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## Farmers Need Perfect Weather to Pull Off This Season

by Sara Peters  
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Area farmers say bring on the sun – but not too much heat. And bring on the rain, but don't swamp the fields.

They need a near-perfect growing season to compensate for one of the latest planting seasons in 20 years.

"The best thing for us the rest of the year would be a little bit below normal temperature and at least normal rainfall to at least save what we got," said Phil McArdle, owner of McArdle Grain and Commodities. "If we have real extended hot dry spells, we'll really be in trouble then."

As things stand right now, McArdle believes farm averages will be 75 bushels per acre less on corn and at least 10 bushels per acre less on soybeans this year. That translates to about \$300 less per acre on corn and around \$150 less per acre in soybeans, he said.

That decrease in bushels per acre can be attributed to the late start caused by the extremely wet spring.

Instead of planting in mid-April, most farmers did not make it into the fields until mid-May, putting them anywhere from two to five weeks behind schedule, depending who you talk to.

"This whole spring has been a challenge," said Brian Perschnick, of rural Dwight,

who farms 2,000 acres south and southeast of Dwight. "It was frustrating. We were within a day or two of getting in and then it'd rain again."

Then, when the fields did dry enough to begin planting, the ground dried so hard that the seeds didn't plant properly into the soil, causing the root structures to form shallower.

"Some old timers said the ground conditions were the worst they'd ever seen," Perschnick said. "The ground was so hard when we finally did get in to plant. What I'm afraid of is shallow corn roots. I think we're going to need rain all summer to get a decent crop."

Another side effect of the hard ground is uneven seed emergence, where plants grow in noticeably different sizes, and areas where seeds died because they weren't planted into the soil or received water. In other areas still, where water created large ponds, farmers gave up on planting.

"There's some certain spots we never did plant," said Joe Stevenson, who farms ground from Odell to Mazon. "We never could get to it in time."

So from the get-go, the number of plants per acre are less because of the cold, wet spring.

Now, farmers must worry (continued on page 18)



The corn stands more than knee-high in a field near Odell on July 4th. Unfortunately for farmers, the old saying "knee high by the fourth of July" doesn't hold true these days. Farmers say a more accurate saying would be "shoulder high by the fourth of July." Below, farmers worked spraying their fields.



YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS sold bread, muffins and fresh peppermint at the Kid's Market in downtown Dwight. The next Kid's Market will be held during the Dwight Main Street Farmer's Market this Saturday, July 11, from 8 a.m. to noon.

## Dwight Harvest Days Entertainment Lining Up

by Meta Machulis

The Dwight Harvest Days Committee has already scheduled several entertainers and events for this year's celebration, which will be held Thursday through Sunday, September 17-20.

The carnival will open on Thursday evening with a pay-one-price wristband deal, and a movie will be shown on the downtown stage Thursday night.

Friday, Dwight welcomes back the Jesse White Tumblers. The team is brought to Harvest Days by contributions from the Danish Brotherhood, Jensen's BP Amoco, Bank of Dwight, First National Bank of Dwight and Bill Rodosky Accounting.

Entertainment confirmed for Saturday afternoon includes The King Family at noon, a nine-family-member-strong string band; and Dave Rudolph beach party music at 2 p.m.

Harvest Days says goodbye to the lip sync contest this year, but the event will be replaced with the first ever Junior Karaoke Contest from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday. The contest will include 10 contestants; if more than 10 singers register, "playoffs" will be held prior to Harvest Days. Three winners will be rewarded \$250, \$100 and \$50 for first through third places, respectively. The contest is open to children up to 18 years old. Sign up at The Paper office in Dwight. Immediately following

the Junior Karaoke Contest will be the Second Annual Big Boyz Toyz Hot Dog Eating Contest. "Local celebrities" will compete to devour the most hot dogs in a given amount of time.

At 7 p.m., the fifth Harvest Days \$1,000 Karaoke Championship begins, hosted by the Big Kahuna D.J. After the competition, local favorite Mathien is scheduled to rock the stage.

Sunday, the all-town church service will be held at 9:15 a.m. Immediately following the service, Christian rock band Asher, featuring hometown musician Burton Gestner, will perform until noon.

Other events and performers will be announced at a later date.

## Two New Gas Stations for Mazon

by Sara Peters  
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Mazon is becoming a two gas station town, maybe as early as fall.

## Herscher Parade Applications Available

The Herscher Chamber of Commerce and its Labor Day Parade Committee announces that it will mail parade applications to past participants on July 20. Parade applications will also be available at the Herscher Village Hall during normal business hours and at Centru Bank in Herscher.

Following a tradition started several years ago the Parade Committee would hope the graduated classes of Herscher High School with their year ending in a nine, such as 1929, 1939, 1949, 1959, 1969, 1979, 1989, 1999, and 2009, would build a float for the Labor Day parade. Additionally, the Parade Committee invites the various attendance centers within Herscher School District #2 to enter a float in the parade. Also, any graduated class of Herscher High School that wishes may enter a float.

The committee is also looking for more decorated bikes in the parade. Anyone up to age 13 is encouraged to enter their decorated bike. No ATVs, 4-Wheelers, go-carts, electric scooters, pocket rockets, etc. Just ordinary bikes decorated prettily.

Construction on a Casey's General Store on the east side of Route 47 north of the railroad tracks is well on its way.

The Casey's will sit across the street from a brand new Shell station and Subway that opened in recent weeks.

"Hopefully we'll see an increase in sales tax revenue," Mazon Mayor Don Plott said. "Having new businesses moving to the community will hopefully help entice people to move here."

The new Shell station was constructed next door to the old station and Feedbag restaurant that was located on the corner of Route 47 and Grand Ridge Road.

The old Shell station has

since been torn down and work is underway to create diesel gas pumps at that corner to accompany the new Shell station.

The addition of a Subway offers the only place in town where people can go to sit and eat a sandwich, Plott said. With the demolition of the Feedbag went the town's only sit-down eatery.

The Casey's will offer additional take out deli and pizza options beyond the town's market, he said.

"We hope that two stations will create a competitive market and that it helps the consumer with gas prices," Plott said. "(People are) definitely excited to see new businesses and have more spread out places for them to buy stuff."



Workers make way for diesel pumps on the old site of the Shell gas station in Mazon. The new Shell convenience mart, gas station and Subway recently opened next door to the old building on the west side of Route 47. Across the street, a Casey's General Store could open by fall.



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## FOR THE RECORD

**Tickets Issued by Dwight Police**

June 28: Travis W. Holmes, 43, Morris, speeding (radar), 60/40; Terry A. Williams, 51, Morris, no valid driver's license; Michael R. Brewster, 21, Dwight, no valid driver's license; Mel H. Leon, 52, Griffith, IN, speeding (radar) 54/30; Chad D. Weber, 33, Dwight, possession of drug equipment, in-state warrant.

July 1: Timothy J. Legner, 21, Dwight, criminal damage to state sup. prt.; Eric M. Shepherd, 18, Dwight, criminal damage to sup. prt, illegal consump. alcohol by minor.

July 2: Barry W. McCatty, 74, Reddick, expired registration sticker.

**Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**

June 25: Spencer, medical, Morris; William, fire.

June 26: Mazon, fire.

June 27: Fox, medical PSMH; James, medical, Morris; John, medical, refusal.

June 28: DCC, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris; 47 and Stonewall, trauma, Morris; 47 and Stonewall, trauma, Morris; S. Union, medical; Watters Dr., fire; Mazon Ave., medical, St. James, Pontiac; Northbrook, fire.

June 29: Union, medical, Pontiac.

June 30: Scott, medical; Burkhart Rd., medical, Morris, mutual aid to Mazon.

July 1: William, medical, Morris; John, medical, St. James; Northbrook, fire.

July 2: Main, medical, Morris.

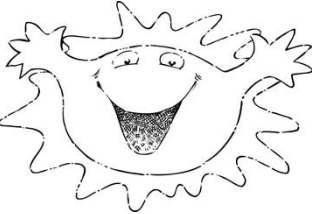
**6 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police**

Expired registration sticker, 2; no rear registration plate light, 1; obstructed windows (tint), 1; disobeying traffic control device, 1; village ordinance violation, 1.

**Accident Investigated by Dwight Police**

Wednesday, July 1, 2009,

10:15 p.m., Mazon Ave. at Washington St., Dwight – Officer Glenn Peters: A collision occurred between Ryan R. Armour of Dwight, driving a 2006 Ford, and an unattended parked 2007 Ford Edge owned by Curtis E. Wooddell of Dwight, according to the police report.



## Temps - 2009

June 25 – high 92°, low 69°  
June 26 – high 91°, low 73°  
June 27 – high 92°, low 71°  
June 28 – high 87°, low 61°  
June 29 – high 89°, low 66°  
.15" precip.  
June 30 – high 81°, low 61°  
July 1 – high 79°, low 59°  
**One Year Ago - July 8, 2008**  
high 82°, low 62°  
.06" precip.

## Gardner Fire Department and EMS Calls

Mon., June 29: Medical, N. Center.  
Wed., July 1: Trauma, W. Jefferson.  
Thurs., July 2: Medical, Pickwick; medical, E. North.  
Sat., July 4: MVA, I-55 NB mm 229.



MARTY BILECKI DRIVES his 1957 Chevrolet 210 sedan, "Geraldine," at a recent cruise-in.

## Bileckis 'Still Kruzin' With Route 66 Pulse Paper

Marty and Geri Bilecki, co-authors of "Kruzin' with the Bileckis," who were featured in the Illinois Route 66 Newsletter and Route 66 Federation News, will return with the new and "exciting" Route 66 Pulse paper. The constant amenities that the "Mother Road" offers to all who desire her attraction are there for the taking.

At a recent cruise-in in their hometown of Morris, the Bileckis' vintage 1957

Chevrolet 210 sedan, "Geraldine," was given the "Dignitary" choice award out of 711 registered classic cars as the "Cruisin'-est" car. Morris has a monthly summertime cruise night, which draws hundreds of cars from across the nation. Car show officials in Morris are aware of the fact that this car has been on the "Mother Road" constantly since 1997 and that "Geraldine" traveled the entire route in 2005. This

explains why there are almost 300,000 miles on this American car.

Through the Route 66 Pulse, the Bileckis hope to present stories of their travels across the eight great states that encompass Route 66. Their motto has always been "Keep kruzin' – if you don't go, you won't know."

The Bileckis can be reached through this newspaper.

## Dwight Peace Meals

Wed., July 8: Spaghetti pie, tossed lettuce salad, pan roll, cantaloupe and grapes.

Thurs., July 9: Roasted herb chicken, baked onions, seasoned green beans, wh. wheat bread, gingerbread.

Fri., July 10: Tuna salad, fresh tomatoes, cinnamon-pears, wh. wheat crackers, rice pudding.

Mon., July 13: BBQ pork, black-eyed pea salad, tomatoes and zucchini, bun, fresh orange.

Tues., July 14: Glazed ham loaf, scalloped potatoes, cucumber and onion salad, wh. wheat bread, warm fruit compote.

Wed., July 15: Mushroom crusted chicken breast, vegetable rice pilaf, orange glazed beets, wheat bread, apple cake.

Thurs., July 16: Sub sandwich, lettuce and tomato, potato salad, bun, cinnamon applesauce.

Milk is served each day.

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## Rain Barrels Available from Grundy County SWCD

The Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District is again offering rain barrels for sale to the public. Orders are due to the SWCD office by Thursday, July 30, at noon.

The rain barrels range in size from 35-45 inches tall and are made of reconditioned plastic barrels formerly used to ship food products. When a rain barrel is purchased, the barrel will come equipped with a spigot, overflow fitting, linking fitting and a screen enclosure for the top. A set of instructions is also included.

The barrels that are available for purchase are a 55-

gallon terra-cotta, blue or gray barrel or a 60-gallon black barrel. Also offered are flex elbows that attach to the downspout to go into the barrel and a four-foot linking hose. An automatic rain water diverter is also available, and a wooden riser to raise the barrel 12 inches off the ground can be purchased.

Anyone who is interested can contact the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District at 815-942-0359, ext. 3, or stop by the office located at 3605 N. IL Route 47, Suite B, south of the Illinois River Bridge in the USDA Service Center.

### HOMEMADE ICE CREAM

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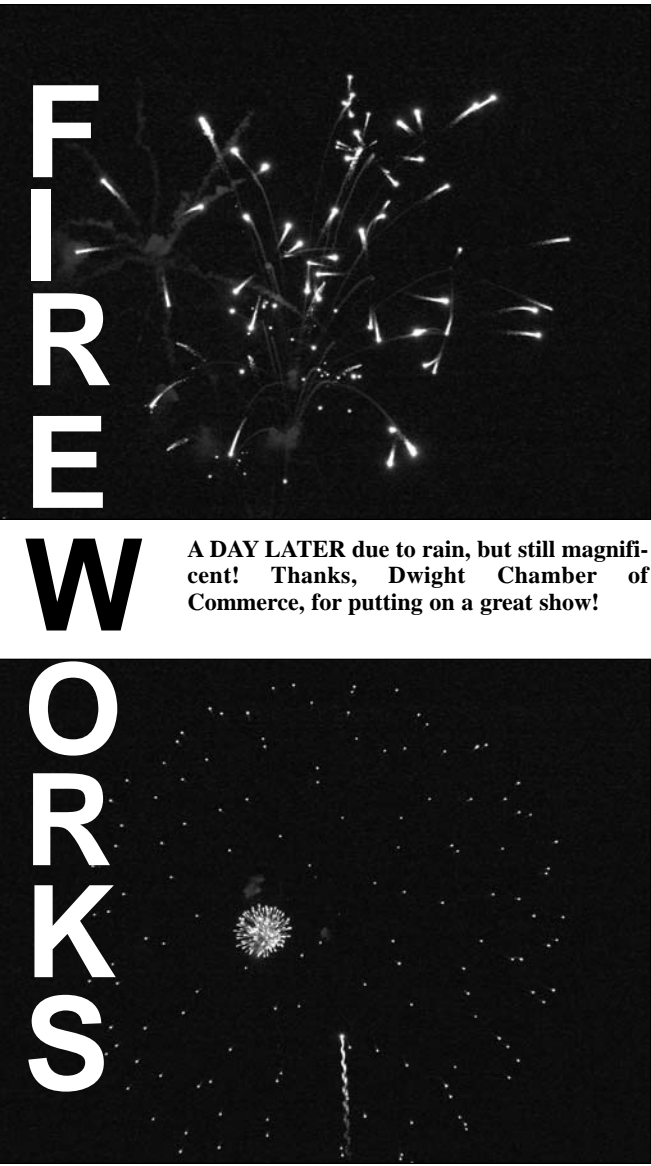
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**A DAY LATER** due to rain, but still magnificent! Thanks, Dwight Chamber of Commerce, for putting on a great show!

## Pets to Breathe Easier in Braceville

The Braceville Fire Department received a donation that will help prevent pets from falling victim to smoke inhalation due to fire. Invisible Fence of Chicagoland donated oxygen recovery masks for pets to the Braceville Fire Department, and conducted equipment training sessions and demonstrations with the department. One recovery kit was donated to the station and contains three pet oxygen masks in small, medium and large sizes.

“We hope that by donating oxygen mask kits that we will contribute to saving more pets and hopefully protect pet owners that may risk their own life to save a pet in a fire,” said Jack Miltz, owner, Invisible Fence of Chicagoland.

It is estimated that in 2006, more than 40,000 pets died in fires; most suc-

cumbed to smoke inhalation. In most states, emergency responders are unequipped to deal with the crisis. The donation of these specially designed and potentially lifesaving animal oxygen mask sets will enable Braceville Rescue Squads to efficiently administer oxygen to a stricken animal.

“We want to thank Invisible Fence for their generosity and believe that these kits will help us save more pets; we can all recall a fire from the past where these masks would have helped save a few pets,” said Chief David Fredericks.

For more information about the Invisible Fence® Brand animal recovery mask donation program, please contact Kristin Rogers, Donation Coordinator, at 440-729-1780 ext. 126 or [kr Rogers@ifco-jgb.com](mailto:kr Rogers@ifco-jgb.com)

office. The office officially closed its doors on July 3. The Dwight office will remain open and will be celebrating 10 years in business in June 2010.

## Vigna Real Estate Closes Gardner Office

The Gardner office building was not sold at the auction on June 24, but John and Phyllis Geschwind and Mike and Laura Vigna have decided to close the Gardner

## Dwight Main Street News

Janice Lauritzen, Executive Director

The 4th Annual “Let’s Buzz the Gut” Cruise Night was held downtown June 20. Many hours of planning went into the event. Some of the 36 towns represented by the 110 registered cars were Dwight, Pontiac, Streator, Kankakee, Bloomington, Coal City, Carol Stream, Chicago, LaGrange, Naperville and Las Vegas, Nevada. One car registered belongs to Joel Daly, a news anchor for Chicago Channel 7 News. The evening also included music, food, a car smash and demonstrations by the Illinois State Police and Dwight Fire Department.

The Dwight Main Street Farmer’s Markets have been held each Saturday since May 30. An average of 12 vendors have offered garden produce, fruits, baked goods, flowers, crafts and homemade laundry soap. Coffee, water, used books and Cat’s Meow collectibles are also available under the Dwight Main Street tent. Be sure to stop by this Saturday.

The Used Book Sale is always available at the Dwight Main Street office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is a large selection of affordable reading

material. Donated books are also accepted during those hours.

The Cat’s Meow collectible pieces of Dwight landmarks are in short supply. If you need a Renfrew Park Gates, Rocket, Gothic Church or Ambler/Becker Rt. 66 gas station be sure to stop while they are still available. Our office is located at 117 W. Main St.--in the old freight building next to the Depot. We plan to add another piece this fall. If you have a favorite building you would like to see made, let us know and we will put it on the list.

I recently attended a Director’s Workshop held by Illinois Main Street. We met in Dixon and toured 4 smaller Main Street communities the second day. They were smaller than Dwight and had one thing in common—they really support their community and work together to make it better. Just as it takes a village to raise a child, it takes our entire community working together to make Dwight successful. Attending local events and shopping Dwight first are ways we can work together and support our town.

## Free Ice Cream Social July 16

The Grundy County Farm Bureau is co-sponsoring an Ice Cream Social with the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District. They will be serving free ice cream from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, July 16, at the Grundy County Farm Bureau Building.

The ice cream social is in

honor of their 95th year as an organization in Grundy County. Stop by to learn what the organization can do for you. No reservations are necessary. For more information, call Grundy County Farm Bureau at 815-942-6400 or the Soil and Water Conservation District at 815-942-0359 ext. 3.

## Morris Hospital Auxiliary Funds New Transportation Bus

Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers has a new bus in its patient transportation fleet, thanks to the Morris Hospital Auxiliary. At a cost of \$48,465, the bus was purchased with proceeds from the Auxiliary’s 2008 Golf Outing and Bridge/ Euchre Tournaments.

With seating for 10 passengers and wheelchair accessibility, the new bus replaces the oldest vehicle in Morris Hospital’s patient transportation fleet. That makes six specially equipped shuttle buses to accommodate the more than 8,000 annual requests for free transportation.

Now in its 11th year, Morris Hospital’s Patient Transportation Services has helped residents from more than 18 communities get to and from hospital and other medical related appointments more than 58,000 times since 1998. For the riders, the service is absolutely free.

The Morris Hospital Auxiliary was reorganized as a wholly owned, not-for-profit subsidiary of Morris Hospital in December 2006. Auxiliary membership includes both service and fundraising volunteers.

**Be Wise – Advertise in The Paper!**

## Small Talk

by Anne Shaw Heinrich



I’m in the process of hunting down some old pencil sketches of my grandmother, Mary Shaw. Back in her early 20s, before she met and married my grandfather, she modeled lingerie for an upscale department store in downtown St. Louis. Naturally, I’d love to have some of these sketches of her, which appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch as advertisements.

Now, mind you, this was back in the 1930s, and the lingerie being modeled was modest: slips, corsets, bed jackets, that kind of thing. It was no Victoria’s Secret or Frederick’s of Hollywood, but I imagine the artist was more than pleased with his assignment. My grandmother, God rest her soul, was a babe.

One of the things that I’ve always found so compelling about her is how true to her own nature she remained. Many of her traits didn’t exactly fit into the idealized grandmother that most of us throw out there as “appropriate” descriptors for grannies. My father’s mother could be sweet, but it was always in a rather salty way. She cussed like a sailor and had no problem taking the Lord’s name in vain, despite what I’m guessing was a hit-and-miss Catholic upbringing.

Growing up, my brothers and I had the privilege of spending quite a lot of time with her. Prominent in their memories of her are visions of being chased around with a flyswatter. They were blond and scrappy hellions, and with her, they met their match.

Mary was the eldest of six girls, and the Dalton girls were serious cut-ups. When they got together, there was always a lot of loud, raucous laughter and bawdy jokes. I suspect that their father was an alcoholic, and a good many of the girls seemed to follow the expected pattern of marrying men who would today be considered functioning alcoholics. They worked hard, but the brew flowed. And the women were there to tolerate, clean up the mess and take care of the kids. I’m sure there was plenty of love there, too, but it was a different time. My grandmother and her sisters were raised to have expectations for their lives that might seem low to me and my contemporaries but worked okay for them. It’s certainly plausible that much of the laughter and zaniness served as a balm to soothe wounds that just weren’t considered legitimate at the time.

Saturday nights with my grandmother meant a couple of things: a good, home-cooked meal prepared while she crooned and danced around the kitchen to her Engelbert Humperdinck and Tom Jones albums. Her favorite television shows were Hee-Haw and Benny Hill. As a kid, I didn’t understand much of Mr. Hill’s humor, but watching my grandmother hold her sides as she enjoyed these shows was entertaining enough for me.

More often than not, when it was time for bed, I slept with her. She had her hair “set” once a week and wore a hilarious hair net at night to keep her thick head of hair looking good between visits to the beauty shop. She smelled of cold cream and walked just about everywhere she went well into her eighties. She never learned to drive herself but had no problem telling everyone else how to do so.

Gram could have a sharp tongue if you got in her way. She would be the first one to tell you if she thought

your butt was getting too broad, and she had no interest in going through the motions of basic telephone etiquette. She was known for hanging up on people abruptly, with none of the hellos or goodbyes that generally frame most phone conversations.

She would play checkers or any other board game for hours with us. She always greeted us with lips-on-lips kisses and loved getting phone calls and visits. She was the official maker of birthday cakes for the family and was always available to step in to take care of us when we were sick and my parents had to work. She didn’t mind if we touched an enormous mole that she had on her face. She gave great backrubs and didn’t care if you ate a cookie for breakfast. She always got a little heavy-handed with the rum when making rum balls for Christmas.

Now, despite an exterior that can best be summed up as “crusty with a generous dollop of sass on the side,” Mary Shaw did have a soft side. I can remember specific moments when she teared up and didn’t apologize for it: the day her sister and best friend, Ruth, died; whenever my grandfather, who died a good 30 years before her, was mentioned; the day I left for college and the day she went along for a fitting and saw me in my wedding dress for the first time. I’m sure there were many others that I never saw.

Mary was over the moon when I brought my babies by for visits. She couldn’t get over their fat little arms and faces, and she was always good about reminding me how lucky I was to have them and to have a good husband who loved me.

“What more could you want, Annie?” she’d ask. “You’ve got everything a girl could want.”

She was so right. I wish she was still around to tell me that once in awhile. I do have everything a girl could want and more, but I often find myself still searching, still wanting, still itchy and scratchy and restless some of the time. I’ve wrestled with what it is that ails me and probably so many others raised in my generation.

Could it be that I’ve got too much? Could it be that this generation just isn’t satisfied with the basics of living and loving one day at a time anymore? Are so many of us, myself included, so spoiled by comforts and instant gratification available to us today, that we wouldn’t know contentment even if it was delivered to us on a silver platter?

I want those sketches of Mary Shaw to remind me of a simpler time, a time when a black-and-white pencil rendering was sufficient and a woman could hold contentment in her hands for her entire life.

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 Historical Society. To read past *Small Talk* columns, visit *The Paper’s* website at: [www.thepaper1901.com](http://www.thepaper1901.com). For more information about Heinrich and her writing, visit: [www.anneshawheinrich.com](http://www.anneshawheinrich.com).

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## Walsh Attends Honeywell Educators @ Space Academy

Lauren Walsh, a teacher at Gardner Middle School, along with 287 other school teachers, was awarded a special scholarship to attend the Honeywell Educators @ Space Academy program the week of June 15 through July 3, at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

Created in partnership with the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in 2004, the Honeywell Educators @ Space Academy program is designed to provide math and science teachers with supplemental teaching techniques through real-life astronaut training and innovative educational tools.

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Robert Joseph Kennedy

### A boy!

Reggie and Kellie Kennedy of Morris announce the birth of their son, Robert Joseph "R.J." Kennedy, born April 13, 2009, at 7:39 p.m. at Morris Hospital.

R.J. weighed seven pounds and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are the late Barbara Lowry of Dwight and Joe Tinkler of Durant, Oklahoma. Paternal grandparents are Butch and Jane Kennedy of Pontiac.

Maternal great-grandmother is Arline Tunberg of Joliet. Paternal great-grandmother is Lois Dohleman of Florida.

## Lauritzen Reunion held June 14

The 59th Annual Lauritzen Reunion was held June 14. Thirty-five descendants of Charles and Julia Sophia (Sorensen) Lauritzen gathered in Renfrew Park. Attendees came from Dwight, Reddick, Kankakee, Joliet, Channahon, Manhattan, Chicago, Ottawa, Yorkville, Pontiac, Springfield and Bloomington.

The 60th Annual Lauritzen Reunion will be held in Renfrew Park June 13, 2010.

## Beiswanger Reunion Held June 28

The 37th annual Beiswanger reunion was held Sunday, June 28, at the west shelter of Renfrew Park in Dwight. Approximately 61 family members attended and enjoyed a delicious potluck picnic.

The oldest Beiswanger member attending was Caroline McConnell, and the youngest was Courtney Leonard, daughter of Jeff and Jen.

Activities included a balloon toss, bingo, and a baseball game. Two guessing games were included with Bob and Rene Castillo winning.

Kim Gaffney, Kelly Gaffney, and Delores Herman will chair the 2010 reunion on June 27, 2010.

A good time was enjoyed by all.

What you see depends on what you're looking for.



Barbara and William Brooks, Sr.

## Mr. and Mrs. William Brooks, Sr. Celebrate 50th Anniversary

William Brooks, Sr. and Barbara Hillman Brooks of Gardner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks are the parents of William Jr. (Sue) of Wilmington, Darren

(Pam) of Gardner and Darryl, deceased.

The couple has five grandsons, Justin (Lindsey) and Jason of Coal City, Weston and Cale of Gardner and Joshua of Florida.

## Area Students Earn Degrees from SIU Carbondale

Southern Illinois University Carbondale recognized 3,322 degree candidates during spring commencement ceremonies held on campus May 7 through 10.

Students in *The Paper* circulation area earning degrees from SIUC are:

Cory Dudak, Blackstone, B.A. in administration of

justice; Jonathon Kohrt, Dwight, B.S. in agricultural systems; Kahla Holtz-Fazzini, Emington, B.S. in speech communication and B.A. in radio-television; Jaclyn Moses-Lebron, Essex, B.S. in dental hygiene; Chelsey Stacy, Odell, B.S. in elementary education.

## Reddick Bulldogs to Reunite at All-school Reunion July 18

Saturday, July 18, High Point Golf Club, Essex, will be the location of the second Reddick Bulldogs all-school reunion. Event organizers Rich and Dave Curl and Terry McGinnis have planned a great evening of reminiscing, catching up with old friends and sharing details of careers, families and lives.

The event begins at 5 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres, refreshments and entertainment by "The Big Kahuna." The cost is per person, and tickets can be purchased by mailing payment to: Reddick High School Alumni Association, P.O. Box 59, Reddick, IL 60961-0059.

Reddick High School was originally organized as a two-year high school but soon added a four-year curriculum, with its first class graduating in 1912. After a long, proud history of sports and academic achievements, the size of the school dwindled until a decision was made to dissolve the R.U.C.E. School District. R.U.C.E. Consolidated District #3 was composed of the communities of Reddick, Union Hill, Campus and Essex. Reddick, Union Hill and Campus residents consolidated with the Herscher School District, while Essex students merged with Reed-Custer School District.

Seniors crossed the stage in the old "Cow Palace" gymnasium in Reddick for the last time in 1988 to receive their diplomas. But a strong sense of fellowship and community have kept this group of alumni close. The first All-school Reunion was held at the Bon Vivant Country Club in Bourbonnais in 1994 and was a huge success. After many requests and inquiries, a group of interested alumni decided to plan an event for the summer of 2009.

"So many people have great memories of their days at Reddick High," said organizer Rich Curl. "A reunion gives everyone an opportunity to get together and remember how much fun they had in a small high school and what a big impact that experience has had on their lives."

During the reunion, there will be footage from many sporting events and homecoming parades. Brothers Rich and Dave Curl of Reddick have spent countless hours gathering footage from various schools and families to bring memories to life.

If you are interested in more information about the reunion or Reddick High School, visit the website [www.reddickbulldogs.com](http://www.reddickbulldogs.com)

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## Daniel Fulton Graduates ISU as Presidential Scholar

Daniel Fulton recently graduated as a Presidential Scholar summa cum laude from Illinois State University with a cumulative grade point average of 3.94 on a 4.0 scale. He also earned departmental and university honors.

He spent his Spring 2009 semester student teaching at Dwight Township High School.

College activities included membership in Alpha Lambda Delta; Red Tassel/Mortar Board; working for Habitat for Humanity locally, in Florida and in Louisiana; membership in the National Society of

Collegiate Scholars; Wesley Foundation; Wittenberg Lutheran Center; Technology Education Collegiate Association; and the International Technology Education Association.

Daniel has a major in technology education and a minor in computer science. His current summer job is at Pontiac Township High School working with the computer system.

Daniel is the son of Jim and Ruth Ann Fulton of Saunemin.

## J. Burkhalter Named to NIU Dean's List

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, has announced that Joseph Burkhalter, a mathematics major from Dwight, has been named to the Spring 2009 dean's list.

The dean's list is compiled by NIU's academic colleges according to varying criteria. Students enrolled in the colleges of business, education, liberal arts and sciences, visual and performing arts and health and human sciences must meet a minimum semester grade point average of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale.

## Katie Fulton Named to ISU Dean's List

Katie Fulton finished her second year at Illinois State University with a 4.0 grade point average for the spring semester, earning her a place on the Dean's List.

She is an elementary education major currently working as a Girl Scout summer camp counselor at Camp Peairs on Lake Bloomington.

Katie is the daughter of Jim and Ruth Ann Fulton of Saunemin.

## Britt Provence Receives Scholarship

Britt Provence was awarded a scholarship from the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA). Britt attends Drake University's College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa, and was president of Drake's student chapter of NCPA during the 2008-2009 school year.

The award will be given at a ceremony at NCPA's annual meeting, held in New Orleans this year.

Britt is the daughter of Randy and Debbie Provence of Dwight. She is a longtime employee of Doc's Drugs.

## Agamy Named to Millikin Dean's List

Millikin University is pleased to announce Ashli Agamy of Reddick was named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2009 semester. Agamy is enrolled in the college of professional study.

To be eligible, students must complete at least 12 graded credits during the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Any life, no matter how long and complex it may be, is made up of a single moment—the moment in which a man finds out, once and for all, who he is.

~ Jorge Luis Borges



THE DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1959 recently held its 50 year class reunion at The Country Mansion in Dwight. Class members in attendance were, left to right, seated: Joanne Humbert Gosteli and Janice Barschdorf Johnson; second row: Carol Grieff Speer, Phyllis Hopp Allen, Judith Jordins Senn, Karen Wick Crowe, Aleda Johnson Jenkins, Delores Humbert Zimmerman, Carol Perschnick Clavey, Joan Perschnick Von Qualen; third row: Carol Jorgensen Miller, Barbara Zabel Klintworth, Sheila Smith Jacklich, Dolores Feddersen Cyr, Craig Griswold, Virginia Allen Spafford, Jean Ann McConnell Schou, Rick Haegle, David Fortner, Bill McDevitt, Jim Lauritsen; back row: Jim Crimmins, Ralph Bossert, Paul Hosier, Jane Miller Donnelley, Joel Danker, Ralph Sassenger, Jim Lydigsen, Dean McBeath.



## KCC Welcomes New President

Kankakee Community College hosted a welcome reception to celebrate the arrival of new President Dr. John Avendano on Tuesday, July 7 at KCC.

Avendano assumed his duties on July 1. He replaces former KCC President Jerry Weber, who left to lead College of Lake County in Grayslake.

Avendano was formerly the vice president for academic affairs and student development at Illinois

Central College in East Peoria, and had been an administrator at ICC for 14 years. He previously served in administrative positions for 10 years at Waubesa Community College in Illinois. Avendano holds a Ph.D. in educational administration and foundations from Illinois State University in Normal.

Avendano and his wife, Janet, have three children, Michael, Nicole, and Marissa.

## Morris Hospital Employees Participate in Cath Lab Training

Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers recently gave interventional cardiologists and its cardiac cath lab staff a unique, state-of-the-art, hands on education experience by bringing the Boston Scientific Mobile Simulation Training Unit on-site for two days.

Contained inside a 35-foot bus that travels around the country, the Boston Scientific Mobile Training Unit allows practitioners to use simulation technology to explore medical solutions and "perform" procedures on a simulated patient, using real patient images and case scenarios.

While coronary angioplasty and stenting are performed strictly by interventional cardiologist, Morris Hospital offered the simulation experience to clinical staff who provide care for heart attack patients.

Morris Hospital provides a Level II trauma center, interventional cardiovascular services, radiation therapy for cancer, a Level II obstetrical unit with special care nursery, a 20-bed critical care unit, and a dedicated pediatric unit. Founded in 1906, Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers is the largest employer in Grundy County.

## Augustana Announces Dean's List

Nine hundred thirty-nine students have been named to the spring term Dean's List at Augustana College for the 2008-2009 academic year. Students receiving this honor have earned a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for courses taken during the 2009 spring term.

Students receiving this honor from *The Paper* area include: Jonathon Hooper from Essex, a senior majoring in business management; and Kelli Humbert from Dwight, a sophomore majoring in communication sciences and disorders.

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### Public Notice

Norton Township and Norton Township Road District have Adopted Prevailing Wage Ordinances at the regular Board Meeting held on June 29, 2009. A copy of the Ordinance is on file with the Township and can be viewed by the public during business hours by appointment at the Township Shed at Second Street in Buckingham, IL. Christine M O'Brien, Norton Township Clerk

### Quiltmakers Guild to Meet

The next meeting of the Quiltmakers Guild will be July 9, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. It will be held at the Bourbonnais Public Library, 250 W. John Casey Road, Bourbonnais. They will be making Quilts of Valor quilts, with teams of sewers, pressers, and assemblers

working with precut fabrics. Last month, they worked on six quilts.

In addition, a sample of the "Holly Berry" table runner and/or placemats will be available for viewing. The guild's morning group (AMQM) will be working on them at their next meeting on July 17. They meet at 9:30 at the Bradley Public Library, 296 N. Fulton Ave, Bradley.

If you have any questions, call Karen at 815-942-0766.



### Saunemin American Legion Auxiliary Meets May 7

The Saunemin Legion Auxiliary held its annual May potluck on Thursday, May 7. The meal was well attended by members and guests. After the meal, details were arranged regarding the Poppy Day on Saturday, May 23, and the Memorial Day ceremonies on Monday, May 25.

There was a coffee hour on Saturday, May 23, while members canvassed the town for poppy donations. Poppies were also available at the Community Building.

Memorial Day ceremonies began at 9 a.m. at Five Mile Cemetery with ceremonies at Sunnyslope in Saunemin immediately following. A lunch was available at the Community Building after the conclusion

of the ceremonies.

Following are the winners of the Poppy poster contest: Sara Zega, first place; Ashley Dronenberg, second place; Jack Rich, third place. Sara's poster has been sent on for further judging.

Members were reminded of the county meeting in Chatsworth on June 29. The county meeting on Monday, August 31, will be in Saunemin. Members will be contacted regarding the details along with information about the Saunemin Days celebration on Saturday, August 22.

The next meeting of the Saunemin Legion Auxiliary will be Thursday, September 3, at 7 p.m.

### Kingdom of the Son VBS at St. Peter's Lutheran, Dwight

Vacation Bible School will be held July 20 through 24 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. each day at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight.

This year's program is Kingdom of the Son, a week of safari adventure. Children will discover that "God Listens," "God Provides," "God Forgives," "God Protects" and "God Rules!" There will be songs, skits, crafts, games, Bible stories and snacks. The program is

aimed at helping children learn to know God through prayer.

Kingdom of the Son can be an inspirational and educational expedition for the entire family - parents are invited to join in any activities or daily lessons.

The closing program will be held Saturday, July 25, with games and a movie.

Call 815-584-1199 to register or for more information.

### Kankakee County HCE Holding Quilt Raffle

Kankakee County Association for Home and Community Education (HCE) will hold a raffle for a king-size quilt that members of HCE pieced together. The "Log Cabin" quilt celebrates the birthday of President Abraham Lincoln and HCE's 94 years in Kankakee County.

The quilt raffle will run through November 5. The

drawing will take place at the HCE International Luncheon on November 6. The winner does not need to be present to win and will be notified by phone.

Raffle tickets will be sold by HCE members. For more information, contact Lorraine Wildman at 815-932-8962 or University of Illinois Extension, Kankakee County, at 815-933-8337.

### Emmanuel Lutheran Holds VBS July 19-23

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dwight, will hold its vacation bible school, "The Transforming Power of God," Sunday, July 19 through Thursday, July 23 from 6-8 p.m.

All children ages three through sixth grade are invited to attend. The kick-off picnic supper for the children and their parents will be Sunday, July 19 at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. For pre-registration or more information, call the church office at 815-584-3433.

### Trinity Lutheran Celebrates 100th Anniversary

Trinity Lutheran Church in Herscher will culminate the observance of its 100th anniversary with a special service and luncheon on Sunday, July 19.

The guest preacher will be Rev. William Diekelman, first vice president of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. He will conduct the Bible study at 9:30 a.m. and will preach at the 10:45 a.m. service.

A luncheon will follow at noon, with a program featuring special invited guests. Those who plan to attend the luncheon should R.S.V.P. by calling the church at 815-426-2262.

### JJC to Sponsor Disney Professional Development Workshop

Disney Institute is bringing its renowned professional development program, the "Disney Keys to Excellence," to the area on August 18.

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The Disney Keys to Excellence workshop will be held at the Main Campus, T-Building Conference Center, 1215 Houbolt Road in Joliet.

The full-day "Disney Keys to Excellence" program is made up of four 90-minute sessions:

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# Scholarships Awarded to DTHS Graduates

Several scholarships were recently awarded to graduates of Dwight Township High School.



**Lauren Baker**, daughter of Mark and Jan Baker, was awarded the Healthy Hearts & Minds scholarship in honor of Taylor Gettinger.

During her DTHS career, Baker has participated in FFA, serving as president her senior year. She is a four-year participant in band and Library Club. Baker has served as a children's ministry volunteer for seven years at First Christian Church in Morris.

Baker will attend Lincoln Christian College in Lincoln in the fall.

The scholarship was created by Karen Smith to support DTHS graduates who are entering a "helping" field of study. It was formerly called the Assisted Awareness Scholarship.



**Kyle Sancken**, son of Charles and Kim Sancken of Emington, is the recipient of the 2009 A.B. Terwillegar Scholarship. He is the grandson of Bernice Sassenger of Dwight and Marshall and Marilyn Sancken of Pontiac.

During his DTHS career, Sancken was a four-year participant on the football team and FFA, serving as chairman of the board.

Kyle will attend Joliet Junior College in the fall.

The A.B. Terwillegar Scholarship was created in 1995 in recognition of her father by Verna Terwillegar. The scholarship is to be used to further the education of a DTHS graduate who intends to farm as a career or pursue a career in crop production research, marketing of agricultural products or another agriculture-related career.



**Kirby Gereaux**, daughter of Doug and Kathy Gereaux,

received the 2009 Gertrude K. Terwillegar Scholarship.

Throughout her DTHS career, Gereaux has been active in golf, softball, band, FFA, Peer Advisors and National Honor Society.

She will attend Loyola University in the fall.

The scholarship was created in 1995 in recognition of her mother by Verna Terwillegar. It is to be used to further the education of a DTHS graduate who intends to pursue a career in nursing.



**Chloe Trewartha**, daughter of Bob and Tracy Trewartha, has been chosen to receive the 2009 Vicki Briner Memorial Scholarship.

Trewartha participated in track, cross country and basketball at DTHS. She has served as class secretary and has been on the high honor roll.

She will attend Illinois Wesleyan University in the fall and will major in nursing.

The scholarship was created in 1994 by the Eugene Briner family to recognize their mother and wife. Vicki Briner was a home healthcare nurse in Streator before she was killed in a traffic accident. The Vicki Briner Scholarship was created to help DTHS graduates achieve their dreams of a career in the field of nursing.



**Christina Zavala and Ben Montalbano** are 2009 Trojan Scholarship recipients. Zavala is the daughter of Sally Rangel; Montalbano is the son of Mike and Sue Montalbano.

In the fall, Zavala will attend the University of Texas at Austin to major in psychology and minor in Spanish.



Montalbano was named to the IMEA All-District Jazz Band in 2007 and 2008 and received IHSA Solo and Ensemble first-place awards in 2007 through 2009 and

Interstate Eight All-Conference Band and Chorus in 2009. He has participated in band and Drama Club for four years and served as Student Council president his senior year. Montalbano has also participated in Scholastic Bowl, Math Club, Football, Cross Country and was a four-year varsity member of the Pontiac High School co-op tennis team.

Montalbano will study music composition under the award-winning Dr. William Heileless and piano performance with Dr. Erik Lund, whose pieces have been performed by the Berlin Philharmonic and the Kronos Quartet. Montalbano's compositions have received mention from the IMEA Composition Competition and the ASCAP Young Composer's Competition.

The Trojan Scholarship is offered in memory of C.C. and Mae H. DeLong to a graduating senior who best exemplifies the Trojan spirit. The scholarship was created in 2005 and ends with the awarding of the 2009 scholarships. The recipients were chosen based on academic achievement, financial need and an essay on how their DTHS experiences have prepared them for their life goals.

Zavala has participated in FCCLA, Drama Club, Mathletes, Spanish Club, Library Club and Peer Advisors. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has participated in the tennis co-op with Pontiac High School for three years.

The Steiniche Scholarship is awarding \$5,500 to four students for the 2009-10 school year. This year's recipients are **Kirby Gereaux, Brittany Broadwater, Megan Andersen** and **Angela Boundy**.

Kirby Gereaux throughout her DTHS career, has been active in golf, softball, band, FFA, Peer Advisors and National Honor Society.

Gereaux will attend Loyola University in the fall to pursue a degree in nursing.



Brittany Broadwater is the daughter of Lisa Black and the granddaughter of Dee Hanner. During her DTHS career, Broadwater has been active in Library Club, Trojan Guard and the Drama Club. She has been honored with the Barbara James Service Award in recognition of 150 hours of volunteering at OSF St. James - John W. Albrecht Medical Center in Pontiac. Broadwater is also a member of the National Technical Honor Society through the Livingston Area Career Center.

She will attend Missouri Valley College in Marshall,

Missouri to study nursing.

Megan Andersen, daughter of Rick and Linda Andersen, is a 2008 DTHS graduate. She is studying radiology at Heartland Community College in Normal. She has been on the Dean's List for both fall and spring semesters and was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa, a national honor society for two-year colleges.

Angela Boundy is the daughter of Steve and Vivian Boundy and a 2006 DTHS graduate. Boundy is studying at Illinois State University to become a physical therapist. She has a 3.95 GPA, was a Bone Scholar Nominee and is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta National Scholastic Honor Society, National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Golden Key International Honour Society.



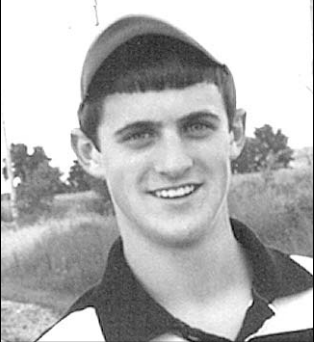
**Brianna Vigna**, daughter of Dale and Pam Vigna, is the 2009 recipient of the Jim Slattery Memorial Scholarship.

During her DTHS career, she participated in swimming, basketball and track. She was a two-year state swimming qualifier in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle and four-year state track qualifier, including being a member of the State Champion 4x400 and 4x200 teams. Vigna has been recognized by the Interstate Eight Conference as an All-Conference Academic Team member in basketball and track. She is a member of the National Honor Society and participated in Peer Advisors, band and the spring musicals.

Vigna will attend Illinois State University in the fall to study elementary education and continue her swimming career.

The Jim Slattery Memorial Scholarship was created by his family and friends in 2007 and is intended to reward and encourage in DTHS students a spirit of joyous participation in life, sports and lifelong learning.

Jim "Slatts" Slattery graduated from DTHS in 1975 and from Illinois State University in 1979 with a B.S. degree in business administration. Slattery's lifelong love of people, learning and sports translated into four years of active participation in DTHS sports and co-curricular activities. He participated in football, basketball, track, cross country, golf, D Club, Library Club and the Trojan Yearbook staff. Slattery's outgoing and fun-loving personality, work ethic, persistence, love of competition and belief in the quality of every human being made a tremendous impact on many. He embraced life and brought out the best in everyone around him.



The 2009 Earl G. Konrad Memorial Scholarship recipient is **Jared Perry**, son of Keith and Kathy Perry.

Perry participated in golf all four years of high school and was named to the Interstate Eight All-Conference Academic Team and qualified for the IHSA Sectional. He is an Illinois State Scholar and a member of the National Honor Society. He participated in Mathletes, Scholastic Bowl, FCCLA, Drama Club and was a Peer Advisor.

He will attend Illinois State University in the fall.

Born in rural Goodfarm Township of Grundy County in 1920, Earl Konrad was raised as the fifth generation of the German Lutheran farming community settled by his forebears. The Konrad farm has been recognized as an Illinois Centennial Farm and has continued to operate under Konrad family ownership since 1876.

Beginning his education at the one-room schoolhouse at Goodfarm, Konrad completed his schooling in Dwight, graduating from Dwight High School as president of his class and an honor student. With an aptitude for mechanics, math, science and engineering, he wanted to go to college, but in obedience to the grandfather who had raised him, he stayed in Dwight to work.

When the lure of flight training came along in 1942, and with his grandfather's blessing, Konrad was sworn into the Aviation Cadet Program, beginning what was to become a lifelong career in aviation. When he retired in 1969, he had achieved the rank of Colonel in the U.S. Air Force, had served in four wars including the Cold War and had commanded aircraft from single-engines to B-52s. He then embarked on a second career as a systems inspector with the Federal Aviation Agency, retiring again in 1984 to Goodfarm.

A man of tireless work ethic with a strong sense of duty to God and country, he was devoted to his wife and family. All four of his children went on to receive advanced educations. A lifelong learner and skilled craftsman, he built cabinetry, dollhouses and remote-controlled aircraft. His integrity, humility and humor meant he never met a stranger, and his friendships endured a lifetime.



**Lauren Mann**, daughter of Jill and John Mann, was awarded the Dwight Lions Scholarship.

Lauren was involved in numerous activities and organizations during her years at DTHS, including FFA FCCLA, Drama Club, Library Club, Environmental Club, Jazz Band, Pep Band, and Marching Band, for which she was drum major during her final two years. In addition to her academic involvement, she also played softball and participated on swim team during her high school years.

Lauren also demonstrated exemplary community involvement, including her participation as an active member of the St. Peter's Youth Group, the Livingston County 4-H program and with vacation bible schools at both the United Methodist Church and St. Peter's Lutheran Church. She has volunteered for the Livingston County Humane Society, the Multiple Sclerosis Fund-raising team, Love Boxes, Christmas for Kids, and with holiday bell ringing for the Salvation Army every year since 1997. In addition to these numerous other community activities, she donated 10 inches of her hair to the "Locks of Love" Foundation and plans to do so again.

Mann will be attending Illinois State University in Normal this fall, where she plans to study operations management.

The Dwight Lions Club scholarship is proudly awarded each year to a deserving member of the graduating class at DTHS who exemplifies the commitment to service and community fostered by the Lions Clubs International organization.

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In memory of Marv Hodges: Martha Hodges.

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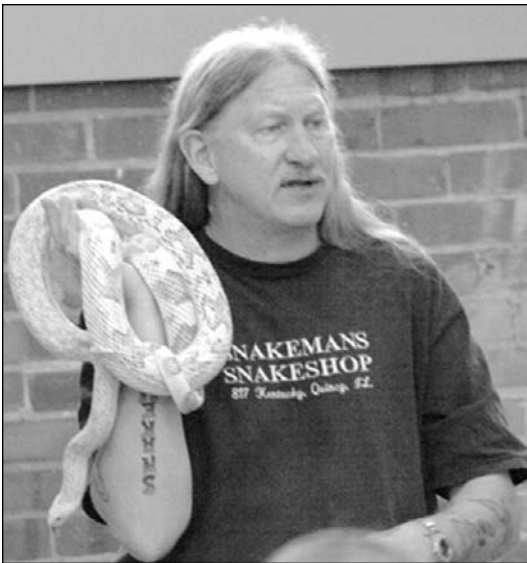
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‘THE SNAKE MAN’ Gary Lieson, left, discusses several different kinds of snakes with kids during ‘Summerfun at the Prairie Creek Library’ on June 22.



Traveling with ‘The Snake Man’ was a fourteen foot albino python, which Lieson allowed to wrap around his listeners and onlookers.



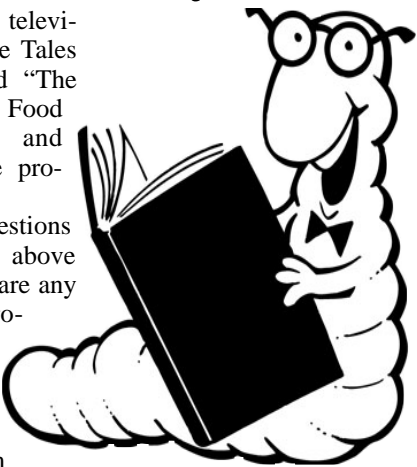
Upcoming Programs and Events at Odell Public Library

The next adult book club program at Odell Public Library will feature “For One More Day”, written by Mitch Albom. Copies of the book are available for check-out; on Wednesday, July 22 at 2 p.m. the movie based on the book will be played. Refreshments will be provided, and a short discussion comparing the book and movie will follow.

The next Odell Library Old-Time Radio & TV Club program will be held on Wednesday, July 22, at 6 p.m. Radio episodes of “The Great Gildersleeve” will be

played, in addition to television episodes of “The Tales of Wells Fargo” and “The Red Skelton Show.” Food will be potluck, and refreshments will be provided by the library.

If there are any questions regarding any of the above programs, or if there are any ideas for future programs, call the library at 815-998-2012 or review the website at [www.odelllibrary.com](http://www.odelllibrary.com)



Braceville Fire Protection District Ordinance No. 2009-001 An Ordinance Establishing the Budget and Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2010

Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Braceville Fire Protection District this 8th day of June, 2009

Published in pamphlet form by authority of the Board of Trustees of the Braceville Fire Protection District, this 8th day of June, 2009.

An Ordinance Establishing the Budget and Appropriations for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2010

Be it ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Braceville Fire Protection District:

SECTION 1: That the following is the Budget of this District for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2010,

Cash on hand at beginning of year	\$105,255.46
Estimate of cash expected to be Received from all sources	\$127,600.00
Total estimated available cash	\$232,855.46
Total estimated expenses, as shown in the appropriation section	\$274,180.00
Estimated balance at end of year	NONE

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

TRUSTEE’S EXPENSES	
Trustee’s fees	\$5,000.00
Office supplies, postage & notice publications	\$1,000.00
Trustee’s Training Expenses	\$1,000.00
Legal expenses	\$9,000.00
Audit expense	\$480.00
Casualty Insurance	\$500.00
Liability Insurance	\$16,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$13,000.00
Total Trustees’ Expenses	\$45,980.00

BUILDING, APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

Accumulation fund for building improvements, acquisition of fire fighting/ambulance apparatus and equipment (70 ILCS 705/14)	\$50,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$25,000.00
Total Building, Apparatus & Equipment	\$75,000.00

OPERATIONS

For fire fighting operations by Braceville Volunteer Fire Department:

1. Fire Truck Payment	\$38,000.00
2. Fitness Test for Firemen	1,000.00
3. Maintenance on Trucks and Pumps	7,500.00
4. Dues	750.00
5. Fuel and Oil	7,500.00
6. Firefighter Gear Replacement	8,000.00
7. Hose Replacement	1,000.00
8. Small Engine Repair	350.00
9. Radio Repair	300.00
10. Foam Replacement	1,000.00
11. Hydro Test	200.00
12. Miscellaneous Expenses	11,000.00
Total Fire Fighting Operations	\$76,600.00

For ambulance operations by Braceville Volunteer Fire Department

1. Rent and Utilities on Building	\$8,300.00
2. Phones	6,500.00
3. Licenses	750.00
4. Training and Travel Expenses	7,000.00
5. Ambulance Supplies	12,000.00
6. Fuel and Oil	8,000.00
7. Maintenance on Ambulance	11,500.00
8. Station Supplies	6,500.00
9. Physicals for Ambulance Personnel	1,050.00
10. Miscellaneous Expenses	15,000.00
Total Ambulance Operations	\$76,600.00

APPROPRIATIONS SUMMARY

Trustees’ Expenses	\$45,980.00
Building, Apparatus & Equipment	75,000.00
Fire Fighting Operations - Braceville Volunteer Fire Department	76,600.00
Ambulance Operations - Braceville Volunteer Fire Department	76,600.00
Total Appropriations	\$274,180.00

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

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

PASSED this 8th of June, 2009.

Michael A. Perino, President  
M. S. Zilm, Secretary  
Randy Berry, Treasurer

Official Seal  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
 ) SS.

COUNTY OF GRUNDY )

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

GIVEN under my hand this 8th day of June, 2009.

M. S. Zilm, Secretary

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
 ) SS.

COUNTY OF GRUNDY )

I, the undersigned Treasurer and Chief Fiscal Officer of the Braceville Fire Protection District, County of Grundy, State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the following is an estimate of the revenues, and their sources, to be received by the District during the Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2010:

Property Taxes	\$ 102,950.00
Replacement Property Taxes	0.00
Foreign Fire Insurance Tax	450.00
Interest Income	1,200.00
Metro Billing Services	23,000.00
	\$127,600.00

GIVEN under my hand this 8th day of June, 2009.

Randy Berry, Treasurer

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
VILLAGE OF BRACEVILLE ) SS.  
COUNTY OF GRUNDY )

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

ORDINANCE #2009-001 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2010

which was duly passed on roll call vote by a vote of 3 ayes and 0 nays of the Board of Trustees of the Braceville Fire Protection District on the 8th day of June, 2009, and approved by the Board of Trustees of the Braceville Fire Protection District on that date.

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

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Certificate and affixed the seal of the Braceville Fire Protection District this 8th day of June, 2009.

M. S. Zilm, Secretary

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One year old Dwight resident, Natalie Kisel, forlornly wonders “Where is Elmo” at the family summer picnic at Kankakee State Park. Elmo had just been seen walking around the park. A little boy had worn the Elmo costume, and because of the heat had taken it off.

## Centrue Employees Donate to Morris Hospital Foundation

The employees of Centrue Bank – West Region, including branches in Braidwood, Coal City, Diamond and Dwight, recently made a \$100 donation to the Morris Hospital Foundation in appreciation of the Morris Hospital Patient Transportation Service.

Each month, employees from Centrue Bank – West

Region select a favorite charity and raise money by collecting \$5 from employees who choose to wear jeans to work on a specially designated day. Kathy Butz from Centrue’s Diamond branch nominated the Morris Hospital Foundation in appreciation of the assistance her husband received from the hospital’s Patient Transportation Services.

Butz paid a special visit to Morris Hospital, along with Nicolle Perino, a personal banker with the Coal City branch, to present the donation to Keith Roseland, a Morris Hospital Foundation board member.

“Patient Transportation is such a beloved service that has assisted thousands of individuals in the community,” says Ginny Kelly, vice president of Development at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. “We’re touched that the employees of Centrue Bank wanted to make a donation to express their appreciation on behalf of a co-worker. The gift is greatly appreciated and will help assist us in continuing to provide this vital community resource.”

Through its Patient Transportation Service, Morris Hospital has been providing community members with free rides to medical-related appointments since 1998. The service has grown to include 65 volunteers, a fleet of six buses and a staff of four, who together help provide transportation for an average 650 riders each month in 18 communities, from Ottawa to the west, Dwight to the south, Wilmington and Channahon to the east and Newark and Minooka to the north.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### U.S. Army Medals Are Finally Received

Just recently I received several not issued before medals for my service in the U.S. Army from October 17, 1966 through September 7, 1969 when I was released from active service.

The noteworthy awards being Meritorious Unit Commendation and Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnam Service Medal and Bronze Star attachment (triple), and Good Conduct Medal with my name engraved on the back.

Additional awards I received are National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon with Device (1960), and Sharpshooter Badge and Rifle Bar.

Sincerely,  
John L. Beier  
Dwight

## Homemade Ice Cream in Cullom

The Cullom United Methodist Church Annual Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, July 12, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned downstairs dining room of the church at 103 E. Van Alstyne St., Cullom. The church is three blocks north of Route 116.

Featured will be homemade ice cream, barbecue, chips, pies, cakes and drink.

Proceeds of the event go toward missions and expenses of the church.

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## Hospice of Kankakee Valley to Host Commemorative Butterfly Release

On Sunday, August 2, starting at 2 p.m., Hospice of Kankakee Valley will host its First Annual Commemorative Butterfly Release, a tranquil celebration of life and remembrance of those who we loved and lost. The event will take place at the Bourbonnais Municipal Center at 700 Main Street Northwest, Bourbonnais, in the Community Room.

Guests will have the opportunity to share and support one another as light refreshments are served and children’s activities will be available.

After a brief celebration of life service honoring those being remembered, the butterflies will be released simultaneously. Those who have purchased butterflies in memory of a loved one will

be given the opportunity to release their own butterfly; however, if you are unable to attend the event, a member of the HKV Team will gladly release the butterfly on your behalf. A donation is accepted for each butterfly released, which is accompanied by a Commemorative memento and acknowledgment card.

For more information, contact Hospice of Kankakee Valley at 815-939-4141. You may also find information on the website at [www.hkvcares.org](http://www.hkvcares.org)

To guarantee you have a butterfly for the day of the event, RSVP and submit your donation by Wednesday, July 8.

## Memorials Recently Made to Odell Library

The following memorials were recently made to Odell Public Library:

“Chronicles of Narnia” by C.S. Lewis, donated in memory of Kevin Carter by Denise Likes, Pam Rogers, Bob and Marie Taylor, and Sue Sechrest; “The Camancheros” (DVD) and “The Horse Soldiers” (DVD), donated in memory of Ralph Elsey by Bill and Marge DeMarse;

And funds donated to the Remodeling Fund in memory of Earl Muir by Pat and Garnet Kelso.

## New Selections at Odell Public Library

The following books, CDs and DVDs have recently been added to Odell Public Library:

**Adult Fiction:** “The Fixer Upper” by Mary Kay Andrews; “Finger Lickin’ Fifteen” by Janet Evanovich; “Return to Sullivan’s Island” by Dorothea Benton Frank; “Take Two” by Karen Kingsbury; “Right Next Door” by Debbie Macomber; “Any Minute” by Joyce Meyer; “Swimsuit” by James Patterson; “Killer Summer” by Ridley Pearson; “Shanghai Girls” by Lisa See.

**Adult Non-fiction:** “Cook Yourself Thin” by Lifetime Television; “Wesley the Owl” by Stacey O’Brien.

**Large-print:** “Emma” by Jane Austen; “The Scarlet Letter” by Nathaniel Hawthorne.

**Juvenile Fiction:** “The Hermit Crab” by Carter Goodrich; “Sergio Saves the Game” by Edel Rodriguez.

**Adult Audio book on CD:** “Vision in White” by Nora Roberts.

**Adult DVD:** “The Diary of Anne Frank,” “Inkheart,” “Shane.”

*The goal is not the journey’s end;  
The goal is the journey itself.*

## Mazon Township Annual Treasurer’s Report Road District and Special Bridge Fund Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2009

### Revenue Summary:

Property Tax.....	\$95,123
Replacement Tax.....	24,655
Interest Income.....	1,091
Miscellaneous Income.....	8,932
Total Revenues.....	\$129,801

### Compensation Summary:

Compensation under \$20,000: Jim Wren, Scott Biros	
Total Compensation.....	\$19,348

### Expenditure Summary:

Central Limestone.....	\$9,522
Grainco FS.....	12,387
Nicor.....	3,101
Village of Mazon (Salt).....	6,338
Scott Biros Trucking.....	11,182
Mazon State Bank TTL.....	3,282
JA Miller Trucking.....	2,565
Leake Excavating.....	9,810
Pfeifer Bros. Inc.....	3,183
Gary Lowery.....	2,891
Miller Trucking.....	3,285
Mike Beshoar Tree Cutting...	10,000
Special Bridge Expend.....	24,832
Disbursements less \$2,500.....	9,973
Total Expenditures.....	\$112,351

### Summary Statement of Condition

	Road & Bridge	Special Bridge
Beginning Fund Balance.....	\$42,654	\$42,360
Revenues.....	115,826	13,975
Less Disbursements.....	106,867	24,832
Ending Fund Balance.....	\$51,613	\$31,503

Subscribed and sworn to this 31st day of March, 2009  
Roger L. Schlickman, Treasurer

## Mazon Township Annual Treasurer’s Report Town and General Assistance Fund Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2009

### Revenue Summary:

Property Tax.....	\$50,783
Replacement Tax.....	5,844
Interest Income.....	729
Rental Income.....	75
Miscellaneous Income.....	1,864
Total Revenues.....	\$59,295

### Compensation Summary:

Compensation under \$15,000: Ed Walker, Mark Hill, Gordon Gantzert, Charles Adkins, Bryan Baker, Paul Jeschke, Roger Schlickman	
Total Compensation.....	\$22,967

### Expenditure Summary:

Insurance Toirma.....	\$6,011
Mazon State Bank Fed Tax.....	3,805
General Assistance	
Expenditures.....	8,647
Ticor Title Property.....	29,500
Central IL. Demolition.....	7,650
Universal Industry	
Abatement.....	7,000
Disbursements less than \$2,500	10,621
Total Expenditures.....	\$73,234

### Summary Statement of Condition

	Town Fund	General Assistance Fund
Beginnng Fund Balance.....	\$64,318	\$28,569
Revenues.....	50,782	8,513
Less Disbursements.....	87,554	8,647
Ending Fund Balance.....	\$27,546	\$28,435

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## Home Sales Up in the Area

by Sara Peters  
Sjhpeters2@gmail.com

Local realtors are pleased to report that home sales in the area are up.

Several factors may play into the increase in sales, realtors believe, including new incentives for first-time homeowners and nicer weather during the summer months.

"We are where we were three to four years ago," said Mike Vigna, with Vigna Real Estate in Dwight. "We aren't in the high (dollar) numbers right now, but volume-wise we're moving quite a bit of properties."

Some people are taking advantage of the first time homebuyer \$8,000 tax credit and other rural development programs.

"I've personally seen an uptick in sales for first time homebuyers," said Chris Grzincic of Dwight who works with RE/MAX Realty of Joliet. "Could you credit it to the \$8,000 tax incentive? I suppose you could."

Vigna said maybe one in every four sales mention the tax credits.

More than anything, Grzincic attributes an increase in sales due to the time of year. People don't want to pack up and move in

the winter or while children are in school if they don't have to, he said.

Despite an increase in sales, most realtors were hesitant to suggest a recovery in the housing market.

"I don't think we're on a full recovery yet," Vigna said. "There's still so many things that need to be settled yet. Job security has got to be reinforced. We still have foreclosures going on. It makes it a shaky foundation to work on here."

Many of the sales taking place are for less expensive homes.

"The high price homes are not getting looked at," Vigna said. "There's just no interest in them yet. That's telling me that we're not a full recovery. There's just a lot of jitters out there yet that will take a while."

For Grzincic, who also has listings beyond the Dwight area and sees regional trends, more sales are happening to the north in Joliet, Minooka and Plainfield.

In the older market, people could get more house for their money by moving south and commuting to jobs north. These days, in a more price-driven market, people need more of a reason to venture this far south.

One thing everyone does

agree on: it's a buyer's market.

"It's a great time to buy," Grzincic said.

There are many good deals to be had in this area, they say.

"Overall I feel great about how things are going," said Bill Sole, sole owner of Sancken Sole Realty. "I know others will say they have mixed feelings, not me. I'm always upbeat about it."

Commercial properties aren't selling as quickly as many would like, but Sole envisions some benefits when the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Commission gets its website up and running. That site will include listings for commercial properties.

In all, Sole sees the market heading in the right direction.

"Banks are giving out loans. They're scrutinizing them more than they have in the past. Overall I think it's coming along well," Sole said. "Homes are being looked at, offers being made and counter offers being made. I foresee some sales coming up here that are going to be a positive thing for Dwight."



## May Existing-Home Sales Continue Rising Trend

Sales of existing homes showed another gain in May, benefiting from favorable affordability conditions and a first-time buyer tax credit, according to the National Association of Realtors. May's increase was the first back-to-back monthly gain since September 2005.

Existing-home sales — including single-family, townhomes, condominiums and co-ops — rose 2.4 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.77 million units in May from a downwardly revised level of 4.66

cent; data collection began in 1971.

Total housing inventory at the end of May fell 3.5 percent to 3.80 million existing homes available for sale, which represents a 9.6-month supply at the current sales pace, down from a 10.1-month supply in April.

Yun said the appraisal problem is serious.

"Lenders are using appraisers who may not be familiar with a neighborhood, or who compare traditional homes with distressed and discounted sales," he said.

An NAR practitioner survey in May showed first-time buyers accounted for 29 percent of transactions, and that the number of buyers looking at homes is nearly 10 percentage points higher than a year ago.

NAR President Charles McMillan, a broker with Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Dallas-Fort Worth, said appraisals and the tax credit are key issues.

"To maximize the potential for a housing recovery and subsequent economic recovery, we need realistic appraisals that are based on proper comparisons and done by a local specialist," he said. "In addition, the first-time buyer tax credit should be expanded to all buyers of primary homes regardless of income. Extending the credit into 2010 would allow more time for the market to catch up with underlying demand."

"Freeing a pent-up demand in housing will absorb inventory at a faster pace, strengthen communities and stabilize home prices earlier," McMillan said.

The national median existing-home price for all housing types was \$173,000 in May, down 16.8 percent from a year earlier.

Distressed properties, which declined to 33 percent of all sales in May from 45 percent in April, continue to downwardly distort the median price because they generally sell at a discount relative to traditional homes.

"The decline in the distressed sales share likely results from an increase of repeat buyers in May," Yun said. "First-time buyers are concentrated in the lower price ranges, which include most of the distressed sales."

Single-family home sales rose 1.9 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.25 million in May from a pace of 4.17 million in April, but are 3.0 percent below the 4.38 million-unit level in May 2008. The median existing single-family home price was \$172,900 in May, down 16.1 percent from a year ago.

Existing condominium and co-op sales increased 6.1 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 520,000 units in May from 490,000 in April, but are 8.9 percent below the 571,000-unit level in May 2008. The median existing condo price was \$173,800 in May, down 21.9 percent from a year earlier.

Regionally, existing-home sales in the Northeast rose 3.9 percent to an annual level of 800,000 in May, but are 10.1 percent below a year ago. The median price in the Northeast was \$243,600, which is 12.5 percent below May 2008.

Existing-home sales in the Midwest jumped 9.0 percent in May to a pace of 1.09 million but are 4.4 percent below May 2008. The median price in the Midwest was \$145,800, which is 10.4 percent lower than a year ago.

The National Association of Realtors, "The Voice for Real Estate," is America's largest trade association, representing 1.2 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.



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million units in April, but remained 3.6 percent below the 4.95 million-unit pace in May 2008.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, expected an improvement.

"Historically low mortgage interest rates clearly drew buyers into the market, and housing remains very affordable even with a recent uptick in rates," he said. "First-time buyers also are being drawn off the sidelines by the \$8,000 tax credit, which is helping to absorb inventory."

According to Freddie Mac, the national average commitment rate for a 30-year, conventional, fixed-rate mortgage edged up to 4.86 percent in May from a record low 4.81 percent in April; the rate was 6.04 percent in May 2008. Last week, Freddie Mac reported the 30-year fixed at 5.38 per-



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## Recovery Act Provides Homebuyer Tax Credits

Speaking to the National Association of Home Builders Spring Board of Directors Meeting, U.S. Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan announced May 29 that the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) will allow homebuyers to apply the Obama Administration's new \$8,000 first-time homebuyer tax credit toward the purchase costs of a FHA-insured home. Donovan said that the action will help stabilize the nation's housing market by stimulating home sales across the country.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 offers homebuyers a tax credit of up to \$8,000 for purchasing their first home. Families can only access this credit after filing their tax returns with the IRS. The announcement details FHA's rules allowing state Housing Finance Agencies and certain non-profits to "monetize" up to the full amount of the tax credit (depending on the amount of the mortgage) so that borrowers can immediately apply the funds toward their down payments. Home buyers using FHA-approved lenders can apply the tax credit to their down payment in excess of 3.5 percent of appraised value or their closing costs, which can help achieve a lower interest rate. To read the FHA's new mortgagee letter, visit HUD's website, [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov)

"We believe this is a real win for everyone," said Donovan. "Today, the Obama Administration is taking another important step toward accelerating the recovery of the nation's housing market. Families will now be able to apply their anticipated tax credit toward their home purchase right away. At the same time we are putting safeguards in place to ensure that consumers will be protected from unscrupulous lenders. What we're doing today will not only help these families to purchase their first home but will present an enormous

benefit for communities struggling to deal with an oversupply of housing."

Currently, borrowers applying for an FHA-insured mortgage are required to make a minimum 3.5 percent downpayment on the purchase of their home. Current law does not permit approved lenders to monetize the tax credit to meet the required 3.5 percent minimum down payment, but under the terms of the announcement, lenders can now monetize the tax credit for use as additional down payment, or for other closing costs, which can help achieve a lower interest rate. Buyers financing through state Housing Finance Agencies and certain non-profits will be able to use the tax credit for their downpayments via secondary financing provided by the HFA or non-profit.

In addition to the borrower's own cash investment, FHA allows parents, employers and other governmental entities to contribute towards the downpayment. The action permits the first-time homebuyer's anticipated tax credit under the Recovery Act to be applied toward the family's home purchase right away. Unlike seller-funded down-payment assistance, which was a vehicle for abuse, this program will allow homebuyers to shop for the best home price and services using their anticipated tax credit.

According to estimates by the National Association of Home Builders, the Administration's homebuyer tax credit will stimulate 160,000 home sales across the nation - 101,000 of which will be first-time buyers who will receive the credit. Another 59,000 existing homeowners will be able to buy another home because a first-time buyer purchased their home. Given FHA's current market share, it's estimated that thousands of families will be able to purchase a home by allowing the anticipated tax credit to be applied toward their pur-

chase together with an FHA-insured mortgage.

Homebuyers should beware of mortgage scams and carefully compare benefits and costs when seeking out tax credit monetization services. Programs will vary from organization to organization and borrowers should consider whether the services make sense for them, as well as what company offers the most suitable and affordable option.

For every FHA borrower who is assisted through the tax credit program, FHA will collect the name and employer identification number of the organization providing the service as well as associated fees and charges. FHA will use this information to track the business closely and will refer any questionable practices to the appropriate regulatory agencies, as necessary.



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## Burris Announces Recovery Act Funding for State of Illinois Affordable Housing Programs

United States Senator Roland W. Burris announced that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is awarding the State of Illinois with \$94,676,979 from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

These funds will be utilized to allow housing finance agencies to continue the funding of affordable housing projects across Illinois and stimulate employment in the adversely affected construction industry.

Senator Burris and the Democratic-led Congress passed the 2009 American Reinvestment and Recovery Act that was signed into law by President Obama in February.

"I am pleased that the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act we passed in February is working to provide vital funding for housing programs right here in Illinois," said Senator Burris. "These funds not

only help to ensure that Illinoisans are given every opportunity to have access to affordable housing programs, but will be essential in creating jobs throughout the state."

Through HUD's new Tax

Credit Assistance Program (TCAP), \$1,035,322,485 in Recovery Act funding will be distributed to affordable housing programs in 26 different states that are suffering from the economic recession.

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- July 8 Euchre, 6:30 p.m., Dwight Senior Center
- July 9 Pinocle, 1 p.m., Dwight Senior Center
- July 9-11: Morris Retail Sidewalk Sales
- July 9-13: Tumbling Camp, Godley Park, ages 4-13, reg. by 7/2
- July 9 Dwight VFW Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- July 9 Bunco, 7 p.m., ages 28 and over, St. Pat's Hall, Dwight
- July 9 Morris Retail Sidewalk Sales
- July 9 Liv. Co. Zoning Board of Appeals Mtg., Courthouse, 7:30p
- July 10 A.A. Meeting, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight, 8 p.m.
- July 10 Movie Night, Stevenson Pool, Dwight, 9 p.m.
- July 10 Gardner Free Movie Night, 9 p.m., Division St., Gardner
- July 11 Summer Bonfire & Fireworks at Godley Park District
- July 11 Main Street/Kid's Market, Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- July 12 Ice Cream Social, 4-7 p.m., Cullom UMC
- July 13 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
- July 14 Senior Citizens Catered Mtg, noon, Dwight Senior Center
- July 14 Dwight American Legion Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- July 16 Duplicate Bridge, 1 p.m., Dwight Senior Center
- July 17 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
- July 17 Movie Night, Stevenson Pool, Dwight, 9 p.m.
- July 17 Gardner Free Movie Night, 9 p.m., Division St., Gardner
- July 18 Main Street Market, Downtown Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- July 18 Bulldog Fest '09, 5 p.m., High Point Golf Club, Essex
- July 20-24: Godley Park Day Camp, ages 2-5 and 6-12, reg. by 7/2
- July 20 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
- July 21 Card Party, Euchre & Bridge, 1 p.m., Dwight Senior Center
- July 21 Dwight Sons of American Legion Meeting, 6 p.m.
- July 23 Pinocle, 1 p.m., Dwight Senior Center
- July 23 Workforce Services of Will County Mobile Van, 1-3 p.m. Fossil Ridge
- July 24 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
- July 24 Movie Night, Stevenson Pool, Dwight, 9 p.m.
- July 24 Gardner Free Movie Night, 9 p.m., Division St., Gardner
- July 25 Main Street Market, Downtown Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- July 25 Volunteer Downtown Clean-up, Dwight, 8 a.m.
- July 27 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
- July 30 Duplicate Bridge, 1 p.m., Dwight Senior Center
- July 31 A.A. Meeting, 8 p.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Dwight
- July 31 Movie Night, Stevenson Pool, Dwight, 9 p.m.
- Aug. 1 Main Street Market, Downtown Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- Aug. 8 Main Street/Kid's Market, Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- Aug. 15 Main Street Market, Downtown Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- Aug. 22 Main Street Market, Downtown Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon
- Aug. 29 Volunteer Downtown Clean-up, Dwight, 8 a.m.
- Aug. 29 Main Street Market, Downtown Dwight, 8 a.m.-Noon

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# The Paper

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ROAD DISTRICT TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT		
Road & Bridge Fund Certificates of Deposit		
To the Highway Commissioner, Union Road District Livingston County, Illinois. I, James A. Drach, Treasurer of Union Road District, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 and ending March 31, 2009.		
BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2008		\$22,605.76
REVENUES		
Interest Income	1,347.69	
Windmill Revenue-Iberdrola	120,000.00	
TOTAL REVENUES:		\$121,347.69
EXPENDITURES		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	0.00	
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2009		\$143,953.45
The treasurer shall present this report of itemized receipts and disbursements annually within 30 days after the end of the fiscal year to the Highway Commissioner of the district. This report is not required to be published in a newspaper. (605 ILCS 5/6-205)		
Subscribed and sworn to this 30 day of April, 2009.		
James A. Drach, Treasurer		

ROAD DISTRICT TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT		
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND		
To the Highway Commissioner, Union Road District Livingston County, Illinois. I, James A. Drach, Treasurer of Union Road District, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 and ending March 31, 2009.		
BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2008		\$5,583.58
REVENUES		
Property Tax	\$18,818.71	
Replacement Tax	14,904.94	
Interest Income	62.63	
Income - Insurance refund	750.36	
Reimbursement	162.15	
TOTAL REVENUES:		34,698.79
EXPENDITURES		
Labor	376.80	
Maintenance - road	1,102.68	
Equipment	3,627.01	
Building	3,225.00	
Supplies	54.45	
Travel Expense	3,600.00	
Office supplies	238.99	
Dues	170.00	
Fuel	12,338.36	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		24,733.29
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2009		\$15,549.08
The treasurer shall present this report of itemized receipts and disbursements annually within 30 days after the end of the fiscal year to the Highway Commissioner of the district. This report is not required to be published in a newspaper. (605 ILCS 5/6-205)		
Subscribed and sworn to this 30 day of April, 2009.		
James A. Drach, Treasurer		

SUPERVISOR'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS		
TORT (INSURANCE) FUND		
I, James A. Drach, Supervisor of Union Township, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 and ending March 31, 2009.		
BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2008		\$9,969.13
REVENUES		
Property Tax	3,307.58	
Interest Income	20.17	
Insurance premium refund	934.00	
TOTAL REVENUES:		\$4,261.75
EXPENDITURES		
Insurance	2,939.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		\$2,939.00
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2009		\$11,291.88

SUPERVISOR'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS		
General Assistance Fund and Certificates of Deposit		
I, James A. Drach, Supervisor of Union Township, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 and ending March 31, 2009.		
BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2008		
Checkbook		\$1,273.38
CD's		11,044.95
REVENUES		
Property Tax	114.88	
Interest Income-checking acct.	5.81	
Interest Income on CD's	380.34	
TOTAL REVENUES:		\$501.03
EXPENDITURES		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		0.00
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2009		\$12,819.36
Checkbook balance		\$1,394.07
CD's		\$11,425.29

SUPERVISOR'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS		
Town Fund and Town Fund Certificate of Deposits		
I, James A. Drach, Supervisor of Union Township, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 and ending March 31, 2009.		
BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2008		
Checkbook balance		\$36,538.81
Cert. of Dep.		\$38,471.66
REVENUES		
Property Tax	31,533.10	
Replacement Tax	6,196.23	
Interest Income-checkbook	170.09	
Cert. of Dep.	\$20,262.70	
Interest-CD	1,265.64	
TOTAL REVENUES:		\$59,427.76
EXPENDITURES		
Administration	\$19,250.28	
Rent	360.00	
Public Relations	201.50	
Office Supply	136.84	
Audit	1,357.44	
Insurance	3,591.00	
Social Security	5,869.62	
Cert. of Dep.	20,262.70	
Dues and Subscriptions	838.62	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		\$51,868.00
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2009		\$82,570.23
Checkbook balance		\$22,570.23
CD's		\$60,000.00

# IDOT's Cardiff Signs

## Disappear from Route 17

The public is asked to be on the lookout for two signs which were stolen from along Route 17 sometime last week.

The signs directed visitors to the Cardiff historical marker. Installed west of



Reddick at 3400 Road by the Illinois Department of Transportation about a month ago, the signs pointed the way to the site memorializing the former coal mining town of Cardiff and the people who lived and died there in its brief history a hundred years ago.

The site was dedicated as an official state historical memorial in August 2007. The memorial was sponsored by the Illinois State Historical Society and the Herscher Area Historical Society.

Anyone with information about this act of vandalism and theft should call State Police Headquarters in Pontiac.

SUPERVISOR'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS		
TOWNSHIP AID TO BRIDGES FUND		
I, James A. Drach, Supervisor of Union Township, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008 and ending March 31, 2009.		
BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2008		\$19,658.32
REVENUES		
Property Tax	\$2,908.56	
Interest Income	92.20	
TOTAL REVENUES:		\$3,000.76
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:		0.00
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2009		\$22,659.08

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	
LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS	
CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	PLAINTIFF
VS	
ROBERT C. BUTE; ALMA BUTE A/K/A ALMA L. BUTE; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ROBERT C. BUTE, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS ;	DEFENDANTS
08 CH 102	
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT ***THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE*** PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on November 21, 2008, SHERIFF IN LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on August 12, 2009, in LOBBY OF THE Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:	
LOT 2 OF THE SANTA FE ESTATES, SOUTH STREATOR, ILLINOIS, A SUBDIVISION BEING PART OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 1 AND PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, BOTH IN TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS PER PLAT DATED JULY 15, 1999 AND RECORDED MARCH 2, 2000 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 516172 IN RECORD 14 AT PAGE 34. ALL SITUATED IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.	
TAX NO. 01-01-01-301-002	
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 215 EAST LIVINGSTON ROAD STREATOR, IL 61364	
Description of Improvements: 1 STORY BRICK HOUSE WITH ATTACHED 1 CAR GARAGE, UTILITIES UNKNOWN The Judgment amount was \$176,950.16. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DYAS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http://service.atty-pierce.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA0821669 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.	
1191582	

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS	
COMMUNITY BANC MORTGAGE CORPORATION,	Plaintiff,
vs.	
JEREMY W. HENSON, MAIN STREET BANK & TRUST, CITY OF FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS, a municipal corporation, and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS,	Defendants.
08-CH-96	
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on February 27, 2009, the following described real estate, to wit:	
The West 10 feet of Lot 2 and all of Lot 3 in Block 3 in Patton's Addition to the City of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois.	
Permanent Index Number: 25-10-229-006	
Commonly known as: 211 E. Oak, Fairbury, Illinois	
will on the 22nd day of July, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. on the first floor of the Livingston County Courthouse, 112 West Madison St., Pontiac, Illinois, be offered for sale and sold at public vendue.	
The judgment amount is \$71,719.89	
Sale terms: The bid amount shall be paid in cash immediately by the highest and best bidder at the conclusion of the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.	
Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.	
The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.	
For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Scott, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 E. Main St., Suite 200, Decatur, Illinois 62525 (217) 422-1719 ext. 4529.	
IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.	
Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Scott, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.	
J. Gregory Scott Attorney for Heavner, Scott, Beyers, & Mihlar, LLC 1191508	



ART DAVIS, right, of the Naperville Rotary Club and past Rotary Club district sponsor, presents a check for \$2,125 to Dwight Rotary Club President Dale Adams. The check represents second place among the 39 clubs that participated in the Naperville Rotary Club's "House of Dreams Charity Raffle" sales.

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08-004025	
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS	
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST INC. ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-AHL2	
PLAINTIFF,	
-vs-	
DANIEL HOBART; MICHELLE HOBART;	
DEFENDANTS,	
08CH 37	
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE	
Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on September 26, 2008;	
Robert McCarty, Sheriff, 844 W. Lincoln St., Pontiac, IL 61764, will on August 5, 2009 at 10:00AM, at Livingston County Courthouse, 112 West Madison Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash (ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours), the following described premises situated in Livingston County, Illinois.	
Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff.	
Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in cash or certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.	
Said property is legally described as follows:	
THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 6 AND ALL OF LOT 7 IN BLOCK 5 IN THE CONTINUATION TO NORTH ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF FLANAGAN, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.	
Commonly known as 207 North Main Street, Flanagan, IL 61740	
Permanent Index No.: 13-22-253-011	
Improvements:	
Residential	
Structure	UNKNOWN
Units	UNKNOWN
Bedrooms	UNKNOWN
Garage	UNKNOWN
Bathrooms	UNKNOWN
Other	UNKNOWN
The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale.	
The judgment amount was \$81,266.33. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information.	
Karen Ingram Kulwin Fisher and Shapiro, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 4201 Lake Cook Rd Northbrook, IL 60062-1060 (847)291-1717 847-770-4109 Attorney No: 6289804 1188833	

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	
LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS	
NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK	PLAINTIFF
VS	
DARRIN FISHER A/K/A DARRIN R. FISHER; ALLISON FISHER A/K/A ALLISON M. FISHER; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS;	DEFENDANTS
08 CH 137	
NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT ***THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE*** PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on March 16, 2009, SHERIFF IN LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on August 19, 2009, in LOBBY OF THE Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:	
LOT 12 IN BLOCK 10 IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW CITY OF PONTIAC, IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.	
TAX NO. 15-15-22-254-008	
COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 409 WEST PRAIRIE STREET PONTIAC, IL 61764	
Description of Improvements: ONE STORY WITH ALUMINUM SIDING AND NO GARAGE/UTILITIES ARE ON The Judgment amount was \$72,292.56. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DYAS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http://service.atty-pierce.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA0828022 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.	
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### Tri-Point Superintendent's News

by Steve Fink  
*Tri-Point Superintendent*  
Welcome to the Superintendent's News article for summer. Below are just a few of the many positive things that occurred in the school district this year. Everyone should be very proud of the students and faculty members and of everything they have accomplished.

First, congratulations to the 31 seniors who graduated from Tri-Point High School on Friday, June 5. The class of 2009 will be remembered for its caring attitude toward others and its upbeat outlook on life. These students are well-prepared for life after high school and will be successful at whatever they choose to do. We wish them the best in college, the military or the world of work.

Second, the senior high school building in Cullom has been updated to enhance school spirit.

The logos for each of the former high schools that were part of the school districts that consolidated to form the Tri-Point School District are displayed on the north wall of the commons area. Those high schools are: the Cabery Cardinals, the Cullom Ramblers, the Ford Central Cougars, the Kempton Red Devils, the Kempton-Cabery Comanches, the Piper City Blue Streaks and the Roberts-Thawville Lep-

rechauns. The logos serve as a link between the past and the present and are representative of the school district's history.

The posts and decorative stripes in the high school commons have been repainted in school colors. In addition, the gymnasium is being updated with stripes and other adornments in school colors. The changes in the school décor look great and will help increase school and community pride in the high school building. Thank you to Mr. Duane Hitchens, the high school art teacher, Mr. Todd Bean, the high school principal, and all of the students who helped with this project.

Third, the end of the 2008-2009 school year is highlighted by numerous accomplishments at each of the district's schools. Some of those achievements, listed by school, are as follows.

The elementary school met state standards in reading and mathematics, established learning centers at the kindergarten level, and 24 students ranked in the top 50% nationally for the Presidential Physical Fitness Awards – one of the 24 students ranked in the top 10% on a national level.

Highlights for the school year at the Piper City building were: The school met state standards in reading and mathematics, 75% of the junior high school students

earned a place on the honor roll at least once during the school year, the junior high school scholastic bowl team won its fifth consecutive regional title, and the school had an outstanding spring fine arts festival.

At the high school, the band earned a first place rating at the Illinois High School Association Organizational contest for the first time in 15 years, a study skills class and an ACT practice test were added for the juniors, and the students participated in a successful blood drive and a food and toy drive.

Here is information about some upcoming dates of importance for the school district:

- Wednesday, July 29: School registration in Piper City from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
  - Thursday, July 30: School registration in Cullom from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
  - Thursday, August 20: First day of school, 11:10 a.m. dismissal
  - Friday, August 21: 11:10 a.m. dismissal
- Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

### GFWC Members Attend Convention

The GFWC Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs held its 114th Annual Convention at The Westin Hotel in Lombard. This year's theme was "The Crown Jewel of Federation." Debra Strahanoski of Joliet, GFWC Illinois president, and Teresa Sanford of Abingdon, director of junior clubs, presided over the convention.

The GFWC IL Federation of Women's Clubs, has a mission of volunteer service within communities. Under the motto of "Unity in Diversity," GFWC IL has built a record of accomplishments that includes promoting education, preserving natural resources, encouraging healthy lifestyles, supporting participation in the arts and working on issues of concern locally, nationally and internationally.

At this convention, GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom received the following awards:

- First place in: Public Relations – Publicity, Membership; Home Life Dept. – Helping Hands in the Community; and International Affairs Dept. – Reaching Out Internationally Program;
- Second place in: Legislation and Public Policy, Leadership, Conservation Dept. – Beautification in the Community; Education Dept. – Focus on Literacy; and Native American Affairs Dept.;



**GFWC IL WOMAN'S CLUB OF CULLOM MEMBERS** (left to right) Judy Ehlers, Candy Godbee and Diana Taylor display the 10 awards the club received at the 114th GFWC IL State Convention in Lombard.

Third place in: GFWC IL State Project – Our Promise: A Safe Place for Every Child.

The 17th District received 59 awards, with 10 of them earned by GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom.

GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom members attending were Judy Ehlers (17th District delegate), Candy Godbee (director elect of junior clubs)

and Diana Taylor (state legislative chairman).

For further information, contact GFWC Illinois Headquarters at 815-724-0196 or any member of GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom: President Phyllis Moritz, Co-VPs Teresa Stark and Diana Taylor, Secretary Judy Wojciechowski or Treasurer Judy Ehlers.

### Pontiac Municipal Band Summer Series Continues July 10

The sixth concert in the Pontiac Municipal Band summer series will be held Friday, July 10 on the south side of the courthouse in downtown Pontiac at 7 p.m. There is no charge for the concert and everyone is invited to bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy this musical tradition.

Members of the First

United Methodist Missions Team will be selling spaghetti, salad, French bread, cookies, lemonade and iced tea from 5-7 p.m.

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

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'08 Mercury Mariner, 19K.....	\$20,995
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'08 Ford Taurus, Super Clean .....	MUST SEE
'08 Ford Focus SES, Sunroof .....	\$15,995
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'09 Ford Explorer, 4x4, Black, only 6,500 .....	MUST SEE
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GO, CUBS, GO! Dwight Youth Softball junior teams, the Cubs and the Razorbacks, went head-to-head, June 29, at Garret Park. Molly Rodosky, center, slides safely into home plate while Cubs teammate, Mary Wiemken, right, watches Razorbacks' catcher, Braxton Thweatt, make a toss to pitcher Lauren Widman.



THE GSW PONY BASEBALL TEAM WENT UNDEFEATED and finished the season 15-0. Team members are, left to right, front row: Austin Wise, Kaidon Hibler, Jordan Wilkey, Cameron Webb, Lucas Ellis, Ryan Purkhart and Cody Harvey; middle row: Anthony Garrett, Chris Lardi, Jeremy Kunz, Hunter Eutsey, Dalton Wright, Mike Goodwin; back row: assistant coaches Tony Wise and Mike Lardi, coach Chad Harvey and assistant coach Jim Hibler. Not pictured is assistant coach Mark Goodwin.



THE DWIGHT PINTO LEAGUE'S Cubs earned fourth place in the Tri-County Baseball League tournament in Gardner, June 27. Pictured, front row, left to right, are: Cal Schultz, Xavier Slaughter, Cole Hahn, Dakota Wahl, Dane Rodosky and Cade Enerson; middle row: Mason Tjelle, Alan Erickson, Elijah McCullough, Aidan Connor, Tre Bowman and Bryson Connor; back row: coaches Mike Rodosky, Craig Schultz and Jeremy Connor.

## Dwight Youth Baseball Board to Meet

The Dwight Youth Baseball Board will meet Sunday, July 12, at 6 p.m. at the Dwight VFW Hall, 506 S. Old Route 66. All interested are welcome to attend.

## Lifeguard Classes Planned at Odell Pool

Odell Park District has tentatively set the week of July 27 for lifeguard classes. If interested, call Odell Pool at 815-998-2312 between noon and 7 p.m. to schedule training. Classes will not be held if the Red Cross minimum class requirements are not met.

## DTHS Trojan Volleyball Practice Schedule

The 2009 Trojan volleyball practice will begin on Wednesday, August 12. The practice schedule will be: August 12: Varsity and JV 3-6 p.m.; freshman 6-8 p.m. August 13: Varsity and JV 9 a.m.-noon; freshman, no practice due to registration. August 14: Varsity and JV 4-6 p.m.; freshman 6-8 p.m. August 15: Varsity 9-11 a.m.; JV and freshman, no practice. August 17: JV noon-2 p.m.; Varsity 3-6 p.m.; freshman 4:30-6:30 p.m. All athletes must have a physical and activity code before they can practice. Practices are mandatory.



## Dwight Seniors Duplicate Bridge Results

Duplicate bridge was played July 2 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center with the following results: North-South: Ellen Galeaz/Jan Kresl, first; Dorothy Christenson/Mary Lou Carter, second; Liz Houck/Marilyn Munger and Lee Fuerstenberg/Delores Slattery, tied for third. East-West: Loisanne O'Connell/Patsy Hardy, first; Carol Bush/Norma Houck, second; Dorothy Roche/Darlene Drechsel, third. The next game will be played at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center on Thursday, July 16 at 1 p.m.



DWIGHT PUMAS, 14 and under team, received 2nd place in the Three Rivers Conference Softball Tournament. Front row, l to r: Ashley Johnson, Alyson Wiemken, Amanda Holmes and Haley Hansen. Middle row: Maureen Doran, Anna Turner, Lisa Bruner, Maddie Rodosky and Haley Sparrow. Back row: Coach Julie Jensen, Megan Jensen, Kristen Johnson, Alycia Ferrari and Coach Missy Ferrari.

## Wilmington Bowling League to Meet Aug. 7

The Friday Morning Early Birds bowling league fall meeting will be held Friday, August 7, at 9:30 a.m. sharp at Riverfront Lanes in Wilmington. All members are encouraged to attend to show support to the new league president and discuss by-laws. New bowlers are welcome; you may contact the bowling alley at 815-476-2600 or attend the meeting on August 7. Bowling starts August 21 at 9:30 a.m. Teams consist of four women, and babysitting is available.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of )  
of ) No. 2009-P-73  
NORMA L. TAMBLING, Deceased. )

### CLAIM NOTICE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NORMA L. TAMBLING, DECEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the death of NORMA L. TAMBLING, who died on March 31, 2009, and whose permanent place of residence at the time of her death was 31176 N. 3200 East Road, Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued to Lyle A. Tambling as Independent Executor of the Last Will and Testament of NORMA L. TAMBLING dated December 14, 1992, by Order of the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois dated June 9, 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 June 24, 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:

Lyle A. Tambling  
31176 N. 3200 East Road  
Dwight, IL 60420

Attorney for the Independent Executor:

Irvin L. Masching  
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(4th-5th); Gus Rieke, Jared Lynn, Zac Justus (6th-8th)

One-on-One - Justin Fox (4th-5th); Aaron Wyllie (6th-8th).

Free Throw Competition - Logan Verdun, 18 of 25, (4th-5th); Jonathan Barth, 18 of 25, (6th-8th).

Shooting Competition - Eric Zega, 12 of 20, (4th-5th); Jonathan Barth, 15 of 20, (6th-8th).

Dribble Tag Champion - Eric Zega (4th-5th); Aaron Wyllie (6th-8th).

Knockout Champion - Zach Fellheimer (4th-5th); Zac Justus (6th-8th).

Overall Skills Champion - Zach Fellheimer (4th-5th); Zac Justus (6th-8th).



Medal winners from Saunemin basketball camp are...front row: Zach Fellheimer, Joey Corban, Justin Fox, Logan Verdun, Eric Zega and back row: Zac Justus, Aaron Wyllie, Gus Rieke, Jared Lynn, Jonathan Barth



'80s Night at Stevenson Pool

On Friday, July 10, Stevenson Pool in Dwight will celebrate '80s night. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m., with swimming and special music. Music from the '80s will be played all night. The concession stand will be selling mini snack mix in honor of the movie. When the pool closes, at 9 p.m., the free movie, *Honey, I Shrunk the Kids*, will be played on the front lawn. *Honey, I Shrunk the Kids* is rated PG and has a running time of 93 minutes. Bring the whole family and lawn chairs or blankets for a musical evening of family fun.

Tiger Ball Bonanza

The Herscher Chamber of Commerce's Tiger Ball Bonanza is held the third Tuesday of each month at the Legion Community Center in Herscher. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the games begin at 7 p.m.

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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

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

COMMUNITY BANC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. JEREMY W. HENSON, MAIN STREET BANK & TRUST, CITY OF FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS, a municipal corporation, and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. 08-CH-96

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on February 27, 2009, the following described real estate, to wit:

Permanent Index Number: 25-10-229-006

Commonly known as: 211 E. Oak, Fairbury, Illinois will on the 22nd day of July, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. on the first floor of the Livingston County Courthouse, 112 West Madison St., Pontiac, Illinois, be offered for sale and sold at public vendue.

The judgment amount is \$71,719.89

Sale terms: The bid amount shall be paid in cash immediately by the highest and best bidder at the conclusion of the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Scott, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 E. Main St., Suite 200, Decatur, Illinois 62525 (217) 422-1719 ext. 4529.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701 (c) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Scott, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

J. Gregory Scott  
Attorney for Heavner, Scott, Beyers, & Mihlar, LLC  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. PLAINTIFF VS.

ROBERT C. BUTE; ALMA BUTE A/K/A ALMA L. BUTE; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ROBERT C. BUTE, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS ; DEFENDANTS 08 CH 102

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT \*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE\*\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on November 21, 2008, SHERIFF in LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on August 12, 2009, in LOBBY OF THE Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 01-01-01-301-002

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 215 EAST LIVINGSTON ROAD STREATOR, IL 61364

Description of Improvements: 1 STORY BRICK HOUSE WITH ATTACHED 1 CAR GARAGE, UTILITIES UNKNOWN The Judgment amount was \$176,950.16. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DYAS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http://service.atty-pierce.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA0821669 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE 08-004025

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

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST INC. ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-AHL2 PLAINTIFF, -vs-

DANIEL HOBART; MICHELLE HOBART; DEFENDANTS, 08CH 37

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above entitled matter on September 26, 2008;

Robert McCarty, Sheriff, 844 W. Lincoln St., Pontiac, IL 61764, will on August 5, 2009 at 10:00AM, at Livingston County Courthouse, 112 West Madison Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash (ten percent (10%) at the time of sale and the balance within twenty-four (24) hours), the following described premises situated in Livingston County, Illinois.

Said sale shall be subject to general taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and any prior liens or 1st Mortgages. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title or recourse to Plaintiff.

Upon the sale being held and the purchaser tendering said bid in cash or certified funds, a receipt of Sale will be issued and/or a Certificate of Sale as required, which will entitle the purchaser to a deed upon confirmation of said sale by the Court.

Said property is legally described as follows:

Commonly known as 207 North Main Street, Flanagan, IL 61740

Permanent Index No.: 13-22-253-011

Improvements:  
Residential  
Structure UNKNOWN  
Units UNKNOWN  
Bedrooms UNKNOWN  
Garage UNKNOWN  
Bathrooms UNKNOWN  
Other UNKNOWN

The property will NOT be open for inspection prior to the sale.

The judgment amount was \$81,266.33. Prospective purchasers are admonished to check the court file and title records to verify this information.

Karen Ingram Kulwin  
Fisher and Shapiro, LLC  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
4201 Lake Cook Rd  
Northbrook, IL 60062-1060  
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Attorney No: 6289804  
1188833

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK PLAINTIFF VS.

DARRIN FISHER A/K/A DARRIN R. FISHER; ALLISON FISHER A/K/A ALLISON M. FISHER; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON RECORD CLAIMANTS; DEFENDANTS 08 CH 137

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT \*\*\*THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE\*\*\* PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on March 16, 2009, SHERIFF in LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on August 19, 2009, in LOBBY OF THE Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 15-15-22-254-008

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 409 WEST PRAIRIE STREET PONTIAC, IL 61764

Description of Improvements: ONE STORY WITH ALUMINUM SIDING AND NO GARAGE/UTILITIES ARE ON THE Judgment amount was \$72,292.56. Sale Terms: This is an "AS IS" sale for "CASH". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DYAS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http://service.atty-pierce.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA0828022 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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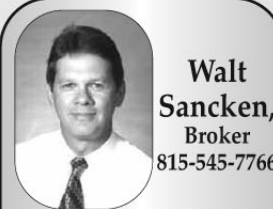
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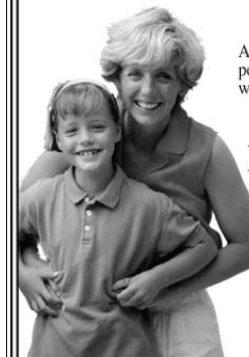
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July 11: 10-11 a.m., Share Food Sign-up.  
July 12: 9 a.m., Worship; 10:15 a.m., Coffee Connections.  
July 13: 8 p.m., AA meeting; LYO Leadership Lab through July 18.  
July 14: 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Walk & Talk; 1:30 p.m., Text Study; 7 p.m., Church Council meets.  
July 15: 5:30 p.m., HC Worship followed by pizza and salad.  
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**First Baptist Church**  
401 N. Clinton St., Dwight  
815-584-3182  
Pastor Daniel L. Woodward  
July 12: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School; 10:45 a.m., Sunday Morning Service; 6 p.m., Evening Service.  
July 15: 7 p.m., Wednesday Evening Service.

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584-3420, church  
584-3425, fax  
584-1554, parsonage  
Pastor: Rev. William Leppin  
July 12: 6:30 a.m., UMM; 7:15-8:15 a.m., Set up for UMYF Coffee Shop; 8 a.m., Traditional Worship Service; 8:30-10:30 a.m., Coffee Shop; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School, Praise and Worship Rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Praise and Worship Service.  
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584-3522, Rectory  
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July 11: Pastor Jan's Birthday.  
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584-3433, church  
584-1291 fax  
584-1023, parsonage  
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**CULLOM HCE MEMBERS AND CHARLOTTE Plan-Its 4-H club members came together for a cookout and to learn of fair projects June 4 at the home of 4-H Leader/HCE President Nancy Flessner. Pictured left to right are, front row, kneeling: Jared Haberkorn, Ryan Francis, Wade Francis, Jackie Weller, Alison Flessner; second row, kneeling: Will Melton, Ashton Melton, Lauren Ehlers, Lacey King, Zach Ehlers; third row: Nancy Flessner, Jessica Hahn; fourth row: Robin Holzhauser, Diana Taylor, Pat Fagan, Michelle Janssen, Judy Ehlers; back row: Kim Ehlers, Birgit McCulley, Judy Wojciechowski, Arlene Brucker.**

Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H Club Meets, Shares in Cookout

The Charlotte Plan-Its 4-H Club met Wednesday, May 13, at the Cullom Community Building. President Zach Ehlers conducted the meeting.  
Gracie Metz led the Pledge to the Flag and the 4-H Pledge. Roll call was answered by nine members with "Favorite thing about Mom or Grandma." A short business meeting was held. There was no April meeting.  
It was voted to donate \$25 to the 4-H Fair to help pay for the new playground equipment being assembled at the fairgrounds.  
Will and Ashton Melton reported on the chili cook-off held by the ambassadors at the extension office. There were approx 55 to 60 people in attendance. Chris Hughes of the Emington Hot Shots was the winner, and Amy Follmer was the People's Choice winner.  
Nancy Flessner's leader report: There are 12 4-H members in the club. There is a difference in selecting the king and queen at the 4-H fair this year: 15-16-year-olds and up are eligible; there are butterflies hatching at the extension office; the 4-H kids planned to meet after school Thursday, May 21, at the GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom Butterfly Garden to release Painted Lady butterflies.  
The club works Tuesday, July 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Help is needed July 11 at 8 a.m. to help set up the Humiston Building. The club can also use help as "spies" on Wednesday, July 22, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Humiston Building.  
Will Melton reported on the Ambassadors Easter Egg Hunt at Even-glow Inn. The residents and ambassadors had a good time.  
Lauren Ehlers gave a talk on aerospace and told about the International Civil Aviation Alphabet. Jared Haberkorn gave his talk on "Parts of a Beef." Gracie Metz gave her talk on the "Play the Role" project to become a better actor in plays. Zach Ehlers talked on "How to Change Oil in a Tractor." Jackie Weller and Olivia Statler were to give their talks at a later meeting.  
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# DTHS Registration Being Held in August

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Thursday, August 13, registration will be from 4 to 8 p.m. in the gymnasium for freshmen through seniors. Friday, August 14, students will register in the gymnasium at the following times:

Seniors, 9-10 a.m.; juniors, 10-11 a.m.; sophomores, 1-2 p.m.; freshmen, 2-3 p.m. Freshman Orientation will be held from 3 to 4 p.m., with the freshman

picnic starting following orientation.

Monday, August 17, registration will be held in the gymnasium for freshman through seniors from 9 a.m. to noon.

All students must be registered at these times. Questions may be directed to the office at 815-584-6200.

Monday, August 24, will be the first day of school for students. Classes will begin at 8:15 a.m. and dismiss at 3:10 p.m.

Students will be required to supply the following information on registration day:

Student's Social Security number, name of family health coverage plan – insurance company, parent's place of employment and tele-

phone number, family physician and phone number, adult to contact in case of emergency (if parent cannot be reached).

State law requires students entering ninth grade and students new to the district (at any grade level) to

present evidence that the dental and physical examinations and immunization requirements are met. Students entering ninth grade for the first time will be required to show evidence of having received two doses of the live measles virus vaccine. Students failing to present evidence of physical examinations and immunizations will not be allowed to enter school until this requirement has been met. Dental and physical exam

forms are available in the high school office.

Two school-approved combination locks are to be purchased by incoming freshmen. One is to be placed on the student's hall locker and the other on the physical education locker. The fee for the two locks is \$10.

Other student fees include:

Behind-the-wheel driver's education fee, \$10; textbook rental, \$28; year-round, 24-hour accident plan, \$60; football coverage, grades 9-12, \$110; activity fee (required of all students), \$15; participation fee (required of all students participating in athletics, cheerleading, band and flag corps), \$25; P.E. uniform, \$14; parking, \$5.

**Fees are due at registration.** Students may also be required to pay other fees for consumable workbooks or project fees for supplies and materials, depending upon

courses for which they are enrolled.

Football insurance covers football players during a football game and practice only. School time insurance covers a student during school hours and at all athletic events and practices except football. School time accident insurance is available to all students at no cost. Twenty-four-hour coverage covers the student 24 hours a day, seven days a week for 12 months. This insurance also covers all athletic activities except football.

The school district does not receive any commission or derive any income from the student accident insurance program. The plan is made available at the prices listed above. The student accident insurance policy does have certain benefit limitations. The district suggests that parents retain this information for future reference.

## Farmers Need Perfect Weather to Pull Off This Season – – –

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that time for pollination – right now at the end of June and beginning of July – passes without any tassles on the corn.

Typically a corn plant uses the warm weather during the day to grow and the cool weather in the evening to rejuvenate itself. Once a tassle grows, pollen from that tassle is released and falls down onto the silk on the corn cob and creates a kernel.

This year, pollination won't happen until late July or early August. The problem with that is that heat hinders the pollination process, and it's always hotter in late July and early August.

"If it's too hot there's not as much pollen shed," McArdle said. "It'll shed less hours in the day. A portion of the pollen will die before it gets to the silk on the corn cob."

That could mean the difference between say 1,000 kernels and 800 kernels on an ear of corn or less.

Further compounding farmers' woes is a highly successful growing season in other areas in the cornbelt.

While farmers in Illinois and Indiana have been dealing with the effects of a wet spring, farmers in the western portion are having one of the best seasons ever, McArdle said.

That means that normally when there's a widespread issue like a drought, corn prices will go up universally based on demand. Because the issue of water early on is more localized, corn prices in this area continue to remain lower because of the good crop in other regions, he said.

Beyond that, a late start means a late finish.

"Instead of eating turkey we might be riding a combine," Stevenson said. "It's going to back everything up at the end of the season. The corn won't dry down like it's supposed to. Mother Nature usually takes care of that. It won't be dry enough to combine and if you get an early frost it could damage the corn and the beans."

Wet corn means more out of pocket expenses to dry it at an elevator, in order for it to be stored properly.

Farmers say their corn will pass muster with the old

saying "knee high by the fourth of July" but that doesn't mean much to them.

A more accurate measurement of the times would be "shoulder high by the fourth of July," they said.

Fifty years ago when farmers had to first put hay up for their livestock, they didn't plant corn and beans until Memorial Day, McArdle said. Then, if corn and beans were "knee high by the fourth of July" it meant a good season.

These days – when farmers typically plant much earlier in the year – having corn that is knee high on the fourth means the plants have a lot of catching up to do.

"It should be chest high by the fourth of July and tassling," McArdle said. "We're way behind where we should be."

Farmers can only hope for good weather and a price rally later on, he said.

"Illinois is the second largest corn and soybean producer," McArdle said. "Hopefully trade is going to realize that there's more loss than in the total crop for the country and the prices will rally later on."



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