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Dwight's Stevenson Pool ~ Open for the Season!

Summer has officially begun at Dwight's Stevenson Pool, but it is not too late to sign up for the programs. Membership and registration will be available at noon today, June 1.

There will be free admission during the first week from June 1st to June 7th. The new rates after week 1 will be \$3 per person, \$100 family passes, and \$55 individual passes.

Public swimming hours are 1 to 5:30 p.m. daily and 6:30 to 9 p.m. every day except Tuesday and Sunday.

Call 815-584-3385 to rent the pool on Tuesday and Sunday evenings or Saturday morning. Rental rates are \$100 per hour.

Swimming Lessons are

\$35 per session for members and \$50 per session for non-members. Session I will take place Monday through Thursdays, June 20 through 30. Make-up days are Fridays June 24 and July 1. Session II will happen Monday through Thursdays, July 11 through 21. Make-up days are Fridays July 15 and July 22.

The Dolphin Swim Team practice begins today with a \$50 enrollment fee.

Also, mark your calendars on July 2nd for the Stevenson Pool Summer Celebration. This gathering will include inflatables, special food, music and more! Spread the word to come out and see how much fun it is at Stevenson Pool.

Livingston County Real Estate Tax Bills Have Been Mailed

Barbara R. Sear, Livingston County Treasurer, has announced that a total of 25,727 real estate tax bills were mailed May 26. The estimated tax revenue to be collected on behalf of the 193 taxing bodies in the County is \$64,034,465.28.

The first installment will be due Friday, July 15, and the second installment will be due Thursday, September 15. Payments may be made at most County banks, by mail, or at the Treasurer's office in the Historic Courthouse in Pontiac. A drop box is located next to the south entrance of the Courthouse for after-hours payments.

Payments using credit or debit card can also be made at www.livingstoncounty-il.gov, on the Treasurer's page. This is a change from previous years, as they have announced a partnership with GovTech Services Inc. to provide taxpayers with

this convenience. The credit card companies do charge a convenience fee and the fee will appear separately on both your receipt and monthly statement.

After September 15, payments **must** be made in person at the Treasurer's office in the Courthouse. Personal checks will not be accepted after October 11 and payment after that date must be made with a cashier's check, money order, or cash. Delinquent notices will be mailed October 17. The names of delinquent property owners will be published during the week of October 24.

Several items of information are printed on the reverse side of the tax bill which may answer most taxpayer questions. For further information, readers may call the office at 815-844-2306 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. daily.

Area Firefighters Learn Skills to Save Lives, Structures at Academy

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Before a firefighter can help save lives from a burning building or fight fires to try and save property, he or she must be trained properly. Firefighters from Dwight, Odell, Pontiac, and Chenoa are part of the second Dwight Basic Operations Firefighter Academy, which continues through July. The training began in January of this year and includes new recruits hired last fall.

"It is a chance to find out what you can and cannot do," said Rebecca Perez, of Dwight, wife and mother of two children.

The training topics in the first module included safety, communications, a self-contained breathing apparatus, personal protection equipment, portable fire extinguishers, and ropes and knots.

For the next module, trainees study fire hoses, nozzles, and streams, water supply, ladders, ventilation and forceable entry.

In a third module, students study fire ground search and rescue, fire control, loss control, protection of evidence, alarms and systems, wild land firefighting, and firefighter survival.

In addition, three special courses are included in the academy:

- Technical rescue awareness.
- Hazardous materials operations.
- Fire service vehicle operations.

The training is held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

There is a total of 22 recruits in their academy training sessions which are held at the former Dwight women's detention center. Everyone's skill levels

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FIREFIGHTERS AT THE Dwight Basic Operations Firefighter Academy drag fire hoses throughout a building as part of their training this year at the former Dwight women's prison.

Photo by Sabrina Kelson

New Parade Route for 2016 Harvest Days Parade

Dwight Designates July 17 Keeley Institute Day

by Madelyn Fogarty
madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

A new route planned for this year's Dwight Harvest Days parade has HD President Jerry Beier excited about the 2016 event.

"I think it could be a fantastic parade," Beier told the Dwight Village Board of Trustees at its May 23 meeting.

Due to planned construction this fall on Dwight's downtown railroad crossings and streets, Harvest Days activities normally held in the downtown area must move to an alternate location with Dwight's Renfrew Park area being the space now designated for this year's family entertainment including the flea market, craft vendors, food vendors, and daytime stage entertainment. In addition to that move, the parade route also needs to change due to the railroad crossing work taking place. A committee has been working to find a suitable route.

"The goal is to be on streets that are not going to have construction and to avoid crossing railroad tracks," explained Beier.

The 2016 parade will utilize approximately ten acres located behind the former Coils building on W. Waupansie as its staging area. From this location, parade entries will exit from the staging area moving along the east side of Coils and exit out the laundromat parking lot onto Waupansie Street. The parade will move east on Waupansie to Prairie Avenue where the parade will turn right and head south to Mazon Avenue. As in the past, the judging area will be set up on the corner of Prairie Avenue and Mazon Avenue. From Prairie Avenue, the parade will turn right onto Mazon Avenue and continue west to Waupansie Street, turning right, and ending back at the lot behind Coils. The total parade route is 1.2 miles, which is shorter than the previous parade routes. Beier said another goal is to keep the parade at no more than two hours long and indicated that some problems with spacing in the past will, hopefully, be eliminated. The new shorter route is expected to help keep things tighter, while moving on good wide streets with no railroad tracks to cross will also help.

This year's parade is scheduled to step off at 12:45 p.m. on Sunday, September 18, and will again be led by the Guardian Angel Rescue Basset Waddle.

In other business at the May 23 session, Fred Strufe was on hand providing information regarding Keeley Institute Day. The Board approved a Proclamation designating Sunday, July 17, 2016 as Keeley Institute Day in the Village of Dwight.

2016 marks the 150th anniversary of the arrival of Civil War Doctor Leslie E.

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DTHS Bennett Earns First, Relays Place Fourth at State



Conor Livingston, Michael Bennett, Blaine Livingston and Michael Mankowski earned medals at the IHSA State Track Meet. Bennett took first in the 800m run. In the 4x400 and the 4x800 the four athletes placed fourth in each event.

The boy's track team competed in the IHSA State Meet last Thursday and Saturday at EIU. The 4x800 relay team of Blaine Livingston, Michael Mankowski, Conor Livingston, and Michael Bennett ran a season best time of 8:11.52 to win the first heat and finish 3rd overall in the prelims. Michael Bennett won his heat of the 800m run in 1:58.23 and advanced to the finals with the third fastest

qualifying time. The same four runners returned in the 4x400 relay and qualified for the finals in their best time of the year of 3:28.86 which had them as the 4th best of the prelims. In Saturday's finals, both relay teams finished in 4th place with outstanding races. The 4x800 team set a season best of 8:09.37 and the 4x400 squad finished in 3:30.00. Michael Bennett was impressive in the 800m

finals as he led from wire to wire and won by nearly 2 seconds over a great group of 800 runners. His finals time of 1:54.06 nearly broke his school record of 1:54.03 and was the 5th fastest 800m time of the day for all three classes. With their awesome performances, the boys scored a total of 22 points and finished in a tie for 10th place against the other 75 schools who scored in the (continued on page 12)

DWIGHT/GSW TRACK ATHLETES:

TRACK AWARDS NIGHT will be Tuesday, June 7th at the north pavilion in Renfrew Park starting at 6 p.m. Families should bring a dish to pass (DW-salads, G-desserts) and your own table service. Drinks and chicken will be provided.

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DTHS Bennett Earns First, Relays Place Fourth at State

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Class A Meet.

Congratulations to Blaine, Conor, Michael, and Michael for their outstanding races both in the state meet and all season as well.

They want to thank all those who supported them all year. The coaches and fellow teammates are proud of them and will miss them as they move forward in their lives.

Wilkerson Places 6th as Vikings’ Track Season Comes to an End

Augustana finished its regular season at the Augie Twilight Qualifier May 19, with freshman Brandon Wilkerson (Tri-Point High School – Stelle) running a time of 4:06.38, good enough for a sixth place showing.

The Vikings won a total of four events on the day.

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Road District Treasurer’s Annual Report		
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND		
To the Highway Commissioner, Rogers Township Road District Ford County, Illinois.		
I, Roger Birch Treasurer of Rogers Township Road District, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	133,871.58	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	41,142.73	
Replacement Tax	5,323.61	
Interest Income	389.63	
Miscellaneous Income	475.00	
Snow Plowing Income	2,475.00	
TOTAL REVENUES	49,805.97	
EXPENDITURES		
Administration	9,040.00	
Maintenance	8,626.33	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	17,666.33	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	166,011.22	
The Treasurer shall present this report of itemized receipts and disbursements annually within 30 days after the end of the fiscal year to the Highway Commissioner of the District. This report is not required to be published in a newspaper. (605 ILCS 5/6-205)		
Subscribed and sworn to this 12th day of April, 2016.		
Roger Birch Treasurer		

Road District Treasurer’s Annual Report		
PERMANENT ROAD FUND		
To the Highway Commissioner, Rogers Township Road District Ford County, Illinois.		
I, Roger Birch Treasurer of Rogers Township Road District, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	71,541.62	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	11,579.14	
Interest Income	182.55	
TOTAL REVENUES	11,761.69	
EXPENDITURES		
Maintenance	5,336.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,336.00	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	77,967.31	
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Subscribed and sworn to this 12th day of April, 2016		
Roger Birch Treasurer		

Road District Treasurer’s Annual Report		
JOINT BRIDGE FUND		
To the Highway Commissioner, Rogers Township Road District Ford County, Illinois.		
I, Roger Birch Treasurer of Rogers Township Road District, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	32,429.31	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	3,466.81	
Interest Income	85.16	
TOTAL REVENUES	3,551.97	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	0	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	35,981.28	
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Roger Birch Treasurer		

Road District Treasurer’s Annual Report		
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND		
To the Highway Commissioner, Rogers Township Road District Ford County, Illinois.		
I, Roger Birch Treasurer of Rogers Township Road District, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	958.28	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	2,426.77	
Interest Income	6.84	
TOTAL REVENUES	2,433.61	
EXPENDITURES	0	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	3,391.89	
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Roger Birch Treasurer		

Free Membership to Saunemin Fitness Center Through June 3

The Saunemin Fitness Center will be offering free memberships to members of the general public through June 3.

Interested members of the public can stop in at any time and pick up a form.

The free membership is for individuals only. Contact the center for more information at 815-832-4681.

Bubble Soccer League Starting in Saunemin in September

The Saunemin Fitness Center will be hosting an adult Bubble Soccer League on Sundays, September 4, 11, 18, and 25.

Four to six teams are being sought, with eight to ten members. A fee applies per team.

For more information, contact the Fitness Center at 815-832-4681.

Supervisor’s Statement of Financial Affairs		
AUDIT FUND		
I, Roger Birch Supervisor of Rogers Township, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	3,668.15	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	346.83	
Interest Income	9.59	
TOTAL REVENUES	356.42	
EXPENDITURES	0	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	4,024.57	
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Subscribed and sworn to this 12th day of April, 2016		
Roger Birch Treasurer		

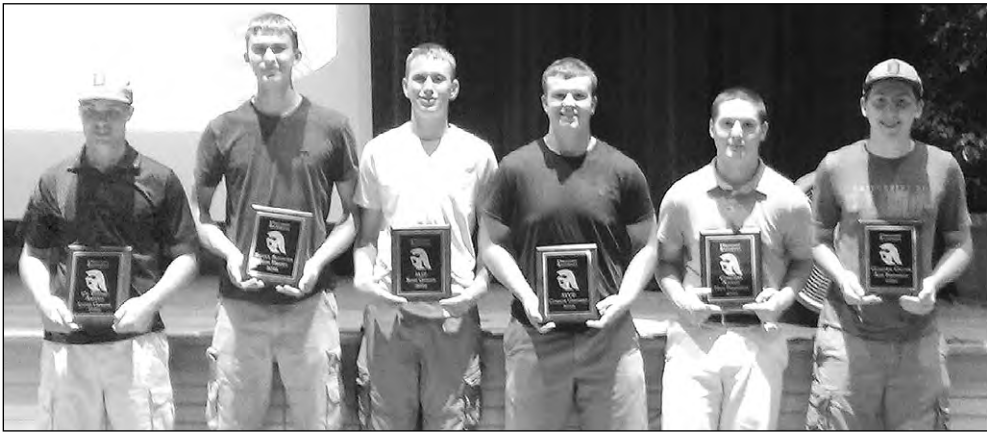
Supervisor’s Statement of Financial Affairs		
SOCIAL SECURITY FUND		
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Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	8,783.20	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	6,506.51	
Interest Income	29.32	
TOTAL REVENUES	6,535.83	
EXPENDITURES		
Social Security	2,757.06	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,757.06	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	12,561.97	

Supervisor’s Statement of Financial Affairs		
TOWN FUND		
I, Roger Birch Supervisor of Rogers Township, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	53,662.14	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	31,214.61	
Replacement Tax	1,261.64	
Interest Income	141.04	
Miscellaneous Income	145.00	
TOTAL REVENUES	32,762.29	
EXPENDITURES		
Administration	26,999.96	
Mowing	1,800.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	757.34	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	29,557.30	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	56,867.13	

Supervisor’s Statement of Financial Affairs		
REVENUE SHARING FUND		
I, Roger Birch Supervisor of Rogers Township, Ford County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016.		
Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	7,408.27	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	6,007.08	
Interest Income	16.49	
TOTAL REVENUES	6,023.57	
EXPENDITURES		
Insurance	5,328.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,328.00	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	8,103.84	



THE DTHS BASEBALL TEAM concluded its season with an awards ceremony May 24. The team ended its season with a 16-16 overall record and a 10-4 record in the Sangamon Valley Conference, good enough to land them third place in the conference. Their season ended in the Reed-Custer regional with a 5-4 loss to the #1-ranked hosts. All-Conference Award winners, pictured, l to r, are freshman Logan Graham – 1st Team All-Conference; junior Wesley Pulver – 2nd Team All-Conference; senior Connor Gantzert – 1st Team All-Conference; and senior Nick Pampinella – Honorable Mention. Specialty Award winners, pictured below, l to r, are freshman Logan Graham – Cy Young Award (Top Pitcher); senior Peter Hansen – Silver Slugger Award (Top Hitter); junior Blake Graham – Most Improved Player (tie); senior Connor Gantzert – Most Valuable Player; senior Nick Pampinella, Coaches Award (Hard Work and Dedication); junior Alex Pampinella – Golden Glove Award (Top Defensive Player). Not pictured is senior Drew Hansen – Most Improved Player (tie).



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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FUND		
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Beginning Balance		
April 1, 2015	7,438.55	
REVENUES		
Property Tax	353.77	
Interest Income	17.13	
TOTAL REVENUES	370.90	
EXPENDITURES		
EXPENDITURES		
Insurance	650.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	650.00	
Ending Balance		
March 31, 2016	7,159.45	

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DTHS LADY TROJANS SOFTBALL

**Monday, May 16
Dwight vs. Herscher
Varsity -**

The Lady Trojans dropped a tough one to state-ranked Herscher by a score of 8-4 May 16.

Dezi Leonard had the big blow for Dwight, hitting a two-run homer in the sixth. Also getting hits for the team were Molly Rodosky, Sydney Christensen, and Kaitlyn Masching with two each.

Christensen did a solid job on the mound for the Lady Trojans.

“I was proud of the girls’ effort against a very good Herscher team,” stated Coach Black. “They are as good a team as we have played all season and our girls battled to the last out.”

**Wednesday, May 18
Dwight vs. Wilmington
Varsity -
Regional Semi-Finals**

Dwight’s season came to a close May 18, as they fell in regional semi-final action, 3-1, to seventh-ranked Wilmington.

Heading into the bottom of the sixth inning, the game was tied at 0-0 in a pitchers’ duel – however, Dwight allowed three unearned runs in the sixth, which was the difference in the contest.

Dezi Leonard was outstanding, giving up just four hits, while striking out ten batters.

“Dezi did a fantastic job on the mound versus a tough, tough team,” head coach Erik Black stated, “they just made a couple more plays than we did.”

Abby Edwards connected on a solo shot in the seventh for their team’s only run, as the Lady Trojans put the ball in play throughout the day, just couldn’t find the openings.

“Wilmington made some very good plays in the field, taking away some hits from us,” Coach Black added afterwards. “And their pitcher was tough on the day. We fought hard for seven innings and for that reason I am very proud of our team. It was a tough way to end the season, but I am very proud and happy of what our team accomplished this year.”

Michael Mankowski of Gardner to Run for Augustana



MICHAEL MANKOWSKI, seated, has decided to continue his education and running as a Viking at Augustana. He is pictured above with GSW Coach Larry Lane, his father, Robert and his mother, Anne.

Michael Mankowski, a standout athlete from Gardner - South Wilmington High School in Gardner, has decided to continue his education and running career at Augustana. He will enroll this fall and become a member of Coach Paul Olsen’s Vikings track & field and cross country programs.

The 6’1”, 140-pound Mankowski was a state qualifier for Coach Larry Lane in both track and cross country at GSW. He won team MVP and All-Twin Valley Conference honors in cross country and Most Improved recognition in track.

Some of Mankowski’s personal bests include a 15:58 over three miles in cross country, a 10:27 in the 3200, a 4:45 in the 1600 and a 2:05 at 800 meters.


He’s also cleared 6’ in the high jump.

Michael is the son of Anne and Robert Mankowski of Gardner. In addition to being his class valedictorian and an Illinois State Scholar, he won the Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence, the Joseph A. Riggi Band Award, the Outstanding Citizenship Award and the Illinois Principal’s Association Award. He was also a nominee for the All-State Academic team and Kankakee Daily Journal Scholar Athlete. His anticipated major at Augustana is engineering physics.


Mankowski will be joining a Viking track & field program that owns 17 college Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin outdoor titles and is the 2016 CCIW indoor champion. Olsen has guided his teams to 15 top ten national finishes outdoors - including three in the last four years - and four indoors. He also heads the Augustana cross country program, which has achieved 11 top ten national finishes under his guidance.




2016 DTSH Lady Trojans Softball Team



Dezi Leonard



Sydney Christensen



Molly Rodosky

Breakfast on the Farm is Back

The Livingston County Farm Bureau Young Leaders are inviting the public to attend the Farmers’ Share Breakfast, prepared by Young Leader committee members and local farmers, Saturday, June 4, from 7:00-10:00 a.m. at Kilgus FarmStead in Fairbury.

The menu includes biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, milk, coffee, and orange juice, all for a donation of \$1.00 per person.

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The Livingston County Young Leaders are a group that is open to anyone in the county that has an interest in agriculture. The group works throughout the year to provide events and programs that promote agriculture to the community. They also present speakers from the Ag industry each month to continue to learn what is happening in the industry and the community.

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AFFIDAVIT FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO 735 ILCS 5/2 - 206

The undersigned attorney on oath states as to the Defendant(s),

MARC W. WULF, AKA MARC WULF;; DAWN M. WULF, AKA DAWN WULF;; and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS;

1. Defendant(s) on due inquiry cannot be found so that service cannot be served upon them.

2. The following actions have been taken by the office of Plaintiff's counsel to ascertain the whereabouts of the above-named Defendant(s):

a. Ordered and reviewed data report on Defendant(s) for possible address on or about April 25, 2016.

b. Reviewed mortgagee's foreclosure information package for possible addresses on or about April 25, 2016.

c. Reviewed Deed to Defendants for possible additional addresses on or about April 25, 2016.

d. Reviewed public records for a pending Probate case on or about April 25, 2016.

e. Ordered and reviewed property inspection report to determine occupants of the subject property on or about April 25, 2016.

3. Other investigation completed:

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Special process server made 7 attempts to serve defendants;

4. Defendants' place of residence upon diligent inquiry cannot be ascertained and their last known place of residence is at: Marc W. Wulf, AKA Marc Wulf 510 Smith Lane Dwight, IL 60420

Dawn M. Wulf, AKA Dawn Wulf 510 Smith Lane Dwight, IL 60420

Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants 510 Smith Lane Dwight, IL 60420

5. Further Affiant sayeth not.

CERTIFICATION
Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/1-109, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true and correct, except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief and as to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that he/she verily believes the same to be true.

Dated:

Shanna L. Bacher (6302793)
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- JUNE 2: 10 a.m., UMW meeting; 7:30 p.m., Praise Band rehearsal.
- JUNE 3: Office closes at noon.
- JUNE 4: 7 a.m., Men's Bible Study at Route 66 and Pete's Restaurants.
- JUNE 5: 8 a.m., Early Worship Service with Communion; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School for all ages; 9:30 a.m., Praise Team rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Late Worship Service with Communion.
- JUNE 6: 7 p.m., Summer Worship Service with Communion.
- JUNE 7: 8:30 a.m., Hen's Bible Study.

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- JUNE 2: 8:30 a.m., Pastor's Prayer & Lectionary Study Group.
- JUNE 5: (starts summer worship time) 9:15 a.m., Worship Service.
- JUNE 6: 10:30 a.m., Women's Association Annual June Brunch.
- JUNE 7: 6 p.m., Dinner with Friends & Movie.
- JUNE 8: 10 a.m., Kerygma Bible Study.

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815-237-8512 Church
Pastor: Bennett A. Woods

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- JUNE 5: Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m.
- JUNE 7: 10 a.m., Women's Bible Study.
- JUNE 18 – 4 until 7 p.m., 6th Annual Fish Fry. Free. Donations accepted, proceeds to Deep Sea Discovery VBS 2016. New Child Hot Dog Meal Available.

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- JUNE 5: 10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion. Sermon title: "The Reds and the Golds."
- June "Mission of the Month" – Strengthen the Church.

New Life Assembly of God
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- JUNE 1: 6 p.m., Celebrate Recovery.
- JUNE 2: 7 p.m., Worship practice.
- JUNE 3: 10 a.m., Heritage Health Ministry.
- JUNE 4: 7 a.m., Courageous Men's Group.
- JUNE 5: 9 a.m., "Basic Training" 1st & 2nd Timothy; 10 a.m., Main Service; Kids Church, ages 3-11; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth.
- JUNE 6: 5:30 p.m., First Place.
- JUNE 7: 6:30 p.m., Book of John Bible Study.
- JUNE 8: 6 p.m., Celebrate Recovery.
- JUNE 9: 9 a.m., Second Wind 50+ Ministry - Breakfast at McDonald's; 7 p.m., Worship practice.

CAMPUS
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Father Chris Haake, Pastor

- JUNE 5: 10 a.m., Mass.

CULLOM
St. John's Lutheran Church
511 W. Jackson St.
P.O. Box 275
Church: 815-689-2120
Pastor Mauricio Vieira
Parsonage: 815-689-2129
Pastor's Office: 815-689-2150

- SUNDAYS: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship with Communion, 10:15 a.m.

St. John's Catholic Church
113 W. VanAlstyne St.
• Saturdays: Mass, 4 p.m.; Confession, 3:30 - 3:50 p.m.

- Sundays: Mass, 10 a.m.
- Thurs.: Mass, 8 a.m.

Cullom United Methodist Church
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Pastor Jonathon Brashear
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- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship, 10:15 a.m.

EMINGTON
Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
103 Division Street
Pastor Connie Williams
Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister

- JUNE 5: 8:45 a.m., Worship/Communion. Sermon title: "The Reds and the Golds."
- June Food Pantry Collection: Cereal
- June "Mission of the Month" – Saunemin Food Pantry.

ESSEX
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- Sunday School: Destination Unknown, 10:15 a.m.
- Coffee hour, 10:15 a.m.

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- Sundays: 8 a.m., Mass.

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Pastor Kevin Boesen

Phones:
Office: 815-426-6169
Church: 815-365-4223

- 8:30 a.m., Sunday School; 9:30 a.m., Sunday Service

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Rev. Stanley Drewniak, Pastor

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- Thursdays: 8:30 a.m., Mass.

Zoar Community Church
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SOUTH WILMINGTON
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Father Stanley Drewniak, Pastor

- Saturdays: 4 p.m. Mass.
- Sundays: 10 a.m. Mass
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 7:30 a.m., Mass.

South Wilmington United Methodist Church
225 Rice Street
Pastor Kevin Boesen

Phones: Office and Church: 815-426-6169

- Sunday Service, 8 a.m.
- Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

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MEMORIAL DAY 2016 ceremonies were held at various locations throughout the area on Monday.

At left, Dr. Richard Jancek gave the featured address in Dwight, pointing out to the large crowd how the day grew from the original Decoration Day to its current status. He condemned the way society has turned the day into something less than a true memorial for those who have served.

Above, the Odell American Legion prepares to fire a 3-volley salute to veterans at Odell Township Cemetery.

At far top, flags fly at the markers for seven Civil War veterans at Union Cemetery outside Odell. The stones were replaced or reconditioned through the efforts of Paul Ritter's Pontiac High School science class.

After the singing of the National Anthem, a short history of each Civil War veteran was read.

New Parade Route for 2016 Harvest Days Parade

Dwight Designates July 17 Keeley Institute Day

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Keeley to the Village of Dwight. Dr. Keeley proclaimed "Alcoholism is a Disease and I can Cure It" and established the first medicinal cure for inebriety and other forms of addiction. Dr. Keeley, along with his partners John R. Oughton and Major Curtis Judd, established the Keeley Institute in 1879. Due to the popularity of the "Keeley Cure" and the boom it created in the Village, the Village of Dwight provided a sewage system, electrical plant, water system and paved streets becoming the model for other small prairie towns. 2016 also marked the 50th anniversary of the closing of the Keeley Institute.

"Dwight would not be what it is today without Dr. Keeley and the Keeley Institute," Strufe told the Board.

Plans for the day include a "round-up" taking place at the Country Mansion along with the opening of a time capsule that was buried on the grounds of the Country Mansion on the 60th anniversary of the Keeley Institute in 1939. The time capsule will be opened at 4 p.m. on July 17 for those wishing to attend.

The Board approved the purchase of three vacant and run down properties that will need to be razed. The properties are located at 221 E. Waupansie Street, 300 Odell Road, and 305 E. Delaware Street. The purchase price for the three properties was \$39,000 and the Village will also assume demolition costs. The Village will seek Request for Proposals for the demolition work.

Intergovernmental agreements between the Village of Dwight and Dwight Grade School District #232 and Dwight Township High School District #230 were approved by the board for services provided by the School's Resource Officer. For more than two decades, Dwight's School Resource Officer has provided a wide variety of programs such as drug and alcohol awareness and prevention, intruder training, and gang prevention along with giving students, the community, and police an opportunity to build positive relationships. School officials view the SRO as a valuable asset. Approved was a three year intergovernmental agreement between the Village and both Dwight public schools for the SRO program services at a cost of \$11,000 for year one, and \$12,000 for years two and three. In addition, extracurricular event officers will be paid at a rate of \$35 per hour for the 2106/17 school year and then \$40 per hour for the 2017/18 and 2018/19 school years. The contract can be dissolved at any time with 60 days' notice.

May 29 – June 4 had been proclaimed Bicycle Safety Week and should serve as a reminder that children are out of school and extra caution should be taken with an increased awareness of bicycle riders. Ride Illinois is conducting a Mayor's Bicycle Safety Challenge to encourage residents to learn safety techniques and laws around bicycle safety by taking quizzes at: BikeSafetyQuiz.com.

In his report to the Board, Chief of Police Tim Henson reported that, while the number of burglaries has improved, heroin and prescription pill use is "out of the park" across the county.

The board also:

- approved a resolution to approve the application for Grant funds from IDOT's Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program seeking an 80/20 grant which would be used for the extension of Pine Cone Path from Lions Lake to Rt. 17.
- an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Dwight, Union Pacific Railroad and State of Illinois/IDOT regarding crossing construction, maintenance and operation of the project.
- an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Dwight and Livingston County Supervisor of Assessments regarding Graphic Information System services at a rate of \$1800 for a three year term.
- a Resolution confirming funding availability for the West Main Street reconstruction project agreeing that the Village of Dwight is responsible for any balance exceeding the \$176,000 paid by the high speed rail project/IDOT.

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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

May 19, 2016: Brayton E. Pavey, 19, Dwight, in-state warrant.

May 21: Robert E. Jones, 39, of Rayville, Louisiana, DUI; Heather M. Hartman, 38, Auburn, speeding 70/55.

May 22: Frank D. Thompson, 32, Dwight, in-state warrant.

May 25: Kevin D. Ely, 21, Dwight, criminal trespass to property.

May 26: Hunter J. Esposito, 17, Dwight, improper use of registration; La Sonya L. Dunlap, 34, Kankakee, no proof of ins., operating in violation of restriction; Latoya S. Woods, 32, Kankakee, speeding 75/55.

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

5 Warnings Were Issued by Dwight Police

Accidents Investigated by Dwight Police

Monday, May 23, 2016, 11:20 a.m., Phillip W. Nourie of Dwight, driving a 2003 Chevy C-15, was traveling northbound on 66 at Route 17. Amber Rodriguez of Streator, driving a 2005 Ford, was traveling east-

bound on Route 17. Nourie did not see the Rodriguez vehicle and entered into the intersection, striking the Ford.

Tuesday, May 24, 2016, 4:58 p.m. – Rachel M. Sorensen of Dwight, driving a 2003 GMC truck, struck Dwight BP canopy at 10 E. Northbrook Drive, Dwight.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

May 20, 2016 – 8:42 p.m., Spencer, medical, St. James.

May 21: 10:59 a.m., 3200N, medical, Morris; 8:13 p.m., Washington, medical, Morris; 00:22 a.m., Prairie, medical, no patient.

May 23: 10:57 a.m., 3200N, medical, St. James; 6:31 p.m., Clinton, medical, refusal.

May 24: 5:25 a.m., Taylor, trauma, Morris; 10:31 a.m., Watters, medical, St. James; 12:34 p.m., Bannon, medical, refusal; 2:39 p.m., Mazon, trauma, 1 refusal/1 Morris; 7:57 p.m., Franklin, medical, refusal.

May 25: 2:21 p.m., 3000N, medical, St. James.

Livingston County Proactive Unit Seizes Drugs, Cash, Auto In Rural Dwight Traffic Stop

The Livingston County Sheriff, Tony Childress, advised that on Thursday, May 26, 2016, about noon, an ongoing investigation led the Livingston County Proactive Unit to initiate a traffic stop in rural Dwight.

During the investigation, a felony amount of cocaine, LSD (“acid”), a misdemeanor amount of cannabis, \$1,093.00 in U.S. currency, drug paraphernalia, and a 1999 Honda Civic valued at \$1,500.00 were seized.

Edgar Bello of Elgin and Augustin Barboza of Peoria were taken into custody on separate drug charges. They were taken to the Livingston County Jail, where they will be held pending an appearance in front of a Livingston County Judge.

Agencies involved in the traffic stop were the Livingston County Proactive Unit, U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Immigration Customs Enforcement, Livingston County Sheriff’s Police Patrol, and the Pontiac Police K9 Unit.

Childress advised this investigation is on-going with additional charges possible.



Temps - 2016

May 19 – high 68°, low 41°
May 20 – high 72°, low 47°
May 21 – high 70°, low 49°
May 22 – high 76°, low 57°
May 23 – high 84°, low 54°
May 24 – high 87°, low 66°
May 25 – high 89°, low 69°
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One Year Ago - June 1, 2015
high 70°, low 45°

Emington 3rd of July Plans to be Finalized June 7

The Emington Community Association will meet to finalize plans for the annual 3rd of July Celebration in Emington.

Volunteer opportunities still exist for several areas, and people are actively being sought to offer as little as one hour of time to make the celebration a success.

The meeting will take place at Road Runner’s Family Restaurant June 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Visit Emington Community Association’s Facebook page for more information about volunteer sign-up, parade registration, car show and tractor show information.



THE ORIGINAL BRICK RESIDENCE at 310 S. Prairie Ave. was made into The Keeley Institute administrative offices and lab when the V.A. leased the W. Main Street buildings in 1919.

The Keeley Institute Relocates

Note: The Paper continues its articles about the Keeley Institute culminating with the Dwight July 14-17 Alcohol and Drug History Society conference.

Upon admission, a Keel-ey patient was assigned an attendant for the first couple of days to supervise the detoxification process. Whiskey malted milk was administered in diminishing amounts until the “jag” was over. The patients were referred to by the locals as “jags,” and the attendants were “jag bosses.” A new patient would stay in The Livingston for only a few days until sober and stable. A wealthy jag would then move to a hotel or boarding house. Most, however, stayed the remainder of the four week treatment in the second story rooms of private homes. The patients were free to shop and walk the streets of Dwight, returning to the institute for counseling, meals, gold cure injections and tonics.

When Frank L. Smith

confirmed that the V.A. would lease the W. Main Street Keeley buildings in 1919, John Oughton and his son, Dr. James R. Oughton, Sr., had to quickly move the institute. After the 1902 fire, the Ladies’ Home served well to house the new patients and feed everyone. Unfortunately, this burned sometime prior to 1908.

We must correct our March 2 article: The Ladies’ Home was not at 202 S. Washington, but rather across Chippewa Street at 301 S. Washington. Curtis J. Judd, in May, 1892, conveyed to The Keeley Co. two lots along Chippewa Street, and the Ladies’ Home was built that summer in the southwest corner of these two streets. After it burned, the land was subdivided into four small lots along Washington, which is why there are four houses in this half block. The now corner house was built in 1910.

The ladies were moved to a cottage home on the South side of the 100 Block of E.

South Street. Also, The Keeley had replaced the old McPherson House, which it purchased in 1891, with the Hotel Frances at 114 E. Main, which is now the Rowland Apartments. These two facilities would easily accommodate the less than 20 daily patients being treated in 1919.

The Keeley Co. bought two lots at the northeast corner of S. Prairie Ave. and South Street in 1892. Soon after John Oughton moved his family into The Manse, he built in that corner a brick 1½ story residence for his mother-in-law, Mrs. Bennett. It is uncertain how this house at 310 S. Prairie became vacant in 1918, as the Oughtons remodeled it into offices to administer the institute starting in 1919. A small lab was made in the basement to produce what little drugs were now needed. Only 186 total patients were treated in 1920, the lowest number since 1887, producing a meager \$75,000 in gross revenue.

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Dwight Bicycle Safety Week Proclamation

Bicycle Safety Week is designated to be May 29 - June 4, 2016 in Dwight. The bicycle is an economical, healthy, and environmentally sound form of transportation for those who ride by choice, or by economic or other necessity. The bicycle is an excellent tool for exer-

cise, recreation and enjoyment of Dwight’s parks, attractions, and rural scenic beauty.

Most bike riders and motorists received little formal education on the laws and safety techniques governing roadway interactions between motor vehicles and bicycles. Increased knowledge of such interactions will improve safety for both bike riders and motorists. Ride Illinois is conducting a Mayor’s Bicycle Safety Challenge, in which

Illinois towns encourage residents to learn safety techniques and laws through interactive quizzes at BikeSafetyQuiz.com for Adult Bicyclists, Child Bicyclists, and Motorists.

Dwight Village President Jared Anderson hereby proclaimed May 29 - June 4, 2016 as Bicycle Safety Week in the Village of Dwight, and urges all residents to join him in taking the quizzes at BikeSafetyQuiz.com

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4th of July Button Raffle

The Dwight Economic Alliance will sponsor a raffle for the 4th of July celebration. Buttons will be sold and one half of the proceeds will be awarded to a lucky winner. When purchasing a ticket, an entry form will be filled out with the number on the button. No names will be recorded. Tickets are available now and will continue until the fireworks celebration at Dwight Grade School. Buttons are currently available at the Dwight Village Complex, Country Mansion, Streator Onized Credit Union, Emling Florist, First National Bank of Dwight, Centru Bank, Dwight Bank and the Dwight Economic Alliance office in the Depot. Additional locations may be added.

The winning number will be drawn in the Dwight Economic Alliance office Tuesday, July 5. The number will be listed on the Alliance website at www.dwightalliance.org, on the Facebook page and in the July 13 issue of *The Paper*. If the winning number is not claimed before noon on Friday, July 15 a new number will be drawn. The same announcements will be made until someone presents the winning button at the office in the Depot. New drawings will take place each Friday.

Dwight's 4th of July celebration will take place at the Dwight Grade School with children's activities and snack foods available beginning at 6:30 PM. Many ground displays are scheduled, so bring your chairs and come to the school grounds for the celebration.



A STORMY DAY THIS SPRING provides dramatic backlight while Dwight area firefighters train to climb a ladder to a building on fire, learning proper procedures and safety equipment.

Photo by Sabrina Kelson



AS PART OF THE instruction at the Dwight Basic Operations Firefighter Academy held from January through the summer, expert firefighters give the recruits inside information on techniques and safe practices.

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Area Firefighters Learn Skills to Save Lives, Structures at Academy

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are different coming into the academy, explained Perez.

"I came from a no-fire background," she said. "There seemed to be need in the community."

She said she has found it more difficult than she thought, but the feeling of being part of a family keeps her going.

"I love the learning process, the comradery and family," she said. "We're all a family."

Dwight firefighters are all paid as on-call volunteers with a small stipend paid for each fire run.

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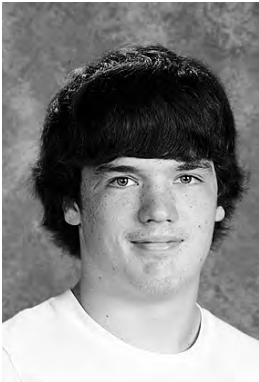
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MVK Seniors

The MVK Seniors met on May 17th at the American Legion Hall in Mazon. President Rita Mills called the meeting to order by giving the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. She thanked Weitz's Café lunch, CNN and all of the volunteers.

There was a silent prayer for the ill and deceased members and all of the military.

Get-well cards were signed for Doris Nicols and Frank Phillips. Members sang "Happy Birthday" to Shirley Kiss and Helen Griffiths.

Rita read a poem about celebrating our veterans and "Memorial Day".

Shirley Kiss talked about her life-changing experience and thanked members for all of the prayers answered and get-well wishes she received.

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

Door prizes went to Jean Peterson, June Elam, and Jan Ansbury.

Helen Griffiths made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Shirley Kiss seconded.

The next meeting will be Tues., June 21, 2016 with Euchre starting at 10:30 a.m. and Bingo following the business meeting.

Anyone 60 and older is invited to join them for lunch for a small donation. Please call Community Nutrition Network at (815) 941-1590 for a reservation.

Dinner June 14 to Benefit Dwight's 4th of July Fireworks

Mark your calendars for June 14 and plan to enjoy dinner at The Country Mansion, as the Dwight Economic Alliance, Streator Onized Credit Union, and The Country Mansion sponsor a 1/4 chicken dinner to benefit the July 4 fireworks display.

Tickets are available now at Streator Onized Credit Union and The Country Mansion.

Dinner will be served on the patio, weather permitting, as well as indoors from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Curb-side pick-up will also be available for those wanting to eat their dinner at home.

A portion of each ticket will directly benefit the fireworks fund and all diners registering will be listed as a supporter of the event.

There will also be an outdoor Kid's Zone set up to entertain the younger diners.

This year, a new "wave flag" will be included and made possible by a gift from Eunice Scott Boyer.

Other sponsorship opportunities are available for businesses and individuals. Anyone interested in pursuing these opportunities is welcome to call the DEA at 815-584-1830.

Will/Grundy Genealogical Society

The Will/Grundy Genealogical Society will hold their monthly membership meeting Saturday, June 11, at 10:00 a.m. at the Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St.

The speaker for this month will be Sandy Vasko, local historian, preservationist, and president of the Will County Historical Society. Her topic will be an introduction to the new Will County Historical Museum and Research Center, located in the historic I & M Canal headquarters in Lockport. It holds a large collection of documents, books, artifacts, and microfilms pertaining to the history and people of Will County.

In her presentation, Ms. Vasko will describe the resources of the Center, which is open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Ham-Bean Lunch, Vintage Tractor Show in Herscher June 4

The Herscher Area Historical Society is hosting its annual Ham-Bean Lunch and Vintage Tractor Show, in addition to farm toys and a baked goods auction, at the Herscher Legion Community Center Saturday, June 4.

This event is to highlight restored tractors, which will be featured in a tractor ride to kick off the event beginning south of Herscher that morning at Rodney's place at 7:30 a.m. The antique tractors will tour the southeast area and end up in downtown Herscher from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Coffee and donuts will be available.

The lunch includes ham and beans, hot dogs, hot and cold beverages, and dessert. Carry-outs will be available.

It's sponsored by the Herscher Area Historical Society and Illinois-Green Club.

Duplicate Bridge Results

Duplicate Bridge was played May 26 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center. In the North/South division, Mary Anne McNamara and Darlene Drechsel got first place. Liz Houck and Evelyn Neuhalphen received second place. Stella Spandet and Janyce Gross came in third.

In the East/West division, Dorothy Roche and Glenda Kutos claimed first place. Barb Wilson and Barb Christensen finished in second. Joan Francis and Evelyn Lydigsen ended up in third.

The next duplicate bridge is June 9.



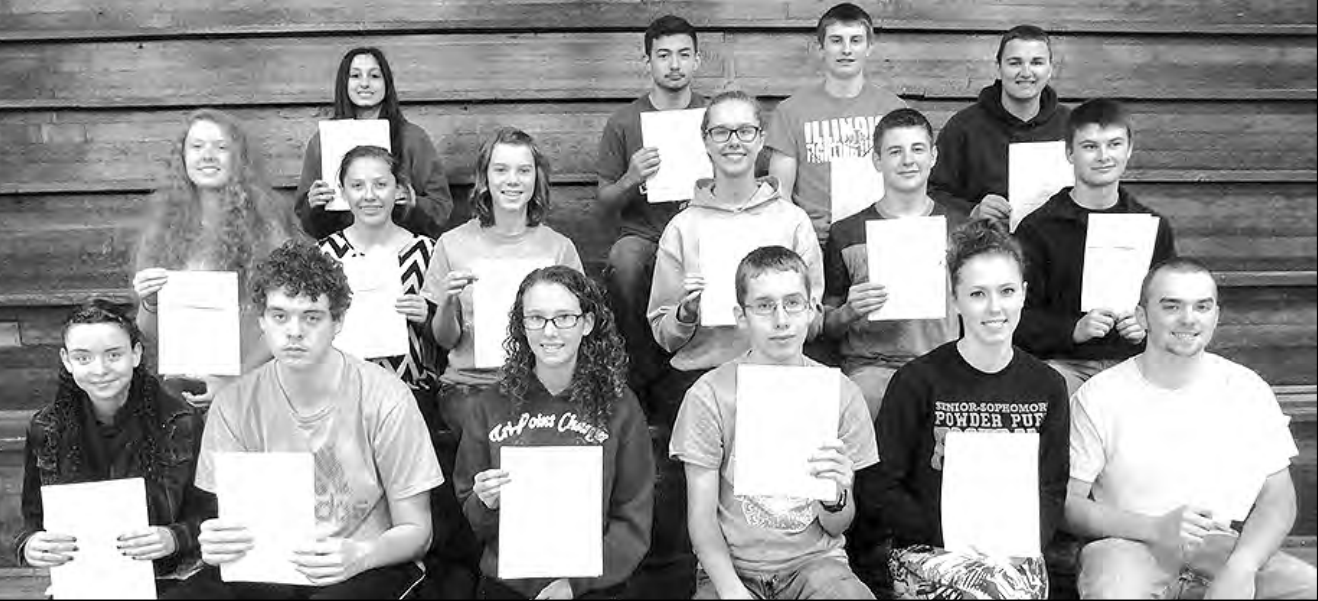
On Sunday, June 5th Brian and Laurie (Tjelle) Naretto will celebrate 40 years of marriage overflowing with love, devotion and generosity. Their marriage is a shining example for their daughters, sons-in-law, and eight grandchildren. We love you a bushel and a peck!

Happy 40th Anniversary



THE AMERICAN LEGION/SAL/AMERICAN Legion Auxiliary 2016 theme for the Americanism Essay contest was "Should there be term limits for our U.S. Senators and Representatives?" The three Auxiliary Units in the Tri-Point school district sponsored this contest. Tri-Point eighth graders at Piper City wrote an essay on this subject. Winners in Class I (seventh/eighth grades) were: American Legion Auxiliary of Skinner Trost Unit #122 of Cullom Winners, pictured, front row, 1 to r: Jayden

Jenson – 1st place (2nd in District 17); Gabby Spangler – 2nd place; Cady Denning-Kraz – 3rd place; American Legion Auxiliary of Olson-Bute-Malone Unit #737 of Kempton winners, pictured, back row, 1 to r: Rahel Gilleland – 1st place (3rd in District 17); Sierra Hummel – 2nd place; Rhianna Brown – 3rd place. Judges for Unit #122 were Marge Kross and Pat Johnson; for Unit #737 – Gordon and Pat Essington, Donna Hackett, and Valrie Wright.




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Malone Unit #737 of Kempton winners in Class II: Amyjo Steichen – 1st place (3rd in District 17); Kayla Dunlavy – 2nd place; Tara Hummel – 3rd place; winners in Class III: Katie Malone – 1st place (2nd in District 17); Derek Richie – 2nd place; Jacob Bruner – 3rd place; pictured, top row, 1 to r, American Legion Auxiliary of Gibb Unit #588 of Piper winners in Class II: Narcissa Roman – 1st place (1st in District 17, 2nd in 4th Division); winners in Class III: Jasper Mauricio – 1st place; Ben Mogged – 2nd place; Braden Ifft – 3rd place. Judges for Unit #122 were Marge Kross and Pat Johnson; for Unit #737: Gordon and Pat Essington, Donna Hackett, Valrie Wright; for Unit #588: Dale Cupples, Sue Berry, and Charlie Kinkade.

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Deadline is Friday at noon.



Happy 60th, Dad!

Love,
Christopher and Katelyn

No words can ever express how very thankful we are to all of you for your prayers, phone calls, gifts, visits, flowers, and food while we were in the hospital and back home again. Thank you to Pastor Kurt Hoover for his prayers and many visits. A very big thank you to our children and their spouses and "soon-to-be" spouse and our wonderful grandchildren for all their help, all the food, and being our "taxi" so many, many times. We are thankful especially for all your love and support. You kids are the greatest! Thank you again everyone. You are very special to us.

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Here are a few suggestions:

Secure your Social Security number. Identity thieves eagerly seek Social Security numbers — so don't give out yours to anyone who asks for it. In fact, as a general rule, be reluctant to give it out at all. Always ask whomever you're dealing with if he or she will accept another form of identification, or at the very least will take just the last four digits of your number. And never carry your Social Security card with you.

Shred credit card offers and bank statements. If you're not going to apply for the credit cards offered to you, shred the offers. Identity thieves have been known to go through garbage, fill out credit card offers and take advantage of them. At the same time, shred your bank and brokerage statements — and any other statement containing personal or financial information.

Study your credit card bills and checking account statements. Question any credit card charge or checking account activity you don't recognize as your own.

Don't give out your credit card number unless you're initiating a purchase. Many of us shop online. As long as you're dealing with a reputable merchant who uses a secure site — i.e., one that has "https" in the web address — you should be fairly confident that your credit card information will be protected. Never give out your credit card number to people or businesses who, unsolicited, try to sell you something over the phone or Internet.

Protect your passwords. Do you use a password to log onto your computer? If so, don't share it with anyone, outside perhaps your most trusted family members. And use a strong password — one that doesn't contain your real name or even a complete word that could be used to identify you. Also, it doesn't hurt to periodically change your password, whether it's for your computer logon or for entry to any of your financial or consumer accounts.

Even after taking these steps, you could still run into identity theft. That's why you need to watch for certain signs, such as the arrival of unexpected credit cards or account statements, denials of credit for no clear reason, or calls or letters regarding purchases you didn't make. If any of these things happen to you, you may want to place a "fraud alert" on your credit reports and review them carefully. Three national credit-reporting companies — Equifax, Experian and TransUnion — keep records of your credit history. If someone has misused your personal or financial information, contact one of the companies and ask for an initial fraud alert on your credit report. A fraud alert is free, but you must provide proof of your identity. And the company you call must tell the other companies about your alert. (For more information on placing a fraud alert, visit the website of any of the three companies.)

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OBITUARIES

Richard A. Douglas

REDDICK — Richard A. “Doug” Douglas, 77, of Reddick passed away at 5:45 p.m., Friday, May 27, 2016 at Heritage Health in Dwight.

Visitation will be from 9 until 11 a.m., Thursday, June 2, at the United Methodist Church in Reddick.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, at the Church. Rev. Kevin Boesen will officiate.

Burial will be in Round Grove Cemetery, rural Campus.

He was born September 3, 1938 in Princeville, son of Harry and Emma Tucker Douglas. He married Geraldine Schafer June 12, 1961 in the United Methodist Church, Kankakee.

His wife survives in Reddick. He is also survived by two sons, Steve Douglas of Cabery and Scott (Debra) Douglas of South Wilming-ton; a sister, Joyce Hahn of Bradley; grandchildren:



Kara Foley, Shawna Maxard, Chris (Tessa) Hammons, and Tim Hammons; great-grandchildren: Crosby Hammons and Bayli, Olivia and Madigan Doss. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Doug attended Reddick High School, graduating in 1956. He was a member of the Reddick Lions Club and the Amateur Trap Shooting Association, earning the title of state champion twice in singles and doubles. He also loved to ride his Harley.

He worked for CAT for ten years and owned/operated his tanker truck for JMT in Newark. After CAT and his days of trucking, he worked on his farm.

He will be dearly missed by friends, family and all who knew him.

Memorials may be directed to the charity of the donor’s choice.

On-line condolences may be left at: www.hagermemorial.com

John Edwin Manning

CHANNAHON — John Edwin Manning, 82, of Channahon and formerly of Dwight passed away at Presence St. Joseph Hospital, Joliet, after a long battle with CHF, Monday, May 23, 2016.

John and Sue will be interred together at 1 p.m., Thursday, June 2, in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood.

You may join the family for a Celebration of John’s Life Friday, June 3, between 4 and 8 p.m., at Heritage Bluff Golf Club, 24355 W. Bluff Rd., Channahon.

Surviving are his daughter, Peggy Sue (Dennis) Esser of Deforest, Wisconsin; son, Timothy John (Janel) Manning of Minooka; daughter, Dr. Kelly Ann (Paul) Manning-Smith of Channahon; six grandchildren: Amanda Smith, Matt and Jessica Smith Lauterbach, Joseph and Carissa Smith, Allyssa Smith; four great-granddaughters: Ella, Madison, Morgan and Cheyenne; a sister, Theodora Jebens, Oswego; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death



by his wife of 59 years, Sue Ellen Jericho Manning; parents, Roy and Theo Bailey Manning; brothers: Roy Manning and Ray Manning; sisters: Ruby Woods, Pearle Krantz, Lela Ziman, Helen Barrett, and Sara Byrne.

John was born in Bristol, Illinois June 15, 1933. He graduated from Newton High School in 1951. He is remembered for his service in the Navy during the Korean War, and his service in the Illinois State Police for 30 years.

He was active in Dwight youth activities as a Little League coach and Cub Scout leader. He farmed in the Dwight area for 40 years until he retired at the age of 70.

He loved bird watching, singing along with old country music songs, and a good White Sox game! Like all farmers, he loved to spin a yarn in the coffee shop and talk about the weather. Regardless of the long work hours he kept, John always found time to travel with his family.

Memorials may be made to The American Heart Association.

Prairie Creek Library Summer Reading Program Registration

Prairie Creek Public Library will kick off its Summer Reading Program with registration on Saturday, June 4. The theme for this year’s program is the Olympics, so fittingly, registration will be held on “Opening Day,” from 9-11 a.m. Patrons interested in participating should register for activities then to guarantee enrollment in the best selection of activities. Parents or guardians must accompany their child.

Programs will be offered for children from toddlers through teens. In order to make sure the registration process goes smoothly, patrons are asked to address a few potential issues ahead of time. Prior to registering, patrons should make sure

they have current library cards which are not restricted by overdue fines or materials. Expired cards should be renewed prior to that Saturday, and fines should be paid before then as well. All children, ages 6 and up, will be required to check out summer items on their own cards. If a child needs to get a library card, this should be addressed prior to the registration date.

Although registration will be taken throughout the following week, absolutely no registration will be accepted for summer programs after Friday, June 10.

Adults can join in the summer fun this year by participating in “Library Bingo.” For more details, ask at the front desk.

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AMENDED BUDGET FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THEREON

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Education of Mazon-Verona-Kinsman School District 2C, in the County of Grundy, State of Illinois, that the amended budget for said School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, will be on file and available for public inspection at the Office of the Superintendent, 1013 North Street, Mazon, Illinois in this School District from and after 8:30 o’clock a.m., on the 27th day of May, 2016.

Notice is further given that at 6:45 p.m. a public hearing on said budget will be held prior to final action hereon at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman School District 2C at 7:00 o’clock p.m., on Monday, June 27, 2016, at the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Middle School Library, 1013 North Street, Mazon, Illinois.

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On June 12, from 4:00-7:00 p.m., Wright in Kankakee is inviting the community to a free picnic and bird-house auction, “Cheep Housing – A Parade of Bird Homes.”

Take your own picnic, lawn chairs or blankets, or buy your picnic from Jimmy Jo’s BBQ, Jaenicke’s Hot Dogs, or Oberweis Ice Cream.

The picnic and auction will be held on the grounds of The B. Harley Bradley House (formerly *Yesterday*), 701 S. Harrison Ave. in Kankakee.

The birdhouse auction takes place at 5:00 p.m. and will benefit Wright in Kankakee and 17 other community organizations.

Twenty-one unique bird houses will be on display from noon to 5:00 p.m. June

3-5 and June 10-12.

If it rains, the event will be in the parish hall of



Dwight Woman’s Club Awards Two Scholarships to DTHS Seniors

The Dwight Woman’s Club awarded two \$500 scholarships at the Annual Senior Awards Night Ceremony May 22 at Dwight Township High School.

Mrs. Lisa Marsh, DWC president, presented the 2016 scholarships to Shanna Carman, who will be attending Illinois Central College in the Physical Therapy Assistant program, and to Molly Snyder, who is enrolled in the University of St. Francis Nursing program.

DWC scholarships are open to all graduating seniors in the community each year. One scholarship is awarded to a student planning to attend a junior col-



Shanna Carman

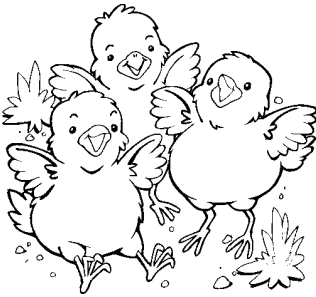


Molly Snyder

lege or vocational program and one scholarship is presented to a student who will attend a four-year college or university. The scholarships are awarded to students who have demonstrated participation in service and volunteer activities at school and in the community, strong

academic performance, and participation in extra-curricular activities throughout their school career.

Funds for the scholarships awarded by the DWC are generated through community support of DWC projects during the club year.



MRS. McMILLAN’S TRI-POINT KINDERGARTEN class recently hatched chicks in their classroom, with the assistance of Debbie Ruff and the Livingston County Farm Bureau. The students enjoyed this experience and ended up with seven chicks, delivering them to their new home north of Piper City.

Save the Date ~ 11th Annual ‘Let’s Buzz the Gut’ Cruise Night June 25

The Dwight Economic Alliance will sponsor the 11th Annual Let’s Buzz the Gut Cruise Night June 25 in downtown Dwight. Classic cars and music will fill the downtown. Local organizations will sell snacks and sandwiches. Restaurants will offer meals for indoor dining and some businesses will offer specials.

There will be trivia contests and door

prizes throughout the evening. Awards will be given in many categories at approximately 8:30PM.

Mark your calendar and come downtown for an evening of food and fun!

For additional information contact the Dwight Economic Alliance office in the Depot at 584-1830.



MVK Graduation

The Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Elementary School District 2C held their Eighth Grade Graduation on May 23, 2016. Superintendent Nancy Dillow welcomed everyone to the affair. Principal Debra Paulsen presented the class to Mr. Shane Gilbertson, President of the Board of Education, who presented the class members with their diplomas.

Presidential Awards & IPA Awards were presented by Mrs. Paulsen. IPA Awards were presented to Cassidy Draves and Ben Krause. MVK Parents Club Pride Award was presented by Mrs. Paulsen to Trevor Till. American Legion Awards were presented by Past County Commander Mr. Richard Payne & Present County

Commander Mr. Richard Valerio to Hannah Daggett and Avery Othon. MVK Chorus members sang “Home” directed by Choral Director, Mr. Luke Windham.

The guest speaker for the evening was Perry Harlow. The processional “Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1” and recessional “Rondeau from Premiere Suite” was directed by Band Director, Mr. Windham.

The 34 graduates were as follows: **Justin Michael Bedeker**, Isabelle Angelina Benegas, Nicole Renea Biros, **Thomas James Cahill**, Cody Anderson Carey, **Destiney Clark**, Charles Logan Clay, Ryan Crowley, Esmerelda Elizabeth Cuevas, **Hannah Daggett**, Alexis Lynn Davis, Anna Marie DeSonia, Sarah Brooke Dillow, **Cassidy Joleyne Draves**, **Emma**

Jeanne Elias, **Walter Fischer**, Talia Freund, **Natalya R. Hatfield**, Joseph David Hatz, **Benjamin Krause**, **Annabelle Judith Krull**, **Natalie Lawrence**, Claudia Christine Morris, Kaylin E. Naines, **Avery Othon**, Eli Jason Painter, **Brayden Michael Payne**, Jasiana A. Pendleton, Owen Keigher Phillips, Collin Quinn, **Madelyne Elaine Richardson**, Logan James Severson, Erica Lee Techmanski, **Trevor William Till**.

The Class Motto this year was “The Journey of a thousand miles begins with one step”. Class color was blue. Class flower was rose. Class song was “Photograph”. Seventh Grade ushers were: Paige Baker, Kloeey Lind, Cole Hintze and Richie Young.

Bold names received Presidential Awards.

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8. Clean entire interior of car thoroughly. Check floor-mats and carpet for moisture. Renew interior air filter as per owner’s manual.
9. Check condition of spare tire.
10. Check condition of tires. Inspect depth of treads and look for uneven wear spots.

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Rain And Worn Rubber Don't Mix

by Tresa Erickson

As a kid, you loved the rain. Tromping through it in your raincoat and galoshes was a lot of fun. As an adult, you're not so fond of it. Sure, it does wonders for your lawn and garden, but it makes everyday activities like driving difficult. Maneuvering your way through slick streets with rain pounding on the windshield isn't easy. Add to that scenario worn-out tires and windshield wiper blades and you can see why driving in the rain sometimes results in disaster. Driving during a downpour is hard enough without adding worn-out

tires and windshield wiper blades to the mix. Tires with thin tread don't take to the water very well. In fact, they tend to ride up on the water, losing contact with the pavement and making driving hazardous. Poor windshield wipers streak windows, impairing the field of vision even further. It is imperative that you keep these two areas of your vehicle in prime condition to deal with rainy weather.

To check the tread on your tires, insert a penny into the grooves. If you can see all of Abraham Lincoln's head, you have one of two options. You can either buy

new tires and install them yourself or take your vehicle to a service center and have your tires replaced.

If you find that your windshield wipers chatter and smear your windshield, then it's time to replace them. Fortunately, this is a task that you can do yourself. Simply buy a set of wiper blades and follow these instructions:

1. Depending upon the type of vehicle you own, you may either lift the wiper arms off the windshield to replace the blades or turn the wipers on and then shut off the ignition key when they are in a vertical position.
2. Place a soft cloth between the glass and the blades to protect the glass from scratches.
3. With a screwdriver if needed, release the tabs to

remove the blades from the arms. Set them aside.

4. Insert the new blades, following the manufacturer's instructions.

5. Lower the wiper blades back to the glass and remove the cloth.

6. Test the windshield wipers to make sure they are working properly.

You should check your windshield wipers at least twice a year and replace the blades at least once a year. Most blades will not last more than six months, so don't be surprised if you have to replace them more often.

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GSW Academic and Fine Arts Awards Night Held



OUTSTANDING STUDENTS OF THE YEAR HONORS went to Cadee Grieff, Sean Hansen, Alison Kirk, Benjamin Bexson, Olivia Asbridge, Emily Hopwood, and Michael Mankowski. Not pictured are Christian Williams and Kaylee Steichen.



Gardner-South Wilmington High School combined their Academic and Fine Arts Awards Nights on May 3, with the GSW Band performing two songs.

Forty-six students received Perfect Attendance awards. Eighty-eight students received awards for outstanding grades. Sixteen students were recognized as scholarship recipients. These 16 students received a combined total of \$659,328 in scholarship money.

A total of 118 students was recognized during the evening.



GUY ADELMAN, right, was honored with the Sharon Leve Music Scholarship, presented by Mr. Michael Leone, band director.



MARLANA FERRARI AND ALISON KIRK, GSW juniors, are being sponsored by the American Legion Women's Auxiliary to attend Girls State this summer.



MARANDA RESIDORI AND NOAH BRANNOCK received the Wendy's High School Heisman Award.



EMILY HOPWOOD was honored as the recipient of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Wilmington Chapter Scholarship, presented by Mrs. Peggy Kunz and Mrs. Janice Hopwood. Emily also received scholarships from the Wilmington Chapter of the Women of the Moose and Nicor Foundation.

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The Right Truck Tires

by Tresa Erickson

You have always been a car owner until a few years ago when you decided to make a change and purchased a truck. So far, you have enjoyed owning a truck, especially with all of the extra room you have to haul things around. Recently, though, you have noticed that your truck doesn't drive as well. Have you checked out the tires? They might be past their prime and could very well be at fault.

Truck tires come in four main types: off-road, all-terrain, performance and highway. Off-road tires are designed for traversing all kinds of terrain from snow to sand to rock. All-terrain tires are designed for on-road performance with additional grip for dirt, snow and wet surfaces. Performance

tires are designed for pavement traction. Highway tires are designed for normal, everyday driving.

To choose the right tires for your truck, you need to think about where you drive it most often. You probably don't want highway tires if you spend most of your weekends in rugged territory. On the other hand, if all you do is drive around town on the weekends, then highway tires might be the right choice for you.

Once you have an idea of the type of tires you need, you can start looking for the best deals. Shop around, and if you want better performance on the road, look for tires made from high-quality material. Don't forget to check your owner's manual for the load index. Your new tires should be the right load index for your truck.

Ugh, What's That Smell?

Have you ever gotten into your vehicle only to be taken aback by the smell that greeted you? Perhaps your son left his sweaty clothes from soccer practice in the back seat, or worse, stashed a bag of fast food under the seat.

Whatever the root of the problem, you removed it,

inserted an air freshener in your car and drove with the windows down for the next few days. If you were lucky, the odor subsided. If you weren't, read on for information concerning what you might do to eliminate the persisting odor.

After removing the cause of the problem, you should clean

your vehicle thoroughly.

If the odor persists, look for a product that will neutralize it. In most cases, you will probably spray the product onto the infected area and let it dry.

You might also want to be careful about topping off fluids. Many a mechanic has reported

finding spilled fluids or the wrong fluids used entirely. Both of these can lead to odors, and in some cases, major damage.

Do your best to keep your vehicle free of odors. Remove trash daily, clean the interior weekly and work to eliminate odors the minute they occur.

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