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IMPACT Dwight Picnic, Bazaar, Bean Bag Tournament

The first annual IMPACT Dwight picnic, bazaar and bean bag tournament will be held Sunday, June 28, at 1 p.m. at Vivid Spirit (next door to Pete's Restaurant) in Dwight.

The event is sponsored by Scott Hager, Pete Panagiotaras and Janine Boggs. Boggs and Jeremy Connor will run the games, which begin at 2 p.m. Game sign-up is at 1 p.m.

Hager will cook pulled pork for sandwiches; there will also be cole slaw, baked beans, popcorn and ice

Stevenson Pool Season to Begin

Dwight's Stevenson Pool is set to open for the summer on Friday, June 5 at 1:00 pm. The pool will be open 1:00 - 5:30 daily and will also be open M, W, TH, F, and SA evenings 6:30-9:00. The pool is available for rental on Tuesday and Sunday nights. Memberships will be on sale beginning at noon opening day. Family passes are \$100 for the season, and individual passes are \$50. Everyone who purchases a membership prior to June 8 will receive a ten-swim guest pass.

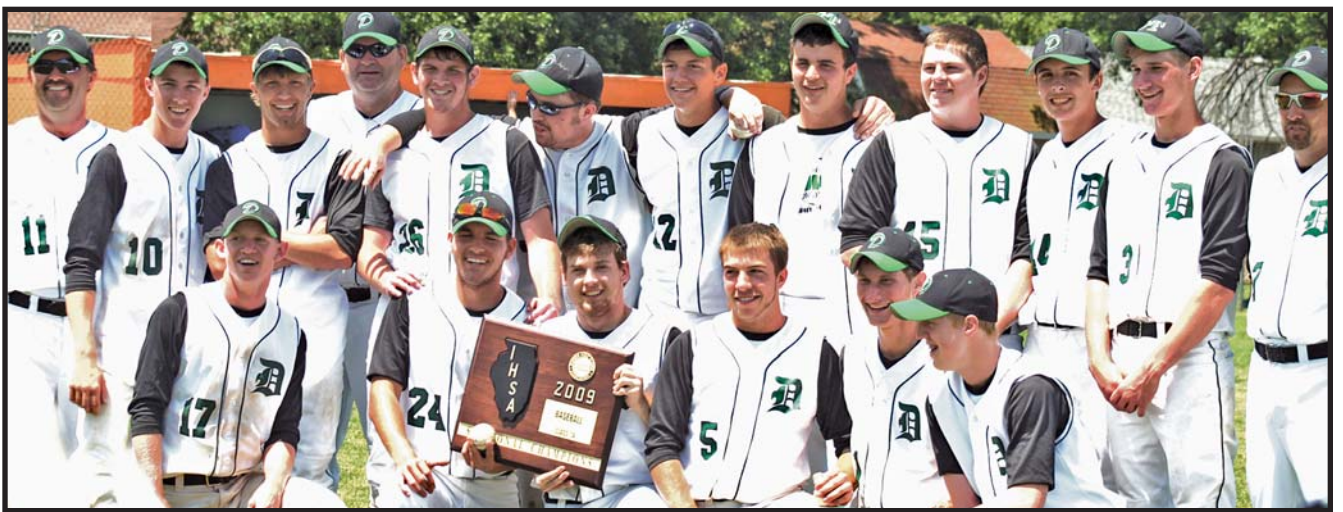
If you missed registration, swimming lesson sign-up will also be available at the pool beginning June 5. Sign up for lessons prior to June 8 to avoid the \$5 late fee. Dwight Dolphin swim practice begins on June 8 and early morning lap swim and water aerobics will begin on Monday, June 8. It's not too late to join!

Family Fun Fridays will begin on Friday, June 12 with '70s night. The first movie of the summer is "Benji."

cream. Kerry Kociss will pour 16 oz. cups of domestic draft beer. The regular menu and full bar will also be available inside.

There will be lots of raffles, a 50/50 drawing, entertainment by Big Kahuna and surprise guests. Sue DeLong will raffle a large stainless steel party cooler.

There is an entry fee for bean bag players. For early sign-up, stop by Pete's Restaurant or call 815-584-2331. Cash prizes will be awarded to bean bag tournament winners.



LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BOYS...CONGRATULATIONS! THE DWIGHT VARSITY BOYS BASEBALL TEAM WON the sectional game in Gardner Saturday against the Somonauk Bobcats, 7-4. Front row, players, l to r, Danny Grubbs, Kyle Seanard, Pete Moyemont, Blake Becker, Kirk Telford, and Trent Wiles. Back row, Assistant Coach Chuck Trainor, Cal Vigna, Noah Trainor, Assistant Coach Tom Conroy, Kyle Cahill, Joey Briner, Talon Roeder, Aaron Murphy, Noel Hoffman, Michael Halloran, Dan Hansen and Head Coach Dan Kaiser.

DTHS Board Outlines Co-Curricular Expectations

by Madelyn Fogarty
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Protocol for handling co-curricular issues and ensuring that expectations of coaches, players, parents, and administration are clearly defined and the role of the school board is understood was the basis of a special meeting called by the DTHS Board of Education May 26.

Recent concerns raised to the Board that resulted in a coaching change for the Boys' Varsity Basketball team prompted the board to take action and establish clear guidelines and expectations for all involved.

"When you are out as an

individual in the community, you are just Joe Citizen," Superintendent Dale Adams advised the board. "It is not until you are around this table in the collective body of seven that you take on the role of a board member."

To that point, Adams discussed with the board proper ways communications to and from the board should be handled, and the boards' expectations of coaches/sponsors, participants and parents were defined.

According to the guidelines, to ensure fair and proper communication, staff members, parents and community members should submit questions or communi-

cation to the school board through the Superintendent. If contacted individually, the board members will refer the person to the appropriate channel of authority except in certain unusual situations. Board members will not take private actions that might compromise the board or administration.

However, the proper avenue for directing communication or resolving issues should begin at the level of the coach/sponsor.

"Without addressing the point of contention there is no problem," explained Adams. "If you are not willing to go forward and address it at the point, there

is not an issue."

A scheduled meeting will be the accepted method for discussion. If necessary, the school will provide a facilitator for the meeting.

If an issue cannot be resolved at the coach/sponsor level, it can then be raised to the Athletic Director, followed by the Principal, the Superintendent, and, finally, the Board of Education.

Adams also gave direction on acceptable items to discuss with a coach. Questioning the amount of playing time a participant is allowed is not appropriate.

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GSW High School Board Meets May 20

The Gardner South Wil- mington High School District #73 Board of Education held a regular meeting May 20.

Shane Tucker, GSW athletic director, was in attendance for coaching recommendations for the 2009-10 school year. He recommended to the board of education that all coaches be rehired for next year. The board is still looking for a junior varsity and varsity volleyball coach. Tucker also discussed the coaches' evaluations and how they are handled.

Both the softball and baseball team are heading into regionals. They both had successful seasons, the girls with 20 wins and the boys with 17.

June 9 will be the Spring Sports Awards Night.

There was a meeting in Dwight on Monday, May 18, and the Dwight high school board passed/renewed the co-op with GSW HS in cross-country, track, golf and football. Larry Lane has agreed to be the cross-country coach again.

An incident at a boys' baseball game was discussed with the board. Tucker explained to the board the actions taken by the IHSA and GSW as a result of a coach and player being ejected from the baseball game.

Lastly in sports, Shane Tucker is resigning as athletic director as of June 30. He is willing to help the new athletic director, Ben Bailey, make a smooth transition.

As presented last month, the cheerleading sponsors are requesting approval for new uniforms. They are up

in the rotation, and it was a question of the uniform appropriateness and the overall cost. The BOE discussed the issue and decided to approve the cost of \$70 per uniform for the cheerleaders.

There was a second reading of the parent/student handbook. As discussed last month, the handbook committee was asking for approval of the changes in the handbook.

Dr. Decman reviewed a summary of the proposed

summer work. Included in the schedule is the water heater replacement and numerous other items that will mostly be completed by the current maintenance/custodial team.

Dr. Decman reviewed a summary of potential budget cuts due to a decrease in enrollment of approximately 20 students (specifically, 230 to 210 students). He proposed that the board will need to make approximately \$60,000 in budget cuts in order to maintain a balanced

budget for next year. Dr. Decman has shared this list with the union leadership and said he would send all faculty and staff the list of possible reductions by the end of the week. The BOE will review these possibilities and make a decision at the June or July meeting on how to move forward.

Next year's proposed BOE meeting dates were also reviewed. The BOE will be asked to approve the dates for the 2009-2010 (continued on page 16)



AN OLD PHOTOGRAPH of the Cabery baseball team is among those in need of identification at the Herscher Area Historical Society Museum in Herscher.

Herscher Museum Needs Help Identifying Old Photographs

Families in the area of Cabery, Kempton, Cullom and Saunemin are asked to help the Herscher Area Historical Society identify a group of old photographs.

The museum recently acquired an album of cabinet-card photographs from about 100 years ago. Some of the pictures are identified. Many are not. Perhaps some of the current relatives of these people could look at the pictures and help put names to them.

Some of the names on the identified pictures include Drew, Bray, Falter, Worten-

dyke, Peterson, Decker, Elwell, Switzer, Scott, Brown, Reese, Hoffs, Porter, Nutt, Sleezer, Hanson, Quayle, Miller, Smicker, Gates, Walsh, Hughes, McKinley, Loop and Jones.

A large photograph of a Cabery baseball team also needs identification.

In addition to identifying the photographs, the museum would like the genealogy of these families and how they connect.

You may call Jim Ridings at the Herscher Museum at 815-426-2905 to see the pictures.



DWIGHT MAIN STREET FARMER'S MARKET got underway Saturday, May 30. Many vendors set up their wares on the east side of Main Street. Saturday, June 6 is the next scheduled market from 8 a.m. to noon. Above, Emerson Peters checks out the flowers for sale as Connie Benson and Mary Fox of Dwight, await her decision. Connie is a regular vendor selling flowers, and as the season progresses, fruits and vegetables along with other items.

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May 23: Bradley A. Krause, 19, Dwight, resisting/obstructing a peace officer, illegal consumption of alcohol by minor.

May 24: Kimberly A. Phelan, 24, Streator, driving under influence of alcohol, illegal transportation/possession of alcohol – driver, other traffic offenses; Jerry J. Hodges, 21, Herscher, driving under influence of alcohol, improper lane usage, possession of cannabis/30 grams or less, possession of drug equipment.

May 25: Richard P. Rosenfeldt, 40, St. Charles, speeding (radar), 60/45; Joe W. Drechsel, 49, Odell, criminal trespass to land.

May 26: Adam L. Greenan, 30, Dwight, suspended, revoked driver's license.

May 27: Justin F. Kokos, 22, Grant Park, speeding (radar), 72/55.

Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

May 21: Verona, fire standby, mutual aid to Verona-Kinsman.

May 22: W. South, medical, Pontiac; Rt. 47, accident, refusal; Rt. 66 at Lions Lake, citizen assist.

May 23: E. Seminole, medical, Morris; E. Waupansie, medical.

May 24: E. Mazon, medical, Morris.

May 25: E. Main, medical, Morris; Susan, medical, Morris; DCC, medical, Morris.

May 26: Delaware, CO alarm.

May 27: Mazon Ave., trauma, Morris.

5 Warning Issued by Dwight Police

Speeding (radar), 1; improper lighting – one headlamp, 1; improper lane usage, 2; improper use of registration, 1.

Crash in Braceville Township Claims Life of Pontiac Man

by Meta Machulis

A May 22 accident on Interstate 55 in Braceville Township claimed the life of a Pontiac man, Leslie D. Goswick, 49.

According to a report provided by the Illinois State Police District 5, Goswick was traveling southbound on I-55 in the left lane, just south of mile post 232. Witnesses stated that they noticed Goswick traveling at inconsistent speeds. Prior to the crash, witnesses said Goswick passed them in the left lane and they observed Goswick talking on his cell phone.

Goswick changed from the left to right lane directly behind a semi truck and swerved quickly back to the left to avoid hitting the truck, the police report states. Goswick's vehicle then left the roadway to the left, struck the median wires and posts, and rolled over, causing extensive damage to the vehicle. Goswick was ejected from the vehicle, according to the police report.

The Braidwood Fire Department responded to the scene. Grundy County Coroner John Callahan pronounced Goswick dead at 6:50 p.m.

Illinois State Police are conducting a crash reconstruction investigation.



THE DWIGHT FIRE DEPARTMENT is proud to put in service its new brush truck. The chassis was purchased through Fraher Ford in Pontiac, and work was completed by Sandry Fire Supply of Iowa. The new brush truck has the following features: 2009 Ford F-550 4x4, super single all-terrain tires, 300 gallon tank, 200 GPM pump, 100' of 1" hose booster reel, 150' of 1 1/4" Crosslay pre-connect, 7' whip lines, 40 GPM spray bar under front bumper, 5 gallons of Class A foam w/Scotty Foam System, 9000 lbs. winch with receivers in the front and rear of truck, multiple hand tools mounted and storage compartments.



THE DWIGHT FIRE DEPARTMENT was presented a plaque of appreciation of assistance and participation of the Empress River Casino Fire March 20. Pictured, left to right, are: Dwight Captain Mike Kingman, Operations Chief of Joliet Fire Department Brian Lucca and Dwight Chief Darrin Shull.

Dwight Police Give Report on Number, Types of Calls Received

In April 2009, there were 251 calls for service to which Dwight Police responded. These are calls that were answered by the patrol units. Patrol currently consists of one sergeant, four full-time officers and three part-time officers. These statistics did not include the chief, detective or the officer assigned to the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit.

Not included in these 251 calls were officer-initiated activity. Officer-initiated activities include traffic enforcement, business building checks, house watches and building searches resulting from business checks.

Of the calls, 170 consisted of complaints that did not result in arrests. Included in these calls were domestic disputes (with no arrest due to lack of probable cause), neighborhood disputes, thefts, burglaries, vandalism, suspicious persons, 911 hang-ups, drug information, burglar alarms and similar calls.

Additionally, Dwight Police in April responded to 68 service calls. Included in these requests for service were vehicle lockouts, animal complaints, bank escorts, funeral escorts and well-being checks.

Dwight Police assisted Dwight Fire and EMS on 23 calls.

Not included are calls in which arrests were made, as they are printed in *The Paper*.

Also not included are arrests in which Dwight Police officers have provided valuable drug information to the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit. These statistics are counted under the Pro-Active Unit, and no report is generated by Dwight Police. Included in the Livingston County Pro-Active stats are the two recent searches in the 400 block of East South Street and the 100 block of West Seminole Street. Eight individuals were arrested on drug-related charges.



PHIL BARUTHA, left, and **Ryan Morris**, center, engineers with Mortenson Construction, speak to fifth and sixth graders at Saunemin Elementary School on May 29 about wind turbines and renewable energy. Andrew Weber of Iberdrola Renewables (not pictured) also spoke to students.

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DWIGHT WELCOMES Sancken/Sole Realty. Chamber of Commerce Board members held a ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Dwight location, 310 N. Union St. Pictured, l to r, Rudy Piskule, Bob Weller, DCC Program Director Dawn Bunting, Scott Hager, Janine Boggs, Bill Sole - Co-owner Sancken Sole Realty, Pam Atchison of Sancken-Sole, Don Beavers, President, Livingston County Board of Realtors, Iris Cregar and Bob Ohlendorf.

Dwight to Observe Main Street Day in Illinois

The first Saturday in June is designated as Main Street Day in Illinois to celebrate our downtowns. Many people ask why. Do you remember riding the horse in front of the dime store or attending a Saturday matinee at the Blackstone Theatre? Did you attend a record hop on the plaza or look forward to coming to town on Saturday night for popcorn and visits with family and friends? Did you “buzz the gut” weekend evenings to see who was doing the same? These events and hundreds of others happened downtown, the heart of our community.

Main Street Day, June 6, is an opportunity to remember these times. In keeping with these memories, the building history of several

Dwight locations has been researched. Posters will be placed in several store windows on East Main and South Franklin streets listing previous businesses at that location.

Some information is missing, though, so if you can help fill in the blanks, call the Dwight Main Street office at 815-584-1830. The information you provide can be added to make next year's listing more complete.

It is the mission of the Dwight Main Street Program to enhance Dwight and its downtown area by fostering a community-wide effort to strengthen our community identity, preserve our unique heritage and rekindle the economic vitality of downtown Dwight.

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Gardner All-town Garage Sales June 5 and 6

Gardner's all-town garage sales will be this Friday and Saturday, June 5 and 6. Maps will be available at 101 E. Washington and the Gardner Village Hall on sale days.

The garage sale event is sponsored by the Gardner Grade School Tiger Talk Book Club.



FLOWERS HAVE ONCE AGAIN APPEARED in downtown Dwight. Sixteen concrete planters were purchased by the Dwight Main Street Program in 2001, placed in the downtown area and planted with flowers each year since then. Students from DTHS have raised flowers in their greenhouse under the direction of Mary Pfeifer and then brought them downtown the past three years. Businesses and volunteers water and care for the flowers throughout the summer. The flowers are financed by the sale of 7 Sisters Danish Pastry, sold by Dwight Main Street.

Summer Park and Rec Sign Up Still Available

There was a great turn out at registration for the Summer Park and Rec programs, but if you missed sign up, you are in luck! There are still openings in many programs.

Meals with Morts has limited openings in all three cooking classes. There are spaces available in the jewelry making classes. Kids' programs with spots open include Noah's Ark Fluff and Stuff, Cowboy and Butterfly Parties, and Summer Art.

There are tickets available for the August 1 Joliet Jackhammers game. There are limited spots for the bus trips to Navy Pier and Chicago White Sox Game.

Complete descriptions and dates can be found in the Park and Rec pamphlets which are available at the Village Hall and Prairie Creek Library.

If you are interested in signing up for any programs, go to Dwight Village Hall.

IMPACT Dwight: \$50 Challenge

IMPACT Dwight will have start-up expenses to cover these startup costs, a unique challenge was issued to the participants. A \$50 bill was presented to everyone, courtesy of the First National Bank of Dwight, with the stipulation that recipients return in five weeks with the \$50 PLUS whatever they can earn with their “seed money.” With your help the financial goal will be achieved.

SOMETHING SMELLS GOOD!

My name is Julie Marx and I am participating in the IMPACT Dwight \$50 Challenge. I actually live in the country, yet I truly want to be a part of “helping” Dwight be all that it can be!

To increase my \$50, I am offering to bake homemade Chocolate Chip Cookies for \$3⁰⁰ a baker's dozen. To place an order, please call Julie at 815-584-9051.

Deadline to place an order is June 15. Thank you for helping Dwight achieve its greatness!

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MEMBERS OF THE DWIGHT AREA Chamber of Commerce presented retiring Program Administrator Shirley Seabert with a bouquet of flowers at her retirement luncheon on May 28. Pictured left to right are Dawn Bunting, Shirley Seabert, Scott Hager, Rudy Piskule and Bill Hooker.

Seabert Retires After 17 Years with Chamber

by Meta Machulis

Dwight Area Chamber of Commerce Program Administrator Shirley Seabert has decided to retire after 17 years with the chamber.

"After 32 years at Donnelley's and so many years serving with the chamber, I just decided it's time to fully retire," said Seabert, who retired from RR Donnelley three years ago. Chamber of Commerce board members and officers held a retirement luncheon for Seabert at The Country Mansion on the date of her retirement from the chamber, May 28. She has served as chamber president, board member and has spent the past two years as program administrator.

Among Seabert's proudest accomplishments with the chamber was the implementation of the annual Dwight Area Chamber of Commerce auction.

"We've been charging the same membership fee for so many years that we had to do something different to maintain our status as an office," she explained.

Seabert has also spent many hours cooking for chamber events. She said she has spent a lot of time "over potato salad and barbecue and baked beans and hot dogs and hamburgers that I cooked – I had a woman come to me and say, 'The only time I ever see you, you're under a tent selling food for the chamber!'" Seabert added that "Anytime we have an event, we always have a really fun time together, and we all work well together."

However, Seabert noted that the seats she has filled in the chamber also require hard work and dedication.

"I think a lot of people really don't understand how much work is involved in being on the chamber board and being a part of it," she said. An example is Dwight's annual Fourth of July celebration, which requires weeks of planning.

"That day, we're out there from 8:00 in the morning to 11:00 at night, and it's usually 95 degrees and 90 percent humidity," she said.

Seabert also stressed that area businesses should become members of the Chamber of Commerce.

"Chamber membership is a necessity for the success of Dwight," she said. "I've had many people say, 'What do I get out of it?' and I think the answer to that has to be, 'Support.' You're supporting other businesses, and other businesses are supporting you." Seabert added, "It's not what you're getting out of it; it's what you're putting into it."

In a similar vein, Seabert explained the importance of the Dwight Area Chamber of Commerce's relationship with the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council, which she helped to form.

"By representing Dwight, along with other Dwight businesspeople, we will make sure that Dwight is well represented in the county's economic development," she said.

Following her retirement, Seabert will continue her service as part of IMPACT Dwight and the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council. Her other plans include trips to California and Sweden and spending winters in Florida. But "mostly this summer, I just plan to enjoy my backyard pool with my kids and grandkids," she said.

Seabert and her husband, Larry, are the owners of Tech-Ni-Kolor AutoCrafters in Dwight.

Blood Drive in Ransom Wed., June 24

The American Red Cross of the Heartland will hold a blood drive at the United Methodist Church in Ransom on Wednesday, June 24.

The drive will be held from 2 to 6:30 p.m. To make an appointment to donate, call 815-586-4592.

GGs Budget Hearing Set for June 23

Gardner Grade School District #72 discussed an amended fiscal year 2009 budget at the May 18 regular Board of Education meeting. This amended budget is available for public review at the Gardner Grade School office.

A hearing to adopt the final budget will be held on Tuesday, June 23, at 6:45 p.m. in the Board of Education Room.

The public is invited to review the budget and attend the budget hearing for the purpose of making public comment regarding FY 2009.

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Dwight Peace Meals

Wed., June 3: Settlers beef and beans, warm cinnamon applesauce, wheat bread, pumpkin bars.

Thurs., June 4: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, Capri blend vegetables, wheat bread, cake.

Fri., June 5: Lasagna, lettuce salad, fruit juice, whole grain wheat bread, Mandarin oranges and pineapple.

Mon., June 8: Goulash, seasoned green beans, wheat bread, apricots.

Tues., June 9: Roast pork loin, fresh sweet potato, winter blend vegetables, wheat bread, chunky applesauce.

Wed., June 10: Chicken cutlet with orange-cinnamon sauce, rice pilaf, herbed peas, wheat bread, sherbet.

Thurs., June 11: Chili con carne, cheese salad, crackers and wheat bread, fruit salad. Milk is served each day.

Call 584-2007 to make a reservation.

Dwight Seniors Pinochle Results

The results of pinochle played at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center on May 28 are:

Gerry Sena, high, 5940; Hollis Porter, next, 5860.

Hollis Porter won double pinochle.

Ellen Galeaz acted as hostess.

The next pinochle play at the senior center will be Thursday, June 11.



CULLOM AMERICAN LEGION POST 122 World War II veterans who attended memorial day services and dinner at the post are, left to right, Don McCaughey, Joe Malone and Dick Magee. Another WWII veteran from the post, Warren "Buck" Boeman, was unable to attend.

Three Cullom Legion Members Attend Memorial Day Services

The American Legion Post 122 of Cullom has several World War II veterans. Three attended the May 26 Memorial Day service, cemetery services and the dinner at the post.

Don McCaughey served in the Army Air Corps from January 2, 1942, through November 19, 1945, going to Trinidad from 1942 to 1944; California in 1944; and on March 15, 1945, he was sent to Iwo Jima and then to Guam for two weeks to be discharged. He has been a member of the American Legion Skinner Trost Post 122 of Cullom for 56 years. He resides in Pontiac with his wife, Jean.

Joe Malone, Cullom, served from September 25, 1941, to September 25, 1945, in the Army ORD. He got home the same date he left, four years later. He never had a leave from the time he went into the service. He served in Africa and Italy.

Joe has been a Legion member for 65 years, first in Kempton for 40 years then transferring to Post 122, Cullom in 1984 (25 years).

Richard "Dick" Magee, Cullom, served as a Crew Chief in the Air Force from December 7, 1942, to November 5, 1945. He served in England, France and Germany. Dick has been a member of Post 122 for 63 years.

Unable to be present due to other commitments was Warren "Buck" Boeman of Crete. Warren was a Naval Aviator from 1942 to 1944. He never was overseas and in 1944 had a medical discharge due to an injury. He has been a member of Post 122 for 65 years.

On Wednesday, June 17, Malone and Magee will fly out of Chicago's Midway Airport at approximately 5:30 a.m. on the Honor Flight Chicago with 80 WWII Veterans (the seventh of a series of "Honor Flights" dedicated to honoring WWII veterans) for Washington, D.C. for the day to visit the WWII Memorial and Iwo Jima, Korean, Vietnam and Lincoln memorials. They will arrive back in Chicago at about 9:30 p.m. Magee's grandson, Andy Flessner, will go along as their helper/aid. The trip will take place on Malone's 92nd birthday.

'Kindergarten' Playing Only June 13 in Dwight

The Morris Theatre Guild, Inc. will present Robert Fulghum's "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten" Friday, June 5; Saturday, June 6, and Sunday, June 7; at the Morris Community High School Auditorium. The show continues Saturday, June 13 at the Dwight High School Auditorium.

In an article published in the June 27 issue of *The Paper*, it was incorrectly stated that the play would also be performed at DTHS on June 14.

Friday and Saturday performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday, June 7, performance will begin at 3 p.m.

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Tim Daniels is New Co-owner of Big Fella's Eatery, Gardner



TIM DANIELS, left, recently joined Melvin Mack, right, and his wife, Dawn (not pictured), as co-owner of Big Fella's Eatery, 116 Depot St., Gardner.

by Meta Machulis
Tim Daniels of Gardner has joined Melvin and Dawn Mack as owner of Big Fella's Eatery in Gardner, and together, the three are taking the restaurant in new directions.

Daniels, who formerly worked at Vino's as a pizza cook, has been making pizza since age 16. A little more than two months ago, he joined the Macks, who have also spent many years in the restaurant business.

The Macks and Daniels decided to team up because they have similar restaurant goals. As Melvin put it, "He's got good ideas, I've got good ideas, and together, they should be great ideas."

Some of those ideas include new menu items, such as rib dinners, steak-burgers and hand-tossed thin or deep dish pizza. Pizza toppings are freshly prepared daily, and the sauce and dough are made at the restaurant. The cost of pizza has also been reduced.

"We know everybody else is out there struggling, so we've lowered our pizza prices a little bit," Daniels said.

The owners have also

begun a Big Fella Dollars program for free pizza.

Specials include summer items such as hot dogs; everyday draft beer specials; nightly specials; Friday fish fries; and an everyday special for a large two-topping pizza, homemade breadsticks and two liters of pop.

Although the eatery includes a bar, Melvin Mack said Big Fella's is "first and foremost a family-friendly restaurant." The restaurant is decorated with memorabilia from his days working at Coca-Cola. He said the "nice atmosphere" is important because families "don't have to deal with the typical bar things."

As of June 1, the restaurant is also open for lunch on weekends. Hours are Monday through Thursday, 5 to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Big Fella's, formerly located at The Garage in South Wilmington, is now at 116 Depot St., Gardner. The eatery offers free delivery in Gardner, large-portion catering and is also available for private parties when closed. The restaurant can be reached at 815-237-8335.



ROWLAND'S RESALE SHOPPE opened May 18 in downtown Dwight. Lori Rowland stands outside the business with their dog.

Resale store opens on East Main

by Sara Peters
sjhpeters2@gmail.com

A new resale store has moved into downtown Dwight.

Rowland's Resale Shoppe, 114 E. Main St., opened its doors Monday, May 18.

The store currently offers antiques and collectables with miscellaneous items ranging from some clothes to books to antique and new toys.

Owners Lori and Kevin Rowland, of rural Cornell, purchased the building that used to be known as the Hotel Frances.

"We wanted to do something for Dwight," Rowland said. "The hotel more or less

dropped in our lap. We wanted to do something about it. It needed to be bettered."

The resale shop operates in the portion of the building that used to be a barber shop. Items for sale in the resale store are the culmination of years of collecting by Lori and include an old antique train, antique and modern dishes, and much more. Eventually, she may accept donated items to sell.

"Come on in," Rowland said. "We could use your business. It's a good downtown home type of store, and it's clean."

Store hours are 10 a.m. through 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and closed Monday.

Genealogical Society to Learn About Prehistoric Indian City

The Will/Grundy Genealogical Society will hold its monthly membership meeting on Saturday, June 13, at the Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St., Coal City, at 10 a.m.

The guest speaker will be William Iseminger, one of the world's foremost experts on the Cahokia civilization. He holds an MA in Anthropology from Southern Illinois University Carbondale and has worked at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site for many years. For 33 years, he has offered public programs on a great variety of subjects related to his work in archaeology and the Native American cultures of the Upper Mississippi and Illinois River valleys. In 1996, the Illinois Association of Museums honored him with its Lifetime Achievement Award.

Iseminger appears through the auspices of the Illinois Humanities Council. Meetings of the

Will/Grundy Genealogical Society are free and open to the public. For further information, call Ed Brookman, 815-722-5142, e-mail edbrookman@yahoo.com or contact John Sanders at 815-942-5065. You may also visit the website www.wggs.org for more information about the society. The library's phone number is 815-634-4552 and its website is www.coalcity.lib.il.us to access the collection list.

Watch for details on the Saturday, July 11 program, "Tracing My Italian Ancestors Back to Italy" by Michelle Micetich, which was postponed from the March meeting.

The WGGs Outreach Committee will also be at Braidwood's Summerfest on Saturday, July 18, and Wilmington's Catfish Days on Saturday, July 25.

Small Talk

by Anne Shaw Heinrich



It's summer. It's finally time to break out the shorts and flip flops, to catch a few lightning bugs and leave the windows open so the house can breathe.

The kids have long been on the countdown. They are eager to be sprung from school and from the weekly, daily grind. As an adult, I'm not nearly as giddy about summer vacation as I once was. Like most, I work year-round to keep the cash flow flowing. And as blessed as I am to have the freedom to work from my home, there are drawbacks, especially in the summer, when all three of my children are hovering, inviting me to share in what they perceive to be the Promised Land of the calendar year.

It's pretty challenging to write anything worth reading when there's a steady stream of interruptions: screen doors slamming, constant requests for playdates, turf wars over the telephone and the trampoline in the backyard and my attention. When summer comes, I find myself shifting into a different mode of operation to preserve my sanity and frankly, their happiness. I save most of my work for when the kids have passed out. It's just much easier to surrender to the season and tuck my work in around them, rather than the other way around. I've tried the alternative-holing myself up in my office and letting the kids fend for themselves. The results are always, always disastrous.

My summer surrender tends to be less painful if I can manage to transport myself, at least in spirit, back to my own childhood. I'm not very good at this, but I try.

It's been a long, long time since I was genuinely excited about going swimming just for the sake of taking the plunge. I find myself so preoccupied with covering up my less-than-perfect body, that I'd rather take a beating than go to the beach or the pool. But I'm not so old and weathered that I can't recall feeling pure, undiluted joy at the thought of going swimming when I was a kid myself. I remember being carefree, wanting to be immersed in water as long as possible, hardly being able to contain myself if I thought the possibility of swimming for an entire afternoon existed.

I met other summer experiences with the same kind of euphoria: making s'mores,

having sleepovers, blowing bubbles and riding my bike with abandon. As long as I was home in time for supper, each summer day was an expanse of wide-open freedom. I think my kids, all kids, deserve to know and savor that sensation like they might a popsicle that's bound to melt and trickle down their arms.

There is very little about childhood pleasure that satisfies me like it used to. My adult mind keeps drifting back to the laundry that awaits me, the deadline that looms, the bills that need to be paid and meals that must be planned and prepared. Peter Pan has to grow up sometime. I suppose that Wendy must do the same.

It's one of the reasons I don't think kids should be overscheduled during the summer. So much of their lives are already filled up and planned for them. Summer is one of the only times they're going to be worry-free. Already, they are just a splash away from being tugged right out of childhood by the demands of a grown-up world.

For me, the best time to drift back to my own carefree past is on a summer evening, when the crickets are chirping and the air is a little bit cooler. I can sit on my porch and listen for the train to whistle in the distance. I imagine myself hopping on for a ride, hoping it will take me back to a time and mindset that I left behind what seems a lifetime ago.

I'm usually brought back to the here and now by the sounds of my own children. They remind me that I don't need that train after all. I've got them. And they're the best possible way to be reminded that summer is supposed to be fun and that this life's most profound pleasures are free, but fleeting.

Anne Shaw Heinrich is a freelance writer living in Dwight. Every time Small Talk is published, The Paper donates \$100 to an area non-profit organization or effort. Proceeds from this month's Small Talk will benefit Dwight Parks and Rec. To read past Small Talk columns, visit The Paper's website at www.thepaper1901.com. For more information about Heinrich and her writing, visit: www.anneshawheinrich.com.

Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Seniors Hold May 19 Meeting

The Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Senior Citizens met Tuesday, May 19, at the Legion hall in Mazon.

After the table grace given by Rita Mills, a dinner was served by Weits Cafe through CNN for seniors age 60 and over. Those wishing to make reservations or cancel for the next dinner meeting may call the CNN office at 815-941-1590 by June 15.

The meeting started with President Rita Mills thanking CNN and Weits Cafe and Pam for providing the meal and the Congregational church for decorations. The Kinsman group will host the June dinner meeting.

The pledge to the American flag was given, and there was a silent prayer for sick members, our military and the leaders of our country.

"Get well" cards were passed around and signed for sick members Agnes Thorson, Bruce and Clara Burk-

hart and Marlys Johnson, and a sympathy card was signed for the family of Warren Lowery.

Two readings were given by Lou Witt.

It was announced that there is a new store in downtown Mazon selling used items and doing small engine repair.

On June 16 at 10:30 a.m., there will a health fair before the regular dinner meeting at the Legion hall.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were given and approved.

Door prizes went to Patricia Starks, Mary Kay Biros and Sandra Kern.

Birthdays were celebrated by Helen Griffiths, Shirley Kiss, Pat Cook and Marlys Johnson. There were no anniversaries.

The meeting was adjourned by Shirley Kiss and seconded by Ruth Metille.

Bingo followed.

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Jerry and Barbara Hoth

Jerry and Barbara Hoth Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Jerry and Barbara Hoth of Essex celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on June 1, 2009. Their family and friends celebrated with a barbecue on May 31 in their backyard. The couple has three children, nine grandchildren and a dog, Hairy.

Amanda Parker, George Aimone Engaged

George B. Aimone IV from Gardner is pleased to announce his engagement to Amanda R. Parker from Fairbury Speedway.

GSW Class of 1959 Seeks Classmate Info

The Gardner South Wilmington High School class of 1959 is planning its 50th reunion for August 8, 2009, at the Dwight Country Club. The organizers are trying to locate the following class members: Gail Biehl, Anna Orlin, Rose Ann Heylek, Ellen Stenzel, Gertrude Hansen, Ron Gardner and Lorraine Wiborg Hill. If you have contact information for any of the above people, call Lynne at 815-237-8347.

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FINANCIAL FOCUS Investment Ideas for Newlyweds

June is a popular month for weddings. If you're getting married this month, you have a lot to think about, but after the wedding — well, you'll have even more to think about. And one of those topics should be your investment strategy. In these days of economic uncertainty, it's important that you and your spouse make investment decisions today that will help you reach your long-term goals.

Of course, the investment process can seem confusing to just one person, so you might think it will be twice as difficult for the two of you. But that's not necessarily so. You can launch an investment strategy that can serve you well throughout your lives together by following these few basic steps:

- Identify your goals. When you start out, you may have short-term goals, such as saving enough for a down payment on a house. As you move through the years, your goals will become longer-term in nature. For example, if you have children, you might set a goal of helping them pay for college. And you will need to establish a goal of saving for retirement. Your first step toward achieving all these goals is identifying them.
- Commit to regular investing. When you begin your careers, you and your spouse may not have a lot of disposable income, but you still need to commit yourselves to putting aside some money each month — even if it's only a small amount — for investment purposes. If you each have an employer-sponsored retirement plan, such as a 401(k) plan, contribute as much as you can afford.
- Reconcile your investment styles. You and your spouse may have different orientations toward investing. By nature, you might be an aggressive investor, while your spouse could be more conservative, or vice versa. This divergence does not have to be a problem, but you should communicate your preferences clearly to each other when choosing investments together. If you and your spouse each compromise a bit, you can come up with a joint portfolio that works for both of you. At the same time, when you each have an account, such as a 401(k), you may not want them to look alike by containing duplicate investments. Instead, consider building portfolios that complement each other and that can help fill in any gaps that exist in your joint investment strategy.
- Be co-managers. You probably know many married couples in which one spouse handles all the finances and investments. This isn't necessarily a good model to follow. You and your spouse will benefit if you both are familiar with your investment situation and capable of making decisions. Nobody knows what the future will hold, and if one spouse suddenly finds himself or herself in charge of the family finances, with no preparation, it can lead to troubles.

By following these suggestions, you can make long-term investing a rewarding part of your marriage. And the sooner you get started, the greater those rewards can be.



Harold and Lucille Locke

Harold and Lucille Locke to Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Locke will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner. Harold Locke and Lucille Fitzpatrick were married June 5, 1949, at the Methodist church parsonage in Pontiac. Their attendants were Joan Deffenbaugh and the late Beryl Locke. They are the parents of David (Darcel) Locke, Morris, and Dennis (Suzann) Locke, Bloomington. The couple has one granddaughter, Michele Locke, Bloomington. They are both retired.



Kay and Fay Clover

Fay and Kay Clover, Gardner, Observe 50 Years of Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Clover of Gardner will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Fay Clover and Kay Louch were married June 13, 1959, in the First Presbyterian Church in Gardner and have resided in Gardner all their lives. Attending them in marriage were Kay Bell and Joe Bexson. They have three children: Bill (Gina) Clover, Carl (Carol) Clover and Kelly (Dan) Steichen; eight grandchildren: Ryan and Ross Clover and Kristi (Mike) Gerrish; Callaway, Carlee and Carter Clover; and Kaylee and Connor Steichen. They also have two step-grandchildren, Brittany Steichen and Justin (Amanda) Steichen. A small family dinner is planned to celebrate the occasion.

Quiltmakers Guild to Meet

The next meeting of the Quiltmakers Guild will be June 11, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. It will be held at the Bourbonnais Public Library, 250 W. John Casey Road, Bourbonnais, IL. They will be making Quilts of Valor quilts, with teams of sewers, pressers, and assemblers working with precut fabrics. If you have any questions, call Karen at 815-942-0766.

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Jamie Frazier



Christina Zavala

Dwight Township High School has named the valedictorian and salutatorian of the graduating class of 2009. **Jamie Frazier**, valedictorian, is the daughter of Dan and Donna Frazier. She has been a member of track, Scholastic Bowl, Mathletes, float building and National Honor Society. Frazier was named an Illinois State Scholar and has also participated in Relay for Life and Christmas for Kids. Besides her extracurriculars, Frazier also has a part-time job at Berta Hardware. She will attend JJC in the fall and will work toward a double major in biology and chemistry, and then plans to continue her schooling to become a veterinarian.

Christina Zavala, salutatorian, is the daughter of Sally and Juan Rangel. She has participated in FCCLA, Drama Club, Mathletes, Spanish Club and Library Club. She has also played for the co-op tennis team with Pontiac for three years. She has served as Student Council Vice President, has been selected as an Illinois State Scholar and is a member of the National Honor Society. In the fall, Christina will attend the University of Texas to major in psychology and minor in Spanish. Dwight Township High School's graduation ceremony was held May 29.

Campus Cub Scouts Pack 802 Awards Presented

Cub Scout Pack 802 of Campus held its May pack meeting at the hall in Campus on Sunday, May 17. After a discussion of the summertime activities, the following awards were received. Cole Brickman received his Bobcat badge, Wolf badge and World Conservation award. Jeffrey Durham, Keegan Iverson, Alexander Palmer and Cade Raymond received their Bear badges and World Conservation awards. Jeffrey, Keegan, Alexander and Cade were inducted into the Webelos Den to end the meeting.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Brittany Broadwater, Kylie Kious, Amy Moranville and Madison Pfister for earning membership into the National Technical Honor Society. The four DTHS students were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society on April 30, 2009 at the Livingston Area Career Center.

The Essex Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank the people of the Essex Fire Protection District for supporting this year's raffle. The raffle was a huge success, thanks to the overwhelming generosity of the participants.

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Mike Kemp Earns Futures' Bridge to Independence Award

Each year, Futures Unlimited, Inc. recognizes individuals who have worked hard to achieve personal success in their lives and individuals whose valuable contributions and talents make Futures' mission possible. This May, Futures held its annual Appreciation Reception to honor individuals and businesses in six different categories.

Futures recognizes two individuals that it serves for the "Bridge to Independence" award. To earn this award, one must be a role model to his or her peers, be involved in the community, have a positive attitude and work ethic and strive to achieve personal goals leading to greater independence.

Mike Kemp, a Dwight native, began receiving services from Futures in 1981 in the Developmental Training Program. He has held many jobs throughout his years at Futures. He currently works at the Encore Shoppe and fills in for many other jobs when needed. Mike moved into one of Futures' CILA

group homes in 2000 and now resides in a two-person home.

Mike is very sociable and pleasant; he's fun to be around and he always goes out of his way to speak to others, according to the Futures staff. He simply loves to help people. He takes pride in his appearance and likes to dress nicely. He recently has worked hard toward losing weight and has been extremely successful at this challenge. Not only does he care about himself, but he sincerely cares about others, which shows through the volunteer work that he does. He volunteers at the Livingston County food pantry once a week, is active at his church volunteering for many functions, and he volunteers at other churches when the opportunity arises. One person nominating Mike for this award said it best when writing that he deserved the honor because of the "terrific person he has always been and the even better person he has become."

St. Mary's, Streator Honors Area Residents

Two area residents recently were honored for their years of dedicated service to St. Mary's Hospital in Streator at the annual service awards banquet. The event celebrated employees' significant service anniversaries.

Blackstone resident Michelle Andree, who is employed in the hospital's surgery department, was honored for 25 years of service. Ransom resident Thomas Emm, who serves in the security department, was recognized for 10 years of service.

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Happy Birthday, Susan Houzenga

- June 6, 1967 -

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- A Friend -

DTHS Students Earn McConnell Band Scholarships



Lauren Baker



Ben Montalbano

Lauren Baker and Ben Montalbano, members of the class of 2009 at Dwight Township High School, have been awarded the McConnell Band Scholarships for 2009.

Baker will be a freshman this fall at Lincoln Christian College. Ben will attend the University of Illinois.

Diabetes Workshop June 9, Morris

Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers is offering a free Diabetes Management Workshop on Tuesday, June 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Morris Hospital, 150 W. High St., Morris.

Registration is available at www.morrishospital.org or by calling 815-942-2932, ext. 7362.



Aidan Connolly

DTHS Freshman Student of the Month

Dwight Township High School would like to congratulate Aidan Connolly on being named DTSH Freshman student of the month for May.

Aidan is active in cheerleading, softball and golf. She also participates in mathletes and student council.

Aidan is the daughter of Sean and Stacey Connolly of Dwight.

DTHS Sophomore Student of the Month



Tasha Zacek

Dwight Township High School would like to congratulate Tasha Zacek on being named DTSH sophomore student of the month for May.

Tasha is a member of the DTSH drama club and played the lead in "Annie." She is also very active in chorus and the library advisory council.

Tasha is the daughter of Keith and Cheryl Zacek of rural Odell.

Section 10 FFA Elects 2009-2010 Officers



The 2009-2010 Section 10 FFA Officers are, left to right, Clayton Carley - Reporter, Cory Kregel - President, Lauren Wells - Treasurer, Calvin Lynch - Vice President, Wes Lehman - Sentinel and Corey Johnson - Secretary.

(Submitted by Clayton Carley Section 10 Reporter)

The 2009-2010 Section 10 FFA officer elections were recently held at Manteno Community High School.

Two delegates from each school were selected to vote for the new officers. FFA members with their State FFA degrees from any school in the section were able to run for president. FFA members with their Chapter Degree were able to run for any other office. More than 20 candidates ran for office and gave a speech to the delegates before voting.

This year's Section 10 FFA officers include:

President Cory Kregel, son of Darrin and Tammy Kregel. Cory is a senior Crescent-Iroquois High School and plans to attend Joliet Junior College in the fall;

Vice President Calvin Lynch. Calvin is the son of Ron and Jayln Lynch. He is a junior at Cissna Park High School;

Reporter Clayton Carley, son of Kenton and Lisa Carley. Clayton is a junior at Crescent-Iroquois High School;

Treasurer Lauren Wells,

daughter of Leanne and Stan Schneider. She is a junior at Herscher High School;

Secretary Corey Johnson, son of Andrea and Rick Johnson. Cory is a junior at Peotone High School;

Sentinel Wes Lehman, son of Cris and Sue Lehman. Wes is a sophomore at Dwight Township High School.

The section president is one of 25 section presidents in the state of Illinois. He will represent Section 10 at state meetings and help in coordinating contests and meetings in the section. The other officers will help with section events and have various other duties to fulfill throughout the year.

Section 10 is one of the 25 sections that make up the State FFA Association. Section 10 consists of more than 700 FFA members and 13 schools, including Clifton-Central, Cissna Park, Crescent Iroquois, Dwight, Gardner South Wilmington, Herscher, Iroquois West, Manteno, Milford, Peotone, River Valley, Tri-Point and Watseka.

The FFA is a national organization that strives to promote premier leadership, personal growth and career success.

'Crocodile Dock' VBS to be at First Christian Church, Morris

First Christian Church, Morris, invites children to attend its vacation Bible school "Crocodile Dock - Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light."

All children ages three (potty-trained) through those entering fifth grade are invited to join in the fun June 15

through 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. There is no cost to participate. Pre-register your child by June 5 by calling First Christian Church at 815-942-3454, or printing one from www.fccmorris.org

The church is located one mile south of Morris at 455 W. Southmor Rd.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
In the Matter of the Estate of Monda Hooker Mattix, Deceased.) No. 09-P-68

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of Monda Hooker Mattix of Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on May 28, 2009 to William J. Hooker, whose attorney is Gary M. Neville, 146 E. Main Street, P.O. Box 8, Dwight, Illinois, 60420.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the following address: Livingston County Circuit Clerk, Livingston County Courthouse, P.O. Box 320, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, or with the representative, or both, by not later than December 11, 2009, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

William J. Hooker
Independent Executor
210 E. Philmar St.
Dwight, IL 60420

Gary M. Neville
Attorney for Executor
146 E. Main St., Box 8
Dwight, IL 60420
Phone: (815) 584-3006

Notice to Contractors

Sealed bids for the construction of roadway improvements on South Jackson Street in Village of Gardner, Illinois will be accepted by the Village Clerk, 302 North Center Street, P.O. Box 545, Gardner, Illinois 60424, until 1:30 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2009, and at that time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project will be known as "Village of Gardner - South Jackson Street Improvement - 2009" and consist of the construction of storm sewer, concrete curb and gutter, aggregate base and hot-mix asphalt, concrete driveway pavement, and appurtenances.

Plans, specifications and proposal documents will be available at the office of the consulting engineer, Chamlin and Associates, Inc., 221 West Washington Street, Morris, Illinois, 60450. A non-refundable plan deposit of \$50.00 per set of documents will be required.

A bid deposit in the form of a bid bond of not less than 5% of the amount of the bid will be required. The successful contractor will be required to provide a 100% performance and payment bond in the full amount of the awarded contract.

Bidders are advised that this contract is subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, and bidders must provide documentation of compliance with the Village of Gardner Responsible Bidder Resolution with their bid documents.

The Village of Gardner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities in the bidding.

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DWIGHT MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY



A VETERAN, TOM IVEY, SALUTES next to the U.S. Army flag during Dwight's Memorial Day ceremony.



DR. OLIVER ZIVNEY, chaplain of the Dwight VFW post, speaks at the village depot on May 25.



MEMBERS OF THE DWIGHT American Legion Post fire the 21-gun salute.



CAROL DIPPON OF OPERATION S.O.S., left, explains what objects are placed in care packages the organization sends to soldiers from the Dwight area.



MEMBERS OF THE DTHS BAND play "taps" during the Dwight Memorial Day ceremony.



A WREATH WAS PLACED at the veterans flagpole in downtown Dwight by the Dwight Woman's Club during the May 25 Memorial Day ceremony.



UNIT 122 AUXILIARY PRESIDENT Vicki Allen and Post 122 Commander Walter McCulley place the wreath at the veterans monument in Cullom.

Cullom American Legion Celebrates Memorial Day

The Cullom Community Memorial Day Service was held Monday, May 25, at the Cullom Community Building. Members of The American Legion Post 122, Auxiliary Unit 122 and Junior Auxiliary Unit 122 took part.

Commander Walter McCulley welcomed the approximately 100 who attended. Rev. Trudy Foote, pastor at St. John's Lutheran, gave the scripture readings and the benediction; Marge Kross and Diane Shapland presented "The Table Set for One;" Rev. Dr. David Phillips, pastor of the Trinity UM Parish, gave the message and recognized all the veterans present with each telling when and where they served. Seventeenth District Auxiliary President Judy Ehlers gave a reading. Marsha Haag was pianist, and Tri-Point Band Teacher Ms. Elisa Curren and two

high school students were present to play the national anthem and "America the Beautiful."

Following the service at the hall, the services continued at St. John's Catholic and Westlawn cemeteries in Cullom and at Sullivan Center. The Junior Auxiliary girls placed evergreen poppy sprays on the graves of the veterans and auxiliary members. Commander Walter McCulley and Auxiliary President Vicki Allen placed the wreath at the veterans memorial. A prayer was said by Legion Chaplain Keith Taylor, a 21-gun salute was given, and "taps" was played by Don Metz.

Following the services, 48 Legion members, auxiliary members and their families gathered at the post for a pork chop dinner with salads and dessert brought by members.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF MEETING DATE FOR THE DWIGHT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Dwight Fire Protection District, previously scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dwight Fire Protection District general offices at 111 S. Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois, is hereby rescheduled to Tuesday, June 30, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dwight Fire Protection District general offices at 111 S. Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois.

Gary L. Marx
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Rodney J. Kodat

Trustees, Dwight Fire Protection District
111 South Prairie Avenue
Dwight, Illinois 60420

Former Dwight Residents Die In Highway Accident

A fatal crash occurred Saturday, May 23, north of Charleston, with two of the four victims being former Dwight residents.

Two vehicles were involved in the head-on accident at 11:05 a.m. on IL Route 130, approximately six miles north of Charleston.

Dennis Jones, 59, of Olney was driving a 1991 Chevrolet pickup which was hit head-on by a 1996 Chevrolet pickup driven by

Mark A. Retzolk, 45, of Philo. Jones was northbound, pulling a fifth wheel recreational vehicle, while Retzolk was southbound.

Passengers in the Jones vehicle were his wife, June Jones, 57, and her twin sister, Jean A. Dransfeldt, both of Olney.

All four involved in the accident were pronounced dead at the accident scene.

A memorial service was held in Dwight for the twin sisters and Dennis Jones.



MEMBERS OF POST 122 stand at attention as Don Metz plays "taps" at Sullivan Center, just north of Cullom, during Memorial Day ceremonies on May 25.

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AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR Auxiliary Unit 122 Girls placed evergreen poppy sprays on graves of veterans and auxiliary members at three cemeteries. Pictured left to right are, front row: Alexis Waller, Ella Read and Gabby Spangler; back row: Leader Marcia Stalter, Bailee Osborn and Ashten Melton.

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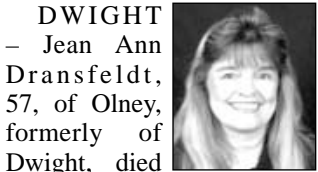
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Obituaries

Jean Ann Dransfeldt



DWIGHT – Jean Ann Dransfeldt, 57, of Olney, formerly of Dwight, died at 10:55 a.m. Saturday, May 23, 2009, in Coles County, as the result of an automobile accident that also claimed the lives of her twin sister, June Jones, and brother-in-law, Dennis Jones.

A memorial was held for Jean, June, and Dennis on Monday, June 1, at the First Congregational Church in Dwight.

Cremation rites were accorded.

Jean was born on September 25, 1951, in Streator, the daughter of Morris and Laura Taylor Maxson. She

was previously married to James Gordon Dransfeldt.

She worked at McDonald's in Dwight for many years and was a member of First Congregational Church of Christ.

Jean is survived by fiancé Rod Hull of Olney; son, James Dransfeldt, of San Diego, Calif.; son, Jamie Dransfeldt and his wife, Nicole, of Emington; sister, Carol Ann Hahn and her husband, Mike, of Dwight; sister, Suzie Ann Lyles and her husband, Dave, of St. Germain, Wis.; one grandchild, Bailey; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Condolences may be made at www.summers-kistler.com

Gerald 'Skip' J. Bitner

LANARK – Gerald 'Skip' J. Bitner, 62, of Lanark, formerly of Coal City, died Thursday, May 14, 2009 at Freeport Memorial Hospital. He was surrounded by his loving family when his short battle with a malignant brain tumor ended.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A celebration of Skip's life will be held on June 6 at

1 p.m. at 6805 E. McArdle Road, Coal City, in the United Methodist Church Hall. Bring your favorite stories and your most colorful 'Hawaiian Shirt' to join with friends and family as we share memories of our beloved Skip.

Friends may sign the online guestbook by logging onto: www.ReevesFuneral.com

C. Richard Canham

CABERY – C. Richard Canham, 83, of rural Cabery, died Sunday, May 31, 2009 at 7:05 p.m. at his residence.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, June 4, at 11 a.m. at the Cabery United Methodist Church with Pastor Jane Bradford officiating.

Visitation will be held today, June 3, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Martin-Burke Funeral Home in Cullom and one hour prior to services Thursday at the church.

Burial will be at Mount Hope Cemetery in Cabery where full military rites will be accorded.

Richard was born January 20, 1926 in Broughton Township in Livingston County, son of Henry and Agnes Wilkinson Canham. He married Bernice Hartman on November 22, 1947 in Cabery.

He is survived by his wife; his children: Nelson (Susan) Canham of Yukon, OK; Linda (Bill) Sanders of

Gardner; and Sarah (Steve) Mercer of Kempton; six grandchildren: Jamie, Amanda, Katherine and William Jacob Sanders, Joshua and Jessica Mercer and one step-gr granddaughter, Jenny Parizek.

He was preceded in death by one son, Frank, in infancy.

Richard was a graduate of Cabery High School. He served in the Army during WWII from 1944-1946, stationed in France and Germany. He farmed in the Cabery area his entire life. He was a member of Cabery United Methodist Church, Kempton American Legion, a life-time member of the Clifton VFW, the National Rifle Association and the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association. He enjoyed auctions, draft horse auctions and going to gun shows. He loved watching his children and grandchildren show horses.

Memorials in Richard's name may be left to Cabery United Methodist Church. Private condolences may be left at: www.martin-burke-funeralhome.com

Strawberry Jazz Festival to be Held June 7 in Kankakee

Kick off summer celebrations with the Strawberry Jazz Festival from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 7, at Gov. Small Memorial Park, 801 S. Eighth St., Kankakee.

The Community Arts Council of Kankakee County, which sponsors the free event, has expanded the festival to include the entire park grounds and buildings. Attractions include displays by local artisans and fine craftsmen ranging from quiltmakers and needleworkers to original paintings,

porcelain artists, handmade bird houses and custom jewelry. The Friends of the Kankakee Public Library also will hold their big summer used book sale.

Entertainment will feature both jazz and classical instrumentalists, dancers will perform everything from ballet to hip-hop and vocalists will include choral, gospel, barbershop and operatic singers.

For more information, log onto www.communityarts-council.org or call 815-933-ARTS.

Family members of the deceased:

Please instruct the Funeral Home to send information to:

The Paper fax: (815) 584-2196 or email to: thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net

The family of Monda Hooker Mattix would like to express their deepest, heartfelt gratitude and thanks to family and friends for their many acts of kindness during our recent loss. The food, floral tributes, generous donations and expressions of sympathy through your beautiful cards, calls and emails were overwhelming and greatly appreciated. Our sincere thanks to the staff at Heritage Manor for their care, and to the staff of Hager Funeral Home, OSF Hospice Care, and ladies of the Dwight Methodist Church for the wonderful luncheon following the service.

Sincerely,
The family of Monda Hooker Mattix

Many thanks to all our family and friends who remembered us with prayers, cards, food, flowers and memorials. Thanks to the Morris Hospital and Joliet Hospice who took care of Bill. To Tom Dzurayak and Bob Cofoid, who eased our grief with their kindness, compassion and expertise. To the Verona United Methodist Church, who served the funeral dinner. To Pastor Dan Lybarger and Leah Pogemiller for the beautiful service. God's Blessings on you all.
- The William R. Mount Family -



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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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LIVINGSTON COUNTY)
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT –
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In re the Guardianship of:
Lyrice Rain-Lynn Junghanel, A Minor. NO. 09-P-62
GUARDIANSHIP NOTICE

TO: Thomas Denham, Address Unknown
All Whom It May Concern, Address Unknown

TAKE NOTICE that a Petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois, for the Guardianship of a minor child namely, LYRICA RAIN-LYNN JUNGHADEL, A Minor. Now, therefore, unless you, All Whom It May Concern, file your answer to the Petition in this cause of action or otherwise file your appearance herein, in said Circuit Court of Livingston County, in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, within 30 days after the first date of this Notice appears, default may be entered against you any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the Prayer of said Petition.

Dated at Pontiac, Illinois this 26th day of May, 2009

Judith K. Cremer
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Livingston County, Illinois

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)SS.
LIVINGSTON COUNTY)
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT –
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In re the Guardianship of:
GABRIEL JORDAN DANIEL RAMIREZ DAVIS
A Minor. NO. 09-P-45
GUARDIANSHIP NOTICE

TO: Daniel Ramirez, Address Unknown
All Whom It May Concern, Address Unknown

TAKE NOTICE that a Petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois, for the Guardianship of a minor child namely, GABRIEL JORDAN DANIEL RAMIREZ DAVIS, A Minor. Now, therefore, unless you, All Whom It May Concern, file your answer to the Petition in this cause of action or otherwise file your appearance herein, in said Circuit Court of Livingston County, in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, within 30 days after the first date of this Notice appears, default may be entered against you any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the Prayer of said Petition.

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- 2009
- June 4 Zoning Board of Appeals Mtg., Liv. Co. Courthouse, 7:30p
 - June 5 AA Meeting, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight, 8 p.m.
 - June 5-6 Gardner All-town Garage Sales
 - June 6 Senior Breakfast, Old Rt. 66 Rest., Dwight, 8 a.m.
 - June 7 Dwight VFW Men's Auxiliary Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 - June 8 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
 - 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 Bunco game, St. Pat's Parish Hall, Dwight, 7 p.m., age 28+
 - June 11-14 Braceville Summer Kickoff; Parade June 14
 - June 12 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
 - 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 15 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
 - June 16 Dwight Sons of American Legion Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 - June 16 Euchre & Bridge, Dwight Senior Center, 1:00 p.m.
 - June 19 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
 - 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.
 - June 27 Cinderella Ball, Emm. Lutheran Church, Dwight, 6-8 p.m.

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Pontiac Municipal Band Friday Night Series to Begin

Pontiac Municipal Band will open its series of Friday night concerts at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 5, on the south side of Livingston County Courthouse in downtown Pontiac. The series will continue every Friday night through July 24. Everyone is invited to bring lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy this free musical tradition.

The Relay for Life team from Lincoln School will sell barbecue, chips, dessert and drinks from 5 to 6:45 p.m., with the proceeds going to the Relay for Life.

In the case of inclement weather, the concert will be held in Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church, located one block east of the square.

Blood Drive at Kempton Legion Hall, June 9

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive at the Kempton Legion Hall, 1st and Kempton Streets, on Thursday, June 9, from 1 to 6 p.m.

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

In the Matter of the Estate)
of) No. 2009-P-64
RICHARD J. TREWARTHA, Deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RICHARD J. TREWARTHA, DECEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the death of RICHARD J. TREWARTHA, who died on April 2, 2009, and whose permanent place of residence at the time of his death was 32333 N. 2000 East Road, Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued to Jeanne M. Trewartha as Independent Executor of the Last Will and Testament of RICHARD J. TREWARTHA dated August 29, 1995, by Order of the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois dated May 13, 2009.

Claims against the estate may be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of a copy of this notice to a known and reasonably ascertainable creditor, whichever date is later. The first date of publication of this notice is May 27, 2009. Any claim not filed on or before the above determined dates is barred.

Claims may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois or with the Representative, or both. Copies of the claims filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and the Representative's Attorney, within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed with the Circuit Clerk. The address of the Livingston County Circuit Clerk is as follows:

Livingston County Circuit Clerk
Livingston County Courthouse
112 West Madison
P.O. Box 320
Pontiac, IL 61764

The estate will be administered without court supervision, under Independent Administration pursuant to 755 ILCS 5/28-1 et seq. Any interested party may obtain a copy of the form to Petition to Terminate Independent Administration from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois at the above address. The address of the Independent Executor is as follows:

Jeanne M. Trewartha
32333 N. 2000 East Road
Dwight, IL 60420

Attorney for the Independent Executor:

Irvin L. Masching
Attorney at Law
105 East Chippewa Street
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DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL eighth grade students deemed Board Scholars for the 2008-2009 school year, left to right, are: Mary McClarey, Lissa Myzia, Haley Hansen, Eleanor Heinrich, Stephanie Goley and Carson Banks. Board scholars are required to maintain a 4.0 grade point average for each quarter.



CONGRATULATIONS to the Dwight Grade School High Honor Roll recipients for the 2008-2009 academic school year, left to right: Rachel Groll, Megan Jensen, Nicole Huffman, Kiefer Kious, Lindsay Kaiser, Brayden Cain and Alyssa Brownlee. These students had a grade point average of 3.5-3.99 for each and every quarter.



DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS receiving Honor Roll status for the 2008-2009 school year, front row, left to right, are: Lauren Seanard, Kacy Murphy, Kaitlyn Lauterbur, Annie Cahill, Elizabeth Eggenberger, Amanda Holmes, Adrienne Marek, Jamie Stanton; back row: Lizzie McKinsey, Chloe Cockerham, Cody Gibson,

Ryley Christoff, Luke Arnold, Austin Gantzert, Lane Hoffman, Kevin Meints, Lisa Bruner, Ryan Kodat, Hayley Sparrow, Jacob Wardell, Skylar Krople, Winston Watkins and Jaron Scheid. These students have maintained between a 3.0-3.5 GPA for each quarter. Clay McCormick is not pictured.

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THE DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL CHOIR serenaded the audience during the eighth grade graduation, May 28. The choir is under the direction of Mrs. Windham.



RECEIVING LEGION AWARDS during the 2008-2009 Dwight Grade School eighth grade graduation, left to right, were: Rachel Groll, Citizenship Female Runner-Up; Lissa Myzia, Outstanding Band Member; Lisa Bruner, Outstanding Female Athlete; Kiefer Kious, Citizenship Male Winner; Ryan Kodat, Outstanding Male Athlete and Citizenship Male Runner-Up; Lindsay Kaiser and Kacy Murphy, Co-Citizenship Female Winners.

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THE DTHS VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM CELEBRATE their Sectional win Saturday against Somounak. Dwight beat the Bobcats 7-4.

NOAH TRAINOR took the mound Saturday to start off the Trojan sectional game. Trainor pitched four innings and Kyle Cahill came in to close the game. The Trojans were tied with Somonauk at the end of four, but busted out in the sixth inning and held on for the win.

Dwight Varsity Boys Win Sectional

The Dwight Trojans varsity boys' baseball team was crowned Sectional Champion on Saturday, May 3, defeating Somonauk, 4-2.

Somonauk struck first, scoring a run in the bottom of the second. But the Trojans came back with four runs of their own in the third inning and never looked back.

"There's no question we have peaked at the right time of the year," said coach Dan Kaiser. "Our defense is attacking the baseball very well and we are getting the timely hits that make a difference in the contest. Noah pitched well while changing speeds and moving the ball around while Kyle came in for the last three and mixed in his sharp curve with a hard fastball that most Somonauk hitters couldn't catch up to.

"The combination of Noah Trainor and Kyle Cahill on the mound worked to perfection as they gave up just three earned runs combined. Telford's RBI double

put us back in the lead in the fifth."

Offensively, Joe Briner sparked the Trojans with a two-run bomb in the fifth inning, which gave them the insurance runs they needed to hang on to the victory.

Kirk Telford added two hits including a double, two runs and an RBI for DTHS. Danny Grubbs and Joe Briner each drove in two runs. Michael Halloran also knocked in a run for Dwight. Grubbs also hit a double.

The Trojans go on to face Lanark Eastland at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 1, at Benedictine University in Lisle.



DTHS TROJANS TRACK & FIELD

May 22 Trojans Sectionals

"The team had some great efforts tonight. We were small but mighty in our performances. The coaches are proud of the team after all the injuries and illness they fought through," said Coach Lane.

Brian Scoggin, 800m, 2:05.889, sixth; Remington Riccolo, 300m interm. hurdles, :42.131, third; pole vault, 10'9", third; Christian Kulla, discus, 136'3", sixth; shot, 43'11", fifth.

WAY TO GO, TROJANS!!



DTHS TROJANS BASEBALL

May 23 Trojans vs. Putnam County Regional Final

"The Trojans claimed the Regional Championship, as they took home a 2-1 victory over host Putnam County," according to Coach Kaiser.

"Noah Trainor pitched five great innings to earn the victory, while Kyle Cahill shut down the Panthers in the sixth and seventh to pick up the save. Trainor struck out four batters, while Cahill fanned three.

"With the score tied at 0 in the bottom of the third inning, Pete Moyemont led off with a hard single to center. Travis Roeder followed with a perfectly placed bunt for a single that advanced Moyemont to second. Both runners moved up on a passed ball and were in scoring position when Dan Grubbs took an outside pitch to right field for a single that plated them both.

Coach Kaiser continued, "Putnam County answered with a run in the fourth but could not produce any more. The Trojans played excellent defense behind their pitchers and made it difficult for the Panthers to produce any rallies in the game."

May 27 Trojans vs. Iroquois West Sectional Semi-Final

The DTHS Trojan base-

ball team snagged a victory over Iroquois West, 4-3.

Kyle Cahill, 7-5, picked up the win, striking out 14 batters, giving up five hits, two earned runs and one walk.

Hitting for the Trojans were: Kirk Telford, 4AB, 3H (home run in the second), 2RBI, 1R; Dan Grubbs, 4AB, 1H, 1RBI, 1R; Noah Trainor, 3AB, 1H, 1RBI, 1BB; Travis Roeder, 3AB, 1H, 1R; Joe Briner, 3AB, 1H; Mike Halloran, 2AB, 2H, 1RBI, 1R; Cahill, 2AB, 1RBI.

"Great come-from-behind victory tonight. Down 3-1 going into our final at-bat in the bottom of the seventh, our #8 and #9 hitters (Roeder and Halloran) get things started with a pair of singles. Then, the top of the order came to the plate and produced in the clutch as Grubbs, Trainor and Telford connected for three more singles to win it. Telford was seeing the ball extremely well tonight, and he was exactly who we wanted to have at the plate in the clutch situation to end the game. Cahill never gave up on the mound, even when his team was down by two. He struck out five batters in the last two innings to provide spark for our team's bats in the seventh," stated Coach Kaiser.



Area Athletes Named Interstate 8 All-Conference

The Interstate 8 Conference named area athletes to its All-Conference teams for baseball and softball.

Dwight: Kyle Cahill, senior, pitcher; Joe Briner, senior, first base; Kolby Hoffman, junior, catcher; Chaney Tumbling, junior, first base; Erin Gaston, freshman, pitcher; all for south division.

Herscher: Matt Highland, senior, shortstop; Andy

Schultz, senior, first base; Lindsay Cousin, sophomore, outfield; all for south division.

Seneca: Deric Punke, senior, catcher; Josh Higgins, junior, pitcher/outfield; Andy Dunn, junior, third base; all for north division. Kirk Houchin was co-baseball coach of the year. Alanna Viken, sophomore; Eden Thomas, senior; Mari Knapp, senior, all infield for north division.



PONTIAC INDIANS TENNIS

May 22 Indians vs. Bloomington Sectionals

The PTHS Indians tennis team finished its season at Sectionals.

Singles: Chris Fairall won, 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; lost to U-high, 6-0, 6-0; Adam Wiesner, lost, 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles: Tim Thomas and Ben Montalbano, lost to Central Catholic, 7-6, 6-4; Anthony Mills and Brendan Wiesner, lost to Normal, 6-0, 6-1.

"The varsity finished the season at 7-3 with seven rainouts. The weather was frustrating but the boys played well and had an excellent season," stated Coach Sear.

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During awards night, Marty Schulz was voted

Most Improved Player; Chris Fairall and Tim Thomas were voted Most Valuable Players.

"All five seniors have been on the team for four years and were also recognized: Chris Fairall, Anthony Mills, Ben Montalbano, Tim Thomas and Seth White," stated Coach Sear.



GSW PANTHERS BASEBALL

May 23 Panthers vs. Somonauk Regional Championship

The GSW Panther baseball team fell to Somonauk, 12-2, during the Regional Championship game. The Panthers ended their season 17-10 overall and 8-2 in the conference. The Panthers were co-conference champions.

Dane Sorensen, 0-3, took the loss; Ben Crater, relief,

came in the third inning down 4-1.

Hitting for the Panthers were: Zach Sorensen, 2-3, run; Josh Hall, 1-2, run, RBI; Chris Irvin, 1-2, run.

"Somonauk is a very good team; they hit the ball well! Also, their pitcher did a nice job shutting us down. They should have a good chance to get to state," stated Coach Posing.

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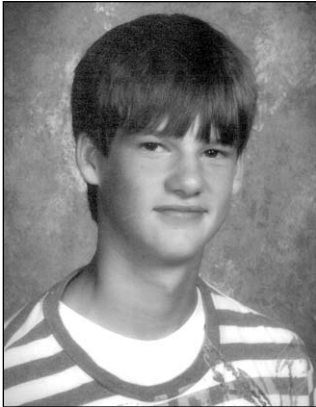
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GSW Junior Chris Irvin Invited to International Sports Fest

After an outstanding performance in the USA Junior Nationals all-state high school basketball competition at University of Illinois, Christopher Irvin, son of Chris and Carla Irvin, who is currently a junior at Gardner South Wilmington High School, has been invited, based on his performance, to participate in the prestigious USA Junior Nationals International Sports Festival at the University of Illinois in Champaign from July 27 to August 2.

Based in Madison, Wisconsin the USA Junior Nationals provides one of the top amateur competitions in the United States and offers its program to all athletes who have a high talent level in basketball and want to develop their skills and techniques through state-wide, national and international competition. This is a unique opportunity for all athletes to improve their basketball talent through highly organized competition. Information about our participating athletes is provided to educational institutions throughout the U.S. and Canada for possible scholarship opportunities.



Chris Irvin

The USA Junior Nationals offers competitions at approximately 42 sites. Athletes who demonstrate advanced skills, team leadership, competitive spirit, and good sportsmanship go on to the next level of play which is the USA Junior Nationals "International Sports Festival" at the University of Illinois, Champaign.



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LADY PANTHERS SOFTBALL



GSW LADY PANTHER
Amber Eisha, left, winds up for a heater during the Regional Championship game, May 23. Ashley Sorensen, above, keeps her stance, waiting for the perfect pitch. GSW fell to Streator-Woodland, 4-2.

May 23 Lady Panthers vs. Streator-Woodland Regional Championship

The GSW Lady Panther softball team fell to Streator-Woodland, 4-2, in a nine-inning battle for the Regional title.

Amber Eisha took the loss, striking out 14 batters, giving up seven hits, two earned runs and one walk.

Hitting for the Lady Panthers were: Kristen Bexson, 1-4, two RBI; Jamie Esparza, 1-3, run; Eisha, 1-4, run; Julie Pfeifer and Missy Gretz, 1-4 each.

"We did a good job coming back from behind the first time in the 6th inning, but it is hard to come back two times in one game. Streator did a good job getting their hits bunched together, while ours seemed to be spread out. We end the season 19-7. We had a good season this year, and I'm proud of all the girls," stated Coach Lardi.

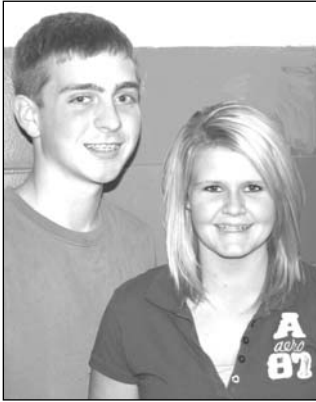
DTHS Athletes of the Week

Dwight Township High School is proud to recognize Erin Gaston and Sam Perschnick as Athletes of the Week.

Erin was nominated for posting an 11-5 record with an ERA of 1.17 for the Lady Trojans softball team. In addition to playing softball, Erin was a member of the basketball and volleyball teams.

Her favorite athlete is softball pitcher Jenny Finch. Her favorite athletic memory was winning third place in softball in junior high.

Sam was nominated by his track coach Larry Lane, who said, "Sam is a freshman sprinter on the boys' track team. He was improving slowly as the season reached its midpoint this spring. At one of our many rainy/cold meets, Sam injured his leg. He continued to come to practice and did what he could to rehab his injury and support his teammates. He attended all the meets and cheered for his healthier teammates. Slowly



Sam Perschnick and Erin Gaston

he healed and competed in the team's final meet, which was the Seneca Sectional last Friday night. He ran personal bests in all three of his individual races. Watching the joy of an athlete compete and do his best was and is a great reward for all coaches."

In addition to running track, Sam is active in the DTHS FFA. His favorite athlete is Michael Phelps and his favorite athletic memory is breaking four personal records at the Seneca track sectional.



THE DWIGHT ODELL TITANS 12 and under traveling baseball team took second place in their own Memorial Day Classic. The Limestone Hurricanes won the first place trophy. Members of the Titans are: Seth Galloway, Joe Galeaz, Chance Carlson, Caleb Boma and Drew Jensen. Second row, Devin Connolly, Ryan Gaston, Owen Pulver, Chris Peck and Jace Kennedy. Back row, Coaches Kent Jensen, Rob Pulver, Don Kennedy and head coach, Lane Galloway. Not pictured: Colton Fieldman and Coach Alan Crossfield.

DTHS Sports Physicals Being Conducted June 11

Dwight Township High School is happy to announce that Dr. Travis Swink and the staff of OSF Medical Group-Dwight will conduct low-cost athletic physicals for students who will be DTHS sophomores, juniors or seniors during the 2009-2010 school year.

"This is a great opportunity for students to get their sports physical out of the way for the year," said DTHS Athletic Director Clark Reamer.

Physicals will take place from 8 to 11:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 11, in the business wing of the school. Students may enter through the main doors and follow the signs. Physicals will be conducted on a first-come, first-served basis; no appointments are necessary.

There is a fee. Checks can be made out to DTHS.

"For the last eight years, Dr. Swink and the nurses from OSF have donated all the money back to the athletic programs," Reamer said. "They are so generous with their time, and I hope people take advantage of this quick, convenient and low-cost option."

Students will need to have a signed parent consent form and IHSA Participation Examination form. Copies of the forms have been mailed to each returning student, and additional copies are available in the high school office.

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THE DTHS LIBRARY CLUB recently seated its Leadership Team for 2009-2010. Those appointed were (back row, left to right): Gerry Holmes, President; Kate Muller, Reading and Literacy; Soren Jensen and Veronica Skrzypiec, Recreation; Kristina Bulian, Finance; and (front row, left to right) Donna Tyler, Treasurer; Linda Thrasher, Coffee Shop Mgr.; Kristen Sanders, Member Services, and Gabby Davis, Public Relations. Mrs. Trewartha has again agreed to sponsor the club.



Gardner Fire Department and EMS Calls

Mon., May 25: Medical, W. Parker.
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Thurs., May 28: Medical, Chaucer; fire, I-55 Southbound.
Fri., May 29: Medical, E. Wilmington.
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DWIGHT VFW PONY LEAGUE #2

May 23
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 The Dwight VFW Pony League #2 defeated Wilmington #1, 18-5. The team improved its record to 4-2 overall.
 Brian Bergeson pitched 3.2 innings, four strikeouts, three walks, four hits, five runs, two earned runs.
 Hitting for the team were:

Matt Kennedy, 2-2, triple, double, three RBI, two runs; David Reamer, 2-2, two RBI, run; Blake Huseman, 1-2, double, RBI; Ryan Kodat, 1-1, double, three RBI, two walks; Kiefer Kious, Carson Banks, Austin Gantzert, TJ Henson, Jake Snyder, Drake Davison, Triston Dircks and Bergeson, single each.



MEMBERS OF THE CULLOM Women's Club and Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H Club recently planted a butterfly garden in Cullom. Pictured left to right, front row, are 4-H Club members Gracie Metz, Ashten Melton, Lauren Ehlers, Will Melton and President Zach Ehlers; back row, Master Gardener Linda Vercler and Women's Club members Phyllis Moritz, Meri Knapp, Diana Taylor and Judy Ehlers.

Cullom Women's Club Meets

On April 8, eight members of Cullom Women's Club met at the Cullom Community Building. President Meri Knapp welcomed all and led the Pledge to the Flag. The minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved.
 Meri read a "thank you" from the Scleroderma Foundation and IHR for contributions from the United Fund Drive. Marsha Haag won the 50/50, donating her half back to the club.
 Judy Ehlers gave a report on the 17th District meeting held in Fairbury. The club received two third-places, two second-places, seven first-places and two best overall. Two pins have come for the 50-plus-years members.
 Judy Ehlers and Diana Taylor will attend the GFWC IL State Convention in Lombard. Meri will send needlework for the arts and crafts at State.
 The butterfly garden was cleaned, and more sod will be removed to make the garden larger.
 Marge Kross nominated Phyllis Moritz for president (two-year term) and Judy

Wojciechowshi for secretary for one year (to fill out Phyllis's second year), and Judy Ehlers will keep the treasurer's job for the next two years.
 Teresa Stark had surgery and is doing well. Meri Knapp reported a new grandson, premature.
 Meri Knapp and Phyllis Moritz and Master Gardener Linda Vercler planted the Women's Club Butterfly Garden on Wednesday, May 19. The garden is located on the corner of Walnut and Jeffery in the northeast corner of the Village Park. Nancy Flessner from the Livingston Extension Office brought Painted Lady butterflies to be released in the garden. Five Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H members (Will and Ashten Melton, Zach and Lauren Ehlers and Gracie Metz), along with Linda Vercler and club members Meri Knapp, Phyllis Moritz, Diana Taylor and Judy Ehlers were on hand to help release the butterflies. The garden was made for all to enjoy, to help beautify Cullom and teach about butterflies.

Camp 9-1-1 for Children Being Held at Morris Hospital

Children entering fourth, fifth and sixth grades next fall can become better prepared for emergencies by attending Camp 9-1-1 on Thursday, June 11, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Morris Hospital, 150 West High St., Morris.
 The hands-on program gives children an opportunity to talk to emergency medical services personnel and climb aboard an ambulance, try on firefighter gear and sit in the driver's seat of a fire truck, get a close-up look at a medical helicopter and practice talking to a 9-1-1 dispatcher. Specially-trained bicycle police will be on hand to talk about bike safety, and emergency nurses will teach basic first aid skills such as how to properly apply a bandage. The children will also practice escaping from fire using Minooka Fire Department's smoke

house.
 Representatives from Morris Fire Department, Grundy County Sheriff's Department, Kurtz Ambulance, Yorkville Canine Unit, Morris Police Department and Minooka Fire Department will assist with Camp 9-1-1 by providing instruction at various stations.
 There is a cost per child to attend. Each participant will receive a T-shirt, bicycle helmet and personal first aid kit. All Camp 9-1-1 participants are invited to a follow-up CPR class on June 15 from 9 to 11 a.m. or 1 to 3 p.m.; June 17 from 9 to 11 a.m.; or June 19 from 9 to 11 a.m. or 2 to 4 p.m. for no additional charge.
 Camp 9-1-1 registration is limited to the first 100 children. To register, call Sue Szumski at 815-942-2932, ext. 7365.



CULLOM MAYOR MARGE KROSS, left, thanks Ron Groskruetz, trustee, for serving 24 years on the Cullom Village Board. Ron was elected in April of 1985 and has been a trustee and also served as deputy mayor for those years. He and his wife, Nancy, have lived in Cullom all of their lives, where they raised their three children. His knowledge of Cullom and his financial acumen will be sorely missed.

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Legion Auxiliary Hosts Birthday Party for Post #122

The American Legion Auxiliary of Skinner Trost Unit #122 of Cullom hosted the 88th Legion Birthday Party for Skinner Trost Post #122 Saturday, April 25.
 Eighty-seven members, family members and guests gathered for appetizers at 5:30 p.m. and enjoyed a meal at 6:15 p.m. The welcome was given by Marsha Haag, committee member. The Pledge to the Flag was said by all. The table prayer was given by Post Chaplain Keith Taylor.
 Following the meal, Marsha Haag introduced the guests: Department Vice Commander William Flanagan and wife, Ann; Past National Commander Marty Conatser and wife, Sharon; Fourth Division President Barb Elam and husband Russ. The first-place American Essay winners were introduced: Class III (11th-12th grade) Daniel Metz and parents and Class II (9th-10th grade) Zach Ehlers and parents. Class I (eighth grade) Kenzie Krause was unable to attend.
 Unit 122 President Vicki Allen brought greetings from the unit and presented 17th District President Judy Ehlers a "beef" charm for her district bracelet as District 17 is "corned beef and cabbage" for this year. President Ehlers also brought greetings from the district and reported that

District 17 is still number one in department. She introduced her guests, 17th District Vice President Susann Lolling and 17th District Treasurer Roseann Coers along with the 17th District chairmen from Unit 122. Post 122 Commander Walter McCulley was introduced. District 17 Commander Ron Shapland brought greetings; Joe Malone and Dick Magee were introduced. Between Joe and Dick, they have 120 years plus as members of the Cullom post.
 The speaker for the evening was Past National Commander Marty Conatser. He gave a talk on what the American Legion Family is about. He told of different experiences he had as national commander. He had a meeting with President Bush about the new GI Bill; he went to Vietnam and met with the minister of defense about our MIAs. These are just a couple of his experiences.
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June 7: 9 a.m., HC Worship; 10:15 a.m., Coffee Connections; 10:30 a.m., Sunday School for all ages; 2 p.m., Heritage Manor.

June 8: 8 p.m., AA meeting.

June 9: 9 a.m., Text Study; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Walk & Talk; 7 p.m., Church Council.

June 10: 6 p.m., WELCA General Meeting.

June 11: Synod Assembly; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Walk & Talk.

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June 4: noon, UMW Luncheon.

June 5: 2 p.m., Evening.

June 6: 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Kin & Eileen Turner's Anniversary Celebration.

June 7: 7:15-8:15 a.m., Set up for UMYF Coffee Shop; 7:45 a.m., Children's Choir Rehearsal; 8 a.m., Student Celebration Worship and Graduation Recognition; 8:30-10:30 a.m., UMYF Coffee Shop; 10:15 a.m., Children's Choir Rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Student Celebration Worship and Graduation Recognition.

June 8: 9-11 a.m., End of School Year Celebration; 6:30 p.m., Medwest Dist. Team Meeting.

June 9: 8 a.m., Volunteers arrive for VBS; 8:30 a.m., Bible Study, Karla Behounek; 9 a.m., Bible Study, Jean Voigts; 9-11:30 a.m., Vacation Bible School.

June 10: 8 a.m., Volunteers arrive for VBS; 8:30 a.m., Willing Workers Mystery Trip; 9-11:30 a.m., Vacation Bible School; 7 p.m., Bible Warriors; No Wednesday Youth Program.

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June 4: 6:30 p.m., Preschool Board Mtg.

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June 7: 9:30 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; Fellowship committee mtg. following service; 10:30 a.m., Family Sunday School and brunch.

June 11: 6:30 p.m., Stewardship Mtg., Evangelism Mtg.; 7 p.m., Council Mtg.

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Father Peter Pilon, Pastor

Sundays: 10 a.m., Mass.

Wednesday confessions: 5:15 to 5:45 p.m.; 6 p.m., Mass.

RANSOM

Ransom United Methodist Church

102 E. Plumb St., Ransom

Church 586-4504

Parsonage 586-4657

Pastor Paul E. White

Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School, 10:50 a.m.

Wednesday Prayer, 9:00 a.m.

Celebration Time After School Children's Program: Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m.

ESSEX

United Methodist Church

114 W. Waverly

Pastor Dan Harding

Home 237-0133

Cell 325-8599

Sunday: Sunday School, adult and youth, 9:30 a.m.; Worship service, 10:30 a.m.

Prayer meeting each Tuesday, 6 p.m.

1st and 3rd Tuesday,

Teen and Youth Fellowship, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Holy Communion served the first Sunday of each month and on special occasions.

St. Lawrence O'Toole Catholic Church

Mass: Sunday, 9:15 a.m.

Weekday Masses at Immaculate Conception, Braidwood, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.

GARDNER

Church of Hope Presbyterian Church (USA)

Monroe & Jefferson Streets

Janet Chandler, Pastor

Office hours: Mon.-Thurs., 8:30 a.m. - 12

237-8312

United Lutheran Church, ELCA

Pine and Jefferson Streets

Pastor Royan Rodney

237-2227

Sunday: Worship Service, 10 a.m.

Sunday School at 9 a.m.

REDDICK

Reddick United Methodist Church

Old Route 17/West Main

PO Box 63, Reddick, IL

815-365-4223

Pastor Dennis Brooks

Zoar Community Church

18172 W. Route 17, Reddick, IL

933-4905

Pastors

William and Joan Dean

St. Mary's Catholic Church

East Lincoln Street, Reddick.

Rev. Richard Kostelz, pastor

949-1568

Sunday Mass, 8:30 a.m.

Monday Mass, 9 a.m.

Holy Days, 5:30 p.m.

SOUTH WILMINGTON

United Methodist Church

Pastor Dennis Brooks

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., Morning Worship; 9:30 a.m., Sunday School.

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

135 Rice Road

Fr. John Hornick, Pastor

237-2230 Rectory

Saturday: 5 p.m. Mass.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Masses.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.

Daily Mass: Monday thru Wednesday, 7:30 a.m.

Communion Service, Thursday, 7:30 a.m.

KEMPTON

Kempton Church of the Nazarene

105 E. Main St. (815) 253-6250

Rev. John A. Mohler, Pastor

Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.

Kempton United Methodist Church

305 W. Main Street

S.S. 9 a.m. Worship 10 a.m.

815-253-6373; 815-832-4370

Rev. Dr. David L. Phillips and Rev. Jane Bradford

Pastors

MAZON

Mazon United Methodist Church

Office phone: 448-5677

Pastor's Home phone: 815-672-8932

Cell phone: 815-228-2878

E-mail: amenda@udnet.net

Rev. Mark D. Amenda

Sunday Worship, 9 a.m.

Park Street Congregational United Church of Christ

806 Park St., Mazon

Rev. Betty Hornback

Phone 448-5514

Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Coffee Hour, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

EMINGTON

Emington Congregational United Church of Christ

Ed Sinclair, Pastor

Home phone (217) 935-8782

Sunday Service, 9:00 a.m.

VERONA

Verona United Methodist Church

Office phone: 448-5677

Pastor's Home phone: (815) 672-8932

Cell phone: (815) 228-2878

E-mail: amenda@udnet.net

Rev. Mark D. Amenda

Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.

KINSMAN

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

301 Emmett Street

Fr. John Hornick, Pastor

392-4245 (or 237-2230)

Saturday: 5 p.m., Mass

Sunday: 9 a.m., Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

Thursday, Mass at 8 a.m.

SAUNEMIN

Saunemin United Methodist Church

90 North St., Saunemin

815-832-4935; 815-832-4370

Rev. Dr. David L. Phillips and Rev. Jane Bradford

Pastors

S.S. 9:30 a.m.; Worship 10:45 a.m.

HERSCHER

Herscher Christian Church

30 Tobey Drive, Herscher

Pastors Bob Monts and Tyson Graber

426-2908 or 823-6072

www.herscherchristian.com

Sundays: 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10 a.m., Morning Worship; 6 p.m., Prayer Time.

Wednesdays: 6 p.m., Open Meal Program; 6:30 p.m., Children's Program; 6:30 p.m., Adult Bible Study; 7:45 p.m., Teen Worship Time.

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THE DWIGHT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WELCOMES Green's Paint, Auto & Truck Repair to Dwight. Those in attendance for the ribbon cutting were: 1 to r, Rudy Piskule, Bob Weller, Dawn Bunting - Chamber of Commerce Program Director; Kevin Green, owner; and Denise Cerda, Office Manager; Scott Hager, Iris Cregar and Bob Ohlendorf.

Green's Body Shop Opens in Dwight

Sara Peters
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A new body shop has opened in Dwight. Green's Paint, Auto and Truck Repair, 207 E. Delaware St., opened its doors April 1. The new business is a full-service collision body shop that handles anything from accidents to minor dents to rust and pin-stripping. The shop fills an empty storefront vacated when Tyler Chevrolet Buick went out of business last year. "It's already been a body shop, so it's a perfect location for a place starting out," owner Kevin Green said. "If there's a dollar bill attached to it, I can get it done for

you." Although this is Green's first time as a business owner, he's been in the business for 29 years. Originally from Wisconsin, he worked 20 years there and another nine years in the Bloomington area. "I'm like a 24-hour on-call person. A person can call me anytime. If they need an estimate on a Sunday, I'm always available," Green said. "We have low overhead. We don't have to charge a fortune, so a person can save a little bit of money by going through us." The shop works with all insurance companies and can arrange towing and rental cars. In addition, it provides

free pickup and delivery and detailing before the vehicle is returned to its owner. All work is guaranteed, Green said. Beyond vehicles, Green's can paint a variety of other objects such as house doors or refrigerators. Green said he's pleased with business so far and looks forward to serving Dwight. "I've been working every day since we opened the doors, so I've been very happy," Green said. "We hope it continues." Hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 815-584-9778 or email kgreen66corvair@yahoo.com

DTHS Board Outlines --

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"However, it is very appropriate to ask a coach 'what does my child need to do to improve?'" said Adams. "Because, improved skills equals improved playing time."

The board put together a starting point for expectations that will be "polished" and formalized in upcoming board sessions. Following is the board's initial draft of expectations as presented to some parents and coaches present at the Tuesday meeting.

The DTHS Board of Education strives to provide activities for our students that will provide avenues for our students to grow and develop into productive and well rounded individuals. This participation is voluntary and will include certain responsibilities once the student commits to the activity. The board is responsible for providing adequate funding and personnel to staff those activities. Each program will be evaluated yearly.

The DTHS Board of Education expects coaches/sponsors will act as role models and teachers of their activities. They will perform

their duties to the best of their abilities striving to improve individual and team skills. They will be open to participant, parent, administrator and media communication. Coaches/sponsors will be evaluated annually.

The DTHS Board of Education expects players/participants will work to improve their individual and team skills during the season and off season to the best of their ability. They will present themselves as ambassadors of DTHS and are expected to conduct themselves as such.

The DTHS Board of Education expects that parents will be active, positive supporters of their child's activities. As such, they will encourage their child to perform to the best of their abilities in practice and games. They will encourage their child to address any concern or questions they have to their coaches/sponsors before they will meet with the coach/sponsors themselves.

The Board of Education expects all teams/activities to be positive ambassadors to our school and community with guidance from the

coach/sponsor. They encourage each team to set goals that reflect their skills and level of competition. Wins and losses are not a major evaluative tool for a sport/activity.

Addressing the last point, Adams clarified, "It is not the intent of the board to say you are a success by the number of wins you have -- there are a lot of other determining factors."

The above expectations will be presented at annual pre-season meetings with coaches, players and parents. At the request of parents and coaches present at the May 26 meeting, the board will consider a meeting encompassing all co-curricular activities at the beginning of each school year.

Adams feels the established guidelines are necessary to have everyone working together and moving in a positive direction.

"What is done is done. But, going forward, this is what we expect to happen and, on any issues going forward, this is how it will be addressed," stated Adams. "We need everyone going in the same direction with us."

GSW High School Board Meets --

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school year. Each meeting will be on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., with a second meeting scheduled on the fourth Wednesday, if needed.

Earlier this year, a BOE member inquired about the possibility of GSW having a bass fishing team. Dr. Decman reviewed some information about bass fishing teams from the IHSA. New Athletic Director Ben Bailey will investigate this possible addition to the extra-curricular offerings in the near future.

Kayla Kellogg and her GAVC instructor requested some assistance from the school in paying for Kayla's

leadership conference in Nashville, TN, for which Kayla qualified by placing second in the regional competition. The BOE reviewed the letter of request.

Dr. Decman reviewed and explained in-depth the tax levy and TIF information that was received from the Grundy County Clerk.

Ms. Spiezio and Dr. Decman interviewed two internal candidates and recommend the board employ Ben Bailey as the athletic director.

Action taken by the board included: approval of cheerleading uniforms at \$70 per uniform; approval of employment of recommended coaches for 2009-2010;

approval of the 2009-10 parent-student handbook with corrections as noted; approval of the summer work 2009 budget as presented; approval of the amended 2008-2009 budget; approval of board meeting dates for 2009-2010; approval of Ben Bailey as summer school driver's education instructor; approval of the employment of Ben Bailey as the athletic director for the 2009-2010 school year; cancellation of the second board of education meeting of the month of May; and a motion to approve a \$100 donation to Kayla Kellogg for the HOSA Conference.

Superintendent information items followed.

Dwight Administration Committee Discusses Protocol

by Madelyn Fogarty

Issues brought forth during a June 1 session of the Village of Dwight Administration Committee reflected concerns of, and towards, Dwight's new governing body.

The Administration Committee consists of newly elected Dwight Village President and Committee Chairman Bill Wilkey, and all of the Village Trustees including three new members. While some members expressed apprehension that they are not being properly informed regarding matters taking place within the Village, others shared fears

that actions are being taken without proper procedures being followed.

"It feels like the chain of command is a little cloudy right now," stated Committee member and Village Trustee Jerry Curtis.

Curtis addressed the several village employees and others who gathered, assuring those in attendance that actions regarding personnel or most other issues cannot be taken without knowledge and consent of the Village Board.

Watch next week's edition of *The Paper* for a more detailed recap of the meeting.

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