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Staffing Changes Approved at DGS

by Madelyn Fogarty
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Certified, noncertified and co-curricular staffing assignments highlighted the meeting when the Dwight Grade School Board of Education met on May 14.

Certified staff changes included the acceptance of a retirement notice from third grade teacher Julie White effective with the close of this school year. Mrs. White has taught in the district for 36 years. The board did not approve a requested 5.4% retirement incentive for White since her notice was received after the contract specified deadline of September 1.

White will remain working for the district as the board agreed to employ Mrs. White as a special education aide in a job share position. The part-time assignment will fill an opening created by the earlier retirement resignation of Special Ed Aide Susan Carey.

Early Childhood Special Education Teacher Brooke Seggerman submitted a letter of resignation effective at the end of the current school year. The board approved hiring Suzanne Schall to fill the ECSE position. Schall will be a first year teacher and is a graduate of Millikin University.

In actions affecting non-certified staff and following closed session evaluations, the board approved the recommendations of the admin-

istration for rehiring support staff. All teacher aides, custodians, and district support personnel were reemployed for the 2009-10 school year with the exception of the teacher aide parent coordinator. Rehired non-certified staff will receive a three percent wage increase.

Moving to co-curricular assignments, the board accepted the resignation of Teri Kennedy as 8th grade volleyball coach. Also resigning was Stephanie Flott as scholastic bowl coach. Both positions are currently open while replacements are sought.

Joe Eggenberger was approved as seventh grade baseball coach. Eggenberger will take the place of Josh Stevenson who will move up to eighth grade baseball coach. Stevenson replaces Dan Kaiser who resigned from the baseball coaching position earlier this year.

Following closed session evaluations, the board approved the rehire of the remaining co-curricular positions.

In other business, the board approved a bid of \$4,970 from Zeke's Furniture Mart of Dwight for the purchase and installation of new floor tile for the cafeteria. The current asbestos floor tile will be abated as part of the summer floor project.

The Dwight Junior High graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 28, at 7 p.m. in the DTHS gymnasium.

The next DGS Board of Education meeting will take place on June 9 at 7 p.m. in the DGS Library. All Board of Education meetings are open to the public.



CHASE TRAVERS OF RANSOM climbs aboard a Ransom Fire Department truck at his homecoming and eighth birthday celebration on May 14. The fire department and about 250 to 300 friends and neighbors welcomed the second-grader home from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, TN, where he has been undergoing treatment for Leukemia. Chase will continue chemotherapy treatments in Peoria before returning to St. Jude in late summer. His grandmother, Betty Ludkowski, said, "We are just overwhelmed at everyone who came to welcome the little guy home." More photos on page 18.

Dempsey Dodge Chrysler Jeep to be Part of the New Chrysler

by Meta Machulis

Dempsey Dodge Chrysler Jeep of Dwight will continue to sell new Chrysler vehicles, despite a recent decision by Chrysler LLC to eliminate 789 of its 3,200 dealerships. Dempsey's was not one of the dealerships chosen for elimination and will be part of Chrysler's restructuring plan.

"We're excited that with over 25 years in business, we were invited to be a part of that (restructuring) process and continue

serving the Dwight area," said Tim Slattery, sales manager at Dempsey's. "I think this restructuring that they're doing is going to be awesome."

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Chief Sheriff's Deputy Ken White Announces Candidacy for Sheriff

by Tom Tock

Ken White of Dwight, a 33-year member of the Livingston County Sheriff's Department, Friday afternoon announced his candidacy for County Sheriff.

The announcement, scheduled for the south side of the courthouse, was moved into the Pontiac City Hall because of the weather. Some 50 people from across Livingston County were in attendance.

As Chief Deputy, White has been responsible for assisting Sheriff Bob McCarty in the day-to-day operations of the department, jail, and LIVCOM 911 dispatch, supervising 73 employees.

For the past eight years, White has assisted the Sheriff in the development and administration of \$4.25 million in budgets for the three departments.

White said, "I believe there would be a seamless transition from the term of (retiring) Sheriff McCarty."

White is also currently responsible for the Proactive Unit, formed in 2003 to address the serious drug problem in Livingston County.

Asked to expand his remarks about the county's drug problems, White responded, "Heroin is the biggie, and the fastest growing problem. It's cheap,



Ken White, left, enjoys a lighter moment with Livingston County Board Chairman Bill Fairfield before White announced his candidacy for Livingston County Sheriff.

available, and Dwight to Chicago provides an easy route."

Mike Stoecklin, former Saunemin mayor, addressed White: "I appreciate the time you spent in our community, and for the time you made available to all the mayors in this county. As mayors, we may understand more of the drug problems than some others, and we know you will continue to stay ahead of these problems with your Proactive Unit."

Former Livingston County Board member Roger Wahls stood up to say: "Not only is Ken a good administrator

and a good policeman . . . he is able to multi-task and deal with the other law enforcement agencies involved."

Sheriff Bob McCarty, who rode patrol with White when White first came on the force, added his remarks to those of several others, stating, "There is not a better candidate for Sheriff in the State of Illinois."

White and his wife, Julie, have two daughters, Andrea and Erinn.

Steve Wilkey, First National Bank of Dwight, is the treasurer of White's campaign for Livingston County Sheriff.

Kyle Cahill of Troop 201 Earns Eagle Scout Award



Kyle Cahill

On January 18, Kyle Cahill passed the W.D. Boyce Council Board of Review for his final step to earn his Eagle Scout Award. The board consisted of two council representatives and two board members from Troop 201 of Dwight.

Before earning an Eagle Scout Award, a scout has to go through many trials. He must make rank advancements, hold leadership positions in the troop and complete a total of 21 merit badges before he can begin planning and organizing his Eagle project.

Of the 21 merit badges required, 12 are mandatory. These badges include: first aid; citizenship in the community; citizenship in the nation; citizenship in the world; communications; family life; emergency preparedness or lifesaving; environmental science; personal management; personal fitness; swimming or sports; and camping.

The requirements also include being active in the troop and demonstrating

scout spirit. In addition, an Eagle Scout has to show leadership, not only by actively holding a troop leadership position for six months or more but also by planning, developing and giving leadership to others in a service project that is beneficial to a church, school or community.

Cahill joined Boy Scouts in March 2002 and advanced to Tenderfoot in February 2003; Second Class Scout in August 2003; First Class in May 2005; Star Scout in June 2007; and advanced to Life Scout in May 2008, becoming assistant senior patrol leader for his leadership role. In addition to the 12 required merit badges, he earned badges in cooking, woodcarving, rifle, fishing, canoeing, rowing, finger-printing, wilderness survival and sports.

Cahill's Eagle Scout project was to pour a 20-by-20-foot concrete slab for a picnic area at the Dwight Welcome Center at the Ambler/Becker Texaco station. He managed all aspects of the operation, including removal of dirt, obtaining materials, pouring a new slab of concrete along with talking to all suppliers and contractors to arrange concrete and set up accounts at the lumber yard.

The area is being used for visitors who travel down Old Route 66 and stop at the station to rest or have a picnic.

Anyone interested in joining Boy Scouts can call Robert DeMarse at 815-584-2786.

SPECIAL TO THE PAPER



2009 GRADUATE SECTION

Dwight Memorial Day Service

The Memorial Day Ceremony will be conducted at 11 a.m., Monday, May 25, at the Dwight Depot by the honor/color guard of the Legion Post #486 and VFW Post #2608.

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Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

May 8: Christopher A. Bailey, 18, Rockford, possession of cannabis/30 grams or less, in-state warrant; Joshua D. Jones, 19, Dwight, in-state warrant.

May 9: Steven R. Farley, 20, Dwight, allow unauthorized person to drive; Christopher L. Snell, 20, Dwight, illegal consumption of alcohol by minor.

May 12: Gail L. Shumowsky, 46, LaGrange Park, no valid driver's license.

May 13: Joe W. Drechsel, 49, Odell, probation violation or revocation, criminal trespass to land.

Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

May 7: Mazon Ave., medical, Riverside; Chicago, citizen assist.

May 8: Chicago St., citizen assist; Chicago St., citizen assist; Spencer, medical, Morris; Mazon Ave., medical, Morris.

May 9: Union St., medical, coroner; DCC, medical, Pontiac; Heritage Manor, medical, Morris; Burkhardt Rd., trauma, Morris, mutual aid to MVK.

May 11: Rt. 17, trauma, PSM; Old Rt. 66, fire standby; 3200 E. Rd., medical, Pontiac; John St., medical.

May 12: Waupansie,

medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris; Scott, medical, Morris.

May 13: 3200 N., trauma, St. Mary's Streator, mutual aid to Allen Township; Aldi Dr., medical, St. Mary's, Streator; Prairie, medical, St. James; Main St., medical, Riverside; Mazon Ave., medical, Riverside.

2 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police

No rear registration plate light, 1; only one red tail-light, 1.

Accidents Investigated by Dwight Police

Saturday, May 9, 2009, 10:00 a.m., 205 W. Chippewa St., Dwight – Officer John Hoy: A collision occurred between Douglas M. Lovell of Dwight, driving a 2000 Chevy pickup truck, and an unattended, parked 1996 Saturn four-door belonging to Brian K. Wood of Dwight, according to the police report.

Tuesday, May 12, 2009, 7:00 a.m., 801 S. Franklin

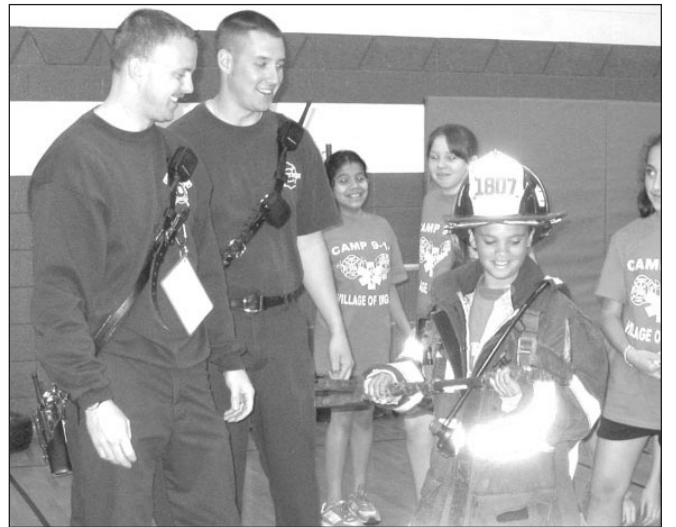
St. (DTHS), Dwight – Officer Charlie Houch: A collision occurred between Anthony R. Morales of Dwight, driving a 2006 Dodge Charger, and an unattended, parked 2003 Chevy Silverado belonging to John D. Connor of Dwight, according to the police report.

Tuesday, May 12, 2009, 4:58 p.m., 301 S. Old Rt. 66, Dwight – Officer Glenn Peters: A collision occurred between Christina M. Harris of Emington, driving a 2001 Chevy Blazer, and an unattended, parked 2000 Lincoln belonging to Mildred A. Hoegger of Odell, according to the police report.

Wednesday, May 13, 2009, 7:00 a.m., 801 N. Union St., Dwight – Officer John Hoy: A collision occurred between Michael A. Miller of Midlothian, driving a 1995 Kenworth conversion, and a non-moving 1998 Volvo conversion belonging to Olen Kapusta of Skokie, according to the police report.



KELLY KRUG, left, of the Dwight Emergency Medical Services, shows DGS students how a heart monitor works during Camp 911, which was held May 15. During the event, which was coordinated by the Dwight EMS in cooperation with other emergency response departments, DGS fifth graders traveled to various stations throughout the school to learn about safety and emergency situations.



AUSTIN ADAMCHAK, right, tries on firefighters' gear as two Dwight firefighters assist him during Camp 911 at DGS. The Dwight EMS, in cooperation with other emergency service departments, held the May 15 event to teach fifth grade students about safety and emergency situations.

Four Dwight Residents Arrested on Cannabis and Other Charges

A joint investigation involving the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit and Dwight Police resulted in the arrest of five people on April 30, according to information provided by the Dwight Police Department.

A search warrant was executed in the 100 block of West Seminole Street resulting in the arrests. Those arrested include: Lisa Faris, 20, of Dwight, for possession of cannabis less than 2.5 grams, possession of drug paraphernalia, illegal consumption of alcohol and probation violation;

Lucas Zimmerman, 21, of Dwight, for possession of cannabis less than 2.5 grams and possession of drug paraphernalia;

Stephen Sennott, 23, of Dwight, for possession of

cannabis less than 2.5 grams, possession of drug paraphernalia and unlawful possession of a weapon;

Bradley Krause, 19, of Dwight, for possession of cannabis less than 2.5 grams and possession of drug paraphernalia.

All were transported to the Livingston County Jail.

A Kankakee resident was also arrested but upon further investigation was released and not charged, according to Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson.

"The Livingston County Pro-Active Unit has been active and is working in conjunction with the Dwight Police Department to actively pursue any and all who are involved in criminal activity," Henson said.

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THE ABOVE PIECES OF WATER MAIN were displayed by Dave Bozarth, Dwight Superintendent of public works, at the May 11 Village Council Meeting. At the left is a section of good main; the thin, corroded fragment is the piece that blew out of a water main at St. Louis and Philmar streets May 8. Another recent water line fracture at Wilmac and Sunset was found to be near a previously repaired break, and a section of that main will be taken out and replaced. Many of Dwight's water mains are 60 to 100 years old. More than a half dozen of them have been on an unbudgeted "need to replace" list for a decade.

Dwight EMS Open House Being Held for EMS Week

May 17 through 23 is Emergency Medical Services Week, and the community is invited to visit the Dwight EMS at the Public Services Complex. It is located at 209 S. Prairie Ave., Dwight, and will be open to the public from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily through Friday. As during past EMS Weeks, the Dwight EMS will provide free blood pressure readings; blood sugar and cholesterol level checks; and child car seat safety checks. This week is to honor the members of the Dwight Emergency Medical Services, who are ready 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide lifesaving care to those in need. The following are the providers who serve the Dwight community and the year they began service with the Dwight EMS: Director Al Metzke, 1974; Intermediate Dustin Campbell, 2001; and paramedics: Sandy Kokaly, 1978; Jackie Sparrow, 1991; Michele Galloway, 1996; Steve McCabe, 2001; Randy Wilkey, 2001; Mike Kingman, 2004; Kelly Krug, 2005; and Jenny Kasper, 2007.

Temps - 2009

May 6 - high 76°, low 52° .02" precip.	May 11 - high 71°, low 48° .95" precip.
May 7 - high 70°, low 51° .20" precip.	May 12 - high 69°, low 53° 1.35" precip.
May 8 - high 66°, low 42°	
May 9 - high 68°, low 39°	
May 10 - high 65°, low 42°	One Year Ago - May 20, 2008 high 64°, low 37°

Dwight Board Approves Appointments and Committees

by Madelyn Fogarty
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A new Village of Dwight President along with new members to the Board of Trustees also means a reorganization of village officials and governing committee members. At its May 11 meeting, the board approved all appointments recommended by Mayor Bill Wilkey, which included Jared Anderson as Mayor Pro-tem; Diane Jensen, Treasurer; Patty Drechsel, Comptroller; and Kevin McNamara, Village Administrator. Nick Kester was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals following the resignation of Jared Anderson from the Zoning Board.

The following Village of Dwight Committee assignments were also approved:

Services, Health & Safety Committee Ron Skinner, Chairperson, Mike Woods, Jerry Curtis;

Public Property Committee Jared Anderson, Chairperson, Justin Eggenberger, Mike Woods;

Liquor Commission Mayor Bill Wilkey, Liquor Commissioner, Services Committee;

Utilities Committee Justin Eggenberger, Chairperson, Jared Anderson, Angie Airgood;

Ordinance, Judicial & Licensing Committee Angie Airgood, Chairperson, Jerry Curtis, Ron Skinner;

Administration Committee (formerly Finance Committee) Bill Wilkey, Chairperson, All Village Trustees

In other business, the board approved a Nuisance Abatement Resolution that will allow the village to take necessary action to remove an abandoned swimming pool located at 322 S. Franklin Street if the owner does not comply within 48 hours after being served a Notice of Ordinance Violation. The unattended pool is considered a public

health and safety hazard. Laura Vigna and Rodney Connor, members of IMPACT Dwight, reported on this community improvement organization. IMPACT stands for "Involve Many People and A Community Thrives" and is a part of the MAPPING program, which is gaining momentum with over 70 members dedicated to growing local business and tourism along with social and cultural improvements within the Village.

Public Works Director Dave Bozarth reported to the Board on the cause and status of recent water main breaks. Bozarth also presented a piece of a badly deteriorated cast iron water main so the Board could get a sense of necessary repairs facing the village. According to Bozarth, some water lines are fifty to one hundred years old.

"We have millions and millions of dollars worth of water lines underground and

we don't know what they are like," Bozarth cautioned the board. "Somewhere along the line, we are going to have to move."

The board also:

- approved payment of ordinary bills totaling \$151,032.61
- accepted an excess property bid of \$400 for a village owned Ford Tempo.

- rejected an excess property bid of \$201 for a village owned Ford pickup truck.
- learned that a second hand store will open on East Main Street.

No board session will take place on May 25 due to the Memorial Day holiday. The next board session will be held on Monday, June 8, 6 p.m., at the Public Services



Former Dwight Village President Jim Mixen, left, received a plaque from new Mayor Bill Wilkey. The plaque recognizes Mixen's four years of service as Mayor of the Village of Dwight.



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Deadline is Friday at noon.

TIME OUT

- May 22 Fossil Ridge Library, Braidwood, Opens Late – 1 p.m.
- May 22 AA Meeting, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight, 8 p.m.
- May 22-23 DTHS Jazz Show
- May 24 DTHS Baccalaureate
- May 25 Fossil Ridge Library Closed for Memorial Day
- May 25 Godley Park Closed – Memorial Day
- May 25 AA Meeting, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight, 8 p.m.
- May 26 Drug-free Approach to ADD, Gentle Hands, Brdwd., 7p
- May 26 Summer Reading Signup Begins, Fossil Ridge Library
- May 28 Weight Loss, Gentle Hands Wellness Ctr., Braidwood, 7p
- May 29 AA Meeting, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight, 8 p.m.
- June 2 Dwight VFW Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting, 6 p.m.
- June 5-6 Gardner All-town Garage Sales
- June 7 Dwight VFW Men's Auxiliary Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- June 9 Dwight American Legion Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- June 9 Catered Dinner, Dwight Senior Center 12:00 p.m.
- June 9 Father's Day Crafts, Ages 2-5 & 6-12, Godley Park
- June 10 Bloodmobile, St. Pat's Parish Hall, Dwight, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
- June 10 Godley Park trip to Shipshewana Flea Market
- June 10 Euchre, Dwight Senior Center, 6:30 p.m.
- June 11 Pinochle, Dwight Senior Center, 1:00 p.m.
- June 11 Dwight VFW Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- June 11-14 Braceville Summer Kickoff; Parade June 14
- June 13 Children's Fishing Derby at Godley Park, Ages 2-16, Free
- June 15-19 Horsemanship Camp at Godley Park, Reg. by 5/8
- June 16 Dwight Sons of American Legion Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- June 16 Euchre & Bridge, Dwight Senior Center, 1:00 p.m.
- June 23 June SHARE Food Pickup, Godley Park, 3:30 p.m.
- June 27 Golf "Fore" St. Paul School, Wolf Creek, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

It's FREE to List Your Event in Time Out!
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Mazon-Verona United Methodist Men Meet May 12

The Tuesday, May 12 meeting of the Mazon-Verona United Methodist Men was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by President Jim McCormack, with an opening prayer by Pastor Mark Amenda. Other members in attendance were Ralph Binion Sr., Les Boling, Dick Ely, Jerry Hacker, Randy Lowery, Paul Page and Joe Swithin.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were given by Secretary Randy Lowery. He reported an income of \$74 and expenses of \$10. A profit of \$64 was realized.

Old business: Because Treasurer Forrest McCor-mack was absent, Lowry reported that \$74 was collected this past month from the ongoing recycling fund-raiser.

President Jim McCor-mack reported that flyers have been made for distribution for the upcoming Sock Hop/Barbecue and Hot Dog Dinner, which will

be held on Saturday, June 27, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the MUMC. There will be no set charge for this event; however, a free-will offering will be held. Since the PADS program is in need of socks, any socks donated at this time would be greatly appreciated. This dinner will include barbecue, hot dogs, chips, drinks, and a dessert.

In new business, Dick Ely moved that \$200 be donated to both the Verona and Mazon churches to cover the portion of the delegate fees for this year's annual conference. The motion carried.

Pastor Mark Amenda read scripture from the book of Hebrews, chapter 11, verses one through 13.

The next meeting of the M-VUMM will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, at the MUMC.

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Dwight Peace Meals

Wed., May 20: Roasted turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, peanut butter pie.

Thurs., May 21: Italian meatballs, buttered hominy, garden cottage cheese, wheat bread, warm fruit compote.

Fri., May 22: Golden spicy

chicken pattie, herb garlic beans and vegetables, pickled beets, wheat bread, hot fruit cobbler.

Mon., May 25: Closed for Memorial Day holiday.

Tues., May 26: Swiss beef pattie, parsley potatoes, creamed corn, wheat bread, sliced peaches.

Wed., May 27: Sweet and sour chicken, baked rice, lime gelatin with pears, wheat bread, cookie or brownie.

Thurs., May 28: Meatloaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, orange glazed beets, wheat bread, cherry salad.

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THE REDDICK COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL class of 1940 met at The Country Mansion, Dwight, on May 13, 2009. Pictured left to right are: front row, Harold Milling, Francis O'Brien; back row, Irene "Daah" Franey, Dagny Lund Patterson, Gerald Fritz, Josephine Murphy and Robert Geiger.

American Legion Auxiliary Past Presidents' Parley Held

The 17th District American Legion Auxiliary Past Presidents' Parley luncheon was held Saturday, April 25, at the VFW Hall in Pontiac.

Following lunch, the meeting was called to order by '07-'08 President Carolyn Tiffany. The opening was conducted by her past officers and chairmen.

There were three past Fourth Division presidents, 15 past district presidents, 46 past unit presidents and one past junior president in attendance. There were 75 members present.

Past President Tiffany introduced her past officers, and District 17 President Judy Ehlers introduced her present officers.

Following the minutes and treasurer's report, it was voted to provide a \$1,000 Nurse's Scholarship and to make contributions to the veterans



PAST 17TH DISTRICT PRESIDENT Carolyn Tiffany, left, and 17th District President Judy Ehlers pause for a photo during the Past Presidents' Parley.

homes in Danville, LaSalle and Manteno. It was also voted to make a contribution to Operation Military Kids.

Diana Umdenstock, department historian, was introduced. She thanked the 17th District members for all the support and help they have given her. She will be department president in 2011-2012. Her first big fund-raiser was a style show luncheon May 16, at the Roanoke American Legion.

Winners of the 50/50 drawing were announced, and the drawings for the raffle were held with winners receiving their gifts.

The chaplain gave a closing prayer, all joined hands and sang "God Bless America." President Tiffany closed the meeting.

Attending from the American Legion Auxiliary of Skinner Trost Unit #122 of Cullom were Judy Ehlers, Lorena Metz, Sherryl Nelson, Pat Fagan, Vicki Allen, Marcia Stalter, Kim Harms, Linda Vercler, Marsha Haag and Birgit McCulley.

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WWII Vets Get Free Flight to D.C. Memorial

by Meta Machulis

Dr. Oliver Zivney of Dwight and Bill Finn of Coal City were recently honored with a free trip to Washington, D.C. to see the memorial to the millions of men and women who served in the U.S. military during World War II.

Zivney and Finn, both WWII veterans, joined about 80 veterans on April 15 on the trip provided by Honor Flight Chicago, a program established in early 2008 to honor veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces, especially those who served in WWII. Through the Honor Flight program, the veterans visited the National World War II Memorial, the Iwo Jima Memorial and several other monuments and museums.

Finn, who is the father of Dwight Village Clerk Patti Drechsel, served with the 101 Airborne Division and was captured on D-Day by German troops. He spent eight months in a prison camp before being liberated by the Russians. Zivney served with the Navy and Marine Corps as a Fleet Marine Corpsman in the 1st, 2nd and 6th Marine Division during the war.

The men arrived at Midway Airport in the early morning hours of April 15 to board their plane for the day-long trip. At the airport, Zivney and Finn met up with the other veterans participating in the program, along with about 30 guardians who volunteered to help the veterans with wheelchairs, medications and other considerations during the journey.

"I think everyone was excited for their day to begin, since it seemed as though the majority of the veterans were already at the

airport when we arrived at 3:30 a.m.," Finn said.

Zivney said the veterans received sandwiches and coffee at the airport and were entertained by three young women who portrayed the Andrews Sisters, a popular singing group during WWII. He said each veteran was also escorted through the airport by a recent graduate of the Great Lakes Naval Academy — "talk about memories for many of us."

After landing at Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C., the veterans and volunteers boarded buses to the WWII Memorial.

"The memorial itself is beautiful, just wonderful, fantastic!" Finn remarked.

Although the weather in D.C. was very rainy that day, the veterans still took nearly an hour and 45 minutes to read the names and other inscriptions on the memorial.

"The writing that remained with me was the notice that the memorial was not because we won the war,

but the fact that a nation of diverse population composed of persons whose ancestry comprised the world decided that the one term that described that nation was the term 'American,'" Zivney said.

The veterans were also flooded with memories of the war, both good and bad.

"A visit to the Marine Corps Memorial Monument truly brought tears to those of us who wore the glob and anchor," Zivney said, "as we remembered comrades who never became grandparents and their families who waited for them."

After leaving the WWII Memorial, the group traveled to other Washington, D.C. sites. The group had lunch with the young soldiers stationed at Fort Myers and visited the Iwo Jima Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery and a museum near the airport that houses the "Enola Gay," the airplane used during WWII to drop the first atomic bomb. The group had also planned to visit the Vietnam

and Korean war memorials, but due to heavy rains, the veterans stayed in their buses to view the memorials.

The Honor Flight arrived back at Midway at 9:20 p.m., when the veterans were welcomed off the plane by about 100 firefighters in uniform. Zivney, a retired Dwight volunteer firefighter who had worn his fire service uniform on the trip, said he was surrounded with hugs from "brothers." As the veterans proceeded through the airport, they were greeted by bands playing, flag honor guards and military men and women who had just returned from tours in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Zivney said seeing the young soldiers brought back memories.

"There was a group of Fleet Marine Corpsman just home... I was suddenly age 20," he said.

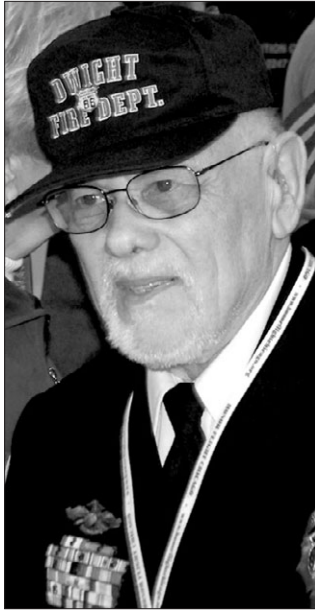
Big Boyz Toyz of Dwight also donated the use of a limousine to take Finn's family to the airport for the "welcome home" ceremony and to give Zivney a ride

back to Dwight. Joe Myers, a limo driver and a member of the Dwight VFW, organized the ride.

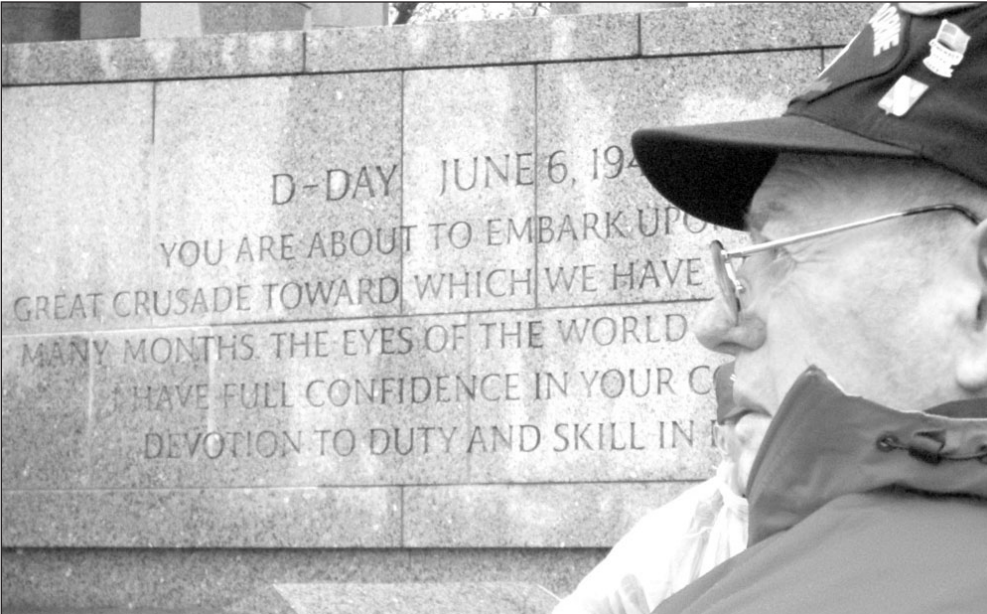
"Even though the schedule said our day was finished, I can truly say that this day will go on in my mind and in my heart for a long, long time," Finn said. "So many wonderful memories; so many great surprises!"

Honor Flight Chicago is a regional hub of the Honor Flight Network, which has

branches throughout the country. The program is made possible solely through donations from individuals and businesses, although no donations are accepted from WWII veterans themselves. Honor Flight Chicago hosts about five trips to Washington, D.C. each year, and the trips are always free of charge to veterans. For more information or to apply to participate in a future trip, visit honorflightchicago.org



Dr. Oliver Zivney in his WWII attire and above at the airport during his recent trip to Washington, D.C. The free trip was provided by Honor Flight Chicago to honor veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces, especially those who served in WWII.



Bill Finn was recently honored with a free trip to Washington D.C.. Finn is the dad of Patti Drechsel, Dwight. He is pictured above at the WWII Memorial in D.C.

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Dwight Seniors Hold May 12 Dinner Meeting

The Dwight Senior Citizens' monthly meeting was held at the club room on May 12 for a meal catered by Millie Doran. There were 26 present with three new members, Josephine Murphy, Sharon Klehm and Carol Klehm. After the meal, the kitchen committee of Hollis Porter and Evelyn Rieke were thanked for serving.

The program was given by Arnold Natzke on hummingbirds. He and his wife were guests.

The secretary's report was given by Norma Houck, protem, and the treasurer's report was given by Dorothy Christenson. Velma Meier gave the club room report.

The old business was the donations taken for the bakeless bake sale. It was decided to participate in Berkot's Community Involvement

Days.

The kitchen committee for June 9 will be Dorothy Roche and Louise Smith, with Millie Doran catering.

"Happy Birthday" was sung for Velma Meier, Eileen Hampton and Marilyn Weller, and Bill and Dorothy Rolando had an anniversary.

Door prizes given by

Eileen Hampton were won by Marilyn Weller, Carol Klehm, Gerry Salzburg, Bill Rolando and Norma Houck.

The next monthly meeting will be Tuesday, June 9 at the club room at 106 S. Franklin, Dwight. Reservations can be made by calling Kay Parker at 815-584-3579. All seniors are welcome.

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A boy!



Cashel Elwood Carter

Cashel Elwood Carter was born to Rusty and Kaye Carter of Dwight on April 14, 2009, at 11:14 a.m. at OSF St. James Hospital, Pontiac.

Cashel weighed seven pounds, eight ounces and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Betty Pfeifer of Dwight and the late Elwood Pfeifer, and Roy Carter Jr. of Dwight.

A boy!



Aron Scott Phillips

Bill and Nicole Phillips of rural Mazon welcomed Aron Scott Phillips on May 11, 2009. He weighed nine pounds and was 20½ inches long.

His big brothers are Owen, seven, and Evan, five. Grandparents are Frank and the late Diane Phillips and Bill and Georgette Schneegas.

A boy!



Declan Wesley Shannon

It's an Irish boy! Chad and Amy Shannon of Morris welcomed their first child, Declan Wesley Shannon, on March 12, 2009, at 10:43 a.m. at Morris Hospital.

Declan weighed eight pounds, 15 ounces and was 21½ inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Jim and Gloria Humbert of Dwight. Paternal grandparents are Don and Kim Shannon of Morris.

Maternal great-grandmother is Helen Humbert of Dwight. Paternal great-grandparents are Bill and Nancy Shannon of Morris and Melvin and Eva June Thompson of Morris.



Loren and Joanne Sorensen

Loren and Joanne Sorensen Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Loren and Joanne Sorensen of Mahomet celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 16, 2009.

The couple were married on May 17, 1959 in South Wilmington and lived in Gardner for many years. They moved from Gardner in 1982 and spent 18 years living in Bettendorf, IA.

They moved nine years ago to Mahomet and currently reside there.

The couple plans to celebrate this special occasion with their four children and their spouses and their nine grandchildren.

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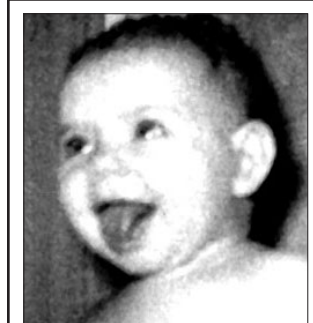
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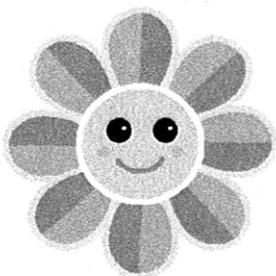


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Trevor Cahill Jensen

Brad and Jennifer Jensen are proud to announce the birth of their second child, Trevor Cahill Jensen.

He was born Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at 12:16 a.m. at Morris Hospital. Trevor weighed seven pounds, 15½ ounces and was 21 inches long.

Trevor was welcomed by his older brother, Brayden.

Grandparents are Gregg and Diane Jensen of Dwight, Carl and Linda Bookout of Kinsman and Wes Elder of Florida.

Great-grandparents are Kenneth and Barb Jensen, Jim and Donna Cahill, William and the late Marjorie Kruger and Jim and Kay Stansfield.

Dwight Native Thomas Hoffman Named Outstanding Principal

Thomas Hoffman, a native of Dwight who graduated with the DTHS class of 1969, recently received the Puri Family Outstanding Principal Award for his work at Pecatonica High School.

Hoffman was selected from among 10 middle school and high school principals in Winnebago and Boone counties to receive the esteemed award after being nominated by teachers, administrators and parents.

Last year, Hoffman noticed a student didn't have a winter coat, so he contacted a teacher and a friend of the girl and found money to buy her not only a coat, but a hat, scarf and mittens as well. As principal, Hoffman has created more advanced placement classes, ensured that all juniors can take the ACT Prep test and is developing a freshman academy for struggling eighth-graders.

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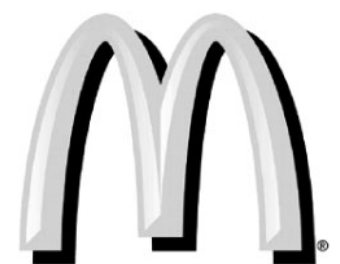
Hoffman calls himself a "small-town guy" who became a "small-town principal" — and that's just the way he likes it.

"You get to know the kids, and they know you," he said.

He will receive, compliments of the Puri Family, \$1,500 cash to be used at Pecatonica High School and \$500 in Volcano Falls gift certificates to reward excellent students.

After graduating from DTHS, Hoffman received his Bachelor of Science degree in physical education from Western Illinois University and his Master of Science degree in educational administration from Northern Illinois University. He has spent 36 years in education, including 12 years as principal.

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SECOND-GRADERS AT SAINT LAWRENCE Catholic Church, South Wilmington, celebrated their first Holy Communion on April 25, 2009. Pictured left to right are, front row: Korbin Lardi, Kassandra Decman and Wyatt Brooks; back row: Matthew Wepprecht, Father John Hornicak and Michael Wilson. Not pictured are second grade CCD teachers Kori Speed and Gina Schultz.

Braceville UMC to Host Salad Luncheon

A salad luncheon will be prepared and served by the women of the Braceville United Methodist Church from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 10. Tickets will be sold at the door. Carryout lunches are available as well as a sit-down meal. The church garden will also be open to visitors. Parking is available in the village parking lot adjoining the church, which is located on the corner of Goold and Merrill streets. If further information is needed, call the church office at 815-237-8512.

The Paper office will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Dwight, confirmed five new members on Sunday, April 26. Pictured are, front row (left to right): Megan Gotz, daughter of Orra and Tracie Gotz; Rachel Groll, daughter of Chris and Kim Frauli and Dawn Groll; Chloe Cockerham, daughter of Keith and Martha Cockerham and Carla Fritz; Ekaterina Harris, daughter of Brenda Harris; and Elizabeth Eggenberger, daughter of Rita Holm and Karl Eggenberger. Back row: Rev. Jacob Ehrhard, associate pastor, and Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, senior pastor.



STUDENTS AT ST. PAUL SCHOOL, Odell, recently received awards from the Livingston County Soil and Water Conservation District. Pictured above from left with their winning entries are Trevor Sexton, first place winner of the conservation poster contest for grades K-1; Tyrah Sexton, first place poster contest winner for grades 2-3; Rylee Farris, third place winner of the Farm-City Week kindergarten coloring contest; and Garrett Severson, third place winner of the poster contest for grades K-1.



ANGELA LEGNER of Chicago and formerly of Emington, front row, sixth from left, recently participated in Exercise Bell Buoy in Simon's Town, South Africa. Legner, Petty Officer Third Class in the Navy Reserve, joined personnel from navies from 11 countries as part of the Naval Co-operation and Guidance for Shipping (NCAGS) in the yearly activity to exercise interoperability of multi-national personnel, evaluate systems in facilitating a computerized plot and integrate personnel in a foreign environment. It also provides South African stations with international exposure and learning opportunities.



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Dwight, received seven people into membership by baptism and adult confirmation on April 11. Pictured are: front row (left to right), Kassidy Nichols, Kyrsten Nichols, Ian Gotz and Heather Hauser; back row, Kerry Nichols, Greg Nichols, Pastor Jacob Ehrhard, Pastor Daniel Ognoskie and Alicia Jones.

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Precipitation Chart
May 11-17, 2009



THE DTHS CHILD CARE CLASS held graduation May 14 for participating 3-5-year-olds. The children sang and did hand movements to “The Wheels on the Bus” and “Itsy, Bitsy Spider.” After the diplomas were handed out, guests, parents and the graduates enjoyed

cake and punch. The DTHS child care class spent a semester preparing by studying physical, social, emotional and intellectual development, as well as preparing lesson plans, craft projects, games and nutritional snacks. The child care class is taught by Mrs. Elaine Mortensen.

Tri-Point Board of Education Holds May 11 Meeting

The Board of Education of Tri-Point CUSD #6J held a regular meeting on May 11 at 7 p.m. in the Tri-Point Board Room, Kempton. Board members Ted Conkling, Amy Fecht, Dewaine Haag, Kris Haag, Sharon Mogged and Lloyd Vaughn were present.

Action taken by the board

included: Approved meeting minutes, treasurer’s report and accounts payable; accepted the resignation of Angie Turner as seventh grade girls basketball coach and Kristen Feddersen as junior high volleyball coach; authorized the superintendent to prepare the 2009-2010 budget; employed Derek

Sieg as eighth grade girls’ basketball coach; approved health/life safety amendment; let milk and bread bids; employed summer custodial workers; approved the amended calendar; approved the Section 125 plan; accept-

ed a roof recoating proposal; and approved the school handbook.

The next regular board meeting will be June 8 at 7 p.m. in the Tri-Point Board of Education Room in Kempton.

Dwight Main Street News

by Janice Lauritzen
Main Street Exec. Director

Our first downtown clean-up was held April 25. More than 30 volunteers worked. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and helping hands. Members of the National Honor Society at DTHS helped with the clean-up. The next one will be May 30; everyone is welcome to join us.

Members of the DTHS Greenhouse Project started planting flowers in the downtown area. We finance the flowers by selling Seven Sisters Danish pastry.

Our market season will start with an Early Bird Market May 30. Markets will be held most Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. to noon in the East Main Street parking lot. Kids Markets will be held the second Saturday of each month.

Our newest fund-raising effort, Cat’s Meow, is going well. We are adding to the collection of Dwight landmarks. The new piece, the Ambler/Becker Route 66 gas station, is available at the Dwight Main Street office.

The Ambler/Becker Texaco station is now open Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May dates for volunteering are filled, but there are many open for the rest of the summer. It’s always interesting to see where tourists are from and

where they are going. Call 815-584-1830 if you would like to volunteer for a shift.

Stop by the Main Street office to look through the used books for sale. This sale helps finance decorations in the downtown park. Donations of gently used books are also accepted.

Our cruise committee is busy planning the Fourth Annual “Let’s Buzz the Gut” Cruise Night to be held downtown Saturday, June 20. Last year’s event was a success, with 125 cars registered. This year’s goal is 150. There will be music, food, demonstrations, a 50/50 raffle and a cruise of historic Route 66. Registration begins at 4 p.m.

More than 70 residents have attended one or more MAP-PING sessions led by officials from Western Illinois University. Those attending have identified five top goals for Dwight. These include business retention, tourism, town beautification, social and recreational needs in the community and infrastructure improvement. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this exciting project.

Take advantage of our many opportunities for shopping and dining. Attend social events planned in town. Shop Dwight first – that shows we support and care for each other and our community.



ON MAY 6, VOLUNTEERS from the After School Adventures program were honored at a luncheon sponsored by the Dwight Common School District 232 Board of Education. Thirty-five of the volunteers were recognized for their time and effort in tutoring first through third grade students from Dwight Grade School. Pictured above, clockwise from left, are volunteers Carol Hemenover, Judy Gillespie, Deb Qualls, Sharon Dial, Rita Hardin and Joan Von Qualen.

Kohlmeier, Harfst Inducted into National Honor Society

The Pontiac Township High School Torch Chapter of the National Honor Society held its 87th induction ceremony Wednesday, April 15.

Zachary Kohlmeier, a senior, and Elizabeth Harfst, a junior, both of Saunemin, were among the 14 seniors and 23 juniors inducted into the society this year. Zachary is the son of Jeff and Tracey Kohlmeier, and Elizabeth is the daughter of Tom and Diane Harfst, all of Saunemin.



Zachary Kohlmeier



Elizabeth Harfst

A banquet was held in the school commons to honor the new and previously inducted members, their parents and the faculty. Superintendent Leo Johnson gave the opening remarks. The keynote address was given by Jane Widger Fulton, associate athletic director of academic and life skills at Illinois State University.

The goal of the National Honor Society is to honor students who display the characteristics of scholarship, service, leadership and character. Students are chosen based on these qualities by a faculty council. In 1922, PTHS became the 19th school in the nation to receive a charter membership into the National Honor Society.



GARDNER AND BRACEVILLE GIRL SCOUTS from Daisy Troop 224, Brownie Troop 304 and Junior Troop 194 went around town asking for canned goods and non-perishable food items on May 3. The Girl Scouts collected a total of 520 items for the local food pantry. Pictured left to right are: seated, Alyssa and Madison; middle row, Abigail, Mariah, Marissa, Kimberly, Co-Leader Deborah, Nicollette, and Co-Leader Dyanna; back row, Holly, Leader Sheryl, Gabrielle, Justine, Tara, Brianna, Leader Tricha and Co-Leader Chris.

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If you’re not familiar with a 403(b), you’ll want to understand the key benefits:

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- Variety of investment options – You should have a variety of investment choices with which to fund your 403(b), so you can build a portfolio that is appropriate for your risk tolerance and time horizon.

Given these features, why aren’t more people participating in their 403(b) plans? One key reason seems to be that many eligible employees, especially teachers, also are covered by a pension plan – and they think a pension, combined with Social Security, may be enough to meet their retirement income goals.

But that’s probably not true. You’ll likely need at least 80 percent of your working income during retirement – and that figure could easily rise, depending on your retirement lifestyle. Consequently, you will need to exploit every single avenue of retirement savings – including your 403(b) plan.

In 2009, you can defer up to \$16,500 of your salary to a 403(b), plus an additional \$5,500 if you’re 50 or older. You can put in another \$3,000 if you have 15 or more years of service with a qualified organization and you contributed, on average, less than \$5,000 a year to your 403(b) plan.

Of course, you may not be able to put in the maximum annual amount to your 403(b) plan. But if your employer matches part of your contributions, you should at least consider contributing enough to earn the match – otherwise, you’re walking away from “free money.”

While it’s often a good idea to contribute to your 403(b), you may find some extra challenges in 2009, because the rules governing 403(b) plans have changed.

Previously, your plan may have allowed you to invest with several 403(b) providers, or “vendors,” and you could make tax-free transfers between them. Under new IRS rules, however, you can now move assets from one vendor to another only if both vendors are on your plan’s “approved” list. Consequently, many employers will likely reduce the number of 403(b) vendors and investment options, so you’ll have to evaluate the new “approved vendor” list to see which vendors would be most fitting for your financial goals.

In any case, if you aren’t already contributing to your 403(b), start now. And if you already are participating in your plan, make sure you’re getting the most out of it – someday, you’ll be glad you did.

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Obituaries

Bruce Jensen

DWIGHT – Bruce Jensen, 72, of Arizona and formerly of Dwight, passed away March 3, 2009, in Arizona.

He is survived by his wife, Jane; daughter, Lisa (Mark); son, David (Julie); two granddaughters; two

great-grandsons; a brother, Neal; a sister, Linda; five nieces; one nephew; four great-nephews; and five great-nieces.

Preceding him in death were his parents, two aunts and an uncle.

Monda Hooker Mattix

DWIGHT – Monda Hooker Mattix, 89, beloved matriarch, peacefully passed away at 2:55 p.m. on May 13, 2009, at Heritage Manor in Dwight, surrounded by her family and beautiful flowers.



A visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 15, at Hager Memorial, Dwight. She was celebrated at a funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 16, at the Dwight United Methodist Church, Dwight, with a one-hour visitation prior.

Burial followed at Oak Lawn Cemetery, Dwight.

She was born Monda Rose White on February 3, 1920, in St. Elmo, to Truman and Delta Grandfield White. She married Wyman Hooker on January 12, 1939, in St. Charles, Mo.

They have three children: William (Barbara Kramer) of Dwight; Rita (William) Schultz of Morris; and James (Therese Trainor) of Dwight.

The family moved to Dwight in 1958. Wyman passed away in 1975.

Monda later married Willard Mattix in 1980. They resided in Midland, Texas, before moving to Effingham in 1985. Willard passed away in 1988. She returned to Dwight in 1997.

Monda is survived by her children; five grandchildren: William (Heidi) Hooker, Jennifer Schultz, Brian Hooker, Jill (Jeff) Lee and

Sara (Glenn) Peters; and five great-grandchildren: Matthew Hooker, B.J. Hooker, Bryce Lee and Emerson and Coe Peters; and one half-sister, Joann Miller.

She was preceded in death by Wyman Hooker; Willard Mattix; one daughter-in-law, Martha Anderson Hooker; one brother, Lloyd White; one half-brother, Hartsel Miller; and one half-sister, Jean Ellen Snyder.

Monda was a homemaker and worked for almost 15 years in commissary services and the sewing room at the V.A. Hospital/W.W. Fox Children's Center in Dwight. She was a member of Dwight United Methodist Church and the women's auxiliary and the United Methodist Churches in St. Elmo; Midland, Texas; and Effingham. She was a member of the Exxon Mobil Wives' Club and the Dwight Senior Citizens.

Monda loved gardening and all beautiful flowers. She enjoyed sewing, reading and traveling. Among her journeys, she visited Hawaii, Alaska, Canada, Mexico and Europe. She often took day trips to plays and musicals. She had a passion for food, and she loved cooking for her family.

While in Midland, she attended the same Methodist church as the Bush family and once held one of the twin daughters of former President George W. Bush.

She loved spending time with her family and adored her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Condolences may be made online by visiting hagermemorialhome.com

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Making an Impact on Dwight

Tuesday, May 12, the Dwight MAPPING Goal 3 committee met in the lower level of the Dwight village hall complex. The committee brainstormed ideas that would help Dwight residents to be a part in making their neighborhood and town a more inviting place to live.

We are exploring ways to rid your yard of that old battery or used tires. Other ideas that could pay immediate dividends to the village could be as simple as not mowing grass clippings into the street. With all of the spring rains and wind, the street drains are a natural draw for debris. Village residents can be a big help if they would just remove the debris from the drains.

The committee members

in attendance were Carol Clavey, Pam Wahl, Debbie Becker, Kathy Bozarth, Julie Marx, Tim Henson, Harlan Olson, Bill Flott, and Kim Drechsel.

The Goal 3 committee welcomes any Dwight residents to join us as we strive to continue to make our community a great place to live.

The entire IMPACT Dwight group will be meeting again on May 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Our Group 3 committee hopes to gather and work on more goals that can help make Dwight become the clean, beautiful, inviting town we all desire. Our committee hopes to involve many people, and our community will thrive.

Kim Drechsel

McCarty Not Running Again for Livingston County Sheriff

At this time, I am announcing that I will not be seeking re-election to the office of Livingston County sheriff in 2010.

I would like to thank my family for their support and understanding during my two terms as sheriff. My thanks and appreciation to my supporters for their continued confidence and advice. The support of the residents of this county for law enforcement, both at the municipal and county level, is second to none.

As an example of the support given by the municipal governments of Dwight, Fairbury and Pontiac and the Livingston County Board, I would point out the county-wide drug and gang Proactive Unit. Funded by the Livingston County board, the unit is comprised of officers from the Dwight, Fairbury and Pontiac Police Departments and the Livingston County Sheriff's Police. The theory was to integrate members from each law enforcement agency to provide the best in intelligence and information from those communities to combat drugs and gangs in the county. By utilizing local officers, who have direct links to their agencies and officers in their communities, the unit can respond to any need the community may have.

As part of the Proactive Unit Board, the Livingston County State's Attorney and his staff, along with the chiefs from Dwight, Fairbury and Pontiac and the sheriff meet regularly. These meetings provide for the exchange of information and investigations going on within each community.

In addition, I would like to point out the high level of

cooperation that takes place on a daily basis between the other county offices: circuit clerk, county clerk, treasurer, coroner, Livingston County Public Health Department, 708 Mental Health Board, the judges of Livingston County and the Highway Department. This level of cooperation extends to the Institute for Human Resources and their crisis unit that serve the people of Livingston County in times of need.

Lastly, I would like to thank the men and women who make up the Livingston County Sheriff's Office patrol, investigations, corrections, court security, clerical staff, the public safety maintenance staff and LIVCOM 911 dispatch for their support and dedication to the highest level of ethics and professionalism in serving the residents of this county.

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We would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards, flowers, memorials, delicious food, comforting thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Special thanks to Heritage Manor and OSF Hospice for the loving care given to Mom. Thanks also to St. Peter's Lutheran Church for serving the delicious luncheon.

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GOING THE DISTANCE. DGS Redbird John Carter, left, stays with the pack and begins to set his pace during the 1600m. Saunemin's Michael Walker, right, begins breaking from the pack.
Photo courtesy of Ina Peach.



DGS REDBIRDS TRACK AND FIELD

May 9 Sectionals

7th grade girls: Hannah Trainor, 100m, :14.75, third; 200m, :38.88, 17th; long jump, 11'1 1/2", ninth; Grace Twagilimana, 100m, :15.97, eighth; 200m, :33.61, seventh; Savannah Schuler, 400m, 1:08.21, first; long jump, 11'11 1/2", fifth; Summer Schuler, 400m, 1:15.06, fourth; Kitrina Hayner, 800m, 2:58.07, second; 1600m, 6:48.08, third; Amber Curl, 800m, 3:02.80, third; 1600m, 6:36.57, second; 4x100m: Payton Christensen, Lili Ferrari, Rachel Gschwendtner and Katie Hogan, 1:06.7, seventh; 4x200m: Sa. Schuler, Su. Schuler, Emily Soto and Trainor, 2:07.56, third; 4x400m: Soto, Curl, Sa. Schuler and Su. Schuler, DQ; Shelby Anderson, discus, 53'1", seventh; Miranda Paige, discus, 43'3", 11th.

8th grade girls: Lisa Bruner, 100m, :14.57, third; Megan Jensen, 100m, :15.24, eighth; 200m, :32.21, seventh; Alexandra Swoke, 200m, :28.46, first; high jump, 5'2",

first, new school record; long jump, 14'1 1/2", first; Hayley Sparrow, 400m, 1:10.31, second; Alyssa Brownlee, 800m, 2:48.77, third; Libby Beyer, 800m, 3:26.21, 11th; 1600m, 7:24.19, 10th; 4x100m: Rachel Groll, Elizabeth Eggenberger, Haley Hansen and Liz McKinsey, 1:02.88, seventh; 4x200m: Bruner, Jensen, Kacy Murphy and Sparrow, 2:03.12, first; 4x400m: Brownlee, Groll, Murphy and Sparrow, 4:56.27, first; Liz McKinsey, long jump, 10'10", 18th; Elizabeth Eggenberger, discus, 84'4 1/2", fourth; Paige Sciacca, discus, 38'1", 12th.

7th grade boys: Brandon Allen, 100m, :16.02, 200m, :32.43; high jump, NH; Caleb Boma, hurdles, :21.22; John Carter, 1600m, 5:58.2; 800m, 3:02.1; Matt Dahlstrom, shot, 29'11 1/2"; Ryan Gaston, discus, 90'5"; Zander Harris, 1600m, 6:23.2; 800m, 2:57.7; Drew Jensen, 100m, :15.34; 200m, :31.28; Triston Dircks, hurdles, :18.87; long jump, 14'8"; Trevor Morris, 400m, :59.98; long jump, 15'3 3/4"; Gus Rieke,

shot, 35'5 1/2"; discus, 94'7"; Ryan Schlabowske, 400m, 1:04.3; 4x100m: Boma, Allen, Ryan Beier and Jensen, 1:02.8; 4x200m: Chris Peck, Morris, Dircks and Schlabowske, 1:55.7; 4x400m: Peck, Morris, Dircks and Schlabowske, 4:34.3.

8th grade boys: Luke Arnold, hurdles, :17.86; 400m, 1:04.3; Carson Banks, 200m, :28.92; Brayden Cain, 800m, 2:21.3, high jump, NH; Ryley Christoff, 1600m, 5:17.3; 400m, :59.87; Stinnett Gettinger, 800m, 2:35.0; Tim Henson, discus, 90'1"; Blake Huseman, 1600m, 5:20.3; long jump, 15'1"; high jump, 5'1"; Kiefer Kious, hurdles, :20.47; 100m, :14.99; 200m, :26.61; long jump, 13'0"; Jacob Wardell, shot, 31'2 1/2"; Winston Watkins, 100m, :13.85; shot, 35'8 3/4"; discus, 99'0"; 4x100m: Cody Gibson, Kious, Watkins and Gettinger, :57.8; 4x200m: Banks, Ryan Kodat, Cain and Huseman, 1:47.6; 4x400m: Arnold, Christoff, Cain and Kodat, 4:06.1.



UP AND OVER! Dwight Grade School Lady Redbird Alexandra Swoke, above, gracefully clears the high jump at 5'2", setting a new school record in the eighth grade competition. **LEFT:** Kacy Murphy hands off the baton to Alyssa Brownlee during the 4x200m relay. The 4x200m relay team, Lisa Bruner, Megan Jensen, Murphy and Brownlee, finished first at sectionals with a time of 2:03.12.

Odell Sportsman's Club to Host Kids' Fishing Derby

Members of the Odell Sportsman's Club have chosen Sunday, June 14, for their First Annual Earl Muir Memorial Kids' Fishing Derby. The fishing derby will take place from noon to 2 p.m. at Muir's pond near Odell. Lunch and an awards ceremony will be from 2 to 3 p.m. No rain date has been set.

Awards will be given for "Most Fish Caught" and "Biggest Fish Caught" in both boys' and girls' divisions. Trophies will be awarded for first through third place in each category and division. All trophies are

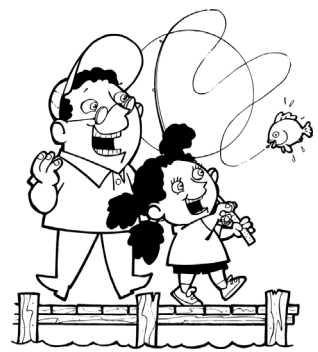
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The following rules will be strictly enforced: no boats allowed; no lures allowed; no minnows allowed; one fishing pole per child; worms are the only bait allowed; and no alcohol on premises.

Youth must be accompanied by an adult. Youth 14 years of age and below may participate. Children must be able to hold their own pole. Adults may assist the younger children in retrieving and removing the fish from the hook. Bring a con-

tainer of worms, a fishing pole and a bucket for the fish you catch.

For more information or to pre-register, contact Bonnie Bolen, secretary, at 815-998-2168 or email her at doubleb10@verizon.net



GSW LADY PANTHERS SOFTBALL

May 14

Lady Panthers vs. Beecher
The Lady Panthers snagged a victory over Beecher, 1-0.

Amber Eisha, 15-4, picked up the win, pitching one strikeout, no walks and three hits.

Hitting for the Lady Panthers were: Kristen Bexson, 1-3, homerun in the seventh; Eisha and Katie Simms, 1-3 each.

"Our defense was outstanding tonight. We made many tough plays to keep Beecher off base. Kristen had a great at bat in the seventh. She had a full count and fouled off many before hitting the home run over the left field fence," stated Coach Lardi.

May 9

Lady Panthers vs. Illinois Lutheran

The Lady Panthers preyed on Illinois Lutheran, 17-0, in game one of double-header play.

Amber Eisha, 14-4, picked up the win, pitching 10 strikeouts, no walks and two hits.

GSW Lady Panther hitters were: Kristen Bexson, 1-2, double, two RBI, run; Kelsey Lutz, 1-2, RBI, two runs; Julie Pfeifer, 1-2, RBI, three runs.

In game two, the Lady Panthers kept momentum with an 11-1 victory over Illinois Lutheran.

Kristen Bexson, 3-2, picked up the win, pitching seven strikeouts, two walks and two hits.

Hitting for the Lady Panthers were: Amber Eisha, 2-2, triple, two RBI, two runs; Bexson, 1-2, two RBI, two runs; Katie Simms, 1-2, two RBI, run.

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PONTIAC INDIANS TENNIS

May 12

Indians vs. Mendota Varsity-

The PTHS Indians defeated Mendota, 3-2.

Singles: Chris Fairall vs. Ron Van Sickle, Pontiac wins, 7-5, 6-3; Adam Wiesner vs. Vince Bruno, Mendota wins, 4-6, 6-2, 10-7; Anthony Mills vs. Connor Arteaga, Mendota wins, 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles: Tim Thomas and Ben Montalbano vs. Issac Piller and John Eppard, Pontiac wins, 6-0, 6-0; Rhys Meiner and Marty Schulz vs. Evan Wixon and Keagan Klein, Pontiac wins, 6-0, 6-0.

Indians vs. St. Bede Varsity-

The Indians defeated St. Bede, 4-1.

Singles: Tim Thomas vs. Pierce Ganassin, Pontiac wins, 6-3, 6-3; Ben Montalbano vs. Moritz Kerte-Starff, St. Bede wins, 7-6, 6-2.

Doubles: Chris Fairall and Adam Wiesner vs. Aaron Lijewski and Jack Faletti, Pontiac wins, 6-0, 4-6, 10-1; Marty Schulz and Rhys Meiner vs. Yoshi Shilata and Ty Burris, Pontiac wins, 6-3, 6-1; Anthony Mills and Brendan Wiesner vs. Kyle Preokp and Li Won Park, Pontiac wins, 6-1, 6-0; Doug Black and Seth White vs. Matt Lijewski and Brett Witek, St. Bede wins, 3-6, 6-2, 10-2.

May 11 Indians vs. Metamora Junior Varsity-

The junior varsity Indians tennis team fell to Metamora, 6-3.

Singles: Evan Rich, Metamora wins, 8-1; Alan Lewis, Metamora wins, 8-1; Tyler Cockerham, Metamora wins, 8-3; Matt Tronc, Metamora wins, 8-5; Tod Nelson, Pontiac wins, 8-5; Evan Johnson, Pontiac wins, forfeit.

Doubles: Aaron Boma and Tim Thomas, Metamora wins, 8-0; Cory Finkenbinder and Tod Nelson, Metamora wins, 8-1; David Babb and Taylor Long, Pontiac wins, 8-6.

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Dwight Xtreme Champions in Tournament

Dwight Xtreme traveled to Springfield, May 9, to compete in the annual Capital City Showdown. The team finished the day undefeated, claiming first place in the tournament.

The Xtreme team defeated East Peoria Express, 9-1; defeated St. Louis Black Widows, 14-2; defeated Sherman Force, 17-2; defeated Sherman Force, 11-1.

Miranda Residori fired in 15 strikeouts during games one and two. Other pitchers were: Lexi Ramon, Haley Hoekstra and Lexi Black.

Helping the offense were: Zoe Smith and Black, each with a home run; Becky Ruder, Emily Hopwood, Dezi Leonard, Sydney Christensen and Megan VanAmburgh.



DWIGHT XTREME MEMBER Megan VanAmburgh slides safely into a base while competing in the Capital City Showdown in Springfield, May 9. The Dwight Xtreme girls' 10 and under softball team went undefeated in the tournament to claim first place. For more information on the team visit: www.dwightxtreme.org.



GSW PANTHERS BASEBALL

May 14 Panthers vs. Beecher

The GSW Panthers were defeated by Beecher, 6-5, May 14. The Panthers' record stands at 15-9 overall and 7-2 in the conference.

May 12 Panthers vs. CPCI

The boys' baseball team preyed on CPCI, 20-0, May 12.

Josh Hall, 3-1, picked up the win, pitching four innings, one hit, three strikeouts and one walk; Shane Harty, relief, pitched one inning, three strikeouts and no hits.

Hitting for GSW were: Matt Grimler, 3-3, two runs, six RBI, two home runs, two walks; Brandon Faletti, 4-4, one run, three RBI; Zach Sorensen, 3-5, three runs, four RBI, home run; Ben Crater, 3-4, three runs.

"After the crazy weekend doubleheader, the guys came out and were terrific! Josh pitched excellent, and the offense was outstanding. I was thrilled to hear how the game was going," stated Coach Posing.

May 9 Panthers vs. Illinois Lutheran

The GSW Panther baseball team defeated Illinois Lutheran, 10-8.

Chris Irvin, 3-2, pitched 4½ innings, 10 hits, six runs, six earned runs, five strikeouts and four walks; Shane Harty, save, ⅔ inning, three hits, two runs, two earned runs.

Hitting for the Panthers were: Zach Sorensen, 3-3, two runs, two RBI, stolen base; Matt Grimler, 2-3, two runs, two RBI, home run, stolen base; Josh Hall, 3-3,

two runs.

"This was a hard-fought game by both teams. We were just lucky enough to score more runs," stated Coach Posing.

In game two, the Panthers fell to Illinois Lutheran, 9-8.

Ben Crater, 6-1, took the loss, pitching four innings, eight hits, nine runs, one earned run and two walks.

Hitting for the Panthers were: Chris Irvin, 2-3, run, two RBI, two stolen bases; Sean Elens, 1-3, run, RBI; Josh Hall, 1-2, run, stolen base.

"Ben pitched well enough to win, eight unearned runs in the fourth killed us. We fought back with four runs in the fifth, but we came up short," commented Coach Jon Posing.

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Rachel Groll – 4x400m
Megan Jensen – 4x200m
Lisa Bruner – 4x200m
Kacy Murphy – 4x200m, 4x400m
Hayley Sparrow – 400m, 4x200m, 4x400m
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Hannah Trainor – 200m
Carson Banks – 4x200m, 4x400m
Blake Huseman – 4x200m
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Ryan Reiniche – 100m, 4x100m, Long Jump
Jamison Ferguson – 1600m, 4x100m
Zachary Mau – 4x200m
Timothy O'Brien – 4x200m, 4x400m
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Alex Mueller – 4x200m
Teddy McCormack – 4x200m
Mathew Houchin – 4x200m



May 14

I-8 Boys Conference

"The team was short-handed tonight. The athletes that competed had strong performances. The team did their best and we are proud of them," stated Coach Larry Lane.

Remington Riccolo, 110m hurdles, :17.185, fifth; 300m interm. hurdles, :43.632, sixth; pole vault, 11'6", fourth; Brian Scoggin, 800m, 2:05.83, fourth; 1600m, 4:57.951, sixth; Christian Kulla, discus, 118'10", sixth;

shot, 42'11", sixth; 1600m Relay: Mitch Papiese, Riccolo, Scoggin and Jordan Kohrt, 3:34.323, fifth.

May 12

Dwight Invitational

Boys: 4x100m: :47.89, sixth; Remington Riccolo, 110m hurdles, :17.78, third; 300m hurdles, :44.77, fourth; Christian Kulla, discus, 121'7", sixth; shot, 42'1½", sixth; Matt Ferrari, 1600m, 5:16.58, sixth; Brian Scoggin, 800m, 2:12.08, fourth.



DTHS TROJAN Jim Robinson, above, begins his approach during the discus competition at DTHS, May 12. **LEFT:** DTHS Trojan Christian Kulla puts all his might into throwing the discus during the Dwight Invitational. **TOP LEFT:** Scott Severson launches into the pit during the long jump, May 12.

DTHS TROJANS TRACK & FIELD

May 11

Black Diamond Classic

"The weather cooperated and many girls had great performances and efforts. We are rounding into form at the right time," stated Coach Lane.

Brittany Soto, shot, 30'7", fifth; Chloe Trewartha, triple jump, 30'7½", fifth; 400m, 1:03.90, third; Madison Pfister, 3200m, 14:22.00, fourth; 800m Relay, 1:55.00, second; 1600m Relay, 4:19.59, first.

May 10

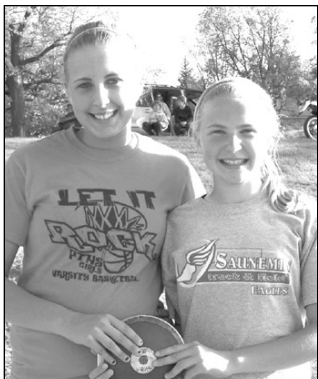
I-8 Girls Conference

"The team has a strong performance against tough competition. Chloe Trewartha's second place in the triple jump is a new school record at 34'8". Four girls made all-conference. They were: Chloe, long jump, triple jump, 300 low hurdles, 4x400; Brianna Vigna, 400, 4x400; Stephanie Fisher, 4x400; and Haley Residori, 4x400," stated Coach Larry Lane.

Brittany Soto, shot, 28'3",

seventh; discus, 78'10"; Markie Paige, shot, 24'½"; discus, 67'8½"; Chloe Trewartha, long jump, 15'5", third; triple jump, 34'8", second; 300m hurdles, :49.8, second; Lindie McCarthy, 100m, :14.72; 200m, :31.10; Sarah Beier, 100m, :14.89; 400m, 1:12.34; Haley Residori, 200m, :29.28; Brianna Vigna, 400m, 1:02.44, second; Emma Wood, 100/110 hurdles, :19.97; 300m hurdles, :37.60; Nicole Glabb, 800m, 3:07.72; 1600m, 6:55.90; Jill Farrell, 800m, 3:28.47; Madison Pfister, 1600m, 6:37.95; 3200m, 4x800m: Glabb, Pfister, Stephanie Fisher and McKinsey, 11:35.27, fourth; 4x100m: McCarthy, Anna Oelschlager, Residori and Vigna, :54.55, fifth; 4x200m: McCarthy, Oelschlager, Fisher and Residori, 2:01.10, seventh; 4x400m: Residori, Fisher, Vigna and Trewartha, 4:24.77, third.

Harfst Sisters Bring Home Discus Titles



Saunemin sisters, Elizabeth and Ashley Harfst

Elizabeth and Ashley Harfst both brought home discus titles, May 11.

Elizabeth won the Cornbelt Conference varsity girls' meet at Eureka with a throw of 102'6".

Ashley claimed her victory at the Livingston County grade school track meet in Pontiac with a throw of 71'. Ashley also placed second in the grade school Sectional meet in Dwight with a launch of 72'10½", May 9. She advanced to the IESA State grade school track meet in East Peoria, May 15.

Elizabeth is a junior at Pontiac Township High School and Ashley is a fifth grader at Saunemin Grade School. They are the daughters of Tom and Diane Harfst of Saunemin.

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HAIL, TO THE VARSITY! DTHS Lady Trojan seniors, left to right, Rachel Fink, Mallorie Kennedy and Kirbie Gereaux, pose for a photo on senior night.

DTHS LADY TROJANS SOFTBALL

**May 14
Lady Trojans vs. Pontiac**
The DTHS Lady Trojans fell to Pontiac, 3-2.

Kate Pfeifer, starter, four innings, one strikeout, three walks, two earned runs; Erin Gaston, relief, three innings, three strikeouts and two walks.

Hitting for the Lady Trojans were: Kolby Hoffman, Chaney Tambling, Sarah Butterfield and Haley Gaston, 1-3, single each.

**May 12
Lady Trojans vs. Wilmington**
The DTHS Lady Trojans marched over Wilmington, 8-6.

Erin Gaston picked up the win, pitching seven innings, nine strikeouts, eight walks, three earned runs.

Hitting for the Lady Trojans were: Kate Pfeifer, 2-3, single; Kirbie Gereaux and Erin Gaston, 2-4, single, double each; Kolby Hoffman and Chaney Tambling, 1-3, single each; Mallorie Kennedy, 1-4, double; Tori Grzincic, 1-4, single.

**May 11
Lady Trojans vs. Wilmington**
The DTHS girls' softball team defeated Wilmington, 3-1.

Erin Gaston picked up the win, pitching seven innings, four strikeouts, one walk and no earned runs.

Hitting for DTHS were: Kolby Hoffman, 1-3, home-run in the fifth; Erin Gaston, 2-2, two singles; Tori Grzincic, Sarah Butterfield, Kate Pfeifer, Chaney Tambling, Rachel Fink and Kirbie Gereaux, 1-3, single each.

**May 8
Lady Trojans vs. Seneca**
The DTHS Lady Trojans were defeated by Seneca, 3-0.

Kate Pfeifer took the loss, pitching five innings, eight strikeouts, three walks, one earned run.

Hitting for the girls' softball team were: Sarah Butterfield, 1-3, single; Claire Elsey, 2-2, two singles.

Dwight Invitational Golf Tournament Results

The 36th Dwight Invitational was held May 9. The winner of this year's invitational was John Wright of Naperville with a score of 72 after a two-hole playoff.

Other golfers participating in this year's tournament were: Championship Flight: Tom Kearfott, El Paso, 72; Todd Manning, Pontiac, 72; Elston Mitchell, Bloomington, 72; Kirk Stevens, Channahon, 73; Mike Cushing, Bloomington, 74; Tom Christians, Bloomington, 74; **Larry Ahearn, Dwight, 75**; Glenn Przybyski, Frankfort, 75; Todd Greskoviak, Dana, 76; Greg Wohlford, Bloomington, 76; **Mike Krople, 77**; Aaron Wargo, Arlington Heights, 77; Jerry Farber, Morris, 78; Tony Muscato, Streator, 78; **Joel Patten, 78**; Bill Zantera Jr., South Holland, 78.

A Flight: Jim Cannon of Naperville was the champion with a score of 78; Bob Rosenbaum, Pontiac, 79; Steven Bettenhausen, Peotone, 79; **Dennis Buck, Dwight, 81**; **Mike Daniels, Dwight, 81**; Joe Roberts, Momence, 81; David Lee, Waukegan, 82; Dave Heusing, Grant Park, 83; Tim Oates, Naperville, 83; Randy Cushing, Pontiac, 83; Jimmy Rieffel, Toluca, 83.

B Flight: Mike Hines of Coal City was the champion with a score of 82; Jerry Stemas, East Peoria, 83; Bill Speakman, Kankakee, 84; Earle Bartley, Dyer, Indiana, 85; Kris Bush, Morris, 86; John Rossi, Homewood, 86; Tony Scordo, Plainfield, 86; Lee Bogard, East Peoria, 87; **Dennis Stacy, Dwight, 89**; Matt Henshaw, Coal City, 90; Dave Lemaistre, Plainfield, 90.



TAKE A SWING. John Wright of Naperville, right, was the winner of the 2009 Dwight Invitational. Joe Bloxam, left, general manager of the Dwight Country Club, presented John with his championship framed print. **BELOW:** Mike Hines of Coal City, right, after winning the B Flight in the 36th Annual Dwight Invitational, May 9. Presenting Hines with his championship token is Joe Bloxam.



FAIRBURY SPEEDWAY AREA RESULTS

May 9
Modified- heat one: George Aimone, Gardner, fourth; heat three: Jim Farris, Odell, third; semi-feature one: Farris, first; Dave Porth, Gardner, fourth; semi-feature two: Aimone, first.
Sportsman- feature: Joel Funk, Dwight, second; Andrew Funk, Dwight, fourth; heat one: J. Funk, second; heat two: A. Funk, second.

Street Stock- feature: Rick Thomas, Dwight, first; J. Funk, third; heat one: J. Funk, third; heat three: Thomas, first.

Briner Named DTHS Athlete of the Week



Joe Briner

Dwight Township High School is proud to recognize Joe Briner as its Athlete of the Week for May 4 through 9.

Joe had 8 hits, 3 HR's, and 7 RBI in four games and is near the top in the Kankakee area in batting average (.444), home runs (7), and RBIs (25).

In addition to playing baseball, Joe is a three-year varsity football player and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Joe's favorite athlete is Chicago Cubs first baseman Derek Lee. His favorite athletic memory is going undefeated during his second year of little league and winning the league championship.



Missy Gschwendtner

DTHS Names Student of the Month for May

Dwight Township High School would like to congratulate Missy Gschwendtner on being named DTHS junior student of the Month for May.

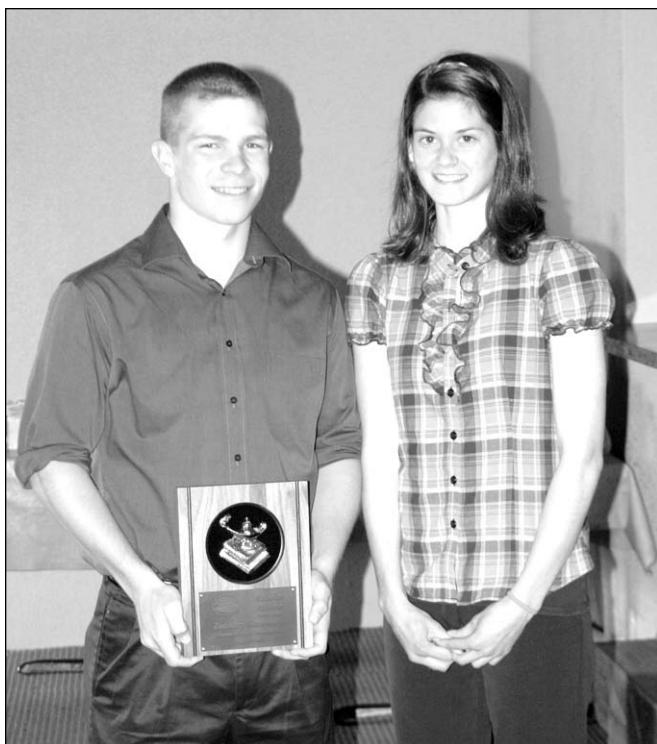
Missy is in jazz and pep band, is active on the prom committee and is also a junior class prom attendant. Missy is the daughter of Joe and Kristi Gschwendtner of Dwight.

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GSW ATHLETES Zack Sorensen, left, and Michelle Ruffatti, attended the annual RVC Scholar Athlete Luncheon on May 5. Both students were nominated for a \$500 scholarship awarded to the top scholar athlete in the RVC conference. Six males and six females were nominated, two from each school. Zack Sorensen was named the RVC Scholar Athlete of the Year and awarded a \$500 scholarship from the conference.

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Students Raise More than \$500 for T. Gettinger

Dwight public schools held a "hat day" on Friday, May 8, raising more than \$500 to benefit Taylor Gettinger, a Dwight Township High School student who was diagnosed with cancer in May 2007. For a donation, students were allowed to wear a hat to school that day. The donations went to the Team Taylor Relay for Life team.

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Dwight Seniors Card Game Results

Euchre was played May 13 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center. Leila Patchett had the high score; Velma Meier, next. Louise Smith won the door prize. The next euchre play at the senior center will be Wednesday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m. Pinochle was played May 14. Jerry Sena had the high score, 5430; Ellen Galeaz, next, 5340. Barb Christensen served refreshments. The next pinochle play at the senior center will be Thursday, May 28, at 1 p.m.

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42 Volunteers Build Playground at Livingston County 4-H Park

On Saturday, May 2, 42 fair board members, 4-H ambassadors and parents and friends of the Livingston County 4-H youth gathered at the 4-H park in Pontiac for the Playground Community Build. The event was coordinated by Bonnie Bolen, Aaron Fox and Mark Hilleary, Playground Improvement Committee members, and Rick Tucker and John Telford, Livingston County Ag Fair board co-presidents. Nancy Flessner was the 4-H Ambassadors coordinator. The new playground set, swing set, benches and picnic table make a noticeable improvement to the playground area. The monkey bars and giant slide remain in the playground area. The play area was designed for youth ages five through 12, with parental supervision, and is now being utilized by guests of the park. The 4-H park is open from April 1 through November 1. The playground set was paid for, in part, by donations from local businesses, local clubs and organizations, the 4-H club bakeless bake sale proceeds and individual donations. Donations are still being accepted and may be mailed to Livingston County Ag Fair, c/o Secretary Bonnie Bolen, 19155 E. 2500 North Rd., Odell, IL 60460-8141. Donations are tax deductible. Big R, Chief City Concrete and Illini Equipment donated supplies and/or equipment for the community build. The mid-morning break and lunch were served by Nancy Flessner, Norma Koltveit, Mary Vaughan and 4-H Ambassador members. The break was courtesy of Bill Bolen and Norma Koltveit. Bonnie Bolen and Mary Vaughan provided the food and drink for lunch. The cookies were provided by Norma Koltveit and the 4-H ambassadors. The following volunteers generously donated their time and talents to assist with the prep work and community build: Donna Adams, Roger Adams, Jesse Bauman, Bill Bolen, Bonnie Bolen, Joe Thomas Bolen, Kaity Carroll, Steve Carroll, Ben Diaz, Joe Diaz, Alex Eggenberger, Karen Eggenberger, Tom Engel, Nancy Flessner, Amy Follmer, Aaron Fox, Rich Fox, Michael Gall, Steve Gall, John Gish, Jordan Gish, Dusty Hay, Mark Hilleary, Chris Hughes, Doug Huxtable, Matt Ifft, Evan Johnson, Phil Kiefer, John Koltveit, Norma Koltveit, Rebecca Koltveit, Joe Maubach, Tyler Maubach, Lucas Meiners, Bryan Miller, Evan Rich, Carl Snyder Jr., John Telford, Matt Tronc, Rick Tucker, Mary Vaughan and Sarah Wiechmann.

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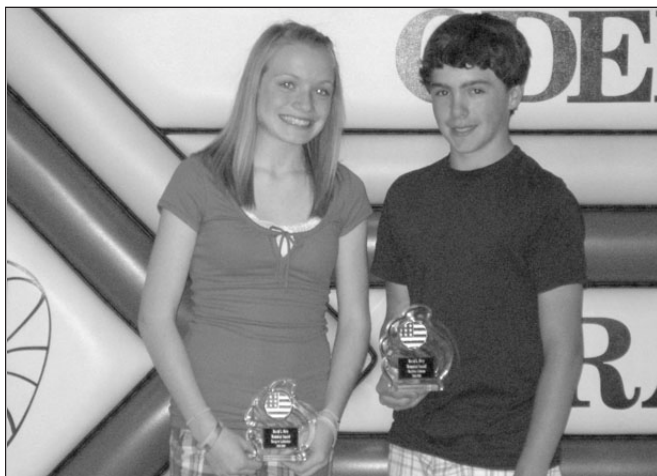
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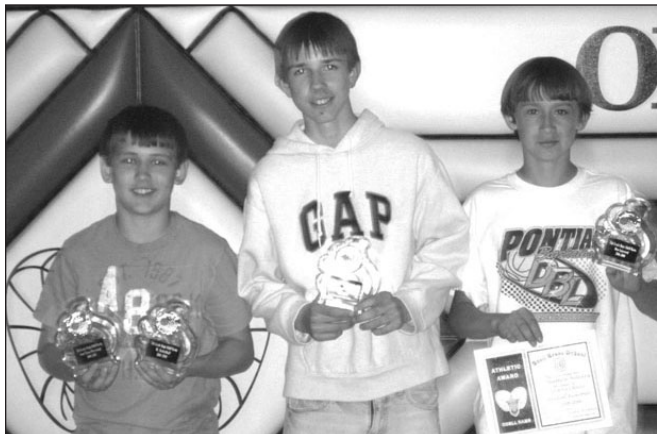
Odell Grade School Presents Athletic Awards to Students



Odell Abry Award winners



Odell eighth grade boys' basketball award winners



Odell seventh grade boys' basketball award winners



Odell eighth grade volleyball award winners



Odell cheerleading award winners



Odell seventh grade volleyball award winners

Odell grade school recently held an athletic awards ceremony for junior high students. The following students were awarded:

Boys: Matthew Johnson, Abry award, Mr. Basketball, most improved (baseball); Kyle Tucker, free throw percentage, Mr. Basketball, most steals (baseball); Tyler Schmoeger, defense award (basketball); Matthew Hilleary, most improved (basketball); Jimmy Farris, most improved (basketball), Mr. Baseball; Cody Grieff, free throw percentage, defense award (basketball); Chance Carlson, Ram award (baseball).

Girls: Maggie LaBorence, Abry award, best all-around (cheerleading), hustle award (volleyball); Anna Turner, best all-around (cheerleading); Hilary Hoegger, most

improved (cheerleading); Maureen Doran, enthusiasm (cheerleading), most improved (volleyball); Meagan Brockman, spirit (cheerleading); Alyson Wiemken, most improved (basketball and volleyball); Kaela Hodges, most rebounds, free throw percentage (basketball), most hits (volleyball); Rachael Fearman, Ramgal award (basketball), most serves (volleyball); Angie Barrett, most improved (basketball); Kristin Johnson, free throw percentage (basketball), Miss Softball, stolen bases (softball), most serves (volleyball); Ashley Johnson, most rebounds, Ramgal award (basketball), most hits (volleyball); Julie Hogan, most improved (softball); Charlie Grieff, batting average (softball); Andrea Flynn, hustle award (volleyball).



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Tri-Point Superintendent's News for May

by Steve Fink
Tri-Point Superintendent
Welcome to the Superintendent's News article for May 2009. This edition has information about numerous topics.

First, congratulations to the members of the Tri-Point High School band. The band earned a first-place rating at the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Band contest held on April 4. The students and Miss Curran, the high school band director, have worked hard during this school year to improve the quality of the high school band. The group's first-place rating at the IHSA contest is in recognition of their efforts and dedication. Congratulations again to the members of the high school band and Miss Curran.

Second, kudos to Mrs. Margaret Lucht, the art teacher at the junior high/upper elementary school in Piper City, and the fourth and fifth grade students at that building. Mrs. Lucht and the students earned a computer projector and a new computer for their school through the Illinois Coal Association. They received these items because all of the fourth and fifth grade students submitted entries for the Illinois Coal Association's calendar contest. The coal association selects 12 entries from those submitted by students from throughout the state for publication in their calendar. Way to go, fourth and fifth grade students and Mrs. Lucht.

Third, congratulations to Bekah Foltz and Jessica Juergens, who are juniors at Tri-Point High School. Bekah and Jessica were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society at a ceremony held at Pontiac High School on April 30. The society recognizes students who demonstrate excellence in the following areas: technical skills, honesty, service, citizenship, leadership, workmanship and scholarship. This is a wonderful achievement for Bekah and Jessica and reflects positively on these two young ladies, their families and the high school staff members.

Fourth, the junior high school scholastic bowl team recently earned its fifth consecutive regional title. The team competed in the sectional tournament on Tuesday, May 5. Five successive regional titles are an outstanding accomplishment and one that the students and faculty members at the junior high school should be proud of. We wish the scholastic team the best at the sectional tournament.

Fifth, the health/life safety work scheduled for completion this summer is moving forward. Here is information regarding the two initial projects.

First, all four school buildings will be tuck pointed. This involves cleaning the exterior of each building and then repairing or replacing any damaged mortar on the buildings. The tuck pointing will weatherproof and increase the life of each of the school buildings.

Second, windows will be replaced in each of the schools as follows: Kempton East – west side of the central office and the south side and east side of the building. Kempton West – the north side and east side of the 1954 addition, which is the east section of the school. Cullom – windows on all four sides of the building will be replaced.

The new windows will keep the buildings cooler during the warm months and warmer during the winter months. More updates will be available as these projects move forward and other health/life safety work is set for this summer.

Upcoming date of importance for the school district:
• Wednesday, May 20th: Junior High School Band and Chorus Concert, 7 p.m., Junior High School Gymnasium.

Have a great month of May!

Livingston County Health Dept. Announces Wellness Clinic

The Livingston County Health Department has appointments available for a wellness clinic, which will be conducted at the health department on Thursday, May 28. The wellness clinic is open to all adults in Livingston County.

Basic wellness clinic services include blood pressure screening, metabolic syndrome screening and a blood chemistry profile. This profile includes testing for all cholesterol levels, glucose level, blood count and liver and kidney function enzymes.

The cost for a basic wellness clinic visit includes all lab fees. Lab results are reviewed by the health department and sent to participants within one week.

Additional services available through the wellness clinic at additional fees include PSA (prostate specific antigen) prostate cancer testing for men; thyroid (TSH) screening; and HbA1c screening for clients with diabetes.

Women participating in the wellness clinic may also receive osteoporosis screening, which is conducted using ultra-sound to measure bone density, for an additional fee. There is a separate fee for osteoporosis screening when not in conjunction with a clinic.

To make an appointment for the wellness clinic, call the Livingston County Health Department at 815-844-7174, ext. 210.

AREA CHURCHES

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Mission for May: "Blanket Sunday"
May 20: RSVP "Church Basement La-dies;" 7 p.m., Trustees.
May 24: 10:15 a.m., Worship and Celebrating Graduates.
May 26: 6:30 p.m., Deacons; Newsletter Article Due.
May 27: 12-12:45 p.m., Stone Soup & Movie; 1:30 p.m., BINGO.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)
325 E. Mazon Ave., Dwight 584-3433, church 584-1291 fax 584-1023, parsonage Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Sr. Pastor
Rev. Jacob Ehrhard, Assoc. Pastor
May 20: God-with-Us Preschool.
May 20: 1 p.m., Mary & Martha; 5:30 p.m., Preschool ending program; Friday, May 22 is the last day of classes.
May 21: 7 p.m., Ascension Day Service.
May 22: 6:30 p.m., Adult Fellowship.
May 23: 5 p.m., Worship.
May 24: 10:15 a.m.,

Worship Service.
St. Peter's Lutheran Church
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Pastor Heidi Punt
May 20: 8-9 a.m., Exercise; 8:30 a.m., Time Out with God; 5-6 p.m., Confirm. (Sr.); 6 p.m., Choir; Anna Circle; 6-7:30 p.m., Confirm. (Jr.).
May 21: Ascension Day; 1:30 p.m., Sarah Circle at church – Hos-tess: Barb Mortensen.
May 22: Epistle deadline; 8-9 a.m., exercise; 8 p.m., A.A. meeting.
May 24: 8:15 a.m., H.C. Worship; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 10:30 a.m., Worship.
May 26: 9 a.m. - noon, quilting; 9 a.m., Text study; 6 p.m., Bell choir; 6 p.m., Fundamentals of Faith; 7 p.m., Worship Team meeting.
May 27: 8-9 a.m., exercise; 9 a.m. - noon, quilting; 5-6:30 p.m., Confirm. (Sr.); 6 p.m., Choir; 6-7:30 p.m., Confirm. (Jr.).
May 28: 10:30 a.m., Bible Study at Mazon Ave. apartments.

Dwight United Methodist Church
701 S. Columbia, Dwight 584-3420, church 584-3425, fax 584-1554, parsonage Pastor: Rev. William Leppin
May 20: 1-3 p.m., Set Up for Youth/Children's Choir; 3:05-4 p.m., Children's Choir; 3:05-4:30 p.m., Jr. UMYF; 4:45 p.m., Confirmation; 6-6:30 p.m., Sr. UMYF Praise & Prayer; 6:30 p.m., Sr. UMYF Meal; 7 p.m., Bible Warriors; GLOW (Night Out); 8 p.m., Bible Study, Corilyn.
May 21: 6 p.m., Outreach; 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir; 7 p.m., Evangelism; Finance Meeting; 8 p.m., Ad Council.
May 24: 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., Coffee Shop; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School, Praise & Worship Rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Praise & Worship Service; 2:00 p.m., Heritage Manor; 5:30 p.m., Prayer Group; 7:00 p.m., Baccalaureate, Auditorium.
May 25: Memorial Day - Church Closed.
May 26: 8:30 a.m., Bible Study, Karla Behounek; 1:00 p.m., Sunshine Circle; 6:30 p.m., Prayer Shawl.
May 27: 1-3:00 p.m., Set up for Youth/Children's Choir; 3:05-4:00 p.m., Children's Choir; 3:05-4:30 p.m., Jr. UMYF;

May 27: 4:45 p.m., Confirmation; 6-6:30 p.m., Sr. UMYF Praise and Prayer; 6:30 p.m., Sr. UMYF Meal; 7:00 p.m., Bible Study, Corilyn.
May 28: No Sanctuary Choir.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church
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May 23: 4-4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass.
May 24: 8 a.m., Mass; 10:30 a.m., Mass.

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May 21: 9:30 a.m., Morning Prayer Group; 10:30 a.m., Kerygma Class.

First Baptist Church
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Pastor Daniel L. Woodward
May 24: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School; 10:45 a.m., Sunday Morning Service; 6 p.m., Evening Service.
May 27: 7 p.m., Wednesday Evening Service and King's Kids Program.

T. B. Board and Board of Health Meetings

The Tuberculosis Board and Board of Health for the Livingston County Public Health Department will meet on Monday, June 8, in the Conference Room of the Health and Education Building, 310 E. Torrence Ave., Pontiac.

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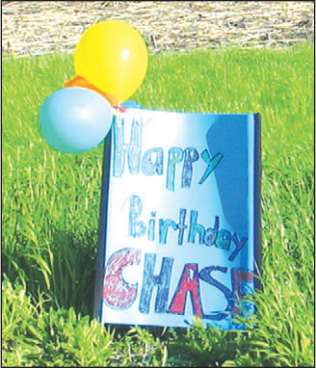
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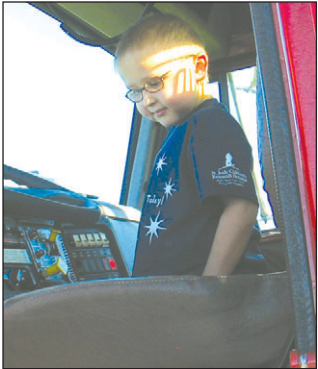
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The jazz show is a comedy/variety show put on by the instrumental music department. All skits are written, adapted and performed by the members of the band. Music for the show is provided by the DTHS Jazz Band with special guest the DJHS Jazz Band and guest vocalist Mary Pfeifer.

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Proceeds from the golf scramble will benefit the

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, the world's largest charitable funder and advocate of type 1 diabetes research.

According to a press release, Ryan "has a difficult time understanding this challenging disease that he must live with. Most young children do not have the ability to understand the physical feelings they experience when their blood sugars are out of range, nor do they

comprehend why they must adhere to a special diet and endure multiple finger sticks and injections daily. These restrictions often times will leave a young child angry and frustrated." Ryan's Rescuers' dream is to find a cure for juvenile diabetes.

Registration and an early lunch will be at 10 a.m. the day of the golf scramble, with a shotgun start at 11 a.m. and dinner following golf.

Ryan's Rescuers also invite everyone to participate in the annual Ron Santo Walk for a Cure on Ryan's fourth birthday, Sunday, October 4.

For more information or to sign up for the golf scramble, contact Luke Kotara at lukekotara@yahoo.com or Derrick Cannon at derrickcannon@sbcglobal.net or call either of them at 815-463-5046.

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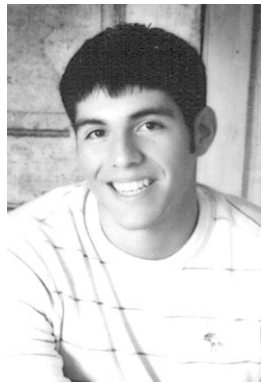
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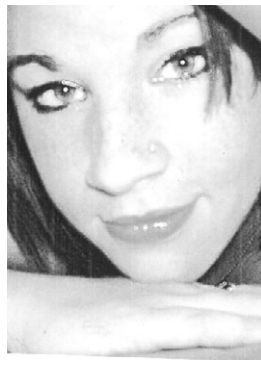
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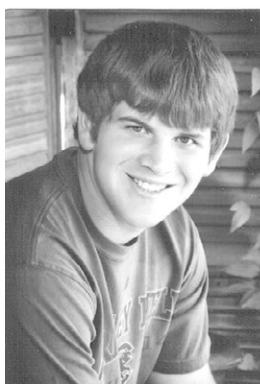
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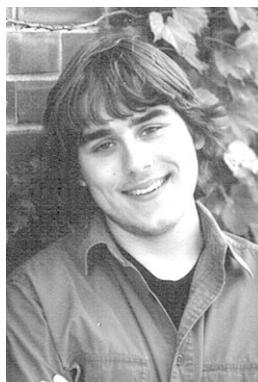
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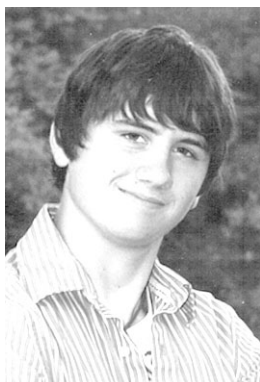
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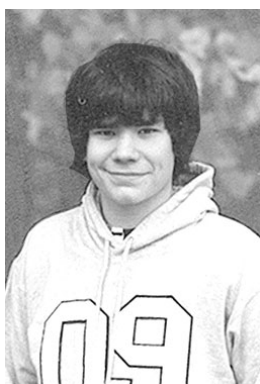
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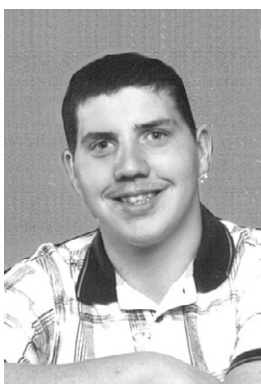
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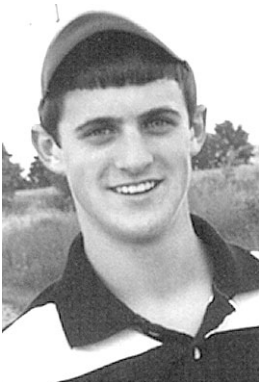
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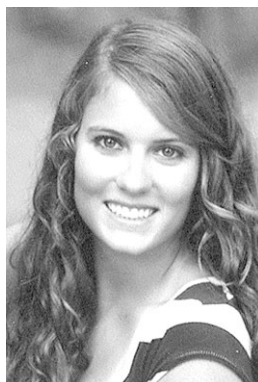
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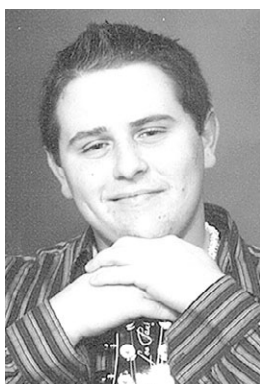
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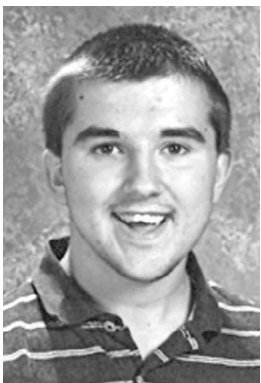
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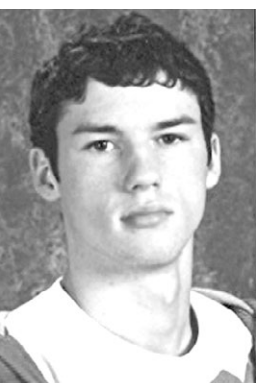
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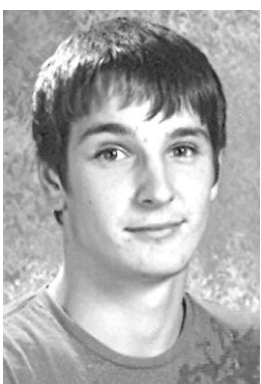
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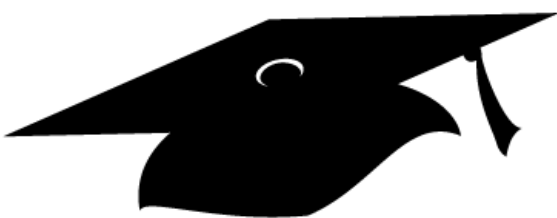


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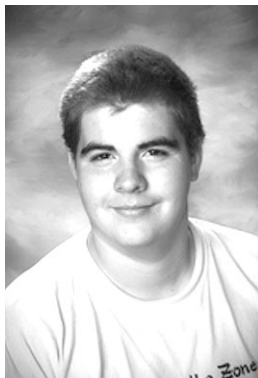
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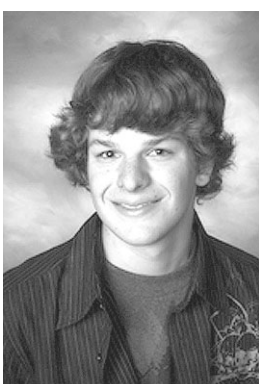
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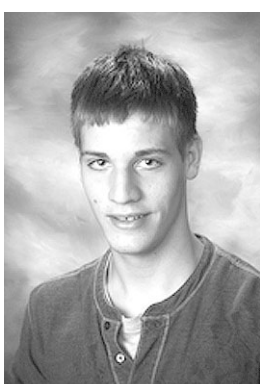
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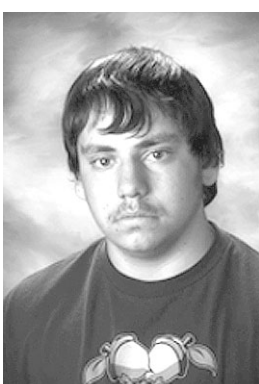
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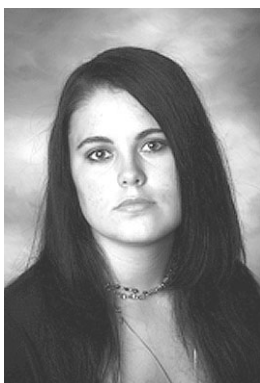
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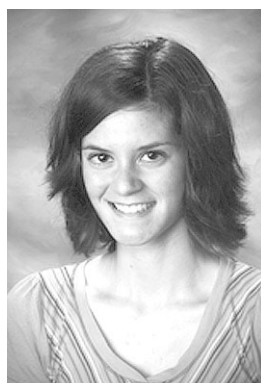
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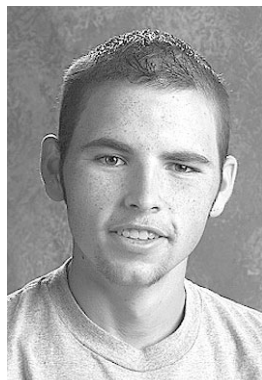
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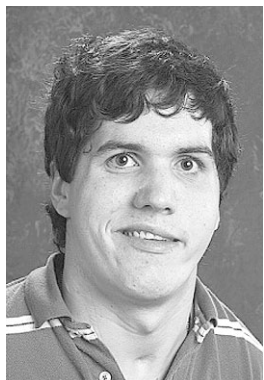
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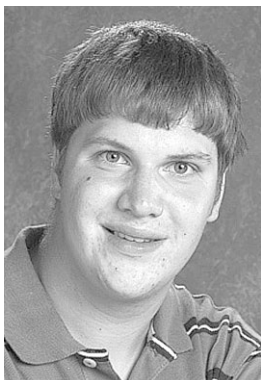
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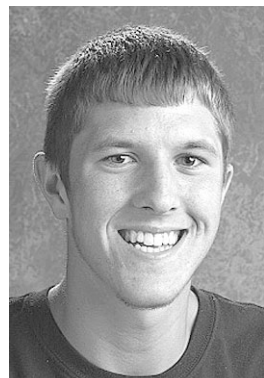
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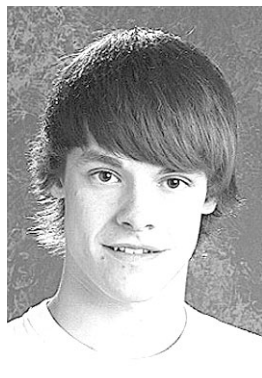
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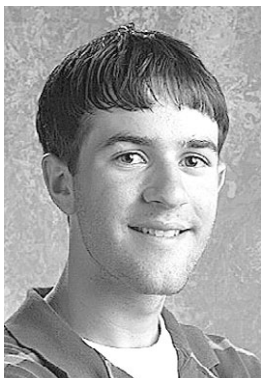
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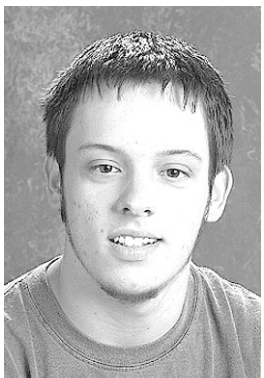
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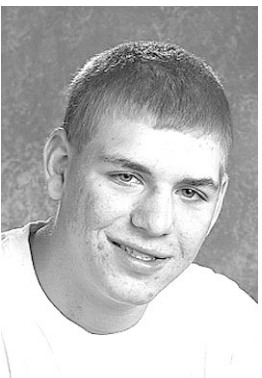
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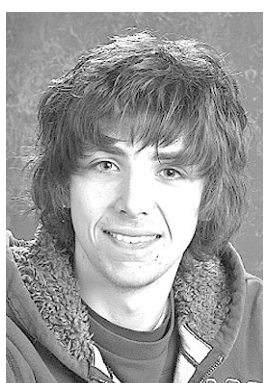
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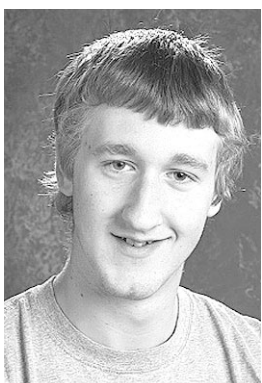
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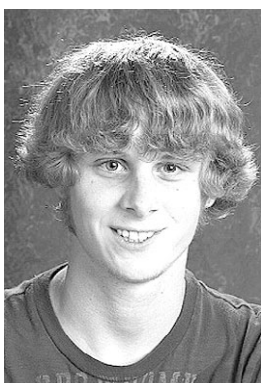
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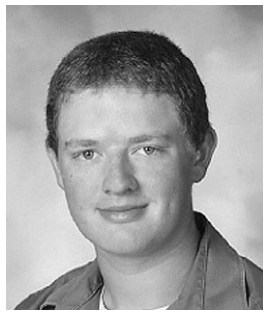
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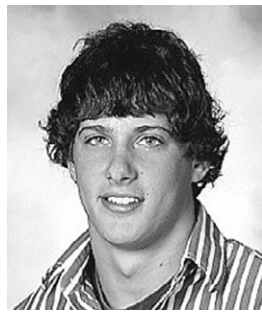
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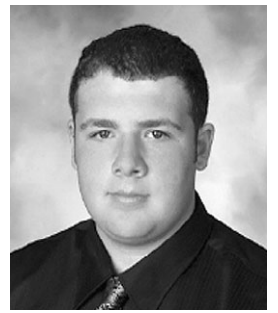
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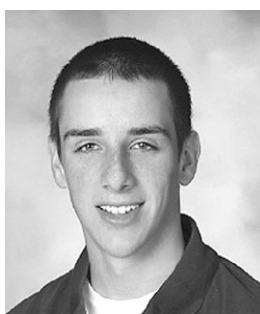
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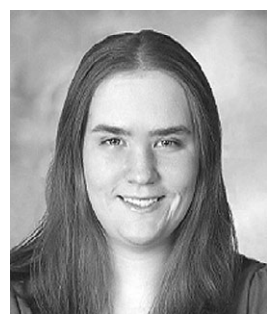
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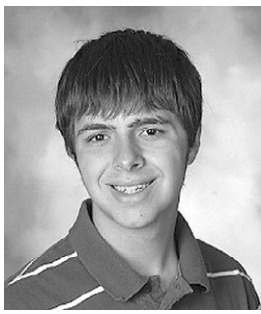
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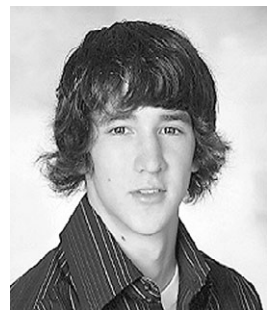
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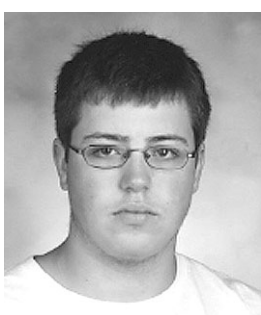
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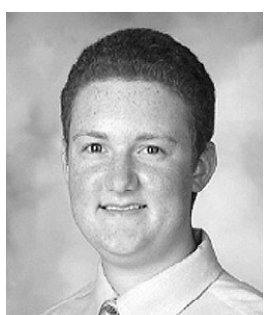
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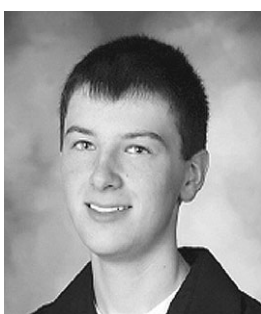
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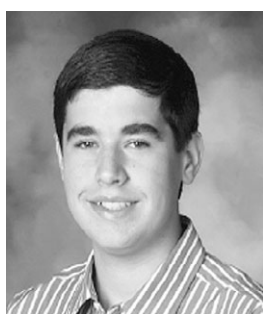
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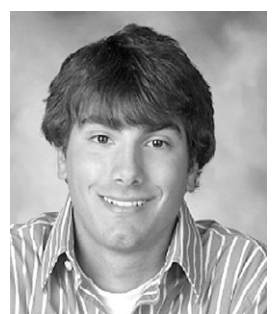
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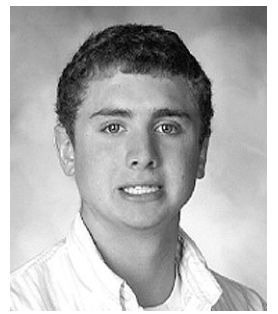
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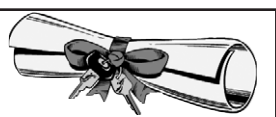
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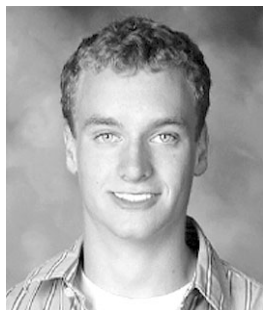
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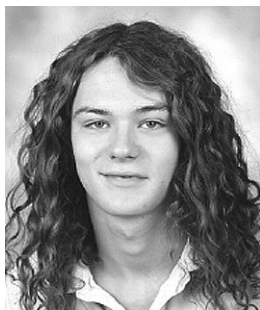


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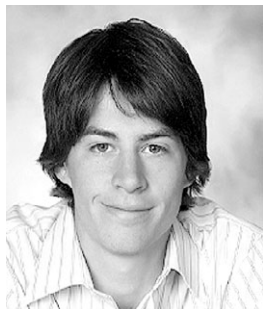
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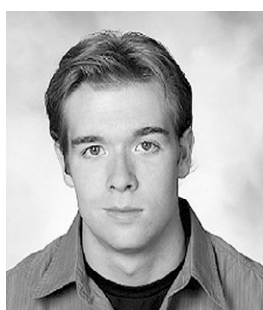
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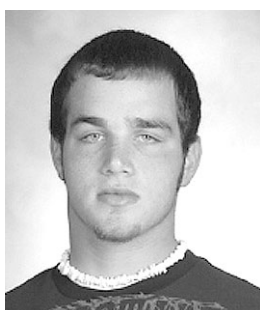
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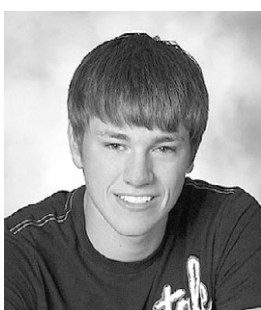
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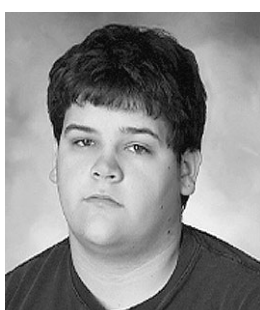
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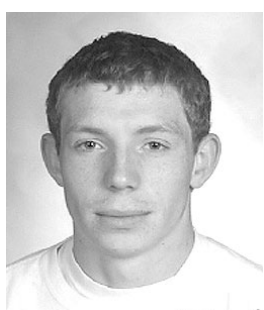
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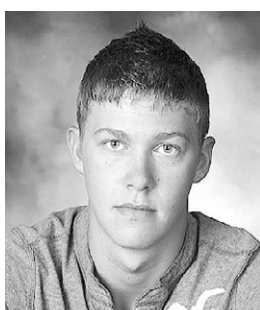
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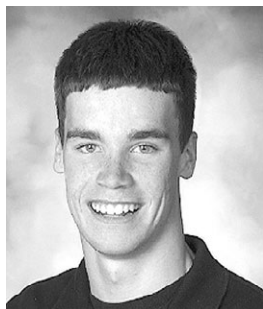
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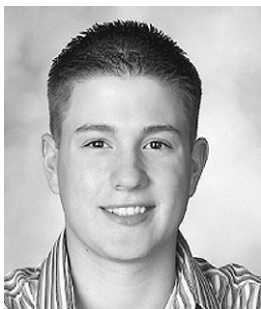
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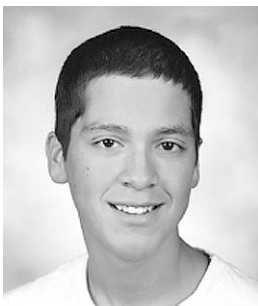
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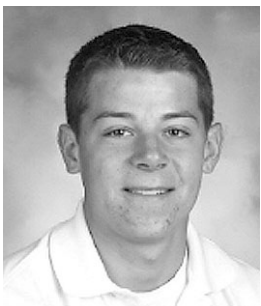
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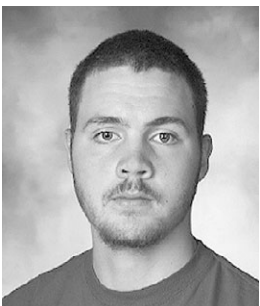
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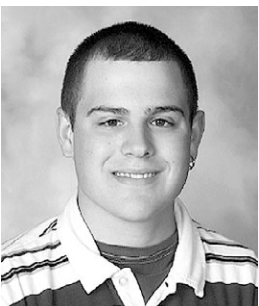
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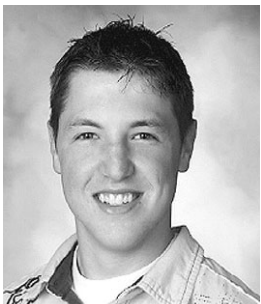
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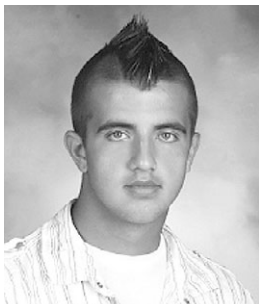
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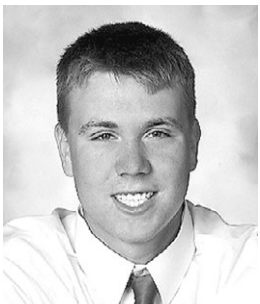
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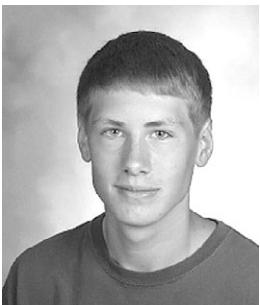
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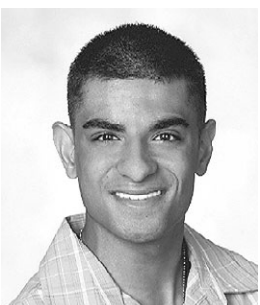
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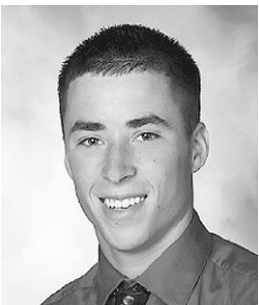
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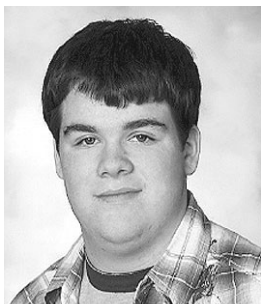
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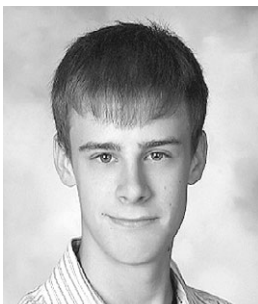
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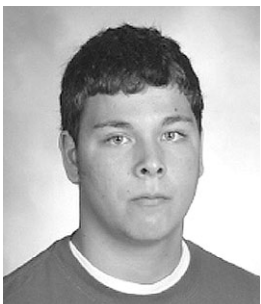
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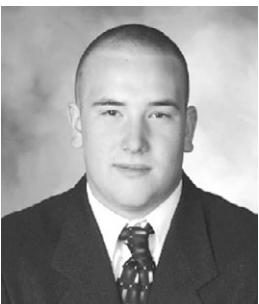
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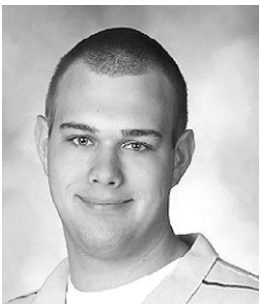
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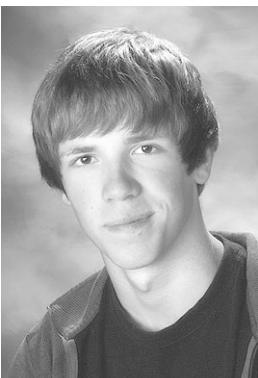
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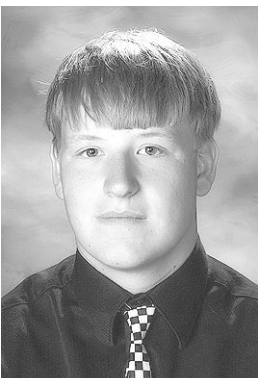
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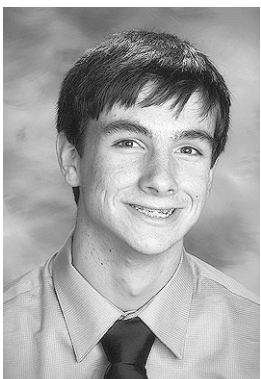
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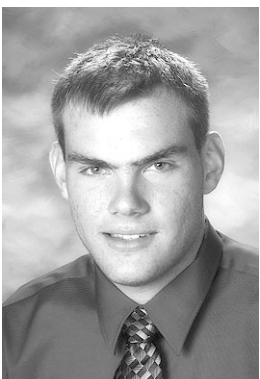
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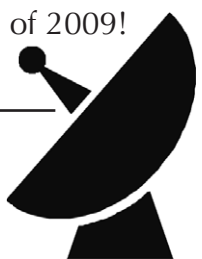
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