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Dwight’s 37th Annual Harvest Days To Be Celebrated in Renfrew Park

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

The big change for Harvest Days this year is the move to Renfrew Park.

The 37th annual Harvest Days celebration will be Sept. 16-18 with the carnival starting Thursday, Sept. 15 at 6 p.m.

The Harvest Days Committee expects it to be a one-year-only move, with downtown activities such as the craft show and entertainment all moving to the park along with the car show.

“Moving to Renfrew Park allows us to add elements to the Family Friendly atmosphere Dwight Harvest Days has always been proud of,” said Jerry Beier, Harvest Days Committee Chairman.

“Without alcohol being sold in the park, we have refocused our entertainment toward the kiddies. We are looking forward to the ‘Inside Out’ movie on Friday night and a 7

p.m. prime time start for the Jr. Karaoke contest on Saturday night.”

The move to the park is temporary due to construction at the railroad crossings on Mazon Avenue and Chippewa Street.

“We plan to move back uptown when the streets have been repaired,” Beier continued. “It’s important for the businesses downtown and for our friends at Fox Center to know that they will remain at the heart of our festival for many years to come.”

But moving to the park has its advantages, he added.

“The best feature of moving it to Renfrew Park is the park itself,” Beier said. “It looks beautiful. Our city workers have really outdone themselves.”

The construction downtown, especially on Mazon Avenue, “made it impossible to continue our parade route as it was,” he said.

“The increased traffic of trains will make it impossible to

ever go back to that parade route again. So while we will be moving the guts of our festival back downtown, this new parade route could be here to stay.”

But even though Main Street will not have the craft show and entertainment, businesses downtown such as restaurants plan to be open to provide food and in some cases entertainment.

Station 343 owner, Pete Meister, said his restaurant will still seek diners downtown after the days’ festivities are over that weekend.

As usual, the restaurant will feature bands playing over Harvest Days weekend at his place of business.

“People can park in front of our restaurant,” Meister said. “The disadvantage is lunch service will be down quite a bit. But at nighttime, I imagine it will be about the same.”

Among the events at this year’s celebration will be the traditional 5K run and 3K walk at 8:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept.

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HARVEST DAYS VISITORS WON'T BE BUGGED

People visiting Dwight for Harvest Days this year will not be bothered by mosquitoes.

On Saturday, Sept. 10, the Harvest Days Committee will be spraying for mosquitoes at dusk.

The spray is 99.3 percent garlic, and 0.5 percent citric acid. It is also 0.2 percent potassium sorbate.

“So it is all natural and safe for humans and pets,” said Jerry Beier, Harvest Days Committee chairman.

The garlic odor will fade within hours, Beier said.

The committee appreciates any volunteers who wish to help with the 30-acre spraying job.

Call Beier at (815) 343-7303 if interested in helping.

Basset Hounds To Lead Dwight Harvest Days Parade

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

For the 19th consecutive year, the first feet to step off in the Dwight Harvest Days parade will not be human: they will be basset paws.

The parade will start at 12:45 p.m., Sept. 18, at the Guardian Angel Basset Rescue Park this year on Waupansie Street, and head east.

At the head of the parade is the traditional Basset Waddle featuring many of the dogs that have been rescued by the GABR over the years. To date 4,000 dogs have been rescued by GABR.

“This is a reunion for all the dogs adopted,” said Larry Little, president of GABR.

And of course, the dog owners come along to beef up the crowd at the annual Harvest Days event.

“The dogs don’t show up by themselves,” Little joked.

In part, the waddle is also an awareness event, to strengthen the awareness of the number of dogs in the Midwest area that need to be adopted.

“A lot of people dump their dogs,” Little said. “Some have to go to nursing homes and the nursing homes don’t allow the dogs. Some people run out of money. There are all kinds of reasons.”

This all began when Little decided to own a basset hound, a quarter of a century ago.

“I’d always wanted a basset hound,” he said.

Little met a Beecher woman, Fran Gray, who had started GABR, and told her he wanted to help the organization.

“Pretty soon I was in (continued on page 8)



LARRY LITTLE AND ISABELLE enjoy a quiet moment at the Guardian Angel Basset Rescue Park on Waupansie Street in Dwight. The park includes 20 trees planted in the last two years on 4½ acres.

The Paper photo



THIS BRACEVILLE HOME appears to be surrounded by a lake after the Aug. 28 downpour dumped nearly five inches of water in less than one hour.

Jon Poppenger photo



A PICKUP TRUCK sashes through water in Odell after the downpour on Aug. 28 drowned many of the town’s basements.

Photo by Mary Rosenthal Mansfield

Odell, Braceville Flood from Near 5” Downpour in Less Than 1 Hour

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Thanks to help from emergency agencies and level-headed residents, Odell and Braceville each survived the great flood of 2016, when the sky fell, dumping roughly five inches of rain in less than an hour on the two small villages.

The flooding occurred in the afternoon, Sunday, Aug. 28, but it had not completely subsided until Tuesday, Aug. 30, according to Braceville Mayor Jim Homa.

“The whole town was flooded,” Homa told *The Paper* last week.

“Four or five homes were badly damaged,” he added. “Nobody was injured. Everybody was responsible.”

In Odell, Mayor Terry Joyner told *The Paper* a large number of homes and

businesses sustained damage from the downpour.

“Oh, my gosh,” he said. “It was horrible. Several homes were complete losses in the basement.”

Both mayors reported nobody was injured and “that’s the good part,” Joyner said.

But both mayors also said that when rain comes down that fast, no storm sewer system can handle it.

“When you get rain like that, there’s just no way around it,” Joyner said.

In the case of small villages, a lot of the storm drainage tiles are made of clay and need to be replaced.

“We did one street at a cost of \$60,000 that year,” Joyner said. “And that was with our guys doing it.”

Contracting the work out would be double that cost to the village, Joyner said.

In Odell, Caffe 110 was using a small pump to drain water from the business but it could not keep up, Joyner said.

“So we had to use an industrial size pump,” Joyner said.

Both towns barricaded streets where water was so high, it was not driveable.

Theresa Gallup of Braceville said her front yard had a moat.

“We had a pontoon boat in our front yard,” Gallup said. “Water did not get near our house. But we had no grass for a day.”

Homa was glad for the help from many agencies such as Braceville Fire and Grundy County Sheriff’s Departments, plus calls from county officials and the Mayor of Gardner.

Many citizens helped out (continued on page 3)


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Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

Aug. 25: Cayetano Chavez, 35, Kankakee, driving 15-20 mph above limit.

Aug. 26: Raymond M. Newell, 49, Peru, driving 15-20 mph above limit.

Aug. 27: Rodrigo J. Cordova, 18, Plainfield, driving 21-25 mph above limit; Leo L. Hunt, Sr., 65, Kankakee, driving 15-20 mph above limit.

Aug. 28: Julia D. Holmes, 47, Clifton, driving 15-20 mph above limit; James G. Prault, 74, McHenry, driving 15-20 mph above limit; Paris L. Hicks, 24, Beaverville, driving 15-20 mph above limit; Zachery J. Meister, 38, Chicago, driving 15-20 mph above limit.

Aug. 29: Austin D. Gutierrez, 20, Dwight, fail obey stop sign; Brian L. Pokarney, 51, Dwight, op veh regis suspended/2nd; operate uninsured mtr vehicle; Carolyn R. English, 30, Dwight, unlicensed; Gozole Gundogen, 27, Bradley, 72/55.

Aug. 31: Tamara A. Billingsley, 41, Essex, driving/no license/permit/age; speeding 80/55.

Blotter

Gerald D. Sadnick, 59, Dwight, was arrested August 29, 2016 on an in-state warrant.

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

3 Warnings Were Issued by Dwight Police

Accident Reports

August 25, 2016, 9:59 p.m., Route 47 at

Northbrook Drive, Dwight – Margaret Decker, Dwight, driving a 2009 Chevy, was sitting at the stoplight, Route 47 at Northbrook, waiting for light to change. Hasan Bajrektarvec of Salt Lake City, Utah, driving a 2007 Kenworth, pulled up behind the Chevy, striking the unit’s bumper.

August 26, 2016, 8:33 p.m., 12 W. Northbrook, Dwight – Adam Stevenson of Milan, driving a 2006 Volvo semi, backed into a parked 2011 Peterbilt owned by MegaQuick Freight of Texas.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

Aug. 26: 4:05 a.m., Pollard, medical, Morris; 9:16 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 2:49 p.m., Union, fire.

Aug. 27: 12:17 a.m., Mazon, trauma, Morris; 2:31 p.m., Watters Dr., medical, Morris; 9:53 p.m., Prairie, medical, Morris; 10:43 p.m., Chippewa, medical, St. James.

Aug. 28: 3:25 p.m., Watters, medical, Morris; 8:42 p.m., Bannon, medical, refusal.

Aug. 30: 10:16 p.m., William, medical, Morris.

Aug. 31: 6:29 a.m., Monroe, trauma, Morris; 9:05 p.m., Mazon, fire; 10:06 p.m., James, medical, Morris.

Sept. 1: 10:42 a.m., ALDI, medical, Riverside; 11:07 a.m., Spencer, disregarded, mutual aid to Odell; 11:16 a.m., Route 17, trauma, refusal, mutual aid from Gardner.



Temps - 2016

Aug. 25 – high 82°, low 65° trace precip.

Aug. 26 – high 79°, low 66° .65” precip.

Aug. 27 – high 85°, low 67° .10” precip.

Aug. 28 – high 84°, low 65° 1.15” precip.

Aug. 29 – high 87°, low 66° .10” precip.

Aug. 30 – high 82°, low 67° .20” precip.

Aug. 31 – high 79°, low 57°

One Year Ago – Sept. 7, 2015
high 91°, low 67°

Dwight Fire August Incidents
Firefighters’ Blood Drive
August 23 Termed A Success

The Dwight Firefighters coordinated a blood drive through the American Red Cross Friday, August 23, at the fire station. Collecting 51 donations, it was considered a very successful event.

Because of the outstanding support of the community and surrounding communities, the American Red Cross is able to provide compassionate care to those in need in this area and across the country every day.

Justin Dyer, Deputy Fire Chief, states: “We look forward to many more successful donation events at the fire station and at other sponsoring locations.”

Dwight Fire Emergency Incidents for August

Aug. 2: South Old Rt. 66, rubbish fire; North Union, automatic fire alarm.



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION employees work Sept. 1 on Route 17 just west of Dwight at the junction with the Interstate 55 off- and on-ramps. The work was basically completed by the Labor Day Weekend, although wet weather did cause some delays.

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National Preparedness Month
Launched September 1

September is National Preparedness Month and the Federal Emergency Management Agency encourages everyone to make disaster preparedness a priority.

“National Preparedness Month serves as a reminder that we all need to prepare for disasters and emergencies,” said Andrew Velasquez III, FEMA Region V Administrator.

“Plan in advance so your family knows what to do if a disaster strikes: how you will get to a safe place; how you will contact one another; how you will get back together; and what you will do in different emergency situations,” Velasquez said.

Severe weather and other emergencies can strike with little or no warning and can have disastrous impacts. Already this year, the Midwest has experienced several waves of destructive storms, tornadoes and flooding. Whether at home or on the go, be aware of emergency plans in place wherever your family spends their time: work, daycare and school, houses of worship, sports events and com-

muting. Be disaster-ready, wherever you may be.

It’s simple to start planning for emergencies: download the Family Communication Plan for Parents and Kids on Ready.gov/make-a-plan and fill out the sections before printing it or emailing it to your family and friends. Consider also downloading the free FEMA app, available for your Android, Apple or Blackberry device, so you have the information at your fingertips to prepare for severe weather.

Throughout the month, FEMA will offer tips to help you be better prepared, including steps you can take to protect yourself and your family.

Follow FEMA Region V online at twitter.com/femaregion5 and www.facebook.com/fema to receive the latest preparedness updates.

For detailed information about how to be ready for severe weather in your area, including a list of items you will want to have in your emergency kit, visit www.ready.gov

Get on the List for
Dwight’s All-Town
Garage Sales

The Dwight All-Town Garage Sales will be going on September 9-11, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day, and now is the time to get your sale on the list to be distributed before the event.

To get on the list, simply send your address, a list of a

few items, and a small donation to 812 Sunset in Dwight by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 7.

The lists will be available at the Village Hall the morning of Sept. 8. Contact Jen Corrigan at 815-343-0620 if you have any questions.

Gas Prices Drop to \$2.20

The U.S. national average slid once cent per gallon to \$2.20/gallon, according to price-tracker GasBuddy.com, as of Labor Day.

“Lower than expected demand and decent output by refineries through the spring and summer means prices are likely to fall for the near future,” said Dan McTeague, GasBuddy analyst.

“Add to this the pending change in gasoline specs from summer to winter blends and the scenario for even cheaper gas looks promising.”

The Paper publishes last week’s and this week’s lowest averages as of Monday each week for the towns listed below.

Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 19% state & local taxes; 16% distribution and marketing; and 19% refining and 46% crude oil.

City/Village	Sept. 5	Aug.29
Dwight	\$2.232	\$2.186
Seneca	\$2.1733	\$2.173
S. Wilmington	\$2.19	\$2.19
Streator	\$2.76	\$2.24
Odell	\$2.17	\$2.17
Saunemin	\$2.19	\$2.19
Cullom	\$2.15	\$2.15
Pontiac	\$2.1533	\$2.0766
Gardner	\$2.19	\$2.19
Braceville	\$2.19	\$2.19
Mazon	\$2.19	\$2.19
Morris	\$2.1033	\$2.17
Herscher	\$2.19	\$2.19
Kankakee	\$2.03	\$2.098
Chicago	\$2.42	\$2.50
Illinois	\$2.285	\$2.351
U.S.	\$2.200	\$2.214

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

Gasoline price data collected by The Paper and brought to you by Steve’s Tire.

Gardner Councilman
Hileman Pleads Guilty to
Disorderly Conduct

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Gardner Village Councilman Dick Hileman pled guilty Aug. 29 in Grundy County Court to disorderly conduct.

He pled before Judge Sheldon Sobol, on the Class C misdemeanor and was fined \$350.

By pleading guilty, Hileman avoided the need for a trial that would have possibly included testimony by the victim.

The charge stems back to Jan. 17, near 8 p.m., when Hileman along with Councilman James Riley asked a woman to Hileman’s house.

The woman told The

Paper last week that she thought it was for a job interview with the village, but then discovered the true purpose when Riley soon left and she was alone with Hileman.

The police report states that Hileman reportedly made remarks about the woman’s looks and made “sexual comments” and “eventually gave her a kiss in the neck area,” according to the report, before she left.

She filed a report and pressed charges against Hileman.

“I didn’t want to be vindictive, I just thought people should know,” the woman told The Paper after Hileman appeared before the judge.

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Clarification

A story on page 3 in the Aug. 24 edition of The Paper contained some information regarding mosquito spraying in Odell.

It talked about hiring an independent contractor to spray.

What the article did not

say is the contractor is for the times when its public works employee would be gone. The public works employee is licensed to spray for the insects.

“We have been spraying all year,” said Mayor Terry Joyner.

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Odell, Braceville Flood from Near 5” Downpour in Less Than 1 Hour

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as well, Homa said.
In Braceville, they had to borrow barricades from neighboring towns to have enough for the flooding.
He said water south of town is blocked by railroad construction that gives flood water “no place to go.”

Qualified Braceville Residents Offered Free Tetanus Shots

The Grundy County Health Department has free tetanus shots available for those affected by the recent flood in Braceville.
Anyone who has received a tetanus shot in the last 10 years will not need another.
Anyone who has not received a shot in the last 10 years and worked in the flood water, should get a

tetanus shot.
If you are unsure, call the health department and ask to speak with a nurse.
To get your free tetanus shot, call the Health Department at 815-941-3404 to set up an appointment. Proof is necessary that you are a resident of Braceville to receive the shot.

Mobile Food Pantry in South Wilmington Sept. 12

On Monday, September 12, from 4 until 6 p.m., Catholic Charities’ Mobile Food Pantry will distribute food in the St. Lawrence Catholic Church parking lot in South Wilmington. The distribution will be “rain or shine” at 135 Rice Road.
Catholic Charities and the Northern Illinois Food Bank have partnered to deliver nutritious food – meat, produce and nonperishable items – to people in need.
Participants are asked to take bags, laundry baskets, or boxes to transport food

and grocery products to their vehicles. Shopping carts will be available.
A representative from Catholic Charities will be available at the event to explain additional services provided by the agency.
You do not have to be Catholic to participate. Catholic Charities helps people of all faiths and beliefs.
For more information about Catholic Charities, you may visit: catholiccharitiesjoliet.org



On Saturday, September 24, Braceville will be the site of its annual all-town garage sale event, with a variety of items throughout town.
Braceville United Methodist Women sponsors this annual event.
Maps with sale locations

will be available at the church, at the corner of Gould and Merrill Streets, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Doughnuts and beverages will be available at the church beginning at 7:30 a.m. Lunch items include BBQ, hot dogs, and chili

Tri-Point School Board Hires HS Science Teacher

The Tri-Point School board hired Sara Pomykala as high school science teacher at its Aug. 15 school board meeting.
The board also decided not to stipulate to the annexation/detachment proposal

by Luke and Ashlee Hendrichs.
In other action, the board:
• hired Results Physical Therapy to provide physical therapy service to Tri-Point students.

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THE DWIGHT MARCHING TROJANS took the field at half-time during the first home game, Friday, Sept. 2.
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Called To Serve
The Most Vulnerable

Sept. 16-18 Braidwood K of C Tootsie Roll Drive

The Braidwood Knights of Columbus Council #1574 will have its annual Tootsie Roll Drive Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 16, 17 and 18.
Members and volunteers will be out on the streets to collect donations to aid people with intellectual disabilities in local school special ed classes.

Annual Braceville All-Town Garage Sales September 24

dogs, and will start at 10:00 a.m.
Again this year, the church will have their Operation Sharing room, where items are not priced but donations will be accepted. As in the past, the proceeds from Operation Sharing will be used for the church’s Christmas Angel project, which provides food and gifts to families in need in the community to celebrate Christmas.
Forms to register sales are available at the church, the Braceville Post Office, and at the Braceville Casey’s. There is no fee to have your sale placed on the map. To ensure each sale location will be included on the map, forms must be received at the church office no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 21.
If more information is needed, call the Braceville UMC office at 815-237-8512.

Cops With a Cause Raises \$6,000 for Special Olympics

The Dwight Police Department raised more than \$6,000 at the Cops With a Cause Fundraiser held at the Country Mansion on Aug. 27, supporting Special Olympic athletes.
Four of Dwight’s athletes won gold medals in bowling on the day of the event, Mason Krischel, Adin Krischel, Angel Norton and Max Bean.
“A very special thanks goes out to Lindsay Jensen for all of her hard work in helping organize the event,” said Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson. “We would like to make this an annual event.”
The event sold a total of 294 tickets.
The Dwight Police Department was pleased with the “great venue and hospitality,” and music provided by the Dwight All Star Jam Band.
The band includes lead guitarist Mike Jezek, bass player Burton Gestner, on drums Liam Gestner, vocalists Lindsay Jensen, Jerry Beier and Sarah Windham, on trumpet Luke Windham, trombone Rich Benzik, saxophone Mike Guerrero and piano by Alan Presswood.
Deb Karch and Jane Anderson “manned” the ticket table and helped with decorations for the event.

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Make the Most of Gifts to Grandchildren

Did you know that National Grandparents Day is less than a week away? While this “Day” is not as widely known as Mother’s Day or Father’s Day, it is nonetheless important, as it recognizes the key role that grandparents play. If you are a grandparent yourself, you might expect some cards or phone calls or emails from your own grandchildren – but you will probably experience even greater enjoyment in the gifts you can give them. If you’re thinking of making a financial gift, consider your options carefully.
To begin with, don’t forget about your own needs. As much as you love your grandchildren, you can’t afford to provide significant financial gifts to them at the expense of your own retirement savings or the resources you might need for health care or long-term care. So, review your budget to determine what you can afford to give. This amount may change year by year, depending on your circumstances, so you may want to review your potential gifts annually.
However, assuming you can afford to give regularly to your grandchildren, how should you go about it? Here are a few possibilities:
• Establish a 529 plan. A college degree is a very good investment in your grandchildren’s future – but higher education comes with high costs. If you want to help your grandkids go to college, you could establish a 529 plan. Earnings in a 529 plan can grow federal tax-free and will not be taxed when the money is taken out to pay for college. Plus, you may receive state tax incentives if you invest in your home state’s 529 plan. (However, if withdrawals are not used for higher education expenses, the earnings portion is fully taxable and will incur a 10% penalty.)
Keep in mind, though, that a 529 plan could affect your grandchild’s financial aid. While a 529 plan owned by a grandparents generally won’t be reported as an asset under the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), withdrawals used for school will be treated as student income on the next year’s FAFSA, and so could lower your grandchild’s financial aid package. So you could wait for your grandchild’s final year of college, when he or she won’t be applying for future financial aid, before you allow withdrawals from the 529 plan. (You may want to discuss a 529 plan’s potential financial aid impact with a financial aid professional.)
• Contribute to a custodial account. You can give money to your grandchildren through a custodial account, known as UGMA or UTMA. These are irrevocable gifts that minors gain control of at the age of majority. Be aware, then, that once they get the money, they can do with it as they choose, and their choices may be far different from what you had intended.
• Pay college bills directly. You can simply write a check to the college to help pay for your grandchild’s expenses.
By making any of these gifts, you can help your grandchildren move forward through life — and their journey can provide you with the gifts of pride and joy.
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Teachers SHAPE the FUTURE



NEW TEACHERS at Dwight Township High School this year include (front row from left) Patricia Farrell-Levange, art; Francis Zelek, director of technology; (back row) Robert Knilands, math; Erik Borne, English; and Robert Weber, social studies.

The Paper photo

New Teachers at DTHS

Dwight Township High School has welcomed four new teachers to the staff for the 2016-17 school year.

Erik Borne, English, brings 18 years of experience as a high school English teacher to DTHS.

Over the past three years, he served as the English and Communications Department Chair at Downers Grove South High School. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in English Instruction from Illinois State University and a Master's Degree in Educational Administration from Governor's State University.

In addition, Mr. Borne has been an Adjunct English Instructor at Joliet Junior College for the past seven years.

Mrs. Patricia Farrell-Levange, Art, has spent the past four years serving as the art teacher at Independence School in Chicago Heights.

She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Art Education from Northern Illinois University and a Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction from Lewis University.

Robert Knilands, Mathematics, will be teaching Coordinate Algebra and Analytic Geometry.

He has previously taught various levels of mathematics at Bluffs High School.

He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Math Education from Eureka College.

Mr. Robert Weber, Social Studies, comes to DTHS from Ganado, AZ, where he spent the last seven years teaching U.S. History, World History, and American Government at Ganado Public High School.

He received his Bachelor's Degree in History Education from Illinois State University and holds a Master's Degree in History from the University of Nebraska at Kearney.



NEW TEACHERS AT RANSOM Grade School are (front left) Tina Gagnon, special education; Curtis Starner, art; Cathy Starner, teacher's aide. Not pictured is Mary Caba, speech.

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New Teachers at Ransom Grade School

Mary Caba is Ransom Grade School's new Speech-Language Pathologist.

Retiring after more than 35 years in this field, Mrs. Caba is thrilled to have the opportunity to work with the children and faculty at Ransom.

Since this is a part-time position, she still has time to babysit her grandchildren, work in her gardens, read once and a while, and help plan her daughter's upcoming wedding.

Curtis Starner is an Illinois boy, having been raised in Decatur.

After high school, he earned a Bachelor's degree in Art, followed by a Master of Theology from South-

western Baptist Theological Seminary.

He has pastored Erven Avenue Baptist Church in Streator for the past 12 years and leads a Thursday night bible study in Dwight. During this time, he has driven school buses for Streator and now Ransom.

Tina Gagnon is Ransom's new special education teacher.

Coming from Morris, her background includes six years in elementary education and four years substitute teaching in special education as she worked towards her certification.

Tina has five children, ages nine to 20, that she enjoys spending time with.

Other interests Tina has are scrapbooking and reading murder mystery books.

Cathy Starner moved to Illinois, having spent 17 years abroad in the Philippines as the daughter of missionaries.

She met and married Curtis Starner and moved with him and their four sons to Missouri, Texas, and back to Illinois. They have lived in this area for 12 years.

She spent 22 years home-schooling their children with the youngest graduating in the spring of 2016.

New Teachers in Herscher for 2016-17

The following are the names, titles, and buildings for new certified staff members in Herscher for the 2016-17 school year:

HHS
Blair Bennett, Social Worker; Jeff Bruer, History; Kellie Campbell, Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher (1st semester only); Jill Decman, Chemistry/Physics; Karol Domalik, Band Director.

LMS
Kelly Campbell, 8th Grade Science; Carmin Joffe, 7th Grade Science; Zachary Myers, 5th Grade P.E.; Sara Sneyd, Band Director.

HIS
Timoney Elliot, Media Specialist (BGS, too).
Also, new to the district is Jeremy Heck, HHS Assistant Principal. Brad Elliot, previous HHS Asst. Principal is now the HHS Principal.



New 2016-17 Odell Grade School Teacher



LESLIE JOHNSON IS ODELL GRADE SCHOOL'S new third grade teacher for 2016-17. She received her bachelor's degree from Illinois State University, then went on to get a Master's Degree in teaching from Aurora University. This is her first year as a full-time teacher.

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St. Paul School Welcomes New Staff Members

St. Paul School in Odell welcomed three new staff members this academic year. Katy Billington will teach seventh and eighth grade. Brandi Piererd will serve as Pre-K aide in the morning, and Rebekah Chong will serve as Pre-K aide in the afternoon and coordinate the new Afterschool Care Program.



Katy Billington, a Pontiac resident, is a recent graduate of Ave Maria University with a B.A. in Theology. She said she was interested in working at St. Paul because of “the opportunity to serve God and the church by teaching the young people of the church.”

She loves music and helps with the youth group at St. Mary’s Church in Pontiac, Ignite Youth Ministry.

At St. Paul, Ms. Billington will serve as the homeroom teacher for seventh and eighth grades and will teach all social studies, English, and literature classes for grades fifth through eighth.



Brandi Piererd resides in Diamond and is a graduate of Coal City High School and Heartland Community College. She comes to St. Paul with two years of support staff experience in a preschool classroom at Katie’s Kids in Bloomington.

She enjoys her cat, Ella, and her future plans include getting married in September and hopefully opening her own dance studio where she would like to “teach young kids what a great creative outlet dance can be.”

Miss Brandi will assist with the Pre-K and kindergarten classes in the morning and also will supervise lunch recess.

St. Paul School accepts transfer students during the school year, but with increased enrollment, space is limited. Interested parents should call the school at 815-998-2194.



Rebekah Chong, a Pontiac resident, assists with the Pre-K class in the afternoon and also coordinates the school’s new Afterschool Care Program, which gives St. Paul parents the option to leave their children at the school up until 6:00 p.m. each day.

The program has both regular attendees, for parents who have work schedules that make 3:00 p.m. pick-up difficult, but the program also welcomes drop-in kids, for parents who may have an appointment or a change in their usual child care situation.

Miss Rebekah is a graduate of Pontiac Township High School and Parkland College. She said, “I Love teaching kids. The way they learn inspires me to go above and beyond, so they can have fun and be in a positive learning environment.”

Miss Rebekah has a six-month old son, Adrian, who is just starting to roll over and sit by himself. She also knows a bit of Korean that she learned in college and enjoys learning more every day.



New Teachers at GSW High School

Gardner-South Wilmington High School has four new teachers this school year, including:

Lily Shinn is the new school social worker. She graduated from the University of Illinois with a BS in Psychology and graduate degrees in MS Human Development Family Studies and MSW (Master in Social Work).

Shinn worked most recently in Frankfort elementary districts for three years. Prior to that, she worked with ages Pre-K through age 22, special ed and regular ed in Lockport, Chicago Heights, and Palos area.

This is **Kathy Schaefer**’s first year as a paraprofessional after retiring from her teaching career.

Schaefer graduated from St. Francis with a BA in Elementary Education and Olivet University with a Master’s in Teaching and Curriculum.

She taught English Language Arts for 22 years for Morris Dist. #54 at Shabbona Middle School.

Kathy also worked in the business world for several years as a bookkeeper/accountant before starting her career as an educator.

Layne Miller teaches through the Grundy County Special Education Cooperative in the Emotional Program, also teaching Algebra 1, English 1 and 2, General Science, and Biology for multiple grade levels.

In addition to her teaching duties, Miller is coaching the softball team.

Layne graduated from Morris Community High School, moving on to Illinois State University where she received her degree in Special Education.

She was at Marseilles Elementary School this past year teaching special education for sixth through eighth grades.

Kevin Ward is GSW’s new Social Studies teacher, as well as coach of the girls’ JV basketball team.

Ward graduated from Illinois State University in 2011 with a BA in History/Social Science Education.

Kevin spent the past five years at Willowbrook High School in Villa Park as a substitute teacher (2011-13), ACHIEVE Program Teaching Assistant (2012-14) and Special Education Teaching Assistant (2014-16). He also coached freshmen boys basketball and eighth grade girls basketball.



NEW TEACHERS AT Gardner-South Wilmington High School include (from top) Kevin Ward, social studies, girls JV basketball; Elayne “Layne” Miller, special education and girls softball coach; and Lily Shinn, social worker.

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Kapri Krople Named to Dean’s List at ISU College of Nursing

Kapri Krople of Dwight was named to the 2016 Dean’s List at Mennonite College of Nursing, ISU in Normal.

This award is based upon semester grade point average, placing among the top ten percent of those students majoring within the college.



County Concert Association Tickets Are In the Mail

The membership tickets for the 65th season of the Livingston County Concert association are in the mail. If members have not received their tickets by Monday they should call Ruth Schlosser at 815-844-7077.

This year’s season includes the “Bravissimo Broadway,” a Broadway extravaganza presented by the O Sole Trio September 27; Jenn Bostic, a singer and songwriter from Nashville November 12; Paul Asaro, a pianist performing stride, ragtime, boogie, jive and vocals February 25, 2017; and “A Tribute to the King” by Elvis impersonator Travis Ledoyt next May 1.

All performances are in the Pontiac Township High School auditorium, beginning at 7 p.m.

Memberships for the season can be purchased at the first concert. Members can attend four concerts in Pontiac, as well as concerts in Lincoln and Ottawa.

Memberships are available for students; adults; families, single adult with any number of children; and two adults with any number of children.

For further information, contact Rod or Dorothy Patterson at 815-844-7833 or email patterson.hjemme@gmail.com

Dwight Historical Society Meeting September 14

The Dwight Historical Society will hold its meeting of business and program Wednesday, September 14, at 7:00 p.m. on the patio of The Country Mansion, Dwight. (Note that this is a change from their usual meeting night in August.)

Bob Ohlendorf will talk about the history of his family and Ohlendorf’s Bakery.

Also, dinner for those who wish to eat at The Country Mansion prior to the meeting/program will be at 6:00 p.m., Dutch Treat, on the patio, weather permitting. RSVP to Mary Flott if you are eating so that she can make a reservation for you. Her phone number is 815-584-2107 or you can contact her by e-mail at maryflott326@gmail.com.

All intersted in Dwight history are welcome to attend.

Dwight Senior Citizens Duplicate Bridge Results

Duplicate Bridge was played August 18 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center.

North/South:

1. Janet Kresl/Judy Cashmer
2. Dorothy Roche/Glenda Kutos
3. Darlene Drechsel/Mary Anne McNamara

East/West:

1. Barb Wilson/Evelyn Neuhalfen tied with Docia Hancock/Rosie Dix
2. Norma Rodosky/Mary Goley
3. Pat Townsend/Joan Francis

The next duplicate bridge play will be September 15.

Kinsman Church to Hold Golf Outing

Sacred Heart Church of Kinsman will hold its 10th annual golf outing starting at noon, Sept. 17, at the Dwight Country Club.

Golfers, hole sponsors and anyone who would like to come only for dinner are welcome.

Prizes will be awarded for best score, longest drive, closest to pin and other.

For more information, call Dave or Pam Brockman at (815) 237-2163.

It will be held in conjunction with the fifth annual hog raffle, with a whole hog as a grand prize.

For tickets or information on the raffle, call Peg or Jim Yasko at (815) 287-2020 or (815) 276-8115.



THE 2016 QUILT RAFFLE WINNER at Cullom Beckman Memorial Library is Cindy Eisenach of Cullom. Eisenach is pictured with her son, Benjamin, and her winning quilt.



Chili Cook-Off in Saunemin November 5

Entries are now being accepted for the Second Annual Saunemin Chili Cook-Off, which will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, November 5.

An entry fee applies, but can be waived by donating two quarts of your chili to the public chili sale.

Entries are due by October 21. More information can be obtained by visiting www.saunemineagles.org

September 10 Meeting for Will/Grundy Genealogical Society

The Will/Grundy Genealogical Society will hold its monthly membership meeting Saturday, September 10, at 10 a.m. at the Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St.

This month’s speaker will be Michele Micetich, president of the Carbon Hill Historical Society and curator of the Carbon Hill School Museum. Her topic will be “Italian Research.”

Michele has done extensive research on many Italian families in the local coal-mining communities, and is very knowledgeable about their origins and family connections. She will advise researchers on places, methods and sources for their own Italian family searches.

The public is welcome to attend, and refreshments will be served.

To place a social announcement,
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Chicken Dinner in Cullom Sept. 11

St. John’s Catholic Church, on Van Alstyne Street in Cullom, will host a chicken dinner Sunday, September 11, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in its Rectory Hall.

Eighth Annual Harvest Days Jr. Karaoke

Harvest Days Stage will be the spot for the eighth annual Junior Karaoke Championship.

The contest will be Saturday, September 17, from 7-9 p.m. Three prizes will be awarded to the three top singers. First place will receive \$250, second place will receive \$150, and third place will be awarded \$100.

We will accept the first 20 people that sign up ages 18 and under.

If interested in competing, sign-up in The Paper office 204 E. Chippewa St., Dwight, by August 26. Please have a song selected and contact phone number when signing up.

The song selection will be on a first-come, first-served basis. For any questions, call Jerry Beier, 815-343-7303.

Fairbury Garden Club to Meet September 13

The September meeting of the Fairbury Garden Club will be held Tuesday, September 13, at 7 p.m. in the Fairbury Lutheran Church.

The program will be a “Fall Container Garden,” presented by Kelly Rawlins from Niepagan’s Garden Center in Bloomington.

Those who signed up for the “make and take” should take their own container.

The business meeting, conducted by the president, Dawn Baker, will discuss the October closing meeting potluck and the Westview Flower Show held the previous week.

For more information, call Deb Kicmal at 815-848-1424.

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Dwight Woman's Club to Hold Opening Dinner

The Dwight Woman’s Club will hold its annual opening dinner on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at the Country Mansion. Any interested women in Dwight are invited to attend, but reservations are required.

The evening will begin with a social gathering at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. Entree choices are chicken piccata, center-cut pork chop or parmesan baked tilapia. Choices must be made in advance at the time of reservation. The meal includes a non-alcoholic beverage, dessert, tax and gratuity and costs \$18 per person.

The first business meeting of the year will follow the dinner. Annual club dues are \$20 and will be collected at the meeting.

Any interested women should RSVP with their dinner choice to Lisa Marsh, club president, emailing 4dwightwomansclub@gmail.com

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OBITUARIES

James Andree

BLACKSTONE – James R. Andree, 86, of Streator and formerly of Blackstone, passed away Sunday morning, August 28, 2016 at Heritage Health, Streator.

Jim was born April 24, 1930 in Alfalfa, Oklahoma, son of Alfred and Ethel Andree.

He married Eileen Morrison April 26, 1952. She survives.

Also surviving are children: Jim (Shelley) Andree of Blackstone; Linda (Pat) McGurk of Streator; and David (Sue) Andree of Blackstone.

Eight grandchildren: Sheila (Cory) Rogers, Sara (Glenn Cunningham) Perrotta, Robert (Maureen) Andree, Trisha (Nathan) Studnicki, Julie (Nathan) Matsko, Chris (Charissa) Andree, Staci (Davey) Harcharik and Jason (Lindsey) Andree; 15 great-

grandchildren; a brother, William Andree of Streator; and a sister, Joylene Bournas of Shorewood also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Jim graduated from Streator High School in 1948. He was a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

He farmed in the Blackstone area all of his life; enjoyed playing euchre and camping.

His funeral service was Thursday, September 1, at Winterrowd Funeral Home in Streator. Rev. John Gutz officiated.

Burial: Emery Green Cemetery, Kernan.

Visitation was Wednesday from 4 until 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Streator.

Father F. Lee Ryan

WATSEKA – Father F. Lee Ryan, 83, of Watseka passed away Friday, September 2, 2016.

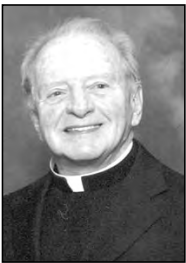
His Funeral Mass is today, Wednesday, September 7, at 10 a.m. in St. Edmund’s Catholic Church, Watseka, with Father Vern Arseneau officiating.

Burial will follow in St. Patrick’s Cemetery, Ransom.

Visitation was from 3 until 7 p.m., Tuesday, at Baier Funeral Home in Watseka.

He was born August 14, 1933 in Kinsman, son of Leo Ryan and Hildegard Coughlin Ryan.

He was in the Army, and after completing his time in the Army attended the U of I, transferring over to Conception Seminary, Conception, Missouri, where he received his Masters of Theology.



He was ordained a priest May 25, 1968. He was a priest at St. Edmund’s Catholic Church in Watseka for more than 20 years. He was also Chaplain and Chaplain Emeritus for the Knights of Columbus.

Father Ryan enjoyed gardening and traveling.

Surviving are his brother, Maurice (Sue) Ryan of Palm Harbor, Florida; his sister, Leona Myers of Dwight; and nieces and nephews: Jane and Steve Fritsch, Michael and Kelly Myers, Kelly and Jeff Heckman, and Kevin and Carrie Ryan.

Both of his parents and one brother-in-law, Richard “Dick” Myers preceded him in death.

Memorials may be made to St. Edmund’s Catholic Church.

You may leave your memories for the family at www.baierfuneralhome.com

Madge D. Boyd

STREATOR – Madge D. Boyd, 81, of Streator passed away Sunday morning, August 28, 2016 at OSF St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Ottawa.

A private graveside service in St. Andrews Cemetery in Farm Ridge Township to follow cremation.

Madge was born April 9, 1935 in Farm Ridge Township, daughter of Claude and Bernice Fetzer Kinman.

She is survived by children: Gary “Beaver” (Sally) Boyd of Grand Ridge; Brenda (Gary) Thompson of Bloomington; and Curtis (Debra) Boyd of Dwight; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a sister, Enola Logan of Deer Park Township.

Madge was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Scott Boyd; and a sister, Dixie Henry.

A graduate of Streator High School in 1953, she retired from Streator High School as the library secretary. She was inducted into the Women’s Bowling Hall of Fame.

Memorials may be made in her name to either the Grand Ridge Fire Department, St. Andrews Cemetery Association, or a charity of the donor’s choice.

Grand Ridge Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Ronald D. Loudermilk

CHANNAHON – Ronald D. Loudermilk, 57, of Channahon entered eternal rest Tuesday, August 30, 2016.

He was the loving husband of Julie Scheuer Loudermilk; proud and adored father of Joshua, Colin, Veronica, Clayton, Ian and Cameron; dear grandfather of Sydney and Taylor; and fond brother of Rhonda, Rhena and Robin. Also left to cherish his mem-

ory are numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Elsie Loudermilk.

A Memorial Visitation was held Sunday, September 4, from 4 until 7 p.m. at The Maple Funeral Home, Channahon.

Donations may be directed to Make A Wish Foundation, Chicago Chapter, in Ronald’s name.

New Large Print Titles Available at Prairie Creek Library

The Prairie Creek Library in Dwight recently added the following titles in large print:

“River Road” by Carol Goodman; “The Candy Cane Cupcake Killer” by Livia J. Washburn; “Guilty as Cinnamon” by Leslie Budewitz; “The Heart” by Maylis deKerangal; “A Gala Event” and “A Turn for the Bad,” both by Sheila Connolly; “I Let You Go” by Clare Mackintosh; “The Assistants” by Camille Perri; “My Mrs. Brown” by William Norwich; “Sweet Tomorrows” by Debbie Macomber; “Bullseye” by James Patterson; “June” by Miranda Beverly Whittemore; “Lilac Girls” by Martha Hall Kelly; “Town in a Cinnamon Toast” by B.B. Haywood; “Crime and Poetry” by Amanda Flower; “A Beauty Refined” by Tracie Peterson; “The Innocents” by Ace Atkins; “Defender” by Diana Palmer; “Illusion Town” by Jayne Castle; “Isn’t It Rich?” by Sherryl Woods; “House of Nails: A Memoir of Life on the Edge” by Lenny Dykstra; “All is Not Forgotten” by Wendy Walker; “All the Stars in the Heavens” by Adriana Trigiani; “American Heiress: The Wild Saga of the Kidnapping, Crimes and Trial of Patty Hearst” by Jeffrey Toobin; “Dark Matter” by Blake Crouch; “Sunday Kind of Love” by Dorothy Garlock; “White Bone” by Ridley Pearson; “Truly, Madly, Guilty” by Liane Moriarty; “Night and Day” by Iris Johansen; “Smooth Operator” by Stuart Woods; “Insidious” by Catherine Coulter; “The Woman in Cabin 10” by Ruth Ware; “Falling” by Jane Green; “Setimania” by Jonathan Levi; “Daughters of the Bride” by Susan Mallery; and “A Treasure Concealed” by Tracie Peterson.

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Filing dates for the nominating petitions are: November 21-28, 2016.

INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for the construction of watermain improvements in the Village of Dwight, Illinois will be accepted at the office of the Village Clerk, 209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois, until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, September 22, 2016, and at that time will be publicly opened and read aloud.

This project will be known as “Village of Dwight - 2016 Watermain Improvement” and consist of the construction of watermain, appurtenances, and restoration.

Plans and specifications may be accessed on-line at: www.chamlin.com beginning on September 9, 2016.

Full size plans and specifications will be available at the office of the Consulting Engineer, Chamlin & Associates, Inc., 221 West Washington Street, Morris, Illinois, 60450 after September 9, 2016. A non-refundable plan deposit of \$50.00 per set of documents will be required.



A bid deposit in the form of a bid bond of not less than 5% of the amount of the bid will be required. The successful contractor will be required to provide a 100% performance and payment bond in the full amount of the awarded contract.

Bidders are advised that this contract is subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.

The Village of Dwight reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities in the bidding.

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It's back. It seems like it's been forever since the last professional football game was played, since all the fantasy football seasons ended, since Sunday afternoons had a purpose.

I have two fantasy football drafts tonight, and another one tomorrow night. (Monday and Tuesday nights.) Two of the leagues are based in the office that I work in, and I'm really hoping that it's going to be something very close to what the TV show "The League" depicts, and chaos and hilarity ensue.

I think that the part of working in an office that doesn't get touched on enough is the comradery. Although I work in a unique environment in that I work with 30+ other guys all the ages of 22-30, and for the most part all have similar interests.

Throw football into that mix, and the trash talking should go through the roof, you have Monday-Wednesday to talk about the person you beat the week before and then the rest of the week to trash the person you're about to play.

The NFL really does own a day of the week, so much so that they were able to make a movie "Concussion" simply about the side effects of the result of playing in the NFL. It's bigger than it's ever been, and I'm excited to have it back.

It's going to be an interesting year for the two teams I follow as. The Bears might be terrible, but they might be okay, too, but I think best case scenario is them being okay. Then there's the Patriots, who will be without Tom Brady for the first 4 games, and that should really make things interesting. I'll admit, he probably told the guy to deflate those footballs, but he's still my guy.

NFL is back, fantasy football is back.
Go, Pats.

Aaron J. Boma
2016 ISU Graduate

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Historic Keeley Institute

Congratulations to Dwight for celebrating historic Keeley Institute anniversaries this summer. The Paper provided great coverage on the significant history of the Institute as well as on the many related community activities. The old pictures in The Paper reminded me of the many times my family visited the Keeley Institute and Country Mansion when I was young. My mother, Clara Bingaman (Ogg) was born and raised in Dwight and we spent many summers visiting relatives at Walt and Thelma Zabel's farm.

About 40 years ago I was inspired by the Keeley Institute to embark on a very rewarding career in addiction treatment including serving as Administrator at the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse. Now I am transition-

ing into retirement and am donating my library and other addiction-related items, including Keeley Institute artifacts, to the Illinois Addiction Studies Archive in Normal, IL.

The Illinois Addiction Studies Archive was established in 1998 and serves as a valuable resource to addiction professionals, students of addiction sciences, and all others interested in the field of addiction treatment and recovery. The Archive is interested in expanding its collection of Keeley Institute artifacts. If you or someone you know has Keeley Institute artifacts that could be donated to the Archive, please let me know and I will help you make these items available to and appreciated by future generations.

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So, until we meet again and continue on...

Love you forever,
Jack



In Memory of Dale Grieff
Who left us on September 5, 2015

To my dearest family & friends, some things I like to say,
But first of all, to let you know, that I arrived okay.
I'm writing this from heaven, here I dwell with God above,
Here there's no tears of sadness, just pure eternal love.
Please do not be unhappy just because I'm out of sight,
Remember that I'm with you every morning, noon and night.
That day I had to leave you, when my life on earth was through,
God picked me up and hugged me and said, "I welcome you.
It's good to have you back again, you were missed while you were gone.
As for your dearest family, they'll be here later on.
I needed you here badly, you're part of my plan,
There's so much we have to do to help our mortal man."
God gave me a list of things that he wished for me to do,
And foremost on the list was to watch and care for you.
And when you retire to your bed, the days chores put to flight,
God and I are close to you...in the middle of the night.
When you think of my life on earth and all those loving years,
Because you're only human, they are bound to bring you tears.
But do not be afraid to cry, it does relieve the pain,
Remember there wouldn't be flowers, unless there was some rain.
There are many roads ahead of you, many hills to climb,
But together we can do it, taking one day at a time.
And now I am contented that my life was so worthwhile,
Knowing as I passed along the way, I made somebody smile.
When you are walking down the road and I am on your mind,
I'm walking in your footsteps, only half a step behind.
And when it is time to go on...from that body to be free,
Remember you're not going...you're coming here to me.
Love Always, "Spike"

We miss you & send love & hugs to heaven above!
The Dale Grieff Family

Dwight’s 37th Annual Harvest Days To Be Celebrated in Renfrew Park

(continued from page 1)
17, kiddie parade at 9:45 a.m. and cutest baby photo contest.
The free entertainment Saturday on the main stage includes the All-Star Jam Band from noon to 3 p.m. and the Lip Sync Contest from 3 to 5 p.m.

There will be drawings, entertainment by the Neverly Brothers from 5 to 7 p.m., and the 8th annual Junior Karaoke Championship from 7 to 9 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 18 will feature a tractor show, the Harvest Days Car show, fine art and craft festival and flea market. The Kings of Dixieland will perform at 11 a.m., Sunday.

The parade steps off at 12:45 p.m. led by the annual baset waddle. It starts at Guardian Angel Basset Rescue Park on West Waupansie Street and heads east. Grand Marshals this year are the Paul and Eunice Scott family.
A full schedule will appear in next week’s edition of *The Paper* in its annual Harvest Days special section.

2016 Dwight Harvest Days Map

Thursday, September 15 through Sunday, September 18

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Basset Hounds To Lead Dwight Harvest Days Parade

(continued from page 1)
charge of fundraising,” he said.
He said he is always able to place the dogs, even some you would think won’t be adopted, like blind dogs or older bassets.
Daisy, the basset featured at the lead of the 2015 Basset Waddle, could not use her hind legs and had a set of “wheels” to drag herself along the parade route.
“If there’s a story, you’ll find somebody that wants that dog,” Little explained.


Livco Voters to Decide on Wind Turbine Setbacks

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor
Wind turbine setbacks from buildings will be the subject of an advisory referendum on Nov. 8 for Livingston County voters. The county’s voters will be asked:
“In your township, do you support a distance of 1,600 feet between wind turbines and residences rather than increasing that distance more than double, which may reduce the number of turbines built in your township?”
Voters who vote “No” are saying they want much more than 1,600 feet setbacks from homes. A yes vote means 1,600 feet setback is okay.
After the election, the Livingston County Zoning Board will examine which townships are voting for 1,600 and which areas wish more distance.
A moratorium on new wind projects has been put into place until the new regulations are approved, if they will be changing.
Currently there are 175 turbines in the county.
School districts such as Tri-Point will benefit financially from the wind turbines currently being constructed in their district.

Every Vote Counts.

Kiddie Tractor Pull

A kiddie tractor pull will again be one of the first activities of Dwight Harvest Days.
The event will begin with registration at 4 p.m. Friday, September 16, in St. Patrick’s Church lot on West Mazon Avenue. The actual tractor pulling will begin at 4:30.
Children will receive trophies for the longest pull in each of five weight classes. There is no entry fee.
In the case of rain, the tractor pull will be held at the fire station.
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DTHS TROJAN, Austin Kavanaugh, #21, carries the ball for the Varsity squad as they put away Hoopeston 50-7 Friday night at home.

J7 Images photo



Swimming, Biking, Running

Ross Clover Competes in Ironman Triathlon

Ross Clover, 31, of Chicago completed the Ironman Triathlon in Quebec, Canada Sunday, August 21. The race consisted of 2.4 miles swimming, 112 miles biking, and 26 miles running. Despite bad weather conditions – heavy rain, lightning, thunder and steep, slippery roads – Ross finished in 15 hours, 25 minutes. Ross is the son of Bill and Gina Clover of Coal City, and grandson of Fay and Kay Clover of Gardner and Don and Carol Vilt of Braceville.



DTHS TROJANS FOOTBALL

Monday, August 29
Dwight vs. Seneca
JV -

The JV Trojans recorded a win in their first game of the season against Seneca, 22-0, on August 29. Dwight's defense was the key, allowing the Irish to get past the 50-yard line just one time. The offense was led by great line play throughout, with the first score coming on a Logan Graham three-yard run – Colton Holm

would run it in for two. A 20-yard pass from Holm to Graham would secure the second touchdown, followed by a 21-yard rushing TD from Daniel Gutierrez – with a PAT pass from Holm to Graham for two. Friday, September 2
Dwight vs.
Hoopeston Area
Varsity -
The Trojans stomped out Hoopeston Area, 50-7, in a

meeting Friday night in Dwight. The scoring got started early, with Austin Kavanaugh running in a score on a six-yard rush in the first quarter. Kavanaugh would answer his own touchdown with another with 2:05 left in the first – a 56-yarder, followed by a successful two-point conversion pass from QB Justin Fox to Blake Graham. (continued on page 10)

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92442	2009	Chevrolet	Malibu	Black Granite	\$7,675	\$1,725	\$5,950
92851	2007	Hyundai	Elantra	Redfire Pearl	\$7,075	\$792	\$6,283
89801	2011	Chevrolet	Cruze	Summit White	\$10,675	\$1,126	\$9,549
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DTHS TROJANS FOOTBALL

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Hoopeston would get on the board for the first, and only, time early in the second on a 34-yard rushing TD. But the Trojans were quick to turn it right back around.

Fox would complete a 49-yard pass to Graham for six, and find him again for two points following the score.

Kavanaugh would find the endzone once again late in the first half, scoring on a 48-yard run. Fox would hit Graham, once again, for the

two-point conversion, giving Dwight the 30-7 lead.

With just 17 seconds left in the second quarter, the Trojans went up 38-7 when Kavanaugh made a touch-down toss of his own to Graham for a 17-yard score. The two-point conversion would be run in by, none other than, Kavanaugh.

Dwight felt it alright to cease scoring for halftime.

With 6:04 left in the third quarter, however, Walker Eutsey would find paydirt on a 22- yard rushing touch-down.

Less than three minutes

later, Fox would score on a one-yard run, putting the Trojans up 50-7, and putting the game well out of reach.

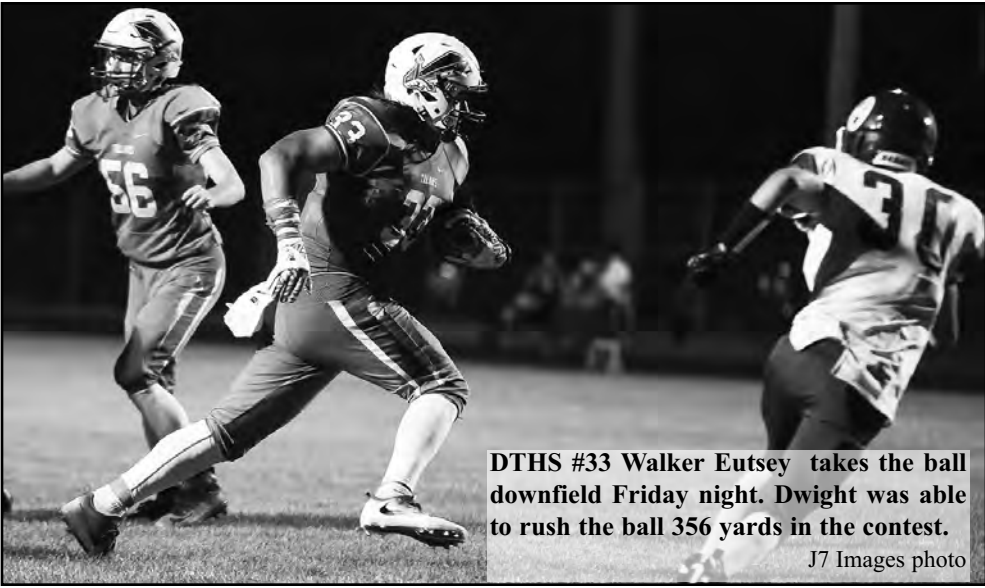
Despite only tallying 82 yards in the air – all caught by Blake Graham – Dwight was able to rush for 356 yards in the contest. Their average yards per carry: 8.7.

Goodness.

Fox was 3-5 throwing the ball, good for 65 yards and a TD. Kavanaugh completed the 17-yard score, while rushing for 260 yards on 20 carries (13 yards per carry – ridiculous).

Eutsey would rush for 44 yards on nine carries, followed by Graham's 19 yards on three carries. Fox rushed for 18 yards total, while Jordan Emmons and Alek Murray ran for seven and six yards, respectively.

Tackle tallies for the Trojans were as follows: Fox – 3.5, 1 TFL; Kavanaugh – 1.5; Michael Traver – 1.5, .5 TFL; Kyle Henson, Jack Hilt, and Dane Rodosky – 1, 1 TFL; Chris Bement, Alek Murray, Andrew German, Dakota Wahl – 1; Jeshua McCullough – .5, .5 TFL.



DTHS #33 Walker Eutsey takes the ball downfield Friday night. Dwight was able to rush the ball 356 yards in the contest. J7 Images photo



DTHS LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL

**Tuesday, August 30
Dwight vs. Coal City
JV -**

Dwight's JV girls lost to Coal City 8-25, 4-25 in their match August 30.

Avery Ohlendorf led with two points and two kills, followed by Haley Weir who had a block. Rishell Galbraith had a kill, with Amanda DeLong contributing an assist.

Varsity -
The Lady Trojans lost in the varsity meeting also, 22-

25, 20-25.

Karah Colebank led with six points, including an ace, 14 assists, three digs, and two kills. Macey Rodosky also had six points, with an ace. Lucy Rieke added four points, including an ace and five kills, while Brooke Bossert had three points, with an ace, four digs, and two kills. Rachel Dawson put up two points, five kills, five digs, and a block, with Leah Flynn contributing one point, three blocks, and five

kills. Hayley Schlabowske had three kills, three digs, and a block. Megan VanAmburgh had 16 digs and one assist.

**Thursday, September 1
Dwight vs. Newark
JV -**

Dwight dropped its fourth straight, 15-25, 11-25 to Newark, on September 1.

Haley Weir had three points, three kills, and a block, with Rishell Galbraith coming up with (continued on page 11)

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GSW LADY PANTHERS VOLLEYBALL

**Thursday, September 1
GSW vs.
Streator Woodland
JV -**

The JV Lady Panthers defeated Streator Woodland 25-17, 25-22 when they faced off September 1.

Maddie Schuck had six kills and two aces, with Carson Halpin providing three kills and two aces. Kennedy Fair and Mady Asbridge had seven and five assists, respectively, while Cadee Grieff came up with

ten digs. Paige Patterson added three kills.

The girls are now 3-0 overall.

Varsity -
After two tough losses the previous week, GSW picked up a needed win over Woodland, 25-17, 25-18.

Celia Barna had six kills and five assists, with Sydney Perkins adding 12 assists and three kills. Ali Kirk had eight digs, while Lexi Robison and Kira Gleason each had three kills.



TRI-POINT LADY CHARGERS VOLLEYBALL

**Thursday, September 1
Tri-Point vs.
Cornerstone Christian
JV -**

The JV Lady Chargers celebrated a victory over the Cornerstone Christian Cyclones September 1 by a score of 25-18, 25-13.

Jackie Houck and Cassidy Hindman both scored three kills, with Hindman adding seven assists. Brttiney Billerbeck

had three digs and three assists, while Tara Hummel and Kaylie Terven both scored four aces, with Billerbeck, Houck, and Haley Jubin adding three each.

"The girls played well," stated Coach Stork. "I wish we would have had more opportunities to hit in the game, but we played the ball well. I was most impressed by our serves – we had 19 aces!"

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GSW PANTHERS CROSS COUNTRY





TRI-POINT CHARGERS GOLF

Thursday, September 1
Tri-Point vs. Peotone and Southland

The Tri-Point Chargers played in a meet September 1 with Peotone (178) and Southland (230), shooting a 211.

Roger Viti led the Chargers with a 44, followed by Jay Hendershot's 45. Curling – 60; Lawless – 62; Brantley – 63.

JC Carrera could not play due to illness.

“This was our first meet,” said Coach Gernentz, “and even though there is a definite scoring gap between our top three golfers and the newer golfers, I see better scoring with them as they learn more about the sport. Although they had some putting woes, Roger and Jay did well and I think their individual scores will improve.”

Viti tied for second lowest overall score, with Hendershot tying for fourth.

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THE GSW GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY team earned a third place trophy in the JV competition. The girls competing on that team were: Rylie Bond (10), Alexis Brooke (16), Hayley Cummings (19), Tori Hayner (23), Brooklyn Long (25), and Destiny Leonard (39) pictured above.

The Panther Cross Country team competed in their second meet of 2016 – the Bishop Mac Conditioner, where runners compete as a two-person team that alternates running one mile at a time until the pair finishes either four or six miles together.

“All four races this year were much faster than the past several seasons,” stated Coach Lane. “Our athletes stepped up the performances for last week and turned in outstanding times.”

Eleven returners finished with greatly improved two or three mile times, while the first time competitors were just as fast.

“It was exciting and encouraging for both squads to run this well early in the season,” Lane added. “If we stay healthy and continue to improve, the postseason meets will be awesome.”


Individual results are as follows:

Fresh./Soph.: Jaxson Tarnowski and Jack James, 22nd; Rylie Bond and Alexis Brooke, 5th.

Varsity: Hayley Cummings and Brooklyn Long, 31st; Tory Hayner and Destiny Leonard, 47th; Daly Galloway and Dan Muller, 12th; Payton Christoff and Kerrick Dyer, 19th; Josh Pearson and Calvin Croy, 20th; Gino Faletti and Andrew Brown, 45th.

On Friday night, the Panthers competed in Seneca’s Twilight in the Woods, with the weather being great for running, however the course is the toughest they will see all season.

“The runners did an out-




DTHS LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL

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three points, including an ace and a kill. Amanda DeLong added three points, including an ace and two assists, while Avery Ohlendorf contributed two points, with an ace and a block. Mackenna Wulf added an ace and a dig, with Christina Pugh and Kathlene Huffaker both providing an assist. Haley Jennings had one kill; Briana Miles, a dig.

Varsity -

The varsity Lady Trojans lost to Newark 22-25, 20-25.



DTHS TROJANS GOLF

Tuesday, August 30
Dwight vs. Milford, Donovan, and Watseka

On August 30, the Trojans visited Watseka at Shewami Country Club’s par 35 in a quad with Milford, Donovan, and Watseka, picking up the win with a score of 181 – edging out Watseka’s 183 and Milford’s 186. Individual scores are as follows:

Hayden Tjelle – 44
Braden Marks – 44
Andrew Curl – 45

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS
Village of Essex Annual Audit Report
Available for Public Inspection

An audit of the funds of the Village of Essex for the year ending April 30, 2016 has been completed by the audit firm of Mack & Associates, P.C., certified public accountants. A copy of the audit report has been filed with the Kankakee County Clerk and is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, located at 219 W. Main Street, Essex, Illinois 60935 on Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

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DTHS LADY TROJANS GOLF

Monday, August 29
Dwight vs. Grant Park

The Dwight girls’ golf team traveled to Minnie Monesse golf course August 29 and defeated Grant Park 236-248.

Morgan Zabel was the medalist for the night with a score of 45. Chloe Butterbrodt and Jillian Frauli each had a 62. Other scores were Miranda Holt – 67, Samantha Carlson – 68, and Gabby Mascolo – 72.

The Lady Trojans are now 1-1.

Tuesday, August 30
Dwight vs. Milford, Watseka

The Lady Trojans traveled to Shewami golf course in Sheldon August 30, defeating Milford but losing to Watseka, shooting a 224 overall.

Lowest score of all three teams was Morgan Zabel’s medal-earning 52. Other scores included Chloe Butterbrodt and Miranda Holt – 57, Jillian Frauli and Miranda Holt – 58, Sam Carlson – 62, and Kaitlin Harms – 68.

Dwight is now 2-2.



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'16 Focus SE	'16 F150	'17 Explorer

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'14 Camaro LT Conv., 16K
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'15 F250 Crew XLT, 11K, 4WD, Diesel	\$48,900	'12 Taurus LTD, 34K, Leather	\$15,900
'15 F150 Crew Lariat, 12K, 4WD	\$44,900	'11 Fusion SE, 114K, Sunroof	\$ 7,900
'14 F150 S/C XLT, 39K, 2WD	\$22,900	'10 Fusion SE, 86K	JUST IN
'13 F150 Crew XLT, 46K, 4WD	\$26,900	'10 MKZ, 48K, Sunroof	\$12,900
'12 Ram 1500 ST, 55K, 2WD	\$12,900	'08 Crown Victoria LX, 104K	\$ 6,900
'11 F350 XL, 123K, 2WD, Flatbed	\$13,900	'07 Charger, 162K	\$ 5,400
'11 F350 XL, 51K, 2WD, Flatbed	\$13,900	'06 Charger SXT, 156K, Sunroof, Leather	\$ 6,400
'10 Ranger XL, 123K, 2WD	\$ 7,900	'05 500 LTD, 111K, AWD, Sunroof	\$ 4,900
'09 F150 Crew Lariat, 191K, 4WD	\$13,900	'04 Taurus SES, 109K	\$ 4,900
'06 C1500 Crew LT, 99K, 4WD, Z71 Pkg	\$16,900	'02 Cavalier, 107K	\$ 2,900
'05 F150 STX, 77K, 2WD	\$9,900		
'02 F150 Crew Lariat, 170K, 4WD	\$5,900		
'99 F150 XLT, 95K, 4WD	\$ 5,900		

CARS

'16 Fusion SE, 9K, AWD	\$22,900	'15 Edge Titanium, 26K, AWD, NAV	\$28,900
'16 Fusion SE, 27K	JUST IN	'14 Flex LTD, 37K, AWD	\$26,900
'16 Fusion SE, 33K	\$16,900	'14 Transit Connect XLT, 2K, 7 Pass	\$19,900
'16 Fusion SE, 33K, MyFord Touch	\$17,900	'14 Escape SE, 23K, 4WD	\$18,900
'15 Mustang Conv. 27K, Leather	\$24,900	'14 Escape SE, 32K, 4WD	\$17,900
'14 Camaro LT Conv., 16K	\$19,900	'13 Escape SE, 54K, MyFord Touch	\$14,900
'14 Focus SE, 39K	\$11,900	'13 Edge SEL, 25K, FWD	\$15,900
'14 Fusion SE, 29K	JUST IN	'13 Edge LTD, 60K, AWD, Sunroof, NAV	\$22,900
'12 Focus SEL, 44K, Leather	\$10,900	'13 Edge LTD, 32K, AWD, Vista Roof	\$25,900
		'13 Edge SEL, 66K, AWD	\$20,900
		'12 Edge LTD, 70K, AWD	\$18,900
		'08 Edge SEL, 101K, AWD	\$11,900
		'05 Freestar SEL, 142K	\$ 3,900

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Nominating Petitions Available September 20

Nominating petitions for Gardner Fire Protection District consolidated election to be held on April 4, will be available beginning Tuesday, September 20, at the Gardner Fire Protection District, located at 206 N. Depot St. Packets are available from Fire District personnel. Filing dates for the nominating petitions are Monday, December 12, through Monday, December 19.

Office to be filled: Trustee, 1) six-year term
Trustee, 1) two-year term

Notice of Adoption of Prevailing Rate of Wages Ordinance

TAKE NOTICE that the Secretary of Reddick Community Fire Protection District, pursuant to “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 anyone under contract for public works,” approved June 26, 1941, as amended, has determined on, and as effective from June 30, 2016, that the general prevailing rate of wages in this locality for laborers, mechanics, and other workers engaged in the construction of public works coming under the jurisdiction of the Reddick Community Fire Protection District is the same as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois for Livingston, Kankakee, and Grundy Counties as of July 2015. A copy of the full Ordinance and the Department of Labor determination is available for inspection by any interested party in the main office of the fire district, and to any employer, association of employers and any person of employee or association of employees who have filed, or file their names and addresses, requesting copies of the same.

Reddick Community Fire Protection District
Livingston, Kankakee, and Grundy County
By: Lisa Koehler

DWIGHT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT IN
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT
of Receipts and Disbursements For the Fiscal Year Beginning
5/1/2015 through 4/30/2016
Dwight Fire District Checking Account

1	Cash on Hand As of 5/1/2015 and Receipts through 4/30/2016		
A.	Cash on Hand as of 5/1/2015		
	Checking Account Balance 5/1/15	\$174,357.92	
	Total Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15	\$174,357.92	
B.	Receipts (5/1/15 - 4/30/16)		
	Illinois Municipal League	\$	4,161.95
	Grundy County Tax Collector	\$	51,779.12
	Livingston County Tax Collector	\$207,703.92	
	First National Bank of Dwight - Interest	\$	125.66
	Illinois Department of Revenue - replacement tax	\$	6,491.19
	Fire Call Reimbursement	\$	9,485.00
	Miscellaneous Reimbursement	\$	1,715.00
	Misc. Income	\$	4,332.00
	Gifts, Donations, Memorials	\$	1,170.00
	FEMA Grant	\$	77,361.00
	Total Receipts (5/1/15 -4/30/16)	\$	364,324.84
C.	Summary of Beginning Cash on Hand & Receipts		
	Cash on Hand as of 5/1/2015	\$174,357.92	
	Total Receipts (5/1/15 -4/30/16)	\$	364,324.84
	Total Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15 and Receipts from 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$	538,682.76
2	Disbursements (5/1/15 - 4/30/16):		
A.	Disbursements in Excess of \$2,500.00 Per Payee From 5/1/15 - 4/30/16		
	Amazon	\$	5,289.44
	AT&T	\$	5,726.18
	Command Communications	\$	7,440.40
	CommonWealth Edison	\$	6,024.63
	Compass Insurance	\$	15,460.00
	Dalmation Fire	\$	22,530.22
	Dwight Volunteer Fire Dept.	\$	7,000.00
	EMC Fire	\$	61,449.16
	First National Bank of Dwight (loan pmt)	\$	21,775.15
	Irv Masching	\$	3,630.93
	Livingston County ETS	\$	10,248.22
	MAC's Fire & Safety Equipment	\$	2,516.44
	Nicor	\$	7,239.83
	Paul Johnson (salary and grant salary)	\$	14,275.32
	Presence St. Mary's Hospital	\$	4,810.30
	Professional Fitness Concepts, Inc.	\$	7,500.00
	Quad Co. Fire	\$	10,067.96
	Travelers Insurance	\$	11,667.00
	United States Treasury	\$	6,157.36
	Wex Bank - Fleet fuel service	\$	4,157.29
	MES Inc.	\$	4,232.45
	WS Darley & Co.	\$	4,453.70
	Total Disbursements in Excess of \$2,500 Per Payee From 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$	243,651.98
B.	Disbursements of Less Than \$2,500.00 Per Payee by Expenditure Category from 5/1/15 - 4/30/16		
	Fuel	\$	106.94
	Apparatus Expense	\$	3,341.29
	Building Expense	\$	12,679.36
	Contractual Services Expense	\$	2,455.38
	Dues & Subscription Expense	\$	4,359.50
	Honors & Recognition Expense	\$	2,200.00
	Insurance Expense	\$	1,427.95
	Loose Equipment Expense	\$	1,454.40
	Office Operations Expense	\$	1,495.67
	Radios/Pagers Expense	\$	803.74
	Safety Equipment Expense	\$	1,444.65
	Training Expense	\$	8,133.60
	Salaries	\$	22,902.84
	Grant Expenses	\$	15,528.27
	Total Disbursements of Less Than \$2,500.00 Per Payee by Expenditure Category from 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$	78,333.59
C.	Disbursements For Compensation From 5/1/15 - 4/30/16		
	Andrew Harvey	\$	269.40
	Andrew Kelson	\$	1,723.54
	Andrew Kelson - Captain	\$	2,500.00
	Austin Plumley	\$	187.89
	Brandon Stych	\$	415.00
	Christopher Miller	\$	329.37
	Connor Ferguson	\$	80.00
	Cory Scoles	\$	560.00
	Craig Cousins	\$	70.00
	Craig Votta	\$	80.00
	Danielle Aichelle	\$	140.00
	Daniel Evans	\$	65.00
	Dustin Campbell	\$	348.14
	Eric Stewart - Trustee	\$	1,000.00
	Gary Marx - Trustee	\$	750.00
	Jaron Scheid	\$	641.77
	Jason Bersano	\$	15.00
	John Kolthoff	\$	280.17
	Jonathon McPhearson	\$	396.97

ANNUAL DWIGHT FFA ALUMNI TRACTOR SHOW

When: Sunday, September 18
Where: Renfrew Park,
North St. and North Franklin St., Dwight
Registration: Between 7 - 9 a.m.

Parade of Tractors at 12:15 p.m. -
Parade begins at 12:45 p.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF HEARING ON ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE OF KEMPTON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF FORD, LIVINGSTON AND IROQUOIS, STATE OF ILLINOIS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, in tentative form, of the KEMPTON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT of the Counties of Ford, Livingston and Iroquois, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2016, and ending on May 31, 2017, has been prepared and is now available for public inspection at the Fire Station in the Village of Kempton, Illinois, in said District; and that a public hearing will be held on said Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance on Monday, the 10th day of October, 2016, at 8:00 o'clock p.m. at the Fire Station in the Village of Kempton, Illinois, at which time final action will be taken thereon.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 2016.

William E. Malone
Secretary, Board of Trustees

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the South Wilmington Fire Protection District (SWFPD) from qualified contractors for the addition, partial demolition and remodeling including general construction, mechanical, plumbing and electrical work on the project known as “South Wilmington Fire Protection District Station Apparatus Bay Addition.” The existing Fire Station is located at 330 Lake Street (P.O. Box 285) in South Wilmington, Illinois 60474.

The construction consists of site work, cast-in place concrete slab on grade, footings and foundation walls, brick and concrete masonry unit walls, wood roof trusses, asphalt shingle roofing, overhead sectional doors, hollow metal doors with hollow metal frames, interior finishes, plumbing, HVAC and electrical.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 8, 2016, at the South Wilmington Fire Protection District Station located at 330 Lake Street in South Wilmington, Illinois 60474. QUALIFICATION: Each bidder must satisfactorily complete the qualification process described in Section 01000 - General Requirements of the Project Manual, by providing the required Qualification Documents. The Qualification Documents will be reviewed by the Owner and Architect to determine the lowest responsible bidder.

Plans, specifications and proposal forms will be available at the South Wilmington Fire Protection District Fire Station, 330 Lake Street (P.O. Box 285) in South Wilmington, Illinois 60474, on Thursday, September 1, 2016 from 9am until 4pm. A non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 will be required.

All bidders will be required to submit a bid bond in the amount of 5% of the amount of the bid. No bid checks will be accepted. The successful bidder will be required to provide a 100% Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Payment Bond with the contract. Bidders are advised that this contract will be subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.

Bids shall be submitted no later than 1:00 p.m. at the South Wilmington Fire Protection District Station on Friday, September 16, 2016. Bids will be opened and read publicly at that time. The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bidding. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of 30 days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the owner.

(Dwight Fire Protection District Annual Financial Statement continued from previous column)

Justin Dyer - Assistant Fire Chief	\$	4,079.90
Justin Pierce	\$	264.46
Karl Holohan	\$	40.00
Kyle Adamic	\$	682.42
Logan Rowley	\$	708.73
Marcia Drach - Bookkeeper	\$	1,500.00
Matthew Provance	\$	10.00
Mitchell Nettleingham	\$	375.22
Nathan DeMarse	\$	200.52
Nathan Woodin	\$	125.00
Paul Johnson - Fire Chief/Administrator	\$	4,279.34
Rachel Groll	\$	5.00
Ryan T Haas	\$	30.00
Rod Kodat - Trustee	\$	750.00
	\$	22,902.84

D. Summary of Disbursements for Period of 5/1/15 -4/30/16

Disbursements in Excess of \$2,500.00 Per Payee	\$243,651.98
Disbursements of Less Than \$2,500.00 Per Payee by Expenditure Category	\$ 78,333.59
Total Checking Account Disbursements 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$321,985.57

RECONCILIATION OF CASH ON HAND, RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR PERIOD OF 5/1/15 - 4/30/16

Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15	\$174,357.92
Plus Receipts For the Period of 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$364,324.84
Total Cash on Hand and Receipts For the Period of 5/1/15- 4/30/16	\$538,682.76
Total Cash on Hand and Receipts For the Period of 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$538,682.76
Less Total Disbursements From 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$321,985.57
Cash on Hand as of 4/30/16	\$216,697.19

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

Beginning Balance of Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15

Checking Account	\$174,357.92
Total Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15	\$174,357.92
Total Receipts For the Period 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$364,324.84
Total Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15	\$174,357.92
Plus Total Receipts For the Period 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$364,324.84
Total Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15	\$174,357.92
Plus Receipts from 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$538,682.76
Year Ending Balance as of 4/30/16	
Total Cash on Hand as of 5/1/15 Plus Receipts From 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$538,682.76
Less Disbursements From 5/1/15 - 4/30/16	\$321,985.57
Cash on Hand as of 4/30/16	\$216,697.19

Cash Balance on 4/30/16 Held as Follows:

Checking Account	\$216,697.19
Total Cash on Hand as of 4/30/16	\$216,697.19

Prairie Creek Public Library Talks Tractors



HOGAN WALKER SHARED ONE OF THEIR TRACTORS with a group of toddlers at Prairie Creek Library's Toddler Time on August 31. Karen Palmer, Toddler Time Director, read tractor stories to the group. Toddler Time is held Wednesdays from 10:30-11:00 a.m. All one to four year olds are invited.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Village of South Wilmington will hold a public hearing on September 14, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., at the South Wilmington Village Hall, 380 Lake Street, South Wilmington, IL to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federal funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project. Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons who wish to attend the public hearing and need assistance should contact the North Central IL Council of Governments (NCICG), 613 West Marquette Street, Ottawa, Illinois, 815-433-5830 no later than September 9, 2016. Every effort will be made to make reasonable accommodations for these persons.

On or about September 30, 2016, South Wilmington intends to apply to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a grant from the State CDBG program. (This program is funded by Title I of the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended). These funds are to be used for a community development project that will include the following activities: construction of a water tower for the Village. The total amount of CDBG funds to be requested is \$450,000. The amount of CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will benefit low- and moderate-income persons is approximately \$301,140. South Wilmington also proposes to expend \$684,000 in non-CDBG funds on the project. These non-CDBG funds will be derived from a bank loan.

Information related to the project will be available for review prior to the public hearing as of September 1, 2016 at the NCICG offices between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. Interested citizens are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. Written comments should be submitted to NCICG no later than September 13, 2016 in order to ensure placement in the official record of the public hearing proceedings. A plan to minimize displacement and provide assistance to those displaced has been prepared by South Wilmington and is also available to the public. This project will result in **no displacement of any persons or businesses**. For additional information concerning the proposed project, please contact NCICG at the above address or phone.

Richard Alderson, Village President
Village of South Wilmington

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation)
)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) NO. 16-CH-46
)
)
KATHRYN M. LOWERY, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., a National Banking Association, and unknown owners and non-record claimants,)
)
Defendants.)

NOTICE

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

Lot 42 of the Third Addition to Bailey Subdivision, Pontiac, being located on a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14., Township 28 North, Range 5 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat recorded April 9, 1976, in Plat Book 10, page 19 in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-14-357-014

Commonly known as: 1106 Dorothy Drive, Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is KATHYRN M. LOWERY. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on April 8, 2002 and recorded on April 16, 2002, at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 00533905, and a mortgage executed on April 4, 2008 and recorded on April 15, 2008 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 00586349. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendant in Case No. 16-CH-46 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Office, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before October 15, 2016, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 18 day of August, 2016.

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

Herscher Marks 96th Annual Labor Day Fest



GRAND MARSHALS for the 2016 Herscher Labor Day Parade on Sept. 5 were World War II Veterans Warren Cochran, Robert Flynn and Harold Tobenski.
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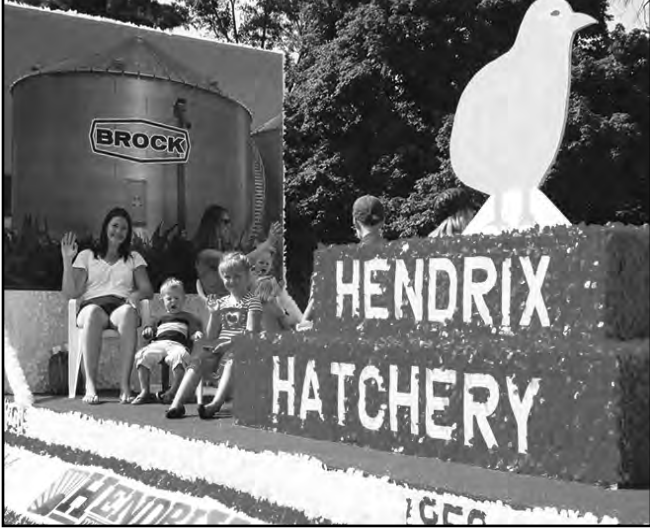
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TOM AND DAWN SCANLON prepare to enjoy Herscher Labor Day Festivities.



FROZEN GRAIN THIS YEAR for Herscher Grain's float. The Snowman is melting.





MVK LADY MAVERICKS SOFTBALL

Monday, August 29
MVK vs. Odell
“A”

The Lady Mavs grabbed a 12-6 win over Odell August 29, fueled by a six-run seventh inning.

MVK would score in the seventh on two passed balls, a walk by Mallory Othon, another passed ball, and an RBI single by Taya Roe.

Kloey Lind had a hot bat for the Lady Mavs, going 3-5 and scoring twice.

Roe got the “W” for MVK, despite allowing six runs over seven innings. Roe struck out nine, walked four, and gave up six hits in total.

The top of the first saw the Lady Mavericks take an early 2-0 lead. Othon started the rally with a single, then would move from second to third on a single by Alanna Chapman. MVK then tacked on more runs when Delaney Welsh scored on a bases loaded walk.

After scoring three runs in the third, the Lady Mavs would never relinquish their lead.

Tuesday, August 30
MVK vs. Dwight
“A”

In a match-up with Dwight August 30, MVK was beaten 14-2.

Keeli Pumphrey hit and pitched well for the Lady Mavs – getting on base

twice, tripling and driving in a run – as well as bringing the heat to a tough Dwight lineup. Pumphrey held the Lady Redbirds hitless over one-third of an inning, allowing no earned runs, walking none, and striking out one.

The Lady Mavericks had the early lead, 1-0, in the first on a single by Mallory Othon that plated Paige Baker.

A run in the top of the fifth on an RBI triple by Pumphrey helped MVK close its deficit, but that’s as close as it would get.

The Lady Mavs are now 3-4 with the loss.

Wednesday, August 31
MVK vs. Ransom
“A”

August 31 was a great day for Taya Roe, as she tossed a shutout to carry the Lady Mavs to a 3-0 win over Ransom in seven innings.

Roe mowed down 11 of the 24 batters she faced, giving up just one hit over seven shutout innings.

The Lady Mavericks never trailed after scoring two runs in the third on three doubles, one each from Taylor Draves, Mallory Othon, and Kloey Lind.

With the victory, MVK is now 4-4.



DGS LADY REDBIRDS SOFTBALL

Monday, August 29
Dwight vs. Seneca
“B”

IVC Tournament
The Lady Redbirds made a furious run at the IVC championship August 29.

Dwight defeated Seneca, 7-4, in the first game, however, fell short to Saratoga in the championship game, 15-5, in six innings.

Addie Harms got the complete game victory over Seneca.

Hailey Heath led the way at the plate with two RBI on two doubles.

Aggressive baserunning allowed the Lady Redbirds to grab a 7-1 lead after four.

Kira Bean worked her way into a run-down, eventually scoring after an errant throw. Iris Beier also added a solid single.

In the championship game, the Lady Redbirds once again grabbed an early lead, but Saratoga went in front 6-5 after three and would continue to tack on more runs, en route to the “W.”

Megan Livingston hammered two singles and batted in a run. Alayna Airgood added another RBI on a fielder’s choice.

“It was an outstanding night for the Lady Redbirds,” said Coach Butterbrodt. “Great hustle and effort throughout the

tournament.”

Tuesday, August 30
Dwight vs. Reed-Custer
“B”

Dwight lost a tough one to Reed-Custer, 13-12, on August 30.

The Lady Redbirds jumped out to an early lead, but could not hold onto it.

Trailing 8-7 after five innings, Dwight shot ahead 12-8 on some great baserunning and timely hitting.

However, the Panthers rallied to score five in the bottom of the sixth to earn the victory.

Offensively, Megan Livingston had two hits and scored three times. Hailey Heath singled, doubled, batted in two, and scored three runs. Kassy Kodat scored three runs, with Addie Harms scoring a run. Mia Buck and Alexis Cuaya each scored a run.

“The girls never gave up and hustled throughout the hard fought game,” said their coach, Chuck Butterbrodt, in the post-game.

Tuesday, August 30
Dwight vs. Mazon
8th Grade -

Nora Anderson got the win as the Lady Redbirds sailed to victory over Mazon, 14-2, on August 30.

Dwight started off hot,

scoring three in the first. However, it was their third inning that put the game out of reach early, where they scored eight runs.

The right and left pitching duo of Anderson and Abby Rodosky did well for the Lady Redbirds, with Rodosky going two innings, striking out two, allowing two hits and one walk. Anderson ended up giving up just one hit and three walks, fanning four for the win.

At the plate, Kayla Kodat stayed hot going 3-3 with two RBI, a walk, and three runs. Erin Anderson was 2-3 with two RBI and two runs scored. Isabelle Schultz also went 2-3, with two RBI and a run scored. Laurny Hoegger was 1-1 with a walk, a run, and two RBI, while Rodosky went 1-2 with a walk, two runs, and an RBI. Rachel Heath, also 1-2, knocked in a run and scored once. Alexis Thetard tripled and scored. Anderson scored once and batted in a run. Eden Beier walked and scored once.

Thursday, September 1
Dwight vs. Shabbona
8th Grade -

Dwight remained undefeated with a big 13-1 win over Shabbona September 1, backed by Abby Rodosky’s eight strikeout performance.





Fall HOME IMPROVEMENT

Berns Family Refurbishes 1908 Home For Josh Berns and Sons



ANDY BERNs hoists a piece of the original wood trim in the old Herscher home he is fixing up for his son, Josh.

The Paper photo

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

When homes were built in 1908, there were some added extras you don't see in homes today.

For example, the home at the corner of Main Street and Third in Herscher, just south of Herscher Grade School on the west side of the street, included ornate carved wood trim, a wooden grand staircase, clawfoot bathtub, and even a glass window etched with a design in the front of the house.

Those are the types of things the Berns family is trying to preserve as they

refurbish the old lady back to her former glory, expected to have it ready by Christmas for Josh Berns and his three young sons to move in.

The home is owned by Josh's parents, Tammy and Andy Berns of rural Herscher.

They purchased the 2,930 square foot house three years ago after the upstairs burned in a fire, destroying much of the bedrooms. The home had five bedrooms originally.

It also has a basement and attic.

Part of the first things done was to replace 31 win-

dows leaving just three original windows. Tammy Berns insisted they keep the one window in front with the etched glass design.

Other than Josh, Andy and Tammy, Josh's brother Jeremy is also helping with the work. A friend, Brant Schultz, is also working on the home. But they will also use Joe Petersen for plumbing and Tom McGann of Timm Electric for the refurbishing work.

The interior was originally insulated with blown-in material between wood lathe and plaster on the outside.

The refurbishing will include rolls of insulation

under the drywall.

"We will use the original old shell, (but) everything else will be brand new inside," explained Josh Berns.

The new interior will include double floor joists, but the old sliding wood doors will be stripped of paint and stained to bring back the natural wood beauty.

The house, bought after the fire, was a "steal," but the amount going into it will not be small, according to Andy.

"It's going to be an investment when finished," Andy said.



THE ADVANTAGES of refurbishing a home built in 1908 include features like this cut glass window at the front of the house.

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JOSH BERNs measures a window, one of 34 in the home he is refurbishing. Of the original 34 windows, 31 were replaced in the 1908 Herscher home.

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Fall HOME IMPROVEMENT

The Fall Home Care Checklist

by Sam Erickson

Maybe it's going back to school, maybe it's the shorter days or maybe it's the blinding lights signaling the holiday season ahead, but fall home improvement projects often get tossed aside or neglected in favor of more exciting, interesting or pressing activities. This short checklist will help guide you to the most important elements to monitor and maintain in your home, keeping you and your family safe and maximizing

the life of your home.

When the time changes, it's time to check the batteries in your smoke detectors. Making sure they are still operational is quick and easy and will bring peace of mind for another six months. Similarly, every year, you should check your fire extinguishers to ensure that they have the proper pressure. Look for dents and dings, and make sure the pin is in the correct position. Fall is a great time to do this, as you'll be spending more time indoors. If the pressure

has fallen too low, find a professional to recharge them for you.

Most people don't use their chimney in the summer, and soot can build up over the course of a year. Other debris like birds' nests or even leaves can create unsafe blockages. Have your chimney inspected by a professional if you plan to use it through the winter.

Small animals will be looking for a warm place to sleep, and your home is a great option for them. Perform routine pest control

in your area, watching out for places where animals might get into your home.

Most importantly, you'll want to have your furnace and heating system checked by a professional. This can save you big money on your heating bill, and an inspection can ensure that there isn't a dangerous buildup of carbon monoxide in your home. Furnace and air filters should be changed regularly to maximize safety and efficiency. If you are planning on using space heaters, humidifiers or de-humidi-

fiers, they are a great addition to your checklist. Clean them off and inspect the heating and electrical elements for safety, particularly if they have been out of sight in storage for the warmer months.

Finally, check the caulking around your home. Caulk is a cheap compound that anyone can apply, and it will reduce the amount of

energy loss from your home and prevent water damage to flooring, walls and windows in the kitchen and bathroom.

This is a big list—and it's certainly not comprehensive—but all of these things can be accomplished in one weekend day. Spending minimal time improving and protecting your home for the winter season will provide great returns.

They All Fall Down: Gutter Cleaning Tips

by Sam Erickson

It's not a job that anyone looks forward to, but it's one of the most important things you can do in the fall for your home. Cleaning the gutters can take a little while, but if they aren't cleaned, water can build up next to your home and cause rot on wooden surfaces, pull off the gutters from the weight or allow ice dams to build up, potentially ruining your roof. While there's no simple way to clean gutters, a few tips can make the job easier and ensure your safety.

You'll need a few supplies to get started. There are all kinds of tools that you can use these days, including attachments to a shop vacuum, extension poles or even robots, but the simplest, most efficient way to do it is still by hand. You'll want to wear work

gloves when cleaning gutters to protect your hands from sticks and other sharp objects and animal waste.

Ladder safety is of paramount importance when cleaning gutters, and the best way to keep a ladder stable while working on it is to have someone hold it at the bottom. Because you'll need to be up at the height of the gutters, you'll want to have a stand-off for your ladder, keeping it from damaging your gutters in the process.

If you don't have a ladder yourself, then it might be time to invest in one. Better yet, see if you can borrow a neighbor's. Of course, they'll be more willing to lend you their tools if you offer to help them with their own work. That way, you can trade time for money and get to know your neighbor in the process.

Scoop the debris out.



You can do that with your hands or a trowel. Tie a trash bag or compost bucket to your ladder to hold the refuse. Once you have the majority of the material out, take a garden hose, set it to the highest pressure you can and wash down the gutters towards the downspout. You might then have to auger out the downspouts to keep them from backing up. If you haven't done it yet and live in an area of heavy debris, consider installing

leaf guards at the top of your downspouts to prevent debris from entering. If you have large, mature trees around your home, you might have to clean more than once each season.

If you're unable to do the job yourself, look into having a neighbor or professional handyman do the work for you. A small amount of effort keeping those gutters clean can save you significant money in the long run.

Clear The Deck: Winter's Coming

by Sam Erickson

While you're adding storm windows, checking insulation and putting the garden to bed for the winter, take some time to take care of that deck as well.

Your first step is to clean your deck thoroughly. Fungus and mildew can build up over the summer, especially in the shade or under potted plants where the deck doesn't dry out for long periods of time. Dirt and rust stains can come from boots or your patio fur-

niture.

In order to properly maintain your deck, you'll want to manage the materials properly. Check the manufacturer's recommendations on how to use each product, cleaning all of the grime before you get started with anything else.

The first thing that you'll want to do is to strip away the finish that has deteriorated. Be sure that you are using the right product. Try a small test area where the material won't be visible. Make sure you are using the

right protective equipment and are careful with any excess or spills. Keep children and pets away from the deck while these chemicals are in use.

Once the deck is cleaned and stripped, it is time to reapply the finish or stain. Some composite materials will never require this kind of maintenance, but solid cedar decks will need it much more regularly.

Finally, you'll want to seal the deck with an approved water-repellant. As snow and ice accumulate

through the winter months, this protective coating will keep your deck protected through the winter and spring.

A little bit of maintenance each year can save you a tremendous hassle, and your deck will be ready for those great times in the spring and all summer long.

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Tuesday, August 30 Saunemin vs. Flanagan

The Saunemin Eagles took the last of five lead changes in a back-and-forth affair against Flanagan August 30, securing a 5-2 victory.

Saunemin finally managed to grab the lead after a strong sixth, when a steal of home by Jack Duffy gave the Eagles the lead for good.

Saunemin was led by a flawless day at the dish by Duffy, who went 2-2 – singling in the second and fourth innings.

Trevor Sexton had an impressive outing against Flanagan's lineup, which managed just one hit off the Eagles' pitcher. He allowed one earned run, walked one, and struck out nine in five innings of work.

Jimmie Riley recorded the win for Saunemin, tossing two innings of shutout ball. He struck out five, walked none, and surrendered just one hit.

Flanagan jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the top of the second.

After a quick strike from Flanagan, the Eagles responded with one run in the second, scoring on an RBI single by Caleb Peet.

Saunemin scored another run on a wild pitch in the fourth.

Sat., Sept. 3 vs. Coal City

After a bad beating at the hands of Marseilles, 15-0, September 1, the Eagles got back on track with a 5-2 win over Coal City on Saturday behind both the bat and the arm of Trevor Sexton.

Sexton racked up two RBI on two hits for Saunemin, homering in the first and singling in the fourth.

Keeping contact to a minimum on the mound, Sexton struck out ten CC batters, allowing no earned runs on three hits and four walks over five innings.

The Eagles scored four runs in the first inning to build an early lead. They scored on the solo shot from Sexton and a wild pitch.

After pushing across two runs in the top of the third, Coal City faced just a 4-2 deficit. The threat came to an end, however, when Sexton got CC to ground out and Saunemin would hang on for the "W."

Saunemin vs. Ridgeview

Jimmie Riley went 3-3 at

the plate, but the Saunemin Eagles fell to Ridgeview 20-7 on Saturday.

Two of the Eagles' runs were scored thanks to timely hitting by Riley, who singled in the first, second, and fourth innings.

Ridgeview easily handled Saunemin's pitching, though, as eight hitters combined for 14 hits, 15 RBI, and 20 runs.

Riley was charged with the loss, allowing eight runs in three innings – walking five and striking out five.

The Eagles scored on a groundout by Tyler Frauli in the first, as well as an RBI single by Caleb Peet and a wild pitch.

An RBI single by Riley sparked a mini-rally for Saunemin in the fourth, but it was not enough.



DGS REDBIRDS BASEBALL

Monday, August 29 Dwight vs. Pontiac “A”

Dwight fell to Pontiac, 11-6, when they squared off August 29.

Daniel Ford pitched the first three innings for the Trojans, followed by Emmett Emmons and Bryce Handzus, who each threw for two innings.

Andrew Harsh was 2-3 with a double, while Ford went 2-3 with a walk. Camden Beier also had two hits, with Emmons, Andrew

Kapper, and Andrew Brown each adding a hit. Caden Schroeder and Handzus provided a hit and a walk each.

Thursday, September 1 Dwight vs. Elwood “A” IVC Tournament

The Redbird “A” team lost to Elwood, 12-1, in first round action of the IVC tourney held September 1.

Eighth Grade Night is Thursday, September 8, when Dwight goes up against Braidwood.

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At the Churches

DWIGHT

Dwight United Methodist Church
701 S. Columbia
584-3420 church
Dwightumc.org
Pastor: Lance Leeds
• SEPT. 7: 9 a.m., Prayer Shawl; 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Dinner and movie for Real and Ignite; 6:30 p.m., Choir practice.
• SEPT. 8: 7:30 p.m., Praise Band rehearsal.
• SEPT. 9: Office closes at noon.
• SEPT. 10: 7 a.m., Men's Bible Study at Route 66 and Pete's Restaurants; 6 p.m., YAGOs at Poor Richards in Odell.
• SEPT. 11: 8 a.m., Early Worship Service, UMW Sunday; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School for all ages; 9:30 a.m., Praise Team rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Late Worship Service, UMW Sunday.
• SEPT. 12: 6:30 p.m., Bible Warriors; 7 p.m., Evangelism meeting.
• SEPT. 13: 8:30 a.m., Hen's Bible Study; 9 a.m., Bible Seekers.
• SEPT. 14: 2 p.m., Real; 6:30 p.m., Choir practice; 7 p.m., Ignite.π

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

325 E. Mazon Ave.
584-3433 church
584-1291 fax
584-1023 parsonage
Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Pastor
• SEPT. 10: 5 p.m., Worship with Holy Communion.
• SEPT. 11: 9 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Heritage Manor Chapel.
• SEPT. 14: 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., Weekday School.
• SEPT. 17: NO Saturday Worship.

First Baptist Church

401 N. Clinton St.
815-584-3182
Pastor Daniel L. Woodward
• SEPT. 7: Wednesday Evening Service and King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.
• SEPT. 11: Sunday

School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.
• SEPT. 14: Wednesday Evening Service and King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ

200 W. Delaware St.
584-1260 church
Pastor Connie Williams
Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister
• SEPT. 11: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title: "What the World Needs Now"
• SEPT. 14: Women's Guild meeting, 6:30 p.m.
• SEPT. 18: No Church Service – Dwight Harvest Days. "September Mission of the Month" Our Church Wider Mission/OCWM

New Life Assembly of God

903 S. Old Route 66
Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor
815-584-3430
• SEPT. 7: 7 p.m., Disciples Making Disciples Bible Study.
• SEPT. 8: 7 p.m., Worship practice.
• SEPT. 11: 9 a.m., "Basic Training" 1st and 2nd Timothy; 10 a.m., Main Service; 815-584-3522 Office
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
• SEPT. 10: 4 - 4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass.
• SEPT. 11: 8 a.m., Mass.

St. Patrick Catholic Church

Mazon Ave. at Prairie
815-584-3522 Office
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
• SEPT. 10: 4 - 4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass.
• SEPT. 11: 8 a.m., Mass.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

326 W. Chippewa St.
stpetersdwight@sbcglobal.net
Office: Tu-Fri, 9 - noon
Tu. and Wed., 2 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
• SEPT. 7: 2 p.m., bingo at Heritage Health; 7 p.m., Youth Group.
• SEPT. 9: 8 p.m., AA meeting.
• SEPT. 11: 8:30 a.m., Handbell rehearsal; 8:45 a.m., Fellowship time; 9:00 - 9:50 a.m., Faith Development; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion.
• SEPT. 12: 12:00 - 12:30 p.m., Set up for food distribution; 3:00 - 5:30 p.m., Food distribution.
• SEPT. 13: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m., Salvation Army, Food Pantry, and clothing; 7 p.m., Church Council meeting.
• SEPT. 14: YOUTH NIGHT – 5 p.m., Set up; 5:30 p.m., Music rehearsal; 6 p.m., Youth meal; 7 p.m., Youth Group.

Trinity Lutheran Church "Goodfarm" LCMS

515 E. Stonewall Rd.
Pastor William Mitschke
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BRACEVILLE

Braceville United Methodist Church
106 W. Gould St.
815-237-8512 Church
Pastor: Bennett A. Woods
• SEPT. 9: 8 a.m., Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.
• SEPT. 11: Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m.

CAMPUS

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
• SEPT. 11: 10:00 a.m., Mass.

CULLOM

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

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

St. John's Catholic Church

113 W. VanAlstyne St.
• Saturdays: Mass, 4 p.m.; Confession, 3:30 - 3:50 p.m.
• Sundays: Mass, 10 a.m.
• Thurs.: Mass, 8 a.m.

Cullom United Methodist Church
103 E. Van Alstyne St.
Pastor Jonathon Brashear
309-838-9519
• Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:15 a.m.

EMINGTON

Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
103 Division Street
Pastor Connie Williams
Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister
• SEPT. 11: Worship, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "What the World Needs Now." Department meetings after church service.
• SEPT. 14: 6:45 p.m., Council meeting.
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ESSEX

Essex United Methodist Church
114 Waverly St.
• SUNDAY, 10:30 a.m., Worship Service.
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• Children's Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Adult Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.
• Holy Communion served first Sunday of each month and on special occasions.

St. Lawrence O'Toole Catholic Church
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Pastor Jana Howson
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St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
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Pastor: Rev. Doug Hauber
815-426-2153
• Saturday Mass, 5 p.m.
• Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m.
• Monday and Friday, Masses, 8 a.m.
• Saturday confessions, 4:15 p.m.

Herscher United Methodist Church
274 N. Elm Street
Phone: 815-426-6169
Pastor Kevin Boesen
• Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.

Herscher Christian Church

30 Tobey Drive
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815-426-2908 or 823-6072
Staff e-mail: life@herschercatholic.com
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On Facebook: Herscher Christian Church
• Services: 9; and 10:30 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Pastor Eric Brown
255 E. Third Street
Phone 815-426-2262
Email: trinityherl@comcast.net
trinitylutheranherscher.org
• 9:30 a.m., Bible Study.
• Communion first, third and fifth Sunday.

KEMPTON

Kempton United Methodist Church
305 W. Main Street
Pastor Jonathon Brashear
309-838-9519
• Sundays: 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10:15 a.m., Worship

Kempton Church of the Nazarene

105 E. Main St.
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• Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.

KINSMAN

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
301 Emmett Street
Rev. Stanley Drenniak, Pastor
• Sundays, 8 a.m., Mass
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MAZON

Mazon United Methodist Church
Office phone: 448-5677
E-mail: mazonumc@att.net
• Sunday Worship, 9 a.m.
• Sunday School Class, 10:15 a.m., each Sunday.
• Bible Study Group, 10:30 a.m., each Sunday.

Park Street Congregational United Church of Christ

806 Park Street
Pastor Tyler Carrell
Phone 448-5514
• Sunday Worship Services, 9 a.m.
• Sunday School: Destination Unknown, 10:15 a.m.
• Coffee hour, 10:15 a.m.

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St. Paul Catholic Church
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Prairie Creek Library Has Your Golden Ticket to Family Movie Night

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Anyone who wishes to attend should stop by the main desk before that date to pick up a golden ticket. Although tickets are free, the ticket helps staff know how many to expect and serves as a chance to win a door prize.

In keeping with the theme of the movie, yummy treats will be available during the show.

The fun will continue after the movie with the Gobstopper Guessing Game. Children in grades K-5 can stop by the library from September 12-16 to play.

Patrons also may want to check out some of Dahl’s other materials available at the library. Prairie Creek offers several additional books and movies, including the sequel, “Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator.”

More Herscher Labor Day Photos



THE HERSCHER UNITED Methodist Church float in the 2016 Herscher Labor Day parade (above) featured faith as a rock then and now, while Rodney Schwarck rides a car from the old days, and the Bonfield Grand Prairie Parish float features a theme of sacrifice for both soldiers and Jesus.

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The program is structured to provide individualized attention in a safe and nurturing learning environment. The morning classes include educational activities that focus on age appropriate skills. Daily snacks and physical activity are included in the morning curriculum. Half-day students can leave at 11:30 a.m. or stay for lunch. Students can either take their lunch or purchase a hot lunch, which costs \$1.50 per day. Half-day students can join their classmates for lunch recess but must be picked up at 12:30 p.m.

All-day students will continue with a rest period and exploratory classes. Bus transportation is available from Dwight and Campus. Students may enroll in preschool once they have turned age three. Students may enroll during the school year once they have reached age three, provided space in the class is still available.

A new option for parents this year is the After School Care program, which was created for parents whose schedules prevent them from being able to pick up children or greet them at the bus in time. For this program, students can stay at the school up until 6:00 p.m. A drop-in option is also available for parents who may need the service only occasionally.

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