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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.

Dwight Love Boxes

People can still sign up to receive a Love Box. They can do so leaving a voicemail for Max Sulzberger at 815-584-7129, emailing DwightLoveBoxes@gmail.com, or signing up at www.dwightloveboxes.com.

Anyone who wants to volunteer does not need to sign up, they can simply show up at any one of the following dates: Thursday, December 11, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (setting up boxes – construction, labeling); Friday, December 12, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (packing of boxes); Saturday, December 13, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (delivery of boxes).



SAUNEMIN HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS, HELD DECEMBER 7, was certainly a fun-filled evening – especially once Santa showed up. Sitting on Santa's lap, above, are Zoey and Cali Bronson. The annual Christmas celebration, which takes place in the Community Building, starts with dinner and pictures with Santa, and ends with fireworks. More pictures on page 8.



DWIGHT WOMAN'S CLUB held their Festival of Trees event over last weekend, December 6, December 7, at the Gothic Church, Dwight. The church was filled with brightly lit trees, wreaths and other decorations, such as the Candyland tree, above, which donated raffle funds to St. Jude's Cancer Research, the Frozen tree, at right, which donated raffle funds to Dwight Food Pantry.



Dwight Community Chest Campaign Aims to Make Dwight A Better Community For All of Us

Dwight's version of the United Way, the Dwight Community Chest, was established over forty years ago to improve the lives of people in Dwight. The 2014 Dwight Community Chest campaign has begun and there are many ways residents can contribute to this worthy, local cause.

"Fifteen not-for-profit agencies that provide programs and services in our community will benefit from the 2014 Drive", Community Chest President, Kevin McNamara stated. "People throughout the area benefit from the programs supported by the Dwight Community Chest; be it the Ministerial Society's Food Pantry, Peace Meal Program for seniors, Future's Unlimited, or our local Girls and Boys Scouts."

In Dwight we have seen

first-hand the benefits of the Red Cross and the Salvation Army, whose support and assistance during the tornado of 2010 was invaluable. Your annual donation to Community Chest helps to fund these organizations in Dwight.

The agencies chosen to receive funding this year help to provide basic human needs, health services, crisis intervention, transportation, and youth programs. It is our hope that everyone during this season of giving can make a donation for these organizations that traditionally do not solicit funds individually. If every person in the area gave us just \$10.00, we would easily surpass our 2014 goal.

The goal in Dwight this year is \$45,000.

While some solicitation letters have been sent out to

people who have donated to the Community Chest in the past, everyone is invited to make a tax-deductible donation to the Community Chest at P.O. Box 132, Dwight, IL 60420.

Employees of RR Donnelley have conducted another successful campaign and are a big part in helping the Community Chest attain its goal. Many local Donnelley employees donate one day's salary to the Dwight Community Chest and everyone is invited to do the same if they are able. Dwight High School students have already joined in the fun by organizing a very successful "hat day," where students were allowed to wear hats in school on November 26 in exchange for a donation to the Community Chest.

Another twist to the cam-

paigned this year is being conducted by local businesses. Business owners have been sent a "Fundraising Dot" scratch-off card to be used internally by their employees or locally in-store to create awareness of the Community Chest while having fun donating to the organization.

Some businesses may be asking their customers if they wish to scratch off a dot and then make a donation in the dollar amount revealed by the scratch-off. Each dot is worth \$1, \$2, or \$3 and there is no limit in the number of dots a person can scratch off and purchase.

In 2014, donations to the Community Chest helped to support locally 15 important organizations. They are:

- American Red Cross – Helping people learn to

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DTHS Honors Illinois State Scholars



ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS FROM DWIGHT IN 2015 are front row, left to right: Drew Jensen, Ryan Beier, John Carter, Ashley Fox, Amy Ruder and Kapri Krople. Back row, left to right: Riley Van Der

Karr, Grace Twagilimana, Dalton Hagi, Owen Pulver, Colton Fieldman, Christopher Peck and Ryan Gaston.

Dwight Township High School Principal Dan Kaiser recently announced that 13 DTHS students have been recognized as 2015 State Scholars.

This prestigious award is given annually by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) which recognizes high school seniors from across the state as this year's State Scholars.

Illinois State Scholars winners rank in the top ten percent of the state's high school seniors from 752 high schools in all 102 counties. Selection is based on SAT, ACT and/or PSAT scores and/or unweighted class rank at the end of the junior year. High school guidance counselors work in conjunction with ISAC to determine the winners.

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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

Nov. 27: Daniel R. Stewart, Streator, il. trans./poss. alcohol - drive; poss. cannabis/30 gms or less; driving under influence of dru; Bruce M. Gowler, Bourbonnais, speeding (radar), 75/55; Lori F. Brault, Kankakee, speeding (radar), 75/55; Maxwell M. Sliker, Bourbonnais, speeding (radar), 75/55.

Nov. 28: Emily R. Doherty, Cambridge, MA, speeding (radar), 74/55; Betty I. Weber, Woodland, speeding (radar), 73/55.

Nov. 29: David G. DeCoste, Dwight, il. trans./poss. alcohol - drive.

Nov. 30: Alexander Rodriguez, poss. cannabis/30 gms or less; resis./obstruct. a peace officer; resis./obstruct. a peace officer; Christopher L. Tucker, Dwight, possession of drug equipment; retail theft; Emily N. Weakley, Dwight, possession of drug equipment.

Dec. 2: Sammantha L. Hubbard, Buckingham,

speeding (radar), 73/55; Julian M. Noriega, Dwight, speeding (radar), 63/45; Jeremy A. Heikkila, Dwight, traffic sign violation; driver's license not on person; expired registration sticker.

Dec. 3: Dion J. Martin, Dwight, suspended, revoked driver's lic; operate uninsured motor vehicle.

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

20 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police

Speeding (radar), 2; traffic sign violation, 3; driver's license not on person, 1; no rear registration plate light, 4; improper lighting - one headlamp, 4; muffler violations, 1; fail to notify SOS of change/address, 3; improper lane usage, 1; wrong way on one-way street, 1.

Accident Investigated by Dwight Police

Monday, December 1, 2014, 12:18 p.m., E. Northbrook Drive at Burbeck Drive, Dwight - Officer Charlie Houch: A 2003 Dodge Stratus, driven by

Audrianna M. Schott of Fairbury, and a 2009 Chevy Silverado, driven by Mark Vitkauskas, were involved in an accident.

Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

Nov. 27, 2014: 12:17 a.m., Franklin, trauma, Morris; 11:50 p.m., Sucker Road, trauma, St. Joe's, mutual aid to Mazon.

Nov. 28: 1:50 p.m., Mazon, trauma, Morris; 2:20 p.m., Bannon, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; 2:40 p.m., Waupansie, trauma, St. James, mutual aid from Braceville; 11:45 p.m., John St., trauma, no transport.

Nov. 29: 9:22 a.m., I-55, trauma, disregarded, mutual aid to Gardner; 11:40 p.m., Seminole, fire.

Nov. 30: 12:22 a.m., Clinton St., medical, Morris; 10:12 a.m., Washington, medical, OSF; 10:15 a.m., Chippewa, medical, MCH, mutual aid from Gardner; 11:37 a.m., Chicago, medical, OSF; 11:57 a.m., Franklin, medical, OSF, mutual aid from Duffy's; 1:32 p.m., Mazon, medical, MCH; 3:30 p.m., I-55, trauma, no patient, mutual aid to Pontiac; Mazon, trauma, no transport.

Dec. 1: 7:07 p.m., Mazon, medical, Riverside.

Dec. 2: 3:12 a.m., Chippewa, trauma, no transport; 8:06 a.m., Creek Ridge, medical, St. James; 11:56 a.m., Renfrew, medical, Morris; 2:39 p.m., Mazon, medical, St. James; 2:59 p.m., South St., medical, Riverside, mutual aid from Gardner; 4:30 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 5:37 p.m., Chippewa, medical, St. James, mutual aid from Gardner.

Dec. 4: 10:40 a.m., E. Waupansie, trauma, refusal.



FIREFIGHTERS FROM several departments fought a late-night blaze at the Pizza Stone in Herscher on December 3. Damage was confined to the interior rear of the building.

S. Wilmington Resident Charged with Battery

Grundy County State's Attorney Jason Helland announced December 4 that Michael Brizzolara, 24, of South Wilmington was charged with aggravated battery, a class X felony; aggravated domestic battery, a class 2 felony; and aggravated battery to a child, a class 3 felony.

Brizzolara's bond was set at \$100,000/10% and he is ordered to appear on December 18 at 9:30 a.m. for a preliminary hearing.

The public is advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Dwight Love Box Dates

On Friday December 12, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., come help pack food, and help deliver Saturday, December 13, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Dwight United Methodist Church.

Error in GSW School Board Nov. Story

In The Gardner-South Wilmington High School District #73 Board Meeting story, which appeared in The Paper on November 26, 2014, there were two errors.

Two Action Items were misprinted. The correct Action Items are as follows:

- Approval of Resignation, Guidance Secretary, Tiffany Berger.
- Approval to Hire, Guidance Secretary, Sally Phillips.



Temps - 2014

Nov. 27 - high 27°, low 11° trace snow
 Nov. 28 - high 36°, low 18°
 Nov. 29 - high 52°, low 34°
 Nov. 30 - high 55°, low 19°
 Dec. 1 - high 23°, low 14°
 Dec. 2 - high 30°, low 14°
 Dec. 3 - high 37°, low 20°
 One Year Ago - Dec. 10, 2013 high 47°, low 31°

Permits Issued in Dwight

The following permits were issued at the November 24 village board meeting:

September 9: John Groll, 203 Susan Dr., addition/electrical.

September 17: Andrea Scheuer (Shear Beauty), 107 N. Franklin St., sign and occupancy.

September 19: Future's Unlimited, 401 W. Waupansie St., plumbing.

September 30: Max Sulzberger, 100-104 W. Main St., plumb. and elec.


October 1: Ed Cortez, 310½ N. Franklin St., electrical; Bill Hemenover, 309 N.

Franklin St., electrical.


October 10: Travis Swink, 100 E. Waupansie St., inground pool and elec., fence.

October 15: Phil Becker DBA: Becker Storage, 704 S. Old Rt. 66, electrical.

November 3: William Sole, 310 N. Union St., demo and new shed; Duncan Miiller, 205 E. Delaware St., demo of building; Kevin McNamara, 122 W. Delaware St., demo house; Love's Truck Stop, 12 E. Northbrook Dr., addition to tire shop/electrical; Paul and Jenny Johnson, 305 E. William St., shed.



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What Can You Learn from the "Oracle of Omaha"?

Warren Buffet, the "Oracle from Omaha," is considered one of the most successful investors in history. Yet while the investment world may seem complex, Mr. Buffet's advice is actually pretty simple. Here are a few Buffet quotes, along with some suggestions on putting them to use:

"Whether we're talking about socks or stocks, I like buying quality merchandise when it is marked down."

Essentially, this means you should look for good investment vehicles whose price may have dropped. A "bear" market tends to drag down many stocks — even those with strong fundamentals and favorable prospects. These stocks might then be considered "bargains." One way to determine whether a stock is "expensive" or "cheap" is by looking at its price-to-earnings ratio (P/E). For example, if Company "A" has a share price of \$20 and earnings per share of \$4, then it has a P/E of 5. On the other hand, if Company "B" has the same share price of \$20, but has earnings per share of \$2, its P/E would be 10. So it would be considered more expensive than Company "A." Be aware, though, that the P/E ratio works better as a measure of cost when you are comparing two companies in the same industry.

"Time is the friend of the wonderful business, the enemy of the mediocre."

Be prepared to own quality stocks for the long term; over time, your confidence may be rewarded. On the other hand, if an investment is not of high quality, its flaws will be revealed over the years.

"If investors insist on trying to time their participation in equities, they should try to be fearful when others are greedy and greedy only when others are fearful."

Trying to "time" the market — that is, attempting to buy when prices are low and sell when prices are high — is a difficult task. Too many people do just the opposite: They try to "cut their losses" by selling when the market is down and then go after the "hot" investment whose price may already be as high as it's going to go. Mr. Buffet clearly is not in favor of a market timing approach, and those who try to do it, he says, are probably better off by going against the crowd. Keep in mind, though, that even when holding investments rather than trying to time the market, investing in equities does involve risk, including potential loss of principal.

"When we own portions of outstanding businesses with outstanding managements, our favorite holding period is forever."

When should you sell good investments? Never, according to Mr. Buffet. And while this endless holding period may not be possible for all of us, you get the idea: the longer you keep a good investment, the better off you may be when you do sell.

"The line separating investment and speculation, which is never bright and clear, becomes blurred still further when most market participants have recently enjoyed triumphs. Nothing sedates rationality like large doses of effortless money."

The lesson here? Be an investor, not a speculator. A long run-up in the market can increase your wealth, but it may also make you prone to risky behavior if you think that all your investments will rise indefinitely.

As an investor, you may well want to consider Mr. Buffet's ideas — after all, they've sure worked well for him.

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Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson left, stands with Dwight Rotary President Lon Lovellette.

Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson Addresses Rotary Club

The Rotary Club of Dwight was pleased to welcome the guest speaker, Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson, to its weekly meeting. Chief Henson spoke to Rotarians about community safety and the role in helping Dwight stay a great, family-friendly town.

As reported recently in the media, the Dwight Police Department has been fighting against drugs in our community. A few years ago it was heroin. While heroin is still a concern, it has taken a back seat to prescription drug abuse. The police department is working together with our schools to crack down on illegal prescription drug sales and use. Chief Henson urges all citizens to dispose of unused prescription drugs so they cannot be stolen and sold. There will be a drop off box at Village Hall where people may deposit unused and old prescriptions and they will be safely disposed of. Community members were reminded to lock cars and residences to help prevent drug-related robberies. Chief Henson also spoke to Rotarians about the recent robbery at Centru Bank. The police are working with the F.B.I. but have no leads. On December 10, Rotary welcomes an agent of Farm Credit for a presentation on cutting financial risks of farming. The public is welcome to attend. The church meets weekly at The Country Mansion on Wednesdays at noon. There is a small fee for lunch, payable at the event.

IDVA Visits to Grundy County Cancelled

Due to unavoidable circumstances the monthly visits to Grundy County by the State of Illinois Veterans Service Officer have been cancelled until further notice. The IDVA Service Officer can still be contacted at their Joliet office at: Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs, 2900 West Jefferson St., Joliet, IL, 60453. They can be reached by phone at 815-730-4334 and by fax at 815-730-4335.

Dwight Fire Protection District Reminds Residents to Post 911 Signs

The Dwight Fire Protection District would like to remind all Livingston County rural residents that the posting of a 911 address sign is not only a county requirement, it is a crucial aid in helping emergency personnel arrive as fast as possible in your time of need.

If any Livingston County rural residents are in need of a replacement sign or a new sign they can contact Deputy Fire Chief Justin Dyer via email at jdyer@dwightfire.org or leave a message on the Fire Department phone at 815-584-2373, extension 22. In the email or voice message please provide a complete mailing address. An order form will be mailed out to the address provided.

The cost for the sign is now \$40.00 which includes all fees and shipping and is provided through Nordmeyer Graphics of Chebanse, IL.

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Deadline Nears for CEDS Comments

by Tom Tock

A Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for Livingston County was prepared during 2014 by the North Central Illinois Council of Governments, Ottawa, IL.

The entire study is available at www.ncicg.org.

Comments on the study are being sought through Sunday, Dec. 14. Comments should be e-mailed to: planning@ncicg.org

It should be noted that the study is 70 pages of information that create a very comprehensive picture of Livingston County's strengths and weaknesses.

An approved CEDS is required in order to apply for U.S. Dept. of Commerce/Economic Development Administration funding under the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs.

This funding is on a 50/50 basis, with the municipality concerned having to provide at least half of the project funds.

During the study, a "Call for Projects" was issued to municipalities in Livingston County, asking them to identify projects that would significantly impact their economic effectiveness.

Twenty county-wide projects were accepted in the study. Dwight responded with five projects totalling more than \$3.5-million, although Dwight's projects were not listed among the five that were granted top priority.

No. 1 on the priority list was a hotel/meeting facility in Pontiac that will give corporate executives a place to stay and hold conferences.

The study examined both the negative and positive aspects of Livingston County's economic life.

Negatives —

- The county population dropped from 39,678 in

2,000 to 38,950 in 2010.

- The labor force in Livingston decreased by 1,636 workers from 2009 until September 30, 2014.

- The county is considered economically distressed by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA).

The closings of Kmart in Pontiac and the Dwight Correctional Center impacted the county's unemployment rate and pushed the county toward being considered economically distressed in June of 2014, according to the CEDS study.

Positives —

- Livingston County can boast of top notch employers — RR Donnelley, Caterpillar, Inc., OSF St. James Hospital, Vactor, Interlake, Evenglow Lodge, County Market, Selig Sealing Products, Walmart, Dave's Supermarket, Technical Metals, to name a few.

- The county is home to one of the largest wind farms in Illinois, the Streator Cayuga Ridge South Wind Farm, with 150 turbines.

- Historic Route 66 runs through the county, providing a number of attractions for thousands of foreign and domestic tourists each year.

- 98 percent of the land in the county is used for agriculture. Agribusiness is a strong industry cluster, as is metal and machinery manufacturing.

- Transportation by highway and rail is available through much of the county.

- The Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council has introduced pre-employment workforce training programs.

There are, of course, many other positives and negatives outlined in the 70 page study.

Dwight, at the top of Livingston County, with a busy commercial part of the community in Grundy County, continues to offer a

very enviable business locations in Livingston County. A TIF District is in place with land available for development.

Dwight is adjacent to Interstate 55, with turnoffs at both the north and west sides of the community; it is crisscrossed by Routes 17 and 47, and has "must stop and see" attractions for tourists traveling Old Route 66.

The Dwight Economic Alliance, a joining of several Dwight organizations with the common desire to improve local economic conditions, has been very active.

A new depot is planned in Dwight for the area's railway passengers, and freight will continue to increase the use of the Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern tracks. The old, historic Dwight depot will be refurbished.

December 14 is the deadline for comments on the CEDS study. Everyone's comments are invited. Federal approval of the CEDS study is necessary, but could result in attracting funds for a number of projects in economically distressed Livingston County communities.

Members of the Livingston County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee are:

- Kelly Cochran-Cohlman
Livingston County
- Paula Corrigan
OSF Medical Center
- Lynn Dameron
City of Fairbury
- Adam Dontz, GLCEDC
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Station 343 Restaurant
- Bob Russell
Mayor, City of Pontiac



THREE DWIGHT Junior High students qualified for the choir on Columbus Day and performed at the ILMEA Festival at ISU's Brayden Auditorium on November 22. From left: Christina Pugh, Addison Bean, Tim Western.

St. Lawrence Church Food Pantry

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David Siebert Named to Bank Presidency

The Board of Directors of First National Bank of Dwight has elected David G. Siebert of Dwight President and Chief Executive Officer of First National Bank of Dwight.

Former President and CEO Stephen R. Wilkey passed away November 26 of this year.

Siebert worked for First

National Bank of Dwight for 15 years beginning in June of 1969. He left in 1984 to become President and Chief Executive Officer of Flying Color Graphics, Pontiac. He retired from that position in 2003.

Siebert has been a member of the First National Bank's Board of Directors since 2007.

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THE REDDICK HIGH SCHOOL class of 1974 celebrated its 40 year class reunion on November 1 at The Country Mansion. Seated: Mike Fredrick, Marge (Buckley) Chorski, Eileen (Fritz) Wynne, Marcia (Fritz) Grenier, Steve Pustmueller, Geneva (Hillyer) Staehling, Judy (Barker) Sharper, Nancy (Colman) Larson, Debbie (Sutter) Ochoa, Sue (Kemp) Viglias, Tom Walsh. Standing: Gail (Moranski) Joyce, Robert LaGrange, Nancy (Dvorak) Harris, Ruth (Feller) Maple, Karen (Rieke) Wilson, Mary Alice Buckley, Janell (Andersen) Satler, Carmen (Kirchner) Zalud, David LaReau, Mary Lynn (Brooks) Karpen, Don Sharper, Brian Sumner, Jeff Brooks, Pat Turner.

Kankakee County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship Applications Available

The Kankakee County Farm Bureau Foundation is offering scholarships again this year in the amount of \$1,000 each. Applications are available from high school guidance counselors, agriculture advisors, and at the Kankakee County Farm Bureau office. Electronic copies of the application may also be requested by contacting the Farm Bureau office. Completed applications will be due at the Farm Bureau office (or post-marked) by March 31, 2015.

To date, \$51,500 in scholarships has been awarded to Kankakee County students who are furthering their agricultural education.

Scholarships of \$1,000 each will be made available this year to the 2015 graduating class. The scholarships are offered to high school seniors living in Kankakee County (or a Kankakee County Farm Bureau member family) accepted to an accredited post-secondary educational institution with an agriculture-related field of study. The applications

will be assessed on four categories: demonstrated interest in agriculture, character and personality, academic performance and honors, and financial need.

The scholarship recipients will be notified in May, but the funds will not be disbursed until the student has completed his or her first grading period at the post-secondary school with a "C" grade point average or better. During that grading period, the recipient also must be a full-time student at his or her educational institution. The scholarship funds will then be disbursed to the scholarship recipient to be applied to post-secondary education expenses. Recipients are to submit official grade transcripts proving a "C" grade point average or better by March 1, 2015.

For the fifth year, the Foundation is making available a one-time renewable scholarship for last year's 2014 scholarship recipients. This renewable scholarship is known as the Kevin Yohnka Memorial scholarship and will be in the same

denomination matching the recipient's first year scholarship amount. To be considered for this renewable scholarship, the recipient must submit an essay no longer than one page to the Foundation when they submit their first grading period grade transcript. The essay should detail experiences of their first semester.

At the November, 2004, Kankakee County Farm Bureau Foundation annual meeting, it was decided to create a scholarship program to support the further study of agriculture.

Members of the Foundation board include: Paula Karlock, President; Kelly Knobloch, Vice President; Duane Oosterhoff, Secretary; Patrick Koerner, Treasurer; and directors Matt McAllister, Dr. Joseph Meisenbach, and Katelynn Ohrt. Although a separate entity, the Kankakee County Farm Bureau provides staff and resources for the promotion and operation of the Foundation.

Contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible and are accepted throughout the year and should be sent to: Kankakee County Farm Bureau Foundation, 1605 West Court Street, Kankakee, IL 60901.

For more information on the Foundation, scholarship program, and ways to contribute, call the Farm Bureau office at 815-932-7471.



TEACHERS ALSO ATTENDED THE 40 year Reddick High School class of 1974 Reunion, held November 1. Seated: Connie Huston, Bonnie (Lehnus) Keene, Sharon (Hough) Granger, Faye (Leach) Jones, Roseanne Jamrok. Standing: David Trent, Ronald Shank, Andrew Holmgren, Roger Brown, Robin Cichy. Attending but not pictured: Robert Dowdy, Genevive (Golmolski) Resler, and Elsa Lawry.

Kankakee Quilt Makers to Host Christmas Party, Potluck Dec. 11

The Kankakee Quilt Makers' annual Christmas Party and Potluck Banquet starts a bit earlier than usual this year, at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 11, at Calvary Bible Church in Bourbonnais.

The program will be the "Make It, Bake It, Sew It, Grow It" auction. They urge

those who attend to take their checkbooks with them because oftentimes there are some very determined bidders.

Your contribution for the event is to make, bake, sew or grow something unique and different for the auction.

For more details, contact Diane at 815-458-6535.

CPR Course Available At KCC

A CPR training course is being offered at Kankakee Community College.

The training will provide the information, demonstration and practice necessary to pass the CPR Healthcare Provider written examination and to perform adult, child and infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation acceptable to the American Heart Association.

"CPR Healthcare Provider" will meet 8 a.m. to Noon on Saturday, January 10, in Room D151 at KCC. Registration deadline is January 6. No refunds are given after the registration deadline. Course number is WELL 9006.K16. There is a cost to take the class which includes the required textbook. The class instructor is Sheree Wertz.

After successful completion, participants will receive an AHA certification card.

This course does not award college credit. To register or for more information, call 815-802-8207; go to www.kcc.edu/comejoinus/; or visit Student Services, located on the second floor of the KCC Workforce Development Center.

Christmas Lighting Contest in Cullom

Citizens for Cullom is sponsoring a Christmas Lighting Contest, where residents decorate their homes and yards for the Christmas season.

December 16, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

They urge participants to have their lights on by 4:30 p.m. that day if they wish to be considered for judging.

There will be three places: first, second, and third. Prizes will be gift certificates from Cullom Community Market.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to my family and friends for the cards, gifts, flowers, visits, food and other acts of kindness during my recent hospitalization and recovery. I especially want to thank the Dwight EMS crew for their compassion, professionalism and help. The last thanks goes to Tim Henson for being so prompt at coming to my aid and taking care of my house.

Anna Mae Funk

Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for South Wilmington Grade School District #74

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for South Wilmington Grade School District #74 on the equalized assessed value of the taxable property for the year 2014, with taxes payable in 2015, will be held on December 18, 2014 at 6:45 p.m. at the South Wilmington Grade School. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Cynthia Christensen, Superintendent, at the South Wilmington Grade School, 375 Fifth Ave., P.O. Box 475, South Wilmington, IL 60474. 815-237-2281.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2013 were \$513,226.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$703,195. This represents a 37% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2013 were \$0.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2013 are \$0. This represents neither a decrease nor an increase.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2013 were \$513,226.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$703,195. This represents a 37% increase over the previous year.

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The Paper Deadline is Friday at noon.

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Carrol and Evelyn Statler

Carrol and Evelyn Statler To Celebrate 70th Anniversary

Evelyn Bierschwal and Carrol Statler are celebrating their 70th anniversary. They were married on December 14, 1944 in Shreveport, LA. Their children are: Connie (Duane) Hitchens of Piper City, Bruce (Jennifer) Statler of Emington, Kim (Ray Anderson) Knox of Williamsville, Greg Statler of Cullom. Their grandchildren are: Kelsey (Andrew) Freeland, Kyle Knox (deceased), Olivia Statler, Wyatt and Jack Statler. Great grandchildren are: Ayden and Audrey Freeland. There will be a reception on Sunday, December 14, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Kempton. The couple requests no gifts.



Lynn and Dale Grieff



Dale and Lynn Grieff To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Dale and Lynn Lardi Grieff were married on December 12, 1964 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington. They will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary with their children. The couple has two children: Tim (Angie) Grieff and Todd (Stacie) Grieff. They have four grandchildren: Cadee, Colby, Levi and Ryder. Dale is retired from Union Cement Mason 161, and self-employed upholstery business. Lynn is a self-employed beautician and homemaker.



LeRoy and Connie Haag



LeRoy and Connie Haag To Celebrate 70th Anniversary


LeRoy and Connie Haag of Cullom are celebrating their 70th anniversary with a family dinner at Alexander's on December 14. Haag and Connie Saathoff were married December 14, 1944 at St. John's Lutheran parsonage in Cullom. Their attendants were Velda Saathoff Swigart and James Haag. They are parents of Pat (John) Platz and Richard (Kristine) Haag of Cullom; Lauri (Dexter) Smith of Normal; Marla (Greg) Holloway of Trivoli; and Audrey (David) Lowe of Saunemin. They have 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. They farmed together until retiring and have enjoyed many travels in their RV. They are now snowbirds to Florida.

A girl!

Oakleigh Paige Patten was born on Friday, November 21, 2014, at 7:35 a.m. at OSF St. Joseph's in Bloomington. She weighed 7 pounds, five ounces and was 20 inches long. She is welcomed home by big brother Van. Oakleigh is the daughter of Doug and Kathy Patten of Dwight. Maternal grandparents are Tom and Becky Christenson of Dwight. Maternal great-grandmother is Dorothy Christenson. Paternal grandparents are Lee Patten and the late Peggy Patten. Paternal great-grandmother is Dolores Connor.



Oakleigh Paige Patten



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Claus in Cullom Dec. 13

Santa Claus is coming to Cullom Memorial Library Saturday, December 13, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Kids of all ages may visit him. The Library is also providing a service of wrapping your gifts, and will wrap them, if you take them in, as a way to give back and thank everyone for their support.

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A boy!

John and Tiffany Stevens of San Antonio, TX welcomed their son, Cooper William Stevens, on November 10, 2014. Cooper was 18 inches long and weighed 4 pounds, 10 ounces. Grandparents are Mark Stevens of Morris, Chuck and Jill Copley of Colorado Springs, CO, and David and Dorothy Johnson of San Antonio, TX. Great grandparents are Linda Stevens and John and Phyllis Geschwind of Dwight.



Cooper William Stevens
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OBITUARIES

J.C. McKinney

ESSEX — J.C. McKinney, 88, of Essex passed away Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at his home.

He was born March 24, 1926 in Huntington, Tennessee, son of Elbert and Lola Mitchell McKinney. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, serving during World War II, and also a veteran of the United States Marines, serving during the Korean Conflict.

J.C. was a 33rd degree Mason; and a member of the South Wilmington Sportsman's Club in Essex.

Surviving are his wife, Wanda Burke McKinney, who he married April 4, 1947 in Chicago; one son, James (Roseann) McKinney of Orland Hills; two daughters:

Linda Schroll and Anita (Bill) Andrews, both of Essex; several grandchildren; and one brother, Billy McKinney of Justice.

Funeral services were Monday, December 8, at 12:30 p.m. at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel. Rev. Steven Lange officiated.

Interment with military honors in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, followed the service.

Visitation was for two hours preceding the service.

Memorial gifts in his name may be directed to the donor's choice.

To visit his online guestbook, log onto: www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com

William Jedlink

OMAHA, NE — William Jedlink, 50, of Omaha, Nebraska passed away at his residence of natural causes Saturday, November 29, 2014.

A private family

graveside service was held in Oaklawn Cemetery, Dwight.

Hager Memorial Home, Dwight, was in charge of arrangements.

Helen M. Owen

DWIGHT — Helen M. Owen, 91, of Dwight passed away at St. James Hospital, Pontiac, Friday, December 5, 2014.

Cremation rites were

accorded. There were no services.

Hager Memorial Home, Dwight, was in charge of arrangements.

Ruby Vant



EMINGTON — Ruby Irene Farber Vant, 106, of Emington passed away Sunday, December 7, 2014 at 2:58 p.m. at Fairview Haven in Fairbury.

Visitation will be Friday, December 12, from 4 until 7 p.m. at Duffy-Baier-Snedecor Funeral Home in Pontiac.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, at the Funeral Home. Pastor Kim Ernst will officiate.

Burial: Union Cemetery, Emington.

Ruby was born February 14, 1908 in Saunemin, daughter of Luis J. and Edna Hoke Farber. She married Clyde H. Vant August 30, 1930. He preceded her in death.

A son, Clyde Richard "Dick" Vant of Emington survives along with seven grandchildren: William (Deborah) Gahm, Luann (Jerry) Freese, Laurie (Mike) Baker, Clyde Richard (Holly) Vant, Margaret Ann "Peggy" (Frank) Hartig, James (Debbie) Vant and John Gahm.

Eighteen great-grandchildren: Jill Langer, Johnny Gahm, Jennifer Gahm, Sarah Gahm, Melissa Fitzpatrick, David Tipton, Brian Tipton, Scott Tipton, Mandy Kaisner, Erica Knauer, Danielle Batta,

Katelyn Lane, Amy Gahm, Samantha Buff, Tony Santos, Cody Hartig, Timothy Vant and Samuel Vant; 20 great-great-grandchildren; and two great-great-great-grandchildren also survive.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Emma Jean Sporer; two brothers: Clarence L. Farber and Louis Verle "Jack" Farber; one grandson, David E. Gahm; one great-grandson and two great-great-grandsons.

Ruby graduated from Saunemin schools and Illinois State University, where she received her Teaching Degree. She was a teacher for 42 years, the last 26 years in Saunemin.

She was a very active member of Emington Congregational Church in Emington, and was a member of Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority, Livingston County Retired Teachers, Royal Neighbors, Dwight Senior Citizens, Thursday Evening Bridge Club, and Ladies Aid.

Ruby enjoyed teaching, traveling and music.

Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice, or Emington Fire Department.

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

Family members of the deceased: Please instruct the Funeral Home to send information to: **The Paper** fax: 815-584-2196 email: thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net

Our family is forever grateful for the ways you have expressed your sympathy on Bill's passing. We thank you for caring and sharing and may you all be blessed. June Halterman and family

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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:

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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.

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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

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Notice of Proposed Property Tax Levy for Gardner Community Consolidated District 72-C

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Gardner Community Consolidated School District 72-C for 2014, will be held on December 18, 2014 at 6:55 P.M. in the Gardner Grade School # 72C Work Room, Gardner, Illinois.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Tony Whiston, Superintendent, at the school at (815)237-2313.

II. The corporate and special purpose tax extended for 2013 was \$518,170.64

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$543,770.38. This represents a 4.71% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2013 were \$60,201.30.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2014 are \$58,325.00 This represents a 3.12% decrease over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2013 were \$578,371.94

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2014 are \$602,095.38. This represents a 3.95% increase over the previous year.

Adopted this 20th day of November, 2014.
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BY: Brian Hansen
President, Board of Education

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DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 2 Dwight vs. Reed-Custer Varsity -

After a 4-0 run in the Rt. 17 Classic, number one ranked Dwight was upset by Reed-Custer, 80-67, in the regular season opener.

Everything that worked in the tourney, the Comets found a way to infiltrate and disrupt Dwight's game plan. The Trojans fought back to within striking distance late, but had run out of gas by then and allowed Reed-Custer to run away with it.

The Comets' 11 triples in the contest didn't help either.

Drew Travers led all

scorers with 22 points. Caleb Boma added 11 points. Colton Fieldman scored nine. Drew Jensen had eight, including two threes. Ryan Gaston put in five points. Devin Connolly and Jace Kennedy each had four. Jayson Powell contributed two.

The JV Trojans were able to get by with a 64-56 win over Reed-Custer.

Friday, December 5 Dwight vs. PBL JV -

Dwight's JV boys fell to Paxton-Buckley-Loda, 59-45, Friday night.

Graham led the team with

14, while Wykes and Fox each had eight points. Nelson scored five. German put in four. Nutting, Pulver and McCullough each added two points.

Varsity -

Dwight got their first Sangamon Valley Conference win in school history, defeating PBL, 51-45. But it didn't come easy.

PBL came out of the game feisty and fired up, surprising the Trojans with their fast-paced style of play.

The game remained tight deep into the fourth, but the seniors stepped up to the task and put the kabosh on PBL's chances.

"I thought Colton Fieldman was key tonight," stated Coach Long. "Without his production in the second half, we do not win the game."

He added, "I thought Caleb Boma, Devin Connolly and Collin Irvin were huge down the stretch, with their ability to handle pressure. Caleb was a rock for us tonight."

Boma ended up with 13 points in the game, including two three-pointers. Drew Travers put in 12 for the Trojans. Fieldman had ten points, on a perfect 4-4 from the field. Irvin added four points. Ryan Gaston hit a three. Justin Fox, Jayson Powell, Owen Pulver and Jace Kennedy each contributed two points. Devin Connolly hit a free throw.

Dwight moves to 5-1 on the season, and went up against Newark on Tuesday night.

(more Trojan stats on 12)



DTHS HEAD VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH ERIC LONG responds to the action courtside Friday night during the first SVC game, against PBL. Dwight captured the win, 51-45. At left, JV Trojan Blake Graham drives the ball past PBL's Cole Eshleman.



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DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

**Monday, November 24
Dwight vs. Westmont
Varsity -
Rt. 17 Classic**

The Trojans began their season with a big win over Westmont, 72-39, in Turkey Tourney action November 24.

Collin Irvin led the balanced scoring attack with 13 points, shooting 5/6 from the field along with two free throws. Drew Jensen added 11 points, including three treys. Caleb Boma connected on three trifectas for nine points. Colton Fieldman and Justin Fox each contributed eight points, with Fox pulling down six rebounds. Jace Kennedy scored five points and grabbed three boards. Jayson Powell, Devin Connolly and Drew Travers each had four points. Blake Graham and Ryan Gaston each hit a three.

**Tuesday, November 25
Dwight vs. Wilmington
Varsity -
Rt. 17 Classic**

Dwight took out a short-staffed Wilmington team, 65-27, during the Rt. 17 Classic.

For the second night in a row, over ten Trojans scored in the contest. And also for the second night in a row, they forced over 28 turnovers.

Leading the offense was

Jace Kennedy, with ten points. He also grabbed four boards. Owen Pulver had eight points and two rebounds. Caleb Boma and Collin Irvin each had seven points. Drew Travers was 3/3 from the field, for six points. Drew Jensen, Justin Fox, Ryan Gaston and Connor Gantzert scored five points each. Devin Connolly scored three. Peter Hansen and Colton Fieldman had two points each.

**Wednesday, November 26
Dwight vs. Leland-Earlville
Varsity -
Rt. 17 Classic**

The Trojans' hot streak continued as they stomped on Leland-Earlville, 83-46. Dwight shot 45% from the field, including 11 three-pointers.

Big man Drew Travers led with 16 points, shooting perfect from the field and pulling down eight rebounds. Collin Irvin had 12 points, including two threes. Justin Fox and Connor Gantzert had nine points each, with Gantzert hitting three trifectas. Caleb Boma and Colton Fieldman each added seven points. Jace Kennedy and Ryan Gaston both had six points, with Kennedy grabbing seven rebounds. Drew Jensen and Devin Connolly had four points each. Jayson

Powell added two. Peter Hansen made a free throw.

Dwight went on to take the Turkey Tournament title, going into the regular season ranked #1 in Class 1A. The Trojans received a single first place vote and 111 points in the first statewide polls of the season by a media panel from around the state to receive the ranking.

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

The JV Trojans lost a close one to the Wildcats, 48-46, in their first game of the season.

Blake Graham led Dwight with 16 points. Carter Wykes had 11. Austin Nelson added eight points. Noah Nutting put in six. Andrew German had five.

**Wednesday, November 26
Dwight vs. Leland-Earlville
JV -**

Dwight defeated Leland-Earlville by a score of 33-26 on November 26.

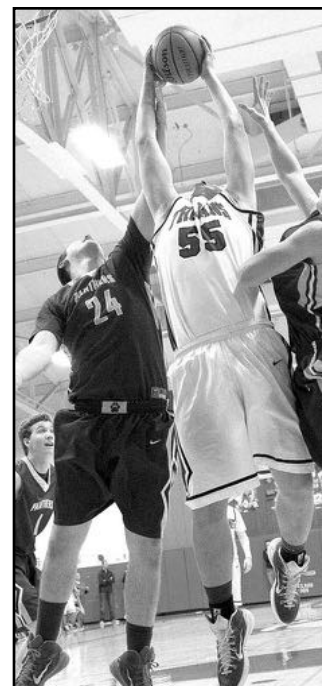
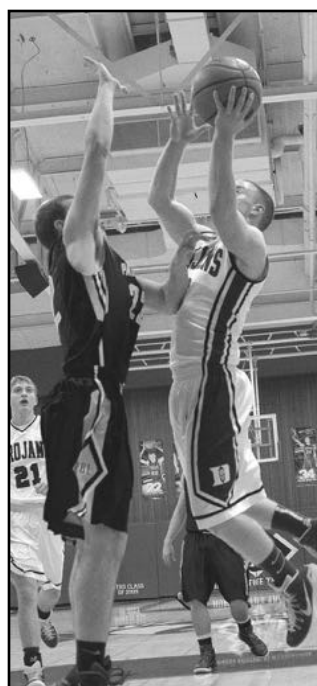
Blake Graham led the way with 12. Austin Nelson put in ten. Noah Nutting and Wes Pulver each had three points. Jeshua McCullough and Andrew German had two each. Carter Wykes made a free throw.

**Tuesday, December 2
Dwight vs. Reed-Custer
JV -**

The Trojans moved to 2-1 after a 64-56 win over the Comets.

Blake Graham went off for 29 points in the contest. Justin Fox had 16. Carter Wykes and Andrew German each scored six. Jeshua McCullough put in four. Noah Nutting had two. Wes Pulver made a free throw.

Clockwise, DTSH Varsity players, Senior Colton Fieldman, Junior Drew Travers and Senior Jason Powell. JV TROJAN Carter Wykes, below.



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GSW PANTHERS BASKETBALL

Monday, November 24
GSW vs. Morris
Varsity -

Morris crept by the Panthers, 54-49, in tournament action at Coal City on November 24.

"Although we are never happy about a loss, I thought our boys fought hard against a 3A school with three exceptional guards," commented Coach Gibson.

Kyle Robison (21 points) and Blake Marks (17 points) carried the offense, as the guards struggled to connect from the field. Scott Horrie added six points. Brendan Elens sank a three. Austin Kavanaugh knocked down a bucket.

"This is a game that we will certainly build upon and learn from," Gibson added.

Tuesday, November 25
GSW vs. Coal City
Varsity -

The Panthers got a convincing win over hosts, Coal City, 65-37.

"Defensive intensity was there from start to finish and anytime we can hold an opponent to fewer than 40 points, we put ourselves in a good position to win," stated Coach Gibson.

The GSW big men, Kyle Robison and Blake Marks, each scored 17 to lead the team. Brendan Elens put in six. Jack Davidson and Austin Kavanaugh each had five points. Alex Bunna and Nate Seabert scored four each. Kody Kellogg added three points. Scott Horrie and Noah Brannock each contributed two.

Gibson added, "Our big continued to play well and it was nice to see our guards get involved in the scoring attack as well."



GSW LADY PANTHERS BASKETBALL

Monday, December 1
GSW vs. Beecher
Varsity -

The Lady Panthers struggled against Beecher on December 1, falling 66-47.

"We were outthusted from start to finish," admitted Coach Leigh after the game. "We had a hard time making good passes. We shot the ball ok from the field, but we got beat back in transition almost every time."

Marlana Ferrari led the team with nine points and eight boards. Sydney Perkins had eight points and four rebounds. Jenni Price added seven points, three steals and three assists.

Thursday, December 4
GSW vs. Grant Park
Varsity -

After a slow start, the Lady Panthers were able to put away Grant Park, 45-25.

"I thought we did a much better job in the second half of taking care of the ball," said head coach Adam Leigh. "We still had 23 turnovers, but that has been a focus of ours to take better care of the basketball."

Wednesday, November 26
GSW vs. Serena
Varsity -

GSW got their second win in as many days, defeating a scrappy Serena squad, 53-41.

"This was the second game in a row where we held the opponents' best scorer to only three points," said head coach Chris Gibson. "With that type of defensive focus and energy I think we can do some really good things this year."

Kyle Robison had another big game, scoring 20 points and bringing down ten boards. Blake Marks added eight points, including two three-pointers. Scott Horrie had seven points. Brendan Elens scored six. Jack Davidson contributed five points. Austin Kavanaugh put in four. Trevor McDaniel hit three free throws. The Panthers are now 2-1 overall.

Friday, December 5
GSW vs. Beecher
Varsity -

The Panthers beat the Beecher Bobcats, 69-52, on Friday night, improving to 3-2 overall and getting their first RVC win of the season.

"Offensively we were very efficient and we shot the ball well (55% FG, 45% 3-FG)," said Coach Gibson. "It was nice to continue where we left off in the RVC (10-3 in last 13 RVC match-ups) and also defend our home court with this win."

All-Conference/All-State baller, Kyle Robison made a big impact, scoring 26 points. Blake Marks added nine. Austin Kavanaugh and Brendan Elens each had eight points. Scott Horrie put in six. Kody Kellogg scored four. Braden Marks and Trevor McDaniel each had three points. Nate Seabert knocked down a free throw.



TRI-POINT LADY CHARGERS BASKETBALL

Monday, November 17
Tri-Point vs. Milford
Varsity -

Milford defeated Tri-Point, 44-20, on November 17.

Ashten Melton led with 12 points and nine rebounds. Jacki Weller added six points and ten boards. Ali Flessner had two blocks, while Beth Houck stole the ball twice.

Tuesday, November 18
Tri-Point vs. Wilmington
Varsity -

The Lady Chargers got a big 52-45 win over Wilmington on November 18.

Jacki Weller led with 18 points and three steals. Kayleigh Miller had 15 points, four rebounds and three assists. Beth Houck added eight points. Ashten Melton pulled down eight boards. Ali Flessner had three assists.

Wednesday, November 19
Tri-Point vs. Clifton
Central
Varsity -

Clifton Central took out Tri-Point, 35-28.

Ashten Melton had 13 points, nine rebounds and two blocks to lead the team. Kayleigh Miller had nine points, nine boards and five steals. Ali Flessner grabbed six rebounds. Jacki Weller had two blocks.

Saturday, November 22
Tri-Point vs. Watseka
Varsity -



TRI-POINT CHARGERS BASKETBALL

Saturday, December 6
Tri-Point vs. Donovan
Varsity -

The Chargers got a 61-24 win over Donovan on the weekend, with Brandon Wilkerson leading the way with 13 points in the contest.

Jordan Hamilton added 12 to the scoring column. Josh Thorson put in ten

The Lady Chargers lost a heartbreaker to Watseka, 52-46, on November 22.

Kayleigh Miller led with 20 points, three steals and one block. Jacki Weller added 13 points, two assists and a block. Ashten Melton had 12 points and six rebounds. Ali Flessner added seven rebounds and two assists. Aurora Gardner pulled down four rebounds.

Monday, December 1
Tri-Point vs. IL Lutheran
Varsity -

Tri-Point defeated Illinois Lutheran, 38-20, on December 1.

Kayleigh Miller had ten points, five steals and four assists, leading the team. Jacki Weller had nine points and three blocks. Ashten Melton added seven points, ten rebounds and a block. Ali Flessner and Brittany Fanning contributed four points each.

Thursday, December 4
Tri-Point vs. Donovan
Varsity -

The Lady Chargers moved to 3-3 on the season with a 42-24 win over Donovan.

Kayleigh Miller led with 15 points, six steals and five assists. Jacki Weller added ten points and two blocks. Ashten Melton had six points, eight boards and three blocks. Beth Houck had six points. Ali Flessner grabbed six rebounds. Gabby McDermott had six swipes.

points. Jared Haeme and Timmy Crouch each had nine. Ben Mogged contributed four, while Kyle Robinson and Nick Mahoney each scored two points.

Tri-Point also won big in the JV game, 66-29. They are now 3-0 overall.



SAUNEMIN EAGLES BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 2
Saunemin vs. Flanagan
5th/6th Grade -

The Eagles were blown out by Flanagan, 19-4, with Chase Broerman making the only bucket for Saunemin.

Caleb Peet and Trey Duck each hit a free throw.

7th Grade -
In the seventh grade

game, Saunemin fell 39-21.

Peyton Cramer led all scorers with 16. Peet scored three, while Leighton Gerdes added two.

8th Grade -

The Falcons flew over the Eagles, 41-7, in the night-cap.

Cramer had four second half points. Peet added three.



MVK MAVERICKS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 2
MVK vs. Dwight
7th Grade -

A big second half helped MVK get past Dwight, 33-11, on December 2.

The Mavs' Cody Carey led the balanced attack with 11 points and six rebounds. Brayden Roe contributed eight points, while Ben Krause added five points and five steals.

"It was a tough start, again, but the boys battled through it and started to make some shots," commented Coach Walker. "I thought Brayden Roe played really well tonight, scoring all eight of his points in the second half."

8th Grade -
MVK improved to 3-0 in IVC play with a 55-35 victory over a physical Dwight team.

"We talked about how physical Dwight can be and the boys responded well, outscoring the Redbirds in the second quarter, 20-10," said Coach Walker.

Isaac Brockman led the Mavericks with 14 points and hauled in 12 rebounds. Sam Grushkin and Brody Baudino scored 11 each. Zakk Gonnem and Joey Thomas added nine and seven points, respectively.

"The big three (Brockman, Grushkin, Baudino) really carried us tonight," Walker added. "I thought Joey Thomas gave us some key minutes and points off the bench, too."

Wednesday, December 3
MVK vs. Wilmington
7th Grade -

The seventh grade Mavericks trailed the Wildcats throughout much of the game, but MVK snuck back in late and squeaked by with a 34-31 win.

Ben Krause led the Mavs with 15 points, including a late-game three during their comeback. Cody Carey added 13 points, while Logan Severson, Tommy Cahill, and Eli Painter all added baskets.

"It was nice to see Ben step up his game tonight," Coach Walker said after the game. "We've been waiting for that offensive contribution all season."

MVK moves to 5-2 on the season.

8th Grade -
In the eighth grade match-up, MVK defeated Wilmington 30-17.

Sam Grushkin led with 12 points and six rebounds. Brody Baudino added ten points. Isaac Brockman put in four points.

"It wasn't pretty, but the boys found a way on the defensive end to get the victory," Coach Walker commented. "We held them to four first half points, so the defense was the key in this particular game."

MVK is now 8-0 overall.

Both teams went up against Morris-Saratoga on Tuesday.

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ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES
DISBURSED AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-MODIFIED CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUND FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2013
AND ENDING MAY 31, 2014

REVENUE RECEIVED	FIRE	AMBULANCE	TOTAL
General Property Taxes	\$ 87,432.09	\$ 75,089.28	\$ 162,521.37
State Replacement Taxes	6,152.86	0.00	6,152.86
Illinois Municipal League	1,034.75	0.00	1,034.75
Interest Income	301.22	0.00	301.22
Other Income	848.25	0.00	848.25
TOTAL REVENUES RECEIVED	\$ 95,769.17	\$ 75,089.28	\$ 170,858.45
EXPENDITURES DISBURSED			
Compensation:			
Volunteer Firemen	\$ 18,900.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 21,900.00
Trustees	1,485.00	0.00	1,485.00
Postage, Stationery and Other Office Expenses	425.18	0.00	425.18
Supplies	8,104.28	1,945.50	10,049.78
Dues & Subscriptions	335.00	0.00	335.00
Utilities	4,480.04	0.00	4,480.04
Telephone	4,334.62	0.00	4,334.62
Gas, Fuel and Oil	6,084.69	0.00	6,084.69
Other Operating Expenses	300.00	0.00	300.00
Repairs and Maintenance:			
Equipment	4,349.59	352.01	4,701.60
Building	2,468.28	0.00	2,468.28
Legal and Auditing	5,700.00	0.00	5,700.00
Insurance	8,492.32	0.00	8,492.32
Purchase of Equipment	21,023.10	0.00	21,023.10
Dispatch	2,214.39	0.00	2,214.39
Ambulance Expense	(159,748.22)	159,748.22	0.00
Loan Payments:			
Principal Retirement	29,922.21	0.00	29,922.21
Interest Expense	1,819.08	0.00	1,819.08
TOTAL EXPENDITURES DISBURSED	\$ (39,310.44)	\$ 165,045.73	\$ 125,735.29
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 135,079.61	\$ (89,956.45)	\$ 45,123.16
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	26,887.38	247,485.89	274,373.27
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 161,966.99	\$ 157,529.44	\$ 319,496.43

Patrick O'Brien
Treasurer Essex FPD

ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2014 AND ENDING MAY 31, 2015 FOR GENERAL CORPORATE PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:

Section I: That this Ordinance be and the same is hereby termed "The Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of Essex Fire Protection District for the Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2014 and ending May 31, 2015".

Section II: That the amounts hereinafter set forth, or so much thereof as may be authorized by law, be and the same are hereby appropriate for Corporate purposes as specified with particularity as Section IV of this Ordinance.

Section III:

GENERAL FUND

Cash on hand - checking	\$ 246,850.21
Cash on hand - Illinois Fund	\$ 38,457.16
Cash on hand - savings	\$ 41,590.96
Building Loan	\$ 700,000.00
Beginning balance - June 1, 2014	\$1,026,898.33

REVENUES

Property tax - Kankakee County	\$ 152,952.17
Property tax - Will County	\$ 15,348.76
Replacement tax	\$ 4,700.00
Interest Income	\$ 1,500.00
Total Revenues	\$ 174,500.93
Total Funds Available	\$1,201,399.26

EXPENDITURES

Administration	\$ 18,400.00
Fire Station Building	\$ 910,000.00
Equipment and Supplies	\$ 78,573.00
Salaries and Compensation	\$ 31,600.00
Total General Fund	\$1,038,573.00
Total Audit Fund	\$ 3,000.00
Total Insurance Fund	\$ 46,500.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,088,073.00
ENDING BALANCE	\$113,326.26

Section IV: That the items appropriated and the objects and purposes of the same are as follows:

GENERAL FUND

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE:

	Fire Protection	Ambulance Protection
101. Printing, Postage & Office Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
102. Publication Expense	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
103. IAFFD membership dues & Convention Expenses	\$ 600.00	\$ 400.00
104. Court Costs, annexation & detachment	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
105. Attorney's Fees	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Subtotal:	\$ 9,300.00	\$ 9,100.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE	\$ 18,400.00	

FIRE STATION BUILDING:

201. Building Maintenance & Repair	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
202. Electrical Service	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
203. Heating Fuel	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
204. Telephone Service	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
205. Sewer Service	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
206. Radio & Beeper Replacement & Repair	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
207. Proposed Building Improvements	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
208. New Building	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 400,000.00
Subtotal:	\$ 463,000.00	\$ 447,000.00
TOTAL FIRE STATION BUILDING	\$ 910,000.00	

FIRE/AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES:

301. Fire Fighting Equipment & maintenance & repairs	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
302. Fire Fighting & Ambulance Supplies	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
303. Truck & Equipment Repairs	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
304. Truck & Equipment Replacement	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
305. Operation of Truck & Equipment Fuel	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
306. Fire Fighting Training and Videos	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
307. Miscellaneous Expense & Truck Testing	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
308. Personal Fire Fighting Protection Gear	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Subtotal:	\$ 46,773.00	\$ 31,800.00
TOTAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES	\$ 78,573.00	

SALARIES AND COMPENSATION:

401. Salaries of Trustees	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
402. Volunteer's compensation, Fire Chief & EMT Coordinator	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,600.00
403. Miscellaneous Compensation & Gratuities	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
404. ETS B	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 0.00
Subtotal:	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 12,100.00
TOTAL SALARIES & COMPENSATION	\$ 31,600.00	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ 1,038,573.00	

AUDIT FUND

501. Accountant's Fees	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Subtotal:	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
TOTAL AUDIT FUND	\$ 3,000.00	

INSURANCE FUND

601. Liability & Workmen's Compensation	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
602. Property Damage & Other comprehensive	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
603. Surety Bond	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
604. Accidental Death & Disbursement	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Subtotal:	\$ 23,250.00	\$ 23,250.00
TOTAL INSURANCE FUND	\$ 46,500.00	

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS - ALL FUNDS .. \$1,088,073.29

Section V:

PRINCIPAL BALANCE REMAINING

1. Truck Loan	\$ 0.00
2. Building Loan	\$ 700,000.00
3. Tanker Loan/Lease	\$ 0.00

Section VI: That if any section, subdivision, or sentence of this ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

Section VII: That each appropriated fund total shall be divided among the several objects and purposes specified, and in the particular amounts stated for each fund respectively in Section IV, constituting the total appropriations in the amount of One Million Eighty Eight Thousand Seventy Three Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,088,073.00) for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2014 and ending May 31, 2015.

Section VIII: That Section 3 shall be and is a summary of the annual Appropriation Ordinance of this Township, passed by the Board of Trustees as required by law and shall be in full force and effect from and after this date.

Section IX: That a certified copy of the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance shall be filed with the County Clerk within 30 days after adoption.

ADOPTED This 26th day of November, 2014 pursuant to a roll call vote by the Board of Trustees of Essex Fire Protection District, Kankakee & Will County, Illinois.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
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George Dvorak	X		
Patrick O'Brien	X		

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DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

**Monday, December 1
Dwight vs. Seneca
Freshmen -**

The freshmen girls improved to 2-0 with a 37-17 win over Seneca on December 1.

Lucy Rieke led the way with ten points. Brooklyn Long added nine. Abby Edwards had eight. Leah Flynn scored six. Madi Hughes and Macey Rodosky each chipped in two.

"The girls did an excellent job of moving the ball around tonight to get good shots and we played very good defense the entire game," Coach Black said in the post game. "I also felt we did a great job on the boards, limiting their second shot opportunities."

**Tuesday, December 2
Dwight vs. Newark
JV -**

The JV Lady Trojans defeated Newark, 33-25, on December 2.

Brooklyn Long led the team with nine points. Daly Galloway had eight. Lucy Rieke put in six. Abby Edwards scored six. Leah Flynn and Samantha Carlson each added two.

Varsity -

Dwight's varsity girls lost to Newark, 62-14.

Rachel Dawson led the Lady Trojans with five points. Daly Galloway chipped in three.

On the glass, Ashley Fox and Amy Ruder each had seven boards.

**Thursday, December 4
Dwight vs. PBL
JV -**

Dwight's JV girls lost a tough one to PBL, 35-31.

After falling behind early, the Lady Trojans fought back in the second half, putting themselves in position to take the lead late. But free throws proved to be a killer,

as Dwight shot just 33% from the charity stripe.

Abby Edwards led with 13 points, four steals and three rebounds. Lucy Rieke added six points and six boards. Brooklyn Long had six points and a rebound. McKenzie Zeedyk had two points, two rebounds and a steal. Leah Flynn added two points and three rebounds. Samantha Carlson had two points, two rebounds, a block and a steal. Abby Houch contributed an assist and a steal. Maddie Hughes pulled down two rebounds.

The Lady Trojans are now 1-2 this season.

Varsity -

The Lady Trojans lost their Sangamon Valley Conference opener to PBL, 70-35, in Paxton on December 4.

Daly Galloway and Rachel Dawson each had nine points to lead the team.

Dwight falls to 1-3 on the season.

**Saturday, December 6
Dwight vs. Manteno
Freshmen -**

Dwight ran their record to 3-0 with a big 46-18 victory over Manteno on Saturday.

Abby Edwards led the team with 15 points, while Lucy Rieke, Leah Flynn and Brooklyn Long all had eight points each. Macey Rodosky added seven.

"The girls came out with great energy and got us off to a hot start in the first quarter," commented Coach Black. "We did a terrific job of pushing the ball up the court on offense and also running our set plays. The girls created turnovers on defense and controlled the boards the entire game. I think we played our best game so far. We are getting better with each game."

The Lady Trojans took on Streator on Tuesday.



DTHS Cheerleaders held Youth Cheer Night during the Dwight-PBL game Friday night. Grade-school age girls performed a program to music, did cartwheels and stunts for the packed house.



DGS LADY REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

**Monday, December 1
Dwight vs. MVK
8th Grade -
Regionals**

The Lady Redbirds' season came to an end December 1, with a 24-21

loss to MVK in regional action.

The game was tight all the way, with Dwight getting to within one late, but MVK held on.

Cassie Holmes led Dwight with 15 points. Mel Stewart added four. Chloe Butterbrodt put in two.

The Lady Redbirds end the season with a 9-11 record overall.

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CERTIFICATION OF BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH P.A. 83-881

The undersigned, being the Chief Financial Officer of the Taxing District hereinafter named, does hereby certify that attached hereto is a TRUE AND CORRECT COPY of the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of said District for its 2014/2015 fiscal year, adopted on 26th of November, 2014.

I further certify that the ESTIMATE OF REVENUES, by source, anticipated to be received by said Taxing District, either set forth in said ordinance as "estimated receipts" or attached hereto by separate documents, is a true and correct statement of said estimate.

This certification is made and filed pursuant to the requirements of Public Act 83-881 (sec. 643 of Revenue Act, as amended) and on behalf of the ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN THE COUNTIES OF WILL AND KANKAKEE, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Dated this 26th day of November, 2014.

Pat O'Brien
Treasurer

SUBSCRIBED TO AND SWORN before me this 26th day of November, 2014.

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Week 13 Results

Planning Assoc. 9-5 over DeLong Ford 6-8
Dairy Queen 9-5 over Berkot's S.Foods 8-6
Cherry Red Rstrs 7-7 over BB Toyz 5-9
1st National Bank 10-4 over Danko's S. Farm 9-5
Jensen's Bp 8-6 over LPL 7-7
Dwight Bank 9-5 over Geo's Restaurant 7-7
SOCU 9-5 over Owl 8-6

Standings

North	South
Planning Assoc. 12-1	Danko's S. Farm 10-3
Dairy Queen 9-4	Streator Onized 9-4
Geo's 7-6	Ch. Red Roasters 7-6
Owl 5-8	Dwight Bank 7-6
Jensen's BP 5-8	LPL Financial 6-7
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Berkot's S. Foods 2-11	DeLong Ford 4-9

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DGS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

**Monday, December 1
Dwight vs. Cornell
6th Grade -**

The Redbirds came up short against Cornell, 24-20, on December 1.

Andrew Harsh led Dwight with 13 points. Hudson Beier added five, while brother Camden chipped in two.

Leading the Redbirds on the boards was Harsh with 11. Dalton Smith snagged ten. H. Beier pulled down eight. C. Beier had six.

Camden Beier each had four points, leading the Redbirds. Andrew Harsh and Rylan Bovellet each added a bucket. Prince Bariffe added a free throw.

On the boards, C. Beier led with six.

In "B" game action, Dwight lost 15-6.

Logan Truesdell, Jack Gallet and Hudson Beier all scored two points.

Gallet and H. Beier each snared six rebounds.

**Saturday, December 6
Dwight vs. MVK
6th Grade -
MVK Tournament**

Dwight fell hard to hosts, MVK, 41-8, during the MVK Tournament.

Dalton Smith led with

four points and 12 boards. Hudson Beier and Prince Bariffe both added a bucket, with Beier grabbing five off the glass.

**Dwight vs. Elwood
MVK Tournament**

In the consolation game, Dwight defeated Elwood, 20-14.

Andrew Harsh led with six points. Camden Beier and Dalton Smith both scored four points. Prince Bariffe and Rylan Bovellet each scored a bucket. Hudson Beier and Jake Partney each hit a free throw.

Dalton Smith led on the boards, with 11. Andrew Harsh and Prince Bariffe both snared six.



TROJAN NATION At Friday night's DTHS Basketball game the student section was on their feet. The masked men at left revved up the crowd at the beginning of the Varsity action.



Come out to the Kresl Gymnasium Saturday night and cheer on the #1 Ranked Dwight Trojans as they take on Herscher in non-conference action. JV game at 5:30 followed by Varsity at 7.



DWIGHT JUNIOR TROJAN league took to the court between regular Trojan action Friday night in Kresl Gymnasium. Second through fifth grade boys are able to play on the Jr. Trojan teams.



SPORTS - Week at A glance

WHAT	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Dwight JV & Varsity Boys	December 13	Herscher	Dwight	5:30 p.m.
	December 16	Seneca	Dwight	5:30 p.m.
Dwight Freshmen Boys	December 11	Gibson City	Gibson City	5:30 p.m.
Dwight JV & Varsity Girls	December 16	Reed-Custer	Reed-Custer	5:30 p.m.
Dwight Freshmen Girls	December 11	Seneca	Seneca	5:30 p.m.
	December 16	Clifton Central	Clifton Central	5:30 p.m.
GSW Boys	December 12	Grant Park	Grant Park	7:15 p.m.
	December 16	Wilmington	Wilmington	7:00 p.m.
GSW Girls	December 11	St. Anne	St. Anne	5:45 p.m.
	December 13, 15, 17	Raider Holiday Tourny	TBA	TBA
Tri-Point Boys	December 11-13, 16	Watseka Tourny	Watseka	TBA
Tri-Point Girls	December 11	Iroquois West	Iroquois West	6:00 p.m.
	December 13	GCMS	GCMS	12:15 p.m.
	December 15	St. Anne	Tri-Point	5:45 p.m.



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2014/2015 ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE for the levy and assessment of taxes for the Essex Fire Protection District, Kankakee and Will Counties, State of Illinois.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of authority vested in them by "An ACT in Relation to Fire Protection Districts", approved July 28, 1927, as amended, the Board of Trustees in meeting assembled, do hereby find and declare that there will be required to be raised by general taxation the amounts hereinafter set down, to be levied upon all the taxable property in said District, in order to meet and defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of the District as required by statute or voted by people in accordance with law, and the amounts so required are itemized and needed for uses and purposes as specified herein below; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees does hereby find and declare that it will be necessary to provide for a levy of taxes at a rate in excess of .125 percent but not in excess of .30 percent of the value of all taxable property within the said District as equalized or assessed by the Department of Local Government Affairs and for State and County purposes; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Trustees does hereby find and declare that in addition to the levy of taxes, it will be necessary to provide for an additional levy to pay the costs of protecting itself against liability under the provision of 745ILCS 10/9-103 et. seq. of the Illinois Compiled Statutes with said additional levy being in the sum of Thirty Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Three Dollars and 43/100 (\$33,273.43) as shown hereinbelow; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Trustees does hereby find and declare it will be necessary to provide for an additional levy to pay for the costs of its annual audit with said additional levy being in the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Six Dollars and 73/100 (\$1,506.73) as shown hereinbelow,

WHEREAS, said Board of Trustees does hereby find and declare it will be necessary to provide for an additional levy to pay for the costs of its ambulance service with said additional levy being in the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Two Dollars and 19/100 (\$116,772.19) as shown hereinbelow,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COUNTIES OF KANKAKEE AND WILL, STATE OF ILLINOIS:

SECTION I: That upon all property subject to taxation within said ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, Counties of Kankakee and Will, State of Illinois as assessed and equalized for the State and County purposes, a general tax levy at a rate in excess of .125 percent but not in excess of .30 percent in the following amounts for the respective corporate purposes hereinafter mentioned and additional levies under 745ILCS 10/9-103 et. seq. and 50ILCS 310/9 is necessary:

GENERAL FUND

ADMINISTRATION

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Printing, postage & supplies (\$583.15), Publication (\$293.18), IAIFPD membership dues & convention expenses (\$293.18), Court costs, annexation & detachment (\$0.00), Attorney & Legal fees (\$972.44), TOTAL ADMINISTRATION: \$2,141.95

FIRE STATION

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Building maintenance & repair (\$4,671.67), Electric Service (\$2,335.82), Heating Fuel (\$2,140.36), Telephone Service (\$5,837.94), Building Loan Repayment (\$0.00), TOTAL FIRE STATION: \$14,985.79

FIRE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Fire Fighting Equipment maintenance & repairs (\$13,982.43), Fire Fighting supplies (\$3,612.90), Truck & equipment repairs (\$5,751.62), Truck & equipment replacement (\$8,486.52), Operation of trucks & equipment fuel (\$2,879.86), Fire fighting equipment - loan repayment (\$14,917.41), TOTAL FIRE EQUIPMENT: \$49,630.74

SALARIES AND COMPENSATION

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Salaries of Trustees (\$1,944.88), Volunteer's compensation (\$6,031.79), Volunteer's compensation fire chief & EMT coordinator (\$5,839.56), TOTAL SALARIES & COMPENSATION: \$13,816.23

TOTAL GENERAL CORPORATE FUND: \$ 80,574.71

AUDIT FUND

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Accountant's fees (\$1,506.73), TOTAL AUDIT FUND: \$ 1,506.73

INSURANCE FUND

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Liability and Workmen's Compensation (\$32,494.81), Property Damage & other comprehensive (\$778.62), TOTAL INSURANCE FUND: \$ 33,273.43

AMBULANCE

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Ambulance (\$116,772.19), TOTAL AMBULANCE FUND: \$116,772.19

TOTAL LEVY ALL FUNDS: \$ 232,127.06

Section II: That if any item or part of the foregoing Ordinance shall, for any reason, be deemed invalid, it shall not be held affect the validity of any item or items or part of this Ordinance which would otherwise be valid.

Section III: The Secretary of Essex Fire Protection District, Counties of Kankakee and Will, State of Illinois, is hereby directed to file certified copies of this Ordinance with the County Clerk of the Counties of Kankakee and Will, Illinois, as is by law required.

Section IV: There is hereby levied by aggregate sum of EIGHTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR DOLLARS AND 71/100 (\$80,574.71) for General Corporate purposes, THIRTY THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY THREE DOLLARS AND 43/100 (\$33,273.43) for Insurance purposes, and ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIX DOLLARS AND 73/100 (\$1,506.73) for Audit purposes, ONE HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO AND 19/100 (\$116,772.19) for ambulance service, for the grand total aggregate sum of TWO HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND 06/100 (\$232,127.06) to be raised by taxation and levied upon all taxable property within the said Essex Fire Protection District as assessed and equalized for State and County purposes, in order to meet and defray all the necessary expenses and liabilities of the people in accordance with law. And it is hereby directed that aforesaid sum be raised by taxation in the manner provided by law.

Section V: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication according to law.

PASSED this 26th day of November, 2014.

APPROVED this 26th day of November, 2014.

Larry Aten, PRESIDENT, ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

ATTEST: George E. Dvorak, SECRETARY, Essex Fire Protection District

ON DECEMBER 5, Dwight families lined the downtown streets to watch the Christmas Parade and catch a glimpse of Santa as he rode into town. During Breakfast with Santa, lower right, children gathered to participate in fun Holiday activities and meet with Santa again (to be sure he had gotten their toy lists of course).



Breakfast with Santa - Dwight -



photos by ShaylaLoring Photography



- continuation of -

2014/2015 ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE ESSEX FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF KANKAKEE) SS.
COUNTY OF WILL)

I, George Dvorak, Secretary of Essex Fire Protection District, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Tax Levy Ordinance passed by the President and Board of Trustees of the Essex Fire Protection District, Kankakee and Will Counties, Illinois on the 26th day of November, 2014.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 26th day of November, 2014.

George E. Dvorak, SECRETARY, Essex Fire Protection District

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 26th day of November, 2014.

OFFICIAL SEAL, David G. Becker, NOTARY PUBLIC - 05/18/15

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF KANKAKEE) SS.
COUNTY OF WILL)

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CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH P.A. 96-957 Certificate of Truth in Taxation

The undersigned, presiding officer of Essex Fire Protection District, hereby certifies that I am the presiding officer of Essex Fire Protection District, and as such presiding officer, I hereby certify that the levy ordinance, a copy of which is appended hereto, was adopted pursuant to, and in all respects in compliance with, the provisions of Sections 4 through 7 of the "Truth-In-Taxation Act".

The notice hearing requirements of Section 6 of the Act are: (Check appropriate box) () Applicable (X) Inapplicable

The notice requirement of Section 7 of the Act is: (Check appropriate box) () Applicable (X) Inapplicable

Larry Aten, President Essex Fire Protection District

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 26th day of November, 2014.

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Chatsworth Corner

by Mare Reardanz

Christmas came to Chatsworth Wednesday night. It was a joint effort throughout the town. Christmas decorations came out of storage and were expertly hung from light poles and buildings. The Post Office decorated their windows and a tree was decorated inside the Town Hall. Members of the Citizens Advisory Board decorated concrete planters up and down Locust Street with holiday greenery and ornaments.

And then came Santa. Long about 6 p.m. Christmas music emanated from Dohman Electronics and the sound of sleigh bells could be heard in the distance. As the jingles got louder it was obvious Santa was on his way for a visit.

Hired by the Chatsworth Fire Department, Randy Clapp of Kempton brought his team of black Belgium horses to pull the carriage for Santa's arrival.

Mayor Richard Runyon manned the bonfire which kept everyone just a little bit warmer outside the Caboose while parents waited for their children to see Santa or waited for a carriage ride.

Joy Dassow, Dawn Hobart, and Kelli Hendrichs of the CAB, prepared hot dogs, hot chocolate and cookies for everyone present.

Connie Dohman, Janese Galloway, and Pat Frye from the Chatsworth Historical



Mr. Rodger Coventry played Christmas Carols

Society provided goodie bags and assisted Santa handing out apples and treats for every age group.

Mr. Rodger Coventry played his zither and sang Christmas carols in the cold crisp evening.

This year, Santa visited with over 100 local children and was amazed at how good they ALL were.

Appreciation goes out to all the members of the Historical Society, CAB, Town Employees, Fire Department, and Town of Chatsworth for making this year's Christmas celebration one to remember. It is truly amazing how so many organizations can come together to make a memorable event for all to enjoy!

P.R.O.U.D. Hires Pontiac Native, Joycelyn Miller, as Next Program Director

The P.R.O.U.D. Board of Directors recently announced Joycelyn Miller as the next Program Director. Joycelyn, a Pontiac native, began her new position on December 1. The Board was impressed with the excitement and energy that Joycelyn displayed during the interview process.

A 2003 graduate of Pontiac Township High School, Joycelyn was a member of the policy debate team, qualifying for the National Debate Tournament during her senior year. She received her Bachelor's in Communication Studies, with an emphasis in Rhetoric and Public Advocacy from Eastern Illinois University. During her senior year, she served as the Chair of University Board, Eastern's campus activity board. With over four years of event planning experience, she joined UB as a member of the cultural arts committee her freshman year, served as the chair of the Cultural Arts Committee her sophomore year, and the Vice Chair during her junior year.

After graduation, Joycelyn relocated to Ruffalo-

CODY's corporate headquarters in Cedar Rapids, IA, to join their fund-raising division as a fund-raising consultant. With over six years of experience in fund-raising and volunteer management, Joycelyn has partnered with over 20 colleges and universities, managing student fund-raising teams and raising over one million dollars for student scholarships and annual giving campaigns. She has worked across the United States managing calling campaigns at Beloit College in Beloit, WI, Augustana College in Rock Island, and Millikin University in Decatur. This past year, partnering with Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, has brought her closer to home.

Joycelyn is the daughter of Marvin and Darlene Miller of Pontiac. She is a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Pontiac. In her free time, she enjoys volunteering, photography, and spending time with family and friends. Joycelyn interned for P.R.O.U.D. during the summer of her senior year. She is excited to have this opportunity to serve her hometown.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2014-04 AMENDED ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE OF ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON, AND STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2014, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2015, BOTH DATES INCLUSIVE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, in the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the sum of **Three Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$388,700.00)**, being the total of appropriations heretofore duly, regularly and legally made which are to be collected by virtue of this tax levy, be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to taxation within the territorial limits of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2015, both dates inclusive, as the same is assessed and equalized for State and County taxes for the said fiscal year, said sum so levied being for the following Corporate Purposes of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT for the said fiscal year as ascertained and set forth in the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT for the said fiscal year, heretofore duly and legally passed, approved and published by the Board of Trustees of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION FIRE DISTRICT, as required by law:

	APPROPRIATED	LEVIED
Salaries of Trustees	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Salaries of Firemen	26,000.00	24,000.00
Legal Fees	6,000.00	3,000.00
Auditing	3,200.00	2,000.00
Gas, Oil and Grease	14,000.00	9,500.00
Repairs and maintenance	40,000.00	18,500.36
Utilities	9,500.00	6,000.00
Dues	2,500.00	1,500.00
Printing and Publication	2,500.00	1,000.00
Equipment	75,000.00	54,559.00
Supplies	15,000.00	8,000.00
Dispatch Service	10,000.00	6,000.00
Firemen Training	10,000.00	5,000.00
New Fire Truck Purchase	40,000.00	20,000.00
TOTALS	\$261,700.00	\$166,059.36

SPECIAL TAX LEVIES:

In addition to the foregoing General Tax, provided in Section 1, there shall be, and is hereby levied for the said fiscal year upon all property subject to taxation with ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, the following special rates:

	APPROPRIATED	LEVIED
TORT LIABILITY AND EXPENSES		
A special tax authorized by 745 Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 10/9-107		
Auditing	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 750.00
Legal	2,500.00	550.00
Workers' Compensation Ins.	15,000.00	5,921.62
General Liability Ins.	16,000.00	7,108.09
Motor Vehicle Liability Ins.	16,000.00	8,252.09
TOTALS	\$52,000.00	\$22,581.80

SPECIAL TAX LEVIES:

In addition to the foregoing General Tax, provided in Section 1, there shall be, and is hereby levied for the said fiscal year upon all property subject to taxation with ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, the following special rates:

	APPROPRIATED	LEVIED
AMBULANCE SERVICES:		
A special tax authorized by 70 Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 705/22		
Ambulance Services	\$75,000.00	\$60,000.00
TOTALS	\$75,000.00	\$60,000.00
TOTAL LEVIED	\$388,700.00	\$248,641.16

SECTION 2: That the Secretary of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT be and is hereby directed to cause this Ordinance to be published within 30 days after the date of its passage in a weekly secular newspaper of general circulation published in the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, and this Ordinance shall become effective 15 days after the date of such publication.

SECTION 3: That the Secretary of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT be and is hereby directed to make and file with the County Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois, certified copies of this Tax Levy Ordinance so that the tax rate upon property assessed in the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT in said County necessary to produce the amount levied, to-wit: **Two Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Forty-One and 16/100 Dollars (\$248,641.16)**, may be ascertained by said County Clerk and said taxes extended by them upon the appropriate County Tax Books of their respective counties, and hereafter collected according to the Revenue Laws of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 4: That the amounts so levied by the Tax Levy Ordinance are required by the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT to be levied by taxation as aforesaid, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2015, both dates inclusive.

SECTION 5: This Amended Levy is passed after public hearing and input pursuant to, and in all respects in compliance with the provisions of Section 200/18-60 through 200/18-85 of the "Truth in Taxation Act" (35 ILCS 200/18-55 et seq.).

PASSED AND APPROVED this 1st day of December, 2014 by the Board of Trustees of the ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, in the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois.

Parnell Kennedy
Board of Trustee-President

Thomas Doran
Board of Trustee-Secretary

Rich Ribordy
Board of Trustee

Donald Ribordy
Board of Trustee

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON)

I, Thomas Doran, Secretary of the ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, in the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois, keeper of the records, files and seal of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, do hereby certify the foregoing copy of Ordinance No. 2014-04, being the Amended Annual Tax Levy Ordinance of the ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, in the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois, for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2015, both dates inclusive, is a true, accurate, complete and perfect copy of the original of said Ordinance No. 2014-04, which said original Ordinance No. 2014-04 was adopted and passed as the action of the Board of Trustees of the ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, in the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois, after public hearing thereon as provided by law, on the 1st day of December, 2014, after due statutory notice, and which is now in my custody as Secretary of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT in my office in the Village of Odell, Illinois. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the SEAL of the said ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT at Odell, Illinois, this 1st day of December, 2014.

Thomas Doran
Board of Trustee-Secretary,
ODELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Pontiac Holiday Basketball Tournament Opens Dec. 29

The Pontiac Holiday Basketball Tournament will tip-off Monday, December 29.

The Pontiac Holiday Tournament, founded in 1926 by Don "Cash" Seaton, physical education teacher and head basketball coach at Pontiac Township High School, has the distinction of being the original and oldest high school Christmas tournament in the nation. Seaton envisioned an event that would bring teams from dif-

ferent parts of the state to Central Illinois for three days during the week between Christmas and New Year's Day. This is still the goal of the tournament today. It is the tournament organizer's hope that the fans have a great experience watching some of the best teams, players, and coaches in Illinois participate in the 84th annual tournament.

For more information, please visit the Tournament webpage.

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 Wells Fargo Bank, NA PLAINTIFF
 Vs.
 John G. Young, et al. DEFENDANTS
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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:

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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.

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Fri., Dec. 12:
 Chili with beans, lettuce salad, pears, crackers, cherry delight.

Mon., Dec. 15:
 Ham and beans, copper carrots, cornbread, tropical fruit.

Tues., Dec. 16:
 Taco salad with beans, lettuce, tomato, and cheese;

Mandarin oranges, taco chips, pudding.

Wed., Dec. 17:
 Riblet, seasoned steamed cabbage,

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THE DWIGHT WOMAN'S Club, above, organizes the Festival of Trees every year. Front row, from left, Marcia Drach, Jan Masching, Santa (John Steurer), Jan Schreiner, Julie Riffin. Back row, from left: Judy Gillespie, Mrs. Claus (Kathy Steurer), Becky Gish, Lynn Neville. At left, Amber Moore and Patti Huffman check out one of the trees.



Upcoming Events At Limestone Township Library

Listed below are Limestone Township Library upcoming events. Registration is required for all programs. Please stop in at the front desk or call the Library at 815-939-1696 to reserve a spot.

- Thursday, December 11, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – Adult/Young Adult Craft Night. Get together with friends to make a decorative craft for the season with Miss Pat. This month's craft is primitive decorations.
- Saturday, December 13, 1 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Winter Reading Kick-Off. Celebrate the start of our Winter Reading Program, "Reading is Cool," with a screening of the movie Frozen. There will be crafts as well as refreshments available. It's sure to be a time, "worth melting for."
- Tuesday, December 16, and Thursday, December 18, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. – Tiny Explorers. A morning program specifically for children 6 months to 5 years old.

Parents and Guardians come along for this new program, which gives kids of all ages a chance to play and build using age-appropriate manipulatives. It is a great time of socialization and play.

For more information or to register for any of the programs, stop in at the Limestone Library, located at 2701 W. Tower Road or call 815-939-1696. Visit the website to see a listing of all programming at www.limestonelibrary.org.

Dear Santa...

Mrs. O's 2nd Grade, DGS

Dear St. Nick, Hi, my name is Abbi. Does Rudolph's nose really glow? For Christmas I want a Lalaloopsy doll. I want a Lalaloopsy because I love them! I'd like my brother to have a toy car. He likes to drive them on my head! I'll leave cookies out for you on Christmas Eve. Love, Abbi

Dear Santa, My name is Ashley from Dwight, Illinois. Does Dancer know where I live, or do you steer him to my house? I want an Elsa and Anna chair for my new house. My mom wants a radio for Christmas so she can play music that she likes. I hope you will like my cookies and milk that I'll leave out for you! Your Friend, Ashley

Dear Santa, Hi, my name is Vincent! How did Rudolph get a red nose? Santa, can you make me a computer for Christmas? I was a good little boy this year. If I had my own computer I could download Five Nights at Freddy's 2. I'd like Wyatt to get an iPad because he was a good friend to me before he moved. Look out for the chimneys on Christmas Eve! Your good little boy, Vincent

Dear Santa, Hey Santa, it's me Vincent! How did Rudolph get a red nose? Santa, can you make me a computer for Christmas? I was a good little boy this year. If I had my own computer I could download Five Nights at Freddy's 2. I'd like Wyatt to get an iPad because he was a good friend to me before he moved. Look out for the chimneys on Christmas Eve! Your good little boy, Vincent

Dear Santa, Hi, my name is Ceci from Dwight. I hope Rudolph is nice and healthy to guide the way. Am I on the Naughty List? I don't want to be embarrassed if I am. If I am on the Nice List I would like a big, giant stuffed Olaf and the Anna and Elsa Barbie dolls from Frozen. I've been begging my mom forever!!!! I think my brother wants the new Wii U. He wants Disney Infinity and he can't use them on the old Wii. Have a very merry Christmas!!! Love, Ceci

Dear St. Nick, Hi! It's me, Kylie from Illinois. Do the Elves on the Shelves make toys for you, too, when they are not with their families? Can you please give me a Zoomer Dino for Christmas? I've been a very good girl and I love dinosaurs. Could you please give my best friend Christina an Elsa costume? She really wants one so she can dress up like her. I won't forget your milk and cookies this Christmas! Love, Kylie

Dear Santa, Hi, my name is Willow and I live in Dwight. Santa, which is your favorite reindeer? Can I please have a drum set for Christmas? I have been really nice this year. Can you get my dad a new phone because his old one doesn't work? Have a great Christmas with your reindeer. Love, Willow

Dear Santa, My name is Adam. I live at Creek Ridge in Dwight, Illinois. Santa, can you please tell me if I am on the Naughty or Nice List? I would like an iPad if I'm on the Nice List. I want to play Floppy Birds and watch Netflix on it. Would you get my friend, Joey, some Legos? He likes to build dirt bikes with them. Have a good Christmas!! Your friend, Adam

Dear Santa, Hello! It's me, Caeden. I'm in Mrs. O's second grade class. Santa, am I on the Naughty or Nice List? I've really wanted to know and is the Elf on the Shelf real? I really want an iPhone so I can call my friends. I'd also wanted my grandma and grandpa to have a Bears poster. They love the Bears!! I hope you like the cookies I will leave out for you! Your nice kid, Caeden

Dear Santa, Hi Santa!!!! My name is Howard from the Samples family. Do you feed all the reindeer before you fly around the world? Can I have an iPad for Christmas? When I get the iPad I would take pictures of my family. Would you please get my dad, Ben a new weather radio? He listens to the weather and tells us if a tornado is coming or not. Keep an eye on all your reindeer or you might fall out of the sky. Love, Howard

Dear Santa, My name is Anthony from Dwight, Illinois. How are things going? How does Rudolph light the way? I want a Lego set for Christmas. I would build you something and build a big tower for me too. My mom wants a new car for Christmas so she can fit more people in it. Have a safe trip!! Your friend, Anthony

Dear Santa, Hi, my name is Devon. I live at Creek Ridge with my dad. My mom lives right behind the bowling alley. Can my dad and I get your reindeer? They are fluffy, I love fluffy animals. Santa, can you make me a book? I will make cookies for you and I will read the book every day. PLEASE, PLEASE!!! Can you get my friend Joey an Xbox? He will play it every day, he really loves Xbox. Be careful while you're driving your sleigh around the world. I wish I was you so you wouldn't get tired. Watch out for the trees!!! Love, Devon

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AREA CHURCHES

- DWIGHT**
Dwight United Methodist Church
 701 S. Columbia
 584-3420 church
 DwightUMC.org
 Pastor: Lance Leeds
 • DEC. 10: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Kids Klub caroling at Heritage Health; 3 - 5 p.m., REAL Youth Group; 6 p.m., Ladies Christmas GALA; 7 - 8:30 p.m., Ignite Youth Group.
 • DEC. 11: 11 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Christmas for Kids drop-off; 5:30 p.m., Love Boxes meeting; 7 - 8:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir rehearsal; 7:30 p.m., Praise Team rehearsal.
 • DEC. 12: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Love Box packing.
 • DEC. 13: 7 a.m., Men's Bible Study at Rt. 66 and Pete's; 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Christmas for Kids and Love Box deliveries; 6 p.m., YAGOs at Dwight Country Club.
 • DEC. 14: 8 a.m., Early Worship Service with Cookie Walk; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 10:30 a.m., Late Worship Service
- with Kids Klub on Bells and Cookie Walk; 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., UMW outing; 6 p.m., 20-40 Something Bible Study.
 • DEC. 15: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hen's outing; 8:30 a.m., UMW Mission Team; 7 p.m., Dartball teams #1 and #2 at DUMC.
 • DEC. 16: 6 - 8 p.m., Live Nativity.
 • DEC. 17: 2 p.m., Bingo at Heritage Health; 2 - 4 p.m., Kids Klub; REAL Youth Group; 6 - 8 p.m., Ignite Youth Group.
- Emmanuel Lutheran Church**
 325 E. Mazon Ave.
 584-3433 church
 584-1291 fax
 584-1023 parsonage
 Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Pastor
 • DEC. 10: 3:30 - 5:15 p.m., Weekday School; 5:30 p.m., Advent Services with meal to follow; Handbells and choir practice.
 • DEC. 13: 5 p.m., Worship with Holy Communion; Christmas Treats Offering.
 • DEC. 14: 9 a.m., Sunday School; Bible Class; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Heritage Manor Chapel; Christmas Treats offering.
 • DEC. 15: 7 p.m., Dartball here vs. New Life Assembly of God.
 • DEC. 17: 3:30 - 5:15 p.m., Weekday School; 5:30 p.m., Advent Service with meal to follow; Handbells and choir practice.
- First Baptist Church**
 401 N. Clinton St.
 815-584-3182
 Pastor Daniel L. Woodward
 • DEC. 10: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.
 • DEC. 14: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.
 • DEC. 17: Wednesday Evening Service and Piano Recital, 7 p.m.
- First Congregational United Church of Christ**
 200 W. Delaware St.
 584-1260 church
 Pastor Connie Williams
 Moodie, Interim Minister
 • DEC. 10: Women's Guild Christmas Party, 6:30 p.m.
 • DEC. 14: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title: "Mere Fragments."
 • DEC. 17: Trustees meeting, 7 p.m.
 • DEC. 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 4:30 p.m.
 • December "Mission of the Month:" The Christmas Fund; also, collecting hats, mittens and gloves for the Dwight Grade School or the Salvation Army.
- New Life Assembly of God**
 903 S. Old Route 66
 Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor
 815-584-3430
 dwightnewlife.org
 • DEC. 10: 7 p.m., Life
- Group Christmas Party at Pastor's.
 • DEC. 11: 1:30 p.m., Second Wind Ministry Christmas Party; 6:30 p.m., X-treme Youth; 7 p.m., Worship practice.
 • DEC. 13: 7 a.m., Courageous Men's Group.
 • DEC. 14: 9 a.m., Morning Prayer; 10 a.m., Main Service; Kids Ministry.
 • DEC. 15: 6:30 p.m., Jeremy's Bible Study; 7 p.m., Dartball at Emmanuel Lutheran.
 • DEC. 16: NO Book of John Bible Study.
 • DEC. 18: 6:30 p.m., X-treme Youth; 7 p.m., Worship practice.
- St. Patrick Catholic Church**
 Mazon Ave. at Prairie
 815-584-3522 Rectory
 Rev. Chris Haake, Pastor
 • DEC. 13: 4 - 4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass.
 • DEC. 14: 8 a.m., Mass.
- St. Peter's Lutheran Church**
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 Office: Tu-F, 9 - noon
 Tu. and Wed., 2 - 5:30
 • DEC. 10: 10 a.m., The Story Group; 4:30 - 6 p.m., Salvation Army; 5:30 p.m., Christmas Program practice; 6:30 p.m., Advent Supper; 7 p.m., Advent Service.
 • DEC. 11: 7 p.m., The Story small group at church.
 • DEC. 12: 8 p.m., A.A. meeting.
 • DEC. 13: 5 p.m., HC Worship.
 • DEC. 14: 9 a.m., HC Worship; 10:15 a.m., Fellowship; Council Minutes meeting; 10:30 a.m., Sunday School; 2 - 6 p.m., Christmas Caroling.
 • DEC. 15: Annual Reports Due; 7 p.m., Men's Club at St. Peter's.
 • DEC. 17: 10 a.m., The Story Group; 12 noon, Sarah Circle at
- Country Mansion; 4:30 - 6 p.m., Salvation Army; 5:30 p.m., Christmas Program practice; 6:30 p.m., Advent Supper; 7 p.m., Advent Service.
 • DEC. 18: 7 p.m., The Story small group at church.
- BRACEVILLE**
Braceville United Methodist Church
 106 W. Gould St.
 815-237-8512 Church
 Pastor Bennett A. Woods
 • DEC. 10: Children's After School Programs: J.A.M. Junction, Jesus and Me; Kindergarten - 4th grades; After school - 4:30 p.m., Snacks provided.
 Preteen After School Programs: E.D.G.E. Exploring & Discovering God Everywhere; After school - 4:30 p.m. Snacks are provided.
 S.T.A.T.I.C. Youth Group. Standing Together As Teens in Christ, 7th - 12th grades, 6 - 8 p.m. Snacks are provided.
 • EVERY WEDNESDAY: 4:35 p.m. - 5:05 p.m., The Lighthouse Contemporary Time of Prayer. Everyone welcome!
 • FRIDAYS: 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.
 • DEC. 14: Sunday Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; 5 p.m., Community Christmas Dinner and Program in Godley Park District gym. Meat dishes, dessert, drinks and tableware provided. Take a dish to pass. Programs by the Children and Youth of the Braceville UMC.
 • DEC. 21: 7 p.m., Braceville Parade of Lights on Mitchell St. Time with Santa and treats following at Braceville Community
- Hall on Mitchell St.
- CAMPUS**
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
 Father Chris Haake, Pastor
 • DEC. 14: 10 a.m., Mass.
- EMINGTON**
Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
 103 Division Street
 Pastor Connie Williams
 Moodie, Interim Minister
 • DEC. 10: Council meeting, 6:45 p.m.
 • DEC. 14: Worship, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "Mere Fragments;" Department meeting.
 • DEC. 24: Christmas Eve Service, 7 p.m.
 • Food pantry collection for December: Canned soups or packaged soups.
 • December "Mission of the Month" - The Christmas Fund.
- RANSOM**
St. Patrick Catholic Church
 110 Wallace Street
 Fr. Anthony Ego, Pastor
 Parish Office: 815-795-2240 (Marseilles)
 Email: stjctorino@hotmail.com
 Office Hours: Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.; Wed., 9:30 a.m. - noon;
 • SUNDAYS: 8 a.m., Mass.
- SAUNEMIN**
Saunemin United Methodist Church
 90 North Street
 815-832-4935
 Pastor Jane Bradford
 • SUNDAYS: Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Youth Group/Young Adults, 5 - 6:30 p.m.
 • DEC. 24, 8 p.m., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

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REGIONAL CHAMPS! Gardner-South Wilmington-Braceville defeated Seneca on November 25 to capture the regional title. Pictured, l to r, are Coach Cassi Bexson, Carson Halpin, Kennedy Fair, Shelby Serena, Tori King (with plaque), Kaitlynn Kavanaugh, Emma Hennessy, Dejah Hendrickson, Madelyn Storm, Paige Patterson, Emily Beck, and Asst. Coach Chris Halpin.



GSWB GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday, November 24
GSWB vs. Marseilles
7th Grade - Regionals

After a first round bye, GSWB was fresh against Marseilles, and got a 23-7 win - earning them a regional championship appearance.

Kaitlynn Kavanaugh led with 11 points. Shelby Serena added four. Kennedy Fair scored three points. Carson Halpin and Madelyn Storm had two points each. Tori King made a free throw.

Tuesday, November 25
GSWB vs. Seneca
7th Grade - Regional Championship

GSWB faced off against a very tough Seneca team in the regional championship, but managed to come out on top, 18-11.

The low-scoring affair was tied, 2-2 after one quarter; and 4-4 at the half. The score was at 9-7 after three, when both offenses went for it in the fourth. But GSWB's offense was too much, scoring nine fourth quarter points to put Seneca away.

Buckets from Emma

Hennessy, Kaitlynn Kavanaugh and Shelby Serena were huge in the final frame. Carson Halpin and Paige Patterson also hit some big shots from the charity stripe to help give their team the lead.

Monday, December 1
GSWB vs. Oglesby
Washington
8th Grade - Regionals

GSWB's eighth grade squad fell to Oglesby Washington, 22-17, ending their season with an 8-10 record overall.

After a slow start, GSWB found themselves down 13-4 and decided to turn it up a few notches. Carson Halpin and Karri Latimer hit back-to-back threes, cutting the lead to just one. But the offense got going too late.

Latimer had six points to lead the team. Mady Asbridge scored four. Halpin and Emily Monbarren had three points each. Kaitlynn Kavanaugh made a free throw.

The team loses seven eighth graders in the off-season, but welcome a very talented team in the current seventh graders.

Wednesday, December 3
GSWB vs. St. George
7th Grade - Sectionals

The season came to a close for GSWB, as St. George handed them their first loss of the season in sectional action, 26-17.

GSWB got down 10-2 early, but battled the entire game.

"I can't say enough how proud I am of this group of girls," said head coach Cassi Bexson. "I couldn't have asked more from these girls. They left everything they had on the court every single game."

Carson Halpin led the team with nine points. Shelby Serena and Kaitlynn Kavanaugh had three points each. Paige Patterson added two.

GSWB ends the season 19-1, with Elwood Tournament, IVC Tournament, and Regional Tournament titles.

Third Annual Dwight Township Hall of Fame Induction

Friday, January 16, 2015

The third annual Dwight Township Athletic Hall of Fame Induction will be held on Friday, January 16, 2015.

The Induction class of 2015 is as follows:

- 1967 Football Team - Undeclared 9-0
- William "Bill" Gilkey - Outstanding Coach

- Dwight "Whitey" Anderson - 1974 - 3 sport standout

- Tom Halloran - 1974 - 3 sport standout

- Rachel Drake Edwards - 1994 - softball standout

The induction ceremony will take place in Kresl

Memorial Gymnasium between the JV and Varsity basketball games at approx. 6:45 p.m. on January 16.

All former Dwight football players who played for Coach Bill Gilkey are invited to attend the induction ceremony.



TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS! The MVK Mavericks sixth grade team took the title in their own tournament, the Second Annual Mavericks 6th Grade Tournament. Pictured, l to r, are Brayden Roe, Hayden Klicker, Garrett Winsor; back row, Head Coach Kirk Walker, Chase Hauch, Trey Hauch, Ethan Brockman and Cole Hintze.



MVK MAVERICKS BASKETBALL

Saturday, December 6
MVK vs. Gardner in Mavericks 6th Grade Tournament Championship

The host, Mavericks, defeated Gardner by a score of 33-14 to win the championship game in the Second Annual 6th Grade Mavericks Tournament held over the weekend.

Chase Hauch led with 14

points, including two three-pointers. Brayden Roe chipped in nine points, knocking down a three in the win. Cole Hintze added four points and eight rebounds. Trey Hauch, Garrett Winsor and Ethan Brockman all added a basket. Hayden Klicker led the team in steals, with seven.

Earlier in the day, the Mavs rolled past Dwight, 41-8, in semi-final action.

Brayden Roe scored 14 points, with five assists in the victory. Chase Hauch added nine points and five steals. Cole Hintze and Hayden Klicker each chipped in with six points.

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