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Heroin.  
Addiction.  
Overdose.

The words may bring to mind stereotypical images of rough inner-city neighborhoods, back alley drug deals, homeless addicts. Tucked away in the serenity of cornfields, many feel the rural small town is protected from this social danger. The reality is different. Heroin today has a familiar face. And that face can be found right here in our community.

Heroin abuse has moved to the forefront of the drug concern in this area.

"We ran across heroin maybe twice a year at the most back in the '90s," Dwight Chief of Police Tim Henson told *The Paper*. "Now, if we go a week without having a heroin-related incident, we are calling it a good week."

"Heroin has been our

major issue going on about three years," stated an investigator with the Livingston County Proactive Unit. "It is the most heightened problem. We still have the cocaine and marijuana users, but the drug that is killing the most in our county is heroin, right next to prescription drugs."

Livingston County Coroner Mike Burke confirmed the concern with an eye-opening fact.

"In 2008, there were only two alcohol-related deaths in Livingston County, but there were four deaths due to heroin overdoses," Burke told *The Paper*. According to Burke, the heroin deaths occurred in Pontiac, Fairbury and Dwight.

However, more reflective of the problem is the use of Narcan, a drug administered to overdose victims to stop or reverse the effects of the narcotic opioid found in heroin. When administered, Narcan immediately blocks

opiate receptor sites and is responsible for saving lives that might have otherwise been lost to the drug. Last year, it is estimated that between three Livingston County EMS services, Narcan was administered approximately 80 times.

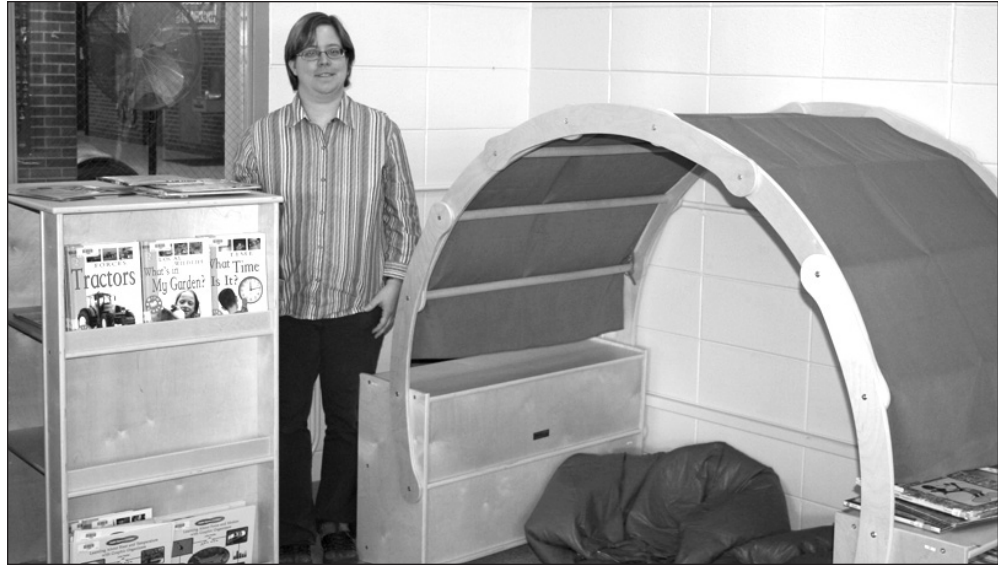
"The reason Dwight is having such an issue with heroin is we are close to the source city being Chicago, we have I-55 which is a source interstate, and these kids going up there are craving that drug and are pretty much fearless," said the investigator.

Highly addictive, heroin is accessible and relatively inexpensive – for only 10 dollars, a user can purchase a small packet of heroin powder called a bindle or foil, which will provide a quick high. After taking heroin just once, a person starts to become addicted.

"That's what is so amazing about this drug," said the (continued on page 3)



Dwight Chief of Police Tim Henson holds a hypodermic needle and syringe found in a Dwight park on February 8. It is being tested for suspected heroin use.



Dwight Grade School Librarian Leta Leach stands in the new silent reading area in the library. A computer lab occupied the space last year. Students can read in that area and work toward their goals in the ongoing reading incentive program.

## An iPod? A gift card? Reading really isn't all that hard

by Sara Peters  
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Dwight Grade School students can read, and their teachers know so, but sometimes they need a little get up and go.

At least, that's the philosophy behind a current reading incentive program themed "Read to Succeed: The fun never ends . . . from there to here, reading takes you everywhere!" by Dr. Seuss.

Prizes for the six-week program that runs through March 20 include books, a \$50 gift card or an iPod Touch.

The program is designed to "motivate students to read and inspire our reluctant readers," said Librarian Leta Leach.

Students must read a certain number of books that varies from grade to grade, and then they must pass an accelerated learning quiz after each one.

All students will have an opportunity to win books for

participating, but two students will win a larger prize: an iPod Touch or a \$50 gift card.

"Mr. Pagel had an iPod donated to the school to use in any way possible," Leach said. "He wanted to use it to inspire reading."

At the elementary level, the top five readers in kindergarten through fifth grade get a chance to win a \$50 gift card to Barnes and Noble or Best Buy.

In the junior high, the top five readers in each grade get a chance to win the iPod Touch.

Leach said the program is good practice for the upcoming ISAT tests.

"We're hoping to work on students' reading to understand – reading to make sure they understand what's being asked of them," Leach said. "(Sometimes) they're answering questions before they've fully read them. (We want them to) slow down and read the question."

When students don't do well on the tests, it brings



**THIS MOBILE COMPUTER LAB** houses laptops that Dwight Grade School and Dwight Junior High students use in their classrooms. The school now uses two mobile labs, which have freed up space in the library.

down the entire school's scores, she said.

She hopes parents will get on board with the program and push their children.

"If you struggle to read, you struggle in all areas of academics, really," Leach said. "This is something to encourage the kids to read more on their own."

The drawings for the gift card and iPod will take place on April 3.

## More Major Renovations Planned for DTHS

By Madelyn Fogarty  
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Following last summer's completion of a two-year asbestos removal project, more major facility renovations are on the horizon for Dwight Township High School. The school's Board of Education has authorized BLDD Architects of Bloomington to put together construction bid documents for phase one of a proposed roof replacement project. Dan Steider and Barbara Meeks of BLDD were present at the February 16 board meeting to present plan options.

Continual problems with the current aging flat roof have led the board to move toward replacing the current roof with a metal, pitched roof. The project is expected to take place over three years with the first phase to be completed this summer. Phase two is expected to include a cafeteria expansion.

Phase one of the project will include an approximate 19,000-square-foot area encompassing all second floor areas, the roof over the office areas and three business classrooms. Estimated cost

for phase one is \$577,000. Funding for the initial phase will come from the school's Operations and Maintenance Fund, with \$950,000 earmarked in the fund's balance at the end of this fiscal year for the project. The three-phase roof replacement is estimated at nearly \$2 million, with an additional \$570,000 for the cafeteria expansion.

Cost to replace the existing roof with a pitched roof style rather than the current flat roof is double the cost, but board members feel it will provide the best investment, with a life expectancy almost three times greater.

"Initially, it will be more expensive, but in the long run, over the next 50 years, it will be cheaper," said Superintendent Dale Adams.

Two other summer improvement projects received approval to move forward. Replacement of the girls' locker room lockers was approved at a cost of \$44,882. The accepted bid was presented by Division 10 Supplies of Wood Dale. An antimicrobial product will be embedded in the plastic of the lockers, which is advertised to kill bacteria,

mold and MRSA on contact. Cost includes installation.

Faucets for 37 sinks in the building will be replaced with an automatic version at a cost of \$11,500. The school will provide the installation labor.

A proposal to approve a debit card system was tabled by the board pending a decision on use of the same system by the Dwight Grade School District. The Point-of-Sale system would provide a cashless means for student purchases. The "Meal Time" system was recommended at a cost of \$9,607.50 with an additional \$2,769 required for setup equipment. Initially used by students for cafeteria transactions, the system would have the capability of being expanded to include other school purchase needs, such as textbook rental and other fees. The system allows parents the ability to monitor and manage the student's account electronically. The proposal will be reviewed next month.

The next DTHS Board of Education meeting will take place on Monday, March 16, at the high school.

## Tri-Point Board of Education Holds Meeting

The Board of Education of Tri-Point CUSD #6J held a regular meeting on January 12 at 7 p.m. in the Tri-Point Board Room, Kempton. Board members Alan Deany, Ted Conkling, Kris Haag, Terry Lynch, Sharon Mogged and Lloyd Vaughn were present.

Action taken by the board included: Accepted minutes of January meeting; accepted treasurer's report; approved

payment of outstanding bills; approved football agreement with IW; accepted the resignation of certified staff member Lois Frantz; employed extracurricular coach Gary McDaniel as high school boys track coach; employed certified staff member Tom Keever as junior high social studies teacher;

Established a date and time for Interfund Transfer

Hearing; approved an IL Foundation FFA donation of \$75; approved purchase of Alert Now Parent Notification System; approved post prom donation of \$500; and approved health/life safety amendments.

The next regular board meeting will be March 9 at 7 p.m. in the Tri-Point Board of Education Room in Kempton.

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Feb. 14: Thelma McMillan, 67, Champaign, assist other agency; Jessica L. Valleroy, 20, Melvin, in-state warrant.

Feb. 15: Stephen R. Sennott, 23, Dwight, suspended, revoked driver's license; Kaylin B. Nelson, 30, Gardner, expired registration sticker.

Feb. 17: Daniel A. Gomez, 25, Chicago, resisting/obstructing a peace officer, criminal trespass to vehicle, other traffic offenses (2).

Feb. 18: Ramona Garcia, 27, Winamac, IN, suspended, revoked driver's license.

**Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**

Feb. 13: Bannon, citizen assist; Main, medical, St.

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Feb. 14: Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; Union, medical, Streator; 3200 N., medical, Pontiac.

Feb. 15: Mazon, medical, Morris; Union, trauma, Streator; 3200 N., medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; Mazon, medical, Morris; 3200 N., medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris.

Feb. 16: Union, medical, Morris.

Feb. 17: Renfrew, medical, Pontiac; Delaware, medical, Streator.

Feb. 18: Scott, medical, refusal; South, medical, Morris; Philmar, medical, Pontiac.

Feb. 19: Main St., medical, Morris.

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Fri., Feb. 27: Salmon loaf, creamed peas and carrots, fruited gelatin, wheat bread, warm fruit cup.

Mon., March 2: Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, warm pan roll, hot cinnamon peaches.

Tues., March 3: BBQ riblet, baked potato, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, banana.

Wed., March 4: Grilled chicken cutlet, broccoli-cauliflower casserole, tomatoes and zucchini, wheat bread, snickerdoodle coffee cake.

Thurs., March 5: Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, beets and pineapple, wheat bread, gelatin apple salad.

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### Temps - 2009

Feb. 11 – high 48°, low 31°  
.77" precip.

Feb. 12 – high 43°, low 25°

Feb. 13 – high 37°, low 25°  
trace of precip.

Feb. 14 – high 33°, low 20°

Feb. 15 – high 29°, low 16°

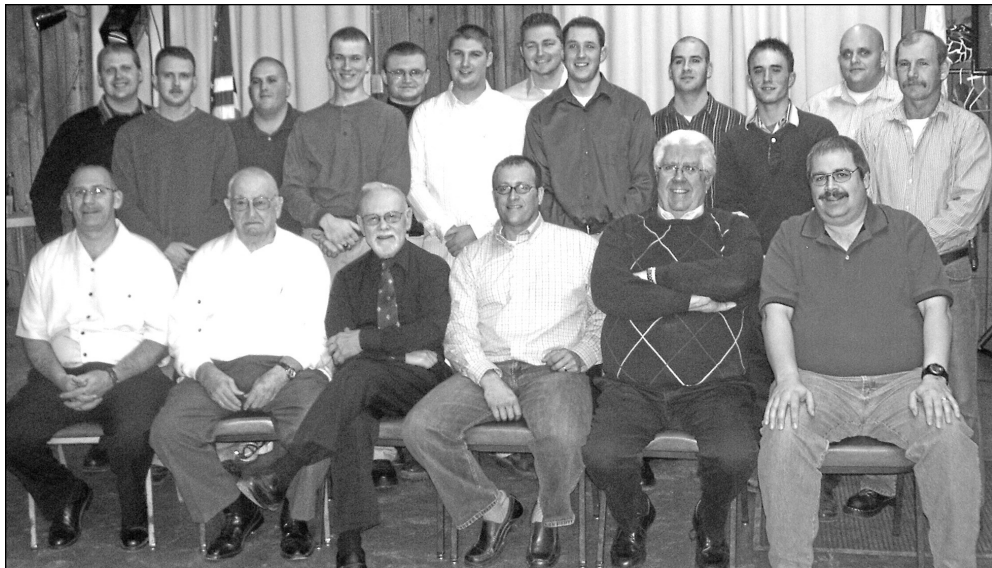
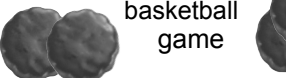
Feb. 16 – high 33°, low 16°

Feb. 17 – high 38°, low 26°  
.23" precip.

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.05" rain, 3" snow

### GIRL SCOUTS COOKIE BOOTH

If you have the cookie monster in you, there will be Girl Scout Cookies available at the Girl Scout Cookie booth on March 7 & March 14 at the DGS basketball game



**THE DWIGHT FIRE DEPARTMENT** held its 2008 Annual Appreciation Dinner last month. Fire department members present included (left to right), seated: Fire Chief Darrin Shull, retired Fire Chief Boots Riccolo, retired member Ollie Zivney, Trustee Rod Kodat, Trustee Dale Coughlin and Deputy Chief Rodney Leroy; standing, firefighter Dean Schultz, Lieutenant Tom Leonard, firefighters Chad Brown, Josh Petree, Kevin Holohan, Justin Kolthoff and Josh Jahn, Captain Mike Kingman and firefighters Nick Pierce, Dan Evans, Dan Davidson and Rick Huseman.

## Dwight Fire Department Holds Annual Appreciation Dinner

The Dwight Fire Department held its 2008 Annual Appreciation Dinner in January at the Dwight VFW.

Past and current Dwight firefighters and trustees shared in a catered dinner and entertainment by Dave and Allen Kingman of DA DJs. The South Wilmington

Fire Department covered for the Dwight Fire Department during the dinner.

Area businesses donating door prizes for the dinner included Dairy Queen, Dwight Subway, Old Route 66 Restaurant, Jensen's BP, Dwight Country Club, Emling Florist, Turtle's Tap,

Old World Liquors, That 50's Place, Sunnyside Tanning and Video, Victory Lanes, Berkot's Super Foods, Dwight Cigarette & Liquor, Dwight Pizza, JT's Saloon, Geo's Pizza, Pete's Restaurant and Pancake House and Scott Hager of Hager Memorial Home.

## JJC COMPASS Testing at GSWHS

Joliet Junior College will be at Gardner South Wilmington High School on Wednesday, March 4, to proctor the COMPASS test for juniors and seniors.

To be eligible, students must sign up in the guidance office by Thursday, February 26, and apply to JJC online at [www.jjc.edu](http://www.jjc.edu). Students cannot test at GSW if they have previously taken the COMPASS test.

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# Heroin Use on the Rise — — —



During a local drug bust last year, heroin, a sharps container filled with used needles and other drug paraphernalia were confiscated.

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investigator. “More often than not, you talk to someone that has smoked cannabis and they can go weeks without it. You talk to somebody that might be a recreational cocaine user and that is how they classify it; they do it on weekends or every other weekend or special occasions. But talk to heroin addicts and that is what it clearly is — an addiction. It is more physiological in its effect — they crave it. It is all they think about.”

Heroin can be taken by several means, such as snorting, smoking or injecting. The stronger the addiction, the stronger the need to get the drug quickly into the system. Injection provides the quickest high. Discarded needles found in local parks, downtown and other areas indicate a growing problem.

“I don’t remember getting called to the park in 2001, like I did today, to pick up a syringe found by a family just trying to have fun on a relatively nice day,” said Chief Henson.

While finding a syringe is a more obvious indication of drug activity, a discarded heroin foil can easily be overlooked and mistaken for a gum wrapper.

Locally, about 25-30 individuals are thought to be responsible for the majority

of the heroin problem. But a problem like this can spread if not eliminated. Pinpointing a target group that might be drawn to the drug is difficult — no social group is immune.

“In today’s society, you don’t know if it’s the policeman’s kid, the teacher’s kid or the preacher’s kid,” said Chief Henson.

The predominant age group of users in this area currently ranges from 13 to 26. Availability and cost lead some to be more likely to “dabble” with drugs. Add that to the extreme addictiveness of heroin and the problem has explosive potential.

Many times, an increase in crime is directly related to drug use. Henson estimates that as many as five calls per week may be related to drugs, either directly or indirectly. For example, a reporting of “smash and grab” when a purse is stolen from a vehicle might be due to the need for cash to fund a drug habit.

Police are moving from a reactive approach to a proactive approach in combating drug use, and the help of everyone is critical. Bringing awareness to the problem is key to fighting it.

Be watchful for signs of drug use in your children, friends and family members. Changes in behavior, dropping

grades, a shift in social groups or significant mood or attitude changes could signify drug interaction. In general, people need to be aware, cautious and take care in keeping valuables and cash out of sight and securely locked away. And reporting suspicious behavior is very important.

Chief Henson wants to send an important message to the community.

“I don’t want to get people in a panic mode, but we need to make people aware of the problem,” Henson told *The Paper*. “I don’t want people to bury their heads in the sand and think our community is immune to this problem.”

“The law enforcement community in general — whether it be Dwight, Fairbury, Pontiac or the Sheriff’s Department — we cannot conquer this problem by ourselves. We need the help of the citizens who, when they see suspicious activities, they call and report it. They should not feel it is being a burden on the police.”

Be alert. Protect your children, home, valuables and your community. Drugs are a community problem, and it takes a community effort to keep drugs off our streets.

# Schools Enter into Tax Abatement Agreement with Iberdrola

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Dwight Public Schools have entered into a property tax abatement agreement with Saunemin Grade School, Odell Grade School, Pontiac High School and wind farm developer Iberdrola. The agreement will provide an estimated \$4.5 million in additional funding to these five school districts.

Per the agreement, property taxes are abated at 100%. In return, one half of the savings are passed on to the school districts. For Dwight Common (Grade) School District, this is an additional \$434,203, and for Dwight Township High School District, this is an additional \$941,452 in revenues over building the turbines with no abatement during the term of the agreement.

According to a new state

law effective last year, wind turbines are assessed at \$360,000 per kilowatt. The Iberdrola wind turbines will be 2.2 kilowatts. Therefore, they will have a property tax value of \$792,000 per turbine.

The turbines are depreciated out over a 25-year span.

There will be 150 turbines in Iberdrola’s Streator Cayuga Ridge South wind farm with 75 turbines being constructed in 2009 and another 75 during the 2010 second phase. Of these, 36 will fall in the Dwight Grade School District and 64 will be in the Dwight High School District.

In phase one, four turbines built in the Dwight Grade School District will produce a wind farm EAV of \$1,008,000. For the Dwight High School District, phase one will include 13 turbines with an EAV of \$3,276,000. In phase two, 32 turbines will produce an EAV of

\$9,036,720 for the grade school and 51 turbines will produce an EAV of \$16,013,340 for the high school.

Superintendent Dale Adams reported that this agreement is the result of six months of negotiations among Iberdrola and the five participating districts. He stated that “this agreement will produce additional tax dollars for the schools while reducing the burden on the local taxpayers. It is a good deal for the schools, the taxpayers and Iberdrola.”

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Braceville student Kale Murray, right, and teacher Mrs. Marizza celebrated the 200th birthday of Abraham Lincoln February 12. Students, staff and a few parents assembled in the gym to view *The Ballad of Abraham Lincoln*, presented by the third grade, and a pictorial slide show of Lincoln’s life, followed by the singing of “Happy Birthday.” Each student was given a penny attached to a card featuring a Lincoln quote, “That some achieve great success is proof to all that others can achieve it as well.”

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### American Legion Auxiliary Meets February 9

The American Legion Auxiliary of Skinner Trost Unit 122 of Cullom met Monday, February 9, with President Vicki Allen presiding. She called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Chaplain Diana Taylor opened with Prayer; Co-Americanism Chairman Birgit McCulley led the Pledge to the Flag; President Allen led all in the Preamble to the Constitution. Roll call by Secretary Kim Harms showed seven officers, four members and one guest (Anita Gordon) for a total of 12.

Secretary Harms read the minutes of the January meeting. They were approved as read. Treasurer Phyllis Perring gave her report which was placed on file for audit.

Correspondence read: The group received a credit of \$140 from Danville VA for miscellaneous items; letter from Fourth Division Sunday, March 8: Poppy Seminar 10 a.m. at Lincoln Post, dinner at noon (reservations needed) and 1 p.m. Fourth Division Meeting at VFW. Judy Ehlers will call in reservations for nine to eat.

Marcia Stalter reported on membership. Cullom has been at 100% plus since October.

The 17th District has 91.53%, is in second place as of February 6 in State and first place in the Fourth Division.

Judy Ehlers and Pat Fagan attended the Lincoln Pilgrimage February 12.

Patriotic Conference in Decatur March 13: Members should pay the cost of the meal to Treasurer Phyllis Perring. She will send in the reservations. Going Thursday night will be Marsha Haag, Lorena Metz, Judy Ehlers and Diana Taylor. Driving down Friday morning will be Linda Vercler, Marcia Stalter, Kim Harms and Diane Shapland.

Plans for several bingo games and refreshments were discussed.

The group moved and seconded to order 2,000 poppies, as they have none. Phyllis Perring will send in order to be picked up on March 8 in Lincoln.

The group moved and seconded to reimburse Marcia Stalter for supplies for the Juniors to make tray favors for Manteno.

The Livingston County Meeting will be March 30 at 7:30 p.m. in Pontiac.

Secretary Harms read the Call Letter from 17th District President Judy Ehlers for the District Joint meeting March 22 at 1 p.m. at Heyworth, with the Ladies meeting at VFW next door after the joint opening. Meal reservations are needed.

The Legion Birthday Party will be held Saturday, April 25.

Social hour will be 5 p.m., meal 6 p.m. Committee: Lorena Metz, Marsha Haag, Susan Shapland and Meri Knapp.

President Allen appointed a nominating committee: Lorena Metz, Birgit McCulley and Linda Vercler. Scholarship committee: Vicki Allen, Marcia Stalter and Diane Shapland.

Judy Ehlers reported that there are 51 Americanism essays that will go to the judges. The first place essays are due to the District Americanism chairman March 1.

The 17th District Junior Conference will be held Sunday, April 5, at 2 p.m. in Cullom.

Poppy entries are due. Illini Girls State Tea: Looking at Sunday, May 17, in Cullom.

Sick call was given. March serving committee: Diane Shapland and Chris Haren.

Chaplain Taylor gave the closing prayer. President Allen closed the meeting. Lunch was served by Marcia Stalter and Kim Harms.

### Dwight Knights of Columbus to Host Lenten Fish Fries

St. Patrick Catholic Church, Dwight, and the Knights of Columbus will again have their Lenten Fish Fries at St. Patrick’s Hall in Dwight.

This year they have scheduled six fish fries, one on each Friday in Lent except Good Friday, April 10. Fish fries will be held Fridays, February 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27 and April 3 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Prices are separate for adults and grade school students. Pre-school children eat for free.

Last year, adding deep fried shrimp to the menu was a hit, so it will be back, along with your choice of baked or fried fish, baked potato or french fries, cole slaw or apple sauce, rolls, beverage and homemade desserts while they last. All are included in the price. Take-out orders are available for the same price.

### World Day of Prayer Service

United Lutheran Church, Pine and Jefferson streets, Gardner, will host a World Day of Prayer service Friday, March 6, at 11 a.m., followed by a luncheon. Participants will include St. Lawrence Catholic, Church of Hope, South Wilmington Methodist, Braceville Methodist and United Lutheran.

The theme, “In Christ there are many members, yet one body,” was written by the women of Papua, New Guinea. The event serves to deepen thoughts and understanding of the true nature of Christian unity on this World Day of Prayer.

We would like to thank all of our family and friends who remembered us on our 50th Wedding Anniversary with cards, gifts and phone calls.

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Before we examine why this may be so, let’s take a quick look at the differences between a Traditional IRA and a Roth IRA. Depending on your income level, your contributions to a Traditional IRA may be tax deductible; regardless of your income, your earnings grow tax deferred. With a Roth IRA, your contributions are never deductible, but your earnings grow tax free, provided you’ve had your account for at least five years and you don’t start taking withdrawals until you’re 59-1/2. However, if your modified adjusted gross income exceeds certain levels (\$120,000 per year if you’re single and \$176,000 per year if you’re married and filing a joint return), you can’t contribute to a Roth IRA.

Here’s another distinction between the two types of IRAs: With a Traditional IRA, you must start taking required minimum distributions (RMDs) when you reach 70-1/2. But if you own a Roth IRA, you are never required to take distributions, so you can let your money grow as long as you can afford not to touch it.

Which IRA is “better”? There’s no one right answer for everyone. Generally speaking, though, the combination of potential tax-free earnings and no RMDs might make the Roth IRA an attractive choice for most people. Additionally you have access to the money you put into the Roth tax-free and penalty-free at any time, as long as you are not withdrawing earnings. So, if you have a Traditional IRA, you might wish to convert it to a Roth – if you can. If your adjusted gross income is more than \$100,000, you can’t make the conversion in 2009. Also, keep in mind that any conversion will require you to pay income taxes on your pre-tax contributions to your Traditional IRA and any growth in your account’s value.

If you meet the income limits for a conversion in 2009, you might want to consider doing so, because your tax obligation for a Roth conversion might be lower in 2009 than it would have been in previous years. Following last year’s steep market decline, the value of your IRA may be down significantly – and, generally speaking, the lower the value, the lower the tax bill upon conversion. Furthermore, if your income is somewhat dependent on the state of the economy, you could end up with lower earnings in 2009 – another factor that could lessen the tax impact of a Roth IRA conversion.

Even if you don’t make the conversion in 2009, though, you may still want to consider this move next year. In 2010 – and in 2011 only – you can convert your Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA regardless of your income level. Furthermore, the income taxes due on conversion can be spread over two years – 2011 and 2012.

So contact your financial and tax advisors to determine if a Roth IRA conversion is appropriate for you. Over the next two years, you’ve got a good window of opportunity to make this move — so you’ll want to act before that window closes.

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### ‘Buttons & Jewels’ Workshop

A “Buttons & Jewels” workshop will be held at the Livingston County Extension office, 1412 S. Locust St., Pontiac, on Wednesday, March 25, from 1 to 3 p.m. Maurine Kalkwarf will be the leader.

This is open to HCE members and the public at a cost per person. You will need an 8-by-10-inch frame, felt, buttons and old jewelry.

Reservations are needed as the class size is limited. Call the extension office at 815-842-1776 to reserve your place as soon as possible. Once you make your reservation, a letter will come with full details.



MAURINE KALKWARF shows samples of projects from the “Buttons & Jewels” workshop that will be held March 25 at the Livingston County Extension office.

### Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H Club Holds Meeting

The Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H Club met at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 11, at the Cullom Community Building.

President Zach Ehlers called the meeting to order. Gracie Metz led the Pledge to the Flag and the 4-H Pledge. Roll call was answered to “my favorite Valentine candy” by seven members (Zach Ehlers, Will Melton, Gracie Metz, Ashten Melton, Lauren Ehlers, Olivia Statler and Jackie Weller). There were three leaders present (Nancy Flessner, Michelle Janssen and Kim Ehlers).

Secretary Jackie Weller read the minutes, and Treasurer Will Melton gave the treasurer’s report.

Old business discussed: There was no meeting in January due to bad weather. Will Melton reported on the Christmas Give-Away Gift Wrapping project, which had a very successful turnout.

New Business discussed: Nancy let everyone know of upcoming events and deadlines. March 7 is 4-H night with Peoria Rivermen; March 13 and 14, Naturally Illinois; April 25 and 26, Fish Camp at Monticello Memorial Camp (Allerton Park) for eight years and older; May 23, 4-H Day with St. Louis Cardinals.

A new category to the 4-H

Fair is “do your own thing.” This is for something that you want to enter in the fair that doesn’t fall under one of the other categories. Sign up is under the Junior section (white pages in the back of the fair book). The top six projects will receive a premium pay out. Judging of this category will be done at the same time as Visual Arts on Monday, July 13, (one week before the fair) at the Pontiac Bible Church. Any questions, contact Nancy Flessner.

At the March 11 meeting, the group will work on goal sheets.

Motion made by Ashten Melton and seconded by Lauren Ehlers to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Ashten Melton gave a talk on sports nutrition. Recreation



ASHTEN MELTON gives a talk on sports nutrition at the February 11 meeting of the Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H Club.

was “Musical Rugs,” led by Kim Ehlers. Refreshments were popcorn and juice.

### Main Street Conference to Include Tour of Dwight

The National Main Street Conference will be held March 1 through 4 in Chicago. Those attending will come from across the United States.

This an opportunity for the Illinois Main Street Program to showcase Chicago and our state.

Educational sessions and bus tours will be held during the four-day event. One of the bus tours offered will be a Route 66 tour stopping in four Illinois Main Street communities — Berwyn,

Plainfield, Dwight and Pontiac. It will also stop at the Joliet Museum. Arriving in Dwight at approximately 11 a.m., tour guests will have lunch at the Old Route 66 Family Restaurant and ride through Dwight before leaving for Pontiac. After a tour of Pontiac and the Route 66 Museum, they will return to Chicago.

Alex McWilliams and Janice Lauritzen from the Dwight Main Street Program will attend the conference.



DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS attending the Rotary Club meeting February 18 were (left to right) Elizabeth DeWaard, Kaitlynn Carter, Jasmine Cervantes, Ashley Carlson and Andrew Clausen. The guest speaker was Eldon Tracy, who spoke on the “Feeding Children Worldwide” project. The Dwight Rotary Club is planning to partner with another local organization to prepare and package 2,160 meals for children worldwide during April.

### City-Wide Community Choir to Perform Anniversary Musical

The 100-voice City-Wide Community Choir will perform a Milestone Anniversary Musical with selections from 2004 through 2009 including gospel, old and new church hymns, patriotic music and a tribute to mothers and fathers.

The musical presentation will be held at the Reed-Custer District Auditorium, Braidwood, on Friday, April 17, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, April 18, at 5 p.m.; and Sunday, April 19 at 5 p.m. Doors open a half hour before the

performance. Sign language interpretation will be available at Friday’s performance.

For ticket information, contact Suzanne Hamilton, Coal City, at 815-634-2650; First Church of the Nazarene, Joliet, at 815-726-5426; or Mazon State Bank, Braidwood, at 815-458-6338.

Current members of the City-Wide Community Choir are from Cook, DuPage, Grundy, Kankakee, Kendall, LaSalle, Livingston and Will counties.

### Ransom Kindergarten Screening

Allen-Otter Creek School District No. 65 (Ransom Grade School) will hold Kindergarten Screening for 2009-10 on Wednesday and Thursday, March 18 and 19, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Children must be five years old by September 1 to register. Call the school office, 815-586-4611, to make an appointment. You must bring your child’s birth certificate and social security card to the appointment.

### Dogs, Cats Can’t Be Loose

The Village of Dwight would like to remind all dog and cat owners that a leash law is always in effect in Dwight. Dogs, cats or other animals are to be under the control of the owner or the owner’s agent by leash, or within a vehicle being driven or parked.

Also — any person who walks an animal on private or public grounds shall be responsible for the proper and immediate disposal of the solid waste from that animal, except when the animal is on the owner’s property.

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### Mazon-Verona United Methodist Men Meet Feb. 10

The Tuesday, February 10 meeting of the M-VUMM was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Jim McCormack. Members in attendance were Ralph Binion Sr., Dick Ely, Jerry Hacker, Secretary Randy Lowery, Treasurer Forrest McCormack and President Jim McCormack.

Lowery read the minutes from the last meeting, which were approved as read.

Treasurer McCormack reported an income of \$146 and expenses of \$140, realizing a profit of \$6. The report was approved as read.

In old business, Treasurer McCormack reported that \$96 was collected in the past month from the recycling fund-raiser. The M-VUMM extended their thanks to all who have supported this ongoing project.

In new business, President McCormack shared "thank you" cards from both Taylor and Torie Knibbs for the treats distributed to the Sunday School children last

Christmas.

President McCormack reported that the VUMW recently held a "bakeless" bake sale and suggested that this may be a possible fund-raiser for the M-VUMM. This suggestion and other possible fund-raisers will be discussed at the next meeting.

Treasurer McCormack presented the yearly treasurer's report for 2008. With an income of \$2,191.95 and expenses of \$2,575, a loss of \$383.05 was realized. The report was approved as read.

Treasurer McCormack reported that the recycling income for 2008 was \$2,191.95. The M-VUMM have earned a total of \$7,925.85 recycling income since its first deposit in February 2004.

The next meeting of the M-VUMM will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, at the MUMC.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.



Joe and Betty Kelly

### Joe and Betty Kelly to Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Joe and Betty Kelly of Dwight will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, March 1, 2009 with a family dinner.

Joe Kelly and Betty Larson were married March 1, 1949, at St. Mary's Church in Loretto.

They are parents of Janeen (Stan) Dietz of Piper

City; Karen (Jerry) Grubbs and Ronda (Lance) Kray, both of Dwight; and Mike (Mary) Kelly of Geneseo.

They have eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild and three step-great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly are retired from farming.



Stacey and Nathan Woodin

### Stacey Briner, Nathan Woodin Married November 22

Stacey Briner and Nathan Woodin, both of Dwight, were married November 22, 2008, at 3 p.m. at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Dwight, with Pastor Patricia Morton officiating.

Parents of the bride are Eugene Briner and Lynn Gassman of Dwight. Parents of the groom are Steve and Sandy Woodin of Yorkville and Tom and Debbie Wernsman of Millbrook.

Matron of honor was Sarah DeLong of Dwight. Bridesmaids were Kasey Briner of Dwight and Kaila Woodin of Yorkville.

Best man was Matt Woodin of Yorkville. Groomsmen were Jeremy

DeLong of Dwight and Eric Johansen of Yorkville.

Flower girl was Kennedy Lovell of Dwight. Ring bearer was Dayne Woodin of Yorkville.

Honorary grandmother of the bride was Jeanie Henderson. Grandparents of the groom are Jim and Betty Lou Allen.

Vocalist was Jerry Beier.

The reception was held at the Gardner American Legion. The couple honeymooned in Mexico.

Stacey is a teacher at Joliet Alternate High School. Nathan is a driver for A & K Transport of Minooka.

The couple resides in Dwight.

### Tri-Point School District Distributing Surveys

The Tri-Point School District is distributing a school improvement survey to school district residents to receive public input regarding the current status of the school district.

Survey distribution began last week, with surveys to be returned by Saturday,

February 28.

Any school district resident who would like to complete a survey but has not received one is encouraged to contact the Tri-Point School District central office at 815-253-6299, ext. 100 or ext. 101, and a survey will be forwarded.

### Thomas Schnurr, Herscher, Earns Bachelor of Arts

More than 1,060 students earned academic degrees after the 2008 Fall semester at Western Illinois University's Macomb and Quad Cities campuses and through extended studies. Of those, some 100 graduates were students whose primary attendance site was at the WIU-QC campus.

Bachelor's degrees were awarded to some 750 stu-

dents, which includes 55 from WIU-QC, and nearly 100 individuals (11 from WIU-QC) were awarded Western's Board of Trustees-Bachelor of Arts degree (BOT-BA) designed for adult students.

Earning a Board of Trustees Bachelor of Arts degree was Thomas Lee Schnurr of Herscher.

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### Menactra Vaccines for GSW Seniors

The Grundy County Health Department will visit Gardner South Wilmington High School Thursday, March 5, to administer the menactra vaccine to GSW seniors. The menactra vac-

cine is recommended for incoming college freshman to protect against meningitis.

Paperwork was sent home with seniors and should be returned to Mrs. Anderson in the guidance office as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, call the high school at 815-237-2176 and ask for Mrs. Anderson at ext. 18.

**Howdy Buckaroos,  
Big Brother  
Stephen Fritsch is 50!  
February 23, 2009  
Happy Birthday, Steve!  
Love, Tom**

### Soup and Sandwich Supper in Gardner

The Women's Association of the Church of Hope in Gardner will hold its annual Soup and Sandwich Supper on Saturday, February 28, from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

On the menu will be ham and bean soup, vegetable beef soup, chili, lettuce salad, several different kinds of sandwiches, hot dogs, macaroni and cheese, desserts and drinks.

There will be separate prices for adults and children five to 10 years old. Children under five are free.

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Jeremy and Lisa Allen

## Lisa Earing Weds Jeremy Allen October 11, 2008, in Cullom

Lisa Earing and Jeremy Allen were married on October 11, 2008, in a ceremony held at St. John's Catholic Church in Cullom. Monsignor Thomas Mack officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Kim and Elaine Earing of Kempton. The groom is the son of Rick and Vicki Allen of Cullom.

The bride's attendants were Kelly Redenius, maid of honor; and Jennifer Ringler, Rachel Basham and Rebecca Allen, bridesmaids.

The groom's attendants were Tim Basham, best man; and Kyle Earing, Thomas Allen and Matthew Swearingen, groomsmen.

The flower girls were Nina and Emma Conover.

The ring bearer was Andrew Page.

The reception was held at The Country Mansion in Dwight, followed by a honeymoon to the Hawaiian Islands.

The bride is a graduate of Illinois State University in Normal. She is currently employed as the tree and shrub manager at Grieder Garden Center in Bloomington.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. He is currently employed as a computer technician for Clemens and Associates Insurance in Bloomington.

The couple resides in Normal.



Cailyn Louise Bunting

## A girl!

Cailyn Louise Bunting was born January 19, 2009, at Wayne Memorial Hospital, Honesdale, PA.

She weighed seven pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Cailyn is the first child of Jessica and Paul Bunting of Honesdale, PA, and the first grandchild of maternal grandparents Carrie and John Inczauskis of Reddick and paternal grandparents Mary and Jerry Bunting of Honesdale, PA.

## Masonic Lodge to Sponsor Blood Drive

Livingston Masonic Lodge #371 of Dwight is sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive to be held Thursday, March 5, from noon to 6 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight.

"March is Red Cross Month and a great time to donate blood," said Jerry Curtis of the Masonic Lodge. Donors may walk in or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) or go online to givebloodgivelife.org to make an appointment or for more information. If anyone needs transportation to give blood, call Jerry Curtis at 815-584-3639 for arrangements.



Jashar Kongjeli

## DTHS Names Student of the Month

Dwight Township High School would like to congratulate Jashar Kongjeli on being named DTHS sophomore student of the month of February.

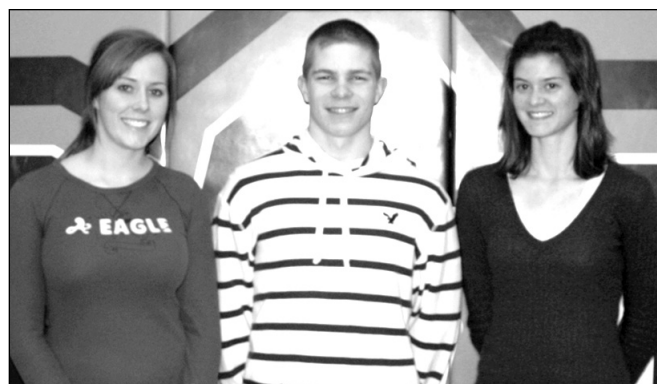
Jashar is a kind, respectful young man with a great work ethic. He is active in basketball and Mathletes. Jashar is the son of Shasime and Milaim Kongjeli of Dwight.

## Nichole Brooks on St. Francis Dean's List

Nichole (McClanahan) Brooks has made the Dean's List for the first semester at the University of St. Francis in Joliet.

Nichole is the daughter of Lucinda (Edwards) McClanahan of Pontiac and the granddaughter of Gwen Edwards, formerly of Dwight.

Nichole and her husband, Matt, and daughter, Aubrey, are former Dwight residents who now reside in Coal City. Nichole will graduate in December with a degree in business administration.



THIS YEAR'S STATE SCHOLARS from Gardner South Wilmington High School are (left to right) Julia Pfeifer, Zachary Sorensen and Michelle Ruffatti. The State Scholar Program recognizes Illinois high school students for outstanding academic achievement. State scholar designation provides honorary recognition. Approximately the top ten percent of Illinois high school graduates are announced as State Scholars each year. To be eligible for this honor, a student must be a U.S. citizen, Illinois resident, attend an ISAC approved high school, take the PSAT between September 1 and June 30 and have a combination of excellent academic performance at the end of the junior year along with a stellar ACT score. GSW is very proud of this year's State Scholars. Also recognized but not pictured was Bonnie Bakay, who no longer attends GSW.

## Party to Benefit Relay for Life

The Third Annual Mary Diemer Euchre Tournament and Bingo Party is set for Sunday, March 1, hosted by the Saunemin Woman's Club.

The event will be held at the Saunemin Community Center at 1:30 p.m. The cost per person

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All proceeds will be donated to the "Mary's Angels" Relay for Life. For more information, call Helen Brown at 815-832-4920 or Helen Spafford at 815-832-4339.

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Tickets for 'Hot Summer Nights' and raffle are available at the Chamber office, Emling Florist, The Country Mansion & from Chamber Officers.

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### 10 Adirondack Chairs and some tables painted by area artists

**McDonald's**  
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Party for eight

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3 hours of bowling plus 3 hours Karaoke/DJ Service by Big Kahuna. Snacks will be provided by Scot (Full menu and full bar available for cash). Details to be worked out with Scot & Jerry

**WJEZ Radio Station**  
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Gift Basket: Table for 6

at a Band Performance with 3 pitchers of Beer and 2 platters of hors d'oeuvres

**Scott Hager and Bob Ohlendorf**  
A gourmet dinner for eight. This will include appetizers, dinner, drinks, and transportation to the Mansion or Scott's Apartment. Music included.

**Cynthia Hager-Downey**  
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**Studio 134**  
Basket of Beauty including one 'Touch of Destiny' massage by Destiney Connor.

**Jeremy's Barbershop**  
Men's Grooming Basket

**Edward Jones: Dale Coughlin**  
Dwight Plate and Post Cards

**Lovell Excavating**  
Snow Removal for One Season for a Residence in Dwight

**Champion Fitness**  
3 Gift Certificates for a 1-month Membership each

**Curves**  
Gift Certificate

**Dwight Country Club**  
Golf for Four with Cart

**Hogan Designs**  
Storage Hutch

**Route 66 Tire and Auto**  
Golf Package including Gift Certificates, Towel, Bag and More

**William J. Hooker**  
Golf Basket

**Doc's Drugs**  
Dessert Basket

**McWilliams Farm Management**  
Gift Basket

**Berkot's Super Foods**  
BBQ Basket

**Daryl and Betty Holt**  
Dwight Post Cards

**Lynn and Doug Neville**  
Patriotic Picnic Basket

**Old World Liquors: John Kafer**  
Refrigerated Can Beverage Dispenser

**Bank of Dwight**  
Bistro Set and Accessories

**Dwight Veterinary Clinic:**  
**Lynne and Louis Cronin**  
Pet Basket

**First National Bank of Dwight**  
Four tickets to 'Mary Poppins'

**Rudy and Judy Piskule**  
**Phil and Karen McArdle**  
Children's Summer Picnic Basket  
**Cal and Candace Brainard**  
'Bud Bow Tie' Neon Bar Light

**Dwight Chamber of Commerce**  
Swimmer's Basket

**Bob and Mary Anne McNamara**  
Fire Pit

**Jensen's bp Amoco**  
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**Morris Hospital**  
Golf Outing Package

**Dwight Chamber of Commerce**  
Three Piece Retro Patio Set

**Shirley Seabert**  
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**Jerry Curtis**  
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**JT's Saloon**  
Party Basket

**Bill Ohlendorf**  
Book on Dwight History

**John Tinberg**  
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**Scott Hager and Tjelle Properties**  
5-Liter Beverage Dispenser

**Rudy and Judy Piskule**  
1942 Desk Calendar

**Babe's Tap of Coal City**  
Party Basket

**Sunnyside Tanning & Video**  
Gift Basket

**Dwight Chamber of Commerce**  
BBQ Basket

**Rodosky Accounting and Big Boyz Toyz**

Four Cubs vs. Dodgers Tickets May 30 at 3:10 p.m., Limo Ride there and back

**Bob Weller and Turtle's Tap**  
Vacation Package to Kissimmee, FL: Stay at Parkway International Resort with up to \$400 Travel Money for this vacation, June 12 - June 19.

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**Janine Boggs**  
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**Dwight Pizza**  
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Gary and Julie Marx  
State Farm: Jerry Danko  
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Dwight Dairy Queen  
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Three Roses Bed and Breakfast donated time to the Auction Website; McArdle's Grain donated Event Decorations; Tech-Ni-Kolor AutoCrafters, Inc. donated Adirondack Chair preparation and sealing.



## Obituaries

### Betha Avon Cramer

Betha Avon Cramer left her home in Kentucky December 31, 2008 and returned to her home in South Wilmington.

She left this life at her home in Illinois with husband and children by her side on February 22, 2009 at the age of 58. She fought cancer like a strong woman warrior for two years. She lived by John Wayne's saying, "Courage is being scared to death, but saddling up anyway." She lived life to the fullest and made the most out of every day.

Betha attended New Lenox Grade School, Lincoln-Way Central High School Class of 1968 and Joliet Junior College receiving an Associates Degree of Arts/Journalism.

She married Randy Cramer on October 29, 1966 at the age of 16. She was a stay at home mom until the last of her children left home for college. She then attended JJC, where she also worked in the Athletic Department.

Retiring to Lake Barkley, Kentucky in the summer of 2004 with her husband, they built their retirement home for all their family and friends to enjoy.

Preceded in death by her parents, Victor and Bessie

Baade Avon; niece, Sarah Elizabeth Avon; in-laws, Dale and Deloris Cramer, Ronald Cramer, and Janice Cramer; and dear friend Lana Brosen Tomasko.

She is survived by her husband, Randall Cramer of Cadiz, Kentucky; two daughters, Dr. Buffy (Brian) Cramer - Hammann and Christy (Scott) Cramer-Lee, both of Elgin; one son, Chad Michael Cramer of South Wilmington; grandchildren: Gabrielle Elizabeth Lee, Gillian Victoria Lee and Jackson Scott Lee; brother, Charles (Donna) Avon of Linden, Tennessee; brother and sisters-in-law, Kathryn-Kitty Cramer, Rodger Cramer and Marshall and Kathy Cramer; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, neighbors, friends, and her faithful canine companion, Miss Asti Spumante ISP.

Cremation rites will be accorded.

Celebration of life will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel, Friday, February 27, at 7 p.m. with visitation two hours preceding services. Pastor Jan Chandler will officiate.

Her ashes will be spread off the South Carolina Coast at a later date.

Donations may be made to your local No-Kill Animal Shelter or Humane Society.

### Anton John Kresl



DWIGHT - Anton John Kresl, 67, of Dwight died at 7:15 p.m., Friday, February 20, 2009 at St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee, surrounded by his family.

John was born April 24, 1941 in Streator to Anton John and Lucille Lowery Kresl. He graduated from Dwight Township High School in 1959. He attended St. Ambrose University from 1959-1963 and received his teaching degree. He earned his masters at Purdue University.

John married Janet Kruse April 2, 1969 in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Dwight. She survives along with their three children: Juli (Ken) Mahorney, Glenwood; Jane Kresl, Peoria; and Tim (Renee) Kresl, Bloomington; and eight grandchildren: Alexis, Alex and Aliza Randle; Grace, Luci and Daniel Mahorney; and Benny and Sammy Kresl.

His sister, Judy (Luke) Phelan of Maumee, Ohio, and his brother, Jim (Candi) Kresl of Kankakee, also survive.

He taught science in Dwight Elementary School and later taught biology in the high school. He retired from the Dwight schools after 43 years of service.

While teaching, he also coached high school football, and boys and girls basketball. He was a National Honor Society sponsor and class sponsor, who helped his classes win many float-

building competitions.

He greatly enjoyed participating in the Dwight Education Association as a union steward and representative for most of his teaching career.

John has said, "there is no perfect place to teach, but Dwight is as close as there ever will be." His love of Dwight Schools prompted him to run for and win election onto the Dwight School Board of Education after retirement.

John was an avid reader and enjoyed attending DTHS sporting events. He was a faithful member of St. Patrick Church and had participated as a CCD teacher, lector, and Eucharistic minister. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He will be remembered always as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather and friend.

His funeral was at 11 a.m., Tuesday, February 24, at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Dwight, with Father James Rickey officiating.

Burial was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

At the request of John there was no visitation.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to John Kresl, c/o Hager Memorial Home, 201 W. Mazon Ave., Dwight, IL 60420 or on line condolences to hagermemorialhome.com

The family is requesting donations be made to the Dwight Public Library or the Knights of Columbus.

Hager Memorial Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Madeline (Vilt-Jackman) Willet



COAL CITY - Madeline Vilt-Jackman Willet, 50, of Coal City passed away unexpectedly Monday, February 16, 2009, at Morris Hospital.

Visitation and Video Tribute were held Friday, February 20, at the First Baptist Church of Coal City from 3 to 8 p.m. Funeral services followed on Saturday, February 21, at 10 a.m. in the church with Pastor Nate Ferguson officiating.

Burial was in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, and pallbearers were Keith Vilt, James Vilt, Jeff Vilt, Darrin Hutchings, Kevin Raulerson and Jim Jackman. Honorary pallbearers were "The Magnolias."

Born May 13, 1958, in Joliet, Madeline was a daughter of Joseph "Tut" and Mary A. Pallas Vilt. She was raised and educated in Coal City, and graduated from Coal City High School with the class of 1976. Madeline married Melvin William Jackman on August 13, 1977, and he preceded her in death on March 28, 1997. Madeline then married William Willet on July 13, 2001, and together they lived in Coal City.

She worked for more than 20 years, beginning at the Eagle Country Market in Morris and was most recently employed as the deli manager at the Jewel in Minooka. Madeline was a member of The Village Christian Church in Minoo-

ka, where she was involved in various church activities and a women's small group. She was also a member of the United Food Workers Union and a prominent member of "The Steel Magnolias." Madeline loved vacationing, fun in the sun and spending time with her family.

Survivors include her husband, William Willet; one son, David Jackman of Gardner, and one daughter, Devan (Jason) Gagliardo of Channahon; mother-in-law, Theresa Willet of Ottawa; father-in-law, Melvin L. Jackman of Gardner; two brothers: James Vilt of Ohio and Keith (Jill) Vilt of Coal City; one sister, Mary Ann Vilt of Coal City; one brother-in-law, Jim Jackman of Gardner; three sisters-in-law: Mary (Don) Woodyer and Pam Willet, both of Ottawa; Lori Willet of Naplate; two uncles: Jim Begler of Coal City and Herbert (Marjorie) Pallas of Road Island; and seven nieces and nephews: Julie (Darrin) Hutchings and Jeff Vilt, both of Coal City; Aaron (Katie) Willet of Ottawa; Stacey (Linn) Gebehart of Marseilles; Adam (Sarah) Woodyer of Florida; Kevin (Lisa) Woodyer of Ottawa; and Nicole (Brian) DeWalt of Minooka; as well as numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

Madeline was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Melvin William Jackman; father-in-law, LaVern Willet; mother-in-law, Norma Jackman, and one brother-in-law, Joseph Willet.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Madeline's memory to The Village Christian Church, P.O. Box 766, Minooka, IL 60447.

Friends may sign the online guest book or send private condolences to the family by logging onto ReevesFuneral.com

Funeral services and arrangements have been made under the direction of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd., Coal City.

Family members of the deceased: Please instruct the Funeral Home to fax information to: **The Paper** (815) 584-2196.

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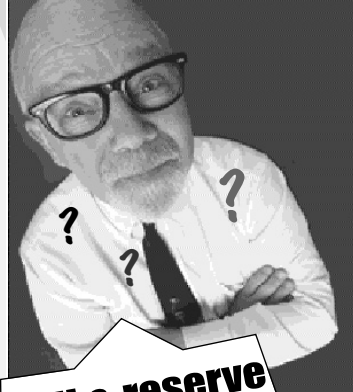
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## Obituaries

### Beatrice Caroline Davidson

BELVIDERE – Beatrice “Bee” Caroline Davidson, 91, of Belvidere, died Friday, February 20, 2009, at Maple Crest Nursing Home, Belvidere.

Visitation was from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday, February 23, at Saunders McFarlin Funeral Home, Harvard. Funeral Service was at the First Presbyterian Church of Harvard February 24 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Jeff Borgerson officiating.

Interment was at Dunham-Chemung cemetery.

Bee was born August 12, 1917, in Campus to Louis and Louise Rieck Ulrich. She worked at the National Sewing Machine Company in Belvidere, where she met her husband, James W. Davidson. Jimmie and she married on November 28, 1942. They resided south of Chemung, where they farmed from 1951 until Jimmie passed away on September 25, 1968. They enjoyed many loving years together raising their three children. Bee greatly enjoyed her life as a “farmer’s wife” and mother.

After Jimmie’s passing, Bee moved to Harvard. Beginning in 1970, she was employed at Arnold’s Engineering in Marengo. In 1972, Bee moved to Belvidere. She retired from Arnold’s Engineering in 1983. During those years,

Bee took tremendous pleasure in traveling to different areas of the country with some very dear friends. After her retirement, she was fortunate to spend time with friends and family doing things that she greatly enjoyed. Bee enjoyed fishing, camping, crocheting, embroidery and playing cards. She was a longtime member of the First Presbyterian Church of Harvard, VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Women of the Moose and the American Legion Auxiliary. Everywhere she went, she was a friend to all. Her greatest joy was being with her family.

Bee is survived by her son, James D. (Roberta) Davidson of Mitchell, South Dakota; daughter, Linda S. Reinert of Poplar Grove; son, Roger E. Davidson of Belvidere; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a sister, Louise (Phil) Smith of Dwight; and a brother, John (Ruth) Ulrich of Dwight.

Predeceased by her parents, husband, and two brothers, Lester Ulrich and Alvin Ulrich.

Special thanks to the staff at Maple Crest Nursing Home, OSF Hospital, and Dr. Troy Doetch.

The online guestbook may be signed at [saundersmcfarlin.net](http://saundersmcfarlin.net)

### Marie Christine King

DWIGHT – Marie Christine King, 92, died at 6:30 p.m., Friday, February 20, 2009 at Heritage Manor, Dwight, where she was a resident. She was formerly of Joliet.

Born July 31, 1916 in Gardner to Marius Mike and Meta Beyer Sorensen, she married G. Kenneth King October 12, 1940 at the First Presbyterian Church, Joliet. Her husband died July 11, 1995.

She is survived by two daughters: Jacquelyn (James) Machulis of Dwight and Barbara “Chavanna” King of Denver, Colorado; one son, Kenneth G (Deborah) King of Willis, Texas; and a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Donald (Norma Jean) Mee of Leesburg, Florida.

Also surviving are four grandchildren: Michelle (Brian) Colvard of Houston, Texas; Alex King of Spring, Texas; Meta Machulis and Nicholas Machulis of Dwight; three step grandchildren: Jody (Bob) Reddell, Tami Fredricks and Jenny (Brock) Stonich; one great-grandchild, Zander King of Spring, Texas;

numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins; and a longtime friend, Joyce (George) Leas of New Lenox.

She was also preceded in death by a brother, Roy.

Mrs. King was a member of St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Dwight. She worked for retail decorating businesses and was an accomplished artist, having painted numerous paintings displayed in homes in the U.S., Sweden and Denmark.

She was a graduate of Joliet Township High School.

In addition to painting she enjoyed spending time with her family. She will be missed by everyone who knew and loved her.

Her Monday, February 23, funeral, officiated by Rev. Heidi Punt, followed a one hour visitation at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Dwight.

Cremation rites were accorded and inurnment will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery, Dwight.

Memorials may be directed to the donor’s choice.

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

### Ica Nutgrass



STREATOR – Ica Nutgrass, 89, of Streator, formerly of Ransom, died Friday morning, February 20, 2009, at Heritage Manor Nursing Home, Streator.

Visitation was from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, February 23, at Hagi Funeral Home, Streator. Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 24, at Ransom United Methodist Church with Rev. Paul White officiating.

Burial was in Allen Township Cemetery, Ransom.

Mrs. Nutgrass was born September 8, 1919, in Moreland, KY, to Howard and Lula Maxey Mullins. She married Eldon L. Nutgrass March 4, 1930, in Moreland, KY. He preceded her in death May 20, 1983.

Ica had been employed for over 30 years at Owens-Illinois Glass Co. Streator, prior to her retirement. She was a member of Ransom United Methodist Church, a 50-year member of Royal Neighbors of America and a member of Ransom Ameri-

can Legion Auxiliary. She enjoyed crocheting and was an avid quilter and loved growing plants and gardening. She attended schools in Moreland, KY.

She is survived by two daughters: Nancy (Jack) Fiedler, Streator; and B. Yvonne Smith, Merrimac, Mass.; one son, Kenneth Nutgrass, Galesburg; five grandchildren: Gary J. Fiedler, Minooka; Joseph L. (Allison) Fiedler, Ransom; Scott A. (Stacy) Nutgrass, Flanagan; Lori A. (John) Folken, Long Point; and Michelle (Steve) Merrit, Merrimac, Mass.; nine great-grandchildren; one sister, Ila Carey, Moreland, KY; and a daughter-in-law, Cheryl (Victor Samek) Nutgrass, Streator.

She was also preceded in death by one son, Gerald Nutgrass; two granddaughters; five sisters; one brother; and a son-in-law, William Smith.

Pallbearers were Gary, Joe and Jack Fiedler; Scott Nutgrass; Victor Samek; and John Folken.

Memorials may be made to Heritage Manor Nursing Home.

### Gene Gordon Pope

BRACEVILLE – Gene Gordon “Tim” Pope, 77, of Braceville passed away Saturday, February 21, 2009 at the Joliet Area Community Hospice Home in Joliet.

He was born February 18, 1932 in Braceville to Alfred Sr. and Hazel Jones Pope.

Formerly employed at Personal Products in Wilmington, he was a veteran of the United States Army, serving during the Korean Conflict. He was an avid NASCAR fan.

Surviving are two brothers: Donald (Brenda) Pope of Seminole, Florida, and Dale (Peggy) Pope of St. Petersburg, Florida; two sisters: Gloria Lockwood of Millington and Dianne Seybert of Wilmington; and

numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Preceding him in death were three brothers: Alan Pope, Tom Pope and Alfred Pope, Jr.; and one sister, Velda Brown.

Funeral services were at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel, Tuesday, February 24, at 11 a.m. with visitation two hours preceding services.

Interment with military honors was in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Braceville.

Memorial gifts in his name may be made to a fund or charity of the donor’s choice.

### Karen L. Stephenson

DWIGHT – Karen L. Stephenson, 59, of Streator and formerly of the Dwight area died at 12:05 p.m., Sunday, February 22, 2009

at her residence in South Streator.

Arrangements are pending with Hager Memorial Home, Dwight.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### TIF Questions Need Answers

The last few weeks have brought to the public eye the proposed TIF district for Dwight. From listening to many of my fellow citizens, it appears that while it has been labeled a great opportunity by several other communities, that most within our own community are doubtful of the achievements under the TIF. While other communities appear happy with the issue, we have not heard direct evidence of what achievements have really occurred.

It would appear that what is needed is to have actual achievement from communities OUR SIZE be communicated to us. We need to know:

Why was the event project scheduled? Who benefited from it? How much did it cost the local taxpayer? How has it really benefited that local community? Have other communities had the same experience?

Having had the experience of bringing new concepts to various parish life, *if* the following words, which teachers ask their students to complete – WHO, WHAT, WHY, WHERE and HOW are answered, *we* may be able to understand those complex areas and vote accordingly.

Dr. Oliver K. Zivney  
Dwight

### Promote Cancer Cause Study

There are many kind, loving and caring people in Grundy County. This is proven many times throughout the year, and it seems to have increased dramatically in the past several years as announcements for benefits are published in the local newspapers and flyers at neighborhood businesses.

When there is a benefit for someone with cancer or a benefit for a cure for cancer, everyone from school children to firemen to law enforcement turns out to help. They are just great people.

I am 67 years old and I have never seen a “Benefit for the Cause.” What is causing so much cancer or environmentally caused illness in Grundy County and the surrounding counties, or any other county where those with cancer rates are soaring, for that matter?

The list goes on and on of Grundy County children who have been diagnosed with cancer in recent years. We all have our own list of adults struggling with cancer and other debilitating diseases.

Morris has its own cancer center. The parking lot is nearly full every day. Ottawa just built a new \$6 million cancer center.

You can get health statistics on how many people have HIV-AIDS in Grundy County, but you can’t get statistics on how many people have cancer in Grundy County. Why aren’t records kept on the number of people who have been diagnosed with cancer? A person is not a cancer statistic with the Illinois Department of Public Health until he or she has been dead for two years.

Frank Barber  
Morris

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE COMPANY  
PLAINTIFF  
vs.  
BRETT R. BURNS A/K/A BRETT BURNS;  
SHEILA K. BURNS A/K/A SHEILA BURNS;  
DISCOVER BANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON  
RECORD CLAIMANTS;  
DEFENDANTS  
08CH 46

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE  
UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT \*\*\*THIS  
DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY  
INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE\*\*\*  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a  
Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above  
entitled cause on July 1, 2008, SHERIFF in LIVINGSTON County, Illinois,  
will on March 25, 2009, in LOBBY OF THE Courthouse, 112 W.  
Madison, Pontiac, IL 61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale  
to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described  
real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIV-  
INGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to  
satisfy said Judgment:

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20, TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL  
MERIDIAN IN ROOKS CREEK TOWNSHIP, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS;  
THENCE EAST 480.4 FEET; THENCE NORTH 448.4 FEET; THENCE EAST 333.5  
FEET; THENCE NORTH 517.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING;  
THENCE WEST 110 FEET; SOUTH 91 FEET; EAST 110 FEET; AND THENCE  
NORTH 91 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TAX NO. 14-14-20-426-005

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 201 MADISON STREET GRAYMONT, IL 61743

Description of Improvements: ONE-STORY HOUSE WITH WHITE  
VINYL SIDING AND A ONE-CAR, ATTACHED GARAGE. The  
Judgment amount was \$65,116.34. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale  
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ments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and  
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title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to con-  
firmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the pur-  
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#PA0808277 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional  
information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.  
1160359

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

INDYMAC FEDERAL BANK FSB  
PLAINTIFF 09CH 4  
VS  
LILA MORRIS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND  
LEGATEES OF LILA MORRIS, IF ANY;  
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS;  
DEFENDANTS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU,  
LILA MORRIS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF  
LILA MORRIS, IF  
ANY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD  
CLAIMANTS ;

defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you  
and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage  
conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF LOT 1 AND THE NORTH ONE-HALF  
OF THE EAST HALF OF LOT 2, ALL IN BLOCK 9 OF SPENCER'S  
ADDITION TO THE ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW VILLAGE OF  
DWIGHT, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 329 EAST SEMINOLE STREET  
DWIGHT, IL 60420

and which said Mortgage was made by,  
LILA MORRIS;  
Mortgagor (s), to  
M.E.R.S. INC. AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, FSB

Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of LIV-  
INGSTON County, Illinois, as Document No. 00580438; and for other  
relief.

UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this  
case in the Office of the Clerk of this County,

CLERK OF THE COURT  
JUDITH K. CRAMER  
P.O. BOX 231  
PONTIAC, IL 61764

on or before March 13, 2009, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY  
DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF  
ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

PIERCE & ASSOCIATES  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
Thirteenth Floor  
1 North Dearborn  
Chicago, Illinois 60602  
Tel. (312) 346-9088  
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PA 0832182  
1155997

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS  
TRUSTEE FOR CMLTI 2007-WFHE2  
PLAINTIFF 09CH 3  
VS  
DAVID PYGOTT A/K/A DAVID P. PYGOTT;  
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION  
SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR SOUTHSTAR  
FUNDING LLC; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND  
LEGATEES OF DAVID PYGOTT, IF ANY;  
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS;  
DEFENDANTS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU,  
DAVID PYGOTT A/K/A DAVID P. PYGOTT; UNKNOWN  
HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DAVID PYGOTT, IF ANY; UNKNOWN  
OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS ;

defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you  
and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage  
conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOTS 19, 20, 21 AND 22 IN BLOCK 2 OF BLAKE'S FIRST ADDI-  
TION TO THE VILLAGE OF AMITY, NOW INCORPORATED IN  
THE VILLAGE OF CORNELL, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as: 201 WEST MAIN STREET  
CORNELL, IL 61319

and which said Mortgage was made by,  
DAVID PYGOTT A/K/A DAVID P. PYGOTT;  
Mortgagor (s), to  
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.

Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of LIV-  
INGSTON County, Illinois, as Document No. 00576474; and for other  
relief.

UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this  
case in the Office of the Clerk of this County,

CLERK OF THE COURT  
JUDITH K. CRAMER  
P.O. BOX 231  
PONTIAC, IL 61764

on or before March 20, 2009, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY  
DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF  
ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.

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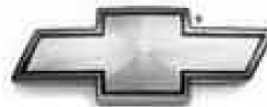
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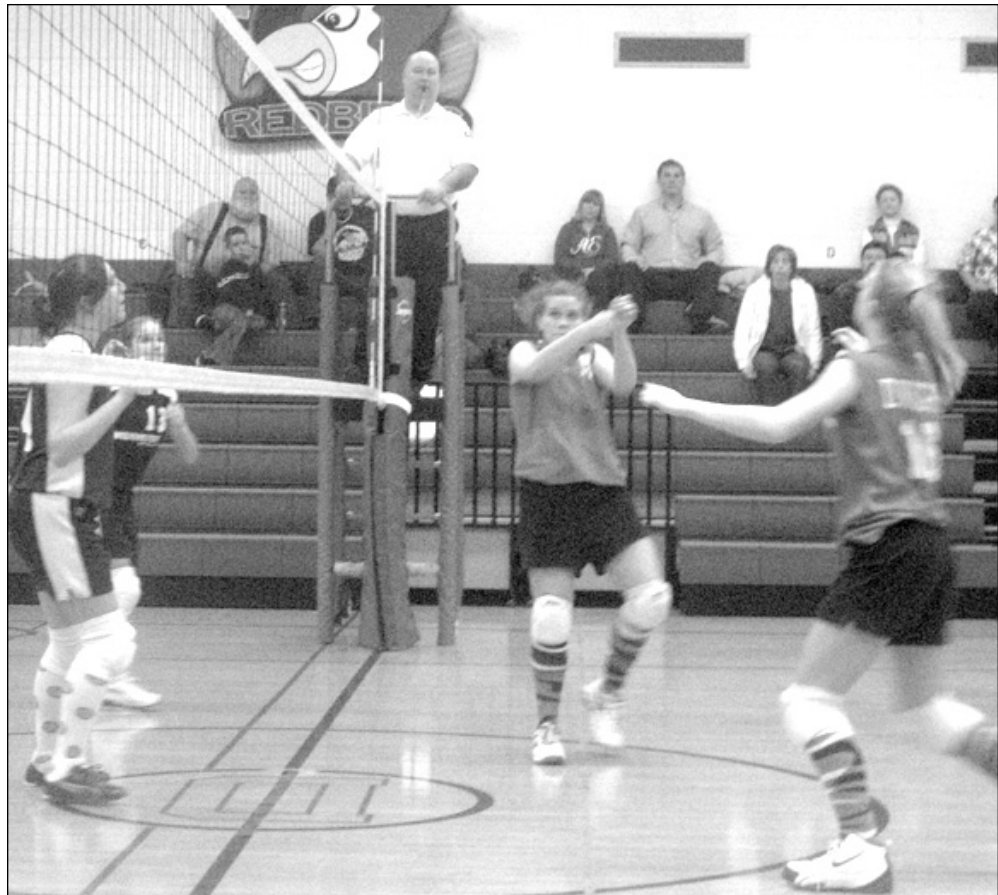
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# The Paper SPORTS

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DGS LADY REDBIRD Nicole Murphy sets up the ball for the approaching Summer Schuler during a match between Dwight and Wilmington, February 16.



## GSW TIGERS BASKETBALL

### February 16 Overall Results 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Tigers finished the season with a record of 14-11.

Individual stats: Hunter Eutsey, 259 points, 105 rebounds; Kwynn Rury, 159 points, 75 assists; Dalton Wright, 138 points, 84 rebounds; Chris Lardi, 114 points, 76 rebounds; Cody

Harvey, 78 points, 23 rebounds; Mike Goodwin, 64 points, 44 rebounds; Austin Wise, 45 points, 10 assists; Kaidon Hibler, 20 points, 21 rebounds.

"Congratulations on a great season, and good luck at GSWHS," stated Coach Sistik.

### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade boys' basketball team finished

with an overall season record of 9-13.

Individual stats: Jeremy Kunz, 391 points, 183 rebounds; Jordan Wilkey, 68 points, 26 assists; Ryan Purkart, 30 points; Nathan Ruffatti, 22 points, 58 rebounds; Cameron Webb, 17 points, 22 rebounds; Danny Housman, 10 points, 12 rebounds.



## MVK LADY MAVERICKS VOLLEYBALL

### February 17 Lady Mavericks vs. Gardner 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Mavericks galloped over Gardner, 25-22 and 25-23.

Helping with the victory were: Jamie Marques, eight points, four aces, four assists; Katie Dally, eight points, three aces; Hannah Mehochko and Jessica Clubb, three points, two aces each; Jenny Hyslop, two points, three kills; Lexi Wilkinson, one point, one kill; Madison Wyss and Paige Finch, one point each; Ariel Brozovich, one kill.

### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade girls' volleyball team defeated Gardner, 25-21 and 25-12, improving its record to 15-3 overall and 5-1 in the conference.

Making the stat book were: Danielle Hauch, 13 points, two kills, one ace; Maggie Thomas, seven points, four aces, one kill; Callie Foster, seven points, one ace; Taylor Creed, two points, two aces; Ariel Brozovich, two points; Mallory Misener, one point; Mackenzie Granby, two assists, one kill; Terah Coughlin, two kills; Paige Finch, one assist.

## Bean Bag Tournament Held at VFW

The Dwight VFW Post 2608 and Dwight VFW Men's Auxiliary held their third bean bag tournament of 2009 on Sunday, February 15, with 14 teams participating. The two previous tournaments, in January, drew 12 and 16 teams respectively.

The final indoor tournament for the winter months will be held Sunday, March 15. Teams can sign up at the VFW.

Plans are under way for outdoor tournaments during the summer months. More details and information will follow.

## Odell Grade School and St. Paul School Track Sign-Up

Saunemin track team sign-ups will be until Monday, March 2. Any Odell Grade School or St. Paul

School student in grade five through eight is eligible to participate and should contact the Odell Grade School

office by March 2.

Practices for track will begin Monday, March 9. Schedules will be distributed as soon as they are received. Notification of bus availability will be given as soon as possible.

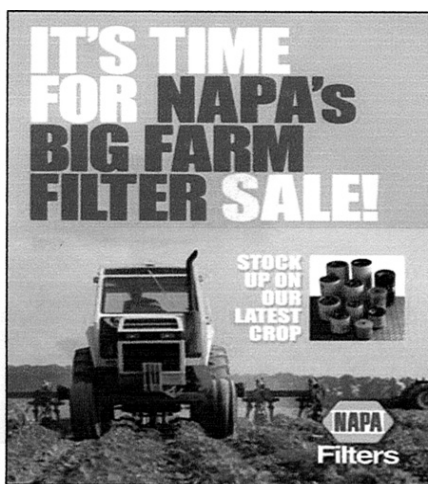
Any students who have not participated in sports at Odell Grade School during the 2008-2009 school year must have a sports physical, insurance waiver and emergency medical release form and sports fee turned in to the OGS office before they will be allowed to practice. Turn these in to the Odell Grade School office, and OGS will forward them to Saunemin.

If you have any questions, call the OGS office at 815-998-2272.

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### ODELL RAMGALS VOLLEYBALL

#### February 17 Ramgals vs. Pontiac Christian 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Ramgals fell to Pontiac Christian, 11-25, 25-20 and 22-25.

Making the stat book were: Kristin Johnson, 11 points, two aces, one spike; Anna Turner, six points, three kills, one ace; Angie Barrett, three points; Maggie LaBorence, two points; Ashley Johnson, one point, three spikes, one kill; Maureen Doran, one point, three spikes; Miranda

Bardwell, one ace, one spike.

#### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade Ramgals knocked over Pontiac Christian, 25-18 and 25-11.

Helping with the victory were: Kaela Hodges, seven points, two spikes; Rachael Fearman, six points; Sami Battle, five points, one ace; Julie Hogan, two points, two spikes, one ace, one kill; Erica Flynn and Alyson Wiemken, two points each; Andrea Flynn, one point.



### SAUNEMIN LADY EAGLES VOLLEYBALL

#### February 16 Lady Eagles vs. Cissna Park 8th Grade-

The eighth grade girls' volleyball team was defeated by Cissna Park, 20-25 and 17-25.

Making the stat book were: Sarah Zega, five points, 10 digs, three kills, one ace; Bethany Horrie, four points, two digs, one kill; Ashley Dronenberg, three points, 12 digs, two aces, two kills, one block; Kathryn Cromie, three points, five digs; Kara Snyder, two points, four digs, one ace; Caley Roahrig, 12 digs, two kills.

#### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade Lady Eagles fell to Cissna Park, 13-25 and 13-25.

Making the stat sheet were: Hannah Slown, four points, four digs; Ashley Harfst, three points, six digs; Danielle Miller, three points, four digs; Kenzie Roahrig, two points, four digs, two kills; Destiney Riley, one dig.

#### February 13 Lady Eagles vs. Dwight 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Eagles were defeated by Dwight, 16-25 and 18-25.

Making the stats were: Ashley Dronenberg, six points, five blocks, three aces, one kill; Kathryn Cromie, six points, eight digs; Kara Snyder, four points, one ace, one dig, one block; Caley Roahrig, two points, 10 digs,

two aces, two kills; Sarah Zega, two points, nine digs, one kill; Bethany Horrie, eight digs.

#### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade girls' volleyball team fell to Dwight, 25-19, 18-25 and 21-25.

Making the stats were: Ashley Harfst, 16 points, six digs, two aces; Danielle Miller, six points, two digs, one ace, one kill; Kenzie Roahrig, five points, eight digs, two kills; Hannah Slown, four points, five digs; Bailee Osborn, three points, eight digs, one kill; Destiney Riley, one point, eight digs,

two kills.

#### February 9 Lady Eagles vs. Dwight 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Eagles fell to Dwight, 22-25 and 22-25, in the first round of the Livingston County Tournament.

Making the Eagles' stats were: Kara Snyder, nine points, five digs, one ace; Kathryn Cromie, seven points, five digs, one kill; Sarah Zega, three points, five digs, two aces, two kills; Bethany Horrie, two points, four digs, one ace; Caley Roahrig, one

point, 10 digs, two kills; Ashley Dronenberg, five digs, two kills, two blocks.

#### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade Lady Eagles were defeated by Dwight, 18-25, 25-13 and 12-25, in Livingston County Tournament play.

Making the stat book were: Destiney Riley, six points, one dig; Danielle Miller, five points, 13 digs, one kill; Bailee Osborn, five points, seven digs; Hannah Slown, five points, six digs; Kenzie Roahrig, four points, five digs, one kill; Ashley Harfst, four points, three digs.



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### GSW PANTHERS BASKETBALL

#### February 16 Panthers vs. Beecher

The Panthers defeated Beecher, 63-58.

Helping with the win were: Chris Irvin, 28 points (three three-pointers), seven rebounds, four assists, two steals; Cale Brooks, 25 points (three three-pointers), seven rebounds, three blocks, two assists, one steal; Kyle Mack, nine points, six rebounds, one assist; Zach Sorensen, one point, seven assists, four rebounds; Domenic Serena, six rebounds, three steals, two blocks, one assist; Brian Scoggin, three assists, two rebounds; Matt Grimler, two rebounds, one steal.

"This is our third game in four days and we had to travel to Beecher to play them for the third time. We were able to come out with an overtime win. It was a struggle all night long and we

were not able to stop Beecher from taking the ball to the basket on us. We have to be able to stop drivers and not allow them to get to our post defense. We were able to run our offense with some efficiency and get the ball where we wanted it to go. It was nice to finally have a winning record in the conference and be able to move our record up to 15 wins. That is a great accomplishment for our kids," stated Coach Tucker.

#### February 14 Panthers vs. Watseka

The Panther basketball team fell to Watseka, 58-51.

Making the stat sheet were: Chris Irvin, 18 points (two three-pointers), two assists, two steals, one rebound; Cale Brooks, 17 points, 10 rebounds, five blocks, two steals, one assist; Kyle Mack, 11 points, six rebounds,

three blocks, two assists; Brian Scoggin, five points (one three-pointer), five assists, five steals; Zach Sorensen, two assists, one rebound, one steal; Domenic Serena, two rebounds, one assist; Matt Grimler, one steal.

#### February 13 Panthers vs. Manteno

The Panthers' boys' basketball team defeated Manteno, 57-53.

Helping with the victory were: Chris Irvin, 29 points (two three-pointers), nine rebounds, two assists; Cale Brooks, 14 points, 16 rebounds, four blocks, two steals, one assist; Domenic Serena, seven points, 11 rebounds, one steal, one assist; Kyle Mack, seven points, 11 rebounds, one steal; Brian Scoggin, five assists, two steals; Matt Grimler, three rebounds, two assists; Zach Sorensen, one rebound, one assist.



### DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

#### February 16 Trojans vs. Sandwich Varsity-

The varsity Trojans defeated Sandwich, 59-41, improving their record to 16-9 overall and 6-4 in the I-8.

Scoring for the team were:

#### Notice of Public Hearing on Township Budget

Notice is hereby given that a tentative budget and appropriation ordinance for the Township of Union in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2009, and ending March 31, 2010, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at Clerk's home from and after two o'clock p.m., Wednesday, February 25, 2009.

Notice is further given hereby that a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance will be held at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at Township Clerk's home in this Town and that final action on this Ordinance will be taken by the Board of Town Trustees at the meeting to be held at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on the 14th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 11th day of Feb., 2009.

Richard Boundy, Clerk

Jens Kennedy, 20 points; Jason Karstens, 12 points (one three-pointer); Cal Vigna, seven points; Dillon Harris, six points; Kyle Cahill, five points (one three-pointer); Casey Wyllie, four points; Nolan Hoffman, one three-pointer; Travis Roeder, two points.

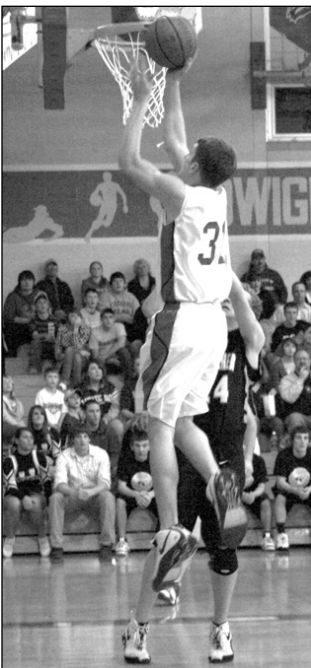
"Kids did a nice job of hanging in there versus a very hot three-point shooting team. We were able to pull away in the fourth quarter," stated Coach Porter.

#### Junior Varsity-

The junior varsity boys' basketball team fell to Sandwich, 69-42, dropping its record to 13-9 overall and 5-5 in the conference.

Scoring were: Andrew Brown, 12 points (three three-pointers); Jordan Kohrt, 10 points; Joey Norman, eight points; Jack Steichen, seven points (one three-pointer); Aaron Boma, one three-point-

er; Christian Kulla and Quinn Trewartha, one point each.



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## DGS LADY REDBIRDS VOLLEYBALL

February 17

### Lady Redbirds vs. Seneca 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Redbirds defeated Seneca, 25-18 and 25-18.

Soaring onto the stat sheet were: Chloe Cockerham, seven points, two aces, two kills, one dig, one block; Lisa Bruner, five points, three assists, three digs, two blocks, one ace; Jamie Stanton, four points, five assists, four kills, two aces, two digs, one block; Lindsey Kaiser, four points, five digs, three aces; Haley Sparrow, four points, three kills, one ace; Amanda Holmes, three points; Cacy Murphy, two points; Rachel Groll, two blocks, one kill.

### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade girls' volleyball team was defeated by Seneca, 17-25 and 13-25.

Making the stat sheet were: Summer Schuler, five points, two kills, one ace, one dig; Janessa Carman, four points, one ace; Savannah Schuler, three points, three digs, two kills; Skyler Kern, two points, six digs, one kill; Hannah Trainor, one point, six digs; Jessica Butterfield, eight digs, one assist; Nicole Murphy, three digs, one assist.

February 16

### Lady Redbirds vs. Wilmington 8th Grade-

The eighth grade girls' volleyball team was defeated by Wilmington, 25-20 and 25-22.

Soaring to the victory were: Jamie Stanton, six points, four kills, three aces, three assists, two digs, one block; Skylar Krople, six points, four aces, two digs, one kill, one block; Lisa Bruner, five points, five assists, three aces, two digs, two kills, one block; Amanda Holmes, five points, five digs; Haley Sparrow, two points, three kills, two digs, one ace; Lindsey Kaiser, one point, three kills, two digs, one ace, one assist, one block; Rachel Groll, two digs, one kill; Cacy Murphy, two digs.

### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade volleyball team fell to Wilmington, 15-25 and 25-27.

Making the stat book were: Summer Schuler, five points, three kills, one dig; Janessa Carman, five points; Jessica Butterfield, four points, five assists, one ace, one kill; Nicole Murphy, four points, three aces, two kills, one assist; Savannah Schuler, three points, three kills, one ace, one dig; Hannah Trainor, one point, one kill; Skyler Kern and Amanda Boys, one kill, one dig each.

February 14

### Lady Redbirds vs. Woodland 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Redbirds fell to Woodland, 19-25, 27-25 and 18-25, taking home second place in Livingston County Tournament.

Making the stat sheet were: Amanda Holmes, eight points, eight digs, two aces; Lisa Bruner, eight points, six assists, five aces, four digs, two kills; Lindsey Kaiser, five points, 12 digs, two kills, one assist and one block; Skylar Krople, four points, six digs, five kills, four blocks, three aces; Megan Jensen, two points, eight digs, six kills; Haley Sparrow, two points, three digs, one block; Jamie Stanton, one point, seven assists, three digs, two kills; Cacy Murphy, six digs; Alyssa Brownlee, two kills, one dig.

### 7th Grade vs. Prairie Central-

The seventh grade Lady Redbirds fell to Prairie Central, taking home fourth place in the Livingston County Tournament.

Making the stat sheet were: Janessa Carman, four points, two aces; Jessica Butterfield, three points, two digs, one ace, one kill, one assist; Hannah Trainor, two points, one dig; Amanda Boys, two points; Savannah Schuler, one point; Nicole Murphy, one assist, one dig; Brianna Swoke and Summer Schuler, one kill each; Skyler Kern and Cheyenne Fontaine, one dig each.

February 13

### Lady Redbirds vs. Saunemin 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Redbirds soared over Saunemin, 25-16 and 25-18.

Flying high for the Redbirds were: Megan Jensen, 13 points, six aces, two digs, one kill; Skylar Krople, 12 points, six aces, three kills, one dig; Jamie Stanton, three points, three aces, three assists, one kill, one dig, one block; Amanda Holmes, three points, three digs, one ace; Chloe Cockerham, two points, one ace, one assist, one dig; Lindsey Kaiser, one point, five kills, one dig; Lisa Bruner, two assists, one dig; Cacy Murphy, two digs; Alyssa Brownlee and Haley

Sparrow, one kill each.

### 7th Grade-

The seventh grade girls' volleyball team flew over Saunemin.

Helping with the victory were: Summer Schuler, 11 points, three aces, three kills, two assists; Jessica Butterfield, seven points, seven assists, four kills, two aces, two digs; Janessa Carman, six points; Savannah Schuler, two points, three assists, two kills, one ace; Amanda Boys, two points, two assists; Nicole Murphy, 17 assists, one kill; Hannah Trainor, nine kills, seven assists; Skyler Kern, two assists.

February 12

### Lady Redbirds vs. St. Mary's 8th Grade-

The eighth grade Lady Redbirds defeated St. Mary's, 25-23 and 25-13, during the Livingston County Tournament.

Soaring to the victory were: Lisa Bruner, 12 points, eight aces, seven assists, two digs; Amanda Holmes, nine points, two aces; Skylar Krople, six points, six kills, two digs, one ace, one block; Jamie Stanton, three points, four kills, four assists, two digs, one ace; Lindsey Kaiser, one point, two kills, two digs, two blocks; Megan Jensen, one point, five digs, four kills; Alyssa Brownlee, two kills; Cacy Murphy, one dig.



**"GESH, LOUISE!" DTHS students showed their support for the Lady Redbirds at Sectionals by making replicas of Coach Froelich's face, February 19.**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. JASON D. CARWYLE and AMANDA L. CARWYLE, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants. No. 09-CH-7

### NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendants, unknown owners and non record claimants, that this action has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, praying that a Judgment of Foreclosure be entered against real estate commonly known as 815 E. Water St., Pontiac, IL 61764, and legally described as follows:

Lot 10 in Block 11 in Buck's Second Addition to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois. PIN: 15-15-23-310-011

Commonly known as: 815 E. Water St., Pontiac, IL 61764

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is JASON D. CARWYLE and AMANDA L. CARWYLE. The first mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on November 2, 2007, by JASON D. CARWYLE and AMANDA L. CARWYLE to the BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation. This mortgage was recorded on November 2, 2007, at the office of the Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 582863. The second mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on November 16, 2007, by JASON D. CARWYLE and AMANDA L. CARWYLE to the BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation. This mortgage was recorded on November 16, 2007, at the office of the Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 583265.

The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff against the Defendant in Case No. 09-CH-7 is currently pending.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Courthouse in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before March 18, 2009, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2009.

Judith K. Cremer (s)  
JUDITH K. CREMER, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois

## DTHS/GSW Track Meeting February 26

The DTHS/GSW Track team is holding a parent's meeting, Thursday, February 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the DTHS Cafeteria.

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### DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

**February 19**  
**Lady Trojans vs. Ridgeview**  
**Varsity-**

The Lady Trojans varsity season came to an end with a 61-50 loss to Ridgeview, during the Sectional final.

Making the stat sheet were: Chaney Tambling, 14 points, 11 rebounds, two assists, one steal; Haley Gaston, 12 points (two three-pointers), five rebounds, two steals, one assist; Kolby Hoffman, 11 points (one three-pointer), six rebounds, five steals, three assists; Chloe Trewartha, six points, three steals, one rebound; Carly Perschnick, five points (one three-pointer), nine rebounds, one assist, one steal; Brianna Vigna, two points, three rebounds, one assist; Loren Bedeker, two rebounds.

"We gave a great effort tonight, we just couldn't get over the hump. The girls need to be proud of themselves for what they have accomplished this season. Their record of 24-6 says it all - this is a record for most wins in a season. They also captured their second Regional Championship in a row. As a team their defense gave up a team record of only 38 points per game. This is why this was such a special season," stated Coach Froelich.

**February 17**  
**Lady Trojans vs. Milford**  
**Varsity-**

The varsity Lady Trojans defeated Milford, 43-29, to claim the Regional title.

Helping with the victory were: Kolby Hoffman, 11 points (one three-pointer), four rebounds, two steals, one assist; Haley Gaston, nine points, one rebound, one assist; Carly Perschnick, eight points, 10 rebounds, five steals; Chloe Trewartha, eight points, three rebounds, one assist, one steal; Chaney Tambling, seven points, 10 rebounds, eight assists, three steals; Brianna Vigna, one rebound, one steal; Loren Bedeker, one rebound.

"We came out nervous and it showed - once we settled down we took control and went on from there - the girls should be proud - they made the Sweet Sixteen for the second time in the history of Dwight Lady Trojan Basketball," stated Coach Froelich.



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### Area Athletes Named Interstate 8 All-Conference

The Interstate 8 Conference named area athletes to its girls' basketball All-Conference and All-Star teams.

Dwight: Chaney Tambling, junior; Kolby Hoffman, junior; Carly Perschnick, senior.

Herschel: Jordan Cousin, senior.

Seneca: Sammy Tuner, senior; Thomasina Lovett, senior; Mari Knapp, senior.

Also named to the Senior All-Stars were Turner, Lovett and Knapp, all from Seneca High School; and Cousin, Herschel High School.



**GSW LADY PANTHER**  
Amber Eisha, above, and Tri-Point Lady Charger Livvy Phillips, right, competed in the 3-Point Showdown in Gibson City, February 19.



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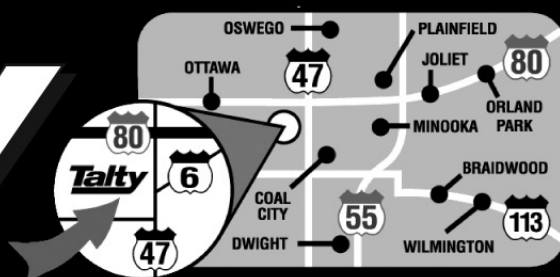
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League Standings	W	L
William J. Hooker	59 1/2	36 1/2
Morris Drapery	52 1/2	43 1/2
Becker's	52 1/2	43 1/2
Tag-A-Longs	52	44
Splitters	52	44
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Vigna's	45 1/2	50 1/2
Curves	41	55
The Hen House	40	56
Foxy Ladies	39	57

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HG, 300, Dennis Dunlap;  
HS, 664, Dennis Dunlap;  
HTG, 955, Meier Bros. Tire;  
HTS, 2724, JT's Saloon

League Standings	W	L
JT's Saloon	24	4
Jensen's	23	5
Schultz Media	14	14
Dwight Printing	14	14
Meier Bros. Tire	13	15
FJ Metal	13	15
Victory Lanes	12	16
Turtle's Tap	10	18
Dairy Queen	9	19
TBI	8	20

**Howard's League**  
HSG, 786, JT's Saloon;  
HSG, 247, Larry Woodcock;  
200, Lydia Rich

League Standings	W	L
Dairy Queen	22	10
Coal City Redi-Mx	20	12
Cards By Lori	19 1/2	12 1/2
JT's Saloon	18	14
Victory Lanes	17 1/2	14 1/2
A & S	16	16
FRP	14	18
2 Plus 2	13 1/2	18 1/2
Wolf Pack	13 1/2	18 1/2
Ron De Voo	6	26

**Ladies Night Out**  
HG, 206, Anne Rodosky;  
204, Sheila Woodcock; 190,  
Angela Wheeler; HS, 514,  
Angela Wheeler; 501, Anne  
Rodosky; 499, Sheila Wood-  
cock

League Standings	W	L
Victory Lanes	21	7
Bank of Dwight	21	7
The Paper	15	13
JT's Saloon	10	18
Dwight Dental	9	19
Dairy Queen	8	20

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## Church Dartball League

**February 16 Results**

	W	L
Mazon Congreg.	1	2
Dwight UMC	2	1
St. Peter's Luth.	0	3
Essex Methodist	3	0
St. Pat Catholic	2	1
Shepherd of Peace	1	2
Emmanuel Luth.	3	0
Dwight Congreg.	0	3
Church/Hope (bye)	3	0

The schedule for Monday, March 2, at 7 p.m. is:  
Essex Methodist at Church of Hope; St. Patrick Catholic at Emmanuel Lutheran; Dwight United Methodist at Dwight Congregational; Shepherd of Peace at St. Peter's Lutheran; Mazon Congregational has its bye.

## Dwight Seniors Pinochle Results

The results of pinochle played at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center Thursday, February 19, are as follows:  
Double pinochle: Walter Klimaszewski; two times, Barb Christensen.  
High game, 4750, Ron Kaulen; next, 4690, Carol Bush.  
Ron Kaulen served refreshments.  
The next pinochle play will be Thursday, March 5, at the senior center.

## GSW Board of Education Meets February 18

The Gardner South Wilmington High School District #73 Board of Education held a regular meeting Wednesday, February 18.

Beth Lawless, GSW social worker, was in attendance to present some information to the BOE about what she has accomplished this year and what some of her plans are for the future. She had a short PowerPoint presentation.

Dr. Decman recommended the approval of next year's school calendar. GSW should be very similar to the other schools in the area; however, GSW is starting earlier next year in an attempt to balance its two semesters. The other high schools in the area have very similar calendars. GSW's feeder schools have chosen to start later and take a couple different days off during the year. Some changes in next year's calendar are: School will be in attendance on December 22 and 23, and spring break will be in connection with Easter in April.

Dr. Decman recommended that GSW set its graduation date for May 17 at 2 p.m. Hopefully, there will not be any more snow days. Also, James Fair, former GSW faculty member, will be the speaker on graduation day.

Dr. Decman, Ms. Spiezio, Craig Male and Don Pfeifer will review the more than 100 applications on March 4 for the maintenance/custodial position. The plan is then to interview the following week and hopefully recommend a candidate at the March, or at the latest, the April BOE meeting.

Dr. Decman reviewed a summary of the recent recommendations from GSW's liability insurance provider and the regional superintendent.

Leo has already fixed or done a few of the recommendations. The BOE plans to finish the remainder over the summer.

Dr. Decman reviewed the lease agreement for the farming of the recently purchased land. He has contacted Brian Christensen, who has agreed to pay \$180 an acre to farm the land. Christensen has already signed the agreement, and now the BOE has to approve and sign.

The topic of consolidation has long been on the back burner. In the effort to provide the highest quality of education to their communities in the most cost-effective way, the four superintendents agreed to ask their respective boards of education to pass a motion to approve a "reorganization feasibility study." Fortunately, most of this study can be paid for by a grant from the Illinois State Board of Education. Dr. Decman distributed all the information about this opportunity.

Dr. Decman has received a bid from Joe Hollis for about half the price that GSW is currently paying Fatlan's for snow removal. He recommended that the BOE accept this bid beginning next year, unless Fatlan's can match the bid. Dr. Decman will contact Fatlan's to see if it will match the lower bid.

Action items included: Approval of the Gardner South Wilmington High School graduation date of May 17, 2009; approval of the lease agreement for land; approval of the Reorganization Feasibility Study; acceptance of the resignation of Shane Tucker as athletic director; approval of Attached Resolution regarding honorable dismissal of a cer-

tified employee, Dan Jerbi; approval of the employment of a secretary for maternity leave (Tiffany Berger); cancellation of the second board of education meeting of the month of January.

In superintendent information items, Dr. Decman reviewed the latest legislative news from Springfield. He also reported that he met with the Policy Committee to review the newest changes to board policy.

The BOE received an invitation to attend a BOE professional development clinic and received the monthly newsletter from Dr. Decman.

Brian Mender, a former special education teacher, will address the faculty and staff of the three local grade schools and high school Friday, February 27. His topic will be "Motivating Students to Believe, Achieve and Succeed."

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TAX NO. 05-09-106-006 COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 317 WEST CHIPPEWA STREET DWIGHT, IL 60420 Description of Improvements: LOT TRACT BLOCK BOOK PAGES 2 STORY VINYL SIDED HOUSE WITHOUT GARAGE, UTILITIES ON The Judgment amount was \$174,640.76. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. For Information: Visit our website at <http://service.atty-pierce.com>. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA0817846 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. 1160467

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE COMPANY PLAINTIFF

vs. BRETT R. BURNS A/K/A BRETT BURNS; SHEILA K. BURNS A/K/A SHEILA BURNS; DISCOVER BANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; DEFENDANTS 08CH 46

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT \*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on July 1, 2008, SHERIFF in LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on March 25, 2009, in LOBBY OF THE Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 14-14-20-426-005

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 201 MADISON STREET GRAYMONT, IL 61743

Description of Improvements: ONE-STORY HOUSE WITH WHITE VINYL SIDING AND A ONE-CAR, ATTACHED GARAGE. The Judgment amount was \$65,116.34. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. For Information: Visit our website at <http://service.atty-pierce.com>. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA0808277 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale. 1160359

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## AREA CHURCHES

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**Mission for February:**  
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15)  
**Mission for March:**  
"One Great Hour of Sharing"  
Feb. 25: Noon-12:45 p.m.,  
Soup w/Pastor; 1:30 p.m.,  
BINGO; 3:30-5 p.m., Jr.  
DUCKS.  
Mar. 1: 10:15 a.m., Worship  
w/communion.  
Mar. 2: 6:15 p.m., Choir; 7  
p.m., Dartball w/Dwight  
Methodist; Newsletter  
Assembly.

Mar. 4: Noon-12:45 p.m.,  
Soup/Pastor; 3:30-5 p.m., Turtle  
Church.

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584-1023, parsonage  
Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Sr.  
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Rev. Jacob Ehrhard, Assoc.  
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Feb. 25-27: God-With-Us  
Preschool.  
Feb. 25: Ash Wednesday;  
3:30 p.m., Weekday School;  
5:45 p.m., Bell Choir; 6:00  
p.m., Choir; 6:30 p.m., Ash  
Wednesday Service.

Feb. 27: 6:30 p.m., Adult  
Fellowship; 7 p.m., Circle of  
Hearts; 8 p.m., AA Meeting.  
Feb. 28: 5 p.m., Worship  
Service with Holy Communion.  
Mar. 1: 9 a.m., Bible Class,  
Sunday School, New Member  
Class; 10:15 a.m., Worship  
Service with Holy Communion;  
Elders Meeting & Fellowship  
Meeting following worship  
service.  
Mar. 2-6: God-With-Us  
Preschool.  
Mar. 2: 7 p.m., Dart Game,  
St. Patrick's at Emmanuel.  
Mar. 4: 3:30 p.m., Weekend  
School; 5:30 p.m., Lenten  
Supper (Elders); 5:45 p.m., Bell  
Choir; 6:20 p.m., Choir; 7 p.m.,  
Lenten Service.  
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Feb. 25: Ash Wednesday; 8-  
9 a.m., Exercise; 4:30-6 p.m.,  
Confirm. (Sr.); 6-7:30 p.m.,  
Confirm. (Jr.); 7 p.m., Worship.  
Feb. 26: 10:30 a.m., Mazon  
Bible Study at Thelma Zabel's;  
2 p.m., Prison Ministry; 3-4:30  
p.m., After School Program.  
Feb. 27: 8-9 a.m., Exercise;  
8:30 a.m., Mail Epistle.  
Feb. 28: 1-3 p.m., Council  
Vision Meeting.

**Dwight United Methodist  
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584-3420, church  
584-1554, parsonage  
Pastor Rev. William Leppin  
Feb. 25: 1-3 p.m., Set up for  
Youth & Children's Choir; 3:05  
p.m., Children's Choir, Junior  
UMYF; 4:45 p.m., Confirmation;  
5 p.m., Set Up Sr. UMYF;  
6 p.m., Sr. UMYF; 7 p.m., Ash  
Wednesday Service.

Feb. 26: 1-3 p.m., Set Up  
Kids Club; 3:05 p.m., Kids  
Club; 6 p.m., Finance Meeting;  
7 p.m., Sanctuary Choir.  
Feb. 27: Conf. UMW  
Spiritual Retreat.  
Feb. 28: Conf. UMW  
Spiritual Retreat; 7 p.m., Sr.  
UMYF Retreat Concludes.  
Mar. 1: 7:15-8:15 a.m., Set  
Up for UMYF Coffee Shop;  
7:45 a.m., Sanctuary Choir  
Rehearsal; 8 a.m., Traditional  
Worship Service; 8:30-10:30  
a.m., UMYF Coffee Shop; 9:15  
a.m., Sunday School, Praise and  
Worship Team Rehearsal; 10:30  
a.m., Praise and Worship  
Service; noon, Youth Council  
Prayer; 5:30 p.m., Prayer Group;  
6:30 p.m., Bible Study.  
Mar. 2: 7 p.m., Dartball at  
Dwight Congregational Church.  
Mar. 3: 8:30 a.m., Bible  
Study - Karla Bohounek; 9 a.m.,

Bible Study - Jean Voigts.  
Mar. 4: 1-3 p.m., Set Up  
Youth and Children's Choir;  
3:05 p.m., Children's Choir, Jr.  
UMYF; 4:45 p.m.,  
Confirmation; 5 p.m., Set Up Sr.  
UMYF; 6 p.m., Sr. UMYF  
Praise and Prayer, SPRC; 6:30  
p.m., Sr. UMYF Meal; 7 p.m.,  
Sr. UMYF, Bible Warriors; 8  
p.m., Bible Study - Corilyn.  
Mar. 5: 5:30-6:30 p.m.,  
Handbells.  
**St. Patrick Catholic Church**  
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Rev. James Rickey, Pastor  
584-3522, Rectory  
Sat., Feb. 28: 4:00 -4:45  
p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m.,  
Mass.  
Sun., Mar. 1: 8 a.m., Mass;  
10:30 a.m., Mass.  
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Prayer & Lectinary Group; 4  
p.m., Choir practice; 7 p.m.,  
Ash Wednesday Service.  
Feb. 26: 9:30 a.m., Church  
Prayer Group; 10:30 a.m.,  
Kerygma Class.  
Feb. 28: 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.,  
Soup & Sandwich Supper here  
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Feb. 25: 7 p.m., Wednesday  
Evening Service and Kings  
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March 1: 9:45 a.m., Sunday  
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Morning; 6 p.m., Evening  
Service.  
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Group.  
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Truthseekers Bible Study.  
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## DGS to Offer Summer Reading Program, Summer Maintenance Projects Move Forward

by Madelyn Fogarty  
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As warmer weather gave area residents a taste of spring last week, the Dwight Grade School Board of Education took action in preparation for summer during its February 11 meeting. With an increased focus on improving reading skills, a summer reading program will again be offered to identified students.

The first through fifth grade program will run three mornings per week from July 21 through August 14. This year's theme will be "Welcome to the Reading Café."

Reading Specialists Barbara Svornik and Yvonne Welsh will again host the program along with a third teacher not yet named. Compensation for each teacher is \$1,200.

The program, which takes place at summer's end, provides a reading boost prior to the students' return to school and has received positive feedback.

"It gives [the student] a faster start," explained Welsh.

Summer maintenance improvement projects are being evaluated and some bids have been accepted.

Automatic faucets for thirty sinks were approved by the Board at a total cost of \$9,000. Dwight Schools' Building and Grounds Supervisor, Tony Noonan, will provide the labor to install.

The grade school will also move forward with replacement of all toilet partitions along with installation of urinal screens. The solid plastic partitions and screens

will be provided by Division 10 Supplies, Inc. of Wood Dale, IL at a cost of \$21,272 installed. The partitions and screens will feature an antimicrobial product which is imbedded into the plastic that kills mold, bacteria, and MRSA on contact. The germ fighting feature comes at an additional cost of \$5,994.

Ideal Environmental is evaluating the cafeteria floor to determine if asbestos is present in the floor tile. Replacement of the cafeteria floor is a maintenance project being considered. However, suspected asbestos significantly increases the cost and scope of the project. More information is being gathered before a recommendation is made.

A proposal to approve a debit card system was tabled by the Board. Two systems were reviewed with Meal Time being recommended at a cost of \$9,607.50. The Point of Sale system would provide a cashless means for student purchases. Initially used by students for cafeteria transactions, the system would have the capability of being expanded to include other school purchase needs such as text book rental. The system would allow the parent the ability to monitor and manage the student's account electronically. While the Board was interested in the proposal, Education Fund monies would be required to purchase the system. With uncertainty of pending State Aid monies and a tight Education Fund budget, the Board agreed that right now was not the appropriate time to pursue the project. The proposal will be reviewed

again at a later date.

**In other business,** the Board accepted the resignation of Dan Kaiser from the position of DJHS 8th Grade Baseball Coach. A replacement for the coaching position has not yet been named.

**Dates to Remember:**  
February 26, 7 p.m. – Fifth Grade Band Concert  
March 6, 4:30 - 6 p.m. – Early Learning Family Night  
March 11, 7 p.m. – School Board Meeting  
March 23 - 27 – No School, Spring Break  
April 6, 1 - 7 p.m. – Kindergarten Registration

### Notice of Public Hearing on Road District Budget

Notice is hereby given that a tentative budget and appropriation ordinance for road purposes of Union Township in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2009, and ending March 31, 2010, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at Clerk's home from and after two o'clock p.m., Wednesday, March 25, 2009.

Notice is further hereby given that a public hearing on said budget and appropriation ordinance will be held at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2009, at Clerk's home in this Township and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at Township Clerk's home at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2009.

Richard Boundy, Clerk

### The Paper Ad Deadline is Friday at noon.

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### 2009

- Feb. 26 Yahoo e-mail class, Fossil Ridge, 1 or 6 p.m., reg. required
- Feb. 27 Fish Fry, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight, 5-7 p.m.
- Feb. 27 A.A. Meeting, Emmanuel Lutheran, Dwight, 8 p.m.
- Feb. 28 Soup/Sandwich Supper, 4-6:30 p.m., Gardner Church of Hope
- Feb. 28 Dwight Chamber Auction, 5 p.m., Country Mansion
- Mar. 2 Liv. Co. Plan. Commission Mtg., Liv. Co. Courthouse, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 5 Senior Tax Help, Fossil Ridge Library, 9 a.m. to noon
- Mar. 5 E-card class, Fossil Ridge Lib., 1 or 6 p.m., Reg. Required
- Mar. 5 Liv. Co. Zone Brd. of Appeals Mtg., Liv. Co. Courthouse, 7p
- Mar. 6 Fish Fry, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight, 5-7 p.m.
- Mar. 6 Winter Carnival, Godley Park, 6:30-8:30 p.m., reg. by 2/16
- Mar. 6 Odell Firemen Fish Fry, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Fire Station
- Mar. 7 Chicken Dinner, Parish Hall (274 N. Elm), Herscher, 4:30-7
- Mar. 7 Dwight Senior Breakfast, 8 a.m., Route 66 Restaurant
- Mar. 8 Gardner Lions Pancake Breakfast, 7 a.m.-noon, Am. Legion
- Mar. 10 Dwight Senior Catered Dinner, 12 p.m., Senior Building
- Mar. 10 Senior Coffee, Fossil Ridge Library, 1 p.m.
- Mar. 10 Odell & Garden Show trip, Godley Park, register by 2/16
- Mar. 11 Danish Brotherhood Kringle Sale begins
- Mar. 12 Internet Part I class, 1 or 6 p.m., Fossil Ridge, Reg. Req.
- Mar. 12 Corned Beef Cabbage Supper, Dwight VFW Hall
- Mar. 13 Fish Fry, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight, 5-7 p.m.
- Mar. 15 Corned Beef & Cabbage, Sacred Heart, Campus, 2-6 p.m.
- Mar. 15 Dwight VFW Bean Bag Tournament
- Mar. 19 Senior Tax Help, Fossil Ridge Library, 9 a.m. to noon
- Mar. 20 Fish Fry, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight, 5-7 p.m.
- Mar. 21 Ukrainian Egg Workshop, Fossil Ridge, 9:30-noon, reg. req.
- Mar. 22 Last day to order Danish Kringle
- Mar. 23 Book Club, Fossil Ridge Library, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar. 25 Through the Eyes of Hubble, Fossil Ridge Library, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 26 Internet Part II class, Fossil Ridge, 1 or 6 p.m., Reg. Req.
- Mar. 27 Odell All Town Garage Sales, 8 a.m. -6 p.m.
- Mar. 27 Fish Fry, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight, 5-7 p.m.
- Mar. 28 Odell All Town Garage Sales, 8 a.m. -2 p.m.
- Mar. 28 Pick up Danish Kringle at Dwight VFW, 8:30 a.m.-noon
- Mar. 29 Aebleskiver Breakfast, Dwight VFW, 7 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Apr. 3 Fish Fry, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Dwight, 5-7 p.m.
- Apr. 4 Dwight Booster Bash, St. Patrick's Parish Hall
- Apr. 17 Wing Ding Supper, Dwight VFW Hall
- Apr. 18 South Wilmington All-town Garage Sales, 8 a.m. - ?
- Apr. 19 Gardner Lions Pancake Brkfast, 7 a.m.-noon, Am. Legion
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## GLCEDC Hires First CEO

A 16-year veteran of economic development has been hired as the first Chief Executive Officer for the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council. GLCEDC Chairman Mike Stoecklin, Mayor of Saunemin, made the announcement following a nation-wide search for the start-up organization's first CEO.

Larry Vaupel, of Plainfield, IL, assumed the duties of the group's CEO on Monday morning following his acceptance of the position last week. Vaupel's background was one of the major selling points to members of the Executive Committee of the GLCEDC, which interviewed six candidates for the position. 'One thing that stood out when looking at Larry's resume was the fact that he has been involved in many different areas of economic development over the last 16 years,' said Stoecklin.

Vaupel's experiences range from city planning for the City of Peoria in the early 90s, to directing economic development initiatives for three different Chicagoland suburbs.

Private sector experiences have included work as the

Director of Planning and Entitlements for a Wheaton, IL based land development firm, and as a consultant for two different Economic Development Corporations.

Vaupel has also served as an adjunct faculty member at Joliet Junior College and has been a broker with a commercial real estate firm in Plainfield. In 2007, he became a Trustee for the Village of Plainfield and will soon earn his PhD from Northern Illinois University in political science.

'In our search, we received resumes and information from over 25 individuals from ten different states,' said Stoecklin. 'It is important that our choice has roots in the Midwest, and specifically in Illinois. Larry is going to bring a vast and diverse background to the table. His experiences allow him to view economic development

from many different perspectives. We have great confidence that he is the right choice to lead our organization during this important time,' Stoecklin concluded.

The GLCEDC officially re-organized in August of 2008, following a 10-month effort by members of both the public and private sectors in Livingston County. At the August re-organization meeting, the GLCEDC formed with a newly elected Board of Directors and an 11-member Executive Committee. Since the re-organization, the GLCEDC has opened their office in the lower level of the Livingston County Farm Bureau in Pontiac and has spent much time in their search for a CEO. The GLCEDC has over 80 members representing the public sector, private business and industry, and individuals from Livingston County.



**MEMBERS OF THE S.T.U.D.S. GROUP at Gardner South Wilmington High School receive a check from Mistie Whitlow from the Allstate Foundation. The grant was part of "Operation Safe Teen Driving."**

## GSW High School Driver Safety Group Receives Grant

Gardner South Wilmington High School has been awarded a grant from All-state Insurance and IDOT totaling \$2,000. The grant is a safe driving grant called "Operation Safe Teen Driving."

GSW created an organization called S.T.U.D.S, which stands for "Safe Teen Ultimate Driving Squad." The group has done several activities over the past few months to help reinforce positive driving behaviors. The group has focused on seat belt safety and avoiding distractions in the car, such as talking on the phone or texting while driving. The group did a seat belt race during homeroom and a Grim Reaper activity when students randomly disappeared throughout the day, illustrating the number of teen driving deaths that occur each day.

Other activities included two discreet seat belt checks, one in which students received tickets. Numbers on the tickets were called

throughout the day, and students were awarded prizes for making the decision to wear their belt. Activities during the basketball games and throughout the school day were also conducted.

This is the second straight year that GSW has been awarded the grant. Last year, the group won fourth place and went to a Ford Motor Company Ride-and-Drive in Peoria and were awarded an extra \$1,000 for continuing safe driving activities. They are competing in region three this year against quite a few larger schools. Their competition includes: Manteno, Romeoville, Bolingbrook, Round Lake, Glenbard West, Glenbard South, Glenbard East, Lake Forest, Waubonsie Valley, Naperville Central, Harry D. Jacobs, Rich Central and Bloom Trail high schools. Results will be announced in April.

GSW High School's S.T.U.D.S. sponsor is Terese Kukman.

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