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Shannon Shores Man Killed, Multiple Gunshot Wounds

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

A Shannon Shores man was pronounced dead at his home by Kankakee County Coroner Bob Gessner on Tuesday, Nov. 17.

The victim is Theodore Rockwood, 49, of the 18000 block of 3000N road. The home is in Shannon Shores, a resort four miles north of Reddick.

Rockwood was found after his daughter became worried.

He was pronounced dead at 11:59 p.m., Nov. 17.

Gessner told *The Paper* that the autopsy was performed Nov. 18, and "it appears to be a homicide."

He said he cannot release the number of gun shot wounds found on the body, and that the crime remains under investigation by the Kankakee County Sheriff's Department and the Illinois State Police crime scene investigation task force.

The coroner has not yet ruled it a homicide, awaiting final results of the autopsy, as of press deadlines, but said results will "probably be the same."

'I'm Melting'

JACOB WEISSMANN, with the assistance of his grandmother Sharon Scrivner, produced a snowman out of the freshly fallen snow, Saturday, Nov. 21. But the snowman's days were numbered. Submitted photo

BY MONDAY AFTERNOON, the snowman at the Scrivner home on the corner of Waupansie and Washington streets was becoming a melted mess. Temperatures reached nine degrees overnight Nov. 22, while they are expected to climb to a high of 50 degrees today (Nov. 25). 'Bye 'bye snowman. *The Paper* photo

Essex Fire Dept. Expanding its HQ

ESSEX FIRE CHIEF AUSTIN VINING demonstrates how he will pull off the existing magnetic sign when the department's new mini-pumper is painted with the department's insignia. It is one of the pieces of equipment in the crowded station causing the department to build an expanded station. *The Paper* photo

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

The Essex Fire Protection District station is running out of room.

So a new building is being constructed just north of the existing station.

The existing station, located for more than 50 years on the corner of Main and Linden streets in downtown Essex, currently houses seven pieces of firefighting equipment like tankers and fire trucks, plus Emergency Medical Services equipment, and a boat for rescues on the district's many lakes, like Shannon Shores and Mazonia.

While Essex is the only village in the district, he estimates at least 300 reside in Shannon Shores, some of whom are only there during spring, summer and fall.

The district also includes Tammen Treeberry farm plus the surrounding agricultural land between Braidwood and Reddick on the north and south.

There is also a board room, office, kitchen, two bathrooms.

The 20-person volunteer fire department covers a 48 square mile area including the village of Essex, and rural Reddick north of Route 17.

It stretches north to Braidwood just south of the nuclear power plant.

"There's not enough room for the equipment we've got," said Fire Chief Austin Vining.

A pumper is housed at the home of the assistant fire chief and an ATV rescue vehicle is housed in a nearby small building.

Among the equipment is a brand new pumper which arrived in late summer and still has a magnetic sign on the side because it has not been painted yet, Vining explained.

The new $764,000 structure, built by Morton buildings of Watseka, will include a 54 by 60 foot bay area for equipment with three bay doors.

There will also be an adjoining 54 by 60 foot office space with a radio room, kitchen, lounge area, and media room.

Construction began Nov. 16 but the completion date is

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Jim, Cheryl Berta Retire, Sell Hardware Store after 32 Years

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Nothing could stop Jim and Cheryl Berta from keeping their business open and thriving for more than three decades – except the effects of aging.

After moving from Main Street to the Watters Subdivision on the west side of Dwight amid controversy in 1994, and leaving the True Value Franchise in 2000 due to True Value Co-operative executives mishandling finances, the couple had to start from scratch and rebuild its business once again.

And they did. But now, they are looking forward to retiring after a long career. Jim is 74 and Cheryl is 72.

"After 32 years walking on concrete floors, the body starts to [wear] out," Cheryl explained.

They are officially retiring by the end of November.

They are asking customers and friends to stop by the store from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28.

CHERYL AND JIM BERTA will be retiring at the end of November, after running a Dwight hardware store for 32 years. *The Paper* photo

The Bertas moved to Dwight in 1967 when Jim tried to make a living farming and Cheryl worked at the Dwight Veterinary Clinic.

Back in 1983 when they purchased the downtown Dwight store from Ralph Burger, Cheryl and Jim had to learn a new skill in their relationship – working together in business as a married couple.

"The first two years were really rough," Jim explained, saying the couple had to figure out who was in charge of what and "who's the boss."

But after two years, they

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Christmas Decorating Party - DEA

The Dwight Economic Alliance will host a holiday decorating party downtown Sunday, November 29 from 2-5PM. Businesses, families and organizations adopting a Christmas tree around Santa's House may decorate their trees then or anytime before Thursday, Dec. 3.

If you would like to join the fun, but not adopt a Christmas tree, meet at the park on East Main Street. Lights will be strung and decorations will be put up.

Hot chocolate and popcorn will be served when the decorating is done. Call the Dwight Economic Alliance office at 584-1830 for additional information.

THE GARDNER Festival of Trees began its two-week display at the Standard Bank and Trust Company of Gardner. The event, which raises funds for the village parks, is being coordinated by the team of (from left) Stephanie Coleman, branch manager at the bank, and Gardner volunteer Ida Schopp. Story on page 4. *The Paper* photo

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11/19	Sharon Burkhardt, Dwight	$20
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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

Nov. 15, 2015: Danielle M. Pernice, 39, Elburn, speeding (radar) 65/40; Paul J. Dacat, 39, Chebanse, speeding (radar) 75/55.

Nov. 17: Abdirizak A. Ahmed, 32, Milwaukee, WI, failure to reduce speed/accident.

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

Accidents Investigated by Dwight Police

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, 7:30 a.m., 102 E. Seminole St., Dwight – Officer Michael Nolan reported that an unattended white 2014 Ford Focus belonging to Lori K. Bowman of Dwight was struck by a large falling tree branch..

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015, 9:26 p.m., Route 47 at McNamara Ave., Dwight – Officer Brian Maier reported that a blue/white 2016 Kenworth driven by Abdirizak A. Ahmed of Milwaukee, Wisconsin was southbound on 47, took the curve too fast, hit the HSR fence, and ended up on the track, needing to be towed.

Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

Nov. 13, 2015: 8:30 a.m., Karen Dr., medical, Morris; 11:52 a.m., Renfrew, medical, Morris; 1:52 p.m., Columbia, medical, treat/refusal; 5:45 p.m., Union, medical, St. James; 6:47 p.m., I-55nb, trauma, helicopter/refusal, mutual aid from Gardner; 7:30 p.m., South St., trauma/medical, refusal, mutual aid from Duffy's.

Nov. 14: 4:24 a.m., Gardner Fire, COA, change of qtrs., no pt., mutual aid to Gardner.

Nov. 16: 6:15 p.m., Union, medical, refusal.

Nov. 17: 6:46 p.m., Washington, medical, St. James.

Nov. 18: 8:56 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 10:38 a.m., Carriage House Lane, fire, no pt.; 11:05 a.m., South, medical, Morris; 7:59 p.m., Main, medical, Morris.

Gas Drops Below $2

Drivers in *The Paper's* circulation area have something extra to be thankful for this year. Regular unleaded gasoline prices dipped below $2.00 gallon for stations in this area, just under the state average of $2.02 gallon as of Monday, Nov. 24.

GasBuddy projects that by Thanksgiving Day the national average will be $1.99 gallon, nearly 80 cents gallon cheaper than last year and $1.29 cheaper than 2013.

"November gas prices have slid significantly lower and holiday travelers will certainly be the beneficiaries," said Patrick DeHaan, a senior petroleum analyst with GasBuddy.

The Paper publishes last week's and this week's averages as of Mondays each week for the towns listed below. **U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 20% state & local taxes; 19% distribution; 15% marketing: and 47% refining.**

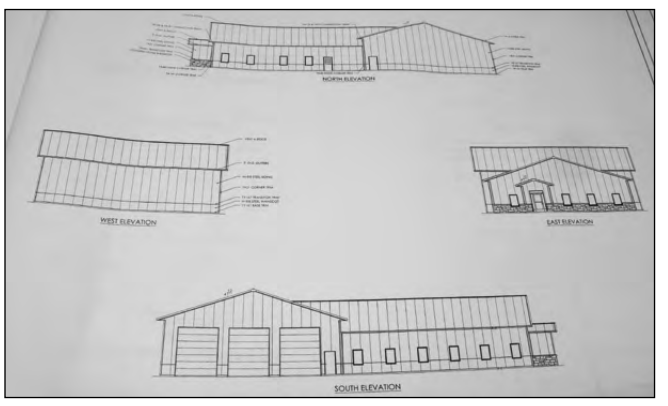
City/Village	Nov. 23	Nov. 16
Dwight	$1.91	$2.048
Seneca	$1.89	$2.086
Marseilles	$1.923	$2.11
Streator	$1.726	$1.866
Odell	$1.905	$2.07
Saunemin	$1.92	$2.09
Cullom	$1.95	$2.09
Pontiac	$1.89	$2.03
Gardner	$1.91	$2.07
Braceville	$1.89	$2.07
Mazon	$1.89	$2.07
Morris	$1.89	$2.07
Herscher	$1.99	$2.07
Kankakee	$1.99	$2.07
Chicago	$2,029	$2.218
Illinois	$2.02	$2.16
U.S.	$2.	$2.178

Sources: Gasbuddy.com and U.S. Energy Information Administration.

Gasoline price data collected by *The Paper* and brought to you by Farmers Insurance.

DWIGHT EMS PARAMEDICS demonstrated cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to Mrs. Goodwin's seventh grade class, showing them how and when to perform CPR. The students were also shown the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED), and how to assist a choking victim. Pictured are Dwight EMS Paramedics Joe Beagle and Andi McGraw.

Essex Fire Dept. Expanding its HQ



ELEVATIONS FOR THE NEW Essex Fire Station show the scope of the $764,000 project. Construction workers broke ground Nov. 16. Work is expected to be completed by next spring. *The Paper* photo

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likely to be next spring due to winter weather, Vining said.

The EMS department is coordinated by Austin's wife, Sue.

Trustees with the department are Larry Aten, president, Patrick O'Brien, and Bonnie Dvorak, secretary.

Bonnie took the position after the death of her husband, George, who passed away in July.

Assistant Chief is Denny Meyer.

With both structures, the department will have some elbow room, and not be so cramped for space.

"It's going to feel good," to have more space, Vining said. "What I'm hoping to do is all the big equipment like the ambulance, pumper, and tender (tanker) will be moved to the new bays north of the existing station."

Liv. Co. Offices Closed Nov. 26-27

All Livingston County Offices will be closed Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27, in observance of Thanksgiving Day and the Friday after Thanksgiving.

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Temps - 2015

Nov. 12 – high 50°, low 33°
Nov. 13 – high 42°, low 24°
Nov. 14 – high 61°, low 28°
Nov. 15 – high 64°, low 41°
Nov. 16 – high 53°, low 49°
.35" precip.
Nov. 17 – high 59°, low 45°
.95" precip.
Nov. 18 – high 60°, low 39°
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THE EMINGTON-CAMPUS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT recently received a 1996 E-One Fire Engine, which was donated by the Addison Fire Protection District. Ron Nettlingham, a member of the Cullom Fire Protection District and Addison Fire Protection District, contacted Jason Simmons to see if they would be interested in the donation, and after talking to the other members on the E.C.F.P.D. and the Board Members of the District, everyone said it would be a great improvement and an asset to the district. On October 24, the Board and Chiefs from the Addison FPD delivered the engine to the Campus Station.

October VGT Report for Dwight Is Up

The October video gaming report for Dwight showed a significant increase in activity compared to last month.

Total funds invested in Dwight's 46 vgts during October was $581,018. September's total was $506,236.

The State of Illinois will receive $37,754 for the month. Dwight will receive $7,550.

OCT.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI*	State	Dwight
Red. Rstrs.	$ 1,952	1,009	942	235	47
JT's	28,774	24,346	4,427	1,106	221
Lili Mae's	113,630	87,260	26,369	6,592	1,318
Love's	118,483	80,570	37,912	9,478	1,895
Mac's	47,081	35,687	11,393	2,848	569
Pete's	81,161	61,631	19,529	4,882	976
RonDeVoo	57,511	40,709	16,801	4,200	840
VFW	24,650	17,939	6,710	1,677	335
Vic. Lanes	14,392	11,221	3,170	792	158
Virbapa	30,196	22,557	7,638	1,909	381
Willy's	63,188	47,067	16,120	4,030	806
TOTAL:	$581,018	430,002	151,015	37,754	7,550

*Net Terminal Income

The State of Illinois and Village of Dwight receive a total of 30% of the Net Terminal income monthly (State 25%, Village 5%). Of the remaining 70%, Scientific Games receives 0.7275% of the NTI as compensation for building and maintaining the Central Communications System, which is monitored by the Illinois Gaming Board. The remaining income is divided equally between the terminal operator and location.

Dwight Police Establish Facebook Page

The Dwight Police Department has established a page on Facebook. The site includes current weather conditions, important updates from the police department, and links to websites such as a listing of known sex offenders in the area.

Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson said it also contains reminders such as the upcoming launch of the parking ban from Dec. 1 to Feb. 28, to allow Dwight streets to be cleared of snow. Cars must be off the streets between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

Also, during a two-inch or more snow, cars must be off the streets so they can be plowed by the village.

Braceville Man Arrested for Heroin Possession in Raid

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Dylan Schwartz, 26, was arrested for possession of heroin after a search warrant was executed at his Braceville home around noon, Friday, Nov. 13.

According to Grundy County Sheriff Kevin Callahan, the Sheriff's Department assisted the Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad, of which a Sheriff's Deputy is a member.

"There were 42 baggies of heroin recovered," Callahan said. He estimates they equate to about two ounces of the controlled substance.

Grundy County State's Attorney Jason Helland said he is charging Schwartz with unlawful possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, which is a Class 1 felony, punishable by four to 15 years in state prison. Bond was set at $10,000.

Callahan said heroin is a pervasive problem, even in small towns like Braceville.

"I would say it's typical," he said of the arrest in Braceville. "It's tough to build cases on these drug dealers. These cases take a long time to build."

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY
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November 28, 2015

Visit one of the following businesses to receive your Bingo card:

- **A Touch of Destiny** *$5 off gift certificates. Purchaser enters into a drawing for a free massage.*
- **Berta Hardware** *Stop in and wish Cheryl and Jim a "Happy Retirement"*
- **Centrue Bank** *Create your own Photo Debit Card when opening a new e-checking account [9am-noon]*
- **Doc's Pharmacy** *50% off one regular-priced item [9am-3pm]*
- **Dwight Bank** *Stop in for a free gift [9am-noon]*
- **Emling Florist** *Discontinued Yankee Candle scents 50% off*
- **First National Bank** - *Coffee and donuts served in the lobby [9am-noon]*
- **Flying Pig Emporium** *Register for a store gift certificate [9am-4pm]*
- **Hancock's Jewelry** *Retirement sale offers 50% off storewide*
- **Richards Building Supply** *Register for a gift card [9am-1pm]*
- **Shear Beauty** *Purchasing a discounted gift certificate enters you into a drawing for a gift basket [9am-2pm]*
- **Shopko** *60% off all artificial trees and holiday lighting*
- **Studio 134** *Stop in for gift basket ideas [8:30am-1pm]*

Get all spaces on your card validated. Completed cards may be left at the last business visited and will be entered into a drawing to win one of ten $25 Dwight Economic Alliance Gift Certificates.

DWIGHT ECONOMIC ALLIANCE
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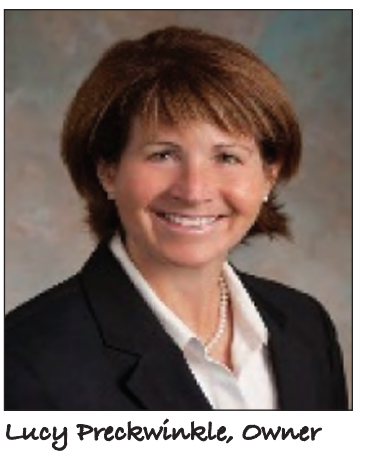
America's most Celebrated "Helpful Place" is coming to Dwight!

After 32 years of dedicated service to the Dwight Community Cheryl and Jim Berta of Berta "Do It Best" Hardware are retiring.

Cheryl and Jim Berta

Berta Hardware will transition to become Ace Hardware on December 1, 2015.

George Preckwinkle, Owner



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Online Videos Cause Dwight's Sunnyside Tanning & Video to Close

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Sunnyside Tanning and Video, a Dwight business located for nearly 16 years at 126 E. Main Street, will be closing its door by the end of the year.

Jim and Diana Kinnamon began renting VHS videos and video games and offering tanning services believing both services combined would provide enough traffic to support the business.

For several years, things went well.

Then two changes started to put a dent in the bottom line: The switch to DVDs from VHS videos and a law banning individuals under age 18 from tanning, even with parental supervision.

The DVDs are more convenient than videos, and tended to preclude renting, according to Jim Kinnamon.

But what really put the nail in the coffin for the business was the advent of new technology offering people the chance to download movies and games online, Kinnamon said.

"Technology is our downfall," he explained. "Business isn't what it used to be."

He said the younger crowd is tech savvy, preferring to download a movie than take the time to come in to rent and then return it days later.

SUNNYSIDE TANNING AND VIDEO plans to close its business by the end of the year. Jim Kinnamon, standing among his videos for sale and rent, said the business cannot compete with online movie downloads. *The Paper* photo

Even the tanning half of the business changed drastically, despite the loss of those under 18.

"It used to be we'd have tanning from January to July," Kinnamon said. "Now its March to May."

He said the new law not only precluded all his younger clients from tanning, but the parents would come in and rent videos while waiting for their child to finish tanning.

"That crossover's gone," he said.

"One third of our business was kids," meaning those under the age of 18, Kinnamon added.

Sunnyside has been a survivor business up until now.

"We've seen three video stores come in and out on Main Street," he said, during the 16 years he has been in business.

"You can't make it on videos alone. You can't make it on tanning alone. Together, now, it is still not enough."

Reddick Lioness Club Christmas Decorating Contest Starts Dec. 1

The Reddick Lioness Club will be sponsoring the Christmas house and front door or front window decorating contest, starting Dec. 1.

There will be one winner for the best front door or window display and first, second and third place winners for outside house decorations.

Judging is scheduled to start Saturday, Dec. 12 and runs through Dec. 17.

Winners will be announced by Santa on Dec. 18 in the Lions Hall.

"Everyone is to make sure they have the Christmas displays lit and their house numbers visible from the street," said Troy Koehler, in a news release issued last week.

Judges come from as far as Bloomington, Morris, Campus and surrounding areas. There are no Reddick residents doing the judging.

The voting is by a number system with the highest total score winning first place and so on.

Santa arrives by truck at the Lions hall at 4:30 p.m., Dec. 18.

He will be listening to children's Christmas wishes until 6:30 p.m.

Story teller Donna Kirkpatrick will be there to "enthrall all" with her Christmas stories, Koehler said.

In addition, during December the Reddick Lioness members will be helping the less fortunate for the holiday by giving them turkeys and gift certificates.

Toys will be purchased, wrapped, and given to each child of those families.

In recent events the Lioness club sponsored all-town garage sales in August.

The Halloween costume contest was held the day of Halloween at the Lions Hall. Donna Kirkpatrick told stories for the children.

The fall Bazaar was held in November with more than 22 vendors, raising funds to purchase eye glasses for a grade school child.

Shopko, Shopko Hometown Collecting Donations for *Toys for Tots*

To make the holiday season more enjoyable for less fortunate children across the country, Shopko is once again partnering with the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, the premier community action program of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves.

Customers may donate new, unwrapped toys at any Shopko or Shopko Hometown store through Friday, December 11. All toys collected remain in the community where they are donated to benefit local children in need.

"Shopko is proud to partner with the Toys for Tots campaign and give back to the communities we serve during the holidays," said Peter McMahon, Shopko CEO.

Follow Shopko at Facebook.com/Shopko.

Celebrate Small Business Saturday, November 28

The Dwight Economic Alliance and local businesses will celebrate Small Business Saturday November 28. This special shopping day was started by American Express in 2010 to celebrate small independent businesses in our communities.

This year participating local businesses will offer in-store specials and gifts to shoppers visiting them. A Bingo card will be available

at every participating store. Shoppers must visit all businesses and have the appropriate square validated. When cards are complete they may be left in the entry bag.

Shoppers who visit each business will be entered in a drawing to win one of ten $25 Dwight Economic Alliance Gift Certificates. These gift certificates will be valid in any Dwight Economic Alliance member business.

Participating businesses and the specials they will offer are listed in another location in this issue.

Gardner Festival of Trees to Take Funding to Village Parks

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Thanks to the efforts of Ida Schopp and Stephanie Coleman, branch manager of the Standard Bank and Trust of Gardner, a two week viewing period for the Festival of Trees is on display at the bank.

All proceeds from the festival will be used for village parks.

The festival kicked off Monday, Nov. 16, after which time the public can go to the bank at 128 Depot Street. Bids and raffle tickets will be accepted until the Tree Lighting ceremony, slated for 6 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 29.

As of the start of the festival, 15 trees were donated along with raffle items.

Winners will be announced immediately following the tree lighting ceremony.

Popcorn and cider will be served while the winners are announced.

Donors show off their sense of style and fun with decorated trees or other donated items.

Trees are all artificial and must be no more than 7 feet tall.

Among the trees is one that looks more like a snowman, some with snow and some without, and a manikin decorated with a "skirt" of decorations.

Ida Schopp said she had always dreamed of having a festival of trees in Gardner, and hopes this will become an annual tradition in town.

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How Can the Fed's Actions Affect You?

When will the Federal Reserve raise interest rates? This question has been on the minds of economists and financial market prognosticators for quite some time now. But what does it mean to you, as an individual investor?

First of all, it's important to understand just what is meant by "raising rates." The Federal Reserve, or the "Fed," directly controls short-term interest rates, although, through various measures, it can also affect long-term rates. Typically, the Fed will lower short-term rates to stimulate the economy. Conversely, the Fed will raise rates to slow down the economy if it seems to be "overheating" and threatening to push inflation to excessive levels.

Since the end of 2008, when the financial crisis hit, the Fed has kept short-term rates close to zero. But now, following several years of reasonably strong economic growth, the Fed appears poised to raise rates. No one can really predict the exact timing of the rate hike, but statements from the Fed indicate that it seems to be a matter of "when," not "if."

Fed chairperson Janet Yellen has indicated that when the increase comes, it may be relatively small, and that further increases will be spaced out enough to avoid potential "shocks" to the economy. Still, as an investor, you need to be aware of the potential impact of any interest rate increase. So, consider the following:

Review your bond holdings. As short-term rates rise, shorter-term bonds, and even some "cash" instruments, may eventually become more attractive than longer-term bonds, which tend to be more volatile. A sell-off of longer-term bonds can push their prices downward, so make sure these bonds don't take up too large a percentage of your fixed-income portfolio.

Build a bond ladder. A bond ladder may prove beneficial to you in all interest-rate environments. To construct this ladder, you need to own bonds and other fixed-rate vehicles, such as certificates of deposit (CDs) of varying maturities. Thus, when market interest rates are low, you'll still have your longer-term bonds, which typically pay higher rates than short-term bonds, working for you. And when interest rates rise, as may be the case soon, you can reinvest your maturing, short-term bonds and CDs at the higher rates. Be sure to evaluate whether the bonds or CDs held in the ladder are consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances.

Be prepared for volatility. Certain segments of the financial markets don't like interest rate increases – after all, higher rates mean higher borrowing costs, which make it harder for businesses to expand their operations. Therefore, depending on the composition of your portfolio, be prepared for some volatility when rates start moving up. However, since the Fed has already indicated it is likely to raise rates fairly soon, such a hike may already be largely "priced in" to the market, so any turbulence may be somewhat muted.

By taking these steps, you can help contain the effects of rising interest rates on your own investment outlook. Ultimately, as an investor, you need to concentrate on those things you can control, no matter what the Federal Reserve decides to do. And that means you need to build a diversified portfolio that reflects your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. Maintaining this type of focus can help you – no matter where interest rates are headed.

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June Wilkey-Isselhardt Awarded Holly Jack Outstanding Service Award by IASB

June Wilkey-Isselhardt, formerly of Dwight, has been named the 2015 recipient of the Holly Jack Outstanding Service Award, which was created to honor the memory of Holly Jack – a long-time employee of the Illinois Association of School Boards, serving as an IASB field services Administrative Assistant and being instrumental in promoting and developing professional development programs for board secretaries. The purpose of the award is to both honor Holly's contribution and memory, as well as to recognize the extraordinary work and service provided by secretaries who serve and assist their local Boards of Education.

A selection committee comprised of individuals representing Board Members, Superintendents, School Business Officials, District Administrative Assistants, and former IASB Administrative Assistants reviewed the nominations and made the selection.

The nominations were made by District Superintendents and School Board Presidents. The judges considered the following criteria: performance, initiative, innovation, staff development, self-improvement, passion for public education, and dedication.

Wilkey-Isselhardt, who has spent 33 years in public education, was honored November 20 at the Joint Annual Conference in Chicago.

O'Fallon District 90 School Board President John Wagnon and District 90 Superintendent Carrie Hruby nominated Wilkey-Isselhardt for the award. Wilkey-Isselhardt ultimately received a letter from Anna Lovern from IASB, telling her that she was the 2015 recipient.

"June consistently performs above and beyond the expectation of our district leaders," Wagnon wrote in his letter of recommendation. "She always gives of herself and goes the extra miles to serve our staff, school board, community members, and students."

Hruby added, "June is respected by colleagues, Administrators, and Board of Education members. Over the past few years she has taken on additional duties, many of which held a high degree of responsibility. She did so with poise and grace, and a level of dedication any Board of Education would be thrilled to have. June's drive for excellence in her work is impressive and staff members know the job will be done well if it is placed on her desk."

Prior to going to District 90, Wilkey-Isselhardt worked at the Dwight Public Schools. June began her school career when Dr. Larry Copes hired her as Principal's Administrative Assistant in 1982. When Norma Tambling retired as Superintendent's Administrative Assistant and Board Secretary, June moved into that position and remained there until she moved to Southern Illinois in January of 2005 to be closer to her family. During her 22-year tenure in the Dwight Public Schools, she worked for three Superintendents: Dr. Copes, Dr. Patricia Tucker-Ladd, and Dale Adams. Since moving to O'Fallon School District 90, she has worked for four Superintendents: Dr. Nancy Gibson (who began her adminstrative career at Dwight Elementary School as Principal), Dr. Todd Koehl, Dr. Douglas Wood, and Carrie Hruby.

Wilkey-Isselhardt graduated from Dwight Township High School. She was married to Jim Wilkey, Jr., who passed away in 1996. They have one son, David Wilkey. June married Jim Isselhardt, from Belleville, in 2008. They reside in Shiloh.

Claudia Eggenberger Graduates from *College of Disney Knowledge*

Claudia Eggenberger of Dwight, co-owner and agent at Adventure Is Out There Travel, LLC, has joined an elite group of travel industry professionals who have attained a special knowledge of the Disneyland Resort, Disney World Resort, Disney Cruise Line, Adventures by Disney, and Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa, as a recent graduate of the College of Disney Knowledge.

"The College of Disney Knowledge was extremely beneficial to me," Eggenberger said. "It was a fun and informative way to learn more about the Disney vacation portfolio. I also feel more confident about selling Disney destinations."

Anyone planning to visit the aforementioned Disney locations will benefit from Eggenberger's added expertise. "The College of Disney Knowledge has taught me how to add more value to each Disney itinerary," she added, "so that I can help make every client's magical dreams come true."

Blood Drive at DTHS Dec. 2

There will be a Heartland Blood Drive at Dwight Township High School Wednesday, December 2, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Sign-up is preferred, however walk-ins are welcome. For more information, visit www.heartlandbc.org or call 815-584-6273.

BRACEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #75
209 MITCHELL STREET
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR BRACEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #75

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase of Braceville Elementary School District #75 for 2015 will be held on December 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Braceville Elementary School Library

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Mr. Michael Perrott, Superintendent, at the school office, 815-237-8040.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for 2014 were $426,385

The corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2015 are $450,269. This represents a 5.60% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2014 were $48,814.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2015 are $48,812. This represents a 0.004% decrease over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended in 2014 were $475,198.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2015 are $499,082. This represents a 5.60% increase over the previous year.

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

Adopted this 10th day of November 2015.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BRACEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DISTRICT #75
COUNTY OF GRUNDY
STATE OF ILLINOIS

BY: Connie Wozniak, President, Board of Education
ATTEST: Jennifer Williams, Secretary, Board of Education

OBITUARIES

Anne Burkhardt

GARDNER – Anne Burkhardt, 83, of Gardner passed away peacefully Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at Morris Hospital.

Anne was born August 17, 1932 in Morris, daughter of Clarence and Agnes Sharp Gabel. She married Glenn Burkhardt February 8, 1953 in Immaculate Conception parish, Morris. They farmed in Mazon, then purchased their farm in Goodfarm Township, where they lived for 50 years.

Anne stayed at home to raise her children and then worked at Dwight Drugs and the William Fox Developmental Center, where she worked as a tech for 15 years. She enjoyed reading, solving puzzles and solitaire.

She will be missed by her children: Kelly (Mike) Myers, Chris (Andrea) Burkhardt, and Michael (Janifer) Burkhardt; her grandchildren: Ryan Myers (special friend, GeorgeAnn Ryan); Kevin Myers (special friend, Melissa Busch), Isabella Burkhardt, Austen Tankersley, Bailey Tankersley, Ashton Burkhardt, and Landon Burkhardt.

Also surviving are her siblings: Kathleen Starks, Delores Bryant, Elizabeth Lindahl, and Paul (Marilyn) Gabel.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Father Chris Haake Saturday, November 21, in St. Patrick Catholic Church, Dwight.

Burial: Goodfarm Cemetery, rural Dwight.

Visitation was from 9 until 10:30 a.m., in St. Patrick Church.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences may be made at: www.hagermemorial.com

Tim Krominga

SOUTH ELGIN – Tim Krominga, 49, of South Elgin and formerly of Odell, passed away Saturday, November 14, 2015 at Advocate Sherman Hospital, Elgin, after a battle with cancer.

Tim was born August 30, 1966 in Morris, son of Donald and Betty Bilsborough Krominga. He married Kris Verdun September 12, 1992. She survives in South Elgin.

Other survivors include his mother and stepfather, Betty and Dick Christensen, Morris; a sister, Penny Vernia; a brother, Randy (Peg) Krominga of Pontiac; a brother-in-law, Rick Verdun of South Elgin; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Dick and Linda Verdun of Odell; and many nieces and nephews.

His father, Donald Krominga, preceded him in death.

Tim was a graduate of Odell High School and worked for Nicor for 23 years.

He enjoyed fishing and boating, and was a great fan of the Chicago Cubs, Blackhawks, and Miami Dolphins. He enjoyed hosting garage parties on game days.

Friends called from 4 until 8 p.m., Tuesday, November 17, at Laird Funeral Home, Elgin.

Cremation rites were accorded following the calling.

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

Kimberly A. Smith

Kimberly A. Smith died unexpectedly at her home Friday, November 20, 2015.

Kim was born February 3, 1973 in Morris, Illinois.

She was part of the 1991 graduating class of Dwight Township High School. She went on to study nursing at Joliet Junior College and Kankakee Community College.

She worked as a nursing aide at Morris Hospital and also at Grundy County Nursing Home. She also worked for a home health agency in Morris. She was employed as a Doctors Assistant for Dr. Charles Comfort for several years. She also served as an EMT with Mazon Ambulance. She was currently employed by St. Joseph Surgical Associates as a Practice Manager in Kansas City, Missouri.

Kim married M. Brandon Smith May 20, 2000 in Selma, Alabama. They resided in Urich, Missouri.

She is survived by her husband, Brandon; her parents, Larry and Jean Johnson; one sister, Amy (Joey) Kern; and nieces and nephews: Cody Bratcher, Ellie and Evie Sansom, Thomas Nichols, and Walker and Chloe Motley.

Kim also had three special girls who were a part of her everyday life, her "non-biological daughters" Sydni, Alexx and Mackenzie Roofner.

Kim was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, John and Loraine Johnson, and maternal grandparents, Cliff and Marge Lowery.

Kim touched everyone's life in a special way. She helped the young and elderly. Her smile was infectious and would light up every room she entered. She was smart, kind and such a beautiful person inside and out.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 24, at 7 p.m. at the Dickey Funeral Home, Garden City, Missouri. Cremation.

The family received friends Tuesday from 5 until 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

The family suggests that memorial contributions may be made to the Kimberly Smith Memorial Fund.

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Doretta Humbert
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Thanksgiving Food

The conversation of what people eat for Thanksgiving came up the other day and the conclusion that was reached was "does anybody even like Thanksgiving food?"

There are a few different popular items that always seem to get consumed around Thanksgiving time – The first of which is the turkey. It's definitely on the bottom of my list for meats to eat, unless it's in the form of a turkey burger. Turkey is dry, and doesn't compete with ham, chicken, or steak, making it a very questionable main dish at Thanksgiving time.

Then there is stuffing. I don't even know what stuffing is but I love it. It's definitely the wild card of Thanksgiving food. I love it, but there are just as many people who don't care for it at all. I think half the reason it's lasted as long as it has is because the turkey is really dry and very unappealing so people have to save it by dumping loads of stuffing on it. (This is the route I take when turkey is my only option.)

There are other oddballs as well, like yams, sweet potatoes, (unless those are the same thing, I don't know much about food), cranberry sauce. Cranberry sauce, that's one that really doesn't do it for me. I don't eat this ever, at any point during the year, why am I going to ruin the biggest meal of the year by putting it on the table? Give me some barbeque sauce and some ribs, let me eat what I like. Eat what you want for Thanksgiving, not Turkey. Time to change.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
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LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. MATHEW JOHNSON and MEGAN JOHNSON, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.) No. 15-CH-46

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE

Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Office, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009; (815) 584-1525.

B. The common address of the real estate is 606 E. Livingston St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

C. The legal description of the real estate is:

Lot 5 in Block 2 in Ladd and McDowell's Addition to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois;

PIN: 15-23-162-002

Commonly known as: 606 E. Livingston St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

D. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: two-story single family residence; three bedrooms, one bathroom, and detached garage.

E. The date, time and place of the sale are: December 8, 2015 at 10:00 A.M., Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

F. The terms of the sale are: 50% paid at sale and balance paid within 48 hours of sale, all in cash or certified funds. No refunds.

G. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions apparent and of record.

DONALD R. McCLAREY,
Attorney for Plaintiff

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. MEGHAN M. COULTER, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants) No. 15-CH-67

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendants, unknown owners and non record claimants, that this action has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, praying that a Judgment of Foreclosure be entered against real estate legally described as follows:

Lot 9 in Block 20 in the Village of Odell, Livingston County, Illinois

PIN: 10-10-138-018

Commonly known as: 316 Richards St., Odell, IL 60460.

The title holders of record to the above described real estate is MEGHAN M. COULTER. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on March 2, 2009. This mortgage was recorded on March 6, 2009, at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 00592639. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendant in Case No. 15-CH-67 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Office, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before January 1, 2016, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2015.

Judith Cremer, Circuit Clerk
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois

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

CITIFINANCIAL SERVICING LLC AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC PLAINTIFF
VS
BRIAN WITT A/K/A BRIAN D WITT; DEBBIE WITT A/K/A DEBBIE P WITT A/K/A DEBRA P WITT; DEFENDANTS
14 CH 22
407 EAST NORTH STREET DWIGHT, IL 60420

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT ***THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE*** PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on September 25, 2015, LIVINGSTON COUNTY SHERIFF in LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on January 5, 2016, in 110 N. Main St. Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

BEGINNING AT A POINT 1250 FEET NORTH AND 230 FEET EAST OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WHICH POINT IS ALSO 263 FEET DUE EAST OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF BLOCK 1 OF SPENCER'S ADDITION TO DWIGHT THENCE EAST 75 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 100 FEET, THENCE WEST 75 FEET, AND THENCE NORTH 100 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, SITUATED IN THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

TAX NO. 05-05-03-351-003

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 407 EAST NORTH STREET DWIGHT, IL 60420

Description of Improvements: YELLOW, VINYL SIDING, SINGLE FAMILY, NO GARAGE The Judgment amount was $115,602.63. Sale Terms: This is an \"AS IS\" sale for \"CASH\". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DYAS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http:\\\\service.atty-pierce.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA1402168 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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Tax Levy Increase Considered by Dwight High School BOE

November 18 Board Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty
madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

The Dwight Township High School Board of Education is considering a recommendation to maximize its tax rate in an effort to protect itself from uncertainty ahead.

At the November 18 BOE session, Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek reviewed information and potential impact regarding two active Bills (SB318 & HS4247) related to property tax limitation laws. Either Bill would impose a statewide property tax freeze if passed. Due to provisions in the two proposed bills currently before legislatures, the District may be at financial disadvantage by not increasing its 2015 tax rate to the maximum. Dr. Jancek recommended the Board take steps to build capacity and put safeguards in place so that, should one or both bills pass, the District is protected.

Another financial concern facing the District is a decreasing EAV. The current projected total EAV for the Dwight High School District is $123,600,000 which represents a 1.4% overall decrease in EAV over last year and an $11 million decrease since 2009. The District is facing deficit spending of $120,000 this year in its Education Fund.

However, with a current surplus in the District's Education Fund of over $3 million, some board members are reluctant to maximize the tax rate and potentially increase an already healthy surplus while others are concerned about whittling away at funds and losing the District's strong financial edge.

Over the next month, the Board will continue to review cause and effect scenarios of levy rates by fund and overall rate which will lead to a final extension request. The final tax levy must be agreed upon by the Board at its December meeting in order to meet the required filing date with the County Clerk's office.

Dr. Jancek has encouraged anyone with questions regarding PTELL (Property Tax Extension Limitation Law) to contact the District office at 815-584-6216.

In other business, the Board learned that the State of Illinois will not be funding the ACT test for students this year. The ACT is a college readiness assessment. Cost of the ACT is approximately $57. DTHS Junior and Senior students are encouraged to take the test on Saturday, April 9 at Pontiac High School, which is the nearest testing site.

In his report to the board, Dr. Richard Jancek informed the board that on November 23, the Dwight Police Department along with the Illinois State Police would be using drones to take pictures of the school area which would assist in developing a crisis plan.

Dr. Jancek also reported that WJEZ has requested that the school District participate in a periodic ten minute radio spot, County Spotlight, to communicate school news.

The Board also approved:

• the employment of Linda Dawson as a District level Office Administrative Assistant at a starting wage of $13.78.

• Clark Reamer as Scholastic Bowl Volunteer Coach.

• the school's Wellness Program as updated and submitted.

Upcoming events:

• November 23, 24, 25, 28 – Route 17 Thanksgiving Tournament (Boys Basketball)

• December 2 – FFA Blood Drive , 1-6 p.m., DTHS Cafeteria

• December 6 – Band/Chorus Winter Concert, 2 p.m., DTHS Auditorium.

The next meeting of the DTHS Board of Education will be Wednesday, December 21, 7 p.m., in the DTHS Board Room.

Tri-Point Schools' *Christmas Craft Show* December 5

The Second Annual Tri-Point Schools' Incentive Program *Christmas Craft Show* is set for Saturday, December 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Tri-Point Jr. High School gym in Piper City.

Santa will be in attendance, as well as a plethora of vendors. Admission are parking are free.

Salvation Army Donations Accepted During Dwight Parade

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Dwight, will be accepting monetary donations for the Salvation Army along the Dwight Christmas Parade route on Friday, December 4.

The donations always stay in Dwight and serve our neighbors in times of need.

PARADE ENTRIES

Dwight's Christmas parade will be held Friday, December 4 at 6 p.m. Parade entries are still being accepted. Businesses, organizations and families may participate in the parade with a float, decorated vehicle or walking unit. There is no fee to participate but an entry form must be completed to ensure a position in the line up.

Entry forms are available on the Dwight Economic Alliance website at www.dwightalliance.org or may be picked up at the Depot Monday through Friday between 8AM and 2PM. For additional information call the Dwight Economic Alliance office at 584-1830.

Donations Collected During Christmas Parade

Dwight's Annual Christmas parade will be held Friday, December 4 beginning at 6PM. The parade will leave the corner of Prairie & Mazon and lead Santa downtown making their way along West Main, across the railroad tracks at Franklin & Mazon and proceed down East Main to Chippewa Street. Residents will have two opportunities to show their holiday spirit with donations.

Members of Dwight's SOS will walk at the beginning of the parade and collect items for the Christmas boxes they send to area service personnel serving our country. They suggest items such as slim jims, beef jerky, candy, energy bars and anything in single serve packages. They also accept monetary donations to help with the cost of postage.

Shear Beauty Hair Salon will assist the Dwight Economic Alliance by collecting hats, mittens, gloves and scarves. These will be included in Christmas for Kids gifts to local children. These must be new items.

If you will not be able to attend the parade and would like to bring donations to the Depot they will be accepted November 30 through December 4. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8AM to 2PM.

These projects help local children and area service personnel defending our country. The Dwight Economic Alliance is proud to partner with them and help spread holiday cheer.

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Ticket are required for everyone attending.
Tickets available at: Dwight Bank,
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and Dwight Economic Alliance Office in the Depot.

Streator Christmas
Saturday, November 28
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Light Up Streator & Christmas Parade
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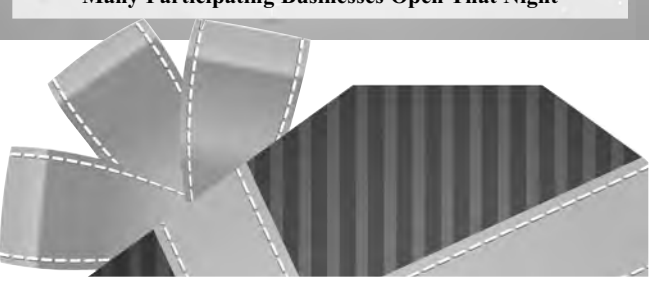

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BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. ANTHONY L. SMITH, LISA LYNN SMITH, CITY OF PONTIAC, a Municipal Corporation, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.) No. 13-CH-67

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE

Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Office, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009; (815) 584-1525.

B. The common address of the real estate is 602 W. Washington St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

C. The legal description of the real estate is:

Lot 1 in Block 19 in Fell's First Addition to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois;

PIN: 15-22-335-008

Commonly known as: 602 W. Washington St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

D. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: two-story single family residence; four bedrooms, two bathrooms, and one-car detached garage.

E. The date, time and place of the sale are: December 8, 2015 at 10:00 A.M., Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

F. The terms of the sale are: 50% paid at sale and balance paid within 48 hours of sale, all in cash or certified funds. No refunds.

G. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions apparent and of record.

DONALD R. McCLAREY,
Attorney for Plaintiff

Jim, Cheryl Berta Retire, Sell Hardware Store after 32 Years

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divided duties in a workable partnership.

"We just had to get organized," Cheryl said.

After those first two years, business kept growing and the couple decided it was time to expand.

This despite utilizing three buildings with the address of 118 E. Main.

"With the sidewalk in front and a road behind, you could not put out any bagged goods," Cheryl said of the old location.

"We couldn't expand our lawn and garden section," she added.

So they thought moving to the new Subdivision with a newly built store would be a solution.

But the residents did not like the idea, and the village required that they "jump through many hoops," Jim explained.

"We were the first building out in Watters Subdivision," Jim said. "We had more guts than brains," he joked.

Due to being first, the village officials were tougher on them, requiring that they have a larger parking lot and other issues.

But more importantly, some people thought Berta's was moving "out of town."

"People said they would never shop with us again," Cheryl said. "They told us we were moving out of Dwight."

But soon, Dempsey Dodge opened up nearby and others followed. So did the business from their former location.

The next hurdle came when the people running True Value Hardware were found to be doing "an Enron" as Cheryl described it, with two sets of books.

The Bertas lost all the retirement they had been putting away at that time and had to search for a different hardware franchise.

"True Value lost our retirement money," Cheryl said. "In the year 2000 we switched to Do It Best."

Meantime, they had to switch over to a new computer system at their own expense and pay off debts left behind by the True Value co-operative.

Over the 32 years, they have had to switch the computer system three times, Jim said.

Other changes were competing with big box store chains which have been building closer and closer to Dwight over the years, and competing with younger customers who are ordering off the Internet.

"But we're not leaving because the business is bad," Cheryl said.

The Bertas are selling the store at a time when business is steady and their debts are paid off.

"We want to thank all our loyal customers from Dwight and the surrounding areas," Cheryl said. "We've had an opportunity to meet so many great people and watched their children grow up."

"We've made a lot of good friends," Jim added. "Dwight has been so good. And so has the First National Bank, Steve Wilkey, especially.

The Bertas have three grown children, Brian, 51, Sherri Hatzer, 49, and Kevin, 45, and six grandchildren. Their retirement will allow them more time with family.

The five employees at the store will be employed by the new owners who have a chain of Ace Hardware stores in Central Illinois.

"We hope everyone will support the new people coming as much as they supported us," Cheryl said.

Built in Snow Storm

CLARA AND GRETA FLOTT built this snowman in their yard on the morning of Nov. 21 during the snowstorm at their home on Julie Drive in Dwight.

Submitted photo

Prairie Singers to Present '*Where Do Christmas Songs Begin?*'

The Prairie Singers mark their 28th year of music-making by opening the Christmas season with songs from foreign countries, spirituals, country-western, light pop, Broadway, movies, and of course, the sacred tradition.

Concerts this year begin December 1 at Prairie Creek Public Library in Dwight at 6:30 p.m. The Seneca Public Library will host the Singers December 3 at 6:30 p.m. On December 8, the Streator Public Library will set the scene for another concert at 6:30 p.m. All library concerts are for all ages, free, and open to the public.

Prairie Singers to Perform at Prairie Creek Library
6:30 p.m.
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For info., call the library 815-584-3061

The Reddick Mansion in Ottawa will host a meal and concert in the upper ballrooms December 11 and 12 at 7:00 p.m., with a Sunday afternoon concert December 13 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets and reservations are required - call 815-433-6100.

The choral ensemble welcomes membership inquiries from interested singers. Information concerning group or performance scheduling may be obtained by contacting George McComb, 6830 O'Malley Rd., Verona, IL 60479 or calling 815-287-9806.

New Signage for Becker/Ambler Station, Dwight

Dwight's Historic Becker/Ambler Station is getting new signage. The project is funded by donations from the DEA Auction held earlier this year and being painted by a local artist. The sign will be in place as weather permits. *photo submitted*

'Merrill,' 1970s Band With DTHS, SHS Grads Plays Again Nov. 27

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

A real, live, Ransom/Streator version of "That 70s Show" will be coming back to the area for a benefit concert.

A band from 40 years ago, consisting of four Dwight Township High School graduates and one Streator High School grad is playing again for a concert to benefit Streator Unlimited.

The event featuring former members of "Merrill," will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at Al's Place in Streator, 1603 N. Bloomington Street.

Streator Unlimited, a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting physically and mentally disabled adults find employment, is marking its 50th anniversary with the event.

There is no cover charge.

Food and beverages will be available to purchase.

A hat will be passed around to collect money for Streator Unlimited.

The band performs songs by the Doobie Brothers, the Eagles, Chicago, Led Zeppelin, Grand Funk, Lynrd Skynrd, Eric Clapton, Steppenwolf and others from the mid-1970s.

"Merrill" played originally from 1972 to 1975 and disbanded when the members went their separate ways to college.

In July 2014, the band reunited at a concert at the Dwight Country Club for "What we thought was the 40th anniversary of when the band disbanded," said band member Gerald Smith.

"However, we learned at that gig that we disbanded in 1975, thus it was only the 39th anniversary."

To correct the error, in July of this year, the band reunited at the Dwight Country Club for "our real 40th anniversary gig," Gerald said.

MERRILL, a band from the mid-1970s, consisted of (from left) Gordon Smith, Gerald Smith, Mike Budzius, Craig Hightower, Mike Foster (not a regular member of Merrill but sat in for that one gig pictured) and Greg Smith. Submitted photo

FORTY YEARS LATER, the Merrill Band, consisting of Dwight and Streator High School graduates, includes (from left) Gerald Smith, Glen Smith, Craig Hightower, Gary Smith and Greg Smith. Submitted photo

Other members of the band are DTHS grads Glen Smith, Gary Smith and Greg Smith. The SHS grad is Craig Hightower. The Smith brothers grew up in the rural Ransom area.

"Following that July 2015 gig, some of the band members decided they wanted to continue playing together at various gigs," Gerald explained.

Thus the band "Smith Brothers and Friends" was formed.

"Since Mike Budzius now resides in Pennsylvania, the band is now performing with other local talent, including Gary Smith and Michael McConnell.

S. Wilmington to hold Annual Tree Lighting at VFW Park

The Village of South Wilmington and the Party in the Park committee will be holding its 3rd Annual Tree Lighting at the VFW Park on December 6th at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone that is or has been a part of South Wilmington is invited to the special event.

The little evergreens, donated by Spring Grove, have been growing and are ready again to be decorated by the town children and lit by a surprise tree lighter.

Hot cocoa and baked goods will be available for purchase by the SWGS 8th grade class.

Christmas music and holiday cheer, along with the live nativity and a visit from St. Nick, are a great way to start the season.

Come out and enjoy the fun!

Saunemin Woman's Club, Legion Aux. Soup Supper December 6

The GFWC Illinois Saunemin Woman's Club and Legion Auxiliary will be serving a homemade soup supper Sunday, December 6, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Saunemin Community Building.

The menu includes chili, cream of potato soup, vegetable beef soup, chicken noodle soup, hot dogs, chips, relishes, homemade desserts, and beverages. A fee applies. Children eight and under receive a discount.

Proceeds from the supper are used for scholarships and donations to local and state organizations supported by the GFWC Illinois Women's Clubs. The supper is held in conjunction with the Saunemin Hometown Christmas celebration and a community cantata that same evening.

Like all good things in Life, *The Paper* is Free! Enjoy!

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Christmas Wreaths to be Featured at Festival of Trees

Festival of Trees for Charity co-chairs, Marcia Drach and Jan Schreiner, have announced that Christmas wreaths will be featured at the festival Dec. 5 and 6 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church – in conjunction with the annual Dwight Woman's Club Christmas Cookie Sale. The Dwight Bank Branch of Bank of Pontiac, the Dwight United Methodist Church Hens Bible Study Group, and The First National Bank of Dwight have all created holiday wreaths for this year's event.

Dwight Bank will have two wreaths at the Festival: *Ho-Ho-Ho*, a wreath featuring Santa's belt, will be a silent auction item – with proceeds going to Daisy Troop 1808 in Dwight; *The Snowman*, a double wreath creation, will also be a silent auction item – to benefit Zoey Coughlin.

Frosty the Snowman has been created by the Hens Bible Study Group, and has battery operated lights and a timer. The group will support various local missions with the funds they raise at the Festival.

The First National Bank of Dwight has donated a 22" evergreen wreath, adorned with several Christmas decorations, including a wood-crafted snowman. The bank has chosen to hold a silent auction for their wreath during the festival – with proceeds to benefit Christmas for Kids.

Community members or groups interested in participating in the event to support a charity can contact Marcia Drach for information.

Dwight Bank wreath

Hens Bible Study wreath

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH youth pose with a sampling of some of the crafts that will be available at their Christmas Bazaar Saturday, December 5.

Christmas Bazaar at Emmanuel Lutheran Church December 5

The Christmas Bazaar at Emmanuel Lutheran Church is scheduled for Saturday, December 5, from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

There will be candies, cookies, baked goods, homemade crafts of all kinds, and other Christmas flare. Most items are priced at $5.00 or below.

Breakfast will be served for a fee, and includes egg casserole, biscuits and gravy, coffee cakes, fruit cup and coffee or wassail.

In addition, the Dwight Woman's Club's Festival of Trees will be on display.

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Cullom HCE Ties Blankets, Plans Cookie Appreciation

Eleven members of the Cullom HCE met November 3 at the Cullom Community Building. In the absence of President Erran Melton, the meeting was conducted by Vice President Arlene Brucker. The Pledge was recited and roll call was answered by naming a GMO food.

Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. Treasurer Pat Johnson gave her report. Linda V. presented a bill for fleece for blankets for Flanagan Boys home. Motion made to pay the bill. Pennies for Friendship were collected.

Community Outreach report was given:

Nov. 14: Taste of Tri-Point; St. John's Lutheran Church Turkey Supper; Saunemin UMC Chicken Dinner.

Nov. 22: Cullom Library Soup Luncheon and Festival of Trees by Cullom Historical Society.

Nov. 29: Benefit for the Melton family at Roadrunners in Emington from 4-7 p.m.

Dec. 5: Breakfast with Santa at Cullom Community Building from 9 a.m. to noon.

Dec. 13: Christmas Cantata at Cullom UMC at 7p.m.

There was a discussion about the failure to recognize their fire department in October. Moved that they give home-made cookies to the firemen in February (two dozen/member). The cookies should be taken to the February meeting.

It was moved to donate $75 to the Melton Benefit.

Diana Taylor reported on county activities. The 2016 annual meeting will be held during the day in April. Livingston County will have an ad in the IAAHC Magazine.

Volunteer hour reports are due by December 31.

A lesson on the ABC's of GMO products was given by Pat Johnson. Lunch was served by hostesses Arlene Brucker and Birgit McCulley. The hostess gift, donated by Pat Johnson, was won by Arlene Brucker.

Following the meeting, three tied fleece blankets were assembled by several members. The blankets will be given to Salem Boys Ranch in Flanagan. The Christmas tree for the Historical Society Festival was decorated by Nicole Floyd and Meri Knapp.

The next meeting will be held at Kross Roads in Cullom at 6:00 Tuesday, December 1. Members are to take a grab bag gift (not to exceed $5) and items for the food pantry. There will be no hostess gifts for December.

Mitchell Tree Dedication

LINDA ROSENBAUM presents a memorial marker to Dwight Grade School Principal Ben Bailey Nov. 14. The plaque is part of a tree dedicated to the memory of Anita Mitchell. The committee purchased two trees for DGS with memorial fund donations. The Red Maple tree was planted outside the kindergarten rooms and the Swamp White Oak was planted in the habitat area northwest of the school. A bench will be purchased from the memorial funds and placed in the habitat area near the oak tree. A memorial marker will also be purchased for the bench and tree. Committee members are Mary and Bill Flott, Betty and Daryl Holt, and Linda Rosenbaum.

Photo submitted

GSW HS Board Meets

The Gardner-South Wilmington High School Board asked James K. Riley for an update on the Village of Gardner's sewer project at its November 18 meeting. Mr. Riley stated that the construction company was out for two days (Nov. 2 and 3) and cut across Route 53. Then they left to finish up another project. The work in front of the school should be completed before Christmas. The entire project won't be completed until Spring.

Principal John Engelman reported the following:

• Grundy County Police Dept. took in search dogs to run drills and search the interior of GSW. Mr. Engelman commented, "Proud to say they found nothing."

• Assembly on The Dangers of Heroin and Opiates was held. Sponsored by the Grundy No Tolerance Task Force (NTTF).

• Congratulations to Marlana Ferrari and Lexi Robison on earning Volleyball All-Area Special Mention honors from the Kankakee Daily Journal.

• Congratulations to Collin Cash on making the Daily Journal's 1st Team All-Area for Soccer, and receiving the Coach's Award, All-Academic Award, and Interstate-8 All-Conference Award. Collin played with the GSW – Reed-Custer Co-op team.

• Congratulations to Daly Galloway and Michael Mankowski for making it to state in Cross Country. She finished in second place.

• The NHS held a Blood Drive Nov. 18. They had 51 people show up – 36 donated blood, while 15 deferred.

TIF Agreements with the Village of Gardner: Mr. Doglio distributed a spreadsheet to the board members with an analysis of payments from the Village from TIF 2. It appears the funds distributed from the village are short $164.40 from TIF 1. The first payment from TIF 2 was received, but they have never received the second payment from the Village for TIF 2. Mr. Perrott was directed to send a letter to the Village of Gardner to ask about these payments.

Old Business:

Mr. Perrott reported on the following projects currently taking place in the building:

• Generator: Mr. Perrott discussed the two proposals from Excel Electric and Elliott Electric. Baker Electric declined to submit a proposal. Elliott's bid proposal contained "residential" application generators, while Excel's bid contained industrial application generators. Mr. Perrott is advising they go with Excel because they have installed all of the electrical in the building, they know the layout, and have worked in the building. The generator would power the boilers, kitchen refrigerators/freezers, and band room sump pumps.

• Chamlin has set stakes: Mr. Perrott has contacted the fence company regarding setting some posts at certain corners. He has met with the Village of Gardner/Dean Rankovich regarding village code and setting the fences. They are clear to set all but two posts on the Hibler corner property. He explained that GSW is waiting for a plot consolidation before all of the posts will be set. The board discussed setting posts on the corners only and then setting concrete slabs/sleeves to mark areas in-between. During an event, posts can be set/inserted into the sleeves if needed. Perrott was directed to pursue this option.

• Remodel of front gym entryway: Mr. Perrott showed preliminary plans to the board members. The project would include expanding the front entry way and designing a foyer. This would be used to help block the cold air from the gym area. A ticket booth window could be added to the entryway for events. A cost estimate for this project has not been determined.

• Life safety items: Mr. Perrott stated that GSW needs to amend the life safety inspection/report to address some needs they have. Stairways, handicap accessibility, bleachers, re-key the building. Look at lining up projects for this summer.

• Air-Conditioning: Board member, Katy Wepprecht, asked to look into air-conditioning the entire building. She stated that community members were asking. The board advised that this has been discussed in-length for several years and that it has been put into the step-by-step building improvement plan. Steps are being taken to update/improve the building as they see needed. Is it necessary to spend $300,000 or more to use air for 15-20 days each year? This subject has been brought up many times.

• Doors/external doors: Board member, Kori Speed, asked about needs for new external doors since they just got all new windows in the building. Mr. Perrott indicated that they do have a need for new external doors and that they just put in new gym doors inside.

Action items included the approval of a tentative estimate of the 2015 levy.

Be sure to shop the inserts in today's *The Paper*

LEGAL NOTICE

On November 19, 2015, the Commissioners of the Brookfield-Vienna Drainage District filed a verified financial report available for inspection at the LaSalle County Circuit Clerk's Office at the downtown Ottawa Courthouse in the file captioned as No. 85-MC-14028. Any objections of an owner of land within the district must be filed with such Circuit Clerk's Office within 10 days of publication of this notice.

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Village of Odell Christmas
Home Decorating Contest 2015
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Winners will be announced on Saturday, December 19
There are no requirements to be eligible, just decorate your home
(Village Staff & Boards ineligible)
(Winners will be posted at City Hall)

Make a Difference Day Celebrated by GFWC IL of Cullom

The GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom met October 15 at the Cullom Community Building. President Judy Wojciechowski welcomed 12 members and a guest, leading all in the Pledge to the Flag and The Collect. Several members wore purple in honor of Domestic Violence Month.

President Judy introduced guest speaker Don Gardner, who spoke on his Wild Prairie and provided pictures.

The September minutes were e-mailed. It was moved to approve as e-mailed. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report – the Club has a new bank account for GFWC IL Woman's Club of Cullom and new checks were ordered.

Correspondence: A 'thank you' was read from Librarian Nancy Sovinski, for the donation toward the railing.

Old/Unfinished Business:

• Electronics Pick-up: Postponed for now. Will look into it again in January.

• Cookies were made for the Firemen at Cullom and Kempton for Make a Difference Day. Members took a dozen cookies per member to the Community Building Oct. 24.

• Town Garage Sales: Nine sales on the list.

• Chili Cook-Off/Car Show/ Junk in the Trunk: There were three chili cooks, three cars and a truck, and two with Junk in the Trunk tables. Workers were Diana Taylor, Judy Ehlers, Phyllis Moritz, and Judy Wojciechowski. Winners: Teresa Stark – first place; Bob Dickover – second place; Todd Grace – third place.

New Business:

• Discussed a newsletter for Town on Activities to post at the bank, post office, store, and Casey's. See if school would be interested in working on a monthly newsletter with the Club informing the area on what is going on.

• American Flags: Discussed having flags out on Main Street on holidays. Would like to work with the Legion, Legion Auxiliary, and the Village.

• Discussed having a "Meet the Candidate Forum" in January, with the elections approaching in March and many candidates running. There will be refreshments. Moved and seconded to do the Forum in January. Motion carried.

Refreshments were served by Meri Knapp and Linda Vercler.

The Club held a meeting November 19 at the Community Building. Mary Howell and Friends presented pictures on their trip to New England. Hostesses were Phyllis Moritz and Diana Taylor.

GFWC IL WOMAN'S CLUB OF CULLOM made cookie plates for Make a Difference Day (Oct. 24) for the Cullom and Kempton Firemen and EMTs. Pictured, front row, l to r, are Katherine Cox, Judy Ehlers; middle, Mary Howell, Diana Taylor; back row, Judy Wojciechowski, and Lynn Ware.

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RECEIPTS

MULLEN FARM	
Grain Sold	$ 92,661
WRIGHT FARM	
Grain Sold	64,441
CORRIGAN FARM	
Grain Sold	25,411
Investment Income	35
Wind Energy Income	30,247
Ground Rental	22
	$212,817

DISBURSEMENTS

MULLEN FARM	
Fertilizer	$ 15,965
Seed	14,530
Storage & Drying	8,850
Insurance	1,560
Check-off & Discount	288
Taxes	5,514
Chemicals	2,428
WRIGHT FARM	
Fertilizer	7,151
Seed	10,529
Storage & Drying	6,529
Insurance	334
Check-off & Discount	265
Taxes	2,373
Chemicals	4,109
CORRIGAN FARM	
Fertilizer	4,252
Seed	4,154
Storage & Drying	2,548
Insurance	131
Check-off & Discount	103
Taxes	1,006
Chemicals	1,785
Treasurer's Salary	1,000
Safe Deposit Box	55
Legal & Accounting	625
Transfer	100,019
Publishing	64
Supplies	59
Promotion	110
	$196,336
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	$ 16,481
Cash Balance in Checking - Beginning of Year	65,452
Cash Balance in Checking - End of Year	$ 81,933

STOCK & INVESTMENTS OWNED ON JUNE 30, 2015

Access Ag Patronage	526
Mazon Farmers Elevator	54
Time Certificates, First National Bank	12,522

Janice Emm, Treasurer

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, 2015. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

Dwight Common School District #232	801 S. Columbia St., Dwight, IL 60420	815-584-6217	M-F 8:00-4:00
School District/Joint Agreement Name	*Address*	*Telephone*	*Office Hours*

Also by **January 15, 2016** the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the **Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015**, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@**www.isbe.net.**

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

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2015

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	2,773,436	376,522	222,756	161,382	139,710	259,318	54,653	79,802	57
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	834,655	0	0	73,612	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	277,838	0	0	0	0	14,375	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		3,885,929	376,522	222,756	234,994	139,710	273,693	54,653	79,802	57
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		4,033,358	346,110	246,333	274,460	141,134	218,521		60,738	611
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		30,330	0	25,508	38,833	0	0	(3,442)	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2014		272,877	390,716	(1,096)	192,134	18,537	103,830	842,791	(2,679)	54,470
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2015		155,778	421,128	835	191,501	17,113	159,002	894,002	16,385	53,916

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than $25,000
Sharon Bossert; Tom Conroy; Lee Fieldman; Kathleen Gettinger; Marilyn Hensel; Whitney Hoegger; Geraldine Holmes; Julie Jensen; Sidney Krople; Jennifer Lepper; David Munger; Amy Nielsen; Barbara Patten; Carley Pfleger; Margaret T. Riccolo; Linda Rosenbaum; Scott Schultz; Twangie Smith; Lisa Stevenson; Kasey Strachan; Amber Tarnowski; Linda Thomas; Maleah White; Sarah Windham

Salary Range: $25,000 - $39,999
Laura Calhoon; Elizabeth Goodwin; Sarah Jones; Jessica Kostal; Jessica Legner; Jessica Moyemont; Kathleen Wiemken

Salary Range: $40,000 - $59,999
Samantha Bastian; Kelly Bruce; Marla Eltrevoog; Jon Fox; Leslie Grieff; Erin Hablutzel; Richard Jancek; Amy Kargle; Kimberly Long; Suzanne Schall; Mary Schultz; Barbara Svornik; Linda Wargo

Salary Range: 60,000 - $89,999
Patricia Aldrich; Benjamin Bailey; Justin Eggenberger; Carol Fink; Amie Gallois; Catherine Gartke; Stinnett Gettinger; Jeanette Goley; Michael Guerrero; Joy Meister; Jamie Oelschlager; Laura Reamer; Stacey Stefanski; Kathy Stewart; Tammy Stolzenbach; Sara M. Taylor; Laura Vigna; Theodore Wargo

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than $25,000
Carson Banks; Ryan Beier; Marcia Bennett; Amy Black; Sharon Bossert; Heather Boucher; Lori Bowman; Kyle Cahill; Martha Cockerham; Kiley Colebank; Aidan Connolly; John Connor; Deb Conroy; Karen Donovan; Margaret Donovan; Stacie Ellis; Amanda Engel; Deb Erschen; Melissa Ferrari; Andrea Flynn; Erica Flynn; Donita Forneris; Laura Franks; Andy Froelich; Stinnett J. Gettinger; Patrick Gliwa; Angela Goley; Christine Hansen; Linda Hansen; Corilyn Hensel-McCullough; Angela Hilt; Heidi Hooker; Tracey Karstens; Marion Kennell; Tana Kopmann; Demi Krug; Marilyn Kruger; Donna Meads-Stimac; Rosemary Miller; Eugene Mortensen; Nicole Murphy; Bonnie Nedza; Rachel Partilla; Coreen Perschnick; Sam Perschnick; Susan Peters; Elizabeth Riccolo; Terry Sarff; Kathy Shaw; Donna Skonetski; Jennifer Statler; Joe Stevenson; Sarah Stewart; Dan Tarnowski; Kirk Telford; Hannah Trainor; Kelley Turner; Lisa Tyler; Linzi Viscum; Julie White

Salary Range: $25,000 - $39,999
Linda Brady; Paul M Bruce; Jane Fritsch; Kathy Johnson; Tony Noonan

Salary Range: $40,000 - $59,999
Charles Butterbrodt; Frank Tomac Jr

Payments over $2,500, excluding wages and salaries.

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
AMERICAN FIDELITY	$45,023
ARBOR MANAGEMENT INC.	$162,247
ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER RISK MGMT SERV	$3,500
BANK OF DWIGHT	$414,325
BERTAS HARWARE	$3,427
BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF IL	$390,385
BUSHUE HUMAN RESOURCES INC	$4,566
CALL ONE	$4,972
CAPTAIN'S CONCRETE	$11,922
CENTERPOINT ENERGY SERVICES INC	$15,867
CENTRAL SUPPLY CO.L	$14,445
DEPUE MECHANICAL INC	$4,479
DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS	$29,080
DWIGHT ED. ASSOCIATION	$24,109
EDELMAN ELECTRIC INC	$4,278
FORT DEARBORN	$3,353
GARDNER/SOUTH WILMINGTON HS	$32,581
GRUNDY SUPPLY	$6,435
HANSEN'S WINDOW COVERINGS	$48,780
HEARTLAND BANK & TRUST COMPANY	$223,825
HUMANA	$28,581
IL ASSOC. OF SCHOOL BOARDS	$3,275
IL DEPT OF REVENUE	$92,290
IL MUN. RETIREMENT FUND	$88,557
ILLINOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUS COMPANY	$210,889
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	$14,566
ISCORP	$5,600
LIVINGSTON COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES UNIT	$383,362
MASTERCARD	$218,675
MEDIACOM	$3,300
MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIPMENT	$7,714
MIKE'S GLASS PLUS	$65,295
OPPENHEIMER SHAREHOLDER SERV	$23,630
PIPPEN CONSULTING	$4,000
PSIC	$46,410
REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION	$8,813
SKYWARD ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT	$27,278
TEACHERS HEALTH INS SECURITY	$45,634
TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	$253,048
VALIC	$10,985
VILLAGE OF DWIGHT	$18,807
VIRCO INC	$32,000
WINDOW SECURITY SERVICES	$37,380
WIPFLI	$5,200
LADEAIROUS P.T., THOMAS L	$34,063

SPORTS

DTHS Lady Trojans Basketball

Monday, November 16
Dwight vs. Beecher

JV -

Dwight downed Beecher 49-12 on November 16, kicking off the season with an impressive win.

The Lady Trojans controlled the boards, pulling down 42 rebounds on the night.

Mel Stewart had ten points and eight steals to lead the way, while Kaitlyn Masching added seven points and five boards. Leah Flynn had six points and three rebounds; Abby Edwards had six points and seven rebounds; and Chloe Butterbrodt had six points and seven steals. Madi Hughes contributed four points and six steals. Morgan Zabel had four points and five rebounds. Abby Houch put in two points and dished three assists, while Danielle Carlson scored two points and grabbed four rebounds. Dakota Irvine added two points and a rebound. Jillian Frauli snagged two boards.

Varsity -

In the varsity match-up, the Lady Trojans lost to Beecher by a score of 56-36.

Dwight found themselves down 14-0 in the first quarter, but cut into the lead in the third. But it was not enough, as the Lady Trojans never got close enough to make the comeback.

Rachel Dawson led Dwight with 13 points and five rebounds. Daly Galloway and Lucy Rieke each chipped in six points. Brooke Bossert added eight rebounds.

Tuesday, November 17
Dwight vs. Streator
Freshmen -

Dwight's freshmen girls soared to a 40-10 win over the Lady Bulldogs of Streator when they faced off November 17.

Melissa Stewart led the Lady Trojans with 11 points, while Cassie Holmes followed with ten. Chloe Butterbrodt finished with eight, including a pair of three-pointers. Rishell Galbraith added five points, with Danielle Carlson finishing with four. Gretchen Hilt scored two points.

"Kaitlyn Harms and Miranda Holte did a terrific job on the boards and the defensive end," said Coach Black after the game. "It was a great way to start off our season – the girls played very hard and did a tremendous job for all four quarters. I was very proud of the way they played."

The freshmen Lady Trojans took on Wilmington Tuesday.

Thursday, November 19
Dwight vs. Grant Park
Varsity -

The Lady Trojans picked up a 45-32 win over Grant Park in a non-conference meeting November 19.

Brooklyn Long led the way for Dwight with 18 points. Rachel Dawson had eight points and eight boards to go with Daly Galloway's six points. Mary Wiemken added five points and eight rebounds.

The Lady Trojans begin the season 1-1.

Church Dartball League

Results of the November 16 Dartball match-ups are as follows:

	W	L
Essex-Bonfield	1	2
Emmanuel Luth.	2	1
Mazon Cong.	1	2
New Life Assembly/God	2	1
St. Peter's Luth.	2	1
Church of Hope	1	2
bye		
Dwight Cong.	3	0
Dwight Meth.	2	1
Trinity Lutheran	1	2

Current League Standings

	W	L
New Life Assembly/God	5	1
Dwight Cong.	5	1
Church of Hope	4	2
Mazon Cong.	4	2
St. Peter's Luth.	4	2
Emmanuel Luth.	3	3
Essex-Bonfield	2	4
Dwight Meth.	2	4
Trinity Lutheran	1	5

Schedule for December 7 at 7:00 p.m.

Mazon Congregational at Essex-Bonfield.

Dwight Methodist at Church of Hope.

St. Peter's Lutheran at Emmanuel Lutheran.

New Life Assembly of God at Dwight Congregational.

Trinity Lutheran has a bye.

DTHS Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony January 8

The Dwight Township High School Athletic Hall of Fame Induction for 2016 will take place in Kresl Memorial Gymnasium between the JV and varsity basketball games, at approximately 6:30 p.m, Friday, January 8.

The Induction class of 2016 includes:

- **Tom Wells** – '88 – 1987 IHSA State Champion, 200 meter dash.
- **Ashley Patten** – '01 – All-State softball player.
- **Wayne German** – 40 years of service as a scorekeeper.
- **John Kresl** – Nine-time IHSA regional champion girls basketball coach.

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Paper Bowl XV • Week 10 Results

Cherry Red 6-8 over DeLong Ford 4-10
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Jensen's BP 6-8 over Dairy Queen 5-9
Planning Assoc. 6-8 over Danko's State Farm 5-9
Berkot's S. Foods 6-8 over Victory Lanes 5-9
LPL 7-7 over Owl 5-9
Big Boyz Toyz 5-9 over SOCU 3-11

Standings

North		South	
Dairy Queen	7-3	Dwight Bank	7-3
Planning Assoc.	7-3	Danko's St. Farm	6-4
Jensen's BP	6-4	DeLong Ford	5-5
Berkot's	6-4	LPL Financial	5-5
OWL	5-5	1st National Bank	5-5
Big Boyz Toyz	4-6	Cherry Red	3-7
Victory Lanes	3-7	SOCU	2-8

Banks Shot For The Victory

Week 10 Paper Bowl XV

Well, this is awkward. We have another situation here with our Paper Bowl entry forms. If you can recall, back in week six of this season we had an unfortunate loss of all our entry forms forcing us to cancel our weekly prizewinner. This week we didn't lose our entry forms, but maybe we should have. Eighty-five entries were collected and graded in week ten. Nearly 86% of those picks were, how do we say, not so good. Only twelve entries finished the week with more right guesses than wrong. These are the worst results ever to be recorded in Paper Bowl history. It's certainly not your fault, our swami friends. It's this crazy game of football. They keep throwing crazy results at us, like when Chicago wins or when Green Bay loses. What's up with that? Stick with it. Somebody is about to start winning big.

Dwight's Carson Banks is our winner for week ten. He tied Dwight's Paul Hosier with a 10-4 record. The tiebreaker for the week was 579. Carson had his tiebreaker total at 611 (+32) and Paul offered up 647 (+69). Mr. Banks has collected our final $25 Paper Bowl Gift Certificate of the season. Three swamis finished 9-5. They were Dwight's Karen Palmer, Blake Banks and Carissa Gunty. Seven entry forms had 8-6 records. They included Dwight's Mark German, Les Maierhofer, Joshua Crumb and Lee Dixon, Joliet's Jared Leonard and Braceville's Diane Furlano.

The next winner of our game will receive $50 in Paper Bowl Gift Certificates. Just in time to upgrade the family's Thanksgiving turkey. You can enter three times for a shot at our prize. The drop locations are Jerry Danko's State Farm, Planning Associates and Dwight Bank. We are thankful for all of our swamis. Have a wonderful holiday.

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Vikings Take 20th at NCAA Championship

The Augustana Vikings' cross country team took home 20th-place when they competed at the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships at Lake Breeze Golf Club on November 21 – marking the 23rd top-20 finish for the program during Coach Paul Olsen's 50 seasons at the College.

Freshman runner **Brandon Wilkerson (Tri-Point High School – Stelle)** is a member of the Vikings' cross country squad.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, 2015. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

Dwight Township High School District #230	801 S. Franklin St., Dwight, IL 60420	815-584-6217	M-F 8:00-4:00
School District/Joint Agreement Name	*Address*	*Telephone*	*Office Hours*

Also by **January 15, 2016** the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the **Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015**, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ **www.isbe.net.**

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

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2015

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	3,191,182	947,527	217,911	171,686	110,631	125,756	699	114,684	7
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	562,599	0	0	70,882	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	88,409	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		3,842,190	947,527	217,911	242,568	110,631	125,756	699	114,684	7
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		3,507,790	300,318	504,167	315,956	103,223	163,825		87,936	33,180
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		68,219	(257,579)	306,135	77,668	0	0	(1,699)	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2014		3,251,455	287,305	(202)	368,499	24,952	69,186	676,624	(16,821)	33,173
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2015		3,654,074	676,935	19,677	372,779	32,360	31,117	675,624	9,927	0

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than $25,000	Salary Range: $25,000 - $39,999	Salary Range: $40,000 - $59,999	Salary Range: 60,000 - $89,999	Salary Range: $90,000 and over
Lynne Adair; Kyle Cahill; Emily Campbell; Catherine Clausen; Tom Conroy; Justin Eggenberger; Andrew Ehrhardt; Stacie Ellis; Lee Fieldman; Mary Flott; Carrie Fraher; Kathleen Gettinger; Allyse Groover; Jason Hayward; Geraldine Holmes; Sidney Krople; David Munger; Amy Nielsen; Barbara Patten; Carolyn Roys; Shayla Samples; Scott Schultz; Lisa Stevenson; Kasey Strachan; Kirk Telford; Gregory Wargo; Maleah White; Kathleen Wiemken; Sarah Windham; Evan Wyllie	Devi Pappas; Joel Steichen	Amy DeMarse; Mark Fiske; Stephanie Flott; Justin Gund; Melissa Harri; Lindsey Jensen; Christie Jones; Jodi Minnaert; Kathy Patten; Mary Jo Prusko; Bud Schultz; Justin Stevenson; Rebecca Stipanovich	Erik Black; Nicole Dunnill; Cathy Fatigante; Jackie Froelich; Betty Gantzert; Richard Jancek; Julie Jensen; Ryan Kemp; Eric Long; Mary Pfeifer; Andy Pittenger; Karen Zabel	Jeff Froelich; Dan Kaiser

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than $25,000	Salary Range: $25,000 - $39,999	Salary Range: $40,000 - $59,999	Salary Range: $60,000 and over
Marcia Bennett; Joe Bloxam; Deb Cherveny; Deb Conroy; Jesica Davis; Debra Erschen; Donita Forneris; Susan Fox; Elizabeth Fransen; Andrew Froelich; Melissa Funk; Kathleen Gettinger; Angela Goley; Timothy Harms; Angela Hilt; Douglas Gassman; Donald Kissiar; Craig Krug; Larry Lane; Bruce Moody; Eugene Mortensen; Barbara Patten; Coreen Perschnick; Terry Sarff; Denise Swink; Randy Thomas; Kim Trainor; Leonard Tryner; Lisa Tyler; Linzi Viscum	Mke Cherveny; John Connor; Tony Noonan; Carol Pfeifer	Charles Butterbrodt	

Payments over $2,500, excluding wages and salaries.

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
AMERICAN FIDELITY	$35,041
ANDERSON'S OUTDOOR SPORTS & TURF	$2,678
APEX LEARNING INC	$3,600
ARBOR MANAGEMENT INC	$74,359
ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER RISK MGMT SERV	$7,000
BABY FOLD	$58,947
BARTON ELECTRIC INC.	$182,434
BERTAS DO IT BEST	$4,614
BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	$309,793
BUSHUE HUMAN RESOURCES INC	$4,722
CALL ONE	$5,535
CAPTAIN'S CONCRETE & CONSTRUCTION	$24,909
CENTERPOINT ENERGY SERVICES INC	$9,467
CENTRAL SUPPLY CO	$3,450
DEMOULIN BROS. & CO	$34,711
DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS	$77,598
DTHS ACTIVITY FUND	$5,561
DWIGHT EDUCATION ASSOC.	$17,625
DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL	$33,324
EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS	$3,700
EVERGREEN FS INC	$20,426
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF DWIGHT	$542,317
FORT DEARBORN	$2,333
GRUNDY SUPPLY	$4,495
HEARTLAND BANK & TRUST CO	$258,778
HUMANA	$20,780
IL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS	$2,978
IL DEPT. OF REVENUE	$74,514

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
IL MUN. RETIREMENT FUND	$56,230
ILLINOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUS CO	$179,992
IMPREST FUND DTHS	$39,035
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	$12,559
ISCORP	$5,600
KANSAS STATE BANK OF MANHATTAN	$44,485
LIV. AREA CAREER CNTR	$42,600
LIV. COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES UNIT	$106,777
MASTERCARD	$549,071
MEDIACOM	$3,349
MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIPMENT	$15,216
NEOFUND BY NEOPOST	$2,517
OPPENHEIMER SHAREHOLDER SERV	$37,585
POPEJOY, INC.	$3,681
PRO COMM	$19,113
PSIC	$70,190
REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION	$11,110
ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION	$2,670
RSA NFP	$3,575
SCHOOL SAVERS	$14,846
SKYWARD ACCOUNTING DEPT	$34,981
TEACHERS HEALTH INSURANCE SECURITY	$39,334
TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	$204,989
TIMEOUT SERVICES LLC	$18,987
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	$3,101
VALIC	$13,435
VILLAGE OF DWIGHT	$25,916
WIPFLI	$5,200

GSW Lady Panthers Basketball

Monday, November 16
GSW vs. Manteno
Varsity -

The Lady Panthers began their 2015-16 campaign with a 43-26 win over Manteno November 16.

"The first game of the year is always nerve-wracking," admitted Coach Leigh, "because it can be hard to judge how far your girls have progressed in the first two weeks of practice."

Jenni Price led the way for GSW with 12 points and three blocks. Celia Barna would contribute ten points and eight boards, while Marlana Ferrari added eight points and 11 rebounds.

"I thought for our first game we had a lot of positives," added Leigh, "and now I have an idea of where to go from here in practice."

Tuesday, November 17
GSW vs. Ridgeview
Varsity -
Lexington Thanksgiving Tournament

During Thanksgiving Tourney action in Lexington November 17, GSW couldn't handle Ridgeview, as they took a 52-25 loss.

"An off-night for us," head coach Adam Leigh said after the game. "We had trouble getting anything going and had no answer on the defensive end."

Celia Barna led the Lady Panthers with nine points. Maranda Residori put in seven.

Thursday, November 19
GSW vs. Lexington
Varsity -

The GSW Lady Panthers came up short against Lexington November 19, falling 54-33.

"I felt like we played well, despite the final score," said Coach Leigh after the game. "It's obvious to me that shooting is something we need to spend some extra time in practice doing – the last two games we've struggled to get points on the board."

Leading the Lady Panthers was Marlana Ferrari with seven points, while Maranda Residori chipped in five points and five boards.

Friday, November 20
GSW vs. Dee-Mack
Varsity -

Marlana Ferrari's 15 points and five boards helped GSW edge out Dee-Mack when they faced off on November 20.

"We played a tough game tonight," commented Coach Leigh in the postgame. "Our players hung in there and were able to pull out a close one."

Celia Barna added eight points and seven rebounds in the contest. Kaylee Steichen added six points, while Sydney Perkins put in three. Emily Hopwood and Olivia Asbridge both scored two points, with Jenni Price connecting on a free throw.

GSW is now 2-2 overall and played Peoria Heights Monday night.

GSWB Lady Tigers Basketball

Wednesday, November 18
GSWB vs. Channahon
7th Grade -

The seventh grade Lady Tigers got a 29-14 win over Channahon November 18, with Abby Beck leading the way with ten points.

Kylie Hawks scored eight points in the contest, while Claire Hennessy and Grace Halpin each had four. Koli Croy scored three points.

8th Grade -

GSWB defeated Chan=nahon 31-29 in the eighth grade meeting.

After a quick start, the Lady Tigers found themselves down 11-7 at the half, and eventually down 19-11 in the third. But GSWB came storming back to take a 23-21 lead into the fourth.

After a back and forth battle, Channahon took a one point lead with 30 seconds to go. Kaitlynn Kavanaugh would make a free throw to tie it, then the Lady Tigers forced a turnover – leading to a game-winning shot by Kavanaugh with just four ticks left in the game to give GSWB the win.

Kavanaugh ended up with 11 points in the game, with Kennedy Fair scoring eight. Carson Halpin scored five, while Shelby Serena put in four. Tori King had two points, with Madelyn Storm hitting a free throw.

Thursday, November 19
GSWB vs. Ransom
7th Grade -

Abby Beck's 14 points helped lift GSWB over Ransom, 34-7, on November 19.

Koli Croy would add eight points, while Kylie Hawks and Olivia Cerutti had four points each. Claire Hennessy and Grace Halpin each had two points.

8th Grade -

In the eighth grade game, The Lady Tigers grabbed a 26-19 win over Ransom.

Carson Halpin and Shelby Serena led the way with nine and eight points, respectively. Kennedy Fair, Kaitlyn Kavanaugh, and Madelyn Storm each had three points.

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Notice of Proposed Tax Increase for Sunbury-Esmen-Nevada Multi Township Assessment District

1. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Sunbury-Esmen-Nevada Multi Township Assessment District for FY 2015-2016 will be held on 12/09/15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Esmen Township hall.

   Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact:
   Sue Curtis - Treasurer, 13497 E. 2100 N. Rd., Pontiac, IL 61764 - 815-844-6387
   Mike Sullivan - Clerk, 32505 N. 1600 E. Rd., Blackstone, IL 61313 - 815-343-3980

2. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for FY 2014-2015 were $17,605.43.

   The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for FY 2015-2016 are $23,131.69. This represents a 31.39% increase over the previous year.

3. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for FY 2014-2015 were $0.

   The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for FY 2015-2016 are $0. This represents a 0% increase over the previous year.

4. The total property taxes extended or abated for FY 2014-2015 were $17,605.43.

   The estimated total property taxes to be levied for FY 2015-2016 are $23,131.69. This represents a 31.39% increase over the previous year.

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THIS WEEK'S DROP BOX LOCATIONS: WEEK 12

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Planning Associates,Ltd. Larry Little, 108 E. Main, Dwight, 815-584-1044
Dwight Bank, Branch of Bank of Pontiac, Member FDIC, 132 E. Main St., Dwight, 815-584-1855

PAPER BOWL XV

IT'S EASY TO PLAY!

Just pick the winners of this week's games featured in each ad and drop off your entry form at each of the designated drop box locations.*

For the first 10 weeks, the entry with the most correct picks, *(tie breaker determined by your guess on total number of points scored in all listed match-ups)* will win a **$25 Sponsor Gift Certificate!***

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Have Fun! Play all 17 weeks. Good Luck!

This week's entry is due November 27 by 5 p.m.

Winner announced in the Wednesday, December 9th edition.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Name: .....
Address: .....
City: ..... State: ..... Zip Code: .....
Home Phone: .....

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

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

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

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Thurs., Nov. 26 and Fri., Nov. 27: Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday.

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Tues., Dec. 1: Beef and noodles, mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, whole grain wheat, purple plums.

Wed., Dec. 2: Cabbage rolls w/ sauce, baked potato w/sour cream, broccoli w/cheese, roll, pears.

Thurs., Dec. 3: Chicken sandwich w/mayo, cheesy potato casserole, Italian mixed vegetables, bun, gelatin w/ fruit.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

LIVINGSTON COUNTY - PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB
Plaintiff,
-v.-
JUDITH KNIGHT
Defendant

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on September 25, 2015, the Sheriff of Livingston County will at 10:00 AM on January 7, 2016, at the Livingston County Courthouse, West door of the Livingston County Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, PONTIAC, IL, 61764, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 103 N. JEFFERSON STREET, Flanagan, IL 61740

Property Index No. 13-22-256-005

The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was $80,189.29.

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

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

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

For information, contact Plaintiff s attorney: POTESTIVO & ASSOCIATES, P.C. , 223 WEST JACKSON BLVD, STE 610, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 263-0003. Please refer to file number C14-03765.

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

CITIFINANCIAL SERVICING LLC AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC
PLAINTIFF
VS
BRIAN WITT A/K/A BRIAN D WITT; DEBBIE WITT A/K/A DEBBIE P WITT A/K/A DEBRA P WITT; DEFENDANTS
14 CH 22
407 EAST NORTH STREET DWIGHT, IL 60420

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE UNDER ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE ACT ***THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT ON A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE*** PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered by said Court in the above entitled cause on September 25, 2015, LIVINGSTON COUNTY SHERIFF in LIVINGSTON County, Illinois, will on January 5, 2016, in 110 N. Main St. Pontiac, IL61764, at 10:00 AM, sell at public auction and sale to the highest bidder for cash, all and singular, the following described real estate mentioned in said Judgment, situated in the County of LIVINGSTON, State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment:

TAX NO. 05-05-03-351-003

COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 407 EAST NORTH STREET DWIGHT, IL 60420

Description of Improvements: YELLOW, VINYL SIDING, SINGLE FAMILY, NO GARAGE The Judgment amount was $115,602.63. Sale Terms: This is an \"AS IS\" sale for \"CASH\". The successful bidder must deposit 25% down by certified funds; balance, by certified funds, within 24 hours. NO REFUNDS. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate, water bills, etc., and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to plaintiff. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the bid amount, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DYAS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. For Information: Visit our website at http:\\\\service.atty-pierce.com. Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. only - Pierce & Associates, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 1 North Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Tel. No. (312) 372-2060. Please refer to file #PA1402168 Plaintiff's attorney is not required to provide additional information other than that set forth in this notice of sale.

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Real Estate Auction

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FARMLAND
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Farm Location: From the Jct. of Rt. 17 & Rt. 23, (4 Miles South of Streator, IL.) Go East (on Rt. 17) 4 Miles to 900 E. Rd., then 1½ Miles South (on East side)
Legal Description: The North Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Twp. 30 N. - R4 East of the 3rd. P.M. in Newtown Twp., Livingston County, Illinois.
Tract 1: 78 +/- Acres of Farmland with NO Home or Buildings.
Tract 2: a 1.5-Acre Tract containing a single story/2 Bedroom home, wood corn crib, 2 car detached garage and small shed.
Tenancy: The Farmland tenancy is open for the 2016 crop year.
Closing: on or before January 9, 2016
Method of Sale: Tract 1 (78+/- Acres of Farmland) will be sold first, with the bidding on a Dollars per Acre basis. Tract 2 (1.5 Acre w/home & buildings) will be sold after Tract 1, with the bidding on a total Dollars basis. Note: The 2 tracts will not be combined.

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Thurs., December 17 at 10 a.m.
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FARMLAND
229 Acres in 3 Tracts
Sunbury Twp., Livingston County
Farmland - Home & Building Site - 2 Ponds

Farm Location: From the Jct. of Rt. 17 & Rt. 170 (Located 11 Miles West of Dwight, IL), Go South (on Rt. 170) 3 Miles to 2900 N. Rd., Then ½ Mile East.
Legal Description: Tract 1: (80 Acres) The North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, T. 30N. - R.5E. of the Third P.M. **Tract 2:** (80 Acres) The South Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, T. 30 N. - R. 5E. of the Third P.M. **Tract 3:** The East 69 Acres in the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 27, T. 30 N. - R. 5E. of the Third P.M. This Tract includes 2 ponds, an older home, barn & shed (all in a state of disrepair)
Tenancy: The tenancy is open for the 2016 crop year.
Closing: On or before February 1, 2016
Method of Sale: The 3 Tracts will be sold in the Buyer's choice method, with the Successful Bidder having the option to purchase any or all 3 Tracts. Bidding will be on a Dollars per Acre basis.
Survey: A survey will be conducted prior to the Auction date to establish the borders and exact Acreage for Tracts 1 & 2. No survey will be conducted on Tract 3.

Seller: Virgil Keen Estate

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COLLIN CASH, a Gardner-South Wilmington student and member of the Reed-Custer soccer team with which GSW co-ops, recently received the Coach's Award, All-Academic Award, Interstate 8 All-Conference Award, and his Varsity Letter Award and pin. He also made the Kankakee Daily Journal's 1st Team All-Area in soccer.

Upcoming Programs at Limestone Library

Limestone Township Library, 2701 W. Tower Road, is hosting the following programs in the coming weeks:

• **School's Out Movie Day: Wednesday, November 25, at 1:00 p.m.** No school today? Then visit the library with your friends and watch a movie. This afternoon they will be watching Big Hero Six. Popcorn and lemonade will be served.

• **Storytime: Tuesday, December 1, and Thursday, December 3, at 10:00 a.m.** Join Miss Anita for a morning of stories, crafts, and songs for children age six months to five-years old and their parents/guardians.

• **An Evening with Santa: Monday, December 7, 6:00-7:30 p.m.** Join the Limestone Township Friends of the Library as they present An Evening with Santa. Don't miss out on Santa reading Clement Moore's 'Twas the Night Before Christmas.' Afterwards, the children can share their personal wish lists with Santa in the Peterson Schoolhouse. This program is for children in pre-school through third grade.

• **Holiday Craft Night: Thursday, December 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m.** Get out for a night of crafting, as Miss Pat helps participants create a fun holiday decoration. All supplies are included and there is no fee. This program is for young adults and adults.

Registration is required for all programs. If you need special accommodations, contact the library at least five days prior to the program. For more information or to register for any programs, stop in at the Library, call them at 815-939-1696, or visit www.limestonelibrary.org to see a listing of all programming.

Trojans' Scholastic Bowl Falls at Irish Invitational

The Dwight Trojans Scholastic Bowl team traveled to Seneca November 13 for the Irish Invitational, suffering a last question loss (160-130) to the hosts in the first round, despite leading the entire match.

In round two, Dwight fell to Armstrong by a score of 130-80, but would rebound in their final match to beat the Seneca 3 team, 110-40.

Alex Pampinella earned All-Tournament recognition with six toss-ups. Brendan Reamer had three for the day, with Nick Schultz and Josh Krischel scoring two and one, respectively.

Alex Pampinella

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Alpha Mu Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa Meets

Alpha Mu Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an international honorary organization of women educators, held their November meeting Nov. 12 at Café Fontana in Pontiac. Navana Ahrends and Sue Decker hosted the meeting. Members had been asked to take copies of favorite recipes, and booklets of the recipes were put together during the meeting and presented to each member attending.

President Sandy Erickson opened the business meeting and welcomed everyone, including one guest, Peg Doran. Sandy shared a "Thought for the Day" from Oprah and the ADK Prayer. Navana gave a little background on why people should be voting for the CNN Hero finalist, Rochelle Ripley – voting ended Nov. 15. Alpha Delta Kappa Intl. raised $65,000 for a literacy project for the Lakota Indian reservation last year. Rochelle has been working many years for the betterment of her people.

The secretary's report was read and approved, and a silent roll call was taken. The success of the Founder's Day luncheon was discussed. It was held at the Dwight Country Club October 17, with guests being Beta Mu from Joliet, and six State Board members. "We'll Take It from Here," a boys' quartet from Pontiac High School, provided the musical entertainment. The treasurer's report was accepted. A motion was passed to donate $50 to the Livingston County Sheriff's Department Cops for Kids project. Dues should be paid by December 15. During the meeting, altruistic hours and donations for the last month were recorded.

The altruistic project with Mosaic Homes was updated. Birthday cards, DQ cards, along with a birthday cake will be delivered to each of the seven homes, in honor of birthdays in Oct. - Dec. Prepared Christmas cards were also taken to the meeting to be mailed to residents of Mosaic Homes. Also, a treat for each home will be delivered before Christmas.

It was announced that the State Convention will be held at the Peoria Holiday Inn April 22-24, 2016. Reservations at the hotel should be made early. The next meeting date was tentatively set for December 5 – location to be determined.

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AREA CHURCHES

DWIGHT

Dwight United Methodist Church
701 S. Columbia
584-3420 church
Dwightumc.org
Pastor: Lance Leeds
• NOV. 27: Office closed.
• NOV. 28: 7 a.m., Men's Bible Studies at Rte 66 and Pete's Restaurants.
• NOV. 29: 8 a.m., Early Worship Service; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School for all ages; 9:30 a.m., Praise Team rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Late Worship Service.
• NOV. 30: 6:30 p.m., Annual Church Conference.
• DEC. 1: 8:30 a.m., Hen's Bible Study; 9 a.m., The Bible Seekers.
• DEC. 2: 8:30 a.m., Willing Workers; 9 a.m., Prayer Shawl; 2 p.m., Kids Klub & REAL; 6:30 p.m., Choir; 7 p.m., Ignite; 7:30 p.m., Cantata practice.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
325 E. Mazon Ave.
584-3433 church
584-1291 fax
584-1023 parsonage
Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Pastor
• NOV. 25: NO Weekday School; 5:30 p.m., Thanks-giving Eve Worship Service.
• NOV. 28: 8 a.m., Decorate the Church; 5 p.m., Worship with Holy Communion.
• NOV. 29: *First Sunday in Advent* – 9 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Class; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion.

First Baptist Church
401 N. Clinton St.
815-584-3182
Pastor Daniel L. Woodward
• NOV. 29: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School for all ages; 10:45 a.m., Sunday Morning Service; 6 p.m., Sunday Evening Service.
• DEC. 2: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ
200 W. Delaware St.
584-1260 church
Pastor Connie Williams Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister
• NOV. 26: Thanksgiving Day.
• NOV. 29: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title, "No Christmas Blues" – "Hanging of the Greens"
• DEC. 1: Bible study, 5:30 p.m.
Dates to remember –
* Jan. 12, 2016: 150th Anniversary of the First Congregational United Church of Christ.
* Apr. 10, 2016: Anniversary Church Service and Dinner at Country Mansion.
November "Mission of the Month" – Neighbors In Need/ N.I.N.

New Life Assembly of God
903 S. Old Route 66
Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor
815-584-3430
• NOV. 25: 6 p.m., Celebrate Recovery.
• NOV. 26: Thanksgiving. Office closed.
• NOV. 28: 7 a.m., Courageous Men's Group; 9 a.m., Church decorating for Christmas.
• NOV. 29: 9 a.m., "Basic Training" Discipleship Class; 10 a.m., Main Service – Honoring City Workers and Officials; NO Kids Church, ages 3-11; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth.
• NOV. 30: 5:30 p.m., First Place.
• DEC. 1: NO Book of John Bible Study.
• DEC. 2: 6 p.m., Celebrate Recovery.
• DEC. 3: 7 p.m., Worship practice.

St. Patrick Catholic Church
Mazon Ave. at Prairie
815-584-3522 Office
Rev. Chris Haake, Pastor
• NOV. 28: 4 - 4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass.
• NOV. 29: 8 a.m., Mass.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
326 W. Chippewa St.
stpetersdwight@sbcglobal.net
Office: Tu-Th-F, 9 - noon Tu., Wed., Th 2 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
• NOV. 25: Clean-up from lock-in; 4:30 - 6 p.m., Salvation Army.
• NOV. 27: 8 p.m., AA meeting.
• NOV. 28: 4:30 p.m., P & W Music; 5 p.m., HC Worship.
• NOV. 29: *First Sunday in Advent* – 8:45 a.m., Faith Development for All Ages; 9:20 a.m., In Action/rehearsal; 10 a.m., HC Worship.

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Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
• NOV. 29: 10 a.m., Mass.

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St. John's Lutheran Church
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Pastor Mauricio Vieira
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EMINGTON

Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
103 Division Street
Pastor Connie Williams Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister
• NOV. 25: Bible Study, 3 p.m.
• NOV. 26: Thanks-giving Day.
• NOV. 29: Worship, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "No Christmas Blues" – "Hanging of the Greens"
November Food Pantry Collection: Boxed potatoes.

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Monroe & Jefferson Sts.
Janet Chandler, Pastor
Office hours:
M-Th, 8:30 a.m. - noon
815-237-8312
gardnerchurchofhope.org
• NOV. 26: 8:30 a.m., Pastor's Prayer & Lectionary Group meeting.
• NOV. 29: 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10:15 a.m., Worship Service.

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Town and Country 4-H Club Thanks Veterans

Town and Country 4-H Club in Essex met on Veterans Day for its regular monthly meeting and used the meeting to write thank you notes and make drawings recognizing the sacrifices made by service men and women.

Following the meeting, Club members Mason Gereaux, Mike Gereaux, Colten Monroe, and Collin Monroe, all of Essex, gave a presentation to the Club about the history of Veteran's Day in the United States. Cards and notes were also made and sent to local vets.

Town and Country 4-H Club membership is open to all youth ages eight to 18 and involves interest in every kind of activity from music, art, and theater to shooting sports, science, and veterinary medicine and everything in between. For membership opportunities, check out 4H.org or contact Mary K. O'Brien at 815-365-2368.

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BASKETBALL PREVIEW 2015-2016

DTHS TROJAN BOYS BASKETBALL...Back row (l to r) Freshman coach Dennis Dunlap, Assistant Coach Dale Ralston, Noah Nutting, Collin Schroeder, Justin Fox, Wes Pulver, Austin Nelson, Blake Graham, Andrew German, Head Coach Eric Long, JV Coach Steven Summers. Front row (l to r) Carter Wykes, Blaine Livingston, Drew Travers, Peter Hansen, Jace Kennedy, Connor Gantzert and Logan Graham.

GSW PANTHER BASKETBALL...Back row (l to r) Assistant Coach Allan Wills, Mike Wise, Cameron McCurrie, Austin Kavanaugh, Ben Bexson, Collin Cash, Head Coach Chris Gibson. Front row (l to r) Noah Brannock, Scott Horrie, Alex Bunna, Junior Schultz, Walker Eutsey and Braden Marks.

Dwight Trojans

Varsity Coach: Eric Long
(7th Year with Dwight)

Assistant Coach:
Ryan Kemp (AD)

JV Coach:
Steven Summers

Freshmen Coach:
Dennis Dunlap

2014-15 Record:
26-5 (6-0 in SVC)
Ranked 5th in 1A AP Poll)

To top the Trojans' tremendous 2014-15 run would be quite the challenge – but if anybody is up for the task, it's Dwight's head coach Eric Long, who enters his seventh year at the helm of the program.

"We have a unique blend of veteran leadership and players getting their first extended varsity opportunity," Long stated. "We lost eight very good seniors from a year ago in our 11-man rotation; however, our three returners were starters and all three are All-Area, and possibly All-State, caliber players."

Drew Travers, who was 4th Team All-State last season, should lead Dwight's post-strong offensive attack. Joining him will be Jace Kennedy, one of the better defenders in the area, who Long says has improved tremendously offensively.

Junior Justin Fox saw a lot of playing time last season and will bring his experience to the table for the Trojans – who their coach believes will face challenges early on, but thinks they "have a chance to be a power to reckon with, not only in our area, but also in the state."

Other notable contributors that will be looked upon for quality minutes are Peter Hansen, Blake Graham, Connor Gantzert, Wesley Pulver, and Blaine Livingston.

In a much more balanced and mature Sangamon Valley Conference, the Trojans join Paxton-Buckley-Loda as the two favorites during the 2015-16 season, and hope to do some more trophy-hoisting this time around.

Dwight is at home against Wilmington at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 25.

GSW Panthers

Varsity Coach:
Chris Gibson
(3rd Year with GSW)

Assistant Coach:
Allan Wills (2nd Year)
2014-15 Record: 19-10

After a 19-10 showing last year, the GSW Panthers have their sights set on the state tourney entering the 2015-16 season.

They will have a difficult schedule, however, inside and outside of the RVC – playing 3A schools Morris, Peotone, and Coal City, as well as 2A schools like Dwight and Immaculate Conception.

But the stiff competition is what head coach Chris Gibson believes will help his team come regional time.

"Our overall record may not be what people might consider a good record for an 'elite' team," admits Gibson. "But I think that the competition will help us in making a run in the state tournament."

A tremendous advantage, according to Gibson, is having a third-year point guard in varsity starter Scott Horrie. He has averaged 29 minutes a game and "been a great asset for our program," Gibson stated. "I think he will have a fantastic season."

The Panthers' head coach also expects a lot from junior guards Braden Marks and Austin Kavanaugh, who will provide some quickness for GSW – which Gibson says is a key strength.

Sophomore post-man, Walker Eutsey, will also be looked to for production, as well as senior swingman, Alex Bunna, who can also score inside and outside – giving the Panthers flexibility with their line-up, ultimately presenting some match-up issues for opponents.

One team they hope to pose some problems to is St. Anne, who is sure to be the team to beat in the RVC again this year. Other ornery opponents within the conference will be Tri-Point, Illinois Lutheran, and Beecher – but Gibson and his Panthers are prepared for the challenge.

GSW takes on Serena in Coal City Turkey Tournament action Wednesday, November 25.

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DTHS LADY TROJANS...Back row (l to r) Head Coach Jeff Froelich, McKenzie Zeedyk, Brooke Bossert, Samantha Carlson, Leah Flynn. Rachel Dawson, Abby Edwards, Lucy Rieke, Freshmen Coach Erik Black, JV Coach Chuck Butterbrodt. Front row (l to r) Brooklyn Long, Lauren Widman, Mary Wiemken, Molly Rodosky and Daly Galloway.

Dwight Lady Trojans

Varsity Coach:
Jeff Froelich (18th Year)
JV Coach:
Chuck Butterbrodt
Freshmen Coach:
Erik Black
2014-15 Record:
3-18 (1-5 in SVC)

Six letter winners return from last season for the Dwight Lady Trojans – led by junior leading scorer and rebounder, Rachel Dawson (8.5 points, 7 rebounds per game in 2014-15).

Dwight came up with just three wins in their last campaign, and though they are still a young team, they look to be a competitive group in the SVC this season.

Junior Daly Galloway (7 points per game in 2014-15) will hold down the point position, joining junior Brooke Bossert and sophomores Brooklyn Long and Lucy Rieke in the starting line-up.

Look for seniors Mary Wiemken, Molly Rodosky, and Lauren Widman to see considerable playing time, along with juniors Sam Carlson and McKenzie Zeedyk. Sophomores Abby Edwards and Leah Flynn round out the Lady Trojan roster.

With tough conference and non-conference games scheduled, Dwight has their work cut out for them. But head coach Jeff Froelich says they've looked good in practice, and "only time will tell."

The Lady Trojans travel to Newark December 1.

Herscher Lady Tigers

Varsity Coach:
Jennifer Savoie
(1st Year as Head Coach)
JV Coach:
Nick Arndt
(1st Year as JV Coach)
Freshmen Coach:
Kevin Downey (1st Year)
2014-15 Record: 21-9

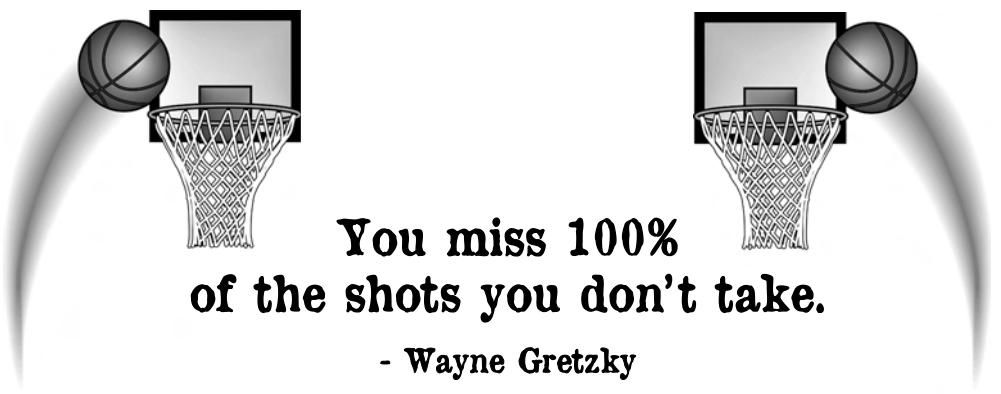
Returning starter and key contributor, Nicole Johanson, will lead a young Herscher Lady Tigers team this season.

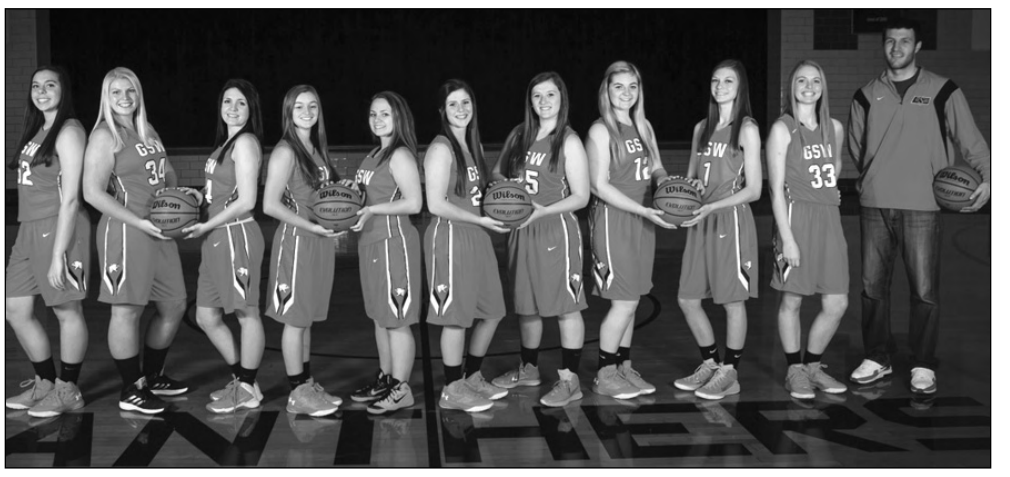
Johanson, whose height in the lane gives her an advantage on the boards and scoring in the post, will be looked upon to provide a pick-up for Herscher – who first-year head coach Jennifer Savoie says will have a lot of room for development and improvement throughout the season.

As for the Lady Tigers' strengths, Savoie wants to create a solid defense by forcing teams to shoot from the outside using middle of the lane coverage.

In an extremely competitve I-8 Conference, one of Herscher's goals for this year is to be one of the top teams – however, that will prove to be a difficult task, as the inexperienced Lady Tigers take on tough teams from Peotone, Coal City, and Lisle.

Herscher will be in Sandwich November 30.





GSW LADY PANTHERS...(l to r) Marlana Ferrari, Haley Schuck, Olivia Asbridge, Jenni Price, Dana Wright, Maranda Residori, Emily Hopwood, Sydney Perkins, Kaylee Steichen, Celia Bama.

GSW Lady Panthers

Varsity Coach: Adam Leigh (6th Year)
JV Coach: Kaitlyn Reynolds (1st Year)
2014-15 Record: 17-12 (10-2 in RVC)

After a loss to Newark sent them to an early exit in the regional semi-finals last season, the GSW Lady Panthers are poised to hit the 2015-16 season running.

All but one player (sophomore Kaylee Steichen) is returning from last year's squad, which head coach Adam Leigh believes will add a level of maturity to the team.

"I think we have a lot of experience with this team," Leigh stated. "I think we have a lot of good shooters and just a desire to win ball games."

GSW will be led by returning starters Maranda Residori, Marlana Ferrari, Jenni Price, Celia Barna, and Sydney Perkins. Steichen, though she's seen the least playing time, is a versatile player who Leigh says will add a lot of depth to the roster.

That depth will be a big boost as they, once again, try to challenge Beecher for the top spot in the River Valley Conference – a task the Lady Panthers' coach says they "are in a much better position this year, than last, to make a strong challenge against them."

Other conference sharks in the water will likely include St. Anne and Tri-Point, but the girls from GSW will be right there in the mix from early on.

The Lady Panthers host Tri-Point November 30.

Herscher Tigers

Varsity Coach: Ron Oloffson
(14th Year at Herscher)
Assistant Coach: Jace Koerner
JV Coach: Phil Peacock
Freshmen Coach: Tyson Graber

Ron Oloffson returns to his post as head coach of the Herscher Tigers, after a six-year hiatus following a 416-210 record with the team from 1986-2009.

Oloffson will have his hands full as the Tigers bring back just one starter – Tate Datweiller (7.4 ppg in 2014-15). Along with the coaching change, the squad is going through the getting-to-know-each-other phase, and though their coach says it's too early to single out the key individuals of his young team, his players have been working extremely hard in practice.

Some possible strengths, Oloffson says, are a combination of good height, balance, and depth – assisting them in being stifling on the defensive end.

Admittedly, Herscher's head coach says inexperience, particularly at the guard positions, will pose a problem with their overall ball handling – something they must improve on when facing conference foes like Reed-Custer and Peotone, who look to be at the head of the I-8 pack.

The Tigers will be tested early, too, as they open the season with match-ups against Kankakee, Bradley-Bourbonnais, and Bishop Mac. In addition, contests with Peotone, Dwight, and Illiana Christian will all take place before Christmas.

But if Herscher can survive the early tough schedule, Oloffson believes they will eventually develop into a team that could surprise some people.

"If we improve like I think we will, Oloffson said, "by the last month of the season – things really matter – once again, we will be right where we want to be."

The Tigers tip off the season against Kankakee Wednesday, November 25.

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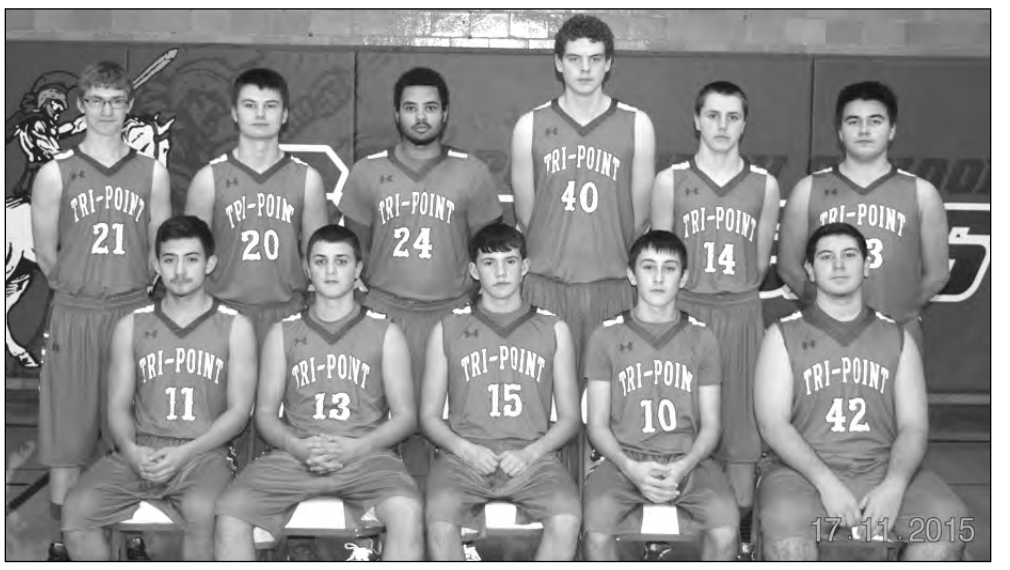

CHARGER BASKETBALL...Back row (l to r) Jacob Ritchie, Jacob Bruner, Jordan Hamilton, Jacob Steidinger, Mark Miller, Peirs Cardenas. Front row (l to r) Jasper Mauricio, Randal Ifft, Nick Mahoney, Jacob Cerrera and Roger Viti.

Tri-Point Lady Chargers

Varsity Coach:
Will Patterson (2nd Year)
2014-15 Record: 9-18 (6-6 in RVC)

The Lady Chargers from Tri-Point embark on their 2015-16 campaign – coming off a 9-18 season and a second round exit in regionals last year – and the work ethic and dedication of their returners is what their head coach Will Patterson says will be the key to the success of his team.

"They have been supportive of our young players and have worked very hard to improve their own play as well," says Patterson of his returning girls. "They all gained valuable varsity experience that will help them moving into this season."

Those girls he speaks of include senior Kayleigh Miller (14 ppg and 74 steals in 2014-15), and juniors Jacki Weller (8 ppg and 30 blocks in '14-15) and Ali Flessner (34 assists and 37 steals last year). Also look for sophomore letterman Gabby McDermott, sophomore Ana Reynols, and freshmen Abby Kerrins and Anna Murphy to make an impact on the floor for Tri-Point this year.

Of his newcomers, Coach Patterson says they will bring plenty of speed to the team and it benefits them on the defensive end. He says, in addition to Kerrins and Murphy, "Haley Jubin and Tara Hummel are freshmen that are going to be counted on to play crucial minutes throughout the season."

The Lady Chargers' quickness, coupled with the team's tenacity, are what Patterson believes will be the answer. "We aren't much in the way of height," he admits, "but we have some girls who are really quick and play really hard – I think we can make up for that in other areas."

After coming up in the middle of the conference standings last season, Tri-Point's goal this year is to move into the top half and be in the mix with the likes of Beecher, GSW, and St. Anne – clear RVC favorites in 2015-16.

"I really like the group of girls I have," stated Patterson. "They are coachable and work very hard. Already, some of the freshmen have separated themselves by showing they have the ability to contribute at the varsity level – and that is very encouraging. The sophomores need to continue to improve and contribute in major ways in order for us to be successful. With our work ethic, I am confident that we will continue to improve throughout the season and I look forward to an exciting year."

The Lady Chargers are in action against GSW Monday, November 30.

Tri-Point Chargers

Varsity Coach: Justin Cox (10th Year)
JV/Assistant Coach:
Austin McDowell
(3rd Year)
2014-15 Record: 14-16 (5-7 RVC)

Falling victim to St. Anne in the second round of the regionals last season, the 2015-16 Chargers bring in a young team – with just one senior – which poses some questions for their head coach, Justin Cox.

"How do we fight through adversity when it's presented to us? How do we handle pressure situations? It will take a little time to figure out how the puzzle fits together," admits Cox.

"We will have some growing pains," Cox says of his team. "Physically, I'm not real worried. We have basketball skills. But mentally is always a challenge."

Hard work and dedication are what is necessary to answer those questions, and Tri-Point will rely heavily on senior Jordan Hamilton and sophomore Randal Ifft to provide just that – giving them a boost on both ends of the floor. In addition, juniors Jacob Bruner, Roger Viti, and Jasper Mauricio will have to step up as well – but all of Cox's players will see some form of action throughout the year.

"We like to shoot the three, but need to work on our "D," stated Cox. But overall, he says, "we are very unselfish and play hard."

That should make for an interesting year in the RVC, as it looks like – for the first time in some time – the conference is wide open as far as who is favored to sit at the top. St. Anne will, once again, be the team to beat, but that doesn't faze Cox and the Chargers.

"Sometimes a team like ours can get overlooked because we are comprised of such young players," Cox says. "I could see us in the battle for the conference crown, but I could also see us staying around .500 or below. Basketball is a funny game – anyone can beat anyone on a given night. We will have to play smart and overcome our youth and bench play at the varsity level. We will be a fun and exciting group to watch, with the usual up-tempo style I like our teams to play with."

Tri-Point takes on Clinton in the GCMS Tourney Friday, November 27.

SPORTS WEEK... at a Glance

WHAT	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Dwight Boys	Nov. 25	Rt. 17 Classic Wilmington	Dwight	7:00 p.m.
	Nov. 28	Rt. 17 Classic Crossover Game	Woodland	TBA
	Dec. 1	Reed-Custer	Dwight	7:00 p.m.
Dwight Girls	Dec. 1	Newark	Newark	7:00 p.m.
GSW Boys	Nov. 25	Coal City Tourney Serena	Coal City	5:30 p.m.
	Nov. 28	Coal City Tourney IC Prep	Coal City	5:30 p.m.
GSW Girls	Nov. 30	Tri-Point	GSW	5:30 p.m.

WHAT	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Tri-Point Boys	Nov. 27	Clinton	GCMS	2:00 p.m.
	Nov. 28	GCMS Tournament	GCMS	TBD
	Dec. 1	Lexington	Tri-Point	7:00 p.m.
Tri-Point Girls	Nov. 30	GSW	GSW	5:30 p.m.
Herscher Boys	Nov. 25	Kankakee	Kankakee	7:00 p.m.
	Nov. 26	Bradley-Bourbonnais	Bradley-Bourbonnais	7:00 p.m.
	Dec. 1	Momence	Herscher	7:00 p.m.
Herscher Girls	Nov. 30	Sandwich	Sandwich	7:00 p.m.
	Dec. 1	Bradley-Bourbonnais	Bradley-Bourbonnais	7:00 p.m.

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DGS Lady Redbirds Basketball

Wednesday, November 11
Dwight vs. Gardner
7th Grade -
IVC Tournament

In IVC Tourney action November 11 in Dwight, the #2-seeded hosts fell to rivals, Gardner, 23-8 – following a first round bye.

"We just didn't come to play tonight," admitted Coach Forneris. "Turnovers and poor shooting sealed the win for Gardner."

Scoring for Dwight was Nora Anderson with four, and Eden Beier and Kayla Kodat with two each.

Friday, November 13
Dwight vs. Seneca
7th Grade -
IVC Tournament

The Lady Redbirds had a chance to take third place in the IVC Tournament with a win over Seneca November 13, and they did just that – closing out a 22-12 win.

Kayla Kodat led all scorers with 12, while Nora Anderson and Emily Weissmann each scored four. Jordan Schultz added two points.

"We played much better and took care of the ball," stated Forneris afterwards. "We also pressed well and scored on several steals by Jordan and Kayla."

Saratoga took first place in the tournament.

Monday, November 16
Dwight vs. Shabbona
7th Grade -

Dwight was victorious over Shabonna, 17-12, on November 16.

Kayla Kodat led all scorers with 12 points, while Jordan Schultz connected on a three. Nora Anderson put in two points.

"Kodat had a nice game – shooting very well," stated Coach Forneris. "She is an all-around great player and the leader for this team."

"We need to be playing our best going into regionals," she added. "We are proud to be the #1 seed."

Monday, November 16
Dwight vs. Shabbona
8th Grade -

The Lady Redbirds took a 25-12 loss when they faced Shabbona in Morris November 16.

Scoring for Dwight was Katie Edwards, leading the way with six. Destinie Drapeau put in four, while Izzy Schultz chipped in two.

Grabbing rebounds for the Lady Redbirds were Haley Jennings and Kelsie Transou with four each.

Thursday, November 19
Dwight vs. Odell
7th Grade -

The seventh grade Lady Redbirds' season ended November 19, with a 20-17 loss to a tough Ramgals squad.

Kayla Kodat put in 11 to lead Dwight. Emily Weissman scored four points, while Nora Anderson finished with two.

"We took a lot of good shots and pressured very well," stated Coach Forneris, "but came up short. I'm very proud of these girls for a great winning season."

The Lady Redbirds enter the regionals with an 11-7 record.

8th Grade -

The Lady Redbirds fell to Odell 40-17 when they met November 19.

Katy Edwards led the way for Dwight, scoring 16 of the team's 17 points. Izzy Schultz added the free throw.

Madison Gamble, Felicia Nelson, Lilli Groves, Haley Jennings, and Edwards each had three rebounds each.

"The ladies played the best game of their season," stated head coach Sarah Jones, "working as a team and leaving everything they had on the floor. They stepped up when positions needed to be filled and

Saunemin Eagles Basketball

Monday, November 16
Saunemin at Livingston County Tournament

Junior High teams from throughout the county opened play in the Livingston County Tournament November 16, including action in Flanagan between Saunemin and the Falcons.

7th Grade -

In the seventh grade meeting, Flanagan jumped out to a quick 16-5 lead over the Eagles (2-2), en route to a 33-24 win.

Carson Crouch and Isaac Telford each had nine to lead Saunemin. Dallas Hillier added three points, with Caleb Peet putting in two. Colten Ketcherside knocked down a free throw.

8th Grade -

The Falcons held a 35-13 lead at the half over Saunemin (2-1) in the eighth grade game, eventually grabbing a 50-28 victory.

Peyton Cramer had 15 points to lead the Eagles, while Peet added seven. Leighton Gerdes, Hillier, and Telford each put in two points.

Tuesday, November 17
Saunemin vs. Odell
7th Grade -
Livingston County Tournament

The seventh grade Eagles paved their way into the Consolation Championship with a 30-21 win over the Odell Rams November 17 – despite trailing 15-6 at the half.

Caleb Peet led all scorers with 15, while Isaac Telford added six points. Carson Crouch scored four, with Dallas Hillier putting in three. Chase Broerman had two points.

DGS Redbirds Basketball

Monday, November 16
Dwight vs. St. Mary's
7th Grade -

Dwight was defeated by St. Mary's, 41-21, in the seventh grade meeting November 16.

The Redbirds held St. Mary's to just 11 points in the second half – but allowed 30 in the first half, which ultimately hurt them in the end.

Brandon Ceylor led with six points, two boards, and two steals. Luis Hides added four points and a rebound, with Caden Schroeder scoring three and grabbing two boards. Camden Beier and Trent Tilley each had two points and a rebound, with Andrew Harsh scoring two points and pulling down three rebounds and Brody Hoegger adding two points and a steal. Abe Rieke had four rebounds.

8th Grade -

In the eighth grade game, the Redbirds were defeated 34-23 by St. Mary's.

Brandon Ceylor and Andrew Harsh had four points and three rebounds to lead Dwight – Ceylor added a steal. Caden Schroeder had three points, seven boards, and a steal. Abe Rieke contributed four points, three rebounds, and two steals. Cade Ohlendorf, Brady Hoegger, Trent Tilley, and Nate Green all scored two points, with Ohlendorf adding two steals and a rebound; Hoegger adding a rebound; Tilley coming up with three boards and two steals; and Green getting three boards and a steal.

Tuesday, November 17
Dwight vs. Woodland
7th Grade -

Dwight took on Woodland November 17, taking a commanding 20-4 lead into halftime – eventually leading to a 40-23 win.

"We opened up (the lead) by great defensive pressure," Coach Conroy stated afterwards.

Nine Redbirds ended up in the scoring column in the contest. Brandon Ceylor led with 14 points, nine steals, and three rebounds. Trent Tilley had six points and a steal. Caden Schroeder and Brody Hoegger had four points each; Schroeder added two boards and a steal – Hoegger had a rebound and a steal. Abe Rieke hit three free throws and snagged six boards, while Hudson Beier added three points. Rylan Bovelle, Camden Beier, and Jake Partney all scored two in the game – Beier pulled down four rebounds and Bovelle added a steal and a board. Andrew Harsh and Andrew Kapper grabbed five and three rebounds, respectively.

MVK Mavericks Basketball

Thursday, November 19
MVK vs. Seneca
7th Grade -

The seventh grade Mavericks escaped from the Raiders of Seneca, 27-24, when they battled November 19.

With the game tied at 22 entering the final frame, MVK's defense held Seneca to just one basket, and Trey Hauch made a free throw in the final seconds to seal the deal.

Ethan Brockman led with a game-high 12 points, with Brayden Roe chipping in with two three-pointers. Cole Hintze added four points and seven boards, while Hauch ended up with three points.

"Brockman pretty much carried us tonight," said Coach Walker. Brockman's ten points in the second was critical according to his head coach.

"Our guards, once again, did a nice job of getting Ethan the ball, and Roe's threes came at crucial times in the game, too. But I was most impressed with our team defense throughout the game – we are talking on defense and that's a good thing."

8th Grade -

The Mav's eighth grade team held on for a 26-25 IVC win over the Raiders, with MVK's Ben Krause scoring six of his ten points in the fourth – helping his team improve to 2-0 in conference play.

"We missed our free throws down the stretch but found a way to get the victory on the defensive end of the court," stated Coach Walker. "We held Seneca to a basket in the final quarter and got some key rebounds in the final seconds of the game."

Eli Painter would add seven points in the win, including a triple. Cody Carey and Trevor Hill chipped in four and three points, respectively.

"Conference wins are huge," said Walker, "but against a close rival on their home court, it's very rewarding for this particular group of boys."

Both teams were in action Tuesday night against IVC foe, Elwood.

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