly certified by said Secretary under the corporate seal of said REDDICK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.

SECTION 4: If any item, or any portion thereof, of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion or such items or the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and signing.

SECTION 6: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith or any section hereof are hereby repealed. Passed on September 15, 2020.

Sue Bergan
President, REDDICK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Attest:
Kathleen Curl
Secretary, REDDICK COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

KEMPTON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 2020

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Receipts Summary (Total Receipts: 123,038.89) and Disbursement Summary (Total Vendor Disbursements: 34,420.63).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Disbursement Summary (Total Vendor Disbursements: 34,420.63) and Compensation Summary (Range Under \$25,000; Roger Gualandi, Volunteers).

Summary Statement of Condition

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Revenues (\$123,038.89), Expenditures (34,420.63), and Ending Balance - May 31, 2020 (\$347,923.88).

The foregoing report is made by the undersigned, Roger A. Gualandi, as Treasurer of the Kempton Community Fire Protection District of the Counties of Ford, Livingston and Iroquois, of all receipts and expenditures of said District for the fiscal year June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2020.
/s/ Roger A. Gualandi, Treasurer
Kempton Community Fire Protection District

STATE OF ILLINOIS :
: ss.
LIVINGSTON COUNTY :

Roger A. Gualandi, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that the foregoing is a true, complete and correct condensed report of all monies received by the Kempton Community Fire Protection District of the Counties of Ford, Livingston and Iroquois and disbursed by the Treasurer of said District as appears from the records in the custody of the undersigned for the period beginning June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020.

/s/ Roger A. Gualandi

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 5th day of October, 2020.

(SEAL) /s/ Sandra M. Hoerner, Notary Public



PTHS INDIANS SWIM TEAM

Thursday, October 8

Pontiac vs. Olympia

The Indians swim team took on Olympia October 8, winning 75-59. Individual scores are as follows:

200 free: Emma DeWald, 3rd, 2:21.87; Camryn Mies, 4th, 2:25.63; Alana Christianson, 5th, 2:34.88.

200 IM: Emma Nelson, 1st, 2:35.63; Abby Lauritsen, 3rd, 2:52.36; Mary Hilt, 4th, 2:58.16.

50 free: Hannah Grove, 2nd, 29.07; DeWald, 4th, 29.98; Christianson, 6th, 32.82. 1m diving: Anneke Esposito, 1st, 317.50.

100 fly: Nelson, 1st, 1:11.82; Mies, 2nd, 1:26.36; Esposito, 3rd, 1:29.88. 100 free: Nelson, 2nd, 1:05.12; DeWald, 3rd, 1:05.88; Hilt, 4th, 1:11.76. 500 free: Mies, 2nd, 6:27.66; Lauritsen, 3rd, 6:35.41; Christianson, 4th, 7:04.63. 100 back: Nelson, 2nd, 1:15.73; DeWald, 4th, 1:19.79; Esposito, 6th, 1:37.18. 100 breast: Hilt, 1st, 1:22.50; Grove, 4th, 1:26.75; Lauritsen, 5th, 1:30.49.

Pet of the Week

The telepuppies are 10 weeks old! They are all bouncing baby boys and they're ready to flee the nest! Po, Laa-Laa, Dipsy and Tinky-Winky are Dane/Lab mixes, we expect them to be quite large when they are full grown!



If you are interested in one of them, shoot us an email or check out the application on our website!

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Table with 3 columns: City/Village, October 14, October 7. Lists gas prices for Dwight, Kankakee, Streator, Odell, Pontiac, Gardner, Braceville, Morris, Herscher, Chicago, Illinois, and U.S.

Sources: GasBuddy.com and U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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 701 S. Columbia
 584-3420 church
 Dwrightumc.org
 Pastor: Mary Arnold

Emmanuel Lutheran Church LCMS
 325 E. Mazon Ave.
 584-3433 church
 584-1291 fax
 Rev. John F. Mueller, Pastor

First Baptist Church
 401 N. Clinton St.
 815-584-3182
Home of Dwight's Christian Radio Station WGVJ 97.3 FM
 Pastor Dan Woodward
 OCT. 14: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.
 OCT. 18: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ
 200 W. Delaware St.
 584-1260 church
 Rev. Grant Speece
 OCT. 14: Guild, 7 p.m.
 OCT. 18: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Exodus 33:12-23; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22; "Rendering to Caesar"
 OCT. 21: Trustees, 7 p.m.

New Life Assembly of God
 903 S. Old Route 66
 Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor

St. Patrick Catholic Church
 Mazon Ave. at Prairie
 815-584-3522 Office
 Father Chris Haake, Pastor

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 815-584-1199
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 Rev. William Mitschke
 815-725-1341

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 106 W. Goold St.
 815-237-8512 Church
 815-483-9343 Cell
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 Pastor Donald Batz

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Cabery United Methodist Church
 Ames & Chester
 815-949-1681
 Pastor John Lyons
 815-257-5751 cell

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Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church
 406 N. 7th St.
 815.635.3127
 Father David Sabel

CULLOM
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
 NALC
 511 W. Jackson
 815.689.2120
 st.johns@frontiernet.net
 Pastor: Gabriel Baumgardner
 OCT. 15: Text Study Livestream on FB, 10 a.m.
 OCT. 18: Sunday School, 8:45 a.m.;
 Worship, 10 a.m.
 OCT. 19: Friendship Day, 8:30-11:30 a.m.; Newsletter Info Due!

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 103 E. Van Alstyne St.
 815-689-2484
 Pastor John Lyons
 815-257-5751 cell

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Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
 103 Division Street
 Rev. Grant Speece

ESSEX
Essex United Methodist Church
 114 Waverly St.

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 202 N. Monroe
 P.O. Box 248
 Janet Chandler, Pastor
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 815-237-8312
 ChurchofHope@sbcglo bal.net

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 309 E. Jefferson St.
 815-237-2227
 pastorulc@att.net
 Pastor Greg Olson

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 255 E. Third St.
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 815-426-2262
 email: trinityher1@com cast.net
 Rev. Eric J. Brown, Pastor

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
 Main Street
 Fr. Ron Neitzke
 815-426-2153

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 274 N. Elm Street
 Phone: 815-426-6169
 Pastor Kevin Boesen

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 Pastor Sam Stow
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 815-426-2908
 Staff e-mail:
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 815-257-5751 cell

Kempton Church of the Nazarene
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 109 N. Morgan Street
 Phone 815-998-2271
 Rev. Janceen Tronc

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 Parochial Vicar,
 Fr. Augustin Kassa, SMA; Deacon
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Phone: 815-587-0488
 email:
 RansomUMC@gmail.com
 Pastor Andrew King
 Pastor cell: 815-257-4657

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 Pastor Kevin Boesen
 815-426-6169

Zoar Community Church
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 P.O. Box 87
 Reddick, IL 60961
 Pastor Andrea Boggs
 Email: Zoarcommunity@yahoo.com
 Sunday Service: 10 a.m.

St. Mary's Catholic Church
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 Rev. Stanley DREWNIAK
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Saunemin United Methodist Church
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 Pastor Jane Bradford

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COMPENSATION SUMMARY: UNDER \$25,000.00 BULLARD, JOAN - MORRIS, RODNEY L. - RUSSELL, THOMAS C. - TISSIERE, MARK D - LAMBERT, LISA J - MCPEEK, JAMIE E. - VERDUN, BRIAN E - WYKES, GARY L - BIERNAT, RYAN M - REBHOLZ, JAMES E - VERDUN, CATHERINE - GRIEFF, EDITH A - BRANZ, EILEEN M - MILLS, BRIAN K. - THORNE, IRIS A - RIBORDY, RICHARD J. - Between \$25,000.00 and \$49,999.99 LEENDERS, JENNIFER A. - BOLEN, JOE T - Between \$50,000.00 and \$74,999.99 ARMOUR, GROVER T - TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$181,608.94.

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: ACE HARDWARE \$1,322.96 - ACE IN THE HOLE, INC \$9,084.60 - AIR DIFFUSION SYSTEMS \$3,389.00 - ANDREWS ENGINEERING, INC \$6,697.94 - IRS FINANCIAL AGENT \$13,833.17 - ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIRE \$16,054.45 - BILL GWODZ \$1,022.00 - STOCK & FIELD \$1,449.82 - BOHM'S PST \$999.87 - BANK OF PONTIAC \$8,026.57 - BP \$4,634.68 - Bruce P Miller Consultant \$900.00 - BRANIFF COMMUNICATIONS, I \$3,278.28 - BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH, INC \$9,703.90 - ALEX BRADBURY \$6,640.00 - THE BUSINESS CONNECTION I \$1,800.00 - CAUGHEY LEGNER FREEHILL E \$17,750.00 - COMED \$61,525.30 - CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTI \$779.00 - CORE & MAIN LP \$21,726.38 - DONNELL'S PRINTING \$922.47 - DURHAM ELECTRIC \$51,645.44 - FRONTIER \$5,585.62 - EVERGREEN FS, INC. \$5,237.32 - GERRY E MILLER & KAREN S \$1,967.00 - GRAY'S GARAGE \$2,169.67 - HARN R/O SYSTEMS, INC. \$5,080.54 - ILLINOIS DEPT OF REVENUE \$2,713.00 - ILLINOIS EPA LABORATORY \$4,262.90 - ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE \$27,184.93 - JOE BOLEN \$878.14 - KELLY ELECTRIC \$2,868.95 - KOENER ELECTRIC, INC. \$600.00 - KANKAKEE VALLEY CONSTRUCT \$1,478.15 - TREASURER LIVINGSTON COUN \$3,953.05 - LGHP - SHARED SERVICES CE \$45,008.50 - LIVINGSTON COUNTY SHERIFF \$20,000.00 - LOCIS \$5,140.75 - MASSIE JET-VAC LLC \$1,045.00 - MARK TISSIERE \$697.70 - MEDIACOM LLC \$1,104.72 - MICKEY'S LINEN & TOWEL SU \$1,078.87 - MOTHERROAD DISTRIBUTORS, \$744.00 - MUG-A-BUG \$3,290.14 - NICOR GAS CO. \$3,811.80 - OPPERMAN CONSTRUCTION CO \$54,243.00 - THE PAPER \$875.00 - PDC LABORATORIES INC. \$1,558.97 - PHILLIPS & ASSOCIATES, CP \$5,611.20 - PONTIAC NAPA AUTO PARTS, \$781.16 - PRINSCO INC \$1,846.18 - QUILL CORPORATION \$1,697.49 - RAMSON'S IMPORTS, INC \$960.10 - DESTINATION PRODUCTS, L.L \$6,026.18 - REPUBLIC SERVICES #366 \$73,469.57 - RIBER CONSTRUCTION, INC \$2,654.00 - RAILROAD MANAGEMENT CO, L \$4,210.08 - ROUTE 66 ACCESSORIES ATTN \$5,582.22 - RUBY LU'S PUB LLC \$1,695.61 - STATE BANK OF GRAYMONT \$62,787.26 - STRATEGIC MARKETING SERVI \$2,735.00 - SCOTT'S WELDING & MACHINE \$4,211.15 - STEFFENS 3-D CONSTRUCTION \$21,664.96 - STOLLER INTERNATIONAL \$830.47 - STEVE L KERN \$1,230.00 - T.A.W. PROMOTIONS \$1,498.95 - RICK A TUCKER \$2,925.00 - UNITED PIPE & SUPPLY \$755.64 - USA BLUEBOOK \$7,426.59 - U.S. POST OFFICE \$996.85 - VALLEY VIEW INDUSTRIES \$3,643.59 - VARSITY STRIPING & CONSTR \$3,600.00 - VERIZON \$1,458.10 - VILLAGE OF ODELL \$11,755.56 - All other Disbursements Less Than (599) \$11,532.95 - TOTAL VENDORS: \$689,349.41.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

	GENERAL FUND	MFT MONEY MARKET	I.M.R.F. FUND	ODELL TOURISM	WATER IMPROVEMENTS STATE GRANT F	WALKING/BIKING DEBT CASH ACCT
Beginning Fund Balance						
Retained Earnings	\$612,077.98	\$77,157.38	\$9,782.53	\$33,110.85	\$0.00	\$3,767.01
Revenues	\$38,351.81	\$3,383.26	\$29.58	\$1.03	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$21,971.85	\$0.00	\$3,000.76	\$3,165.24	\$0.00	\$660.78
Other Financing						
Sources	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$660.78CR	\$0.00	\$660.78
Uses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ending Fund Balance						
Retained Earnings	\$632,023.81	\$62,826.15	\$9,285.82	\$22,265.41	\$0.00	\$11,915.17

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

	CDAP GRANT #07-242029	DCCA GRANT FUND	G.O. BONDS	WATER DEBT CASH ACCOUNT	WATER FUND	SEWER FUND
Beginning Fund Balance						
Retained Earnings	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$782,775.51	\$498,874.11
Revenues	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29,997.59	\$9,525.27
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,534.79	\$19,675.43	\$46,260.58CR
Other Financing						
Sources	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,534.79	\$58,252.47	\$0.00
Uses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58,490.30	\$71,030.00
Ending Fund Balance						
Retained Earnings	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$786,829.35	\$417,603.78

	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT
Beginning Fund Balance		
Retained Earnings	\$0.00	\$0.00
Revenues	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Financing		
Sources	\$0.00	\$0.00
Uses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ending Fund Balance		
Retained Earnings	\$0.00	\$0.00



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TWELVE DTHS STUDENTS WERE INDUCTED into the Laurel Chapter of the National Honor Society September 29. Newly inducted members for 2020, pictured, front row, from left, are Rachel Heath, Jordan Schultz, Alayna Airgood, Emmalyn Legner, Alexis Thetard, Ella Kargle; back row, Kelly Deterding, Justin Seabert, Brandon Ceylor, Emmett Emmons, Lucas Kisner, and Dustin Hauert.



12 Inducted into DTHS National Honor Society

On September 29, 12 students were inducted into the Laurel Chapter of the National Honor Society at Dwight Township High School.

Mr. Rodney Connor, a 1998 DTHS graduate, was the keynote speaker for the evening and spoke on the four cornerstones of the National Honor Society: Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service.

Mr. Connor stressed how providing service in your community can only benefit the vil-

lage that we live in. He has made it a priority within his family to take the time to volunteer for his community in many different ways, and shared that message with all of the NHS members.

Newly inducted members for 2020 are: **Seniors** – Brandon Ceylor, Kelly Deterding, Dustin Hauert, Lucas Kisner, and Emmalyn Legner; **Juniors** – Alayna Airgood, Emmett Emmons, Rachel Heath, Ella Kargle, Jordan Schultz, Justin Seabert, and Alexis Thetard.



ELEVEN STUDENTS FROM THE PARISHES OF Saint Patrick and Saint Paul were confirmed by Bishop Louis Tylka on Tuesday, September 15th, in Saint Patrick Church, Dwight. Father Chris Haake concelebrated the Mass at 7 p.m. Pictured above: back row: (from left) Mrs. Tammy Josefik, Deacon George Wagner, and Father Chris Haake; middle row (from

left): Emerson Peters, Hannah Miller, Hayden Miller, Holden Miller, Bishop Louis Tylka, Abigail Matern, Libby Imhoff, and Gianna Giacometti; front row (from left): Samuel Pugh, Jack Groves, Tru Connor, and Lillyan Duffy.

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