



ENJOYING THEMSELVES at the first Odell Days celebration in 11 years are (from left) Bob Dowdy (formerly of Odell); Amiel Gernentz and Rudy Hannibal, Odell; and Gary Saudage, Pontiac.
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A TOTAL OF EIGHT teams competed in the double elimination sand volleyball tournament as part of Odell Days, July 8 through 9. The winning team was the "Whyz Guys."
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First Odell Days in 11 Years is Overwhelming Success: Organizers

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

"We were very pleased with the Odell Days celebration," organizer Brian Mills told *The Paper* last week.

The annual community event, which stopped in Odell 11 years ago due to a lack of volunteer help, drew hundreds of people July 8 and 9, with the weather cooperating.

"We had a lot of compliments, and not too many

complaints," Mills continued. "A lot of people are wanting to help next year. Several hundred people showed up."

Among the contests during the Odell Days was a sand volleyball double elimination tournament.

First place when to the "Whyz Guys" team. Second place team was called "This was a Bad Idea."

The consolation championship was won by "Will

Work for Sets."

"There were a total of eight teams competing," said Gary Wykes, chairman of the tournament.

The top overall finishers in the Odell "It's 5 O'clock Somewhere" 5K run/walk were Katelynn Propes, for the women, and Ike Robinson, for the men.

Propes finished the 5K race with a time of 22:35.0 minutes.

Robinson was first in

with a time of 19:07.7 minutes.

In the female 13 and under category, Riley Smith, 11, won first with a time of 31:22.7.

For male 13 and under runners, Gavin Wykes, 12, won with a time of 25:52.6.

Female runners 14 to 19 was won by Kelly Pagel, 19, in 37:49.8.

Males runners 14 to 19 was won by Mike Doran, 18, in 31:49.8.

Female runners, 20 to 29 was won by Jamie Smith, 27, in 24:12.9.

Male 20 to 29 was won by Alex Arbogast, 29, in 27:21.7.

Females 30 to 39 was won by Amber Farris, 30, in 25:23.7.

Male runners 30 to 39 were outshined by Steven Bruck, 31, in 22:42.9.

Female runners ages 40 to 49 was won by Bobbi Leacock, 44, in 26:20.0.

Wayne Bisailon, 48, won the 40 to 49 category in 19:06.1.

Females, 50 to 59 were overtaken by Sherri Propes, 50, in 34:18.5.

Dean Cummings, 53, won the 50 to 59 category in 23:39.8.

The male and female winners, ages 60 to 69 were Barb Fogarty for the women, 66, in 36:43.2 and Steven Sullivan, 60, 22:08.7.



THIS VIEW OF WORKERS at the Chippewa and Prairie railroad crossing was taken July 14 outside of the Dwight Village Hall. Work is expected to take several weeks and is forcing Harvest Days in September to move plans to Renfrew Park from downtown Dwight.
The Paper photo

HD Raffle Features \$10,000 in Cash Prizes

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

The Dwight Harvest Days Committee is giving away big bucks in a new fundraiser this year.

There will be a special raffle to give away \$10,000 in cash prizes, including one \$5,000 winner and five \$1,000 winners.

Each ticket will cost \$100 and only 200 tickets will be sold.

Winners will be announced after all tickets are sold.

"All proceeds will go to the Harvest Days event," explained Jerry Beier, Harvest Days Committee President.

He stressed that there will still be a 50/50 raffle during the Harvest Days celebration, Sept. 16 to 18.

The 50/50 raffle tickets are \$5 apiece.

The 50/50 drawing winner will be announced at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 18 at the Harvest Days Headquarters in Renfrew Park.

And speaking of Renfrew

Park, the site of the events normally downtown during Harvest Days such as the craft show and entertainment, everything is being moved to the park due to the construction at the Chippewa Street crossing over Prairie Avenue.

A special volunteer work party will be held July 30 to spruce up the park. Volunteers will be served a free lunch. Volunteers are needed. Contact Beier for further information at (815) 343-7303.

Herscher Unit 2 District to Finish 2016-17 Fiscal Year \$600,000 in Red

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

The Herscher Unit 2 School District is estimated to finish the 2015-16 school year more than \$1 million in the red.

"I'm projecting the deficit to be \$600,000," next year, Superintendent Rich Decman told *The Paper* last week. He gave the school board a report on the preliminary budget for the 2016-17 school year at the board meeting July 11.

"We hope to go down," he said, counting on more revenue from two major projects, the wind turbine farm and an oil condensate tank farm.

"We only got a third of the wind turbines this year," Decman explained.

The good news is the

stop-gap measure the state passed recently, allowing the district to determine state funding for the next school year.

"We will get \$30,000 more in funding," from the state for the 2016-17 school year, which is an improvement considering the amount of school funding from the state was declining for six years, Decman said.

There was also good news in the fuel bids for the 2016-17 school year, with school bus fuel prices going down to provide a savings of \$40,000 next school year.

Last year, diesel fuel was \$2.38 a gallon and gasoline was \$2.19 a gallon. Prices are locked in for a year.

For the 2016-17 school year, prices will go down to \$1.92 a gallon for diesel and

\$1.79 for gasoline.

By contrast, during the 2012-13 school year, the district was paying \$3.39 a gallon for diesel and \$3.10 for gasoline.

In addition to financial challenges, the school district recently experienced some technical problems, with no electricity or phones for four days.

Technology Director Ben Seeman said he will be obtaining prices for a potential generator and looking at other solutions.

In other business, the board:

- hired Jamie Savarino as second grade teacher at Herscher Intermediate School.
- hired non-certified vocational education assistant Kathy Ehrman.



STAFF MEMBERS OF Sammy's Pizza in Herscher are (from left) Makenzie Stickel, Courtney Key, Maria Avila, Manager Alyssa Denault, and Manager Melissa Corey. The restaurant opened for business July 5.
The Paper photo

Sammy's Pizza Opens in Herscher — Finally

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

After a long wait, Sammy's Pizza has finally opened for business in Herscher.

The store, located downtown Herscher in a shop that

had a fire, had to be remodeled before Sammy's Pizza, a Kankakee area pizza parlor chain, could open its doors.

The original plan was to open last fall.

July 5 was the opening day this year.

"Finally" said Brittany Manua, co-owner of the restaurant with her husband Scott.

"We had been in talks with the landlord and had agreed to open last September (continued on page 15)

Odell Accepts Bid for Road Resurfacing

The Odell Village Board accepted a bid for \$20,150 from Steffen's 3D to do seal coating on village streets at its June 13 meeting.

In addition, the village board discussed ditch cleaning but tabled the issue until a specific plan among landowners is presented.

Village Clerk Iris Thorne presented a working budget to be used to determine

appropriations for the new fiscal year.

After reviewing, the board decided that salary, IMRF, Social Security and Medicare should be changed to reflect possible hours of the summer crew as needed.

Police protection will also be increased.

The final appropriation will be presented for action at this month's meeting.

In other business, the board:

- learned that the date for tire pickup is set for Friday, Aug. 19.
- discussed possibly changing the summer help position from part-time to full-time, deciding to retain an as-needed position in the summer under 600 hours, while allotting additional (continued on page 15)

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July 7: Phillip D. Rath, 27, Springfield, possess cannabis < 2.5 grams, possess drug paraphernalia.
July 8: Daniel M. Cothorn, 67, Champaign, improp. passg./left/no pass zone; Emmitt Berg, 24, Streator, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

July 9: Adam M. Payne, 35, Bradley, drvg. under influ. of alcohol, canc./revoked/suspen. regis./ill., possess firearm projectile; Amanda K. Brown, 24, Pontiac, operate uninsured mtr. vehicle; Zachery D. Jones, 31, Kankakee, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Marcus T. Terrell, 21, Kankakee, improper turn signal; Patricia M. Lamie, 57, Kankakee, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Robert Huwiler, 60, Louisville, KY.

July 10: Theresa M. Ragan, 47, Dwight, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Emily M. King, 18, Bloomington, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Lydia K. Jones, 22, Bradley, speeding.

July 12: Jashua L. Martin, 26, Joliet, driving 21-25 MPH above limit; Kasey Kemper, 40, Dwight, battery.

July 13: Lauren N. Funk, 16, Dwight, driving restr. time on GDL; Tina Farr, 42, Kankakee, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

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

3 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police

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Accident Report

Monday, July 11, 9:55 a.m., Officer Michael Nolan reported an accident at 122 W. Main St. – First National Bank of Dwight, involving Doug Folkers, 30, of Godley, the driver of a 2004 Ford, and an unoccupied 2013 Chevrolet owned by Ed O’Neill, 64, of Dwight; 8:50 p.m., Officer Michael Nolan reported an accident at 600 Morris Rd. – Stevenson Pool, involving Payton Kundel, 16, of Davenport, IA, the driver of a 2008 Chevrolet, and a parked 2014 Dodge owned by Catherine Beier, 39, of Blackstone.

Tuesday, July 12, 11:18 a.m., Officer Michael Nolan reported an accident in the 100 block of S. Prairie Ave. involving Joy Maliza, 27, of Dwight, the driver of a 2009 Ford, and an unoccupied 2007 Dodge owned by Charmaine Baines, 30, of Kankakee.

Wednesday, July 12, Melody Heinrich, 62, of Dwight, struck a parked 2014 Chevrolet owned by

Amanda Cortez, 23, of Gardner.



Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

July 8: 8:13 a.m., Renfrew, medical, Morris; 11:40 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 1:39 p.m., Sunset, trauma, Morris; 7:15 p.m., Mazon Ave., fire alarm.

July 9: 6:05 a.m., Main St., medical, Morris; 8:09 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 8:29 a.m., Main St., medical, Morris; 3:49 p.m., Rt. 170 at Rt. 17, medical, St. James.

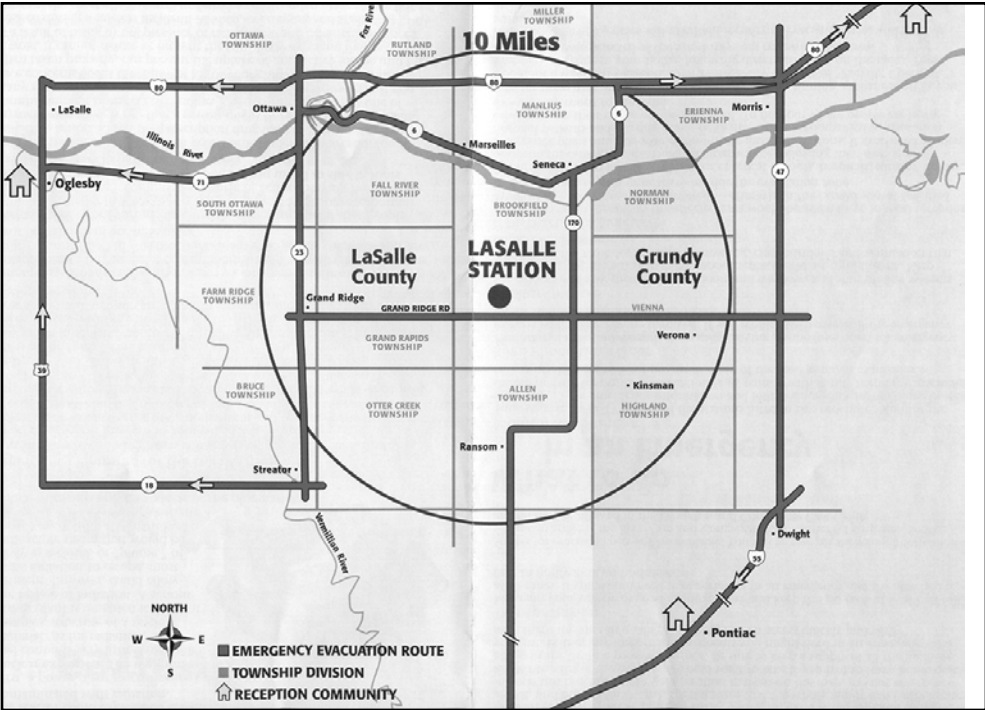
July 10: 7:19 a.m., John St., lift assist, refusal; Grant, disregarded – wrong district; 2:36 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 5:49 p.m., Watters, medical, Morris; 6:38 p.m., Northbrook, medical, Morris.

July 11: 7:21 a.m., Mazon, lift assist, refusal; 3:55 p.m., Main, medical, Morris.

July 12: 12:01 a.m., Bannon, medical, Morris; 6:11 a.m., Seminole, trauma, refusal.

July 13: 6:33 p.m., Main, medical, Morris.

July 14: 9:29 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 9:43 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 12:43 p.m., Union, medical, Morris.



THIS MAP illustrates the 10-mile emergency zone around the LaSalle Nuclear Power Station in La Salle County, near Ransom, Kinsman, and Verona, as shown.

Submitted graphic

Exercise Slated at LaSalle Nuke Plant July 20

An exercise to test emergency response plans for the area surrounding the LaSalle Nuclear Power Station, situated in Brookfield Township, La Salle County, is to be held today (July 20).

Emergency response personnel from the state, La Salle and Grundy counties and Exelon will participate in the exercise.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency will evaluate the units of government during the exercise.

Areas within a 10-mile radius of the plant in *The Paper’s* circulation area include Ransom, Kinsman, Verona.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission requires specific plans for protecting the public within an approximate 10-mile radius of any nuclear power plant.

The Illinois Plan for Radiological Accidents has been developed to guide the response of state and local governments in the event of a radiological accident at any of the nuclear power stations in Illinois or any accident or potential release of radiation to the environment.

The purpose of the IPRA is to protect the citizens of Illinois in the event of such an accident.

Areas just outside the 10-

mile zone are Dwight, Gardner, Blackstone, Odell, and Mazon.

Some primary evacuation routes include: Oglesby off Illinois Route 71 West or Illinois Route 18 to Interstate I-39; Pontiac, I-55 south or Illinois 47 south to I-55 south; or Joliet, I-80 east or Illinois 47 north to I-80 east.

The Paper’s circulation area actually has three nuclear power plants in close proximity to the towns it covers. In addition to LaSalle, are the Dresden stations in Morris and the Braidwood station north of Essex.

Temps - 2016

July 7 – high 81°, low 67° precip. .06"	July 12 – high 87°, low 66°
July 8 – high 83°, low 62°	July 13 – high 85°, low 66° precip. .62
July 9 – high 79°, low 57°	
July 10 – high 82°, low 66°	One Year Ago - July 20, 2015 high 88°, low 62°
July 11 – high 87°, low 69°	

Free Food to be Distributed July 27 in Dwight

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township, Wednesday, July 27, at 1:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin, Dwight.

The pantry is provided by the Dwight Ministerial Association and Dwight Township.

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Dwight VGTs Take a Nosedive

Gambling in Dwight’s 51 video gaming terminals plunged more than \$100,000 in June compared to the previous month — June \$498,338; May \$612,154.

The percentage of funds that was paid out also

decreased — some 3% — so the net terminal income dropped only \$13,445.

The Village of Dwight received \$7,032 for its share of the June video gaming, compared to \$7,704 in May.

Individual results below:

JUNE	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI*	State	Dwight
Red Rstrs.	1,369	818	550	137	27
JT's	34,821	26,755	8,065	2,016	403
Lili Mae's	65,651	47,093	18,557	4,639	927
Love's	92,463	63,148	29,314	7,328	1,465
Lu's	11,829	8,077	3,751	937	187
Mac's	60,747	42,398	18,348	4,587	917
Pete's	61,111	45,425	15,685	3,921	784
RonDeVoo	44,469	33,936	10,532	2,633	526
VFW	33,231	21,426	11,804	2,951	590
Vic. Lanes	7,362	3,867	3,494	873	174
Virbapa	19,577	13,973	5,603	1,400	280
Willy's	65,708	50,776	14,931	3,732	746
TOTAL:	\$498,338	357,697	140,640	35,160	7,032

*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.

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U.S. Gas Prices Dipping

The trend in United States gasoline prices at the pump is continuing to drop, according to GasBuddy.com, with Monday’s average price down to \$2.204 gallon, a penny less that the day before.

“As we rack up our 30th consecutive day of falling retail gas prices across the U.S.,” said Will Speer, gasoline price analyst for GasBuddy.com on July 12, “it’s been a much welcome sing for motorist.”

Typically summertime is reserved for some of the highest gas prices of the year.

Kankakee was the lowest in the area Monday at \$1.97. Herscher remains the lowest per gallon price in *The Paper* circulation area at \$2.06 as of Monday morning. *The Paper* publishes last week’s and this week’s lowest averages as of Mondays each week for the towns listed below.

Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 20% state & local taxes; 14% distribution and marketing; and 20% refining and 46% crude oil.

City/Village	July 18	July 11
Dwight	\$2.238	\$2.286
Seneca	\$2.1466	\$2.26
S. Wilmington	\$2.25	\$2.25
Streator	\$1.99	\$2.13
Odell	\$2.215	\$2.215
Saunemin	\$2.19	\$2.19
Cullom	\$2.16	\$2.19
Pontiac	\$2.16	\$2.185
Gardner	\$2.23	\$2.25
Braceville	\$2.19	\$2.29
Mazon	\$2.19	\$2.21
Morris	\$2.19	\$2.19
Herscher	\$2.06	\$2.06
Kankakee	\$1.97	\$2.055
Chicago	\$2.45	\$2.44
Illinois	\$2.273	\$2.298
U.S.	\$2.204	\$2.228

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

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Dwight Village Board Meets, Discusses Projects

by Madelyn Fogarty
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The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met on July 11 when the board discussed current and upcoming Village projects.

After much anticipation, the High Speed Rail crossing project has gotten underway in the Village of Dwight. In addition, discussion on proposed street improvements are taking place with Village officials considering paving options, discussing pros and cons of replacing all curbing or just sections of curbing, reviewing estimates, and working to get a final street repair plan in place.

A material bid of \$50,116.00 for the Mazon Avenue water main project was approved by the board. Winning the bid was HD Supply WW from Washington, Illinois. The bid price included supplying pipe/materials for the water main on Rt. 17 from the post office to Gooseberry Creek and also on Franklin from Rt. 17 to Seminole Street.

Mautino Granted Two More Weeks to Explain Spending

by Tom Tock

Auditor General for Illinois Frank Mautino was not ready to answer questions from the Illinois State Board of Elections July 11 regarding some of the campaign expenditures he made while he was a Representative in the General Assembly.

Instead, Mautino asked for and received two more weeks (until July 25) before the Elections Board can expect specific answers to questions such as how he spent nearly \$250,000 in campaign money at a Spring Valley service station and another \$250,000 to a Spring Valley bank.

A federal investigation into Mautino's campaign spending is also underway.

The investigations began when Streator resident and former Dwightite David Cooke filed a formal complaint regarding Mautino's campaign spending.

Cooke's complaint and questions about Mautino's campaign spending were determined by the Elections Board to be on "justifiable grounds," and a July 1 dead-

The water main work will take place in the berm area of these locations.

Plans are being made for an addition to Dwight's Public Works garage. The proposal is to add 32 feet to the east of the existing Morton building. The existing 14 ft x 20 ft overhead door will be relocated to the rear of the new proposed building and the existing east wall framing and panels will be removed to open up the space. Drains and a three compartment oil separator are included so Village vehicles can be washed and maintained. In addition, the building will be connected to the Village sewer system and a new water tap installed. The board approved a recommendation to put the proposed Public Works garage expansion projects out to bid.

Nancy Norton-Ammer of the Grundy County Economic Development Council provided an update to the board. The GEDC has provided economic development to Grundy County for 24 years focusing on busi-

ness attraction and retention for industrial and commercial development to encourage jobs and investment.

One project which the GEDC has been working on is the \$1 billion generating station which was announced in January 2016. The facility is proposed for Goose Lake Township with construction expected to begin Q4 2018 and with the facility going online Q2 2021. During the 2.5 year construction period, there will be more than 500 workers onsite.

Locally, in 2015-16 through the US Economic Development Administration, the GEDC has been working with Dwight on a grant funded economic strategy with completion scheduled for August 1.

Dwight's membership rate of the GEDC is \$.50 cents per resident.

Following the board's regular session, the group moved into a session to hear a preliminary draft report from Teska Associates. Last year, the Village received a 50/50 grant from the US Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, to develop a strategy to recover after losing hundreds of jobs due to the closing of the Dwight

Correctional Center. Teska Associates was hired and has been gathering data through studies, focus group meetings, surveys, etc. These findings will be incorporated into the final economic recovery plan which will be submitted for approval.

In the Teska draft report, the Village profile notes that the population of Dwight has shown a slight decline along with a decline in municipal sales tax revenue. It was stressed that residential expansion is critical to expanding retail business and building a solid workforce. The report noted that transportation is one of Dwight's key selling points with a major interstate, two highways, and major railway accesses. Wonderful historical assets and great local events were noted as positive attributes. A final comprehensive compilation of all of the Teska survey results and findings will be incorporated into the Village of Dwight's Economic Recovery Strategy.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board will be at 6:30 p.m., Monday, July 25 in the Public Services Complex. Meetings are open to the public.

Letters to the Editor in *The Paper* should be limited to 250 words.
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FOUR SETS OF SISTERS gathered for a photo at the 45th Beiswanger – Miller reunion June 26. Pictured, l to r, are Nancy Miller McLennand from Huntley and LuAnn Miller Miranda from Rockford; Lorene Beiswanger Branz from Loudon, TN, and Marcia Beiswanger Drach from Emington; Phyllis McConnell Baylor from Farmer City and Marilyn McConnell Hensel from Dwight; Beverly Bruback Beecher from LeRoy and Delores Bruback Herman from Morris.



YOUNGIN’S TIE-DYE SHIRTS at the 45th Beiswanger – Miller Reunion. Pictured, at front, Katie Dolan, Sarah Dolan, Leah Sparks, Brooklin Trainor; at left, Pierce Crouch, Michael Sparks, Ellora McCullough; back, Bailey Dolan and guest.

Beiswanger – Miller Celebrate 45th

The 45th Beiswanger – Miller reunion was held June 26 at the Oakhurst Forest Preserve in Aurora. Hosts and hostesses were Gina, Lynn, Jessica, Kyle, and Shane Sparks of Aurora. Delores Bruback Herman of Morris was the oldest member. Brooklin Trainor from Odell was the youngest member. Lorene Beiswanger Branz from Loudon, TN, traveled the farthest. A moment of silence was shared in remembrance of family members who had

passed in the past year. After a delicious potluck, Bingo and other games and activities were enjoyed by all ages. Next year’s committee will be Devon Crouch, Brian Trainor, and Jeff Drach.

AMHA Appoints Carrie Mortensen as Executive Director

On June 28, the American Morgan Horse Association, Inc. (AMHA) announced the appointment of Carrie Mortensen to the position of Executive Director, effective August 1. Mortensen comes to AMHA with over a decade of experience working the equine industry, including positions with the United States Equestrian Federation, the American Saddlebred Horse Association, and The Jockey Club. She obtained her B.A. from William Woods University in Fulton, MO, and her M.B.A. from Xavier University in Cincinnati, OH. Carrie is the daughter of Gene and Barb Mortensen of Dwight. She has resided in Lexington, KY for the past 20 years and will be making the move to Vermont with her faithful Jack Russell Terrier, “Riley.” Jeff Gove, AMHA President, said, “We are honored to have someone of Carrie’s caliber join us in this leadership position. Her educational background



Carrie Mortensen

combined with her experience with multiple equine organizations makes her uniquely qualified to serve as AMHA’s new Executive Director. We had four top finalists for the position, and Carrie rose to the top.” “We look forward to a long working relationship with Carrie at the helm in AMHA’s Shelburne, Vermont headquarters,” Gove continued. Mortensen said, “I’m thrilled to be joining AMHA and am excited to begin participating in the preservation, promotion and enjoyment of the Morgan horse.” She noted, “I look forward to meeting and speaking with the membership and working toward the advancement of this beloved breed.”

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Tourist Traffic*

The volunteers at Dwight’s Ambler/Becker Route 66 gas station have been very busy greeting tourists from around the world. May recorded over 1,300 visitors and over 1,550 tourists signed the guest book in June. Already, visitors have come from 32 states and 34 countries. Many volunteers say they enjoy the visitors stopping from other countries. On any given day, they may meet someone who has traveled from England, Japan, Australia, or Holland. On the other hand, someone could be out for the day and driving from Springfield or a Chicago suburb. Volunteer shifts are available seven days a week. Call the Dwight Economic Alliance office at 815-584-1830 if you would like to be a part of this experience.

Derek Richie Earns Kankakee Co. Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship

In its 12th year of offering education scholarships, the Kankakee County Farm Bureau Foundation named Derek Richie a recipient of the \$1,000 scholarship, providing that additional requirements are met: the student must earn a “C” grade point average or better in their first grading period at their post-secondary school and they must be a full-time student enrolled in an agriculture related field of study. The scholarships were offered to high school seniors who either live in Kankakee County or are members of a Kankakee County Farm Bureau member family, and are accepted to an accredited post-secondary educational institution with an agriculture related field of study. After meeting the initial criteria, the applications were assessed on four categories: demonstrated interest in agriculture and agribusiness, character and personality, academic performance and honors, and financial need. Derek graduated from Tri-Point High School and is the son of John “Jay” and Tammy Richie. He plans to attend Lake Land Community College to study Ag Business and minor in Animal Science.

Mazon United Methodist Men Meet

The July 11 meeting of the MUMM was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Treas. Forrest McCormack, due to the absence of Pres. Joe Swithin. An opening prayer was given by Pastor Karen Fabian. Members in attendance were Dick Ely, Pastor Fabian, Sec./Hist. Randy Lowery, and Treas. Forrest McCormack. Reports: Secretary’s Report – Sec. Lowery read the minutes from the last meeting, which was in May. Treas. McCormack moved to accept the minutes as read and was seconded by Dick Ely. All approved and the motion carried. Treasurer’s Report – Treas. McCormack presented treasurer’s reports from both June and July. Dick Ely moved to accept both treasurer’s reports as recorded and was seconded by Pastor Fabian. All approved and the motion carried. Old Business: Treas. McCormack reported that \$238.00 was collected the past two months from the ongoing recycling fund-raiser. The MUMM extended their thanks to all who have supported this ongoing project. There was no New Business. Dick Ely moved that \$150.00 be donated to the MVK Food Pantry and was seconded by Treas. McCormack. All approved and the motion carried. For a devotional, Pastor Fabian shared a reading entitled, *Bless the Blesser*. The next meeting of the MUMM will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 8, at the MUMC. At 6:21 p.m., Treas. McCormack moved to adjourn and was seconded by Pastor Fabian. All approved and the motion carried.

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The Reddick United Methodist Church will host “Alan Lee and the Olde Time Gospel Singers” in a concert Saturday, July 30. The event starts at 6:30 p.m. at the church. A free will offering will be accepted. For further information, call the church secretary at (815) 426-6169.

Pork Loin Dinner at St. John’s, Cullom, August 11

St. John’s Catholic Church in Cullom will be serving a pork loin dinner with homemade pie on Thursday, August 11, in their parish hall from 4:00-8:00 p.m. A children’s hot dog meal will also be offered.

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“Regrets? I’ve had a few.” – Frank Sinatra. Mr. Sinatra, one of the most famous entertainers of the 20th century, did things his way, but he was also familiar with remorse. He’s not alone, of course. We all deal with regrets – and financial ones are among the most troublesome. Here are the leading financial regrets, according to a recent survey by Bankrate.com, along with some suggestions for avoiding them:

Not saving for retirement early enough – This was the top regret expressed by survey respondents. Saving and investing early for retirement offers you two key benefits. First, the more time you give growth-oriented investments, the greater their growth potential. And second, by saving and investing for retirement early in your career, you will likely need to put away less money each year than you would if you waited until, say, your 40s or 50s. So, if you aren’t already doing so, contribute as much as you can afford to your IRA and your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan. And increase your contributions every time your salary rises.

Not saving enough for emergency expenses – You can’t plan for all expenses. Your furnace might die, your car may need a major repair, you may incur a sizable doctor’s bill – the list goes on and on. If you don’t have the money available to meet these costs, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments. That’s why it’s important to maintain an emergency fund, containing three to six months’ worth of living expenses, in a liquid, low-risk account.

Taking on too much credit card debt – If you don’t overuse your credit cards, they can be handy and helpful, in many ways. Try to keep a lid on your credit card debt, keeping in mind that your debt payments reduce the amount of money you have available to invest for your long-term goals, such as a comfortable retirement.

Not saving enough for children’s education — This may be perhaps the most difficult regret to address – after all, it’s not easy to save for your own retirement and simultaneously put money away for your children’s college educations. However, if you can afford to save for college, try to do so in as advantageous a manner as possible.

Buying a bigger house than you can afford – If you tie up too much money in mortgage payments, you will have less to contribute to your various retirement accounts. And while home equity certainly has some value, it generally does not provide you with the same liquidity – and probably not the same potential for growth and income – as an investment portfolio that’s appropriate for your needs and risk tolerance. So, think carefully before purchasing that big house – you might be better served by scaling down your home ownership and ramping up your investments.

You can’t avoid all the doubts and misgivings you’ll encounter at various stages of your life. But if you can reduce those regrets associated with your finances, you could well increase your satisfaction during your retirement years.

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Brylie James Fearman

A girl!

Brian and Lindsay Fearman of Odell are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Brylie James Fearman.

Brylie was born Thursday, June 30, 2016, at St. Joseph Medical Center in Bloomington. She weighed seven pounds, two ounces and was 20 inches long.

Older siblings Haddie and Tylie welcomed their new baby sister home.

Maternal grandparents are James and Lynn Childs of Aledo. Great-grandparents are Bonnie Ricketts of Aledo and Lucille Childs of Aledo.

Paternal grandparents are Randy and Doris Fearman of Odell, and Dennis and Connie Snyder of Pontiac. Great-grandparents are Herman and Joyce Fearman of Odell, Carl and Viola Snyder of Odell, and Kay Hunter of Pontiac.



Danielle Branz and Daniel Thompson

Branz, Thompson Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Branz, Sr. of Dwight are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Renee Branz, to Daniel LaVern Thompson, son of David and Barbara Thompson of Dwight.

Ms. Branz, a graduate of Kankakee Community College, is a paralegal at Boggs and Fillenwarth Law Office in Morris. Mr. Thompson graduated from Millikin University and is a supervisor at CGB Enterprises, Inc. in Dwight.

A September 3, 2016, wedding is planned at the Morris Country Club.



Ellen Turner and Craig Ackerman

Turner, Ackerman to be Married October 1

Ellen Turner of Lincoln, formerly of Odell, and Craig Ackerman of Lincoln have announced their engagement and upcoming wedding and reception to be held October 1 at the Big Red Barn in Mackinaw.

Ellen is the daughter of Jerry and Christina Turner of Odell, and Craig is the son of Ron and Debbie Ackerman of Lincoln.

The prospective bride is a 2014 graduate of Lincoln College in Normal with a Bachelor's degree in Sports Management. She is a supervisor at ISU Weibring Golf Club in Normal. The groom-to-be earned an Associate's degree from Lincoln College in Lincoln and is store manager at Fastenal in Lincoln.

Seneca FFA Section VII Vo-Ag Fair Results

Seneca FFA members recently displayed their livestock projects and competed against other schools at the Section VII Vo-Ag Fair on July 6.

Although the number of exhibitors declined from previous years due to state budget concerns and the recent storms, the quality of livestock did not. Three of the five exhibitors acquired champi-

onship awards.

Senior Madi Payne won Grand Champion Barrow and sophomore Lane Weber was awarded the Grand Champion Gilt trophy.

The goat show was dominated by junior Torie Knibbs, as she received Grand Champion Dairy Goat and Grand Champion Goat Showmanship.

Gardner Lions Breakfast Aug. 14

The Gardner Lions Club will serve breakfast at the Gardner American Legion Hall Sunday, August 14, from 7:00 a.m. until noon.

The menu includes pancakes, French toast, eggs, sausage or bacon, biscuits and gravy, toast, coffee, juice, and milk.

Funds raised will benefit the visually and hearing impaired and any other community projects funded by

the Gardner Lions. The Sulphur Springs Gleaners of Coal City will be assisting with the breakfast.

A donation of canned goods for the local Food Pantry would be appreciated. The club is also accepting donations of school supplies to be given to the three local grade schools. Donations of eye glasses, hearing aids, and cell phones are also accepted.



MEMBERS OF GOODFARM GRADE SCHOOL'S Class of 1964 met July 8 at Station 343 for an evening of reminiscing. Pictured, front row, l to r, are Mary Ann Sinnott Denker, Deb Wollgast Christensen, Paula Esgar Walker; back row, Carl Holm, Gary Huston, Tom Stalker, and Dan Burton.

Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens Meet

The Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens met at the Gardner Restaurant July 1 for their regular monthly meeting.

Lunch was served to 13, ordering from the menu and served by Kim.

There was a patriotic napkin and a patriotic pin for everybody.

Shirly Farland introduced her guest, Linda Tyler, and Pres. Hansen presented her guest, Gayle Smith. Both ladies were extended a warm welcome.

Ida Schopp said grace before the meal. After the lunch was finished, Pres. Hansen led all in the pledge to the flag. All who were able stood. The meeting was called to order.

Sharon Pickles started with a reading, Tribute to the Flag, and Donna Lewis read the "Flag Code." Both were informative and remindful of July 4 being on Monday.

Jackie Marks celebrated her birthday July 16. Happy Birthday was sung by all.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

Treasurer Wavel gave the account of the treasurer as status quo. It was approved and ordered placed on file.

Reports of shut-ins and Honorary Members were

discussed.

Jackie reported on greeting cards being sent.

There has been no card party for several months. Sharon Pickles offered to have some cards after the next meeting. It was approved and will add to the meeting.

There were no community events mentioned.

There was no old business.

The new business included the card playing after the next meeting.

There was mention of having the meeting at a different place for a little change. Shirly Farland and Gayle Smith will have some details at the August meeting.

Ida Schopp will arrange to have the September 2 meeting at the Village Hall in the Archives and Council Chambers. Crystal will check on a tray at Casey's. Margaret and Sharon will make salads and Ida will take her surprise pineapple cake. Permission has been granted to use the facility.

Pat Malinowski will be Guest of the Month by Ida Schopp.

Linda declined to join the Senior Citizens because she works as the librarian at the grade school.

With no further business to go before the ladies, Pres. Hansen in her salutation said, "We're dismissed."

Anyone 55 or older can join. All are welcome.



Marjorie Shubert

Marjorie Shubert Turns 85

Marjorie DeGroodt Shubert of Saunemin celebrated her 85th birthday on July 19 with a family dinner.

Marjorie was born in rural Pontiac on July 19, 1931. She married Donald W. Shubert on August 17, 1952. Their children are Gregory (Rebecca Morris) Shubert of Fort Collins, CO; Colette (Greg) Gourley of Carlock; and Rodney Shubert, deceased. They have five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Shubert is a retired teacher who enjoyed reading, nature, walking, helping with Girl Scouts, and keeping in touch with ISU friends. She also enjoyed working with ceramics for many years.

A member of the Saunemin United Methodist Church, Marjorie taught Sunday School for many years. She also enjoyed playing cards with special friends.

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GERALD SCHMIDT AND SON ZACH scoop up ice cream to serve to attendees of the annual Zion Lutheran Church ice cream social July 10. Zion Church is located north of Herscher near the Herscher Road on Rt. 17. *The Paper* photo by Jim Ridings

Gardner Entices People to Build Homes in Town

by Myke Feinman

As a special inducement to convince people to build a home in Gardner, the village board passed a motion at its meeting Monday, July 11 that could save a homeowner nearly \$2,000 in fees for permits and inspections.

Finance Commissioner Dick Hileman presented the idea to the board, saying the board can forgo such fees as sewer and water tap hook ups, and building inspections.

The permits are normally \$40 apiece. A home can have as much as eight inspections. Water and sewer hookups fees are between \$1,500 and \$1,600, according to Mayor Mike Serena.

Of course, the homeowner still has to obtain the permits and have the inspections, they just won't have to pay for them, Serena said.

"Dick Hileman is trying to come up with a way to entice people to come to town," Serena told *The Paper* last week.

Serena said this could be "quite a savings" for the prospective homeowner locating in Gardner.

"Dick is always trying to think outside the box," Serena explained.

In other business, the board:

- learned it has to file a petition with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the railroad crossings that have pedestrian crossings on N. Jackson, Division and Washington streets.
- heard complaints from residents about suspicious people in town. Serena advised them to call 9-1-1 whenever they see such people in town.

Gardner VGT Action Down

The thirteen video gaming terminals in Gardner had an off month in June, slipping more than \$22,000 below the amount played in May.

Below are the Gardner establishments with gaming terminals (number in parenthesis), the amount of funds invested, funds paid out, the net terminal income, and the amounts received by the State and by Gardner.

Statewide, Illinois added 484 new video gaming terminals in June, (now 23,891), but the State's total share of video gaming revenue dropped from \$23,162,815 in May to \$21,830,625 in June.

JUNE	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI	State	Gardner
Marks (4)	\$50,741	39,476	11,264	2,816	563
TA Op. (5)	36,739	26,086	10,652	2,663	532
Vino's (4)	21,763	17,057	4,705	1,176	235
TOTAL	\$109,243	82,621	26,621	6,655	1,331

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OBITUARIES

Matildia F. Biggs

MELROSE PARK – Matildia F. Biggs passed away at the age of 74 on Monday, July 11, 2016 at the Westlake Hospital in Melrose Park.

Originally from Choudrant, LA she was born to Charles Deats and Thelma Bagwell Deats.

She was a kind and caring soul and she will be missed dearly by her family and friends. She loved gardening and sending hand-written notes to her children and grandchildren. She was a wonderful caregiver to her ill husband after she retired from her position as a CNA at Heritage Health. She loved her job there, and had many wonderful stories about the residents and her co-workers.

Tillie is survived by her husband of nearly 57 years, Gilbert T. Biggs of Dwight; and her children: Kelly Marsh, Robin Vinzons, Gilbert Biggs and Logan Biggs, all of Colorado; and her three grandchildren: Carly Marsh, Delaney Marsh and Ryan Biggs, all of Colorado.

Her wishes were to be cremated. Her family is taking her remains to Colorado, where there will be an intimate memorial to honor her life.

Violet M. Kyburz

CULLOM – Violet M. Kyburz, 95, of Normal and formerly of Cullom, passed away at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at Advocate BroMenn Medical Center in Normal.

Violet was born on a farm near Sibley on June 20, 1921, daughter of George Henry and Agnes Lucy Stehle Garrels. She married Dan Kyburz March 20, 1943 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kyburz in Chatsworth. Her husband preceded her in death on July 16, 2003.

Surviving are two daughters: Linda (Gary) Roberts of Mt. Zion; and Susan (John) Fox of Downs; seven grandchildren: Kip Harms of Cullom; Kregg Harms of Cabery; Chad (Ele) Roberts of Erie, Colorado; Ginger (Mike) Murt of Paducah, Kentucky; Denver (Angie) Fox of Heyworth; Levi Fox of Austin, Texas; and Logan Fox of Libertyville.

Five great-grandchildren: Savannah Murt, Corbin Fox, Drew Roberts, Lyla Fox and Ezra Fox; a sister-in-law, Betty Kyburz of Indianapolis, Indiana; and good friend, Virginia Lee of Chatsworth, also survive.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; her daughter and son-in-law, Dana and Roy Harms; and brother, Edward Garrels.

Vi worked for a confectionary in Forrest after graduating from Forrest High School. She married Dan and moved to a farm northwest of Chatsworth. She and Dan farmed, raised dairy cattle and later both worked at the Conibear Drug Store in Chatsworth.

She taught Sunday School at the Chatsworth



Methodist Church for 18 years and was a Girl Scout Leader for 15 years. She was on the United Methodist Church and Centennial Committees, and was a member of the Women's Club and Home Extension for 75 years.

Dan and Vi moved to a farm east of Cullom in 1978 to raise their two grandsons, and later moved into town in June, 1990. Vi eventually moved to Bloomington, first into an apartment, then the Blair House and finally Heartland Health Care Center.

Vi was proud to be a homemaker and farmer's wife. She served the church, schools and communities of Chatsworth and Cullom. She loved her three daughters, loved to cook for her grandchildren, and was happy to meet her great-grandchildren. She enjoyed celebrating birthdays and holidays, and brought joy and laughter to all events. She will be greatly missed.

Her funeral was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, July 16, in the Cullom United Methodist Church with Pastor Jonathan Brashear officiating.

Burial followed in Chatsworth Cemetery.

Visitation was Saturday at the church from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service.

Memorials in Violet's name may be left to the Cullom United Methodist Church or Cullom Fire & EMS.

Her guestbook may be signed at www.calvertmemo.rial.com

Calvert & Martin Funeral Home, Cullom, was in charge of arrangements.

Andrew G. Handzus

STREATOR – Andrew G. Handzus, 64, of Streator died Thursday, July 7, 2016 at his home in Streator.

Private family funeral services were held at Solon-Telford Funeral Home, Streator. Burial with full military rites conducted by members of American Legion Post 217 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1492 was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Streator.

He was born September 24, 1951 in Streator, son of Edward and Margaret Leonard. He had been employed at Owens-Illinois Glass Co., Streator, and Prestress Engineering, Blackstone.

He is survived by two sons; a stepson; nine grandchildren; two sisters; and five brothers, including Bernard (Rachel) Handzus of Dwight; his life partner; and several nieces and nephews.

Shirley A. Nelson

STREATOR – Shirley A. Nelson, 80, of Streator passed away Friday, July 1, at Evenglow Lodge in Pontiac.

Funeral services were July 6 at the Elias Funeral Home, Streator.

Burial followed in McDowell Cemetery, rural Dwight.

Shirley was born March 21, 1936 in Dwight, daughter of Jess and Emma Hoffman Carpenter. She married Charles S. Nelson September 9, 1956 in the United Methodist Church, Dwight. He passed away in 2013.

Surviving are her children: Diann (Andy) Simko, Mark (Susan Hurst) Nelson, and Julie (David) Heninger; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Dale Carpenter; and sister, Lorraine Fieldman.

Shirley attended Dwight area schools and graduated from a Chicago business school.

Betty Wheeler



CLEARWATER, FL – Betty Wheeler, 89, of Clearwater, Florida passed away Thursday, July 7, 2016 at home, surrounded by family and under the care of Hospice of the Fla Suncoast Bronze team.

Betty was born June 22, 1927 in Rushville, Illinois, daughter of Rev. Edward H McKee and Martina DeFord Kennedy McKee. She was the second born of nine children.

Betty is survived by four daughters: Cindy Prais (Tom), Liana Kiki Schmitt (Charlie), Colleen Ivey, and Betty BeeGee Wright (Dennis).

She is also survived by her brother, Harold McKee (Ann); grandchildren: Bryan Dallas (Hillary); Jamy Jacobsgaard (Susan); Jason Gardner (Karen); Tasha, Tiffany, Joshua and Jordan Prais; Jerry Ivey (Crystal); and Carissa Mencer, Matthew and Michael Wright.

Her great-grandchildren: Nicholas, Maddie, Chloe, Rachel, Nicolai, Seth, Chance, and soon-to-join the family, baby Lincoln; brothers-in-law: Don Wheeler and Ron Metzka; and sister-in-law, Marylou Wheeler Haynes also survive.

Betty was preceded in death by her loving husband, Lyman Bud Wheeler; her parents; three sisters: Wanda, Janet and Sandy; and four brothers, Hubert, Richard, Robert and Ron; and son-in-law, Bob Jacobsgaard.

Family was everything to Betty. She was a hair dresser until her first grandson was born, then she became a Grandma with pride. Betty enjoyed a gathering of any kind, it didn't have to be a special occasion or holiday. Just come over for a visit. She opened her home to everyone; there are many people who considered her a second mom.

Betty was an avid sports fan of the Chicago teams. As an honor to Betty, the family asked those attending her service to consider wearing their favorite sports team attire.

A viewing was held Tuesday, July 19, at Sylvan Abbey Funeral Home Clearwater from 11 until 2 p.m. and 5 until 7:30 p.m. A service was held at the funeral home Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., with final entombment immediately following in Sylvan Abbey Memorial Park.

Per Betty's request, a celebration of her life was held at the home of Charlie and Kiki Schmitt, 912 Mark Drive, Clearwater, Florida 33756.

In lieu of flowers, you may make a donation to Suncoast Hospice Foundation, 5771 Roosevelt Blvd., Clearwater, Florida 33760 in Betty's honor.

John Parrish



DIAMOND – John Parrish, 75, of Diamond passed away Saturday, July 16, 2016 at Spring Creek Nursing & Rehab Center in Joliet.

Visitation will be today, Wednesday, July 20, from 3 until 8 p.m. at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. & Crematory.

Funeral services will be Thursday, July 21, at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Robert Noesen officiating.

Interment: Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Braceville.

Serving as pallbearers: Ryan Rodgers, Nikolas Parrish, Tanner Harmon, Tom Thompson, Steve Heitke and Doug Mandat.

Honorary pallbearers: Sebastian Parrish, Pat Duffy, Mike Duffy, Jim Cole and Bill Favero.

John was born July 20, 1940 in Rockville Township, son of Elmer and Bernice Howard Parrish. He was a member of Laborer's Union Local #75 in Crest Hill. He retired from D Construction in Coal City.

He worked hard all of his life, growing up in the blacktop business, working with his father and brothers for Parrish Blacktop. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #241 in Wilmington.

John was an avid NASCAR fan. He was equally passionate about golf and spending time with his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Sandy Jaicomo Parrish, who he married December 16, 1983 in Morris; two sons: Jeff Parrish and Todd (Heather) Parrish, both of Coal City; a daughter, Melissa (Mike) Good of Channahon; nine grandchildren: Ryan Rodgers, Nikolas Parrish, Tanner Harmon, Kelsey Good, Brittni Brenner, Michael Good, Danielle Good, Brianna Brenner, and Sebastian Parrish.

Also surviving are three brothers: Don (Susie) Parrish and Richard (Ginnie) Parrish of Wilmington; and Mike (Jan) Parrish of Channahon; seven sisters: Bonnie (Bill) Favero, Barb (Pat) Duffy, Bev (Mike) Duffy, Peggy (Jim) Cole, Linda (Doug) Mandat, Lillie (Steve) Heitke and Donna (Tom) Thompson; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Carl and Annie Jaicomo of Essex; and many other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were a son, Eric Parrish; one sister and brother-in-law, Lois and Raymond Martin; and a nephew, Ryan Heitke.

For more information and to sign the on-line guestbook, log on to rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com

(Another Obituary on page 15)

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The Drive To work

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Now there is one, and it's something that is my life for roughly 8 hours every week. It's in a car, hitting the brakes, and now thanks to Pokemon Go, catching Pokemon. It makes the drive a lot more interesting when you're trying to make sure you capitalize on every pokestop.

I'm lucky enough as to where I work and live with two guys and only have to drive once every third day. It's to mindlessly get to work a few days of the week instead of having to be in a really focused mindstate on the days that you have to be behind the wheel.

It's unpaid time, but it's unpaid time in order to carry out the paid time. It's this weird in between time, but it's part of the gig. It's also weird having two different commute times. Everytime I drove somewhere in Dwight or even Bloomington it was roughly the same amount of time both ways.

We also go to the same coffee shop almost every day. I never thought I'd be one of those regular coffee shop people, actually I even kind of resented the idea of being one, but now I'm one. It's closing in on they're going to recognize us every time we go in.

There are so many small parts of the drive that go into getting to work that you don't ever realize they are there until you actually have to confront it every day.

The drive.

Aaron J. Boma
2016 ISU Graduate

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Have You Seen The Corn? Stop!

Dear Editor,

The corn shot up fast and this time of year always reminds me of accidents at country crossroads.

Living in the country, I often see people driving fast on these roads.

What I'm not seeing is the caution needed at the intersections.

There have been many accidents and near misses at these corners.

If the road is not striped

people should stop at all intersections on country roads when the corn is up, but often times the soybeans limit visibility too.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF }
HAROLD J. LITHGOW, DECEASED } NO. 2016 - P - 71

CLAIM NOTICE
Notice is given of the death of Harold J. Lithgow of 807 S. Sunset Drive, Dwight, IL 60420.
Letters of Office as Independent Executor were issued to Norval J. Wiemken of 123 E. South Street, Dwight, IL 60420, whose attorneys are Caughey, Legner, & Freehill, 204 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois.
Claims may be filed on or before the 13th day of January, 2017 Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Claims may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at Livingston County Law & Justice Center, Pontiac, Illinois, 61764, or claims may be filed with Personal Representative or both. If filed with the Clerk, the claimant must, within ten (10) days, mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Personal Representative and to his attorney and file with the Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

Dated: July 13, 2016

Norval J. Wiemken
Independent Executor
123 E. South Street
Dwight, IL 60420

Nicholas M. Ehr Gott
Caughey, Legner & Freehill
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THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE bicycle benefit tour from Alton to Chicago stopped in Dwight on July 16 for lunch at the Hager Memorial Home (above). The lunch was sponsored by Scott Hager of Hager Memorial Home; Bob Ohlendorf of The Country Mansion; Deb Oughton of Oughton Farms; and Robert Weller of Weller Hooker Insurance Agency. In the photos below (top) is a police escort for the participants, and (bottom) the bicyclists round the corner on Mazon Ave. *The Paper* photos

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Dwight Rebels Tryouts

July 30: 14U 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
10U 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

July 31: 12U Noon - 1:30 p.m.
16U 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

August 6: 14U 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
10U 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

August 7: 12U 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
16U 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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JOB DUNLAVEY, a 2016 graduate of Tri-Point High School, second from left, is the National High School Rodeo Association's 2016 Bare Back Champion. He is currently competing in the National Rodeo in Wyoming. Pictured at the left is his sister, Kayla, parents Michelle and Doug Dunlavey are one the right. Submitted photo



THE JIM ENGER TOURNAMENT was held in Dwight over the weekend with 18 teams competing. Over 20 games were played before the rain came on Sunday. Championship games will be played Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Stop out at the ballpark and cheer on the teams! More photos on page 15. j7Images

Mandatory Sports Meeting for Athletes and Parents July 20

Braceville, Gardner, South Wilmington Grade Schools

Fifth through eighth grade students enrolled in Braceville, Gardner, and South Wilmington Grade Schools interested in going out for sports during the 2016-17 school year must attend the **mandatory** meeting for *all* sports that will be held today, Wednesday, July 20 at Gardner Grade School. At least one parent or guardian must be in attendance with the student. Items to be turned in are: copy of student physical and insurance card. Participation forms and concussion forms will be handed out and will need to be signed and returned prior to the first day of practices.

Schedule for the evening:

- 6:00 p.m. – doors open for people needing to make copies.
- 6:30 p.m. – paperwork turned in to coaches.
- 7:00 p.m. – mandatory meeting for athletes and parents.

Following this meeting, coaches for softball and baseball will meet with parents and athletes. Fees for hat/visor and socks will also be collected.

Dwight Rebels Fast Pitch Tryout Dates Announced

Tryouts for the Dwight Rebels fast pitch team will be July 30 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for 14u, and 1:00-3:00 p.m. for 10u at DYS field.

On July 31, 12u tryouts will be held from noon to 1:30 and 16u from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at DYS field.

Then on August 6, 14u tryouts will go down from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., with 10u running from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at DYS field.

12u will have their last day of tryouts August 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., followed by 16u from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at DYS field.

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9251	2016	Chevrolet	Colorado	Crew Cab	Red HOT	\$36,430	\$2,620	\$33,810
9282	2016	Chevrolet	Colorado	Extended Cab	Black	\$36,785	\$2,735	\$34,050
9167	2016	Chevrolet	Corvette	Coupe	Shark Gray	\$99,835	\$7,654	\$92,181
9119	2015	Chevrolet	Cruze	Sedan	Tungsten	\$21,660	\$5,461	\$16,199
9255	2016	Chevrolet	Cruze	Sedan	Kinetic Blue	\$23,540	\$1,484	\$22,056
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9259	2016	Chevrolet	Malibu	Sedan	Crystal Red Tintcoat	\$27,185	\$2,563	\$24,622
9184	2016	Chevrolet	Malibu Limited	Sedan	Butte Red Metallic	\$26,135	\$3,912	\$22,223
9214	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	Crew Cab	Siren Red Tintcoat	\$53,950	\$6,837	\$47,113
9246	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	Double Cab	Black	\$45,710	\$6,044	\$39,666
9262	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	Double Cab	Silver ICE	\$44,885	\$5,794	\$39,091
9271	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	Double Cab	Siren Red Tintcoat	\$45,530	\$5,973	\$39,557
9273	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 1500	Crew Cab	Black	\$53,055	\$6,858	\$46,197
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9222	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 2500HD Regular Cab	Red HOT	\$41,325	\$3,773	\$37,552	
9243	2016	Chevrolet	Silverado 2500HD Regular Cab	Summit White	\$40,915	\$6,242	\$34,673	
9290	2016	Chevrolet	Sonic	Sedan	Blue Velvet	\$19,275	\$1,843	\$17,432
9276	2016	Chevrolet	Tahoe	SUV	Tungsten	\$62,955	\$7,872	\$55,083
9288	2017	Chevrolet	Traverse	SUV	Blue Velvet	\$43,285	\$2,224	\$41,061
9275	2016	Chevrolet	Trax	SUV	Crimson	\$24,035	\$2,194	\$21,841
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DTHS Varsity Volleyball Tryouts August 10, 11

Varsity Volleyball tryouts for Dwight Township High School will be August 10 and 11, 12:00-1:00 p.m. and 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Practice schedules will be passed out on August 11. All girls must have a physical on file to participate.

DGS Redbirds Baseball Tryouts

Tryouts will be held for incoming 7th and 8th boys interested in being part of the Redbird Baseball teams for the fall of 2016.

The first tryout is August 3rd from 2-4 p.m. and again on August 4th from 2-4 p.m.; location is the Dwight High School Baseball Field just east of the grade school.

Athletes, you must have a current sports physical in order to try out.

DGS Redbirds Softball Tryouts

Tryouts will be held for incoming 7th and 8th girls interested in being part of the Redbird Softball teams for the fall of 2016.

The first tryout is July 25th at 8:00 a.m., location is the Dwight Youth Softball Field just northwest of the grade school.

Athletes must have a current sports physical in order to try out.

Schedule 2016 School, Sports Physicals July 25; August 1, 8

The Livingston County Public Health Department is now taking appointments for 2016 school and sports physicals, which will be conducted at the health department – **by appointment only** – Mondays, July 25, and August 1 and 8.

The health department will bill private insurance and Public Aid for eligible clients. For students who do not have health insurance, reasonable accommodations will be made.

Appointments are required and can be made by calling the Health Department at 815-844-7174, ext 210.

Physicals will be conducted by an Advanced Practice Nurse.

Odell Grade School Preschool Registration July 25, 26

Preschool registration for Odell Grade School #435 will be held July 25 and 26 at the grade school.

To make an appointment, call the school at 815-998-2272. Registration is for all three- and four-year olds.

Mental Health First Aid Course at OSF Saint James August 10

OSF Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center, 2500 W. Reynolds Street in Pontiac, will host a Mental Health First Aid course Wednesday, August 10, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and welcomes anyone interested in learning a five-step plan to offer initial help to people with the signs and symptoms of a mental illness or crisis, then connect them with the appropriate care.

The course is free and open to the public. Seating is limited, so registration is required. Call 1-309-661-5151 by August 5 to register or for more information.

The course is a collaborative effort between the Livingston County Mental Health Board, the East Central Illinois Area Health Education Center, Gibson Area Hospital and Health Services, and OSF Saint James.

Liv. Co. Health Dept. Wellness Clinic Dates August 3, 17

The Livingston County Health Department is now taking appointments for Wellness Clinics which will be conducted at the health department Wednesdays, August 3 and 17.

Basic Wellness Clinic services include: blood pressure screening and a blood chemistry profile. This profile includes testing for: all cholesterol levels; glucose level; blood count; and liver and kidney function enzymes. The cost for a basic wellness clinic visit includes all lab fees.

Additional services available through the wellness clinic include: PSA (prostate specific antigen) prostate cancer testing for men; Thyroid (TSH) screening; A1C screening for clients with diabetes; and Osteoporosis screening for women.

To make an appointment for the wellness clinic, call the health department at 815-844-7174.

DTHS Registration Run-Down for August

School Fees
Two school approved combination locks are to be purchased by incoming freshmen. One is to be placed on the student's hall locker and the other for the physical education locker. The fee for the two locks is \$12.00.

Other student fees include:

- Behind the Wheel Driver's Education Fee: \$50.00
- Textbook Rental: \$45.00
- Activity Fee (required by all students): \$15.00
- Participation Fee: \$30.00 per sport; \$60.00 per student; and \$90 max per family (athletics, cheerleading, band, and flag corps)
- P.E. Uniforms: \$16.00 S-XL or \$18.00 XXL

Fees Are Due at Registration
Students will be required to pay other fees for consumable workbooks or project fees for supplies and materials depending upon courses for which they are enrolled.

Students will be required to supply the following information on registration day:

- Name of Health Insurance
- Parent's place of employment and phone numbers
- Family Physician and phone number

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- Parent's place of employment and phone numbers
- Family Physician and phone number

Incoming seniors: All students entering 12th grade (seniors) will be required to show proof of a meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV) upon school entry. This law is to prevent a severe form of bacterial meningitis. Some students have already received a meningitis vaccine. If the vaccine was received after age 16, only one vaccine is required. If the vaccine was received prior to age 16, two vaccines are required.

Important Dates for DGS Students, Parents

The following is a list of upcoming events at Dwight Grade School regarding registration, screenings, orientations, and more:

August 8: New/Late student registration from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

August 9: Pre-K screenings starting at 8:30 a.m. at the Methodist Church, just north of the school.

August 12: Fifth through eighth grade schedule pick-up and locker decoration from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Class lists will also be posted this day.

August 17: Title 1 informational open house (optional) with Superintendent Dr. Jancek in the Library from 5:00-5:30 p.m.; Pre-K through fourth grade orientation and open house from 5:30-6:30 p.m. – general meeting in the Gym for Pre-K through fourth grade from 5:30-5:45 p.m.; Fifth through eighth grade orientation and open house from 6:00-7:00 p.m. – general meeting in the Gym for fifth through eighth grade from 6:00-6:15 p.m.

August 18: First day of school for students.

Odell Grade School Registration

Registration for Odell Grade School is slated for Monday through Thursday, August 1st through the 4th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Friday, August 5th from 8 a.m. to noon.

Book fees are \$75 for grades kindergarten through eighth .

Athletic Fee is \$25 for each participating student.

Snack milk for students in kindergarten through second grade is \$45 for the year.

Pre-pay meals are now available with a minimum deposit of \$20 on each student lunch account. Student lunches are \$1.75 for students (\$0.75 reduced). Breakfast will also be available at \$1.40 for students (\$0.50 reduced).

A new Health card or physical examination is required for preschool, kindergarten, and sixth grade students.

For any boy or girl who will be participating in sports, Illinois State law requires that all immunizations be up to date. Dental exams are required for students in grades kindergarten, second, and sixth.

Eye exams are required for students entering kindergarten and transfer students. Transfer students must have health cards and records of immunization sent to the school. All health cards and immunization records must be completed and returned by the end of September. Athletes will not be allowed to participate in any sport until a physical exam is on file in the office. All athletes participating in athletics and cheerleading must carry school insurance, or the family must sign a waiver furnished by the school that state the family has insurance, which provides for the student.

The first day of class is Wednesday, August 17 from 7:55 to 1:45 p.m. If you have any questions, call the school office at 815-998-2272.

Odell Grade School is committed to the development of the total child and to educational excellence for all children.

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Annual Fred Drendel Memorial Golf Outing

Friday, August 12

Wolf Creek Golf Club

21062 N. 1850 East Road, Pontiac

Registration: 11:30 Tee Off: 12:30

All proceeds to benefit the Fred Drendel Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Enjoy a complete program of special events, 18 holes of golf, steak dinner, door prizes for each player and an exciting awards banquet.

Pre-registration is preferred to get an accurate head count, but registration available the day of the event.

Registration Form

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

PLEASE CHECK:

☐ Dinner Only (\$25.00)

Entry Fee:

☐ \$75.00 per person

☐ \$300.00 per team

☐ Tee/Green Sponsor (\$150.00)

☐ Driving Range (\$200.00)

☐ Par 3 Sponsor (\$500.00)

Make checks payable to the Fred Drendel Civic Awareness Fund.

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or email form to drendelmemorial@gmail.com

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Online registration:

www.livingstoncountysoccerleague.com

Early Registration Deadline: July 15th (\$10 discount if signed up by this date, there will be a late fee after July 29th)

In Person Registration/Free Clinic (check website for info)

Fall season is set to tentatively start the week of August 15th.

Home games played at the BounSou Park in Odell located on I-55 and exit 209

NOTE: Volunteers needed (coaching, administrative, etc.)

First Squeals & Wheels Competition Exceeds Expectations: Organizers

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

For the first Squeals & Wheels car show and BBQ competition in Herscher, the event went better than expected, according to organizer Dan Martin.

The original goals were to have six BBQ competitive teams and 40 cars.

The show, held July 9 in downtown Herscher, included 15 BBQ teams and 58

cars in the competition. “It seemed like a big crowd and the weather cooperated,” Martin said.

He said there were also four vendors selling their merchandise. Herscher restaurants had food for sale outside on the sidewalks for the crowd.

Helping organize the event were Martin, Roger Bland and Jeff Long. Helping with car show details were Mike Longton,

Joey Barnes, and Tony Rattin.

Martin said plans are to have a second annual event in 2017.

Winners of the BBQ were Grand champion, Plov Boyz, Mack Walker, Shorewood and Jeremy Mitchell, Herscher.

Reserve Grand Champion winners were the Pigmasters of Shorewood, consisting of Nolan Bernicky, Jason

Bernicky and Tony Burnitz.

The Car show Best of Show and Fan Favorite winner was Mark Tyda, Limestone, with his 1934 Plymouth coupe.

Other car show winners included First place in the Pre-1959 category with a 1911 Model T Ford, Al Bisailon, of Bradley.

Steve Longtin of Bradley won first in the Truck and Jeep category with a 1953 GMC truck.



DAN MARTIN, one of the organizers of the 2016 Squeals & Wheels competition in Herscher, was the Master of Ceremonies for the awards at the close of competition, Saturday, July 9. The organizers hope to make this an annual event. The Paper photo



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPIONS of the First Squeals & Wheels BBQ competition in Herscher were the Pigmasters, led by Nolan and Jason Bernicky of Shorewood (in photo) with team member Tony Burnitz. The Paper photo



RENEE MERCER embraces her grandmother, Maggie Noffke, at the All-Power Equipment Booth during the Squeals & Wheels car show and BBQ held in Herscher on July 9. All-Power of Limestone is operated by Chuck Noffke, Maggie's son and Renee's father, keeping it all in the family. The Paper photo



TERRY GOODWIN of Herscher admires the engine of Pat Hogan's 1966 Chevy Caprice Camaro, part of the 58 vehicles competing in the first Squeals & Wheels car show and BBQ competition July 9. Hogan resides in Manteno. The Paper photo





Dwight Historical Society to Tour Route 66 July 26

The Dwight Historical Society is planning a driving tour of historical sites in Chenoa, Gridley, and Bloomington Tuesday, July 26. The tour will expand your knowledge about Route 66 – The Mother Road, and the Gridley Telephone Museum. This free tour is open to the public. For more information and to register, call Joy Ahearn at 815-584-5070.

Pontiac Municipal Band Concert to be Televised on MC22

Local community members and music lovers can watch televised programming of the Pontiac Municipal Band Concert, which features one of the oldest continuously formed city bands in the country. The Pontiac Municipal Band performs as a concert band, marching band, and jazz band, and will be kicking off the summer with a variety of concert favorites, which will be televised on Mediacom channel MC22 (channel 722 throughout Illinois – or Ch. 22):

Television Schedule

- Thursday, July 21 – 4:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.
- Saturday, July 23 – 7:30 a.m.

MC22 subscribers can choose to watch the local programs during a scheduled broadcast time or at a time of the viewer's choice using Mediacom On Demand (channel 1). Programs are available in On Demand following the initial MC22 telecast, and are located in the local programming section of the menu.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE VILLAGE OF ODELL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2016, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2017	
BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Odell as follows:	
SECTION I: That the following appropriation be and the same is hereby adopted for the purpose of defraying the necessary corporate expenses and liabilities of the Village of Odell for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016, and ending April 30, 2017, to wit:	
Salaries:	
Elected/Appointed Officials & Administration	\$ 31,600.00
Employee Insurance Benefits	61,000.00
General Corporate Expense:	
Maint/Supplies - Building	10,000.00
Professional Services	25,700.00
Communications	8,900.00
Professional Development	3,700.00
Electric Services/Street Lighting	5,000.00
Garbage	68,000.00
Corporate Insurance	28,000.00
Police	50,000.00
General Supplies	18,000.00
Capital Outlay	25,000.00
Streets/Alleys:	
Salaries	77,400.00
Maint/Supplies - Building & Streets	60,000.00
Professional Services	8,000.00
Electric Service/Street Lighting	14,000.00
Maint/Supplies - Equip, Vehicle, Operations; Fuel	20,000.00
Capital Outlay	360,000.00
Motor Fuel Tax	60,500.00
IMRF	17,900.00
Social Security	16,800.00
Odell Tourism	379,300.00
Waterworks:	
Salaries	80,400.00
Maint/Supplies - Building & Utility System	70,000.00
Professional Service	3,000.00
Publishing/Postage	1,200.00
Dues/Travel/Professional Development	1,350.00
Electric Service/Pumpage	27,000.00
Maint/Supplies - Equip, Operations; Fuel	42,000.00
Interest	15,000.00
Capital Outlay	470,000.00
Litigation	75,000.00
Sewer Works:	
Salaries	18,000.00
Maint/Supplies - Building & Sewer System	35,000.00
Professional	6,000.00
Dues/Training	3,300.00
Electric Services/Sewer Plant	16,000.00
Maint/Supplies - Equip, Operations; Fuel	15,000.00
Interest Expense	-0-
Capital Outlay	75,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$ 2,302,050.00

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form. ADOPTED AND PASSED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Odell on the 11th day of July, 2016.

Votes: Ayes 6
Nays 0

TERRY JOYNER - President

ATTEST:
IRIS THORNE - Village Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, IRIS THORNE, certify that I am the duly elected and acting municipal clerk of the Village of Odell, Livingston County, Illinois. I further certify that on July 11, 2016, the Corporate Authorities of the above municipality passed and approved the Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2016, and Ending April 30, 2017, which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form. The pamphlet form of the above referenced Appropriation Ordinance, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of the Ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing on the 11th day of July, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of the Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk. Dated this 11th day of July, 2016.
IRIS THORNE - CLERK

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of July, 2016, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Odell adopted the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016, and ending April 30, 2017. A copy of said ordinance is published and on display at the office of the Village Clerk, 213 South Front Street, Odell, Illinois. The office hours of the Village Clerk are from 6:30 A.M. until 2:30 P.M., Monday through Friday.

IRIS THORNE
Village Clerk

Illinois Sheriffs' Association Warns of Fraudulent Solicitations

The Illinois Sheriffs' Association is advising all Illinois county residents that there is currently underway a phone campaign fragmently using the name of the Illinois Sheriffs' Association in their solicitation.

The Illinois Sheriff's Association never solicits by phone, but does conduct a direct mail campaign throughout the state of Illinois endorsed by individual Sheriffs across Illinois.

Telemarketing fraud costs billions of dollars each year.

Phone solicitors who want you to "act immediately" or are offering a "too good to be true" opportunity are most likely fraudulent.

"Remember that if you have any doubts, or are highly pressured, just hang up," the sheriffs' association said in a press release.

You have the right to ask for the following information:

- the name, address and

phone number of the organization for which they are soliciting.

- the name, address and phone number for the telemarketing firm.

- the percentage of every dollar paid to the telemarketing firm.

- insist on something in writing prior to making a pledge or commitment.

"If you cannot get the answers to these questions, do not hesitate to hang up the phone," the release said. "After all, it is your money."

Should you receive a call from someone saying they represent the local sheriff or the Illinois Sheriffs' Association and are asking for donations, contact your local sheriffs office immediately or gather as much information as you can from the caller and report it to the Illinois Sheriffs' Association at:

isa@ilsheriff.org

Illinois Speed Awareness Day: July 27

During Illinois Speed Awareness Day this July 27, Troopers from the Illinois State Police are taking a proactive approach to promote safety for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists through both education and enforcement.

Troopers will be participating in extra enforcement

patrols, including Air Speed, LIDAR Details, and Radar Details. The details will be on State and U.S. Highways, county roads, city streets, and Interstates.

If you would like more information about Illinois Speed Awareness Day, visit www.illinoispeedawarenessday.org.

The Paper

Deadline is Friday at noon.

The Paper is located at 204 E. Chippewa St., Dwight
Office hours are: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has enacted "An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics, and other workers employed in any public works by the State, county, city, or any public body or any political subdivision or by any one under contract for public works," approved June 26, 1941, as amended, being Section 130/9, Chapter 820, Illinois Consolidated Statutes, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid act requires that the Village of Odell, Livingston County, State of Illinois, investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as defined in said act for laborers, mechanics, and other workers in the locality of said Village of Odell employed in performing construction of public works for said Village of Odell, State of Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Odell, State of Illinois:

SECTION 1. To the extent and as required by "An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics, and other workers employed in any public or any political subdivision or by any one under contract for public works," approved June 26, 1941, as amended, the general prevailing rate of wages in this locality for laborers, mechanics, and other workers engaged in construction of public works coming under the jurisdiction of the Village of Odell, State of Illinois, is hereby ascertained to be the same as the prevailing rate of wages for construction work in the Livingston County area as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois as of July 1, 2015 (the latest rates provided by the Department of Labor as of the date of this Ordinance), a copy of that determination being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The definition of any terms appearing in this Ordinance which are also used in the aforesaid act shall be the same as in said act.

SECTION 2. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply said general prevailing rate of wages as herein ascertained to any work or employment, except public works construction of the Village of Odell, State of Illinois, to the extent required by the aforesaid act.

SECTION 3. The Village Clerk shall publicly post or keep available for inspection by an interested party, in the Village Hall of the Village of Odell, this determination of such prevailing rate of wage.

SECTION 4. The Village Clerk shall promptly file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 5. The Village Clerk shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Village a copy of this Ordinance, and such publication shall constitute notice that the determination is effective and that this is the determination of this public body.

Passed this 11th day of July, 2016
Ayes 6
Nays 0

Approved:
Terry Joyner
Village President

Attest:
Iris Thorne
Village Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Iris Thorne, certify that I am the duly elected and acting municipal clerk of the Village of Odell, Livingston County, Illinois.

I further certify that on July 11, 2016, the Corporate Authorities of the above municipality passed and approved the Prevailing Wage Ordinance, which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of the above referenced Prevailing Wage Ordinance, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and copy of the Ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing on the 11th day of July, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of the Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

Dated this 11th day of July, 2016

IRIS THORNE – CLERK

Positive Mosquito for West Nile Virus in Grundy County

The Grundy County Health Department has recently collected mosquitoes in the village of Braceville that have tested positive for West Nile Virus. This pool of mosquitoes is the first confirmed detection of the virus in the county this year.

As the summer continues, the Grundy Co. Health Dept. anticipates frequency of positive mosquito pools being detected which raises the risk of disease transmission to the public. Therefore, the department wants to encourage everyone to take steps to avoid becoming a victim of West Nile Virus or other mosquito-borne viruses. To minimize your risks, follow the Illinois Department of Public Health's recommended practices: Reduce, Repel and Report.

It starts with Reduce exposure by avoiding the outdoors when mosquitoes are most active, especially between dusk and dawn. You can also make sure doors and windows have tight-fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or other openings. Finally, eliminate all sources of standing water where mosquitoes can breed, including flowerpots, wading pools, old tires and any other receptacles, and change water in bird baths weekly.

Repel the mosquitoes when outdoors by wearing shoes and socks, long pants

and a long-sleeved shirt. IDPH recommends that you apply insect repellent that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR 3535, according to label instructions. They encourage that you consult a physician before using repellents on infants.

Finally, IDPH suggests that you report areas of stagnant water in roadside ditches, flooded yards and similar locations that may produce mosquitoes to whomever handles mosquito control activities in your area.

According to the IDPH's website, "mild cases of West Nile infections may cause a slight fever or headache. More severe infections are marked by a rapid onset of a high fever with head and body aches, disorientation, tremors, convulsions and, in the most severe cases, paralysis or death." These symptoms will typically appear between three to 14 days after the bite of an infected mosquito. The site also states, "Persons at the highest risk for serious illness are those 50 years of age or older."

For further information regarding West Nile Virus, contact the Grundy Co. Health Dept. at 815-941-3115. You may also obtain information from the IDPH website, located at www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/wnv.htm.

Prairie Creek Library Adds New Books

Prairie Creek Library in Dwight recently added the following children's books to their shelves to be checked out:

Children's

Fred Forgets by Peter Jarvis; The Little Raindrop by Joanna Gray; Little Penguin Gets the Hiccups by Tadhg Bentley; Dad School by Rebecca Van Slyke; The Book with No Pictures by B.J. Novak; Where's the Party? by Ruth Chan; Pete the Cat and the Bedtime Blues by Kimberly and James Dean; Swatch: The Girl Who Loved Color by Julia Denos; Extremely Cute Animals Operating Heavy Machinery by David Gordon; Rules of the House by Mac Barnett; Chicken in Space by Adam Lehrsaupt; Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast by Josh Funk; Love Monster by Rachel Bright; Frankencrayon by Michael Hall; The Secret Life of Squirrels by Nancy Rose; The Otter Who Loved to Hold Hands by Heidi and Daniel Howarth; This Book Just Ate My Dog! and We're in the Wrong Book!, both by Richard Byrne; Don't Push the Button! and Don't Touch This Book!, both by Bill Cotter; Stick and Stone by Beth Ferry; Naughty Mabel by Nathan Lane and Devlin Elliott; How to Babysit a Grandpa and How to Babysit a Grandma, both by Jean Reagan; Explorers of the Wild by Cale Atkinson; Iggy Peck, Architect by Andrea Beaty; Go to Sleep, Monster! by Kevin Cornell; Snug as a Bug by Tamsyn Murray; Sweet Pea & Friends: The Sheep Over by John and Jennifer Churchman;

Yoda: The Story of a Cat and his Kittens by Beth Stern; Fancy Nancy and the Mermaid Ballet and Fancy Nancy and the Wedding of the Century, both by Jane O'Connor; Next to You: A Book of Adorableness by Lori Haskins Houran; When I Dream of I 2 3 by Oakley Graham; Bob the Dog by Rodrigo Folqueira; When I Dream of ABC by Henry Fisher; Ah-choo! by Lana Wayne Koehler; Because I'm Your Dad by Ahmet Zappa; What the Dinosaurs Did Last Night by Refe and Susan Tuma; Absolutely One Thing featuring Charlie and Lola by Lauren Child; Whose Story is This Anyway? by Mike Flaherty; Chimpantees for Tea by Jo Empson; The Snatchabook by Helen Docherty; The Seven Princesses by Smljana Coh; Peanut Butter and Cupcake by Terry Border; The Girl Who Wouldn't Brush Her Hair by Kate Bernheimer; The Night Before the Fourth of July and The Night Before the New Pet, both by Natasha Wing; Sofia's First Magic Lesson by Sarah Nathan; Farm Friends: A Visit to the Farm by Anna Krusinski; Mother Bruch by Ryan T. Higgins; The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright.

For children who enjoy hidden picture games, the library added these titles: Read, Search & Find: Pirates; Read, Search & Find: How Stuff Works; Read, Search & Find: Wild Wonders; First Look and Find: Finding Nemo and Finding Dory; First Look and Find: Thomas and Friends; First Look and Find: Frozen.

PRAIRIE CREEK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

Revenue Summary: Livingston Co. Treasurer \$145,773.35; LaSalle Co. Treasurer \$23,797.37; Grundy Co. Treasurer \$35,777.76; Illinois per Capita Grant \$5,091.45; Internet Fees \$164.00; Fax Fees \$695.25; Non-Resident Fees \$869.00; Book Fines \$311.10; Video Fees \$910.55; New Card Fees \$98.00; Book Lost Fees \$158.00; Interest Income \$248.23; Memorials & Gifts \$2,327.40; Room Rental \$50.00; Miscellaneous Income \$1,013.97; Hubert Trust \$281.77; Summer Reading Grants & Donations \$2,850.00

Expenditures Summary: Salaries \$82,843.58; IMRF \$4,523.20; Social Security \$5,136.29; Medicare \$1,201.22; Maintenance \$15,548.88; Liability Insurance \$4,760.00; Worker's Compensation \$567.00; Unemployment Insurance \$317.15; Treasurer's Bond \$205.00; Legal Services \$1,560.00; Safety-Security \$6,436.14; Maintenance \$9,115.24; Custodian \$2,860.00; Equipment \$599.92; Landscaping \$1,131.27; Audit \$2,100.00; Bookkeeping \$1,290.13; Postage \$272.20; Publishing \$1,491.50; Dues \$1,666.00; Training \$19.20; System Software \$920.50; Books \$29,819.70; Supplies \$2,862.76; Periodicals \$1,455.71; Audios \$2,367.73; Videos \$2,803.97; Utilities \$9,490.22; Telephone/Internet \$3,463.44; Community Relations \$1,325.30; Miscellaneous Expenses \$1,402.48; Programming \$6,087.82; Summer Reading Expenses \$2,197.62; Grant Expenses \$8,622.32; Memorial Expenses \$1,038.27

Total Revenue: \$220,417.21
Total Expenses: \$201,952.97
Total funds in excess of revenue \$18,464.24
Subscribed and sworn to me this July 12, 2016
Janet Drake, Treasurer

I, Janet Neville, Secretary of Prairie Creek Public Library District, Dwight, IL do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016.
Janet Neville, Secretary



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CHILDREN OF ALL AGES enjoyed creating art at recent summer reading events held at Prairie Creek Library in Dwight. The teen division enjoyed creating splatter paintings. The K-5 group used paper towel rolls to paint. The toddlers and their parents worked on an art project following a story.

New Non-fiction Books and Bios at Prairie Creek

Prairie Creek Public Library in Dwight recently added several biographies and non-fiction books to its collection. Titles include:

If the Battle is Over Why Am I Still in Uniform? – Humor as a Survival Tactic to Combat Cancer by Brenda Elsagher; The Underdogs by Melissa Fay Greene; Embracing Life: Great Comebacks from Ostomy Surgery by Rolf Benirschke; Flea Market Fabulous by Lara Spencer; Essential Oils Every Day by Hope Gillerman; Upgrading and Repairing PCs by Scott Mueller; A Day Long to be Remembered: Lincoln in

Gettysburg and Abraham Lincoln Traveled This Way: The America Lincoln Knew, both by Michael Burlingame; Teddy and Me by Michael Savage; They Call Heroes Mister: The Jesse White Story by Rick Davis; Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging by Sebastian Junger; Jim Henson by Brian Jay Jones; Downton Abbey: Rules for the Household Staff; Morgue: A Life in Death by Dr. Vincent DiMaio; By Honor Bound: Two Navy SEALs, the Medal of Honor and a Story of Extraordinary Courage by Tom Norris; Growing Up Gourmet: 125 Healthy Meals for Everybody and Every Baby;

The Gift of Peace: Personal Reflections by Joseph Cardinal Bernardin; Power of Positive Thinking by Norman Vincent Peale; Essentials of Philosophy by James Mannion; The Left-Hander's Handbook by James deKay; Complete Guide to Yoga, Pilates, Meditation & Stress Relief; Ander Never Stop Dancing: Thirty More True Things You Need to Know Now by Gordon Livingston, MD; and Windows 10 for Seniors by Michael Price.

Adults also should stop by the front desk for information on Bookshelf Bingo to win prizes for reading throughout the summer.

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OBITUARIES

Jean A. Centko
STREATOR – Jean A. Centko, 94, of Streator, died Friday, July 8, at Parker Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Streator.
Private family funeral services were held July 12 at Solon - Telford Funeral Home, Streator, officiated by Monsignor Phillip Half-acre.
Burial was in St. Stephen’s Cemetery, Strea-tor.
Born June 14, 1922 in Streator, Jean was the daughter of Ralph and Mabel Talbot

Shrewsbury. She married Joseph A. Centko in 1947 in Streator. He preceded her in death.
Surviving are one daughter; one son; two grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.
She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, John Shrewsbury.
She worked for Chicago Bridge and Iron Shipyards in Seneca during World War II, and later worked at the Kaiser Store in Dwight.

Tire Recycling Event in Seneca July 22, 23

Grundy County Land Use Department will be hosting a tire recycling event at the Olson’s Recycling Center located at 354 W. Jackson St. (West Route 6) in Seneca July 22 and 23, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
The Environ-mental and Resource Conservation Office (ERCO) of the Land Use Department will be hosting this tire recycling event through their partnership with Liberty Tire Recycling. The event is paid for through the Green Energy Funds received from the Grundy County ED-PRenewable Wind Farm Top Crop.
In order to take your tires to the event, they ask the following:
• NO commercial, industrial, or agricultural tires will be allowed.
• All tires must be off the rims or they will be declined.
• Only passenger truck and car tires will be allowed for recycling at this event. All other tires will be rejected.
• Be able to unload

the tires and assist in the loading of the tires.
• Six tire limit for the event per vehicle.
Liberty Tire of Chicago will be processing the tires for green use. There are four different options for the tires that are collected as follows:
Crumb rubber – Used for welcome mats, railroad ties, and rubberized asphalt.
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Odell Accepts Bid for Road Resurfacing

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part-time hours up to 1040 hours in the budget if needed.
• heard a report from State Rep. Tom Bennett on the budget issue challenges currently ongoing in Springfield.
• asked Kevin Hannell to work up a proposal for bids for the removal of the clearwell liner.
• approved a treasurer’s report as follows: Checking, \$34,859.74; Illinois Funds General Fund Money Market, \$212,343.93;

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Odell May Illuminate Village Ball Field With Lights

The Odell Village Board is considering putting up lights at the village ball field.
At its July 11 meeting, Gary Wykes presented a proposal for the lights, including six with 60 foot steel posts for a cost of \$14,300. He said the installation would also require some electrical expenses.
Wykes told the board he would obtain further information for the next board meeting in August.
In other business, the board:
• heard praise from Mayor Terry Joyner concerning the DCM Landscaping for the

flower pots provided for Odell Days, July 8-9.
• learned a damaged fire hydrant has been repaired and the village will be compensated for the repair as soon as a release is signed. The board moved to sign the release.
• is still awaiting a proposal from the county for part-time patrol officers. County Sgt. John Mitchell reported activity for June included a total of 70 calls; four warnings; and one citation.
• was advised by attorney Ed Legner that Farnsworth is working on bid documents for the removal of the currently Clearwell Liner.

Sammy’s Pizza Opens in Herscher — Finally

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ber,” she told The Paper last week.
The couple owns a total of four restaurants, with a partner in a fifth restaurant, all in the Kankakee area.
Herscher is the fifth pizza parlor solely owned by the couple.
They have a full lunch and dinner menu, but specialize in thin, crispy crust pizza, she said.
A popular pizza is the “Tough Guy,” which has such toppings as Canadian bacon,

sausage, pepperoni, and red peppers.
“Everybody loves it,” she said, adding that the Tough Guy pizza has won several awards in local food contests.
“The Tough Guy is our number one seller,” she added.
Waitresses at the restaurant wear shirts that say “I love the Tough Guy” on the back.
Store managers are Melissa Corey and Alyssa Denault.
Store hours are Sunday through Thursday., 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday and

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• JULY 21: 7:30 p.m., Praise Band rehearsal.
• JULY 22: Office closes at noon.
• JULY 23: 7 a.m., Men’s Bible Study at Route 66 and Pete’s restaurants.
• JULY 24: 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; 2 p.m., Heritage Health Church Service.
• JULY 25: 7 p.m., Worship Service; United Methodist Men.
• JULY 26: 8:30 a.m., Hens Bible Study.
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• JULY 24: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday

Evening Service, 6 p.m.
• JULY 27: Wednesday Evening Service, 7 p.m.
First Congregational United Church of Christ
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Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister
• JULY 20: Trustees meeting, 7 p.m.
• JULY 24: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title: “Pause Awhile.” Church picnic with Emington Congregational at 11:30 a.m. after Church Service.
• JULY 26: Deacons meeting, 6:30 p.m. “July Mission of the Month” – Livingston County Relay for Life on August 5 in Pontiac.
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• JULY 23: 4 p.m., Leave for Mercy Me Concert at the Corn Crib, Normal.
• JULY 24: 8:30 a.m., Fellowship time; Handbell rehearsal; 9 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion.
• JULY 25: “Epistle deadline.”
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• JULY 22: 6 p.m., Closing program for Vacation Bible School; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.
• JULY 24: Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.
• JULY 26: 10 a.m., Women’s Bible Study.
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Tips for Keeping Calm In the Midst of Crisis

In this time of great change and uncertainty, crisis situations seem to be growing at a rapid speed. The emotional turmoil and negative behavior that is on the rise, spanning from verbal abuse to physical assault, is requiring schools and agencies to intervene more often for the safety and protection of the students, staff and clients. Schools and agencies have a responsibility to train their staff to safely and effectively deal with reasonably foreseeable situations.
We at Handle With Care would like to offer some tips when responding to someone who is becoming out of control. There is a natural, but incorrect, tendency to respond to the person in conflict the same way as they are behaving. Many times we feel overwhelmed by the situation and experience emotions like anger and fear. When we exhibit these emotions, it increases rather than decreases the conflict and crisis around us. When dealing with an agitated person, child or student, we must control not only our verbal but non-verbal communication as well.
First, staff needs to be attuned to the signals of potential crisis behavior. Typically there is a change of behavior before physical aggression occurs, which includes:
• Verbal clues: what is being said (e.g. insults or threats)
• Non-verbal clues: how something is being said (e.g. voice, volume, rate of

speech and tone)
• Body language: (e.g. body tenseness, leaning forward, pacing, finger pointing or hand clenching)
• Second, staff that are working with emotionally disturbed, aggressive or violent behavior need to be aware of and in control of their emotions and behaviors. It is their actions and words that can either reduce the potential for conflict or escalate it. Here are some key points to keep in mind when faced with an uncertain situation:
• Remain calm and in control.
• Only one person

should speak at a time.
• Respect personal space.
• Be aware not only of what you say, but how you say it.
• Maintain natural eye contact and establish a direct line of communication.
• In instances of team intervention, one person, the person with the best relationship, should be designated as the “talker.”
• Set limits; the limits should be clear, consistent and enforceable.
Of course, immediate action needs to be taken in dangerous and/or life threatening situations.

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CORRECTION: WINNERS IN THE Emington Third of July junior tractor pull were listed in the caption under the photo incorrectly on page 15 of the July 13 edition. The first, second and third place winners are (from left) Amanda Fox, Saunemin; Peyton Cramer, Saunemin; and Tyler Masching, Odell. The Paper regrets the error.
Submitted photo

Keeley History Comes to Life for Those Attending Keeley Day in Dwight

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People who took advantage of the festivities for Keeley Day, Sunday, July 17, were treated to living history which to this day influences the town, and the those battling alcoholism around the world.

The event was held at the conclusion of a convention including 38 visitors from across the globe put on by the Alcohol and Drug History Society, July 14-17.

The conference was called “I’ve Been to Dwight,” a catch phrase for tens of thousands of satisfied patients from around the world who were convinced that the Keeley Gold Cure, perfected in Dwight, saved them from their alcohol and drug addictions, confirmed by their continuing sobriety.

The events were held, in part, at the Country Mansion, formerly part of the Keeley Institute.

The morning rained, as did the late evening, July 17, but except for some humidity in the air, the weather cooperated for the Historical

Society’s event.

Among the popular attractions was a bus tour that took people to the First National Bank of Dwight, and next door to the Fox Center, former Keeley Institute building.

As part of the tour, they saw the famous stained glass windows inside the Fox Center dedicated to the senses of seeing, hearing, feeling, tasting, and smelling.

Also, a reenactment was performed for reformed drunkards leaving the institute to catch the train home from Dwight, cheered on by Temperance Union members.

The tour also featured a lady (Jane Hoffman, rural Dwight), emerging from the Leslie Keeley tomb in Oaklawn Cemetery, singing to the people on the tour and explaining how he and his wife were buried in Dwight.

The tour also stopped by the “Keeley Building” across from the Country Mansion where the Keeley Cure was formulated after 1941.

The one change in the

schedule was the planned opening of a time capsule that was reportedly buried under a plaque of the three founders of the Keeley Institute on the Country Mansion grounds.

But the time capsule could not be found, so that part of the program was cancelled.

Panels also discussed the connections between Alcoholics Anonymous and the Keeley Institute.

Speakers included Pastor “Randy” Randle of the Dwight First Assembly of God Church, and Professor Tim Hickman who led the Alcohol and Drug History Society conference.

The Keeley Institute was begun in 1879, and closed operations in 1966.

Today, the Keeley Carriage House/Club House is now the Prairie Creek Public Library; the Keeley Institute is now the Fox Developmental Center; and the Keeley Building where the formula was made starting in World War II, is now Prairie Creek Wealth Advisors, LLC.



THESE LOCAL LADIES portrayed the “Temperance Union” members who cheered on the reformed drunks who graduated from the Keeley program. The ladies are (from left) Shirley Holzhauser, Delores Slattery, Betty Pfeifer, Elaine Mortensen, all of Dwight, and Dee Hanner of Odell.

The Paper photos



JOAN BISTRY (LEFT) and Ashley Vegter, both of Dwight, look at the Keeley display at the Dwight Historical Society museum during the extended museum hours for the Keeley festivities last weekend.



JANE HOFFMAN, rural Dwight, at the Keeley Tomb explaining history.



PORTRAYING reformed drunks waiting for the train to take them home from The Keeley Institute in Dwight are (from left) Don Ahearn, Ryan Beier, Marc Rosales, and Josh Krischel.

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