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Cullom Forms Historical Society

by Bridget De Waard

Late this year, a group of women came together and created the Cullom Historical Society in the hopes of preserving pieces of the town's past for those in the future.

Cullom, a town of about 600, was named after Shelby Moore Cullom, a political figure from the late 1800s who served as a U.S. representative and also as a U.S. Senator. The town was incorporated October 17, 1901.

Currently, the officers of the society are Sandy Gunther and Diane Shapland (Co-Presidents), Erran Melton (Vice President), Judy Ehlers (Secretary) and Nancy Flessner (Treasurer).

"Erran Melton and I were preparing information for the HEC cemetery walk," Gunther said, "and the more information we found and the more involved we became, the creation of a Historical Society seemed to be a good idea."

Key to the society's formation were Erran Melton, Diane Shapland and Sandy Gunther, who held their first meeting about two months ago. "Our first few meetings were just to get organized," Gunther commented. "But since then, we have seen more and more people take an interest; at our last meeting, the attendance had almost doubled."

The first project the society has decided to undertake involves taking pictures of each house in Cullom, in addition to finding out the more intricate details of the homes. This includes recording when they were built, the contractor who built them, and all of the families that

have owned or lived in the house, as well as the current resident. They plan to continue working on this project as more meetings are held.

So far they have found plenty of interesting pictures, including ones of the first family members who built homes in the area.

"People have also brought in pictures of important people who helped form the town, and even ones depicting the streets as they were in the 1800's."

The society does not have a permanent place as of yet to display the items they have collected, but are currently using the Cullom Library to store the pictures and file any information obtained. Meetings are held every last Monday of the month at the Cullom Community Building at 6:30 p.m., though their next meeting will not be until January.

They are asking anyone who has anything they would like to share – house photos, house abstracts, old pictures, new articles – to either contact Erran Melton and Sandy Gunther, or go to the Cullom Beckman Memorial Library on the first Wednesday of each month from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. They will make copies of whatever is brought in and then return the item immediately.

"We just thought that preserving our history was important," Gunther said, "Especially for future generations."

Anyone wanting more information about the society, or wishing to check out some of the old photos the society has collected, can visit www.cullomillinois.com.



ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, families and citizens gathered around the gazebo in downtown Gardner to celebrate the arrival of the Christmas season with the annual tree lighting, organized by Ida Schopp. Don Philips and Pastor Janet Chandler from the Church of Hope led the program, and Santa, of course, made an appearance. The Gardner Junior High School Band and the Grade School Chorus provided musical entertainment for the night.

At left, two children look on in awe as the tree is lit. Above, Sharon Sovey hangs the first ornament on the tree.

Village of Dwight Tax Levy Unchanged for Sixth Year

New Public Works Employee Hired

by Madelyn Fogarty
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For the sixth consecutive year, the Dwight Village Board of Trustees has voted to not raise the Village's portion of the tax levy. At its November 24 session, the Board approved its Tax Levy Ordinance with \$632,000 as the amount of revenue to be collected from taxable property within corporate limits of the Village subject to taxation for the Year 2014.

The current Tax Levy Ordinance reflects total receipts and cash other than the tax levy at \$8,783,507.00 with total expenses of \$9,415,507.00 for a levy amount difference of \$632,000. The Livingston County portion of the EAV fell by approximately \$5.4 million over last year while the Grundy County portion showed a small increase with the total combined EAV at \$62,946,754.00.

In other business, the board approved the hiring of a new Public Works employee. Joe Fritsch was hired as a General Maintenance II worker beginning at Step A with a starting salary of \$34,621.00. Fritsch has an Associate Degree from Joliet Junior College in Automotive Service and has been employed part-time by Dwight Public Works since May of this year. Joe Fritsch will take the place of Don Matzen who retired this year. The Village is also planning to hire a Public Works Director to fill the position currently opened by the retirement of Dave Bozarth.

In reports to the board, Village Administrator Kevin McNamara reported that the Village's application to IDOT for the 2014 Funding Cycle of the Illinois Safe Routes to School program was denied. The Village had requested funding to add 3,000 lineal feet of five foot wide sidewalk along

Philmar Street, Chicago Street and Wilmac Street, where there currently is no sidewalk on either side, along with ADA compliant sidewalk ramps at each intersection. IDOT's response indicated that 171 project applications totaling \$23.6 million were received for the competitive grant money; only 58 projects received funding totaling \$5.98 million.

A recent electronics recycling event could be the last opportunity Dwight residents had to easily dispose of old televisions. McNamara announced that landfills are now refusing to take televisions. Future recycling events may access a fee for discarded televisions or may not take them at all. With this change, residents are asked to be aware that the Village of Dwight will no longer pick up discarded televisions placed by the curb.

Chief of Police Tim Henson reported no new developments in the Centree Bank robbery which took place on November 20. The suspected male subject left on foot with an undisclosed amount of money which Henson described as a "substantial amount of cash." The K-9 unit tracked the subject to the alley area behind Palms Apartments where the trail suddenly ended. Henson also discounted rumors that a robbery occurred in Saunemin on the same day. According to Henson, those were false rumors, and nothing occurred in Saunemin.

Also in the Police report, Chief Henson extended congratulations and noted that part-time police officers, Chad Brown and Graham Haley, have completed the State certification exam

and their police academy training which began last March. The officers will graduate on December 4 in Springfield.

Chief Henson also informed the board that the Dwight Police have joined forces with DTHS to crack down on a growing drug problem which includes the use of prescription pills, particularly Xanax. A Steering Committee has been formed to try and get out an "education blitz" on the dangers and get a handle on the situation which Henson says is responsible for many of the recent problems including assaults, home and vehicle burglaries.

Mayor Jared Anderson reported on recent visitors from China that spent time with Village officials and touring Dwight. The Chinese delegates are in Chicago to learn about our government system and get an understanding of the different layers of governing bodies. Anderson called the visit a "great experience."

- In other business, the board:
- approved a General Obligation Waterworks Refunding Bond Abatement Ordinance.
 - approved a General Obligation Public Service Complex Refunding and Abatement Ordinance.
 - referred a First Baptist Church Special Use request for the construction of a 105 foot radio tower and a small building for housing the transmitter to the Plan Commission.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board of Trustees will be Monday, December 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the Public Services Complex.



CHILDREN ARE pictured above playing marbles south of the Cullom depot near a sidewalk intersection with the railroad tracks, at the southwest corner of the park. Below, Cullom's North side of the street is pictured in the horse and buggy era.



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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

November 20: Deborah A. Payne, Kankakee, speeding (radar), 75/55; Wilburn J. Tyree, Dwight, in-state warrant.

November 22: Robert J. Zabinski, Dwight, domestic battery.

November 23: Teresa L. Hakey-Parmely, Dwight, speeding (radar) 46/30; Sofia A. Reed, Normal, speeding (radar) 50/30; Jeremy K. Wood, Dwight, operate uninsured motor vehicle.

November 24: James C. Larsen, Dwight, failure to yield - turning left; Andie L. Henerson, Park Forest, speeding (radar) 43/30; William T. Ader, Kankakee, speeding (radar), 73/55; Jeremy J. Sancken, Dwight, speeding (radar), 71/55.

November 25: Victoria L. Worsfold, Galesburg, speeding (radar), 73/55; Bilal Colone, Bloomington,

speeding (radar) 54/30; Roy B. Hurtado, Onarga, in-state warrant.

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

23 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police

Speeding (radar), 4; traffic sign violation, 2; driver's license not on person, 1; expired registration sticker, 2; no rear registration plate light, 4; improper lighting - one headlamp, 3; muffler violations, 2; fail to notify SOS of change/address, 2; improper overtaking - on right, 1; improper passing on shoulder, 1; no valid registration, 1.

Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

November 21: 1800 E. Rd, 10:22 a.m., medical, Morris.

November 22: Mazon, 1:56 a.m., trauma, MCH; Gardner Rd., 3:46 a.m., trauma, no patient; Mazon, 8:22 a.m., medical, Morris; Prairie, 10:12 a.m., trauma, no transport; Mazon Ave., 3:53 p.m., medical, Pontiac; Bannon Dr., 8:40 p.m., medical, Morris.

November 23: John St., 10:12 a.m., medical, refusal; Mazon, 11:30 a.m., medical, Morris; Prairie, 5:22 p.m., medical, Morris; Mazon, 10:12 p.m., trauma, Riverside.

November 24: Main, 1:43 a.m., medical, Morris, mutual aid to Mazon; John, 8:48 a.m., trauma, no transport; Chippewa, 9:27 a.m., medical, OSF; Bannon, 2:24 p.m., medical, OSF; Mazon, 8:03 p.m., medical, RMC.

November 25: Mazon, 12:55 a.m., trauma, refusal; Wilmac, trauma, no transport.

Accidents Investigated

by Dwight Police

Thursday, November 20, 2014, 9:22 a.m., 100 block of West Chippewa, Dwight - Officer Michael Nolan: James C. Larsen of Dwight, driving a gray/red 1992 Nissan pick-up, collided with Susan M. Holtz-Furlano, driving a red Nissan Juke.

Tuesday, November 25, 2014, 7:06 a.m., 12 W. Northbrook Drive, Dwight - Officer Michael Nolan: Bernita Jones of Lithonia, GA, driving a Volvo 703 Tractor, collided with a Crete Carrier Corp. unattended parked International Tractor, unit #36411.

2:23 p.m., West Northbrook Drive / Union St. (Rt. 47), Dwight - Officer Michael Nolan: Mary L. Reed of Jonesbury, MO, driving a Peterbilt TT, collided with a Darwin L. Chatman of Benton, MO, driving a 2013 Volvo Tractor.



AS OF LAST WEEK, all of the female Ginkgo trees have been removed from Dwight's downtown area. Female Ginkgo trees produce slightly smelly berries because the seed coat contains butyric acid which is released when the fruit rots.

Electric Car Charging Stations Along Route 66

Governor Pat Quinn has announced a \$1 million investment to establish a network of charging stations for electric vehicles along Route 66 in Illinois.

The Illinois Route 66 Electric Corridor will involve the construction of one or more charging stations in Plainfield, Dwight, Pontiac, Normal, Lincoln, Springfield, Carlinville and Edwardsville, according to a statement from Quinn's office.

The stations will allow electric vehicle drivers to travel between St. Louis, Missouri, and Chicago,

according to the statement. They will also be easily accessible from historic Route 66, allowing drivers to retrace the original path.

"We are building a 21st century infrastructure across Illinois and we need to make sure that it is sustainable for future generations," Quinn said.

Each of the stations will include one fast charging station that could charge a vehicle in 15-20 minutes, the governor's office said. Installation will begin this month and is expected to be complete by the summer of 2015.

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Senator Barickman Addresses Education Funding

As the Illinois General Assembly returns to the State Capitol, the issue of education funding remains a hot topic. A massive rewrite of the state's current school aid formula pending in the House of Representatives - Senate Bill 16 -- has generated a great deal of interest and controversy.

School districts across the state are energizing to oppose the legislation in its current form, while other districts hope and pray it becomes a reality.

As the legislature continues its discussions - some of which have been partisan, closed doors meetings -- no one can tell us what will be done this year or in 2015. But we all know what should be done: Illinois needs to revise its antiquated school aid formula to better reflect the needs of our diverse state.

The so-called "Mangan Report", presented to Illinois Vision 20/20, stated that "Illinois ranks second to last in the nation for state share of public school budget revenue; as a result, significant discrepancies across the state's nearly 900 school districts exist in terms of teacher quality, building infrastructure, and educational materials, such as technology."

As a member of the Education Funding Advisory Committee, I have been honored to participate in discussions on improving the formula for our schools and our taxpayers.

Currently, Illinois sets a Foundation Level by law to guarantee a minimum funding amount per student that should be available to all schools and equalize state dollars based on a district's

ability to pay. Unfortunately, political leaders have made fully funding the Foundation Level a low priority, instead "pro-rating" (cutting) it year-after-year.

An easy first step to correcting the funding inadequacies is to require 100% funding of the Foundation Level. I'm the co-sponsor of Senate Bill 3664 which does just that. Unfortunately, the proposal has been blocked in the legislature.

In the long term, the education community and taxpayers should demand a more strategic approach that links best practices and evidence-based approaches to education funding mechanisms. Instead of just shifting money around to create winners and losers, Illinois should consider the educational environment which optimizes student learning, and create a funding model that encourages those behaviors in our classrooms and schools. It's a "begin with the end in mind" approach to education funding policy.

For example, the Mangan Report found that class sizes of fifteen or fewer students in grades kindergarten through three are effective in increasing student achievement. If true for Illinois' students, wouldn't we want to consider a funding mechanism that encourages this staffing behavior in our schools? Other elements of this model would include research and best practice on technology, professional development, specialist teachers, additional teachers to provide for increased teacher collaboration time, school administration and central office staffing.

I feel that the ball is moving forward on a solution to

fix the education funding inequity problems in Illinois, albeit much too slowly. We need to make sure that school districts receive the financial support they need so all students have opportunities to achieve at high levels. We need to ensure that a quality education isn't determined by a student's zip code. And we need to restore taxpayer's confi-

dence that they aren't being asked to contribute more money to a funding model that isn't working effectively or efficiently.

With leadership and bipartisan cooperation I believe we can solve the problem that is a detriment to the social and economic health of Illinois.

-Senator Jason Barickman

Dec. Smart Choice Foods Order and Distribution Dates

The December order date for Smart Choice Foods is Friday, December 5, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at New Life Assembly of God, 903 S. Old Rt. 66, Dwight.

The distribution day is Saturday, December 20, from 11:00-11:30 a.m.

All orders must be paid for when order is placed, and all orders must be received by December 5.

Contact Lin Thrasher for more information at 815-830-3712. You can also visit www.smartchoicefood.com. There is a 3% fee for online orders.

Christmas Bazaar Planned For December 6

Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Dwight will be hosting a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 6, from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m.

In addition to vendor crafts, a children's "Make and Take" Christmas project will be available.

Homemade cookies and candies will be sold per

pound. These treats will include Turtles, Divinity and Fudge as well as many other Holiday choices. A light breakfast consisting of Breakfast Casserole, fruit, coffee and wassail will be served for a small fee.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church is located on the corner of Rt. 17 and Rt. 47.

Festival of Trees

Dwight Pioneer Gothic Church

on the corner of Franklin and Seminole Streets

Saturday, December 6 • 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Celebrate the season by supporting a charity.

Enjoy the holiday trees and decorations and buy a \$1 raffle ticket or place a bid on a silent auction item.

Treat yourself, family and friends to some Christmas Cookies!

Enjoy the sounds of the Season....

10:30 - Ladies of Faith Chorus
11 - Sandy Erikson on the piano
11:30 - The Schrock Family of Pontiac on Violins and Piano
1 p.m. - Members of School Chorus
3 - Nathan Joehrt on the keyboard

Sunday, December 7 • Noon - 4 p.m.

Enjoy the holiday trees and decorations and buy a \$1 raffle ticket or place a bid on a silent auction item.

Treat yourself, family and friends to some Christmas Cookies!

Smile... have your photo taken with

Santa and Mrs. Claus 1 - 3 p.m.
\$3 for one photo in a Christmas card frame
\$5 for two photos, each in a frame.

The Dwight Woman's Club sponsors The Festival of Trees to benefit charities & non-profit organizations.



Dwight Fire Protection District October Incident Reports

November 1: Northbrook Drive, smoke in the building.

November 2: Mutual aid to Odell, structure fire, canceled while enroute.

November 3: Mutual aid to Gardner, field fire.

November 6: Mutual aid to Allen Township (Ransom), field fire

November 7: Karen Drive, medical assist.

November 8: E. Mazon Ave., medical assist.

November 9: I-55 Northbound, motor vehicle accident with injuries; Scott Drive, medical assist.

November 11: W. William, carbon monoxide detector activation, faulty detector.

November 12: mutual aid to Coal City, structure fire.

November 14: Mutual aid to Coal City, station coverage; mutual aid to Morris, structure fire.

November 15: Mutual aid to Limestone, station coverage.

November 17: I-55 Northbound, motor vehicle accident with no injuries.

November 23: Mutual aid

to Gardner, motor vehicle accident with injuries and extrication.

November 24: Mutual aid to Mazon, electrical wires arcing.

November 28: Bannon Drive, medical assist; E. Waupansie, medical assist.

November 29: E. Seminole, smell of electrical burning.

In addition to the 19 emergency incidents, the members of the Dwight Fire Protection District participated in 532 hours of combined training for the month of November.

The Dwight Fire Protection District is currently accepting applications for Fire Fighters. Any interested individuals can apply online at www.dwightfire.org or stop by the fire station on Monday evenings to pick up an application. Also Captain Andrew Kelson would like to remind any residents of Dwight who would like to take advantage of the FREE smoke detector program to please fill out the form on the website.

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Chatsworth Corner

by Mare Reardanz

Tonight's the night (Wednesday, December 3) for the Chatsworth Historical Society sponsored Christmas party. All year long the children of Chatsworth await the arrival of Santa to their town.

This year Santa will be arriving by horse drawn carriage provided by Randy Clapp and the Chatsworth Fire Department. He is expected to arrive about 6 p.m. and stay until 7 p.m. due to his busy schedule of seeing as many children as possible in the next month. He will be welcomed to the town's TP&W Caboose for an hour of listening to Christmas wishes and handing out gifts.

Outside, the Citizens Advisory Board will be sup-

plying hot dogs, cookies and hot chocolate near a bonfire maintained by the Mayor, Richard Runyon. The local businesses in Chatsworth generously contributed funds and goods to make this event one of the best. Christmas music will be played throughout the town courtesy of Dutch and Connie Dohman.

Last year, Chatsworth was pleased to see over 100 children of all ages enjoying Santa's visit. It is such a blessing when multiple agencies and organizations come together for the good of the town. Children are our hope for the future and every positive experience we can offer builds happy childhood memories.



Santa arrives in Chatsworth with the help of Driver Randy Clapp; Below, Mayor Richard Runyon tends to the bonfire.



Dwight Community Chest Campaign Kicks Off

The 2014 Dwight Community Chest campaign has begun. The Dwight Community Chest was established over forty years ago to improve the lives of people in Dwight.

The goal this year is \$45,000. Employees of RR Donnelley have already conducted another successful campaign and are a big part in helping the Community Chest attain its goal.

Contributions to the Dwight Community Chest help more than one person. This year the Dwight

Community Chest is supporting 15 local not-for-profit agencies that provide vital programs and services to our residents. The agencies help to provide basic human needs, health services, crisis intervention, transportation and youth programs.

It is through the generosity of the people of Dwight and its business community that this is possible. Solicitors will not be calling at your door but tax-deductible donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 132, Dwight, Illinois 60420.

Santa To Visit Cullom Beckman Memorial Library

Santa is coming to Cullom Memorial Library, Saturday, December 13, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Kids of all ages are welcome to come visit him.

During that time, the library will also wrap any gifts that are brought in as a way to give back and thank everyone for supporting the library.

Dwight Christmas Parade

Dwight's Christmas Parade will be held Friday, December 5 at 6 p.m. Bands, floats, children's characters and local entries will lead Santa downtown.

After the parade Santa will greet children in his new

house at 117 West Main Street, near the Depot. Carriage rides and visits with the children's characters will also take place at Santa's house.

Call 584-1830 with any questions.

Dwight Breakfast With Santa

Breakfast with Santa will be held Saturday, December 6, at St. Patrick's Parish Hall beginning at 9 a.m.

The Knights of Columbus and St. Patrick's Youth will serve a pancake and sausage breakfast. The morning will include games and face painting. Children may also

write a letter to Santa and visit with costumed characters.

This event is sponsored by the Dwight Economic Alliance. Call 815-584-1830 with any questions about the breakfast as well as ticket availability.

The Paper CALENDAR

Breakfast with Santa in Cullom December 6

GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom will have Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 6, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Cullom Community Building.

Pictures will be taken with Santa, along with the serving of breakfast. Vendors will be present, in addition to fire truck rides and more.

Christmas Under The Windmill

Planned for December 7, Methodist Church Band, Christmas Under the Windmill will take place at the Country Mansion, Dwight, with doors opening at 6 p.m. and dinner starting at 7 p.m.

Some of the performers include The Way Down Wanderers, Mike McConnell, Terry & Jonelle Carter, Mary Pfeifer & Tommy Edwards, Luke & Sarah Windham, Lindsey Jensen, Matt Crocker & The

Methodist Church Band, Bruce Richardson, Menagerie Barbershop Quartet, Mike Guerrero, Mitch Edwards, and the 2014 Jr. Karaoke Champion Delaney Haase.

Advance tickets are on sale at Emling Florist and Country Mansion, with dinner included in the ticket price. Seating is limited, so purchase tickets early. For more information, call 815-343-7303

TB Board, Board of Health to Meet Dec. 8

The Tuberculosis Board and Board of Health for the Livingston County Public Health Department is scheduled to meet Monday, December 8, in the Conference Room of the

Health and Education Building in Pontiac.

New meeting times are as follows: The Tuberculosis Board meeting is at 5:45 p.m. and the Board of Health meeting is at 6 p.m.

Christmas For Kids Drop-off And Delivery

All Christmas for Kids shoppers need to drop off wrapped gifts at the Dwight United Methodist Church on Thursday, December 11, between 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

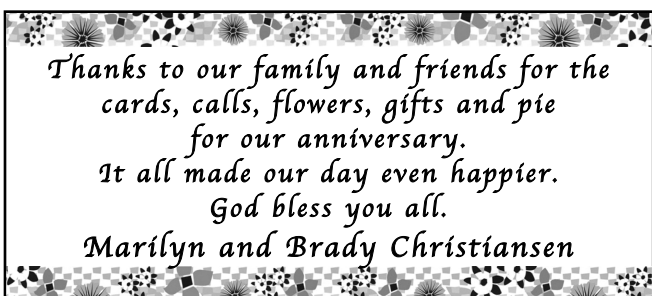
If you wish to help deliver the gifts, be at the church Saturday morning, December 13, by 9 a.m.

If you have any questions, call 815-584-2179.

December Events at Prairie Creek Library

There are many exciting events to check out at the Prairie Creek Public Library, Dwight, throughout December. These include:

- December 8: Yarns & Tales: Crochet and knit club*, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
 - December 11: Crafts with Miss Rosie (first through fourth grade), 4 p.m. Sign-up is required; a small fee is required to participate.
 - December 12: Classic Christmas Movie, 10:30 a.m. Donuts and coffee provided.
 - December 15: Rose Productions of Chicago present a live production of "A Christmas Carol," at 6 p.m.
 - December 16: Violin Concert with Colleen Lawrence at 6:30 p.m.
 - December 17: Mrs. Santa reads during Toddler Time, 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Toddler Time is for ages one through four.
 - December 18: Christmas Movie, 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- *Clubs are open to everyone 18 and older.
- Prairie Creek Public Library is located at 501 Carriage House Lane, Dwight, and can be reached at 815-584-3061.



DURING THE GARDNER TREE LIGHTING, Sunday, November 30, Gardner Grade School Band and Chorus serenaded the crowd with Santa looking on in the first part of the program. Throughout the evening, the lovely ladies in the bottom photo provided snacks, warm hot cocoa and hot apple cider for everyone to enjoy.



Dwight Fire Protection District Blood Drive

The Dwight Fire Protection District will be hosting a Blood Drive through the American Red Cross Wednesday, January 7, from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Dwight Fire station, located at 111 South Prairie Avenue.

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Omicron Meeting Held November 18

Hitch Your Wagon to a Star was the theme created by the Special Events Committee under the leadership of Patricia Hopkins for the Omicron November 18 meeting held at the Morris Country Club.

Omicron committees presented committee reports to Lambda State Visitor Carolyn Embody, member of Gamma Theta and Lambda State Rules Chair. The tables were decorated by Special Events committee member Teresa Cameron. Door prizes were provided by the committee and members had fun singing a special rendition of "My Favorite Things" created by Patty Hopkins.

Carolyn's response to Omicron Chapter's overall programs was very gratifying. Using the Lambda State theme, "Members-Shining Stars Build our Future" and Omicron theme, "Teachers shine," Carolyn indicated that Omicron

shines brightly and has so much to be proud of in its 74 members. With five members on Lambda State committees, its financial soundness, outstanding website, grants to students both high school and college, contributions to schools, teachers, foundation concerns, food pantries, interesting programs and its presence in the surrounding communities as teachers and as Delta Kappa Gamma members, Omicron is one great organization.

Carolyn closed her remarks with some suggestions to make Omicron Chapter even stronger and some possible fundraisers.

The business meeting followed with First Vice President and Principal of MVK Elementary School, Debra Paulsen, standing in for Omicron President Jane Charbonneau, who was involved in parent teacher conferences in Peru. Rutland

School was very thankful for all the school supplies gathered by members and distributed after the September meeting.

A thank you was also received from the Church of Hope in Gardner for Omicron's donation to the food pantry held there. Members were encouraged to find candidates for our grants available to girls entering education and a junior in education at college.

A second drawing was held to award a teacher \$200 for use in the classroom. Winners for this year are Amy Jones, Fifth grade MVK, Sharon Sovey, Fourth Grade Gardner, and Beth Gealov, Head of the Math Department, Ottawa High School. Members enjoyed "Fun Math Games" presented by member Stephanie Benson in September. Stephanie is employed by the Grundy County Special Education Cooperative.

October meeting saw the induction of two outstanding women educators Christine Dougherty, Assistant Regional Superintendent of Schools for LaSalle County, and Jacqueline Sapienza, retired K-1 National Board Certified teacher and current president of LaSalle County Retired Teachers Association. Both spoke at the meeting as a part of the program.

The next meeting will be held on February 17 at St. Patrick's Parish Center in Seneca. After a quick business meeting, members will enjoy a game night with the opportunity for getting to know members better.



Girl Scouts to Sing Carols in Gardner Dec. 6

Gardner Girl Scout Troop 70304 will be singing Christmas carols and lighting the Christmas tree in front of the Old Jail in Gardner at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 6. The public is invited to attend.

Afterwards, the Girl Scouts will be serving hot chocolate and cookies at the Gardner Village Hall.

KVSO Holiday Concert

The Kankakee Valley Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Concert is set for Sunday, December 14, at 4 p.m.

This year's concert is titled, "50 Years Since the Beatles Invaded...The Great American West (Chicago) - August 11, 1966," and will take place at the Hawkins Centennial Chapel at Olivet Nazarene University.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at www.kvso.org.

BUMC Community Christmas Supper & Program

On Sunday, December 14 at 5 p.m., the Braceville United Methodist Church would like to invite everyone in the community to this year's Community Christmas Supper.

It will be held at the Godley Park District Gym, 500 S. Kankakee St., Godley. A special program is being offered by the children's youth ministries of

the church.

The main meat dishes will be provided, but they ask everyone to please take a side dish to pass. Drinks, dessert, decorations and tableware will be provided by the Nurture Outreach & Witness committee. Please contact the church at 815-237-8512 prior to December 8 to reserve seats.



Emington United Church of Christ Christmas Celebration

On Saturday, December 13, come and meet Santa at the Emington United Church of Christ in the Church basement from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Have pictures taken with Santa, create some Christmas Crafts, and enjoy cookies and juice.

Provided by the Emington Community Association.

Shopko Hometown Foundation Launches 'Help Us Give Back' in Support of Local School Districts

2,000 signatures worth \$2,000 for Dwight Schools

This holiday season, as shoppers seek the ideal gift for their loved ones, Shopko Hometown Foundation is giving back to the Hometown communities it is privileged to serve. For every signature Shopko Hometown in Dwight receives between November 30 and December 24 the Shopko Hometown Foundation will make a \$1 donation to Dwight Township School District (up to \$2,000 per store) as part of its Help Us Give Back initiative, a program that is being run in all 178 store locations across the country. Customers can sign-up once a day, every-day and show their support; no donation or purchase is required.

"At Shopko Hometown, we understand that schools are the center of our community, so it is crucial that they receive assistance to maintain the standard of excellence our community members have come to expect," said Connie Buberle, Shopko Hometown store manager.

"The Help Us Give Back campaign is an easy and free way for local residents to raise money for their schools. Given our community's strong commitment to its children, I fully expect we will quickly reach 2,000 signatures in our store well before the December 24th

deadline."

The Shopko Hometown Foundation is proud of Shopko's roots as a retail health and optical care provider. To maximize its impact, the Foundation has a narrow focus on areas of giving that support the health of Shopko customers, teammates and communities. Recognizing that education is fundamental to an individual's health and functionality in society, the Foundation has developed the Help Us Give Back program to provide critical support to schools across the country, while raising awareness to the budgetary challenges many districts face.

To achieve its vision, the Shopko Hometown Foundation believes in supporting community projects, with funds raised supporting established non-profit organizations with a proven record of success in maintaining solid, vital programs or innovative new organizations and programs supported by established non-profits or successful leadership. During last year's program, the Shopko Hometown Foundation donated more than \$300,000 to school districts across America. This year, if all 178 stores reach the 2,000 signature goal, the Shopko Hometown Foundation will have donated more than \$350,000.

KCC Foundation to Award Alumni

The KCC Foundation is gathering nominations for its annual alumni award.

The John M. Fulton Distinguished Alumnus award recognizes graduates who overcame life's obstacles, show a continuing interest in education and lifelong learning, and demonstrate outstanding success and distinction in their chosen fields.

In addition, recipients of the award must also demonstrate humanitarian service that has proven to be beneficial to society, and completion of a recognized program of instruction at an Illinois public community college.

"Our institution, in many ways, is defined by its graduates," said Aindrea Hogan, coordinator of Scholarships and Annual Giving. "There are more than 12,000 area residents who hold degrees from KCC, and they are certainly making an impact. We want to acknowledge those

alumni who consistently make a difference and who are positive role models for current students and for the community-at-large."

"Many of our graduates have gone on to accomplish personal and professional triumphs, and we would like to recognize them for that," said Kelly Myers, executive director of the KCC Foundation. "Their success reflects upon the community. We would like to recognize those achievements."

Recipients will be the special guests of the KCC Foundation at its annual Century Scholars dinner and will be recognized during the KCC Commencement Ceremony in May. Deadline for nominations is Jan. 1 for consideration for the 2015 awards.

To nominate someone, complete the online nomination form Distinguished Alumnus Nomination Form at www.kcc.edu/foundation



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As 2014 draws to a close, you may want to look back on the progress you've made this past year in various areas of your life — and that certainly includes progress toward your financial goals. At the same time, you may want to make some end-of-year moves that can close out 2014 on a positive note while paving the way for a productive 2015.

Here are a few such moves to consider:

Boost your retirement plan contributions. This actually isn't an "end-of-year" move because you have until April 15, 2015, to contribute to your Roth or Traditional IRA for the 2014 tax year. Nonetheless, the sooner you get extra dollars working for you in your IRA, the better. You can put in up to \$5,500 to your IRA (or \$6,500 if you're 50 or older) for 2014. If you are self-employed, or run a small business, you also have until April 15 to contribute to a retirement account, such as a SEP IRA or a SIMPLE plan. In addition to helping you build resources for retirement, these types of plans can offer you some tax advantages — so if you haven't established a retirement plan yet, consult with your financial and tax professionals.

Sell your "losers." If you own investments that have lost value since you purchased them, you can sell them before 2014 ends and use the tax loss to offset some capital gains you may have earned in other investments. If you don't have any capital gains, you can use up to \$3,000 of your tax losses to offset other ordinary income. And for a loss greater than \$3,000, you can "carry over" the excess and deduct it from your taxes in future years. If you still liked the investment that you sold at a loss, and you want to keep it in your portfolio, you could repurchase it, but you'll have to wait 31 days to avoid violating the IRS' "wash sale" rules. Keep in mind that these suggestions only apply to investments held outside your employer-sponsored retirement account; you can't take a tax deduction on capital losses in a 401(k) or similar plan.

Evaluate your 401(k) investment mix. You may be able to adjust the investment mix in your 401(k) as often as you like. So when evaluating your 401(k), make sure your holdings aren't concentrated in just a few investments, and try to determine if your portfolio is still appropriate for your risk tolerance — not too aggressive or too conservative. Also, if your plan offers a "Roth" option, consider taking advantage of it — with a Roth, you won't be able to deduct your 401(k) contributions from your taxes, but once you retire, you won't be taxed on your withdrawals.

Review your insurance coverage. If you've experienced any changes in your life in 2014 — new spouse, new child, divorce, new job, etc. — you may need to review your life insurance coverage to make sure that it's still sufficient for your needs and that you have the correct beneficiaries in place.

By making these and other moves, you can say a fond farewell to 2014, knowing that you've done what you could to help bolster your financial position — for 2015 and beyond.

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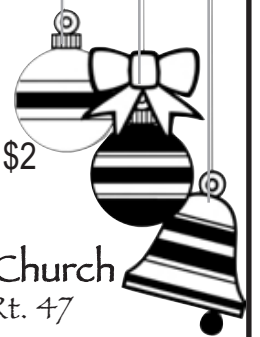
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OBITUARIES

Robert Luchene

GARDNER – Robert Luchene, 57, of Gardner and formerly of Braidwood, passed away Thursday, November 27, 2014 at his home surrounded by his family.



Robert was born March 12, 1957 in Chicago. He was a member of the Pipefitters Local #597 in Chicago for the past 38 years. He enjoyed cooking and spending time with his family.

Surviving are his wife, Debra Bullock Luchene, who he married October 17, 1992 in Joliet; two daughters, Heidi (Dan) Bobzin of Braidwood and Irene Fotopoulos of Gardner; one son, Johnny (Christie) Bullock of Plainfield; three grandchildren: Tyler, Aubree and Payton.

Also surviving are his father, Clifford (Kathy) Luchene; brother, Clifford (Roxanne) Luchene

of Posen; sisters: Kellie (Chuck) Herrman of Oak Forest; Suzann (John) Mallory of Manteno; and Carrie (Joe) Hines of Bradley; brother-in-law, Gerry Wroblewski of St. Anne; his cherished dog, Palmer, and cat, Toby; and nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his mother, Nancy Walters Luchene; and sister, Denise Wroblewski.

Visitation was at the R. W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel, Tuesday, December 2, from 4 until 8 p.m. Cremation rites were accorded following visitation.

Inurnment: private.

Memorial gifts in his name may be directed to the Pancreatic Cancer Foundation.

To visit his on-line guestbook, log onto: www.rwpattersonfuneralhome.com

Stephen R. Wilkey

DWIGHT – Stephen R. Wilkey, 64, of Dwight passed away Wednesday, November 26, 2014 at home, surrounded by his family, after a courageous battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis.



Steve was born November 16, 1950 in Fairbury, son of Ray and Wilma Wilkey. He married Patricia Maurer February 17, 1979 in St. Rose Church, Strawn.

He is survived by his loving wife; daughters, Whitney (Brian) Scott of Dwight and Katie (John) Martin of Bloomington; five grandchildren: Aiden, Kallen, Westen, Grace and Parker; and his sister, Carolyn (Randy) Henderson of Bloomington.

Other survivors include his mother- and father-in-law; many special brothers- and sisters-in-law; nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents and sev-

eral special aunts and uncles.

Steve worked at the First National Bank of Dwight for 30 years, proudly serving as bank president for almost 17 years. He was involved in many community organizations.

His greatest joy was his family, especially the time he spent with his grandchildren. He was an amazing husband, Dad, and Papa. He will be always loved and forever missed.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A memorial service, Saturday, November 29, followed the 2 - 5 p.m. visitation at the First National Bank of Dwight.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made in honor of Steve Wilkey to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation.

Condolences may be left at www.HagerMemorial.com

Mary Ellen Williams

DWIGHT – Mary Ellen Williams, 94, of Dwight and formerly of Plainfield, passed away Sunday, November 30, 2014 at Heritage Health in Dwight.



A Mass of Christian Burial will be officiated by Rev. John Hornicak today, Wednesday, December 3, at 2 p.m. in St. Lawrence Catholic Church, South Wilmington, with visitation one hour preceding the Mass.

Interment: Mount Olivet Cemetery, Wilmington.

Mary Ellen was born February 8, 1920 in Gardner, daughter of Peter and Antonia Bazzarone Truffa. She was a former member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Plainfield, where she served as a Eucharistic minister.

She was a member of the Plainfield Historical Society and Pilot's International. She enjoyed real estate and was a realtor for several years.

In her earlier years, she took great joy in farming and raising her children with her first

husband, Anton Passini. When he passed, she married Bill Williams and enjoyed traveling and vacationing.

Surviving are one son, Peter (Cathy) Passini of Homer Glen; two daughters: Linda (Jim) McDonald of West Chester, PN and Carole (Russ) Mathison of Reddick; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and two special nieces, Lynne (Tim) Coughlin of Tinley Park and Reenie Talkington of Peotone.

Preceding her in death were her husbands, Anton Passini and Bill Williams; her parents; and two sisters, Florence Talkington and Theresa Truffa.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name to St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington would be appreciated.

For more information and to sign her on-line guestbook, log onto: www.rwpattersonfuneralhome.com

R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. is entrusted with the arrangements.

Hilda Mae Murphy

DWIGHT – Hilda Mae Murphy, 76, of Dwight passed away Wednesday, November 26, 2014 in her home.



She was born August 16, 1938 in Springfield, daughter of Charles Glenwood and Mary Lenzie Truax.

She loved her rose garden, her family and her cocker spaniels. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Surviving are her husband, Robert L. Murphy; four daughters: Bonnie (Steve) Carr of Dwight; Ruby (Kenny) Bennett of New York; Sandy (Randy) Moore of South Carolina; and Chris (Thomas) Murray of

Canton, Ohio.

Also surviving are two sons: Robert (Patti) Murphy, Jr. of Ashkum and Mark (Mary) Murphy of Gardner; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; two sisters: Frieda Truax of Springfield and Grace Clelland of Michigan; and one brother, Ben Truax of Edinburg.

Preceding her in death were her parents; two sisters; one brother; daughter, Annette; and one son, Edward.

Cremation rites were accorded. Private services were held.

To visit her on-line guestbook, log onto: www.rwpattersonfuneralhome.com

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A heartfelt "thank you" to all who have expressed sympathy to our family with kind words, cards, memorials, food, and attending our loved one's services. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their Honor Guard tribute; Dwight VFW Post #2608 Albert Tunberg Post for their respectful salute at the cemetery; Coal City VFW St. Juvin Post #1336; The Martha's of St. Mary's Assumption Catholic Church; Fr. Robert Noesen and Fr. Chris Haake; Jamie, Mary & Mike from Heritage Health who brought Vivian to the visitation; Matt Baskerville and Staff at Reeves Funeral Home in Coal City for their professional and compassionate care. We especially thank Angie Novy and JeriLyn Favero from Heritage Health who went above and way beyond their duties, ensuring that Vivian was able to attend Bill's funeral and graveside service. No words can convey the gratitude we feel towards these two women – we are forever grateful.

Sincerely, The Family of William Finn
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More Positive Energy

I'm sure most of you know a recent decision came down on the Ferguson, Missouri, shooting involving Officer Darren Wilson and Ferguson resident Michael Brown. I don't want to go into debating the whole situation, it was reviewed by a Grand Jury because there was enough evidence to warrant one. That alone can make for a very divided public on the situation. That's pretty much it in a nutshell. What I was really disappointed with, and just overall saddened by, was the amount of negative energy that followed this situation from the beginning until the end. Neither side was going to win because of that. The amount of just incredibly ignorant and insensitive comments that have arisen on social media sites is astounding. I don't think someone getting shot by a police officer will ever be an outcome that anyone wants. I really think that it starts on daily interactions with people, from going through the McDonald's drive thru to emailing someone you work with, cut down on the negative energy with everything you do. I'm guilty of it, too, being not as positive in a given situation as I could have been, but it is something to strive for. I just challenge everyone reading this to radiate more positive energy in their day, and hopefully it creates a chain reaction and we can see more positive comments on social media, as well as everywhere else.

Aaron Boma
2012 DTHS Graduate and ISU Junior
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'Prepare The Way For The Lord!'
Advent Mission by St. Patrick's and Sacred Heart Parishes

Sacred Heart and St. Patrick Parishes would like to invite all to a presentation about youth ministry, and how to become more involved. The Advent Mission includes a special presentation for parents/guardians, who have the most influence on their child's faith.

The presentation, called, "Forming Our Youth Into Life Long Disciples," will be held on Sunday, December 7, from 2 to 2:30 p.m. or on Monday, December 8 from 4 to 4:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, located directly next to the church on Mazon Avenue in Dwight.

The Advent Mission will be held on December 7 at 6 p.m., and on December 8 and 9 at 7 p.m. On Sunday, December 7, the presentation will be held in the Parish Hall, 114 W. Mazon Avenue, Dwight. Attendees are invited to bring a dish to pass for a shared dinner and are encouraged to RSVP.

On Monday and Tuesday, the presentations will be held in the church, located at 100 W. Mazon Ave., Dwight.

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on November 10, 2014, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting business known as Capers on Main, located at 152 E. Main, Dwight, IL 60420.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2014.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

It is hard to express in words our gratitude for the outpouring of support, prayers, delicious food, flowers, memorials and other acts of kindness shown to our family during the death of our mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Verna Clark. Thank you also to everyone who supported mom and our family during her years of Alzheimer's disease, for which she handled the disease with dignity and humility. Verna will always be in our hearts along with our appreciation to our friends and family for your continued support.

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)
OF)
) No. 14-P-128
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)
Deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of Walter Klimaszewski of Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 27, 2014 to Norman D. Lewis, whose attorney is Gary M. Neville, 146 E. Main Street, P.O. Box 8, Dwight, Illinois, 60420.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the following address: Livingston County Circuit Clerk, Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, or with the representative, or both, by no later than May 20, 2015, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

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Dwight Woman's Club Festival of Trees



UNDER HIS WINGS Ministry in Morris will be the recipient of funds raised from the \$1 per ticket raffle of a tree created by Joanne Ribordy of Kinsman entitled "This message BEARS repeating: JESUS IS THE ONLY REASON FOR THE SEASON". Joanne chose Under His Wings Ministry as her charity for very personal reasons. She shares that she was very fortunate to be adopted as a baby and was raised by wonderful Christian parents. Her birth mother wasn't able to care for her and as a result was forced to place her for adoption. She had a great life but not all children are so fortunate. Joanne believes that many women don't know what to do or where to turn for help when they need it most. Joanne wants those who see her tree to know that Under His Wings offers help for pregnant women, new moms and children by offering help, hope and options for Mom and baby. It is a not-for-profit funded by donations and proceeds from the resale shop. Joanne wants them to benefit from the proceeds of her tree because they are help and hope to women and children when it seems there is none. Joanne has decorated a 6ft. pine tree with over 1000 lights and 100 bear ornaments and it is "Beary" full. The tree comes complete with a tree skirt, a 30 inch Old World Santa and a bear nativity set, as JESUS is the only reason for the season.

As the holiday season officially begins, plans have been finalized for the annual Dwight Festival of Trees to be held on Saturday, December 6 and Sunday, December 7 in the Pioneer Gothic Church.

Christmas trees, wreaths, table centerpieces and Christmas decorations will be raffled or auctioned, with proceeds benefitting a variety of charities and non-profit organizations, throughout the two-day event.

The Livingston County Humane Society, Dwight Food Pantry, Wounded Warriors, Livingston County Relay for Life, Autism Toolbox, Futures Unlimited, the Dwight Rebels Softball Team, St. Jude's Cancer Research, Special Olympics, Dwight United Methodist Women, Under His Wings Ministry in Morris and Dwight Love Boxes will all benefit from the talents of

the decorators and the generosity of those who visit the event.

Woman's Club members will be selling Christmas Cookies, and musical entertainment will be provided by local musicians and singers throughout the day Saturday. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at the Festival on Sunday afternoon ready to hear Christmas wishes and pose for Christmas photos. Raffle tickets will also be on sale for the three raffle prizes of \$100 each in Dwight Economic Alliance gift certificates, with the drawing being held Sunday afternoon.

The Dwight Woman's Club sponsors the Festival of Trees to benefit charities and non-profit organizations. All members of the community are invited to stop by the Festival of Trees as the holiday season begins in Dwight.



WOUNDED WARRIORS Project will receive the proceeds from the sale of \$1 raffle tickets for this wreath, "Tis the Seasoning" created by Jan Schreiner. Jan has had two sons and a grandson serve in the military and she wants to help those who have sacrificed in their service to our country. She has created a silver grapevine wreath with a variety of Pampered Chef items including Pampered Chef Seasonings, spatulas, wire whip, recipe books, pizza cutter and, oven mitt for the Festival.



SANTA (PORTRAYED BY Mike Stanfa) will read 'Twas the Night Before Christmas at "An Evening with Santa," Monday, December 8, in the Limestone Township Library starting promptly at 6 p.m. Children in pre-school through third grade, along with their parents, are invited to hear Santa read, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas, presented by the Limestone Township Friends of the Library. There will be a winter craft to make and a wall mural for the kids to decorate. A personal visit with Santa in the Peterson Schoolhouse and special treat to take home tops off the evening. Space is limited, so sign up early. To register for "An Evening with Santa," at the Limestone Township Library on December 8, stop in at the front desk of the Library or call 815-939-1696.

MVK Seniors Meet

The MVK seniors met for lunch on November 18 at the Mazon Legion Hall. Pam from Weitz's Cafe served the meal through Community Nutrition Network.

President Rita Mills called the meeting to order by giving the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. She thanked Pam for serving the meal, CNN, and their volunteers. There was a silent prayer for the ill and deceased members, elected officials, and military.

Sympathy cards were signed for the families of Bill Ransley, Darlene Hintze, and Mary Kay Biros. Members sang Happy Birthday to Pat Arthur and a Happy "64" Anniversary to Bob and June Elam.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved. Monthly door prizes went to Katy Dunn, Frank Sereno, and Marlene Claypool.

Shirley Peterson, Joe Sereno, Nancy Burchfield, Linda Poppleton, and Lea Sharp won door prizes brought by Peg of Park Point. She also brought prizes for Bingo.

President Rita was thankful for a \$250 check from Highland Township. Helen Griffiths made a motion to donate \$100 to Rita for buy-

ing and sending cards. Bob Elam seconded and the motion carried. Dorothy Johnson made a motion to up the donation to the MVK Christmas Food Baskets by \$50 so it would be \$100. Lou Witt seconded and the motion carried. Helen Griffiths made a motion to donate \$100 to CNN. Frank Sereno seconded and the motion carried. Marge from CNN said it was greatly appreciated and expressed her thanks.

It was decided that all members' lunches would be paid in December by the MVK Senior Fund.

Rita reminded members to take a "White Elephant" gift in December for the Christmas gift exchange. She said there would be a free Thanksgiving lunch at the Park Street Church in Mazon.

Lou Witt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gwen Johnson seconded.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 16, with Euchre starting at 10:30 a.m. and Bingo following the business meeting.

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SPORTS



Varsity Trojan Boys Win Rt. 17 Crossover Tournament



DTHS VARSITY TROJANS won the Championship game of the Route 17 Thanksgiving Classic Saturday night against Flanagan. Team members, front row, left to right: Blake Graham, Conner Gantzert, Drew Jensen, Collin Irvin, Caleb Boma, Devin Connolly, Ryan Gaston and Jason Powell. Back row, left to right: Jace Kennedy, Peter Hansen, Drew Travers, Owen Pulver, Colton Fieldman and Justin Fox. photos by J7 Images



RT. 17 CLASSIC ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM Dwight Trojans, above, l to r: Drew Travers, Jace Kennedy, Collin Irvin and Caleb Boma. Below, L to R: Flanagan Falcons Jonathon Barth and Keegan Bertsche; Woodland Warrior Kolton Kimpling; and from the Ridgeview Mustangs, William Tinsley and Luke Ward, not pictured. Leland-Earlville Raiders players recognized were Nolan Baumbach and Colin Bomstad, not pictured.



Route 17 Thanksgiving Classic

The Route 17 Thanksgiving Classic ended over the weekend with Dwight taking the first place spot. The Trojans had minimal trouble en route to the championship game against Flanagan on Saturday night.

In a meeting between the fourth place winners of the Dwight and Woodland brackets, respectively, Paw Paw was able to knock off a short-staffed Wilmington team, 48-38.

Essex led Paw Paw with 12 points. Mann also had 12 points, leading the Wildcats.

In the third place match-up, Westmont snuck by Woodland by a score of 50-47.

Rebellato's 14 points topped the scoring column for Westmont. Kimpling put in 16 for Woodland.

Ridgeview squared off against Leland-Earlville in the second place contest, with Ridgeview getting a big 65-38 win.

Tinsley went off for Ridgeview, scoring 24. Bonstad had 16 to lead Leland-Earlville.

In the championship match-up between the two number ones, Flanagan gave Dwight their first real scare early, leading 18-16 after one quarter. But the Trojans quickly took back the lead, eventually grabbing a 72-58 Turkey Tourney

win, and starting the season with a solid 4-0 record.

Senior Caleb Boma led all scorers with 24 points, including four trifectas and a perfect 8-8 from the line. Drew Travers had a big game, dropping 17 points. Jace Kennedy added ten points. Collin Irvin scored six. Colton Fieldman contributed five points. Justin Fox had three. Devin Connolly, Drew Jensen and Owen Pulver each added a bucket. Ryan Gaston hit a free throw.

Dwight took on Reed-Custer Tuesday night in their first game away from home this season.

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DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

**Tuesday, November 25
Dwight vs. Wilmington
Freshmen -**

The freshmen Lady Trojans opened up their season with a 30-17 win over Wilmington.

Abby Edwards led with 12 points. Leah Flynn added six. Abby Houch and Lucy Rieke each contributed four points. Brooklyn Long and Madi Hughes scored two each. Macey Rodosky hit a free

throw.

"I thought our guards, Brooklyn, Madi, Abby, Dakota Irving and Jillian Frauli did a great job defending the ball and creating turnovers," Coach Black stated afterwards. "And Abby, Lucy, Macey and Leah did an excellent job controlling the boards. It was a great way to start off the season."

The girls were in action against Seneca on Monday.



DTHS Lady Trojan Rachel Dawson, above. At left, Lady Trojans play good defense.



SPORTS - Week at A glance

| WHAT | DATE | OPPONENT | PLACE | TIME |
|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| Dwight JV & Varsity Boys | December 5 | PBL | Dwight | 5:30 p.m. |
| | December 9 | Newark | Newark | 5:30 p.m. |
| Dwight Freshmen Boys | December 6 | Manteno | Manteno | 10:15 a.m. |
| | December 9 | Streator | Dwight | 6:45 p.m. |
| Dwight JV & Varsity Girls | December 4 | PBA | PBA | 6:00 p.m. |
| | December 8 | GSW | GSW | 5:45 p.m. |
| Dwight Freshmen Girls | December 6 | Manteno | Manteno | 9:00 a.m. |
| | December 9 | Streator | Dwight | 5:30 p.m. |
| GSW Boys | December 5 | Beecher | GSW | 7:15 |
| | December 9 | Kankakee Trinity | GSW | 7:00 p.m. |
| GSW Girls | December 4 | Grant Park | Grant Park | 5:45 p.m. |
| | December 8 | Dwight | GSW | 5:45 p.m. |
| Tri-Point Boys | December 4 | Illinois Lutheran | IL Lutheran | 7:15 p.m. |
| | December 6 | Donovan | Tri-Point | 7:15 p.m. |
| | December 9 | Iroquois West | Iroquois West | 7:30 p.m. |
| Tri-Point Girls | December 4 | Donovan | Tri-Point | 5:45 p.m. |
| | December 8 | Grant Park | Grant Park | 5:45 p.m. |



GSW LADY PANTHERS BASKETBALL

**Monday, November 24
GSW vs. Peoria Heights
Varsity -**

Marlana Ferrari's 14 points and 13 boards helped lead the Lady Panthers to a 41-25 victory over Peoria Heights.

Kylie King added six points to the scoring column. Celia Barna pulled down nine rebounds.

GSW is now 3-2 overall and finished 2-2 in the Lexington tournament.



SAUNEMIN EAGLES BASKETBALL

**Monday, November 24
Saunemin vs. Woodland
5th Grade -**

The Eagles fell to Woodland in overtime, 14-12, on November 24.

Conner Telford scored six points, leading the team. Blake Peet, Jimmie Riley and Ethan Crouch each had

two points.
6th Grade -

The sixth grade Eagles held on for a 20-19 win over the Warriors.

Caleb Peet led all scorers with eight. Dallas Hillier, Eric Karnes and Chase Broerman had four points each.



MVK MAVERICKS BASKETBALL

**Saturday, November 29
MVK vs. Elwood
7th Grade -**

MVK was in action against conference foes, Elwood, on November 29, with the seventh grade Mavs falling 27-16.

"Like the weather, we got off to a very cold start," said head coach Kirk Walker. "Nothing was going in and our guards were very sloppy with the ball. We made a nice run at them in the third quarter, but their post players were much better rebounding the ball on both ends."

Cody Carey and Logan

Severson led the team with six points each. Ethan Brockman and Ben Krause each added a bucket.

At the holiday break, MVK is 3-2 overall and 0-2 in the IVC.

8th Grade -

The eighth grade Mavericks won their sixth straight, defeating the Tigers 36-22.

Isaac Brockman scored a game-high 13 points and also hauled in eight rebounds. Brody Baudino chipped in 11 points and five steals. Zakk Gonnam added seven points along with five assists.

"It was nice to see the boys get out and push the ball up the court," Walker said. "Our press gave them trouble and we capitalized on their turnovers. I thought we rebounded the ball very good tonight against a very physical team."

The eighth grade Mavs improve to 6-0 on the season, with a 2-0 record in the IVC.

MVK went up against Dwight on Tuesday.



DTHS Lady Trojan Rachel Gschwendtner



DGS LADY REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

Saturday, November 22

The seventh grade Lady Redbirds ended their season on November 22, finishing with a 3-16 record.

Kayla Kodat and Katy Edwards each had four points to lead the team. Lilli Groves knocked down a three-pointer.

"This season was full of individual improvements by each player and developing a strong sense of teamwork," said Coach Jones. "The ladies never gave up on each other and played their hearts out during every game as a team, no matter what the score was."



DGS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

**Monday, November 24
Dwight vs. Shabbona
6th Grade -**

Dwight's sixth grade boys beat Shabbona, 14-12, on November 24.

Brody Hoegger, Camden Beier and Jake Partney had four points each to lead the team. Andrew Kapper added a bucket.

Prince Bariffe led the Redbirds on the boards, with ten. C. Beier snagged eight. Rylan Bovel and Hoegger each grabbed four. Hudson Beier and Dalton Smith had two rebounds each.

"Tonight was a total team effort," said Coach

Gettinger. "We were well balanced and everyone contributed."

7th Grade -

In the seventh grade game, Dwight was defeated, 45-22.

Abe Rieke had nine points, four boards and a steal to lead the Redbirds. J. Jancek had eight points, four rebounds and a steal. N. Green scored three points and pulled down two rebounds. T. Tilley had two points and three rebounds.

8th Grade -

In the eighth grade game, Shabbona beat Dwight, 37-29.

Graham was leading scorer, with seven. Wahl put in six. Rodosky and Holm each scored four. Schultz and Curl scored three each. Santos put up two.

**Tuesday, November 25
Dwight vs. Gardner
7th Grade -**

Dwight's seventh grade boys lost to Gardner, 32-15, on November 25.

Abe Rieke led the game with nine points, also grabbing three rebounds and four steals. J. Jancek followed with four points, one rebound and two steals. Trent T. had two points, two steals for the night.

8th Grade -

The eighth grade team also suffered a loss to Gardner, falling 40-33.

Logan Graham led with nine points, though Andrew Carl was close behind with seven. Cal Schultz, Dakota Wahl, and Dane Rodosky contributed five points each. Colton Holm and Payton Byerly each put up one point.

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2014-2015 DT HS Wrestlers

DT HS Wrestling Preview by Lenny Tryner

I am excited to see what this team will do this year. The team has a new look to it with some new athletes.

There are a few freshmen that came up from the grade school along with a couple other high school students who haven't wrestled in a couple years or are trying it out for the first time. We also

had a couple young men transfer into DT HS that are wrestling.

Although the team doesn't have a lot of experience, they are wrestling hard in practice and are a fairly athletic group. These attributes will give the coaching staff a lot to work with.

We should be able to fill

the majority of the weight classes, although we are a little thin in the lower weights and would like to recruit some kids down there. I think the Trojan Wrestling Team will have a better dual meet record this year than it has in the past six years, if everyone stays healthy and continues to work hard.

Jens Kennedy Named To All-Tournament Team



Jens Kennedy

Jens Kennedy, a 2011 DT HS graduate, was recently named to the All-Tournament team from the Trent Allen Memorial Basketball Tip-off Tournament.

He was also named "Tournament's Outstanding Player" at the Carthage College Basketball Classic, 2014.

Kennedy plays for St. Francis College.



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Week 12 Results

- Planning Assoc. 13-0 over Cherry Red Roasters 9-4
- Geo's Restaurant 11-2 (-32) over Danko's 11-2 (-77)
- Dwight Bank 11-2 Over Big Boyz Toyz 9-4
- DeLong Ford 12-1 over 1st National Bank 10-3
- Jensen's BP 10-3 over Berkot's S. Foods 5-8
- LPL 12-1 over SOCU 11-3
- Dairy Queen 11-2 over Owl 9-4

Standings

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| <p>North</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Assoc. 11-1 Dairy Queen 8-4 Geo's 7-5 Owl 5-7 Jensen's BP 4-8 BB Toyz 3-9 Berkot's S. Foods 2-10 | <p>South</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Danko's S. Farm 10-2 Streator Onized 8-4 Ch. Red Roasters 6-6 Dwight Bank 6-6 LPL Financial 6-6 1st National Bank 4-8 DeLong Ford 4-8 |
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Like Son, Like Father Week 11 Paper Bowl XIV

The last time we checked in, Herscher High School's Freshman Cameron Webster was our swami of the week. He captured our final \$25 Paper Bowl gift certificate, and he was on his way to Dairy Queen. Cameron's success inspired his father, Herscher's Tony Webster, to do the same. The very next week Tony scored an 11-3 record and tied Mazon's Steve Wateska for the top spot. The tiebreaker for week 11 was 578. Webster placed his tiebreaker guess at 667 (+89). Wateska guessed 228 (-350). Tony has won our



first \$50 Paper Bowl gift certificate, and so Cameron is again on his way to Dairy Queen.

One hundred and thirty-one entries came in week 11. Six swamis finished 10-4 in a very upset-filled week on the gridiron: Dwight's Emily Bovell, Keith Lauritzen, Dana Taylor and Rebecca Zappa, Normal's Sara Senger and Braceville's Vickie Dagen. Ten entries finished 9-5; 31 scored 8-6 or below.

Davis Takes It On Double Tiebreaker Week 12 Paper Bowl XIV

What a week it was. Seven swamis swimming to near perfect 13-1 scores made week twelve the best of the season. Dwight's Larry Davis would end up with our \$50 Paper Bowl gift certificate, but he would have to take his efforts into double overtime. The tiebreaker for week 12 was 637. Larry Davis and Odell's Harold Schook both guessed exactly 637. That's impressive. The two would have to go head to head to determine our winner. They were asked to pick a winner and tiebreaker for this past weekend's game between



Northwestern and the Fighting Illini. Davis and Schook took Northwestern to win, which Northwestern could not do. The total amount of points scored in that game was 80.

Davis guessed 47 (-33) and Schook took 42 as his tiebreaker (-38). It wasn't easy, but Larry Davis has his \$50 and his first Paper Bowl win in a couple of years.

One hundred and fourteen entries came in on week 12. The other swamis with 13-1 scores were Dwight's Steve Fanning, Tom Lenzie, Keith Lauritzen and Wayne German and Odell's Terrence Schook. Fifteen prognosticators were 12-2. They included Dwight's Lee Dixon (2x), Jane Dixon, Rick Nelson, Dana Taylor, Karen Grubbs, Tim

Wagenschutz, Les Maierhofer, Randy Fransen, Ken Gamble, Anne Martin (2x), and Bill Martin, Braceville's Vickie Dagen and Morris' Noah Perry. Eleven entries were 11-3; 15 were 10-4; 13 finished 9-5; 9 scored 8-6 and the remaining picks were .500 or below.

You can enter four times this week. Enter once at each drop location. The designated sponsors for this week include Big Boyz Toyz, LPL, 1st National Bank of Dwight and DeLong Ford. Don't wait. Get in today. It's fun. It's free. It's a hoot, you'll see.

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PAPER BOWL XIV

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This week's entry is due December 5 by 5 p.m.
Winner announced in the Wednesday, DECEMBER 17th edition.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Name:

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Home Phone:

Fill in the number with the letter matching the name of the team you think will win.

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| 1 | 5 | 9 | 13 |
| 2 | 6 | 10 | 14 |
| 3 | 7 | 11 | Tie Breaker |
| 4 | 8 | 12 | (total points) |

* Official Paper Bowl rules: One entry per drop box location per person every week. Entries only accepted at drop box locations and will not be accepted at The Paper office, unless otherwise noted. All entries must be on an official entry blank. No photocopies. Entries must be completely filled out, legible and to the drop off points by Friday at 5 p.m. each week. Judges' decisions are final. Winners will be announced each Wednesday in The Paper. Employees of The Paper and their family members are not eligible for The Paper Bowl XIV.



THE EMINGTON Legion Ladies Aux., along with the Legion Post #451, met on November 6 and the Auxiliary presented fleece blankets to Veterans, thanking them for their service. From left to right are: Jim Drach, Army; Jim Bunting, Navy; and Lee Bunting, Navy.



GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom Discusses Plans for Breakfast With Santa

GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom met November 20, 7 p.m., at the Cullom Community Building. President Judy Wojciechowski welcomed back Cathy Gipp. The Pledge to the Flag and the Collect for Club Women were said.

Secretary Judy Ehlers gave roll call with twelve members present. Minutes of the October 16 meeting were read and approved.

In the absence of Treasurer Iona Naese, Judy Wojciechowski gave the treasurer's report. She noted that they had received a donation from Remmer's Welding showing their appreciation for remembering them on Make A Difference Day with the Cullom Businesses, as well as the plate of cookies. A thank you card has been sent to them.

Correspondence: A

Thank you note was read from Gisela Schroeder for the cookies. Also, a note from Phyllis Skubic, GFWC IL State President Elect. She congratulated the club for 60 years of service to their community.

Old Business:

Diana Taylor reported on the 60th Anniversary Tea. There were many different kinds of finger sandwiches, and everyone had a good time. Helen Trost, who has been a club member since 1961 and is currently 98 years young, was able to attend. Judy Wojciechowski thanked all who helped in any way.

New Business:

The Christmas Party will be Thursday, December 18 at 6 p.m. at Tom's Tavern in Kempton. Make reservations with Marge Kross by December 11. Spouses and guests are welcome to attend. Bring a donation per person

to the party for the Food Pantry.

Plans were discussed for Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Set up time will be 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, December 5. There are currently 14 expected vendors. The Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts, AL Jr Auxiliary and 4-Hers will have booths. A sheet was passed to sign up for egg casseroles, breads, fruit, juice, milk, cereal boxes, coffee, etc.

It is in the budget to donate \$50 to the Cullom Christmas Baskets. The club will do something for the Military at Valentines Day instead of Christmas.

Meri Knapp presented a slideshow with pictures from 2004 to 2014. She was thanked for her hard work, along with Judy Ehlers who gathered all of the pictures used.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, 2014. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact: Cynthia Christensen at 815 237 2281.

South Wilmington Consolidated School District No. 74

School District/Joint Agreement Name

Also by January 15, 2015 the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ www.isbe.net.

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

| | | Educational | Operations & Maintenance | Debt Services | Transportation | Municipal Retirement/Social Security | Capital Projects | Working Cash | Tort | Fire Prevention & Safety |
|--|---------|-------------|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|--------|--------------------------|
| Local Sources | 1000 | 309,869 | 108,457 | 0 | 31,551 | 22,208 | 0 | 9,860 | 30,274 | 9,859 |
| Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District | 2000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| State Sources | 3000 | 123,201 | 13,875 | 0 | 40,985 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2014 | 4000 | 36,283 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Direct Receipts/Revenues | | 529,373 | 122,332 | 0 | 72,516 | 0 | 0 | 9,860 | 30,274 | 9,859 |
| Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures | 720,457 | | 164,577 | 0 | 83,528 | 24,175 | | | 25,483 | 3,042 |
| Other Sources/Uses of Funds | | 159,860 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | (9,850) | 0 | 0 |
| Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2013 | | 73,747 | 172,414 | 0 | 69,340 | 0 | | 0 | 4,102 | 35,020 |
| Other Changes in Fund Balances | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2014 | | 33,523 | 150,169 | 0 | 68,326 | 0 | | 0 | 8,893 | 41,837 |

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Michelle Lardi
David K. Kociuba
Stacy L. Faletti
Beth Tobolsky
Aimee L. Mahoney
Katie S. Olson

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Melinda Solis
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| Person, Firm, or Corporation | Aggregate Amount | Person, Firm, or Corporation | Aggregate Amount |
|---|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Grundy County Special Education Cooperative | 122,472 | Grainco FS Inc | 8,326 |
| United States Treasury | 90,9000 | Gordon Food Service | 6,037 |
| Teachers' Retirement System of IL | 58,141 | Ms. Cindy Christensen | 5,821 |
| Slagel Insulation, Inc | 64,100 | Staples | 5,787 |
| AXA Equitable | 31,600 | Com Ed | 5,436 |
| MasterCard | 27,003 | Nicor | 4,705 |
| Illinois Department of Revenue | 22,467 | Gassensmith & Associates, Ltd | 4,539 |
| Gardner Grade School | 21,130 | McGrath Office Equipment | 4,066 |
| Budget Lighting Inc | 17,722 | Cloverleaf Farms Distributors | 3,701 |
| Prairie State Insurance Cooperative | 16,595 | Fox River Foods | 3,620 |
| Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund | 16,121 | Custom Cleaning | 3,500 |
| GSW High School | 14,482 | Ms. Tami Finn | 3,374 |
| Illinois Central School Bus | 12,516 | SWGS Imprest | 2,550 |
| Herscher CUSD #2 | 8,600 | Michelle K. Lardi | |

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| Person, Firm, or Corporation | Aggregate Amount |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Katie Olson | 2,500 |
| Ms. Emily Shanahan | 2,466 |
| Mr. David Kociuba | 2,435 |
| Alarm Detection Systems, Inc. | 2,387 |
| Wally Debelak | 2,000 |
| Common Goal Systems, Inc. | 1,831 |
| Waste Management | 1,805 |
| Mensards | 1,721 |
| Fatlan Trucking & Excavating | 1,650 |
| Renaissance Learning, Inc. | 1,634 |
| Follett Educational Services | 1,607 |
| Alexian Brothers Behavioral Hospital | 1,600 |
| Performance Food Service | 1,583 |
| Illinois Association of School Boards | 1,540 |
| Berkons Foods | 1,529 |
| BSN Sports | 1,388 |
| IESA | 1,305 |
| Jell Veronda Plumbing & Heating | 1,244 |
| Discovery Education | 1,200 |
| Grundy Area Vocational Center | 1,077 |

Payments of \$500 to \$999, excluding wages and salaries.

| Person, Firm, or Corporation | Aggregate Amount |
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| Travelers | 945 |
| American Best Water Treaters, Inc. | 834 |
| Ms. Anne Simms | 759 |
| IASA | 717 |
| Steve Yero | 651 |
| Village of South Wilmington | 601 |
| Cintas | 586 |
| Ms. Aimee Mahoney | 545 |
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GOVERNOR THOMAS FORD DAR CHAPTER OFFICERS ARE: Vice Regent Sherri Kenner, Corresponding Secretary Ruth Wessels, Treasurer Judy Jepsen-Popel, Regent Jean Fox, William McLane, Illinois State Regent Pamela Bork, Recording Secretary Pat Baker, Historian Lisa Krall, Regent Marilyn Ames and Chaplain Liz Wharton.

Governor Thomas Ford DAR Chapter Meeting Hosts Speaker William McLane

The Governor Thomas Ford DAR chapter met at the Heartland Bank in Gibson City. Regent Jean Fox and chapter members welcomed State Regent Pamela Bork to the November 2014 luncheon and meeting.

Speaker William McLane presented his program, "Old Ironsides." A 44-gun frigate, Old Ironsides was one of the first three naval ships built by the United States. Mr. McLane is an avid collector of souvenirs, artwork, and documentation of the USS Constitution, one of the most famous ships in the history of the US Navy.

In his collection that he shared with members, were items made from the timbers and fastenings of the famous ship. Major overhauls have produced mountains of

wood, rusted nails, oxidized copper and twisted bolts of which souvenirs are made from her discarded parts.

Following the Opening Ritual, Registrar Marilyn Ames, Chaplain Liz Wharton and State Regent Pamela Bork welcomed new members, Judy Ruff, June Carroll and Helen Greer to the chapter, and the oath of membership in the NSDAR was given.

The President General's message was read by Vice Regent Sherri Kenner. They were reminded of the many activities that NSDAR members participate in during the holiday season.

National Defense Chairman Meri Knapp gave the National Defense Report. She spoke of the importance of November as

National Indian Heritage Month. It is a time to pay tribute to the rich ancestry and traditions of Native Americans.

DAR Service for Veterans Chairmen Lena Nickrent and Shirley Menard collected the Christmas gifts brought to the meeting for the LaSalle Veterans' home. Value of the gifts purchased for the veterans was \$911.23. Celebrate America Chairman Joyce Schmale asked members to fill out the Celebrate America sheets so that information could be posted on line.

The chapter recognized three 30 year members with certificates.

Alice Abrahamson, Lois Frette and Rose Ann Moore have been members of the chapter

since October 1984.

The following members attended the District III meeting in Savoy in November: Sherri Kenner, Marilyn Ames, Ruth Wessels, Judy Jepsen-Popel, Lena Nickrent, Joyce Schmale, Jean Fox and Carol Castellon.

Hostesses were Judy Jepsen-Popel and Meri Knapp.

The December meeting will be at the Heartland Bank in Gibson City. Members will make Christmas Day tray favors for the Gibson Area Annex and play Christmas trivia. Jean Fox and Marilyn Ames are in charge of the program. Hostesses are Sharon Hall and Lisa Krall.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #122 of Cullom Meets

The American Legion Auxiliary Of Skinner Trost Unit #122 of Cullom met November 10 at the Post Home at 7 p.m. With the Flags in place a Hand Salute was given and Chaplain Vicki Allen offered an opening prayer. In memory of the deceased, the club held a moment of silence. The Charter was draped for a departed member, Edith Swager.

The "Pledge of Allegiance" and the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion Auxiliary were both recited, and the National Anthem was sung. President Suellen Fink then declared the meeting of Skinner Trost Unit #122 Department of Illinois regularly convened. Roll call showed 14 members were in attendance.

Minutes of the last meeting were e-mailed and approved. There was no treasurer's report due to absence of the treasurer. Marsha Haag reported membership at 70 percent.

Halloween Party report: Judy Wojciechowski got gift cards for all at Wendy's. 52 kids registered and 60 were given out. 70 people attended their first Bingo, which they plan to host monthly. The next one will be Thursday, December 4, starting at 7 p.m. at the Post Home in Cullom. Veterans Day Meal: The SAL (Sons of the American Legion) did a good job (and the wives, of course) did a good job.

Donations: Six Point Program-\$120.00; Past President's Parley-Nurses Scholarship-\$10.00; Education Scholarship-\$10.00; Americanism fund-\$10.00; Childrens Miracle Network-\$10.00; Spirit of Youth Fund-\$10.00; AEF Fund-\$10.00; Children & Youth Scholarship -\$10.00; Operation Military Kids-\$10.00; 4 Chaplains-\$10.00; Dept President's Special Projects-\$15.00; USO Centers-\$10.00; National Security-\$10.00; Postage Stamp Fund-\$25.00; Fischer House-\$10.00; Hospital: for Manteno, VA-\$10.00; Gift to Yanks-\$15.00; American Legion Child Welfare-\$15.00.

The Audit Report was tabled until December.

December meeting will be the Christmas meeting. All members are asked to bring an unwrapped gift for our Manteno Vets. They will do the 10 for 10 for Kempton Elementary- Pre K thru 3rd grade: boots, socks, gloves, underwear, shoes. Also bring "white elephant" for take away bingo.

With no other business to come before the meeting, the Chaplain gave the closing prayer. President Suellen gave the closing with a hand salute to the flag.

Marsha Haag and Marge Kross served refreshments.

Their next meeting is the Christmas Party, Monday, December 8, which will start at 5 p.m.

Cami Wonnell Wins PCPL Candy Corn Contest

Prairie Creek Library announced Cami Wonnell as the winner of their Candy Corn Contest.

Wonnell won by correctly guessing the number of pieces of candy corn in a jar. Anyone who checked out a book from November 6 through November 22 was included in the contest and could attempt to guess.

There will be another contest December 1 through December 15. Prairie Creek Public Library will also be having a Christmas coloring contest for children ages three through twelve.

Coloring sheets will be available at the library December 1 through December 13. Winners will be announced December 15.

Mobile Medical Unit At Heritage Woods

All area Veterans are invited to visit the Mobile Medical Unit at Heritage Woods of Dwight, located at 701 E. Mazon, to inquire about Veteran's Healthcare Benefits and Enrollment.

It is asked that anyone wishing to enroll bring a copy of their DD-214. The Mobile Medical Unit will be at Heritage Woods on the second Wednesday of every month, from 9:30 a.m. to

1:30 p.m., starting December 10.

There will also be an Honor Guard presentation and applications, as well as free flu shots and health screenings. For more information about these services, call Tyler Goodwine, Hines VA, 708-275-8077.

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Wells Fargo Bank, NA
 PLAINTIFF
 Vs.
 John G. Young; et al.
 DEFENDANTS
 14 CH 00026

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
 PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 7/25/2014, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on 1/7/15 at the hour of 10:00AM at New Law & Justice Center 110 N. Main Street Pontiac, IL 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT 58 IN SECOND ADDITION TO ROLLING PRAIRIE SUBDIVISION TO THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS PER PLAT RECORDED JUNE 6, 1969, IN PLAT RECORD NO. 9 AT PAGE 20 IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-14-09309. 1634880

DAR District III Meeting

Members of the Governor Thomas Ford chapter, Sherri Kenner, Marilyn Ames, Ruth Wessels, Judy Jepsen-Popel, Lena Nickrent, Joyce Schmale, Jean Fox and Carol Castellon attended the Daughters of the American Revolution District III meeting in November.

The program, "Donald D. McCall - Survivor, USS Indianapolis," presented by Peggy McCall Campo and her father was about unimaginable heroism in an incomprehensible situation. The USS Indianapolis was attacked just after midnight July 30, 1945, by a Japanese submarine.

The warship - which days earlier had secretly delivered the components for the first atomic bomb - sank in 12 minutes, plunging its crew into the dark Pacific Ocean. Only 317 of the nearly 1,200 on board survived the sinking and the subsequent four-plus days in shark-infested water.

Don and his daughter shared the story of reacting to the torpedo attack, jumping into oil-slicked water, clinging to life jackets and makeshift rafts, fighting off sharks and hallucinations and finally being rescued. Donald D. McCall is truly a hero.

GARDNER-SOUTH WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73
 BOX 257, 500 EAST MAIN STREET
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR GARDNER-SOUTH WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase of Gardner-South Wilmington High School District #73 for 2014 will be held on December 17, 2014 at 6:55 p.m. in the Gardner-South Wilmington Board of Education room.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Mr. Michael Perrott, Superintendent, at the high school office, 815-237-2176.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for 2013 were \$1,191,266.

The corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$1,250,750. This represents a 4.99% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2013 were \$317,515.93. The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2014 are \$321,787.50. This represents a 1.3% increase over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes levied in 2013 were \$1,508,782.31. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$1,572,537.50. This represents a 4.23% increase over the previous year.

V. This resolution shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its passage.

Adopted this 19th day of November 2014.

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DTHS Varsity Volleyball Awards



Quinn Bossert and Lili Ferrari earned the MVP Awards for 2014 and Mary Wiemken, Most Improved Award.



DTHS VOLLEYBALL AWARD NIGHT: Most kills and serving award, Quinn Bossert; most blocks, Rachel Dawson; most digs, Megan Van Amburgh; and most assists, Lili Ferrari.



All-Conference special mention - Ashley Fox; First team All-Conference - Quinn Bossert, and Second Team All-Conference - Lili Ferrari.



DWIGHT Turkey Tournament Action



Greenville I-70 Baseball Coaches Clinic

Legendary Atlanta Braves pitching coach Leo Mazzone, Turtle Thomas (Florida International Univ), Mike Pinto (Southern Illinois Miners) and Kevin Wheeler (St. Louis Gamers/101 ESPN Radio) are the speakers for the I-70 Baseball Coaches Clinic to be held on Monday, January 19, 2015 at Greenville High School Auditorium in Greenville, IL.

Mazzone's topics are "My Pitching Philosophy",

"Mechanics of a Healthy Pitcher" and "Proper Ways to Teach Different Pitches". Thomas, one of college baseball's top hitting coaches, will speak on "101 Hitting Drills" and "New Ideas and Approaches for Hitters". Pinto, the 2nd winningest manager in the Frontier League, will speak on "Developing a Winning Culture for Your Team and Classroom". Wheeler will speak on "Catching: Building a Weapon behind

Home Plate". The clinic runs from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Registration for the clinic will begin at 8 a.m. There will be Clinic pre-registration fees per coach to participate, with an additional fee assessed if registering at the door. There are also Staff rates (4-6 coaches from same coaching staff) available. The clinic is a fundraiser for the Greenville High School Comets baseball program.

Registration Fee includes: Eight Clinic Sessions, catered lunch, 100+ door prizes (including \$250 cash prize), Professional Development hours for Teachers, clinic t-shirt for first 200 coaches, and baseball vendors on-site. For information or a brochure, please visit www.i70clinic.com, follow on Twitter @i70clinic or contact Joe Alstat at 618-664-5580 or jalstat@bccu2.org



DTHS Football Players Receive Honorable Mention

The Kankakee Daily Journal gave Tony Bernardy and Jace Kennedy, DTHS Trojans, an "honorable mention" as part of the newspaper's High School All Area Football Team. Way to go, guys!!

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Sunday, December 7



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- **Emington Hot Shots 4-H Club Bake Sale**
- **Musical Entertainment** - Saunemin Junior High Band 4-4:30 p.m.
- **Santa Arrives** at 5 p.m. at the Community Building.
Visit with Santa from 5 - 6:30 p.m. One free picture per child or per family.
- **Carriage Rides** - from 5 - 7 p.m. Free ticket with purchase of Supper...otherwise, \$1
- **Live Nativity** - in front of the Saunemin United Methodist Church
- **Christmas Cantata** - 7 p.m. at the Saunemin United Methodist Church.
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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GSW Math Team for their first place finish out of seven teams at the Beecher Invitational Math Competition on Wednesday, November 19. Members of the Math Team are, front row (l to r): Lauren Daniels, Ali Kirk, Erica Soto, Jordan Bartels, Molly Schultz, Josie Hyslop, Kaytlyn Harvey, Delaney Sistek, Sarah Schultz, Madison Jackman and Haileigh Farrero; Back row: Guy Adelman, Madison Williams, Bryce Brannock, James Minton, Mike Mankowski, Holly Swisher, Carly Bernardy, Marlana Ferrari, Haley Schuck, Mikhail Antonov-Clayton, Max Kranz, Ben Bexson, DJ Ragain, Troy Speed and Bryant Galan.

DGS Honor Roll

Andrew Gartke, third grade, should have been on the DGS High Honor Roll List in the November 19 edition of *The Paper*.

Kankakee Community College Foundation Scholarships Available

Kankakee Community College Foundation scholarship applications are now available at www.kcc.edu/scholarships/.

The KCC Foundation

offers 106 scholarships for the 2015-16 school year, which begins in August. More than 263 individual awards, valued at more than \$200,000, are available to assist in paying for tuition,

books and fees.

When submitting the online application, applicants should include a narrative as well as names of individuals who can provide letters of recommendation. Data from the applications

automatically matches students to scholarships they qualify to receive. A scholarship search mechanism also is available.

The application deadline for 2015-16 KCC Foundation scholarships is

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ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, students at DTHS participated in "hat day," where they were allowed to wear hats to school as part of a Community Chest fundraiser. Pictured above are just some of the Seniors who participated in the event: Front row (l-r): Rachel Gschwendtner, Lili Ferrari, Katlyn Schultz, Kapri Krople, Ashley Fox; Back row: Shelby Anderson, Bailey Zeedyk, Jake Esposito, Roger Clemmons, Dylan Emm, Ryan Beier, Austin Airgood.

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