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Park Street Church, Mazon, **Raising Funds** for Nursery Renovation

The Park Street Church in Mazon is holding a fundraiser to renovate and refurnish an area for their younger churchgoers.

The fund-raiser will take place at the church on Sunday, January 13. The day will start at 9 a.m. with a service by Pastor Tyler Carrell. A Nursery Shower/ Vendor Show will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. A portion of sales from approximately 15 vendors will help to offset costs. Vendors will include Jewel Kade Jewelry, Tastefully Simple, Pampered Chef, Photography by Rachel Carrell and many

Donations of new or used, but in good condition, items would also be appreciated. Their "Wish List" includes Pack-n-Play, rocking chair or glider, infant swing, kangaroo climber or toddler slide, sand/water table, jumperoo, activity station, infant walker, play kitchen and play work bench. They also would like religious story books and board books, a Little People chapel, Nativity scene or Noah's Ark. Gift cards to cover expenses for supplies would also help.

For information contact Nicole Mack at 815-634-0906 or email her nicole_a_mack@hot mail.com

Victim Suffers Multiple Wounds in Dwight **Shooting** (page 16)

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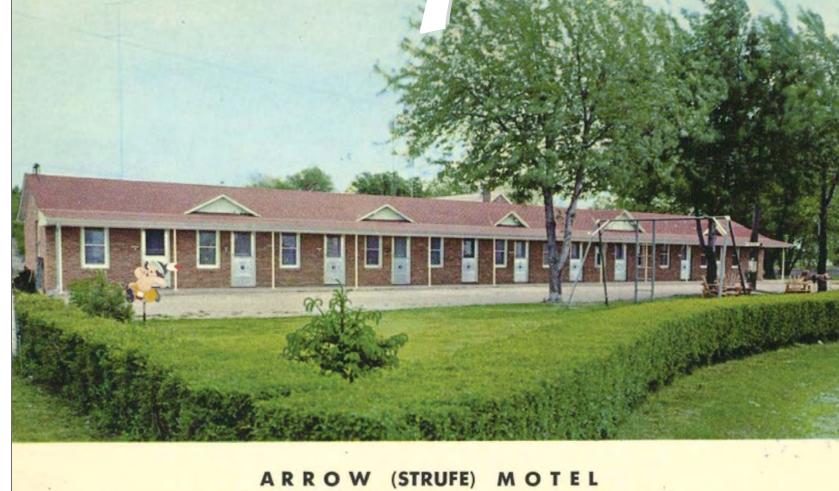
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THE POSTCARD ABOVE DEPICTS THE ARROW (STRUFE) MOTEL. On the back of the postcard, "After spending the night here, with its restful surroundings and its homelike atmosphere, hot water

a Motel to which you'll want to return. Ten modern units. Phone: Dwight 79. Dwight native Fred Strufe narrates a segment of Discover Illinois reflecting memories of when his parents, and then he himself, heat, and cross ventilation, these soundproof units will be on your list as operated the Motel.

Fred Reminisces About Arrow/Strufe

ROUTES 66-47 AND 17 ON OLD 66, DWIGHT, ILL.

by Tom Tock

Dwight native Fred Strufe has narrated an historical segment about life along Route 66 for the Discover Illinois series.

In the segment, he relates memories of his parents' and his own operation of the former Arrow/Strufe Motel, corner of South Street and Route 66.

John and Dorothy Strufe

bought the six-unit motel from Martin and Meta Paulsen in 1950. The motel complex had four carports, a grocery store and gas station. It was later converted to a 10-unit motel and the grocery store and gas station were closed.

Fred notes that his dad was the motel handyman, his mother the business per-

Several rooms had been being taken out of their tank identified with the names of the Paulsens' daughters, and that identification procedure continued as the Strufes added more units, applying family names to them.

Fred recalls that Emmett Kelly, the famous clown, once stayed at the motel. Also, a traveling seal act stopped at Arrow/Strufe one evening . . . with the seals

and exercised in the motel yards.

After his parents' deaths in an auto accident, Fred, 19, inherited and remodeled the motel, adding air conditioning, carpeting, and color television. Previously, "entertainment" had been provided by conversing with customers in the evenings.

A law student at the time

of his parents' deaths, Fred spent a summer managing the motel with two other young people, and "had a good time at it," but eventually sold the units to Norris and Betty Ruff of Dwight.

Fred began his law practice in Dwight in 1973.

The entire motel narrative can be seen by keying: http://youtu.be/jjo8Xha6K7Y

Dwight Shows Increased Sales in Third Quarter

by Tom Tock

The Illinois Department of Revenue municipal sales tax report for the third quarter of 2012 shows Dwight receiving \$186,823 in revenue from sales made in July, August and September.

The figures reflect an 11.6% increase compared to the \$167,276 received by Dwight in the third quarter of 2011. First and second quarter sales tax receipts for Dwight in 2012 were \$161,060 and \$168,789, respectively.

The Grundy County portion of Dwight furnished \$63,560, or 34%, of Dwight's third quarter 2012 receipts; Dwight, Livingston County, provided \$123,263 of the total.

The category of Automotive and Filling Stations in Dwight, Livingston County, increased its sales tax from \$39,852 in the third quarter of 2011 to \$49,182 in the third quarter of 2012. (Sales tax figures for Dwight, Grundy County, are not

available for this category.)

Dwight continues to be a mecca for Drinking & Eating Places. Sales tax revenue from that category increased from \$26,385 in the third quarter of 2011 to \$27,930 in the same quarter of 2012. \$15.594 for Drinking & Eating was from the Grundy portion of Dwight.

Third Quarter sales tax totals, 2012 and 2011, for Dwight and other Livingston County and Grundy County communities are listed

below:		
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Dwight	186,823	167,276
Fairbury	159,069	162,780
Pontiac	584,771	573,200
Saunemin	6,524	7,717
Odell	12,909	12,960
Gardner	73,036	62,915
Mazon	52,213	312,679
Morris	1.384.469	1.177.883

(The much larger than normal figure for Mazon, third quarter 2011, was due to transactions by Illinois Central Truck at Mazon.)



the American Pickers purchased it from Les Heinrich of Dwight on their visit to his home. On a very recent trip to Nashville, the arrow was located by Kate Tock, left, and Alex Smith, both Dwight gals.

Berkots' Super Coupon

Berkot's Bakery 6pk Cinnamon Rolls

These delicious cinnamon rolls are big, rich and full of ground cinnamon. Then they are topped with cream cheese or white icing. You will love these treats anytime of the day!



FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

December 27: Irene Stuever, 56, Dwight, operate uninsured motor vehicle; Benjamin H. Lucas, 24, Bloomington, speeding (radar), 74/55.

December 28: Tracy B. Jackson, 51, Kankakee, speeding (radar), 71/55; Colin J. Miller, 20, Batavia, in-state warrant.

January 1: Danielle L. Woltering, 21, Kempton, speeding (radar), 74/55.

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

Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

December 27: Chippewa, medical, Streator; Renfrew, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner EMS

December 28: Union, medical, Riverside; 3200 N. Rd., medical, Pontiac; William, medical, Pontiac.

December 29: Karen, medical, Morris; John, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; Prairie, trauma, no transport.

December 30: 3100 E.,

medical, Morris; Elm St. -Campus, medical, refusal; W. Main St., medical, Mor-

December 31: E. Mazon Ave., medical, St. James; E. Mazon Ave., medical, St. James; Mazon Ave., medical, Riverside-Kankakee, mutual aid from Gardner.

January 1: Julie, medical, St. James; Mazon, medical, Morris.

January 2: Prairie, trauma, refusal; Mazon Ave., medical, St. James; 3200 N. Rd., medical, St. James, mutual aid from Gardner; S. Rt. 47, fire, no patient; 3000 N. Rd., fire, no patient.

January 3: Mazon, medical, St. Mary's Kankakee.

1 Warning Issued by Dwight Police Speeding (radar), 1.

Accident Report

Thursday, December 27, 2012, 11:51 a.m., Rt. 17 at Franklin, Officer Charlie Houch reported an accident involving Irene Stuever of Dwight, the driver of a 1996 Toyota Tacoma, and Nancy L. Snell of Dwight, the driver of a 2003 Dodge Caravan.

Livingston County Tuberculosis Board, Board of

Health Meetings Rescheduled

and Board of Health meetings for the Livingston Public Health Department have been rescheduled for Wednesday, January 10, in the Confer-

The Tuberculosis Board ence Room of the Health and Education Building, 310 E. Torrance Ave. in Pontiac.

The Tuberculosis Board Meeting is at 6:45 p.m. and the Board of Health Meeting is at 7:00 p.m.

Temps - 2012-13

Dec. 27 – high 30°, low 25° Dec. 28 – high 31°, low 27° trace precip.

Dec. 29 – high 27°, low 13° trace precip. Dec. 30 – high 35°, low 14°

Dec. 31 – high 35°, low 14° .03" precip.

- high 24°, low 7° Jan. 2 – high 26°, low 7° One Year Ago - January 9, 2012 high 46°, low 25°

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Investment Mistakes to Watch For...at Different Stages of Life As an investor, how can you avoid making mistakes? It's not

always easy, because investing can be full of potential pitfalls. But if you know what the most common mistakes are at different stages of an investor's life, you may have a better chance of avoiding these costly errors.

Let's take a look at some investment mistakes you'll want to avoid when you're young, when you're in mid-career, when you're nearing retirement and when you've just retired.

When you're young ... Mistake: Investing too conservatively (or not at all) — If you're just entering the working world, you may not have a lot of money with which to invest. But don't wait until your income grows putting away even a small amount each month can prove quite helpful. Additionally, don't make the mistake of investing primarily in short-term vehicles that may preserve your principal but offer little in the way of growth potential. Instead, position your portfolio for growth. Of course, stock prices will always fluctuate, but you potentially have decades to overcome these short-term declines. Since this money is for retirement, your focus should be on the long term — and it's impossible to reach long-term goals with shortterm, highly conservative investments.

When you're in mid-career ...

Mistake: Putting insufficient funds into your retirement accounts — At this stage of your life, your earning power may well have increased substantially. As a result, you should have more money available to invest for the future — specifically, you may now be able to "max out" on your IRA and still boost your contributions to your employer-sponsored retirement plan, such as your 401(k), 403(b) or 457(b). These retirement accounts offer tax advantages that you may not receive in ordinary savings and investment accounts. Try to put more money into these retirement accounts every time your salary goes up.

When you're nearing retirement ...

Mistake: Not having balance in your investment portfolio -When they're within just a few years of retirement, some people may go to extremes, either investing too aggressively to try to make up for lost time or too conservatively in an attempt to avoid potential declines. Both these strategies could be risky. So as you near retirement, seek to balance your portfolio. This could mean shifting some of your investment dollars into fixed-income vehicles to provide for your current income needs while still owning stocks that provide the growth potential to help keep up with inflation in your

When you've just retired ...

Mistake: Failing to determine an appropriate withdrawal rate -Upon reaching retirement, you will need to carefully manage the money you've accumulated in your IRA, 401(k) and all other investment accounts. Obviously, your chief concern is outliving your money, so you'll need to determine how much you can withdraw each year. To arrive at this figure, take into account your current age, your projected longevity, the amount of money you've saved and the estimated rate of return you're getting from your investments. This type of calculation is complex, so you may want to consult with a financial professional.

By avoiding these errors, you can help ensure that, at each stage of your life, you're doing what you can to keep making progress toward your financial goals.

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Gardner Fire Protection District Calls

Mon., Dec. 24: Medical, Huston Rd.

Thurs., Dec. 27: Medical, mutual aid to Dwight, Renfrew St.

Fri., Dec. 28: Medical, mutual aid to Dwight EMS, W. William.

Sat., Dec. 29: Medical, mutual aid to Dwight EMS, John St.

Mon., Dec. 31: MVA, Rt. 53 E and Coster; medical, mutual aid to Dwight EMS, Mazon Ave.

Tues., Jan. 1: Fire Investigation, mutual aid to Troy

Wed., Jan. 2: Medical, mutual aid to Dwight EMS, W. Rt. 17; Fire, mutual aid to Dwight Fire, S. Route 47; medical, W. Jefferson; fire, mutual aid to Dwight Fire, E. 3000 N.; fire, mutual aid Minooka FD fire investigation, Bell Rd.

Thurs., Jan. 3: fire, W. Wilmington St.

Scully Rd.

Siren Test Reminder

Illinois law requires tests of outdoor warning sirens to be conducted at 10:00 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each

Tests originate from the Grundy County 9-1-1 Dispatch Center for the entire Grundy County siren sys-

Should the outdoor warning siren system sound at any time other than for the monthly test, tune to local radio stations WBEQ 90.7 FM, WCSJ 103.1 FM, or WJDK 95.7 FM for the latest information and possible emergency instructions.



Red Cross Tips to Stay Safe in Winter Months

Dress warmly, avoid overexertion and be a good neighbor during this time of year.

Whether winter brings severe storms, light dustings or just cold temperatures, the American Red Cross has some valuable tips on how to stay safe and avoid emergency sit-

If indoors:

- Dress warmly in layers.
- Conserve fuel.
- Lower the thermostat to 65 degrees during the day and 55 degrees at night. Close off
- If the pipes freeze, remove any insulation or layers of newspapers and wrap pipes
- · Completely open all faucets and pour hot water over the pipes, starting where they were most exposed to the cold (or where the cold was most likely to penetrate).
- · Listen to the radio or television to get the latest information.

If outdoors:

• Dress warmly in loose-fitting, layered, Sat., Jan. 5: Medical, light-weight clothing. Layers can be removed to prevent perspiration and chill. Outer garments should be tightly woven and water repellant. Mittens are warmer than

gloves because fingers generate warmth when they touch each other.

• Stretch before you go out.

- If you go out to shovel snow, do a few stretching exercises to warm up your body. Also take frequent breaks.
- Cover your mouth and protect your lungs from extremely cold air by covering your mouth when outdoors.
- Avoid overexertion. Cold weather puts an added strain on the heart. Unaccustomed exercise such as shoveling snow or pushing a car can bring on a heart attack or make other medical conditions worse. Be aware of symptoms of dehydration.
- · Watch for signs of frostbite and
- · Keep dry and change wet clothing frequently to prevent a loss of body heat. Wet clothing loses all of its insulating value and transmits heat rapidly.
- Remember to help your neighbors who may require special assistance-infants, elderly people, and people with disabilities.

For more winter weather tips, please visit http://arcillinois.org/tip-library.

Essex Lions Pancake Breakfast January 27

The Essex Lions Club is hosting their Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 27, from 7:00 a.m. to noon at 217 Parls St, Essex.

The menu includes pancakes, French toast, hashbrowns, bacon, sausage, eggs anyway you like, toast, orange juice, milk, coffee.

A fee applies. Kids 12 and under receive a discounted

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Illinois Army National **Guard Pontiac Armory, Recruiting Office Not Closing**

recruiting office at 207 W. Madison St. in Pontiac is

closing.

This office is not connected to the Illinois Army National Guard Armory, 825 National Guard @ng.army.mil.

A U.S. Army active duty recruiting office inside the Pontiac Armory will remain open.

For questions, contact the Illinois National Guard Public Affairs Office at 217-W. Reynolds St. The Illinois 761-3569, or at ngilstaffpao

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Jesse White's Disability Parking Crackdown Yields Over 160 Citations Statewide

Secretary of State Jesse W h i t e announced today that the Secretary of State



Police issued 166 citations, totaling \$71,250 in fines, during a statewide crackdown on people who illegally park in disability parking spaces at local malls. The enforcement kicked off on Black Friday, November 23rd and continued through the end of December.

Sixty-five people were issued tickets for improper use of a disability parking space or parking in a disability space without a placard or license plate during the holiday season. Ninety-two were cited with misuse of a disability parking placard, or using someone else's placard and nine people were cited with using a fraudulent placard. One hundred and three placards were confiscated and a total of 8,336 placards were checked.

Secretary of State Police were enforcing the provisions of the Parking Program for Persons with Disabilities in 66 communities at malls and stores statewide including but not limited to: Chicago and various suburbs, Champaign, Carbondale, Fairview Heights, Marion, Peoria, Rockford and Springfield.

A law proposed by White to crack down on fraud and abuse of the state's disability parking program took effect January 1st. The new law includes toughening the penalties for those who abuse a deceased person's placard or disability license plate.

Public Act 97-844 strengthens the penalty for

using a placard and/or disability license plates in which the person is now deceased, which under the previous law fell under the category of general misuse of a placard or plate. The law creates a new offense for this egregious act, making it a Class A Misdemeanor, which carries a minimum one-year driver's license revocation and a \$2,500 fine.

In addition, the license suspension periods for general misuse of a disability license plate or placard increases from 30 days to a six-month suspension for a first offense; from six months to a one-year suspension for a second offense as well as increasing the fine from \$750 to \$1,000, and from a one-year suspension to a minimum one-year revocation for a third offense. A license revocation requires the offender to meet with a Secretary of State Administrative Hearing officer at the end of their revocation period before driving privileges may be restored.

The fine for illegally using a placard or disability license plates without the authorized holder of the placard or disability license plates present is a maximum of \$500. The fine for parking in an accessible parking space without a parking placard or disability license plates can be s minimum of \$250 and a maximum of \$350.

Secretary White urged people to report abuse of accessible parking spaces via the Secretary of State's website at www.cyberdriveillinois.com and complete the Parking Program for Persons with Disabilities Abuse Complaint Form. People can also report abuse by calling 217-785-0309.

First Annual "Rt. 66 Reinterpreted" Art Project Announced

In celebration of Rt. 66 and all it stands for, Atlanta, Illinois—located Midway on the Mother Road between Chicago and St. Louis—announces the First Annual "Rt. 66 Reinterpreted" Art Project.

Modeled on Chicago's "Cows on Parade" exhibit, the Rt. 66 Reinterpreted Art Project presents artists the opportunity to create their own take on one of the 20th Century's most iconic and recognizable

symbols:

The U.S. Rt. 66 Highway Shield.

Participating artists will be provided a blank, 2ft. x 2ft. wooden cutout of the Rt. 66 highway shield, painted white, which will then become their personal canvas. The only requirement in creating a reinterpreted shield is to incorporate the text "Illinois U.S. 66" somewhere on the face of the shield, in whatever size, shape, or color the artist desires. Everything else about the design, style, background, and color of the reinterpreted shield is left to each artist's

imagination and creativity.

The project is open to anyone 16 years old and above. Up to 50 entries will be accepted in this year's project, as determined by the date applications are received. All 50 entries will be displayed outside along Rt. 66 in downtown Atlanta, Illinois from 5/1/13- 8/31/13. The Atlanta Betterment Fund Board of Directors will select 10 shields out of the 50 entries as Finalists. Voting will then take place from 5/1/13-8/31/13 to select the top five shield designs as winners of the 2012 project. Anyone, anywhere may vote: either in person at selected Rt. 66 attractions in Atlanta or online via Atlanta's website at www.atlantaillinois.org. The top five vote-getters will be the winners of this year's Rt. 66 Rein-

terpreted Art Project. At the conclusion of the project, the five winning shields, along with the names of the artists who created them, will be displayed on a permanent basis in the Atlanta Rt. 66 Park.

Artists wishing to enter the Rt. 66 Reinterpreted Art Project must submit a completed Application Form, along with a \$25 entry fee. Completed applications are due

by or before February 1, 2013. Applications received after February 1, 2013 will not be accepted. Completed Rt. 66 Reinterpreted shields should be carefully packaged and returned to: The Atlanta Betterment Fund, 114 SW Arch Street, Atlanta, Illinois 61723. Shields should be submitted between March 1, 2013, and April 5, 2013. Shields received after April 5, 2013 will not be accepted.

Shields selected as finalists will be judged on originality of design, overall concept, and quality of execution. The Atlanta Betterment Fund sponsors the Rt. 66 Reinterpreted Art Project. All decisions

regarding judging are final. Entries selected as finalists will be notified by April 30, 2013. Entries selected as one of the top five winning designs will be notified by September 1, 2013. Entries selected as one of the top five winning designs will also be showcased at the International Mother Road Festival in Springfield, IL September 27-29, 2013.

Click on the "Rt. 66 Art Project" logo at: www.atlantaillinois.org for more information, including project guidelines and an application form to enter the Rt. 66 Reinterpreted Art Project. Or contact: William Thomas, Atlanta Betterment Fund, 114 SW Arch Street, Atlanta, Illinois 61723

wthomas@teleologic.net or 217-648-5077.

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Kankakee **Quilt Makers Meeting January 10**

On Thursday, January 10, the Kankakee Quilt Makers Guild will meet at Calvary Bible Church, 2587 E. Armour Rd. in Bourbonnais, at 7:00 p.m. Gerry Simpson will also be doing a Trunk

On Friday, January 11, at

9:30 a.m., Gerry will have a workshop on Crayola Crayons quilt block at the Bourbonnais Library.

Sign-ups are still available for the workshop on January 10. Gerry will have patterns that you can trace.

Will/Grundy Genealogical Society Meeting Jan. 12

The Will/Grundy Genealogical Society will hold their opening meeting of the new year at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 12, at the Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St. The meeting will include two guest speakers, and refreshments will also be served. All members and guests are welcome.

Sandy Vasco and Eileen Franz, representing the Will County Historical Preservation Committee, will speak on the Will County Rural Structures Project.

As one of the fastest growing counties in Illinois and in recognition of its changing landscape, Will County's Historic Preservation Commission has prioritized the documents of the County's historic rural buildings and structures. Since 1999, the County has engaged a consultant to perform intensive surveys of its historic buildings and structures. Surveys have been conducted on farmstead and agriculturally related sites on unincorporated land, with a limited number of significant sites on incorporated land. Cumulatively, the surveys have documented more than 6,500 structures on more than 1,450 sites over approximately 650 square miles of Will County. While the Commission plans to survey the entire County based upon the magnitude of the project, severely threatened resource areas, time, and funding, the Commission has deemed it necessary to conduct the County's 24 township area in stages. To date, the County has completed 18 townships: Wheatland, Plainfield, Lockport, Du Page, Homer, New Lenox, Green Garden, Manhattan, Frankfort, Joliet, Troy, Channahon, Wilmington, Jackson, Florence,

Reed, Custer, and Wesley.

Norton Township Schedule of 2013 Meetings

The following dates are Meeting) for meetings of Norton • April 29 Township, which will be • May 27 held at 7:00 p.m. at the Nor- • June 24 ton Township Building in • July 29 Buckingham:

- January 28
- February 25
- March 25
- April 16 (Annual Township December 30

- August 26
- September 30
- October 28
- November 25

On December 18, 2012, dinner was provided for needy families of the Braceville, Gardner and South Wilming-

Thank you to Ida Schopp for sending all the invitations. Thank you to all of you who helped serve the dinner. Also, thank you to the Marketti family who donated the overabundance of food from Sheriff Terry Marketti's funeral. That food was sent home to help with meals at home. A very big thank you to Melvin and Dawn Mack of Big Fella's Restaurant for providing the meal, even though the Macks had closed the restaurant, they opened, cooked and provided the food for a great meal.

Thank you everyone for giving a little help to people in need at this time of year.



New Books, DVDs to the Odell Library

The following are new books received by the Odell Public Library in December 2012:

ADULT FICTION

The Giving Quilt - Jennifer Chi-

Black House - Stephen King & Peter Straub

Love on Assignment - Cara Lynn

The Child's Child - Barbara Vine Trust Your Eyes – Linwood Barclay Shiver - Karen Robards Shadow Creek – Joy Fielding

Cross Roads – Wm. Paul Young The Perfect Hope – Nora Roberts Rapture – J.R. Ward

Private London – James Patterson Two Graves - Preston Douglas & Lincoln Child

Orders from Berlin – Simon Tolkien Cloud Atlas – David Mitchell Sweet Tooth - Ian McEwan Chocolate Covered Murder - Leslie

Eight Hours to Die – William W. Johnstone

Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close tion – Marla Heller

Ice Age: Continental Drift Big Top Scooby Doo The Dark Knight Rises Hope Springs Breaking Dawn Part 1 Mickey's Twice upon a Christmas

ADULT NONFICTION

The Generals – Thomas E. Ricks The Last Lion – Winston Spencer Churchill

Illinois Seasons of Light - Robert

A Beautiful Harvest - Leslie A.

Loveless Labels, Leadville, & Lore - Dou-

glas H. Rhodes The Lincoln Highway - Drake

Hokanson Enchanted by Prairie - Bill Witt Family's Guide to Tourette's Syn-

drome – John Walkup Civil Service Arithmetic: Vocabulary Review

38 Nooses: Lincoln, Little Crow, and the Beginning of the Frontier's End – Scott W. Berg

The Dash Diet Weight Loss Solu-

Fifty Shades of Chicken - F.L.

The Going to Bed Book - Sandra **Boynton**

But Not the Hippopotamus – Sandra **Boynton**

Bear Says Thank You - Michael

Olivia Builds a Snow Day - Farrah

McDoogle What's So Special about Planet

Earth? – Robert E. Wells Charlie & the Christmas Kitty – Ree

The Birds of Bethlehem - Tomie de

The Christmas Quiet Book - Deborah Underwood

E. Aster Bunnymund & the Warrior Eggs at Earth's Core! - William Joyce

Armies – William Joyce How Do Dinosaurs Say Merry Christmas? - Jane Yolen & Mark

Toothiana: Queen of the Tooth Fairy

Teague The Man in the Moon - William

Where do Birds Live? - Claudia

Nicholas St. North and the Battle of the Nightmare King - Laura Geringer & William Joyce

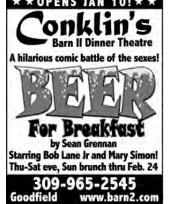


Dwight Senior Citizens Pinochle Results

Phyllis Steichen was first with a score of 5710 when pinochle was played January 3 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center. Leila Patchett served refreshments.

Euchre will be played Friday, January 11. The monthly card party is Tuesday, January 15. And pinochle will be played again Thursday, January 17. All games are at 1:00 p.m.





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Judy Baar Topinka to Speak at Ford County Republican Lincoln Day Dinner Current Illinois State available now.

Comptroller, Judy Baar Topinka, will be the featured speaker at the Ford County Republican Lincoln Day Dinner Thursday, February 7, at the Kruse Center in Gibson City. Topinka, who served as state treasurer from 1995 to elected to the post and was the first to serve three consecutive terms in the office.

The evening kicks off with a reception and social hour at 5:15 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Tickets for the fundraiser are

In addition, sponsorship opportunities are available for businesses or individuals. Sponsors will receive name recognition in addition to tickets for the dinner. Bronze level sponsorship includes two tickets; silver level sponsorship includes 2007, was the first woman four tickets; and gold level sponsorship includes six tickets to the event. For more information, to

make a reservation, or to discuss sponsorship, you may contact Tom Bennett at 217-784-8540 or e-mail him at tmbennett@mchsi.com.



Checks may be made payable to the Ford County Republican Party.

Cullom **Beckman** Library **Recycling Program**

Cullom Beckman Memorial Library is starting a recycling program. They will be collecting newspaper, magazines, cardboard, old books, shredded paper, aluminum cans and metal cans, all of which must be rinsed out and need to be separated. They will also take ink cartridges if they are in a plastic bag.

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Livingston County 4-H'ers, Friends Invited to **Attend Learn and Fun Day**

members and their friends Woodford counties at the 2013 Learn and Fun Day to be held on January 26 at Schroeder Hall - Illinois State University. This daylong event will begin with registration at 8:45 a.m. followed by a variety of workshops. Over 50 different hands-on workshops will be offered including robotics NXT, geocaching, rocks and minerals, model rocketry, rabbits and more. Knowledgeable instructors will be volunteering their time to share their expertise with the young people. Participants will have a lot of fun while learning new skills and they are sure to take home some

Livingston County 4-H wonderful "creations."

Workshop descriptions are invited to join 4-H mem- and registration information bers from McLean and are available from the Livingston County Extension office or online at http://web. extension.illinois.edu/lmw/. Registrations are due to the McLean County Extension Office no later than January 11. Many workshops fill up fast, so members are encouraged to register early.

Learn and Fun Day is an annual event planned by vouth development staff of University of Illinois Extension in Livingston, McLean and Woodford counties. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of the programs, contact the Livingston County Extension at 815-842-1776.

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MVK Senior Citizens Meet

A lunch was served by Pam from Weitz's Cafe to the MVK seniors on December 18 at the Mazon Legion Hall through Community Nutrition Network.

President Rita Mills called the meeting to order by giving the Pledge to the flag. She thanked CNN, Pam and the member who brought in the Christmas decorations. There was a silent prayer for the deceased and ill members, servicemen and women, and the school shooting. Members also thanked the Highland Township Road Commissioner, Mark Harlow, for providing the meal.

Rita read an article on remembering our loved ones at Christmastime.

Holiday cards were sent to members who were unable to attend - Virginia Henderson, Ruth Harlow, Jane Grieff, Clara Burkhart and Geri Pfeifer. Also, a

thank you card will be sent to the Highland Township Commissioner.

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

Door prizes went to Rita Mills, Bob Hollenbeck and Gwen Johnson and President Rita welcomed new member Carolyn Miller. She also reminded members to pick up their Christmas "White Elephant" gift.

Ruth Metille made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shirley Kiss seconded.

The next meeting will be January 22, with euchre starting at 10:30 a.m. and Bingo following the business meeting. Anyone 60 years and over is invited to lunch for a small donation. Make a reservation by calling Community Nutrition Network at 815-941-1590.

Godley Park District Upcoming Events

the upcoming events being hosted by the Godley Park District, 500 S. Kankakee

Mother and Daughter PJ Party Friday, February 15 6:30-8:30 p.m. Ages 3-10 years with adult Event minimum: 30 Fee applies Register and pay by Friday, February 1

Take mom dressed in your best PJ's for some slumber party fun. Enjoy your favorite slumber party activities and food without spending the night, including making a craft, painting nails and decorating cookies.

Winter Carnival Friday, February 22 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Ages 2-14 Event minimum: 40 Fee applies Register and pay by Wednesday, February 6 Cure the family's winter-

time blues at the Annual

The following is a list of Winter Wonderland Carnival. You and the family will enjoy games, prizes, hot dogs, popcorn, cotton candy and much more. Concessions will be sold.

> **Godley Park travels to Grand Canyon, Las Vegas** April 25-May 5 Ages 21 and up Fee applies Final payment due by February 20

Enjoy sight-seeing and gaming on the famous Las Vegas strip as part of this exciting 11-day/10-night trip. See Las Vegas, with visits to Laughlin, NV, the Grand Canyon National Park, including an IMAX Grand Canyon movie, plus visit the magnificent Zion National Park and Petrified Forest National Park, and the American Quarter Horse Hall of Fame & Museum in Amarillo, TX.

Deposit is due at the time of registration.

If there are any questions call 815-458-6129 or visit www.godleyparkdistrict.com.

mate and Family Scholarships. The Shopko Foundation is proud to have awarded grants totaling approximately \$26 million in the last 33 years in the communities where Shopko does business. "Shopko views each community where we serve our cus-

awarded grants totaling \$981,000 during fiscal year 2012.

The funds were awarded through the Foundation's four grant

programs - Community Charitable Grants, Green Bay Area

Grants, Teammate Community Service Grants and Team-

tomers as our 'hometown'," said Mike Bettiga, Shopko Interim CEO, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. "We appreciate the opportunity to serve these communities and strive to strengthen them through the Shopko Foundation's support of charitable groups and activities that are important to the people who live and work there. We are committed to promoting healthy lifestyles and educational opportunities for our neighbors in all the communities where we serve and strive to make an impact through the Shopko Foundation."

Through its Community Charitable Grant and Green Bay Area Grant Programs, the Shopko Foundation awards funds during the year to accredited schools and 501(c)(3) programs which promote the education and health of Shopko teammates and customers. The Community Charitable Grant Program awards funds to organizations or accredited schools in all communities where Shopko stores are located. The focus of the Foundation's Green Bay Area Grant Program is to strengthen the community where it was founded and where the company maintains its corporate headquarters.

The Teammate and Family Scholarship Program annually awards post-secondary scholarships to Shopko employees and their dependent children. The \$2500 scholarships are awarded through a competitive process based on the stu-

Preschool Screenings Offered by Livingston **County Special Services**

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- Flanagan-Cornell #74, Jan-
- uary 17, 18, 796-2261 • Chatsworth #8, January 24, 25, 635-3555
- Tri-Point #6J, February 5, 686-2247, ext. 216
- Cornell #426 and Graymont #425, February 15,
- 358-2216 • Dwight #232, February 21,
- 22, 584-6230 • Odell #435, February 26, 998-2272
- Woodland #5, March 1,
- 672-2909 • Westview #8, March 6, 7,

The screenings are sponsored by Livingston County Special Services Unit, the Livingston County Public Schools, OSF Medical Center and the Livingston County Health Department. Areas screened will include vision, hearing, speech, language, learning, motor, and social skills. Children who have been screened in the past and have no developmental concerns do not need to attend.

Families participating in the screenings can learn how their child is developing and receive child/parent activity suggestions. If an area of need is identified, families will be linked with appropri- ■ 2012 ate service providers for further evaluation, such as, Child & Family Connec-

Call Kim Cox at 815-844-7115 if you have any questions or need additional information.

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OSF Saint James Rehab Offering New Playgroup, Sibling Class

OSF Saint James – John will be conducting the pro-W. Albrecht Medical Center pediatric rehabilitation staff is offering a new playgroup for parents and children ages birth to 5. "Active Beginnings" is being provided at no cost due to a grant from the Livingston County 377 Board. The focus of the playgroup will be to educate parents on topics relevant to them, teach the children developmentally appropriate fine and gross motor, play and communication skills, as well as provide a support group for parents with small children.

OSF Saint James Rehabilitation staff Melissa Pina, Developmental Therapist, and Becky Dotterer, Occupational Therapy Assistant,

gram. Melissa has worked in pediatrics for 9 years providing screenings, assessments, and intervention in global development. Becky has worked in pediatrics for 5 years focusing on fine motor and sensory processing.

"Active Beginnings" will be held from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursday beginning January 10, 2013 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, located at 210 S. Deerfield Road in Pontiac. The size of the playgroup will be limited, so registration is required and should be made by calling OSF Saint James Rehab at 815-842-4584 and asking for Becky or Melissa.

OSF Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center in Pontiac is offering a Sibling Class to help prepare brothers and sisters ages two and older for the arrival of their new family member.

The class, which includes a short film, hands-on diapering, dressing a baby and a tour of the Family Birthing Center, will be held on Sunday, January 13, 3:30-5:30 p.m. in the OSF Saint James Education Center on the second floor of the Medical Center.

A fee per family applies, and a parent must accompany their child to the class. Registration is required and can be made online at www.osfsaintjames.org/calendar by January 10.

Jan. 11: Tri-Point NHS Spaghetti Supper, High School, Cullom, 4:30-6:30 p.m

Jan. 21: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Feb. 14: Valentine's Day

Feb. 15: Mother and Daughter PJ Party, Godley Park District, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

tions, Heartland Head Start, Feb. 22: Winter Carnival, Godley Park District, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

March 10: Daylight Saving Tim March 31: Easter Sunday

April 9: Consolidated Elections

April 25-May 5: Godley Park District Travels to Grand Canyon and Las Vegas

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Also taking place, starting at 6 p.m., is our most entertaining talent show. Let your light shine as you perform your hidden talents before a friendly and welcoming audience. To book your acts please call the church at 815-237-8512. The church is located at 106 W. Gould in Braceville.

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Mitch Sistek and Mallory Finn

Finn-Sistek engaged to be married

Matt and Tami Finn of South Wilmington are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Mallory Elyse Finn, to Mitchell Stephen Sistek, son of Frank and Patti Sistek, also of South Wilmington.

Mitch is employed at Sistek Sales in South Wilmington. Mallory is a 2012 graduate of Lewis University with a BSN in Nursing. She is employed at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

Mitch and Mallory are planning an August wedding.

Celebrate 50th Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth members of the United

Kenneth and Betty Roeske

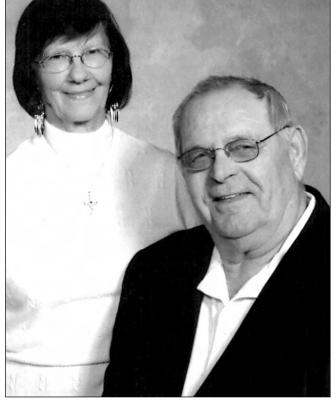
Kenneth and Betty Roeske

Roeske of Gardner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 5. They were married in Nazareth Lutheran Church in Chicago.

The couple moved to Gardner in 1994 and are and 17 great-grandkids.

Lutheran Church in Gardner. They have four children:

Dawn and Jim Riley, Larry and Carol Roeske, Elwood and Kim Roeske, and Gail and Mike Madonna. They also have 21 grandchildren



Eileen and William Branz

Christoper Cwirla Graduates Cum Laude from Saint Francis Medical **Center College of Nursing**

Center College of Nursing awarded degrees to 82 students who earned their Bachelor's of Science in Nursing, six students who earned a Masters of Science in Nursing, and one Post Graduate Certificate during the December 2012 gradua-

Graduating Cum Laude from The Paper territory was Christopher Cwirla of Odell, the son of Jeanine and Anthony Casares, and Kevin Cwirla of Dwight. He is a graduate of Pontiac Township High School.

Saint Francis Medical tion ceremony.

OSF Rehabilitation Services Implements Cancer Rehabilitation

OSF Rehabilitation Services is the first and only in Livingston and McLean counties to offer a new program for cancer survivors that will help them to heal faster and better. In order to provide this service to our communities, OSF first acquired STAR Program (Survivorship Training and Rehabilitation) Certification from the Massachusettsbased Oncology Rehab Partners, leading experts in the field of survivorship care. OSF Rehabilitation is leading the way by offering excellent cancer rehabilitation services to its patients by becoming gram Certified.

STAR Program Certification uniquely qualifies facilities, like OSF, to offer premium oncology rehabilitation services to survivors who suffer from debilitating side effects, caused by cancer treatments. These will be offered to patients by knowledgeable and sensitive medical staff who are specially trained to work with survivors of all forms of cancer.

Specialty caregivers from a pool of disciplines, including physicians, physical and occupational therapists, speech pathologists, dietitians, and mental health professionals will work together with each patient on a personalized rehabilitation plan to increase strength and energy, alleviate pain, and improve daily function and quality of life.

We found compelling evidence that we needed to pursue certification in cancer rehabilitation due to a need in our community," said Stephanie Dotson, OSF Rehabilitation Services Manager. "We want this program to be the standard of care for all cancer survivors who need it."

Oncology Rehab Partners co-founder Julie Silver, MD, assistant professor at Harvard Medical School, and herself a cancer survivor said, "OSF HealthCare is setting a standard in cancer rehabilitation in Central Illinois. We are proud of this institution's STAR Program Certification!"

For more information, call 815-844-3892



Mr. and Mrs. William Branz to Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Branz, Jr. of Odell will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on January 12.

Eileen Small, daughter of Jesse and Ruth of Mazon. and William 'Bill' D. Branz, Jr., son of William Sr. and Evelyn of Dwight, were married on January 12, 1963 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Dwight.

The couple are the parents of two children, son, Don (Rhonda) Branz of Dwight; and a daughter, Annette (Bill) Patchett of Odell. They have four granchildren: Jillian Patchett of Odell, Daniel (Misty) Patchett of Pontiac; Danielle and Donald Jr. of Dwight.

Bill is retired from farming and Eileen works as a waitress at the Wishing Well in Odell. The couple also works for The Paper.

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Amie, Jaxson and Willy

Jaxson Henry Lee, First New Year's Baby at OSF Saint James -John W. Albrecht Medical Center

Amie Hogan and Willy Lee of Dwight are cal Center in 2013, Jaxon Henry Lee, who the proud parents of the first child born at was born on January 2 at 8:16 a.m. This is OSF Saint James - John W. Albrecht Medi-

their first child.

Jaxon Henry Lee A boy!

Willy Lee and Amie Hogan of Dwight are proud to announce the birth of their son, Jaxon Henry Lee.

Jaxon was born Wednesday, January 2, at 8:16 a.m. at Pontiac OSF Saint James Hospital. He weighed nine pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Paul and Tammy Hogan of Dwight. Paternal grandmother is Rebecca Krause of Dwight.

His great-grandparents are Harold and Bev Lund of Dwight, Wilma (Fred) Colclasure of Saunemin, and Janet (Hank) Hogan of Pontiac. His great-great-grandmother is Marjorie Lauritsen of Dwight.

Masons Help Local Family

Diego Moore is a twelveyear old boy who just wants what every 12-year old wants, a bike so he can ride around town with his friends. The problem with that dream is Diego cannot ride a bike you would buy at the local bike shop. Because of a rare skeletal condition, Diego has undergone several surgeries and his physical growth has kept him about the same size as his four year old brother. Other than his size, he is a normal seventh grader and a bike will allow him to ride around Mazon with his friends, get exercise, and build endurance.

be custom built in Montreal with a price tag around \$3,000 US. With mounting medical bills, it didn't look like a bike would be under the tree this Christmas.

On Tuesday, December 11, at the Mazon Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Diego came a little closer to his dream. Operation St. Nick presented Diego, and his parents Jim and Alicia Bean, with a check for \$1,500 during the Masons' annual meeting and chili supper. At the same meeting, the Masonic Lodge in Mazon presented the fam-

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tion on 2012 crops.

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The bike Diego needs must ily with a second check for \$1.500 to cover the balance of the cost of the bike.

> The Masons raised the funds primarily through a pancake breakfast held in Mazon in November which raised over \$2,000 in one day. Lodge Master Thomas Bays commented the support from the community for the Masons and the family was a wonderful example of what small towns and the Masons are all about: helping their neighbors. Diego's father, Jim, who grew up in the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman area and graduated Seneca High School was touched by

the support of his community. Diego's mother, Alicia, came to Mazon after she and Jim were married and thanked the Masons, St. Nick and the community for helping their son without asking who or why, only what they could do to help. The result of the combined efforts of the Masons, Operation St. Nick, and the community will be, as Diego's parents put it, "a mostly ordinary bike for an extraordinary kid."

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day, by the 8th day your prayers will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you, St. Jude.

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Carol Hughes Participates in International Meeting

Beta Chapter, Roanoke, participated in a meeting of the International Non-dues Revenue Committee for The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, December 3 and 4, in Austin, Texas. As chair of the International Non-dues Revenue Committee, Hughes and six other committee members met and exchanged ideas about their duties for the 2012-2014 biennium. International Dr. Beverly President Helms' theme - Sharing Our Vision – Strengthening Our Society – inspired the group to set goals and plan action.

During the session Chairman Hughes reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the committee, shared policies and procedures for developing and implementing strategies to promote non-dues revenue, and discussed specific ideas for strategic plans for the future. Each committee member received a manual with materials about the Society's governing documents, policies and procedures for the committee and suggested processes for completing committee work.

Other committee members include: Dr. Connie Hoag, Iowa; Ramona Jefferies, Kentucky; Merry Lewis, Arizona; Mary Wardrop, Great Britain; Dr. Beverly Helms, international president, Florida; and Phyllis Hickey, operation servic-

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honor society for women educators, with more than 90,000 members. Established in 18 member countries around the world, the Society defines its mission as promoting professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Regional Conferences for members will be held during July and August 2013 in five locations. Southwest Region will meet in Branson, Missouri; Southeast Region in Orlando, Florida; Northeast Region in Portland, Maine; Northwest Region in Cheyenne, Wyoming; and Europe Region in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

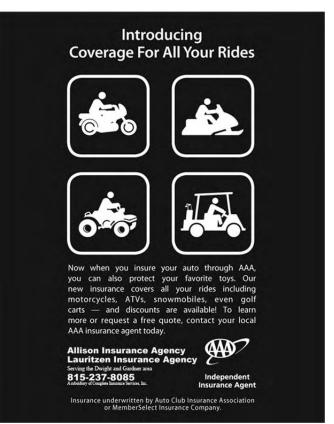
The honor organization of key women educators was formed in Austin, Texas on May 11, 1929, by Dr. Annie Webb Blanton from a nucleus of 12 founders representing all levels of education, kindergarten through university. Professor of rural education at the University of Texas, Blanton was elected president of the Texas State Teachers' Association in 1916, the first woman to hold that office. She was also the first woman to serve Texas as State Superintendent of Public Instruction, having been elected in 1918.

Assumed Name Publication Notice

Public Notice is hereby given that on January 3, 2013, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois, setting forth the names and postoffice addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting business known as Shayla Loring Photography, located at 101 W. Chippewa St., Dwight, IL 60420.

Dated this 3rd day of January, 2013.

> Kristy A. Masching, Livingston County Clerk





OBITUARIES

Thomas R. Winchell

MISSOURI Thomas R. "Tom" Winchell, 77, passed away peacefully January 3, 2013 at his home in Ava, Missouri, with his wife by his side. He lived most of his life in Coal City and Braidwood.

Tom was born April 25, 1935 in Joliet to Robert and Bessie Brooke Winchell.

He was a proud Marine veteran of the Korean War. He worked at the paper mill in Morris until it closed, then went to work at Personal Products in Wilmington, where he retired.

Tom enjoyed the outdoors his whole life, trapshooting, hunting and fishing. He was an avid gun collector and expert. He was a member of the Top of the

Ozarks shooting club. He was an accomplished marksman, winning many awards. He also enjoyed traveling in Odell died at his RV and camping with 4:02 friends and family.

He is survived by his wife of many years, Mary Ellen; her daughter, five children, two sisters, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

His body was donated to science per his request.

Arrangements were conducted by Clinkingbeard Funeral Home in Ava, Missouri.

On-line condolences and a guestbook are available at Clinkingbeardfuneralhome.c

Wright in Kankakee **Introduces the Salon Series**

New this year at the Wright-Lloyd designed B. Harley Bradley House in Kankakee is a quarterly series of salons. (A salon is a gathering of inspired people for a presentation under the roof of an inspiring host. Wright held them at his Taliesin West home in Arizona.) Wright In Kankakee's Salon Series premier, on January 17, welcomes Jaymie Simmon, long a prominent local civic figure but debuting as an author, introducing her newly-released novel, The God Gene.

"This event so captures the spirit of a salon," enthus-Marilyn Campbell, Wright In Kankakee's Chair of the Series. "We're thrilled to bring to our community one more aspect of Frank Lloyd Wright. The idea is to have an engaging subject presented in a sedate setting in a low-key manner. The Bradley House on a Thursday evening provides the sedate and low-key aspects, and Jaymie and The God Gene will certainly be engaging!"

"At its core," Simmon says, "The God Gene is a story. It's one woman's struggle to rise above the madness, regain the pieces of her heart and soul that were taken from her, and remind the world that we are not alone. She fights man and nature, has some harrowing moments, and is faced with some personal changes she never expected.

"But it's also," Simmon continues, "an allegory for society's inattentiveness to the rules of decent human interaction. I take aim at institutions that we've allowed to crumble from lack of a moral foundation.

Says Campbell, "Jaymie will explain the creation of her novel and treat us to a reading, and then there will be a discussion with the audience. And she'll be autographing books, too. Anyone who hasn't gotten a copy yet will be able to purchase one at the Salon.

"We'll have a dessertand-coffee bar," adds Campbell. "But space is limited. The doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the program starts at 7:00. And the Bradley House Giftshop will be open before and after the presentation."

The book already is receiving good reviews. Jack Hatfield, Chairman of the Board of the Chicago Area Great Books Council. says "I would highly recommend reading The God Gene by Jaymie Simmon. Fully developed characters. Interesting plot line. Very relevant to our time and its spiritual and moral ambiguity. Simmon sprinkles her plot with comments on our zeitgeist."

Simmon was raised in the Kankakee area. She attended Bradley-Bourbonnais High School and Northern Illinois where she University, earned a bachelor's degree in theater. She and her husband Harry live in Bourbonnais, where together they own Twinbrook Consulting. Prior to that, she was the proprietor of SimmComm Productions, and co-hosted and co-produced the Emmynominated and much-loved local television program, Kankakee Valley Prime

She also is an active volunteer. Currently she chairs United Methodist Church in the Riverside Healthcare Foundation board and is Vice-chair of the Northern Illinois University Foundation board. She has served as chair of the boards of the Kankakee Area YMCA and the United Way of Kankakee County, and has been named Kankakee River Valley Americans at some time in Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year.

Salon at the B. Harley Bradley House, 701 South Harrison in Kankakee, begins at 7:00 p.m. There is non-surgical treatments, the no admission charge, but a Illinois Neurological Instidonation is suggested. All tute (INI) Spine Institute proceeds go to support the purchase and maintenance of the Bradley House, designed by Frank Lloyd minimally invasive and com-Wright in 1900. Further plex surgical approaches for information may obtained at 815.954.4776.

Enis N. Verdun

ODELL -Enis N. Verdun, 82, of p.m., Friday, January 4, 2013



dence surrounded by her loving family. Enis was born April 2,

1930 in Ottawa, daughter of Lorenzo and Caroline Galli Dinelli.

She married Edward Verdun February 7, 1959 in Ottawa. He survives in Odell.

Surviving are one daughter, Nancy (Frank) Legner of Odell: two sons: Peter (Mary) Verdun of Byron and Brian (Nancy) Verdun of Odell; one sister, Lena McCormick of Ottawa; nine grandchildren: Valerie (Mark) Johnson, Frank (fiancee Jessica Norman) Katie Legner, Legner, Valerie Verdun, Mary Elizabeth Verdun, Rick Verdun, Nathan Worby, Noah Worby and Bryan Worby; one greatgrandson, Lincoln Johnson; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, and two sisters-in-law.

National Bank of Ottawa in numerous positions and she farmed with her husband in secretary

Enis worked for First

the Odell area. She held a position with Daughters Catholic America and taught CCD at St. Paul's in Odell for numerous years.

She was a very loving and giving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend who

will be greatly missed. Enis fought cancer for 32 years. She never complained and faced each occurrence with her faith.

A Funeral Mass was held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, January 8, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Odell.

Burial: St. Paul Catholic Cemetery, Odell.

Friends called from 9 to 10:45 a.m., Tuesday, at Duffy-Baier-Snedecor Funeral Home in Odell, with the rosary recited at 9 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that contributions be made in Enis' name to St. Paul Grade School or St. Paul Catholic Church in Odell.

On-line condolences may be made to the family at duffyfuneralhome.com

Lila E. Muzzarelli

DWIGHT – Lila E. Muzzarelli, 90, of Dwight and formerly of South Wilmington, passed away Sunday, January 6, 2013 at Heritage Health in Dwight.

Her visitation will be today, Wednesday, January 9, for two hours preceding the 11 a.m. funeral service at the United Methodist Church, 225 Rice St., South Wilmington. Pastor Kevin Boesen will officiate at the service.

Interment: Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Brace-

Lila was born November 10, 1922 in South Wilmington to William H. and Clema Residori Williams. From the age of two, following the death of her mother two days after the birth of her brother, Lila was raised by her devoted father and loving paternal and maternal grandparents.

She was a member of the South Wilmington and the church's Star Club. She had

previously been employed at Coils, Inc. in Dwight. Lila loved keeping house.

Surviving are her husband, Alfred J. Muzzarelli of Dwight, whom she married November 28, 1942 in St. Louis, Missouri; one son, John (Nancy) Muzzarelli of Daytona Beach, Florida; and one grandson, Cale Muzzarelli of Irving, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, John H. Williams; paternal grandparents, John and Mary Ann Williams; and grandparents, maternal Angelo and Lisa Residori.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name to United Methodist Church in South Wilmington would be appreciated.

Please sign on-line guestbook at www.rwpattersonfu neralhomes.com

R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood, was in charge of arrangements.

Free Community Program on Back Pain Treatment Options

Back pain affects 80% of their life. It comes in many forms with common causes including nerve and muscu-The Jaymie Simmon lar problems, degenerative disc disease and arthritis. Because many spine and back problems respond to offers physical therapy, medications and interventional procedures, as well as both be treatment of spine disorders. On Thurs., Jan. 17, at 5:30

p.m., join neurosurgeon Dr. surgical and non-surgical rosary recited at 3:30 p.m. treatment options for back pain and answers any questions. The program will be held in the first floor confer-Medical Center, Pontiac. mother survives in Odell. Light refreshments will be served.

attend the program, registration should be made by January 15 at www.osfsaintjames.org/calendar. more information, phone 815-842-4545.

Arden E. Wills

COAL CITY - Arden E. Wills, 70, of Coal City passed away Wednesday evening, January 3, 2013 at Morris Hospital with his loving family at his side.

Arden was born August 3, 1942 in Joliet, son of Arden and Ellen Farmer Wills. He was educated in a one-room school house at Sulphur Springs Grade School, where he was the only eighth grade student. He graduated from Coal City High School and continued his education at Northern Illinois University, where he earned a BS, MS and CAS.

On June 8, 1963, Arden married Carole Vilt in Catholic Assumption Church in Coal City, and together they made their home on the family farm.

Arden taught and coached at Saratoga Grade School and later was hired as superintendent at South Wilmington Grade School, from where he retired in

Arden was a founding administrative board member and past president of the Grundy County Special Education Co-op and he also held the position of president of the Illinois Elementary School Association from 1986-1988. He was a member of Illinois Association of School Administrators and Illinois Principals Association.

He coached and directed Coal City Youth Baseball and was a recommending scout for the Pittsburgh Pirates Baseball Organization. He did all of this while continuing to work the family farm.

He will be remembered as an avid snowmobiler, who enjoyed the Chicago White Sox, Chicago Black Hawks,

and all high school sports. He took great pleasure in

traveling and had a tremendous love for his grandchildren, cherishing all of the time spent with them and attending their activities.

Arden is survived by his loving wife of almost 50 years, Carole; three children: Gregory (Tiffany) Wills, Darin (Nikki) Wills, and Kristin (Lance) Copes, all of Coal City; six grandchildren: Brandon Wills, Alex Wills, Carter Copes, Beau Wills, Zoe Wills and Kerigan Copes.

Also surviving are one brother, David (Jean) Wills of Coal City and one sisterin-law, Sharon (Robert) Fricke of Melrose Park; as well as niece and nephews: DavyLynne Wills, Adam Wills, Allen Wills, Marc Fricke and Michael Fricke.

Arden was preceded in death by his parents and three grandchildren in infancy: Ryan Wills, Caden Copes and Kellen Copes.

Visitation and video tribute were held Sunday, January 6, from 2 until 7 p.m. at Reeves Funeral Home, Coal City, and at The First United Methodist Church, Coal City, on Monday, January 7, from 9 a.m. until time of the 10 a.m. funeral service officiated by Rev. Dr. Thomas Logsdon.

Mount Olivet Burial: Cemetery, Braidwood.

Arden's children and grandchildren were pallbearers and honorary pallbearers.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Arden's memory to his family for distribution to charities of their choosing.

Friends may sign the online guestbook or send private condolences to the family by logging onto: www.ReevesFuneral.com

Robert E. Humbert

ODELL -Robert 'Humbo" Humbert, 53, passed away Friday, Jan-

Odell uary 4, 2013 at 11:15 a.m. at St. Joseph

Medical Center, Blooming-

His Funeral Service will be today, Wednesday, January 9, at 10 a.m. in St. Paul Catholic Church, Odell. Father Ronald Dodd will officiate.

Visitation was Tuesday from 4 until 7 p.m. at Duffy-Baier - Snedecor Funeral Todd McCall as he discusses Home in Odell, with the

> Burial: St. Paul Catholic Cemetery, Odell.

Robert was born November 8, 1959 in Galesburg, ence rooms of OSF Saint son of Robert J. and Anna James - John W. Albrecht Mae Hogan Humbert. His

Also surviving are his sons: Robert (Jeni) McCor-While there is no cost to mick of Cornell and Ronnie Hilst of Pekin; one sister, Rita (Tom) Harner of Odell; grandchildren: Alexis

Howard, Lucas Zech, Devann McCormick and Kalie Hilst; one great-grandchild, David Lvnn Sechrest III; and a special nephew and friend, Tommy Harner.

His father preceded him in death.

Robert was educated in St. Paul Grade School, Odell, and graduated from Odell High School.

He worked for various local construction companies, and was a member of Union Local 996 and the NRA. He was a certified gunsmith.

He enjoyed his grandchildren and family, firearms and riding motorcycles, and loved his good friend and dog, Boe. He was a retired member of the Screaming Eagles MC of Pontiac and Streator.

Memorials may be made to the Livingston County Humane Society, 21179 N. 1358 E. Road, Pontiac, IL 61764.

On-line condolences may be made to the family at duffyfuneralhome.com

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OBITUARIES

Bobby Moody

SALTILLO, MS – Bobby G. Moody, 81, died Friday, December 28, 2012 at his residence.

He was born in Belmont to Leonard and Eula Crabb Moody. He was a member of Belmont United Methodist Church and Evergreen Park Masonic Lodge #1171 in Evergreen Park, Illinois.

He was self-employed and was retired from Armour Pharmaceutical Co. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He enjoyed golfing, fishing and reading.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Janis Moody of Saltillo; two daughters: Melissa Schellenberger (Alan) and Bobbie Batke (Bill), all of Charleston, Indiana; a brother, W. D. Moody (Jackie); three sisters: Carol Sue Dill, Myra Milam and Cathryn McCafferty (Rev. Edd); six grandchildren and eight great- Irma Annette grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers: Wynan, Kenneth Pekin and Jimmy Moody.

Funeral services were at 3 p.m., Sunday, December 30, at Deaton Funeral Home Chapel, Belmont, MS, with Bro. Greg Forbus officiat-

Burial: Belmont City Cemetery.

His nephews served as BJ Moody, pallbearers: Donnie Dill, David Dill, Terry McCafferty, Ronnie McCafferty and Eddie McCafferty.

Visitation was from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m., Sunday at the Funeral Home.

The family requests that memorials be made in his memory to St. Jude.

Gerald L. Carter

DWIGHT – Gerald L. Carter, 51, of Dwight passed away at 2:20 p.m., January 1, 2013 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, January 26, at the Dwight

United Methodist Church with Rev. Lance Leeds offi-

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family would be appreciated.

Dwight, is in charge of arrangements.

Beverly J. Houchin

MAZON - Beverly J. Houchin, 77, of Mazon passed away Thursday, January 3, 2013 at Morris Hospital.

Beverly born was December 11, 1935 in Des Moines, Iowa to William and Judith Tungland Pearson. She was a 1954 graduate of Ottawa High School. She worked at several area newspapers and covered the Grundy County Fair as a writer. She worked for Federal Paper Board, Humiston Keeling, and retired from McKesson in June of 1998.

She married Keith Houchin December 24, 1954. He passed away April 22, 2010. Beverly lived in Mazon for more than 50 years. She loved caring for her yard and decorating for the seasons. She and Keith spent many years in Bradenton, Florida during the winter months. She loved and was so proud of all her children, grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Surviving are two daughters: Keri (Greg) Wahl of Streator and Kelli (Mike) Unger of Coal City; three sons: Keith (Christine) Houchin of Channahon; Kirk (Cynthia) Houchin of Mazon; and Kris (Patty) Houchin of Morris.

Also surviving are two sisters: Shirley (Tom) Ruprecht of Sarasota, Florida and Cathleen (Larry) Brewer of Glendora, California; her

sister-in-law. Marilyn (Steve) Wallace Crossville, Tennessee; 13 grandchildren: Brian and Cory Wahl; Allison (Mark) Dunlap; Leslie (Derek) Broadstone; Natalie and Michael Unger; Jason and Daniel Houchin; Kara (Matthew) Mejia; Megan, Amanda and Mathew Houchin; and Steffanie (Marc) Naples; two greatgrandchildren: Samantha Dunlap and Cameron Mejia; and many nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; two brothers: William Pearson and Donald Lee Pearson; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild in infancy.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m., Monday, January 7, at Osborne-Nelson Funeral Home, Seneca, with Rev. Tyler Carrell officiating.

Burial: Oakwood Memorial Park, Ottawa. Her grandsons served as pallbearers.

Visitation was from 2 until 5 p.m., Sunday, January 6, at the Funeral Home

in Seneca. Memorials may be directed to Mazon Centennial

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Irma DeLong Blair

Wednesday, January 9, 2013

PEKIN Lehman DeLong Blair, 98, of and formerly of Cullom,



passed away at 10 p.m., Friday, December 28, 2012 at Pekin Manor in Pekin. Services will be held

Saturday, January 19, at 11 a.m. at her church, First United Methodist Church in Peoria.

Visitation will be at 10 a.m. in the Chapel.

Private graveside services will be accorded.

She was born February 20, 1914 in Cullom, daughter of Barbara Voss Lehman and Samuel L. Lehman.

Irma was preceded in death in 1946 by her first husband, William Wayne DeLong, leaving her a young widow with two children. Irma married Kemper "O" Blair in 1963, and they were married until his death in 1985

Surviving members of Irma's family include her two daughters: Julie DeLong Keeton Arnold Hager Memorial Home, (Chuck) of Atlanta, Georgia; and Ellen DeLong Johnston (Jim) of Pekin; a niece, Diann Flessner of Cullom; five grandchildren: Gregory Johnston (Barb) of Peoria; Julie Johnston Bell (Doug) of Eureka; Anne Lehman Keeton of Atlanta, Georgia; Elizabeth Keeton of St. Petersburg, Florida; and Molly Keeton Parnell (Brendan) of Atlanta, Georgia; and eight great-grandchildren.

Irma graduated as valedictorian of Cullom High School in 1931. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Bradley University, completing her education in 1956. Education was Irma's life work, and she taught hundreds of students during her career. She returned to Cullom after two years of college, teaching in a one-room schoolhouse from 1933-1937, often teaching students nearly her own age.

She continued her career in Peoria, teaching second and fourth grades at Calvin Coolidge School from 1947 until her retirement in 1973. She was a faithful member the First United Methodist Church in Peoria. She was a loyal member of the Kappa Delta sorority, Alpha Delta Kappa honorary teaching sorority, and the PEO Sisterhood Chapter

Her community activities included being a pianist with the Peoria Pops, volunteering with the Proctor Hospital League, and routinely donating blood. On her 80th birthday, Irma was honored by the Mayor of Peoria with a proclamation that recognized and commended her contributions to the city.

Memorial donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 116 NE Perry Ave. in Peoria, IL 61603.

The Cremation Society of Mid - Illinois Co. Pekin/ Peoria is assisting the family with arrangements.

On-line condolences may be made at csmico.com

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Top Positive Social Media Statistics For 2012

Usually you'll read statistics online about how newspapers are going out of style and that's ironic, but this time I'm going to give you stats about the internet and you're reading them in The Paper, which is also ironic. Newspapers can still be very successful, I just want to point out how crazy some of these stats are. The one that jumps out at me is that there are more devices connected to the internet than there are people on Earth; considering there are some 7 billion people on Earth, that's a lot of devices. This is also important to keep in mind for companies that just having a facebook or twitter can increase sales. The amount of money that is spent over the web is going to be at a crazy number in the near future, too. Why drive to a store when you can have it sent to your house? All these things make online shopping more important. Don't really have much to say, just decided to throw some stats out there. Just remember where you read these though – in a newspaper!

1. 91% of online adults use social media regularly.

2. 9/10 mobile searches lead to action (over half lead to pur-

3. There are more devices connected to the Internet than there are people on Earth.

4. 70% of adult social networkers shop online.

5. 54% of active social networkers follow a brand. 6. 61% of global internet users research products online.

7. 93% of US adult Internet users are on Facebook. 8. Watching video on computers has become as common as

watching video on television among online consumers. 9. 67% of Twitter users (US) are more likely to buy from brands they follow.

10.Companies that blog have 55% more website visitors. 10. By 2016 more than half of the dollars spent in US retail will be influenced by the web.

11. 77% of B2C companies have acquired customers from Facebook.

12. Social media users who receive excellent customer service from brands spend on average 21% more than non-social

13. 83% of people who complained on Twitter, loved the response from those companies that did make the effort. 14. 62% of marketers became more important to their marketing campaigns in the last 6 months. Stats gathered by TopDog Social Media

Aaron Boma ISU Freshman and 2012 DTHS Graduate

Betty Stankye

SAUNEMIN – Betty Jane O'Connor Stankye of Huntington, CT entered into rest in her home on December 14, 2012. She passed peacefully, surrounded by family, after a short illness.

Betty was born June 6. 1925 in Saunemin, daughter of Margaret and Gordon

She enjoyed cooking, needlework, travel, and family. After raising her children, she spent many years in retail, a career that she especially enjoyed.

Betty is survived by her loving husband, William J. Stankye; her son Gregory Ward and his wife Darcy of Guilford, and her daughter Deborah O'Connor Mastri of Stratford.

She also leaves two grandchildren, Gregory William Ward, and his wife Jacqueline of West Orange, NJ; and Kristina Jenkins and her husband Jim of Yarmouth, ME; and five cherished

Sisters: Helen Louise Badasarian of Bedford, MA; Dorothy Courtier of Wheaton; and Doris Mae

great-grandchildren.

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Preceding her in death were her husbands: Donald Ward and William O'Connor; her son, Russell Ward; daughter - in - law, Jeanne Ward; son-in-law, Leonard Mastri; and brother, Glenn

The Paper deadline is noon on Friday.



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The Flame Reignites

Paper Bowl XI - Week 17

here for a while for Dwight's our game now. NBA and Larry Davis. He was known NCAA games have been as "Flaming" Davis after he included to give you a little made a Paper Bowl run like extra challenge these last few nobody had ever seen. Davis weeks. We have plenty of used to make winning syn- Paper Bowl cash left to hand onymous to his name during out. Get in and play today. the first few Paper Bowl seasons, but most recently he week for a chance at the winhas been fortunate to make nings. Our drop locations are honorable mention a few Station 343, Dwight Bank, times here or there. All that Old World Liquors, Planning may have changed on week Associates and Streator seventeen this year as Davis Onized Credit Union. Get in smoked the competition and and win today. guessed twelve out of fourteen games correctly to become our latest \$100 Paper Bowl gift certificate recipient. That's how these hot streaks begin, out of nowhere with a spark of intuition. Pretty soon the flame ignites and spreads uncontrollably. Let's see what happens next for our super swami.

One hundred and forty entries were graded in week seventeen. Nine swamis guessed eleven out of fourteen correctly. They included Dwight's Tom Lenzie (2x), Andrew German, Lee Dixon and Doug Campbell, Buckingham's Gerald Schneider, Reddick's Brian Seeman, Romeoville's Kim Speeckin and Chicago's Drew Tryner.

The Paper Bowl season is winding down. You don't have any time left to decide whether or not you want to play our game. It's time to make your move. It's not iust about football anymore. You will have to put some thought towards the back-

It's been chilly around board when you take a shot at You can enter five times this



Larry Davis

Paper Bowl XI **Sponsor Results**

WEEK 17

Planning Associates 11-3 over Jensen's BP 0-14 Turtle's Tap 8-6 over Berkot's Super Foods 6-8 1st National Bank 6-8 over SOCU 4-10 Danko's State Farm 9-5 over DeLong Ford 8-6 Dwight Bank 10-4 over Station 343 9-5 Old World Liquors 8-6 over Big Boyz Toyz 7-7 Tock's LPL Financial 10-4 over Dairy Queen 0-14

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Planning Associates	11-5	Tock's LPL Financial	12-4	
Station 343	10-6	Turtle's Tap	12-4	
Dwight Dairy Queen	9-7	First National Bank	9-7	
Berkot's Super Foods	8-8	Danko's State Farm	9-7	
Jensen's bp	7-9	Dwight Bank	9-7	
Big Boyz Toyz	5-11	DeLong Ford	4-12	
Old World Liquors	4-12	SOCU	1-15	
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The final standings are in. Turtle's Tap and Planning Associates are our division winners. They receive first round byes in the sponsor playoffs and bragging rights for a whole year. Rub it in, boys and girls. Station 343 and Dairy Queen will face off for the North Division Wild Card, while Tock's LPL Financial and Danko's State Farm do battle in the South. Pick your favorites and cheer them on. Round 1 begins this week. Go in to these sponsors and show them your support. Good luck to our sponsors. We shall have a new champion very soon.

GO, Trojans!

DTHS Lady Trojan #33 Lauren Seanard, right, hustles down the court for the varsity.

Photos by Jake Carr/j7images



DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL'S Alyssa Brownlee, at left, takes it to the hoop to score two more for the Lady Trojans varsity team.



DTHS LADY TROJAN Molly Rodosky, bottomright, puts man-to-man defense on Gardner's guard, Saturday, Jan-



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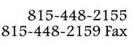
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DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

Momence Holiday Tournament Dwight vs. PBL

Dwight opened up the Momence Holiday Tournament with a 45-27 loss to

Dezi Leonard led the scoring with 14 points. Lauren Widman had five. Libby Beyer added four. Katie Hogan and Mary Wiemken each put in two.

Dwight vs. Momence

The JV Lady Trojans earned their first win of the against season host Momence, 29-23, in the second game of the tournament.

Dwight jumped out to an early lead due to their aggressiveness on both ends, helping them pick up their first "W."

Rachel Gschwendtner scored nine points to lead Dwight. Lauren Widman and Libby Beyer each scored five. Dezi Leonard had four points. Katie Hogan scored two. Molly Rodosky, Taylor Richie and Mary Wiemken each hit a free throw.

The Lady Trojans JV squad is now 1-9 overall and 0-6 in conference action.

Dwight vs. Coal City January 3 Varsity -

Dwight suffered a tough loss to Interstate rival Coal City Coalers, 50-33, dropping the Trojans' record to 4-12 overall and 2-5 in the

conference. Lisa Bruner led the way with seven points and six rebounds and Alyson Wiemken added six points and eight rebounds.

Saturday, January 5 Dwight vs. GSW JV -

The JV Lady Trojans were knocked off by Gardner, 49-29, on January 5, despite trailing by just two points at the half.

Lauren Widman led the way with seven points. Rachel Gschwendtner added five. Dezi Leonard and Mary Wiemken each had four. Libby Beyer, Shelby Anderson, Alicia Moyemont and Molly Rodosky each put in two points. Taylor Richie knocked down a free throw.

Dwight falls to 1-11 on the season and 0-7 in conference play. Varsity -

Dwight's varsity girls

took out rival Gardner, 55-51, in a non-conference game at Gardner. The Lady Trojans never trailed in the contest and pulled out the narrow victory with their defensive efforts down the stretch.

Alyson Wiemken had a career best 23 points and 19 rebounds to lead Dwight. Lauren Seanard had nine points. Lisa Bruner chipped in eight points and eight boards. Regina Dawson also scored eight and had five assists. Savannah Schuler had three. Skylar Krople and Alyssa Brownlee had two each.

Chelsea Schultz led Gardner's offensive attack with 18 points. Breann Fisher put in ten. Ally Matthews scored six. Lexi Posing had five. Sam Schultz added four. ReAnn Scoggin and Paige Lardi had two points

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13. Will Green Bay's final score be A. Even B. Odd 14. Who will score more points?

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DTHS Trojans Basketball



Wednesday, January 9, 2013

Friday, December 28 **Dwight Freshmen** vs. Morris **Morris Christmas**

Tournament Despite trailing by just a point going into the final quarter, some questionable calls went Morris' way and Dwight fell, 43-28, earning them second place in the Morris Christmas Tournament.

Jace Kennedy led with 14 points. Blaine Livingston had eight. Drew Travers put in seven. Peter Hansen scored five. Conor Livingston and Michael Bennett each had two points.

The Trojans ended up with a 2-1 record in the tournament, and are 6-4 overall with a 3-2 record in the I-8.

Dwight Varsity vs. **Hartsburg Emden Marseilles Holiday** Tournament

Dwight let some crucial mistakes cost them their early 22-16 lead over Hartsburg-Emden, eventually falling 82-61 in Marseilles Holiday Tournament action. The loss puts the young Trojans at 4-9 on the season.

"We started the game the way we wanted," said Coach Long after the game. "But we were unable to sustain it.'

Senior Blake Huseman led Dwight with 17 points on 6-12 shooting, including three triples. Collin Irvin put up 15 points on 7-12 shooting. Caleb Boma added ten points, with two threes. Triston Dircks and Ryley Christoff each had five. Jayson Powell and Owen Pulver each scored three points. Carson Banks knocked down a bucket. Kiefer Kious added a free

Friday, Jan. 4

In Interstate-8 varsity action the Trojans fell to the Trojans in scoring were Jacob Wardell with five, Banks each adding two.

Coach Long said, "We defense.

The Dwight Junior-Varsity team defeated the Coalers 56-19. Leading the JV in scoring were Devin Connolly with 12, Chris Peck with nine, Jace Kennedy with eight, and

Fieldman each adding six.

Sat., January 5

Dwight vs. Gardner JV -

The JV Trojans were able to fend off their rivals, 54-49, in their match-up against the Panthers on January 5.

Devin Connolly provided the offensive spark with 15 points. Jayson Powell added 13. Ryan Gaston and Chris Peck had six each. with Gaston hitting two threes. Owen Pulver scored five. Jace Kennedy had four. Drew Jensen knocked down a three-pointer. Colton Fieldman put in

Dwight is now 10-4 overall.

Varsity -A 23-point first quarter set the pace for Dwight's 67-46 victory over rival Gardner.

"Tonight was a nice team victory," said Coach Long. "Anytime you can put three guys in double digit scoring and a fourth with eight, you have to feel good about your scoring balance."

Blake Huseman led the Trojans with 13 points, including three three-pointers, on 4-14 shooting. Caleb Boma had 11 points, shooting 4-7 with two threes. Triston Dircks also had 11 on 4-7 shooting. Collin Irvin was 3-4 with eight points. Devin Connolly and Owen Pulver each added six points. Jayson Powell and Carson Banks each scored four, with Banks grabbing eight boards. Ryley Christoff and Jacob Wardell had two points each.

"More importantly, I was very happy with our defense," added Long. "Forcing 20 turnovers in the first half took tremendous energy and effort by our kids."

The Trojans move to 6-10 on the season.

Dwight vs. Coal City Varsity-

the Coalers 63-36. Leading Blake Huseman with 10, Caleb Boma with six, Collin Irvin and Triston Dircks with four, and Kiefer Kious, Ryley Christoff, and Carson

had a rough night shooting tonight. When that happens, you need to get tough at the defensive end and get stops. I thought tonight was one of the first times this season that we failed to give a great effort and let our offense affect our

Dwight vs. Coal City

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DTHS VARSTIY TROJAN Kiefer Kious, above, takes

the shot against several Coal City defenders. The Tro-

jans fell to Coal City, 63-36. Photo by Jake Carr/j7images for The Paper

AT RIGHT: DTHS JV VARSITY JAYSON POWELL

catches a pass during the Dwight vs. GSW game, Jan. 5.





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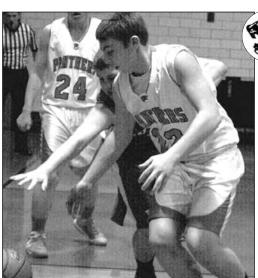
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DTHS TROJAN Chris Peck jumps up to score two for the varsity team during a recent match-up with Coal City. Photo by Jake Carr/j7images for The Paper



GSW Panther Kyle Robison and DTHS Trojan Ryan Gaston fight for a loose ball, Saturday, January 5.

TRI-POINT LADY CHARGERS BASKETBALL

Friday, December 28 **Tri-Point vs. Momence Momence Holiday** Tournament -

The Lady Chargers defeated host Momence, 49-34, in Momence Holiday Tournament action December 28.

Taylor Roach led with 22 points. Kadie King and Dayna Moritz each added seven. Kenzie Krause had six points, five assists and four steals. Emily Jehle put in three. Tiera Turner had two points and ten boards. Saunemin vs. Odell Rachael Kerrins also scored January 5 two.

Tri-Point vs. Donovan January 3,

The Lady Chargers defeated Donovan 53-12 to improve their RVC record to 4-2 and their overall record to 9-7. Leading the Lady Chargers in scoring were Grieff each had four points, Taylor Roach with 10, Kenzie Krause with 10, Kadie King with eight, and Rachael Kerrins with six.

MVK Mavericks Basketball

including a three.

MVK vs. Elwood 8th Grade -**IVC Tournament**

The eighth grade Mavs fell to Elwood, 49-37, in first round action of the IVC Tournament held in Gardner. The Tigers made five threepointers compared to the Mavericks' four, as Elwood

the semi-finals. MVK (3-12) was led by Hunter Simon's 14 points and seven boards. Mason Dooley had nine points off three three-pointers. Ashton Harty chipped in five,

advanced to play Gardner in

"I thought the boys played good after the long layoff from the holiday break," stated Coach Walker. "We had some really good shoot-arounds during the break which contributed to our ability to shoot the ball well. It's tough, we gave up Saturday, January 5 two three-point baskets to Elwood to end quarters and LIC Tournament that just hurt our momentum 7th Gradein the game."

action against Wilmington on January 15.

DTHS JV/Varsity Trojans @ Westmont Fri., Jan. 11 • 5:30 p.m./ 7 p.m.

GSW JV/Varsity Panthers @ Tri-Point Fri., Jan. 11 • 5:45 p.m./ 7:15 p.m.

DTHS JV/Varsity Trojans @ Lisle Tues., Jan. 15 • 5:30 p.m./ 7 p.m.

GSW JV/Varsity Panthers @ Illinois Lutheran Tues., Jan. 15 • 5:45 p.m./ 7:15 p.m.

Saunemin Eagles Basketball

Saunemin dropped two games in the Vermillon Conference Tournament to Odell on Saturday, in games played at Cornell.

The 7th grade Eagles dropped a 30-17 contest to the Rams. Tanner Walls, Andrew Lee, and Justin

while Jakob Grieff added three and Carson Walls added two.

Odell came back from a three point halftime deficit to drop the Eagles 8th grade squad 53-35. Eric Zega had a game high 27 points. Joe Hendershot added four points, while Austin Nelson and Brant Horrie each added two points.



TRI-POINT CHARGERS BASKETBALL

Tri-Point vs. Beecher January 4th

The Tri-Point Chargers defeated Beecher 67-58 in RVC action and improved their record to 10-5 overall and 4-0 in the RVC.

Leading the Chargers in scoring were Jordan Tharp with 29 points, Timmy Crouch with 13, Nate Hoffman and Zach Taylor each added nine, and Josh Flessner added eight.



TRI-POINT RAIDERS BASKETBALL

Tri-Point vs. Cissna Park

The Raiders lost a heartbreaker in the semi-finals of The Mavs are back in the LIC Tournament on Saturday, falling to Cissna Park 31-27, despite the game being tied at 27 with just a minute remaining.

> Tri-Point gave up a layup and was forced to foul Cissna Park on their next possession. They hit both shots and knocked the Raiders off.

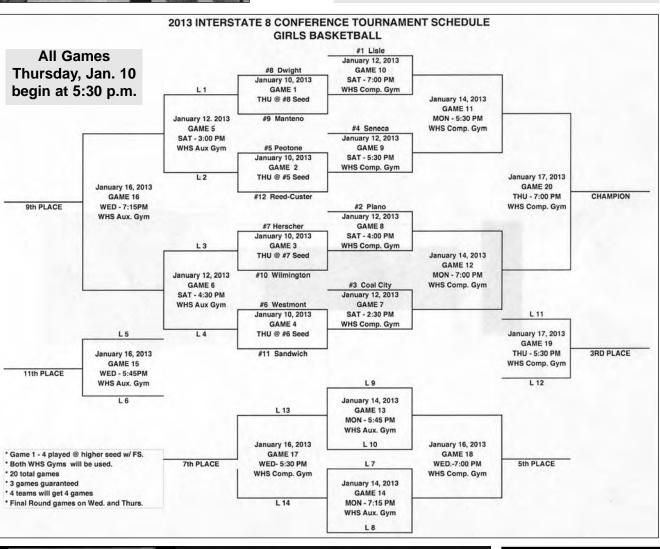
Randal Ifft led with ten points, burying two threes. overall.

Jake Steidinger, Spencer Steidinger and Jake Leclair held it down on the defensive end, covering Cissna Park's big men in the post. **Tri-Point vs. Crescent City LIC Tournament** 7th Grade-

After their semi-final loss, the Raiders were able to bounce back with a 38-31 win over Crescent City as Tri-Point took third place in the tournament.

Randal Ifft led with 13 points, while six others added to the point total.

The Raiders are now 10-7



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Statement of Revenues Received, Expenditures Disbursed and Changes In Fund Balance – Budget & Actual For the Year Ended April 30, 2012

(With Comparative Figures from April 30, 2011)

` .	April 30, 2012	April 30, 2011
Revenues Received:		
Property taxes	146,294	146,514
Property taxes - TIF	95,872	106,309
Replacement taxes	3,538	3,923
Interest income	346	303
Nuclear reimbursement	-	2,253
Foreign fire insurance tax	1,857	1,798
IEMA Grant	3,400	-
Miscellaneous	66_	
Total revenues received	251,373	261,100
Expenditures Disbursed:		
Trustees' expenses:		
Office supplies, postage		
and notice publications	606	253
Legal	42,961	28,313
Audit	1,700	1,500
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Miscellaneous	1,135	352
Salaries	674	690
Fire Department Insurance	16,191	18,634
Gardner Fire Department capital	91,298	201,387
Nuclear Reimbursement	-	3,625
Foreign Fire Tax	-	1,798
Contractual fire protection fee	31,563	57,928
Contingencies	-	-
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protection fee	23,461_	39,888
Total expenditures disbursed	216,553	362,317
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Received		
Over (Under) Expenditures Disbursed	34,820	(101,217)
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Dwight 584-3420, church 584-3425, fax 584-1554, parsonage

Pastor: Lance Leeds Jan. 9: 8:30 a.m., Willing Workers; 3:15-5 p.m., Kids Klub; REAL Youth Group; 7-8:30 p.m., Ignite Youth Group; 7 p.m., Evan-Committee gelism Meeting: Sanctuary

Choir Rehearsal. Jan. 10: 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Midwest Mission Distribution Center: **UMW** p.m., Night-N-Gals Meet-

Jan. 11: 7-10 p.m., The Edge.

Jan. 13: 8 a.m., Early Worship Service; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 10:30 a.m., Late Worship Service; 5:30 p.m., Prayer Group; 6 p.m., 20-30 Something Prayer Group. Jan. 15: 8:30 a.m.,

Hens Bible Study; 9 a.m., Jean Voigt's Bible Studay at Heritage Woods.

Jan. 16: p.m., Kids Klub; REAL Jr. High Youth Group; 7-8:30 p.m., Ignite Sr. High Youth Group; 7 p.m., Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

(Missouri Synod) 325 E. Mazon Ave., Dwight

584-3433, church 584-1291 fax 584-1023, parsonage Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Senior Pastor Rev. Jacob Ehrhard,

Associate Pastor Jan. 9: 3:30-5:30 p.m., Weekday School; 5:30 p.m., Handbells; 6 p.m., Choir.

Jan. 12: 5 p.m., Worship with Holy Communion.

Jan. 13: 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; Installment of Parish Council Officers; Parish Council Planning Meeting.

Jan. 16: 3:30-5:30 p.m., Weekday School; 5:30 p.m., Handbells; 6 p.m., Choir.

First Baptist Church 401 N. Clinton St., Dwight

Pastor Daniel L. Woodward 815-584-3182 Jan. 9: 7 p.m., Evening Service and King's Kids Program. Jan. 13: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School for all ages; 10:45 a.m., Morning Service; 6 p.m., Evening Service. Jan. 16: 7 p.m., Evening Service and

First Congregational **United Church** of Christ

King's Kids Program.

200 W. Delaware, Dwight Phone 584-1260,

church Pastor Patricia Morton Jan. 9: 7 p.m., Women's Guild. Jan. 13: 10:15 a.m., Worship.

Jan. 16: 7 p.m., Trustees Meeting.

New Life

Assembly of God 903 S. Old Route 66,

Dwight 815-584-3430 dwightnewlife.org Facebook: newlifeindwight

Ben Marshall, Lead Pastor

St. Patrick Catholic Church

Mazon and Prairie Avenues, Dwight Rev. James Rickey, Pastor

584-3522, Rectory Jan. 12: 4-4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass. Jan. 13: 8 a.m..

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

326 W. Chippewa, Dwight www.stpeterselca.com stpetersdwight@ sbcglobal.net 815-584-1199 Office: M Closed; Tu-F, 9-noon;

Tu. and W, 2-5:30 Jan. 9: Noon. WELCA General Meeting; 5:30-7 p.m., Confirmation.

Jan. 10: 3:15-4:30 p.m., After School Program.

Jan. 11: 8-9 a.m., Exercise; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous. Jan. 13: 8:15 a.m.,

Communion Worship; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 10:15 a.m., Council Minutes Meeting; 10:30 a.m., Worship.

Office Closed; 8-9 a.m., Exercise. Jan. 15: 3:15-4:30

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Jan. 16: 9:30 a.m., Social Outreach Team Meeting; 5:30 -7 p.m., Confirmation; 6 p.m., Anna Circle.

Jan. 17: Sarah Circle at Dwight Country Club; 3:15p.m., School Program.

BRACEVILLE Braceville United

Methodist 106 W. Gould Street P.O. Box 46

Church: 815-237-8512 Pastor Andrea Boggs Jan. 11: 8 p.m., Anony-Alcoholics mous Meeting. Jan. 13: 9:30 a.m..

Worship Service. Jan. 16: Programs School

Resume - 3-4:30 p.m., JAM Junction (grades K-4th) and The EDGE (grades 5th and 6th); 6-8 p.m., STATIC Youth Group (grades 7-12th).

GARDNER Church of Hope Presbyterian Church (USA)

202 N. Monroe Street. Janet Chandler, Pastor Office hours: M-TH, 8:30 a.m. - noon 237-8312

gardnerchurch ofhope.org Jan. 9: 8:30 a.m., Pastor's Prayer and Lectionary Group. Jan. 10: 10 a.m..

Kerygma Class. Jan. 13: 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10:15 a.m., Worship Service.

Jan. 16: 8:30 a.m., Pastor's Prayer and Lectionary Group.

January is National Radon Action Month

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has designated January, 2013 as National Radon Action Month. The purpose of the designation is to remind everyone of the serious danger that radon gas poses to us in our homes. According to Terry Eimen, Director of Environmental Health for the Ford-Iroquois Public Health Department, it is estimated that radon causes about 20,000 deaths from lung cancer annually in the United States. The U.S. Surgeon General warns that radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer after cigarette smoking and the number one cause of lung cancer in non-smokers.

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gas that is released in rock, soil, and water from the natural decay of uranium. "One of the problems with radon is that it is colorless, odorless, and tasteless," said Eimen, "The only way to tell if you have radon gas in your home is to test for it with a test kit," he said. Eimen said it is imperative for the public to know that even new homes should be tested and that free test Eimen describes radon kits are available, while

health department offices in Paxton and Watseka.

"It is not a difficult test to conduct," Eimen stated. "Basically, you have to open the test kit, put in the filter and hang it in the lowest level of your living space for about three days and then you just pull out the filter, seal it up and mail it in. Even the postage is paid. Results to the test will be sent to the user either by mail, e-mail or both," he said.

For more information regarding radon, individuals may call the health department or visit the US EPA's website to promote National Radon Action Month: www.epa.gov/ radon/nram/index.html or the Illinois Department of Public Health's website at: www.idph.gov.





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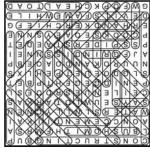
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Known as Big Kahuna DJ, Jerry Beier has been involved with countless town events. Beier is in need of a kidney transplant from a live donor with B+ or O+ blood type.

An account has been established in Jerry and Cathy Beier's names at the Dwight branch of the Bank of Pontiac to help offset the cost of dialysis, medications, doctor bills and other expenses. The Beiers are parents of three children, Eden, 9, Iris, 7, and Oren, 2.

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Victim Suffers Multiple Wounds in Dwight Shooting

A shooting took place at 107 John Street in Dwight about 1:58 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29. The victim of the shooting, Jason Vanamburgh, 34, of Dwight, was shot three times, once in the right hand, and once in each leg.

Upon their arrival, Dwight police took into custody Peter Guinn, 29, of Dwight.

Vanamburgh was transported by Dwight EMS to Morris Hospital, and was then transferred to a Peoria hospital.

His condition was reported as non-life-threatening.

Guinn was charged with possession of a firearm by a felon; possession of a

firearm without a valid FOID card; and resisting arrest.

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